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In the news

■ **De'Mario Fisher** of Nashville, Tenn., the last person still at large after a Sept. 2 breakout from the Woodland Hills Youth Development Center in Nashville, has been added to the state's Top Ten Most Wanted list.

■ **Mohammed Soltan**, 26, an Egyptian-American prisoner who has been on a hunger strike for more than eight months, was transferred to an intensive care unit in Cairo after his health deteriorated dramatically, Amnesty International said, calling for his immediate release.

■ **Kelli Rai Stapleton**, 46, the mother of an autistic Michigan teenager, was sentenced to 10-22 years in prison for first-degree child abuse in what she described as a failed murder-suicide attempt brought on by despair after years of violent attacks by the child and failure to find affordable and effective treatment.

■ **Perry Mason**, a 46-year-old Vermont man who shares a name with the fictional criminal-defense lawyer played by actor Raymond Burr, faces burglary charges on accusations that he broke into a jewelry store and stole \$110,000 worth of handmade items.

■ **Ingrid Karner**, an Austrian yoga instructor, said her yoga class for children at a school in the southeastern village of Dechantskirchen was dropped after a complaint from a parent "that it's not allowed, according to the Bible."

■ **Alec Eugene Taylor**, a former Baltimore police officer who pleaded guilty to aggravated animal cruelty after beating his girlfriend's puppy with a mop and texting her a photo of the dead dog, was sentenced to a year in prison.

■ **DeShawn Currie**, a black North Carolina teen, was pepper-sprayed inside the home of his white foster parents after he "became profane, threatening and belligerent" when police responded to a neighbor's report of a break-in and noted that Currie was not included in family photos on a mantle, officers said.

■ **Brittany Maynard**, a 29-year-old woman with brain cancer who plans to take her own life next month under Oregon's Death with Dignity Act, is using her final days to push for expanded right-to-die laws for terminally ill patients.

■ **Bernard Schermerhorn**, 73, sent a \$200 check and an apology to *The Ledger* newspaper in Lakeland, Fla., because he said he felt guilty about some high school hijinks more than 50 years ago, when he and a friend stole several newspaper racks.



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Yell County Juvenile Detention Center staff members demonstrate The Wrap restraint system on Scott Tanner, the state's juvenile-justice ombudsman, in this undated photo. The center used the device and a duct tape-covered motorcycle helmet to restrain disruptive youths until the Youth Services Division learned of it and demanded an end to the practice. Photo obtained through the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act.

Youth unit told to scrap restraint, taped helmet

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The state Youth Services Division has directed the Yell County Juvenile Detention Center to stop restraining children in a manner that the state says is "potentially dangerous" and "exposes the youth to ridicule and humiliation," according to records obtained Wednesday.

In addition to using a restraint device that handcuffed children and immobilized their legs, staff members at the juvenile detention center in Danville placed a motorcycle helmet covered in duct tape over the youths' heads. The duct tape bore a hand-drawn, cartoonish face and covered the helmet's face shield, placing the restrained

person in near total darkness. Youths restrained in this manner were forced to stay in a sitting position with their hands behind their backs for two hours at a time and up to four hours with a "brief break," according to a letter from Youth Services Division Director Tracy Steele that tells the juvenile detention

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Ebola patient dies; guard up at 5 airports

Screening for temperature new on day of Dallas death

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WASHINGTON — On the day of the death of the first Ebola patient diagnosed in the U.S., the government said it will begin taking the temperatures of travelers from West Africa arriving at five U.S. airports as part of a stepped-up response to the Ebola epidemic.

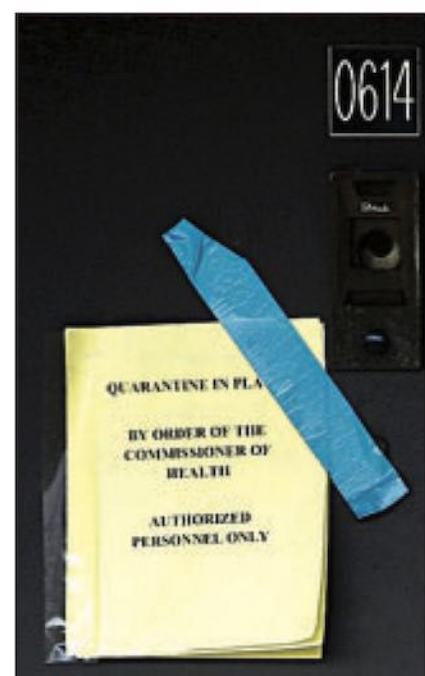
President Barack Obama said the effort would provide another tier of protection at key U.S. points of entry.

"These measures are really just belt-and-suspenders — it's an added layer of protection on top of the procedures already in place at several airports," Obama told state and local officials in a teleconference call Wednesday.

However, the focus is still on stopping the epidemic in West Africa, the director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Thomas Frieden, said in Atlanta.

"As long as Ebola continues to spread in Africa, we can't make the risk zero here," he said.

At the White House, spokesman Josh Earnest said the additional layer of airport screening would begin at New York's JFK International; Newark Liberty International in New Jersey; Washington Dulles International outside Washington,



AP/TONY GUTIERREZ

The door of the apartment where Ebola victim Thomas Eric Duncan stayed in Dallas carries a quarantine warning Wednesday.

OVER PROTESTS, dog of infected nurse euthanized. Page 6A.

D.C.; O'Hare International in Chicago; and Hartsfield-Jackson International in Atlanta. Earnest said the new steps would include taking temperatures and would begin Saturday at JFK.

Frieden said temperatures would be taken with a device that would avoid direct contact with the travelers.

Obama said the new measures also will include more screening questions for passengers arriving from the

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State to seek grant for own exchanges

Cash would help shift from U.S. plans

ANDY DAVIS
ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT-GAZETTE

The Arkansas Health Insurance Marketplace will apply for a federal grant of almost \$127 million spread over three years to establish individual and small-business health insurance exchanges that would replace exchanges set up for the state by the federal government.

Smith, said she would likely submit it to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services today. The grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services would provide the marketplace agency with up to \$40.6 million next year, \$72.9 million in 2016 and \$13 million in 2017 to establish the exchanges and operate them for one year.

After the first year of operation, the exchanges would

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March for the missing



AP/EDUARDO VERDUGO

Teachers and activists block a highway in Mexico's Guerrero state capital Wednesday during a protest demanding answers in the disappearance of 43 college students after a disturbance in the city of Iguala in which six people were killed in a police attack. Some protesters said the police were working with organized-crime elements.

AT&T put on hook for \$105M

Unlawful billing at center of case

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WASHINGTON — AT&T's wireless business will pay \$105 million in penalties and refunds for unauthorized billing of its customers' cellphone accounts for services including horoscopes and ring tones, federal and state regulators announced Wednesday.

AT&T, the second-largest U.S. wireless carrier, unlawfully billed customers for charges originated by other companies for subscriptions to the services, a practice known as mobile cramming, the Federal Trade Commission said in Wednesday's statement.

The FTC said \$80 million of the settlement will be used to refund customers billed for the unauthorized charges. AT&T will pay \$20 million in penalties and fees to 50 states and the District of Columbia, and a \$5 million penalty to the Federal Communications Commission for the practices.

"This settlement will put tens of millions of dollars back in the pockets of consumers harmed by AT&T's cramming of its mobile customers," FTC Chairman Edith Ramirez said.

The settlement was filed Wednesday in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia.

"This settlement is a victory for the Arkansas consumers who have unwittingly

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Clinton, Holder extol policing program to mayors

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Citizens must start getting to know their neighbors despite physical, political or religious differences if they want to prevent events like what happened in Ferguson, Mo., former President Bill Clinton told a gathering of the nation's mayors and police chiefs Wednesday in Little Rock.

The Community Oriented Policing Services Program, or COPS, which Clinton signed into legislation 20 years ago this month, is a model example of how that get-to-know-each-other philosophy works, he said. The program, which added 100,000 officers across the country at the time, aims for police to interact with and build trust among residents in the communities they patrol.

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Former President Bill Clinton acknowledges U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder during a meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors at the Clinton Presidential Center in Little Rock on Wednesday.

WEATHER

LITTLE ROCK
Today Partly sunny, patchy morning fog.
High 88, light southwest winds.
Tonight A chance of showers late.
Low 67.



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