

Many Charities Formed Post-9/11 Didn't Deliver

NEW YORK (AP) — Americans eager to give after the 9/11 terrorist attacks poured \$1.5 billion into hundreds of charities established to serve the victims, their families and their memories. But a decade later, an Associated Press investigation shows that many of those nonprofits have failed miserably.

There are those that spent huge sums on themselves, those that cannot account for the money they received, those that have few results to show for their spending and those that have yet to file required income tax returns. Yet many of the charities continue to raise money in the name of Sept. 11.

One charity raised more than \$700,000 for a giant memorial quilt, but there is no quilt. Another raised more than \$4 million to help victims, but didn't account publicly for how it spent all of the money. A third helps support a 9/11 flag sold by the founder's for-profit company.

There are other charities that can account for practically every penny raised — except that all the money went to pay for fundraising, and not the intended mission.

To be sure, most of the 325 charities identified by the AP followed the rules, accounted fully for their expenditures and closed after fulfilling identified goals.

U.S. Destroying Millions Of Paper Court Records

CHICAGO (AP) — U.S. officials are destroying millions of paper federal court documents to save storage costs, but the effort is raising the ire of historians and others who rely the records.

The U.S. National Archives and Records Administration says more than 10 million bankruptcy case files and several million district court files from 1970 through 1995 will be destroyed.

Cornell Law School professor Theodore Eisenberg says it's often those mundane records with no clear historical significance that are critical to establishing legal trends and court policy. Chicago-based private detective Don Haworth says records from those years can be a "gold mine."

Archives official Marvin Kabakoff tells The Associated Press he sympathizes but says keeping the records is unrealistic. He says digitizing the bankruptcy cases alone would cost tens of millions of dollars.

Feds Ask To Dismiss Case Against Kansas Man

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — Federal prosecutors asked a judge Thursday to dismiss all charges against a Kansas man convicted of lying to U.S. immigration officials about his whereabouts during the 1994 Rwandan mass killings, ending a case that was the first in the nation to require proof of genocide.

Prosecutors asked U.S. District Judge Monti Belot to set aside Lazare Kobagaya's visa fraud conviction and dismiss a charge of lying during his citizenship application.

Jurors earlier this year found that Kobagaya, 84, of Topeka lied on immigration forms about where he was at the time of the genocide, but said the government did not prove he took part in the atrocities. They hung on the second count related to lying on his citizenship application.

In their motion, prosecutors said that they have identified a potential issue with the jury instructions and witness information that likely would warrant a new trial even on the single count for which Kobagaya was convicted.

"Based on the totality of circumstances in this case, including the substantial resources required to continue to litigate this matter and the jury's verdict in the first trial, the Government has determined it would not seek to retry this case," prosecutors wrote.

In a filing last week, the government first revealed to the court that it inadvertently failed to disclose earlier to the defense information from a consular officer in Kenya who was listed on Kobagaya's immigration application. The consular officer had told prosecutors that even if she had known Kobagaya was in Rwanda in 1994, it would not have caused her to inquire further into his application because Kobagaya was a Burundian national.

Grandparents Stepping In To Help Grandkids

WASHINGTON (AP) — America is swiftly becoming a granny state. Less frail and more involved, today's grandparents are shunning retirement homes and stepping in more than ever to raise grandchildren while young adults struggle in the poor economy.

The newer grandparents are mainly baby boomers who are still working, with greater disposable income. Now making up 1 in 4 adults, grandparents are growing at twice the rate of the overall population and sticking close to family — if their grandkids aren't already living with them.

Grandparents in recent decades have often filled in for absent parents who were ill or battled addiction, or were sent to prison. The latest trend of grandparent involvement, reflected in census figures released Thursday, is now being driven also by the economy and the graying U.S. population, including the 78 million boomers born between 1946 and 1964 who began turning 65 this year.

"We help out in terms of running errands, babysitting, taking the grandkids to doctors' appointments, and for back-to-school shopping," said Doug Flockhart of Exeter, N.H., listing some of the activities that he and his wife, Eileen, do for their five kids and seven grandchildren. But that's just the start.

Gadhafi: Fight 'The Rats'

Dictator Eludes Capture As Rebels Push On

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TRIPOLI, Libya — The streets where rebel fighters bombarded snipers loyal to Moammar Gadhafi were strewn with bullet-ridden corpses from both sides Thursday. Streams of blood ran down the gutters and turned sewers red.

By sundown the rebels appeared to have won the battle for the Abu Salim neighborhood, next to Gadhafi's captured Tripoli compound, but the fallen dictator continued to elude them. Speaking from an unknown location, he exhorted his supporters to fight on.

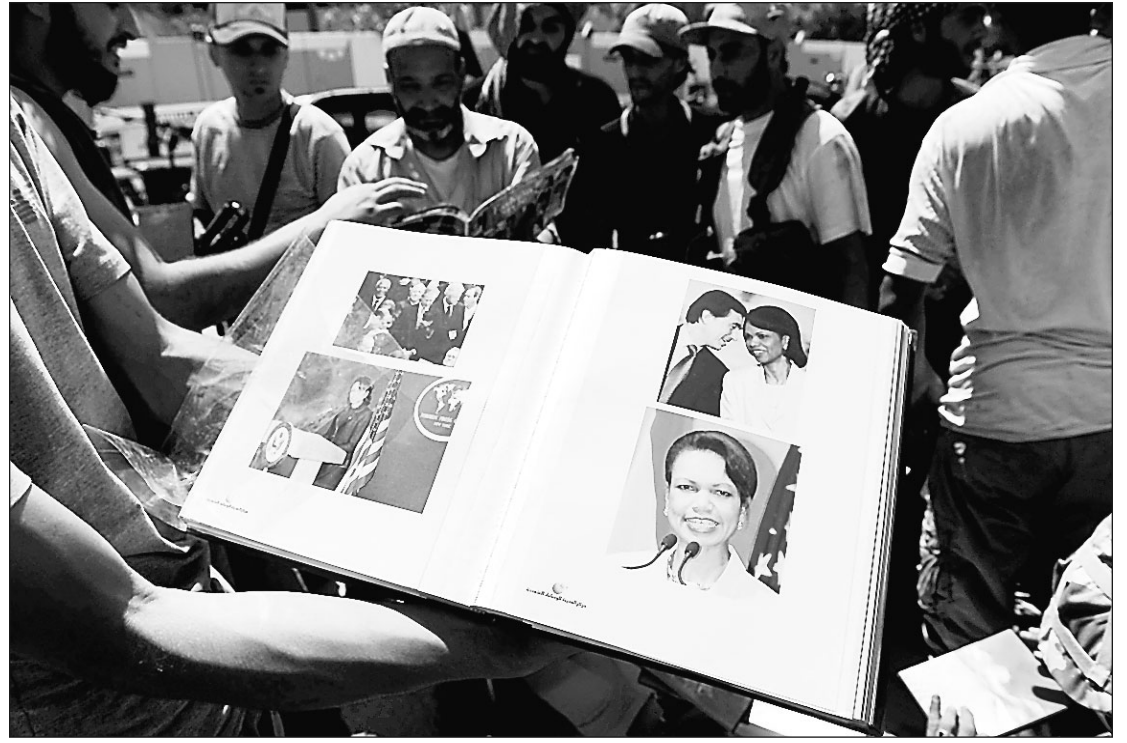
"Don't leave Tripoli for the rats. Fight them, and kill them," Gadhafi said in a new audio message broadcast on Al-Ouroba TV, a Syria-based satellite station.

Outside his Bab al-Aziziya compound, which rebels captured Tuesday, there was another grim scene — one that suggested mass, execution-style killings of civilians.

About two dozen bodies — some with their hands bound by plastic ties and with bullet wounds to the head — lay scattered on grassy lots in an area where Gadhafi sympathizers had camped out for months.

The identities of the dead were unclear, but they were in all likelihood activists who had set up an impromptu tent city in solidarity with Gadhafi in defiance of the NATO bombing campaign.

Five or six bodies were in a tent erected on a roundabout that had served as a field clinic. One of the dead still had an IV in his arm, and another body was completely charred, its legs missing. The body of a doctor, in his green hospital gown, was found dumped in the canal.



Young rebels show many albums of former State Secretary Condoleezza Rice found on compound of Moammar Gadhafi, August 24, 2011, in Tripoli, Libya.

Rice Photos Found At Gadhafi Compound

BY ERIC CARVIN AND SERGEY PONOMAREV
Associated Press

TRIPOLI, Libya — Libyan rebels who took control of Moammar Gadhafi's sprawling compound made a surprising discovery in one of the buildings: a photo album with pictures of Condoleezza Rice.

Though maybe the discovery isn't that surprising. Over the years, the Libyan leader's comments and actions related to the former secretary of state have raised a few eyebrows.

Consider how he talked about

her in an interview with Al-Jazeera television in 2007, where he hinted that then-President George W. Bush's top diplomat wielded considerable influence in the Arab world.

"I support my darling black African woman," he said. "I admire and am very proud of the way she leans back and gives orders to the Arab leaders. ... Leezza, Leezza, Leezza. ... I love her very much. I admire her, and I'm proud of her, because she's a black woman of African origin."

The following year, Gadhafi and Rice had an opportunity to meet when the secretary of state paid a

historic visit to Libya — one that made steps toward normalizing relations after the United States went decades without an ambassador in Tripoli. (The U.S. "doesn't have any permanent enemies," she said during the trip.)

Gadhafi welcomed Rice in his home — one that President Ronald Reagan once ordered bombed in retaliation for Libya's attack on a German disco — for the traditional meal that ends the daylight fast during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan. Once again, he repeatedly addressed Rice — "Condi" to her friends — as "Leezza," her aides said.

Romney Sticks With Strategy Despite Perry's Surge

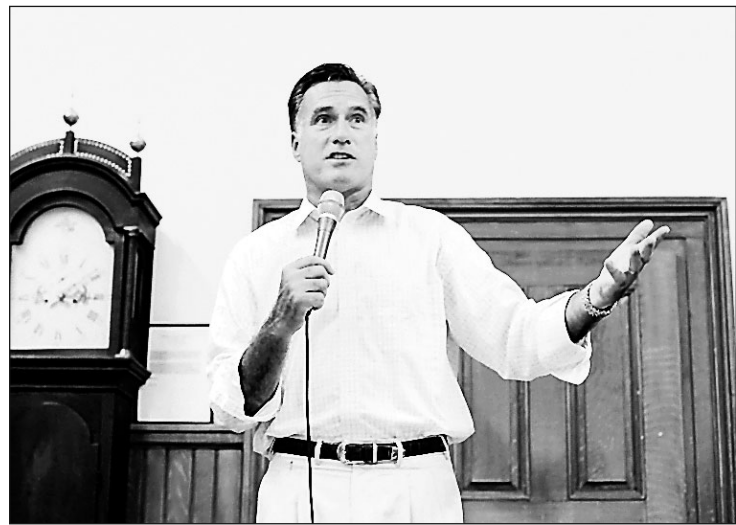
BY CHARLES BABINGTON
Associated Press

DOVER, N.H. — Despite a new rival's surge, Mitt Romney is campaigning as though he's still the GOP presidential front-runner, focusing his criticisms on President Barack Obama, taking few risks and keeping most proposals vague enough to leave ample maneuvering room.

That may change soon, however, as events shift the contest to a higher gear. September will bring several GOP debates that will include Texas Gov. Rick Perry for the first time, as well as renewed attention to the question of how to create desperately needed jobs.

The former Massachusetts governor may be pushed out of his comfort zone even sooner if Perry's fast rise seems real and lasting.

For months, Romney has largely floated above the sparring. He let Michele Bachmann knock her fellow Minnesotan Tim Pawlenty out of the race in Iowa, for instance, and refused to be drawn



Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney speaks to a crowd during a town hall meeting at the Exeter Historical Society in Exeter, New Hampshire, Thursday, August 25, 2011.

into tit-for-tat exchanges over policy details. Perry, the sudden favorite among Republicans according to a Gallup poll, may force Romney to turn his focus away from Obama and sharpen his differences with fellow

Republicans.

This week, however, Romney stuck to an easygoing, business-as-usual air as he campaigned in New Hampshire, which will hold the first primary in about five months. He took a cautious stand

on climate change, downplayed GOP differences on jobs policies, and shrugged off suggestions that Perry may have overtaken him.

"If you're running for president, your focus should be on the person who is president and his failures, and how you're going to make America better," Romney told reporters in Claremont.

About the only thing he changed this week, he said with a laugh, was his shirt.

He cut short a question about the Gallup poll. There are many polls, Romney said, although he conceded, "Rick is a very effective candidate."

Romney still enjoys a big lead in fundraising and organization over Perry and the others. For now, he seems eager to blunt rather than highlight his differences with them, a classic front-runner's strategy.

At a packed forum in Keene on Wednesday, Romney noted that he and all the other contenders have vowed to reject a deficit-reduction package if it contains even \$1 in new tax revenues for every \$10 in spending cuts.

OBITUARIES

Paula (Hatch) Feller

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Paula (Hatch) Feller passed away Aug. 24, 2011 in Kansas City, MO.

Memorial services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29 at the United Church of Christ, 226 E. Main, Vermillion, SD; cremation.

Paula was born April 1, 1949 to Ardell and Rula Hatch in Wakonda, SD. Paula attended grade school in Wakonda and graduated high school in 1967. After graduation Paula moved to Aberdeen where she completed her Elementary Education degree at Northern State University. Paula taught in the Aberdeen school district for 34 years.

Paula married Wayne Feller and they had two children: Scott Feller and Sara (Feller) Jefferson. Paula's joy has always been children. She loved the relationships she built with her students and co-workers. She was always running into her former students no matter where she was. She retired from the Aberdeen School District in May, 2007 and moved to Lee's Summit, MO to be closer to her grandchildren.

Paula loved her family more than anything. She has fond memories of all. Paula loved to tell stories about her grandchildren. During her life

with cancer there were two things she would always say, "I have no time to think about my cancer. My grandchildren keep me to busy" or "The best thing about cancer is all the wonderful people I have met."

Her smile and laugh will be forever embedded in the hearts and minds of those who knew and loved her. Paula's Savior took her home to Heaven, where she enjoys salvation and peace. Paula will be missed immensely. She wanted all her family and friends to be happy and enjoy each day as if it was their last.

Paula is grateful for having shared her life. She is survived by son Scott Feller & Natasha Swanson, Groton, SD; daughter Sara Jefferson and husband Lee, Lee's Summit, MO grandson Jackson Feller Jefferson, granddaughters Jaliyah Jefferson and Amira Jefferson, all of Lee's Summit, MO; parents Ardell & Rula Hatch, Vermillion, SD; sister Natalie Sturm and husband Bob, Sioux Falls, SD; sister Kimberly Di Benedetto and husband Guy, Pierre, SD and many nieces and nephews.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.speakschapel.com. Arrangements: Speaks Suburban Chapel, 816-373-3600.

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Ruby Kriz

TYNDALL — Funeral services for Ruby J. Kriz, 79, of Tyndall will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, August 27 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Tyndall with Rev. Dean Schroeder officiating. Interment will follow in the Czech National Cemetery, Tyndall.

Visitation will be held on Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Goglin Funeral Home in Tyndall, and will resume on Saturday one hour prior to the service at the church. There will be a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening at the church.

Ruby passed away at St. Michael's Hospital Avera in Tyndall on Wednesday, August 24, 2011.

Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

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