

Another Polio Case Reported, this Time in Nimroz

ZARANJ - A new case of polio has been registered in Nimroz province, officials at the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) confirmed on Sunday. The patient is a three-year-old toddler from Zarang district, in the south-western province and has apparently lost the use of one leg. The case was confirmed last week and is now the ninth confirmed case of polio in Afghanistan this year, said officials. The National Polio Communication Officer at the MOPH Dr. Maiwand Ahmadzai said the victim was, according to his family, vaccinated recently. However, his family



said relatives from Bakwa district in western Farah province visited them a while back - the province that last month reported the previous polio case. Ahmadzai told TOLNews...*(More on P4)...(19)*

Probe Launched after Couple Killed in Special Forces Raid

KHOST CITY - A couple has been killed during an operation by Special Forces in the Gurbaz district of southeastern Khost province, an official claimed on Sunday. Also known as Campaign troops in the local parlance, the forces stormed the couple's house last night and killed them, the district's administrative chief told Pajhwok Afghan News. Mohammad Akbar Zadran quoted locals as saying the man and his wife offered no resistance. Officials had reached the area to investigate the incident, the district chief said. Deputy Governor Abdul Wahid Patan acknowledged the civilian killings, without saying who had conducted the search operation or what its objective was. "Yes, a man and a woman have been killed. We have launched a probe to ascertain who carried out the raid and what for," he said...*(More on P4)...(20)*

6 Afghan Soldiers Killed, 3 Wounded in Nimroz Attack



ZARANJ - Six Afghan National Army (ANA) soldiers have been killed in an insurgent attack in Nimroz province, an official said on Sunday. At least three other soldiers were wounded during the militant assault on their check-post in the DehMazang village of Khashrod district late Saturday night. Mohammad Hashim Noorzai, the district chief, told Pajhwok Afghan News the attackers riding an ANA pick-up and a tank, which the Taliban seized in Helmand province, entered the military base. He said the Taliban also took away an ANA tank and ammunition as a result of the tactical assault on the Zaranj-Dilaram road. Security forces have reached the site to control the situation. Noorzai complained: "Many senior security officers have been transferred for different reasons. Those currently manning the posts are mostly young and inexperienced." He demanded the immediate deployment of experienced security personnel to important posts to prevent a recurrence of such incidents. A Taliban spokesman, Qari Yousef Ahmadi, claimed responsibility for the brazen attack in Nimroz, where three ANA personnel were killed in a bombing in Dilaram district three months ago. Khashrod and Dilaram districts, according to local authorities, are under threat from the Taliban based in Helmand and Farah provinces. *(Pajhwok)*

16 Afghan Citizens Detained in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

PESHAWAR - Sixteen suspected Afghan citizens have been detained during a joint search operation in Pakistan's northwestern province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. The search operation was conducted against anti-social elements and militants in Risalpur, Jehangira and other areas of Nowshera district, a Pakistani newspaper reported on Sunday. Counter-Terrorism Department, intelligence and other law-enforcement agencies' personnel launched the raids late Saturday night.



The operation went on till dawn amid curfew. The detainees were shifted to a police station for interrogation, according to The News, which said police arrested eight suspects...*(More on P4)...(21)*

Man Arrested with 160 Kg of Explosives



ASADABAD - The National Directorate of Security (NDS) - Afghanistan's intelligence agency has arrested with 160 kilograms of explosive materials in his vehicle in eastern Kunar province. A statement issued by NDS on Sunday states that the explosive materials were concealed in a 'Suzuki' vehicle and were brought from across the border. NDS statement adds that Jahanzib was arrested while driving the truck to deliver these materials to Manogai District for making roadside and magnetic bombs. NDS has also released a video with the statement purportedly showing the arrested man 'Jahanzib'. "My name is Jahanzib, my father's name is Shah Mahmood, I am a resident of Asmar District," he said. "These explosive materials were handed over to me in Shelton by Khan, who told me to deliver the materials to Nangalam, on the bridge a man will be waiting for you, you have to give them hand over to that man." This comes as Kunar province is witnessing severe insecurity these days. Hundreds of insurgents attacked several security posts in Manogai and Chapa Dara districts on yesterday. During the clash, a rocket fired by Taliban landed on a house in Chapa Dara district leaving a woman and three of her children dead. *(KP)*

Man Arrested After Killing Daughter with Ax



KABUL - Security forces have detained a man who has killed his young daughter with an ax in Samangan province. Mohammad Baqir Masoud, police chief of Samangan province said police detained the man after receiving information that he has killed his 18-year-old daughter in Shikhan village of Hazrat Sultan District. Masoud further said that Bas Bibi's father is currently with them in the police headquarters and further investigation is ongoing in this regard. Initial investigation reveals that the motive behind the incident was domestic issues. This happens days after domestic issues claimed two lives in this province. A young boy committed suicide after killing his mother. *(KP)*

Repatriated Afghans Complain about Harassment by Pakistani Police

KABUL - Islamabad political relations do affect Afghan refugees in Pakistan. Both Afghan and Pakistani governments should register nearly one million unregistered Afghans in Pakistan and extend their stay by 2017, but the relations between Kabul and Islamabad have put the process in a vague. President Ashraf Ghani promised donor countries at the Senior Officials Meeting (SOM) in Kabul to address the problem of Afghan refugees in Iran and Pakistan soon. "We have a comprehensive plan to deal with



the immigrants issues who is willing to return, honorably, and voluntarily to Afghanistan, our commitment is to eliminate the word 'internal displaced' from our political glossary," Ghani said on Saturday. According to the reports about 137,000 refugees have returned back to...*(More on P4)...(22)*

14 Taliban Insurgents Killed in Attack on Security Posts

ASADABAD - At least 14 Taliban insurgents were killed in an attack on security posts in eastern Kunar province on Saturday, local officials said. In addition, 23 other insurgents were injured during the clashes. The incident took place in Mano Gai and Chapa Dara districts of the province after more than 500 Taliban insurgents attacked the posts. However they were met by a large-scale response from security forces, provincial police chief Abdul Habib Sayedkhili said. "An Afghan security soldier was also killed in the attack along with 14 insurgents." Sayedkhili said. "The Taliban insurgents also torched eight shops and four civilian houses in Chapa...*(More on P4)...(23)*



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Outlook Horoscope

Aries (Mar. 22-Apr.20)



It feels as if you have one last chance to revisit your childhood to salvage something meaningful you left behind. Perhaps you set aside some artistic pursuit or creative pastime as you grew up and were told to be more responsible. Surprisingly, resurrecting an old hobby can bring a deep sense of emotional fulfillment no matter how many years have gone by.

Taurus (Apr.21-May 20)



You know that you should be planning for your future now, however, you can't help but take one more stroll down Memory Lane to replay the good times you've shared with friends and family. However, the trick is to remember there are just as many wonderful experiences ahead. Instead of getting stuck in the past today, put your mind to creating special occasions with the ones you love.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)



You want to spend time reliving the glory days but your past might not actually be as awesome as you remember it. You may have blown the events out of proportion over time, but they seem so real to you now. Nevertheless, you are eager to talk about your recollections and could even hope to reconnect with old friends from college or even your childhood pals. Reaching out to reminisce is a lovely diversion on a Sunday afternoon.

Cancer (June 21-July 20)



You still may be hooked on old tapes when it comes to receiving love and money. But you need to remember that's how you lived in the past. Now, as sweet Venus is turning direct, it's time to break habits that no longer serve you well. Focusing on your lack of resources does nothing to enhance your bank account. If you're always fretting about the scarcity in your life.

Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)



You have waited for this day long enough. Even though your life might not radically change today, it feels like the tables are finally turning in your direction. You can sense something different in the atmosphere, as if a weight has been lifted. However, you're not quite ready to put on your dancing shoes just yet; your emotions are sinking into more serious realms now as you ask important questions.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sep 22)



Your ability to remain rational grows weaker when confronted by the emotions of someone who matters to your heart. Unfortunately, your recent sacrifices might have tilted the scales too far in another person's favor. Although gentle Venus is turning direct in your 12th House of Soul Consciousness, spiritual love may not be a satisfactory substitute for romantic love.

Libra (Sep 23-Oct. 22)



You're standing on shaky ground today, and aren't so sure of your next move. Nevertheless, it's time to take the lessons you've learned over the past six weeks and put them to good use. Trusting your feelings to steer you in the right direction now gives you a chance to take a stand about something important. Although social alliances appear to be changing, your foundation is strongest when you speak from your heart.

Scorpio (Oct.23-Nov.22)



All this time you've been working in the dark and finally, you can see the light at the end of the tunnel. You have been applying yourself diligently without even a glimpse of the ultimate destination. But now, the horizon is growing visible through the lifting clouds and your anticipation grows by leaps and bounds.

Sagittarius (Nov.23-Dec.20)



What seemed next-to-impossible just last week now seems highly likely. It's tempting to take people's stories at face value, especially when it's more fun to disregard the details and focus on the big picture today. However, you might think that heading out on your own would be a good idea until you remember how entangled your life is with everyone else's. Fortunately, you can pull off a major coup with just a little bit of luck and a lot of hard work.

Capricorn (Dec.21-Jan19)



You're not typically all that comfortable letting others take care of you, but recently you spent a considerable amount of time reassessing your relationships. You can't help but notice how much others want to help you and it fills you with intense gratitude. Instead of seeing your vulnerability as a weakness, it's time to see it as a strength. Your reevaluation phase is over; accept support when offered - emotional.

Aquarius (Jan 20-Feb.18)



You can see the love that's shining all around you where only recently you felt there was little to be found. Oddly enough, it's possible that nothing has changed - except you and what your heart wants. Rehashing an old issue may be particularly cathartic now, especially if you go back to make amends. It's amazing how much healing can occur with just a simple apology.

Pisces (Feb.19-Mar.20)



You're ready to break old patterns that prevent you from experiencing love as fully as possible. You're tired of running into the same old ghosts that keep reappearing as long as you don't fully address your fears. Thankfully, your relationships take on a whole new vibration if you're willing to learn from your past mistakes. To err is human; to forgive is divine.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-71 indicating starting positions for clues.

Across clues: 1. A grasp of something, 6. Arrived, 10. Anagram of "Cabs", 14. Bushbaby, 15. All excited, 16. Cab, 17. Diving bird, 18. Twinge, 19. Dry, 20. Renunciation, 22. Weight to be borne, 23. Whirl, 24. By mouth, 26. Serene, 30. Mayday, 31. Band booking, 32. Murres, 33. Within, 35. Alpha's opposite, 39. Hermit, 41. Impulses, 43. Captured, 44. A whitetail, 46. Heavy, durable furniture wood, 47. By means of, 49. Anagram of "Ail", 50. Makes a mistake, 51. Place of learning, 54. Clairvoyant, 56. Anthracite, 57. Tympani, 63. Govern, 64. Incite, 65. Short-billed Old World rails, 66. Atop, 67. Wisdom, 68. Become narrower, 69. Finest, 70. Hotels, 71. Overweight.

Down clues: 1. Aquatic plant, 2. Parsley or sage, 3. Portent, 4. Lubricate, 5. Sediments, 6. Provide with a caption, 7. Opposed, 8. Not stereo, 9. Christmas drink, 10. A cylinder in a cave, 11. Christmas song, 12. Lengthways, 13. Mother hen, 21. Orbital point, 25. Violent disturbance, 26. Brusque, 27. District, 28. Pass the tongue over, 29. Evil, 34. Beaten eggs, 36. Always, 37. Equipment, 38. Questions, 40. Pearly-shelled mussel, 42. Bay window, 45. Not western, 48. Acid neutralizer, 51. Scour, 52. Two-door car, 53. Angelic headgear, 55. Odd-numbered page, 58. Black, in poetry, 59. Blah, 60. Sexual assault, 61. Hawaiian strings, 62. No more than.

Yesterday's Solution: abolish, available, baker, bread, brown, center, cheek, clear, crazy, crowd, debit, dental, direction, duets, energetic, expert, extra, filter, floor, hamper, hoard, holiday, import, litter, load, maybe, mouse, novice, production, purchase, reborn, safely.

Word search grid with letters B, D, E, N, T, A, L, C, C, H, E, E, K, R, I, F, I, L, T, E, R, R, O, O, L, F, E, R, B, M, O, U, S, E, B, A, K, E, R, A, E, B, P, M, A, Y, B, E, R, Z, S, P, D, C, R, O, A, C, R, O, W, D, E, Y, R, K, T, O, R, V, N, E, R, T, H, N, P, O, L, I, W, T, A, C, H, N, S, T, E, U, D, I, O, N, R, I, Y, O, I, E, C, R, R, U, T, N, T, V, L, R, L, J, X, E, G, C, C, T, X, O, E, A, O, I, D, P, N, E, H, T, E, N, F, E, B, A, D, M, E, T, T, A, I, R, A, L, A, L, O, A, D, R, E, I, S, O, S, C, Q, A, E, H, Y, R, T, R, C, E, N.