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Mattox: Homes skimping on some patient services

AUSTIN (AP) — Attorney General Jim Mattox said Tuesday an investigation of more than 20 community homes for the mentally retarded shows that some homes are receiving money for certain patient services that are not being provided.

"I don't want to make a blanket statement about it, but overall we have not found that the additional care for which they are receiving the money is actually being provided," Mattox said.

Mattox declined to comment, however, on whether he would seek criminal charges or civil sanctions against so-called six-bed homes.

Stories about the investigation by Mattox's office were published earlier this month, and he discussed it in general terms Tuesday with reporters and the Special Task Force on the Future of Long Term Health Care.

Mattox said the investigation has focused on a program used by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation to buy community services for hundreds of mentally retarded people moved from state institutions in response to federal court orders.

This year there is more than \$40 million in the state Prospective Payment Program for relocating patients.

Mattox said his office wants to know if operators of the community homes are accepting MHMR money and Medicaid money, which goes to the poor and disabled. He said of 1,800 people in the community homes, 400 are receiving equal amounts of money from Medicaid and MHMR.

He said if the operators are getting the additional money and not providing additional services, they are violating the law.

"We're trying to find out how serious the problem is," Mattox said.

He said his office wants MHMR and the Department of Human Services, which allocates Medicaid money, "to correct the problem. Then, if we find there are criminal violations, we will look at that. If there are civil violations, we will look at that."

Mattox said he was concerned that if the state is found not to be in compliance with federal Medicaid guidelines, the state would be required to reimburse the federal government or make operators of the community facilities return money "not justifiably earned."

"I'm not interested in doing away with (the program), but at the same time I don't want the state to end up holding a big ticket on this thing either," Mattox said.

The attorney general submitted several recommendations on increasing Medicaid reimbursement rates for home patients and raising the come cap for patients to qualify for Medicaid.

He said income restrictions prevent some patients from receiving Medicaid, but the patients are not able to pay for their own care.

He suggested additional training with higher salaries, for nurses and aides who work in nursing homes, as well as additional funds for the health department to investigate sanction homes that refuse to comply with standards.

Mattox said the state should pile up-to-date statistics on the homes, because the lack of reliable data "remains a significant stumbling block to building the long-term care system of the future."

Also in connection with the homes, he said, "I think it is important that we revive a spirit of volunteerism in this state. This state is founded by people that not only volunteered their time but free neighbors and to establish a government."

Court: Father can't regain search fees

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — A woman who illegally hid her son from her former husband shouldn't have to pay back most of the money the man said he spent in looking for their child, the Washington State Court of Appeals has ruled.

In August 1984, Suzanne Westfall Vinyard fled the state and hid the child. A warrant was issued for her arrest after the abduction.

She and her son, Stephen, were located in Kerrville, Texas, when someone recognized the child's picture on a Texas grocery-store poster offering a \$5,000 reward.

The appeals court said more than half the \$76,021.98 in restitution approved by a trial court was not "causally related" to Mrs. Vinyard's taking of her youngest child from her former husband's custody.

In the 15 months before the child was finally located in Kerrville, Texas, the husband hired private investigators, had photographs and posters printed and contacted several agencies specializing in locating missing or parentally abducted children.

He also traveled around the country in search of Stephen and publicized his plight.

After their discovery in Texas, Mrs. Vinyard and her son were brought back to Washington state. Mrs. Vinyard pleaded guilty in Klickitat County Superior Court to second-degree custodial interference.

At a restitution hearing, the former husband submitted expenses totaling \$76,021.98 in searching for his child, including a \$41,500 bill from the Davidson Agency, which helped in the search.

The appeals court, in reversing the restitution, said Tuesday that some of the expenses — such as psychological counseling for the child — did not result from Mrs. Vinyard's crime, and thus should not be allowed.

Likewise, the \$41,500 to the Davidson Agency was not an "incurred" expense because the husband wasn't legally bound to pay that bill, the appeals court said.

In Advance

Guitarist brings rock 'n' roll to CS

By Shane Hall
Reporter

Texas rock 'n' roll will be on tap in College Station tonight as roots rocker Joe Ely performs at Eastgate Live. The Austin-based singer/guitarist is touring in support of his critically acclaimed album "Lord of the Highway."

Ely, a Lubbock native, has a musical career extending as far back as 1972 when he recorded his first record as a member of a country band called the Flatlanders. In the mid-1970s, he moved to Austin and eventually was signed to MCA Records. Over the next seven years, Ely recorded six albums for MCA. His fifth release for the company, 1981's "Musta Notta Gotta Lotta," was included in Time magazine's list of the year's 10 best pop records.

Ely also has a reputation as a dynamic live performer. He has been an opening act for bands such as the Clash, the Rolling

Stones and Tom Petty and Heartbreakers. He also toured as a solo performer.

"Lord of the Highway," released by the independent Hightone Records, is Ely's first album since 1984. It combines roots-oriented rock 'n' roll with the honky-tonk country Ely performed in his early days.

And 1987 has proven to be especially good year for Joe Ely. At the Austin Music Awards on March 11, he won five awards, including musician of the year and best male vocalist. In addition, "Lord of the Highway" was named best Texas album and the Joe Ely Band received the award for best rock band. Ely also received award for best producer. He produced albums for Will Saund and the Kill and for Jimmie Gilmore.

The doors at Eastgate Live open about 8 p.m. The charge for the show is \$7.

AIDS patients get OK to join in Easter service

HOUSTON (AP) — A Second Baptist Church People spokesman said AIDS patients who do not have other illnesses that can be spread through breath or casual contact are welcome to attend Easter services.

Church spokesman Duncan Dodds' remarks Monday were in response to gay activist Ray Hill's plan to bring a group of AIDS patients to the church Sunday to protest the dismissal of an AIDS-infected French horn player from a church orchestra that performed in the Palm Sunday program.

Dodds said music conductor Gary Moore dismissed the horn player because he believed the musician had contagious tuberculosis.

It was not until later, when other musicians began walking out in support of the musician, that Moore

learned the man has AIDS, he added.

Associates of the horn player suffers from AIDS and a contagious form of TB that can be spread to other AIDS patients.

Dodds said concern remains about some people with weakened immune systems might be vulnerable to the disease. Dodds said 30 union musicians, the 30th anniversary of the church, planned the past Sunday took place.

Although the church does not endorse the gay lifestyle, AIDS patient who is not contagious is "welcome to come and be a part of our church," he said.

They may sit anywhere in the congregation, Dodds added, noting that the church has members with AIDS.

County jail records body marks as part of inmate's computer file

DALLAS (AP) — All the butterfly tattoos, appendix scars, fruit-shaped birthmarks and any other unique identifiable marking on people booked into county jail soon will become part of the inmate's computerized record. The features, sheriff's officials say, could become as commonplace as fingerprints in solving crimes.

County authorities plan to record every permanent body mark "due to an act of themselves, or an act of nature or God" that crosses the threshold of the jail on the body of a criminal defendant, said Lt. D.A. "Kirk" Kuykendall of the sheriff's Criminal Intelligence Division. Sheriff's deputies will then systematically catalog the information in a computer for retrieval by unique feature.

"We're looking for personal descriptors: What makes this individual stand out? If you saw this individual, what would you remember? If this person turned up as a missing body or the suspect in an assault, what would identify him?" Deputy Marsha Gibson said, who is training

detention officers what to look for — including surgical and burn scars, permanent needle tracks, gold or diamond-studded teeth, missing limbs and cauliflower ears.

The developers of what may be an unprecedented sleuthing tool are banking on their experience that crime witnesses and victims recall the unusual characteristics of suspects.

"From my personal experience," Kuykendall said, "a lot of times they can't give you a good physical description of the person. But they can tell you about identifying features."

For instance, he said, a robbery victim who looked down the barrel of his attacker's gun might not be able to offer a description of the suspect's face, or estimate his height or weight. But a scar near the suspect's trigger finger might stick in the victim's mind.

"They'll zero in on it," Kuykendall said.

"Or," he said, "they might be staring directly in a person's face. They won't notice how tall or how wide he

is, but they will remember that drop tattoo too. . . . It's just a matter of nature."

Had such a suspect been in the computer, Kuykendall said, "that would give (investigative) an avenue to explore. It may not be positive identification, but it would give them an avenue to explore."

The "tattoo file," as Sheriff Bowles describes it, may be particularly useful in tracking child molesters and abductors, because witnesses of such crimes are often children.

For example, when 3-year-old Roxann Reyes was abducted from her Garland neighborhood last November, a 5-year-old plaintiff offered authorities a description of the suspect, including the detail that he had one lazy eye. "That was something we would try to look on," Kuykendall said.

"If we can help one agent an offense," he said, "that's all about."