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### 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.

### Sunday, Aug. 10

State Teener Tourney at Volga  
12:00pm: Groton vs. Madison

**Birthdays:** Drew Hjermsstad • Peyton Jondahl • Ron Westby • Jess Bunn

9:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship

9:00am: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

9:00am: St. John's Lutheran Worship

9:15am: Christian Missionary & Alliance School

10:00am: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Pierpont (LCMC) worship

10:45am: Christian Missionary & Alliance Worship

11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship

2:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran pastor at Bethesda

5:00pm: Worship at Trinity Historic Church

### Monday, Aug. 11

HS Boys Golf Practice Begins

**Senior Menu:** Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Carrots, Fruit Cocktail, Zucchini Bread

**Birthdays:** Joshua Clocksene • Carol Dix • Jeff Stolle • Renee Tastad Mc Donald • Samantha Jondahl • Tylan Glover • Christina Kramp

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

7:00pm: Fall Sports Parent Meeting at the Arena

7:30pm: School Board Meeting

### Tuesday, Aug. 12

**Senior Menu:** Oven Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Green Beans, Oatmeal Muffin, Watermelon or Peaches

**Anniv:** Shawn & Michelle Kelly

**Birthdays:** Alexa Nilsson • Amber Wolken • Haida Boyd • Jadyne Geffre • James Westby • Fern McPartland

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

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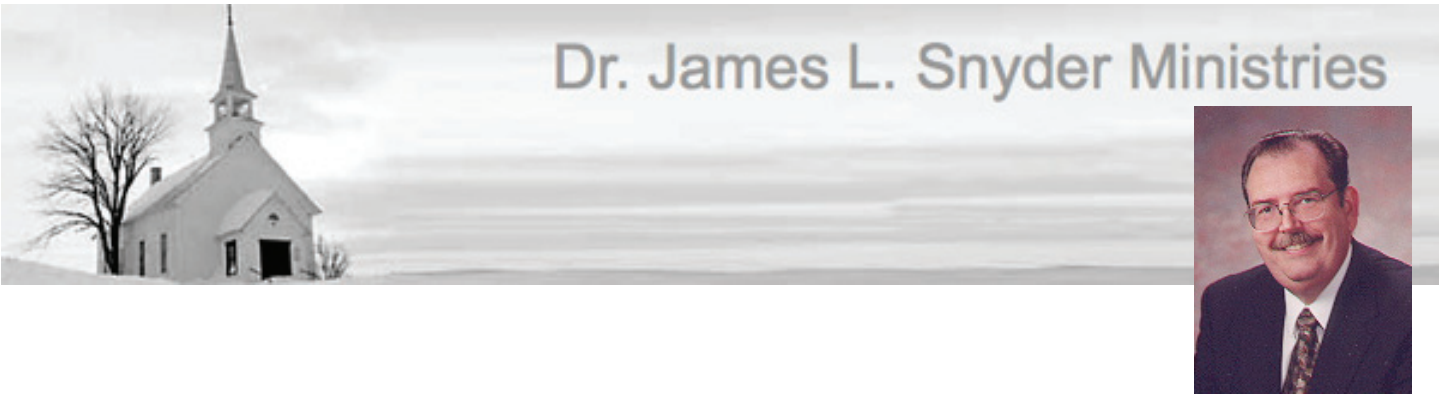
104 N. Main, Groton

## Teeners rally to beat Chancellor

Groton trailed, 4-3, after three innings, but then scored three runs in the fourth and nine runs in the fifth inning to take command of the consolation championship game with Chancellor. Groton went on to win, 15-11, and will play Madison at noon today for the consolation prize.

## 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.



## Two Words That Changed My Life.

Dr. James L. Snyder

This week is a hallmark in the lives of the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and me. Forty-three years ago this week, we began a journey that has just become better with each year. That is the benefit of marrying up.

Getting married was not something I had put together. Very few men put together their wedding plans. After all, that is why we get married.

It came to me rather suddenly. I was at Bible college and one morning one of the guys in the dorm said to me, "Congratulations. I just heard the good news."

I smiled and nodded my head thinking about my plans for the day. I had no idea what he was talking about and at the time I did not have the time to ask him what he was talking about.

Everybody I met that morning was congratulating me and telling me how happy they were for me. Soon I was beginning to wonder what in the world was going on. I did not have any test in any my classes yesterday so it could not be anything like that. I do not play the lottery so I could not have won the lottery. I could not think of anything I did yesterday that would cause all of this congratulatory remarks in my direction.

Finally, when I had about as much as I could take, I asked somebody, "What is everybody congratulating me for?"

The person that I queried looked at me, broke out in laughter and said, "Man, you got to be kidding!" Then he turned around, walking away laughing every step of the way.

I went to my class, found my seat and got situated then one of the young ladies passed by, patted me on the shoulder and said, "I am so happy for you and I think it is a wonderful thing. And I know you

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are going to be happy for the rest of your life."

Well, I had had it. I looked at her and very firmly said, "What are you so happy about?"

"Your wedding," she said laughing, "you're getting married."

"Oh," I said, nodding my head. "Thank you very much."

Then what she said dawned on me. I looked at her and said, "I'm getting what?"

"Silly boy," she said, laughing hysterically, "it's all over campus so it must be true."

I then had to think about this situation I was in. Everybody on the campus knew I was getting married, except me. Was I still sleeping? Was this just a dream I am having?

I began to think about the events the preceding evening, and remembered a little conversation I had with the girl I was now supposed to be getting married to. In the course of our conversation, as I remembered it at the time, she said something to the effect, "Wouldn't it be great to get married?"

As I recalled the conversation, I nodded my head and said something to the effect, "Yea, I guess it would be." That was the end of the conversation as far as I was concerned, but the beginning of an ongoing conversation as far as someone else was concerned.

Why is it that the groom-to-be is always the last one to know?

Then I asked one of the girls in the hallway, "When am I getting married?" At the time, I did not have the foggiest idea.

She turned away laughing and muttering to herself something to the effect that I had a really good sense of humor. Believe me, I was not laughing.

As it turned out, me and the young lady I was to be married to, were engaged to be married and, I do not want to pry into this point very much, the wedding dress already purchased."

As it turned out, it was the best thing that ever happened to me. Looking back over life, most of the good things that have happened to me were never of my doing. I'm convinced that is the way God works. If you are doing what you want to do, you are probably not doing what God wants you to do. At least I have developed that philosophy to this point of my life.

Some things in life I am rather good at planning, a wedding not being one of them; not even close.

After all these years, I can still remember that wonderful day when the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and I were united in holy matrimony. Our wedding was rather simple and the focus point of the wedding was the wedding vows. When I said, "I do" it clinched the deal and I was married and I have been doing it ever since.

I have said many words in my life, and written thousands and thousands of words, but the most important words that have changed my life were those words, "I do."

The Bible has a lot to say about marriage and husbands and wives. "Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it" (Ephesians 5:24-25).

There are some empty words that we use every day but every once in a while we say a word or two that fills our life with joy unspeakable and full of glory.

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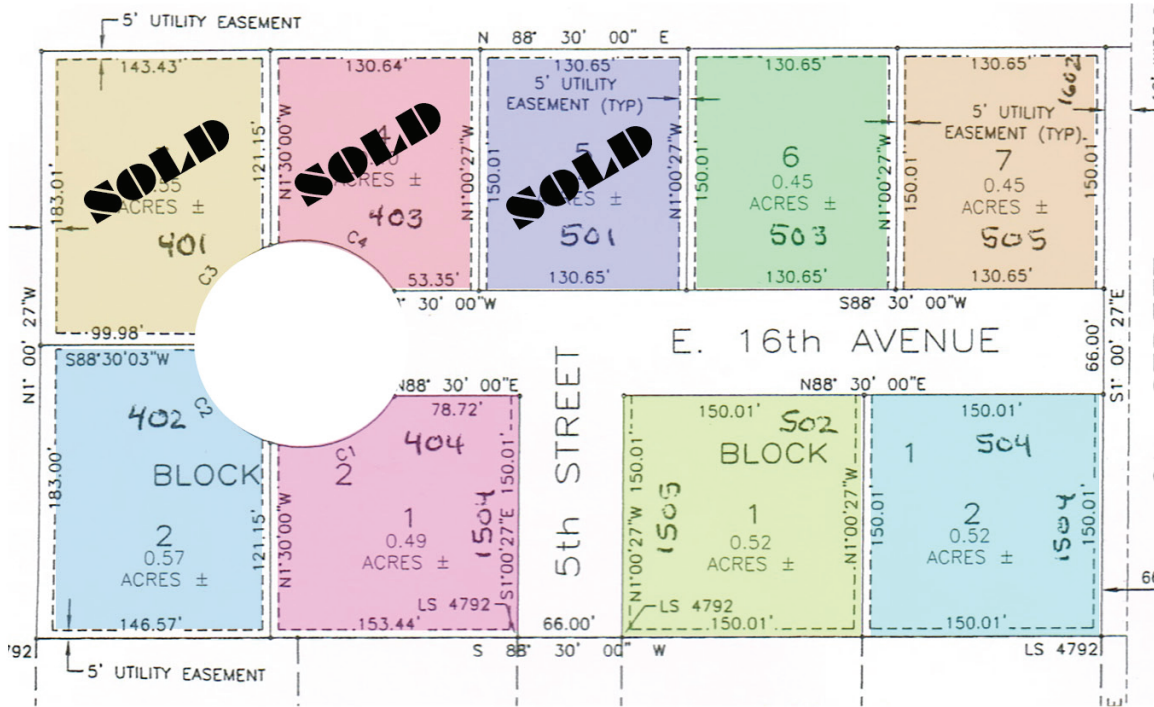


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## Achieving the Dream

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## A Look Back On Recent Legislative Audits

A column by Gov. Dennis Daugaard:

Over the last several months, legislators and state officials have looked carefully into our state's economic development programs.

I believe that government should always deal with issues in a straightforward and transparent way. When I first learned about allegations against a former economic development official in the spring of 2013, I immediately asked the Attorney General to initiate an investigation, and I released the Attorney General's findings as soon as I received them last fall.

Under our system, the governor and the Legislature do not decide when an activity should be prosecuted as a crime. That decision is made by the Attorney General or by state or federal prosecutors. In this case, the Attorney General conducted a thorough and independent investigation and was prepared to pursue criminal charges, until the target of the investigation died. At that point, the Attorney General turned over everything he had found to federal prosecutors, and state officials have aided the federal investigation.

As questions have arisen, I have been open about what I knew, prompt about keeping the public up-to-date and willing to answer any question. State officials have responded to every request for information that the law allows.

Good stewardship of public money is important to me, and I know South Dakotans share that concern. For that reason, last year, I ordered three separate, independent audits and reviews of the economic development office. To conduct these reviews, the state retained two different accounting firms and the Department of Legislative Audit, the independent auditor that reports to the State Legislature.

The auditors reviewed every disbursement made under several economic development programs, including the Future Fund, reaching as far back as 2009. They performed a financial and compliance audit of fund financial statements for all government funds in the economic development office, also going back to July 1, 2009. And they examined internal control procedures to look for weaknesses in policies and procedures to safeguard public funds.

Reports from all three of these reviews were released to every state legislator, and to the public, in January and February of this year. The reports, along with the state's responses, are online at <http://www.sdreadytowork.com/Financing-and-Incentives--Public-Records.aspx>. On that site, the state also regularly posts every grant made by every economic development program.

Fortunately, the three reviews I ordered found no evidence of wrongdoing beyond what was already known. The reports did identify recommendations, which the state has accepted, to improve state processes. Those include background checks for economic development officials, closer scrutiny of travel reimbursements, and a plan for periodic future reviews on the advice of the Department of Legislative

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Audit and the external auditors.

I committed to work closely with legislators to respond to this situation, and that is what I have done. During the legislative session, external auditors presented their reports, in detail, to a legislative committee and answered questions. State officials also answered questions and explained how the state is implementing the recommended changes.

Last month, state officials attended a second legislative hearing with the same committee, to answer more questions and to update the committee on the new procedures the state has adopted. I'm pleased that every single recommendation has been accepted and put into place.

The state will continue periodic audits and reviews of our economic development programs. State officials will also continue to aid in the federal investigation, and will attempt to recover misappropriated state funds, if possible.

I respect the Legislature's power to independently judge how to proceed with this matter, based upon the advice they have received from legal counsel. Regardless, I will also continue to work closely with legislators. State officials will answer their questions and update them on our progress.



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## Today in Weather History

1886: An estimated F3 tornado moved southeast from 10 miles northwest of Aberdeen. This massive tornado destroyed four homes and a dozen barns. This is the earliest significant tornado on record for Brown County.

2007: Several supercell thunderstorms developed along a surface frontal boundary during the evening bringing large hail, damaging winds, along with a couple tornadoes. An EF0 tornado touched down north of Timber Lake with no damage reported. Another EF0 tornado touched down briefly north of Trail City with no damage occurring. Wakpala, in Corson County, and Mobridge saw golf ball sized hail. The hail broke some windows and damaged the siding on several houses in the Mobridge area.

10 August 1856: A hurricane possibly of Category 4 strength roared out of the Gulf of Mexico into southern Louisiana. Isle Derniere was engulfed by sea and storm with the loss of about 200 people on the island, with another 100+ at sea. The island was stripped of all vegetation and was split into several separate islands, as is still the case today. The island's highest point was five feet above sea level, but the storm surge reached a height of 13 feet. The waves reduced the subsequent elevation of the island(s) by two feet.

1882: Sandusky, OH reported a four-minute snow squall during the morning. Suburbs around Chicago reported frost, while a killing frost struck parts of Iowa.

1989: Phoenix, AZ reported its first high below 100 degrees in 64 days. Meanwhile, 23 cities in the southeastern United States reported record lows.

2003: Barrow, AK recorded their third thunderstorm of the summer -- the most ever in one year.

1856 - The Isle Derniere (Last Island) disaster occurred off the coast of Louisiana. A storm tide drowned 140 vacationers as a five foot wave swept over Low Island during a hurricane. (The Weather Channel)

1882 - Sandusky OH noted a four minute snow squall during the morning, frost was reported in the suburbs of Chicago, and a killing frost was reported at Cresco IA. (The Weather Channel)

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1898 - The temperature at Pendleton OR climbed all the way to 119 degrees at set a state record. (The Weather Channel)

1924 - Colorado's deadliest tornado killed a woman and nine children in one house along its twenty-mile path east southeast of Thurman. Mennonite men had left the farm to provide possible aid, as the 200-yard wide storm was first seen while far away. (The Weather Channel)

1936 - The temperature soared to 114 degrees at Plain Dealing, LA, and reached 120 degrees at Ozark AR, to establish record highs for those two states. (The Weather Channel)

1980 - Hurricane Allen came ashore above Brownsville, TX, dropping fifteen inches of rain near San Antonio, and up to 20 inches in the Lower Rio Grande Valley. Tidal flooding occurred along the South Texas coast. Hurricane Allen packed winds to 150 mph, and also spawned twenty-nine tornadoes. Total damage from the storm was estimated at 750 million dollars. (David Ludlum)

1987 - Unseasonably hot weather continued in the southeastern U.S. Ten cities in Florida, Georgia and South Carolina reported record high temperatures for the date. Macon GA hit 101 degrees. A tropical depression deluged southeastern Texas and southwestern Louisiana with torrential rains. (The National Weather Summary)

1988 - Citizens of Bluefield, WV, where the Chamber of Commerce provides free lemonade on days when the temperature warms into the 90s, were able to celebrate their record high of 90 degrees. Eight other cities also reported record high temperatures for the date, including Bismarck ND with a reading of 102 degrees. (The National Weather Summary)

1989 - Thirty-eight cities in the south central and southeastern U.S. reported record low temperatures for the date, including Asheville NC with a reading of 48 degrees, and Victoria TX with a low of 63 degrees. Oklahoma City OK reported a record cool afternoon high of 71 degrees, and the daily high of 64 degrees at Raleigh NC established a record for August. In Arizona, a record sixty-four day streak of 100 degree days at Phoenix came to an end. (The National Weather Summary)

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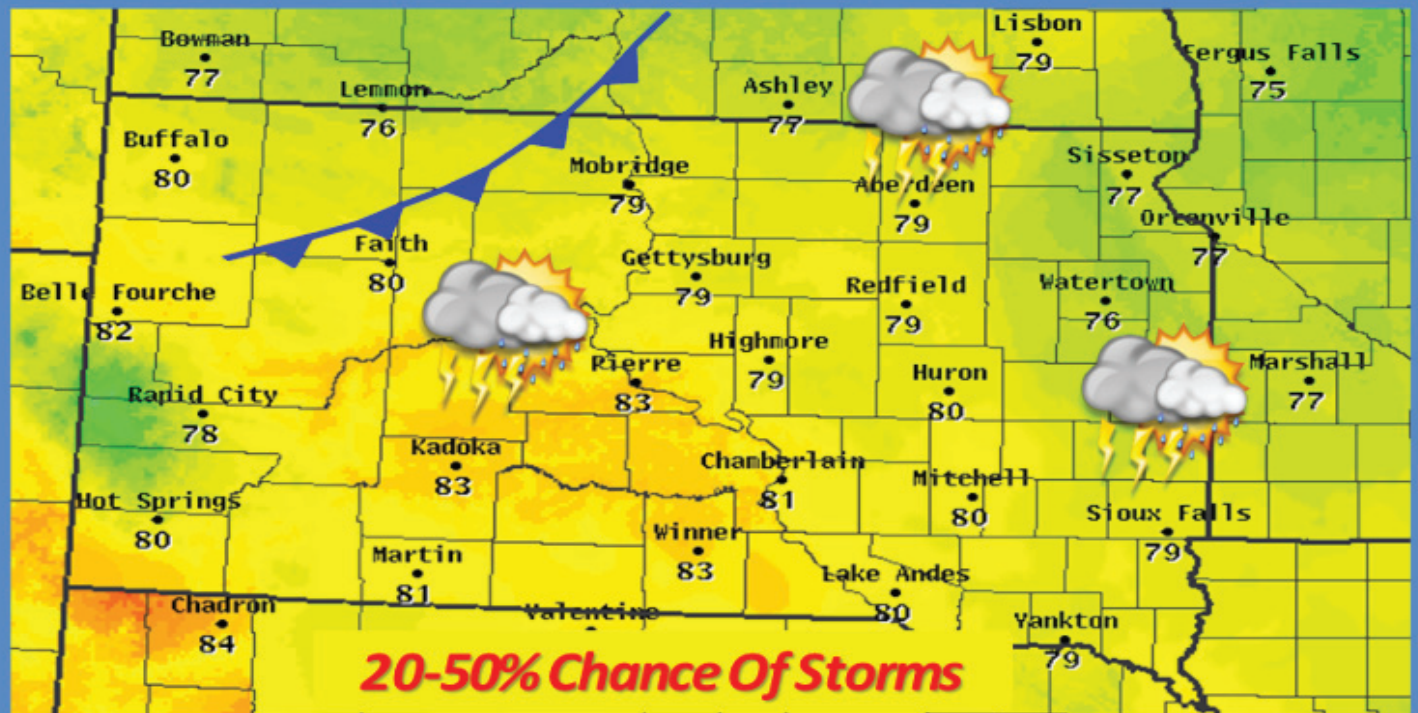
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TODAY	TONIGHT	SUNDAY	SUNDAY NIGHT	MONDAY	MONDAY NIGHT	TUESDAY
						
40%	40%	50%				
Scattered Thunderstorms High: 78 °F	Chance Thunderstorms Low: 61 °F	Chance Thunderstorms High: 77 °F	Partly Cloudy Low: 53 °F	Sunny High: 79 °F	Mostly Clear Low: 54 °F	Sunny High: 81 °F



## Additional Showers & Storms Today



## Dry Conditions For The Start Of The Work Week

National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

[weather.gov/Aberdeen](http://weather.gov/Aberdeen)  National Weather Service Aberdeen  @MWSAberdeen | Updated: 8/10/2014 4:49 AM Central

Slow moving low pressure will result in scattered showers and weak storms today. A front pushing across the area will continue the chances for weather, with dry conditions setting up for the first half of the work week thanks to high pressure.

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## Yesterday's Weather

**High:** 78.3°F at 1:59 PM

**Low:** 65.1°F at 5:26 AM

**High Gust:** 18 mph 12:58 PM

Precip: 0.00

**Record High:** 106° in 1947

**Record Low:** 42° in 1985, 1982, 1903

**Average High:** 83°F

**Average Low:** 58°F

**Average Precip in Aug.:** 0.71

**Precip to date in Aug.:** 0.49

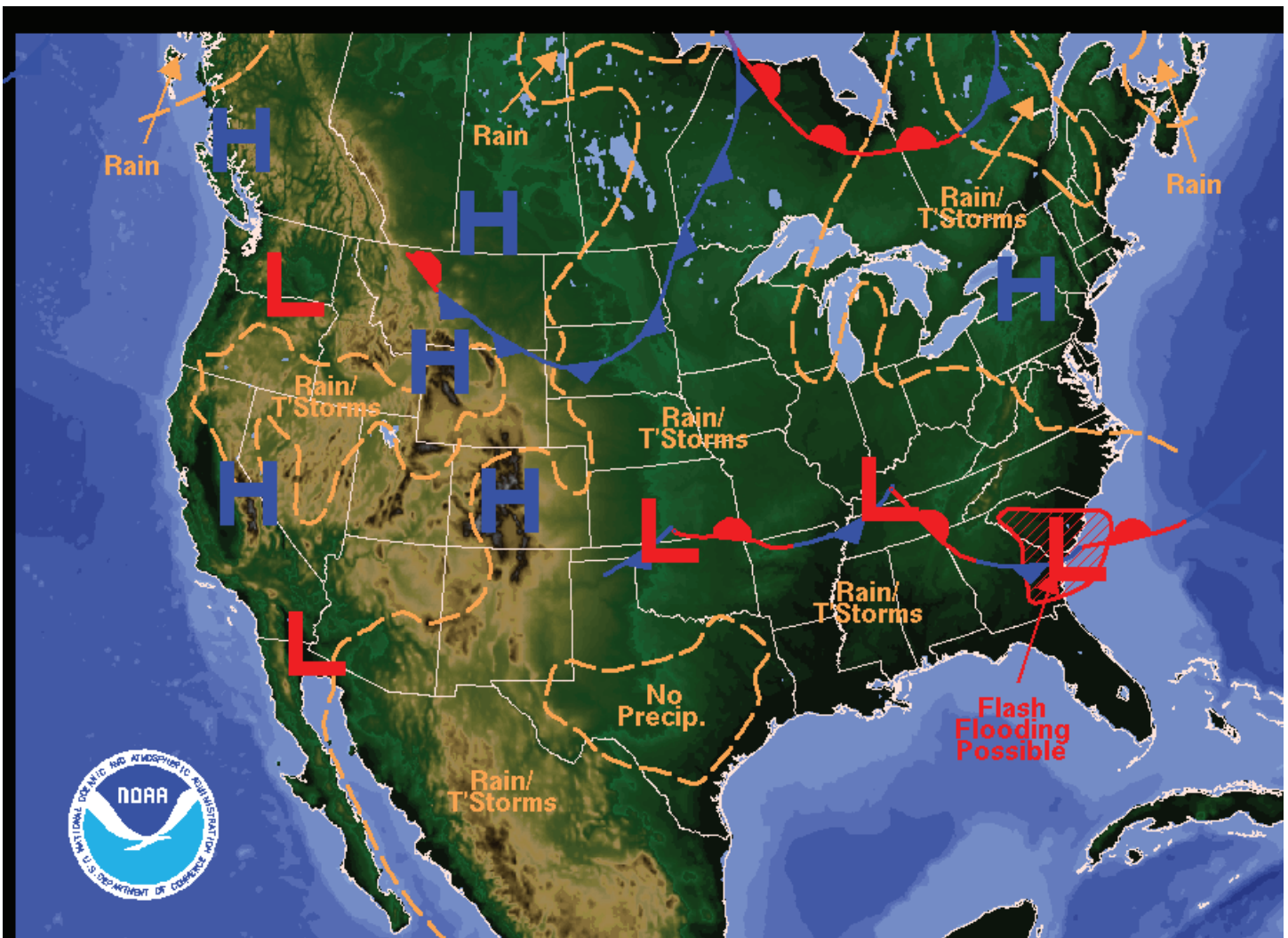
**Average Precip to date:** 14.57

**Precip Year to Date:** 9.77

**Sunset Tonight:** 8:49 p.m.

**Sunrise Tomorrow:** 6:30 a.m.

## Today's Info



Weather Forecast for Sun, Aug 10, 2014, issued 4:23 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by Ryan based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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## UNENDING MERCY

One of the greatest attractions in all of America is Yellowstone National Park. There are over two hundred active geysers in the park but Old Faithful is the best known and most visited. It has become famous over the years because it is so regular in its "activity" of shooting steams of water high into the air.

No one knows when it began, but it was first discovered in 1870. The silvery cascades of water shoot out of the geyser about every sixty-five minutes every day of the year.

The ancient Hebrews and present day Christians see in the faithfulness of this geyser the unending, time-less and inexhaustible mercy of God. Since the fall of man there has not been one moment when God did not have man's need of redemption in the center of His heart. And this need for our redemption springs upward and outward from God's unlimited mercy every moment of every day - much like the dependability of Old Faithful.

The "mercy" of God is an everlasting expression of His divine compassion. This "mercy" of God is a statement of the undeserving love that He has for us by withholding His judgment on us for our sins. We are reminded of His immeasurable love whenever we pause and think of His Son coming to earth to die on a cross for our sins. God's mercy is "God at work" helping and healing, protecting and providing, strengthening us each day and saving us from death and destruction.

Give thanks to the Lord! His mercy is never ending!

**Prayer:** We lift grateful hearts to You, Lord, for mercy we do not deserve yet desperately need for our salvation. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

**Scripture for Today:** Psalm 136:26 Give thanks to the God of heaven. His love endures forever.



## News from the Associated Press

### Highway 34 between Pierre and Sturgis closing

HOWES, S.D. (AP) — The major byway between Pierre and Sturgis is closing for about five weeks, so the state's urging drivers to avoid the 76-mile detour.

The Department of Transportation says the 2 1/2 mile stretch of Highway 34 east of Howes will be closed on Monday just east of the Highway 73 North junction.

A contractor has to repair erosion from heavy rains on dams for Howes Lake and Lake Buffalo.

While the road is closed, travelers from the east are being detoured north on Highway 63 to Highway 212, then west on Highway 212 to Highway 73 at Faith and south on Highway 73 back to Highway 34. Travelers from the west will be detoured north on 73, east on 212 and south on 63 back to Highway 34.

### A look at US soybean production by state

The Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Though a large majority of all soybeans grown in the United States leave the farm on a truck bound for a grain elevator or a rail line, most of them wind up either being shipped by rail or barge to end users across the country and beyond.

The U.S. produced 3.3 billion bushels of soybeans in 2013. The following is breakdown of the major soybean-growing states, their 2013 production in bushels and where the bulk of their crops are transported to (in- or out-of-state use or foreign exports):

Illinois: 460,600,000, in-state  
Iowa: 415,350,000, in-state  
Indiana: 259,000,000, in-state  
Minnesota: 258,570,000, foreign exports and out-of-state  
Nebraska: 247,000,000, foreign exports  
Ohio: 217,070,000, mixed use  
Missouri: 193,900,000 in-state use  
South Dakota: 182,000,000, foreign exports  
Arkansas: 144,000,000, foreign exports  
North Dakota: 138,300,000, foreign exports  
Kansas: 123,900,000, mixed use  
Mississippi: 85,140,000, foreign exports  
Michigan: 83,160,000, foreign exports  
Kentucky: 80,360,000, in-state use  
Tennessee: 72,960,000, foreign exports  
Wisconsin: 62,800,000, foreign exports  
Louisiana: 51,230,000, use not available  
North Carolina: 44,640,000, in-state use

## Bridges key piece to toting big soybean harvest

DAVID MERCER, Associated Press

STOCKLAND, Ill. (AP) — A no-frills concrete bridge on the edge of Stockland, Illinois, represents just the kind of headache the nation's soybean farmers hope a multimillion-dollar campaign and a little creative thinking will cure.

The 50-foot concrete span and hundreds like it in soybean-growing states can't handle the weight of fully loaded grain trucks that'll be bringing an expected record harvest to grain elevators this fall. That means those who use the often small, obscure bridges will have to make more trips and spend more money.

Hauling soybeans to Stockland Grain Co. from the west means crossing the Stockland bridge. It's restricted to 29 tons or 58,000 pounds; a fully loaded grain trucks weighs 80,000 pounds.

"Basically, it's probably doubling the freight (cost)," Stockland Grain owner Sonny Metzinger said from his business about 100 miles south of Chicago.

Since farmers' profits are dropping this year alongside crop prices, bridge-infrastructure needs have come into sharper focus. Most soybeans wind up on a rail car or barge to reach their ultimate destination, but just about all of them leave the farm in trucks that roll over small bridges.

"This matters a lot all of the sudden," said Scott Irwin, a professor of agricultural marketing at the University of Illinois.

Soybeans are one of the country's largest and most valuable crops — \$41.8 billion in 2013 — and are grown in about 30 states for animal feed, food additives and other uses. That money is of particular importance in rural counties in states such as Iowa and Illinois, the two largest producers. But those counties have small, often dwindling populations and the bridges are lightly used outside of hauling crops to market, which makes them a tough sell to state and local policymakers.

National and state soybean trade groups are spending millions — \$1.5 million in Illinois over three years, for example — to make their case and present solutions beyond asking government agencies in charge of the bridges for money that they often don't have.

"The reality is we don't have the funding available to upgrade every single mile of that infrastructure and every single one of those bridges," said Mike Steenhoek, executive director of the Soy Transportation Coalition, a national soybean group based in Iowa that's working on the initiative.

The trade groups believe a bridge's importance shouldn't be measured by how many vehicles use it but by the value of the product they carry. Even at Friday's depressed price of less than \$11 a bushel, a full truckload of 900 bushels of soybeans would sell for close to \$9,900.

But, according to Irwin, cutting the weight a farmer's truck can carry by 25 percent per load might mean spending an extra \$1,300 on fuel per 1,000 acres of crop.

The Illinois Soybean Association is working to pick a handful of bridges in each county to focus attention and resources on and, it hopes, present creative potential solutions, according to Scott Sigman, who works on transportation issues for the association.

Peoria County board member Sharon Williams says association-funded traffic pattern studies will help. "Which bridges are critical, how far in the future (do) we need to replace bridges? It gives us a clear look," she said.

The county has an urban area with about 200,000 people and beyond that tens of thousands of acres of farmland. Priorities in those two areas can widely vary, county Engineer Amy McLaren said, and the county has limited money — about \$2 million a year for its almost 200 bridges, any one of which could run up to \$1.5 million to replace.

Steenhoek is optimistic some of the farmers' wishes can be granted by removing what he says may be unneeded weight limits. The Soy Transportation Coalition recently covered part of the Iowa Department of Transportation's \$35,000 cost for relatively new technology to check bridge capacities. Three bridges with weight limits were found to be strong enough for the department to lift those limits, Steenhoek said.

The bridge-testing technology, which Steenhoek said his group will help finance in other states, is an improvement on traditional inspections, according to John Frauenhoffer, a veteran inspector and director of the American Society of Civil Engineers' Board of Direction.

"You may wire up a bridge and find out that (the weight restriction) is true," he said. "But then again, you may find out that it has a much higher capability."

Wayne Humphries has avoided a bridge in southeast Iowa that can't handle heavy farming equipment for 40 years. It will soon be replaced at a cost of \$897,000, according to Louisa County Engineer Larry Roehl.

That bridge is only a tiny piece of the growing infrastructure problem in the U.S., Humphries said.

"I don't quite understand where the American public thinks we're going to be in 20 years if we don't invest in infrastructure," he said. "And I don't know who they think is going to pay for it if they're not going to pay for it themselves."

## AP News in Brief

### **Palestinian negotiator: Palestinians to quit Gaza war talks Sunday unless Israelis return**

CAIRO (AP) — Palestinian negotiators threatened to quit Egyptian-brokered Gaza war truce talks Sunday unless Israeli negotiators return to Cairo — the latest sign of the vast gaps between the sides on a new border deal for the blockaded territory.

As the talks stalled, Israel responded to rocket fire from Gaza with at least 20 airstrikes, killing a 14-year-old boy and two other Palestinians, Gaza officials said.

Israeli officials have said their negotiators, who left Egypt on Friday, only will return if the rocket fire from Gaza stops.

"Israel will not negotiate under fire," Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Sunday, warning his country's military campaign "will take time."

Hamas has refused to extend a temporary truce that helped launch the Cairo talks last week, saying it wants guarantees from Israel first that Gaza's borders will open. Israel and Egypt have enforced the blockade, to varying degrees, since Hamas seized Gaza in 2007.

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### **After dead are buried, Gaza's nearly 10,000 wounded are living reminder of ravages of war**

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — When an Israeli airstrike hit the Gaza home for the handicapped where she was staying, Sally Saqr was left shattered. Her pelvis, both legs and an arm were broken, her skull fractured, much of her body burned. In the hospital, doctors couldn't put her limbs in casts because multiple other wounds had to heal first.

But after a week, her mother had to take the 20 year old home because Gaza's main Shifa Hospital needed the bed as more broken bodies flowed in every day from the bombardment.



Saqr has been severely handicapped since birth because of complications during delivery. She can't speak, her body never developed beyond the size of a child. She was able to walk — with difficulty — but after her wounds in the July 12 airstrike, she couldn't walk at all, and had to be put in diapers because she couldn't reach the bathroom.

Her mother has been overwhelmed. Saqr is in excruciating pain and screams in her sleep.

"My burden is heavy," said her 36-year-old mother, Soumah Abu Shanab. "Now I must feed her, bathe her and change her diapers." She spoke as three visiting nurses changed Saqr's dressings. Saqr clutched a box of medicine. Just holding it distracts her from the pain.

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## **Authorities: Driver walking on New York track dies after he is hit by NASCAR's Tony Stewart**

CANANDAIGUA, N.Y. (AP) — NASCAR driver Tony Stewart struck and killed a sprint car driver who had climbed from his car and was on the track trying to confront Stewart during a race in upstate New York on Saturday night.

Ontario County Sheriff Philip Povero said his department's investigation is not criminal and that Stewart was "fully cooperative" and appeared "very upset" over what had happened.

A video of the crash at Canandaigua Motorsports Park showed driver Kevin Ward Jr., wearing a black helmet and firesuit on a dimly lit track, walking toward Stewart's car before being hit and hurtled 50 feet. Povero said the driver was pronounced dead Saturday night at a Canandaigua hospital. Stewart was unhurt.

A witness said it appeared Ward was trying to confront Stewart, the three-time NASCAR Sprint Cup Champion. The video showed Ward standing to the right of Stewart's familiar No. 14 car, which seemed to kick out from the rear and hit him.

"The next thing I could see, I didn't see (the other driver) anymore," witness Michael Messerly said. "It just seemed like he was suddenly gone."

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## **In stunning defeat, Hawaii Gov. Abercrombie ousted by state Sen. Ige in Democratic primary**

HONOLULU (AP) — In a stunning defeat for an incumbent, Hawaii Gov. Neil Abercrombie was unseated by a fellow Democrat in Saturday's primary election, as voters chose state Sen. David Ige as their nominee in one of two marquee races that have divided the party.

Abercrombie had tried to hold onto his seat while disgruntled voters turned their allegiance to Ige, who promised to bring a less confrontational political style. Voters rewarded Ige with a decisive victory.

In the U.S. Senate race, incumbent Democrat Brian Schatz also faces a threat from fellow Democrat U.S. Rep. Colleen Hanabusa, who believes the seat should have been passed on to her when her mentor, U.S. Sen. Daniel Inouye, died in 2012. Schatz took a slim lead late Saturday, but the race remained too close to call.

The winners of each race will face Republicans and independent candidates in the November general election, but such campaigns are often longshots in heavily Democratic Hawaii.

Abercrombie, who has spent nearly 40 years in Hawaii politics, is the first Hawaii governor to lose to a primary challenger and only the second not to win re-election. His defeat comes after President Barack Obama last month urged residents of his native state to back Abercrombie, invoking the Hawaiian word for family in a radio ad, saying Abercrombie is "like ohana to me."

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## State TV in Iran reports passenger plane crashes in capital, Tehran, killing all 48 aboard

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — An Iranian regional passenger plane crashed Sunday while taking off from the capital, Tehran, killing 48 people onboard, state media reported.

The aircraft, an Iran-140 typically used for short domestic flights, crashed near Tehran's Mehrabad airport, Iran's state-run IRNA news agency reported. The plane went down in a residential area after its engine went out, the agency reported.

Iranian state television said 48 people were killed in the crash: 40 passengers and eight crew members. The plane, operated by Sepahan Air, was heading to Tabas, a town in eastern Iran. It took off at 9:20 a.m. local time (0450 GMT) and crashed shortly afterward.

Members of the Revolutionary Guard worked to secure the crash site and security and rescue personnel combed the wreckage as onlookers gathered shortly after the plane went down. The plane's mangled but largely intact tail section was torn from the fuselage and came to rest on a nearby road.

The Iran-140 is a twin-engine turboprop plane based on Ukrainian technology that is assembled under license in Iran. It is a version of the Antonov An-140 regional plane and can carry up to 52 passengers.

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## Angry crowd chants 'kill the police' after officer fatally shoots black teen near St. Louis

FERGUSON, Mo. (AP) — The fatal shooting of a black teenager by police sent hundreds of angry residents out of their apartments Saturday in a St. Louis suburb, igniting shouts of "kill the police" during a confrontation that lasted several hours.

A St. Louis County chapter of the NAACP called for the FBI to look into the killing of 18-year-old Michael Brown in Ferguson, a predominantly black suburb a few miles north of downtown St. Louis.

Brown's grandmother, Desiree Harris, said she saw him running in her neighborhood Saturday afternoon when she passed him in her car. Just minutes later, after she returned home, she heard a commotion and went outside to check on it. Less than two blocks away, she found Brown's body.

"He was running this way," she said. "When I got up there, my grandson was lying on the pavement. I asked the police what happened. They didn't tell me nothing."

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch reported several distraught relatives were outside talking with neighbors, including Brown's mother, Lesley McSpadden, and stepfather, Louis Head. Head held a sign that read: "Ferguson police just executed my unarmed son!!!"

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## Turks vote in 1st direct presidential election with Prime Minister Erdogan as front-runner

ISTANBUL (AP) — Turks voted Sunday in their first direct presidential election, a watershed event in the country's 91-year history that could cement Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan's position as Turkey's all-powerful leader.

Erdogan, who has dominated Turkish politics for more than a decade, is the strong front-runner to replace incumbent Abdullah Gul for a five-year term.

Now in his third term as prime minister at the head of the Islamic-rooted Justice and Development Party, or AKP, Erdogan has been a polarizing figure. He is fervently supported by many as a man of the

people who has led Turkey through a period of economic prosperity. Yet critics view him as an increasingly autocratic leader bent on concentrating power and imposing his religious and conservative views on a country founded on strong secular traditions.

After a bitter and divisive pre-election campaign, Erdogan sounded more conciliatory in his final campaign speech Saturday, promising to "leave the old Turkey behind."

"This country of 77 million is our country, there is no discrimination," he said. "We own this country all together."

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## **Rising migrant tide off Tunisia threatens to overwhelm local fishermen's best efforts to help**

ZARZIS, Tunisia (AP) — The fishermen of this small North African port are used to catching sea bass and sea bream in their nets, but lately they've been hauling in something else: shipwrecked migrants fleeing war-ravaged Libya on flimsy boats.

Chamseddine Bourassine, a Tunisian fisherman in his 50s, and his colleagues are on the front lines of a growing humanitarian disaster as waves of migrants take to the sea bound for Italy. They do their best to save who they can, but Bourassine says they're quickly being overcome by this year's flood of African and Middle Eastern migrants seeking a new life in Europe.

The fishermen, who are risking both their lives and livelihoods to rescue the migrants, often cite a saying by the Prophet Muhammad: "Who saves a life, saves all of humanity."

"Today I have the means to bring back 107 people, but I'll lose 3,000 Tunisian dinars (\$1,750)," Bourassine says. "Tomorrow I might not be able to. I have people who work with me. If I interrupt work once, twice, three times, it becomes a heavy burden on my shoulders."

He estimates he has saved more than 1,000 migrants on four separate occasions while out in his fishing boat, twice since the Libyan uprising in 2011.

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## **US airlifts more aid to stranded Iraqis as airstrikes help Kurds combat militant advance**

KHAZER CAMP, Iraq (AP) — President Barack Obama justified the U.S. military's return to fighting in Iraq Saturday by saying America must act now to prevent genocide, protect its diplomats and provide humanitarian aid to refugees trapped by Islamic State militants on a mountain ridge near the Syrian border.

"This is going to be a long-term project" that won't end and can't succeed unless Iraqis form an inclusive government in Baghdad capable of keeping the country from breaking apart, Obama said at the White House.

U.S. planes and drones launched four airstrikes on Islamic State forces Saturday as they fired indiscriminately on Yazidi civilians taking shelter in the Sinjar mountains, U.S. Central Command said. The strikes, which were spread out during the day, destroyed armored carriers and a truck, according to the Central Command statement. It was the third round of airstrikes against Islamic State forces by the U.S. military since they were authorized by Obama on Thursday.

The military support also has been helping clear the way for aid flights to drop food and water to thousands of starving refugees in the Sinjar area. Central Command announced Saturday night that the military had made the third such drop, delivering another 72 bundles of supplies, including more than 3,800 gallons of water and more than 16,000 meals.



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But the help comes too late for many of the religious minorities targeted for elimination by the Islamic State group, which swept past U.S.-trained and equipped Iraqi government forces in recent weeks and now controls much of Iraq.

## Manziel's preseason debut solid, but Browns fall to Lions 13-12 on late TD

DETROIT (AP) — Johnny Manziel took off up the middle, slipping between a couple defensive linemen and racing through the open field.

Then — perhaps most importantly — he finished the 16-yard run with a smooth, feet-first slide across the turf at Ford Field.

"The times I did take off, I felt like I got out of bounds, slid, and tried to protect myself in the best way that I could," Manziel said. "I feel fine."

Manziel showed off some of his fancy footwork, and the Cleveland rookie looked sharp with his arm too in his preseason debut, although the Browns lost to the Detroit Lions 13-12 on Saturday night.

Manziel entered the game as a backup in the middle of the second quarter. He couldn't take his team to the end zone, but he looked poised while directing the offense.

## Today in History The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, August 10, the 222nd day of 2014. There are 143 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On August 10, 1944, during World War II, American forces overcame remaining Japanese resistance on Guam.

### On this date:

In 1792, during the French Revolution, mobs in Paris attacked the Tuileries (TWEE'-luh-reez) Palace, where King Louis XVI resided. (The king was later arrested, put on trial for treason, and executed.)

In 1821, Missouri became the 24th state.

In 1846, President James K. Polk signed a measure establishing the Smithsonian Institution.

In 1874, Herbert Clark Hoover, the 31st president of the United States, was born in West Branch, Iowa.

In 1913, the Treaty of Bucharest was signed, ending the Second Balkan War.

In 1921, Franklin D. Roosevelt was stricken with polio at his summer home on the Canadian island of Campobello.

In 1949, the National Military Establishment was renamed the Department of Defense.

In 1962, the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library and Museum was dedicated in West Branch, Iowa, on the 88th birthday of the former president, who attended the ceremony along with former President Harry S. Truman.

In 1969, Leno and Rosemary LaBianca were murdered in their Los Angeles home by members of Charles Manson's cult, one day after actress Sharon Tate and four other people had been slain.

In 1977, postal employee David Berkowitz was arrested in Yonkers, New York, accused of being "Son of Sam," the gunman responsible for six slayings and seven woundings. (Berkowitz is serving six consecutive 25-years-to-life sentences.)

In 1988, President Ronald Reagan signed a measure providing \$20,000 payments to still-living Japa-

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nese-Americans who'd been interned by their government during World War II.

In 1993, Ruth Bader Ginsburg was sworn in as the second female justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

**Ten years ago:** President George W. Bush chose Porter Goss, a Republican congressman and one-time spy, to lead the CIA. A boat carrying Dominican migrants seeking a better life in Puerto Rico drifted back to almost the same spot where the voyage began nearly two weeks earlier; at least 55 of the 86 people on board had died. The 20-year-old woman who'd accused Kobe Bryant of rape filed a federal lawsuit in Denver against the NBA star. (The criminal charge was later dropped; the lawsuit was settled out of court, terms undisclosed.) Barry Bonds became the first player in major league history to hit 30 home runs in 13 consecutive seasons, connecting in San Francisco's 8-7 loss to Pittsburgh.

**Five years ago:** While attending a North American summit in Mexico, President Barack Obama predicted that Congress would pass his sweeping health care overhaul in the fall as more "sensible and reasoned arguments" prevailed. A double truck bombing tore through the village of a small Shiite ethnic minority near Mosul, Iraq, killing at least 28 people. Country duo Kix Brooks and Ronnie Dunn posted a message on their Web site announcing they had agreed to "call it a day" after 20 years of making music together.

**One year ago:** In an address at the Disabled American Veterans' convention in Orlando, Florida, President Barack Obama assured disabled veterans that his administration was making progress on reducing a backlog of disability claims. A harrowing weeklong search for a missing California teenager ended when FBI agents rescued 16-year-old Hannah Anderson and shot and killed 40-year-old James Lee DiMaggio at a campsite deep in the Idaho wilderness. (Authorities say in addition to kidnapping Hannah, DiMaggio killed her brother and mother at his home east of San Diego.) Singer Edyie Gorme, 84, died in Las Vegas.

**Today's Birthdays:** Actress Rhonda Fleming is 91. Singer Ronnie Spector is 71. Actor James Reynolds is 68. Rock singer-musician Ian Anderson (Jethro Tull) is 67. Country musician Gene Johnson (Diamond Rio) is 65. Singer Patti Austin is 64. Actor Daniel Hugh Kelly is 62. Folk singer-songwriter Sam Baker is 60. Actress Rosanna Arquette is 55. Actor Antonio Banderas is 54. Rock musician Jon Farriss (INXS) is 53. Singer Julia Fordham is 52. Journalist-blogger Andrew Sullivan is 51. Actor Chris Caldovino (TV: "Boardwalk Empire"; "The Sopranos") is 51. Singer Neneh Cherry is 50. Singer Aaron Hall is 50. Boxer Riddick Bowe is 47. Rhythm-and-blues singer Lorraine Pearson (Five Star) is 47. Singer-producer Michael Bivins is 46. Actor-writer Justin Theroux is 43. Actress Angie Harmon is 42. Country singer Jennifer Hanson is 41. Actress JoAnna Garcia is 35. Singer Cary Ann Hearst (Shovels & Rope) is 35. Rhythm-and-blues singer Nikki Bratcher (Divine) is 34. Actor Ryan Eggold is 30. Actor Lucas Till is 24.

**Thought for Today:** "A man may fulfill the object of his existence by asking a question he cannot answer, and attempting a task he cannot achieve." - Oliver Wendell Holmes, American author (1809-1894).