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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 Jon-dahl • 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

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

12:00pm: Bridge at Olive Grove

6:15pm: Ladies Night Golf

7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Church Council

Wednesday, Aug. 13

Senior Menu: Roast Pork, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Peas, Tomato Spoon Salad, Carrot Bar, Whole Wheat Bread

Anniv: Jonathan & Mandilyn Fliehs

Birthdays: Logan Nilsson • Sam Furman • Mike Weber • Ralph Merkel • Jennifer Neff • Dee Riley • Don Hepola

Removal, Grinding, Chipping, Trimming

605-725-WOOD

Mason Dinger: 605-216-6098

Trevor Zeck: 605-216-8910



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.

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

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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.



Groton's Teeners are Consolation Champions

Groton's Teener team defeated Madison, 8-4, to win the consolation championship of the State A Teener Tournament held this past weekend in Volga.

Back row left to right: Coach Pat Krause, Aaron Severson, Adam Herman, Bennett Shabazz, Sean Schuring, Truttitt Rogers, Joe Groeblichhoff, Brady Keith, Luke Thorson, Turner Webb, Coach Justin Hanson; Front row left to right: Coach Gabe Dohman, Treyton Diegel, Anthony Sippel, Wyatt Locke, Marshall Lane, Korbin Blackmun, Trevor Pray, Kelby Hawkins, Jackson Oliver, Brandon Keith. Holding trophy is Bat Boy Lincoln Krause. (Courtesy Photo)

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Tabor Bluebirds seize victory thanks to late single, drop Groton Locke Electric 7-6

Tabor Bluebirds and Groton Locke Electric traded the lead 11 times on Sunday, but Tabor Bluebirds ended up on top with a 7-6 win over Groton Locke Electric.

Tabor Bluebirds finally managed to grab the lead after a strong ninth inning. Tabor Bluebirds scored on an RBI single by Chris Sutera off Justin Link, bringing home Jason Humpal. An RBI single by Chris Sutera scored Jason Humpal to give Tabor Bluebirds the lead for good.

Jason Humpal led Tabor Bluebirds' offensive threat, as he got on base three times in the game. He scored two runs and had one RBI. He singled in the fifth inning.

Rob Keppen got the win for Tabor Bluebirds. He allowed two runs over four innings. He struck out two, walked two and surrendered two hits.

Justin Link was the game's losing pitcher. He lasted just four innings, walked two, struck out three, and allowed three runs.

The top of the first saw Tabor Bluebirds take an early lead, 1-0. Tabor Bluebirds' threat began with a single by Doug Vanacek. Rob Keppen singled, scoring Nate Kloucek.

Groton Locke Electric scored two runs in the fourth inning, and then followed it up with two more in the eighth. In the fourth, Groton Locke Electric scored on an RBI single by Mitchell Locke, bringing home Zach Harry.

The lead was Tabor Bluebirds' to lose after ninth inning. More runs came home on an error.

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
TBRL	1	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	2	7	8	4
GRTN	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	2	0	6	10	4

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
Justin Link	4.0	70	29	3	3	1	2	3	0	.586
Parker Rossow	5.0	99	42	5	4	2	4	6	0	.576
Totals	9.0	169	71	8	7	3	6	9	0	.580

Pitching

L: Justin Link

HBP: Justin Link, Parker Rossow

WP: Parker Rossow 2

Pitches-Strikes: Justin Link 70-41, Parker Rossow 99-57

Groundouts-Flyouts: Justin Link 3-4, Parker Rossow 2-6

First pitch strikes-Batters faced: Justin Link 9-19, Parker Rossow 17-26

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Groton Locke Electric [more stats](#)

Batting	AB	R	1B	H	RBI	BB	K
Ryan Delzer	4	1	1	1	1	0	1
Spencer Locke	4	0	0	0	0	1	0
Tyler Oliver	5	1	2	2	0	0	0
Mitchell Locke	5	0	2	2	1	0	0
Matt Erickson	3	0	1	1	1	0	0
Jamie Jorgenson	2	1	1	1	0	2	0
Jeff Tobin	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Zach Harry	5	1	0	1	0	0	0
Tim Hanigan	5	0	1	1	1	0	1
Heath Giedt	3	0	1	1	1	1	1
Drew Amacher	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	37	6	9	10	5	4	4

Batting

2B: Zach Harry

TB: Ryan Delzer, Tyler Oliver 2, Mitchell Locke 2, Matt Erickson, Jamie Jorgenson, Zach Harry 2, Tim Hanigan, Heath Giedt

RBI: Ryan Delzer, Mitchell Locke, Matt Erickson, Tim Hanigan, Heath Giedt

SF: Matt Erickson, Heath Giedt

ROE: Ryan Delzer, Tyler Oliver, Mitchell Locke

FC: Spencer Locke 2, Tim Hanigan

HBP: Jamie Jorgenson

GIDP: Heath Giedt

SB: Jamie Jorgenson

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Great pitching leads Groton Locke Electric past Winner/Colome Pheasants 5-1

An ace performance by Jamie Jorgenson led Groton Locke Electric to a 5-1 win over Winner/Colome Pheasants on Wednesday at Mitchell.

Jamie Jorgenson worked out of five difficult moments for Groton Locke Electric. He pitched nine innings and allowed one earned run on five hits. Jamie Jorgenson faced his most difficult moment in the seventh inning.

A bright spot for Winner/Colome Pheasants in the defeat was Derek Graesser, who allowed only zero runs while striking out five.

John Farner was the game's losing pitcher. He lasted just 7 1/3 innings, walked six, struck out four, and allowed five runs.

The game was never in doubt after the second, as Groton Locke Electric scored one run on a sacrifice fly by Matt Erickson.

Groton Locke Electric increased its lead with four runs in the eighth. A scored Zach Harry to start the scoring in the inning.

The ninth inning saw Winner/Colome Pheasants score its only run on the day on an RBI single by Ryan Risse.

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
GRTN	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	5	8	1
WNRC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	5	1

Groton Locke Electric [more stats](#)

Pitching	IP	#P	TB	H	R	ER	BB	K	HR	S%
Jamie Jorgenson	9.0	152	57	5	1	1	3	13	0	.625
Totals	9.0	152	57	5	1	1	3	13	0	.625

Pitching

W: Jamie Jorgenson

WP: Jamie Jorgenson

Pitches-Strikes: Jamie Jorgenson 152-95

Groundouts-Flyouts: Jamie Jorgenson 5-8

First pitch strikes-Batters faced: Jamie Jorgenson 26-36

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Ryan Delzer	3	1	1	1	1	0	1
Spencer Locke	5	0	1	1	2	0	0
Tyler Oliver	5	1	1	2	0	0	1
Mitchell Locke	3	1	1	1	0	2	0
Matt Erickson	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
Jamie Jorgenson	4	0	0	0	0	1	2
Zach Harry	4	1	1	1	0	1	2
Tim Hanigan	4	0	1	1	0	1	1
Heath Giedt	5	0	1	1	0	0	2
Totals	35	5	7	8	4	6	9

Batting

2B: Tyler Oliver

TB: Ryan Delzer, Spencer Locke, Tyler Oliver 3, Mitchell Locke, Zach Harry, Tim Hanigan, Heath Giedt

RBI: Ryan Delzer, Spencer Locke 2, Matt Erickson

SF: Matt Erickson

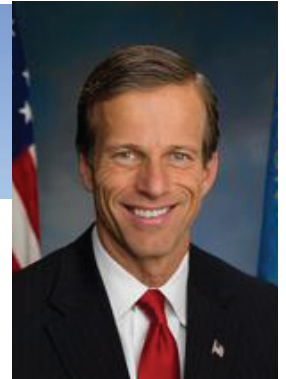
ROE: Spencer Locke, Tim Hanigan

FC: Spencer Locke, Matt Erickson 2, Heath Giedt

HBP: Ryan Delzer

GIDP: Heath Giedt

John Thune
U.S. SENATOR - SOUTH DAKOTA



Sounds from the Midway

By Senator John Thune

I can always tell it is fair season in South Dakota when the smell of funnel cakes mixes with the sounds of summer concerts coming from the grandstand or cheers from the crowd at the rodeo. Fairs are time honored traditions in South Dakota with events that bring together young and old from across the state for competitions, entertainment, games, and of course, food.

I always enjoy interacting with a wide cross-section of our state's residents at the fairs. As some of our state's most anticipated agriculture events, the fairs provide an opportunity to interact with our agriculture producers, sharing their insights and concerns for me to take back to Washington. I also get a chance to see those stopping by the exhibit hall and families out enjoying entertainment around the Midway before taking in the evening concert. There is truly something for everyone at the fairs. I know that I can't visit the State Fair without stopping at the Pork Producers or the Cattlemen's booth for a sandwich.

There are a number of educational opportunities for young people to exhibit the items they've produced and crafted over months of hard work and show the animals they have carefully raised in the months leading up to the fair. When they aren't competing, many of the young people will take a ride or two, pick up a yard stick, or play a few games.

Fairs across our state also provide education booths in which students of all ages get hands-on opportunities to learn more about science, technology, and new products for the farm and the home. Many enjoy listening to speakers, watching the daytime entertainment, or taking in an election year debate.

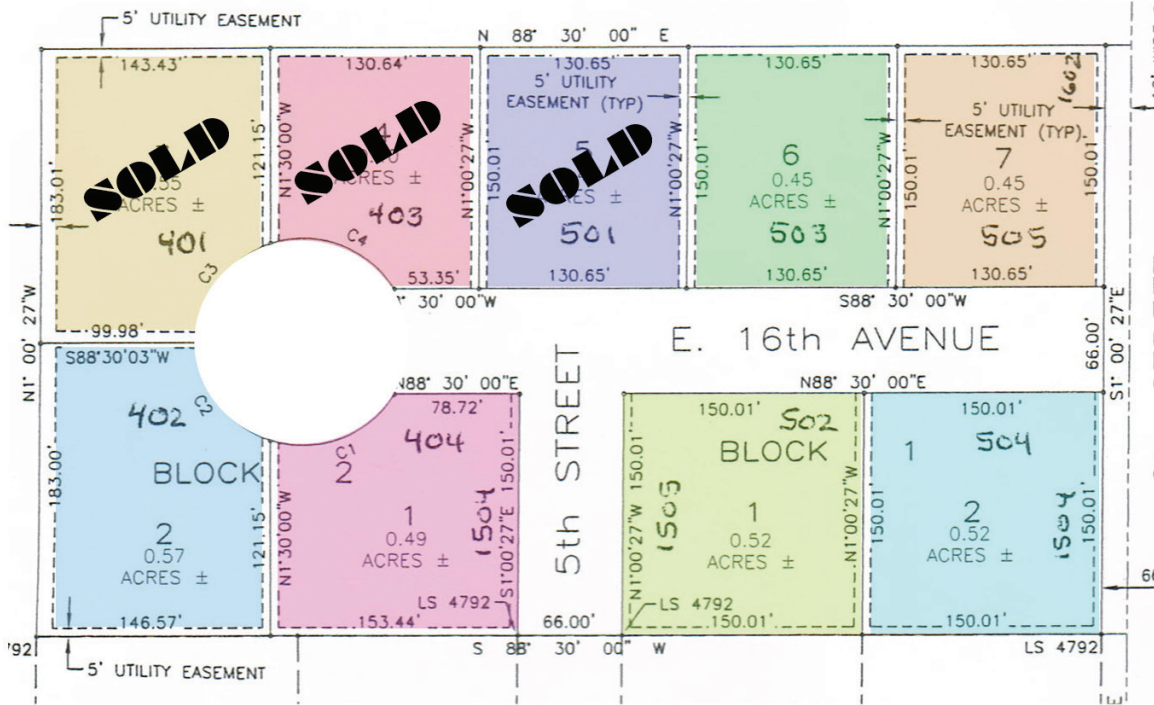
So whether you're attending the Turner County Fair, the Brown County Fair, the Central States Fair, the South Dakota State Fair, or any event in between, be sure to get your hands on a funnel cake, stop by the exhibition hall, encourage the kids showing off their animals, and take advantage of all that the fair has to offer.

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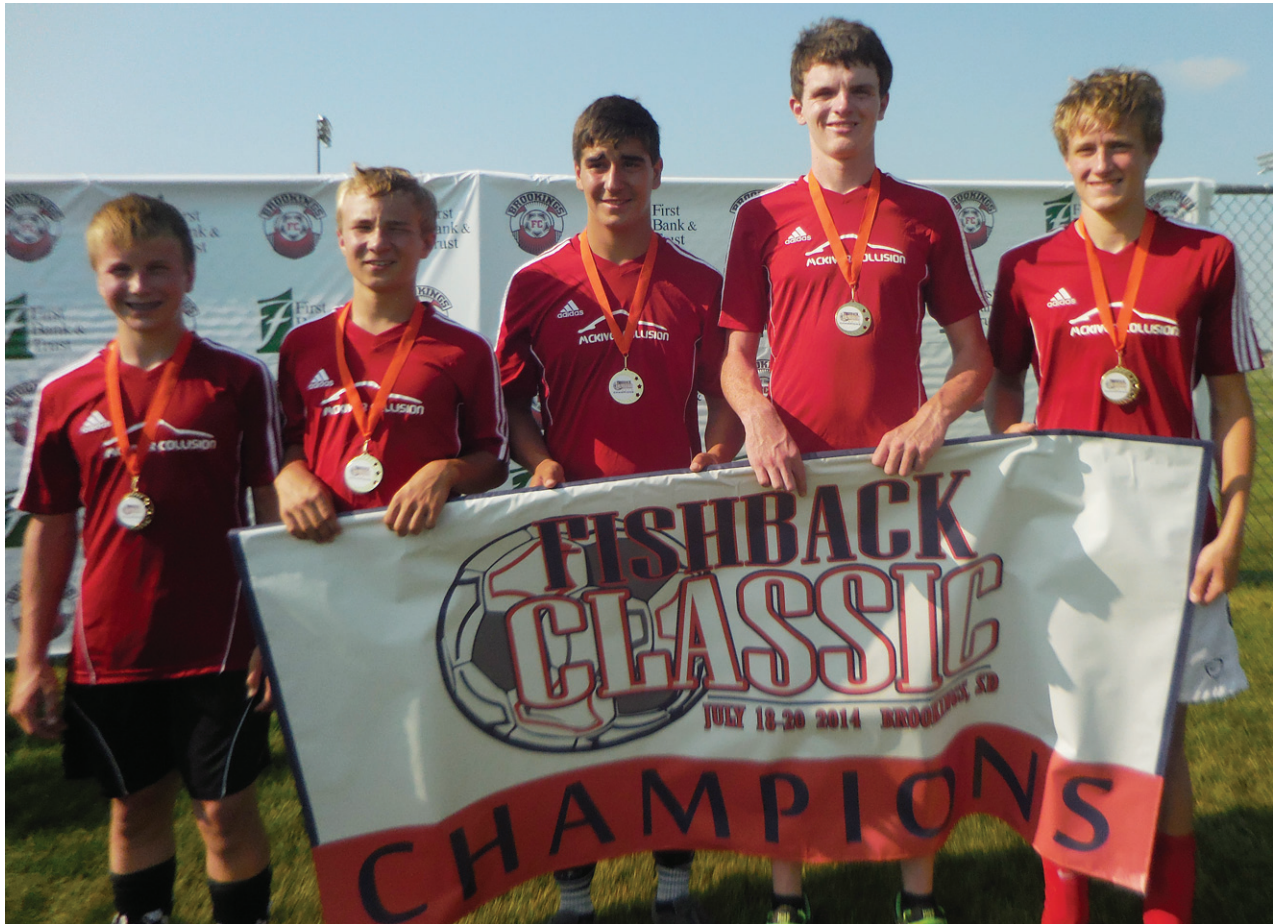
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Soccer players are on championship team

Several Groton boys soccer players competed on the GFC soccer team which won the U19 boys championship in the Brookings Fishback Classic Soccer Tournament on July 18-20. The team won games against O'Neill, Nebraska (win 9-0), Yankton (win 3-2), and Dakota Alliance Soccer Club (won 7-1) before meeting Yankton again in the championship (won 1-0). Groton High School players on the team were (left to right): James Thompson, Wyatt Kurtz, Tyler Scott, Landon Larson and Luke Sternhagen. (Courtesy Photo)



Breck returns to play fiddle at Trinity

Betty Breck will be bringing her fiddle and musical talents back to the Groton historic Trinity Church in Groton. Breck will play several hymns which the congregation can sing along with and will talk about the history of her fiddle. Breck will be playing at the August 17th service at 5 p.m. at Trinity, located at Third Street and Third Avenue. If you would like to be reminded of the service, text Paul at 605-397-7460 to get on the reminder list. A reminder text of the service will be sent at 4 p.m. on Sunday. There will also be a short message by Paul Kosel, minister of the church, entitled, "Jesus welcomes everyone." The tax-deductible offering collected will be given to the Brown County Historical Society to help with expenses of the church building.

Services are held at Trinity each Sunday at 5 p.m.

For more information on the history of the church building, go to <http://www.grotonsd.gov/trinityepiscopalchurch.html>. The church was built in 1884 and was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1983.

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Groton Golf Carts celebrates 25th anniversary with tourney

Groton Golf Carts, owned by Steve and Betty Dunker, celebrated 25 years of business on Sunday with a golf tournament at the Olive Grove Golf Course. Randy and Sue Stanley and Rod and Arlys Kluess were the winners of their respective flights.

The tournament offered the players three different formats of play. Scramble – where both members tee off, pick the best shot and both hit from there, and so on until completing the hole. Best Ball – where team members played their own ball on every hole and take the lowest score of the two, and Chapman Scotch – where both members tee off but on the second shot they switch balls and hit their partners ball. After the second shot they could decide which ball they wanted to use and alternate shots until completing the hole.

Several pin prizes were awarded following the tournament. Hole #3 was designated for the longest drive for women and was won by Nancy Gilchrist. Jan Gilchrist won the longest drive for the men on hole #5. The longest putt was done on hole #6 and was won by Jarod Flihs. Jan Gilchrist also took home the closest to the pin on hole #8 for the men and Tasha Dunker won for the women. Hole #4 had been designated as the “Hole in One” prize. Anyone making a hole in one on #4 would win the use of a brand new golf cart for one year. No one was able to claim the prize.

-Char Telkamp



Randy and Sue Stanley were the winners of the championship flight in the first Groton Golf Carts Golf Tournament on Sunday. Brad and Brenda Waage finished in second place after the tie breaker. (Photo #8897 by Char Telkamp)



Rod and Arlys Kluess had a one stroke advantage to win the First Flight of the Groton Golf Carts Golf Tournament on Sunday over Julie and Lorin Flihs, who finished in second place. (Photo

#8899 by Char Telkamp)

Championship Flight:

- Randy and Sue Stanley, 38
- Brad and Brenda Waage, 38
- Jarod and Kristie Flihs, 39
- Scott Ellingson and Sharon Zastrow, 41
- Jan and Nancy Gilchrist, 41
- Craig and Tasha Dunker, 42

First Flight:

- Rod and Arlys Kluess, 44
- Lorin and Julie Flihs, 45
- Torre and Denice Raap, 48
- Terry Ellingson and Joyce Wilson, 48
- Kent Muller and Darcy Dunker, 48
- Steve and Betty Dunker, 48

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Today in Weather History

1975: A line of thunderstorms moved rapidly across portions of central and eastern South Dakota during the early morning hours. Winds gusted to 70 mph, causing considerable damage to trees. At Canton, in Lincoln County, the winds were estimated as high as 70 mph. In Sioux Falls, the peak wind gust measured 69 mph. Wind damage was also reported in Miller and Ree Heights in Hand County, as well as in Selby and Mobridge in Walworth County.

1985: Lightning set off eleven fires in the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation area. Twenty acres of grassland were burned two miles northeast of Bear Creek. About 600 acres of grassland were burned 8 miles southwest of Lantry. About 3,000 acres of grassland burned near Eagle Butte.

2011: Severe thunderstorms brought hail up to the size of ping pong balls and damaging winds up to 90 mph to parts of central South Dakota. Jones and Lyman Counties received the brunt of the strong winds with eighty mph winds downing several grain bins along with knocking a few semis off of Interstate-90 near Murdo. The winds also downed some power lines and poles along with destroying a hanger. The two planes in the hanger were damaged at the Murdo Airport. Near Kennebec in Lyman County, eighty mph winds took shingles off the house and also damaged the deck. A barn was also destroyed with a horse being injured. Many tree branches were also downed.

1812: A volunteer weather observer began taking daily weather observations at New Bedford, MA. Observations continued to be taken by subsequent generations and continued until May 31, 2002, making it the longest continuous weather record taken by public weather observers for any one U.S. location.

1940 - A major hurricane struck Savannah, GA, and Charleston, SC, causing the worst inland flooding since 1607. (David Ludlum)

1944 - The temperature at Burlington, VT, soared to an all-time record high of 101 degrees. (The Weather Channel) The Dog Days officially come to an end on this date, having begun the third day in July. Superstition has it that dogs tend to become mad during that time of the year. (The Weather

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Channel)

1954: An F2 tornado struck nine miles north of Caribou, ME. Two barns were destroyed and one house was thrown into another, killing one person. Potatoes were "dug up and scattered."

1980 - Clouds and moisture from Hurricane Allen provided a brief break from the torrid Texas heat-wave, with daily highs mostly in the 70s to lower 90s. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - An early evening thunderstorm in Wyoming produced hail up to two inches in diameter from Alva to Hulett. Snow plows had to be used to clear Highway 24 south of Hulett, where hail formed drifts two feet deep. (The National Weather Summary)

1988 - Moisture from what remained of Tropical Storm Beryl resulted in torrential rains across eastern Texas. Twelve and a half inches of rain deluged Enterprise TX, which was more than the amount received there during the previous eight months. Philadelphia PA reported a record forty-four days of 90 degree weather for the year. Baltimore MD and Newark NJ reported a record fourteen straight days of 90 degree heat. (The National Weather Summary)

1989 - One of the most severe convective outbreaks of record came to a climax in southern California after four days. Thunderstorms deluged Benton CA with six inches of rain two days in a row, and the flooding which resulted caused more than a million dollars damage to homes and highways. Thunderstorms around Yellowstone Park WY produced four inches of rain in twenty minutes resulting in fifteen mudslides. Thunderstorms over Long Island NY drenched Suffolk County with 8 to 10 inches of rain. Twenty-three cities in the southeastern U.S. reported record low temperatures for the date. It was, for some cities, the fourth straight morning of record cold temperatures. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1999: A rare tornado touched down in downtown Salt Lake City, UT. Trees were uprooted and windows were shattered by the F2. The Delta Center, home of the Utah Jazz, incurred roof damage. There was 1 fatality and more than 100 injured.

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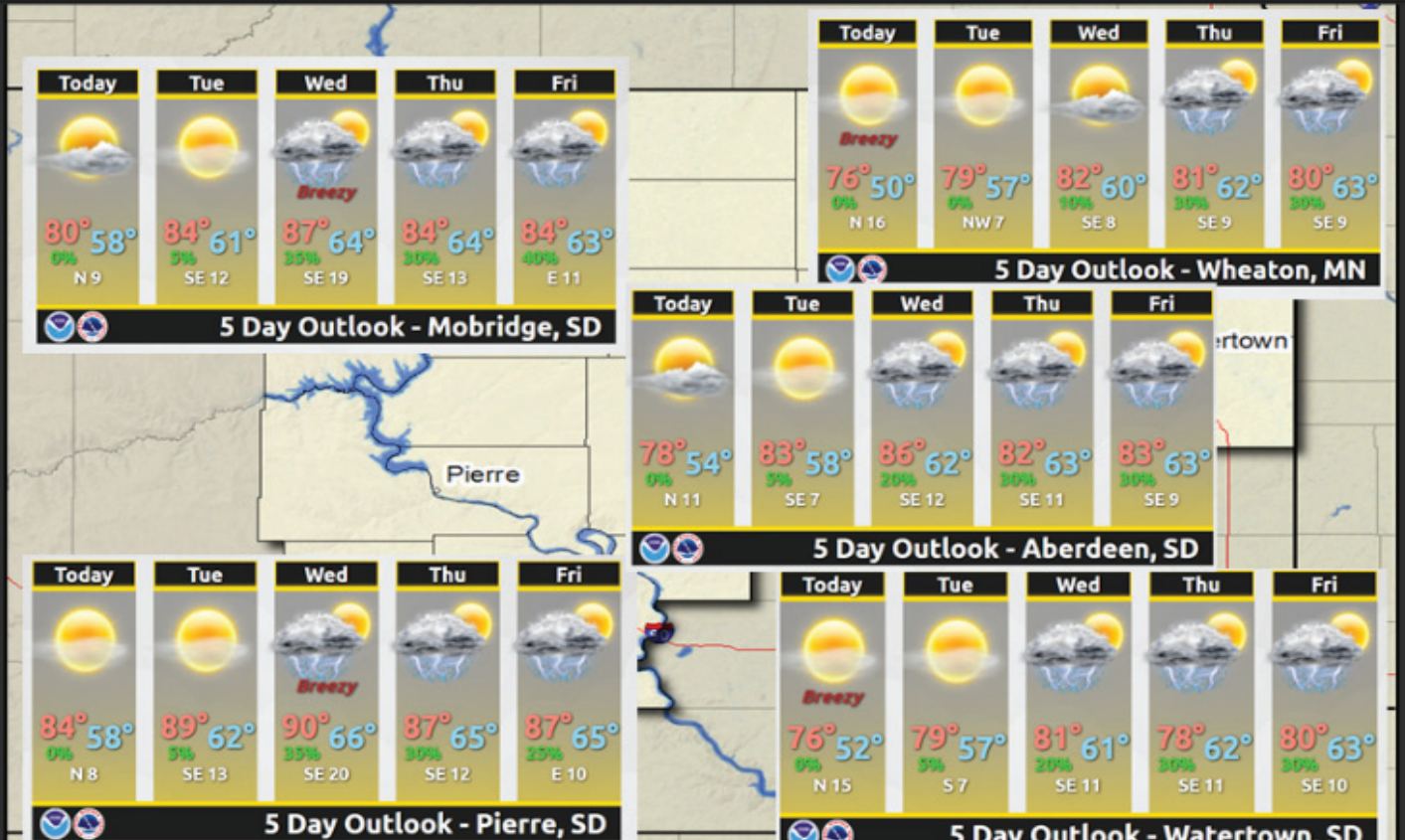
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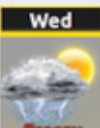


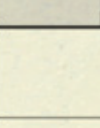










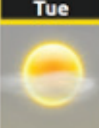





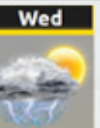


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TODAY	TONIGHT	SUNDAY	SUNDAY NIGHT	MONDAY	MONDAY NIGHT	TUESDAY
						
40%	40%	50%				
Scattered Thunderstorms High: 78 °F	Chance Thunderstorms Low: 61 °F	Chance Thunderstorms High: 77 °F	Partly Cloudy Low: 53 °F	Sunny High: 79 °F	Mostly Clear Low: 54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

The Week Ahead: Dry To Start
More Inclement Pattern Develops Wednesday Night



Today	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
				
80° 58° 0% N 9	84° 61° 5% SE 12	87° 64° 35% SE 19	84° 64° 30% SE 13	84° 63° 40% E 11
5 Day Outlook - Mobridge, SD				
				
76° 50° 0% N 16	79° 57° 0% NW 7	82° 60° 10% SE 8	81° 62° 30% SE 9	80° 63° 30% SE 9
5 Day Outlook - Wheaton, MN				
				
78° 54° 0% N 11	83° 58° 5% SE 7	86° 62° 20% SE 12	82° 63° 30% SE 11	83° 63° 30% SE 9
5 Day Outlook - Aberdeen, SD				
				
84° 58° 0% N 8	89° 62° 5% SE 13	90° 66° 35% SE 20	87° 65° 30% SE 12	87° 65° 25% E 10
5 Day Outlook - Pierre, SD				
				
76° 52° 0% N 15	79° 57° 5% S 7	81° 61° 20% SE 11	78° 62° 30% SE 11	80° 63° 30% SE 10
5 Day Outlook - Watertown, SD				

National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

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Dry, cool conditions can be expected today and Tuesday, with a more inclement weather pattern developing for the latter half of the work week.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 76.5°F at 5:32 PM

Low: 59.2°F at 11:27 PM

High Gust: 20 mph 2:04 PM

Precip: 0.00

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Record High: 103° in 1988, 1965

Record Low: 34° in 1902

Average High: 83°F

Average Low: 58°F

Average Precip in Aug.: 0.71

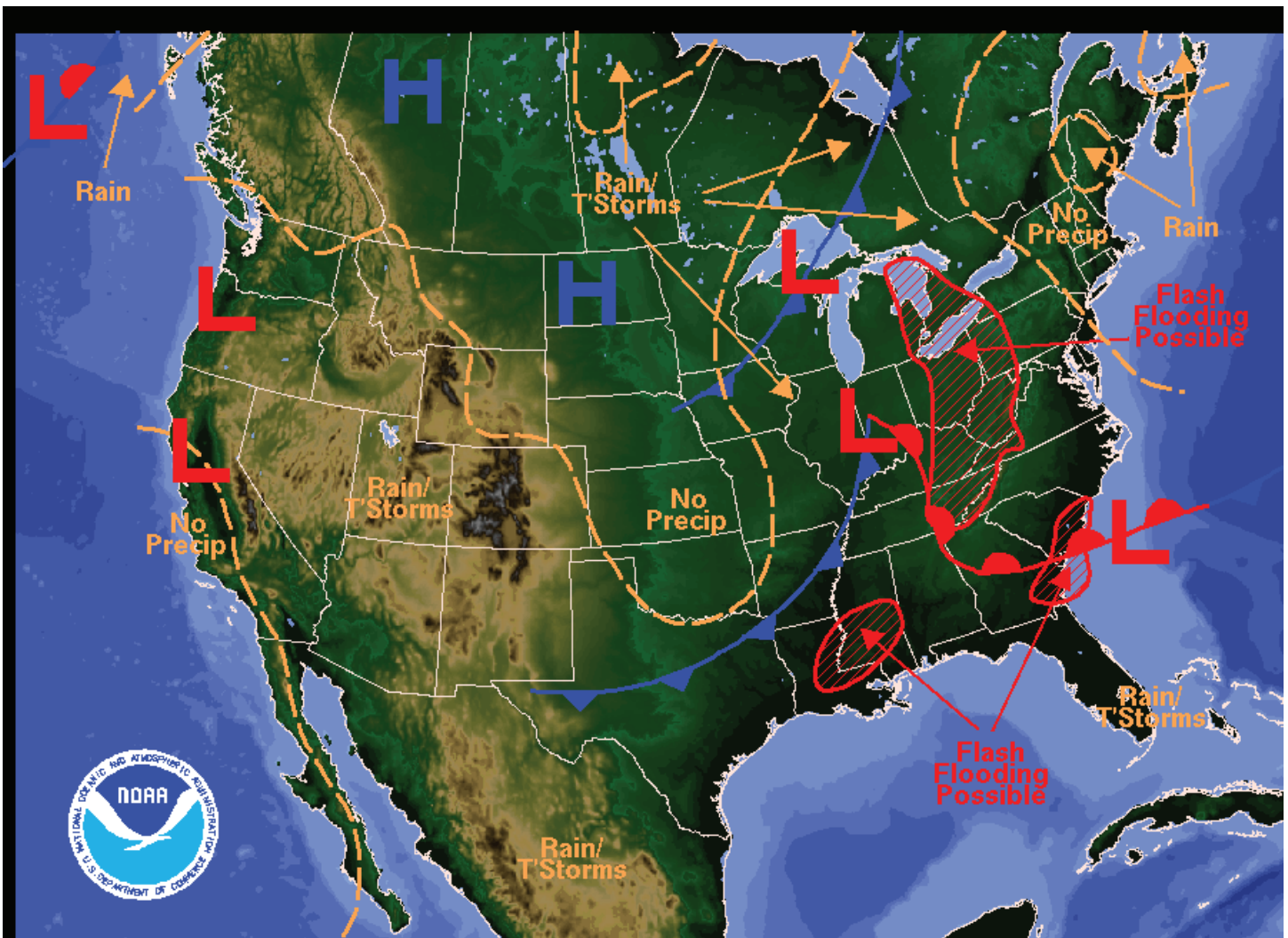
Precip to date in Aug.: 0.79

Average Precip to date: 14.65

Precip Year to Date: 9.77

Sunset Tonight: 8:47 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:31 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Mon, Aug 11, 2014, issued 2:52 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by Mc Reynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



A GOOD HABIT FOR CHRISTIANS

The word "habit" cannot be found in the Bible. Now, we might ask, "Is that good or bad?" It's neither. But that does not mean that it can't be placed in front of the word "habit." For surely there are both good and bad habits and most of us have some of each.

Unfortunately, most of us develop habits without realizing it. They just "seem to happen" when we least expect them and are troublesome to get rid of once we become attached to them. Some of them can be toxic and troublesome like excessive snacking, texting unnecessary messages or wasting time doing things that lead nowhere. Others can be nourishing and nurturing like walking with a pet, setting aside time for prayer and Bible reading or attending church. So, depending on the nature of a habit it can be helpful or hindering.

A helpful habit for every Christian to cultivate is the habit to praise God for His grace, gifts and goodness. The Psalmist said, "I praise Your name for Your unfailing love and faithfulness." While this sounds straightforward and simple, we receive so many gifts from God that we scarcely recognize most of them. Unless they are out of the ordinary or we see an answer to a prayer we thought He might have overlooked, we rarely pause and praise Him. How very sad!

Might God's blessings be slow in coming because we do not burst forth in praise each time He shows His favor to us? Might His gifts increase if we focus more on His goodness and less on our greed? Let's make praise a habit!

Prayer: How very sad, Father, that we need to be reminded to give You praise. Grant us grateful hearts! In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Psalm 138:2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your unfailing love and your faithfulness,

Wastewater spills into river in Sioux Falls

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Officials say initial lab tests indicate that a wastewater spill into the Big Sioux River will not affect people or wildlife.

Sioux Falls Public Works officials say they're continuing to monitor the river and expect more test results later in the week.

The city in a statement says about 9,000 gallons of "treated biosolids" made it into the river Sunday before the spill at the water treatment plant was contained. Wastewater Superintendent Mary Perry classified the amount as "fairly minimal."

Perry did not immediately respond to a request for more information early Monday.

The contractor responsible for the spill — Veit of Rogers, Minnesota— is working to clean up the spill area. That's expected to take several days.

Group has alternative to closing Hot Springs VA

HOT SPRINGS, S.D. (AP) — A group trying to keep the historic VA hospital in Hot Springs from closing says it has developed an alternative plan.

Veterans National Recovery Center of Des Moines, Iowa, is to release its proposal Monday at a news conference in the Black Hills town.

Group president Bob Krause says it's the most viable alternative to be considered in the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Environmental Impact Statement process.

Nevada team headed for Little League World Series

LAS VEGAS (AP) — For the first time, a Nevada team is heading to the Little League World Series in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

Mountain Ridge scored nine first-inning runs en route to an 11-2 victory over Pacifica, California, on Saturday night in San Bernardino, California.

With the win, the Las Vegas team became the West champion and one of eight teams to advance to the World Series.

The team will open against the Midwest champion from Rapid City, South Dakota, at 4 p.m. Thursday. The game will be televised on ESPN2.

The Little League World Series began in 1947.

Rapid City writes off \$125K in parking tickets

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Parking violators in Rapid City are getting a break as officials have moved to write off about \$125,000 worth of parking citations issued between 2008 and 2010.

Officials have decided to clear the city's books of nearly 12,000 tickets following the Rapid City Council's recent decision to deem the violations — mostly \$5 or \$10 tickets — uncollectable, the Rapid City Journal (<http://bit.ly/1uCxId2>) reported Sunday.

"If we can't collect them, if they're this old, then we should not have them on our books," said Pauline Sumption, the city's finance officer. "It's standard business practice for anybody who bills for services."

Sumption said the city should have been purging its books of unpaid tickets on a yearly basis, but

the last time that happened was 2012. Sumption says about 9,800 tickets worth nearly \$118,000 were written off at that time.

The newspaper reports that 3,484 tickets remained unpaid from 2008, 3,992 from 2009 and 4,470 from 2010. The city doesn't notify violators of outstanding tickets.

Sumption said new software that is expected to be fully installed by the fall of 2015 will include a system to notify violators of old tickets and offer the option to pay online.

Records from the Finance Department show the city collected about \$287,000 in parking fines last year, and approximately \$41,000 in fees related to putting boots on vehicles. The funds go toward the salaries of parking enforcement staff, general supplies and the \$2 million bond of the city's downtown parking ramp.

Four full-time staffers make up the city's parking enforcement division. Police Sgt. Scott Sitts said about 100 to 150 tickets are issued in days when all four staffers are working.

Mandies in rollover crash in western South Dakota

KEYSTONE, S.D. (AP) — A 61-year-old man is dead following a rollover crash in western South Dakota.

The state's Department of Public Safety on Sunday said Kenneth Dahn was driving eastbound on Medill Street in Keystone when he left the roadway, drove up the concrete rail and rolled the vehicle into the creek below. Authorities say the 2006 Chevy Silverado came to rest on its roof.

The incident happened around 10:10 p.m. Saturday.

The Keystone man died at a Rapid City hospital from injuries sustained in the crash.

244 DUI arrests reported in connection with rally

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Highway Patrol says it tallied 244 DUI arrests during the annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.

The Patrol says a total of 252 people were arrested for misdemeanor drug offenses and 90 for felony drug offenses. Authorities seized more than \$25,000 in cash during the annual event.

DUI arrests were down compared to the rally in 2013, but the amount of money seized almost doubled from last year.

The 74th rally started Monday. Organizers have expected attendance to surpass the 466,000 who made the annual trek last year.

The Department of Public Safety says 68 crashes that resulted in injuries — four of them fatal — were reported during the week. The number of fatalities is down by 2 compared to 2013.

Study: Keystone carbon pollution more than figured

SETH BORENSTEIN, AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The much-debated Keystone XL pipeline could produce four times more global warming pollution than the State Department calculated earlier this year, a new study concludes.

The U.S. estimates didn't take into account that the added oil from the pipeline would drop prices by about \$3 a barrel, spurring consumption that would create more pollution, the researchers said.

Outside experts not connected to the study gave it mixed reviews. The American Petroleum Institute found the study to be irrelevant because regardless of the pipeline, the tar sands will be developed and oil will be shipped by railroad if not by pipeline, spokeswoman Sabrina Fang said.

The researchers estimate that the proposed pipeline, which would carry oil from tar sands in western

Canada to refineries on the Texas Gulf Coast, would increase world greenhouse gas emissions by as much as 121 million tons of carbon dioxide a year.

The department said this year that at most, the pipeline would increase world carbon dioxide emissions by 30 million tons.

Such emissions have been on the mind of President Barack Obama, who has said his administration would allow the pipeline to be built "only if this project does not significantly exacerbate the problem of carbon pollution."

The new estimates, from scientists at the Stockholm Environment Institute, were published Sunday by the journal Nature Climate Change. Peter Erickson, lead author, said his work implies that the pipeline could basically wipe out reductions from some potential pollution-cutting policies under discussion.

The State Department declined to comment on the research by Erickson and co-author Michael Lazarus.

Lower prices may sound good, but there's no free lunch, said Wesleyan University environmental economist Gary Yohe, who praised the work.

"Lower fuel prices are bad if they don't include all of the social costs," Yohe wrote in an email. "Consumers are happy, but the planet is not necessarily."

An increase of 121 million tons of carbon dioxide is dwarfed by the 36 billion tons of carbon dioxide the world pumped into the air in 2013. That's why University of Sussex economist Richard Tol dismissed the calculated Keystone effect as merely a drop in the bucket. If somebody is concerned about climate change, he wrote in an email, the pipeline "should be the furthest from your mind."

Ken Caldeira of the Carnegie Institution of Washington agreed the amount is small, but said the concern is more about the idea of boosting emissions than the degree of change.

Independent energy economist Judith Dwarin in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, dismissed the study, faulting the idea that added oil production will lower the price and boost demand. Usually, she said, it's consumption that spurs price and then oil production.

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 South Dakota 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.

Red Cross helps with shelter in Sturgis

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) — The Red Cross is assisting about 50 people who were displaced after their tent at the Sturgis Buffalo Chip collapsed during a thunderstorm.

The organization says it is providing cots and blankets to those affected by Saturday's storm. A group of volunteers on Sunday will determine whether additional services are needed.

More than 15 people are operating the Red Cross station at the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.

Communications manager Michele Lewis says more than 140 people have received first aid services at the station. She says the Red Cross has served more than 7,600 cups of water so far.

Tornado relief fund applications due in September

WESSINGTON SPRINGS, S.D. (AP) — Residents of Wessington Springs affected by a June 18 tornado have until Sept. 13 to submit an application for financial assistance.

The Daily Republic (<http://bit.ly/1pJDOXu>) reports the Wessington Springs Relief Fund has collected about \$170,000.

Linda William is the city's finance officer. She says only funds needed for emergency needs have been distributed so far.

A city-formed committee will be responsible for the dividing the rest of the funds among tornado victims. City officials have declined identifying the members of the committee.

The newspaper reports officials will answer questions from tornado victims and the public at a meeting scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday at the Jerauld County Ag Building.

Applications for financial assistance are available at city offices and through Lutheran Social Services case managers.

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. ARMS SENT TO KURDS IN FIGHT AGAINST ISLAMIC STATE

U.S. officials tell AP the Obama administration has begun providing weapons to Kurdish forces making headway against Islamic extremists in Iraq.

2. NEW GAZA TRUCE BEGINS

An Egyptian-brokered cease-fire halting the Gaza war is holding, allowing Palestinians to leave homes and shelters as negotiators will resume talks in Cairo.

3. MAYHEM ENSUES AFTER CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

Angry over a police shooting of an unarmed black man in suburban St. Louis, people loot businesses, vandalize vehicles and confront police.

4. AS PROBE BEGINS, TONY STEWART STEPS AWAY FROM TRACK

The NASCAR star skips the Sprint Cup race at Watkins Glen the day after his dirt-track car struck and killed a fellow driver who tried to confront him.

5. WOMAN PUNCHED BY CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICER TALKS TO AP

Marlene Pinnock thought she was going to die as a CHP officer straddled her, repeatedly striking her head, on the side of a LA freeway.

6. WHEN 'YES MEANS YES'

California lawmakers are considering what would be the first-in-the-nation measure requiring all colleges that receive public funds to set a standard for consensual sex.

7. WHAT KOCHS ARE DOING FOR THE GOP

Conservative activists like the Koch brothers are helping fund English classes and health checkups for Spanish speakers to build credibility with Hispanic voters.

8. ATHLETES FACING NEW SOCIAL MEDIA SCRUTINY

As coaches and top colleges increasingly use Twitter and Instagram to evaluate a player's character, one wrong comment can cost a player a scholarship offer.

9. YOUNG FANS SALUTE FAVORITES

Shailene Woodley and Ansel Elgort of "The Fault in Our Stars" ride a victorious wave at the Teen

Choice Awards.

10. WHO'S MAKING HISTORY IN GOLF

Rory McIlroy joins Jones, Nicklaus and Woods as the only players 25 or younger to win four majors in the last century when he captured the PGA Championship

AP News in Brief

APNewsBreak: US has begun directly providing arms to embattled Kurdish forces in Iraq

SYDNEY (AP) — The Obama administration has begun directly providing weapons to Kurdish forces who have started to make gains against Islamic militants in northern Iraq, senior U.S. officials said Monday.

Previously, the U.S. had insisted on only selling arms to the Iraqi government in Baghdad, but the Kurdish peshmerga fighters had been losing ground to Islamic State militants in recent weeks.

The officials wouldn't say which U.S. agency is providing the arms or what weapons are being sent, but one official said it isn't the Pentagon. The CIA has historically done similar quiet arming operations.

The move to directly aid the Kurds underscores the level of U.S. concern about the Islamic State militants' gains in the north, and reflects the persistent administration view that the Iraqis must take the necessary steps to solve their own security problems.

To bolster that effort, the administration is also very close to approving plans for the Pentagon to arm the Kurds, a senior official said. In recent days, the U.S. military has been helping facilitate weapons deliveries from the Iraqis to the Kurds, providing logistic assistance and transportation to the north.

Iraq's PM al-Maliki steps up struggle to keep his job, deploys special forces in Baghdad

BAGHDAD (AP) — Iraq's embattled Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki is taking his struggle to keep his job to the courts after announcing he will file a legal complaint on Monday against the country's newly elected president.

The deadlock over a new government has plunged Iraq into a political crisis at a time it is fighting a land grab by militants from the Islamic State in the country's north and west. Al-Maliki has resisted calls for his resignation and the political infighting could hamper efforts to stem advances by the Sunni militants.

Senior U.S. officials said Monday that the Obama administration, which launched airdrops and airstrikes last week to support Kurdish and Iraqi forces battling the militants, has begun directly providing weapons to the Kurdish peshmerga forces who have started to make gains against the al-Qaida breakaway group.

In a televised speech after midnight Sunday, al-Maliki declared he will file a legal complaint against the new president, Fouad Massoum, for committing "a clear constitutional violation."

The prime minister said the president, who was elected by parliament, is obstructing al-Maliki's re-election and has carried out "a coup against the constitution and the political process."

Egyptian-brokered cease-fire in Gaza war holds as Israeli, Palestinian negotiators gather

CAIRO (AP) — An Egyptian-brokered cease-fire halting the Gaza war held into Monday morning, allowing Palestinians to leave homes and shelters as negotiators agreed to resume talks in Cairo.

The truce took effect just after midnight (2101 GMT), preceded by heavy rocket fire toward Israel. In Cairo, the Egyptian Foreign Ministry said the cease-fire would allow humanitarian aid into battered Gaza neighborhoods and the reopening of indirect talks on a more lasting and comprehensive deal.

On Monday morning, high school students in Gaza filed the streets as they headed off to pick up their graduation certificates after the Education Ministry said they'd be ready. People waited to buy fuel for generators as power and communication workers struggled to fix cables damaged in the fighting. Long lines formed at ATMs.

In Cairo, negotiators said talks would resume at 11 a.m. (0800 GMT). The four-member Israeli delegation arrived at Cairo International Airport earlier Monday morning.

The monthlong war, pitting the Israeli military against rocket-firing Hamas militants, has killed more than 1,900 Palestinians, the majority civilians, Palestinian and U.N. officials say. In Israel, 67 people have been killed, all but three of them soldiers, officials there say.

Stores looted, windows smashed after vigil for Missouri black man shot and killed by police

FERGUSON, Mo. (AP) — A day of anger over a fatal police shooting of an unarmed black man in suburban St. Louis turned to mayhem as people looted businesses, vandalized vehicles and confronted police who sought to block off access to several areas of the city.

The tensions erupted after a candlelight vigil Sunday night for 18-year-old Michael Brown, who police said was shot multiple times the previous afternoon after a scuffle involving the officer, Brown and another person in Ferguson, a predominantly black suburb of the city.

Afterward, a convenience store was looted. Several other stores along a main road near the shooting scene were broken into, including a check-cashing store, a boutique and a small grocery store. People also took items from a sporting goods store and a cellphone retailer, and carted rims away from a tire store.

TV footage showed streams of people walking out of a liquor store carrying bottles of alcohol, and in some cases protesters were standing atop police cars or taunting officers who stood stoic, often in riot gear. Video posted online by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch showed a convenience store on fire.

Other witnesses reported seeing people vandalize police cars and kick in windows. Television footage showed windows busted out of a TV station van.

Looking to help conservatives, Koch brothers' reach out to Hispanics in bid to patch GOP gap

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Looking to make inroads with the rising number of Hispanic voters, conservative activists are offering English classes, health checkups and courses to help Spanish-speakers earn high school diplomas. Picking up part of the tab: Charles and David Koch.

The billionaire industrialists are working to patch a gaping hole in the GOP coalition that could spell a generation of irrelevance if Republicans cannot build some credibility with Hispanic voters, who typically

shun the GOP. The fast-growing group could have tremendous sway in American politics for years to come. Party elders have acknowledged their struggles to win over Hispanic voters, who as recently as 2004 were roughly split in party preference.

Enter the Libre Initiative, an organization that has collected millions from the Kochs' political network. Libre, which is pronounced LEE'-bray and means "free," pushes a message of limited government and economic freedom between lessons on how to build family-run businesses and prayer breakfasts with Hispanic pastors.

Its organizers pitch conservative ideals while offering tutorials on U.S. immigration law, support for overhauling the broken immigration system that stops short of campaigning for the Senate's bipartisan bill and collecting donations for the unaccompanied children crossing the United States-Mexico border illegally.

In effect, it is a shadow GOP — one with a gentle emphasis on social services and assimilation over a central party often seen as hostile to immigrants and minorities.

APNewsBreak: LA woman punched on video by California Highway patrolman thought she would die

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Marlene Pinnock said she thought she was going to die as a California Highway Patrol officer straddled her, repeatedly punching her head on the side of a Los Angeles freeway.

During an hour-long interview with The Associated Press on Sunday — her first public comments since the July 1 beating was caught on video by a passing driver — Pinnock spoke haltingly or in a whisper, occasionally putting her hands to her temples and grimacing.

Her attorney Caree Harper frequently interrupted her and limited her responses to a reporter's questions.

"He grabbed me, he threw me down, he started beating me, he beat me. I felt like he was trying to kill me, beat me to death," Pinnock said.

Pinnock, 51, was released from the hospital last week after several weeks of treatment for head injuries and now slurs her speech, Harper said.

Column: Stewart found a calling — and a community — in small town sprint track races

When Jason Leffler was killed in a sprint car crash last summer, Tony Stewart passionately defended the grassroots racing of America.

When he triggered a 15-car accident a month later at an upstate New York race track that left a young girl with a fractured back, he took the blame and moved on to the next event. And when Stewart flipped his sprint car five times at a race in Canada, he bristled at the suggestion he was taking unnecessary risks in his lucrative career.

Stewart didn't once waver in his stance, even after breaking his right leg racing his sprint car last August. The injury sidelined him for six months, put his Stewart-Haas Racing organization under considerable strain and again drew criticism over his extracurricular activities.

He remained undeterred, almost defiant. Racing sprint cars is Stewart's passion. It's his hunting and his fishing and his video games all rolled into one.

But now his hobby, racing on tiny little tracks in nondescript towns outside of a busy NASCAR schedule, is again being called into question. The three-time NASCAR champion struck and killed a 20-year-

old racer who had climbed from his car Saturday night to confront Stewart on a New York dirt track following a crash caused by contact between the two cars.

Stewart leaves NASCAR race as authorities begin to analyze how his car struck, killed driver

CANANDAIGUA, N.Y. (AP) — The collision was as common as any in racing. Kevin Ward Jr.'s car spun twice like a top, wheels hugging the wall, before it plopped backward on the dimly lit dirt track.

In a sport steeped with bravado, what happened next was another familiar, but treacherous, move: Wearing a black firesuit and black helmet, the 20-year-old Ward unbuckled himself, climbed out of the winged car into the night and defiantly walked onto the track at Canandaigua Motorsports Park.

He gestured, making his disgust evident with the driver who triggered the wreck with a bump: three-time NASCAR champion Tony Stewart.

Ward, a relative unknown compared to NASCAR's noted swashbuckler, was nearly hit by another passing car as he pointed with his right arm in Stewart's direction. As he confronted Stewart in his passing car, disaster struck.

Ward was standing to the right of Stewart's familiar No. 14 car, which seemed to fishtail from the rear and hit him. According to video and witness accounts, Ward's body was sucked underneath the car and hurtled through the air before landing on his back as fans looked on in horror.

Spain imports US experimental Ebola drug to treat priest evacuated from Liberia with disease

MADRID (AP) — Spain has imported a U.S.-made experimental Ebola drug to treat a Spanish missionary priest who was evacuated from Liberia last week after testing positive for the killer virus.

The Health Ministry announced Monday that the ZMapp drug, made by Mapp Biopharmaceutical Inc. of San Diego, was obtained in Geneva this weekend and brought to Madrid to treat Miguel Pajares. The 75-year-old priest was evacuated from Liberia and placed in isolation Thursday at Madrid's Carlos III Hospital.

There is no known cure or licensed treatment for Ebola, which has killed more than 1,000 people in the current outbreak in West Africa. The World Health Organization has declared the Ebola outbreak an international health emergency and urged nations worldwide to donate resources to battle the disease.

Two Americans diagnosed with Ebola in Liberia and evacuated back to the United States have been treated with the drug. One of them, Dr. Kent Brantly, said last week that his condition was improving and the husband of the aid worker being treated with Brantly said the same thing. Both are being treated in isolation at an Atlanta hospital.

The ethical questions surrounding experimental Ebola drugs and vaccines were being debated Monday during a teleconference of medical ethicists and other experts organized by WHO.

Be careful on Twitter, recruits: College coaches are watching for bad social media behavior

At St. Paul's Episcopal School in Mobile, Alabama, the high school that produced Crimson Tide quarterbacks AJ McCarron and Jake Coker, there's a new preseason ritual for football players: the social media talk.

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It's about more than minding their manners. Coach Steve Mask warns players not to post about injuries, which can scare away recruiters. Committing on Twitter to a school is also discouraged — one recent former player tweeted commitments to four different schools without informing any coaches.

"He came across as being not reliable," Mask said. "He gets a little joy out of the attention, but it's not worth it."

This season, Mask is taking his players' online personas so seriously that he's assigning an assistant to monitor their accounts. As college programs increasingly use Twitter, Instagram and other social media accounts to evaluate a player's character, one wrong comment can cost a scholarship offer.

That was the case recently at Penn State for offensive line coach Herb Hand, who took to Twitter recently to vent his frustration with a recruit gone bad online.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Monday, August 11, the 223rd day of 2014. There are 142 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 11, 1954, a formal peace took hold in Indochina, ending more than seven years of fighting between the French and Communist Viet Minh.

On this date:

In 1786, Capt. Francis Light arrived in Penang to claim the Malaysian island for Britain.

In 1860, the nation's first successful silver mill began operation near Virginia City, Nevada.

In 1909, the steamship SS Arapahoe became the first ship in North America to issue an S.O.S. distress signal, off North Carolina's Cape Hatteras.

In 1934, the first federal prisoners arrived at Alcatraz Island (a former military prison) in San Francisco Bay.

In 1942, during World War II, Pierre Laval, prime minister of Vichy France, publicly declared that "the hour of liberation for France is the hour when Germany wins the war."

In 1956, abstract painter Jackson Pollock, 44, died in an automobile accident on Long Island, New York.

In 1964, the Beatles movie "A Hard Day's Night" had its U.S. premiere in New York.

In 1965, rioting and looting that claimed 34 lives broke out in the predominantly black Watts section of Los Angeles.

In 1975, the United States vetoed the proposed admission of North and South Vietnam to the United Nations, following the Security Council's refusal to consider South Korea's application.

In 1984, during a voice test for a paid political radio address, President Ronald Reagan joked that he had "signed legislation that will outlaw Russia forever. We begin bombing in five minutes." At the Los Angeles Olympics, American runner Mary Decker fell after colliding with South African-born British competitor Zola Budd in the 3,000-meter final; Budd finished seventh.

In 1993, President Bill Clinton named Army Gen. John Shalikashvili (shah-lee-kash-VEE'-lee) to be the new chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, succeeding the retiring Gen. Colin Powell.

In 1997, President Bill Clinton made the first use of the historic line-item veto, rejecting three items in spending and tax bills. (However, the U.S. Supreme Court later struck down the veto as unconstitutional.)

Ten years ago: Britain granted its first license for human cloning for the purpose of stem cell research. The U.S. women's soccer team defeated home team Greece 3-0 on the first day of competition

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in the 2004 Olympic Games (the opening ceremonies took place in Athens two days later).

Five years ago: A Myanmar court found democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi (ahng sahn soo chee) guilty of violating her house arrest by allowing an uninvited American to visit her home; she was ordered to serve an 18-month sentence under house arrest. Jeers and taunts drowned out Democratic lawmakers calling for a health care overhaul at town halls; during his own town hall in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, President Barack Obama assailed "wild misrepresentations" of his health care plan. Eunice Kennedy Shriver, sister of President John F. Kennedy and founder of the Special Olympics, died in Cape Cod, Massachusetts, at age 88.

One year ago: Israel approved building 1,200 more settlement homes and agreed to release 26 long-held Palestinian security prisoners. Suspected militants gunned down 47 worshippers as they recited their early morning prayers at a mosque in Konduga, Nigeria, and killed another 12 civilians in a nearby village. Jason Dufner won his first major title with a two-stroke victory over Jim Furyk at the PGA Championship.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Arlene Dahl is 89. Songwriter-producer Kenny Gamble is 71. Rock musician Jim Kale (Guess Who) is 71. Magazine columnist Marilyn Vos Savant is 68. Country singer John Conlee is 68. Singer Eric Carmen is 65. Computer scientist and Apple co-founder Steve Wozniak is 64. Wrestler-actor Hulk Hogan is 61. Singer Joe Jackson is 60. Playwright David Henry Hwang is 57. Actor Miguel A. Nunez Jr. is 50. Actress Viola Davis is 49. Actor Duane Martin is 49. Actor-host Joe Rogan is 47. Rhythm-and-blues musician Chris Dave is 46. Actress Anna Gunn is 46. Actress Ashley Jensen is 46. Rock guitarist Charlie Sexton is 46. Hip-hop artist Ali Shaheed Muhammad is 44. Actor Nigel Harman (TV: "Downton Abbey") is 41. Actor Will Friedle is 38. Actress Merritt Wever is 34. Actor Chris Hemsworth is 31. Rock musician Heath Fogg (Alabama Shakes) is 30. Singer J-Boog is 29. Rapper Asher Roth is 29. Actress Alyson Stoner is 21.

Thought for Today: "Keep your dreams, for in them lies joy denied to men grown wise." - Edgar A. Guest, American author, journalist and poet (1881-1959).