

(U.S. Naval Observatory)

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people died in that outbreak. The CDC reported four deaths in New Mexico, two deaths each in Colorado and Texas and one death each in Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Mary-

While most healthy adults can consume listeria with no ill effects, it can kill the elderly and those with compromised immune systems. It is also dangerous to pregnant women because it easily passes through to the fetus. The CDC's Frieden said that two of those sickened were pregnant women but they have since recovered.

The 24/7 Dad will start at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11, meeting at Redeeming Love Ministries in Colby. Classes will be Tuesdays and Thursdays. 24/7 Dad is a fatherhood program with experienced facilitators, W.G. Romine and Jarrod Spencer, bringing fathers together and giving them tools for improvement and to build on their strengths. For information, call Paige Campbell at 460-8177.

Tyson produced the affected meat at its plant in Emporia, Kan., on Aug. 23, the USDA said in a news release.

Cincinnati-based Kroger spokesman Keith Dailey said the ground beef in

The Butcher's Beef brand meat was shipped to Food Lion stores in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Virginia and West Virginia and to Bottom Dollar Food stores in North Carolina, the

The products being recalled include 5-pound packages of Kroger-brand ground beef packed in 40-pound cases, with a product code of D-0211 QW, which was distributed in Tennessee and Indiana; 3-pound packages of Butcher's Brand beef packed in 36-pound cases with the code D-0211 LWIF, which was distributed in North and South Carolina; and 3-pound packages of generic labeled beef packed in 36-pound cases with a product code D-0211 LWI, which was distributed in Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, New York, Ohio, Tennessee, Texas and Wisconsin.

The beef, all 73/27 lean to fat ratio, had a "best before" date of Sept. 12 and the number 245D inked on the packages.

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