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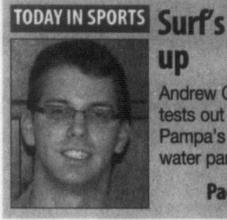




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Lack of McLean ambulance service a concern

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The lack of emergency medical services in McLean is causing concern in neighboring communities and among Gray County Commissioners.

The Gray County Commissioners Court voted to pay \$20,000 a year last year to help the community support its ambulance service, but when the McLean ambulance service shut down, commissioners stopped the flow

of funds in January.

Pampa EMS, a prinonprofit company that provides Pamambupa's lance service, met with McLean the

City Council, but no contractual agreement could be reached. Joe Anstey of Pampa EMS

Anstey



Peet

the southeast Gray County community but cannot afford to make calls for routine transfers. Gray County Judge Richard

EMS

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Peet noted that Shamrock and told the Gray County Com-Lefors EMS organizations have missionalready notified McLean officials Court that they will no longer provide Wednesday the community with ambulance that Pampa services. will

Anstey told commissioners that his negotiations with McLean officials broke down after they said they would not pay the cost to cover Pampa EMS expenses.

Initially, the McLean City Council had indicated that it wanted a paid, professional system. AMBULANCE cont. on page 3

OFFSEASON WORK



staff photo by David Bowser

School may be out, but the work doesn't stop. Brad Hoover of the Pampa Independent School District repairs a broken water line at Pampa High School.

Pampa man ticketed in area wreck

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CANADIAN — A Pampa man has been cited for failure to maintain financial responsibility and driving without a license in connection with a one-car rollover earlier this month.

David Ramirez, 41, was ticketed by Texas Highway Patrol Troopers following a fiery one car rollover on U.S. Highway 60 east of Canadian on June 7.

Trooper Jason Musick said the eastbound 1999 Toyota Camry that Ramirez was driving crossed the westbound lane of U.S. 60 and rolled in the bar ditch.

The vehicle came to rest on its driver's side.

Arthur Murphy, 51, and Ciriacc Meraz, 35, both passengers in the car, were able to kick the windshield of the car out and pull Ramirez out before the car caught fire, Musick said.

Murphy was taken to Hemphill County Hospital by Canadian EMS for treatment of minor head and neck injuries, authorities said.

The vehicle was totally destroyed by flames, Musick said. The fire was extinguished by the Canadian Fire Department. The investigation is currently ongo-

Gray County Commission approves fireworks ban

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At their last meeting, the Gray County Commission banned rockets from Fourth of July fireworks. This week, the banned was extended to all fireworks.

Because of increasingly dry, windy weather, Gray County Judge Richard Peet exercised his emergency powers to expand the initial ban to all fireworks last week, but he could only ban them for seven days.

Following an extension of Peet's ban from the office of Gov. Rick Perry, the Gray County Commission Wednesday banned all fireworks through July 5.

Meeting in regular session Wednesday morning, the commission appeared to reluctantly ban the fireworks, but Commissioner Jeff Haley said given the dry conditions, there was little choice.

Judge Peet said that the 26 counties that make up the Texas Panhandle are all imposing such a ban.

Joe Millican, Gray County Emergency Coordinator, said that since January, there have been 125 wildfires in the county. Normally, he said the county could expect from 10 to 12 over the Fourth of July

Dry weather all over the southwestern United States is making this wildfire season an especially dangerous one. Firefighters are still working to contain the Wallow Fire in Arizona, which has become the largest wildfire in Arizona history and is threatening to spread into New Mexico due to high winds.

In other business:

· Gray County Clerk Susan Winborne requested a new desktop scanner to be paid for out of the Records Management Fund. She said it would cost as much to fix the five-year-old existing scanner as it would to buy a new one.

The commission approved the purchase of a new scanner for \$1,078.

• The commission also approved \$1,560 for 300 caricature maps of Gray County to be produced by D.C. Moore of T&M Graphics out of Midland. As part of the package, the poster will include illustrations of the courthouse, the annex, the jail, the White Deer Land Museum and Clyde Carruth Pavilion.

· In old business, the commissioners court took up the sale of tax delinquent property in Lefors that was tabled at their June 1 meeting.

The commission has established \$300 as a minimum bid for county property, COUNTY cont. on page 3

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Low 66



Low 67

Tonight: Isolated showers and thunderstorms before 1 a.m. Some of the storms could be severe. Partly cloudy, with a low around 69. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

Friday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 102. Windy, with a west southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 67. Breezy, with a west southwest wind 10 to 15 mph becoming north northeast. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Saturday: Sunny and hot, with a high near 101. Windy, with a north northwest wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. Windy, with a west southwest wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Sunday: Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 101. Windy, with a southwest wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 67. Windy, with a south wind between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

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Justices halt Balentine execution

HUNTSVILLE (AP) - Condemned prisoner John Balentine won a reprieve from the U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday, about an hour before he could have been taken to the Texas death chamber for killing three teenagers at a home in Amarillo more than 13 years ago.

The high court said it stopped the lethal injection to review a petition from Balentine's lawyer that contended his legal help at trial and in early stages of his appeal was deficient. The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals refused a similar appeal and Balentine's attorney, Lydia Brandt, wanted the Supreme Court to look at that refusal.

Last week, the high court agreed to review an Arizona case about whether a convicted offender is entitled to competent legal help in the early stages of an appeal, and Brandt cited that case in arguments to the justices. Another appeal for Balentine to the Supreme Court was turned down on the triple slaying that was the culmination of a feud he had with one of

He would have been the fifth inmate executed this year in Texas. Another execution is set for Thursday evening.

"I am happy and relieved," Balentine told Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Jason Clark from a small holding cell a few steps from the death chamber. He already had eaten a final meal and was speaking with relatives on the phone when he received word of the reprieve.

He immediately was returned to death row, at another prison about 45 miles east of Huntsville.

Balentine, from Newport, Ark., already had a prison history in his home state when he was pulled over for a traffic violation in Houston. Police found he was wanted for the slayings six months earlier of Mark Caylor Jr., 17; Kai Brooke Geyer, 15; and Steven Watson, also 15. Caylor

Balentine, 42, was condemned for was the brother of Balentine's former girlfriend.

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Two years ago, Balentine got withn a day of execution before an appeals court halted the punishment.

In a tape-recorded confession to police played at his 1999 trial, Balentine said he learned Caylor was looking to kill him because he had "jumped on his sister," so he slipped into the house where he once lived with Caylor and shot all three teens in the head.

"I think he killed those guys because he was convinced they were going to kill him," one of his trial lawyers, Randy Sherrod, said.

On Thursday, condemned inmate Lee Andrew Taylor, 32, is scheduled to die for the fatal stabbing of fellow prisoner Donta Green in 1999. Taylor, who insisted the killing was in self-defense, was already serving a life sentence at the time for the slaying of a 79-year-old Houston-area man, John Hampton, during a home

Mexican journalists seek asylum in U.S.

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — Three Mexican journalists facing death threats in their native country urged the U.S. government Wednesday to speed up approval of their asylum petitions.

Emilio Gutierrez Soto said he first received threats in 2005 after writing stories about alleged military involvement in drug trafficking in the northern state of Chihuahua. Three years later, his house was ransacked, and he received more threats. After filing complaints with the national government and getting little response, he fled the country in 2008 with his 15-year-old son.

Gutierrez was held for more than seven months in a U.S. immigration detention center, until his story was aired on national television. His son was held for four months. The next hearing in his case is not likely to happen before 2012.

Gutierrez called the drug war a cancer destroying his country, during a panel discussion at the National Association of Hispanic Journalists' annual meeting in the central Florida suburb of Lake Buena Vista. The former reporter for Ciudad Juarez's El Diario newspaper said losing his country was harder even than the death of his parents. He pleaded with the U.S. government to make a decision in his case and those of his fellow journalists.

"We are living in a legal limbo," said Gutierrez, who has a temporary work permit but has yet to find a job. "We are unable to have any emotional, familial or em-Reporter Ricardo Chavez Aldana, a native of Ciudad

Juarez, attacked the drug cartels on his radio show until his nephews were killed outside their home. He says

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he and his wife, mother and son received repeated death threats until they crossed the border in 2009 into El Paso,

"I have covered more than 4,000 killings," he told the group the several hundred journalists gathered at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort.

"They are destroying Mexico. They are killing children, pregnant women, "Chavez said, his voice breaking as he talked of the drug war in Mexico.

Alejandro Hernandez Pacheco was a TV cameraman for Televisa when he was kidnapped last July in Durango, Mexico along with three other reporters, allegedly by one of the country's largest drug cartels who demanded his station no longer broadcast stories about the gang. He was freed a week later and crossed the border in October.

All three men's asylum cases are pending, and they acknowledged that while they may be able to document the persecution they've faced as journalists, they face an added challenge because of the U.S. public's concerns about the flood of immigrants from Mexico.

But all three said they will not return to Mexico.

At least 66 journalists have been killed in the last four years in Mexico, according to the country's government. The U.S. receives hundreds of asylum applications from the country each year, but approves only a handful.

Angela Kocherga of Belo TV, who has covered the journalists' asylum cases, as well as life and death along the U.S.-Mexico border said the violence against journalists in Mexico has created "zones of silence.

Added Kocherga: "It's the war next door, and we know more about what's happening in Afghanistan.

For the record

Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

Police reported 40 trafficrelated incidents.

Animal Control reported of North Beech. six animal-related inci-

Pampa EMS reported of North Hobart. three ambulance calls. The Pampa Fire Department reported four medical emergencies.

Wednesday, June 15 reported Police claimed property.

The Pampa Fire Department reported a false alarm. A theft was reported to police.

A power line was reported down in the 2300 block

A fire investigation was launched in the 100 block

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of East Francis.

A violation of city ordi-

nances was reported in the following arrests. 1000 block of East Francis.

An offense against family was reported to police. in the 400 block of North

Nelson.

reported in the 1100 block of North Christine.

Water was shut off at Lefors and Jordan.

agency in the 2300 block of tion. North Perryton Parkway.

in the 1200 block of Wil-COX.

Thursday, June 16

A threat was reported in the 900 block of South Hobart.

A violation of city ordinance was reported at Terrace and Kentucky.

Disorderly conduct was reported at Brown and Ha-

A suspicious person was reported at Louisiana and Somerville.

A prowler was reported in the 700 block of North

Sumner. A suspicious person was reported in the 600 block of North Sumner.

Police made a good intention call in the 500 block of North Nelson.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the

Tuesday, June 14 Leonard Jay Kane, 41; was arrested by deputies A burglary was reported for insufficient bonds on possession of controlled substance charges Disorderly conduct was manufacture and delivery of controlled substance

charges. Jesus Silva, 40, was arrested by deputies on Officers assisted another charges of public intoxica-

Benito Lopez, 32, was ar-A burglary was reported rested by police on a bond surrender involving driving while intoxicated, second offense, charges.

> Wednesday, June 15 Cortney Breckell John-

son, 23, was arrested by police on a capias pro fine warrant. Lucinda Dawn Tollison,

33, of Skellytown, was arrested on charges of nonpayment of child support, driving without a license and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Vicki Jo Goheen, 57, was arrested by police on charges of failure to appear. Brian Lane Sealman, 28,

was arrested by deputies on charges of credit card abuse, insufficient bond on possession of controlled substance charges and tampering with evidence. Misti Gale Pierce, 36,

was arrested by deputies on charges of injury to a child.



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AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Republican-controlled Texas House gave preliminary approval on Tuesday to a GOP plan to redraw congressional districts despite concerns from Democrats that it dilutes the votes of

Democrats attacked the plan by Republican Rep. Burt Solomons, arguing it doesn't accurately reflect minority growth over the past 10 years and defies the federal Voting Rights Act. The map needs a final procedural vote before it goes back to the Senate for final approval.

Some lawmakers were angry that the map splits the Austin area into multiple districts, saying the move would divide minority areas and dilute their collective voice. They also said it denies the most Democratic part of the state a single seat.

"Austin should be represented by one strong voice in Washington, not splintered into little pieces," said Rep. Elliot Naishtat, D-Austin. "It doesn't serve our minority communities to be grouped with distant districts."

House mulls school supplies

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas House is considering a new system to pay for school materials, including textbooks.

The bill would combine the textbook and technology allotments to public schools.

In the past lawmakers approved two different payments to schools based on the number of students in attendance. One was for textbooks, another for technology. If this measure passes, they will get one lump sum to buy instructional materials. The amount spent per students will depend on how much money is available

The proposed law requires the State Board of Education to set aside 50 percent of available funds for instructional materials. The board would no longer have to approve all materials.

Opponents say the new system does not include a mechanism to adjust for inflation.

Couple charged in slaying

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - A husband and wife have been accused of fatally shooting a West Texas woman whose son was also found slain in an alleged money dispute.

Court documents indicate Casey Ledbetter and Meredith Ledbetter of Lubbock allegedly lured 49-year- are within the city limold Joanie Parker by saying her son owed them money and she needed to pay them \$4,000.

Lubbock County Jail records did not list attorneys for the Ledbetters, who were charged Wednesday with murder over Parker's death. Bond is \$500,000.

Parker's body was discovered May 24 near Idalou. The body of 26-year-old Derek Hale was discovered May awarded five lots in 27 on the same property. An autopsy revealed Hale was stabbed and beaten.

The Ledbetters have been held since late May on unrelated counts.

Man sought for bus attack

AUSTIN (AP) — Austin police have released security video in the search for a passenger seen punching and roughing up a bus driver before allegedly trying to rob

Sgt. Brian Miller says the Capital Metro driver suffered facial injuries June 10 in an apparent fight over why the bus did not stop at a place where the passenger wanted

Police say the man waited until other passengers departed before slugging the driver, throwing him to the bus floor and going through his pockets.

The bus surveillance video was released Wednesday, as police seek the public's help in identifying the man wanted on assault and attempted robbery charges. The company that employs the driver, Veolia Transportation, is offering a \$5,000 reward for information leading to an arrest and conviction.

Lawmakers meet on energy

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Representatives from four states that produce a significant portion of the U.S. energy supply are meeting in Salt Lake City.

The Energy Producing States Committee is set to discuss model legislation and hear from industry experts. The two-day gathering begins Thursday.

The committee includes legislators from Alaska, Texas, Utah and Wyoming.

Utah Republican Rep. Roger Barrus of Centerville says the committee's goals include developing strategies for

creating a unified voice for domestic energy policies. The four states have formed an energy compact and plan to invite other states to join in the future.

Speakers will include experts from the Idaho National Laboratory, the Science and Public Policy Institute and the University of Wyoming School of Energy Resources.

Shrimp captain killed

TEXAS CITY (AP) — A shrimp boat captain has been charged with murder in the fatal shooting of a iellow shrimp boat captain whom authorities say was a longtime friend and former employee.

James Michael Morris was free on \$75,000 bond after he was booked into the Galveston County Jail on

The shooting happened before dawn June 3 at a seafood dock in Texas City. Police Capt. Brian Goetschius says a dispute over customers between Morris and Kelly Sumner ended with a struggle over a handgun Morris brandished. The gun discharged, wounding Morris in the leg. Goetschius says Morris dropped the gun, but as Sumners loomed over him Morris grabbed it and fired, fatally wounding Sumners in the back

Jail records do not list an attorney for Morris.

Rep. Giffords released

HOUSTON (AP) - Rep. Gabrielle Giffords returned home to her astronaut husband on Wednesday, leaving behind a Houston hospital where she began to rebuild her life after a gunman shot her in the head five months ago.

Giffords' release marks a new phase in her recovery. She struggles to speak and walk, and will need daily, intensive therapy. Whether she will ever recover enough to resume her congressional duties is still unknown.

AFTERNOON RUSH Mexican governor's bodyguards found dead

MONTERREY, Mexico Police on Wednesday found the dismembered bodies of two bodyguards who worked for the governor of the Mexican state of Nuevo Leon, the site of a violent turf war between drug cartels.

Authorities believe Gov. Rodrigo Medina's bodyguards were killed by a drug cartel. A message left near the bodies accused Medina of favoring a rival drug organiza-

Medina confirmed that the victims were part of his security detail and called the killings "cowardly." He told local media later that "no message, no threat will make us stop in this fight" against organized crime.

The bodies were found at an intersection in Guadalupe, a suburb of the state capital Monterrey. The city, Mexico's third largest and one of its most wealthy, has been the scene of bloody cartel turf battles that have included frequent attacks on police.

The area in northern Mexico has been a scene of constant killings and reprisals since a rupture between the Gulf and Zeta cartels in late 2009.

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but since the properties its of Lefors, the county minimum does not apply. Lavanda Hill was

awarded a lot and a half for \$20 in Lefors.

Kerry Hodges was Lefors for \$125.

Ambulance

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"I gave them the budget of what it would cost. Anstey said. "They don't want to pay for a paid, professional service.

He said that the mayor told him that she didn't believe the community should have to pay for the ambulance service to be there.

Anstey said his first priority is to Pampa and Gray County with whom Pampa EMS has contractual agree-

"If an emergency comes Anstey said of McLean, "we're going to go."

But routine calls take resources away from Pampa and the rest of the county, he said.

Dr. James Hall, who is on the board of directors of the Emergency Medical Services Foundation of Texas, the parent company of Pampa EMS, told commissioners that last week the ambulance service was notified of a possible stroke of a person in McLean.

In such situations, the doctor said, time is of the

That means that the Life-Star helicopter was also dispatched to McLean.

There was some difficulty getting a landing zone set up for the helicopter because of communications difficulties and the lack of trained personnel in McLean. There were also problems directing the helicopter where to land.

"We have a problem there," Hall said. "Potentially a big problem."

Hall said that he would like to see some sort of response team in McLean. "We have no clue of

what's going on down

there," he said. Judge Peet said he would try to set up a meeting with the Gray County Commission and the McLean City Council to see if something can be done to keep ambulance services available to

McLean.

The Zetas by a group of deserters from an elite army unit have extended their territory so much that they are now carrying out killings and trafficking drugs in Guatemala.

The chief prosecutors

founded of Guatemala and Mexico met Wednesday to discuss the problems posed by the criminal group, which is blamed in the massacre of 27 ranch workers in the Peten region of Guatemala in May. Mexican

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Marisela Morales and her Guatemalan counterpart, Claudia Paz, agreed to increase informationsharing about the cartel and combat the flow of arms in and around the two countries' border.











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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Thursday, June 16, the 167th day of 2011. There are 198 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 16, 1911, the Computing-Tabulating-Recording Co. was incorporated in New York State; it later became known as International Business Machines, or IBM.

On this date:

In 1567, Mary, Queen of Scots, was imprisoned in Lochleven Castle in Scotland. (She escaped almost a year later but ended up imprisoned again.)

In 1858, accepting the Illinois Republican Party's nomination for the U.S. Senate, Abraham Lincoln said the slavery issue had to be resolved, declaring, "A house divided against itself cannot In 1903, Ford Motor Co. was incorporated.

In 1932, President Herbert Hoover and Vice President Charles Curtis were renominated at the Republican national convention in Chicago. In 1941, National Airport (now Ronald Reagan

Washington National Airport) opened for business with a ceremony attended by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In 1963, the world's first female space traveler, Valentina Tereshkova, was launched into orbit by the Soviet Union aboard Vostok 6. In 1970, Kenneth A. Gibson of Newark, N.J.,

became the first black politician elected mayor of a major Northeast city.

In 1978, President Jimmy Carter and Panamanian leader Omar Torrijos exchanged the instruments of ratification for the Panama Canal treaties.

Ten years ago: Face to face for the first time, President George W. Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin pledged during a meeting in Slovenia to deepen their nations' bonds and to explore the possibility of compromise on U.S. missile defense plans.

Five years ago: The House rejected a timetable for pulling U.S. forces out of Iraq, 256-153.

One year ago: After meeting with President Barack Obama at the White House, BP Chairman Carl-Henric Svanberg announced the oil giant was establishing a \$20 billion claim fund and suspending dividends as he insisted, "We care about the small people.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Bill Cobbs is 76. Author Joyce Carol Oates is 73. Country singer Billy "Crash" Craddock is 72. Songwriter Lamont Dozier is 70. Rhythm-and-blues singer Eddie Levert is 69. Actress Joan Van Ark is 68. Actor Geoff Pierson is 62. Rhythm-and-blues singer James Smith (The Stylistics) is 61. Boxing Hall of Famer Roberto Duran is 60. Pop singer Gino Vannelli is 59. Actress Laurie Metcalf is 56. Model-actress Jenny Shimizu is 44. Actor James Patrick Stuart is 43. Actor Clifton Collins Jr. is Actor John Cho is 39. Actor Eddie Cibrian is 38. Actress China (chee-nah) Shavers is 34. Actress Missy Peregrym (PEH'-rih-grihm) is 29. Actress Olivia Hack is 28. Singer Diana DeGarmo ("American Idol") is 24.

Thought for Today: "I have never in my life learned anything from any man who agreed with Dudley Field Malone, American attorney (1882-1950).



Debate: Feinstein vs. Coburn-Feinstein

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On Tuesday, the Senate voted 40-59 against an amendment by Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., to end the annual \$6 billion (45-cents-pergallon) tax subsidy for ethanol, as well as the 54-cents-per-gallon tariff on imported ethanol.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., was a co-author of the Volumetric Ethanol Excise Tax Credit Repeal Act. As she explained, the subsidy bestows \$15 million per day on large oil companies for "no good reason" and drives up food prices.

Yet Tuesday, Feinstein voted against her own amendment.

Feinstein explained to reporters that Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid promised her a vote on a similar amendment. That vote is scheduled for today. She voted against her own measure "because of the process that Coburn used." Coburn switched legislative language to win a floor vote that had been stalled. Party-line Dems who voted against the bill played enforcer.

Problem: Unlike Feinstein, six senators in the Democratic caucus voted for the amendment

Beltway types have focused on the fact that 33 GOP senators joined Coburn to battle the conservative Americans for Tax Reform. ATR had painted Coburn-Feinstein as a tax increase. (When you end a tax credit, net federal revenue rises.)



DEBRA **SAUNDERS**

started out with good intentions -- promoting energy independence in an environmentally friendly fashion. Thirty years later, Americans are more dependent on foreign oil, and the Sierra Club and League of Conservation Voters want to end ethanol subsidies.

Feinstein is acutely aware that 40 percent of the U.S. corn crop goes to ethanol. She visited the San Joaquin Valley in California, where feedcorn prices have tripled. Farmers told her it was getting cheaper to slaughter animals than feed them.

So ethanol subsidies drive up the federal deficit, no longer enjoy enviros' support and make voters pay more to eat. Case closed, you would

But you cannot underestimate the power of corn-state senators from both parties and Iowa's super-size role in presidential elections.

Also, when Washington gives away tax dollars, it creates a lobby to keep the money coming. The ethanol lobby argues that if Washington turns off the subsidy spigot and tariff tap, the industry will dry up. Even though Coburn-Feinstein did not terminate the federal mandate that oil refiners blend gasoline with renewable fuels.

Feinstein says she wants to negotiate with Sen. John Thune, R-S.D., and Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn., who want to revamp ethanol subsidies by tying them to the price of oil and sustaining them through 2014.

White House spokesman Jay Carney has said President Obama is for "reforming" the subsidy, "not repealing it.'

When there was a moment to confront the ethanol tide, Feinstein and fellow California Democrat Sen. Barbara Boxer chose to protest Coburn's methods. If Feinstein wins 60 votes on a solid substitute to her original amendment, kudos to her. If Feinstein-Coburn fails, it is on Feinstein.

As Coburn told Politico, "Go home and tell people you refused to vote on the amendment because you didn't like the way it was brought up. Let's see how that sells to the American people."

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Former Minnesota governor Tim Pawlenty turned out a blockbuster economic-growth plan this past week, including deep cuts in taxes, spending and regulations. It's really the first Reaganesque supply-side growth plan from any of the GOP presidential contenders. And he caps it all off with a defense of optimism as he charges ahead with a national economic growth goal of 5 percent.

That's right: 5 percent.

Pawlenty calls this target aspirational. OK, fine. But deeper down, he's basically saying no to the declinists and pessimists who seem to populate the economic landscape these days. Big government doesn't work. Let's try something different.

Ronald Reagan always believed that America is exceptional. By removing obstacles to growth, the Gipper held that economic policies could unleash a massive outpouring of risk-taking, creativity and entrepreneurship. He was right, and his policies launched a two-decades-long boom.

Actually, the first couple of years of the Reagan recovery came in at more than 7 percent. And as Pawlenty noted in his speech at the University of Chicago this week, between 1983 and 1987, the Reagan recovery grew at 4.9 percent annually. I note that President John F. Kennedy also had a 5 percent growth target, a response to Ike's three recessions.

So while those on the left criticize Pawlenty, and while even some conservatives scoff at his growth target, history says we've been there before.

The Wall Street Journal editorial page calls it a "growth marker." Famed CEO Jack Welch calls it a vision for America. I think it's an act of great leadership.

The details of Pawlenty's economic program are very similar in scope and structure to Reagan's. Slash tax rates. In particular, the single-best Pawlenty proposal is to take the business tax rate



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low corporate rate.

Small businesses and brand-new startups have faltered during the Obama years. They should be the engine of job growth, but it's not happening. Under Pawlenty's plan, however, their rewards for new passthe-hat investments among friends and families would be lifted by more than 40 percent on a take-home-pay basis.

The former college hockey player also would reform the personal tax system by moving to two rates of only 10 and 25 percent. And, get this: He would abolish taxes on capital gains, interest, dividends and estates. He'd also sunset all economic regulations. And he'd apply a "Google test," whereby if you can find a federal government good or service on the Internet, the federal government doesn't need to run it. That means the Post Office, the Government Printing Office and Amtrak could be sold off, privatized or leased out.

The governor also comes out for a strong King Dollar, with a blistering attack on the Bernanke Fed's loosemoney policies. He also offers up an outline for entitlement reform, along with a 5 percent budget-impoundment pproach until such time as the budget

Quintessentially, Pawlenty has delivered a private-sector, free-enterprise vision of economic growth and jobs, saying: "Markets work. Barack

all the way down Obama's central planning doesn't." It's in this spirit that he would repeal Obamacare, which is one of the great-

t job-blockers of all right now, with naze of tax-and-regulatory interions into the private economy.

But let me return to the key point Pawlenty's 5 percent growth vision for America. He's not going to accept some kind of "new normal," 2 percent growth rate.

Smaller government, lower tax rates, fewer economic regulations and sound money were tried down through the 20th century by Calvin Coolidge, John F. Kennedy and Ronald Reagan. These policies worked. Over the past decade, however, the historic postwar U.S.growth baseline of 3.4 percent per year has been dismantled. Through 2010, actual growth is nearly 20 percent -- or close to \$3 trillion -- below the historical norm. Pawlenty is saying we have to do our best to close that humungous output and jobs gap.

He also notes that by reigniting growth and a stronger jobs market that demand for government-spending assistance will come down while tax revenues will go up. In other words, we'll never solve the spending-andborrowing problem without a major increase in growth.

Is he serious? Of course he is. And he's pretty darned specific. Remember, this is a guy who said no to ethanol subsidies in Iowa, yes to extending the Social Security retirement age in Florida and no to crony capitalism for Wall Street banks in New York.

In other words, Tim Pawlenty is a tough hombre.

If he stays on message unrelent-

ingly, his growth plan could carry him right to the White House.

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House gives first Moss roses adorn ca. 1947 tea set OK to health bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas lawmakers voted Wednesday to allow the state to join a proposed interstate compact that would let members decide for themselves how to structure and disburse federal health care benefits within their states

The Texas House tentatively approved legislation in favor of a multistate agreement that, if it were approved by Congress, would give states power to adopt their own health care rules rather than federal regulations. The bill now goes to the Senate for approval.

Oklahoma and Georgia already have passed legislation creating the compact, although Congress hasn't given any indication it would accept such a proposal. States would receive federal health care funding as a block grant and decide how to structure Medicaid and Medicaid programs under the Texas bill introduced by Rep. Lois Kolkhorst, R-Brenham.

Kolkhorst said the legislation aims to give states more flexibility to adjust spending, but Democrats argued the

Kolkhorst said her bill wasn't intended to put seniors' access to Medicare at risk, but the House did approve an amendment that explicitly prohibits the compact from negatively impacting Medicare entitlements

"If we're going to join a compact, let's not be the tail on this dog," said Rep. Sylvester Turner, D-Houston, who authored the amendment. "When it comes to making policy and running the risk of other states leading Texas, that raises a red flag.

Others remained adamantly opposed to joining the compact, with or without the amendment.

"This bill is designed as an offense to get rid of the guarantee of health coverage," said Rep. Garnet

Coleman, D-Houston. "The principle is not to improve health care. It is to unwind the government health care system."

demitasse cups. bill would reduce Medicare funds to senior citizens. worth \$125 to \$200.

McCoy Pottery was founded in Ohio in 1899.

Q: This mark is on the bottom of my pottery flowerpot. The word "McCoy" is raised and "USA" is flat. The pot stands 4 inches tall and has an attached saucer. It is decorated with a jade green glaze and has a pattern of bands of bead-

ANNE MCCOLLAM

Q: I have sent you a photo of a tea set that I've had since the 1950s. Decorated with pink roses, each piece is marked "UCAGCO."

I read and enjoy your column each week and hope you can answer my questions. I would like to know the age of my set and its value. Also, what were the small cups used for?

A: United China and Glass Co. used this mark around 1947. With offices in New Orleans and New York, they were distributors of china and glass made in Japan. The moss rose pattern is known as "Old Rose," and the small cups are

Your tea set would probably be



glass made in Japan. I would like to know if my flow-I would like to know if it has held erpot has any value.

United China and Glass Co. were distributors of china and

A: McCoy Pottery was founded in 1899 in Roseville, Ohio. It remained a family business until

took over. It closed in 1990. Your flowerpot was made around 1940 and similar pots are selling in the range of \$25 to \$50.

1967 when Mount Clemens Pottery

Q: I have an Art Deco lamp with two kneeling female figures on either side of a golden crackle glass globe. The base and the figures are metal. You featured one like it several years ago in one of your columns, and you said it was

worth about \$800 to \$1,000. Since the economy has slumped,

its value.

A: Frankart Inc. made similar lamps in the 1930s. The figures and base are spelter with a bronze wash. Although the market has fallen off on many antiques and collectibles, Art Deco lamps like yours are holding their own. Similar Art Deco lamps are seen on eBay selling around \$1,000 and \$1,600.

If you have any antique inquiries, address your questions to Anne McCollam, P.O. Box 247, Notre Dame, IN 46556. Items of a general interest will be answered in this column. Due to the volume of inquiries, she cannot answer individual

Firefighting crews in N.M. brace for wind

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - Some residents near the New Mexico-Colorado border were able to return home Wednesday and a national park on the opposite end of the state reopened just before dusk after crews worked feverishly throughout the day to get a jump on two growing wildfires ahead of worsening weather.

Forecasts through the weekend called for stronger winds, little humidity and above-normal temperatures, or what fire officials and meteorologists refer to as critical fire weather. Temperatures reached the triple digits in the state's southeastern corner, where crews were battling a blaze that surrounded Carlsbad Caverns National Park.

"We got a lot of work done today," fire information officer Joel Arnwine said, noting that the Loop fire was 70 percent contained by Wednesday night and the park's visitors center and employee housing were out of danger.

The Loop fire started Monday and charred about 30,500 acres of desert scrub by Wednesday. The park, which sees hundreds of thousands of visitors each year, had closed because of the fire.

Officials decided Wednesday to reopen the park for the evening bat flight after the roadway was cleared of hazards left behind by the fire. For visitors, watching a cloud of countless bats leave the cave's natural entrance at dusk is one of the highlights of the trip to Carlsbad Caverns.

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ATF: Border gun operation a disaster

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three federal firearms investigators told a House committee on Wednesday that they were repeatedly ordered to step aside while gun buyers in Arizona walked away with AK-47s and other high-powered weaponry headed for Mexican drug cartels in a risky U.S. law enforcement operation that went out of control.

Rep. Darrell Issa, R-Calif., said leaders of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives were fully aware of the details of Operation Fast and Furious, which was designed to track small-time gun buyers up to major weapons traffickers along the Southwest

At a hearing before the Oversight and Government Reform Committee, which Issa chairs, Republican Sen. Chuck Grassley of lowa said hundreds of weapons destined for cartels in Mexico were purchased in Arizona gun shops. One agent, John Dodson, who took his complaints to Grassley's office, estimated that 1,800 guns in Fast and Furious were unaccounted for and about two-thirds are probably in Mexico.

Another of the three investigators, Peter Forcelli, said that "based upon my conversations with agents who assisted in this case, surveillance on individuals who had acquired weapons was often terminated far from the Mexican border." Forcelli said that while case agents believed that weapons were destined for Mexico, "the potential exists that many were sent with cartel drugs to other points within the United States.

"I can't tell you the why" the surveillances were called off, Dodson testified. "Hopefully ... this committee can find out." But the committee did not ask that question of any of the non-agent witnesses Wednesday

The operation was designed to respond to criticism that the agency had focused on small-time gun arrests while major traffickers

eluded prosecution. As recently as last November, Justice's inspector general criticized ATF for focusing "largely on inspections of gun dealers and investigations of straw purchasers, rather than on higher-level traffickers, smugglers and the ultimate recipients of the trafficked guns." The IG said some ATF managers discourage agents from conducting complex conspiracy investigations that target high-level traffickers.

"Federal prosecutors told us that directing the efforts ... toward building larger, multi-defendant conspiracy cases would better disrupt trafficking organizations," the

IG said.

Operation Fast and Furious came to light after two assault rifles purchased by a now-indicted smalltime buyer under scrutiny in the operation turned up at a shootout in Arizona where Customs and Border Protection agent Brian Terry was killed.

"We ask that if a government official made a wrong decision that they admit their error and take responsibility for his or her actions," Robert Heyer, the slain agent's cousin, told the committee. "We hope that the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms is forthcoming with all information" Congress is seeking.

issa berated Assistant Attorney General Ronald Weich, because the Justice Department - ATF's parent agency - has not turned over all the documents Issa wants. Weich said the department is providing documents on an ongoing basis. The congressman demanded to know who at Justice authorized Operation Fast and Furious. Weich said that question is the subject of an inquiry by the department's inspector general.

Agent Dodson testified that "although my instincts made me want to intervene and interdict these weapons, my supervisors directed me and my colleagues not to make any stop or arrest, but rather, to keep the straw purchaser under surveillance while allowing the guns to walk.'

"Allowing loads of weapons that

we knew to be destined for criminals - this was the plan," said Dodson

In one case, Dodson said, he watched a suspect receive a bag filled with cash from a third party, then proceed to a gun dealer and buy weapons with that cash and deliver them to the same unidentified third party. In that and other instances, his instructions were to do nothing.

"Surveillance operations like this were the rule, not the exception," said Dodson. "This was not a matter of weapons getting away from us, or allowing a few to walk so as to follow them to a much larger or more significant target."

The third ATF agent, Olindo James Casa, said that "on several occasions I personally requested to interdict or seize firearms, but I was always ordered to stand down and not to seize the firearms.'

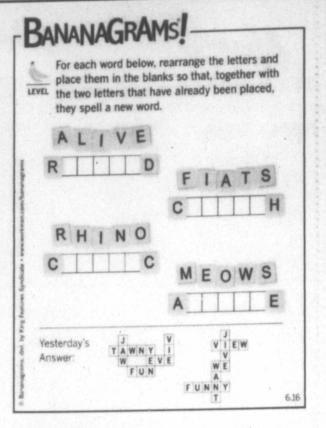
Casa said that "the surveillance team followed straw purchasers to Phoenix area firearms dealers and would observe the straw purchasers buy and then depart with numerous firearms in hand. On many of those occasions, the surveillance team would then follow the straw purchasers either to a residence, a public location or until the surveillance team was spotted by the straw purchasers. But the end result was always the same — the surveillance was terminated" by others up the chain of command.

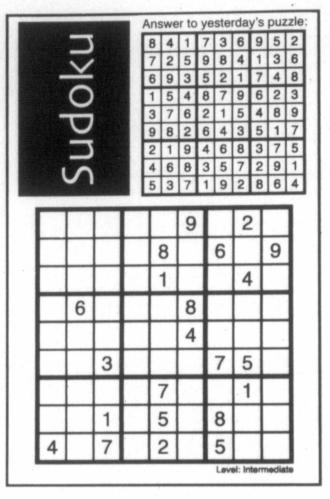
Forcelli said, "When I voiced surprise and concern with this tactic ... my concerns were dismissed" by

"To allow a gun to walk is idiotic," said Forcelli. "This was a catastrophic disaster.

Early this year, Weich, head. of Justice's office of legislative affairs, wrote in a letter that ATF makes "every effort to interdict weapons that have been purchased illegally and prevent their transportation into Mexico." Issa asked whether Weich now considers that to be false.

"I'm not prepared to say at this time," replied Weich.





Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

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six or more children and living happily ever after in wedded bliss. MY dream was to live alone with five dogs in a quiet, rural area. "Concerned" may be putting too much pressure on her daughter, causing her to rush into relationships and scaring the men away. Celia needs to sit down and figure out what she wants come to her. - REALIS-DEAR ABBY: I had a friend in college who was smart, beautiful, funny and a great cook. But she rarely had a second date. Her problem was she never shut up! She was constantly talking and, even when engaged in a conversation, she would frequently interrupt and carry on without listening to the other person. If she had asked me why men avoided her, I would have never given the chance. IS IT MY TURN TO DEAR ABBY: Speaking as a guy who has regretfully had I know there is one likely may not realize or have the heart to tell her: Lose the

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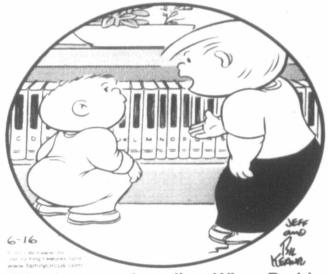
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, June

This year, emphasize key issues and people in your life. Though you are a sign that seems to go from one topic to the next, your focus will be penetrating. To those who know you, they might feel like you have changed. You are simply in an extremely centered period, 2012 will be witness to a new 11-year luck and life cycle. If you are single, you will meet someone quite special. Don't allow your relationship to move too fast. If you are attached, this year you share on a very deep level, adding to the heat of the bond. CAP-RICORN is an anchor.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive, 3-Average: So-so, 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** People have expectations that you can barely meet. On one level, you need to discuss an investment with a family member. Still, a boss expects only the best from you, if not more. Can you meet everyone's expectations? Tonight: Happy to head home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Once more, it is what you say and how you say it that determines the end results. Try to detach and understand where someone is coming from. Listen to what is being said, but also be aware of what is being left out. Tonight: Share with friends

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** You might want to review a personal situation more carefully. A partner gives feedback that makes you feel very good. Be willing to take a stand and move forward. Your creativity flourishes. Tonight: Treat someone to munchies and a drink.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Defer to others and listen to what they share. A meeting could become a social happening at the last minute. Invite a family member, loved one or friend to join you after work. He or she will like hanging out with your work buddies. Tonight: Go along for the ride.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ** * Stay even and level with a boss who keeps making requests. You could get overwhelmed quickly. News from a distance proves to be a real eye-opener.

Revamp your schedule if need be. Don't allow boredom to enter your day. Tonight: Mix in a walk or some exercise.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** Don't share all your ideas with a partner. He or she might misinterpret what you are saying. You don't want to create a problem, do you? A partner or associate continues to be unpredictable. Tonight: Ever playful. It is the weekend, you know

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Let go of worry. It is getting you nowhere fast. Relax and share with someone you respect. Getting worthwhile feedback could be more important than you realize. Tonight: Stay close to home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** Say the right words, and someone could acquiesce. Others make an effort. They each have their own reasons, and might not be as clear as you would like. A conversation with a key loved one needs to happen in order to clear the air. Tonight: Hang out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Listen to what is happening between you and another person. A conversation could point you in a new direction. A friend could be unusually somber or touchy. Let go of restraints and stay centered. Tonight: Your treat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** Consider a risk and be creative. News comes in from others. How you put together your needs with another person's reflects your interpersonal skills. Still, a boss or older relative could be dragging you down. Tonight: All smiles. The world is your oyster.

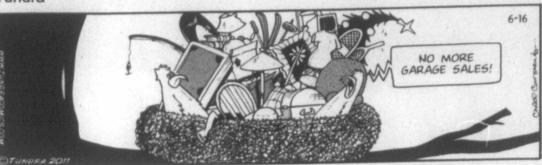
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** Continue to maintain a low profile. Your sense of direction tells you to go off and do something you have always wanted to do. No one seems to be demanding a lot from you. Close your door; you are off! Tonight: Knock your socks off.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

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Soaking Wet: A Running Diary at the water park

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However, this one is different.

This diary will not involve a sporting event, intense amotions surrounding the event, focused on others or a journey hours away from Pampa. This one only has a pair of five minute journeys within Pampa, and is all about me and my day at the recently opened Pampa H2O Aquatic Center.

Now. I have to admit the day didn't get off to a smashing start. I went to Wal-Mart because apparently to ride the Lazy River ou need a clear inner tube. I walked by one display and there wasn't any there. I walked down a couple more sles of pool stuff but no inner tubes. I did find other floating stuff. So, I decided to forget about the inner tube and I'll see what people at the park were using.

I made it to the park around 11 a.m., but as I'm driving up I notice it's a chost town. I approach the closed gate discovering the park isn't open until another hour Trustrated I walk back to my car, telling myself 'I don't have to take this, I'm

chilling at my apartment returned. My appearance makes Jonathan Polasek tump out of his chair. I was Dustin Miller at the gate. As says, let's get it started.

first stop at the splash pad. I wanted to see how much of a punch that bucket had. I have to admit it was a nce dousing, giving me an understanding of what it teels like for our coaches when they get soaked with

The first slide I tried was the Bowl Slide, or what I ike to call the Harvester Slide since it's green and cllow plus I can see it from my balcony at my apartment. On the first so I decided to give the



ANDREW **GLOVER**

attempt I went only two times around the bowl before being dropped into an eight-foot pool. Afterwards, I realized that I still had my tank top going on because I so excited to start my experience. Now that it was completely soaked I tossed it aside so I can get some sun.

Then I attempted the other two slides. One was blue with a vellow inside. This one started slow but got faster as you went down until it threw you into a three-foot pool. I would' recommend a back massage afterwards, because you really feel the ridges. Here's a tip from lifeguard Alex Clendening: Arch your back to go faster. The other slide I tried was the green tunnel, which I nicknamed the Green Goblin. It felt like the luge in the Winter Olympics. After a small push of water you really accelerate. I wouldn't recommend this slide for children who are attaid of for an hour and a half, I the dark, especially since Spiderman isn't there to turn off the dark. Don't worry, there is light at the end of the tunnel though.

I wanted to relax, so, I got the Black Eved Peas' song in the Lazy River: One of the few times I can get paid for being lazy and not get disciplined for it. I quickly got bored, especially since I had no inner tube and went back to the slides. I did the Bowl Slide again. I got much more velocity without the tank top going three or four times around the bowl. My landing was a little Cratorade or ice water after awkward as I went bottom first sinking to the bottom... just joking obviously, since there is no story on the front about my demise.

After riding slides and getting soaked on the splash pad, I was getting hungry

concession stand a try Wonder if their food will be Iron Chef quality or Worst Cooks of America. I got a slice of pizza from Domino's, which wasn't too bad. At the stand I got to visit with Reid Miller and Jonathan Polasek about Lebron James' failure in the finals and the articles I wrote for them in the past.

After lunch I revisited the blue slide and former Harvester catcher Anthony Allen was in the pool to make sure participants made it safely. When I slid down I accidentally brought back memories for of his days behind the plate as I nearly slid into him. Don't worry, neither of us were hurt. By the way, don't drink the pool water; buy from the concession stand.

In the late afternoon, the crowds picked up meaning longer waits at the slides. Being wet, I was feeling cooler, and I mean temperature-wise I took a small break from the slides and laid out on my chair to warm up. After warming up, I went on the slides until 3 when a pool break was called. After realizing I've been at the park for almost three hours I decided it was the perfect time to depart. The top of my feet were sunburned. Worker's compensation will pick that up, right? Overall, it was a fun day at the park and I would rate it 4.8 out of 5, because no one is perfect.

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To celebrate Father's Day, we are having a tasting this Friday, June 17th, from 4-8pm

We will be tasting various beers from a Ft. Worth based brewery, Rahr & Son's. We will also be featuring another Texas brewery, Saint Arnold, from Houston. We are also going to have a prime brew from Kirin, a Japenese brewery, called Kirin Ichiban.

For the wine and chocolate lovers, we are going to sample Chocolate Shop, a Merlot infused with chocolate.

A new wine in the store for all the Moscato lovers, is Beringer's Red Moscato.

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Dallas turns out for Mavericks' parade

Cheered on by thousands of happy fans, Dirk Nowitzki, Mark Cuban and the NBA champion Mavericks rolled through the streets of downtown Dallas on Thursday in a parade celebrating the club's first NBA champi-

More than 250,000 people were expected on a hot morning, with everyone staking out spots hours before the parade's scheduled 10 a.m. start. Franchise founder Donald Carter and his wife, Linda, for whom he started the club as gift, were in the lead vehicle, a white convertible.

"Fantastic," Carter said. In a waiting area at the start of the parade, Cuban clutched the championship trophy as entertainer Jamie Foxx, who is from the Dallas area, joined the fun. Most wore T-shirts that read, "Raise the Banner," and other championship gear. Cuban tweeted several pictures from the holding area.

unbelievable." Nowitzki said as he took a cigar from teammate Jason Terry before boarding his float. "If it hasn't sunk in yet, it will now. ... We're on the top of the world now so it feels amazing. For 13 years I've waited for this moment. It's amazing and we're all going to enjoy it."

The parade featured three floats, 10 convertibles and a dozen trucks. It started a few minutes late and was to go less than a mile, ending near the team's arena, where a bash was planned for 10,000 season-ticket holders. Police closed the plaza outside the building hours before the parade after it reached its capacity of 3,000 people.

Those inside were treated to a replay of the championship-clinching victory over LeBron James and the Miami Heat on Sunday.

Temperatures were in the mid-80s at the start of the parade and a high of around 100 was in the forecast, according to the National Weather Service.