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Two bedroom apartment in the Rix Apartments (former city apartments) at 407 N Garfield

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Major appliances included.

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Senior Menu: Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Peas, Acini DePepi Fruit Salad, Whole Wheat Bread

Anniv: Jim/Linda Bahr

Birthdays: Gerald Rix • Rich Zimney • Shelley Merkel • Jacob Harms • Dylan Sweeter • Mathieu LaMee • Barb Grube

10:00am: Christian Missionary & Alliance Ladies Bible Study

10:00am: United Methodist Women's Bible Study

6:15pm: Ladies Night Golf

6:30pm: C&MA VBS

Wednesday, Aug. 6

New Student Registration

Senior Menu: Baked Chicken Breast, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Calif. Blend Vegetables, Lemon Tart Bar, Whole Wheat Bread

Birthdays: Becky Hunter • Cheri Hein • Alexis Gustafson • David LaMee • Cheri Shabazz • Karen White • Damian Bahr

7:00am: United Methodist Men's Bible Study

12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center

5:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Sarah Circle

6:00pm: Men's Golf League

6:30pm: C&MA VBS

7:00pm: UMC Education Meeting

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Monday 9 - 12 & 1 - 5 Thursday 1:00 - 4:00

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.

City's cash flow shortage normal for August

City Finance Officer Anita Lowary reported at the council meeting Monday night that the city is really short on funds right now. "That is normal for August," she said. "We are waiting for sales tax money to come in. We may have to go to the bank to borrow money to get us through, like \$100,000, but I don't think that will be necessary."

There was a change order from the Robert Johnson Company for the west side street project. They did not use as much drain tile so there will be a deduct of \$220.12.

Glenn Cooper came the council to discuss the cemetery regulations. "I'm not very happy with your cemetery policy," he said. "My fern peonies get mowed off at least once or twice each year. I even put a fence around them and they still got run over. It's uncalled for." He said that he planted five plants and they have been mowed off for six years in a row. They mowed them off and the fences were gone two weeks ago. "I think this cemetery should be kept up nice. I like a nice cemetery."

In 1968 the cemetery association went bankrupt and the cemetery was handed to the city. Then in 1984, then Mayor Omer Nelson said if the city is taking care of the protestant cemetery, the city should take care of the Catholic side and that was the year the city took over the Catholic side as well. Mayor Scott Hanlon said he will relay the message to watch the mowing practices.

The gold Dodge pickup has died and will be declared as junk. A used pickup was purchased for \$3,500.

The council decided to raise the cemetery lot price from \$100 to \$200 with \$100 going into the perpetual care fund and \$100 going to upkeep. It will go into effect September 1, 2014.

Curb and gutter is done on the west side project. The aprons and driveways need to be done yet. Dirt is being hauled in behind the curb and gutter. If everything goes according to plan, the asphalt part of the project will begin August 14.

The city of Huron accepted the \$3,000 bid from Groton for their slide, and would help Groton employees take it down. Councilman Michelle Muilenberg said she has someone line up to get the slide at \$390 a load.

First State Bank, Groton, submitted the only quote for interest rates for this year's curb and gutter project. Their annual interest rate was 3.95 percent for \$250,000 spread over 10 years. The city will charge 4.50 percent back to the property owners.

Twenty-eight nuisance letters were sent out. Five letters were not picked up and five others are not done yet. Three property owners had not cleaned up their property and two were given extensions. The undelivered letters will be hand delivered by the Groton Police Department. The trailer house at HRH Mobile Home park will be given until Monday to get rid of it.

The \$63,000 for taking out the sidewalks should have been \$6,300. The grant is for \$121,000 and the project for seven blocks is about \$145,000. The project was reduced to five blocks. The north side of Fifth Avenue from First Street to Lincoln Street and the west side of First Street from Fifth Avenue to Fourth Avenue.

The council gave first reading on preventing the blowing grass into the streets, roads, alleys or onto the sidewalk.

The playground equipment at the baseball complex is in need of being replaced. Another round of grant money is available to get it replaced and the council agreed to proceed with the grant. It is a 60:40 matching grant.

Approval was given to send Justin Cleveland to a police leadership school August 19 and 20 in Aberdeen, to send someone to the annual safety conference November 11 and 12 in Pierre, and to send Anita Lowary to the South Dakota Municipal League conference October 8-10 in Spearfish.

Athletics Student/Parent Meeting

Groton Area Fall Athletics Student/Parent meeting will be held on Monday, August 11 at 7:00 PM in the GHS Arena. All student-athletes, along with a parent, planning to participate in any fall athletics activity must plan to attend. We will complete paperwork requirements, discuss policies, procedures, and philosophies as a large group followed by team meetings conducted by the coaching staff.

Brown County 4-H Fashion Revue Results

The 2014 Brown County 4-H Fashion Revue was held Wednesday, July 16th. Primrose Retirement Community graciously offered their facility for the event. Becca Tullar, the Brown County 4-H Youth Program Advisor, and Ashley Farrand, the 4-H Summer Assistant narrated, while eight models modeled 10 constructed and selected outfits.

In the early afternoon, Pat Dennert of Frederick and Karen Sluneka of Faulkton judged the models. The models were judged on the following criteria: the fit and style of the garment, as well as the accessories; the individual's modeling ability; the construction of the garment; and the garments cost and care. Each model was given a ribbon placing. Senior and Junior purple ribbon winners will represent

Brown County at the South Dakota State Fair.

RESULTS:

Beginners:

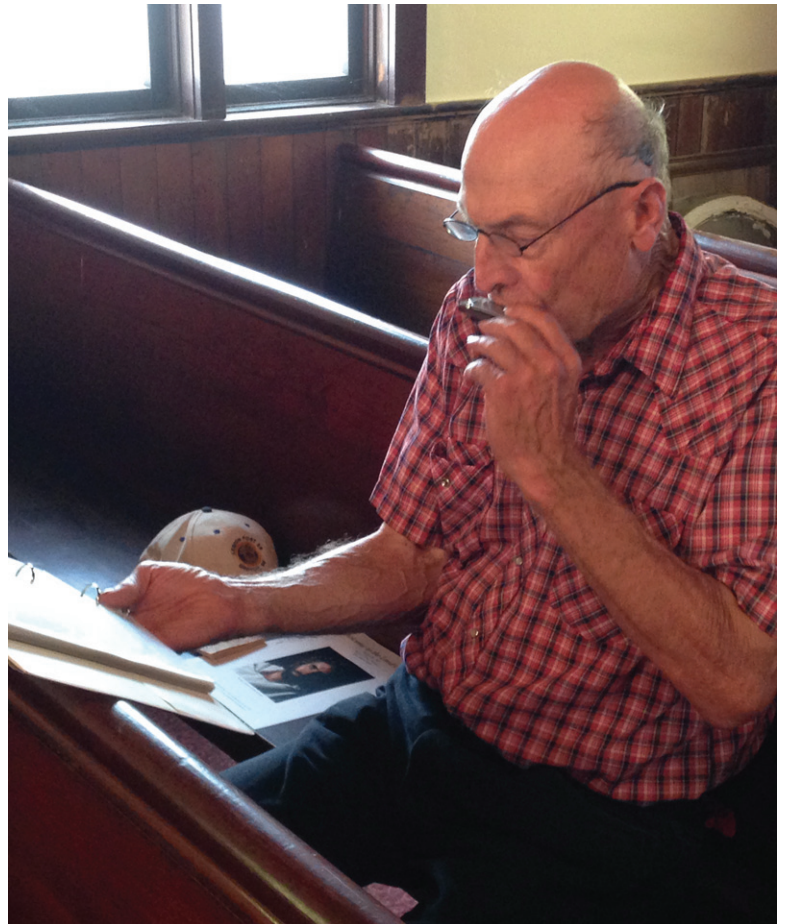
Purple Ribbon- Alexis Hanten and Aspyrn Frink

Juniors:

Purple Ribbon-Peyton Johnson, Alexis Simon (2), Portia Kettering, Dawson Frink, and Nicole Marzahn

Seniors:

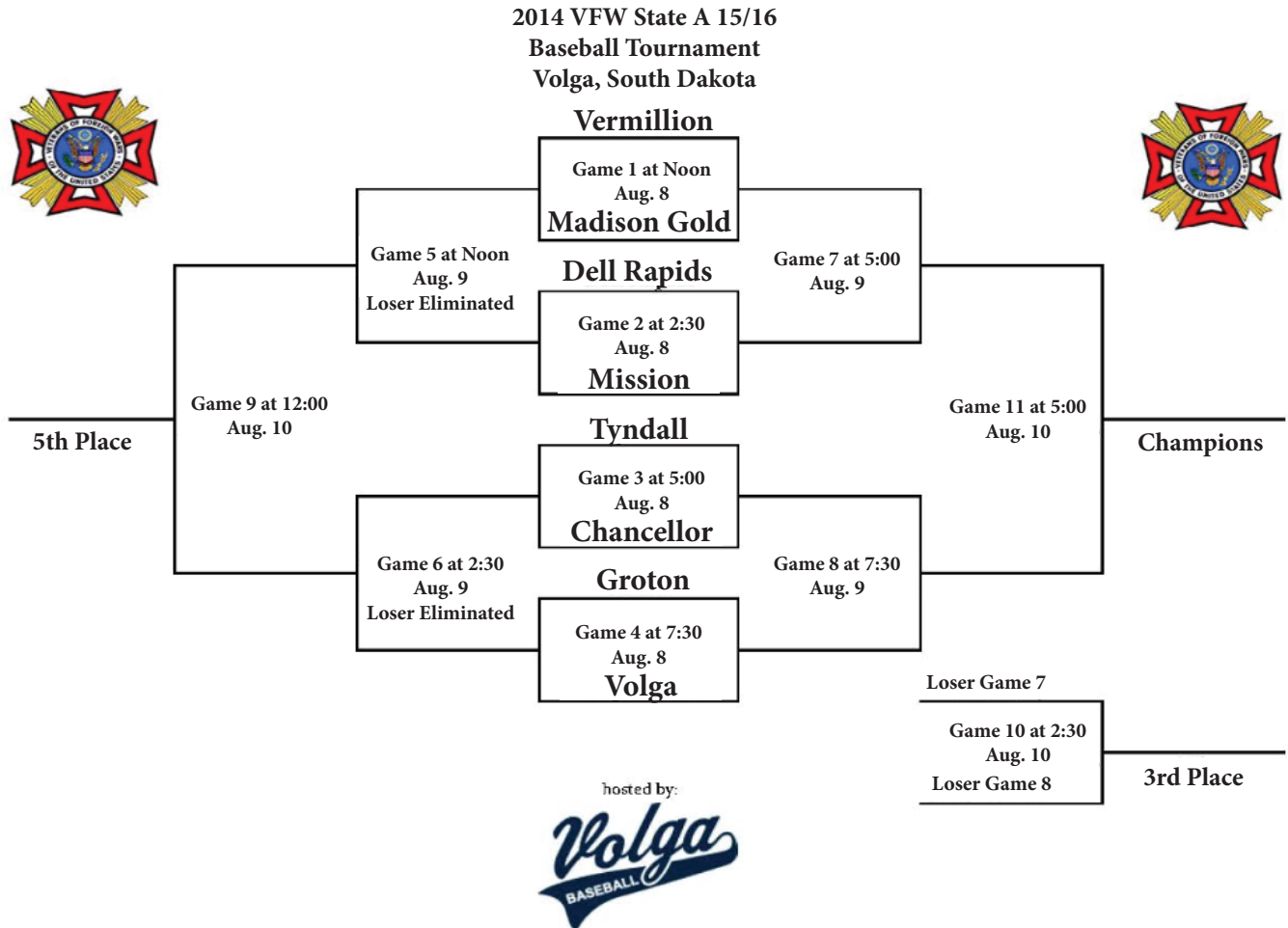
Purple Ribbon-Ashley Gibbs (2)



Gilbert Hinkelman played the harmonica at the church service held Sunday at the Trinity historic church. Worship service is held each Sunday at 5 p.m. The church is located at Third Street and Third Ave.

Corrected Teener State Brackets

The wrong one was sent out yesterday



Very Dry and Cool July

July 2014 was a very dry and cool month across central and northeast South Dakota as well as west central Minnesota. The area averaged a deficit of about 1 to 3 inches of precipitation for the month. In fact, 2 of the locations ranked within the top 5 driest July's on record! Aberdeen ended up totaling only 0.70 inches of rainfall for July. This ranks as the 5th driest July since records started being kept in 1893. Kennebec had a whopping 0.24 inches of rainfall in July. This ranks as the 4th driest July since records started in 1893 also. Timber Lake's total precipitation for July ranked as the 6th driest on record with 0.55 inches of rainfall. Only 3 stations reported monthly rainfall above 1 inch with Wheaton coming in at 2.13 inches. And, that still ended up being just over an inch below normal! It was quite a change and some would say totally opposite from just one month ago when most locations recorded near to above normal rainfall for June. In addition to the dry conditions, temperatures continued the trend of staying below normal for the 11th straight month. Monthly average temperatures ranged from 3 to 4 degrees below normal for July. Some locations like Aberdeen, Pierre, Sisseton and Wheaton all ranked within the top 10 of coolest July's on record. Pierre and Kennebec were the only locations that reached above 100 degrees in July.

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Listening carefully, I mean really listening, is the most important diagnostic tool in the doctor's bag, but it is rarely straightforward.

"It's that pesky ulcer again," she said. "Just prescribe me more of that heartburn drug, and I'll be better..." But the pain progressed; the after-a-fatty-meal and recurrent nature of the pain story came out. With the added character of the exam and an ultrasound test, the diagnosis of gall



By Richard P. Holm M.D.

bladder disease finally was made. Soon after, we removed the infected and almost ruptured gallbladder.

"I have sinusitis and bronchitis, and need an antibiotic. Nothing helps until I get the antibiotic. Just give me the antibiotic," He demanded. And yet after learning of the two days of sore throat and ache-all-over, then the runny nose, and two weeks of cough, it was clear he had a viral infection, which in turn triggered some asthma-bronchitis-like problems. What he needed was inhaled steroid-asthma medicines and some time for the viral illness to run its course. That given, the correct treatment was provided, the coughing resolved, and an exposure to a dangerous antibiotic was avoided.

"There's been blood in the toilet again but it's just my hemorrhoids," he said. It took some convincing to get him in for colonoscopy, but when we did, there was a large polyp turning to cancer out on a stalk in his colon, which was removed through the scope. Not what he expected, but his story brought us to save him from a cancer death.

With all these misleading words, still the patient's story and the clinician's ear are the most important diagnostic tools available. Even with advanced technology, extensive blood and laboratory tests, complex genomics, and MRI, CT, and PET scans, the old-fashion taking a careful history is still the most important way to make the correct diagnosis. More than one research study has shown that laboratory and imaging tests make the diagnosis about five percent of the time, the physical exam about 15 percent, and the history about 80 percent.

Of course it is important to use the right test when appropriate, but in this day and age, some would criticize modern medical providers for becoming too dependent on fancy and expensive tests, and for not taking enough time to listen, I mean really listen to what our patients have to say.

Dr. Rick Holm wrote this Prairie Doc Perspective for "On Call®," a weekly program where medical professionals discuss health concerns for the general public. "On Call®" is produced by the Healing Words Foundation in association with the South Dakota State University Journalism Department. "On Call®" airs Thursdays on South Dakota Public Broadcasting-Television at 7 p.m. Central, 6 p.m. Mountain. Visit us at OnCallTelevision.com.



Midgets win League Title

The Groton Midget baseball team placed first in their league tournament July 26th in Milbank. Coaches are Jim Jones and Kevin Nehls and Zelous Johnson.

Back row; Austin Jones, Garret Schroeder, Lucas Simon, Riley Thurston, Jamyson Stange, Kayde Stange, Grady O'Neil and Peyton Johnson

Front Row: Darien Shabazz, Johnny Doeden, Chandler Larson and Pierce Kettering

Consumer Reporting Agencies Follow Your Moves By Jason Alderman

By now, you've probably heard about the Big Three credit bureaus (Equifax, Experian and TransUnion), which monitor your financial history and issue credit reports and credit scores to potential lenders. But did you know that there are dozens of other specialty consumer reporting agencies that track your history for activities that may not appear on your regular credit reports – things like bounced checks, late utility payments, insurance claims and prescription orders?

Most people never hear about these companies until they're suddenly turned down for an apartment, checking account, insurance policy or even a job or promotion. But you need to know that potential landlords, banks, insurance companies and employers are very likely ordering specialty reports to help them assess the risk of doing business with you.

That's fine if you've got a squeaky-clean track record. But what if their files contain mistakes; or worse, what if someone has hijacked your identity and is poisoning your record with their own bad behavior?

Fortunately, you do have recourse. Under federal law, you can request a copy of your report once a year from each agency, generally for free. You're also entitled to a free copy whenever an "adverse action" is taken against you because of something in the report. (For example, if you're turned down for a checking account.)

Unfortunately, there's no central clearinghouse for these specialty agencies so you need to contact each individually. However, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has taken some of the legwork out by compiling a list of the most commonly used agencies, along with instructions and contact information for ordering your reports. (Search "Specialty Consumer Agencies" at www.cfpb.gov.) Another great resource is the Privacy Rights Clearinghouse's fact sheet on specialty reports at www.privacy-rights.org.

Specialty consumer reporting agencies collect information about you from various sources and share it with creditors and other businesses, including:

- Public records of criminal and civil cases
- Credit history
- Bankruptcy filings
- Companies with which you have an existing or prior relationship
- Medical information
- Driving records

Typical inquiries might include:

Check-writing history – for banks, credit unions and businesses that accept payments by check. They'll look for things like bounced or returned checks and fraud.

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Medical conditions and prescription drug history – if you're applying for an individual life, long-term care or disability insurance policy. (Note: Health insurers can't deny coverage or charge higher premiums because of preexisting conditions.)

Residential – landlords checking your tenant history, credit, criminal background, etc.

Auto or homeowner/renter's insurance – insurers will screen your records for things like traffic violations, claims and property losses.

Payday lending – creditors investigating people who don't use traditional financial services (banking, credit cards, etc.) might evaluate payday loans, check-cashing services, prepaid cards, etc.

Utilities – If you're trying to open a new utility, phone, cable or Internet account.

Employment background – By law, employers must obtain your permission to run a background check. Unfortunately, they're generally not required to identify which company they're using unless they decide not to hire you – it doesn't hurt to ask ahead of time, though.

Note that when you dispute information in your reports, agencies are legally obligated to investigate and correct any inaccurate or outdated information. Also, they must give you an update on the status of your request to view your report. However, there is no time limit on when your request must be processed.

Bottom line: You might not realize there's false or potentially damaging information being reported about you, so get in the habit of ordering specialty consumer reports along with your credit reports.

Jason Alderman directs Visa's financial education programs. To Follow Jason Alderman on Twitter: www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney.



Come 'n' Get It!
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Today in Weather History

1987: Severe thunderstorms raked eastern South Dakota where a dozen tornadoes were reported along with softball sized hail at Bowdle and wind gusts to 90 mph at Watertown. Three tornadoes struck within 25 minutes of each other near Kennebec. Six tornadoes touched down in central South Dakota. Five of these tornadoes touched down in Lyman county, including three which did damage near Kennebec within 25 minutes of each other. One of the tornadoes destroyed three farms, downing outbuildings, power lines, granaries, and killing farm animals.

2000: A wet microburst with winds estimated at 120 mph caused heavy damage in and around Mitchell. Apartments and several mobile homes were destroyed, vehicles were overturned, and other damage occurred to buildings and vehicles. Widespread tree and power line damage also occurred. Ten people were injured, although the majority of the injuries were minor. The damage path was approximately a mile and a half long and a mile wide, extending over the southwest part of Mitchell.

1843 - A spectacular cloudburst near Philadelphia turned the small creeks and streams entering the Delaware River into raging torrents. As much as sixteen inches of rain fell in just three hours. Flooding destroyed thirty-two county bridges, and caused nineteen deaths. It is believed that several small tornadoes accompanied the torrential rains, one of which upset and sank more than thirty barges on the Schuylkill River. (David Ludlum)

1961 - The temperature at Ice Harbor Dam, WA, soared to 118 degrees to equal the state record established at Wahluke on the 24th of July in 1928. The afternoon high of 111 degrees at Havre, MT, was an all-time record for that location. (The Weather Channel)

1980: Hurricane Allen reached Category Five status for the first of three times during its long path across the Atlantic with a pressure of 911 millibars while south of Puerto Rico. (NWS)

1987 - Severe thunderstorms raked eastern South Dakota. The thunderstorms spawned half a dozen tornadoes, produced softball size hail at Bowdle, and produced wind gusts to 90 mph south of Water-

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town. Hot weather continued in eastern Texas. Afternoon highs of 100 degrees at Houston and 106 degrees at Waco equalled records for the date. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Thunderstorms produced severe weather from Indiana and Lower Michigan to Pennsylvania and New York State during the day. Thunderstorms in Michigan produced wind gusts to 80 mph at Ashley, Hastings and Lennon. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Thunderstorms produced severe weather in Oklahoma, and from Iowa to the Upper Ohio Valley, with 216 reports of large hail or damaging winds between early Saturday morning and early Sunday morning. Thunderstorms moving across Iowa around sunrise produced extremely high winds which caused ten million dollars damage to crops in Carroll and Greene Counties. Thunderstorm winds at Jefferson IA reached 102 mph. Afternoon thunderstorms produced tennis ball size hail at Bay Mills, WI. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

FOR RENT

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FOR SALE








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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.

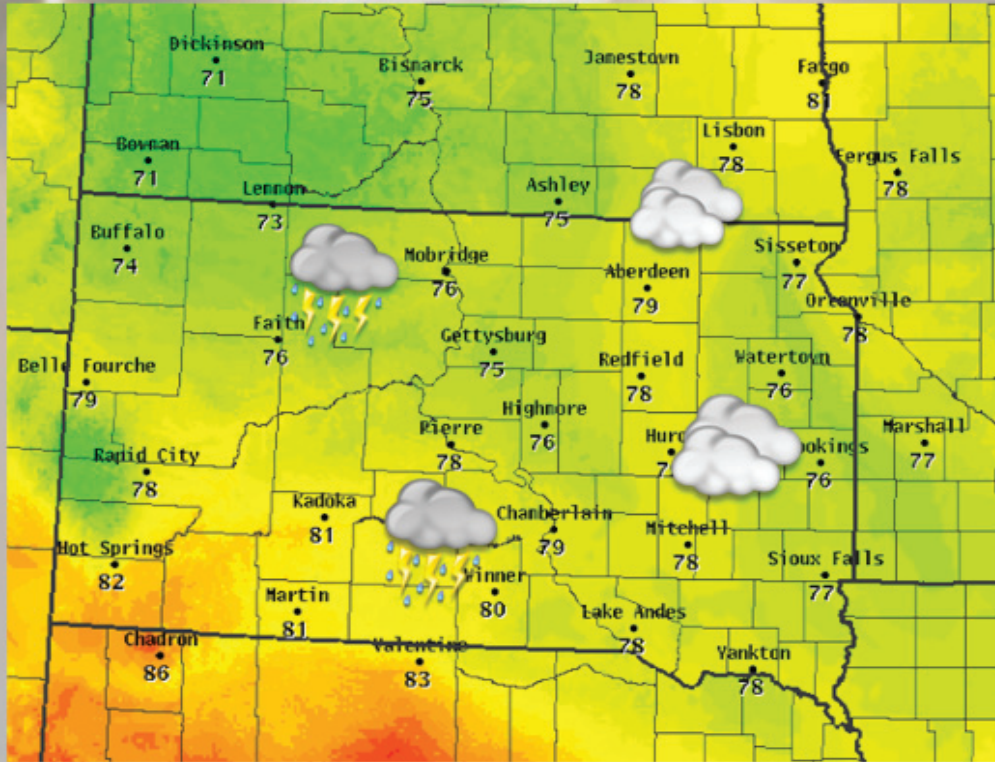
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TODAY	TONIGHT	TUESDAY	TUESDAY NIGHT	WEDNESDAY	WEDNESDAY NIGHT	THURSDAY
						
30%	30%	40%	40%	30%	20%	20%
Chance Thunderstorms High: 82 °F	Chance Thunderstorms Low: 58 °F	Chance Thunderstorms High: 78 °F	Chance Thunderstorms Low: 58 °F	Chance Thunderstorms High: 79 °F	Slight Chc Thunderstorms Low: 59 °F	Slight Chc Thunderstorms High: 77 °F



Below Normal Temps Today Scattered Showers and Storms West



National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD


weather.gov/Aberdeen

[National Weather Service Aberdeen](https://www.facebook.com/NWSAberdeen)

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Updated: 8/5/2014 5:07 AM Central

Scattered showers and thunderstorms are possible today, mainly across the western part of the area. The precipitation chances will spread eastward late tonight and Wednesday.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 74.9°F at 11:21 AM

Low: 60.1°F at 6:08 AM

High Gust: 14 mph at 3:50 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 107° in 1941

Record Low: 41° in 1994

Average High: 84°F

Average Low: 59°F

Average Precip in Aug.: 0.31

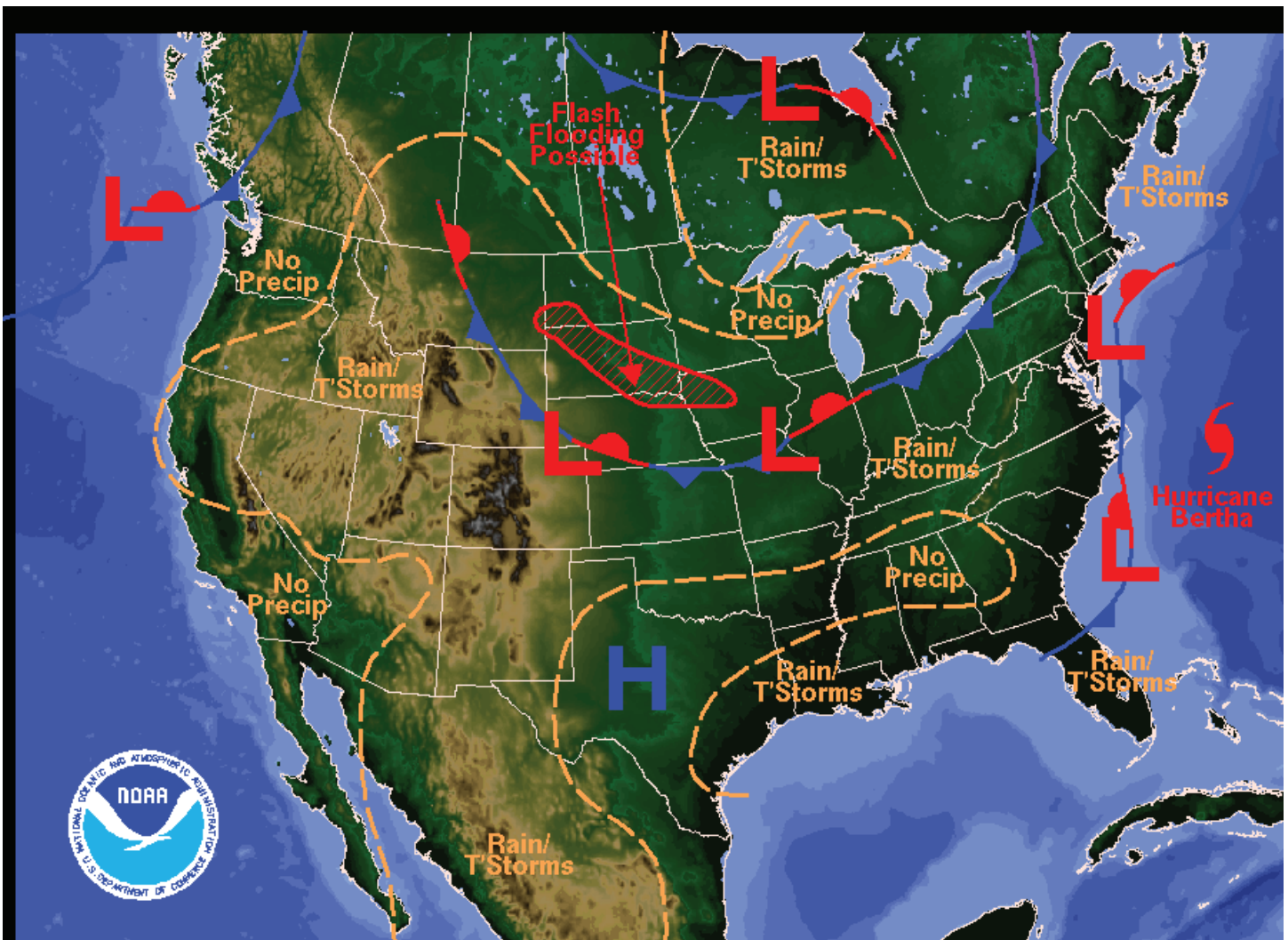
Precip to date in Aug.: 0.15

Average Precip to date: 14.17

Precip Year to Date: 9.43

Sunset Tonight: 8:56 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:24 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Tue, Aug 05, 2014, issued 3:04 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by Mc Reynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



SUNSHINE AND STORMS

"What's that, Dad?" asked his son, Ben.

"A rainbow," responded his father.

"What's a rainbow, Dad?" was his next question.

"Well, Ben, a rainbow is a promise from God that He loves us and will always care for us," said Ben's Dad.

What a comforting answer for us to think about when we face troubling times. The beauty and brilliance of the colors found in a rainbow are the result of "reflections and refractions" of the sun's rays as they "light-up" the drops of rain that fall from the sky after the storm passes over us. But without the storm there would be no rainbow.

We only see rainbows when the sun is behind us and the rain is falling in front of us. As the rays of the sun pass through a drop of rain it is "bent" - or refracted - and separated into the different colors that light up the sky. What we see is a brilliant display of colors produced in the countless drops of rain that fall in front of the sun.

All of us have experienced many drops of rain falling on our paths and into our lives. But God's love shines through each of them as the sun shines through the drops of rain that fall from the sky. It is the glow of His love that shines through the tears of grief, pain, hurt and suffering that fall from our eyes and brings us His comfort.

No one has lived a "tear-free life." We have all been caught up in the "storms of life" - yet have survived. The Psalmist wrote, "They have greatly oppressed me from my youth, but have not gained the victory over me." Storms and tears come and go, but God's love always protects us.

Prayer: Thank You, Father, for the assurance of Your love. May we look to You for healing when others harm us. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Psalm 129:2 they have greatly oppressed me from my youth, but they have not gained the victory over me.

News from the Associated Press

North Dakota State tops preseason FCS poll

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Three-time defending national champion North Dakota State is the top-ranked team in the Football Championship Subdivision preseason coaches' poll.

The Bison enter their Aug. 30 season opener at Iowa State having won a school- and FCS-record 24 straight games. NDSU returns 10 starters from last year's team, though the squad will have a new quarterback and a new head coach.

Chris Klieman was promoted from defensive coordinator to head coach when Craig Bohl left for Wyoming. Carson Wentz takes over at quarterback for All-American Brock Jensen, who graduated.

The rest of the preseason poll top five is Eastern Washington, Southeast Louisiana, New Hampshire and Montana. Filling out the top 10 is Coastal Carolina, Towson, Jacksonville State, McNeese State and South Dakota State.

Bond set for driver charged in church van crash

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Bond has been set at \$1,000 for a Sioux Falls man accused of driving under the influence and crashing into a church van from Missouri.

Twenty-year-old Tyler Easley appeared in court on Monday. He did not immediately enter pleas to charges including DUI, reckless driving and no driver's license.

None of the eight people in the van suffered serious injuries in the Sunday night crash. The church members are in Sioux Falls on a mission trip.

Official: Anthrax found in bison, no food concern

KEVIN BURBACH, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The year's first case of animal anthrax in South Dakota has been confirmed in a bison herd in the northern part of the state, which is home to the most domesticated bison on ranches in the country. But experts say there is little need to be alarmed because the threat to humans is minimal in the U.S. and most livestock are vaccinated.

Anthrax is found throughout the world, but it is rare in the U.S., according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. In the Dakotas, where ranching is common, ranchers see a few cases each year in unvaccinated herds of cattle or other animals. The disease causes death in livestock quickly and without warning.

Here are some questions and answers about the illness:

Q: What is anthrax and how does it make its way to livestock?

A: Anthrax is an infectious disease caused by *Bacillus anthracis*, bacteria whose spores lie dormant in soil and become active under extreme weather conditions such as drought or flooding, according to South Dakota's state veterinarian, Dustin Oedekoven.

Livestock grazing in areas where spores are present can get infected by consuming or breathing in the spores. Affected animals are often found dead with no prior illness outwardly detected, Oedekoven said. It can kill an affected animal in a matter of days, sometimes within 24 hours.

Veterinarians recommend quarantining unaffected animals and disposing of affected animals as quickly as possible to avoid spreading the disease to other animals. In South Dakota, carcasses of infected

animals must be burned and buried at least 4 feet below the ground within 36 hours of death, and any livestock near an outbreak is quarantined for 30 days.

Q: What happened in South Dakota?

A: State examiners found a herd of unvaccinated bison to be infected on July 31, after ranchers in Dewey County in the north-central part of the state found six dead bison at the same time, Oedekoven said. Although only a handful of cases are usually found each year, sometimes it can be more widespread. North Dakota saw an outbreak in 2005 that killed more than 1,000 animals, though the state's first and only case this year was detected about a month ago in a beef cow.

Q: Can it be passed to humans or affect meat processed for human consumption?

A: Typically, the only risk for humans from the disease in the U.S. comes from indirectly handling carcasses or fluids from affected livestock without protective clothing, which can result in a skin infection, Oedekoven said. Anthrax can be consumed through infected meat, but veterinarians say that isn't a concern in the U.S. and other developed nations where meat undergoes vigorous safety inspections. A gastrointestinal infection is more common in developing countries that have fewer food-safety regulations.

The CDC notes on its website that humans can become infected by breathing in spores, or eating food or drinking water that has been contaminated, but that it's very uncommon in the U.S.

Anthrax has been weaponized in a form where the spore has been processed and ground up so it can be used as a biological weapon. However, naturally occurring anthrax is not found in this form.

Q: Is the vaccination widely used?

A: An effective anthrax vaccine is readily available through licensed veterinarians, but it takes about a week for immunity to take hold. State veterinarians encourage all ranchers — especially those in areas with a history of the disease — to vaccinate their livestock.

Oedekoven said most producers and ranchers employ the vaccine, but some often choose not to if several years have passed without an outbreak or if new ranchers are unfamiliar with the need to vaccinate.

The vaccine is inexpensive and highly effective, he said.

Parkston to be South Dakota's capital for a day

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The city of Parkston will be South Dakota's capital on Aug. 27.

Gov. Dennis Daugaard is expected to participate in a main street walk, business tours around the city and a social hour with residents. He will also host a roundtable with local leaders to address Parkston's needs.

Parkston Mayor Dave Hoffman says he hopes the governor and First Lady Linda Daugaard find the day fun and informative.

Parkston is located in the southeast part of the state about 70 miles away from Sioux Falls.

Judge allows Bosworth's attorney to withdraw

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A Hughes County judge has approved a motion by the attorney of former U.S. Senate candidate Annette Bosworth allowing him to withdraw from his client's case.

Bosworth is charged with six counts each of perjury and filing false documents, which carry a maximum punishment of 24 years in prison and \$48,000 in fines.

In the motion filed July 17, attorney Brandon Taliaferro said Bosworth had not fulfilled obligations to

her attorney, but didn't elaborate.

Bosworth on Monday objected to the motion. She says his motion has made it impossible to find new representation.

Taliaferro says he told Bosworth about her obligations weeks before he filed the motion.

Taliaferro says he required four things from his client, including that her husband Chad Haber not run for the position of attorney general.

SD gets more than \$1M for home visiting program

WASHINGTON (AP) — South Dakota has been awarded more than \$1 million to expand a federal program that provides home health care visits to improve maternal and child health.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services on Monday announced the funding for the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program.

Under the program, health professionals, including nurses and social workers, meet with families in their homes to try to improve maternal health, child development, school readiness and economic self-sufficiency. The program also aims to prevent child abuse.

The South Dakota Department of Health will administer the grant.

South Dakota was one of 46 states to get funds in this round of grants.

Standard & Poor's gives SD positive outlook

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Standard & Poor's Ratings Services has changed its outlook on South Dakota's credit rating for the better.

Gov. Dennis Daugaard on Monday said the independent credit ratings firm revised its outlook from "stable" to "positive" on South Dakota's AA+ rating.

S&P cites the state's fully-funded pension program among the reasons for the outlook's improvement.

The agency says it could raise South Dakota's rating if the state continues to show "prudent fiscal management" over the next two years as it implements new rules to "meaningfully influence continued stability."

South Dakota earned its AA+ rating in 2011.

SD governor candidate sues secretary of state

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Independent candidate for governor Mike Myers is suing to try to force South Dakota Secretary of State Jason Gant to certify a new running mate.

Myers picked Lora Hubbel as his running mate when his initial choice, Caitlin Collier, had family health issues.

South Dakota law allows nominees of political parties to be replaced on the ballot, but there's no such provision for independent candidates. Gant ruled earlier that Collier's name will remain on the ballot.

Myers says that isn't fair. He's asking U.S. District Judge Lawrence Piersol to order Gant to certify Hubbel.

Gant says he's bound by law, and he'll consult with the attorney general about the lawsuit. He says the issue of replacing independent candidates on the ballot ultimately is one the Legislature will have to resolve.

10 Things to Know for Today

The Associated Press

Your daily look at late-breaking news, upcoming events and the stories that will be talked about today:

1. CEASE-FIRE TAKES EFFECT TO END GAZA WAR

The truce between Israel and Hamas is meant to last at least three days and comes ahead of talks in Cairo aimed at preventing future cross-border violence by addressing the blockade of the coastal strip and rocket fire.

2. IN GAZA WAR, VIOLENT DEATH IS PART OF DAILY LIFE

As the conflict with Israel claims victim after victim, Palestinians have to cope with hurried burials, suppressed grief and simmering fury every day.

3. HOW AIRLINES ARE RESPONDING TO EBOLA

Carriers are closely monitoring the situation but have yet to make any drastic changes, saying passengers should be alert but not worry.

4. WHAT COMPLICATES QUAKE RELIEF EFFORTS IN CHINA

Lakes formed by landslides in the aftermath of the disaster could flood villagers and power stations downstream.

5. NIXON TAPES RELEASED ON RESIGNATION'S ANNIVERSARY

The videos are as close as anybody is going to get "sitting down and having a beer" with the disgraced ex-president.

6. TOLEDO'S WATER BAN LIFTED

Ohio's governor promises a lot more attention to the Lake Erie source after 400,000 people were told not to drink from their taps.

7. AP-GFK POLL: AMERICANS DIVIDED OVER HOW TO PAY FOR ROADS

Six in 10 respondents think the advantages of well-maintained infrastructure are more important than the price tag, but most oppose the options to offset that spending.

8. GLUTEN-FREE, NOW WITH REGULATIONS

Until now, manufacturers could make their own decisions about what the term means, but new rules impose a specific limit, which may help people with certain health conditions.

9. S&P GETS BEHIND WEALTH GAP THEORY

The rating agency says disparities that have complicated the U.S. rebound from the Great Recession now "need to be watched."

10. WHERE LACK OF SNOW COINCIDES WITH OMINOUS WEATHER ASSESSMENT

Ski operators in New Zealand are feeling the effects of the warmest start to winter since record-keeping began in 1909, which scientists attribute to climate change.

AP News in Brief

Israeli-Hamas cease-fire takes effect to end Gaza war, setting stage for talks in Cairo

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — An Israel-Hamas cease-fire, meant to last three days, went into effect on Tuesday in the Gaza Strip, setting the stage for talks in Cairo aimed at reaching a broader deal on a sustainable truce and the rebuilding of the battered coastal territory.

The temporary truce, agreed to by both sides, started at 8 a.m. (0500 GMT) and halted almost a month of fighting.

Israeli ground troops withdrew from the strip's border areas, the shelling stopped and in Gaza City, where streets had been deserted during the war, traffic picked up and shops started opening doors.

If the calm holds, Egypt plans to start shuttling between Israeli and Palestinian delegations in Cairo to work out new arrangements for Gaza. The territory has been virtually cut off from the world since a violent Hamas takeover in 2007 prompted a closure of the territory's borders by Egypt and Israel.

But wide gaps remain and previous international attempts to broker a temporary halt in the fighting have failed.

In Gaza, violent death becomes part of daily life, with hurried burials, suppressed grief

JEBALIYA CAMP, Gaza Strip (AP) — The airstrike that crushed the Najam family home in this refugee camp set in motion a grim but increasingly familiar process as the Gaza war claims victim after victim. A search through the rubble for bodies and body parts. Relatives claiming the dead from the morgue. Then a swift burial in a hastily dug grave with a cardboard name tag instead of a tombstone.

With such tragedies becoming routine, most Palestinians are responding with a measure of sobriety to the violent deaths that are now part of daily life in Gaza. Some suppress their grief behind a faith that the dead are martyrs in the fight against Israel and destined to go to heaven. Others are just too preoccupied with their own survival to mourn.

"What happened to them could happen to us," Youssef al-Doqs, a 22-year-old neighbor of the Najams, said Monday as he watched six stone-faced men silently searching through a mound of debris that was their two-story home in the Jebaliya refugee camp. "As for me, Youssef, I am not afraid of death," he said, sucking on a cigarette.

Late Monday morning in Shati, a different refugee camp in Gaza City, an Israeli warplane struck a house that stood on a narrow lane. Children, some as young as 8 or 9, helped rescue workers searching the rubble for bodies and survivors by forming a human chain between the targeted house and a main street. They passed to one another bits of debris, which the last member of the chain on the street end dropped onto a growing heap.

Nearly 1,900 Palestinians have died since Israel launched a campaign of airstrikes against Hamas-ruled Gaza on July 8 in response to weeks of rocket attacks into Israel by Hamas and other Gaza militants. More than 60 Israelis, mostly soldiers, have been killed in the war.

Ukrainian troops edge closer to city held by pro-Russian separatist rebels

DONETSK, Ukraine (AP) — Ukrainian troops have taken control of a key checkpoint on the western edge of Donetsk, the biggest city in the rebellious east, and are making gradual advances to quash pro-Russian separatist forces.

An Associated Press reporter saw a tank carrying the blue-and-yellow Ukrainian flag Tuesday morning in the suburb of Marinka, which lies on a key road into Donetsk. Rebel combatants could still be seen in sniper positions in a nearby area closer to the city center.

A spokesman for the Ukrainian military operation in the east, Oleksiy Dmitrashkovsky, said further fighting was expected to ensure full control over Marinka.

Donetsk, a city of 1 million people, has largely been spared of fighting earlier during the rebellion that erupted in April but come under shelling in recent weeks.

US government had role in experimental Ebola treatment given to 2 American aid workers

Two American aid workers infected with Ebola are getting an experimental drug so novel it has never been tested for safety in humans and was only identified as a potential treatment earlier this year, thanks to a longstanding research program by the U.S. government and the military.

The workers, Nancy Writebol and Dr. Kent Brantly, are improving, although it's impossible to know whether the treatment is the reason or they are recovering on their own, as others who have survived Ebola have done. Brantly is being treated at a special isolation unit at Atlanta's Emory University Hospital, and Writebol was expected to be flown there Tuesday in the same specially equipped plane that brought Brantly.

They were infected while working in Liberia, one of four West African nations dealing with the world's largest Ebola outbreak. On Monday, the World Health Organization said the death toll had increased from 729 to 887 deaths in Guinea, Sierra Leone, Liberia and Nigeria, and that more than 1,600 people have been infected.

In a worrisome development, the Nigerian Health Minister said a doctor who had helped treat Patrick Sawyer, the Liberian-American man who died July 25 days after arriving in Nigeria, has been confirmed to have the deadly disease. Tests are pending for three other people who also treated Sawyer and are showing symptoms.

There is no vaccine or specific treatment for Ebola, but several are under development.

Poll: Americans want good highways, bridges but don't agree on how to pay for them

WASHINGTON (AP) — Small wonder Congress has kept federal highway and transit programs teetering on the edge of insolvency for years, unable to find a politically acceptable long-term source of funds. The public can't make up its mind on how to pay for them either.

Six in 10 Americans think the economic benefits of good highways, railroads and airports outweigh the cost to taxpayers. Yet there is scant support for some of the most frequently discussed options for paying for construction of new roads or the upkeep of existing ones, according to a new Associated Press-GfK poll.

Among those who drive places multiple times per week, 62 percent say the benefits outweigh the costs. Among those who drive less than once a week or not at all, 55 percent say the costs of road improvement are worthwhile.

Yet a majority of all Americans — 58 percent — oppose raising federal gasoline taxes to fund transportation projects such as the repair, replacement or expansion of roads and bridges. Only 14 percent support an increase. And by a better than 2-to-1 margin, Americans oppose having private companies pay for construction of new roads and bridges in exchange for the right to charge tolls. Moving to a usage tax based on how many miles a vehicle drives also draws more opposition than support — 40 percent oppose it, while 20 percent support it.

Support for shifting more responsibility for paying for such projects to state and local government is a tepid 30 percent.

Rating agency S&P finds wealth gap is contributing to a slower US recovery

WASHINGTON (AP) — Economists have long argued that a rising wealth gap has complicated the U.S. rebound from the Great Recession.

Now, an analysis by the rating agency Standard & Poor's lends its weight to the argument: The widening gap between the wealthiest Americans and everyone else has made the economy more prone to boom-bust cycles and slowed the 5-year-old recovery from the recession.

Economic disparities appear to be reaching extremes that "need to be watched because they're damaging to growth," said Beth Ann Bovino, chief U.S. economist at S&P.

The rising concentration of income among the top 1 percent of earners has contributed to S&P's cutting its growth estimates for the economy. In part because of the disparity, it estimates that the economy will grow at a 2.5 percent annual pace in the next decade, down from a forecast five years ago of a 2.8 percent rate.

The S&P report advises against using the tax code to try to narrow the gap. Instead, it suggests that greater access to education would help ease wealth disparities.

30-year-old Nixon videos released on 40th anniversary of his resignation over Watergate

YORBA LINDA, Calif. (AP) — Almost a decade after Richard Nixon resigned, the disgraced former president sat down with his one-time aide and told the tale of his fall from grace in his own words.

For three decades, that version of one of the nation's largest and most-dissected political scandals largely gathered dust — until this week.

Starting Tuesday, to commemorate the 40th anniversary of Nixon's resignation, portions of the tapes will be published each day by the Nixon Presidential Library & Museum and the private Richard Nixon Foundation. The postings begin with Nixon recalling the day he decided to resign and end Saturday — his last day in office — with the 37th president discussing his final day at the White House, when he signed the resignation agreement, gave a short speech and boarded a helicopter for San Clemente, California.

The segments were culled from more than 30 hours of interviews that Nixon did with former aide Frank Gannon in 1983. The sections on Watergate aired publicly once, on CBS News, before gathering dust at the University of Georgia for more than 30 years.

"This is as close to what anybody is going to experience sitting down and having a beer with Nixon, sitting down with him in his living room," said Gannon, now a writer and historian in Washington, D.C.

Death toll from Ebola outbreak in West Africa hits 887; new case reported in Nigeria

ABUJA, Nigeria (AP) — The doctor who treated a man who flew to Nigeria and died of Ebola now has contracted the disease, authorities said Monday, presenting a dire challenge to Africa's most populous nation as the regional toll for the outbreak grew to 887 dead.

As Nigerian health authorities rushed to quarantine others who had been exposed, a special plane left Liberia to evacuate the second American missionary who fell ill with Ebola. Nancy Writebol, 59, is expected to arrive in Atlanta on Tuesday, where she will be treated at a special isolation ward.

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The second confirmed case in Nigeria is a doctor who treated Patrick Sawyer, the Liberian-American man who died July 25 days after arriving in Nigeria from Liberia, said Nigerian Health Minister Onyebuchi Chukwu.

Three others who also treated Sawyer now show symptoms of Ebola and their test results are pending, he said. Authorities are trying to trace and quarantine others in Lagos, sub-Saharan Africa's largest city of 21 million people.

"This cluster of cases in Lagos, Nigeria is very concerning," said Dr. Tom Frieden, director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Controls and Prevention, which is dispatching 50 experienced disease control specialists to West Africa.

'Gluten-free' labeling standards kick in; goal is to reduce shopper confusion

WASHINGTON (AP) — Starting this week, "gluten-free" labels on packaged foods have real meaning. Until now, the term "gluten-free" had not been regulated, and manufacturers made their own decisions about what it means.

This new requirement is especially important for people who suffer from celiac disease and don't absorb nutrients well. They can get sick from the gluten found in wheat and other cereal grains.

Under a rule announced a year ago, food manufacturers had until Tuesday to ensure that anything labeled gluten-free contains less than 20 parts per million of gluten — ensuring that those products are technically free of wheat, rye and barley. That amount is generally recognized by the medical community to be low enough so that most people who have celiac disease won't get sick if they eat it.

Currently, wheat must be labeled on food packages but barley and rye are often hidden ingredients.

Celiac disease causes abdominal pain, bloating and diarrhea, and people who have it can suffer weight loss, fatigue, rashes and other long-term medical problems. Celiac is a diagnosed illness that is more severe than gluten sensitivity, which some people self-diagnose.

Today in History The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, August 5, the 217th day of 2014. There are 148 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

On August 5, 1914, what's believed to be the first electric traffic light system was installed in Cleveland, Ohio, at the intersection of East 105th Street and Euclid Avenue. Montenegro declared war on Austria-Hungary at the start of World War I.

On this date:

In 1864, during the Civil War, Union Adm. David G. Farragut led his fleet to victory in the Battle of Mobile Bay, Alabama.

In 1884, the cornerstone for the Statue of Liberty's pedestal was laid on Bedloe's Island in New York Harbor.

In 1924, the comic strip "Little Orphan Annie" by Harold Gray made its debut.

In 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt established the National Labor Board, which was later replaced with the National Labor Relations Board.

In 1953, Operation Big Switch began as remaining prisoners taken during the Korean War were exchanged at Panmunjom.