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The JV football game scheduled for 5pm on Monday at Sisseton has been moved to 6pm. A scheduling conflict at Sisseton is the reason for the change in time.

The site for the JV Football game vs Red/Dol on Monday, Sept 29th is now at DOLAND!

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Birthdays: • Richard Krueger • Tami Zimney
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9:30am: Cross Country at Milbank
10:00am: Groton Boys Golf Invite
1:00pm: Girls soccer hosts SF Christian
3:00pm: Boys Soccer hosts SF Christian
4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

Mark Malmberg, DDS

19 North 6th St.

Oakes, N.D.

701-742-3401



The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is **CLOSED**

Recycling Trailer in Groton

The recycling trailer is 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.

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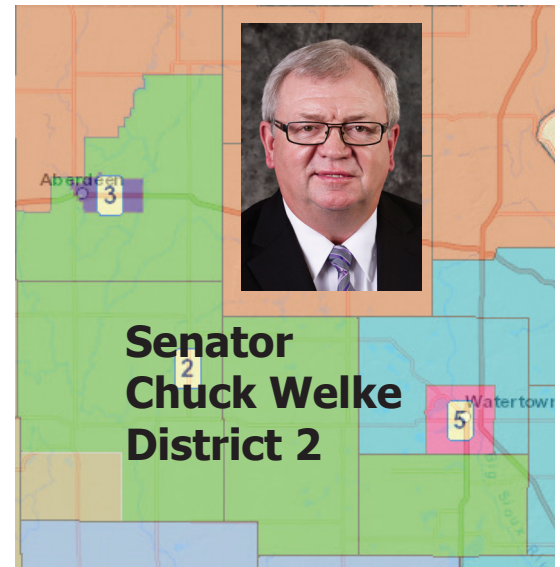
This will be a quick report to keep you updated as to what activities I have been up to this past week.

On Tuesday I attended the Brown County Commissioners meeting as they were discussing an item that was brought up last week by Tom Fischbach concerning the EB-5 program. Commissioner Fischbach proposed a resolution that would ask the SD Banking Commission to investigate the possible fraudulent action that resulted in the loss of revenues to Brown County. The amount has been estimated to be 1.76 million dollars. It stems from the fact that the SD Regional Center was acting as a bank and issuing loans. Their own lawyer has described the lending activities of the organization. If that is true they should have been subjected to the Bank Franchise Tax. All the resolution does is to ask that there is an investigation into this accusation. I did testify in favor of the resolution when

public comments were requested. The commission worked together as they discussed the resolution and made some changes to the original wording. The resolution did pass with a 4-1 vote. It will be interesting to see what the Banking Commission does with it. At the state level the discussion of the millions of dollars lost and the possible fraudulent actions has been curtailed by the majority party. It is their position that the Federal investigators are looking into it and state officials should stay out of it. Our leaders are pushing the issue and we think more needs to be done to find out the truth.

On Wednesday I attended two sessions on the SD Budget process. These were conducted by Joy Smolinsky of the SD Budget Institute. They were both very informative. It is important for us to understand this process and to look at the consequences of the choices that we make when we put together the SD Budget. Some of the problems that we are facing today are the direct result of the budget decisions made in the past few years. Our terrible cuts in education have resulted in teacher shortages and program cuts. We are now seeing the effect of this on the outcomes of our students. We are finding that when we are compared with the surrounding states our students are not doing as well as they are. It is sad that we have allowed this to happen. The most important ingredient to a good education is a qualified teacher. We do have a proposal suggested recently by some education leaders that would increase the sales tax by 1% in the months of June, July, and August with this additional revenue to be used to enhance teacher salaries. Another issue that we have to consider is Medicaid Expansion and the consequences of not electing to help the 48,500 South Dakotans that need help in getting adequate healthcare. By not helping them we push them to get their care at emergency rooms which is the most expensive place to get it. If they were able to get preventive health services they would be healthier and would require fewer emergency visits. This would in turn reduce the amount of money that becomes bad debt that the hospitals have to write off and the county will have to pay. The money that counties use for this could be put to other uses.

On Thursday I attended an award presentation for our RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) volunteers who are essential to helping many people who are in need in our communities. I was struck by the number of years many of these volunteers have been helping others. As some of their names were read and they were to get their award it was hard for many of them to stand and come forward. Many are quite elderly yet they are willing to give of themselves to help others. As some of them said, "We may be helping others but it is good for us as well." It was an impressive number of dedicated servants that do so much for so many. All I can say is Thank You to all of you that volunteer in your



communities.

The last thing I wanted to talk about was the anniversary of the attack of America on September 11th, 2001. It has been 13 years but this event changed us in many ways. We must never forget the sacrifice so many made for us on that day and in the days and years since the attack. At the awards program that I mentioned in the previous paragraph we had an individual providing entertainment. He played and sang the song, "God Bless the U.S.A". We all sang along. It was a very emotional tribute and many were visibly moved as it touched us deeply.

God bless you and God bless the U.S.A.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Chuck Welke

District 2 State Senate

Brown, Clark, Hamlin, and Spink Counties

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Unsafe conditions in the Amphitheater force cancellation of the Evening Lighting Ceremony

KEYSTONE, SD: Acting Superintendent Don Hart has announced the cancellation of the Evening Lighting Ceremony for September 12, 2014. The amphitheater seating still has 2 inches of snow on the wooden benches making it unsafe.

The Lincoln Borglum Visitor Center and Information Center will remain open until their normal closure time of 9 PM. The Sculpture Lights will come on at dusk and stay on until 10 PM. The Carvers Café and the Memorial Team Ice Cream remain open until 8:00 PM. The Xanterra Gift Shop will stay open until 9:30 PM.

If the weather keeps you inside, see the sculpture without the drive, check the live webcam at Earth-Cam.com.

For more information, please visit Mount Rushmore National Memorial's official website at www.nps.gov/moru or call (605) 574-2523.

Groton City Council Meeting Agenda

September 15, 2014 – 7pm - City Hall

- 1) Minutes
- 2) Bills
- 3) 7:10pm Sue Fjeldheim - Carnival of Silver Skates
- 4) Oct 10 Festival of Bands Request- Street Closing & Viewing stands
- 5) Department Reports
- 6) Project Updates
- 7) 2nd Reading Ordinance 695, House Numbering Ordinance
- 8) Ordinance review & requests
- 9) Exe Session – Legal & Personnel

And Any Other Business that may come before the Council

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Junior high teams split with Sisseton

Groton Junior High football 7th grade defeated Sisseton by the score of 20 to 0. All of Groton's points were scored in the first half. Johnny Doeden scored the first TD on a run from his quarterback position. Darien Shabazz scored the 2 point conversion on a run as well. Shabazz scored the second TD on a run. An attempt for the conversion on a pass failed. Austin Jones scored the final TD for Groton on a run play. Conversion here also failed. Groton could not put any more points on the board in the second half, but were able to contain Sisseton and preserve a shutout.

The 8th graders lost to Sisseton by the score of 12-6. Sisseton scored both their touchdowns in the first half on big, breakaway plays. Groton got on the board in the 2nd half right away when Tylan Glover returned the kickoff all the way for a touchdown. Then, the 8th graders had other opportunities to score later in the half, but couldn't quite get it done due to miscues. Thus, scoring ended at 12-6. Lucas Hinman came up and made a lot of tackles from his linebacker spot to lead the Tigers defensively.

For Rent

ONE AND TWO bedroom apartment for rent. HDS subsidized. Rent includes utilities and heat. No smoking. Pets okay. Contact Darlene Daly at 605/397-8131.

For Sale

FOR SALE: 1984 1/2 ton Ford pickup, rusty but runs good. \$600 or best offer. Honda riding lawn mower with bagger. Works good. \$550 or best offer. Call 397-2783 or 290-5546.

Smith Open House

An Open House Bridal Shower honoring Laura Smith (bride to be of Taylor Anderson) will be held on Saturday, September 20th from 9:00-11:00am at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church.

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Groton wins first Battle of the Tigers

Groton Area rallied in the second half to put away Mobridge-Pollock in the battle of the Tigers, 27-18.

Groton had three golden scoring opportunities in the first half at first and goal, but penalties and turnovers spoiled the efforts. "We had too many costly penalties," said Coach Shaun Wanner as Groton had nine for the game. "We have to toughen up and get the ball in the endzone."

Mobridge-Pollock had a 6-0 lead at half-time when Mason Keller scored on an 10 yard run early in the second quarter.

"We challenged our kids at halftime," Wanner said. "Being down 6-0, we had to rally the troops. We're still tinkering with a few positions as we're trying to find the best spots for the kids. We moved Kelby (Hawkins) to the quarterback position in the second half and he did an excellent job. When he's under center, he decides to where to make the calls. I was real happy with his calls."

The visiting Tigers scored early in the third quarter when Keller scored on a one-yard run. It was 12-0, Mobridge-Pollock.

"I think we started to wear them down," Wanner said. "Mobridge-Pollock had a week off last week and it showed that we were a better conditioned team. Mobridge-Pollock was starting to get tired."

With 6:35 left in the third quarter, Jackson Doeden broke free and scored from 55 yards out and with 4:42 left, Bennett Shabazz scored on a 22-yard run. Jacob Milbrandt kicked both PATS and Groton was now leading, 14-12.

Mobridge-Pollock retook the lead early in the fourth quarter when Lucas Ulmer passed to Noah Chase for 30 yards to make it 18-14. Doeden would score two more times on runs of six yards and one yard with Milbrandt kicking one PAT.

"Last week, we played good in the first half and not so well in the second half. This week, it was the opposite. Now we need to put together two good halves," Wanner said.

Groton had more yards rushing, 326-93. For Groton Area, Doeden had 23 carries for 164 yards, Shabazz had four carries for 91 yards, Spencer Knecht had seven carries for 68 yards and Adam Herman had one carry for three yards.



Groton Area Coach Shaun Wanner and Mobridge-Pollock Coach Nathan Lamb hold the new trophy in the first of seven Battle of the Tigers traveling trophy. Roy Gay, a 1957 MHS alumni, has donated the trophy and each player, coaching staff member and cheerleader received a velour pouch with a military style dog tag inscribed and a tiger eye gem stone.

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Mason Keller led Mobridge-Pollock with 22 carries for 88 yards and Brady Greger had 13 carries for five yards.

Doeden completed two of eight passes for 26 yards with one interception. Knecht had one catch for 20 yards and Herman had one for six yards. Gregar completed 13 of 19 passes for Mobridge-Pollock for 174 yards for one touchdown had had three interceptions (Doeden returned one for 37 yards, Herman returned one for five yards and Shabazz returned one for five yards). Noah Chase had two catches for 74 yards.

Groton lost two of its three fumbles and Mobridge-Pollock lost both of its fumbles to Wyatt Larson.

Defensively, Knecht had nine tackles, Doeden eight and Shabazz seven. Ogeuz Kaan Emir, David Jensen, Noah Chase and Chase Schoenhard each had seven for Mobridge-Pollock.

Groton, now 1-2 on the season, will travel to Redfield to take on Redfield-Doland on Friday. Mobridge-Pollock, now 0-2, will travel to Aberdeen Roncalli.



Bennett Shabazz breaks through the Mobridge-Pollock defense to run 60 yards to set up a golden scoring opportunity for Groton Area. Also pictured are Wyatt Larson (55) and Logan Lane (56).



No, Marty Weismantel is not wiping the sweat from his forehead. He was using a mosquito repellent wipe as the mosquitoes were bad in the first half.

Spencer Knecht caught this pass from Jackson Doeden for a 20-yard pass play.

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Bennett Shabazz (4) and Jackson Doeden (22) tackle Mobridge-Pollock's Mason Keller. Also pictured are Carter Jondahl (33) and Brady Graf (50). There is even a flag being thrown in the background.



Jackson Doeden throws a pass to Spencer Knecht for a 20-yard pass play.

Today in Weather History

1928: An estimate F4 tornado touched down in Yankton County. An entire farm was swept away just as the family was about to enter the storm cellar. A man and his daughter were killed.

1922 - The temperature at El Azizia in Libya soared to 136 degrees to establish a world record. To make matters worse, a severe ghibi (dust storm) was in progress. (The Weather Channel)

1928 - Hurricane San Felipe crossed Puerto Rico resulting in the highest winds, the heaviest rains, and the greatest destruction in years. The hurricane produced much damage in the Virgin Islands, and later hit the Bahamas and Florida. (David Ludlum)

1984 - Hurricane Diana, after making a complete loop off the Carolina coast, made landfall and moved across eastern North Carolina. Diana deluged Cape Fear with more than eighteen inches of rain, and caused 78 million dollars damage in North Carolina. (Storm Data)

1987 - Showers and thunderstorms produced heavy rain in the northeastern U.S. Flooding was reported in Vermont, New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Greenwood NY received 6.37 inches of rain. A dike along a creek at Prattsburg NY gave way and a two million dollar onion crop left on the ground to dry was washed away. The prolonged rains in the eastern U.S. finally came to an end late in the day as a cold front began to push the warm and humid airmass out to sea. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)








1988 - Hurricane Gilbert smashed into the Cayman Islands, and as it headed for the Yucatan peninsula of Mexico strengthened into a monster hurricane, packing winds of 175 mph. The barometric pressure at the center of Gilbert reached 26.13 inches (888 mb), an all-time record for any hurricane in the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, or the Atlantic Ocean. Gilbert covered much of the Gulf of Mexico, producing rain as far away as the Florida Keys. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Unseasonably cool weather prevailed over the Central Plains Region, with a record low of 29 degrees at North Platte NE. Unseasonably warm weather prevailed across the Pacific Northwest, with a record high of 96 degrees at Eugene OR. Thunderstorms over south Texas produced wind gusts to 69 mph at Del Rio, and two inches of rain in two hours. (National Weather Summary)

1993: Denver experienced a record 5-inch early season snow. The day before this, it had been 90 degrees.

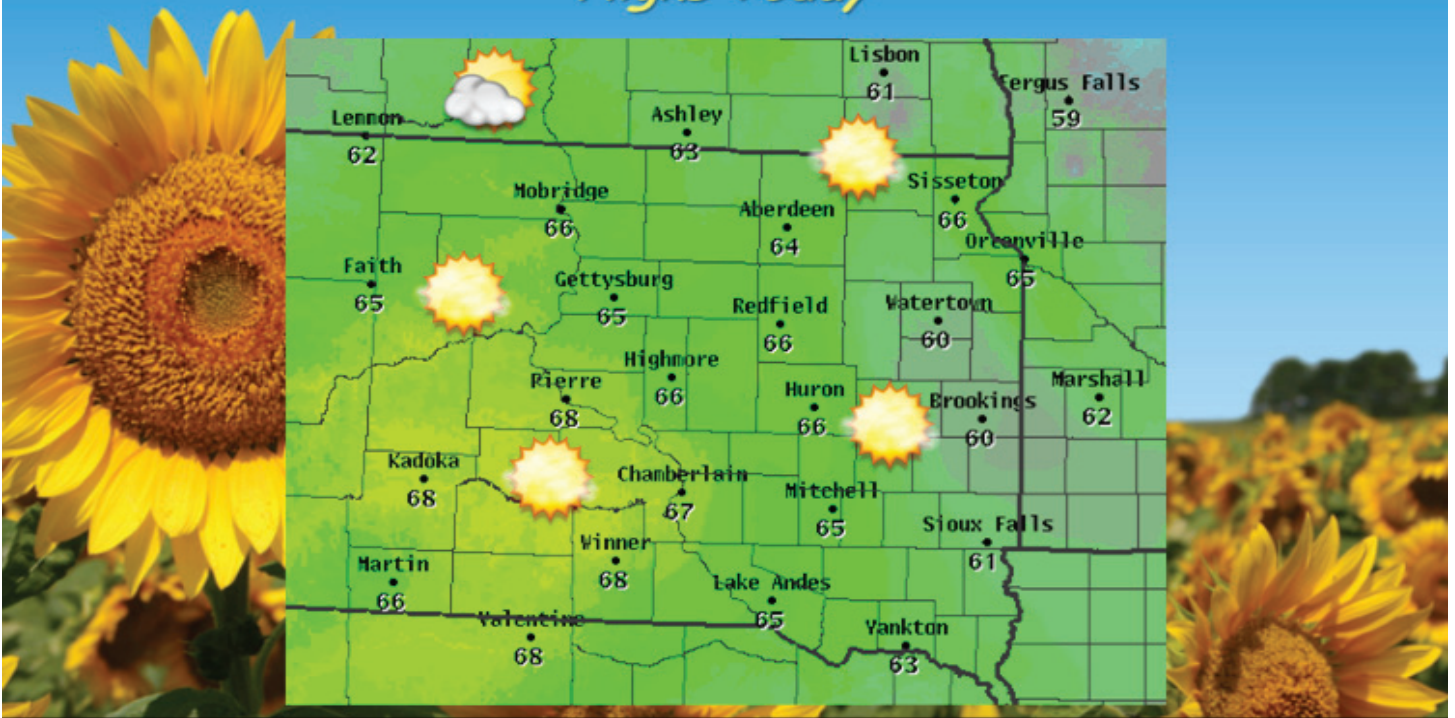
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TODAY	TONIGHT	SUNDAY	SUNDAY NIGHT	MONDAY	MONDAY NIGHT	TUESDAY
						
Breezy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny
High: 64 °F	Low: 39 °F	High: 63 °F	Low: 38 °F	High: 64 °F	Low: 43 °F	High: 71 °F

Seasonally Mild Temperatures Return

Highs Today



National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

weather.gov/Aberdeen



National Weather Service Aberdeen



@NWSAberdeen

Updated: 9/13/2014 4:14 AM

One area of high pressure moves south today. It will be followed by a second area of high pressure. A weak front separates these features, however with a dry atmosphere, we will only see a wind shift with this system.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 55.0°F at 5:14 PM

Low: 37.2°F at 11:21 PM

High Gust: 13 mph at 4:10 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 97° in 1927

Record Low: 26° in 1902

Average High: 73°F

Average Low: 47°F

Average Precip in Sept.: 0.91

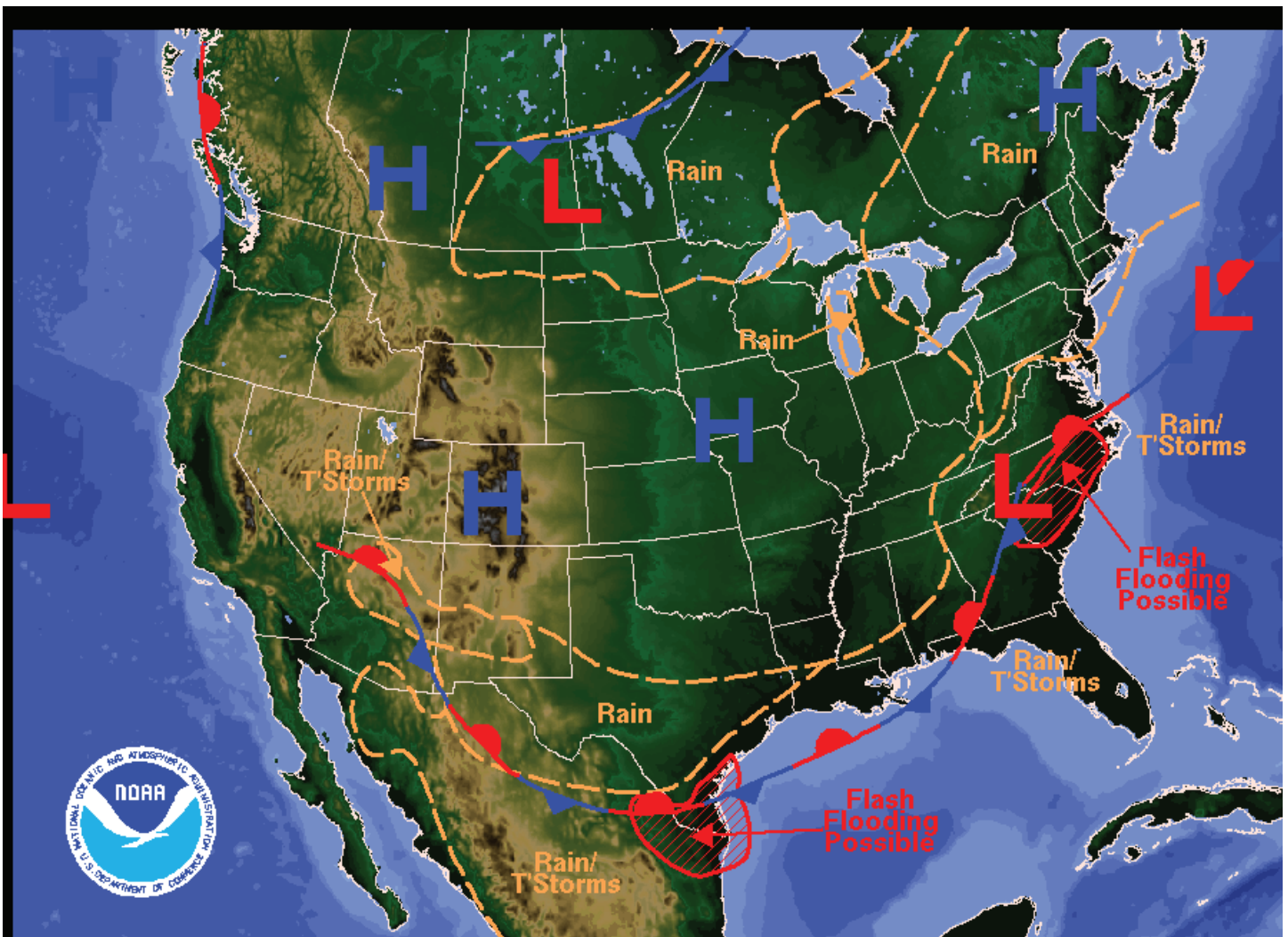
Precip to date in Sept.: 0.26

Average Precip to date: 17.20

Precip Year to Date: 12.18

Sunset Tonight: 7:49 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:11 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Sat, Sep 13, 2014, issued 4:19 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by Ryan based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



“WHO’S SIMPLE?”

“God gives prudence to the simple? Who are these ‘simple ones’ and what does ‘prudence’ mean? And if I’m not simple, do I need prudence?” he asked me in rapid succession. Trying to answer him while the class listened carefully was very important to me: I didn’t want them to think I was simple.

However, Solomon was not putting anyone “down” or ridiculing them or being sarcastic. He was too wise to do that. He was giving a warning - being compassionate to those who are “easily led” or “gullible.” And, there are times when all of us fall into one of those two categories.

Then again, simple, as used here, refers to people who are “aimless” or “inexperienced” or allow themselves to “drift into temptation.” They are unaware of what is going on around them, and, unfortunately, do not care to do anything about it. People in this condition are easily led astray because they have no interest in doing what is good for them, nor what the right thing to do might be. Honoring God is of no concern to them when faced with temptation. The “simple” refuse to accept God’s wisdom as a guide for their lives and even refuse to recognize and accept His discipline because they refuse to recognize Him.

But, because of His grace, God continually reaches out to them, wanting to impart His wisdom to them. First, however, they must accept Him as Lord and Redeemer.

God’s wisdom is only available to those who fear Him. Never forget that the “fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.” Those who do not fear Him will remain simple.

Prayer: Thank You, Lord, for reaching out to us in love, and wanting us to have Your wisdom to guide us each day. In Jesus’ Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Proverbs 1:4 for giving prudence to those who are simple, knowledge and discretion to the young—

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News from the  Associated Press

Black Hills Unity Concert draws Woodstock icons

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Some performers from the Woodstock era are in the Black Hills this weekend for the Unity Concert.

Organizers say they're bringing together Native Americans and people who support the attempt to return guardianship of the Black Hills to the Great Sioux Nation. They're also opposing fracking, uranium mining and the Keystone XL pipeline.

The concert is Saturday and Sunday at the Elk Creek Resort in Piedmont.

Among the planned entertainers: Peter Yarrow, Arlo Guthrie, Buffy Sainte Marie, Paul Winter and Joanne Shenandoah as well as new artists such as Nahko Bear, Xavier Rudd, Supaman, Earth Guardians and 13-year-old Ta'kaiya Blaney.

Details of the concert are at <http://www.theunityconcert.com> and it will be streamed at <http://www.upliftconnect.com>.

Friday's Scores The Associated Press

Volleyball

Edgemont def. Hay Springs, Neb., 25-12, 25-22, 29-27

Yankton def. Mitchell, 25-18, 22-25, 25-19, 25-27, 15-12

Football

Aberdeen Central 34, Watertown 13

Aberdeen Roncalli 45, Flandreau 0

Alcester-Hudson 44, Hanson 24

Arlington 55, Castlewood 14

Avon 40, Scotland 14

Brookings 62, Spearfish 12

Canistota def. Freeman, forfeit

Canton 22, Beresford 7

Chamberlain 12, Cheyenne-Eagle Butte 8

Clark/Willow Lake 36, Waverly-South Shore 20

Colome 42, Highmore-Harrold 0

Corsica/Stickney 36, Miller 14

Custer 20, Red Cloud 0

Dell Rapids 41, Tea Area 14

Dell Rapids St. Mary 52, Elkton-Lake Benton 14

Deubrook 51, Lake Preston 6

Deuel 50, Webster 29

Douglas 35, Rapid City Central 19

Eureka/Bowdle 48, Lemmon/McIntosh 0

Faith 50, Sully Buttes 14

Faulkton 36, Britton-Hecla 6

Florence/Henry 50, Great Plains Lutheran 28

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Garretson 34, Baltic 14
Gayville-Volin 55, Tripp-Delmont/Armour 0
Gregory 36, Kimball/White Lake 14
Groton Area 27, Mobridge-Pollock 18
Hamlin 60, Waubay/Summit 6
Harding County 56, Bison 6
Harrisburg 48, Huron 13
Hay Springs, Neb. 22, Edgemont 8
Hill City 42, Jones County 18
Hot Springs 35, Belle Fourche 6
Howard 36, Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan 0
Langford 27, Hitchcock-Tulare 12
Lennox 36, Sioux Falls Christian 30
Leola/Frederick 35, Ipswich/Edmunds Central 14
Little Wound 52, Pine Ridge 6
Lyman 44, White River 8
Madison 48, Dakota Valley 6
McCook Central/Montrose 41, Bon Homme 0
Oldham-Ramona/Rutland 34, Estelline 14
Parker 44, Centerville 22
Parkston 35, Elk Point-Jefferson 6
Philip 34, Stanley County 12
Platte-Geddes/Dakota Christian 48, Marty Indian 0
Potter County 48, Timber Lake 16
Redfield/Doland 12, Milbank Area 7
South Central 35, Andes Central 0
Todd County 42, Crow Creek 0
Tri-State 62, Wilmot 16
Tri-Valley 41, Sioux Valley 22
Viborg-Hurley 41, Chester 18
Wall 50, Kadoka Area 34
West Central 51, Vermillion 0
Yankton 27, Brandon Valley 24, OT

Bollen vows to give written answers on EB-5

CARSON WALKER, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The former director of the state's federal EB-5 investment program has agreed to answer a legislative panel's questions as it investigates the program, the committee chairman said Friday.

Sen. Larry Tidemann, who leads the Government Operations and Audit Committee, said he received a letter Friday from Joop Bollen's attorney indicating that Bollen would not appear at the group's next meeting on Sept. 24 in Pierre but would provide written answers to their questions.

Tidemann, a Republican from Brookings, earlier asked Bollen to give a chronology of the EB-5 program, which allows foreign investors to pursue citizenship with a \$500,000 investment.

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Tidemann said he'll ask members of the committee to submit proposed questions by next Friday, then they'll discuss them on Sept. 24 and forward the queries to Bollen.

"I think if he's willing to provide the answers in writing, that is as good as in person," he said.

But Rep. Susan Wismer, of Britton, a committee member and the Democratic nominee for governor, said that's not good enough because one question can lead to another.

"South Dakotans have been waiting for answers too long. We need him in person, under oath, on the record," said Wismer, who tried unsuccessfully at the committee's July meeting to have Bollen subpoenaed.

South Dakota law does allow legislative committees to summon people to testify under certain circumstances, but they can't be forced to incriminate themselves, based on their constitutional rights, said Attorney General Marty Jackley.

Bollen declined to comment Friday.

Tidemann said Gov. Dennis Daugaard and former Gov. Mike Rounds, the GOP candidate for U.S. Senate, both indicated that by Wednesday they will provide written responses to the committee's questions so its members have a week to review the information before the Sept. 24 meeting.

Tidemann said he also heard back from the U.S. attorney's office, which indicated its policy prevents prosecutor Brendan Johnson from briefing the committee on any federal probe, if there is one.

"I got an email saying he would neither confirm nor deny there's an investigation," Tidemann said. "If that's their policy, that's what we have to live with."

ESPN analysts expected return trip to North Dakota

DAVE KOLPACK, Associated Press

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — College football broadcaster Chris Fowler said Friday that he and the rest of the ESPN GameDay crew started planning a return trip to North Dakota as soon as last year's show ended in downtown Fargo. But it still took the right series of wins and losses in the division to seal the deal.

The three-hour show will be broadcast in front of the Fargo Theatre on Broadway before Saturday's game between three-time Football Championship Subdivision winners North Dakota State University and Incarnate Word of San Antonio, Texas. Fowler hosts the show that includes analysts Lee Corso, Kirk Herbstreit, Desmond Howard and David Pollack.

Fowler said the staff followed NDSU through its title run last year and what he called "a beat down" of Iowa State two weeks ago, but it still took a season-opening loss by South Carolina and NDSU's win last week over Weber State to make it official.

"We're here earlier in the season maybe than what we expected," Fowler said. "The fact that South Carolina lost to Texas A&M, be real. That's what it is. It's always a convergence of circumstances that leads to our location of shows."

Last year's broadcast in front of thousands of green and gold-clad fans, many watching from windows, rooftops or balconies on Broadway businesses and condominiums, was the program's fourth trip to a FCS school. Lee Fitting, the GameDay producer, said the atmosphere of the show "opened up the college football world" to what NDSU has done.

The top-ranked Bison are expected to win their 27th straight game against a fledgling FCS program taking its first plane trip.

"The backdrop is important to us. The town looking cool, the show feeling different ... because we have this great downtown setting, is important," Fowler said. "But the most important reason we're here is the excellence of the team."

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Herbstreit said he loves NDSU's physical style of play and the way they finish off teams in the second half.

"They're a great program," he said. "It's amazing how they lose great players and coaches and the foundation of the program kind of carries on."

Fowler highlighted two features that are slated for Saturday's show, one on non-Football Bowl Subdivision quarterbacks who have had great careers and one on FCS schools that have moved or debated a move to FBS. Beyond that, there should be some "surprises and twists" that people will enjoy, he said.

Fitting said the success of Saturday's show won't depend on what happens on the set.

"What do we do?" he repeated when asked how GameDay could top last year's highly rated show in Fargo. "It's more about, what do the people and the fans, what does the environment do, to top last year? The environment we had here is what helped make it so special."

Last year's show was one of the most entertaining telecasts of the year and there's no reason it couldn't become an annual event, Fowler said.

"Why can't the sequel be as good or better?" Fowler asked. "We hope so."

FAA proposes airline fine for Sioux Falls de-icing

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Regulators say air carrier American Eagle used improperly trained or unqualified workers to de-ice planes for flights out of Sioux Falls last year.

The Texas-based airline is now called Envoy Air Inc. and is scheduled to meet with the FAA next month over its proposed \$60,000 fine.

The FAA alleges that on six days in November and December, contractor Worldwide Flight Services allowed five employees who didn't have proper training or qualifications to apply de-icing fluid on a dozen aircraft operated by American Eagle.

An American Eagle spokeswoman says the company received notice of the proposed penalty, is reviewing it and will discuss the facts with the FAA. She says it's part of the FAA enforcement process.

SD Investment Council get big bonuses for success

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Employees with the South Dakota Investment Council are receiving big bonuses this year after growing the investment portfolio for the state's retirement system more than \$1.7 billion in the last fiscal year.

Matt Clark is South Dakota's State Investment Officer. Clark says on average the employees in the investment office are receiving bonuses of 144 percent of their base pay. Combined the 20 employees are receiving \$4.7 million in bonuses.

Bonus pay this year ranges from more than 190 percent of one's salary to around 70 percent.

This is the first year employees will receive bonuses under the new system that allows for most of the staff to earn incentives of up to 200 percent of their salary. It was set up in lieu of higher salaries.

Rare snowstorm slams Rockies states, South Dakota

BOB MOEN, Associated Press

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) — It's still summer, but a snowstorm blanketed parts of Wyoming, South Dakota, Montana and Colorado, setting early snowfall records in some places, covering lawns and flower gardens and providing a preview of what is to come.

The snowstorm dumped up to 20 inches of snow in parts of Wyoming on Wednesday and Thursday

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and sent overnight temperatures plummeting into the 20s in some areas.

While snow in September is rare, it isn't unusual for local residents used to wild swings in the weather. "I don't mind it; it is what it is," said Deann Meyer of Buffalo, Wyoming, where up to 10 inches of snow fell. "It's going to be 80 next week. That's what the weather says. Of course, that could change."

Still, it was the earliest snowfall on record for parts of Wyoming and southwest South Dakota. Temperatures hovered around freezing in Denver, forcing many gardeners to wrap their plants for protection.

Hard frosts were reported in western Montana. Kalispell reported a record low of 23 degrees Friday morning while Missoula's record low was 25, compared with 28 in 1988.

Chuck Baker, meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Riverton, Wyoming, said the blast of wintry weather originated in the northern reaches of Canada. "It was pretty potent for this time of year," Baker said.

The heavy, wet snow snapped off tree branches and caused power outages in Buffalo and the surrounding area.

Some roads and highways had slick spots Friday morning. Going-to-the-Sun Road in Glacier National Park in Montana was closed temporarily earlier in the week, but otherwise travel was not hampered.

The National Weather Service reported 20 inches of snow falling in the Bighorn Mountains in north-central Wyoming.

Eight inches fell in Custer, South Dakota.

The 3 to 5 inches that fell in Cody, a busy summer tourist town in northwest Wyoming, is the earliest recorded snowfall there since records were kept in 1915. The previous recorded earliest snowfall in Cody was Sept. 12, 1970.

Just under an inch fell in the Rapid City, South Dakota, area, breaking the previous record set on Sept. 13, 1970, for the earliest snowfall.

Boulder, Colorado, also received snow — a year after being hit by a devastating flood from heavy rain.

Autopsy results show Box Elder man died of gunshot

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Preliminary autopsy results for a Box Elder who was found dead this week show he died of a single gunshot wound to the head.

The Pennington County Sheriff's Office found the body of 49-year-old Dick Mashek on Tuesday afternoon at a home in Box Elder. The office released the results of the autopsy Friday.

Kelly Croyle, 23, has been charged with second-degree murder. She remains in custody at the Pennington County Jail.

The case has been turned over to the Pennington County State's Attorney's Office for prosecution.

NDSU pulls study cited in hearings on rail delays

DAVE KOLPACK, Associated Press

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — A North Dakota State University study cited by public officials in hearings on rail shipment delays has been withdrawn as an official publication of the university over doubts about its estimates of lost farm income.

The report, which was requested by North Dakota Sen. Heidi Heitkamp, said shipping delays on the BNSF and Canadian Pacific railways have resulted in at least \$67 million in lost farm income on crops sold between January and April 2014. North Dakota Gov. Jack Dalrymple highlighted numbers from the study in his testimony before National Surface Transportation Board last week in Fargo.

William Wilson, an NDSU professor who specializes in grain marketing and transportation, said Thurs-

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day that the study headed by crop economist Frayne Olson was done on short notice and included a couple of assumptions that were "probably not appropriate or defensible," so the report was pulled.

Olson didn't return a message left at his home Thursday.

"There was nothing radically wrong with the study, but this is a study that should have taken six or 12 months," Wilson said. "It's a serious question, it's a serious issue, and it's probably deserving of a serious study."

In the absence of one, he said, lawmakers are doing "their own back of the envelope calculating" on the impact of the backlogs.

"What the number is, I don't know, but given the political sensitivity of this and prospectively even the legal sensitivity, we did what we did," Wilson said.

Producers say the rail delays are cutting into profits that are already dwindling because of low commodity prices due to bumper crops. The railroads say they're trying to catch up to a backlog caused by brutal winter weather and bottlenecks in Chicago.

Zak Andersen, spokesman for BNSF, said he doesn't know the specifics of the study, but calls it a complicated issue because of numerous factors that include rail service, weather, export vs. domestic demand, crop size and quality.

"It is hard to isolate the impact of one specific piece on the overall market," Andersen said.

Wilson said in the long run it might not be worth it to argue about dollar value.

"I know people want to throw out numbers and stuff, but the smart money should be figuring out what do we do looking forward," he said. "That's a more challenging task. That's where we should be spending our intellectual capital."

Dakotas governors to meet wagon train in Pierre

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Gov. Dennis Daugaard and North Dakota Gov. Jack Dalrymple are slated to greet a wagon train when it arrives in South Dakota's capital city next week.

The wagon train is part of South Dakota's 125th anniversary of statehood. It is slated to arrive in Pierre on Sept. 20 after a nearly 260-mile journey through the state.

Officials say more than 50 wagons and about 200 people are part of the wagon train.

North Dakota and South Dakota were both granted statehood on Nov. 2, 1889, when President Benjamin Harrison signed the admission papers for the two states. North Dakota became the 39th state and South Dakota the 40th.

Both states are planning various events to mark the 125th anniversaries.

AP News in Brief

Ukraine premier talks tough on conflict with Moscow, says country "still in a state of war"

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — Ukraine is "still in a state of war" with neighboring Russia despite a cease-fire between the government forces and Moscow-backed rebels in the east, the country's prime minister said Saturday.

Speaking at a conference with politicians and business leaders in Kiev, Arseniy Yatsenyuk said Russian President Vladimir Putin's "goal is to take the entire Ukraine."

"He cannot cope with the idea that Ukraine would be a part of a big EU family. He wants to restore

the Soviet Union," Yatsenyuk said.

Meanwhile a convoy of trucks, which Russian news outlets say is filled with almost 2,000 tons of humanitarian aid, rolled across the Russian border and into Ukraine.

Rayan Farukhin, a spokesman for Russia's customs agency, told the Associated Press by phone that the last truck crossed onto Ukrainian soil early Saturday. He could not confirm the number of trucks, but news agency ITAR TASS reported that there were about 200.

Experts: Ferguson video of witness raising hands could bolster argument Brown was surrendering

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Cellphone video that shows a witness raising his hands in the air immediately after the fatal shooting of a black 18-year-old by a white police officer in Ferguson appears to support previous accounts and could bolster arguments that Michael Brown was surrendering when he was shot, legal experts said Friday.

The video obtained by The Associated Press and first aired by CNN shows two landscapers who were working near the street where Brown was shot by officer Darren Wilson on Aug. 9. In the video, a man can be heard saying, "He had his (expletive) hands in the air," while one of the workers raises his own hands up.

The man who took the cellphone video, who spoke on condition of anonymity because he feared for his safety, said the voice is that of the worker raising his hands, but that isn't clear on the video.

The workers are not from Ferguson and were employed by a business from Jefferson County, south of St. Louis. They have not come forward publicly and the AP has been unable to reach them.

The comment on the video largely matches those of residents of the apartment complex where the shooting occurred, who said Brown was surrendering when he was killed. The shooting spurred several days of sometimes violent protests in Ferguson. A state grand jury and the Justice Department are investigating, but no decision on whether Wilson will face charges is expected until next month.

For Iraqis displaced by militant violence, the idea of going home causes fear

GWER, Iraq (AP) — Misspelled graffiti on walls pockmarked by bullets and torn up propaganda stickers make up the few remaining traces of the Islamic State group in this northern Iraqi ghost town after Kurdish forces finally managed to free it from militant control.

Also missing are as many as 20,000 residents who once lived in the town and are now too scared to return after Kurdish peshmerga forces reclaimed Gwer from militants last month with the help of American airstrikes.

All that's left are empty buildings with the phrase "Islamic State" painted on walls. In many instances it is misspelled to read "Salam State" — or state of peace — a sign that many of the militants holding the town were probably foreign fighters. Torn-up stickers with the group's black flag logo litter the streets. Much of the graffiti has since been painted over with "long live Kurdistan."

Residents of this modest town have not been celebrating its liberation. The streets, which buzzed with cars and pedestrians as recently as two months ago, are deserted. Since August 10, when peshmerga forces were able to retake the towns of Gwer and neighboring Makhmour, hardly anyone has returned home.

The fear and anxiety that Gwer's liberation will be short-lived has prompted many to stay away.

Syrians come under attack in Lebanon after jihadis beheaded 2 Lebanese soldiers

BRITAL, Lebanon (AP) — Syrian refugee Ibrahim Abbas Ali and his family awoke in the middle of the night to the sound of gunfire outside their tent in Lebanon, and for a second time they raced off into the fields, fleeing a war that now seems to have followed them across the border.

The gunmen who attacked the makeshift camp housing around 200 refugees set fire to several of the tents, including the two used by Ali, his two wives and 15 children, destroying the few belongings they had managed to bring with them from Syria, including their official documents and U.N. refugee cards.

"We lost all the aid we received from the U.N. and all we were left with are the clothes we are wearing," he said days later as he surveyed the blackened remains of the tents.

They appear to have been among the victims of a wave of revenge attacks carried out after one of several Lebanese soldiers captured by militants from Syria in a cross-border raid was beheaded by jihadis earlier this month. The killing of the Shiite soldier by Sunni extremists has aggravated sectarian tensions in Lebanon, which is bitterly divided over the war in neighboring Syria.

In the northeastern village of Qaa, two Syrians were wounded Wednesday in a drive-by shooting. In the southern city of Tyre, assailants on a motorcycle opened fire Wednesday night at a gathering of Syrian refugees without wounding anyone. In the eastern town of Bar Elias a Syrian was hospitalized after being stabbed in the back, and in the southern village of Zawatar, a car owned by a Syrian was set alight.

Analysis: Republicans, Democrats both make short-term sacrifices in hopes of longer-term gains

WASHINGTON (AP) — Seven weeks before the elections, Republicans and Democrats are both playing it safe, willing to make short-term sacrifices of long-held positions in hopes of maximizing their chances for victory at the polls.

That means that House Republicans who recently voted to sue President Barack Obama for what they say is his failure to obey the Constitution seem likely to hand him new war powers to combat militants seeking an Islamic state.

At the same time, legislation seems on track to extend federal funding past the end of the budget year, this time without the drama of a partial federal shutdown that sent Republican poll numbers tumbling in the fall of 2013.

On the other side of the political divide, Obama recently delayed an order to increase the number of immigrants allowed to stay in the country even though they are here illegally. The retreat came after Senate Democrats expressed concern that immediate action could inflame voters who oppose easing current rules, and ensure the defeat of their candidates in key Senate races.

These moves have dissenters in the approach of an election that will determine control of the Senate and the makeup of the House that convene in January.

Criminal, internal investigations underway into Ohio prison escape of school shooter, 2 others

LIMA, Ohio (AP) — Criminal and internal investigations are underway to determine how a convicted

killer of three Ohio high school students managed to escape from prison, along with two other inmates, state correction officials say.

Outside experts also will review procedures of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction and recommend possible improvements, the agency said.

Authorities say the three inmates, including school shooter T.J. Lane, escaped from prison in Lima in northwestern Ohio on Thursday night by scaling a fence, which immediately sounded an alarm.

All three were back in custody by Friday morning, and officials said they were transferred to a high-security prison in Youngstown on the other side of the state.

The union representing prison guards said authorities were alerted to an escape plan Wednesday and segregated an inmate from the same unit as the escapees. But prisons spokeswoman JoEllen Smith said that inmate had nothing to do with Thursday's escape.

'New' Scots vote crucial to independence campaign as result rests on a knife-edge

GLASGOW, Scotland (AP) — On the south side of Glasgow, in the heartland of Scotland's Asian community, support for independence from United Kingdom is strong as Thursday's referendum nears.

Colorful displays of Yes posters outnumber those backing the Better Together campaign. Talk on the street is of opportunity and a chance to create a fairer country more welcoming to immigrants.

Glasgow is Scotland's largest city, and its most ethnically diverse. Over the last 60 years an influx of Indians, Pakistanis, Bengalis, Chinese, Italians, Poles and others have created new communities which, because of their relative small size, have had to merge with the culture of their adopted country.

Across Scotland, there are some 140,000 people who class themselves as Asian Scots, along with around 30,000 Africans, 7,000 from the Caribbean, 55,000 Poles and over 160,000 other non-British EU Citizens eligible to vote in the landmark referendum. These "New Scots" represent more than 4 percent of the population and with the polls putting both sides of the debate neck-and-neck just days before the September 18 vote, their views could be critical.

Alyas Hamidi, 21, was born in Glasgow and regards himself first and foremost as a Glaswegian. In public, with his friends, he is a Scot but at home — where English is rarely spoken with his parents and grandparents — he is Iranian. He identifies with both places — and wants his adopted homeland to embrace independence.

Pope travels to former battlefields where grandfather fought WWI in tribute to all war victims

REDIPUGLIA, Italy (AP) — Pope Francis has urged the world to shed its apathy in the face of what he sees as a third world war, intoning "war is madness" during a homily at the foot of a Fascist-era World War I monument near the Slovene border.

The pope said the "third war" was being "fought piecemeal, with crimes, massacres, destruction." Remembering the victims of World War I, Francis noted that "today, too, the victims are many," fallen to behind-the-scenes "interests, geopolitical strategies, lust for money and power."

Saturday's visit is also infused with intensely personal meaning. The pope's grandfather fought in Italy's 1915-18 offensive against the Austro-Hungarian empire, surviving to impress upon the future pope the horror of war.

With Clintons on the program, Iowa steak fry may help boost Democrat in tight Senate race

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Retiring Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin's final steak fry fundraiser may provide some much-needed sizzle for Rep. Bruce Braley, the Democrat locked in a close race to replace the liberal lawmaker.

Thousands of party faithful will gather Sunday at the hot-air balloon grounds outside Indianola, south of Des Moines, for Harkin's 37th and final steak fry before his retirement from a four-decade career in Congress. The event will serve as an emotional commemoration of his decades as a "prairie populist," capped with tributes from Bill and Hillary Rodham Clinton.

While the former secretary of state's potential presidential aspirations are likely to capture headlines in this early-voting state, the event is also expected to rally activists for Braley, a four-term congressman who is running against Republican state Sen. Joni Ernst in one of the year's most competitive Senate races.

Republicans must gain six seats to win the Senate majority. Harkin has held his for five Senate terms, and Republicans are hoping to flip it in the Nov. 4 election.

With six weeks to go, Harkin — a Midwest populist who counts the 1990 Americans With Disabilities Act as his signature legislative achievement — wants part of his legacy to be a Democratic successor.

Toronto Mayor Rob Ford quits mayor's race; brother Doug Ford to run in his place

TORONTO (AP) — Ailing Toronto Mayor Rob Ford's dramatic decision to drop his re-election bid opened a new chapter in the saga, as his tough-talking but less magnetic brother runs in his place and brings his own storied past into the scandal-laden campaign.

Analysts say this latest chapter may be short-lived, with Doug Ford's candidacy unlikely to change the outcome of the mayoral election. Rob Ford had been expected to lose after a string of revelations involving crack-smoking, public drunkenness and outrageous behavior.

Both Ford brothers have been prominent in Toronto politics over the past four years but Doug Ford, now a city councilor, has mostly played the role of fiery defender of his younger brother, taking on Toronto's police chief and even author Margaret Atwood as the controversies multiplied.

Rob Ford, 45, announced his decision to drop out of the race Friday, two days after he was hospitalized for abdominal pain and the tumor was discovered. Biopsy results won't be back for a week and a definitive diagnosis is pending.

"I stand here with mixed emotions and a very heavy heart. First and foremost I am concerned about my brother," said Doug Ford, who was surrounded by family members outside the Ford family home hours after registering his candidacy. He will face two other major contenders on Oct. 27.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Saturday, September 13, the 256th day of 2014. There are 109 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On September 13, 1814, during the War of 1812, British naval forces began bombarding Fort McHenry in Baltimore but were driven back by American defenders in a battle that lasted until the following

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morning.

On this date:

In 1759, during the final French and Indian War, the British defeated the French on the Plains of Abraham overlooking Quebec City.

In 1788, the Congress of the Confederation authorized the first national election, and declared New York City the temporary national capital.

In 1803, Commodore John Barry, considered by many the father of the American Navy, died in Philadelphia.

In 1911, the song "Oh, You Beautiful Doll," a romantic rag by Nat D. Ayer and Seymour Brown, was first published by Jerome H. Remick & Co.

In 1948, Republican Margaret Chase Smith of Maine was elected to the U.S. Senate; she became the first woman to serve in both houses of Congress.

In 1959, Elvis Presley first met his future wife, 14-year-old Priscilla Beaulieu, while stationed in West Germany with the U.S. Army. (They married in 1967, but divorced in 1973.)

In 1971, a four-day inmates' rebellion at the Attica Correctional Facility in western New York ended as police and guards stormed the prison; the ordeal and final assault claimed the lives of 32 inmates and 11 employees.

In 1974, "Chico and the Man," starring Jack Albertson and Freddie Prinze, "The Rockford Files," starring James Garner, and "Police Woman," starring Angie Dickinson, premiered on NBC-TV.

In 1989, Fay Vincent was elected commissioner of Major League Baseball, succeeding the late A. Bartlett Giamatti (juh-MAH'-tee).

In 1993, at the White House, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO chairman Yasser Arafat shook hands after signing an accord granting limited Palestinian autonomy. "Late Night with Conan O'Brien" premiered on NBC.

In 1996, rapper Tupac Shakur died at a Las Vegas hospital six days after he was wounded in a drive-by shooting; he was 25.

In 1998, former Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace died in Montgomery at age 79.

Ten years ago: U.S. warplanes in Iraq unleashed devastating airstrikes on a suspected hideout for operatives from an al-Qaida-linked group the same day a video posted on a website in the name of the militants purportedly showed the beheading of a kidnapped Turkish truck driver. Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer agreed to a nearly \$3 billion acquisition by a Sony-led consortium. Oakland posted a 7-6, 10-inning win over the Rangers in a game that was delayed in the ninth inning after Texas reliever Frank Francisco hurled a chair and injured two fans at the Coliseum; Francisco ended up pleading no contest to misdemeanor assault and was sentenced to 20 days in a work program. The wine-tasting comedy-drama "Sideways" premiered at the Toronto International Film Festival.

Five years ago: The body of missing Yale University graduate student Annie Le (lay) was found behind a research lab wall on what would have been her wedding day. (A lab technician, Raymond Clark III, was later sentenced to 44 years in prison for murdering Le.) Kim Clijsters, capping a comeback from two years out of tennis, became the first unseeded woman to win the U.S. Open as she defeated No. 9 Caroline Wozniacki, 7-5, 6-3. At the MTV Video Music Awards, Taylor Swift's acceptance speech for best female video for "You Belong with Me" was disrupted by Kanye West, who took the microphone to praise Beyonce's video of "Single Ladies (Put a Ring on It)."

One year ago: By truck and helicopter, thousands of people stranded by floodwaters were brought down from the Colorado Rockies. A pre-dawn fire swept through a Russian psychiatric hospital, killing 37 people.

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Today's Birthdays: Actress Barbara Bain is 83. Actress Eileen Fulton (TV: "As the World Turns") is 81. TV producer Fred Silverman is 77. Rock singer David Clayton-Thomas (Blood, Sweat & Tears) is 73. Actress Jacqueline Bisset is 70. Singer Peter Cetera is 70. Actress Christine Estabrook is 64. Actress Jean Smart is 63. Singer Randy Jones (The Village People) is 62. Record producer Don Was is 62. Actor Isiah Whitlock Jr. is 60. Actress-comedian Geri Jewell is 58. Country singer Bobbie Cryner is 53. Rock singer-musician Dave Mustaine (Megadeth) is 53. Radio-TV personality Tavis Smiley is 50. Rock musician Zak Starkey is 49. Actor Louis Mandylor is 48. Olympic gold medal runner Michael Johnson is 47. Rock musician Steve Perkins is 47. Actor Roger Howarth is 46. Actor Dominic Fumusa is 45. Actress Louise Lombard is 44. Tennis player Goran Ivanisevic (ee-van-EE'-seh-vihch) is 43. Country singer Aaron Benward (Blue County) is 41. Country musician Joe Don Rooney (Rascal Flatts) is 39. Actor Scott Vickaryous is 39. Singer Fiona Apple is 37. Contemporary Christian musician Hector Cervantes (Casting Crowns) is 34. MLB pitcher Daisuke Matsuzaka is 34. Actor Ben Savage is 34. Rock singer Niall Horan (One Direction) is 21. Actor Mitch Holleman ("Reba") is 19.

Thought for Today: "Revolt and terror pay a price. Order and law have a cost." - Carl Sandburg, American poet and author (1878-1967).