

# Female Nurse Named "Mother of Balkh"

KABUL - A 76-year-old Parwin nurse, who has treated over 80,000 women in northern Balkh province in her private clinic, has been awarded the title of 'Mother of Balkh' and says she has to date trained hundreds of nurses. TOLONews correspondent Sayed ArifMusavi who visited the private clinic of Parwin reports from the area that hundreds of women consult Parwin for medical advice on a daily basis - the majority of them being gynecological patients. Parwin, who graduated 55 years ago, has mostly always worked



with women and has treated over 80,000 women in the northern province despite the lack of modern technology available to her. "I treated nearly 85,000 patients, we have a protocol book in which names of the patients have been registered, but few of them weren't registered," Parwin told TOLONews. Parwin was awarded the title of "Mother of Balkh" during Nawroz Festival this year in order to honor her for her work. Parwin says she has successfully treated ...*(More on P4)...(13)*

## Militants Unable to Run over Jalalabad City or Any District in Nangarhar: Kundozi



KABUL - In the aftermath of a Taliban attack on a provincial capital in the northern part of the country where the city was under the siege of Taliban for a few days and clashes continued between security forces and Taliban for about 16 days, fear spread that a great threat has been facing eastern Nangarhar province since Daesh group has been spreading there. But the province's governor made it clear on Friday that militants neither can run over the province capital nor any district in his province. Salim Khan Kundozi said in a gathering in Jalalabad that whoever dreaming to occupy Afghanistan need to know that their dreams would not come true. He called on people for unity and to stand with government which ensures security and stability. He said that foreigners would not ...*(More on P4)...(15)*

## NDS Detains 11 Taliban in Kandahar



KANDAHAR - The National Directorate of Security (NDS) - Afghanistan's intelligence agency has detained a group of 11 Taliban including their commander Rahmatullah alias Dangar in southern Kandahar.

A statement released by NDS on Saturday state that the group was rounded up in a special operation. The statement further states that the arrested Taliban were involved in a number of terrorists attacks in Kandahar city including the killing of a tribal elder - Nik Mohammad who was originally from Zherai District, two policemen and another government official. The arrested terrorists have confessed to their crimes in the initial investigation. They have also admitted being members of Taliban group. Kandahar is the birth place and one of the strongholds of Taliban in Afghanistan. The group operates in remote areas of the province but occasionally carry out attacks in the provincial capital. (KP)

## Tolo Threat by Taliban to be Raised At OIC and UN

KABUL - The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Salahuddin Rabbani has met with the Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) to Kabul, Aydin Nurhan, over the recent threat to TOLO TV and 1TV by the Taliban. In the meeting, Rabbani asked the Organization of Islamic Cooperation to release a declaration condemning the recent threat of the Taliban against TOLO and 1TV networks - which is widely considered a threat



to freedom of expression and to all media in Afghanistan. Rabbani also added that he instructed the permanent representative of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan to the UN to raise the issue with the UN Security Council, and called on the UN member countries and institutions who believe in freedom of speech to denounce this threat. Nurhan meanwhile, vowed to raise the matter with the secretariat of the organization as soon as possible and ask them to take appropriate measures. (Tolonews)

## Two Policemen Killed in Baghlan Roadside Mine Blast



SAR-E-PUL - Two policemen were killed in a roadside mine blast in northern Baghlan province on Friday night, local officials said.

The incident took place in Dand-e-Ghori area after a police vehicle struck a roadside mine which killed two policemen, provincial police officials said. No group including the Taliban has claimed responsibility for the blast.

But the police officials said that the placing of the roadside mine was in violation of the recent controversial Dand-e-Ghori deal. The deal was signed between tribal elders, government officials and the Taliban about a month ago and prevents both military operations and insurgent attacks from being carried out in the area. Dand-e-Ghori is part of Pul-e-Khumri city. (Tolonews)

## Ghazni Police Chief Calls on Taliban to Join Peace Process

GHAZNI CITY - Aminullah Amarkhail, Ghazni's police chief, said at a meeting with tribal elders and officials that he will take a hard stance against the Taliban and will bring stability to the province. "If truly you are Afghan and you have any program for Afghanistan then you [anti-armed oppositions] must come and join the peace process but if anyone wants to disturb Ghazni's security we are legally allowed to defend [the province]," said Amarkhail. Meanwhile Pro-



vincial NDS Chief Ali Ahmad Mubarez urged the residents and security forces to not show any mercy towards armed militants and to eliminate them. "There is no excuse or forced Talib, Talib is Talib. Anywhere you find an armed Talib kill them because their [Taliban] war is against our children and elders," said Mubarez. After a Taliban attack was thwarted against Ghazni ...*(More on P4)...(14)*

## Global Petition Pressures U.S. to OK Independent Probe into Afghan Hospital Airstrike

WASHINGTON - With the United States not releasing any findings of its investigation almost two weeks after the deadly U.S. airstrike on an Afghan hospital, the international medical aid agency Doctors Without Borders has launched a global petition to urge the White House to consent to an independent investigation. "Respect for the laws of war is what protects our staff and patients in conflict zones throughout the world," said Jason Cone, executive director of the U.S. branch of the organization, also known by its French language acronym MSF, in

a statement. "There must be an independent and impartial investigation to establish the facts of this horrific attack on our hospital," said Cone. Echoing the demand of Dr. Joanne Liu, the international president of the MSF, Cone urged U.S. President Barack Obama to consent to the International Humanitarian Fact-Finding Commission (IHFFC) investigation "without delay." More than 50,000 had so far signed the petition since the launch of the petition on Thursday. The petition came one day after the IHFFC said it had ...*(More on P4)...(16)*

## Unknown Gunmen Kill Tribal Elder in Kandahar

KANDAHAR - A number of unknown gunmen shot dead a tribal elder in southern Kandahar province on Friday, local officials said. The incident took place in Yakhkariz area of Kandahar city while Haji Habibullah Barakzai, the tribal elder was on his way to his

home, a Provincial Governor spokesman, Samim Ikhpelwak said. No one has been arrested over the incident yet and the police has started investigations. No group including the Taliban has claimed responsibility for the attack. (Tolonews)

### Outlook Horoscope

#### Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)

 Cleaning house (literally or figuratively) makes perfect sense today while energetic Mars joins visionary Jupiter in your 6th House of Details. You have a crystal clear idea of what you want to accomplish and possess the stamina to get things done now. However, you must take a big job and break it down into smaller manageable pieces in order to be efficient.

#### Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)

 A new idea captures your imagination today, but you won't necessarily put enough effort into making your vision come true. It's not that you're avoiding hard work now; it's just your common sense could overrule your initial excitement. Remember, your plan deserves enough time to simmer and marinate before you prematurely rush into action or discard it entirely.

#### Gemini (May 21-June 20)

 Although you usually thrive on being in the center of the action, you may actually reach an exhaustion point from all the social buzz today. Knowing when you have had enough is a sign of maturity, but setting limits can be a serious challenge. Acknowledge your fear of missing out on something special, but call it quits before your head starts to hurt. Rest and relaxation is the necessary prescription for the day.

#### Cancer (June 21-July 20)

 Your current optimism could inspire you to make ambitious plans to accomplish your career goals. However, your unbridled enthusiasm immediately impacts your social activities today as your professional confidence spills over into your personal life. Fortunately, if you have earned the respect of those you love, they will be eager to follow your lead.

#### Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

 You can burn off excess energy easily today by doing something physical such as sweating at the gym or hiking a nearby trail. But it's also essential to stretch the muscles of your mind now by learning something new. Your mental appetite may be satisfied by passionately discussing an unique course of study with a friend, or perhaps doing research of your own involving topics of religion.

#### Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)

 Your exuberance might lead you into the danger zone if you don't find a way to contain your confidence today. The combustible power of the Mars-Jupiter conjunction in your sign may be enough to blast you into orbit, but you could deplete your energy reserves too fast, leaving you to crash back to Earth with a painful thud. Remember, too much of a good thing isn't always good.

#### Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)

 Your obsessive interest in getting to the bottom of a mystery might be a bit too intense for everyone else today. You want answers and you are prepared to ask whatever questions are necessary to find the missing pieces of the puzzle. However, your insatiable curiosity could seem confrontational now, even if that's not your intention. Be as transparent as possible so your actions are not misunderstood.

#### Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)

 Your friends may be so outrageously optimistic that you think they have gone slightly mad. At first it's fun being around exuberant people who are on a mission to do something out of the ordinary today. Unfortunately, you suddenly realize that you might be the only one who is willing to issue a reality check. However, don't try to change their plans by raining on their parade.

#### Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)

 Fun-filled activities can put a happy smile on your face now if you simply remember to moderate your natural inclination for bigger, better and more. You could get into trouble by taking a good idea and turning it into such a huge deal today that it eventually fizzles. Although you might believe you're being quite rational as you map out the future, your perspective is skewed by the conjunction of red-hot Mars and giant Jupiter.

#### Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)

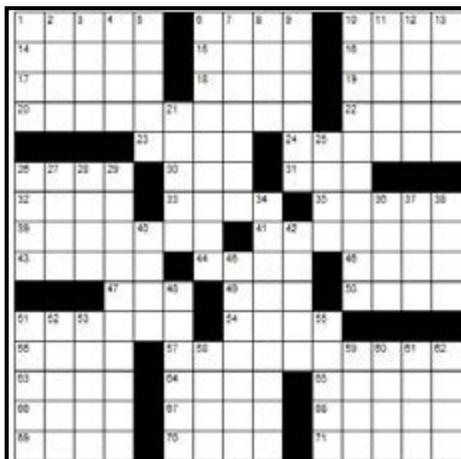
 As much as you may love spending the day at home with your family, too much domestic bliss might have you dreaming about ways to escape today. It's not that you long to be somewhere else; it's just that you don't like giving up an entire day without having something tangible to show for it. Try motivating others to participate in some sort of home improvement project.

#### Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)

 You are buzzing around like a busy bee today, flitting from one flower to the next in a field filled with beautiful distractions. In fact, there are so many exciting possibilities to explore, you might feel a bit lost because you don't know where to start or what to do next. However, there's no reason to hold back for appearance's sake.

#### Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)

 Relationships are going your way now, as long as you don't try to put your partner into a box. The expansive Mars-Jupiter conjunction widens your 7th House of Others, surprising you with the amount of love and support you could receive if you're accepting of its many various shapes and colors. However, you might inadvertently cut yourself off from the emotional goodies if your expectations are too specific today.



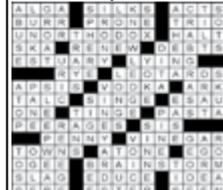
#### Across

1. Not together, 6. Spurt, 10. Glove, 14. Sweetener, 15. Dwarf buffalo, 16. Reflected sound, 17. Aircraft, 18. A field of grass, 19. Layer, 20. A light shower, 22. Significance, 23. Perished, 24. Terminates, 26. Clothing, 30. Mineral rock, 31. 16 1/2 feet, 32. Pearly-shelled mussel, 33. On the left or right, 35. Broaden, 39. Distaste, 41. Lava mountain, 43. Set of principles, 44. Stigma, 46. Contributes, 47. Small portable bed, 49. Former boxing champ, 50. Fail to win, 51. Pillaging, 54. Country bumpkin, 56. Foment, 57. Possible, 63. Meal in a shell, 64. Jacket, 65. Wait, 66. Brother of Jacob, 67. Desire, 68. Wear away, 69. Lairs, 70. P P P P, 71. Showers with love.

#### Down

1. Vipers, 2. A mixture of cellulose fibers, 3. Food thickener, 4. Hindu princess, 5. Inclination, 6. Mine passageways, 7. Unassisted, 8. Scattered, 9. An airplane «garage», 10. Organized, 11. Less friendly, 12. Larceny, 13. Wrongs, 21. Sales booth, 25. Roll a ball, 26. Guy, 27. Module, 28. Plate, 29. Concerned, 34. Assesses, 36. Carpenter's groove, 37. Terminates, 38. Schnozzola, 40. Computer symbol, 42. Small African antelope, 45. Hauling, 48. A small mug, 51. Deserved, 52. Lower, 53. Smooth brown oval nut, 55. Ceased, 58. Ripped, 59. Relating to aircraft, 60. Smudge, 61. Stow, as cargo, 62. Visual organs.

#### Yesterday's Solution



abrupt, alone, attract, care, cheek, confuse, cotton, craze, desire, devoid, discrete, efficiency, embrace, fight, focus, govern, grand, honest, hues, indeed, intact, oars, origin, power, purse, racy, rate, roles, saucy, seep, showcase, sleet, soothe, steady.

