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She and her husband, who is a mechanic, recently put a new battery in their Tahoe to help with starting it in colder weather.

Bayliss said she also lets her vehicle warm up before driving it.

Robert Flora, a state inspection technician with Ultimate Automotive and Tire state inspector and tire tech, said residents with newer vehicles may notice a change in tire pressure, causing the tire sensor to light up.

"The cold weather and heat variation can change the tire pounds per square inch," he said.

Flora said cold weather can cause many troubles for car owners, even mechanics.

Ingram resident and Schreiner student Megan Stapp said her vehicle wasn't ready for the cold weather.

"My truck was completelyiced over. I tried to open my door and I couldn't get it open, (when I) finally did, and then went to roll down my window, it wouldn't budge," she said.

"It does help to have someone look at your vehicle once a year to make sure it is ready for winter," Willson said.

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on rent sheets, leaving jurors to decide if and how much back payment he owes for rent.

The issue of which company owns the Camp Mystic Inc. trademark also was heavily argued.

NFP attorney Steve Rasch said that there is no written conveyance, or oral or written license agreement, between the companies regarding the trademark name.

"No one thought about the trademark back in 1999," Rasch told jurors, adding that he believes it belongs with NFP.

Arnold told jurors that the trademark belongs to whomever owns the business, Camp Mystic. He argued that Richard and Willetta Eastland owned and operated the camp.

"Camp Mystic gets the name," he said.

Bitting told jurors the main reason for Camp Mystic's reorganization in 1998 was for lawsuit protection.

"It makes no sense to have a trademark in the very company that would be sued," Bitting said, adding that Arnold said a family business, not a "Burger King franchise."

Finally, attorneys representing Stacey Eastland and Leaton spoke briefly about their attorney's fees.

"It's an extraordinary amount, and it's an extraordinary amount of effort," said Robert S. MacIntyre, Leaton's attorney.

Litigation between the companies has been ongoing for more than four years. Jurors will resume deliberations today.

"(The jury has to) make a decision that is going to affect, literally, thousands of people," Arnold said.

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Since the committee was formed in 2009, the group has taken on ordinances covering signs, parking and downtown businesses. Mosty said there were many other areas of the zoning rules that the committee planned to review, but the question was whether the council wanted to make those changes one at a time or all at once.

"I didn't want to be on this committee and at the end present the final thing and then have you say 'that's not what we wanted, thank you,'" Mosty said.

Councilman T. Scott Gross said he supported making those changes incrementally as the committee feels the amendments are ready.

"Anything that council does by ordinance, the council can undo by ordinance," Gross said.

But Councilman Bruce Motheral said he would rather see a completed plan before the council takes action.

"It's important that the whole document work together," Motheral said.

Fire in well pump house on Pikes Peak



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Firefighters from the Turtle Creek Volunteer Fire Department extinguish a fire in a well pump house Wednesday afternoon. The fire was reported in the 300 block of Pikes Peak around 1:30 p.m. A pressure tank connected to the well exploded due to pressure build up caused by the fire. The cause of the fire was believed to be a heat lamp placed in the building to protect the pipes from damage during the latest bout of sub-freezing weather to strike the Kerrville area.

Hilderbran to head state Ways and Means Committee

Kerrville Republican Rep. Harvey Hilderbran has been tapped to head the Texas House's powerful Ways and Means Committee.

House Speaker Joe Straus released committee assignments Wednesday that show a significant reshuffling that reflects a new GOP supermajority in the Legislature. The number of Democratic chairmen was reduced from 16 to 11, and one prominent Democrat — Rep. Rene Oliveira — lost charge of the powerful Ways and Means Committee.

Straus called the assignments one of the most important functions of his job and said he tried to "make sure geographic and demographic diversity of Texas is fairly represented."

Straus overcame a speaker's challenge last month waged by conservative Republicans who complained that he named too many Democrats as leaders in his first term.

Republicans make up 27 of the new committee leaders, reflecting the chamber's 101-49 GOP majority.

"I am eager for the committees to begin work on important legislation and for you to collaborate

on the issues that matter most to our state," Straus told the chamber, shortly before releasing the assignments. "Today, I am referring hundreds of bills to the committees, so the House can immediately begin working on these critical issues."

Republican leaders of some powerful committees retained their positions, including Appropriations Chairman Jim Pitts and Public Education Chairman Rob Eissler. Pitts wasted no time, scheduling the first budget meetings for Wednesday afternoon and early Thursday morning.

Former House Speaker Tom Craddick, who was ousted by Straus two years ago, was named dean of the House.

Rep. Beverly Woolley, a conservative Houston Republican who supported Straus' re-election bid, was named speaker pro-tempore, a mostly honorary position.

All representatives in the 150-member House are assigned to committees where much of the work of the Legislature is done. It's where bills get their start and are crafted. Committee chairmen have the discretion to let bills linger and die there, too.

Greystone Prep to host Klocko Leadership Forum

Public invited to hear presentation tonight

Greystone Preparatory School at Schreiner University will present its Spring Klocko Leadership Forum at 7 p.m. today, featuring Coast Guard Capt. Brendan "Corky" Frost. His presentation, "Honorable Leadership," will be delivered to the 28 Greystone candidates seeking appointments to one of the five federal service academies. The event is open to the public.

The Klocko Forum will be at the Union Church Building just east of Schreiner University at the intersection of Broadway, Water and Travis streets. Refreshments will be served following the presentation.

Frost currently is serving as the Coast Guard liaison to the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities in San Antonio. His primary duties include outreach and relationship building with the professional Hispanic community.

Commissioned from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn., in 1985, Frost primarily is a sea-going officer. He has commanded two Coast Guard vessels and served on three others, including America's tall ship, the CGC Barque EAGLE.

The Klocko Lecture Series began in 2004 with the first Greystone class. It was named in honor of the late John Klocko, attorney and two-term

member of the Anne Arundel County Council in Maryland. He was one of the founding directors of Greystone.

"John Klocko was dedicated to the concept of Greystone. He worked very closely with many young men

and women seeking appointments to the U.S. Naval Academy, remembering well his own appointment process to the U.S. Air Force Academy," said David Bailey, retired Navy Commander and Greystone executive director. "John saw great value in how we designed the Greystone program to help young

Americans seeking appointment to one of the five service academies. When he was taken from us in a tragic auto accident, we thought it only fitting to name our leadership series in his honor."

More information on Thursday's event may be obtained by calling the Greystone office at 896-6530.

Greystone Preparatory School combines intense service academy preparation with a challenging university education for high school graduates committed to earning their appointments to one of the five federal service academies (Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine). For more information on the program, visit www.greystoneprepschool.org.



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