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10U & 12U NESD League Tourney
Legion State at Tabor (Groton plays 20 minutes after 5 p.m. game)
Birthdays: Curtis Krueger • Lucius Geffre • Taylor Gese • Mark Kittelson • Sierra Tunby • Karsten Flihs • Sandy Bunn
4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

Sunday, July 27, 2014
10U & 12U NESD League Tourn.
Legion State at Tabor
Anniversary: Tom and Nancy Cutler
Birthdays: Ryland Strom • Tony Madsen • Kalli Leonhardt • Lori Herron • Bill Schuelke
9:00am: Emmanuel Worship
9:00am: Presbyterian Bible Study
9:00am: SEAS Mass
9:00am: St. John's Worship
10:00am: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, worship
10:00am: Presbyterian Worship
11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship
5:00pm: Worship at Historic Church in Groton

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The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is back and is open!

Recycling Trailer in Groton

The recycling trailer is back in Groton at 10 East Railroad Ave. Don't forget, there is also a dumpster at the city shop for aluminum cans with the proceeds going to the pool.



Yard of the Week

The Janice Flihs yard at 1312 N. Sixth St., Groton, is chosen as this week's Yard of the Week by the Groton Garden Club. She is pictured outside watering her flowers as the city limits has received less than .15 of rain in the past month.

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Groton Legion rallies to beat Piedmont

Piedmont took a 10-5 lead in the fourth inning before Groton's bats started cracking with force. Groton scored three runs in the bottom of the fourth to make it 10-8. It was 12-6 midway in the sixth inning, but Groton scored six runs in the bottom of the sixth to tie the game. Groton took the lead and had a 15-14 lead after seven innings and went on to win, 16-14.

Groton plays today 20 minutes after the 5 p.m. game. No stats were available and no scores from the other games have been posted anywhere either.

Today in Weather History

July 26, 1921: On the summit of Mt. Wellenkuppe, in Switzerland, the temperature reached 100 degrees by 10 am. The summit has an elevation of 12,830 feet and was covered in snow.

July 26, 1963: An estimated F2 tornado moved northeast from 4 miles northeast of Raymond. Barns and outbuildings were destroyed on one farm, and the home was unroofed. Asphalt was ripped off a state highway.

26 July 1874: A flash flood claimed 134 lives in Pittsburgh, PA.

26 July 1972: A sweltering two-week heat wave in New York City finally came to an end after causing 891 fatalities.

26 July 1979: The U.S. record for 24-hour rainfall was set at Alvin, TX, with exactly 45 inches (thanks to Tropical Storm Claudette).

26 July 1993: In Pueblo, CO the record high for today, 101, and the record low for today, 52, were both set!

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CARDS OF THANKS

Thank you family and friends for helping me celebrate my 80th birthday.
Yvonne Gibbs

I would like to extend a thank you to my family for hosting a surprise birthday party. This was very much appreciated. Thank you to all who came, for the cards and phone calls. Thanks again and God bless you!

Norman Townsend

EMPLOYMENT

Looking for a rewarding opportunity? Sun Dial Manor in Bristol is accepting applications for CAN's and a Restorative Aide to assist residents in the Restorative Therapy Department, and a Cook. Small, drug free facility with new upgrades and recently remodeled. We offer competitive wages and benefits. For questions, please call Connie Brown RN, DON, at 605/492-3615. (0702.0730)

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Breck to play fiddle at Trinity on Sunday

Betty Breck will be playing hymns with her fiddle at Sunday's (July 27) worship service at the Trinity Historic Church in Groton

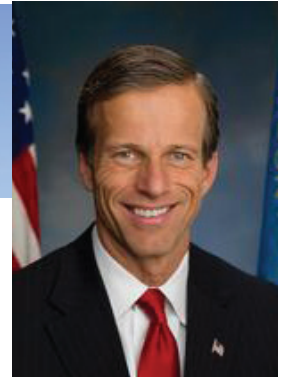


at Third Ave. and Third Street. Service will be held at 5 p.m. Sunday. You are invited to the service in the historic setting. Offering will be used to help maintain the church and to pay for insurance.

EMPLOYMENT

MAINTENANCE WORKER: The City of Conde, SD, is now accepting applications for a full-time Maintenance Worker. Work areas include, but are not limited to water, sewer, streets, snow removal, and rubble site. The following certifications/licenses must be possessed or be able to obtain: Commercial Applicator's License, Class I Water Distribution, Class I Wastewater Treatment and Distribution, and a valid SD driver's license. Mechanical ability and knowledge and experience with all types of equipment are desired. Individual must also be dependable, reliable, friendly, and able to work with others. Salary/wage is depending upon qualifications and experience. Applications and/or additional information may be obtained from the City Finance Office, PO Box 113, Conde, SD 57434. Telephone: 605-382-5258 or email ctyconde@nvc.net. The City Office is located in the north side of the former school on Broadway St. SW, Conde, SD. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

John Thune
U.S. SENATOR - SOUTH DAKOTA



Brand USA is Good for South Dakota Tourism

Our state slogan, "Great Faces, Great Places," has helped make South Dakota a household name for vacationers around the world. The South Dakota Department of Tourism does a great job marketing South Dakota's numerous iconic and historic sites, such as Mount Rushmore and the Corn Palace, to people throughout the country, encouraging them to make South Dakota their vacation destination. While the state invests significant time and energy into drawing visitors to South Dakota, reaching international visitors is an expensive and difficult task that is sometimes challenging to do with tight budgets and limited resources.

To help promote the United States to visitors abroad, Congress developed a public-private partnership in 2011 called Brand USA, which is funded through private contributions from the US travel industry and matched up to \$100 million through fees assessed on foreign travelers. South Dakota's own Secretary of the Department of Tourism, Jim Hagen, has been heavily involved with Brand USA, promoting South Dakota and the country to international visitors. According to Secretary Hagan, in just four short years Brand USA's marketing efforts significantly increased inbound international travel to the United States, stimulating new spending, creating jobs, helping strengthen our economy, and doing so at no cost to taxpayers. The cooperative marketing opportunities Brand USA offers rural states allows the state Department of Tourism to inspire international visitors to come to South Dakota.








As our state's second largest industry, tourism is critical to South Dakota's economy, with domestic and foreign visitors greatly contributing to our state and local tax bases. In 2013, South Dakota saw nearly \$2 billion in economic impact from tourism-related activities and collected \$298 million in local tax revenue.

On July 23rd, the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, on which I serve as Ranking Member, approved the Travel Promotion, Enhancement, and Modernization Act of 2014 (S. 2250) to reauthorize Brand USA through Fiscal Year 2020. The bill includes a number of improvements, which I secured, to strengthen Brand USA and ensure additional transparency and accountability to its operations. The House of Representatives passed the companion bill (H.R. 4450) on July 22nd in a strong bipartisan vote.

Brand USA is important to attracting tourists from around the world to visit some of our nation's most historic and recognizable sites, including those in South Dakota. That's why I worked with Secretary Hagen and my colleagues in the Senate to secure improvements to the bill, clearing a path for this job-creating legislation by the full Senate in the future. I recognize the importance of attracting visitors to South Dakota's economy and will continue working with my colleagues to reauthorize Brand USA.

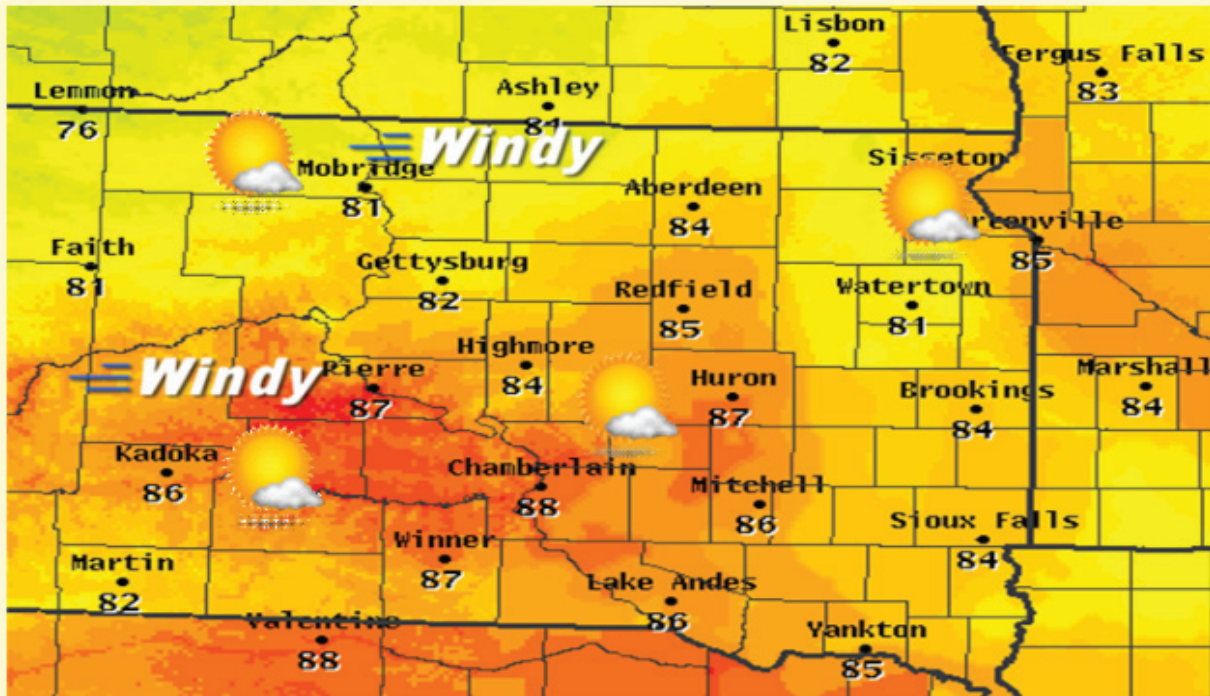
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TODAY	TONIGHT	SUNDAY	SUNDAY NIGHT	MONDAY	MONDAY NIGHT	TUESDAY
						
Patched Fog High: 83 °F	Breezy Low: 56 °F	Breezy High: 74 °F	Partly Cloudy Low: 53 °F	Sunny High: 78 °F	Mostly Clear Low: 54 °F	Sunny High: 80 °F



Warm, Dry and Windy Today



National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD


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Updated: 7/26/2014 4:11 AM Central

A few showers will continue into the morning hours, but dry air will eventually push into the region today. Saturday will see windy conditions with normal temperatures, followed by a drastic cool down for Sunday.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 80.1°F at 6:22 PM

Heat Index:

Low: 64.9°F at 11:24 PM

High Gust: 38 mph at 2:01 AM

Precip: 0.15

Today's Info

Record High: 112° in 1931

Record Low: 42° in 1962

Average High: 84°F

Average Low: 59°F

Average Precip in July.: 2.51

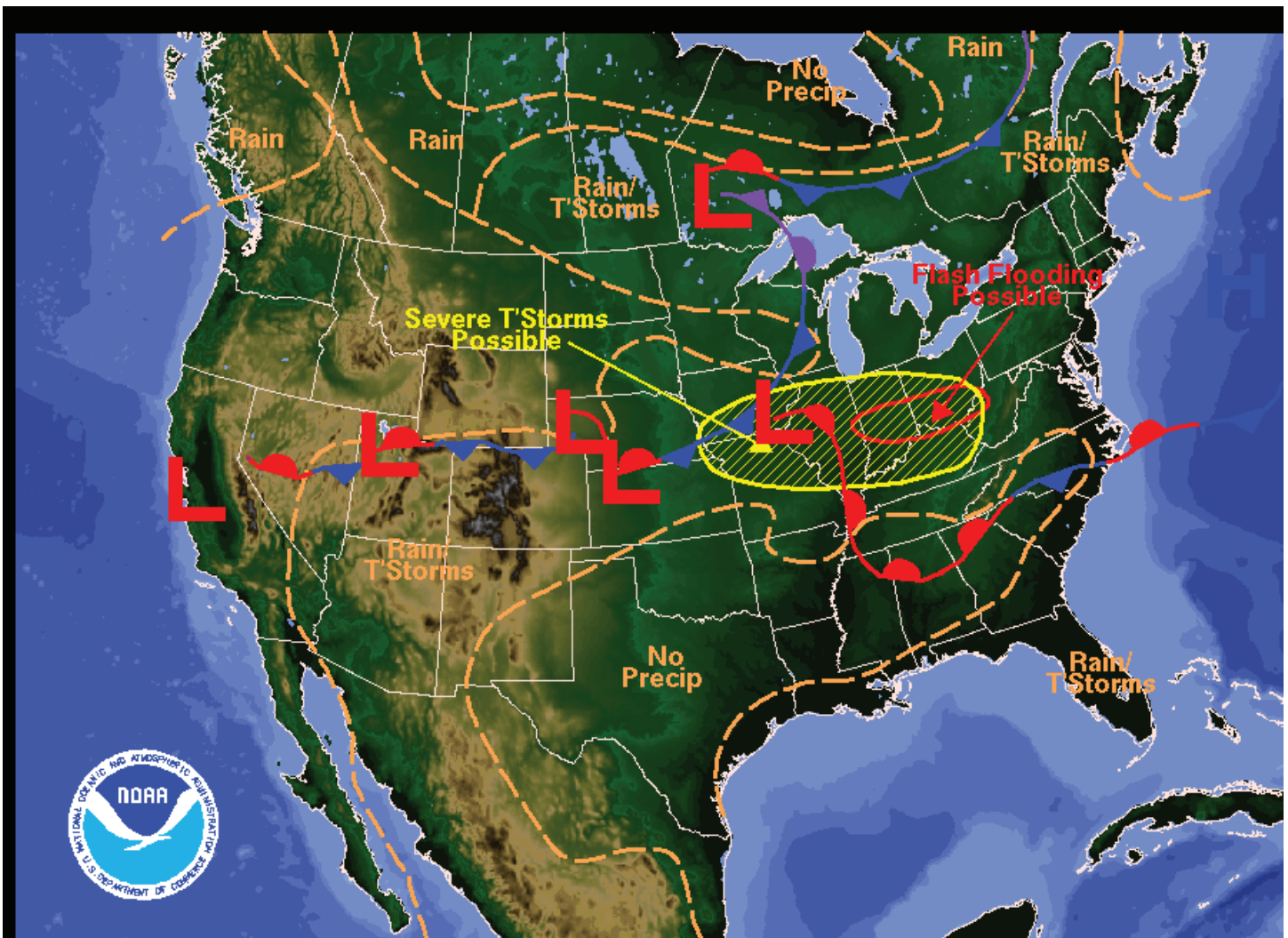
Precip to date in July.: 0.15

Average Precip to date: 13.35

Precip Year to Date: 9.28

Sunset Tonight: 9:09 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:12 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Sat, Jul 26, 2014, issued 4:29 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by Fanning based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



Meeting With Rating Agencies

Last week South Dakota hosted visits from Moody's and from Standard & Poor's, as we prepare for a bond issue by the South Dakota Building Authority later this summer. The visit to South Dakota by these two rating agencies followed a trip to see them last winter by Lt. Gov. Matt Michels and our Commissioner of the Bureau of Finance and Management, Jason Dilges. Following several years of efforts to strengthen our already good financial condition, we have been encouraging these two agencies to understand our financial strength, so we can achieve the favorable rating we deserve.

Our presentations to these agencies made several points: First, our annual budget process is strong, uses conservative revenue estimates and is in keeping with a constitutional balanced budget requirement adopted by South Dakota voters in 2012. Historically, South Dakota has adhered to a sound budget process, and we've taken steps recently to make that process even better. Last winter, the Legislature passed legislation requiring tax revenue to be projected three times a year, by separate estimates of the executive and legislative branches. We balanced our budget in 2011, and have reported budget surpluses for each of the past three fiscal years. Our rainy day reserves now total nearly \$150 million, equivalent to over 11 percent of general fund spending.

Second, our balance sheet is also very strong, with minimal long-term liabilities. Many states have significant long-term liabilities in the form of underfunded pension plans. Our well-managed pension plan, the South Dakota Retirement System, is fully funded. Three months ago, in April, Boston College's Center for Retirement Research published an evaluation of the top 150 pension plans in the nation. Of those plans, only nine plans were fully funded. South Dakota was one of them. Eleven plans were less than 50 percent funded, including plans in Connecticut, Alaska, Illinois, Indiana and Missouri. The worst: Kentucky at 26 percent funded.

Beyond well-managed pension liabilities, South Dakota also has very little long-term tax supported debt. Last October, the Dow Jones financial news publication, Barron's, compared the tax supported debt of each of the 50 states to each state's Gross Domestic Product. Only 8 states had debt which equated to less than 1 percent of its GDP. South Dakota was one of them. Beyond that, last March, the South Dakota Legislature agreed with my proposal to use unexpected one-time receipts to make early repayment of \$56.2 million of outstanding tax supported debt held by the South Dakota Building Authority. As of Sept. 1, 2014, when another bond will be fully repaid, the Building Authority will have ZERO outstanding tax supported debt.

In addition to strong budgeting processes and a solid balance sheet, we also spoke to other strengths. Matt Clark, our state investment officer, described the processes used by the SD Investment Council to manage state assets, including our retirement plan assets, our trust funds and our cash accounts. He explained the policies and practices used by the Council to manage risk and diversify our investment assets, at lower than average costs. Our Investment Council has achieved top percentile returns for

many years, and last year achieved returns which were among the best in the nation.

We've also tried to be more transparent. Over time we've been working to provide all publicly available budget information on open.sd.gov. In June we took another step toward transparency when I ordered the Bureau of Finance and Management to make dashboard measurements on state finances and economics available to the public.

We concluded our remarks with a presentation by economist Dr. Ralph Brown, a founding member of the Governor's Council of Economic Advisors. Dr. Brown demonstrated that our state's economy has outperformed most of our neighboring states, and the national economy. He also provided data which proved that the agriculture sector, while sometimes volatile, does not cause similar volatility to be exhibited in the nonfarm sector.

All these achievements and attributes are worthy of celebration. They are also worth demonstrating to rating agencies, to insure South Dakota is given credit where credit is due. A good bond rating reduces interest expenses when bonds are issued to help finance projects like the new football stadium at SDSU, and improvements to Good Earth State Park and Custer State Park.

South Dakota's financial foundation continues to grow stronger. I'm proud of the progress we've made, and grateful for the opportunity last week to describe it. And we're not done yet.

Northern State Dean's Lists

Northern State University in Aberdeen, S.D., has released the dean's list for the spring 2014 semester.

Students who have earned at least a 3.5 grade point average for the semester are eligible for the dean's list.

Full-time students 3.50-3.99

Frederick: Stefani Sumption, Faith Wolter

Groton: Austin Fordham, Gabriel Kjellsen, Sydney Erickson, Thomas Sternhagen

Langford: Amber Ogren

Full-time students 4.0

Claremont: Greyson Cutler

Columbia: Emily Larson

Conde: Molly Taylor, Megan Togel

Groton: Kalen Kjellsen, Matthew Thorson, Marissa Weber, Alexandra Schuring

Langford: Amy Keough, Cody Swanson

Pierpont: Shauna Tobin

Westport: Ashley Bellikka

Part-time students 3.50-3.99

Stratford: Robb Erickson

Adler named to LATI President's List

Michael Cartney, Lake Area Technical Institute President, announces the current President's List. The President's List is a list of outstanding students who, through their initiative and ability, have indicated a seriousness of purpose in their educational program.

The President's List is limited to full-time students who have achieved a semester grade point average of 3.5 to 4.0. Jarrett Adler, Groton, was named to the President's List.



MOVING ON

There is a story of a patient in a mental institution who sits alone and looks longingly out the window. Every now and then he wistfully moans, "If only I had..." And his voice trails off as his mind recalls a past event.

At one time he was a brakeman on a freight train. On a bitterly cold night, he decided not to light his lantern and leave the warmth of his caboose to warn an oncoming train that his train had stopped to reload its coal car. He had been at this particular place before and could not remember if there were any trains that needed a warning.

Unfortunately, an oncoming train did not see his caboose and crashed into it leaving three of his friends dead. He escaped with severe bodily injuries that healed, but, mentally he could not escape the scene. Whenever his mind recalled the event, he would say, "If only I had..."

Many of us have memories that have left scars we wish we could erase. David had one. He traded a peaceful mind for a moment of pleasure that left him overwhelmed with grief. Finally, he cried out, "Remember not the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways. According to Your love, remember me for You are good, O Lord."

Was that prayer answered? Indeed. "When we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and cleanse us." And He also promises, "Their sins and iniquities I will remember no more."

There is no sin beyond God's forgiveness!

Prayer: Lord, we accept Your forgiveness and cleansing. But may we never forget that they cost You Your life. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today:
Psalm 25:7 Do not remember the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions; According to Your mercy remember me, For Your goodness' sake, O Lord.

A colorful advertisement for 'Friday is Taco Bar and Soup Night' at Andover Bar & Grill. The ad features a red and white zigzag border at the top and bottom. On the left, there is a large illustration of a taco. On the right, the text reads: 'Come 'n' Get It!' in large, bold, red letters with a drop shadow. Below that, 'Friday is Taco Bar and Soup Night' is written in red. Underneath, 'Andover Bar & Grill' is in large black letters, with 'Serving 5-9 p.m.' in green to the right. At the bottom, the address '120 S Main St. • 298-5252' is written in black. On the bottom right, there is another illustration of a taco.

News from the Associated Press

Emergency, other SD shelters get housing grants

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Housing Development Authority has granted more than \$510,000 to 20 emergency and domestic violence shelters in the state.

The shelters are located in 15 communities across the South Dakota.

Funds can be used for renovation or rehabilitation of emergency housing shelters, shelter operations, homeless prevention, rapid re-housing and administrative expenses.

The grants were given through the Emergency Solutions Grants Program of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. South Dakota's Housing Authority administers the program in the state.

The communities that the grants will benefit are: Aberdeen, Brookings, Custer, Huron, Lake Andes, Lemmon, Madison, Mitchell, Mobridge, Pierre, Rapid City, Sioux Falls, Spearfish, Watertown and Yankton.

SD governor awards \$1.3M to recreational trails

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota Gov. Dennis Daugaard has awarded \$1.3 million to recreational trails in several cities, state parks and the Black Hills National Forest.

Daugaard this week announced the awards given through the Recreational Trails Program.

The cities that were awarded grants for trail construction and upgrades are Aberdeen, Crooks, Deadwood, Fort Pierre, Huron and Rapid City.

Custer State Park, George S. Mickelson Trail and the Black Hills Snowmobile Trail System are among the locations that were given grants for trail improvements.

The funds come from the Federal Highway Administration and represent a portion of the motor fuel excise tax collected from non-highway recreational fuel use.

US agency extends comment period on tribal rules

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — The U.S. Interior Department has extended the period for people to comment on proposed changes to rules for granting federal recognition to American Indian tribes, citing significant public interest in the matter.

Kevin Washburn, an assistant secretary with the department's Bureau of Indian Affairs, announced Friday the comment period has been extended by 60 days.

The existing regulations overseeing the federal recognition of tribes were originally adopted in 1978. They've been updated once in 20 years.

"We have received several requests for an extension of the comment period and additional hearings," said Nedra Darling, an agency spokesman, adding that the requests came from throughout the country.

Connecticut Attorney General George Jepsen was among those seeking an extension. Despite changes made to the proposed rules, Jepsen's office claims they'll still have "serious consequences for Connecticut," making it easier for groups petitioning for federal recognition to gain the acknowledgement.

The BIA is also adding more consultations with tribes and public meetings. But those will be held by conference calls in August and September.

Connecticut Gov. Dannel P. Malloy sent a letter this week to the secretary of the Department of Inte-

rior, expressing his disappointment that a public hearing wasn't being held in the state.

"Indeed, Connecticut may be the most profoundly affected of any state in the country," said Malloy, adding that the state would not be sending official representatives to hearings held outside Connecticut. Both a public meeting and a tribal consultation are scheduled for July 29 in Mashpee, Massachusetts.

Small plane crashes near Rapid City; no one hurt

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Officials say a small plane has crashed a few miles east of Rapid City but no injuries have been reported.

Emergency personnel are on the scene of the plane crash east of the Rapid City Regional Airport.

The plane went down just before 2 p.m. MDT near U.S. Highway 44. The twin-engine airplane crashed into the side of a hill.

The Rapid City Journal that two people apparently left the wreckage and walked to the road. They both refused medical service.

After teen pilot's crash, how young is too young?

The Associated Press

The deadly crash of a teenager on an around-the-world flight brought new attention to the dangers of record-setting youth adventures, and questions about how young is too young to fly a plane.

Yet pilots and flight instructors say that while some question the ability of kids and teens to deal with unforeseen difficulties, training matters more than age.

They say the real danger is when pilots push the boundaries of safety to set records for speed or youth, as Indiana teenager Haris Suleman, a newly licensed pilot, was attempting when his plane went down in the Pacific Ocean on Tuesday.

Investigators are still trying to determine what caused the 17-year-old's plane to crash as he attempted to set a record for the fastest flight around the world in a single-engine airplane with the youngest pilot in command to do so.

Here are some key questions and answers about the issue:

HOW OLD DO YOU NEED TO BE TO GET A PILOT LICENSE?

The Federal Aviation Administration allows 16-year-old student airplane pilots to make solo flights, but they're prohibited from having passengers and are heavily supervised by an instructor who closely monitors their flight from the ground.

A private airplane pilot's license can be obtained at 17. It often takes more than required 40 hours of flight time to be ready to pass the licensing exam.

CAN CHILDREN FLY WITH INSTRUCTORS AT YOUNGER AGES?

The FAA doesn't restrict young teenagers or children from taking flying lessons, and programs offer various degrees of experience.

The Experimental Aircraft Association runs a Young Eagles program where children as young as 8 can go on flights and help maneuver some controls, but the pilots are always in control of the plane, said spokesman Dick Knapinski. For example, a pilot may allow a child to help with a gentle turn.

Spencer Clark, a 15-year-old from Atlanta, said he started flying lessons at age 11, progressing from maneuvering some controls and contacting the traffic control tower to flying the plane by himself. Spencer said starting lessons as early as he did gave him years to practice for the solo flights he's almost allowed to make.

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Some people questioned whether it was safe to start flying that young, but Spencer said kids and teens often make better students by starting with less ego and self-assurance. Often, he said, they have more dexterity and quicker reflexes from years playing with video-games or remote-controlled planes.

WHAT ABOUT AROUND-THE-WORLD ADVENTURES?

Some in the aviation industry say being a young pilot isn't as risky as trying to be a record-setting pilot.

Many questioned such efforts after 7-year-old Jessica Dubroff, her father and a flight instructor were killed in a 1996 crash in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during her attempt to become the youngest person to fly across the country. The National Transportation Safety Board later ruled pressure from national media attention may have contributed to the crash.

Stephen Belt, a flight instructor, pilot and chair of the aviation science department at Saint Louis University, said that while it's not clear what caused Suleman's plane to crash, generally anyone trying to set a record "is putting a tremendous amount of pressure on themselves to achieve something."

"You're faced with this desire to achieve your goal and push the limits of your ability, the airplane's ability," he said. "The more epic the adventure, the more pressure you're putting on yourself to continue."

Guinness World Records will not recognize attempts to break piloting records by those under 16 because of concerns about what's safe or appropriate for young people.

WHAT'S THE RISK OF YOUNG PEOPLE TRYING TO BREAK RECORDS?

Although Haris Suleman had only obtained his pilot's certificate in June, that doesn't mean he wasn't prepared for the demands of an around-the-world flight because each pilot has different skill levels, said Bruce Landsberg, who oversees the Air Safety Institute, a nonprofit educational group based in Frederick, Maryland.

Landsberg said the teen's father, who had been a pilot for more than a decade, was at his side throughout the journey.

"They obviously were reasonably successful because from what I understand they had made it about three-quarters of the way around the world. If they had had an incident in the first you know 1,000 miles of the trip, then I'd say, 'Chalk it up to inexperience,'" he said.

Experts point out record attempts can be done safely if a pilot is prepared.

Allen Guthmiller said that's the case with his son, 19-year-old Matthew Guthmiller, who in July became the youngest person to fly solo around the world. The South Dakota teenager is "not the type of kid that takes chances," was well-trained and grew up playing flight simulator video games, according to his father.

HAS ANYONE PUSHED TO RAISE THE PILOT AGE?

After Jessica's crash, Congress in 1996 passed a bill banning record-setting attempts by unlicensed pilots and barring licensed pilots from supervising such activities.

But there haven't been any significant pushes by lawmakers or others to raise the age to obtain a pilot's license — which in some states comes before a teenager can get a driver's license.

"When you hear about tragedies like this, naturally people would raise questions, but for decades, it has really been an effective measure," said Knapinski with the Experimental Aircraft Association.

The important thing, Knapinski and others said, is not looking at the age of the pilot but what really happened to cause the crash.

"The vast majority of flights go off without a hitch," Belt said. "It's still the safest form of transportation and I think that's regardless of age."

Police say Huron man passing out tainted peaches

HURON, S.D. (AP) — Police in Huron are looking for an individual who took 46 cases of potentially contaminated peaches from a grocery store dumpster and has been passing them out around town.

Fair City Foods in Huron recently announced they're recalling their peaches as part of a nationwide recall of peaches distributed by a California-based company. Peaches the company packed between June 1 and July 12 tested positive listeria.

So far police say they know of 28 cases that have been distributed by the individual.

Officials say anyone who has received one of the cases should bring them to the Huron Police Department.

Listeria is a bacterium that can cause a life-threatening infection.

Performance Radio of Huron says some of the symptoms of listeria poisoning include fever, muscle aches and gastrointestinal distress.

South Dakota wants more info on immigrant children

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota Gov. Dennis Daugaard says the state is asking the federal government for more information on unaccompanied immigrant children placed in the state.

A U.S. Department of Health and Human Services report shows that 21 unaccompanied immigrant children have been placed individually with sponsors in South Dakota this year.

Daugaard says the report is the first knowledge the state had of the placements. He says it's disappointing that the state wasn't notified earlier.

Daugaard says federal officials indicate the children have been screened and vaccinated, but the state still wants more information so it's assured there's no risk to South Dakotans.

New state forester named for South Dakota

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A longtime South Dakota Agriculture Department official has been named state forester.

Gregory Josten succeeds Ray Sowers, who retired last May as state forester and state director of resource conservation and forestry. The two positions are being split, and the director position remains open, department spokeswoman Jamie Crew said Friday.

Josten has worked for the state since 1983 as fire management forester, forest stewardship program coordinator and supervisor of the service forestry programs.

"Greg has intimate knowledge of forestry and our treasured Black Hills," Agriculture Secretary Lucas Lentsch, who appointed Josten, said in a statement Friday. "He also has a proven history of coalition building amongst stakeholders, and this makes him a clear choice to be our new state forester."

Josten grew up in Sioux Falls.

"My interest in forestry stems from many family vacations to the Black Hills during my youth," he said. "It was my Dad's favorite place to go."

Josten holds a bachelor's degree in forest resource management and a master's degree in forest science from the University of Montana. He also has worked as a seasonal firefighter for the state Division of Forestry and a contract forester for the Wyoming State Forestry division.

Top IFL quarterback calls it a career

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A man widely considered one of the greatest Indoor Football League quarterbacks in history is calling it a career.

Sioux Falls Storm signal-caller Chris Dixon, 32, said in a statement Thursday that he is retiring after a decade-long career, during which he threw for more than 25,000 yards and 600 touchdowns, with only 70 interceptions. He cites his age and family considerations.

"I have had a great career and have had the chance to meet so many great people and to play with some amazing teammates," Dixon said. "I have been extremely blessed to play in to great sports cities, but today it's more about my children's dreams than my own."

Dixon led the Storm and the now-defunct Billings Outlaws to five Indoor Football League titles, and was named the league's most valuable player three times.

He also has had stints with several teams in the Arena Football League, the highest level of indoor football, and currently is on the roster of the Tampa Bay Storm. He joined that team after leading Sioux Falls to its third IFL crown on June 28.

Dixon, a native of Oakland, California, played college football at Humboldt State University in Arcata, California. He plans to move back to Billings.

Survey finds support for Atlantic salmon in Oahe

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A survey by South Dakota wildlife officials has found that few anglers object to the addition of Atlantic salmon to Lake Oahe.

South Dakota's Game, Fish and Parks Department is considering adding the fish to the Missouri River reservoir in the Dakotas to boost its salmon fishery. Chinook salmon have been stocked in the lake each year since the mid-1980s.

Flooding in 2011 flushed many of the Chinook salmon through the Oahe Dam and downstream. Biologists have been working to restore the salmon population in the lake but have been hampered by low numbers of rainbow smelt, the Chinook's main source of food. Atlantic salmon have the ability to switch to other prey.

The department in April asked for public comments on the idea. The agency said this week that 86 percent of the 2,311 people who responded either favored the plan or were neutral. Only 14 percent of respondents objected to the proposal, citing concerns including insufficient prey fish and hesitance about stocking a non-native species.

Wildlife officials will decide later whether to continue exploring the option. If they decide to go ahead with the plan, they would not release Atlantic Salmon into Lake Oahe until 2016, and anglers likely wouldn't catch any for about three years.

No Missouri River reservoirs currently have Atlantic salmon, but the species has had a fairly successful run in the Great Lakes — specifically in Lake Huron, where the fish have thrived for more than two decades.

AP News in Brief

Gaza residents sift through rubble as Hamas and Israel begin 12-hour pause in fighting

BEIT HANOUN, Gaza Strip (AP) — Gaza residents used a 12-hour humanitarian cease-fire on Saturday to stock up on supplies and survey the devastation from nearly three weeks of fighting, as they braced

for a resumption of Israel's war on Hamas amid stalled efforts to secure a longer truce.

In the northern town of Beit Hanoun, the main road was impassable in parts due to the debris from the damaged homes. The town's hospital had been hit by a tank shell, power lines were dangling and dead donkeys were strewn on the street. A man was hitting his head and wailing "my house, my house."

Sitting outside a shop on the main road near a pile of rubble, 37-year-old Siam Kafarneh was crying. The mother of eight said the home she had moved into two months earlier and spent 10 years saving for had been destroyed.

"Nothing is left. Everything I have is gone," she said.

Israel and Hamas began the 12-hour pause in hostilities at 8 a.m. (1:00 a.m. EST, 0500 GMT) Saturday after intensive regional shuttle diplomacy by U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry failed to produce a longer truce aimed at ending nearly three weeks of fighting.

US says Russia is firing across the border into Ukraine and moving in heavy artillery

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — Russia is launching artillery attacks from its soil on Ukrainian troops and preparing to move heavier weaponry across the border, the U.S. and Ukraine charged Friday in what appeared to be an ominous escalation of the crisis.

Russia accused Washington of lying and charged Ukraine with firing across the border on a Russian village. It also toughened its economic measures against Ukraine by banning dairy imports.

Andriy Lysenko, a spokesman for Ukraine's National Security and Defense Council, said five salvos of heavy rockets were fired across the border near the town of Kolesnikov in the Luhansk region in the country's east. A border crossing point near Marynovka was fired on twice with mortars, also from the Russian side, while Ukrainian forces shot down three Russian drones, Lysenko said.

If true, the allegations mean Moscow is playing a more direct role in the fighting than it has been accused of up to now — a dangerous turn in what is already the gravest crisis between Russia and the West since the end of the Cold War.

In addition, Col. Steve Warren, a Pentagon spokesman, said that the U.S. has seen powerful rocket systems moving closer to the Ukraine border and that they could be put into the hands of the Russian-backed separatists as soon as Friday.

New EU sanctions imposed on Russian intelligence chiefs, rebel organizations in Ukraine

BRUSSELS (AP) — The European Union on Friday extended its Ukraine-related sanctions to target top Russian intelligence officials and leaders of the pro-Russia revolt in eastern Ukraine, official documents showed.

Among the 15 new people subjected to an EU-wide asset freeze and travel ban were Alexander Bortnikov, head of the Russian Federal Security Service, and Sergei Beseda, head of the FSB department that oversees international operations and intelligence activity. Four members of Russia's Security Council were also included on the EU list.

The new measures, designed to put pressure on Moscow and its allies in Ukraine, were announced in the EU's Official Journal, and took effect immediately. Eighteen organizations or businesses, including rebel formations in Ukraine's east, were added to the trade bloc's sanctions list at the same time.

The action brought the total number of people under EU sanction in connection with Russia's an-

nexation of Crimea and the revolt in eastern Ukraine to 87. Two Crimea-based energy businesses had already had their EU holdings frozen.

Earlier on Friday, EU ambassadors reached a preliminary deal to go even further in sanctioning Russia, targeting its access to European capital markets and trade in the defense sector, dual-use goods and sensitive technologies.

Named in 'torture' report, some former CIA officials denied a chance to read it before release

ASPEN, Colo. (AP) — About a dozen former CIA officials named in a classified Senate report on decade-old agency interrogation practices were notified in recent days that they would be able to review parts of the document in a secure room in suburban Washington after signing a secrecy agreement.

Then, on Friday, many were told they would not be able to see it, after all.

Some of them were furious, while Democratic Senate aides were angry that they were given the chance in the first place.

It's the latest chapter in the drama and recriminations that have been playing out behind the scenes in connection with what some call the Senate torture report, a summary of which is being declassified and is expected to be released in the coming weeks.

"I am outraged," said John Rizzo, one of the former officials who was offered, and then refused, a chance to see the summary report before publication. He retired in 2009 as the CIA's top lawyer after playing a key role in the interrogation program.

Hong Kong fights for its future in the face of growing Chinese influence

HONG KONG (AP) — As skyscrapers around Hong Kong harbor erupted into a reverie of laser beams and giant digital displays during their synchronized nightly light show, one innocuous 28-story building near the water's edge had stayed dark for months, clad in bamboo scaffolding for a face-lift.

Then, in June, the renovated tower came to life, flashing giant Chinese characters that some in Hong Kong saw as a warning.

"People's Liberation Army," it said.

Many in this prosperous city had already feared that Hong Kong's future as an open society as well as a semiautonomous part of China was in jeopardy in the face of perceived growing intervention from Beijing. Tens of thousands of people had turned out days earlier for an annual vigil to commemorate victims of the 1989 Tiananmen Square massacre, while an unprecedented policy "white paper" declaring Beijing's irrevocable control over the territory had generated furious debate about Hong Kong's future.

Now, after the Chinese military building had kept a low profile for years, its brief debut in the city's beloved "Symphony of Lights" felt like nothing less than a show of force 17 years after the British handed the territory back to Chinese control.

Obama urges Central American leaders, House Republicans to help slow influx of young migrants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pressing for swift action, President Barack Obama on Friday urged Central

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American presidents and congressional Republicans to help ease the influx of minors and migrant families crossing the southwest border of the U.S.

He emphasized to the regional leaders that despite U.S. compassion for migrant children, those who do not have a proper claim to remain in the U.S. will be turned back.

While citing progress in stemming the flow, Obama called on House Republicans to act urgently on his request for emergency spending. With one week left before Congress' August recess, Republicans on Friday were trying to unite behind a plan that would spend about one-fourth of the amount in Obama's proposal.

"It is my hope that Speaker Boehner and House Republicans will not leave town for the month of August for their vacations without doing something to help solve this problem," Obama said after meeting with Vice President Joe Biden and the presidents of Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador. "We need action and less talk."

Obama played down a proposed pilot program that his administration is considering that would give refugee status to young people from Honduras. White House officials said the plan, which could be expanded to Guatemala and El Salvador, would involve screening youths in their home countries to determine whether they qualify for refugee status.

Game shows, sales and fast-breaking feasts: Holy month of Ramadan is a boon for retailers

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Glitzy billboards in the Middle East and postage stamps in the U.S. Advertisements for lingerie and sales on modest skirts. Lavish buffets and cellphone apps.

Ramadan, Islam's holiest month, is a boon for retailers in the Middle East, South Asia and beyond. And while some Muslims welcome it as a positive sign, others see it as commercialization of a sacred time of year.

Intended to be a monthlong spiritual cleansing, Ramadan — which ends this weekend — is an exercise in self-restraint that commands Muslims to abstain from food and water from sunrise to sunset.

But for businesses, from California to Cairo, Dubai to Dhaka, Ramadan is also a time to sell.

U.S. fashion house DKNY launched a Ramadan collection aimed at wealthy Arab shoppers. The collection was carried in DKNY outlets throughout the Gulf.

AP Essay: When disasters don't stick to script, world struggles to give shape to grief

LONDON (AP) — When air travel goes wrong, the modern world has given us a script to follow.

Forensic workers in coveralls descend on the crash scene. Police tape seals off the site and keeps the full horror at a distance. There is an orderly numbering of the dead and gathering of the evidence. Bodies are repatriated, funerals are held. Eventually, there is explanation.

The bereaved, and the rest of us, take solace in science, logic, investigation, the gradual restoration of order. It's a process that organizes tragedy into a shape the mind can process and the heart can grieve. Whether it was mechanical failure, human error or terrorism, we are reassured by the notion that knowledge brings the power to stop it from happening again.

But 2014 has been different.

Twice this year, when disaster struck two Malaysia Airlines planes, fate has torn up the script. One plane disappeared, leaving investigators combing a vast ocean, a disaster with no wreckage and no

bodies.

Official: Suspect in deadly hospital shooting had lengthy history of gun arrests, violence

MEDIA, Pa. (AP) — A psychiatric patient who killed his caseworker — and grazed his psychiatrist before the doctor pulled out his own weapon and fired back — has a lengthy history of gun arrests, violence and mental health problems, authorities said.

Dr. Lee Silverman emptied his gun's chamber, striking patient Richard Plotts several times, Delaware County District Attorney Jack Whelan said. Plotts by then had shot the caseworker in the face and fired several shots at Silverman, including one that grazed his temple and another that struck his thumb, he said.

Plotts had 39 unspent bullets on him when he was wrestled to the ground at Mercy Fitzgerald Hospital in Darby, just southwest of Philadelphia, and police believe he had planned to use them.

"If the doctor did not have a firearm, (and) the doctor did not utilize the firearm, he'd be dead today, and I believe that other people in that facility would also be dead," Whelan said.

Police in Upper Darby, where Plotts lived, were aware of at least three mental health commitments — including once after he cut his wrists and once when he threatened suicide — but said such stays can last just one to three days.

Arizona's McCain says execution of inmate was torture; lawmakers doubt changes will be made

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — U.S. Sen. John McCain says the execution of an Arizona inmate that lasted two hours was torture.

The Republican who represents the conservative state told Politico that he supports capital punishment for certain crimes but felt Wednesday's execution of Joseph Rudolph Wood was a "bollocks-upped situation."

The execution brought new attention to the death penalty debate in the U.S. as opponents said it was proof that lethal injection is cruel and unusual punishment.

Arizona lawmakers, however, say the debate is not likely to have an impact on practices in the state. It took Wood nearly two hours to die after he received a lethal injection with a combination of the sedative midazolam and the painkiller hydromorphone.

Today in History **The Associated Press**

Today is Saturday, July 26, the 207th day of 2014. There are 158 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 26, 1775, Benjamin Franklin became America's first Postmaster-General.

On this date:

In 1788, New York became the 11th state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1882, the Richard Wagner opera "Parsifal" premiered in Bayreuth, Germany.

In 1908, U.S. Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte ordered creation of a force of special agents that was a forerunner of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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In 1912, the Edison Studios production "What Happened to Mary," one of the first, if not very first, movie serials, was released with Mary Fuller in the title role.

In 1947, President Harry S. Truman signed the National Security Act, which established the National Military Establishment (later renamed the Department of Defense).

In 1952, Argentina's first lady, Eva Peron, died in Buenos Aires at age 33. King Farouk I of Egypt abdicated in the wake of a coup led by Gamal Abdel Nasser.

In 1953, Fidel Castro began his revolt against Fulgencio Batista (fool-HEN'-see-oh bah-TEES'-tah) with an unsuccessful attack on an army barracks in eastern Cuba. (Castro ousted Batista in 1959.)

In 1956, the Italian liner Andrea Doria sank off New England, some 11 hours after colliding with the Swedish liner Stockholm; at least 51 people died. Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser nationalized the Suez Canal.

In 1964, Teamsters president Jimmy Hoffa was convicted in federal court in Chicago of fraud and conspiracy in the handling of a union pension fund; six co-defendants were found guilty of conspiracy. The Organization of American States enacted sanctions against Cuba.

In 1971, Apollo 15 was launched from Cape Kennedy on America's fourth manned mission to the moon.

In 1989, Mark Wellman, a 29-year-old paraplegic, reached the summit of El Capitan in Yosemite (yoh-SEHM'-uh-tee) National Park after hauling himself up the granite cliff six inches at a time over nine days.

In 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Ten years ago: The Democratic Party's 44th national convention opened in Boston under extraordinarily tight security; a parade of speakers that included former President Bill Clinton castigated George W. Bush as a president who had mishandled the economy and bungled the war on terror. Mohammed Mamdouh Helmi Qutb, an Egyptian diplomat held hostage by militants in Iraq for three days, was released after successful negotiations.

Five years ago: Sarah Palin stepped down as governor of Alaska to write a book and build a right-of-center coalition, but left her long-term political plans unclear. Alberto Contador won the Tour de France for the second time in three years; Lance Armstrong placed third. Rickey Henderson and Jim Rice were inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame along with the late Joe Gordon. Choreographer and dancer Merce Cunningham died in New York at age 90.

One year ago: Ariel Castro, the man who'd imprisoned three women in his Cleveland home, subjecting them to a decade of rapes and beatings, pleaded guilty to 937 counts in a deal to avoid the death penalty. (Castro later committed suicide in prison.) A gunman went on a rampage at a Hialeah, Florida, apartment complex, killing six people before being shot dead by police. Billionaire Texas oilman George P. Mitchell, considered the father of fracking, died at his home in Galveston; he was 94. JJ Cale, 74, whose best songs like "After Midnight" and "Cocaine" were towering hits for other artists, died in La Jolla, California.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Marjorie Lord is 96. Actor James Best is 88. Actress-singer Darlene Love is 73. Singer Brenton Wood is 73. Rock star Mick Jagger is 71. Movie director Peter Hyams is 71. Actress Helen Mirren is 69. Rock musician Roger Taylor (Queen) is 65. Actress Susan George is 64. Olympic gold medal figure skater Dorothy Hamill is 58. Actor Kevin Spacey is 55. Rock singer Gary Cherone (sher-OWN') is 53. Actress Sandra Bullock is 50. Rock singer Jim Lindberg (Pennywise) is 49. Actor Jeremy Piven is 49. Rapper-reggae singer Wayne Wonder is 48. Actor Jason Statham (STAY'-thum) is 47. Actor Cress Williams is 44. TV host Chris Harrison ("The Bachelor"; "The Bachelorette") is 43. Actress Kate Beckinsale is 41. Rock musician Dan Konopka (OK Go) is 40. Gospel/Contemporary Christian

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singer Rebecca St. James is 37. Actress Francia Raisa is 26. Christian rock musician Jamie Sharpe (Rush of Fools) is 25.

Thought for Today: "A life spent making mistakes is not only more honorable, but more useful than a life spent doing nothing." - George Bernard Shaw (born this date in 1856, died 1950).