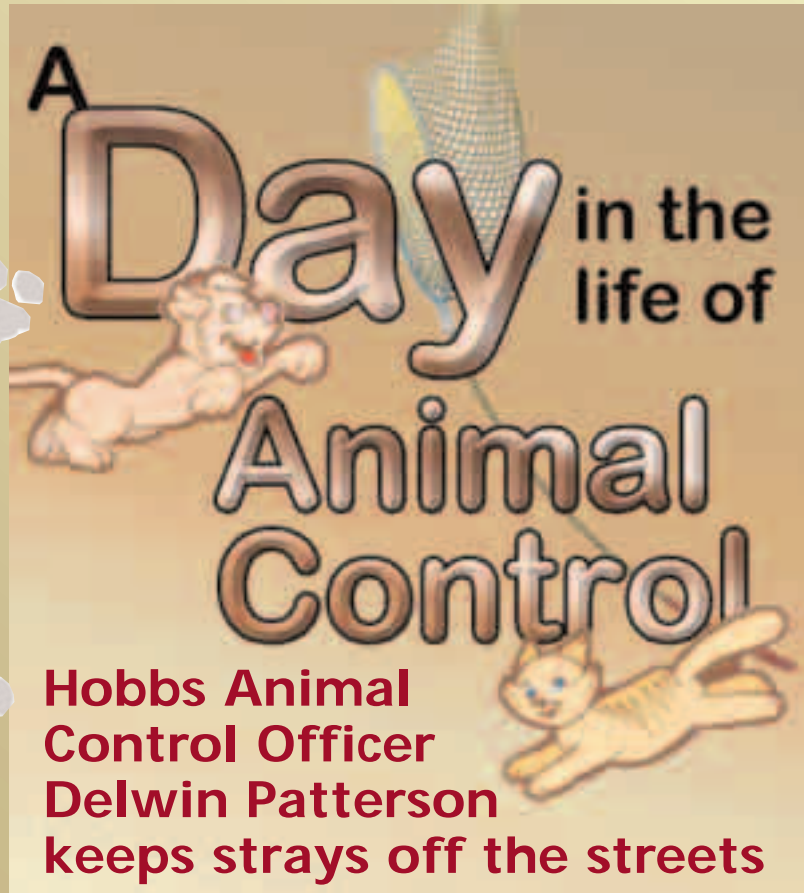




1 Relaxing before getting to work



2 Coaxing a playful stray



Hobbs Animal Control Officer Delwin Patterson keeps strays off the streets



3 Chatting with co-workers

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1: Before starting his day, Hobbs Animal Control officer Delwin Patterson relaxes by listening to music on his computer.
2: Immediately beginning the day, Patterson runs into a stray dog that just wanted someone to play with.
3: Patterson goes to the courthouse often to check up on cases dealing with his line of duty. He happened to meet up with his co-workers Diane McCann (right) and Cory Hip (middle).

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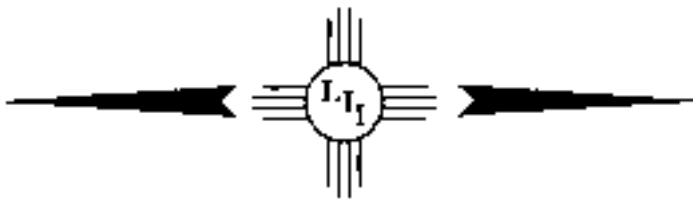
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