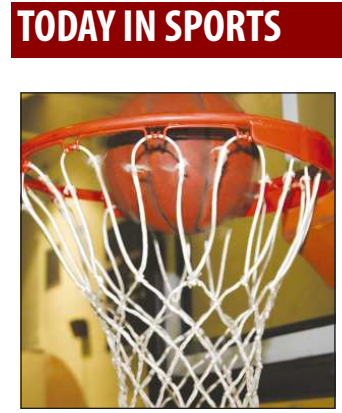


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## DPS taken on three-county chase

**By JOHN LEE**  
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A three-county chase ended in Potter County yesterday with William Guthrie, 33, of Sebastian, Ark., being apprehended. At approximately 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, DPS troopers attempted to stop a gray Dodge pickup traveling west outside of Groom. The vehicle had been reported as stolen outside of McLean in Gray County. The driver did not stop and DPS deployed a spike strip in hopes of stopping the vehicle. The driver swerved around the strip and toward a DPS trooper. Later in the chase, DPS attempted to stop the pickup with another spike strip, but was again unsuccessful. The chase came to an end when DPS deployed suction rounds into the vehicles tires forcing the truck to drive into a fence on the side of the road. Guthrie attempted to flee but was apprehended quickly. Guthrie is facing charges of attempted capital murder, unauthorized use of a vehicle and evading arrest. He was booked in Carson County Jail.

## Statewide gas price average drops

**SUBMITTED BY AAA TEXAS**  
 IRVING – The statewide average for a gallon of regular unleaded in Texas has dropped two cents, according to the AAA Texas Weekend Gas Watch. The average in Texas is now \$3.48 which is 16 cents less than the national average of \$3.64. Of the major metropolitan areas surveyed in the Lone Star State, drivers in El Paso are paying the most at \$3.54 per gallon while drivers in Amarillo are paying the least at \$3.38 per gallon. With high wholesale gasoline prices begin-  
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## PAMPA UNITED WAY BASKET WINNER



Submitted photo Kelly Trusty, Kylie Trusty, Jayden Trusty and Andi Langley shown with Executive Director of Pampa United Way, Jana Gregory. Kelly Trusty's name was drawn as the winner of the basket at United Supermarkets a supporter of Pampa United Way.

## A Beautiful You celebrates grand opening



Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik A Beautiful You stylists Danielle Savoie and Christina De Leon are pictured with salon owner Gloria Harris (middle). The salon is located at 808 W. Brown.

**By LINDSEY TOMASCHIK**  
 LKTomaschik@thepampanews.com

Gloria Harris bought A Beautiful You, located at 808 W. Brown, about a year ago. Harris is a retired bilingual language teacher who has worked at both Wilson and Lamar Elementary schools in Pampa. She is currently attending cosmetology school at Clarendon College to better understand her more recent career path. Busy as she may be, Harris makes the time to plan the future of the salon, which provides many services. She also has two stylists, Danielle Savoie and Christina De Leon, who maintain the hair portion of the salon until Harris is able to do more when she finishes school at the end of this month. "My stylists are very knowledgeable in the field of cosmetology, and they truly enjoy what they are doing and have fun while working," Harris said. Harris prides herself on providing the community with a customer-oriented environment and greets everyone who enters the salon with a pleasant smile and a friendly hello. A Beautiful You customers will find that the salon has tanning beds, acrylics, manicures and pedicures, in a

high-quality massage chair, eyebrow waxing and makeup styling as well as family haircuts, highlights, coloring, braids and extensions. Harris is currently meeting with construction companies to get bids on an expansion for the salon as well. "After the expansion is finished, I will have more tanning beds and I plan on looking into spray tanning," she said. Along with the physical expansion of the building, Harris wants to expand the services she provides as well. "We will have airbrush makeup so customers will be able to cover scars, tattoos or have a makeover to get them ready for weddings, proms and quinceañeras," she said. She also plans to have a massage therapist to add to the day spa feel she wants the salon to portray. "I want to provide these services in Pampa so customers do not have to drive all the way to Amarillo to get what they need," Harris said. She is excited to get involved with the people and other businesses in the community as well, and has started by becoming a member of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce. A Beautiful You is open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For more information or to make an appointment, call 806-669-1899.

## The Discovery Center to host American Idol XIV® auditions



**SUBMITTED BY DHDC**  
 AMARILLO – On Thursday, July 17, the Don Harrington Discovery Center (DHDC) at 1200 Streit Drive will host

the AMERICAN IDOL XIV® Regional Auditions. The audition opportunity at the Discovery Center is a part of the bi-coastal AMERICAN IDOL XIV Bus Tour, where singers age 15-28 will have a chance to earn a spot on the popular Fox Television show. The auditions will be held from approximately 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will take place rain or shine. Auditioners are encouraged to arrive early on the morning of the 17th, but

NO ONE will be allowed to camp out in Medical Center Park or the Discovery Center parking lot the night before the auditions. Amy Juba, DHDC Director of Development and Marketing said, "We hope someone will get discovered at the Discovery Center and are delighted that we were selected as the Amarillo venue." She added, "The auditions will take

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...ing to subside in many parts of the country, AAA analysts expect pump prices for many US motorists to continue to tick lower over the coming week. Violence in Iraq continues to impact global oil prices, but as production in the south of the country remains unaffected, the fear of a disruption to supply has lessened. Market watchers are keeping a close eye on the situation, but the risk premium that pushed oil prices higher leading up to 4th of July has subsided in recent

trading sessions. As oil prices have eased retail gas prices have finally started to follow suit.

"We hope gas prices will continue to drop and give Texans a break at the pumps as they take vacations through the remainder of summer," said AAA Texas/New Mexico Representative Doug Shupe. "However, we still encourage drivers to keep cars and trucks maintained according to vehicle manufacturer recommendations. That's the best way to maximize fuel efficiency as well as keep vehicles safe while on the road."

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# Idol

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place in our parking lot next to the AMERICAN IDOL bus; however, the museum will have extended hours that day, opening at 8 a.m. and closing at 7 p.m. to accommodate the singers and guardians (for those under 18), who will be admitted free all day." All other guests visiting the Discovery Center will be admitted for a special reduced admission price of \$2 per person, and DHDC members will be admitted free as always. "Visitors can enjoy all that the Discovery Center has to offer, including our summer traveling exhibition Treasure!, Space Theater shows, and many permanent exhibits as well as live science demos." Each guest on July 17 will receive a hand stamp upon admission that will enable them to come and go inside the Discovery Center at their leisure and enjoy everything plus our café, gift shop and restroom facilities while supporting the AMERICAN IDOL contestants. No children under the age of five years old are allowed in the audition area in the parking lot however, so a number of kid-friendly activities inside will delight learners of all ages.

The Amarillo Botanical Gardens is also rolling out the red carpet for AMERICAN IDOL visitors and offering \$2 admission per

person on July 17. Both venues will provide parking for the event, and additional parking on Streit Drive across from the Botanical Gardens will also be available at no additional charge. There will be no parking in any businesses or healthcare organizations located in Medical Center Park, so visitors are advised to pay careful consideration to no parking signs and zones.

In addition to the Discovery Center and Botanical Gardens reduced admission rates, food and beverages will be sold in Medical Center Park at the corner of Killgore and Streit Drive behind DHDC. Juba reported, "We have been in contact with local food vendors and nonprofit organizations, but we would like to add more to ensure a comfortable environment for everyone coming out to participate and watch the AMERICAN IDOL auditions. Interested vendors will need to complete a Temporary Food Permit application from the City of Amarillo's Environmental Health Department and pay the related fees. We will arrange for electricity and reserve a site for all interested vendors and organizations for a small charge of \$50 for nonprofit vendors and \$100 for business vendors. They will need to secure their own food permits from the City and provide their own tent, table(s), item to be sold, and staff, but they may keep

the proceeds they earn from sales." Food and Beverage Reservations forms can be found at www.dhdc.org under the AMERICAN IDOL link or may be picked up at the

Discovery Center during business hours by July 15th, 2014 at 5 p.m. Questions about the food and beverage booths may be directed to Juba, who can be reached at 355-9547 x104 or ajuba@dhdc.org.

Eric Miller, Director of Communications for the Amarillo Convention and Visitors Council, echoed his support for the event, "We are excited to welcome visitors to Amarillo and to the Discovery Center for the AMERICAN IDOL auditions. Many of our local hotels and restaurants located near Medical Center Park will be offering special rates for July 16 and 17, and we anticipate that lots of folks from around the five-state area and beyond will come to audition or just be a part of the experience along with our Amarillo residents."

More information about the AMERICAN IDOL XIV Bus Tour and auditions may be found at www.americanidol.com. All rules and audition forms are available at the AMERICAN IDOL website and not at the Discovery Center or on the DHDC website.

For more information about the Don Harrington Discovery Center, visit www.dhdc.org or call (806) 355-9547.

# Wendy Davis: Obama should make Texas border trip

AUSTIN (AP) — Democrat Wendy Davis says President Barack Obama should visit the Texas border to witness firsthand the crisis of tens of thousands of young migrants entering the U.S.

Wendy Davis

Her comments Thursday

made Davis the most high-profile Texas Democrat yet to urge Obama to make the trip. She is the Democratic nominee for Texas governor and has garnered nationwide support.

Barack Obama

The White House has

insisted there was little the president could learn from a border visit that he didn't already know.

She addressed reporters in Austin just blocks from where Obama was to later speak about the economy. Davis says it's one thing to follow the crisis "in the abstract," but seeing it up close provides meaning.

U.S. Rep. Henry Cuellar, a Texas Democrat, has also criticized Obama for skipping the border.

# Agriculture industry seeks to create right to farm

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — In the nation's agricultural heartland, farming is more than a multibillion-dollar industry that feeds the world. It could be on track to become a right, written into law alongside the freedom of speech and religion.

Some powerful agriculture interests want to declare farming a right at the state level as part of a wider campaign to fortify the ag industry against crusades by animal-welfare activists and opponents of genetically modified crops.

The emerging battle could have lasting repercussions for the nation's food supply and for the millions of people worldwide who depend on U.S. agricultural exports. It's also possible that the right-to-farm idea could sputter as a merely symbolic gesture that carries little practical effect beyond driving up voter turnout in local elections.

"A couple of years from now, we might say this was the beginning of the trend," said Rusty Rumley, a senior staff attorney at the National Agricultural Law Center in Fayetteville, Arkansas. But "we really don't even know what they're going to mean."

Animal advocates and other groups are increasingly urging consumers, grocers and restaurants to pay as much attention to how their food is raised as to how it tastes. Their goals include trying to curtail what they consider cruel methods of raising livestock and unsafe ways of growing food.

Those efforts are helping fuel the right-to-farm movement in the Midwest, where the right has already won approval in North Dakota and Indiana. It goes next to Missouri voters in an Aug. 5 election. Similar measures passed both chambers of the Oklahoma Legislature earlier this year before dying in a conference committee. And they could soon spread elsewhere.

The uncertainty surrounding the proposals stems from the vague wording of the measures, which have yet to be tested in court.

Missouri's proposed constitutional amendment asks voters whether the right "to engage in farming and ranching practices shall be forever guaranteed."

Indiana's new measure — which was written into state law but not enshrined in the constitution — protects the rights of farmers to use "generally accepted" practices, including "the use of ever-changing technology." The North Dakota measure prohibits any law that "abridges the right of farmers and ranchers to employ agricultural technology, modern livestock production and ranching practices."

Supporters hope the wording provides a legal shield against initiatives that would restrict particular farming methods, such as those modeled after a California law setting minimum cage space for hens or policies in Florida and Ohio that bar tight pens for pregnant pigs. Others

hope to pre-empt any proposals to ban genetically modified crops similar to ones recently passed in southern Oregon.

"Agriculture's had a lot of folks that's been trying to come down on our farms and tell us what we can and cannot do," said Neal Bredehoeft, a corn and soybean farmer who supports the Missouri measure. He added: "This gives us a little bit of protection."

Bredehoeft gave \$100 to the political group backing Missouri's ballot measure. His money is being mixed with five-figure checks from the state corn and pork associations, the Farm Bureau and businesses with strong financial stakes in rural America, such as electric cooperatives and a farm-credit organization.

They're preparing for an advertising blitz against a coalition that includes the Humane Society of the United States, the Sierra Club and rural groups that have battled for decades against corporate hog and poultry operations.

Opponents fear the right-to-farm measures could be cited by corporate farms to escape unwanted regulations against pollution and unsanitary conditions.

North Dakota voters approved their right-to-farm measure by a two-thirds vote in 2012 after a relatively low-profile campaign in which the North Dakota Farm Bureau spent \$158,000 promoting the measure. Opponents spent little.

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**Tonight:** Clear with a low of 67. Winds south-southwest at 20 mph. Sunset at 9:01 p.m.

**Saturday:** Sunny with a high of 94. Winds south-southwest at 18 mph. Sunrise at 6:38 a.m.

**Saturday night:** Clear with a low of 70. Winds south-southwest at 13 mph. Sunset at 9:01 p.m.

**Sunday:** Partly cloudy with a high of 93. Chance of rain: 10 percent. Winds west at 11 mph. Sunrise at 6:38 a.m.

**Sunday night:** Partly cloudy with a low of 69. Chance of rain: 10 percent. Winds west-southwest at 8 mph. Sunset at 9 p.m.

# Obituaries

## Jack D. Bailey

Jack D. Bailey, 74, died July 9, 2014 in Pampa. Graveside services will be at 11:30 AM Friday, July 11, 2014, at Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean, and memorial services will be at 3 PM Friday at First United Methodist Church in Pampa, with John Curry, Rev. Dr. Jerry R. Lane, pastor of United Methodist Church of White Deer, and Rev. Dr. Ran Loy, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Pampa, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors. Jackie Don Bailey was born March 30, 1940 in McLean to Jack and Lorena Bailey. He completed his elementary and high school years in McLean and attended

**Jack D. Bailey**

McMurry University and Panhandle Oklahoma State University where he played basketball. He received his Master's Degree from Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

Jack began his teaching and coaching career in Oklahoma, but soon moved back to Texas. He was superintendent at Allison, and his remaining professional career was with Pampa ISD, retiring after 40 years. He began at Robert E. Lee Junior High School as a teacher and coach, and then became vice principal and later principal. He was Travis Elementary School principal for a number of years before becoming director of personnel and then assistant superintendent.

Jack loved to tease and cut-up. He had a gift for making people of all ages feel comfortable and was always good for a laugh. He will long be remembered by his students and teachers, as he wanted only the best for them. He gave special attention to many, some by playing basketball with them at lunch time in the gym, or going into the classroom and entertaining them with his flute-a-phone.

He was a member of the Pampa Kiwanis Club and the First United Methodist Church where he held numerous offices in each, and he was a member of the Aldersgate Sunday school class. He was also a volunteer with Good Samaritan Christian Services. Jack left this earthly life knowing to be absent of the body is to be present with the Lord.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Lorena, two brothers, Melvin Bailey and Charles Bailey, and nephew David Johnson.

Survivors include his wife, Jo Bailey of the home; three daughters, Leslie Bailey of New York, Jennifer Bailey of Canyon, and Angie Ware and husband Kent of Wheeler. Jack had four grandchildren and he was so very proud of them. They include Jake and Levi Ware of Wheeler, and

Sydney and Rion Rodriguez of Canyon. Other survivors include his sister, Jan Haynes of Pampa; his brother, Vestal Bailey and his wife Pat of McLean; two sisters-in-law, Jeanne Bailey of Pampa and Mary Ann Bailey of Lubbock; and numerous nieces and nephews, all who adored him.

Memorials: First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, Texas 79066-1981, Pampa Senior Citizens Center, P.O. Box 475, Pampa, Texas 79066-0475, or the Ernie Upton Camp Scholarship Fund, c/o First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, Texas 79066-1981.

Sign the online guest register at [www.carmichael-whately.com](http://www.carmichael-whately.com).

## Al Macomb

Al Macomb, 65, of White Deer, died July 8, 2014 in Amarillo.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 12, 2014, at White Deer Cemetery, with Rev. Alan Wilson, pastor of First Baptist Church of White Deer, officiating. Military honors are courtesy of the U. S. Army, and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Macomb was born Sept. 9, 1948 in Bristow, Okla. He lived in Oklahoma before moving to Amarillo where he attended schools, including Palo Duro High School. After high school, he enlisted in the U. S. Army. Later, he returned to Amarillo and then moved to White Deer where he lived up until the time of his death. Al worked for several years at Natural Gas Pipeline. In his spare time, he liked the outdoors where he enjoyed fishing, gardening and sitting on his patio. He will be remembered as a loving father and grandfather who was a very generous man and who always put others first. He will be sorely missed by his family and friends.

Al was preceded in death by his mother, Willa Mae Gilmore, and a brother, Nolan Macomb.

Survivors include two daughters, Kellie Brown of Amarillo and Amanda Cleveland and husband Todd of Allen; his father, Claude Gilmore of Amarillo; four granddaughters, Amarah Muniz and Miranda Allgood, both of Amarillo, and Madison Cleveland and Avery Cleveland, both of Allen; and a grandson, Andrew Harley of Amarillo.

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## For the record

### Pampa woman arrested for drug possession

• Rachel Ann Annis, 49, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by the Gray

County Sheriff's Office for possession of a controlled substance.

• Don Ray Howard, 41, Pampa, was sentenced to state jail Wednesday.

• Jesus Alberto Rodriguez, 32, Amarillo, was arrested Wednesday by GCSO for assault to cause bodily injury to a family member.


• Larry Lynn King, 47, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by the Pampa Police Department for evading arrest or detention, theft of property, violation of probation — theft.

• Michelle Elizabeth Mayberry, 20, Pampa, was

arrested Wednesday by PPD for theft, possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to appear, theft of property — Hutchinson County.

• Jaime Garcia, 24, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by PPD for failure to appear — assault to cause bodily injury to a family member — Carson County, failure to appear — failure to provide valid identification — Carson County.

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## Pampa Fire Department call log — July 7-8

**STAFF REPORT**  
The Pampa Fire Department responded to these calls for the following dates. One unit with three personnel responded to each call, unless otherwise indicated.

### July 7

• At 9:22 a.m., to a medical call in the 2400 block of Christine.

• At 12:17 p.m., to a medical call in the 1300 block of North Hobart.

• At 12:34 p.m., to an odor investigation in the 1300 block of Garland.

• At 1:16 p.m., to a medical call in the 1000 block of North Dwight.

• At 1:54 p.m., to a medical call in the 1100 block of East Kingsmill.

• At 2:52 p.m., to a medical call in the 100 block of South Cuyler.

• At 3:42 p.m., to a lift assist in the 400 block of West Francis.

• At 5:10 p.m., to a medical call in the 400 block of North Somerville.

• At 6:21 p.m., to a medical call at Hidden Hills Golf Course.

• At 7:44 p.m., two units and six personnel to a motor vehicle accident in the 12000 block of East Frederick. Two patrons sent to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

• At 10:05 p.m., to a gas leak in the 400 block of East Brown.

### July 8

• At 5:10 a.m., to a medical call in the 1000 block of Twiford.

• At 6:59 a.m., to a medical call in the 1100 block of Cuyler.

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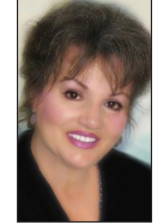
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## Bereavement and Healing Coping with pet grief

Occasionally, I find letters in my inbox from someone who has read one of my articles. Today was such a day.



**TRACY LEE**

Hello Tracy,  
We just lost our dog today in an untimely death/accident. I blame myself, and I feel sick, sad, weak and I've been crying most all of today! It hurts so much when you lose a pet. The pain of loss is so unbearable and never-ending. It will always be with me forever and ever. Do you have any grief briefs concerning pet loss that I could read? I will check your blog, thanks for your help.

Kelly from Alaska  
Dear Kelly,  
I am so sorry to hear of your pet's death. I have pets myself, and just can't bear to think of the day that they will die. Although I do not know the circumstances of your pet's passing, I wanted to let you know that it is natural to blame yourself when accidents occur. As your pet's custodian, you naturally feel responsible when tragedy occurs. Accidents, however, are called accidents for a

very specific reason — they are accidental. Even when accidents are caused through carelessness, they are still accidental. Although one may feel a measure of responsibility in the circumstances; unless one purposefully causes the death of a beloved pet, an accident remains an accident.  
I know this does not take the pain away. I have pets that have passed away, and at times, I will think of things I might have done better, that may have prolonged their lives. Unfortunately, there are no do-overs. I have to realize that I have learned to do better, and in my stewardship over my current pets, I will be more alert and proactive.

I am sorry for your loss and know that you will suffer and mull over in your mind the things you wish you had done differently. When this happens, remember the good things you did and the joy you shared with your pet. Eventually, fond memories will override the pain, and you will realize that you are a better person because of the love you shared with your pet, and the lessons you have learned through them.

I do not have pet specific articles because I specialize in human loss.

Loss, however, stretches over all life. Grief is the same whether you have lost a pet or person. The depth of grief is based on the depth of love. I know your heart is full of love and very sad right now. I hope you will mend without complications.

Take care and feel free to write me again if you would like.

### Rebuilding of oneself

Recovering from grief often entails the rebuilding of oneself. If one has been in a marriage for fifty years or so, their identity has generally morphed into that of a couple. Being alone after such a long period of time, may take quite an adjustment.

### Functionality

On average, a widow tends to begin the realization that she must function on her own three to four months following the death of her husband.

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## Letter to the Editor The need for a new support group

Why isn't there a support group for widows? It would be so nice to meet with other people who are also lonely from their

loss. Just a thought.  
**Jamie Burns  
Pampa**

## Obama's incompetence sinks in



**BRENT BOZELL**

MSNBC host Chuck Todd assembled a panel of liberal-media veterans on his morning show "The Daily Rundown" Monday and joked that the assembled heavy-weights presented "a nightmare scenario for Brent Bozell."

But what these journalists proceeded to issue was a devastating indictment of the Obama presidency and a real nightmare for this president. Carolyn Ryan, the Washington bureau chief of The New York Times, brought up "the national funk we're in, the sort of national malaise." The word "malaise" is never a good word to be around if you're the president. But for President Barack Obama, who is now seen in polls as the worst president since World War II, worse than the Master of Malaise, Jimmy Carter, it's kryptonite.

Iraq's collapse and "this crisis on the border does go to this question of competence," Ryan said. With Obama's utter lack of clarity in his immigration policy, "I feel like it can be a negative for President Obama where it seems like so many things in this country just aren't working," Ryan added.

Todd agreed. "Boy, you can see that 30-second TV ad, right? You start with the health care rollout, you go to the VA, you go to Syria, you go to Iraq, and you can go to the border. You can draw a straight line."

Susan Page of USA Today found different storm clouds. She insisted that Obama will have to move harder to deport the tens of thousands of children illegally pouring over the border, action which will then hurt him with core constituencies that want more amnesty, not more crackdowns. "This is kind of a lose-lose for him, politically speaking."

Todd noted that Democrats don't want to go anywhere near the immigration issue right now. Then this whole panel agreed that it is incumbent that Obama go to the border during his upcoming Texas visit, because, as Page said, "This is a Katrina moment, right? ... You're going to a fundraiser, and you're not going to the border, where there's this crisis?"

Ouch. Hurricane Katrina is another metaphor Obama definitely does not want attached to his crumbling legacy. Dan Balz of the Washington Post underlined, "If he goes, he draws even more attention to the fact of the problem that they were unable to solve right now." Again, it's another lose-lose.

Obama certainly is relying on his historically pliant media not to discuss the need for a border visit. The options on the evening news are politically dreadful. Imagine the footage of the president visiting amidst the human squalor his inaction has caused.

Balz put the issue in a more historical context. "When we have seen these mass arrivals, it's hurt the party that's been in the White House badly." Todd agreed: "Always has. Everly time." Todd reminded his audience that the Mariel boatlift of Cuban refugees in 1980 helped defeat Bill Clinton in the only election he ever lost. Many Cubans were kept at Fort Chaffee in western Arkansas.

The notion of Obama's incompetence in matters both foreign and domestic is really beginning to sink in with the press. Try as they might in their daily attempts to sugarcoat the bad news and/or blame it all on the Republicans, even the liberal news media can read the tea leaves.

They'll keep blowing the wind beneath Obama's crippled wings, but yesterday's gusto is gone.

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## DOW at 17,000 — but you're not invited

The stock market reached a record high last week, closing over 17,000 for the first time.



**LARRY ELDER**

Good news, of course. As President John F. Kennedy famously said, "A rising tide lifts all boats." But it sure helps if you own a boat.

In this case, the "boat" would be the dynamic American stock market. But investors in the stock market disproportionately come from the top 1 percent, and they hold about 35 percent of all stocks and mutual funds.

The next-richest 9 percent control about 45 percent. The remaining 90 percent have less than 20 percent. While nearly half of Americans have either direct or indirect investments in the stock market, half of Americans do not. And even for those who do, their home equity is still, by far, their largest investment.

President Obama wants to focus his remaining years in office on fighting "income inequality." To do so, he has proposed things like "promise zones" where federal grants and tax incentives is supposed to spark development. He has promoted silly income-transferring schemes like "cash for clunkers" and "cash for caulkers," and HAMP to help homeowners

fight off foreclosure. But there is something we could do immediately to help to increase the net worth of the bottom 99 percent — allow private accounts for Social Security.

Chile recently celebrated its 33rd year of private retirement accounts. Its then-secretary of labor and Chilean pension system, Jose Pinera, went on television day after day to explain to cabdrivers, housewives and construction workers the benefits of allowing private savings accounts.

Pinera successfully persuaded 93 percent of Chilean workers to invest their "social security" contributions in one of several types of managed portfolios. Those who feared the "risk" of the stock market could continue as they did before. While U.S. workers pay 12.4 percent of their wages into Social Security, Chileans put 10 percent (or up to 20 percent) of their earnings into a private fund, earning compound interest. On retirement, workers can choose a life annuity or make programmed withdrawals. Heirs inherit what's left.

The result? Chilean workers averaged a near double-digit annual return on their money — 9.23 percent above inflation — over the first 30 years. In the U.S., Social Security nets a theoretical 1 to 2 percent return — less for newer workers. Not only do they allow private accounts for

"social security" in Chile, but also in Australia and the United Kingdom.

Columnist John Tierney, writing in The New York Times in 2005, calculated what his retirement benefits would be if he'd paid into the Chilean system instead of Social Security. He found he'd have three options: (1) Retire in 10 years, at age 62, with an annual pension of \$55,000. That would be more than triple the \$18,000 I can expect from Social Security at that age. (2) Retire at age 65 with an annual pension of \$70,000. That would be almost triple the \$25,000 pension promised by Social Security starting a year later, at age 66. (3) Retire at age 65 with an annual pension of \$53,000 and a one-time cash payment of \$223,000."

Social Security is an especially bad deal for blacks.

CATO Institute's Michael Tanner writes: "The longer you live, the more money you get from Social Security. But African Americans have shorter life spans than whites. As a result, a black man or woman earning exactly the same lifetime wages, and paying exactly the same lifetime Social Security taxes as his or her white counterpart, will likely receive a far lower rate of return. A study by the nonpartisan RAND Corporation found that the rate of return for African-Americans was approximately one percent lower than that for whites. The

result was a net lifetime transfer of wealth from blacks to whites averaging nearly \$10,000 per person."

Worse, the Supreme Court ruled long ago that one does not have a proprietary interest in his Social Security contributions. In other words, when the recipient dies, the "contribution" goes "poof." With private accounts, the money can be bequeathed to a family member or to a charity.

So why not private Social Security accounts?

The late vice presidential candidate, Rep. Geraldine Ferraro, D-N.Y., opposed private accounts for Social Security. She said if one lacked the "knowledge and the wherewithal to manage your own private funds ... you're gonna be out of luck." Out of luck?

Legendary investor Warren Buffett quotes his mentor, Benjamin Graham, who said: "In the short run the stock market is a voting machine, but in the long run it is a weighing machine." For the long term, prices reflect actual value, and investors who prudently and patiently "invest" in the stock market will have a much greater net worth and therefore realize the resources to enhance their comfort in their retirement years.

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# QuickBooks courses scheduled in Amarillo and Lubbock

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AMARILLO — The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will offer QuickBooks Pro computer short courses for the 13th year on Aug. 26-27 in Amarillo and Sept. 16-17 in Lubbock.

The trainings will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day in both cities, said DeDe Jones, AgriLife Extension risk management specialist in Amarillo, who will coordinate the event there. Jay Yates, AgriLife Extension risk manage-

ment specialist in Lubbock, will coordinate the Lubbock course.

Both events will be held at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center in their respective cities: 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd. in Amarillo and 1102 E. Farm-to-Market Road 1294 north of Lubbock.

“Our surveys have shown attendees feel they have received an average economic benefit of more than \$2,000 per year after attending these programs,” Jones said. “We’ve presented the program to

more than 400 producers through the years.”

QuickBooks Pro is a double-entry business accounting program often used by agricultural lenders and producers, Jones said. Participants will learn to enter transactions into the program and analyze costs and profits. No prior computer experience is necessary.

Registration is \$150 per course and includes computer use and teaching materials. Couples are encouraged to attend and will be charged only one regis-

tration fee if they share a computer. Class size is limited to 15 people to provide a hands-on experience for all participants, Jones said.

Those planning to attend should RSVP by Aug. 19 for the Amarillo session and by Sept. 9 for the Lubbock session. Payment is due upon arrival on the first day of the course.

For more information or to register, contact Yates at 806-746-6101 or jayates@ag.tamu.edu, or Jones at 806-677-5667, dljones@ag.tamu.edu.

# Obama aims to shift border crisis political debate

AUSTIN (AP) — Faced with a potentially awkward scene at the Texas-Mexico border, President Barack Obama sought to recast the political debate over a flood of young migrants as a question of Republican willingness to tackle the problem, not his decision to skip a chance to view the crisis first-hand.

Obama turned to one of his chief critics, Texas’ Republican Gov. Rick Perry, to try to make his point.

Following a meeting with Perry in Dallas Wednesday, the president suggested there was little daylight between Perry’s calls for additional assistance at the border and the nearly \$4 billion request Obama sent to Congress this week. He also made a public appeal for Perry, a potential GOP presidential candidate in 2016, to wield his influence with Texas’ Republican-heavy congressional delegation and press them to back the emergency spending package.

“The only question at this point is why wouldn’t the Texas delegation or any of the other Republicans who are concerned about this not want to put this on a fast track and get this on my desk so I can sign it and we can start getting to work?” Obama said. He argued that opposition to the urgent spending request would be part of a pattern of obstructionism from Republicans who have also resisted moving forward on a comprehensive immigration bill.

Back in Washington, Republican opposition to the request hardened. Texas Sens. John Cornyn and Ted Cruz, have criticized the plan as a “blank check” and Arizona Sen. John McCain voiced his opposition to the measure Wednesday.

Perry, in his own statement following the meeting, made no promises to help Obama shore up GOP support for the supplemental spending package and instead doubled down on the notion that the border crisis was the result of Obama’s “bad public policy” on immigration.

Obama arrived in Texas under pressure from Republicans like Perry, as well as some Democrats, to add a trip to the border to his two-day fundraising swing. The White House steadfastly resisted those calls, insisting there was little the president could learn from a border visit that he didn’t already know.

“I’m not interested in photo ops,” Obama said Wednesday. “I’m interest-

ed in solving a problem.”

Still, Obama and his advisers clearly recognized the political liabilities of ignoring the immigration crisis while working the Texas donor circuit. The White House added an immigration meeting with local officials and faith leaders to Obama’s schedule in Dallas and took the unusual step of having Perry fly with Obama on the presidential helicopter so the two could discuss the matter.

Perry kept up the pressure on Obama to make a border visit, telling CBS in an interview “that’s what presidents do. That’s what leaders do. They show up and they interact.”

The governor likened the current situation to the criticism President George W. Bush got for failing to visit New Orleans at the height of the damage and destruction from Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Perry said he’s warned Obama over a year ago that the situation at the Texas border was deteriorating.

The current problem at the border comes at a time when the White House was seeking to cement an upper hand on the issue of immigration, particularly with Hispanic voters, who are increasingly crucial to electoral success in presidential elections. After House Republicans made clear they had no plans to take up comprehensive legislation this year, Obama vowed to move forward with executive actions that would make needed changes to the nation’s broken immigration system.

But the border crisis has given Republicans fresh fodder to challenge that approach. GOP lawmakers have blamed Obama’s 2012 decision to defer deportations for some young people in the U.S. illegally for fueling rumors in Central America that unaccompanied minors who arrive at the border would be allowed to stay.

Indeed, some of the 57,000 children who have come to the border appear to be under that impression, though many are also fleeing violence in Central America. The White House has said most of the children are unlikely to qualify for humanitarian relief that would allow them to stay.

The money Obama is seeking from Congress would go toward seating more immigration judges, increasing detention facilities, helping care for the children and paying for programs in Central America to keep them from coming to the U.S.

# AgriLife Extension offers pesticide applicator training in Canyon

SUBMITTED BY TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE

CANYON — The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service office in Randall County will be conducting a Pesticide Applicator Training from 9 to 11 a.m. July 31 at the Kuhlman Extension Center, 200 N. Brown Road in Canyon.

The training is the first required step for anyone interested in obtaining a private pesticide applicator license, said Dr. J.D.

Ragland, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent for Randall County.

However, Ragland noted, the required testing for applicator licensing will not be available at this training.

Ragland said a private applicator license allows the holder to purchase restricted-use pesticides and herbicide products not sold over the counter. Once an

applicant completes the training and successfully passes the written exam, they will receive their license by direct mail from the Texas Department of Agriculture.

The license will remain in good standing for five years and be renewed as long as the applicant accumulates a total of 15 continuing education units during that five-year period, he said. If the required

15 CEU’s are not obtained, the license will expire. If this happens, the applicant must wait one year before being allowed to complete the entire process again.

Cost is \$10 per participant, payable at the door. However, an RSVP is required by calling the AgriLife Extension office at 806-468-5543 by 5 p.m. July 29. If there are no RSVPs, the training class will not be held.

# Texas company proposes oil pipeline through Iowa

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — A Texas company wants to run through Iowa an underground pipeline that would carry crude oil from North Dakota’s Bakken oil fields to Illinois. The Des Moines Regis-

ter says the pipeline route in Iowa would begin in Lyon County and slice southeast through 15 other counties and exit Iowa at Lee County. The pipeline would end at Patoka, Ill., where the oil would have

railroad access to several markets.

Energy Transfer Partners LP, of Dallas, is proposing the pipeline, which would carry at least 320,000 barrels a day in a 30-inch diameter pipe.

The project faces Iowa regulatory reviews from the Utilities Board and the Department of Natural Resources. The company wants to begin operation of the pipeline by the end of 2016.

# FedEx: Shooting suspect once did work for company

SPRING (AP) — FedEx says the suspect in the Houston-area shooting that left four children and their parents dead once worked on behalf of the company but has not since January. Harris County Precinct

4 Constable Ron Hickman says 33-year-old Ronald Lee Haskell was wearing a FedEx shirt when he appeared Wednesday at the home in the northern Houston suburb of Spring. Hickman says he “came in

the guise of a FedEx driver wearing a FedEx shirt.”

FedEx spokeswoman Erin Truxal said Thursday that Haskell was a delivery driver employed by a FedEx service provider. KPRC-TV in Houston

reports that a court hearing Thursday revealed Haskell kicked in the home’s door when a 15-year-old girl attempted to close it. The girl was wounded in the shooting and her siblings and parents killed.

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# Entertainment

## 'Game of Thrones' earns a leading 19 Emmy nods

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The sprawling and bloodthirsty saga "Game of Thrones," defying the Emmy Awards' grudging respect for such fantasy fare, emerged as the leader in the nominations announced Thursday with 19 bids, including best drama series.

Other top nominees included a pair of ambitious miniseries, " Fargo," with 18 bids, and "American Horror Story: Coven," with 17. The AIDS drama "The Normal Heart" received 16 nominations, including best TV movie. The meth kingpin tale "Breaking Bad" got 16 bids for its final season, including best drama and a best actor nod for star Bryan Cranston.

The 66th prime-time Emmy Awards ceremony will have big-screen star power to spare. This year's Academy Awards best-actor winner Matthew McConaughey ("Dallas Buyers Club") and nominee Chiwetel Ejiofor ("12 Years a Slave") are both nominees for TV projects, as is past Oscar winner Julia Roberts.

In the competitive best-drama series category, "Game of Thrones" will compete with "Breaking Bad," "Downton Abbey," "House of Cards," "Mad

Men" and "True Detective."

Whether HBO's "Game of Thrones" can take home the top trophy is another question: Only one fantasy or sci-fi series, "Lost," has ever captured it, according to Tom O'Neil, author of "The Emmys" and organizer of the Gold Derby awards site.

Snubbed in the category was "The Good Wife," despite a season that was both critically acclaimed and gasp-inducing for the sudden, violent death of character Will Gardner (Josh Charles).

Netflix's "House of Cards" which made a breakthrough last year as the first online series nominated for a major award, has the chance again to grab Emmy gold.

"Orange is the New Black," also from Netflix, leaped that barrier on the flip side this time around with a bid for best comedy series, along with a nod for star Taylor Schilling.

Also competing for best comedy honors are "The Big Bang Theory," "Louie," "Silicon Valley," "Veep," and "Modern Family," a four-time winner that has the chance to tie "Frasier" as the all-time winning sitcom with one more award.

"Orange is the New Black," a prison-set hybrid "dramedy," could have been entered in either the drama or comedy category, and the decision to go for the latter paid off. Not so for "Shameless," a onetime drama contender that tried for better luck on the comedy side but failed to get a top bid.

Another category-buster is "True Detective," the dark-hearted Southern drama that starred McConaughey and Woody Harrelson. It was entered in the series category although it had a close-ended story and its stars have indicated they don't plan on returning for the show's second season.

But the crime anthology qualifies as a series because of the "created by" credit given to Nic Pizzolatto by the Writers Guild of America, said John Leverage, the TV academy's senior vice president for awards. That credit serves as a "marker" to help determine a program's first-year Emmy categorization, which can be ambiguous, Leverage said.

McConaughey and Harrelson both will vie for best drama actor honors, along with four-time winner Cranston for "Breaking Bad," Jon Hamm for "Mad Men," Kevin Spac-

ey for "House of Cards," and Jeff Daniels for "The Newsroom," who won the Emmy last year.

Nominees in the lead actress drama category are last year's winner, "Homeland" star Claire Danes along with Lizzy Caplan for "Masters of Sex," Michelle Dockery for "Downton Abbey," Julianna Margulies for "The Good Wife," Kerry Washington for "Scandal" and Robin Wright for "House of Cards."

"I'm crazy grateful that the TV Academy has acknowledged our show in these ways," Washington said in a statement, giving a shoutout to fellow "Scandal" nominees Joe Morton and Kate Burton. They were recognized in the guest actor and actress categories.

For comedy series, the lead actor nods went to Don Cheadle for "House of Lies," Louis C.K. for "Louie," Ricky Gervais for "Derek," Matt LeBlanc for "Episodes," William H. Macy for "Shameless" and Jim Parsons for "The Big Bang Theory." Parsons won the Emmy last year.

Best actress comedy nominees besides Schilling were Lena Dunham for "Girls," Edie Falco for "Nurse Jackie," Melissa

McCarthy for "Mike & Molly," Amy Poehler for "Parks and Recreation" and last year's winner, Julia Louis-Dreyfus, for "Veep."

"This list of nominees would also be the list for the best dinner party in history," "Girls" creator and star Dunham said in a statement, dubbing them "fierce and funny women."

With a resurgence of so-called long-form drama, the TV academy separated the best movie and miniseries categories that had been combined for several years because of scant entries. The acting categories, however, remain a mix of the two.

In the miniseries category, "American Horror Story: Coven" and " Fargo," a riff on the 1996 movie of the same name, will compete with "Bonnie & Clyde," "Luther," "Treme" and "The White Queen."

Along with "The Nor-

mal Heart," the TV movie nominees are "Killing Kennedy," "Muhammad Ali's Greatest Fight," "Sherlock: His Last Vow (Masterpiece)" and "The Trip to Bountiful."

Roberts is a supporting actress nominee for "The Normal Heart." Ejiofor earned a bid for the miniseries "Dancing on the Edge."

The 66th Primetime Emmy Awards will air Monday, Aug. 25, on NBC, with emcee Seth Meyers, the former "Saturday Night Live" player and new NBC late-night host. The ceremony, traditionally held on Sunday, was moved to avoid a conflict with NBC's "Sunday Night Football" and with MTV's Video Music Awards.

HBO received a leading 99 nominations, followed by CBS with 47; NBC, 46; FX Networks, 45; ABC, 37; PBS, 34; Showtime, 24, and Fox, 18.

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## 4 children, parents killed in Texas shooting

SPRING (AP) — A gunman charged Thursday in the killing of four children and their parents was dressed as a delivery man when he arrived at the suburban Houston home where the family was shot to death, officials said.

Ronald Lee Haskell, 33, is charged with multiple counts of capital murder in the killings Wednesday evening, Harris County Precinct 4 Constable Ron Hickman said early Thursday. He also is accused of critically wounding a 15-year-old girl in the shooting rampage.

"I have not personally in 40 years seen a tragedy in one family that is this horrific," Hickman said.

Documents introduced during a preliminary court hearing Thursday show the 15-year-old girl attempted to close the door to the home after telling Haskell her parents weren't home, according to a report by KPRC-TV in Houston. But he kicked in the door.

Haskell was estranged from a woman related to the couple, Hickman said. Authorities said earlier that Haskell's wife lives in another state. Hickman corrected preliminary accounts given by law enforcement personnel Wednesday night that Haskell was the father of the slain children.

The children killed were two boys ages 4 and 14, plus two girls ages 7 and 9. Their parents were Katie and Stephen Stay, according to court documents. The father, a real estate agent, was 39 and the mother was 33, according to Harris County Sheriff's Deputy Thomas Gilliland.

Haskell "gathered up the children that were here and awaited the arrival of the parents," Hickman told reporters outside the home Thursday. "Some time later the victims were shot in the residence."

Hickman said Haskell "came in the guise of a FedEx driver wearing a FedEx shirt."

Federal Express said in a statement that Haskell had "formerly provided service" for the company, but has not done so since January.

Hickman said that after Haskell left the home the injured teenage girl — also a daughter of the murdered couple — contacted authorities telling them the shooter was en route to shoot other family members.

Law enforcement personnel located Haskell's car and a low-speed chase ensued, ending in a cul-de-sac, Hickman said. A standoff then lasted more than three hours before Haskell exited the car, sank to his knees and surrendered.

Online jail records did not list an attorney for Haskell.

At one point during the standoff tactical officers used a large armored vehicle to ram the front of his car, disabling it. Another armored vehicle was used to ram the rear of the car, preventing any chance of escape.

The sheriff's department said precinct deputy constables were called to the house about 6 p.m. Wednesday and found the parents and three children dead. Another child later died at a hospital.

Gilliland said the teenager was in "very critical condition" at Memorial Hermann Hospital in Houston late Wednesday night.

Gilliland described Haskell after the standoff as "cool as a cucumber." He said that when he and other officers first approached, Haskell was "just sitting in his car looking out at us."

Hickman said Haskell surrendered without resistance.

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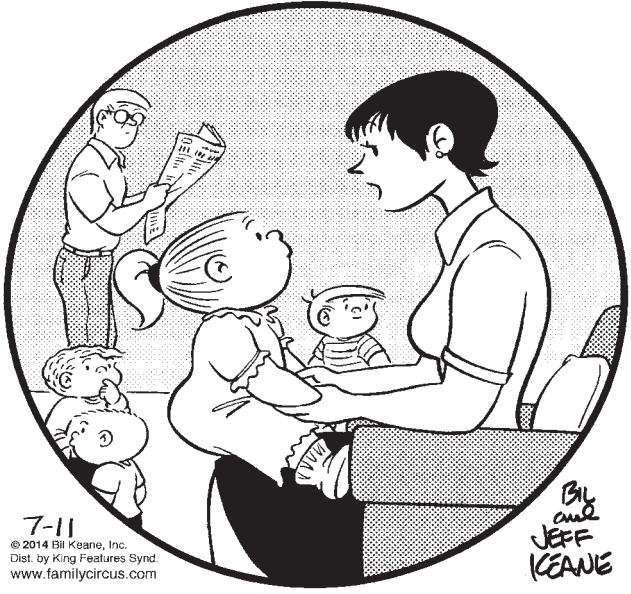
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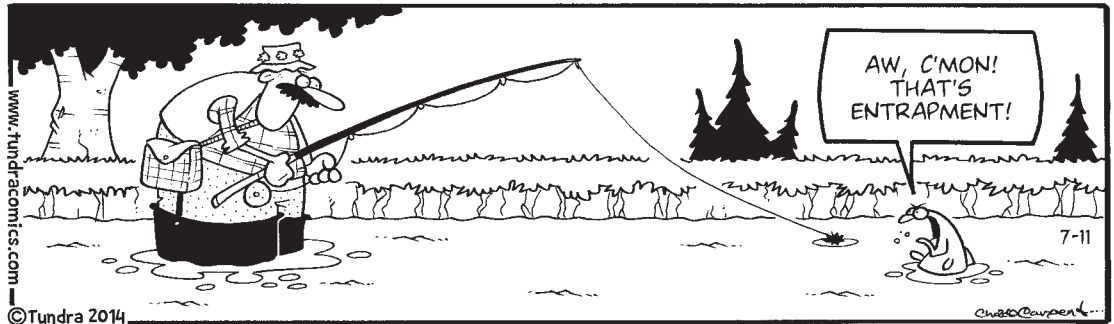


# daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Saturday, July 12, 2014:  
This year you often wonder whether to be vulnerable or like a turtle, protected by your shell. You might experiment as to which way is best for you. You often want to be logical but are highly emotional, and vice versa. Potential sweeties find you enticing and magnetic. You might have difficulty deciding who, when and what. Date until you are sure. If you are attached, your significant other will love your changeability once he or she gets used to it. Your magnetism speaks to this person as well. Add more glue to your bond, not forgetting how important this person is to you. **CAPRICORN** has the same concerns as you. They just approach them differently.  
**The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have:** 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult  
**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)  
★★★ An authority figure in your life, perhaps an older relative, could present you with an opportunity, but you might not be able to say "yes" because of other commitments. Anger could erupt. Proceed with care if you don't want to get into a fight. Tonight: A force, wherever you are.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
★★★★ You could be taken aback by a situation that forces you to break past your normal boundaries. Once you walk in another person's shoes, empathy evolves and takes any disagreement away. Good news heads your way. Accept a fun invitation. Tonight: Try a different type of cuisine.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
★★★★ Relax and then deal with someone directly. Speak your mind in a manner in which others can receive your message. Make quality time for a loved one you really care about. If it is your sweetie, try to re-create an old-fashioned date. Tonight: Adding more heat to the moment.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
★★★★ Others could be far more in touch with their feelings than you realize. A loved one has been changing in front of your very eyes. You could be delighted by what comes up in a discussion. Consider being more vulnerable than in the past. Tonight: The only answer to an offer is "yes."  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
★★★ You might have focus and direction today, whereas others do not. They are playful and spontaneous. Make it clear what you want to do. Indicate when you will be available. A loved one or friend will coax you out a little early anyway. Tonight: Enjoy a spontaneous happening.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
★★★★ Today's Full Moon brings

into light your friendships, loved ones and possibly your relationship with a child. You could be juggling more than you can handle at the present moment. Someone close makes a request that you would like to fulfill. Make a major effort. Tonight: Whatever you do, do it 100 percent.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
★★★ You might feel pressured. The question might be how to proceed. Some of you might try to juggle different concerns, whereas others make a choice. You could become unusually frustrated and angry with demands or requests. Let others know your feelings, in any case. Tonight: Find a friend who knows how to make you smile and detach.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
★★★★ Take a day trip, as you are very tired of the same old routine. If you can get away longer, all the better. You could be amazed at the results of even a day trip. You'll gain a new perspective and relax at the same time. You just might opt for doing these escapes more frequently. Tonight: Return calls only if you want.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
★★★★ You could see a situation differently than a partner does. You might have a conflict about funds. If you can hold back on this expenditure, you will see new information come forward. Someone close to you lets you know how much you are cared about. Relax. Tonight: Make it dinner for two.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
★★★★ You will want to assume control, while others seem scattered. A partner or loved one might be in such a good mood that his or her efficiency seems to dwindle and he or she doesn't care! This person is loving the moment. If you can, join in. Otherwise, be efficient if you would like. Tonight: Your popularity pushes to the forefront.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
★★★ You could be stunned by what you are seeing; nevertheless, you will opt to withdraw. You can decide whether to create a sanctuary-type mood alone or with another person. You crave quieter, more centered interactions. Tonight: Listen to what is being said without interjecting thoughts in your mind.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
★★★★ Your friends cannot seem to be without you. They call you, invite you to their parties and ask for your company in general. A child or loved one also needs your attention. You have the ability to juggle various concerns. Remember what is most important in your life and act accordingly. Tonight: Where you want to be.

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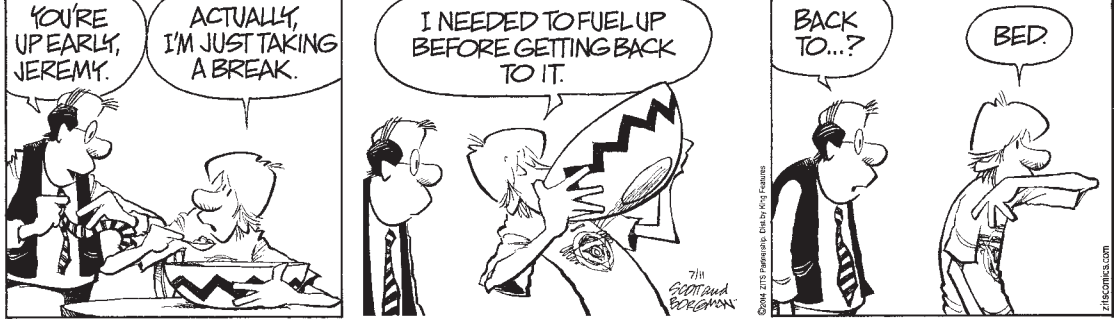
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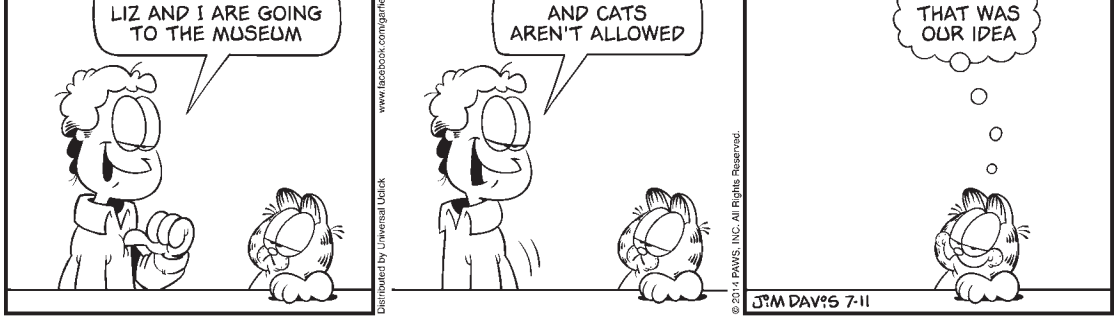
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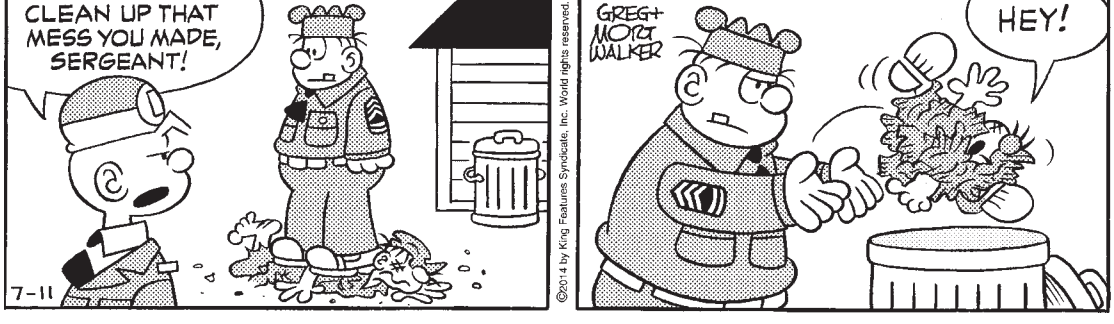
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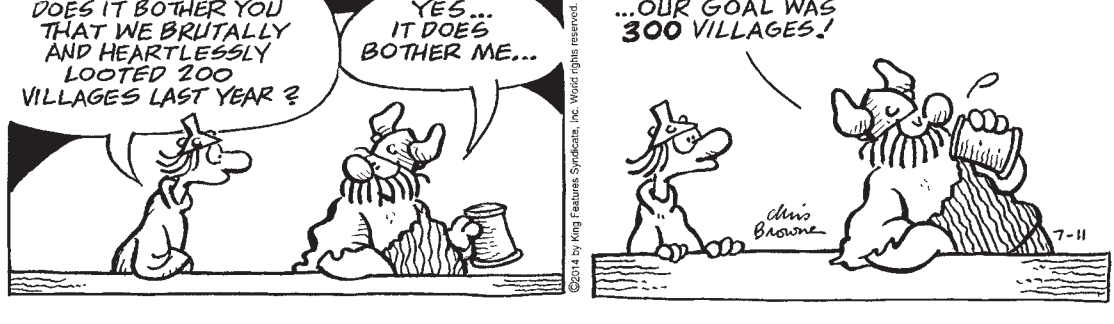
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## From the Press Box

### How NBA Free Agency is different.

Right now, the entire sports world is sitting and watching as free agent NBA megastar LeBron James decides where he is going to take his talents in “The Decision 2.0.”



JOHN LEE

The entire NBA Free Agency period is on hold until he and free agent Carmelo Anthony make their moves. Anthony, while not the megastar

James is, he is still a very talented free agent and has some grip on the free agency period.

The most recent comparable free agent move comparable to James is when Peyton Manning was cut by the Indianapolis Colts and had teams court-ing him whether they had a quarterback or not. The San Francisco 49ers, Tennessee Titans and Arizona Cardinals were ready to give a king’s ransom before Manning signed with the Broncos. But this is where it is different. Outside of Oklahoma City and San Antonio, who doesn’t want LeBron?

This is how NBA Free Agency, and really the league itself, is different from the NFL and any other major sport.

Other than NASCAR, the NBA is the only league that promotes its players more than it promotes its teams.

Sure Peyton Manning is the spokesperson for Papa John’s and DirectTV, and Aaron Rodgers is featured with State Farm, but outside of those two,

how many NFL players can you name from TV commercials (Gatorade not included).

The NBA on the other hand, is a very player-driven league. To be political, look at the Donald Sterling incident. If Sterling wasn’t banned from the NBA, James and Durant threatened to quit the NBA.

Because of the nature of the game only having five players on the court at one time, the NBA’s players are bigger for their sport than the football players are for the NFL.

Even Michael Jordan is still getting commercials.

The fact is in the NBA, being a player-driven league there is a mixture of business decisions and friends recruiting each other to join teams. Whereas in the NFL, it is almost completely business-decision driven, unless you’re Peyton Manning.

LeBron James, now that he has two rings, is going to go where the money is, whereas before when he left Cleveland he went to the best TEAM. After he does, the free agent signings are going drop like dominoes.

After Manning signed with the Broncos, however, the free agent crop that year was the same as any other year; you just had four teams vying for one quarterback.

The difference, a single elite player in the NBA is more important than a quarterback in the NFL (in most cases).

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## Van Gaal’s luck runs out

SAO PAULO (AP) — Louis van Gaal’s luck finally ran out at the World Cup.

The Netherlands coach appeared to have a golden tactical touch in Brazil. He switched systems during matches to force victories, brought on substitutes who scored within minutes, posted a striker in defense and — most amazingly of all — swapped goalkeepers for a penalty shootout victory.

But in the semifinals against Argentina on Wednesday, he ran out of substitutes before he could pull that trick again and his team was eliminated in a shootout after Jasper Cillessen failed to stop any of Argentina’s four penalties following a 0-0 draw.

“I’d have subbed him again if I’d had the

chance,” Van Gaal said. “But I didn’t have the chance.”

On Wednesday, his substitutions may have ultimately cost the Netherlands the game, and a place in the World Cup final.

He took off defender Bruno Martins Indi, captain Robin van Persie and midfielder Nigel de Jong.

That meant not only that he couldn’t replace Cillessen with Tim Krul ahead of the shootout as he did so successfully against Costa Rica, but also that Van Persie, the designated first penalty taker in shootouts, had to watch from the bench as central defender Ron Vlaar’s lead-off spot kick was saved.

Van Gaal said he asked two other players before turning to Vlaar, the

Aston Villa center back who had an outstanding match against Argentina. He would not name those players.

Vlaar agreed and shot it too close to Sergio Romero and at a height that made it easy to save. The Netherlands was immediately behind in the shootout and never recovered.

Van Gaal didn’t say why he didn’t let more experienced players take their penalties first and leave Vlaar until last.

“Van Persie usually takes the first one but he was substituted so (Van Gaal) asked me and I said yes,” Vlaar said. “I felt good. But if you take one you have to score and it didn’t happen.”

After the match, Van Gaal defended each change. Martins Indi

was having a tough time defending Enzo Perez and had picked up a yellow card. He didn’t want De Jong, just back from a groin injury from the second-round win over Mexico, to reinjure himself. And Van Persie was “on his last legs” and he thought substitute Klaas-Jan Huntelaar had more chance of scoring.

“But if you don’t score, every substitution is wrong,” the 62-year-old coach said.

Now Van Gaal has only what he considers a meaningless third-place match to prepare for before he heads to England to begin rebuilding Manchester United as its manager.

The Old Trafford faithful must be eagerly awaiting his arrival after this World Cup.

## Parsons signs 3-year offer sheet with Mavs

The Dallas Mavericks have made a move at small forward, with restricted free agent Chandler Parsons signing a three-year offer sheet worth more than \$45 million.

Houston will now have to decide whether to match the offer.

Several photos of Parsons signing an offer sheet were posted on a Cyber Dust account controlled by Mavericks owner Mark Cuban and the team early Thursday, when the NBA’s moratorium on signing free agents ended. The photos, including

one of Cuban posing with Parsons, appeared briefly just after midnight Dallas time.

The Rockets have three days to match the offer, though it wasn’t immediately clear if they would do so for the 25-year-old forward who has played for them the past three seasons. Parsons was a second-round pick out of Florida in the 2011 draft.

Dallas got an agreement in place with Parsons even before small forwards Carmelo Anthony or LeBron James announced where they will play, a

signal that the Mavericks are most likely out on the two most prominent free agents.

Anthony visited the Mavericks at the start of the free agency period, but Dallas owner Mark Cuban has acknowledged that he couldn’t offer the forward a max contract.

Parsons averaged 16.6 points, 5.5 rebounds and 4.0 assists last season for the Rockets. He has played 213 games, starting 207 of them, while averaging 14.1 points, 5.2 rebounds and 4.1 as-

ists. In Dallas, he would be in a frontcourt with Dirk Nowitzki and recently re-acquired Tyson Chandler.

Nowitzki and point guard Devin Harris have already agreed on new contracts that will be able to be signed as early as Thursday. Chandler, part of the Mavericks’ only NBA title in 2011, rejoined Dallas in a trade from the New York Knicks.

Shawn Marion, the primary small forward for Dallas the past five seasons, is a defensive specialist and unrestricted free agent.

## Ghanaian fans seek asylum

SAO PAULO (AP) — Hundreds of Ghana-

ians who entered Brazil as tourists to watch World Cup games have asked for asylum, police in southern Brazil said Thursday.

Noerci da Silva Melo who heads the Federal Police office in the city of Caxias do Sul said that over the past week 200 Ghanaians asked for asylum. The Justice Ministry will decide whether to grant their requests and in the meantime, they are allowed to work and circulate in Brazil.

The Justice Ministry did not immediately comment.

Melo said close to 150 of the Ghanaians have left Caxias do Sul for the states of Sao Paulo and Santa Catarina where they have a better chance of finding employment.

Melo said the Ghanaians said they were Muslims who were “fleeing the violent conflicts between different Muslim groups.”

He said they all entered Brazil legally to watch their country’s team play in Natal, Fortaleza and Brasilia. Ghana finished last in its group, losing to the United States and Portugal and reaching a draw with Germany.

Vanessa Perini Moojen of the Roman Catholic Church’s Migrant Support Center said the asylum-seekers “faced life-threatening situations back home.” She would not elaborate.

“They feel they can find work and better living conditions in Brazil,” she added.



## NTPGA tournament at Hidden Hills

15-18 Boys		15-18 Girls	
1. Max Mitchell	73	1. Shaley Goad	76
2. Connor Kauffman	74	2. Klarissa Vela	86
3. Quentin Fankhouser	79	3. McKinley Hancox	86
13-14 Boys		11-12 Girls	
1. Paxton Denton	78	1. Jacee Fields	87
2. Larson Grawunder	83		
3. Jonathon Rooks	86		
11-12 Boys			
1. Caden Conrad	87		
2. Conner Lane	90		
3. Stetson Provence	91		

## Hidden Hills Monday Scramble

<b>1st – 28</b>	Eugene Polasek Carolyn Allison
RD Stephens Robbie Snead Roger Miller Bill Aranda	<b>3rd – 30</b> Ron Fields Kendall Snead Mike Lowrey Lloyd Waters
<b>2nd – 30</b>	Clint Miller Jonathon Polasek

### Watch the Pros

<b>Baseball</b>	Atlanta Braves at Chicago Cubs.....MLBN 3 p.m.
	LA Angels at Texas Rangers.....FSSW 7 p.m.
	St. Louis Cards at Milwaukee Brewers...MLBN 7 p.m.
<b>Cycling</b>	Tour de France.....NBCSN 7 a.m.
<b>Golf</b>	Scottish Open.....GOLF 4:30 a.m.
	LPGA: British Open.....ESPN2 8 a.m.
	PGA: John Deere Classic.....GOLF 2 p.m.
	U.S. Senior Open.....ESPN2 3 p.m.
	Utah Championship.....GOLF 5 p.m.
<b>Softball</b>	USA vs. Japan.....ESPN 8 p.m.

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