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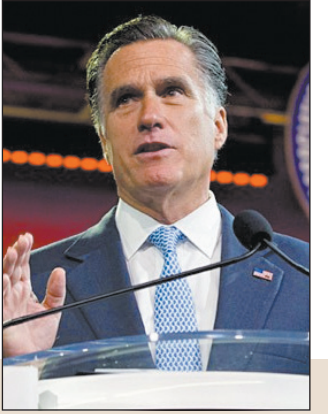
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Lake Meredith water levels up, according to CRMWA

■ *Water line holding steady at 31 feet, up from lake's record low in April*

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At its meeting yesterday morning, the Canadian River Municipal Water

Authority (CRMWA), of which Pampa is a member city, reported that Lake Meredith is holding steady at around 31 feet, up from its record low in April.

"We've gone up a couple of feet since our last projection, so it could have been worse, but obviously we haven't hit any home runs in terms of inflow," said Chad Pernel, deputy general manager of CRMWA.

Amid a record drought and low water level at the lake, the water authority decided last year to no longer provide its member cities with Lake Meredith water. In December of last year, the orga-

nization looked towards the future, purchasing around 200,000 surface acres of groundwater holdings from T. Boone Pickens' Mesa Water company.

Currently, the organization is working on devoting about \$2 million to acquiring additional water rights in the counties where the Mesa holdings lie.

CRMWA manager Kent Satterwhite suggested progress has been made towards this effort.

DISC DRIVE



Dale Montgomery (right) and Sam Gamble practice their skills with the Pampa Disc Golf Association on Wednesday afternoon.

staff photo by **Mollie Bryant**

PTTR to give away 1,500 backpacks

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Next month, Paint This Town Red will take on its biggest ministry project yet, with the goal to provide 1,500 backpacks and school supplies to students in need. On Saturday, August 4 from 4 to 8 p.m. in Central Park, the church will host a back to school party with free hot dogs and immunizations, as well as more bouncers than you could shake a stick at. The project evolved from a conversation lead minister CJ Frazier had with a church member, AJ Johnson.

"One of the things that we are about as a ministry is hope, dreams and life," said Frazier. "It was his dream to put together a school event that would be more than giving away school supplies. We want it to be a brand-new-school-year experience."

The backpacks, each purchased with a \$20 donation, will contain the basics needed for each age group, from elementary to high school, like paper, pencils, crayons, notebooks and folders.

"We want to reach every age of students in Pampa Independent School District, but it's not limited to PISD," said Frazier. "Students from surrounding areas are also welcome."

Paint This Town Red comes from a "no strings attached" philosophy, and **PTTR** cont. on page 12

Police Dept.'s Skinner: K-9 dog 'a great asset for Pampa'

■ *Officer has worked with K-9 units since 1991*

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K-9 Officer Jim Skinner worked as a combat engineer and IED instructor for the Army, as well as the Vernon Police Department, before joining the Pampa PD four months ago. Originally from McLean, Skinner has moved closer to his hometown and his family, with a son, JC Skinner, who works as a deputy at the Gray County Sheriff's Office.

Skinner started working with K-9 dogs in 1991, and he has been happy to bring his wealth of experience to



Pampa.

"I think that the K-9 (dog) is a great asset for Pampa because of the drug problem that they have here, and being able to have a dog here is a great deterrent for the drug users," said Skinner.

To Skinner, his Belgian Malinois and Dutch Shepherd mix, which has been trained to patrol and detect drugs, is something special.

"This is my fourth dog, and he's definitely, without a doubt, the best drug dog I've ever had," said Skinner. "I

placed nationally with him twice in the top three with the United States Police Canine Association (USPCA)."

"The drive that he has to find drugs is just unreal, and (something) I just haven't seen," he added. "I'm a national judge with USPCA, and I've seen a lot of dogs certified. I've never seen a dog work so hard to find drugs as he does, and it's just something he inherited. It's not anything you can teach them. It's just something he was born with."

Building a deep bond with a dog you work with becomes natural, according to Skinner.

"They're with you every day, eight hours a day in your car, and they're there to protect you and the public," he said. "I know that if I was to get involved in something where I was being injured or hurt that he would protect me. He has done it one time, so I know he'll do it. I have a pet that's a Belgian Malinois, but you become closer to **SKINNER** cont. on page 12

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PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Friday	Saturday
		
High 90 Low 66	High 94 Low 68	High 94 Low 68

Today: Mostly sunny, with a high near 90. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southeast in the afternoon.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. South southeast wind around 10 mph.

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 94. South southwest wind 10 to 15 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 68. South southeast wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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Cruz misses deadline, criticizes Dewhurst

AUSTIN (AP) — U.S. Senate candidate Ted Cruz's campaign acknowledged Wednesday that he missed a deadline to file his financial disclosure forms, but also challenged his opponent, Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, to explain why a controversial speech given in 2007 is no longer available online.

Cruz was required under federal campaign finance laws to file an updated personal disclosure on May 15 and was fined for missing the deadline. Cruz submitted the form by overnight mail on Monday night, making it 56 days late.

"The \$200 payment has been submitted as required and along with the completed form in full compliance and disclosure," James Bernsen, a Cruz campaign spokesman said.

An adviser to the Dewhurst campaign, Mark Miner, issued a statement condemning Cruz for missing the deadline.

"It's ironic that Ted Cruz has been fined by the Senate Ethics Committee without even being elected to the Senate," Minder said. "Texans deserve to know the truth about where Ted Cruz's money comes from."

The two candidates are in a fierce campaign for the Republican nomination to the U.S. Senate seat being vacated by Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison. The winner will be determined in a runoff on July 31.

The Cruz campaign questioned why a speech that Dewhurst gave in 2007 supporting a guest worker program to allow illegal workers to remain in the country was no longer available online. The link to the speech was still active less than a month ago when a reporter for the San Antonio Express-News blogged about how Dewhurst's campaign now says he opposes such a program (<http://bit.ly/MVHMYd>).

Matt Hirsch, a spokesman for the Dewhurst campaign, said campaign workers had no knowledge of the deletions and was not coordinating with state workers, which is forbidden by state law. A state employee in the lieutenant governor's office said the order to remove all of the speeches, which she referred to as archiving, was not new.

"More than a year ago, we asked the secretary of the senate to archive all of the speeches on our website,"

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Obituaries

Peggy Smith, 52

Peggy Smith, 52, died July 11, 2012, in Pampa.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Peggy was born October 25, 1959, in Saginaw, Mich. She married Marvin Smith on June 30, 1979, in Tucumcari, N.M. He preceded her in death on October 8, 1997. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1980. Peggy owned and operated Peggy's Place which opened September 6, 1988 and closed on October



Smith

3, 2010. She was an avid bowler and participated in state and national bowling tournaments.

Survivors include a son, Chris Smith and wife Shaley of Pampa; a daughter, Joy Contreras of Pampa; special friend, Danny Reed of the home; a brother, Bruce Konieczka of Fresno, Calif.; three sisters, Charlotte Nord of Springfield, Mo., Barbara Falk of Fresno, Calif., and Donanne Woodruff of Pampa; four grandchildren; her stepfather, Jesse Cannon of Pampa. Peggy was preceded in death by her parents, Tom Konieczka and Anita Cannon; and a brother, Eric Nord.

Memorials may be made to Interim Hospice, 2217 Perryton Parkway, Pampa, TX 79065.

Special notice: the body will lie in state Thursday and Friday at Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Home.

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

For the record

Police Department

continued from Wednesday
Tuesday, July 10

A suspicious person was reported at the 600 block of West Brown.

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24 hour period ending Wednesday, July 11 at 7

a.m. Animal Control agents reported 13 animal-related incidents.

Pampa EMS and the Pampa Fire Department responded to seven medical calls.

Pampa PD reported six traffic-related incidents. Tuesday, July 10

A suspicious person was reported at Cuyler and Highway 60.

An accident occurred at

the 1800 block of North Hobart.

A suspicious person was reported at 23rd and Nelson.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 800 block of East Kingsmill.

Harassment was reported.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 1300 block of Coffee.

A threat occurred at the 1100 block of South Wells.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 2200 block of Russell.

An accident occurred at Randy Matson and Hobart.

Criminal trespassing was reported at the 500 block of Naida.

An assault was reported.

Phone harassment was reported at the 500 block of North Naida.

A theft occurred at the 200 block of North Cuyler.

Fraud was reported at the 1800 block of North Lynn.

Phone harassment was reported at the 500 block of North Naida.

An accident occurred at Beech and 25th.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 700 block of North Somerville and the 1300 block of North Hobart.

An accident occurred at the 2800 block of North Perryton.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 1100 block of South Wells.

A suspicious person was

reported at the 1300 block of North Hobart.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 500 block of Roberta.

A suspicious person was reported at the 2600 block of North Hobart.

A theft occurred at the 1600 block of West Somerville.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 500 block of North Wells.

Fraud occurred at the 2800 block of North Charles.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 100 block of East Harvester.

A suspicious person was reported at the 1900 block of North Duncan.

A suspicious vehicle was reported at the 2800 block of North Charles.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 1400 block of North Hobart.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 1100 block of South Wells.

An accident occurred at Highway 60 and Schwann's.

Wednesday, July 11
Disorderly conduct occurred at the 1600 block of West Somerville.

A suspicious vehicle was reported at the 800 block of North Nelson.

A suspicious person was reported at the 400 block of South Barnes.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 24 hour period ending Wednesday, July 11 at 7 a.m.

Tuesday, July 10

Kymerlee Sue Smith, 51, was arrested by police on a capias pro fine warrant.

David Wayne Trezell, 44, was arrested by deputies on a motion to revoke probation.

Teresa Gail Mundell, 38, was arrested by police on a capias pro fine warrant.

Richard Shawn Reed, 40, was arrested by deputies for theft of property and speeding.

Andrew Phoenix Vogal, 17, was arrested by police for theft under \$50 and a minor in possession.

Wednesday, July 11

Kailynn Lashelle McClelland, 19, was arrested by deputies on charged of failure to appear, possession of drug paraphernalia and speeding.



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Lawsuit alleges sex discrimination

AUSTIN (AP) — The Justice Department has filed a lawsuit alleging that two Texas agencies are liable for three employees at the now defunct Texas Department of Rural Affairs being discriminated against because they were women.

The Justice Department says the Texas Department of Agriculture and Texas General Land Office assumed responsibility for the now defunct agency.

The lawsuit filed in Texas Wednesday says the three women were paid significantly less than their male colleagues for performing substantially the same work. It says the women were retaliated against by losing their jobs as a result of their claims.

The complaint seeks monetary damages.

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples says the Texas attorney general has been working with federal lawyers to resolve the matter on behalf of the former Texas Department of Rural Affairs.

Galveston's water advisory lifted

GALVESTON (AP) — A boil drinking water advisory has been lifted for Galveston.

Leaders of the Southeast Texas city on Wednesday announced testing of municipal supplies has been completed. City officials say samples taken Tuesday meet government safety standards.

Galveston authorities on Monday were notified that a sample taken during a routine check tested positive for E. coli bacteria. The city then instituted Texas Commission on Environmental Quality procedures to sample water supplies.

Three subsequent samples turned up just one indicator for another bacteria, not E. coli.

The boil water advisory also included Jamaica Beach and Pelican Island. All residents have been advised to flush out water lines by turning on all indoor and outdoor faucets for several minutes.

Man killed, wife wounded in home

HIGHLAND PARK (AP) — Police say a man has been fatally stabbed and his wife wounded in an incident at their house in a wealthy Dallas enclave.

Highland Park police Sgt. Lance Koppa (KOH'-puh) says no suspects are being sought in the stabbings early Wednesday. Koppa says the couple's 16-year-old son and 12-year-old daughter were home at the time and were not hurt.

Koppa says police are trying to figure out how the incident started and who had what role. He says police are examining some knives recovered at the home.

A coroner identified the man who died as 50-year-old John Rodman Steele. Koppa says 48-year-old Dina Steele is hospitalized in stable condition and she has cooperated with police.

The couple's children have been placed with a relative.

Man pleads guilty to ID theft

HOUSTON (AP) — A Chinese man who faked being someone else to steal nearly \$1 million from accounts at a Houston bank has pleaded guilty.

Xin Gu of Dalian, China, faces up to 30 years in prison when he's sentenced Oct. 19.

Prosecutors in Houston say Gu was on trial when he pleaded guilty Tuesday to conspiracy to commit bank fraud and aggravated identity theft.

Gu was arrested Feb. 3 after posing as someone else at a Chase bank in Houston. Investigators say he presented a fake passport and bogus documents in the victim's name.

Prosecutors say a week earlier a fictional authorized user was added to the victim's accounts. Investigators believe a woman helped Gu withdraw the funds.

Gu remains in custody as the investigation continues.

DNA leads to murder charge

SEYMOUR (AP) — Investigators say DNA evidence has led a convicted sex offender to be accused of a 1994 North Texas slaying.

Baylor County Sheriff Bob Elliott said Wednesday that 50-year-old Jack Wesley Melton of Paris, Texas, was arrested May 9 for parole violation.

Elliott says routine DNA tests linked Melton to the October 1994 shooting of 69-year-old Florence Kate Martin at her home near Mabelle. Elliott says Martin apparently was a random victim.

The Wichita Falls Times Record News reports Melton in 1988 was sentenced to 30 years for burglary of a habitation with intent to commit another felony. He was paroled in 1991. Details on his sex offender record weren't immediately available.

Bond has been set at \$500,000 for Melton. His attorney did not immediately return a message Wednesday.

Mexico paper won't cover violence

MEXICO CITY (AP) — A newspaper in the northern Mexico border city of Nuevo Laredo says it will no longer cover violent criminal acts after the second of two grenade attacks against its office.

Other northern Mexican newspapers have quietly adopted such policies of not covering drug cartel violence.

But the announcement Tuesday by the newspaper El Manana was public.

El Manana said in a statement that what appeared to be a grenade detonated on the outside wall of its offices in the city across the border from Laredo, Texas.

The explosion caused no injuries.

Gunmen also threw grenades and opened fire Tuesday on two buildings belonging to the El Norte newspaper in the northern state of Nuevo Leon.

Drug cartels have threatened newspapers and killed reporters in northern Mexico.

Wanted man caught in Mexico

AUSTIN (AP) — A Texas 10 Most Wanted Fugitive and gang member sought for a slaying in the Houston area has been caught in Mexico.

The Department of Public Safety says three tips led to 32-year-old Javier Cortez Jr. of Pasadena. He was featured this month in the DPS effort to locate convicted criminals or suspects on the run.

Arcing power lines caused Utah wildfire

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A Utah wildfire that destroyed 52 homes and left one man dead was caused by arcing between power transmission lines that were built too closely together and sent a surge to the ground that ignited dry grass, a fire investigator said Wednesday.

The central Utah Wood Hollow Fire began June 23 and wasn't fully contained for 10 days, costing nearly \$4 million to fight, according to state officials. Officials said 160 structures total were destroyed.

The 75-square-mile blaze began when winds caused two sets of high-voltage power lines to either touch or swing close enough to each other to create a surge that swept down the poles into dry brush, said Deputy Utah Fire Marshal Troy Mills.

Rocky Mountain Power, which owns the lines, said a thief stripped protective copper wire from its poles that may have prevented the surge.

"The investigation into the Wood Hollow fire is a top priority for Rocky Mountain Power. We want to understand exactly what happened," the company said in a statement Wednesday. "We are in the process of doing our own detailed technical analysis in addition to cooperating with fire investigators. There are aspects of this investigation that have yet to be fully analyzed."

Mills, however, insisted that even with the copper wire in place, the surge would have easily overwhelmed the protections.

"That is the cause of the fire. There's some things where you've got to take a stand. It is what it is," Mills said.

Some residents of destroyed homes in the area say they're considering a lawsuit against the utility.

The fire marshal's report gave residents "a big jump on the case," said Sterling Hess, who lost a cabin to the fire.

"Rocky Mountain Power should have investigated their problem before it became a problem," Hess said.

Elsewhere in Utah, five major wildfires continued to burn Wednesday, but fire crews largely had them contained.

Meanwhile, fires burned across the West from California to Colorado, Oregon, Wyoming and Montana.

An eastern Oregon wildfire had grown to about 450 square miles on Wednesday, and authorities put some residents on notice that they might have to evacuate. Mike Stearly, spokesman for the fire management team, said triple-digit temperatures and low humidity could expand the blaze to nearly 621 square miles by late Wednesday.

A nearby fire had grown to about 70 square miles. Firefighters had little containment on both blazes.

A wildfire in the Boise National Forest east of Idaho's capital city was threatening about 100 homes Wednesday as lightning sparked several new fires across the state. The blaze on about 300 acres is a concern for a nearby subdivision about 25 miles from Boise, authorities said.

The state's largest wildfire had burned through about 340 square miles of dry grass and sage brush in south-central Idaho but was expected to be contained sometime Wednesday. It had burned no structures.

Federal fire officials in California said a blaze in the Mendocino National Forest, about 170 miles north of San Francisco, has burned about 25 square miles and continued to spread on Wednesday. It was about 35 percent contained and has led to campground closures and the evacuations of several nearby homes.

"It's still moving and growing in the southern line, but we're getting the resources we need to fight it," said fire information officer Deb Schweizer. More than 1,300 **WILDFIRE** cont. on page 7

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Today's Highlight in History:

On July 12, 1862, President Abraham Lincoln signed a bill passed by Congress authorizing the Medal of Honor.

On this date:

In 1543, England's King Henry VIII married his sixth and last wife, Catherine Parr.

In 1690, forces led by William of Orange defeated the army of James II at the Battle of the Boyne in Ireland.

In 1812, U.S. forces led by Gen. William Hull invaded Canada during the War of 1812 against Britain. (However, Hull retreated shortly thereafter to Detroit.)

In 1909, the House of Representatives joined the Senate in passing the 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, allowing for a federal income tax, and submitted it to the states. (It was declared ratified in February 1913.)

In 1912, the silent film "Queen Elizabeth," starring Sarah Bernhardt, opened in New York.

In 1948, the Democratic national convention, which nominated President Harry S. Truman for a second term of office, opened in Philadelphia.

In 1962, The Rolling Stones played their first-ever gig at The Marquee in London.

In 1977, President Jimmy Carter defended Supreme Court limits on government payments for poor women's abortions, saying, "There are many things in life that are not fair."

In 1984, Democratic presidential candidate Walter F. Mondale announced he'd chosen U.S. Rep. Geraldine A. Ferraro of New York to be his running-mate; Ferraro was the first woman to run for vice president on a major-party ticket.

In 1988, Democratic presidential candidate Michael S. Dukakis tapped Senator Lloyd Bentsen of Texas as his running-mate.

In 1991, a Japanese professor (Hitoshi Igarashi) who had translated Salman Rushdie's "The Satanic Verses" was found stabbed to death, nine days after the novel's Italian translator was attacked in Milan.

In 2001, Abner Louima, the Haitian immigrant tortured in a New York City police station, agreed to an \$8.7 million settlement with the city and its police union.

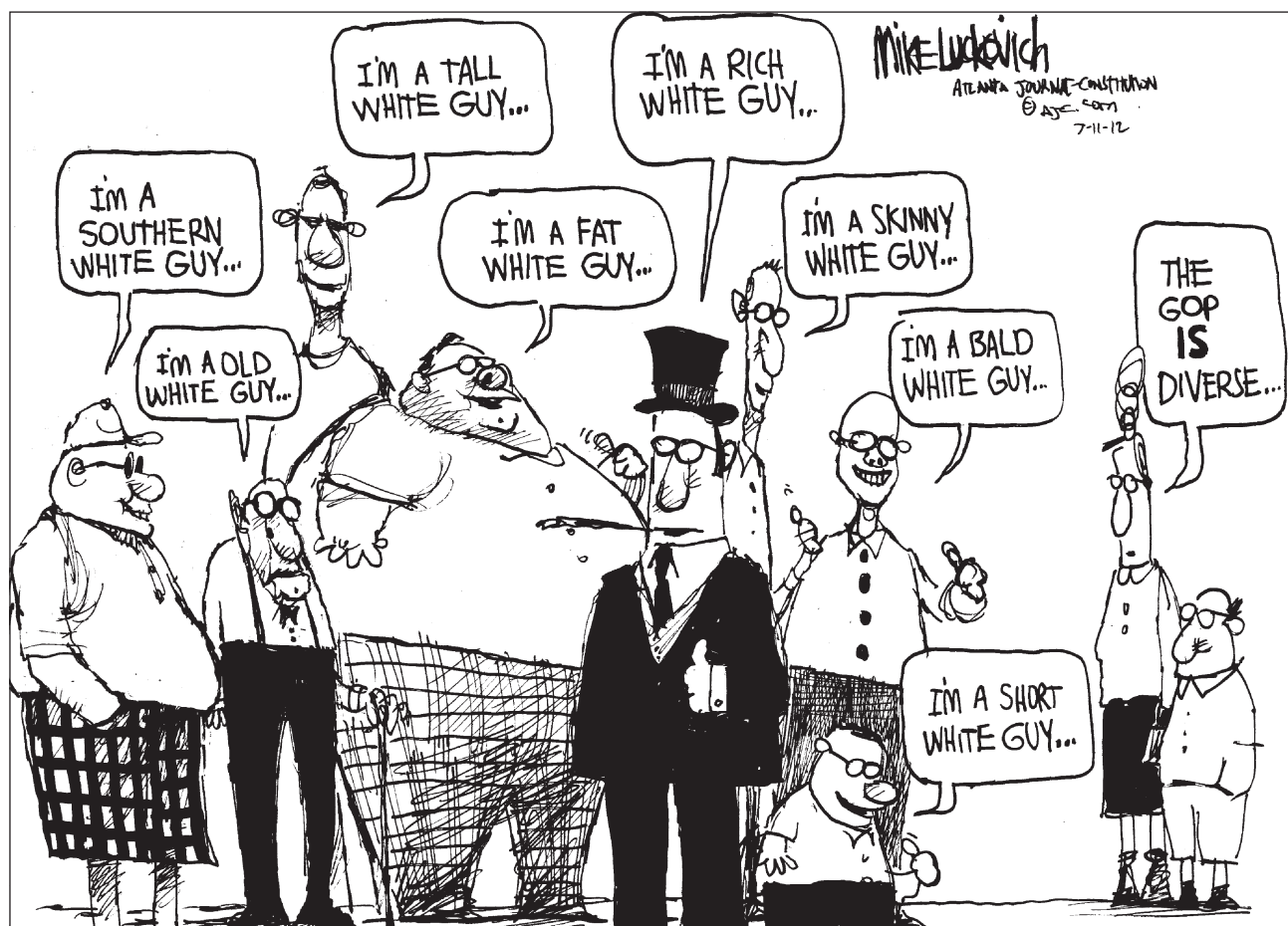
Ten years ago: The Senate adopted a ban on personal loans from companies to their top officials, a practice that had benefited executives from Enron to WorldCom. The U.N. Security Council agreed to exempt U.S. peacekeepers from war crimes prosecution for a year, ending a threat to U.N. peacekeeping operations.

Five years ago: A Bush administration assessment said Iraq had achieved only limited military and political progress toward a democratic society; Iraqi leaders responded by insisting they were making progress. The House of Representatives voted to withdraw U.S. troops by spring 2008 despite a veto threat from President George W. Bush. British soccer star David Beckham and his wife, Victoria (of Spice Girls fame), arrived in Los Angeles to begin their new lives in the United States.

One year ago: President Barack Obama awarded the Medal of Honor to Sgt. 1st Class Leroy Arthur Petry, who'd lost his right hand grabbing a live grenade to save his comrades in Afghanistan. Ahmed Wali Karzai, the powerful half brother of President Hamid Karzai, was gunned down in his heavily fortified home by a close associate. A memorial service for former first lady Betty Ford in Palm Desert, Calif., was attended by Michelle Obama, Hillary Rodham Clinton, Rosalynn Carter and former President George W. Bush. Prince Fielder hit a three-run homer and Roy Halladay and his relief combined on a six-hitter to lead the NL over the AL 5-1 in the All-Star game.

Today's Birthdays: Movie director Monte Hellman is 83. Pianist Van Cliburn is 78. Comedian Bill Cosby is 75. Singer-musician Christine McVie is 69. Actress Denise Nicholas is 68. Singer-songwriter Butch Hancock is 67. Fitness guru Richard Simmons is 64. Actor Jay Thomas is 64. Singer Walter Egan is 64. Writer-producer Brian Grazer is 61. Actress Cheryl Ladd is 61. Country singer Julie Miller is 56. Gospel singer Sandi Patty is 56. Actress Mel Harris is 56. Actor Buddy Foster is 55. Rock guitarist Dan Murphy (Soul Asylum) is 50. Actress Judi Evans is 48. Rock singer Robin Wilson (Gin Blossoms) is 47. Actress Lisa Nicole Carson is 43. Olympic gold medal figure skater Kristi Yamaguchi is 41. Country singer Shannon Lawson is 39. Rapper Magoo is 39. Actress Anna Friel is 36. Rhythm-and-blues singer Tracie Spencer is 36. Actor Steve Howey is 35. Actor Tophier Grace is 34. Actress Michelle Rodriguez is 34. Country singer-musician Kimberly Perry (The Band Perry) is 29. Actor Erik Per Sullivan is 21.

Thought for Today: "If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door." — Milton Berle, American comedian (born this date in 1908, died 2002).



Romney's brief date with the NAACP

NAACP members booed Mitt Romney when he spoke at the group's annual convention in Houston on Wednesday. The audience heckled the former Massachusetts governor three times, once after he promised to repeal Obamacare if elected. It's also true that the audience cheered Romney repeatedly, if not wildly.

Why did he bother to attend? Barack Obama won 96 percent of the African-American vote in 2008. It's not likely that Romney will attract more than 10 percent of the black vote in November. The speech served as proof, Romney asserted, that if elected, he plans on representing "all Americans, of every race, creed or sexual orientation."

(You know the GOP primary is over when Romney says that he wants to represent gay voters.)

The trick for any white Republican addressing the NAACP is to avoid sounding overly self-satisfied, condescending or phony. George W. Bush tried to bridge the GOP-NAACP divide by lamenting "the soft bigotry of low expectations" in public schools. Romney plainly said, "I believe that if you understood who I truly am in my heart and if it were possible to fully communicate what I believe is in the real, enduring best interest of African-American families, you would vote for me for president."

Romney laid out his economic plan. As president, he would approve the Keystone XL pipeline and other oil and gas projects to bring manufacturing jobs back to the country. He promised to reform Medicare



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and Social Security, in part by means-testing benefits.

Romney also noted that, however well-intended they may be, Obama's economic policies haven't brought jobs to the black community. Last month, while the national unemployment rate remained at 8.2 percent, African-American unemployment rose to 14.4 percent.

"Any interest group worth their salt would be screaming about" the black unemployment rate, observed Ward Connerly, the African-American author of California's 1996 measure to end racial and gender preferences in state education and hiring.

Romney vowed to "eliminate every expensive nonessential program" he can find — "and that includes Obamacare." When the crowd booed, he stood his ground by citing a Chamber of Commerce survey that found that nearly three-quarters of members said they were less likely to hire because of Obama's Affordable Care Act.

NAACP Chairwoman Roslyn M. Brock later responded that though the NAACP was pleased that Romney addressed the convention, "unfortunately, much of his agenda is at odds with what the NAACP stands for — whether the issue is equal access to affordable health

care, reforming our education system or the path forward on marriage equality."

Romney later told Fox News that he had expected to be booed but believes in carrying the same message wherever he speaks. MSNBC hosts and their like-minded guests hit Romney for not playing to the NAACP crowd, that is, for not pandering.

Actually, Romney reached out to like-minded NAACP members when he talked about strong families, economic opportunity and his abiding belief in God. He even won some applause when he vowed to "defend traditional marriage."

Romney adviser Tara Wall said that though Romney "acknowledges that he will not get a majority of support from black voters, he also recognizes that President Obama can no longer count on the margins he once enjoyed." She continued, "We aim to seize on those opportunities."

This was one venue where Romney's low-key manner worked well. The audience may have booed, but anyone who saw the speech knows that it was not because the plain-spoken Romney was being gratuitously divisive.

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Mexican army says border killings are down 42 percent

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico (AP) — Killings by criminal gangs in the drug violence-wracked northern border city of Ciudad Juarez fell 42 percent in the first six months of this year from the same period of 2011, Mexico's army said Wednesday.

Gen. Emilio Zarate, the local army commander, attributed the drop to the weakening of the local Juarez drug cartel and its rivals in the Gente Nueva gang, which is allied with the Sinaloa drug cartel. The two cartels have fought turf battles since 2008 that made Ciudad Juarez the most violent city in Mexico.

Zarate said the city recorded 952 killings by gangs in the first half of the year, compared to 1,642 in the first half of 2011.

Numbers released by the Chihuahua state prosecutors office indicated a similar decline, though its numbers are lower because civilian prosecutors track murders differently. Prosecutors said there were 653 murders in the first half of 2012 and 1,322 in the same period of last year.

President Felipe Calderon claimed in an interview with The Wall Street Journal last month that drug-related murders had fallen roughly 12 percent in the first five months of this year, although he and his administration have refused to release the actual figures of drug-linked homicides since September 2011. Those figures show that more than 47,500 people have died in violence linked to the militarized offensive Calderon launched shortly after taking office in December 2006. Separate federal figures have shown drop in the overall number of homicides in several violence-wracked states, although those statistics do not break out drug-linked killings.

Zarate told reporters the Juarez cartel has become so weak it is having trouble paying its members.

"They have been forced to reorganize and opt for other activities, like kidnapping and extortion," he said.

Under its late leader, Amada Carrillo Fuentes, the Juarez cartel became known in the 1990s for flying plane loads of cocaine into the United States, earning Carrillo Fuentes the nickname "The Lord of the Skies."

Ciudad Juarez's decline began following his death in 1997, but worsened in the mid-2000s when the Sinaloa

cartel sought to move into the city, which is across the border from El Paso, Texas. Sinaloa largely fought through proxy local gangs that it hired or financed.

Zarate said the Sinaloa-allied Gente Nueva gang has also been weakened by a multi-pronged effort that includes army patrols, police reforms and social programs, but added that its leaders "have economic power because they have constantly received funds from other states."

At the height of drug violence in 2010, Ciudad Juarez was seeing an average of about 10 homicides a day, or about 230 murders per 100,000 inhabitants annually. The same year, the average of all of Mexico was 18 per 100,000 people, while in the U.S. the rate was 4.8.

Zarate said the number of homicides in the city has averaged about 40 killings a month recently. In past years, Ciudad Juarez sometimes saw as many 300 killing in a month during especially violent periods.

The general said he sees signs that citizens have faith in the army's anonymous tip service, which allows people to file complaints about drug gangs by phone or email.

He said one sign of the improved security situation is that some businesses that closed in part due to the violence are now reopening.

Violence remains high, however, in many other places in Mexico, however. The El Manana newspaper in the northern border city of Nuevo Laredo says it will stop covering violent criminal disputes after suffering a second grenade attack against its offices in two months.

Other northern Mexican newspapers have quietly adopted similar policies of not covering drug cartel violence to protect their staffs against threats and violent attacks including kidnappings and murders carried out by gangs that either don't want their activities to appear in print, or are angered by coverage of their rivals.

Texas judge rules air is public trust

HOUSTON (AP) — A Texas judge has ruled that the atmosphere and air must be protected for public use, just like water, which could help attorneys tasked with arguing climate change lawsuits designed to force states to cut emissions.

The written ruling, issued in a letter Monday by Texas District Court Judge Gisela Triana, shot down arguments by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality that only water is a "public trust," a doctrine that dates to the Roman Empire stating a government must protect certain resources — usually water, sometimes wildlife — for the common good.

Adam Abrams, one of the attorneys arguing the case against TCEQ, said Triana's ruling could be used as a persuasive argument in lawsuits pending in 11 other states.

In Texas, though, a ruling to protect air and the atmosphere has added significance. Republican Gov. Rick Perry is one of the most vocal opponents against widely accepted scientific research that fossil fuel emissions are causing global warming. And the state has refused to regulate greenhouse gases, forcing the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to work directly with industries to ensure they comply with federal law.

"The commission's conclusion that the public trust doctrine is exclusively limited to the conservation of water is legally invalid," Triana wrote.

She also wants the case brought to a standstill, saying that so long as Texas has open-ended litigation on similar issues on the federal level, she cannot compel the TCEQ to write rules to protect the atmosphere and the air.

The TCEQ said in an emailed comment that it was reviewing the judge's letter and is awaiting her final order, but it appears Triana will support the agency's move to deny the request for new rules.

The lawsuit was brought by the Texas Environmental Law Center, and is part of a court campaign in a dozen states by an Oregon-based nonprofit, Our Children's Trust. The group is using children and young adults as plaintiffs in the lawsuits — some state and some federal — filed in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oregon, Texas and Washington.

By relying on "common law" theories, the group **TRUST** cont. on page 7



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Summer and water go together like Bonnie and Clyde, Romeo and Juliet, Antony and Cleopatra — but without the tragedy. Or so we hope.

Every year in America, more than 300 children drown in residential swimming pools, usually their own. Considering the great lengths most parents go to in order to keep their children safe, imagine what that number might be for dogs.

A lot of dogs love the water; some famously: Labrador retrievers, Golden retrievers, poodles, Newfoundlands, Irish water spaniels, Portuguese water dogs, Chesapeake Bay retrievers and Cocker spaniels are among the most likely to dive right into the deep end.

But even if your dog's breed suggests he's desperate for a dip, make sure he's a water lover before he's waterlogged.

Most dogs are natural swimmers, but that doesn't give us license to toss a pup into a pool and cross our fingers. Some dogs are scared of the water and could panic. Panic quickly creates exhaustion, which leads to drowning. Other dogs are ambivalent about water, and such a rude introduction could easily tip ambivalence toward fear.

Teaching a dog water safety is a lot like teaching a child water safety. We would never leave young children in a pool unsupervised — and that rule applies to dogs, as well. If your dog enjoys free rein of a yard that contains a swimming pool, secure access to the water.

And teach him to swim.

While some parents (and kids) might disagree, it is not a good idea to "teach" a child or dog to swim via the "sink or swim" method — in which the parent shoves the kid (or dog) into the water and encourages them to figure it out fast. This creates fear sans technique — not to mention a bitter resentment that could come back to bite you, so to speak.

When teaching a dog to swim, have

a few tools at the ready: his leash, some dog floaties or a swim vest, a favorite toy or treat, and plenty of patience. We want to ease him into the idea of water as something more than what he drinks — and we want it to be fun!

Start with a child's wading pool, and encourage him to step into it using his leash.

Don't drag him. Use your voice to encourage him — and his favorite treats if necessary. Let him enjoy being in the water in a relaxed manner for a bit, and then lead him out of the pool. Repeat the process a few times until he gets in and out of the pool without hesitation.

When he's ready to upgrade to an actual swimming pool, employ the same gradual introduction using his leash. Sit next to him on the steps of the pool. Use the floaties if your dog shows signs of panic or unease. Swim with him in the pool, your arms around him to keep him afloat and reassured of your presence. If he takes off like a fish, great! If he's reticent, you're right there to help.

The most important part of teaching your dog to swim is teaching him how and where to get out of the water. If they don't know how to exit the pool, even the best canine swimmers will tire and, if you aren't watching (even for a minute), could drown.

To teach your dog to exit the pool, use a high-value reward: his favorite ball if he's a fetcher, his favorite treat if he's food motivated. Use his leash to guide him from the open water to the pool steps, and reward him when he successfully exits the water. Do this many times over several days to ensure he knows where the steps are, how to use them and that good things happen when he goes to the steps to get out.

And remember: Whenever surfing, boating, waterboarding, kayaking or canoeing, bring and use life vests for you, your kids, your passengers and your pooch.

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Dog trainer Matthew "Uncle Matty" Margolis is co-author of 18 books about dogs, a behaviorist, a popular radio and television guest, and host of the PBS series "WOOF! It's a Dog's Life!"

Expert: IDs won't affect turnout

WASHINGTON (AP) — An expert testifying for the state of Texas told a federal court on Wednesday that new voter identification requirements would not affect voter turnout.

Daron Shaw, a distinguished teaching professor in political science at the University of Texas, said there's also no evidence that requiring voters to show photo identification at the polls disproportionately impacts one race over another. Shaw cited a series of surveys and research he conducted at the request of Texas.

"I think the weight of all the evidence is that it will not have an impact on turnout," Shaw said during testimony in a Washington courtroom.

Texas' voter ID law, passed by the state's Republican-controlled Legislature last year, requires voters heading to the polls to present a valid, government-issued photo ID. Currently, Texas only requires voters to show their voter registration cards, which do not have photos, or another acceptable alternative form of ID. Texas' law is similar to other laws passed by GOP-controlled legislatures in Georgia and Indiana.

The Justice Department blocked Texas' new law in March, citing the Voting Rights Act. Texas, in turn, sued the Justice Department bringing the case to Washington, where a three-judge panel is set to decide the fate of the law in a case that will test the limits of the Voting Rights Act, passed in 1965 as a safeguard on minority voting rights.

Shaw, the political science expert, was the first witness for Texas on Wednesday. Under cross-examination, Justice Department attorneys questioned Shaw about the methodology of his research and asked about

his outside work. Shaw said he had worked as a political strategist for both of President George W. Bush's presidential campaigns.

Earlier Wednesday, Justice Department witness Victoria Rose Rodriguez finished her testimony. Lawyers for Texas cross-examined her, trying to show that the 18-year-old Rodriguez from San Antonio could easily obtain the new voter photo ID. The attorneys asked her a series of questions about what documents she has and pointed out that those would be enough for her to obtain the photo ID.

In her testimony Tuesday, Rodriguez testified that she's currently a registered voter but would not be able to meet the requirements of Texas' new law. She said she lacked the necessary documents and the ability to travel to a location where she can obtain the newly required voter ID.

Both the state of Texas and the Justice Department are calling witnesses out of order so that travel schedules of those testifying can be accommodated. As a result, witnesses for both sides continued to be called to the stand Wednesday.

State Sen. Rodney Ellis said he believed certain Republican lawmakers passed the voter ID bill with racial motives in mind, at least partly.

"Based on my experience they knew what they are doing," said the Houston Democrat and Justice Department witness, referring to his GOP colleagues in the Senate. "They're good people doing a bad thing."

"That bill has everything to do with race."

The Rev. Peter Johnson, another Justice Department witness, said he has worked on registering voters, primarily minorities, for more than 40 years.

"I continue to do it, because I have friends in the graveyard for their right to vote," said Johnson, who lives in the Dallas area.

He said Texas' new law confounds and offends him. He said the law seems to make it more difficult for blacks to vote while insinuating that blacks and other minorities regularly commit voter fraud.

Convincing blacks to vote is an ongoing struggle, and laws like Texas' add to the problem, Johnson said.

Lydia Camarillo testified that her group's work in registering Latino voters would become much more difficult if the Texas law is allowed to take effect.

"When you create a situation and a law that creates more obstacles, it will have a negative impact" on voting, said Camarillo, vice president of the Southwest Voter Registration Education Project.

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Romney jeered for Obamacare criticism in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Unflinching before a skeptical NAACP crowd, Mitt Romney declared Wednesday he'd do more for African-Americans than Barack Obama, the nation's first black president. He drew jeers when he lambasted the Democrat's policies.

"If you want a president who will make things better in the African-American community, you are looking at him," Romney told the group's annual convention. Pausing as some in the crowd heckled, he added, "You take a look!"

"For real?" yelled someone in the crowd. The reception was occasionally rocky though generally polite as the Republican presidential candidate sought to woo a Democratic bloc that voted heavily for Obama four years ago and is certain to do so again. Romney was booed when he vowed to repeal "Obamacare" - the Democrat's signature health care measure - and the crowd interrupted him when he accused Obama of failing to spark a more robust economic recovery.

"I know the president has said he will do those things. But he has not. He cannot. He will not," Romney said as the crowd's murmurs turned to groans.

At other points, Romney earned scattered clapping for his promises to create jobs and improve education. In an interview with Fox News after the speech, Romney said he had expected the negative reaction to some of his comments. "I am going to give the same message to the NAACP that I give across the country which is that Obamacare is killing jobs," he said.

Four months before the election, Romney's appearance at the NAACP convention was a direct, aggressive appeal for support from across the political spectrum in what polls show is a close contest. Romney doesn't expect to win a majority of black voters - 95 percent backed Obama in 2008 - but he's trying to show independent and swing voters that he's willing to reach out to diverse audiences, while demonstrating that his campaign and the Republican Party he leads are inclusive.

The stakes are high. Romney's chances in battleground states such as North Carolina, Virginia, Ohio and Pennsylvania — which have huge numbers of blacks who helped Obama win four years ago — will improve if he can cut into the president's advantage by persuading black voters to support him or if they stay home on Election Day.

As for Romney's contention that his policies would help "families of any color" more than Obama's, White House spokesman Jay Carney said the president has pursued ideas

that help support and expand the middle class after a devastating recession, and that as part of that black Americans and other minorities have benefited.

Obama spoke to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People during the 2008 campaign, as did his Republican opponent that year, Sen. John McCain. The president has dispatched Vice President Joe Biden to address the group on Thursday. Obama is scheduled to address the National Urban League later this month.

For the past year, Romney's campaign has sought to avoid any overt discussion of race. When the issue has popped up, as with talk in Republican circles about running ads about the Rev. Jeremiah Wright, Obama's controversial former pastor, Romney's team has worked to quickly distance him from the topic. The campaign is mindful both of the sensitivities of Romney being a white man looking to unseat the nation's first black president and of Romney's Mormon church's complicated racial history, having barred men of African descent from the priesthood until 1978.

But on Wednesday, Romney confronted the issue more directly, with a bold assertion that he'd be a better president for the black community than one of their own.

Within minutes of taking the stage, Romney made note of his opponent's historic election achievement - and then accused him of not doing enough to help African-American families on everything from family policy to education to health care.

"If you understood who I truly am in my heart, and if it were possible to fully communicate what I believe is in the real, enduring best interest of African-American families, you would vote for me for president," Romney said to murmuring from the crowd.

Romney added: "I want you to know that if I did not believe that my policies and my leadership would help families of color - and families of any color - more than the policies and leadership of President Obama, I would not be running for president."

It wasn't long after that the murmurs turned to boos when Romney pledged to repeal Obama's health care overhaul.

"I am going to eliminate every non-essential, expensive program that I can find - and that includes Obamacare," Romney said, standing motionless as the crowd jeered for 15 seconds. He then noted a survey from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce as support for his position, and was greeted with silence.

Romney's criticism of Obama didn't set well with some in the audience.

"Dumb," said Bill Lucy, a member of the NAACP board. William Braxton, a 59-year-old retiree from Maryland, added: "I thought he had a lot of nerve. That really took me by surprise, his attacking Obama that way."

And James Pinkett, a retired utility worker, said: "He must not know how much support there is in the African-American community for health care, and he comes in and calls it Obamacare. ... We just think it should be given a chance to work."

While more Americans oppose the law than support it, blacks are a notable exception. More African-Americans say in polls that they strongly support the law than strongly oppose it.

In his speech, Romney also said much more must be done to improve education in the nation's cities, and he vowed to help put blacks back to work. Citing June labor reports, he noted that the 14.4 percent unemployment rate among blacks is much higher than the 8.2 percent national average. Blacks also tend to be unemployed longer, and black families have a lower median income, Romney said.

Looking to heal wounds on civil rights, Romney said, "The Republican Party's record, by the measures you rightly apply, is not perfect." He added: "Any party that claims a perfect record doesn't know history the way you know it."

He also highlighted his personal connection to civil rights issues. His father, George Romney, spoke out against segregation in the 1960s and, as governor of Michigan, toured the state's inner cities as race riots wracked Detroit and other urban areas across the country. The elder Romney went on to lead the Department of Housing and Urban Development, where he pushed for housing reforms to help blacks.

Romney worked to connect with the crowd with religious references, noting the hymns that were played before he was introduced and telling the group that his father was "a man of faith who knew that every person was a child of God."

Left unsaid: any comments on a series of contentious new voter ID laws that critics say are aimed at making it harder for blacks and Hispanics to vote. At the NAACP convention a day earlier, Attorney General Eric Holder labeled those laws as "poll taxes" - a reference to the fees used in some Southern states after the abolition of slavery to disenfranchise black people.

Wildfire

firefighters were battling the blaze.

Lightning sparked several new fires in southern Montana, including one that forced the evacuations of about 30 homes near Livingston 30 miles east of Bozeman. The fire was mostly contained Wednesday after burning more than 1,500 acres.

In southeastern Montana, officials reported the 389-square-mile Ash Creek was completely contained by Wednesday, but red-flag weather conditions persisted across the region.

The 29-square-mile Waldo Canyon outside Colorado Springs, Colo., was fully contained by Wednesday after killing two people and destroying nearly 350

homes, making it the most destructive in state history. Elsewhere in Colorado, firefighters worked to contain at least seven additional fires believed to have been sparked by lightning Tuesday evening.

Firefighters reported improved containment on two of Wyoming's largest wildfires and have begun attacking new fires elsewhere in the state.

The 153-square-mile Arapaho Fire in the Medicine Bow National Forest northwest of Wheatland was 85 percent contained, and in western Wyoming, the 100-square-mile Fontenelle Fire was about 75 contained, as crews worked to attack new blazes in eight other counties.

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Cruz

Lauren Thurston, the official spokeswoman for the lieutenant governor, said. "When we saw recently that all of our speeches were not archived, we called the secretary of the senate and made sure that our original request was completed."

Thurston said she did not know why Dewhurst had asked for his speeches to be removed from the website, but that they are still available through public information requests.

There is no law against a public official removing official records from a state-owned website.

Cruz's campaign has centered on painting Dewhurst as not conservative enough to represent Texas in Washington. Cruz has complained that Dewhurst has tried to cover up his "moderate record."

"David Dewhurst has gone from whitewashing his record to literally deleting it, but Texans aren't fooled," Cruz communications director John Drogin said in an email to reporters.

Dewhurst has rejected the criticism, insisting that he has a conservative record and that his 12 years in office makes him better qualified to serve in the Senate.

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Trust

hopes to have the atmosphere declared a public trust for the first time, granting it special protection. The doctrine has been used to clean up rivers and coastlines, but many legal experts have been unsure if it could be used successfully to combat climate change.

Still, Abrams, who has handled the Texas case on behalf of the Texas Environmental Law Center, believes Triana's ruling can be used to argue the cases in other states. So far, he said, this is the first judge to back the group, though a New Mexico court recently allowed the case to go

forward. "I think it's huge that we got a judge to acknowledge that the atmosphere is a public trust asset and the air is a public trust asset," Abrams said. "It's the first time we've had verbiage like this come out of one of these cases."

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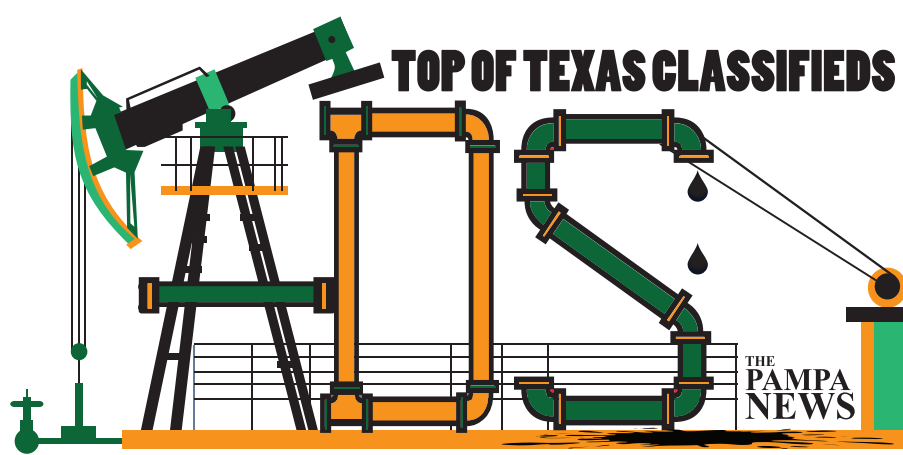
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La planta existente tiene la autorizacion de emitir los siguientes contaminantes atmosfericos: los oxidos de nitrogeno, monoxido de carbono, dióxido de azufre, compuestos organicos, and particulas con diámetros de 10 micrones o menos y 2.5 micrones o menos.
Esta solicitud se le presenta a TCEQ el 15° de junio del 2012. La solicitud estaran disponibles para ser revisados y copiados en la Oficina central de TCEQ, para revisarla y sacarle copia, en la oficina regional de TCEQ en Amarillo, y el Lovett Memorial Library, 111 North Houston Street, Pampa, Gray Condado, Texas empezando el primer día de la publicación de este aviso. El expediente de cumplimiento de la planta, si existe alguno, esta disponible para su revision en la oficina regional de TCEQ en Amarillo. El director ejecutivo de TCEQ ha determinado que la solicitud esta administrativamente completa y llevara a cabo una revision tecnica de la solicitud. La informacion que se incluye en la solicitud indica que esta renovacion del permiso no resultaria en un aumento de emisiones permisibles y no resultaria en la emision de un contaminante atmosferico que no hubiera emitido anteriormente. TCEQ puede actuar en esta solicitud sin buscar comentarios publicos adicionales o dar la oportunidad para una audiencia de caso impugnado si se cumple con ciertos criterios.
COMENTARIOS PUBLICOS Usted puede presentar comentarios publicos, o solicitar una audiencia de caso impugnado a la Oficina del Funcionario Jefe al domicilio a continuacion. TCEQ tomara en cuenta todos los comentarios publicos en la decision final de la solicitud. La fecha limite para presentar comentarios publicos es 15 dias despues de que se publique el aviso en el periodico. Despues de la fecha limite para comentarios publicos, el director ejecutivo preparara una respuesta para todos los comentarios publicos pertinentes y materiales o importantes. Valor de la propiedad, ruido, seguridad de trafico y zonificacion se encuentran fuera de la jurisdiccion de TCWQ para abordar en el proceso del permiso. Despues de que se concluya la revision tecnica de la solicitud, el director ejecutivo tomara en cuenta los comentarios y preparara una respuesta para todos los comentarios publicos pertinentes y materiales o significativos. Si solo se reciben comentarios, la respuesta a los comentarios, junto con la decision del director ejecutivo con respecto a la solicitud se enviara por correo a todas aquellas personas que presentaron comentarios publicos o que se

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encuentran en la lista de correos para esta solicitud, a no ser que la solicitud se refiera directamente a una audiencia de caso impugnado. **OPORTUNIDAD PARA UNA AUDIENCIA DE CASO IMPUGNADO** Usted puede solicitar una audiencia de caso impugnado. El solicitante ejecutivo tambien pueden presentar una peticion para que le solicitud haga referencia directamente a una audiencia de caso impugnado despues de la revision tecnica de la solicitud. Una audiencia de caso impugnado es un proceso legal similar a un juicio civil en el tribunal de distrito del estado. A menos que se presente una solicitud para una audienci de caso impugnado dentro de 15 dias de esta notificacion, el director ejecutivo puede autorizar la solicitud. Si no se recibe una solicitud para audiencia dentro de 15 dias, no se dara otra oportunidad para una audiencia. De acuerdo a la Ley del Aire Limpio del Estado de Texas § 382.056(o) solo se puede conceder una audiencia de caso impugnado si el historial de cumplimiento del solicitante se encuentra en la clasificacion mas baja de acuerdo a los requisitos de historial de cumplimiento que aplican y si la peticion para audiencia esta en cuestiones debatibles de hecho que son pertinentes y materiales para la decision de la Comision con respecto a la solicitud. Ademas, la Comision solo concedera una audiencia sobre cuestiones que se presenten durante el periodo de comentarios publicos y no se retiraran. Una persona que puede estar afectada por contaminantes de emisiones atmosfericas de una planta tiene derecho a solicitar una audiencia. Si se solicita una audiencia de caso impugnado, debe presentar lo siguiente: (1) su nombre (o para un grupo o asociacion, un representante oficial), direccion, numero de telefono y numero de facsimile si lo tiene; (2) el nombre del solicitante y numero de permiso; (3) la declaracion "[yo/nosotros] solicito una audiencia de un caso impugnado"; (4) una descripcion especifica de como se veria adversamente afectado por la solicitud y emisiones atmosfericas de la planta de manera que no es cimun para el publico en general; (5) la ubicacion y distancia de su propiedad con relacion a la planta; (6) una Descripcion de como emplea la propiedad la cual puede ser impactada por la planta. Si la peticion la hace un grupo o asociacion, el miembros que tienen derecho o solicitar una audiencia y los intereses que el grupo o la asociacion busca proteger, tambien se deben identificar. Tambien puede presentar los ajustes que propone hacer a la solicitud / permiso que pueden satisfacer sus preocupaciones. Las peticiones para una audiencia de caso impugnado se deben presentar por escrito dentro de 15 dias despues de aviso, a la Oficina del Funcionario Jefe a la direccion a continuacion. Si se registra oportunamente una peticion para audiencia de caso impugnado a los comisionados de TCEQ para su consideracion durante la reunion programada de la Comision. Excepto si la solicitud se refiere directamente a una audiencia de caso impugnado, el director ejecutivo enviara por correo la respuesta a los comentarios junto con la notificacion de la reunion de la Comision a todas aquellas personas que hayan hecho comentarios o si se encuentran en la lista de correspondencia para esta solicitud. Si se concede la audiencia, el tema de la audiencia estara limitado a casos debaztables de hecho relacionados a intere-

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ses pertinentes y materiales de calidad atmosferica que se hayan presentado durante el periodo de comentarios. Cuestiones tales como valor de la propiedad, ruido, seguridad de trafico y zonificacion no estan dentro de la jurisdiccion de la Comision para abordarse en este proceso judicial. **LISTA DE CORRESPONDENCIA** Aparte de presentar comentarios publicos, puede solicitar que lo/la incluyan en la lista de correos para recibir en el futuro avisos publicos para esta solicitud especifica que envia por correo a la Oficina del Funcionario Jefe enviando una peticion por escrito a la Oficina del Funcionario Jefe de TCEQ a la direccion a continuacion. **INFORMACION** Los comentarios publicos o peticiones para una reunion publica o audiencia de caso impugnado se debe presentar a la Oficina del Funcionario Jefe, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, o por el Internet www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html. Para mayor informacion acerca de esta solicitud para permiso o el proceso para permisos, favor de llamar a la Oficina de Asistencia Publico, al 1-800-687-4040. Si requiere informacion general de TCEQ dirijirse al portal electronico www.tceq.texas.gov/. Se puede obtener informacion adicional de cabot Corporation, PO Box 5001, Pampa, Texas 79066-5001 o al llamar Jennifer Flores-Brown, Directora de Ambiental en el 806-661-3130. Fecha de Expedicion: 28° de junio del 2012

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL
PERMIT NUMBER
49161

APPLICATION Cabot Corporation, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for renewal of Air Quality Permit Number 49161, which would authorize continued operation of a Carbon Black Manufacturing Facility located at 11561 U.S. Highway 60, Pampa, Gray County, Texas 79065. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. <http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610/index.html?lat=35.509817&lng=101.014539&zoom=13&type=r>
The existing facility and / or related facilities are authorized to emit the following air contaminants: nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, sulfur dioxide, organic compounds, and particulate matter including particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less.
This application was submitted to the TCEQ on June 15, 2012. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, TCEQ Amarillo regional office, and the Lovett Memorial Library, 111 North Houston Street, Pampa, Gray County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Amarillo regional office of the TCEQ. The executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will

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conduct a technical review of the application. In addition to the renewal, this permitting action includes the incorporation of the following authorizations or changes to authorized facilities related to this permit: alteration and amendments. The reasons for any changes or incorporations, to the extent they are included in the renewed permit, may include information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. **TCEQ may act on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.** **PUBLIC COMMENT** You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to address in the permit process. After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing. **OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING** You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after the technical review of the application. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 15 day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382.056(o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only be granted a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. **A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and dis-**

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tance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application / permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing with 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. If any requests for a contested case hearing are timely filed, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing, the executive director will; mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. **If no hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period.** Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding. **MAILING LIST** In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application. **AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION** Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/about/comments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. Further information may also be obtained from Cabot Corporation, P.O. Box 5001, Pampa, Texas 79066-5001 or by calling Ms. Jennifer Flores-Brown, Environmental Manager at (806)661-3130. Notice of Issuance date: June 28, 2012

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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| 14 In a line | 7 Make a choice |
| 16 Kind of missile | 8 Sugar suffix |
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| 27 In the past | |
| 28 Hymn accompaniers | |
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| 26 Base | 38 Crone |
| 28 Portents | |
| 30 Crooner Mel | |

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: "Wants to Do the Right Thing" (April 18) asked about using email to thank those who donated to a fundraiser for her son, who has bone cancer. What is wrong with that?

I have been there. One of my twin boys was diagnosed with cancer at age 2. I was grateful for all the help my family and friends gave me, but I did not always have the time or energy to devote to writing thank-you cards.

You really have to have experienced this kind of long-term stress and trauma to understand. It takes all the strength you have to just get through each day without breaking down. For larger donations, I would write a card when I could or print some out on my computer. Sometimes I recruited a friend or family member to handle thank-you notes. People always ask, "What can I do?" Well, assign them this task!

Another way of thanking people was through a blog, like CaringBridge. These free websites were a great way to keep in touch with people and let them know what was going on. I often posted general notes of thanks there, then emailed everyone who contributed with a link to the site. The truth is, it was difficult to accept charity and help from others, and I often found myself overwhelmed by the outpouring of love and support. — TRULY THANKFUL IN NEW YORK

DEAR TRULY THANKFUL: Thank YOU for your heartfelt letter and helpful suggestions. I reminded "Wants" that writing personal thank-you notes was the proper thing to do, but not all readers agreed. Their comments:

DEAR ABBY: Any spare time that mom has needs to be spent with her family or taking care of herself. They are going through a very difficult time.

I believe that in this day

and age, the majority of people would understand and not expect a thank-you note for their donation. So a quick email of thanks would be more than appreciated. Email is more acceptable now, especially among younger people. If this is all she has time for, it's better than no thank-you at all. — KELLY IN WINCHESTER, VA.

DEAR ABBY: To that mother of the child with cancer: Instead of writing thank-you notes to all the people who help you in the community, please spend that time with your son. Someday, return the favor with some other family's child. Many families in our town cope with childhood cancer. We help each other. It is important that you spend every precious moment with him, not writing cards. We all understand. — PAYING IT FORWARD IN CLYDE, OHIO

DEAR ABBY: You correctly advised "Wants" that a handwritten, personal note was in order. However, having found myself in this position, I sometimes first send out a quick "blanket" email to all

the donors: "Dear Friends and Family, you are great to contribute to our cause. Please forgive this email reply, but we want you to know right away how much your support means to us. You'll be hearing from us personally as soon as possible."

This acknowledges the generosity immediately, while relieving some stress for the writer at a busy time. — WISE IN WASHINGTON

DEAR ABBY: Please tell "Wants" that her son should write some of the letters if he's old enough. The notes should be to people he knows. Folks won't expect a thank-you right away. — CANCER SURVIVOR IN OKLAHOMA

DEAR ABBY: Handwrite those notes. Make them brief. Following my wife's death two years ago, I handwrote about 400 thank-yous to those who had sent cards and flowers or made donations. It was cathartic for me, and it recognized the efforts of those who contributed. — DOING THE RIGHT THING IN MICHIGAN

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Each of the words below can be turned into another word on the list by changing one letter and then rearranging them all to form a new word. For example, REGIMENT can be turned into STEERING by changing the M to an S.

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Yesterday's Answer: MISAIM CABBIIE
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Texas homeowner premiums spike

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas homeowners insurance premiums have risen 21 percent since the start of 2009, partly because the industry expects there to be greater property losses from natural disasters going forward.

The average premium on a homeowners policy in Texas last year was \$1,412, according to the report state Insurance Commissioner Eleanor Kitzman presented Tuesday to a state Senate committee.

There are several reasons behind the increase, including industry models that project greater losses in Texas from hurricanes, hail storms, wildfires and other disasters. The Dallas Morning News reported (<http://dallasnews.com/L8KibS>).

Consequently, the average loss on an insurance claim in Texas is among the highest in the country, which contributed to the high premiums, the report found.

“Texas has both a high average loss per policy and a high exposure to catastrophes,” the report stated.

The factors in Texas that caused the most insured losses in the past decade were hail (\$7.6 billion), water damage (\$7.3 billion), hurricane winds (\$6.2 billion) and fire (\$4.3 billion), according to the study.

Also contributing to the price hike were higher insurance company expenses and declines in interest rates that cut insurers’ investment returns.

The report ranked six regions in Texas and found, as expected, that coastal counties had the highest premiums and highest average losses and counties in the state’s southwest had the lowest.

To reduce property losses, Kitzman made several recommendations, such as putting in place stronger building codes, requiring the state licensing of roofing contractors and increasing the criminal penalties for insurance fraud.

Texas has “one of the highest rates of fraud” in roofing repairs because of the lack of state regulation over roofing contractors, she said.

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your police dog than your pets. It’s almost like they’re members of your family. When you depend on each other for everything, then it becomes a close bond, I think.”

The dog works with the DPS and Sheriff’s Office, and Skinner said he has been pleased with the dog’s reception in town.

“The City of Pampa supports the K-9 program way better than anywhere I’ve ever worked,” he said. “... The main difference here in Pampa is the support from the chief, lieutenant and the whole staff, really. The community here (seems) more grateful to have a dog than anywhere I’ve ever worked.”

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this project is not unique in that aspect.

“We want the city to know we care about kids, their future and their ability to succeed,” said Frazier. “It can be easy to overlook those in need, because we choose to. Sometimes, I can be the most guilty of that. The reality is that these kids and their families need us, and we can provide something simple like this to prepare them for the year.”

Paint This Town Red is accepting donations for the project through its website, www.paintthistownred.org, as well as at its office at 912 Kentucky in Pampa. For more information, contact Frazier at 806-440-0567.

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