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Obituaries

Elizabeth ‘Ann’ McDaniel



Elizabeth “Ann” McDaniel, 89, of Midland, Texas, passed away Wednesday, July 13, 2016.

Ann, the third child of four of Friend Holcomb Talbott and Clara Mae Soldan was born Nov. 19, 1926, in Beatrice, Neb. At the age of 11, Ann and her family returned to Clara Mae’s birth-place of Big Spring, Texas, in 1937. After graduating Big Spring High School in 1943, Ann attended Hardin-Simmons College, Texas Wesleyan College, and Texas Tech University, where she studied music.

Ann married her childhood sweetheart Boyd Jack McDaniel on June 4, 1947, in Big Spring, Texas, returning to College Station where Jack completed his degree in civil engineering in 1948, Class of ‘45.

In 1953, Ann and Jack moved to Abilene, Texas, where Jack joined his father in the contracting business. After Jack began his career as Director of Public Works with the City of Abilene, they moved to Corpus Christi, Houston, and Austin as they followed his various appointments. Upon retirement, they moved to Kerrville, eventually making their final move to Manor Park in Midland, Texas.

Following her love and study of music, Ann served as Choir Director at St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church in Abilene. While in Corpus, she worked for general manager George Green at Dillard’s Department Store, and continued in the same line of work in Houston at Foley’s.

Ann was an active member and volunteer of the Junior League in Abilene, Corpus Christi, Houston, and Austin. She was a staunch member of the Republican Women’s Club, as well as the Daughters

of the American Revolution (DAR). Ann loved her gardening and became a member of the Austin Junior League Garden Club and Anderson Mill Garden Club, where she is credited for starting the annual quilt tradition for scholarship money, still going strong today.

Ann is preceded in death by her husband Jack; her parents Friend Holcomb and Clara Mae Talbott; and siblings Charles Blakely Talbott, William Soldan Talbott, and Bonnie Lou Talbott.

Ann is survived by her son, Boyd John and wife Janet Zinn McDaniel of Midland, Texas; and Jan’s children, Chris Mouton, his wife Rachel, and children, of Jenks, Okla., and Carrie Armbruster-Grosch, her husband Mark, and children, of Cedar Park, Texas; daughter Bonnie Beth and husband Ronald James Clements of Houston, Texas, and their children, Emma Yvonne Clements, husband Richard Graham, and children of Reading, England, Nicole Elizabeth Clements and husband Joshua Fraser of Lawrence, Kan., and Ryan James Clements of Houston, Texas; and her much-loved nieces and nephews.

The family expresses their gratitude towards their church family at Grace Presbyterian Church of Midland; the staff and healthcare workers at Midland Memorial Hospital and Hospice of Midland; and loving caregiver Lucy Armendariz.

The Memorial Service will be held at Manor Park Chapel at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 30, 2016. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Manor Park Inc. (manorparkinc.org/donate-info.php), Hospice of Midland (hospicemidland.org/donations/donate), Grace Presbyterian Church Music Department, or to the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Midland. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com.

Paid obituary

Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **BRYAN JOSEPH GILES**, 32, of 623 McEwen St. was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JOHNNY RODRIGUEZ**, 26, of 1409 Park St. was arrested on charges of driving with an invalid license, no driver’s license, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and expired regis-

tration; and on several outstanding warrants.

- **KERRY LYNN EDWARDS**, 44, of 411 N.E. 10th St. was arrested on a charge of speeding.
- **CRYSTAL RAMIREZ MUNIZ**, 30, of 611 N. San Antonio St. was arrested on outstanding warrants.
- **REYES CASTANEDA JR.**, 33, of 1303 College Ave. was arrested on outstanding warrants.
- **HARASSMENT** was reported

in the 3600 block of West Highway 80.

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1500 block of Vines Avenue and the 1300 block of Mesa.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 600 block of East FM 700.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 800 block of South Gregg Street and 400 block of South Adams Street.

Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of East 25th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported-

ed in the 1000 block of East 13th Street. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of Lamar.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of 11th Place and Virginia Avenue.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was

reported near mile marker 174 on Interstate 20.

- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 800 block of North Benton.
- **TRAUMA CALL** was reported in the 1200 block of Mulberry. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Support Groups

THURSDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women’s meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers’ meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don’t have to talk if you don’t want to. Flexible payment options.

• A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran’s Healing Center.

FRIDAY

- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last

Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.

MONDAY

- VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

- Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

- Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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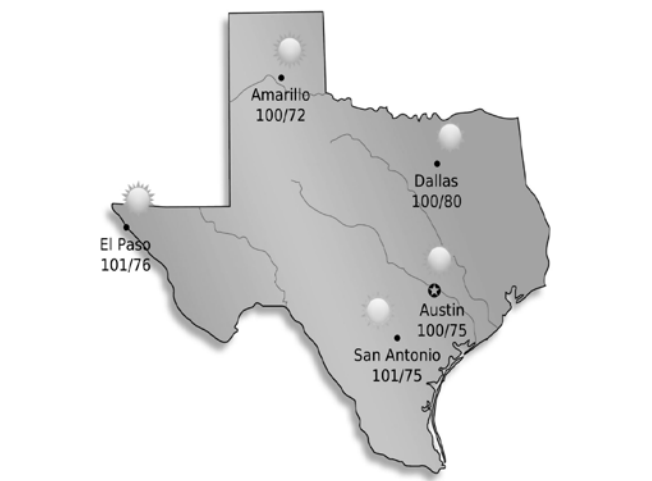
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 99/74 Sunny skies. Very hot. High 99F. Winds SSE at 10 to 15 mph.	 99/74 Sunny. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	 97/75 More sun than clouds. Highs in the upper 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	 95/74 More sun than clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the mid 70s.	 94/73 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 90s and lows in the low 70s.
Sunrise: 6:54 AM Sunset: 8:50 PM	Sunrise: 6:55 AM Sunset: 8:49 PM	Sunrise: 6:56 AM Sunset: 8:48 PM	Sunrise: 6:56 AM Sunset: 8:48 PM	Sunrise: 6:57 AM Sunset: 8:47 PM

Texas at a Glance



Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	100	76	Sunny	Kingsville	97	73	Cloudy
Amarillo	100	72	Sunny	Livingston	97	73	Sunny
Austin	100	75	Sunny	Longview	99	76	Sunny
Beaumont	97	75	Sunny	Lubbock	100	72	P Cloudy
Brownsville	92	76	P Cloudy	Lufkin	98	74	Sunny
Brownwood	100	73	Sunny	Midland	100	75	Sunny
Corpus Christi	95	77	P Cloudy	Raymondville	95	74	M Sunny
Corsicana	101	77	Sunny	Rosenberg	96	73	Sunny
Dallas	100	80	Sunny	San Antonio	101	75	P Cloudy
Del Rio	102	78	Sunny	San Marcos	100	73	Sunny
El Paso	101	76	Sunny	Sulphur Springs	100	78	Sunny
Fort Stockton	99	73	Sunny	Sweetwater	99	76	Sunny
Gainesville	98	75	Sunny	Tyler	100	77	Sunny
Greenville	100	77	Sunny	Weatherford	101	77	Sunny
Houston	98	78	Sunny	Wichita Falls	102	76	Sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	92	72	M Cloudy	Miami	87	80	M Cloudy
Boston	89	70	Sunny	Minneapolis	98	73	P Cloudy
Chicago	94	78	P Cloudy	New York	90	73	Sunny
Dallas	100	80	Sunny	Phoenix	112	89	P Cloudy
Denver	95	66	Sunny	San Francisco	63	51	Cloudy
Houston	98	78	Sunny	Seattle	80	58	Sunny
Los Angeles	91	69	Sunny	Saint Louis	97	79	P Cloudy

Moon Phases



UV Index

Fri 7/22	Sat 7/23	Sun 7/24	Mon 7/25	Tue 7/26
11	11	11	11	10
Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme	Very High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff’s Department reported the following activity:

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 76 inmates at the time of this report.

- **REYES CASTANEDA JR.**, 33, was booked by HCSO on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to appear.
- **KERRY LYNN EDWARDS**, 44, was booked by BSPD on a capias warrant for speeding.
- **JOSE ENRIQUE FAZ**, 37, was booked by HCSO on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, no driver’s license, not secured by seatbelt, failure to appear, and violation of promise to appear.
- **BRYAN JOSEPH GILES**, 32, was booked by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **CRYSTAL NICOLE RAMIREZ**, 30, was booked by BSPD on warrants for public intoxication, disorderly conduct, failure to appear in court, and failure to appear.
- **GILBERT BAZA RODRIGUEZ**, 38, was booked by DPS on violation of probation for theft of property (\$20 to \$500) by check.
- **JOHNNY JORGE RODRIGUEZ JR.**, 26, was booked by BSPD on a charge of driving with an invalid license; and on warrants for no driver’s license, no liability insurance, violation of promise to appear; and on capias warrants for failure to control speed, no driver’s license, failure to maintain financial responsibility, and expired registration.

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ROUTE

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transportation system along the Ports-to-Plains corridor, which makes Big Spring and Howard County a key player in our national economy as well, because it connects Mexico to Canada and all points in between coming along on this road that we built,” said Stan Swiatek, TxDOT district engineer for the Abilene district.

The Highway 87 Relief Route has been named the William B. Crooker Memorial Highway in honor of the late Bill Crooker, a former Howard County Commissioner who spent decades advocating for the project. Crooker lived to attend the project’s groundbreaking in April of 2014.

“What Bill knew is that transportation is the key to driving any economy,” said U.S. Rep. Randy Neugebauer, congressman for District 19. “If you look back at the history of this nation and look at the major cities in America today and they have a transportation nexus. Bill understood that and worked tirelessly to do that.”

Neugebauer, the first president of the Ports-to-Plains Coalition,



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

TxDOT workers unveil a sign naming the southern leg of the U.S. Highway 87 reliever route in honor of former Howard County Commissioner William Crooker.

served with Crooker on the coalition and called the grand opening ceremony a “bittersweet moment.”

“If you think about the word servanthood, if you look in the dictionary the word’s synonym is Bill Crooker,” Neugebauer said. “This was a man who served his country in World War II, was a (prisoner

of war). He spent 40 years as county commissioner. He loved this community. It’s really fitting that we name this after Bill Crooker.”

Howard County Judge Kathryn Wiseman told the crowd she regretted Commissioner Crooker was not alive today to see his vision become reality.

“C o m m i s s i o n e r

Crooker had a vision for the future of Howard County,” Wiseman said.

“He had a vision of a corridor from Canada that reached all the way to the ports in Mexico. As the years went by, he began to focus more and more on this one thing, his one thing that he wanted to accomplish as the fruit of his many

years of services to this community.”

Wiseman said Crooker persisted in his vision even though he was told the project had very little chance to happen in his lifetime.

“He persisted — his vision, his one thing never wavered,” she said. “He knew this goal of bringing this corridor through Howard Coun-

ty would be a blessing for generations to come. Well, one-half of his one thing is complete now. There are still challenges to be considered and improvements to be made, and we are ready, Howard County is ready, to see the completion of this northern route.”

Wiseman ended her speech by challenging individuals in the community to focus on a vision to bring to fruition.

“None of us can do everything, but we can each find our vision and we can find our one thing to press on with,” she said. “What is your one thing? Focus on that one thing. Be determined to see it accomplished, especially if this vision of yours will bless the generations of this community for years and years to come.”

The truck relief route is currently eight months ahead of schedule, Swiatek said. The bidding process for the northern leg should begin in September with construction possibly occurring in January of 2017, he added.

Highway 87 is part of the Ports-to-Plains corridor which is a designated trade corridor to move goods and services from and to Mexico and Canada through West Texas, Colorado and the Pacific Northwest.

Take note

- The West Highway 80 Church of Christ, 3900 Old State Highway 80, is hosting a Gospel Meeting this week.
- The event, which started Sunday, will run through Friday at 7 p.m. each evening. The event features Pulpit Minister Bro. Anthony Fletcher of the Barret Station

Church of Christ in Houston preaching on the theme “What About the Church of Christ?” The message is based on the text of Colossians 1:24: “Now I rejoice in what I am suffering for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ’s afflictions, for the sake of his body, which is the church.”

The public is invited to attend. For more information, contact the church at 267-6483.

- Registration for the Children’s Miracle Theater for the Arts’ (CMTA) two-week August camp is now ongoing.

CMTA a non-profit organization open to children from ages 6-12. The registration fee for “Your Are A Star” summer camp is \$30. The camp will be held Aug. 8 through 19, and classes are 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. CMTA shirts are \$10. Classes will be held in the New Hope School building, 118 Cedar Road.

Children will learn



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Police and emergency medical personnel responded to the scene of a one-vehicle accident on North Benton Street Wednesday afternoon. Apparently, the driver lost control and the vehicle left the roadway and ended in a wooded area. Law enforcement officials had not released any information on the accident as of press time.

stage set and prop design, building, painting and stage setting as well as on stage acting.

For more information or to register, contact Sharon Rich, program director, at 432-517-0723. Space is limited.

- The biennial Forsan Reunion is scheduled for the first weekend in August, 5-6. Festivities kick off with a dinner for former students,

teachers, parents and spouses at Spanish Inn. Following the dinner, all participants are invited to an open house reception in the banquet room at La Quinta Inn at 7:30 p.m. On Saturday, Aug. 6, reunion day activities begin at 9 a.m. in the Forsan School Cafeteria. A continental breakfast is provided at 9 a.m. followed by introductions and an invocation. At 1 p.m., Al’s Bar-B-Que will cater the lunch.

- A garage sale spon-

soring Richard Olivas and his family will be held this Saturday, July 16th from 8 a.m. to noon at 1602 Virginia. Olivas was recently in a motorcycle accident and suffered from many broken bones and a head injury. All proceeds from the sale will go towards his medical bills and other expenses. Cash donations will also be accepted on site.

- Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each

month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted.

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KBSB. “They will be looking at designated areas to meet and work on ever few weeks at this time.”

Thomas Hodges, chief code enforcement officer for the city, was on hand to give those in attendance some “do’s and don’ts” about how to proceed with clean-up activities, she added.

“There was discussion regarding vacant lots and the process to clean them up, how we can assist the elderly with their yard, also how to approach people with trashy yards and much more,” Simmons said.

Simmons said Family Faith has wasted no time putting words into action — members of the congregation recently conducted a clean-up effort on Gregg Street, and more activities are planned in the near future.

With churches taking the lead in this clean-up campaign, Simmons is hopeful for big things on the beautification front.

“This is a beginning, and we would like for every resident of Big Spring to participate,” she said.

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DAILY PRAYER

Our thoughts can affect us emotionally and physically, Lord, please bring love and joy into our lives. Amen.

Who gets absolute moral authority?

It seems like yesterday when Champion of Wimmin Maureen Dowd, bemoaning the lack of sympathy for anti-war mom Cindy Sheehan, declared in The New York Times that “the moral authority of parents who bury children killed in Iraq is absolute.”

No ifs, ands or other hedging qualifiers. Absolutely absolute.

And it was just a blink of an eye ago that the same New York Times spilled barrels of adulatory ink on the 9/11 widows known as the Jersey Girls. Remember them? The quartet of Democratic women parlayed their post-terror attack plight into powerful roles as Bush-bashing citizen lobbyists.

Their story, the lib narrative-shaping paper of record reported, was a “tale of a political education, and a sisterhood born of grief.”

Moms and widows deserved special consideration in the public square, the argument went a decade ago. Their experience and their testimony warranted respect, deference and the national spotlight.

But then, as now, only a special class of victims is entitled to cash in the Absolute Moral Authority card. Not all parents and spouses who have lost loved ones can join the Club of the Unquestioned and Unassailable.

On Monday night at the Republican National Convention, Pat Smith shared her own tale of a political education born of grief after her diplomat son, Sean Smith, died in the Benghazi terrorist attack. Hillary Clinton, she passionately insisted, “de-

serves to be in stripes!”

GQ sports writer Nathaniel Friedman showed his compassion for Smith's loss and pain by tweeting, “I don't care how many children Pat Smith lost I would like to beat her to death.”

MSNBC host Chris Matthews, who had helped make Cindy Sheehan a media star and urged her to run for Congress based on her status as a grieving war mom, fumed that Pat Smith had “ruined” the entire convention with her heartfelt testimony. The smug Democratic political operative turned TV bloviator, who had also elevated the Jersey Girls' celebrity status with multiple bookings on his show, couldn't bear to speak Smith's name:

“I don't care what that woman up there, the mother, has felt. Her emotions are her own, but for the country in choosing a leader, it's wrong to have someone get up there and tell a lie about Hillary Clinton.”

Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., chimed in on the same network that he was disgusted with how the GOP convention was using Smith to “exploit a tragedy.”

GOP-bashers heaped similar derision on father Jamiel Shaw Sr. and mothers Sabine Durden and Mary Ann Mendoza, who all spoke at the convention about losing children to criminals who had slipped illegally through open borders and revolving deportation doors. “Progressives” sneered at Shaw as an “Uncle Tom” for pointing out that Latino gangbangers targeted his black son because of his race. The intolerant tolerance mob also accused Durden of being “fooled” and Durden and Mendoza of being “exploited for apocalyptic theater.”

Will these horrified hang-wringers be as outspokenly

offended next week when the Democratic National Convention dedicates an entire evening to the so-called Mothers of the Movement?

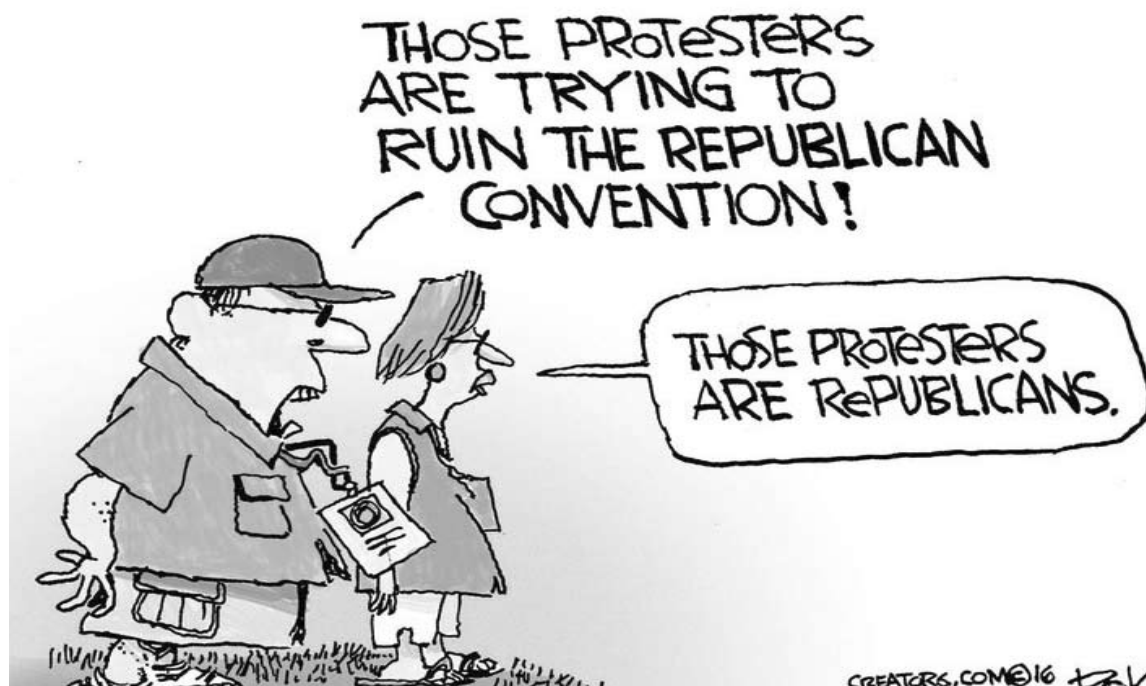
Among the sainted moms of the Black Lives Matter movement who will speak on Hillary Clinton's behalf are Gwen Carr, mother of Eric Garner; Sybrina Fulton, mother of Trayvon Martin; Maria Hamilton, mother of Dontre Hamilton; Lucia McBath, mother of Jordan Davis; Lesley McSpadden, mother of Michael Brown; Cleopatra Pendleton-Cowley, mother of Hadiya Pendleton; and Geneva Reed-Veal, mother of Sandra Bland.

Each of these cases lumped under supposedly unjustified gun violence and systemic racism is complicated and distinct. For starters, Bland hanged herself when her friends and family wouldn't bail her out of jail after she had kicked a police officer. Two of the “children” involved in police shootings (Brown and Hamilton) had assaulted cops during their fatal encounters.

But drop all questions and doubts. “These mothers have worked tirelessly to raise awareness around the issues that surround their children's deaths,” the liberal Huffington Post reports.

Because these women endorse race-baiting, gun-grabbing narratives and left-wing candidates, no one working in the mainstream media will ever challenge their parental prerogative to participate in politics on behalf of their loved ones.

Moms who have lost their children to Democratic incompetence, corruption and open-borders treachery are out of luck. The dealers of Absolute Moral Authority play with a loaded deck.



Cure to some VA waits create new ills

Who oppose calls to privatize the work of the Veterans

Affairs Department are sorely tested at times. Complaints two years ago of unreasonably long waits for care at VA health facilities led to “reforms” in several VA programs.

In 2013, applications for VA disability benefits were piling up, with some claims languishing for over a year. The remedy — streamlining the process for judging disability claims — was not done carefully.

The new computerized system demanded less evidence to prove disability. Examiners were given less time to spend with the applicants, forcing them to make rushed evaluations. It was inevitable that some veterans would exploit these weaknesses to obtain unwarranted disability payments or pad their checks.

As a result, the plan to unclog the pipeline for disability claims has ended up re-clogging it with fraudulent ones. Veterans with great needs are bumped out of appointments by fakers. And money that could go to those too disabled to work a regular job gets diverted to the well-bodied. Veterans themselves are com-

plaining about the scams. Here are two stories as reported in The Wall Street Journal:

Brian Jacobson spent more than year on roadside patrol in Iraq's Diyala province. He justly receives disability compensation for post-traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury.

But when he was applying for the benefit, a clinic staffer advised him thus: Act “like you have a screw loose in your head. Wear clothes with holes that haven't been washed in a while. And act like you've been homeless.” Jacobson knew he was fully qualified for disability compensation, but the coaching, he said, made him “feel dishonest.”

Another veteran of the Iraq War, Jack Murphy, said he was told to say that he had “horrible nightmares” and was “too shellshocked to do anything.” He was to add that he's impotent, even as his wife was expecting. As for his pregnant wife, the friends reportedly said, “They don't know anything.”

Adding to the problem has been an easing of standards for obtaining disability payments. For example, proof of a traumatizing event in war was once required for claiming PTSD. Now it isn't, which helps explain why PTSD claims nearly doubled from 2011 to 2015.

One wishes these applicants, though a minority of veterans, would refuse to lie their way to benefits that could go to their

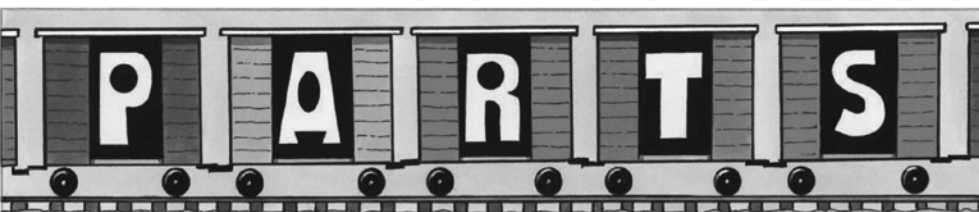
suffering comrades. But human nature being such, it's obvious that if you open a path to receiving a monthly check with lies, some people will try to take it. This applies to all government programs.

Veterans' disability payments have soared from about \$15 billion in 2000 to over \$60 billion last year. Such discussions must also note the very good reasons for rocketing disability costs, unrelated to fraud.

The wars in Afghanistan and Iraq have drawn American troops into very dangerous and stressful missions, creating a growing population of injured and sick veterans. Improvements in battlefield medicine are saving the lives of many grievously injured troops who would otherwise not have survived. They return home with broken bodies.

Those wounded in service to their country are entitled to the best of care. If their injuries impede their ability to work, then a monthly disability check is their due. But though all veterans deserve thanks for their service, they are not entitled to commit fraud.

The solution for long waits — whether for decisions on disability claims or receiving medical attention — should be more staff to do the work. Opening opportunities for cheating serves neither taxpayers nor veterans stuck in the resulting gridlock. It creates unfairness all around.



Name That Part of Speech

There are several parts of speech in the English language. Fill in the blanks to name some of them.

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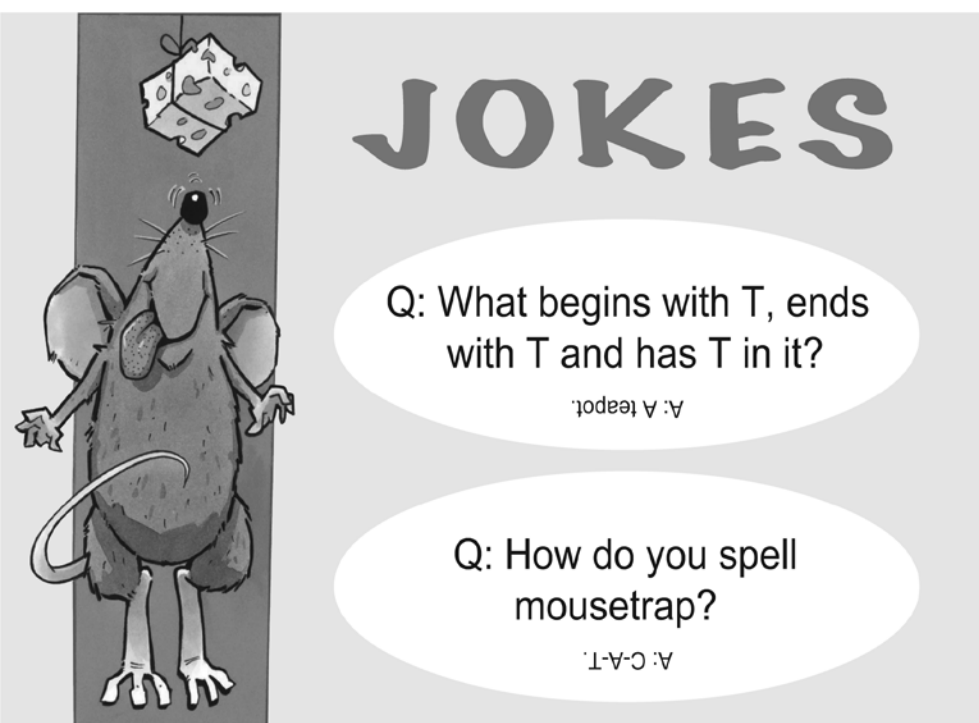
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Answers: (1) Noun, (2) Verb, (3) Adverb, (4) Adjective, (5) Pronoun, (6) Preposition, (7) Conjunction



What Rhymes with...

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List 10 words that rhyme with "RULE."

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10. _____

Some answers: cool, drool, fool, ghoul, mule, pool, school, stool, yule

Fact or Fiction?

Grammar Challenge



Grammar is the set of rules that determine how words should be used in a language. Here are some questions about English grammar. How many can you answer correctly?

- 1) All sentences start with a capital letter. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 2) All sentences end with a period. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 3) The pronoun "I" is always capitalized. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 4) A noun is a person, place or thing. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 5) Subjects are nouns. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 6) The article "an" comes before words that start with a consonant. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 7) Some words sound alike but are spelled differently. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 8) Words that sound alike but have different meanings and may be spelled differently are called homophones. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 9) Apostrophes show possession. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 10) Adverbs modify nouns. **Fact or Fiction?**

Answers: 1) Fact, 2) Fiction, 3) Fact, 4) Fact, 5) Fact, 6) Fiction, 7) Fact, 8) Fact, 9) Fact, 10) Fiction

Forever Changing

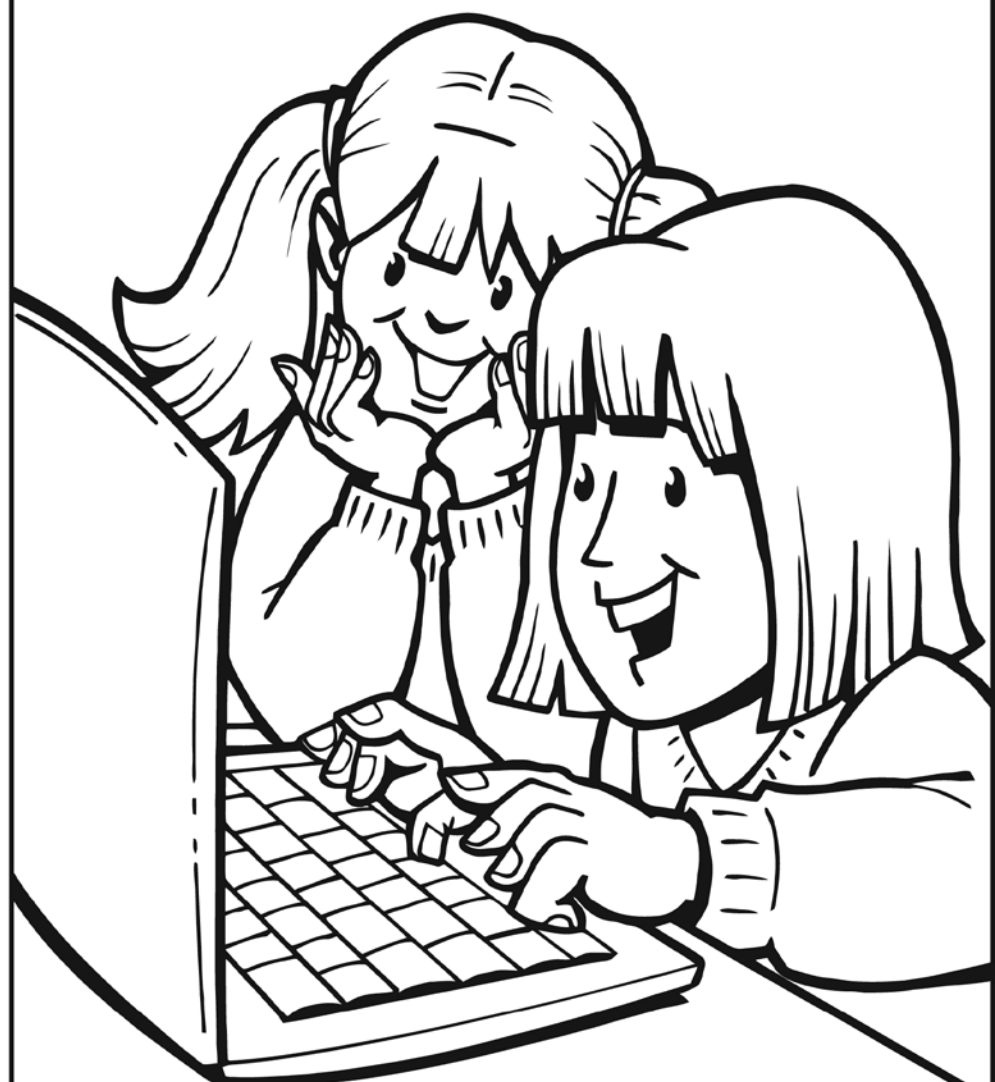
Think you're following the same rules of grammar that your grandparents or parents did? Think again. While you might have been taught some of the same rules, you might also be learning some new ones. That's because the English language is constantly changing.

Listen to your grandparents or parents chat. Now, listen to some teens chat. Hear a difference? Chances are you do. Computers, cell phones and technology in general have led younger people to speak and use the English language differently. While Grandma might have been taught never to start a sentence with the conjunction "but," you might have been taught differently.

The English language is constantly changing to reflect the times. Emailing and texting have resulted in new words and new uses for punctuation marks. The grammar rules you are learning now as a student may no longer apply when you are attempting to help your kids with their homework years down the road.



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Scrimmage announced

Big Spring High School Football freshman, junior varsity, and varsity teams will be holding a scrimmage between each other on Saturday, Aug. 6 at Memorial Stadium.

They will start with ninth graders at 5 p.m.

Coach Clint Finley would like to invite the public to come watch the Steers.

There is no admission fee to come watch the scrimmage, however, the teams ask that a towel or bar of soap be donated for entry.

This will help the athletes get the year started.

High School football equipment will be issued starting July 26. Students will not be issued pads if they do not have a physical. If a physical is needed, forms can be picked up at the ATC Monday through Thursday.

Juniors and seniors Tuesday, July 26 from 9-11 a.m.

Sophomores, Wednesday, July 27 from 9-11 a.m.

Freshman, Thursday, July 28 from 9-11 a.m.



AP Photo/Sue Ogrocki

Texas Tech quarterback Patrick Mahomes passes in the second quarter of an NCAA college football game in Lubbock, Texas, Saturday, Oct. 31, 2015.

Mayfield, Mahomes among top QBs to watch in Big 12

DALLAS (AP) — Baker Mayfield once hosted Patrick Mahomes on a recruiting visit at Texas Tech.

Mahomes will be the host in late October when Mayfield leads Oklahoma, the overwhelming preseason favorite to win another Big 12 title, into Lubbock for a head-to-head meeting between two of the best quarterbacks in a high-scoring league filled with talented signal-callers.

West Virginia coach Dana Holgorsen said the current crop of Big 12 quarterbacks, including four who threw for more than 3,100 yards last season, is reminiscent of a stretch nearly a decade

ago when the league had most of its top all-time passers, including Heisman Trophy winner Sam Bradford with the Sooners in 2008.

"This reminds me of some of those 2006, 2007, 2008 years where we had a lot of older guys that were returning guys. Quarterback play has been great in this league for a long, long time," Holgorsen said. "The last couple of years it's been a little bit more spotty, but seeing all these guys coming back with what they can do, I think is pretty good."

Potential Big 12 expansion and the Baylor assault scandal dominated

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Rangers free falling as Angels finish off sweep, win 7-4

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — The Los Angeles Angels have brought some fun back to Angel Stadium. All it took was two series.

Jefry Marte hit a three-run homer and the Angels shut down a late rally by the AL West-leading Texas Rangers in a 7-4 win Wednesday night that gave Los Angeles a three-game sweep.

It was the second straight sweep for the Angels, who won their season-best sixth in a row and moved out of last place in the AL West.

"We're having fun and that's what we said a couple weeks ago: Just go into the second half, try to have fun and let's see what happens," starter Hector Santiago said. "Right now it's working."

What's happening for Los Angeles is greater offensive production than the team has seen all season. The Angels have scored a league-high 110 runs in July, matching their total from June with 10 games left to play this month.

Albert Pujols had two hits and scored twice to spur the offense on Wednesday, while Yunel Escobar had two RBIs and Marte hit his sixth home run.

"It's much more fun when you're scoring runs and winning," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "It's going to look like you have a lot more life."

The Rangers rallied in the ninth inning when Ian Desmond homered,



AP Photo/Lenny Ignelzi

Los Angeles Angels' Jefry Marte bashes forearms with Mike Trout after hitting a three run homer against the Texas Rangers in the first inning of a baseball game Wednesday, July 20, 2016, in Anaheim, Calif.

Adrian Beltre doubled and Ryan Rua singled to put runners on the corners with two outs. The rally fell short when Rougned Odor flew out to left field.

Desmond went with 2 for 4 with the home run and Mitch Moreland hit his 13th homer, a solo shot to lead off the fourth inning. Desmond's homer came with two outs in the ninth off Huston Street, his team-leading 18th

this season.

"This is a club that's not going to quit, they always continue to play," Rangers manager Jeff Bannister said. "We were one more hit away, one more baserunner away from putting a little bit of pressure on their closer. Rua, I thought, put a pretty good swing on the ball and just missed it."

The Angels got a run in the first inning before Marte connected on a

3-0 fastball from Martin Perez for a three-run homer. Escobar then drove Johnny Giavotella home with a single to right in the second inning, putting Los Angeles up 5-0.

Santiago (8-4) pitched five innings for his third straight win, yielding three earned runs on five hits. His 24-inning scoreless streak ended in the third inning, when the Rangers scored twice to cut the Los Angeles lead to 5-3.

"He struggled with fastball command all night," Scioscia said. "Maybe instead of pitching his way out with a changeup or changing speeds, he kept trying to throw harder. ... He settled in and made better pitches as he went on but it just didn't seem like he got in sync tonight."

The Rangers scored in the third when Beltre tripled home Desmond and then scored on Rua's sacrifice fly.

But Perez's shaky command resulted in another run for the Angels in the third. With Randerly on second and third and Jett Bandy at the plate, Perez's appeared to wobble in his delivery and was called for a balk, scoring Pujols.

Perez (7-7) lost his third decision in as many games, giving up seven earned runs for the second time in July.

The Rangers have gone 4-14 since June 28.



AP Photo/Ben Margot

Houston Astros pitcher Doug Fister works against the Oakland Athletics in the first inning of a baseball game Wednesday, July 20, 2016, in Oakland, Calif.

Fister, Altuve, spark Astros in 7-0 win over Athletics

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Doug Fister and catcher Jason Castro came up with a game plan before beating the Oakland Athletics on Wednesday, and it wasn't complicated.

"We're going to attack these guys," the right-hander said.

The strategy worked to perfection, as Fister pitched seven strong innings and Jose Altuve continued his torrid hitting as the Houston Astros defeated the A's 7-0.

Fister (10-6) struck out five and allowed four hits and two walks as he continued his mas-

tery of Oakland. He's 3-1 with a 0.99 ERA in four starts against the A's this season.

"Seeing them a lot, they know what we do and we know what they do," Fister said. "It just comes down to execution, and I was going to fill the zone up."

The A's, who had won four of five since the All-Star break and took their second straight series, failed to advance a runner past second base against Fister.

They moved just three run-

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Fielder may need surgery, Choo also put on DL

By **STEPHEN HAWKINS**

AP Sports Writer

Texas Rangers slugger Prince Fielder is facing the prospect of season-ending neck surgery after an MRI revealed a herniated disk just above an area that was repaired two years ago.

Fielder and outfielder Shin-Soo Choo were placed on the 15-day disabled list Wednesday by the slumping AL West leaders, who had lost 12 of 16 games going into their game at the Los Angeles Angels.

Choo got an injection to help relieve lower-back discomfort.

General manager Jon Dan-

iels said Fielder on Monday reported having similar symptoms to those he felt before the 2014 surgery that limited him to 42 games his first season with the Rangers. Fielder was feeling weakness and discomfort in his neck and left arm.

Dr. Robert Watkins, who examined both players in Los Angeles on Wednesday after MRIs the previous day, recommended surgery for Fielder after seeing the herniation between the C4 and C5 disks.

Daniels said Fielder will return to Texas and get a further evaluation Friday from Dr. Drew Dossett, a special-

ist who performed Fielder's previous neck surgery.

Fielder had played in 547 consecutive games and hadn't missed consecutive games since August 2007 before a cervical fusion of two disks in his neck in May 2014.

"The way it's been described to me, when you fuse vertebrae, it puts the additional stress either above or below it in that joint," Daniels said. "The fusion that he had is intact, there are no issues with that. But apparently somewhere along the line the herniated disk surfaced above that spot in his neck."

Russia loses appeal against Olympic ban

LONDON (AP) — Russia lost its appeal Thursday against the Olympic ban on its track and field athletes, a decision which could add pressure on the IOC to exclude the country entirely from next month's games in Rio de Janeiro.

The Court of Arbitration for Sport rejected the appeal of 68 Russian athletes seeking to overturn the ban imposed by the IAAF following allegations of state-sponsored doping and cover-ups.

"Today's judgment has created a level playing field for athletes," world track and field's governing body said in a statement.

However, the arbitration court ruling did not necessarily settle the matter for good. The court stressed the decision is not binding on the International Olympic Committee, which has the final say as the supreme organizer of the games.

"The door is open for the IOC to decide, to determine

even on a case-by-case principle whether these athletes are eligible or not," CAS general secretary Mattieu Reeb told reporters outside the court headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland.

The IOC said it would "study and analyze the full decision" and make its own final ruling on the participation of Russian athletes "in the coming days." The Olympics open in Rio on Aug. 5.

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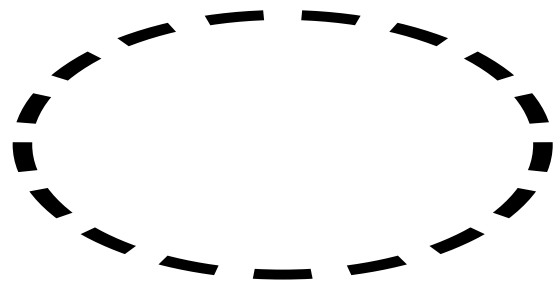


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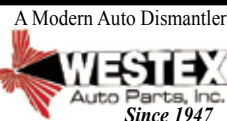
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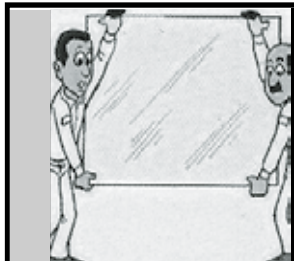
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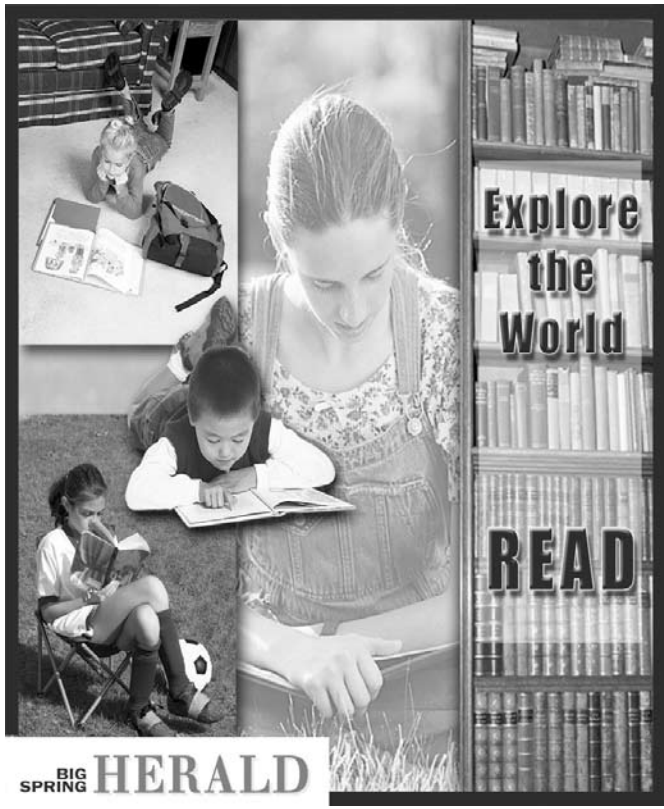
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of being, maturity, the
desire to improve and a
certain development of
mind. Know that inward
journeying can be as
treacherous as other
kinds. Avoid the danger
by practicing compas-
sion when you turn
inward. This message
was brought to you by
the dynamics of Venus
and Neptune.

ARIES (March
21-April 19). You will
be where the action is,
whether it seems like
it at the time or not. It's
one of those instances
when everyone involved
will look back and say,
"That's where it started."

TAURUS (April 20-
May 20). You are pres-
ent for your friends when
they need you. This is
easier for you because
you don't over-think it.
You're not worried about
what to say and do.

You wisely know that
just your presence is
enough.

GEMINI (May 21-
June 21). It will be
easier to laugh and be
lighthearted when you
are around people who
are buoyant of spirit
like you are. You can't
always choose your
company, but stay on
the lookout for fun peo-
ple you can connect with
in the future.

CANCER (June 22-
July 22). Do you feel
lucky to be an object of
sweet affection? Your
face is the first thing a
certain person thinks of
in the morning and the
last vision of the day be-
fore drifting off to sleep.

LEO (July 23-Aug.
22). You didn't think
you could do it, but you
went for it anyway, and
now look where you
are! From this perfectly
prime position you can
make a play for your
next impossible goal,
but much planning is
required. Think it over
and over today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-
Sept. 22). Your intention
to spread enough posi-
tive energy and goodwill
to make a difference in

the world will land lovely
today. "Enough" will be
reached by lunchtime.
It's the simple, small,
courteous acts that will
matter most.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-
Oct. 23). You're a giver.
The world needs more
givers. But the givers of
the world also need to
remember that there's
a point at which giving
can start annoying the
receivers. Part of being
a good giver is knowing
when to take.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-
Nov. 21). As something
very pleasant drops into
your world (or someone,
as the case may be)
caution is called for. This
could be very addictive.
Go slow; make good
choices.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov.
22-Dec. 21). If you don't
take the morning prob-
lems too personally you
can likely solve most of
them by the afternoon.
It wouldn't be any fun at
all if you could get what
you needed without inci-
dent or complication!

CAPRICORN (Dec.
22-Jan. 19). Saying
yes to something you'd
typically decline will be
the right move. Fifteen

minutes chatting with
a friend or playing with
children will make your
entire mood go brighter.

AQUARIUS (Jan.
20-Feb. 18). The recipe
for today's gentle joy:
one part predictability,
two parts unpredict-
ability. Plan a special
occasion and you'll get
just that! Nothing major
is required; preparing a
delicious dish may be
more than enough.

PISCES (Feb.
19-March 20). Who
do you suspect are
the people in your life
who've loved you the
most? Considering the
answer to this question
will give you the grateful
heart that allows you to
extract the beauty from
this day.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY
(July 21). A surprise-ball
of a year! Your atti-
tude of receptiveness
(tempered only slight-
ly, which is more than
enough, by your brilliant
and constant com-
mon sense) invites the
wonder and "zing" while
leaving out the trouble.
Relationships entail
focus and pleasure.
Home-building feeds
the needs of your family

at year's end. Aquarius
and Cancer adore you.
Your lucky numbers are:
40, 33, 21, 4 and 19.

ASTROLOGICAL
QUESTION: "I just want
to know some things
about my life and my fu-
ture. My birthday is Oct.
13, 1981. I also want to
know something about
my huge crush. He was
born Dec. 25, 1979. I
really like this guy and
almost got suicidal when
I thought I wasn't going
to see him again. What
can you say? Does he
feel anything for me
in return? Is there a
possibility of marriage
between us although we
are a different religion?
Please help me. I would
go anywhere for this
guy."

Born under the sign
of partnership, of course
the drive to be with
someone with whom
you share a common life
purpose is foremost in
your heart and soul. I'm
glad that you identified
this relationship correct-
ly as a "huge crush,"
because this has little to
do with love or the part-
nership you so desire.
You are (SET ITAL) very
(END ITAL) sensitive,

with a wacky sense of
humor that you'll be
developing more in the
next 10 years and a
strong desire to explore
the world. That is exactly
what you must do in
order to attract the love
you want in your life.
Think in terms of devel-
oping your interests and
getting on a career track
that will make you the
independent woman no
man can resist!

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FILES: Today we cele-
brate the birth of Robin
Williams. The unforget-
table paternal figure and
comedy fixture was born
under a soulful Cancer
sun and an empathetic
Pisces moon. Mercury
and Pluto in the enter-
taining and playful realm
of Leo are the mark of a
natural-born performer --
one who is now terribly
missed.

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Dog or Boyfriend?

Dear Annie: My
boyfriend and I recently
moved in together. We
were spending so many
nights at each other's
place that we decided
it just made sense. We
both gave up our studio
apartments for a cute
little house. It even has
a yard, albeit a tiny one,
which is great for my
golden retriever.

That brings me to the
reason I'm writing in:
My boyfriend seems to
be severely allergic to
the dog. I'm stumped.
I've had her for years,
and in all the time my
boyfriend spent at my
old apartment, this was
never a problem. I used
to take her over to his
place, too. We've lived
at the new house for
three months, and he's
had a stuffy nose the
entire time. His eyes get
itchy and watery, too.
His symptoms seem to
disappear when he goes
out. He'll only take anti-
histamines right before
bed because they knock

him out.

I love my man, but I
also love my dog, and
I don't want to give her
up. What should I do?
-- Dog Lover

Dear Dog Lover:
Don't be so quick to
blame the dog! The
culprit could be any
number of things. You
mentioned that your
boyfriend's allergies only
started acting up once
you moved in to the new
place. That tells me it's
probably a household
allergen that's causing
his symptoms -- perhaps
mold or dust. His doctor
can refer him to an aller-
gist for testing.

Whatever the trigger
ends up being, you both
will most likely need
to embrace your inner
clean freaks. Vacuum-
ing, dusting, washing
linens and wiping down
counters will help keep
aggravating particles
at bay. A great byprod-
uct of this vigilance? A
spankin'-clean house.

Dear Annie: I went to
college in my hometown
and was able to save

some money by living
at home. I sometimes
wish I'd gotten the dorm
experience, but most-
ly I am happy with my
decision. It's always nice
having Mom and Dad to
take care of you. Plus, it
helped me stay focused.
Never partied too much.

In May, I finished my
degree, and almost im-
mediately, I was offered
a job across the country.
It's exactly the type of
thing I want to be doing
-- graphic designing at
an advertising agency
and possibly art direct-
ing some projects, too.
It's a well-known firm,
and I like the company's
portfolio. One of my
professors used to work
there and referred me
for the position.

It's a great opportuni-
ty, to be sure, and I think
the job sounds exciting,
but it's so far away, and
I don't want to leave my
friends and family. I can't
even imagine a life out-
side this town. Should
I wait to find something
local, or should I give up
everything I know for a

job? -- Scared to Leave
the Nest

Dear Scared: Let's try
a thought experiment.
Imagine yourself 10
years from now living in
your hometown, having
never left it. Are you
happy? Comfortable?
Restless? Feeling as if
your career has already
reached a plateau?
Wondering what you
missed out on?

For me, it would have
been a little of all the
above. I love my family,
but if I had stayed in my
hometown because it
was safe, there would
always have been a
little voice in the back of
my head asking, "What
else?"

Your 20s are for tak-
ing risks, growing as a
person and testing your
limits. There will never
be a better time to up
and move across the
country. If it doesn't work
out, you can always
come back. That's the
beauty of home. Bon
voyage, little birdie!

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ANSWERS

4	5	7	6	1	8	9	3	2
8	6	9	2	7	3	1	5	4
2	3	1	4	9	5	6	7	8
6	1	5	3	4	9	2	8	7
9	2	3	8	6	7	4	1	5
7	4	8	5	2	1	3	9	6
5	9	4	7	3	6	8	2	1
3	7	2	1	8	4	5	6	9
1	8	6	9	5	2	7	4	3

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Contract
Bridge

By Steve Becker

Detective work works well

Fast dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ J 7 5
♥ 9 7 6 4 3
♦ Q 9
♣ Q 8 2

WEST
♠ 9 8 6 4
♥ 10 2
♦ 7 4 2
♣ J 10 6 3

EAST
♠ K 10 2
♥ A K Q J 8
♦ 8 5 3
♣ 9 5

SOUTH
♠ A Q 3
♥ 5
♦ A K J 10 6
♣ A K 7 4

The bidding:
East 1♥ South 3♦ West Pass North 1♠
Pass 3♦ Pass 4♦
Opening lead — ten of hearts.

spade to the queen. As expected, the
finesse succeeds, and declarer then
cashes his three remaining trumps to
produce this position:

North
♠ J 7
♥ 9
♦ Q 8 2

West
♠ 9 8
♥ J 10 6 3

East
♠ K 10
♥ K Q
♦ 9 5

South
♠ A 3
♥ A K 7 4

Declarer may hope the clubs are
divided 3-3, but he knows that even
if they're not, he is still sure of the
contract. No lie of the cards can
defeat him.

He cashes the A-K of clubs and
plays a club to dummy's queen. East
shows out on the third club and is
forced to discard the heart queen in
order to guard the spade king.

To this point, East has shown up
with precisely five hearts, three dia-
monds and two clubs. East therefore
started with exactly three spades and
so is now known to hold the K-x of
spades and king of hearts.

Accordingly, South next leads
dummy's nine of hearts and discards
his club loser on it. East wins, but is
forced to return a spade, allowing
declarer to win the last two tricks
with the ace and jack of spades.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.
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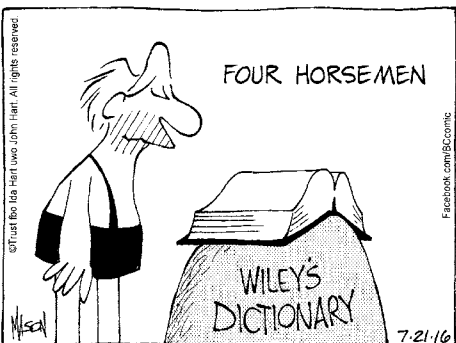
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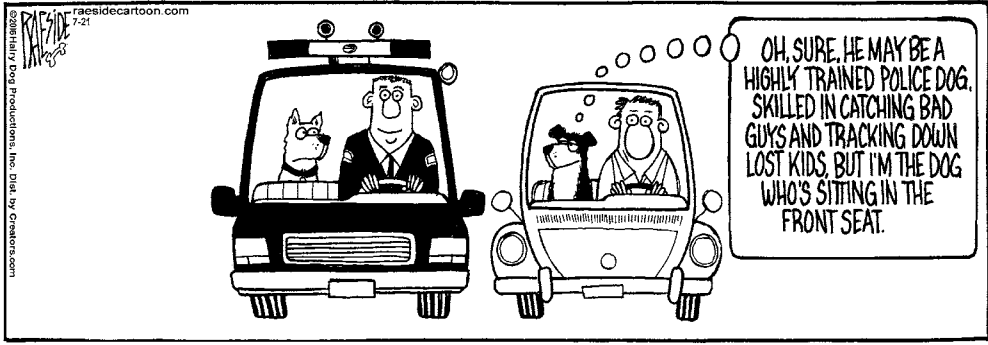
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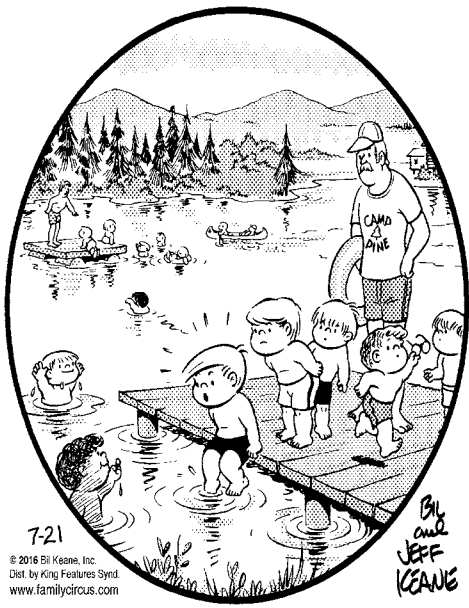


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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, July 21, the 203rd day of 2016. There are 163 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 21, 1861, during the Civil War, the first Battle of Bull Run was fought at Manassas, Virginia, resulting in a Confederate victory.

On this date: In 1773, Pope Clement XIV issued an order suppressing the Society of Jesus, or Jesuits. (The Society was restored by Pope Pius VII in 1814.)

In 1816, Paul Reuter (ROYT'-ur), founder of the British news agency bearing his name, was born in Kassel, Hesse, Germany.

In 1925, the so-called "Monkey Trial" ended in Dayton, Tennessee, with John T. Scopes found guilty of violating state law for teaching Darwin's Theory of Evolution. (The conviction was later overturned on a technicality.)

In 1930, President Herbert Hoover signed an executive order establishing the Veterans Administration (later the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs).

In 1944, American forces landed on Guam during World

War II, capturing it from the Japanese some three weeks later. The Democratic national convention in Chicago nominated Sen. Harry S. Truman to be vice president.

In 1949, the U.S. Senate ratified the North Atlantic Treaty.

In 1959, the NS Savannah, the first nuclear-powered merchant ship, was christened by first lady Mamie Eisenhower at Camden, New Jersey.

In 1961, Capt. Virgil "Gus" Grissom became the second American to rocket into a sub-orbital pattern around the Earth, flying aboard the Liberty Bell 7.

In 1972, the Irish Republican Army carried out 22 bombings in Belfast, Northern Ireland, killing nine people and injuring 130 in what became known as "Bloody Friday."

In 1973, Israeli agents in Lillehammer, Norway, killed Ahmed Bouchikhi, a Moroccan waiter, apparently mistaking him for an official with Black September, the group that attacked Israel's delegation at the 1972 Munich Olympics and killed 11 athletes.

In 1980, draft registration began in the United States for 19- and 20-year-old men.

In 1996, dozens of memorial services were held across the country to remember the 230 people lost in the crash of TWA Flight 800.

Ten years ago: Israel massed

tanks and troops on its northern border, called up reserves and warned civilians to flee Hezbollah-controlled southern Lebanon as it prepared for a ground invasion, which came the next day. Mako, the Japan-born actor who used his Oscar nomination for the 1966 film "The Sand Pebbles" to push for better roles for Asian American actors, died in Somis, California, at age 72.

Five years ago: The 30-year-old space shuttle program ended as Atlantis landed at Cape Canaveral, Florida, after the 135th shuttle flight. The NFL canceled its Hall of Fame game between St. Louis and Chicago despite owners voting in favor of a tentative deal to end a lockout.

One year ago: The Defense Department said a U.S. airstrike in Syria on July 8, 2015 had killed Muhsin al-Fadhli.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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ACROSS

- 1 Soup seen with sushi
- 5 Pre-DVD players
- 9 Sides of a doorway
- 14 School near Windsor Castle
- 15 On __ streak (doing real well)
- 16 Expend
- 17 Wilson predecessor
- 18 Just about
- 19 Speed limit, sometimes
- 20 Certs alternative
- 23 Backtalk
- 24 Muffin morsel
- 25 WBC stats
- 26 Leader of the Dwarfs
- 29 Illegible writing
- 31 Claudius follower
- 32 Boost
- 33 Evening, in Italia
- 34 Looks good on
- 35 Bookmarks of a sort
- 36 Not a huge number
- 39 City southwest of Tel Aviv
- 41 Brooklyn, for short
- 42 Stuff seen in sushi
- 44 Simplicity metaphor
- 45 "That's all wrong!"
- 46 Actress Phylicia
- 48 100%
- 49 Take the odds
- 50 Completist's quest
- 51 Portray
- 52 They were bred to hunt hares
- 55 "That's what you think!"

DOWN

- 1 Elemental category
- 2 Type for book titles
- 3 Iconic Philly snack
- 4 Not tricked by
- 5 Despoiler
- 6 Place for pirate plunder
- 7 Knock about
- 8 Shout heard at home
- 9 In this specific fashion
- 10 Sale stipulation
- 11 OAS member
- 12 Except for
- 13 Do surveillance
- 21 John Wayne, by birth
- 22 Leif Ericson, by birth
- 26 Tom Hanks '84 costar
- 27 Peanut product
- 28 Boom-box software
- 30 Planar extent
- 31 Volatile stuff
- 34 Where a chauffeur works
- 35 Salt Lake City collegians
- 37 Tuners of orchestras
- 38 Retro
- 39 "Awesome!"
- 40 Have a bug
- 43 Little fish
- 45 Celts and Spurs
- 46 Warm up
- 47 Prepare, as peapods
- 50 Starts
- 52 Invitation stipulation
- 53 Outer limit
- 54 Food safety agcy.
- 55 Script writers, for short
- 56 Strong appetite
- 57 Environmental prefix

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San Angelo Tournament champions



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The 12U Forsan All Stars played in the West Texas All Star Tournament in San Angelo last weekend and came home with the top prize, finishing in first place. Players on the team are: #10 Riley Johnson, #27 Jocelyn Torres , #6 Aubrie Smith, #16 Hannah Williams, #32 K’Leigh Williams, #26 Lindsey Morin, #5 Reagan Phillips, #12 Kelcey Zubiata, #8 Lybertee Rodriquez, #3 Mercedes Rodriquez, #22 Marlie Kennedy, #13 Hailey Beall, #1 Addison Beall. Coaches are: Head coach Jerrod Beall, assistant coach John Kennedy, assistant coach Isreal Rodriguez.

ASTROS

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ners into scoring position (one on a two-base error). “Obviously his repertoire matches up OK with these

guys but it’s still about executing pitches,” Astros manager A.J. Hinch said.

“When he executes it really doesn’t matter what the other lineup is.”

Altuve was 2 for 3 with two walks. Baseball’s leading hitter is 12 for his last 17 in his

last four games.

“He’s really the centerpiece of our lineup now that he’s batting third, in the sort of famous position that baseball loves,” Hinch said, noting that Altuve’s improving in every area, including his leadership.

“He’s a truly a superstar in this game that I think more people are getting to know the more we play well.”

The Astros, who had lost three of four, scored two runs in the second with two outs and nobody on base when five batters reached safely against

A’s starter Daniel Mengden (1-5).

Mengden struck out five and allowed three runs, five hits and five walks in five innings. He recovered from a shaky start, blanking the Astros over the last three innings.

RUSSIA

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CAS upheld the “validity” of the IAAF ban, saying a country whose national federation is suspended is ineligible from entering international competitions, including the Olympics.

The three-person panel ruled that the Russian Olympic Committee “is not entitled to nominate Russian track and field athletes to compete at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games considering that they

are not eligible to participate under the IAAF competition rules.”

The Russians argued against a collective ban of its track athletes, saying it punishes those who have not been accused of wrongdoing.

IAAF President Sebastian Coe said it was “not a day for triumphant statements.”

“I didn’t come into this sport to stop athletes from competing,” he said. “It is our federation’s instinctive desire to include, not exclude.”

In Russia, two-time Olympic pole vault champion Yelena Isinbayeva — who at-

tended Tuesday’s hearing at CAS — said the decision to uphold the ban on the track and field team represents the “funeral” of her sport.

Russian Sports Minister Vitaly Mutko also lashed out at the ruling.

“In my view, it’s a subjective decision, somewhat political and one with no legal basis,” he was quoted as saying by Tass news agency.

CAS said it had no jurisdiction over whether the IOC can accept or refuse the entry of Russian track and field athletes, either those representing their country or compet-

ing as “neutral athletes.”

Reeb said the Russians have the right to appeal to the Swiss federal tribunal within 30 days. However, an appeal can be only on “procedural grounds,” not the merits of the decision, he said.

The IOC last month accepted the IAAF decision to extend a November ban on the Russian track team. And, in a telephone interview with The Associated Press and two other international news agencies, Bach was asked whether the IOC would accept the CAS ruling if it upheld the IAAF ban. Bach replied: “Yes.”

The IOC executive board said Tuesday it would “explore the legal options” for a possible total ban on Russia but would wait until after the CAS ruling before making a final decision. The IOC has scheduled another board meeting on Sunday to consider the issue.

The World Anti-Doping Agency and other doping bodies have called on the IOC to consider the unprecedented step of kicking out the entire Russian contingent following new allegations of a vast government-organized doping program.

BIG 12

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the headlines during football media days. But there was still a lot of talk about what to watch on the field in 2016, including the Big 12’s platoon of quarterbacks.

Mayfield was fourth in the Heisman Trophy voting last season, when he had 3,700 yards passing and 37 touchdowns on way to the College Football Playoff in his Sooners’ debut. He will be a junior again this season, having gotten a season of eligibility back after a Big 12 rule change this summer. He was the first walk-on true freshman to start a season opener for an FBS team, in 2013 for Texas Tech, before

transferring.

Mahomes led the nation last season with 393 total yards per game, accounting for 46 touchdowns (36 passing, 10 rushing) as a sophomore.

“I like both of those young men a lot,” Texas Tech coach Kliff Kingsbury said. “I think that’s where Baker wanted to be and it’s worked out for him there. ... I know Patrick wanted to be at Texas Tech and both guys have had a tremendous run, and there is more yet to come.”

Skyler Howard returns for his senior season at West Virginia and Oklahoma State junior Mason Rudolph is healthy after a broken foot hampered him and the Cowboys down the stretch — they lost their last three games after a

10-0 start.

Baylor gets back Seth Russell, who was the top-rated FBS passer before a season-ending neck injury in the Bears’ seventh game last season.

Trevone Boykin is no longer at TCU, but former Texas A&M transfer Kenny Hill — who in his Aggies debut as a freshman in 2013 set a single-game school record with 511 yards passing — is competing for the Horned Frogs’ starting job after having to sit out last season.

Some more things to watch when the season begins:

ON THE GROUND

The Big 12 also has some big runners. Mike Warren had 1,339 yards rushing as a freshman for Iowa State last season, and is among four returning 1,000-yard

rushers. The others: Oklahoma junior Samaje Perine (1,349 yards) and the Baylor duo of senior Shock Linwood (1,329 yards) and Johnny Jefferson (1,000 yards).

NEW COACHES

Jim Grobe, the 64-year-old former Wake Forest coach, came out of semi-retirement for a one-year contract as Baylor’s acting head coach. New Iowa State coach Matt Campbell, who came from Toledo, is the youngest head coach of any Power Five conference team at age 36.

FRESH HORN?

Texas coach Charlie Strong certainly has no problem starting a freshman at quarterback (remember Teddy Bridgewater at Louisville when Strong was his coach?). Shane Buechele was impressive in spring prac-

tice with the Longhorns after graduating high school early, and could start the opener Sept. 4 against Notre Dame.

“When you have a guy like Shane working the way he works, it rubs off on the whole team,” Strong said. “Now everybody is seeing the way he works and they all did it.”

GOTTA WIN

Kansas has won only one of its last 21 games,

and last year became the Big 12’s first team to go a full season without winning a game.

“Last year, my biggest ache was for our fans, our coaches and our players because they deserve more, they really do,” second-year coach David Beaty said. “We were doing foundation work and it’s hard, but it’s necessary. ... Our deal now is we gotta win games.”

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