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## Well cap kept shut despite possible seeping

By COLLEEN LONG AND HARRY WEBER  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The federal government Monday allowed BP to keep the cap shut tight on its ruptured Gulf of Mexico oil well for another day despite the possibility something is seeping from the sea floor near the well.

The Obama administration's point man for the spill, retired Coast Guard Adm. Thad Allen, said early Monday that the company promised to watch closely for signs of new leaks around the mile-deep well, which has stopped gushing oil into the water since the experimental cap was closed Thursday.

Late Sunday, Allen said something was detected seeping near the broken oil well and demanded in a sharply worded letter that BP step up monitoring of the ocean floor. Allen didn't say what was seeping. White

House energy adviser Carol Browner told the CBS "Early Show" the possible seepage was found less than two miles from the well site.

The concern all along — since pressure readings on the cap weren't as high as expected — was a leak elsewhere in the well bore, meaning the cap may have to be reopened to prevent the environmental disaster from becoming even worse and harder to fix. An underground leak could let oil and gas escape uncontrolled through bedrock and mud.

"When seeps are detected, you are directed to marshal resources, quickly investigate, and report findings to the government in no more than four hours. I direct you to provide me a written procedure for opening the choke valve as quickly as possible without damaging the well should hydrocarbon seepage near the well head be confirmed," Allen said in a letter to BP Managing Director Bob Dudley.

When asked about the possible seepage and the monitoring, BP spokesman Mark Salt only say that "we continue to work very closely with all government scientists on this."

Allen said BP could continue testing the cap, meaning keeping it shut, only if the company continues to meet their obligations to rigorously monitor for any signs that this test could worsen the overall situation.

Browner said Allen's extension

went until Monday afternoon.

*"Clearly we want this to end. But we don't want to enter into a situation where we have uncontrolled leaks all over the Gulf floor."*

CAROL BROWNER  
White House energy adviser

\$4 billion. The company said it has made payments totaling \$207 million

to settle individual claims for damages from the spill along the southern coast of the United States. Almost 116,000 claims have been submitted and more than 67,500 payments have been made, totaling \$207 million.

With the newly installed cap keeping oil from BP's fractured well out of the Gulf during a trial run, this weekend offered a chance for the oil company and government to gloat over their shared success — the first real victory in fighting the spill. Instead, the two sides have spent the past two days disagreeing over what to do with the undersea machinery holding back the gusher.

The apparent disagreement began to sprout Saturday when Allen said the cap would eventually be hooked up to a mile-long pipe to pump the crude to ships on the surface. But early the next day, BP chief operating officer Doug Suttles said the cap should stay clamped shut to keep in the oil until a permanent fix.

The company very much wants to avoid a repeat of millions of gallons of oil spewing from the blown well for weeks, watched live across the country on underwater video.

If the valves are kept closed, as BP wants, it's possible that no more oil will leak into the Gulf of Mexico. Work on a permanent plug is moving steadily, with crews drilling into the side of the ruptured well from deep underground. By next week, they could start blasting in mud and cement to block off the well for good.

But the government is worried that the cap on the well is causing oil and gas to leak out elsewhere, which could make the sea floor unstable and cause the well to collapse. That's why federal officials want to pump the crude to ships on the surface. That would require opening the well for a few days to relieve pressure before the pipes could be hooked up, letting millions more gallons of oil spill out in the interim.

## Gun permit allows quick access to capitol

By JAY ROOT  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Everyone from lobbyists to lawyers and journalists is rushing to get permits to carry guns inside the Texas Capitol, where legislators already often tote pistols in boots and purses or stow them away inside their desks.

A unique loophole in a new security procedure means a gun permit is like a special-access pass into the domed building, allowing people who are certified to carry a gun to bypass

lines at the metal detectors that were set up after a shooting incident earlier this year.

"Nobody wants to be the one standing in line behind three hundred kids wearing the same colored T-shirt," said University of Texas political scientist Jim Henson. "If you're trying to get in and out really quick and there's going to be choke points, well, people don't want to have to deal with that."

There's now a frenzy for folks to get trained and licensed to carry a firearm, especially before the legislative session begins in January. It's not required that

people have a gun to enter the Capitol through the express lane. Merely holding a valid permit, and presenting it at the entrance, will get them expedited entry.

"Everybody is doing it or is planning to do it," said lobbyist Bill Miller, who has taken the required training and is waiting for his license to arrive in the mail.

The metal detectors were installed at the Capitol's four public entrances in May, a few months after a man fired off a few rounds outside the doors of the main entrance. No one was harmed.

Republican Gov. Rick Perry, who is known to sometimes carry a .380 caliber pistol, vehemently objected to the metal detectors, saying he didn't want to see airport-like security logjams at a Capitol known for its open and freewheeling culture.

Texas law allows people to carry a weapon if they have a permit and as long as the gun is concealed. A separate lane for license-holders had to be created so gun-toters could enter without having to pull out their weapons — or conceal them — along with their wallets and keys.

## Guard troops to deploy to border states Aug. 1

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — National Guard troops will head to the U.S.-Mexico border Aug. 1 for a yearlong deployment to keep a lookout for illegal border crossers and smugglers and help in criminal investigations, federal officials said Monday.

The troops will be armed, but can use their weapons only to protect themselves, Gen. Craig McKinley, chief of the National Guard Bureau said at a Pentagon news conference. The troops will undergo initial training and be fully deployed along the nearly 2,000-mile southern border by September.

The deployment announcement comes as drug-related violence has escalated in Mexico. Several people were killed over the weekend in a car bombing and in a separate massacre at a private party in Mexico. It also comes as the U.S. debate over illegal immigration has intensified in this election year.

"The border is more secure and more resourced than it has ever been, but there is more to be done," said Alan Bersin, commissioner of Customs and Border Protection, part of the Homeland Security Department.

The 1,200 troops will be distributed among four border states, with Arizona getting 524; Texas, 250; California, 224 and New Mexico, 72. Another 130 would be assigned to a national liaison office.

Bersin also said the Homeland Security Department will provide six more aircraft, including helicopters, to the border. He said at least 300 Customs and Border Protection agents and inspection officers would be sent to the Tucson area, along with mobile surveillance vans and additional technology.

"It will help," Arizona Attorney

General Terry Goddard, said Monday in Santa Fe, N.M., where he was attending the annual meeting of the Conference of Western Attorneys General. "Manpower clearly has been deficient. Technology has been somewhat deficient and they're bolstering that."

But the governors of Texas and Arizona, both Republicans, complained last week that 1,200 troops are insufficient.

McKinley said even though the four border states are contributing 54,000 troops to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, they still have a sizable number of guard troops in the states for other deployments or disaster response. More can be deployed at state cost if governors wish, but the 1,200 are being paid for by the federal government, he said.

"Right now I cannot see a case where we would be overextending the National Guard for this effort," he said.

As part of the effort, Immigration and Customs Enforcement is beefing up its presence in Arizona, said John Morton, the Homeland Security Department assistant secretary overseeing the agency.

Morton said ICE is opening a new office in Ajo, Ariz., to focus exclusively on cross-border crime and to deploy a specialized investigative team in Douglas, where an Arizona rancher was murdered.

Also, the agency will send ICE lawyers to U.S. attorneys offices to help prosecute felons who illegally re-enter the country after deportation. It also will increase the number of ICE agents in Mexico to 40, making it ICE's largest office among 63 offices in 44 countries.

"We are placing a particular emphasis on the Tucson sector in Arizona, an area favored by smugglers and the principal point of illegal entry into the United States along the southwest border," Morton said.

### TEE TIME



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MARSHAL HERRON, AN employee of the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center, plays golf Monday as part of Youth Summer Sports Camp 2010. The camp, which held three sessions this summer, includes archery, rock climbing, team sports, cooperative games, swimming lessons and other aquatic activities. Campers range in age from 7 to 13.

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# Westwind Brass Band wraps up free summer concert series

By TRISTIN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

This summer the Westwinds Brass Band performed a series of seven "Concerts in the Park" in Lubbock on Sunday evenings in June and July.

Sunday evening the band performed its final summer concert at Wagner Park. Those who attended had the opportunity to watch a free concert and bring blankets or lawn chairs and enjoy a summer evening listening to the brass band.

Charlotte Wheat and her husband, A.W. Wheat, said they have been coming to the concert for three years and have really enjoyed it.

"We just love to come, watch the people, and we always have a very nice and relaxing evening," Charlotte said. "Families come together, and some even bring picnics with them."

She said her and her husband are both former members of the band and have enjoyed listening to the music together on summer evenings.

"It's really neat," Charlotte said with a smile, "and it reminds me of an easier time

when I used to play outside in the summertime when I was a little girl."

John Geist attended the final concert Sunday with his family and said he has been going for over 20 years.

"My parents used to take me when I was younger," Geist said, "and now I am taking my family.

Geist said what keeps him coming back is the atmosphere that the Westwinds Brass Band brings to the parks in the evenings. He said the concerts provide for a nostalgic summer evening and a nice event at which to spend time with family.

"It really just feels like summer to me coming here and listening to the band play," Geist said. "It's nice to just relax here before starting the week."

Greg Burnes, who plays the trombone, has been playing for the band since the 1970s. He said playing for the band is one of his favorite pastimes.

"It's really fun hanging out with the other members because we all love music and have fun playing," Burnes said.

He said it is fun meeting

other people from the community who share the same interest in music. He said this has been a really good summer, and he is looking forward to next year.

Phil Anthony has been the director for the Westwinds Brass Band for 14 years and a band conductor for the past 27 years. He said the people and the fun times are what make him love the job.

"Everyone here just enjoys playing music and learning new and challenging songs together," Anthony said. "We always have a great time, and it's really fun all around."

The concerts are really nice because the neighborhoods around the area come out and really support us, and it also brings the community together, Anthony said.

He also said they have had a great turnout this year, and hope to keep seeing more people from the Lubbock community each year.

"It is just a wonderful experience to come out to the park on summer evenings and listen to the music," Anthony said, "and we are looking forward to playing again next summer."

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PHOTO BY TRISTIN WALKER/The Daily Toreador

PHIL ANTHONY, DIRECTOR of the Westwinds Brass Band for the past 14 years, leads the band during its last summer performance Sunday at Wagner Park in Tech Terrace.

## Breakthrough gel helps AIDS prevention

For the first time, a vaginal gel has proved capable of blocking the AIDS virus: It cut in half a woman's chances of getting HIV from an infected partner in a study in South Africa. Scientists called it a breakthrough in the long quest for a tool to help women whose

partners won't use condoms.

The results need to be confirmed in another study, and that level of protection may not be enough to win approval of the microbicide gel in countries like the United States, researchers say. But they are optimistic it can be

improved.

"It's the first time we've ever seen any microbicide give a positive result" that scientists agree is true evidence of protection, said Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

The gel, spiked with the AIDS drug tenofovir, cut the risk of HIV infection by 50 percent after one year of use and 39 percent after 2 1/2 years, compared to a gel that contained no medicine.

To be licensed in the U.S., a gel or cream to prevent HIV infection may need to be at least 80 percent effective, Fauci said. That might be achieved by adding more tenofovir or getting women to use it more consistently. In the study, women used the gel only 60 percent of the time; those who used it more often had higher rates of protection.

The gel also cut in half the chances of getting HSV-2, the herpes virus that causes genital warts.

Even partial protection is a huge victory that could be a boon not just in poor countries but for couples anywhere when one partner has HIV and the other does not, said Dr. Salim Abdool Karim, the South African researcher who led the study. In the U.S., nearly a third of new infections each year are among heterosexuals, he noted.

He will present results of the study Tuesday at the International AIDS Conference in Vienna. The research was published online Monday by the journal Science.

"We now have a product that potentially can alter the epidemic trends ... and save millions of lives," said Dr. Quarraisha Abdool Karim, the lead researcher's wife and associate director of the South African program that led the testing.

Mitchell Warren, head of the AIDS Vaccine Advocacy Coalition, a nonprofit group that works on HIV prevention tools, said the study shows a preventive gel is possible.

"We can now say with great certainty that the concept has been proved. And that in itself is a day for celebration," he said.

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By Fred Piscop      7/20/10

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# Barefoot Bandit, mom could seek profit

SEATTLE (AP)—The tale of the Barefoot Bandit is Hollywood-ready, with its barely schooled, shoeless scamp dodging police as he allegedly stole planes and cars in a cross-country dash before he was nabbed in a high-speed boat chase in the Bahamas.

A well-known entertainment lawyer hired by Colton Harris-Moore's mother says he is being swamped by unsolicited offers for book and movie deals, and no law would prohibit the 19-year-old or his mom from getting

rich off his tale.

But hardball-playing prosecutors could seek to have them agree to turn over any profits from such deals in exchange for Harris-Moore avoiding a long prison sentence. The government could use the money to repay his alleged victims.

"Most victims in this case would not look kindly on either the defendant or his family getting rich," said Mark Bartlett, former first assistant U.S. attorney in Seattle. "It would be

very difficult for him to make a pitch for leniency without a clean and total disgorgement of profits he or his family members are making."

Harris-Moore was arrested in the Bahamas a week after he reportedly crash-landed there in a plane stolen July 4 from an Indiana airport. He made initial court appearances in Florida last week and is being returned to Seattle, where he faces a federal charge in the crash-landing of a plane stolen from Idaho last year.

The self-taught pilot is suspected of more than 70 crimes across nine states since he walked away from a halfway house in April 2008, many of them in Washington's bucolic islands. Some prosecutors and a defense attorney who was asked to represent him have expressed interest in negotiating a "global" plea deal to resolve all or most of the allegations.

The U.S. Attorney's Office has declined to comment on how the prosecution will proceed, except to

say it is reviewing crimes attributed to Harris-Moore to see which might be prosecuted in federal court. Police suspect Harris-Moore took stolen cars, a boat and planes across state lines, and interstate transportation of stolen property is a federal offense with a 10-year maximum sentence.

John Henry Browne, a Seattle lawyer who has been asked to represent Harris-Moore, did not return calls and e-mails seeking comment.

A global plea deal would be more

efficient than prosecuting him in one jurisdiction after another, but it isn't clear that would satisfy the local, elected prosecutors who have dealt with Harris-Moore the longest.

"I never say never, but my preference is that he answer for Island County charges in Island County court," said Island County Prosecutor Greg Banks, whose jurisdiction includes Harris-Moore's hometown of Camano Island. "He's got a lot to answer for."

## Dallas area mayor who killed self, daughter was facing financial troubles

COPPELL, Texas (AP) — A Dallas area mayor who authorities believe killed herself and her daughter left a note saying the two were still grieving over the 2008 death of their husband and father from cancer, police said Friday.

"My sweet, sweet Corinne had grown completely inconsolable. She had learned to hide her feelings from her friends. But the two of us were lost, alone and afraid. Corinne just kept on asking, 'Why won't God let me die?' We hadn't slept at all and neither one of us could stop crying when we were together," read a typed note that police found in the kitchen.

The note, which also gave instructions on how to care for the family's two dogs and four cats, was among four that police found Tuesday when they discovered the bodies of Coppel Mayor Jayne Peters, 55, and her 19-year-old daughter, Corinne.

Both women had been shot in the head. The Dallas County Medical Examiners Office has ruled the elder Peters' death a suicide and the

daughter's death a homicide.

Police arrived at the home after the usually prompt mayor failed to show up for a city meeting. They found an envelope taped to the door containing a house key and typed note that said: "To our first responders, Here is the key for the front door. I am so very sorry for what you're about to discover. Please forgive me. Jayne."

Another typed note left in the kitchen listed contact numbers of family members. It also said, "Please, please, please, no funeral, no memorial — just cremate us both." A handwritten note on the door of the

bathroom where the mayor's body was found was signed by her and said not to resuscitate.

Along with her grief, recent evidence also revealed that the mayor had financial troubles.

At a Friday afternoon funeral service for the two, Peters' pastor said the mayor tried to hide her financial problems from her daughter after the death of her husband.

"Jayne was a deeply troubled and, finally, desperate soul," Rev. Dennis Wilkinson said during the service at First United Methodist Church in Coppell, adding that his comments had been approved by the family.

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## Darker motives lurk behind global warming initiative

By THOMAS LOTT

Last week, I had to watch another video on global warming. I am sick and tired of these videos not because I do not believe what they are saying, but because of what they are asking us to do.

I have no idea whether global warming is true — I am not a scientist who has researched the subject and made predictions on how warming could affect our planet, but I am very good at seeing true motives behind a person's ideals. I see these motives and they infuriate me.

What I constantly hear is that if global warming is not stopped it could change our world for the worse. I always hear that we need to slow the emission of carbon dioxide and do so as soon as possible.

If I have heard right, what these scientists are requesting we do is stop the use of fossil fuels for our cars and homes and cease the production of concrete. The last one may sound ridiculous because there always seems to be a need for concrete, but apparently the production of concrete is one of

the primary factors for the emissions they are talking about.

So let's look at the more practical side of the requests they are making. They want us to stop using fossil fuels because they are running out. Well, if you want to stop using something, you must have something to replace it.

They want to replace fossil fuels with hybrid cars, which are more "efficient" with gas, and eventually move to electric cars altogether.

What they do not tell you is that, although hybrid cars do get better gas mileage, owners of hybrid cars drive them more than they would a gas-powered car. That is kind of funny to me. In actuality, the increased use of these cars is worse for the environment.

Secondly, they want us to move away from coal as our primary source of electrical energy. They want us to use wind energy instead. What they do not tell you about this is wind energy is not nearly as efficient as energy from coal and cannot be stored. Also, wind energy requires a lot of wind — something that is not in place at all times — in order to be efficient.

Finally, they want us to stop producing so much concrete. As

the population continues to grow, however, more and more construction will be necessary. In our society, concrete is what helps us meet that demand.

I look at these three things and laugh. The underlying fact behind all of these requests is that each of them will cost a lot more money.

The reason we use gasoline is because it is cheap and easily accessible. Now they will try and say we are running out of it and our dependence on foreign oil is horrible for our country. Well, we would not be dependent on foreign oil if we could drill off the Atlantic and Pacific coastlines or drill closer to the shore in the gulf.

The reason we use coal is because it is cheap and efficient. If we move away from it and toward wind energy, we will be asked to spend a lot more money in the short run and have less efficient energy.

They want us to build less apartment buildings, office buildings and roads. But I look at this request and I only see one reason to build less of any of these; they want us to have less people so we do not need the roads or apartment buildings.

This dilemma reminds me of China. Do we really want to have

a cap and trade bill on children? We complain to China about theirs and I would not be surprised if it were being considered for the United States.

One other thing I have to laugh at behind all of this is something very simple. People have been drinking the global warming kool-aid for years now. These people will not listen to other people's arguments about why it is wrong or that it might not be as fast as some believe it to be.

But did anyone else notice it is not even called global warming anymore? That is right, they have moved to using the phrase "Climate Change" because people started to realize the earth was not warming, or at least not as fast as they first believed.

Climate Change is beginning to be blamed for everything and environmentalists are using it to press forth their agenda. But what they are really trying to do is take power away from the corporations and make people spend more on energy.

And who must pay the bill when this happens?

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## Drug War

BY JACOB FULLER  
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And God said, "See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food." — Genesis 1:29

There were 847,864 cannabis (marijuana) arrests in the U.S. in 2008, almost triple the number arrested in 1991.

In the past decade, more than 6.5 million cannabis arrests have been made in the U.S. — about the equivalent of the populations of Mississippi, New Mexico and Wyoming combined. About 89 percent of those arrests were for simple possession only.

That means a cannabis smoker is arrested every 38 seconds in the U.S.

At the end of 2009, there were more than 1.6 million Americans in state or federal prison. That is a population larger than that of 12 states and the District of Columbia.

The majority were serving time for drug-related offenses.

Make no mistake: this is prohibition. The money, man power, prison cells and multiyear terms spent to enforce this prohibition grandly dwarf the alcohol prohibition of the 1920s and early 1930s, and they didn't even bother changing the Constitution this time.

But just like that prohibition, there is money to be made in illegal drugs, and those making the most money have bank accounts and laundry lists of violent crimes that would make Al Capone look like Mother Teresa.

These people know if illegal drugs (cannabis most of all) are legalized, their fortune and power will be taken from them. So, like Capone, they have no interest in seeing their product legalized. When millions of people demand an illegal product, the person who is willing to do anything to anyone to make a dollar is who will gain the most.

As we should have learned almost 80 years ago, prohibition only creates more violent crime and empowers evil men.

Alas, they are not the only ones that stand to lose. If illegal drugs were legalized in this country, prisons would empty and the majority of police and prison guards on force would have little to nothing to do with their day.

For you see, marijuana arrests far exceed the number of arrests for manslaughter, murder, forcible rape, robbery and aggravated assault combined.

Thousands of jobs would be lost in the government as well as in the drug dealing business that supports many Americans.

Richard Nixon created the DEA in 1973 and our nation has never been the same. The American government's war on drugs and its own people began.

Are Nixon's ideals really those of our America today? Is the opinion of the most shamed president in our nation's history more valuable than those of tens of millions of Americans today?

It is time we stood and let our voices be heard, America.