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Public invited to say firewell to Dr Lance Stout

LSU 480 staff would like to invite the district and the community to join in saying farewell to Superintendent Dr Lance Stout.

There will be a come-and-go reception from 2 to 4 pm Thursday May 23, at the Liberal Middle School gym located at 600 N. Grant.

There will be refreshments and snacks provided.

STOUT

THURSDAY, MAY 23

City will has trees for sale through its tree program

The City of Liberal is offering trees for sale through its tree program. Contact Liberal Recreation Department at 624-0119 or applications can ot filed, picked up at 1109 N. Seward St.

TREES AVAILABLE

Make plans to attend LHS Class of 2013 Baccalaureate

Liberal Ministerial Alliance will be conducting Baccalaureate services for graduating seniors at 7 pm Wednesday May 22 at the Liberal Auditorium. The Reddick Singers will be featured, and there will be seniors presenting a skit.

As an aid, There will be a drawing of senior prizes along with their baby pics school pictures, as well as presenting each senior a gift.

WEDNESDAY

College to switch to Summer hours of operation Monday

Seward County Community College/Area Technical School will begin summer hours Monday. Summer hours for cosmetology classes will 8 am to 6 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and 11 am. to 6 p.m. Thursday.

Wellness Center summer hours are 6 am to 6 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and 11 am. to 6 p.m. Thursday. The center is closed Saturday and Sunday in the summer.

SUMMER HOURS

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Chrome skies

Looking at the reflections in a chrome bumper gives a different perspective of the action at the Yellow Brick Road Car Show Saturday in the Village Plaza in Liberal. For more photos of the event, see PAGE 1A. | | photo Chris Lindstrom

City approves police purchases

By ROBERT PIERCE
Leader & Times

Tuesday, Liberal city commissioners approved many than $100,000 in purchases for law enforcement for the community's police department.

Chief Jim Stone's $100,000 of that was spent on buying nine bulletproof vests for local police officers. Capt. Jeff Anderson said the vests' manufacturer recommends that specific equipment be replaced every five years.

"I have several that are expiring, the year of officers that are expiring and I have a lot of officers here for officers that are doing to graduate the academy here in about a month," he said.

Anderson said the Liberal Police Department applies for a Bullet Proof Vest Partnership Grant through the U.S. Department of Justice, which reliends half the cost of the bulletproof vests.

"The LPD also has never matched money at most spend, so here before," he said.

"We were actually over $6,[illegible] grace for a total purchase price of $[illegible]," he said. "We will be entitled to the concern of sending on the 2014 partnership grant so we speak. I think the application

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Holder to face tough questioning at House hearing

By PETE YEAGER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Attorney General Eric Holder is facing what is likely to be aggressive questioning by Republicans on the House Judiciary Committee on topics ranging from the Justice Department's gathering of phone records of The Associated Press and the agency's handling of the probe before the Boston Marathon bombings.

The deadly chairman, Rep. Bob Goodlatte, R-Va., has been vocal and concerned about the targeting of conservative groups by the Internal Revenue Service and has called for a focus of an investigation by Holder's Justice Department. The hearing was to be Wednesday morning.

At a news conference Tuesday, Holder defended the subpoenas to the Associated Press and Fox News and was investigating the IRS for giving tax-exempt status to conservative groups while scrutiny was heavier for liberal groups.

Documents obtained by the AP suggest the targeting of conservative groups could be more widespread than the IRS has acknowledged. The agency has said it was limited to Cincinnati workers in a Cincinnati office.

Holder said he believes that Justice Department has only "conscientiously reports that the IRS targeted conservative groups for tax-exemption scrutiny leading to election year Goodlatte said.

Regarding the subpoenaing of AP records, Holder said he would be "sensitive" to the concerns and answer pointed questions about the Justice Department decision to obtain two months of phone records of journalists and editors for The Associated Press.

"We want to make the American people expect openness and accountability," Holder said.

Holder defended the move to collect AP phone records as an effort to bring down the sources of information for a leak of a CIA operation in Yemen ahead of a 2012 anniversary of Sunday 9/11 attacks. Sending plot around Holder's Justice Department has been Lanny Breuer, the criminal

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Attorney General Eric Holder is questioned Tuesday about the Justice Department secretly obtaining two months of telephone records of reporters and editors for The Associated Press, during a news conference at Justice Department headquarters. The Justice Department secretly obtained what it "sensitive and unprecedented intrusion," the Justice Department monitored outgoing calls for the work and personal phone lines of journalists and editors at the news agency's offices in New York, Washington and Hartford, Conn., and for the main number for the AP in the House of Representatives press gallery, according to attorneys for the AP.

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