



A group of friends play volleyball in the courts at Santa Rita Park on Monday evening.

Labor Shortage

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Labor Day, a day off from work or school; a day of rest and relaxation; a day to spend at the park with friends, or alone reading. But not a day for *labor*. Historically, the day was created to commemorate the achievements of American workers, but now it seems that the first Monday in September connotes the end of summer, an end to freedom in the sun and the beginning of school days and more work days. Fall indeed is in the air, but for many, relaxation and playtime is not over.



Adair Horning and her dog Diego soak up some sun near the river.



A couple looks out over the river near Rotary Park on Monday afternoon.



Reading by the river is a favorite relaxing indulgence for many.



Brothers Dedan Tulley, left, and Braiden Tulley shoot hoops at Santa Rita Park on Monday evening just before sunset.