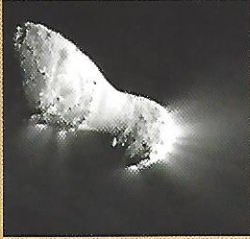


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Comet

NASA's EPOXI Mission shows amazing images of comet Hartley 2, 23 million miles away from Earth, in November 2010.



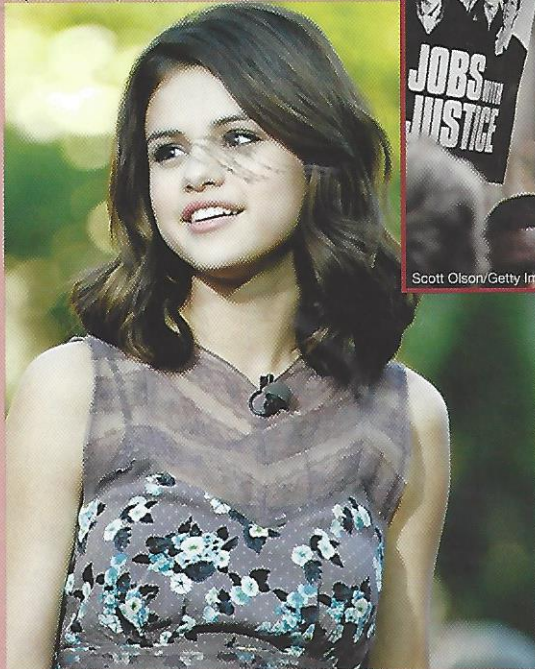
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The NBA and WNBA promote Vaccines for Teens, an awareness campaign designed to educate teens and parents about the importance of vaccinations.



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Actress and singer Selena Gomez, age 18, serves as the spokesperson for UNICEF's trick-or-treat campaign. She is the organization's youngest goodwill ambassador.

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Wind Power

Wind turbines become more prevalent. The emergence of "wind farms" signals the beginning of what could be a wind energy boom.

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Earth's Axis Shifts

An 8.8 magnitude earthquake in Chile shifts our planet's axis by about three inches and shortens the Earth day by 1.26 millionths of a second.

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Fracking

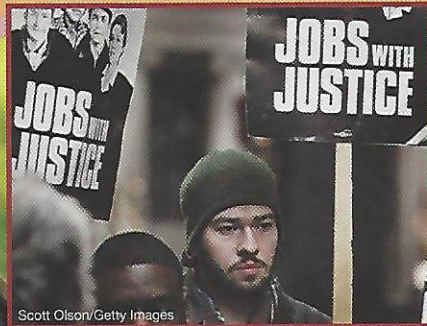
The Environmental Protection Agency investigates how to manage and regulate fracking, a process used to release the natural gas trapped under dense rock.

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Extinct Salmon Found Alive

The black kokanee, a species of freshwater salmon thought to be extinct for 70 years, is found living in a lake near Japan's Mount Fuji.



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Disappointing Job Growth

Despite optimistic economic news, including better-than-expected holiday shopping numbers, job growth is still slow, according to the Department of Labor.

No more searching your car for quarters! Cities from coast to coast are installing solar-powered, WiFi-enabled parking meters that can accept credit cards.



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