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Bird's-eye view

Hang Gliding competitions takes flight this weekend

By **JULIE BASS**

Staff Writer

Up, up and away the hang gliders will be ... for the next week.

The 2015 Hang Gliding Nationals are under way in Big Spring at the McMahan-Winkler airport.

Saturday was set aside for practice. Competitors used the time to check out the conditions and test their equipment for any fine tuning needs.

The competition officially begins Sunday.

Pilots and their hang gliders will be pulled into the air by light weight planes and stay in

a radius of approximately three to six miles until the start time, which is usually 2 p.m. according to Belinda Boulter, spokesperson for the 2015 Hang Gliding Nationals.

The competition will continue through Saturday, Aug. 8. Each day the competitors will be given a task to complete and their progress will be monitored through GPS.

The GPS can be accessed at airtribune.com/2015-big-spring-nationals.

For information about the days' tasks or about the competition, contact the airport terminal at 432-264-2362.

In the morning and evening, tandem rides will be available, weather permitting. The cost of the tandem hang gliding is \$100 and participants may receive a video of their ride for \$40.

To schedule a tandem ride please contact Lori Brown at 325-874-5742.

What: tandem rides open to the public

Cost: \$100

Contact: Lori Brown
 325-874-5742

"Once in a blue moon" occurred July 31, 2015.



HERALD Photo/Julie Bass

"The term Blue Moon has come to refer to the second full moon in a given month (since full moons come around about every 29 days, most months only contain one)" states Space.com.



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Ryan Ward is one of many Big Spring ISD teachers who has followed a non-traditional route to the classroom.

A natural calling

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

Staff Writer

A career in teaching never entered Ryan Ward's thoughts concerning his long-term career goals, however perceptions change in an instant.

When Ryan walked out of his Washington Elementary fourth grade classroom on his first day as a teacher, he knew he had found his life's

calling. Every day in the classroom since has just been a validation.

"Teaching has changed my life, my world and I love every minute of it," the 27-year-old said.

Ryan is one of a number of first time teachers hired by Big Spring ISD for the 2014-2015 school year who entered the field through a non-traditional route. He earned his teaching certificate through iteachTexas, a for profit, online alternate teaching certificate program available for people with bachelor's degrees from an accredited university or college.

After graduation in 2006 from Big Spring High School, Ryan hit the workforce running finding shift work in the security business while supporting in his young children and wife. For seven years, he was employed as a security officer at the Big Spring State Hospital.

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Attacking the invasive saltcedar

By **Misty Mims**

Education Coordinator for the Permian Basin Underwater Conservation District

This past year's rains may have set back a long-term program to combat the invasive, water thirsty saltcedar plant temporarily, but experts believe once nature takes its natural course the program will be back in full force.

Tamarix Ramosissima (tamarisk) or the more common name, Saltcedar, are evergreen or deciduous shrubs or trees that grow 1-18 m in height and form dense thickets.

They have slender branches with grey-green foliage, scale-like leaves, pink to white flowers that grow masses and usually grow in saline soils. The threat of these small trees and shrubs is that they are fire-adapted and have long tap roots that allow them to interrupt water tables and interfere with natural aquatic systems.

Saltcedars are very invasive and disrupt stability of the native plant community by taking up salt from deep ground water, storing it in their foliage, and then depositing it in surface soil.

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Immunization clinic set

The Texas Health Department will host an immunization clinic for children this Thursday.

Children of parents who have no insurance or who are on Medicaid qualify for the clinic set for 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Big Spring High School library, 707 E. 11th Place.

Students entering kindergarten, and all students entering the seventh grade and will be attending school in Big Spring ISD must provide a current shot record to the school district prior to Aug. 18. Shot records can be delivered to the district's Records and Registration office at 1109 South Benton.

Without current shot records, the school district will not be able to enroll a kindergarten student or provide a schedule of classes to a seventh grade student.

Questions about immunizations and shot records should be directed to Leah Gordon, Big Spring ISD nurse, at 432-264-3622.

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Obituaries

Robert W. Haislip



Robert Walton Haislip, 92 of Stanton, passed away on Thursday, July 30, 2015. Memorial services will be held on Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015 at 11 a.m. at First United Methodist Church of Stanton with Rev. Charlie Stevens, officiating. Visitation will precede the services in the fellowship hall beginning at 10 a.m.

Robert, better known as Bob, was born on April 5, 1923 in Eastland, Texas to Harry and Ruth

Haislip. Bob moved to Stanton when he was six years old. He attended kindergarten at the Convent. The rest of his education was in Stanton public schools.

Bob joined the United States Army Air Corp in 1942, and became a navigator, flying on all three heavy bombers by war's end. Bob enjoyed fishing and gardening. No one loved Stanton High School football more than Bob. He joined the volunteer fire department when the truck was a Model A. He served as a fireman for 35 years, many of those as chief. He also served with the EMS for 14 years.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Mary Haislip and children, Patricia Wilson and husband Bob, Walt Haislip and wife

Jeanne, Sara Parker and husband Danny, and Tommy Haislip and wife Shereata. Bob is also survived by eight grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his mother and father, and his little sister Sara.

The family would like to express their gratitude towards the staff of Martin County Hospital and Hospice of Midland.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Martin County Senior Center or Martin County Historical Museum.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com.

Paid obituary

Lillie Lavada Barnhill



Lillie Lavada Barnhill, 93, of Stanton, died Thursday, July 30, 2015 in a local nursing home. Graveside services will be held at 10 a.m., Monday, Aug. 3, 2015 at Evergreen Cemetery in Stanton.

Lavada was born April 7, 1922 in Merkel to James Clifton and Frances Gertrude Harrison Bickley. She married T.D. Barnhill, Jan. 9, 1940, in Stanton. He preceded her in death Dec. 1, 1988.

She was a homemaker.

She is survived by a son, Jimmy Don Barnhill and wife, Mary of Stanton; a daughter, Judy Carol Louder of Odessa; four grandsons; four great grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by three

sisters, Allene Blocker, Louise Graves and Glen Powell and three brothers, A.J. Bickley, Harrison Bickley and Jimmy Bickley.

The family suggests that memorials be made to the Martin County Senior Center, P.O. Box 1233, Stanton, Texas 79782 or the Martin County Historical Museum, P.O. Box 929, Stanton, Texas 79782.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com

Police/EMS reports

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MATTHEW DEAN STEPHENSON**, 38, of 2608 Ent Dr. was arrested on warrants for backed as to interfere (or without safety) and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- **BRAD WAYNE DUGAN JR.**, 31, of 1211 Sycamore St. was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

- **MICHELLE RENEE BRADLEY**, 33, of 3245 Sherwood St. Baton Rouge. La. was arrested on charges of theft, more than \$50 but less than \$500 shoplifting.

- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1700 block of Alabama St.

- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1200 block of S. Gregg St., the intersection of 18th and Gregg St. and the 300 block of S. Gregg St.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 800 block of Rosemont St., the 4800 block of W. Hwy 80, the 1700 block of S. Lancaster St. and the 200 block of W. FM 700.

- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 900 block of E. 16th St.

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 200 block of FM 700. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2000 block of Monticello. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of Lancaster. One person was transported to SMMC.

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- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 6000 block of Ridgelea. One person was transported to SMMC.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2000 block of Morrison. No transport.

Support Groups

MONDAY
• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

• **Reformers Unanimous International** is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

• **Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous** meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

TUESDAY
• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942

• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY
• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discussion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle

Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

• **Weight Watchers** meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

• **Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous** meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

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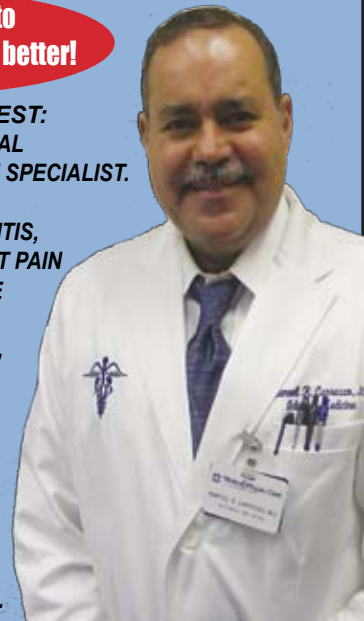
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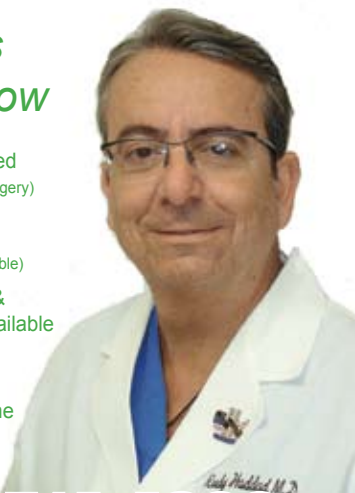
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• On or before Friday, Aug. 14, parents or guardians of Big Spring ISD students in grades 1-4 need to stop by the elementary campus they believe their students will be attending this year and bring proof of residency.

This information is needed before the school's administration can place students on classroom rosters.

Any recent monthly bill or bank statement with a street address will suffice to validate the residence of the student and parent or guardian.

Meet the Teacher night for all elementary campuses will be on Thursday, Aug. 20, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

• Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

• A hungry child cannot learn. Food2-Kids-Big Spring was created to provide nutrition for hundreds of children who do not get a substantial meal on the weekends. F2K began last

November and this volunteer program now serves more than 300 children weekly. Once the need has been identified, F2K fills a sack of food to send home each Friday during the school year.

You can help. Volunteers are needed and donations can be sent to Food2Kids - Big Spring, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring 79721. For more information call, Muffet Bomar 432-935-3998 or Peggy Hopper 214-773-6775. Find us on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids

SALT CEDAR

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This process not only monopolizes the ground water from plants, but also disrupts the soil environment, choking out other vegetation.

Saltcedars were brought over from Asia and Europe in the 1830s and planted as an ornamental; however, with no insect enemies of these plants in the U.S., the saltcedars were able to grow and multiply unchecked.

This has caused a huge problem in North America, especially Texas, which has classified it as a noxious and invasive plant by the state of Texas. It is estimated that they infest 500,000 acres in this state alone.

This species not only hogs the ground water, but also slows stream flow which increases flood risk, and shades out native forage and plants, leaving less food for livestock and wildlife. Thickets are often spotted invading shorelines of lakes and reservoirs and consume large quantities of water.

Several options have been used to combat the plant including physical removal, herbicide spraying, and biological control.

Biological control has proved to be the most fea-

sible. Using living organisms to suppress saltcedars may be a slow progress, but it is inexpensive, self-sustaining, and targets only saltcedar species.

The saltcedar leaf beetle, or tamarisk beetle, was first established in Texas in 2004 at Big Spring. There are four species of tamarisk beetles that have been imported and released in the U.S., three of which have been released in Texas.

They are found throughout the region, from the Rio Grande at Big Bend National Park to north of Amarillo on the Canadian River, east to Possum Kingdom Lake on the Brazos River. As of 2014, leaf beetles were present on an estimated 60 percent of the saltcedar acreage in Texas.

Saltcedar leaf beetles and their larvae eat the leaves and bark of the saltcedar, causing the foliage to die and fall from the tree. Once the leaves are destroyed, the tree must use energy reserves in the roots to survive and regrow leaves.

The trees will regrow leaves and this cycle will continue until the beetles have used all of the saltcedar's energy reserves and the tree will finally die. This is a slow process that can take up to four to

five years; however, benefits from the beetle begin almost immediately.

Defoliated trees use less water, sunlight can begin to reach the soil beneath the defoliated tree and encourage grasses and plants to grow, and the defoliated trees do not produce flowers and seeds, thus not allowing the trees to spread.

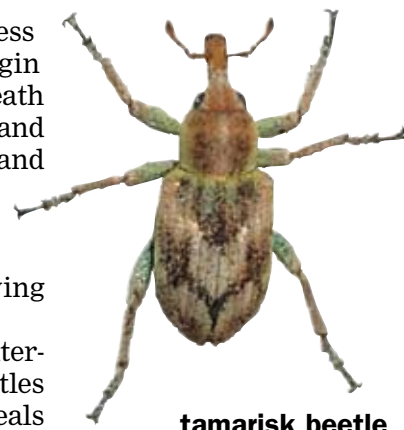
In this region, Mediterranean tamarisk beetles were released on Beals Creek near Big Spring in 2004. Since their release, these beetles have rapidly established and increased by number annually.

After five years of defoliation by leaf beetles, the saltcedar canopy at a study site in Big Spring decreased by 85 to 95 percent, and about 20 percent of the trees were dead.

Beetles from Big Spring have also been collected and released in adjacent counties and some have spread by flying to new sites. As a result, this species is now widely distributed across Howard, Martin, Mitchell, Glasscock and Borden counties.

The beetle populations rise and fall depending on the weather. They prefer hot, dry weather and can be drowned by heavy rains and washed away by floods. When the larvae fin-

ish feeding, they move to the soil surface



tamarisk beetle

where they pupate, and since saltcedars typically grow in low areas, while they are on the soil surface they can easily be drowned by rain.

Allen Knutson, a Professor and Extension Entomologist for Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, has been one of the several groups implementing the Saltcedar Biological Control Program. According to Knutson, the heavy rains this spring probably killed many of the beetles, however, there are several generations per year, and the numbers can increase quickly once drier weather returns.

Knutson expects the beetles to continue to thrive in West Texas and continue reducing saltcedar infestations.

WARD

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"I had an amazing supervisor, Marilyn Clark (BSSH facilities director)," Ryan said. "She is someone I can't thank enough. She was one of those people who pushes you to the right place. She said you need to go back to school. I was 18, 19 years old at the time."

Even with two girls and a wife to support, Ward earned a degree in animal science from Angelo State University by 2012. Then he started working on his next goal to become a Texas game warden

"The first year I applied (to the Texas Game Warden Academy), out of 906 applicants I was 90, but I was not selected," he said. "It was a very intense process. I got to go back out there (BSSH). I had a wonderful time at BSSH but I wanted to open new doors."

As he waited to apply for the next Academy opening, Ryan began searching other avenues to help financially secure his family's future, including applying for work in the oil fields. Apparently, he had a different calling.

"My mom is a teacher, my sister's a teacher, I swore up and down I would never teach a day in my life," he said.

Never say never as the old saying goes.

After completing his on-line course work and passing his state exams,

Ryan earned a general studies certification meaning he is certified to teach all subject levels in the elementary age although he focuses on the math and science areas.

"Once you are certified, you are on a three-year probationary period for the state of Texas," Ryan said.

The iteachTexas program also pairs its teachers performing field work with an experience educator. In this case, his supervisor turned out to be his old elementary principal Andre Clark.

Another difference from the traditional college teaching degree route, participants in the iteach program do not go through any type of student teaching period. On Ryan's first working day in the classroom, he was completely in charge.

"I had been in my mom's classroom but it's not the same," Ryan said. "I never substituted a day. I literally came into the classroom cold turkey. Everybody can try to prep you as much as they can but until you do it on your own for the first time, there is a reality moment that OK you are in control. I got the ball rolling for the very first time and I love what I do."

In fact, he added, he found the hardest part of his job was having to decorate his classroom.

"Decor is not my strength," he said with a laugh, adding his wife helped him with the chore.

Ryan is one of the few male teachers at the elementary level which he believes has helped him create positive relationships with his students especially the boys.

"Maybe its being able to talk with the boys," he said. "Some of them don't get to have that one-on-one. I sit down and have a heart-to-heart with them and it really changes them. I have some that just need that special attention and need that one-on-one time. You see another side of them from behavioral issues and most importantly in academics."

"It just give you that satisfaction that you are making a difference in their live," he said. "Everyday I come in and know I am making an impact on those kids."

Ryan describes his first year as amazing with strong support from the other teachers and his elementary school administration. "My fourth grade team treated me as if I was one of their own

and we were able to grow together," he said. "We worked together on everybody's strengths and weaknesses were. We all have to talk about what is going on with each kid individually on their strengths and weakness. That is a lot of the background work that I think the news doesn't display or that public perception is different."

"As teachers not only are we working on the fundamentals of the teaching aspect of it but we do pour a lot of time and effort into focusing on each individual students strengths and weaknesses because you want them to grow on what they do know and you want them to grown on what they don't know," he continued. "It's not like 'oh they are good on math so let's focus on something else.' No, you push on everything."

Ryan said when a teacher has good control over the classroom and the trust of his or her students, the classroom can turn into an

amazing place.

"I wish I could tell everybody it's not all about so much teaching as it is about building relationships these days and for men, these kids will respond so quickly to them," he said. "In the younger grades, some of these guys will just break your heart."

Ryan can't seem to contain his enthusiasm for his new career and said he tries to recruit others to at least consider the field.

"I think people, whatever age you are in life and if you have a calling to work with kids or you enjoy helping others learn, need to at least check into it," he said. "Come in a classroom and you can see how that impact can be

and if it's for you, it is something you should check into."

"Not everyone is meant to be a teacher, but get into the classroom and observe," he said. "It was something I thought I would never do but once I got into it, I have loved every second of it. It could be a life changing experience for someone."

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Leaving for vacation is trip in itself

On one of our overseas trips we bought a small luggage safe to make sure our luggage wasn't overweight. We hadn't used it in awhile and when we were getting ready to take our grandsons to Alaska we got it out. Dead battery. A tiny screw secured the battery compartment case. No tool we had was small enough to turn that screw. After working with it an hour I went to Radio Shack with the scale in hand. The girl behind the counter had a battery but no tool to open the battery compartment. I went to our local hardware store and told a woman clerk my dilemma. She went after it with a vengeance and ended up getting a drill and opening the compartment that way. She wouldn't let me pay for her labor. So I bought a \$2 screwdriver.

The baggage weighed okay so we got ready to leave. After I locked the front door the key broke inside the lock. Just broke into two pieces. My wife had left her keys in the house. I

went to my office to get a pocket knife and when I got back to the front door it was open. I asked her how she did it. She said she just took the end of the key that separated, pushed it against the key with the teeth on it and pushed hard. It worked. She is a true fighter and will try anything to solve a problem. The key was still in the lock, however and we worked with that for a while. Finally I punched my knife against the top of the part of the key that was still in the lock and made a half turn with it. The key loosened and I pulled it out.

We were elated. Shaken up, but elated.

Our plan was to leave in three hours and the airport was an hour away. Plenty of time. Thirty minutes into the trip I asked her if she had put the carry-on bag in the car. I knew I hadn't. I pulled over and sure enough, no carry-on bag. I turned around, hightailed it back home and there was the bag sitting in the driveway.

We made the flight fine, had airport changes in Las Vegas and Orange County en route to Oakland where were to retrieve our grandsons. They and our son BZ greeted us at the airport just before 6 p.m. We waited at the

baggage claim. And waited. And waited. No luggage. I recalled a travel expert saying there are two kinds of luggage: carry on and lost. I went to the baggage claim office and explained that we were leaving from that airport early the next morning taking our grandsons to Alaska. The Southwest clerk was sympathetic and I filled out a form while she put a tracer on the bags. She said they were to arrive on a flight in a couple of hours.

We all went to eat. When we got back to BZ's house I called Southwest Baggage Claim and was put on hold for about 20 minutes. Finally they came on the line, and said, "the bags are right here." BZ and I went back to the airport, got the bags and we're on a ship now headed for Alaska.

My wife left her makeup bag at BZ's house. We'll see what happens next. A friend of mine says the world travel comes from the word travail.

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LETTERS

America's holocaust

To the Editor:

On Monday, the U.S. Senate will vote on a measure to temporarily defund Planned Parenthood while it conducts an investigation into allegations of wrong-doing predicated on recent videos which show PP officials selling, for profit, body parts of aborted babies. I am asking your readers to please contact our senators from Texas, John Cornyn and Ted Cruz, and tell them to vote in favor of this measure (the phone number for the U.S. Capitol switchboard is 202-224-3121).

Hopefully, PP will be permanently defunded following this investigation. It is shocking that this week in the United States, there has been more outrage over a lion being killed (I do not condone that act at all) than over the more than 50 million and counting pre-born babies that have been sacrificed in abortion facilities like Planned Parenthood since 1973. We as a nation have suffered our own

holocaust. Planned Parenthood is the largest provider of abortions in the United States.

Abortion not only stops the beating heart of an unborn child, it wounds the heart of the mother. No doubt there are women in our own city and surrounding area who have believed the lie that they have a "choice" in their "health care" as concerns their pregnancy. I have heard post-abortive women say the reason they underwent an abortion procedure was because they felt they had "no choice." for women who continue to suffer after an abortion, there is help.

Here are resources that are available to women who are struggling to survive the grief and shame they suffer following an abortion: Pro-Life Hotline (800-395-HELP), www.silentnomoreawareness.org, www.abortioforforgiveness.com, and www.rachelsvineyard.org. Anyone who contacts any of these resources will remain anonymous.

May God have mercy on America.

Suzanne Haney
Big Spring

Minding other's beeswax

By any measure, there's ample global evidence that humankind is finding ways to "mind others' beeswax" despite our being on a downhill slide toward abysmal failure to handle our own.

Such an observation sounds more complicated than necessary, and isn't intended to make arm hair snap to attention. (It did, however, elicit an unlikely response from a friend whose mental moorings often are mentioned in the same paragraph with dimly-lighted places: "That ain't rocket surgery.")

It is, though, a statement worthy of contemplation in a wobbly world — one crying out for a cosmic shift that may date back as far as Paul the Apostle, who wrote letters to the Church at Thessalonica advising adherents how to "do life."

Some believe the expression was hammered out by Greeks. Googling in overdrive suggests it probably picked up speed during the 19th century world-wide smallpox epidemic. The disease left deep facial pockmarks, and application of an ointment called "beeswax" provided ready touch-ups.

The sun and other heat sources often did a number on the makeup, however, and retorts popped out of mouths of savvy "friends" offering second coats of beeswax. "Mind your own business," 'pox victims may have said. Later, it was shortened to MYOB. The letters now are sometimes confused with BYOB, letters which provide directives con-

cerning beverage conveyance to meetings, including suggestions as to "concealed carry" or "open carry" manner.

For folks of a certain age, MYOB was a handy playground term often used during recess. It was a soft-spoken bluff to big, tough bullies masquerading as classmates who insisted the rest of us dance to their fiddles. Like Indian rain dances, sometimes the bluffs worked. Usually, however, they provided no more comfort than whistling in dark alleys.

Suffice it to say that in practice, there are massive, planetary efforts — accelerated by technology — for the world's beeswax pot to be accessible to all.

Should we fail to access our share, there are apps for that, or soon will be.

A current news piece from England claims that Britons — for an all that costs \$4.65 American — may access air ambulance locations at all times.

This includes the one piloted by Prince William, a volunteer during paternity leave.

Fearing his political foes might find such information helpful, I'll choose a four-wheeled ambulance should I have need when visiting "unjolly" old London.

For several years, flightstats.com has provided status and locations of aircraft with filed flight plans.

All that's needed for access is the aircraft number.

"Need-to-knowers" may while away hours — morning or evening tide — watching blips moving across the computer screen.

I don't think bees have a whit of involvement in beeswax production. In fact, if encouraged to ratchet their work up a bit, they might tell us to buzz off.

Bees already are doing more

with less — er, fewer — and great minds are spinning around the world in efforts to make the world more "bee compatible." (We've got pollen going untouched.)

While there are no apps yet identified to fortify bee populations, it is worth noting some specific — albeit unusual — projects in place to increase their numbers.

Who would have guessed that hives are being moved to unlikely places, such as the roof of Dallas' new Omni Hotel? (This may mean they'll charge extra for honey you want to slather it on breakfast toast.)

Honey itself warrants more minding than beeswax. There are folks — like those who believe an apple a day keeps the doctor away — who consider honey to be an elixir for many ills. (I know—there's still another group countering that "stupid" can't be cured.)

If honey helps to smarten us up, let's get a shipment to the lottery office in Indiana. There, they are selling bacon-scented lottery tickets. Aren't there other ways to plug "bringing home the bacon"? And include a honey shipment to Van Meter, IA.

They're pushing a fund-raising lottery; the winner gets to fire a police laser at a volunteering city official. (Sad to say, but for some, it is may be way too late for apples, honey or beeswax.)

Help us, Lord, to exercise a modicum of common sense, and may our beeswax quests focus inward, now and forevermore. Amen.

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DAILY PRAYER

May we remain diligent about reading Your word, Lord, for our life.

Amen

World in brief

Hillary and Bill Clinton earn more than \$139M between 2007-14, pay tax rate of 31.6 percent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton and her husband, former President Bill Clinton, earned more than \$139 million between 2007 and 2014, according to eight years of federal income tax returns released by her campaign on Friday.

The returns show that the Clintons paid an overall federal tax rate of 31.6 percent during those years. The bulk of the Clintons' income came from speeches delivered to corporate and interest groups by Bill Clinton and later by Hillary Clinton after she resigned as secretary of state in early 2013.

In a statement released by her campaign, Hillary Clinton said the couple has paid nearly \$44 million in federal taxes on \$139.1 million in income since 2006, and donated nearly \$15 million to charity.

"We've come a long way from my days going door-to-door for the Children's Defense Fund and earning \$16,450 as a young law professor in Arkansas — and we owe it to the opportunities America provides," she said.

Clinton's statement did not comment on the specifics of her earnings. Last May, financial disclosures released by her campaign reported that the couple had earned more than \$30 million from speeches and book royalties since January 2014.

Pacific Rim ministers fail to reach deal in Hawaii talks but claim 'significant progress' made

LAHAINA, Hawaii (AP) — Trade ministers from a dozen Pacific Rim nations failed to reach a deal on a new trade agreement that would cover nearly 40 percent of the global economy, U.S. Trade Representative Michael Froman said Friday.

Froman, reading from a statement on behalf of all of the ministers, said the parties made significant progress and agreed to continue their discussions.

The countries haven't yet set a date for future talks. Froman said some issues were bilateral in nature, and some will involve groups.

"I feel very gratified about the progress that's been made and I am confident that through our continued intensive engagement that we'll be able to tackle the remaining issues successfully," Froman said in response to a reporter's question about whether he was disappointed about the lack of a deal.

Japan's economic and fiscal policy minister, Akira Amari, said he thought a deal would be reached with one more meeting.

Saudi ambassador says bin Laden family members killed in private jet crash in southern England

LONDON (AP) — Family members of the late al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden were killed in a private jet crash in southern England, a Saudi ambassador said, but did not further identify the dead.

Prince Mohammed Bin Nawaf Bin Abdel-Aziz, the Saudi ambassador to the United Kingdom, offered his condolences to the wealthy bin Laden family, which owns a major construction company in Saudi Arabia.

"The embassy will follow up on the incident and its circumstances with the concerned British authorities and work on speeding up the handover of the bodies of the victims to the kingdom for prayer and burial," the ambassador said in a statement tweeted by the embassy late Friday.

Police say four people — a pilot and three passengers — died when an executive jet crashed into a parking lot and burst into flames while trying to land at an airport in southern England Friday afternoon. The plane had been flying from Malpensa Airport in Milan.

No one on the ground was hurt. Police and the Air Accidents Investigation Branch have launched a joint investigation.

Abortion rights supporters get help from courts in fight over videos by anti-abortion group

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Abortion rights advocates locked in a public relations battle with abortion opponents over videos of Planned Parenthood leaders discussing the use of aborted fetuses got some good

news from two courts in California.

A federal judge in San Francisco on Friday blocked the release of any recordings made at meetings of an abortion providers' association by the anti-abortion group the Center for Medical Progress.

Earlier in the week, a Los Angeles County judge issued a temporary restraining order blocking the center from releasing any video of leaders of StemExpress, a California company that provides fetal tissue to researchers.

In one of the videos the group previously released, a woman identified as a former StemExpress phlebotomist describes drawing blood and dissecting dead fetuses.

The videos have ignited passions on both sides of the abortion debate and sparked a potential showdown in Congress, where Republicans are increasingly focused on cutting off funding for Planned Parenthood.

Christie, other Republican '16 hopefuls following McCain's town hall playbook in New Hampshire

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — In the summer of 1999, John McCain didn't have many big names backing his campaign for president. He didn't have much money, either, and even resorted at one point to giving away ice cream to drum up a decent-size crowd.

Enter the town hall. Driven to "desperation," McCain decided to meet as many people as possible at as many of the Q&A events as he could. It took months for the strategy to pay dividends, but when it

did, McCain was packing 'em in.

"It was just jammed," McCain said of one town hall, held at a fire house at 8 a.m. "That people would get up real early in the morning to go to a town hall with me — that was the first real indication that we had some momentum."

That momentum turned into a victory of 19 percentage points over George W. Bush in the New Hampshire primary. He lost the 2000 nomination to Bush but later rode the same strategy to a victory in the state's 2008 primary — his first on the way to becoming the GOP nominee that year.

Palestinian shot by Israeli troops during protest over toddler's slaying dies of wounds

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Palestinian health officials say an 18-year-old protester shot by Israeli troops has died of his wounds.

Ahmad Betawi, the director of the Ramallah hospital, says Laith al-Khaldi died Saturday after being shot in the chest the previous day during a demonstration over the killing of a Palestinian toddler by suspected Jewish extremists.

The Israeli military says it shot al-Khaldi near Ramallah after he hurled a fire bomb at them.

Tensions remain high after suspected Jewish assailants set fire to a West Bank home and burned the sleeping Palestinian toddler to death. The attack drew Palestinian anger and widespread Israeli condemnation.



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Participants of the Big Spring volleyball camp that ran from Monday to Friday posing at the conclusion of camp.

Early homers for Rangers in 6-3 win over Giants, Bumgarner

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Rangers leadoff hitter Delino DeShields flipped his bat away in frustration after an inning-ending pop.

Then he realized he was caught in the middle of shouting between San Francisco Giants starter Madison Bumgarner and Texas teammate Adrian Beltre. Almost as quickly, the benches and bullpens cleared and players from both teams were facing off in the infield.

"I was mad that I missed the pitch. ... I didn't really get it," DeShields said after the Rangers' 6-3 victory Friday night. "That was weird. I think he may have been a little frustrated, too."

Bumgarner (11-6) gave up homers to Elvis Andrus and Adrian Beltre in the first two innings when Texas scored all its runs in the Giants' first visit since clinching the 2010 World Series in Texas.

Only moments after newly acquired Cole Hamels appeared in the Rangers dugout wearing his No. 35 uniform for the first time, shaking

hands with new teammates, both benches and bullpens were clearing.

"Yeah, that's some serious excitement," Hamels, who makes his Rangers debut Saturday night, said with a smile. "Just to be welcomed with them and then to join them."

Earlier in the fourth, Rowned Odor had a bunt single before a hard slide into fellow second baseman Joe Panik to break up a potential double play.

Bumgarner looked directly at the Rangers bench and shouted something as he left the mound.

"I think it was pretty self-explanatory, don't you?," Bumgarner said, without elaborating on what happened.

"(Bumgarner) was a little grumpy anyway because of the heat and the way the game was going," manager Bruce Bochy said. "That was his boiling point. He settled down, and that's over. Those things happen."

There were no ejections, punches thrown or contact

made between players, who were kept separated by the umpires.

"In the beginning, it was Odor, for the bunt. Then Delino's was, you know, (Bumgarner) kind of got a little excited when he made that pitch," Andrus said. "I don't get it. He likes to intimidate. I don't know if he intimidates doing that."

Andrus hit a two-run homer in the second to put the Rangers up 6-2. He doubled in the first, scoring then on Beltre's homer lined over the 14-foot wall in left field.

Nick Martinez (6-6) won for the first time since June 9 — seven starts — allowing two runs with four strikeouts in 6 1-3 innings.

Texas has won three in a row since a 21-5 loss Tuesday night against the New York Yankees after leading 5-0 in the first inning.

Brandon Crawford hit his 16th homer for the Giants, who lost for only the third time their last 16 games.

In the top of the fifth, Panik made a hard slide into second, but Odor was able

to sidestep and complete the inning-ending double play without incident.

Two weeks ago, Texas had a similar melee in Houston after Odor, who had homered earlier in that game, got into a tussle with Astros catcher Hank Conger while getting ready to bat to start the ninth.

Bumgarner matched a season high by allowing six runs, but none after the second. He struck out eight over seven innings.

"I'm glad Madison didn't throw like that in that ballgame," Bochy said, referring to the Game 4 of the 2010 World Series, the only other time Bumgarner has pitched at Texas.

The big lefty threw eight scoreless innings that Halloween night, allowing only three hits in a 4-0 win. The next night, the Giants clinched their first of three titles over the past five seasons.

THE OTHER LEFTY
While Hamels makes his Rangers debut Saturday night, reliever Jake Diek-

man — the other pitcher Texas got from Philadelphia in an eight-player trade completed earlier Friday — retired all five batters he faced in the series opener. "That's what we got him for," Banister said. "He let us know he was available and ready to pitch. ... You saw the power of the fastball, and you also saw the breaking ball."

TRAINER'S ROOM

Giants: RHP Tim Hudson was put on the 15-day disabled list with a shoulder strain. ... C Andrew Susac (sprained right thumb) is eligible to come off the DL Monday. He resumed throwing Friday.

UP NEXT

Giants: Chris Heston (11-5), who has won his last three starts, moves up a day to pitch in place of scheduled starter Hudson.

Rangers: Hamels is 6-4 with a 4.21 ERA in 15 career starts for the Phillies against the Giants. He faced them July 10 in San Francisco, allowing nine runs and 12 hits in 3 1-3 innings.

Scoreboard

BASEBALL				
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	58	44	.569	—
Baltimore	52	50	.510	6
Toronto	53	51	.510	6
Tampa Bay	51	53	.490	8
Boston	46	58	.442	13
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	61	41	.598	—
Minnesota	53	49	.520	8
Detroit	50	53	.485	11½
Chicago	49	52	.485	11½
Cleveland	48	54	.471	13
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	58	46	.558	—
Los Angeles	55	47	.539	2
Texas	50	52	.490	7
Seattle	47	57	.452	11
Oakland	45	59	.433	13

p.m.	
Arizona (Hellikson 7-6) at Houston (Keuchel 12-5), 7:10 p.m.	
N.Y. Yankees (Mitchell 0-0) at Chicago White Sox (Danks 5-8), 7:10 p.m.	
Seattle (Montgomery 4-4) at Minnesota (Gibson 8-8), 7:10 p.m.	
San Francisco (Heston 11-5) at Texas (Hamels 0-0), 8:05 p.m.	
Cleveland (Co.Anderson 2-2) at Oakland (Brooks 0-0), 9:05 p.m.	
Sunday's Games	
Kansas City (Volquez 10-5) at Toronto (Dickey 5-10), 1:07 p.m.	
Detroit (Da.Norris 1-1) at Baltimore (U.Jimenez 8-6), 1:35 p.m.	
Tampa Bay (Karns 6-5) at Boston (Miley 8-9), 1:35 p.m.	
Arizona (Ray 3-5) at Houston (McHugh 12-5), 2:10 p.m.	
N.Y. Yankees (Nova 3-3) at Chicago White Sox (Samardzija 8-5), 2:10 p.m.	
Seattle (Iwakuma 2-2) at Minnesota (Pelfrey 5-7), 2:10 p.m.	
San Francisco (Undecided) at Texas (M.Perez 0-2), 3:05 p.m.	
Cleveland (Bauer 8-8) at Oakland (Gray 11-4), 4:05 p.m.	
L.A. Angels (Undecided) at L.A. Dodgers (B.Anderson 5-6), 4:10 p.m.	
Monday's Games	
Minnesota (E.Santana 2-1) at Toronto (Price 9-4), 1:07 p.m.	
Houston (McCullers 5-3) at Texas (Lewis 11-4), 8:05 p.m.	
Tampa Bay (Odorizzi 6-6) at Chicago White Sox (Quintana 6-9), 8:10 p.m.	
Seattle (F.Hernandez 12-6) at Colorado (E.Butler 3-7), 8:40 p.m.	
Baltimore (Tillman 8-7) at Oakland (Chavez 5-10), 10:05 p.m.	
Cleveland (Kluber 6-11) at L.A. Angels (Richards 10-8), 10:05 p.m.	

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	54	47	.535	—
New York	53	50	.515	2
Atlanta	46	57	.447	9
Miami	42	61	.408	13
Philadelphia	40	64	.385	15½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	66	37	.641	—
Pittsburgh	60	42	.588	5½
Chicago	55	47	.539	10½
Cincinnati	46	55	.455	19
Milwaukee	44	60	.423	22½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	58	45	.563	—
San Francisco	56	46	.549	1½
Arizona	50	51	.495	7
San Diego	50	53	.485	8
Colorado	43	58	.426	14
Thursday's Games				
San Diego 8, N.Y. Mets 7				
Washington 1, Miami 0				
Philadelphia 4, Atlanta 1				
Cincinnati 15, Pittsburgh 5				
St. Louis 9, Colorado 8				
Chicago Cubs 5, Milwaukee 2				
Friday's Games				
Philadelphia 9, Atlanta 3				
Pittsburgh 5, Cincinnati 4				
San Diego 8, Miami 3, 11 innings				
N.Y. Mets 2, Washington 1, 12 innings				
Texas 6, San Francisco 3				
Arizona 6, Houston 4, 10 innings				
Chicago Cubs 4, Milwaukee 1				
St. Louis 7, Colorado 0				
L.A. Dodgers 5, L.A. Angels 3				
Saturday's Games				
L.A. Angels (Heaney 5-0) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 8-6), 4:05 p.m.				
Atlanta (Wisler 5-1) at Philadelphia (Nola 1-1), 7:05 p.m.				
Arizona (Hellikson 7-6) at Houston (Keuchel 12-5), 7:10 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 4-5) at Milwaukee (Garza 5-11), 7:10 p.m.				

Pittsburgh (G.Cole 14-4) at Cincinnati (R.Iglesias 1-3), 7:10 p.m.	
San Diego (Despaigne 4-7) at Miami (Urena 1-4), 7:10 p.m.	
Washington (J.Ross 2-3) at N.Y. Mets (deGrom 10-6), 7:10 p.m.	
Colorado (J.De La Rosa 6-4) at St. Louis (Lynn 8-5), 7:15 p.m.	
San Francisco (Heston 11-5) at Texas (Hamels 0-0), 8:05 p.m.	
Sunday's Games	
Pittsburgh (Morton 6-4) at Cincinnati (Undecided), 1:10 p.m.	
San Diego (Shields 8-4) at Miami (Fernandez 4-0), 1:10 p.m.	
Atlanta (Theran 6-6) at Philadelphia (Morgan 2-2), 1:35 p.m.	
Arizona (Ray 3-5) at Houston (McHugh 12-5), 2:10 p.m.	
Chicago Cubs (Undecided) at Milwaukee (Lohse 5-12), 2:10 p.m.	
Colorado (Flande 1-1) at St. Louis (Jai Garcia 3-4), 2:15 p.m.	
San Francisco (Undecided) at Texas (M.Perez 0-2), 3:05 p.m.	
L.A. Angels (Undecided) at L.A. Dodgers (B.Anderson 5-6), 4:10 p.m.	
Washington (Zimmermann 8-6) at N.Y. Mets (Syndergaard 5-5), 8:08 p.m.	
Monday's Games	
Arizona (Godley 2-0) at Washington (Fister 4-6), 7:05 p.m.	
Chicago Cubs (Lester 6-8) at Pittsburgh (Liriano 7-6), 7:05 p.m.	
N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 9-10) at Miami (Koeher 8-7), 7:10 p.m.	
San Francisco (M.Cain 2-2) at Atlanta (Foltynewicz 3-3), 7:10 p.m.	
San Diego (T.Ross 7-8) at Milwaukee (W.Peralta 2-5), 8:10 p.m.	
Seattle (F.Hernandez 12-6) at Colorado (E.Butler 3-7), 8:40 p.m.	

TRANSACTIONS	
American League	
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Traded RHP Tommy Hunter to the Chicago Cubs for OF Junior Lake and optioned Lake to Norfolk (IL). Designated RHP Bud Norris and INF Chris Parmalee for assignment. Recalled RHP Mychal Givens from Bowie (EL) and RHP Mike Wright from Norfolk.	
BOSTON RED SOX — Assigned C Sandy Leon outright to Pawtucket (IL).	
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Traded LHP Marc Rzepczynski to San Diego for OF Abraham Almonte and optioned Almonte to Columbus (IL). Assigned RHP Toru Murata outright to Columbus. Selected the contract of OF Jerry Sands from Columbus. Reinstated RHP Josh Tomlin from the 60-day DL and optioned him to Columbus. Sent OF Nick Swisher to Lake County (MWL) for a rehab assignment.	
DETROIT TIGERS — Traded OF Yoenis Cespedes to the N.Y. Mets for RHPs Michael Fulmer and Luis Cessa. Optioned LHP Matt Boyd to Toledo (IL). Transferred LHP Kyle Lobstein to the 60-day DL.	
HOUSTON ASTROS — Optioned INF Jon Singleton to Fresno (PCL).	
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Placed LHP C.J. Wilson on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Wednesday. Optioned RHP Mike Morin and INF/OF Efran Navarro to Salt Lake (PCL). Recalled RHPs Cory Rasmus and Drew Rucinski from Salt Lake. Agreed to terms with LHP Wesley Wright on a minor league contract. Sent RHP Jered Weaver to Inland Empire (Cal) for a rehab assignment.	
NEW YORK YANKEES — Re-	

instated OF Slade Heathcott from the 60-day DL and optioned him to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Assigned LHP Chris Capuano outright to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre. Designated 1B/OF Garrett Jones for assignment. Released RHP Esmil Rogers so he can sign with Hanwha (South Korea) in exchange for cash.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Designated LHP Caleb Thielbar for assignment.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Traded RHP Ryan Cook to Boston for a player to be named or cash. Agreed to terms with 3B Brent Morel on a minor league contract.
SEATTLE MARINERS — Traded for LHPs Nick Lowe, Rob Rasmussen and Jacob Brentz. Traded RHP J.A. Happ to Pittsburgh for LHP Adrian Sampson. Optioned INF Chris Taylor, RHP Jose Ramirez and OF Ramon Flores to Tacoma (PCL) and recalled Ramirez. Recalled INFs Jesus Montero and Ketel Marte from Tacoma (PCL).
TAMPA BAY RAYS — Traded RHP Kevin Jepsen to Minnesota for RHPs Chih-Wei Hu and Alexis Tapia.
TEXAS RANGERS — Claimed C Bobby Wilson off waivers from Tampa Bay. Placed RHP Ross Ohlendorf on unconditional release waivers. Selected the contract of C/1B Chris Gimenez from Round Rock (PCL). Optioned RHP Jon Edwards to Round Rock. Sent C Carlos Corporan and LHP Derek Holland to Round Rock for rehab assignments.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Traded LHP Felix Doubront to Oakland for cash.

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Mets get Cespedes at trade deadline

NEW YORK (AP) — The Mets finally landed the bat they were looking for in Yoenis Cespedes just ahead of Friday's trade deadline, and Cole Hamels confirmed he blocked a trade to Houston before Philadelphia dealt its ace to Texas.

Sixteen trades were made Friday ahead of the annual deadline for deals without waivers, but San Diego was among the buyers, not the sellers, to the surprise of some.

Hamels was the only top starting pitcher dealt following earlier trades that sent Scott Kazmir to Houston, Johnny Cueto to Kansas City and David Price to Toronto. The Blue Jays scheduled a blowout news conference at Rogers Centre to introduce Price, but instead the left-hander was sidetracked by a blowout to one of the tires on his gray sports car.

The 2012 AL Cy Young Award winner, traded by Detroit on Thursday, tweeted just after 10 a.m. saying he'd blown a tire. About an hour later, he posted again to say he couldn't find anyone to fit a new tire on his car.

Blue Jays fans tweeted back, telling him they'd pick him up wherever he was waiting. One fan cautioned "If you change the tire..RIGHT HAND ONLY!!!"

"I got the extra tire put on and the guy was like 'Where are you headed?'" Price said. "I was like 'I'm going to Toronto,' and he was

like, 'You can't make it there on this tire.' I went to Discount Tires. They didn't have a tire to fit my back tire, and then I just had to sit in a Target parking lot and wait for the tow truck to come and wait for my ride to arrive."

Eleven of 15 AL teams began the day within five games of a playoff berth, and seven of 15 in the NL, where the races are more defined.

"There are a lot of buyers out there," Mets general manager Sandy Alderson said. "And that probably has something to do with the second wild card, and maybe just the reality of that second wild card has sunk in, and the tightness of various races around both leagues."

Cespedes, eligible for free agency after the season, hit .293 with 18 home runs and 61 RBIs in 102 games for the Tigers. Seeking to make the playoffs for the first time since 2006, the Mets have a talented starting rotation but rank last in the majors in runs and batting average, and 29th in on-base percentage and slugging.

"He's a very dynamic player," Alderson said. "We think he's going to impact us in a number of different ways. But I think also just his presence in the lineup and his presence on the team will raise the energy level — and I hope it raises the energy level in the dugout and in the stands. I think that this is the kind of player that could have a big

impact both in terms of the game on the field and how the team is perceived."

New York already had added infielders Juan Uribe and Kelly Johnson, and reliever Tyler Clippard. The moves increased New York's payroll by about \$8.2 million within the last week. Milwaukee general manager Doug Melvin said a trade fell through Wednesday night that would have sent outfielder Carlos Gomez to the Mets.

"When you're in the hunt, what you want is general managers on your team to be somewhat aggressive," injured third baseman David Wright said as news of the Cespedes trade was breaking. "And it seems like Sandy has done that. So give him

credit." Texas completed its deal to acquire Hamels and left-handed reliever Jake Diekman for left-hander Matt Harrison and five prospects. The Rangers will receive \$9.5 million — \$7 million in 2016 and \$2.5 million in 2018 — to offset part of the contract for Hamels, who is due \$22.5 million per season through 2018 with a club option for 2019.

"I'm excited to start the next chapter of my baseball life," Hamels said. "They have a lot of great players and there's always a chance in that league. I don't think they are too far away, even this year."

Hamels, 6-7 with a 3.64 ERA, figures to be part of a rotation next year with Japanese ace Yu Darvish, who had

Tommy John surgery in March. Hamels, who had a limited no-trade provision, vetoed a deal to the AL West-leading Houston Astros.

"You don't want to say no to anybody and you don't want to let a city down or an organization down," Hamels said. "But you want to do what's best not just for my baseball career, but for my family."

Philadelphia got Double-A catcher Jorge Alfaro, outfielder Nick Williams and right-hander Jake Thompson — three of the Rangers' top prospects — and Triple-A right-handers Jerad Eickhoff and Alec Asher.

"We're in a world where teams are buying talent. This is one of the ways we can use our economic muscle to buy

talent," Phillies general manager Ruben Amaro Jr. said. "We bought talent with talent, and we bought talent with dollars and cents, as well. Based on all the information that we had and the package we ended up getting, we think we used our money wisely."

Toronto acquired right-hander Mark Lowe from Seattle and outfielder Ben Revere from Philadelphia, following up on its deals for All-Star shortstop Troy Tulowitzki, reliever LaTroy Hawkins and Price.

"We're excited and I love the fact that we were in a position to do some things and be this close," Toronto general manager Alex

Anthopoulos said.

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- Binders
- Book bags
- Calculators
- Cellophane tape
- Blackboard chalk
- Compasses
- Composition books



- Crayons
- Erasers
- Folders; expandable, pocket, plastic, and manila
- Glue, paste and paste sticks
- Highlighters
- Index cards
- Index card boxes
- Legal pads
- Lunch boxes
- Markers (including dry erase markers)
- Notebooks
- Paper; loose leaf ruled notebook paper, copy paper, graph paper, tracing paper, manila paper, colored paper, poster board, and construction paper
- Pencil boxes and other school supplies

List of Qualifying Clothing, Footwear and Other Items Sold During the August Sales Tax Holiday

The exempt items on this list must be priced under \$100. The exemption does not extend to rental, alterations or cleaning services on these exempt items of clothing and footwear. This is a partial list.

- Athletic socks
- Baby bibs
- Baby clothes
- Baby diapers (cloth or disposable)
- Backpacks (exempt only for elementary/secondary students)
- Baseball caps and jerseys
- Belts with attached buckles
- Blouses
- Camp clothes
- Caps (baseball, fishing, golf)
- Chef uniforms
- Children's novelty costumes
- Clerical vestments
- Coats and wraps
- Coveralls
- Diapers (cloth and disposable)
- Dresses
- Employee uniforms (unless rented)
- Fishing caps
- Fishing vests (non-flotation)
- Football jerseys
- Graduation caps and gowns
- Gym suits and uniforms
- Hooded shirts and hooded sweatshirts
- Hosiery, including support hosiery
- Hunting vests
- Jackets



- Jeans
- Jogging apparel
- Knitted caps or hats
- Leg warmers
- Leotards and tights
- Mask, costume
- Neckwear and ties
- Nightgowns and nightshirts
- Painter pants
- Pajamas
- Pants
- Panty hose
- Raincoats and ponchos
- Rain hats
- Religious clothing
- Robes
- Scarves
- Scout uniforms
- Shawls and wraps
- Shirts
- Shirts (hooded)
- Shoes (generally)
- Cross trainers
- Dress
- Flip-flops (rubber thongs)
- Jellies
- Running (without cleats)
- Safety (suitable for everyday use)
- Sandals
- Slippers
- Sneakers and tennis
- Tennis
- Walking
- Shorts
- Skirts
- Sleepwear, nightgowns, pajamas
- Slippers
- Slips
- Soccer socks
- Socks
- Support hosiery
- Sweatshirts
- Sweat suits
- Sweaters



- Swimsuits
- Tennis accessories
- Tennis shorts
- Tennis shoes
- Tennis skirts
- Ties (neckties - all)
- Tights
- Trousers
- Underclothes
- Underpants
- Undershirts
- Uniforms (school, work, nurse, waitress, military, postal, police, fire)
- Workout clothes



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Back-to-school shopping? Tips to make the most of those tax-free days

By Gerri Detweiler, credit.com
Time to sharpen your pencils, shoppers. Not only are parents shopping for back-to-school needs early and comparing prices, they might want to also try to figure out on which days they want to buy. Eighteen states have tax holidays that can help back-to-school shoppers stretch their money — and for shoppers in Georgia and Mississippi, the tax savings start Friday and end Saturday. Retailers love the tax-free days, because they draw shoppers in. But

tax holidays have been criticized as the triumph of good politics over good policy; in fact, last year North Carolina eliminated its tax-free shopping days in favor of a tax cut. Still, if you're shopping for back to school, the savings may be worth considering. But, as when shopping with any discount available, it's still important to remember that spending more than you would otherwise because you are "saving" so much doesn't really save you anything. Still, if you are buying bookbags, paper, calculators and other supplies

on your state's list of tax-free items, your savings could be significant, depending on how high your state taxes are and how much you spend. If you're buying a laptop, or if multiple children need new shoes, timing your purchase for tax-free days could be worth it. Here are some tips for making the most of the tax-free days. 1. Carefully read through your state's listing of what will be tax-free and make sure you understand the rules. Most states have maximum prices for clothes, for example. You

might discover that shoes costing \$99 are tax-exempt, but those over \$100 are not. 2. Make a list. What do you need, really? Many discount stores post lists of what's required by various schools. Check a list before you go shopping to see what you already have (or what your child might use as a hand-me-down). Paying no tax on something you didn't actually need to buy isn't saving. See, **TIPS**, Page 2B

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Christopher is a 2007 graduate of East Bernard High School and a 2011 graduate of Wharton Junior College. He is a field specialist for Schlumberger.

The couple will be married in Decatur, Texas on Sept. 12, 2015.

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3. Look at ads and check out loss leaders. If crayons or glue are going for a penny, think about buying some. Those things run out, and a fresh supply will be welcome. (Remember how good brand-new crayons felt in your hand?) Those can also be purchased to donate later. You don't need a tax holiday to do this, either.

4. Have a budget. Know what you expect to pay and have an idea of what things should cost before you go. Tax-free isn't the best deal if you find the same item at a clearance price elsewhere. Be educated about prices, and remember what you can afford and what you planned to spend.

5. Know how you are going to pay. When you're not paying cash, it's easy to forget how much you have spent. It can be helpful to think it through ahead of time rather than reach into your wallet and try to figure out which credit card makes the most sense while someone is waiting impatiently in line behind you. The card can matter because if you plan to pay off your balance immediately, you may want to choose a card that gives you maximum cash-back rewards, for example. In a case of rotating categories that earn cash-back bonuses, you may want to check those categories before you shop. For example, Chase Freedom has 5 percent cash-back categories, but they rotate each quarter, so you'll need to double-check the rewards calendar to make the most of your cash-back bonuses. If you're trying to build or rebuild credit, pay attention to your cards' balances relative to credit limit, and choose a card with "room" for your purchases. (If you know where you'll shop, you may be able to save a bit more by buying a discounted gift card ahead of time from GiftCardGranny, Raise or similar services.)

Be careful not to let school expenses pull your finances off track, particularly as we move toward the end of the year, which tends to be associated with higher spending. It's good to keep in mind that when you decide last year's bookbag will suffice until backpacks go on sale, and make it a priority to keep your credit healthy, you're contributing to your kids' financial education. And, hopefully, that will last even longer than a lap-top.

Tax Free Weekends

Alabama, Aug. 7-9; Arkansas, Aug. 1-2, Connecticut, Aug. 16-22; Florida, Aug. 7-16 Georgia, July 31-Aug. 1; Iowa, Aug. 7-8; Louisiana, Aug. 7-8; Maryland, Aug. 9-15; Massachusetts, Aug. 15-16; Mississippi, July 31-Aug. 1; Missouri, Aug. 7-9; New Mexico, Aug. 7-9; Ohio, Aug. 7-9; Oklahoma, Aug. 7-9; South Carolina, Aug. 7-9; Tennessee, Aug. 7-9; Texas, Aug. 7-9; Virginia, Aug. 7-9

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2015-2016 School Supplies List 5th-8th Grade

5th GRADE	6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
2 Composition Notebooks (blk & wht)	1 Pencil Bag	4 Black Expo Markers (writing & math)	2 Expo markers (Math)
4 12 count package of #2 yellow pencils (Plain, No Colored, Plastic, or Decorated)	1 Zipper Binder**	1 Pencil Bag	2 Pencil Bags (one for art)
1 (5 count) pkg clear document sleeves	1 Dozen #2 Pencils & sharpener with cover	1 Zipper Binder**	1 Zipper Binder**
2 Plastic Folders with pockets & brads	1 Pair 7" Scissors	1 Dozen #2 Pencils & sharpener with cover	1 Dozen #2 Pencils & sharpener with cover
1 Box of colored map pencils	2 Pink erasers or a package of cap erasers	1 Pair 7" Pointed Scissors	1 Pair 7" Pointed Scissors
1 Package of Crayola Markers	2 Highlighters	1 Pkg Map Colors (12 count)	2 Pink erasers or a package of cap erasers
1 Pencil bag (large with 3 ring holes)	1 pkg Map Colors (12 count)	2 Red Pens	4 Highlighters
2 Red grading pencils	2 Packages of Notebook Paper (wider rule)	4 Glue sticks (jumbo—2 for science)	1 pkg Map Colors (12 count)
2 Pkg highlighters (5 colors)	1-3 Subject Spiral Notebook (science)	2 Packages of Notebook Paper (wider rule)	2 Red Pens
1 Pair 5" Fiskar Scissors	3 Composition books 100 ct (Social Studies, Math, and ELA)	4 Composition books 100 ct (Social Studies, Math, Writing, Science and ELA)	2 Black/Blue Pens
2 8oz. Bottles of Elmer's Glue (No colors, gel, or "No-run" glue)	2 boxes Tissue (homeroom)	2 boxes Tissue (homeroom)	4 Glue sticks (2 for science)
4 Large Elmer's Glue Sticks	1 set of cheaper ear buds for computers	1 set of cheap ear buds for computers	2 Packages of Notebook Paper (wider rule)
4 pkgs pink erasers	1 Spiral for ELA	1 1" 3 ring binder for math (with dividers)	3 Composition books 100 ct (Social Studies, Math, Science, and ELA)
4 Packs Reg. Ruled Notebook Paper	3 pkg notebook paper		2 boxes Tissue (homeroom)
1-12" ruler with inches and centimeters	3 boxes of tissues		1 set of cheap ear buds for computers
2 Hand-held sharpeners with lids			1 spiral (math)
1 Pkg Baby Wipes			1 2" 3 ring binder for math with set of 5 dividers
3 Boxes Kleenex tissues (200 count)			
1 Hand Sanitizer-10 fl oz			
Box Gallon size zip-lock bags			

The zippered binders are utilized to carry all supplies and materials at the Junior High and Intermediate Schools. *Backpacks are allowed, but not necessary.

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2015-2016 School Supplies List PK – 4th

PRE-K & PPCD	KINDERGARTEN	1st GRADE	2nd GRADE	3rd GRADE	4th GRADE
2 Boxes Crayola Brand primary crayons	2 Boxes 24 Count Crayola Crayons	2 Boxes 24 Count Crayola Crayons	3 Boxes 24 Count Crayola Crayons	1 Box 24 Count Crayola Crayons	1 Box 24 Count Crayola Crayons
1 Box Crayola Washable Markers	1 12 Count Package of #2 Yellow Pencils (Plain, No Colored, Plastic, or Decorated)	2 24 count package of #2 yellow pencils (Plain, No Colored, Plastic, or Decorated)	4 12 count pkg. of #2 yellow pencils (Plain, No Colored, Plastic, or Decorated)	4 12 count package of #2 yellow pencils	4 12 count package of #2 yellow pencils
1 Pair Fiskars Brand blunt tip scissors	2 Pink Erasers (large)	1 8oz. Bottle of Elmer's Glue	2 packages large pink erasers	4 Big Pink Erasers	2 Pkg of Baby Wipes
12 Glue sticks	1 Plastic Pencil box	2 large pink Erasers	2 Box of colored map pencils	1 Box of colored map pencils	1 Box of Pencil Top Erasers
2 Packages Construction Paper	1 5-1/2" Pair of Fiskars Scissors	1 (4 Pack) of Dry Erase Markers	2 Box of colored map pencils	1 10 Count Box of Crayola Markers	1 Pencil Zipper Bag with holes
Kinder-Mat & Towel (for nap)	2 8oz. Bottles of Elmer's Glue	1 Pair of Pointed Fiskars Scissors	1 Small School Box for Supplies (no soft boxes that zip and no large boxes)	1 Pair of Pointed Fiskars Scissors	2 Pink Erasers
3 Boxes Kleenex	(No colors, gel, or "No-run" glue)	3 Spiral Notebooks (wide-ruled)	1 Pair of Pointed Fiskars Scissors	6 Large Elmer's Glue Sticks	1 Box of Colored Map Pencils
2 Package of baby wipes (refills)	8 Elmer's Glue Sticks	1 Plastic Folder with pockets and brads	8 glue sticks	2 Plastic Folders with pockets and brads	1 4 count Package of Highlighters
Backpack (regular size)	2 Plastic Folders with pockets	1 Composition Notebook Wide Rule	4 vinyl folders with pockets & brads	1 4 Count Low Odor Dry Erase Markers	1 10 Count Box of Crayola Markers
Cheap Paper Plates (not Styrofoam)	2 Spiral Notebooks (wide-ruled)	3 Boxes Kleenex tissues (200 count)	4 pkgs of wide ruled notebook paper	2 Spiral Notebooks (wide-ruled)	1 8oz. Bottle of Elmer's Glue
BOYS—Gallon size inexpensive, sealable baggies	2 Tubs of Baby Wipes	2 Tub of Baby Wipes	2 Composition Notebooks (wide-ruled)	4 Pkgs of notebook paper (wide-ruled)	2 Glue Sticks
GIRLS—Quart size inexpensive, sealable baggies	2 Hand Sanitizer-10 fl. oz	1 bottle of hand sanitizer	2 Spiral Notebooks (wide-ruled)	1 Ruler with inches and centimeters	2 Red Pencils
	2 Box of storable snacks (vanilla wafers, goldfish, crackers, etc.-no chips)	Girls: 1 Box Quart size Zip-lock bags	4 Boxes Kleenex tissues (200 count)	1 3 Ring Zipper Pencil Bag	4 Pkgs of notebook paper (wide-ruled)
	Girls: 1 Box Quart size Zip-lock bags	Boys: 1 Box Gallon size Zip-lock bags	2 Tub of Baby Wipes	3 Boxes Kleenex tissues (200 count)	4 Plastic folders with pockets & Brads
	Boys: 1 Box Gallon size Zip-lock bags		1 Hand Sanitizer-10 fl. oz	2 Tub of Baby Wipes	1 Spiral Notebook wide ruled
			Girls: 1 Box Quart size Zip-lock bags	1 Hand Sanitizer-10 fl. oz	3 Composition Notebooks wide rule
			Boys: 1 Box Gallon size Zip-lock bags	1 Box map colors	3 Boxes Kleenex tissues (200 count)
				2-Red Pens	1 Hand Sanitizer-10 fl. oz
				Girls: 1 Box Quart size Zip-lock bags	1-12" ruler with inches and centimeters
				Boys: 1 Box Gallon size Zip-lock bags	Girls: 1 Box Quart size Zip-lock bags
					Boys: 1 Box Gallon size Zip-lock bags

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Wednesday
Pinto beans and ham, white rice, marinated tomato wedges, cake, cornbread and milk

Thursday
Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, melon, bread and milk

Friday
BBQ sausage, potato salad, ranch beans, fruited Jell-O salad, bread and milk

Poems by Fannie Price

A Brighter Day

Dark days will not last.
The clouds will pass away.
There will be a brighter day.
Let Jesus Christ lead the way.
He was with you all along.
You never were alone.
There will be a brighter day.
Remember this, when you pray.
The years do add up
They do go swiftly by.
Do you have a lot of heartaches?
Do you ever cry?
Do you ever wonder why?
You are not alone when everything seems wrong.
God is by your side.
He is with you through all of your transgressions.
Why not count your blessings:
There will be a brighter day.

Love

In all of earth and all above,
The most important thing is love.
Now wealth nor fame.
Nor worldly gain.
The most important thing is love.
I know. God's love for us has proved it's so.

Footsteps to God

If you follow in my footsteps
And you find I go astray
Please forgive me
Please don't turn away.
For I am only a woman.
You are just a man.
Let us pray together
That we put our lives in God's hands.
Lovingly we can.

Hikers drawn to geological gem along Arizona-Utah border

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. (AP) — A geological gem awaits hikers in the wilderness along the Arizona-Utah border. Swirls of searing reds, oranges and yellow fold into a bowl that visitors from around the world seek out on an unmarked path past sandstone buttes and sage brush.

It's said to be one of the most photographed spots in North America, but The Wave in the Vermilion Cliffs National Monument isn't without dangers. A series of heat-related deaths in 2013 led to an outside review of safety risks, increased patrols and a new radio transmitter. A new proposal to change the way permits are doled out could free up even more people to talk to visitors about ways to avoid peril.

"This is not just a nice little stroll in the park on a hot day," said BLM spokesman Dennis Godfrey. "It's a dangerous situation, and you better be prepared."

Getting to The Wave initially takes a stroke of luck. Only 20 people are allowed to visit each day, with 10 chosen in an online lottery four months in advance and the other 10 picked in a walk-in, bingo-style lottery in

Kanab, Utah. The U.S. Bureau of Land Management, which oversees the monument, wants to shift the walk-in lottery to a 48-hour online lottery and have the public apply twice a year for the semi-annual lottery, instead of monthly. That would allow the handful of people who handle the walk-in lottery to instead meet with hikers and stress the importance of having plenty of water, salty snacks and sunscreen, especially in the summer when temperatures are in the triple digits.

A public comment period on the proposed changes closes Aug. 17.

Officials say the proposal, which includes fee increases, is meant to address a budget shortfall, partly due to the \$50,000 more a year spent on field patrols. The number of permits for The Wave won't change. The BLM limits them to protect the delicate sandstone formation and prevent overcrowding.

The six-mile, roundtrip hike to The Wave is unmarked and cellphone reception is spotty at best. Permits come with compass points, directions and photographs of key navigational points. Guides can be hired without an extra permit, but visitors are free to go alone, even without any hiking experience. Many rely on GPS devices.

The Wave is a small part of the wilderness area, a 2-acre "pinprick" in a special management area that has other breathtaking views and similar strata in the permitted area, says BLM spokeswoman Rachel Carnahan. But it's the big draw, she said, with applicants last year far outnumbering the 7,300 permits available.

Who's Who in Howard County

Name: Jodi Duck
Where do you work: Howard County Elections Office
Where were you born: San Angelo, Texas
City you live in: Big Spring, Texas
Family: Husband: Lloyd Duck, Daughter: Sarah Marshall (BSHS Senior)
Hobbies, Organizations, Clubs: Crafts
Favorite book: Bible
Favorite show: NCIS, Chopped
Favorite movie: Comedies
Where would you visit if you could go anywhere: Alaska



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announces the Closing of His Office

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French Jewish immigrants flock to Israeli coastal city

BY ARON HELLER

Associated Press

NETANYA, Israel (AP) — The coastal city of Netanya markets itself as the “Israeli Riviera” and walking along its main pedestrian boulevard, one would be hard-pressed to tell it apart from its twin city of Nice. Barely a word of Hebrew is spoken, and real estate ads, restaurant menus and cafe conversations are mostly in French. An increase in anti-Semitic attacks by Muslim extremists in France, home to the world’s third-largest Jewish population, has spawned an unprecedented wave of immigration to Israel. Netanya, with its seaside chic and established French-speaking community, has become their top destination.

Last year, for the first time, France was Israel’s top source of immigrants, according to the Jewish Agency, a nonprofit group that works closely with the government and acts as a link for Jews around the world. A record 7,200 French Jews arrived in 2014, double the number from the previous year. Of those, about 2,000 came to Netanya, a Mediterranean city whose beaches remind many new arrivals of their Moroccan, Tunisian or Algerian origins.

The surge, which marked the first time in Israeli history that more than 1 percent of a Western country’s Jewish population immigrated in a single year, came even before the shooting rampage that killed four Jews in a Paris kosher supermarket in January and devastated the community’s already shaky sense of security.

For Fanny Rhom, a 33-year-old mother of two whose children went to school across from the Hyper Cacher, the supermarket where the attack happened, that was the tipping point. Three days after the attack, she came to Israel to start planning her move.

“We had become paranoid ... every event brought our departure closer,” she said Wednesday upon receiving her Israeli ID card in Netanya, just two days after arriving on a special flight from Paris with another 200 immigrants.

“Here we get the feeling that we can protect ourselves. There we have the impression that we are on our own and if, God forbid, something happens we will have to manage.”

Seated nearby, 63-year-old Jeanette Malka said she waited for her retirement to move to Israel and now hopes her children and grandchildren will join her. “It’s no place to raise Jewish

children,” she said of France. “We like Netanya a lot. We feel at home here.”

Her husband, Chaim, was clearly relishing wearing his small black skullcap — something he said he feared to do in public in Paris.

Experts say European Jews have not felt this threatened since World War II, when 6 million Jews were murdered in the Nazi Holocaust. Jews have been targeted in Belgium, Denmark and other European countries, but France has seen the worst of it. Jews have increasingly reported assaults and intimidation, mostly from Muslim extremists. While some attacks have been linked to anger at Israeli policies toward the Palestinians, most have been of an anti-Semitic nature.

France’s Jewish community of 500,000 is the largest in Europe. Though Jews make up less than 1 percent of the population, French officials say more than 50 percent of all reported racist attacks in 2014 were directed against them.

Ariel Kandel, the Jewish Agency’s director of French immigration, said many immigrants also come to Israel out of Zionist fervor or for economic reasons. Unemployment has hovered around 10 percent in France since 2009, compared to less than 5 percent in Israel.

But while annual migration numbers have historically hovered between 1,000 to 2,000, he said the exodus kicked off after the 2012 shooting attack against a Jewish school Toulouse that killed three children and a rabbi.

“After that, I just couldn’t stay there anymore,” said Ida Mardoukh, a 45-year-old mother of three who moved from Toulouse to Netanya. “There are attacks in Israel too, but this is home. At least here we can live as Jews.”

Following the January killings at the kosher supermarket, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu rushed to Paris and openly urged the country’s Jews to move to Israel. The Jewish Agency reports that 2015 has already seen a 10 percent bump from last year’s record numbers.

European Jews are divided on the question of immigration to Israel. While maintaining close ties to Israel, their community leaders have urged people to stay in their homelands.

The trend has also been deeply troubling for the French government, with top officials pleading with Jews to stay and warning that a mass

migration of the community would be seen as a failure of the republic.

France takes pride in its inclusiveness and the Jews’ 2,000-year history in the country. It was the first country in Europe to grant Jews full civil rights, in the immediate wake of the 1789 French Revolution. It has had two Jewish prime ministers, and former President Nicolas Sarkozy has Jewish ancestry.

Arriving in Israel, the French immigrants have brought some of that history with them — as well as a French sense of style, culture and food.

Nowhere is that more on display than in Netanya, affectionately known as the French “bubble.” Entire neighborhoods have become French-speaking and the busy central promenade is regularly bustling with cafe dwellers, smoking, drinking coffee and eating croissants. Bakeries offer authentic baguettes and brioches, and French music plays as the sandy beach beckons in the background.

“They want to be near the sea and near their families,” explained Kandel, of the Jewish Agency.

Freddo Pachter, who heads Netanya’s French absorption project, said the city has embraced them fully, well aware of their particular needs. Most of the newcomers speak nothing but French, and the city has adjusted accordingly, launching a French language website and ensuring there are French speakers in schools and workplaces to help ease the transition.

Unlike previous waves of refugees, Pachter said the French immigrants were mainly educated

professionals with strong Zionist ideals.

“Israel wants to invest in them because it knows that they will stay and it’s a long-term investment,” he said. “They are like fresh blood for the body.”

Associated Press producer Audrey Horowitz contributed reporting.

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Take steps to protect your information on social media accounts

In a society ruled by communication and technology, social media is king. Given the active role it plays in our everyday lives, it is safe to assume it is here to stay. Even businesses are turning to social networking as a way to connect with consumers and other professionals. But, is sharing always caring?

Unfortunately, sharing too much personal information may put you at risk of identity theft or hacking. According to the FBI, hackers use social media sites to gain access to your computer or phone by installing unwanted software. Sometime referred to as "social hackers" or "social engineers," these hackers manipulate people through social interactions online.



HEATHER MASSEY

According to the International Association of Chiefs of Police's Center for Social Media website, Facebook users share approximately 684,478 pieces of content every minute, and the average user creates 90 pieces of content each month. Once information is posted to a social networking site, it is no longer private. Remember, the more information you post, the more vulnerable you may become. To protect yourself from potential hackers on social media, BBB advises you:

- Secure your information. Be careful when entering sensitive information (credit card numbers, driver's license number, Social Security number) online. Always make sure the website is secure by looking for the "s" in "https" at the beginning of the site's web address.

- Make strong passwords and change them often. Take time to go through your passwords and change them. Every three months is a good timeline to follow, but change them at least twice a year. Avoid obvious or easy-to-guess passwords. You should also avoid using your birthdate, child's name or birthdate, mother's maiden name or the last four digits of your Social Security number. Consider creating a unique password for each of your social media accounts.

- Be careful what you click. Just because a friend shares it, doesn't mean it is a safe link. When social media profiles are hacked, scammers can share viral links that will download malware on your computer. Hover over a link before you click and never enter personal information if prompted by a shared link. Also, be cautious of pop-up windows and keep your antivirus software up-to-date.

- Don't overshare. Never share your Social Security number on social media sites. Also, think twice before sharing your vacation plans away from home, or information that makes you vulnerable, as scammers and thieves could take advantage of you.

- Check your privacy settings. Periodically, review your privacy settings on your social media accounts. Limit your profile views to only your friends and the people you trust with your information. Also, read the terms of service and privacy policy on social media sites, as it tells you exactly what the site can and will do with your information.

- Think before you post. Once a status or photo is posted, even if deleted, it is still somewhere in cyberspace forever. Use your best judgement: always ask yourself if it should be posted and think of the possible ramifications of the information shared.

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Heather Massey is the Regional Director for the Permian Basin office of Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin.

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Kentwood Townhomes, 2502 Joshua Dr. Bld 2. Com HVAC; Val: \$17,400 Fee: \$105.
W. Franklin, 1410 Lexington Ave. Structure; Val: \$5,500 Fee: \$40.
Magdalena Gonzales, 1411 Oriole St. Structures; Val: \$150 Fee: \$25.
Romedall, LLC, 500 Aylesford. Res elec; Val: \$500 Fee: \$25.
City of Big Spring, 3604 Bethel. Com Re-roof; Val: \$175,000 Fee: \$0.
Ray Whitehead, 1209 E. 19th St. Res Re-roof; Val: \$6,200 Fee: \$45.
Howard County Abstract, 222 Main St. Com elec; Val: \$500 Fee: \$25.
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Debra Lusk, 611 Elgin St. Res elec; Val: \$0 Fee: \$25.
Dairy Queen, 1009 Lamesa Hwy. Sign; Val: \$3,500 Fee: \$30.
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Fee: \$32.
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Big Spring Monticello Homes, 1208 Grafa. Single Family; Val: \$56,000 Fee: \$424. Res plumb; Val: \$7,500 Fee: \$94.50. Res gas; Val: \$1 Fee: \$7.
Christopher Rey Rodriguez, 4005 Connally Shop. Com elec; Val: \$0 Fee: \$25.
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Manuel Ramirez, 420 Dallas St. Structure; Val: \$2,000 Fee: \$25.
Zhi Xiong Liu, 1501 Main St. Res gas; Val: \$900 Fee: \$32.
Glen D. Phillippe, 1306 Virginia Ave. Res Re-roof; Val: \$4,500 Fee: \$35.
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Jessica Rubio, 2106 Cecilia St. Res gas; Val: \$900 Fee: \$32.
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Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. Apt. #28, Big Spring
County Court Filings
Adelinda Ille vs. Russel Ille, divorce
Charles Ray vs. Midland

Oil & Gas, Chuck Dorrity; contract – consumer/commercial/debt
Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC vs. Margarita Trevino, contract – consumer/commercial/debt
TD Bank USA, N.A. vs. Karen Moore, contract – consumer/commercial/debt
JH Portfolio Debt Equities, LLC vs. James W. Warren, contract – consumer/commercial/debt
Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC vs. Audra Bailey, contract – consumer/commercial/debt
Heather Keesee vs. Jason Keesee, divorce
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Extended oil slump taking toll on industry, economy

NEW YORK (AP) — As drivers, shippers and airlines continue to enjoy lower fuel prices, the oil industry is responding to much lower profits with sharp cuts in spending and employment that are hurting economic growth.

Low oil and gas prices are good for the overall economy because they reduce costs for consumers and business. U.S. economic growth was higher in the second quarter, and economists say that was partly fueled by consumers spending some of their savings on gasoline at stores and restaurants.

But with oil prices down around 50 percent from last year, major oil companies are cutting back, offsetting some of this good news. For instance, Exxon Mobil said Friday it cut spending by \$1.54 billion in the second quarter, while Chevron announced it is laying off 1,500 workers. Until about six months ago, booming U.S. oil

and gas production was helping the country's economy grow during a time of economic sluggishness.

David Kelly, chief global strategist at J.P. Morgan Asset Management, said this week that a \$29 billion decline in oil exploration and mining activity in the U.S. cut economic growth by 0.7 percent in the second quarter, a sizable chunk for an economy that grew 2.3 percent.

Investors also feel the pain. Lower oil profits have an outsized effect on stock markets because the companies are so enormous. Analysts at RBC Capital Markets wrote that when oil prices drop by 10 percent, earnings for the overall S&P 500 fall by 1 percent.

Industry layoffs seem to be accelerating. Royal Dutch Shell, while announcing Thursday that profits fell 25 percent in the second quarter, said it would cut its global workforce by 6,500. Chevron's quar-

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terly profit fell 90 percent and CEO John Watson said the company is reducing its workforce "to reflect lower activity levels going forward."

Layoffs at three of the big oil and gas service companies are near 60,000 after two of them, Halliburton and Baker Hughes, revealed further layoffs in quarterly filings last week.

BP CFO Brian Gilvary told investors Thursday that the company has been cutting workers "and I think you'll see more of that before we get to the end of the year." BP's oil and gas profit dropped 64 percent from April through June.

Exxon Mobil's profit fell by half, to its lowest level since the recession of 2009, the company

said Friday. Its operations in the U.S. — the center of the global oil and gas boom — posted its second straight quarterly loss.

"The surprise really was here in the U.S.," said Brian Youngberg, an analyst at Edward Jones.

Shares of Exxon and Chevron, both components of the 20-member Dow Jones Industrial Average, fell 4 percent on Friday after they announced results.

The companies are in some ways victims of their own success. A surge in oil and gas production brought on by technological advances and high prices in recent years has flooded the market, sending global

prices sharply lower.

But geopolitical forces have also increased the pressure on prices. Iranian oil is poised to return the world market after years of sanctions, the Greek debt crisis is reducing economic growth in Europe and a shake-up in Chinese financial markets is reducing demand growth in the world's second largest oil consumer.

After nearly four years near \$100 a barrel, the price of oil began slumping a year ago, falling to \$43 by March. It surged briefly all the way to \$61 in June, but then fell again. Oil traded just above \$47 a barrel on Friday.

That has translated to sharply lower fuel prices. The U.S. average retail price of gasoline through the first half of the year was 30 percent lower than during the same period last year. On Friday the national average was \$2.67 a gal-

lon, 85 cents lower than last year at this time, according to AAA.

Retail prices for diesel and heating oil have averaged 27 percent lower than last year, and airlines have posted some of their highest profits in years thanks to lower jet fuel prices.

These low prices, along with the pain for the oil industry and pleasure for consumers, are likely to continue for a while, analysts say. There is plenty of oil in storage tanks and the global oil industry has the capacity to produce more if demand picks up.

In a report Friday, IHS Energy analysts predict further declines in oil prices. IHS says oil will have to fall into the low \$40 range and stay there for "several months" before U.S. production growth slows.

"It's not good news for producers," said IHS Chief Economist Nari-man Behravesch.

PERMITS

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Tommy Dale Churchwell, 1902 Morrison Dr. Res elec; Val: \$500 Fee: \$25.

MAALT LP, 700 N.W. 3rd St. Com elec; Val: \$0

Fee: \$0.

Joyce Brown Howell, 1101 Sycamore St. Res elec; Val: \$500 Fee: \$25.

Laurie Ann Hyden, 1603 Johnson St. Res gas; Val: \$200 Fee: \$32.

Janis Redwine, 3915 Dixon St. Res elec; Val: \$500 Fee: \$25.

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E. 4th St. Com Re-Roof; Val: \$2,500 Fee: \$25.

Daniel Garcia, 1800 Johnson St. Res addition; Val: \$1,500 Fee: \$25.

David Fredrick Sible, 135 Princeton Ave. Other; Val: \$5,000 Fee: \$35.

PUBLIC

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Marriage Licenses

Gene Vellarreal Jr., 37, and Esthela Ornelas, 34, both of Big Spring

Lester Claude Duffer, 35, and Kaycie Ranae Saucedo, 28, both of Big Spring

Justin Andrew Plaia, 31, and Cindy Ann Hodges, 29, both of Big Spring

Joe Clayton Lusk, 66, and Debra Williams Lusk, 63, both of Big Spring

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Grantor: Gloria Alexander

Grantee: Mary L. Rodriguez

Property: 208' X 200' tract of sec 40, block 32, T-1-N T&P RR Co. Survey Date: July 9, 2015

Grantor: Rodrigo Rodriguez

Grantee: Maria Castillo

Property: Lot 9, block 9, Cole and Strayhorn addition

Date: July 9, 2015

Grantor: Juan A. Ruiz and Linda Ruiz

Grantee: Stone Financing, LLC

Property: Lot 3, block 6, Highland South addition

Date: May 28, 2015

Grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum

Grantee: CDR Investments, Inc.

Property: Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 30, 31, 32; block 4, Wasson Place addition

Date: July 21, 2015

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Grantee: Mark A. Morgan and Bridgett D. Morgan

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Date: July 22, 2015

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Date: July 9, 2015

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Newsday Crossword

SATURDAY STUMPER by Lester Ruff

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ACROSS	DOWN
1 Clean, as tech writing	1 To cause-Laurel inspiration
6 Crescent components	2 Fictional
10 Micro degree	21 Handi-Snacks snack
14 John Paul's court successor	23 It's made from a "root" in root beer
15 Unintended escape	25 Funder
16 One of Sinatra's favorite lyricists	26 Put away
17 Aquatic oxygenators	30 Shirley mousel
18 Part of a major plot	33 Team second to the Yankees in WS wins
19 Organe politique	34 Italian's to with two ski resorts (l)
20 San Diego State athlete	35 Mission headquarters
21 Handi-Snacks snack	38 Army-base hangout
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25 Funder	40 Proscribe
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30 Shirley mousel	42 Jackie portrayal in two Kennedy's miniseries
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ANSWERS

4	3	9	7	8	6	1	2	5
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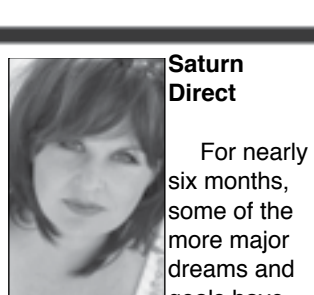
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

Saturn Direct
For nearly six months, some of the more major dreams and goals have been sitting on the back burner of life, thanks to Saturn's retrograde in Scorpio. Now it's time to move those simmering pots of life stew to the front, turn up the heat and smell the aroma of sweet success in the making. Saturn flies direct, and you should, too.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The thing that often stops you from moving forward is that you're not sure which move would be most prudent. Let this liberate you: Today, any move is more prudent than waiting.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You have a list of rules to live by whether or not you consciously realize it. You probably haven't articulated this in a while, and it would benefit you to do so now.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). If you know the answer, it's hard for you not to say it out loud; however, restraint is called for. If you don't know the answer, all the better -- you won't have to struggle against yourself to stay discreet.
CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your mother has played a key role in your past transformations, and something she said or did many years ago still has a strong influence on you, as evidenced by today's dealings.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The conflict will subside once you stop thinking of the other party as the "them" to your "us." Instead, think of the other party as part of your "us," which, for the moment, happens to hold a different opinion.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You don't mind people who take a more casual approach to life than you do. In fact, you find the brevity refreshing, as long as they don't edit out the important things like empathy and common courtesy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Once you get involved, it's hard to stop. That's why you have to choose your activities and relationships carefully now, settling on only the ones that satisfy your soul and benefit you tremendously.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The good news has to do with the way you recently applied your talents and interpersonal skills. As long as you're brave enough to accept success, your efforts are going to pay off.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There are times when you feel that your logical side and your emotional side are at odds with each other, but not this week. The cosmic gift is one of congruence. All parts of you are working together.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Social graces may be a dying art, but you're determined to do whatever it takes to revive them. At least half of today's fight will be against a digital enemy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's hard to say what's making you so tense. One moment it feels right to place the blame on "everything," and the next moment "nothing" is at fault. Your go-to relaxation technique will work miracles, so don't hesitate to use it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). However worldly and sophisticated you become, you will always be a child to a certain someone. That person wants to protect you now. The question is from what. You're more powerful than any danger around.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 2). This year you're about truth telling, authentic living and doing what it takes to genuinely make a difference. You'll find what you were searching for this month. The investment you made back in May will pay off in September. November brings a soulful connection -- later you'll add this chapter to your memoirs. Virgo and Sagittarius people adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 29, 1, 23 and 16.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Filmmaker Kevin Smith is executive producing several projects this year, including a documentary about his first film success, "Clerks." Smith shares his creative Leo spirit in many ways beyond film, including live tours, podcasts and a bestselling memoir. His sun, moon and Mars in Leo reveals a tireless drive to generate new and surprising cross-genre entertainment masterpieces.

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IDD Area Supervisor: Provides supervision to staff that assist individuals in gaining access to necessary medical, social, vocational/educational and other needed services. Performs assessments, coordinate service planning activities, develop service authorization, evaluate progress and provide advocacy. Will have frequent contact with consumers, their family members and community service providers. Self directed work ethic; manage paper work, and periodic flexible hrs. May be required to use personal vehicle. \$18.53 per hr (\$1482.46 bi weekly \$38,533 annually). Graduation from an accredited four year college or university is preferred but not required. Must live in Howard County.

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IDD Support Service Tech: Provides support services to individuals. Services will be provided within the community and in the person's home. Services include: Employment assistance, individualized Competitive Employment/Supported Employment, Community Supports/Supported Home Living, and In-Home Respite. Responsibilities include providing training, supervision, and/or support in the areas of: self-help, independent living, community participation and involvement, social and peer development, employment, financial management and health maintenance. Required to work flexible hours and may be required to use personal vehicle to perform job duties \$9.92 hr, \$794.31 bi weekly \$20,652 annually GED or High School Diploma.

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Mental Health Team Coordinators: Employee will assist individuals in gaining access to medical, social, vocational and educational services. Flexible Schedules. \$19.79 hr \$1583.08 bi weekly \$41,160 annually.

Mental Health Rehab Peer Provider: Employee will perform psychosocial rehabilitation and skills training services to reduce the symptoms of and disabilities of mental illness. Services will be delivered primarily in the community. \$19.79 hr \$1583.08 bi weekly \$41,160 annually.

Some positions require participation in crisis call rotation. These positions must have a Bachelors degree with a major in Social work or a minimum of 24 hours in psychology, sociology or other human service hours. All Employees must live within 70 miles of the duty site. Employees will be required to have a personal vehicle available with WTC reimbursement provided. Travel requirements depend upon position. Extensive training is provided. Flexible Schedules.

MH Register Nurse: Under the direct supervision and administration of the Director of Nursing. The nurse in the position performs responsible nursing duties in the assigned outpatient centers. The nurse is responsible for the care and treatment of individuals in accordance with the accepted nursing standards of West Texas Centers. Consultation and in-service training related to nursing duties are provided by the Direct Supervisor. Due to travel requirements, a personal automobile is required. Must be licensed in the state of Texas. \$24.12 hr \$1929.23 bi weekly and \$50,160 annually.

Administrative Tech works under the direction of the Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Program Director. This position is responsible for data entry/maintenance, distribution of Center mail, program support and general clerical duties as assigned. This position will work directly with professional staff and other clerical staff. Must be proficient in reading and writing. High school diploma or GED. Will be required to take word and excel test \$10.59 hr \$847.39 bi weekly \$22,032 annually. Applications available at 409 Runnels or www.wtcmhmr.org or by calling JOBLINE 800-687-2769.EOE

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker When to Break a General Rule

Most contract bridge players know that taking a finesse against the queen... But the advantage of taking the finesse is so slight that declarer should prefer the finesse whenever there are several possible suit combinations that make the matter play... In the previous draft, I made the later West lead the King of clubs... On this basis alone, the odds are that the later West lead is the correct one... The finesse is correct here because of the highly significant fact that West has a high probability of holding the Queen of clubs... West therefore has the advantage over East in this situation... On this basis alone, the odds are that the later West lead is the correct one... The finesse is correct here because of the highly significant fact that West has a high probability of holding the Queen of clubs... West therefore has the advantage over East in this situation... On this basis alone, the odds are that the later West lead is the correct one... 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Obama to extend college aid grants to some prison inmates

BY JENNIFER C. KERR

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some federal and state prisoners could begin receiving student aid to take college courses — while still behind bars — as early as the 2016-2017 school year.

Education Secretary Arne Duncan and Attorney General Loretta Lynch announced the pilot Pell grant program during a visit Friday to the Maryland Correctional Institution in Jessup, Maryland.

"America is a nation of second chances," Duncan said. "Giving people who have made mistakes in their lives a chance to get back on track and become contributing members of society is fundamental to who we are — it can also be a cost-saver for taxpayers."

The administration's new Second Chance Pell Pilot program would allow, on a temporary basis, federal grants to be used to cover college costs for prisoners for the first time since Congress excluded them from student aid in 1994. It would last three to five years and be open to prisoners who are eligible for release, particularly within the next five years.

Republicans were quick to criticize the program, saying it rewards people who break the law at the expense of hard-working Americans and that

the administration doesn't have authority to act without an OK from Congress.

GOP Rep. Chris Collins of New York introduced legislation to block Pell money from being used in the experimental program, saying it would "put the cost of a free college education for criminals on the backs of the taxpayers."

A Republican committee chairman, Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., said the idea may be worthwhile for some prisoners, "but the administration absolutely does not have the authority to do this without approval from Congress, because the Higher Education Act prohibits prisoners from receiving Pell Grants." Alexander, chairman of the Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions and an education secretary under President George H.W. Bush, said the administration should focus on existing job training and re-entry programs.

Undersecretary of Education Ted Mitchell says the ban is over 20 years old, and "we think that a lot has changed" since then. He said the pilot program would help provide data to see if the ban should still stay in place.

Mitchell stressed that program would "not compromise or displace any Pell grant eligibility for any other populations."

Supporters point to a

2013 Rand study that found incarcerated people who took part in prison education programs were 43 percent less likely to return to prison within three years than prisoners who didn't participate in any correctional education. For every dollar invested in correctional education programs, Rand estimates that four to five dollars are saved on three year re-incarceration costs.

Congress passed legislation in 1994 banning government student aid to prisoners in federal or state institutions. But the Education Department says it can set up the temporary pilot program because of the experimental sites section of the Higher Education Act of 1965. It gives federal officials flexibility to test the effectiveness of temporary changes to the way federal student aid is distributed.

The department was not able to provide any estimates on how many prisoners might participate in the pilot Pell program. Mitchell said the costs would be "modest" but he did not provide an estimate on how much the program might cost.

The federal Pell program provided grants ranging from \$582 to \$5,645 to over 8.6 million students in 2013-2014, according to the department.

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Judge leaves Katy Perry's bid to buy convent in limbo

BY ANTHONY McCARTNEY
AP Entertainment Writer
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Katy Perry's dream of owning a hilltop convent near Hollywood is going to have to wait a while longer.

The convent, which Perry has wanted to buy to be her personal residence for several years, is in the middle of a legal fight between a group of elderly nuns and the archbishop of Los Angeles over who has control of the sale and its proceeds.

At least two of the nuns don't want Perry to buy their former home and in June hastily sold the convent to a businesswoman with ambitions of turning it into a boutique hotel.

Superior Court Judge James C. Chalfant said Thursday that he believes the sale to entrepreneur Dana Hollister is invalid. Still, he blocked Perry and representatives of the archdiocese from visiting the convent until after the court case is resolved. That could take months, if not years, the judge said.

"You're not selling to Katy Perry anytime soon," the judge told lawyers for the archbishop.

Archbishop Jose H. Gomez wants to sell the convent to Perry, but the sale cannot go forward because Hollister has already registered a deed for the property.

The Roman villa-style convent sits on 8 acres in the Los Feliz neighborhood.

Perry's involvement as well as infighting between the nuns and archbishop packed the courtroom Thursday with journalists, concerned residents, Hollister and two of the nuns.

Chalfant's mixed ruling requires Hollister to pay \$25,000 a month to the nuns until a September hearing, when he will determine who should pay rent on the property while the court battle is waged.

An attorney for Perry, who performed her hit "Roar" at

this year's Super Bowl half-time show, said the singer would pay rent on the property.

With a pair of nuns watching in the audience, Chalfant said it appeared they had acted improperly when they sold the convent to Hollister in June.

"There is no doubt in my mind sale to defendant Hollister was improper and invalid," the judge said.

The Sisters of the Most Holy and Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary have owned the property for more than 40 years, but they haven't lived in the convent for several years. Only five sisters, ranging from 77 to 88, remain, and their order has bickered with the archbishop for years on various issues.

Chalfant said the case boiled down to control and ruled that the dispute should be governed by church, not civil laws. But at one point he chided the archbishop's lawyers over the church's treatment of the sisters.

"They don't need your help, so long as you let them have their own money," Chalfant said, drawing cheers from the audience.

Bernard Resser, an attorney for the sisters, said after the hearing that the judge seemed to recognize the nuns' concerns about their welfare.

"The Sisters of the Immaculate

Heart of Mary have shown great courage in maintaining their independence and have demonstrated they are self-sufficient and capable of conducting their own affairs," Resser wrote in a statement.

The archdiocese wrote in a statement that the wellbeing of the sisters is its primary concern, and it sued Hollister over the sued to protect their interests as well as the prop-

erty.

The property was bestowed to them by a devout Catholic who wanted the nuns to keep him in their prayers.

Before it was a convent, the property was a private residence, rarely photographed, and few people have ever seen it up close.

"It's really a beautiful, old Hollywood estate," said Adrian Glick Kudler, senior

editor of the real estate blog Curbed LA.

Perry, whose parents are protestant ministers, has agreed to pay \$14.5 million for the convent and to relocate an adjoining house of prayer used by priests. Hollister has agreed to pay \$10 million for the property and set aside \$5.5 million to relocate the prayer house.



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