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## SEVERE WEATHER

### Advances in forecasting, alerts credited with saving lives



Wendi Gorney (left) greets Eunice Hausler in the remains of Hausler's New Minden, Ill., home on Monday. Dozens of tornadoes and intense thunderstorms swept across the U.S. Midwest on Sunday, killing eight people and flattening neighborhoods. ROBERT COHEN/ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

## FAST AND FURIOUS

### Suit over death of agent is dismissed

Family claimed feds' negligence led to fatal 2010 border shooting

By Dennis Wagner  
 The Republic | azcentral.com

A federal judge in Phoenix has dismissed a negligence lawsuit filed against the government by the parents of Brian Terry, the U.S. Border Patrol agent who was slain with a weapon from the botched Arizona gun-running investigation known as Operation Fast and Furious.

In a ruling Friday, U.S. District Judge David Campbell decided that, even if allegations in the civil complaint that federal agents were negligent and acted in violation of policies and procedures are true, the lawsuit aimed at the U.S. government and seven federal employees is barred by law.



Border Patrol Agent Brian Terry died in a shootout with bandits.

The Terry family's attorney said an appeal is likely.

Kent Terry Sr. and his wife, Josephine, filed the \$25 million lawsuit after their son was slain in a December 2010 shootout with border bandits near Rio Rico. Investigators discovered that the assailants were armed with assault-style weapons that had been purchased in a Glendale gun store monitored by agents of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

The Justice Department had launched Fast and Furious in an attempt to identify and pro-

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# EARLY WARNINGS ALLOWED MANY TO FLEE STORMS' PATH

By David Mercer and Don Babwin  
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Ill. — When a cluster of violent thunderstorms began marching across the Midwest, forecasters were able to draw a bright line on a map showing where the worst of the weather would go.

Their uncannily accurate predictions — combined with television and radio warnings, text-message alerts and storm

sirens — almost certainly saved lives as rare late-season tornadoes dropped out of a dark autumn sky. Although the storms howled through 12 states and flattened entire neighborhoods within a matter of minutes, the number of dead stood at eight.

By Monday, another, more prosaic reason for the relatively low death toll also came to light: In the hardest-hit town, most families were in church.

"I don't think we had one

church damaged," said Gary Manier, mayor of Washington, Ill., a community of 16,000 about 140 miles southwest of Chicago.

The tornado cut a path about an eighth of a mile wide from one side of Washington to the other and damaged or destroyed as many as 500 homes. The heavy weather also battered parts of Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, Missouri, Indi-

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**8**

Number of people killed in Sunday's tornado-spawning storms.

**12**

States impacted by the violent thunderstorms and tornadoes.

## White House renews push to move Gitmo detainees

Obama: Prison too costly to maintain

By Nedra Pickler  
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama is pushing to overcome obstacles to closing the Guantanamo Bay prison, setting the White House on a collision course with Congress in its bid to loosen restrictions for moving out detainees.

Administration officials say

a Senate defense-policy bill coming up for debate within days would allow them to move out prisoners who have long been cleared for transfer overseas but are still held, in part because of a complicated Pentagon certification process. The bill would ease those restrictions and lift a ban on bringing prisoners suspected of terrorism from Guantanamo to the United States for detention, trial or emergency medical treatment.

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## Experts: Hot stock market is still sound

U.S. stock markets reach major milestones Monday as the Dow Jones industrial average hits 16,000 for the first time, but experts downplay fears of a bubble. **B5**

## Debate over plan to grow gray-wolf habitat in Ariz.

Species could roam between I-10 and I-40

By Brandon Loomis  
 The Republic | azcentral.com

Arizona's rare wild wolves may get some extra room to roam under a new management rule that federal officials are reviewing at public hearings starting this week.

Mexican gray wolves currently are confined to the Blue Range Wolf Recovery Area, an

area of about 4.4 million acres in eastern Arizona and western New Mexico. In Arizona, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service proposes allowing the wolves to establish packs as far north as Interstate 40 and as far south as Interstate 10. Under the proposal, the agency would capture and return any wolves that roam beyond those boundaries.

Defenders of Wildlife, a conservation organization, fears that the decision to capture wayward wolves has already

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## VALLEY & STATE

### District OKs break for Apple

The Gilbert school board votes 5-0 to allow a tax break for Apple Inc., which clears the way for the tech giant to continue plans for a manufacturing plant in Mesa. Plans are for the site to make sapphire-glass components for Apple products. **B1**



## AZ

### Devil of a time over basketball

Find out how a coach is toughening up ASU center Jordan Bachynski for free-for-alls near the rim, and see what Coyotes player Keith Yandle would be doing if he weren't in the NHL. Find the Nov. 18 AZ tablet magazine at [AZ.azcentral.com](http://AZ.azcentral.com).

## BUSINESS

**Shortage of big fresh turkeys:** Without specifying why, Butterball says it will ship out about half as many fresh turkeys of 16 pounds or more to retailers this season. **B5**



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