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

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Bridge Tourney at Olive Grove

**School Breakfast:** Breakfast pizzaz, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Taco salad, refried beans, fresh and canned fruit.

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

Birthdays: • Camille Sippel • Bonnie Nier-

man • Vera Weisenberger • Jeannie Clocksene • Ramona Rossow • Jayne Rossow

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

2:00pm: JH Boys Golf at Redfield-Doland

4:00pm: 7th FB at Redfield

5:00pm: 8th FB at Redfield-Doland

5:00pm: VB at Mobridge with C Match at 5 pm

# Dr. Geoffrey Rath - Optometrist

Eye Exams Glaucoma Tests Rx's Filled - All Types Contact Lenses -Doctor here Mondays Only - Office open Thursdays. 701-349-3223 to make appointments & adjustments

Hours at Ellendale, N.D. are:

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

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

FOR RENT Attached garage. Major appliances included. \$700 per month Roger: 605/397-7118

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# **Classifieds**

# **Raines Thank You**

A big thank you for all the hugs, calls, cards, flowers and emails I received after the loss of my brother, Rallin Christenson.

**Marian Raines** 

# Sippel Thank You

I would like to thank my family and relatives and friends for the many cards and gifts I received wishing me well on my 90th birthday. It was a big surprise but enjoyed hearing from everybody.

Lorraine Sippel

**Erickson Baby Shower** Open House Baby Shower for Haley Erickson, daughter of Seth & Megan Erickson, will be held Saturday, Sept. 27, 3:00-5:00 p.m., at Melissa Gilbert's Home, 402 N. Main St., Groton.

# **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.

# Death Notice: Larry Leidholdt

Larry Leidholdt, 67, of Groton passed away at his residence on September 15, 2014. Services are pending with Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.

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# House numbers required

Does your house have a house number? If not, you better get on it. The council gave second reading on requiring house numbers and it will go into effect October 14. Councilman Mary Fliehs said that requiring house numbers is for the protection of the homeowner in the event that emergency people need to find your house. At the last council meeting, Police Officer David Hunter said there was a recent incident where emergency personnel responded to a medical call and it too longer to respond because there were no house numbers. "The only reason we're doing this is for their (homeowner) protection," said Councilman Burt Glover. Homeowners will have 30 days from the date of notification to install house numbers.

Sue Fjeldheim from the Carnival of Silver Skates gave an update on the 2015 Carnival of Silver Skates. The skating clinic will be held January 2, practice will begin January 3, dress rehearsal will be January 18 and the show is January 25. In the event there is a blizzard warning for Brown County on January 25, the show will be moved to the following Sunday with only an afternoon performance. The theme is "Friends through Thick and Thin."

The Festival of Bands is set for October 10 in Groton with 19 bands confirmed so far. The council gave approval to block off Main Street from Railroad Avenue to Third Avenue and will have viewing stands available. Finance Officer Anita Lowary said that Kim Weber is planning a fundraiser that same day with half the funds going to the playground equipment project at the baseball complex. "Bless her heart," she said of the effort.

There is going to be a fall cleanup this year. The council set September 27 through Ocotber 5 for the fall clean-up. This will be the first time that Groton has had both spring and fall cleanups and the council approved to continue this program into the future. The cost of the cleanup is \$2,000 for the dumpster and a week's wages by city employees.

Lowary said that she is working with Avera St. Luke's to trying to secure funds form eight AEDs in Groton. Two other grant applications have come up empty handed.

Councilman David McGannon asked what it would take to place stop sign somewhere along Second Avenue West. He said that long stretch of new road makes a good race track and people have asked for some kind of speed control.

The council gave the approval to take someone to court with nuisance proceedings. The council has battled for years with the owner of a trailer house located at the northwest corner of Washington St. and Third Avenue West.

The Groton Area Chamber of Commerce is now looking at a \$60,000 sign. The original estimate was \$40,000. They have secured property owned by James Valley Telecommunications and do have the approval from the Department of Transportation. The Chamber will be trying to raise funds for the project. The sign will join four other signs within three blocks on US 12.

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# **Today in Weather History** 2006: Two weak tornadoes touched down briefly west and north of Clark in the late afternoon. No

damage occurred.

1881 - Iowa's earliest measurable snow of record fell over western sections of the state. Four to six inches was reported between Stuart and Avoca. (The Weather Channel)

1928 - Hurricane San Felipe, a monster hurricane, which left 600 dead in Guadeloupe, and 300 dead in Puerto Rico, struck West Palm Beach FL causing enormous damage, and then headed for Lake Okeechobee. When the storm was over, the lake covered an area the size of the state of Delaware, and beneath its waters were 2000 victims. The only survivors were those who reached large hotels for safety, and a group of fifty people who got onto a raft to take their chances out in the middle of the lake. (David Ludlum)

1984 - The remains of Tropical Storm Edourd began to produce torrential rains in the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas. Port Isabel reported more than 21 inches. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Overnight rains soaked Arkansas, with 5.25 inches reported at Bismarck. In the town of Malvern, up to four feet of water was reported over several downtown streets, with water entering some homes and businesses. Thunderstorms in Texas drenched Lufkin with 4.30 inches of rain in just three hours. Evening thunderstorms produced severe weather in Missouri. A small tornado near Kirksville lifted a barn thirty feet into the air and then demolished it. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Hurricane Gilbert moved ashore into Mexico. The hurricane established an all-time record for the western hemisphere with a barometric reading of 26.13 inches. Winds approached 200 mph, with higher gusts. Gilbert devastated Jamaica and the Yucatan Peninsula. (The Weather Channel) Hurricane Gilbert made landfall 120 miles south of Brownsville TX during the early evening. Winds gusted to 61 mph at Brownsville, and reached 82 mph at Padre Island. Six foot tides eroded three to four feet off beaches along the Lower Texas Coast, leaving the waterline seventy-five feet farther inland. Rainfall totals ranged up to 8.71 inches at Lamar TX. Gilbert caused three million dollars damage along the Lower Texas Coast, but less than a million dollars damage along the Middle Texas Coast. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Showers and thunderstorms, respresenting what remained of Hurricane Octave, brought locally heavy rains to California, impeding the drying process for raisins and other crops. Sacramento CA was soaked with 1.53 inches of rain in six hours. At Phoenix AZ, the afternoon high of 107 degrees marked

a record seventy-six days with afternoon highs 105 degrees or above. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)



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Ladies, come shop the afternoon away! Over 30 vendors with handmade goods, clothing , jewelry, kitchenware, baked goods, and more!

10am-3pm Saturday, September 20th Groton Area Highschool Gym 406 North 2nd Street Groton, SD 57445

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#### TODAY

#### TONIGHT

#### WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

#### THURSDAY

THURSDAY

#### FRIDAY

Sunny

High: 70 °F



Clear Low: 41 °F



Sunny High: 72 °F



Partly Cloudy Low: 50 °F

Breezy High: 75 °F



Thunderstorms

Low: 60 °F



Partly Sunny High: 82 °F

# Mostly Sunny and Pleasant!



Dry and tranquil conditions will continue for the next few days. Surface high pressure will slide off to the east today, allowing for light southerly winds to develop. Temperatures will slowly warm through the end of the week.

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### Yesterday's Weather High: 65.4°F at 7:05 PM

**Low:** 39.7°F at 7:36 AM **High Gust:** 13 mph at 5:02 PM Precip: 0.00

## Today's Info Record High: 96° in 1895, 1925

Record High: 96° in 1895, 1925 Record Low: 46° in 1916 Average High: 72°F Average Low: 46°F Average Precip in Sept.: 1.13 Precip to date in Sept.: 0.26 Average Precip to date: 17.42 Precip Year to Date: 12.18 Sunset Tonight: 7:43 p.m. Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:15 a.m.



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**OBEDIENCE** 

The Ten Commandments appear to be divided into two sections: four of them teaching the importance of honoring God, and six of them teach us to honor mankind. The fifth commandment would logically appear at the bottom of the first tablet. It is the first commandment that contains a promise: "Honor your father and mother so that you may live long (and in peace) in the land the Lord your God is giving you." These words are echoed in Colossians: "Children, obey your parents in all things, for this pleases God."

Perhaps it would be "wise" to clear up the phrase, "My son," in verse eight. If we acknowledge that Proverbs was written for all mankind who acknowledge God as their Lord, and follow His teachings, then all children would be included in "My son." Yes, and...

Since this is written to "children," it would be good to remind ourselves that a main characteristic of "youth" is vulnerability. The young would disagree with parents who would say that they are ignorant of the ways of the world and have no foresight or insight to see the results, or consequences of their behavior. They need stern, loving advice and warnings from parents who "walk their talk" and have their best interests at heart. No one has more responsibility for the "young" than a parent.

But there are other "parents" who are also guilty of neglecting children: the new Christian. This verse is an indictment on all of us who have allowed the young in Christ to face temptation, unarmed with the Word of God.

**Prayer:** Lord, forgive us for being negligent in instructing the young at home and in church. We need forgiveness. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

**Scripture for Today:** Proverbs 1:8 Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching.

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# News from the Associated Press

## Workshop to focus on mountain pine beetle handling

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Department of Agriculture will be hosting a workshop this week meant to address ways to treat trees that are infested with mountain pine beetles.

The department says the 2014 mountain pine beetle flight will be ending soon, and it's soon time to identify and treat this year's infested trees.

The workshop is Friday at the Walter Taylor 4-H building in Rapid City.

A forest health specialist will lead the workshop. Information will be presented on the how, when and why of treating infested trees this fall and winter.

More information is available by contacting the department at 605-394-6092.

## South Dakota high school students earn dual credit

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Board of Education says almost 780 high school students have enrolled in the state's reduced-cost dual credit program to earn credit at public universities and technical schools.

The board heard a report Monday that shows the juniors and seniors are on track to earn more than 4,000 dual credits. The 2014 Legislature approved funding to make certain dual credit courses available at the cost of \$40 per credit hour for juniors and seniors.

High school students in the program can simultaneously earn credits for their high school diploma and postsecondary degree or certificate.

The state education secretary calls the enrollment numbers "very exciting" and says the program is a great way for students to get a jump start on higher education.

McCrory Gardens hosts vegetable harvesting program

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota gardeners can get some helpful advice this week in Brookings on harvesting and storing their produce.

McCrory Gardens will host a program Thursday with Kimberly James, a horticulture instructor at South Dakota State University and Brookings Area Master Gardeners.

She says more people are interested in growing their own vegetables, so the focus is helping them learn how to store the food so it can be enjoyed through winter.

The free program starts at 6:30 p.m.

### Monday's Scores The Associated Press

#### VOLLEYBALL

Castlewood def. Waverly-South Shore, 25-19, 18-25, 25-21, 25-20 Clinton-Graceville-Beardsley, Minn. def. Rosholt, 25-9, 25-19, 25-18 Deubrook def. DeSmet, 25-12, 25-15, 25-22 Deuel def. Tiospa Zina Tribal, 25-22, 25-14, 25-16 Ethan def. Dakota Christian, 25-10, 25-20, 25-22 Herreid/Selby Area def. Dupree, 25-12, 25-10, 25-6 Howard def. Menno, 25-17, 25-18, 25-14

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Lake Preston def. Iroquois, 25-17, 25-21, 25-16 Langford def. Aberdeen Christian, 25-14, 25-19, 25-18 Madison def. Vermillion, 21-25, 25-22, 22-25, 25-15, 15-6 Marion def. Dell Rapids St. Mary, 25-23, 25-15, 25-15 Redfield/Doland def. Ipswich, 25-14, 25-13, 25-13 Summit def. Aberdeen Roncalli, 21-25, 19-25, 27-25, 25-16, 18-16 Warner def. Hitchcock-Tulare, 25-7, 25-11, 25-13 Watertown def. Yankton, 25-22, 22-25, 25-15, 25-13

### Death of State Penitentiary inmate ruled homicide BY KEVIN BURBACH, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The death of an inmate who was serving a life sentence for murder at the State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls has been ruled a homicide, law enforcement officials announced Monday.

Kent Davidson, the 37-year-old inmate whose body was found in his cell last week, died from strangulation and asphyxia, according to his death certificate filed Monday. His injuries were inflicted with a bed sheet.

An investigation is ongoing into Davidson's death, the Attorney General's office said Monday, but no suspects have been publicly identified.

Davidson was injured late on Sept. 7 and died early on Sept. 8, according to his death certificate.

Davidson had a cell mate who was deemed a "low moderate" risk, according to the Department of Corrections. Davidson was assessed as a "moderate" risk.

Davidson pleaded guilty to first-degree murder in April in the death of his girlfriend, 26-year-out Crystal Schulz, who was shot in the head on March 11, 2013.

Her body was found three days later in a shed at her mother's rural Chamberlain residence, and Davidson was arrested hours later after a standoff with police.

Pamela Davidson, Kent Davidson's mother who lives in Jamestown, North Dakota, said she's now lost both of her children. Her younger son, Travis, was killed in a car crash six years ago this month.

She said she hadn't spoken to Davidson in about three years and said the hardest part is she wasn't able to say goodbye. His body was cremated in Sioux Falls before it was sent to North Dakota.

In addition to murder charges, Davidson also was serving a five-year sentence for forgery out of Tripp County and a five-year sentence for second-degree escape out of Minnehaha County.

"You know, to me, he don't deserve whatever happened," she said. "He still deserves our respect. He's still God's son."

Davidson and Schulz were engaged, but court documents show that Schulz was ending the relationship.

"I'm sorry for what he did to the other family. I'm sorry for that, but we're grieving now, too," Pamela Davidson said. "And we were grieving (when Crystal died). It's hard on both sides of the family."

Officials on Monday also issued the death certificate for James McVay, another convicted murder who was found hanging by a sheet in his cell on Sept. 4. It confirmed an earlier Corrections Department statement calling McVay's death a suicide.

McVay, 44, had pleaded guilty but mentally ill to murder in the 2011 stabbing of 75-year-old Maybelle Schein. McVay, who was awaiting capital punishment, said he killed Schein and stole her car as part of a plan to drive to the nation's capital and kill the president. He was arrested in Madison, Wisconsin.

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## SD gets \$1.2M for unemployment insurance programs

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota has received more than \$1.2 million from the U.S. Department of Labor to improve the state's unemployment insurance programs.

The federal agency says the money will allow the state to adopt new technologies and ensure payments are given to those eligible to receive them.

Secretary of Labor Thomas Perez says the funds will also help the state integrate programs to ensure recipients of unemployment insurance are given the resources they need to find a new job quickly. The agency granted more than \$87 million nationwide to assist states revamp their programs.

### Keystone XL operator seeks South Dakota approval REGINA GARCIA CANO, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The operator of the long-delayed Keystone XL crude oil pipeline on Monday formally asked South Dakota's utility regulators to recertify the portion of the project that runs through the state.

The Public Utilities Commission must recertify that the conditions for construction of that portion of the pipeline haven't changed since the permits were first issued in 2010. State rules dictate permits must be reapproved if the construction of the project does not start within four years of their issuance.

The proposed project by TransCanada Corp. would transport oil from Canadian tar sands through Montana and South Dakota to Nebraska, where it would connect with existing pipelines to carry more than 800,000 barrels of crude oil a day to refineries along the Gulf Coast.

The recertification process will include commission meetings and hearings that will be open to the public and will allow any individual or group to submit written comments. The procedure will also let interested groups seek party status from the commission.

Party status allows an area city, county, governmental agency, nonprofit organization or individual to cross-examine witnesses and take part in the discovery process. The commission has set the deadline to apply for party status for Oct. 15.

The operator of the nearly 1,200-mile pipeline said its proposed project continues to be in full compliance with the conditions attached to the permits approved on June 29, 2010.

"What we are doing is providing a petition that shows that if anything, the conditions are better than they were previously," Corey Goulet, the president of Keystone Projects for TransCananda Corp, said earlier this month. He added that the construction conditions have improved in part because of the dozens of federal stipulations imposed on the project since it was first approved by the state regulators.

Supporters of the pipeline say it will create thousands of jobs and aid energy independence, but environmentalists warn of possible spills and say transporting oil will eventually contribute to global warming.

Opponents of the project in the state, including the group Dakota Rural Action, have vowed to fight the recertification.

"While TransCanada would have everyone believe that certification will be a simple matter of submitting their application to the PUC, Dakota Rural Action members and landowners feel otherwise and will be contesting the need for the KXL and fully expects the PUC to hold extended hearings on the permit," the chairman of the opposing group, Paul Seamans, said in a statement.

The company says the project would generate \$20 million in taxes per year for the counties through which the pipeline would run, as well as 4,200 jobs in the state and about \$200 million in wages associated with those jobs.

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The Obama administration said in April it was putting off its decision on whether to approve the pipeline indefinitely. A decision now isn't expected until after the November elections.

# South Dakota Volleyball Polls

**The Associated Press** 

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Here is the South Dakota Sportswriters Association volleyball poll for the week of Sept. 15, 2014. Teams are listed with first place votes in parenthesis, record, points and previous ranking:

### **Class AA**

ΤP	Pvs		
(9)	8-1	45	1
-	6-0	36	2
6-0	24	3	
-	8-3	16	RV
10	RV		
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### Class A

Rank-SchoolFPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs		
1. S.F. Christian	(6)	8-0	42	2	
2. Dakota Valley	(3)	5-1	39	1	
3. Mount Vernon-F	Plank	-	7-0	20	4
4. Belle Fourche	-	4-1	15	3	
5. Pine Ridge	(1)	8-0	11	5	
Others receiving v	otes: l	Bon Ho	mme 8	8-0, Sio	oux Valley 6-2.

### Class B

Rank-SchoolFPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs	
1. Warner (9)	11-1	45	1	
2. Northwestern	-	9-3	35	2
3. Chester Area	-	9-0	27	4
4. Parker -	9-1	14	5	
5. Arlington -	10-3	11	3	

Others receiving votes: Potter County 7-0, Elkton-Lake Benton 6-2, Gayville-Volin 5-0.

# South Dakota Prep Polls

#### The Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Sportswriters Association high school football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records, total points and last week's ranking. With first-place votes in parentheses and total points:

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### Class 11AAA

Rank-SchoolFPV Rcd	ΤP	Pvs		
1. Sioux Falls Lincoln	(9)	3-0	45	T2
2. Sioux Falls Roosevelt	-	2-1	35	1
3. Sioux Falls O'Gorman	-	2-1	28	4
4. Brandon Valley -	1-2	18	T2	
5. Aberdeen Central	-	1-1	7	5
Others receiving votes: N	lone.			

### Class 11AA

Rank-SchoolFPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs		
1. Brookings	(5)	3-0	41	1	
2. Yankton (4)	3-0	37	2		
3. Harrisburg	-	3-0	30	3	
4. Pierre -	2-1	11	5		
5. Watertown	-	1-1	9	4	
Others receiving votes: Douglas 3-0.					

#### Class 11A

Rank-SchoolFPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs	
1. West Central	(9)	2-0	45	1
2. Madison -	3-0	36	2	
3. Dell Rapids	-	1-1	28	3
4. Sisseton -	2-0	10	NR	
5. Hot Springs	-	1-1	9	NR
Others receiving v	otes: T	ea Area	a 1-2, N	/ermillion 2-1.

#### Class 11B

Rank-SchoolFPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs		
1. Parkston (7)	3-0	43	1		
2. Winner (1)	2-0	35	2		
3. St. Thomas Mor	e	-	3-0	27	3
1. Aberdeen Ronca	alli	(1)	3-0	21	4
5. Tri-Valley -	3-0	8	5		
Others receiving v	otes: N	1cCook	Centra	l/Mont	rose 2-0.

#### **Class 9AA**

Rank-SchoolFPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs			
1. Gregory (6)	3-0	42	1			
2. Arlington (3)	3-0	39	2			
3. Woon-Wess Spr	:-San (	Central	-	2-0	27	4
4. Garretson	-	3-0	14	NR		
5. Deubrook Area	-	1-1	6	NR		
Others receiving votes: Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan 1-2, Menno/Marion 2-0.						

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#### Class 9A

Rank-SchoolFPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs		
1. Howard (6)	2-0	42	T1		
2. Wolsey-Wessing	jton	(3)	2-0	38	T1
3. Potter County	-	3-0	26	3	
4. Alcester-Hudsor	ן-	3-0	19	4	
5. Warner -	2-0	6	5		
Others receiving v	otes:	Herreid	-Selby	Area 2	2-0.

### Class 9B

Rank-SchoolFPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs		
1. Canistota (9)	3-0	45	1		
2. Hamlin -	3-0	32	2		
3. Harding County	-	3-0	27	3	
4. Avon -	2-1	17	4		
5. Dell Rapids St. N	Mary	-	2-0	10	5
Others receiving vo	otes: E	ureka-l	Bowdle	3-0.	

### The Roosevelt trail, from Maine to North Dakota BETH J. HARPAZ, AP Travel Editor

NEW YORK (AP) — Ken Burns' new documentary about the Roosevelts — presidents Theodore and Franklin, and Franklin's wife Eleanor — is bound to stir interest in some of the places connected to them. Here's a look at some major Roosevelt sites, including birthplaces, family homes, vacation retreats and national parks and monuments from Maine to North Dakota.

#### THEODORE ROOSEVELT SITES

THEODORE ROOSEVELT BIRTHPLACE: Theodore Roosevelt lived at 28 E. 20th St. in Manhattan from his birth in 1858 until he was 14. The building was demolished in 1916, but later reconstructed and decorated with original and period furnishings. A free half-hour tour tells the story of Roosevelt's family: He was descended from Dutch traders who made their fortune in New York (Roosevelt means rose field in Dutch, and is pronounced "rose-velt"), and he was Eleanor Roosevelt's uncle and Franklin Roosevelt's distant cousin. A sickly child, Teddy became fit using a gym on a terrace off his bedroom here. Museum artifacts include a shirt with a bullet hole; Roosevelt was shot on the campaign trail in Milwaukee but finished his speech before getting medical care; http://www.nps.gov/thrb/.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT NATIONAL PARK: This park in the badlands of western North Dakota commemorates Theodore Roosevelt's sojourn to the region in the 1880s, hunting bison and working on a ranch; http://www.nps.gov/thro/.

MOUNT RUSHMORE: Theodore Roosevelt is one of four presidents whose faces adorn Mount Rushmore in South Dakota, along with George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln. Roosevelt's legacy includes his leadership in conservation, creating national parks and wilderness areas, and preserving antiquities. He was also seen as a fighter for the common man, taking on corporate monopolies; http://www.nps.gov/moru/.

SAGAMORE HILL: This was Teddy Roosevelt's summer White House, where he vacationed with his family. The home, on the North Shore of Long Island near Oyster Bay, New York, is closed for renovation, though a nearby museum and grounds are open; http://www.nps.gov/sahi/.

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### FRANKLIN AND ELEANOR ROOSEVELT SITES

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM: Through exhibits on Pearl Harbor, "Fireside Chats," the New Deal and many other defining aspects of FDR's presidency, this site in Hyde Park, New York, brings to life his leadership during the Great Depression and World War II. But visitors will also learn about FDR's personal life, from his domineering mother, to his struggles with polio, to his relationships with Eleanor and other women. Nearby National Park Service sites include Springwood, where FDR was born and lived; Val-Kill, Eleanor's retreat; and Top Cottage, FDR's private digs; http:// www.nps.gov/hofr/ and http://www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu/ .

FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL: This evocative, unusual memorial in Washington, D.C., consists of a series of outdoor galleries with waterfalls, sculptures and famous FDR quotes such as "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself." Sculptures show FDR with his dog and FDR in a wheelchair; http://www.nps.gov/nr/travel/presidents/fdr\_memorial.html .

WARM SPRINGS: Warm Springs, Georgia, was known for therapeutic swimming pools that offered relief from polio. FDR, who was partly paralyzed from polio, frequently visited, regaining some of his strength here and eventually building a home known as the Little White House. He died here in 1945 during his fourth presidential term. Visitors can see the home, pools and other sites related to polio history; http://www.nps.gov/nr/travel/presidents/roosevelts\_little\_white\_house.html .

CAMPOBELLO: FDR had a 34-room summer home off the coast of Maine on Campobello Island, in New Brunswick, Canada, where his mother's family vacationed. It was here that he first experienced symptoms of polio in 1921. The home is open for tours from late May through Columbus Day (Oct. 13). The area's rocky shores, trails and driving roads can be visited year-round. A bridge connects Lubec, Maine, with Campobello, but you must have a passport to cross; http://www.nps.gov/roca/index.htm .

FOUR FREEDOMS PARK: This park, located on Roosevelt Island in New York City's East River, memorializes FDR's "Four Freedoms" speech, made in 1941, extolling freedom of speech, freedom of worship, freedom from want and freedom from fear. An excerpt is engraved on a granite monument near a bust of FDR. The park, designed by architect Louis I. Kahn, is considered a sleek Modernist masterpiece. Its tree-lined plazas, steps and other structures offer vantage points full of symmetry and angled views for seeing the Manhattan skyline. Reachable via subway or the Roosevelt Island tram; http://www. fdrfourfreedomspark.org/ .

ROOSEVELT HOUSE PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE AT HUNTER COLLEGE: FDR and Eleanor received this six-story Manhattan town house as a gift in 1908 from FDR's mother Sara Delano Roosevelt. A single front door opened into two units — one for the mother-in-law and one for FDR and his family. They lived here for decades; this is where FDR recovered from polio, ran for governor and president, and planned the New Deal. It's now owned and used by Hunter College for lectures and events, and can be toured Saturdays, 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m.; 47-49 E. 65th St., New York City; http://www.roosevelt-house.hunter.cuny.edu/tours/.

### SD board adopts new physical education standards

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Board of Education has adopted a new set of physical education standards that are meant to encourage students to maintain physically active lifestyles.

The board during its Monday meeting in Rapid City also discussed proposed science criteria. The physical education standards at the elementary school level focus on fundamental motor skills. In

middle school, students apply those motor skills. In high school, the emphasis is on fitness and wellness.

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The standards draw from national guidelines and were tweaked for South Dakota students. The committee that developed the new benchmarks removed cricket from the list of activities, for example, because that sport is not popular in the Midwest.

The proposed science standards are designed to give students an idea of how science is used in the field.

## Sioux Falls mayor travels to ND oil boomtown

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The mayor of South Dakota's largest city is getting a firsthand look at North Dakota's oil boomtown.

Sioux Falls Mayor Mike Huether on Monday was traveling to Williston, the hub of western North Dakota's bustling oil patch. He was being accompanied by Mike Cooper, Sioux Falls' director of planning and building services.

The Sioux Falls officials planned to meet with Williston Mayor Howard Klug and a city commissioner, and tour the city and an oil rig site.

Williston is the nation's fastest-growing micropolitan area, an entity with between 10,000 and 50,000 people.

Huether planned a Wednesday morning news conference in Sioux Falls to discuss the trip.

### No DC gridlock for gay marriage, legal marijuana DAVID CRARY, AP National Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — While many liberal policy goals have proved elusive during Barack Obama's presidency, there have been dramatic advances for two causes that once seemed quixotic — the legalization of same-sex marriage and the decriminalization of marijuana.

Neither cause was embraced by Obama during his first term. Yet he is now a fervent supporter of marriage equality and has said it is "important" that Colorado and Washington state be allowed to proceed with their pioneering laws, approved by voters in 2012, that legalize marijuana.

For both issues, the pace of change has been striking.

There are now 19 states that allow gay marriage, compared to two in 2008. Bans in the remaining states are being struck down by federal judges at a rapid rate that could presage a Supreme Court ruling legalizing it nationwide.

As for marijuana, in November voters in Oregon, Alaska and the District of Columbia will weigh in on ballot measures that would emulate Colorado and Washington by legalizing recreational use of pot by adults. A ballot measure in Florida could add that state to the 23 others which have legalized medical use of marijuana, including 10 in the past four years.

What's distinctive about the marriage and marijuana campaigns is that they've been able to proceed at the state level, unencumbered by the paralyzing gridlock in Congress. In contrast, efforts by Obama and his Democratic allies to overhaul the immigration system, tighten gun control laws, raise the federal minimum wage and combat climate change have run aground in the partisan divides on Capitol Hill.

The paramount Obama initiative that did clear Congress — his health care overhaul — remains entangled in various controversies and its long-term legacy is uncertain. On immigration and many of the other issues, he's resorting to unilateral executive action, often angering his critics on the right while failing to fully satisfy activists on the left.

Given those realities, Richard Socarides, a former Clinton White House adviser on gay rights, makes a case that same-sex marriage and other gay-rights advances represent a singular achievement for

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progressives during the Obama presidency.

"Barack Obama has accomplished more progressive social change on gay rights than anything else," Socarides said.

During his first term, Obama helped change military policy so gays could serve openly, but said his views on same-sex marriage were still "evolving." Under constant pressure from gay-rights activists, he endorsed it in 2012, and since then his administration has moved aggressively to maximize federal recognition of married gay couples even in states that ban same-sex marriage.

"The reason why he has that record now is because, publicly and privately, we really held his feet to the fire," said Socarides, referring to the activists' pressure.

Obama's stance on marijuana is far more nuanced. Marijuana remains illegal under federal law, and the White House-run Office of National Drug Control Policy opposes its legalization whether for medicinal or recreational use.

Yet in August 2013, addressing the developments in Colorado and Washington, the Justice Department said it would allow legalization efforts to proceed as long as states followed strict guidelines, including keeping pot away from minors. Obama, an acknowledged pot smoker in his younger days, subsequently told The New Yorker magazine that he doesn't view marijuana as any more dangerous than alcohol and explained his acceptance of the Colorado and Washington initiatives.

"It's important for it to go forward because it's important for society not to have a situation in which a large portion of people have at one time or another broken the law and only a select few get punished," he told the magazine.

Ethan Nadelmann, executive director of the Drug Policy Alliance and a leading critic of the so-called "war on drugs," said such comments — coupled with the Justice Department's 2013 memo — have put Obama out in front of most congressmen and governors.

"I wouldn't call it bold, but it is significant," Nadelmann said of Obama's stance, which has paved the way for other states to consider joining the legalization movement.

Nadelmann drew a contrast between the marijuana movement — which he predicted would gain increasing bipartisan support — and issues such as immigration and gun control where partisan divides are pronounced.

"Marijuana lies at a unique intersection," he said. "It's a civil rights/civil liberties cause, and at the same time there's the emergence of a legal market that could be worth tens of billions of dollars."

Neera Tanden of the Center for American Progress, a liberal think tank, said the changes unfolding at the state level on marriage and marijuana reflect evolving public opinion and the growing influence of 18-to-29-year-olds. Among millennials, support for gay marriage and legalized pot is stronger than for other age groups.

"You have a country that is diversifying, and at same time you have a House of Representatives that is kind of a block against the wishes of the rising majority," said Tanden, the CAP's president. "Immigration reform passed the Senate, then hit a wall on the steps of the House."

With conservative Republicans likely to maintain power in the House for at least two more years, Tanden said a state-by-state approach is being pursued on some other progressive-backed issues. For example, measures to raise the state minimum wage will be on the Nov. 4 ballot in Alaska, Arkansas, Nebraska and South Dakota, while several cities and two states — California and Connecticut — have recently instituted policies to provide some workers with paid sick days.

"These are issues that eventually will pass nationally," Tanden said.

Conservative commentator Jonah Goldberg contends that Obama could have pushed more of his agenda through Congress if he'd been more skillful politically and more willing to give Republicans a

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meaningful role.

"He doesn't know how to play that game," Goldberg said. "Now you've got gridlock, and the things he's been able to do are things a president can do unilaterally."

Others defend Obama's efforts.

His stances on marriage and marijuana will guarantee him "a very strong progressive legacy," said Ethan Geto, a gay-rights lobbyist and Democratic political consultant in New York.

"He wants to do the right thing on immigration, but it's an incredible minefield. He pushed hard on gun control," Geto said. "I don't see any of these major issues where he hasn't done as much as realistically expected."

### **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. HOW U.S. RAMPS UP RESPONSE TO EBOLA

The Obama administration will assign 3,000 American military personnel to West Africa to support local health care systems and to boost the number of beds needed for victims of the epidemic.

2. AFGHAN SUICIDE BOMBER KILLS 3 NATO TROOPS

A Taliban attacker detonates his car bomb next to an international military convoy in Kabul, close to the U.S. embassy, leaving three dead and wounding nearly 20.

3. CONGRESS SCRUTINIZES OBAMA'S MILITARY STRATEGY

The president's campaign to combat Islamic State extremists in Iraq and Syria has broad support among lawmakers but faces skepticism rooted in more than a decade of war.

4. EUROPEAN NATIONALS JOIN KURDISH FORCES AGAINST JIHADIS

While more than 2,000 Europeans are believed to have become members of the Islamic State group, a smaller number has left the continent to fight against militants with Peshmerga forces in Iraq's Kurdish north.

5. WHAT UKRAINIAN VILLAGE HOPES FOR

Residents of badly damaged Novosvitlivka in the east brush away the question of who is responsible for its destruction and focus instead on how their community is to rebuild.

6. SCOTTISH MISTRUST OF CONSERVATIVES KEY IN CAMPAIGN

The party's unpopularity in Scotland is now so great that it could prove to be the swing factor in this week's independence vote.

7. STREET GANGS TONE DOWN USE OF COLORS, TATTOOS

This tactic is used to avoid being easily identified by police and witnesses, law enforcement officials say.

8. CHINESE-INDIAN TIES SIGNAL NEW POWER DYNAMIC

President Xi Jinping's trip to New Delhi is a sign of warmer relations between the two Asian giants, opening a new chapter in China's competition with Japan.

9. WHERE BRAZIL'S INDIGENOUS SEEK BETTER LIFE

Facing deforestation, they flock to urban areas, but frequently end up in slums.

10. WHO SUSPENDS MINNESOTA VIKINGS SPONSORSHIP

The Radisson hotel chain withdraws its support after star running back Adrian Peterson is charged with child abuse in Texas.

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### **AP News in Brief**

# Obama administration to assign 3,000 US military personnel to combat Ebola in West Africa

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Obama administration is ramping up its response to West Africa's Ebola crisis, preparing to assign 3,000 U.S. military personnel to the afflicted region to supply medical and logistical support to overwhelmed local health care systems and to boost the number of beds needed to isolate and treat victims of the epidemic.

President Barack Obama planned to announce the stepped-up effort Tuesday during a visit to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta amid alarm that the outbreak could spread and that the deadly virus could mutate into a more easily transmitted disease.

The new U.S. muscle comes after appeals from the region and from aid organizations for a heightened U.S. role in combatting the outbreak blamed for more than 2,200 deaths.

Administration officials said Monday that the new initiatives aim to:

- Train as many as 500 health care workers a week.

# Taliban suicide bomber kills 3 foreign troops in strike on convoy near US Embassy in Kabul

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — A Taliban attacker detonated his car bomb next to an international military convoy on Tuesday, killing three troops from the NATO-led force and wounding nearly 20 troops and civilians, officials said.

Security forces in full battle gear administered CPR to wounded comrades shortly after the 8:10 a.m. blast, which rattled nearby neighborhoods and sent a plume of smoke high into the sky. The attack happened only a couple hundred yards from the U.S. Embassy, on a main Kabul road that leads to the airport.

The statement from the military coalition known as ISAF said five troops were wounded in addition to the three killed. It did not say which nationalities the troops were. The attack happened next to an ISAF base that houses many Americans.

The Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack.

The three military deaths — and a fourth in the country's east — brought the total number of international troops killed in Afghanistan this year to 59, at least 42 of whom were American.

## In first high-stakes hearing, Congress scrutinizes Obama strategy to defeat Islamic extremists

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's strategy to combat Islamic State extremists in Iraq and Syria is being scrutinized in Congress, where the expanded military campaign has broad support but faces skepticism rooted in more than a decade of war.

Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel and Army Gen. Martin Dempsey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, were scheduled to testify Tuesday before the Senate Armed Services Committee, the first in a series of high-profile Capitol Hill hearings that will measure the president's ability to rally congressional support.

Obama last week outlined his military plan to destroy the extremists, authorizing U.S. airstrikes inside Syria, stepping up attacks in Iraq and deploying additional American troops, with more than 1,000 now

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advising and assisting Iraqi security forces to counter the terrorism threat. The U.S. conducted the first of the airstrikes Monday, going to the aid of Iraqi security forces who were being attacked by enemy fighters.

The president said he had the authority to order the airstrikes without new congressional approval. Obama did ask Congress to authorize a program to train and arm vetted Syrian rebels battling the Islamic State group and forces loyal to Syrian President Bashar Assad, a program that got a boost Monday as House Republicans pushed to authorize the mission.

Still, there were doubters.

## New stream of foreign fighters from Europe as Kurds take up arms against Islamic militants

KOEGE, Denmark (AP) — Shaho Pirani says he's just a phone call away from leaving his quiet life in Denmark and joining Kurdish forces battling against Islamic State militants in Iraq.

The 30-year-old Kurd, who fled from Iran with his older brother in 1991, says he feels a moral duty to help the Peshmerga, the armed forces of the Kurdistan Regional Government, to fight the "psycho-paths" of the Islamic State group.

"I feel so helpless here," Pirani told The Associated Press in an interview in his home in Koege, a tranquil Copenhagen suburb with neatly trimmed lawns and hedges. "I am ready to die for the Kurdish cause."

While more than 2,000 Europeans are believed to have joined the Islamic State organization and other jihadist groups as foreign fighters, a smaller number has left Europe in recent months to fight against the Islamic militants, primarily with Peshmerga forces in Iraq's Kurdish north, Kurdish Diaspora leaders and security officials say.

Unlike with Islamic State fighters, however, European governments don't show any intention to stop the Kurdish volunteers from getting involved in the conflict. Though they, too, stand to get weapons training and combat experience and could return traumatized by the horrors of war, the Kurdish fighters are not seen as a threat to the West.

## Northern California wildfire devastates town; at least 100 homes destroyed, 1,500 evacuated

WEED, Calif. (AP) — Dan Linville and his son were sitting in their living room when they smelled smoke. When they looked outside, they saw a black cloud coming over the hills.

Ten minutes later, a fire driven by fierce winds raced through their neighborhood, missing them by three houses and torching a roof across the street.

Officials said the fire damaged or destroyed 100 homes in this tiny town near the Oregon border on Monday and forced the evacuation of at least 1,500 people.

The Linvilles figure a quarter of the town burned.

"It's horrible," said Linville, 80. "I've got tears in my heart for all these people that I know who lost their homes."

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## Badly damaged village puts rebuilding ahead of casting blame in Ukraine's conflict

NOVOSVITLIVKA, Ukraine (AP) — The kindergarten building in this village in eastern Ukraine was once a source of pride. Renovated and brightly decorated with money provided by German donors, its classrooms were opening the doors of education to 120 pupils at a time.

Today, the building is a dusty, rocket-riddled wreck. Scatterings of bullet holes in the walls suggest a gun battle probably took place nearby.

For much of Ukraine's five-month-old war, Novosvitlivka was largely spared. Then in early August, it was taken over by government forces, only to be aggressively clawed back by Russian-backed separatists. Widespread, indiscriminate rocket attacks destroyed the school, many homes and the local hospital. The conflict has left some streets littered with the remains of destroyed tanks.

Many residents brush away the question of who is responsible for the village's destruction and focus instead on how their community is to survive and rebuild.

"We didn't want war," said Tatyana, one of several hospital workers who were clearing away smashed glass and bricks from the building where they worked.

## Street gangs toning down colors, tattoos in effort to avoid easy detection by police

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Nearly gone are the gang days of the 1980s and '90s, when the Bloods wore head-to-toe red, the Crips wore blue and Latin Kings wore black and gold.

Gangs from coast to coast have toned down their use of colors and are even removing or altering tattoos to avoid being easily identified by police and witnesses, law enforcement officials say.

Today, the most you might see is part of a red handkerchief hanging out of a back pocket or a gold and black baseball cap, said Johnmichael O'Hare, a Hartford police sergeant who monitors gangs.

"Many of them don't wear colors. They tell us they're not in gangs," O'Hare said. "They're trying to avoid detection from law enforcement."

Gang members also don't want to stand out because they are committing more white-collar-type crimes, such as credit card and identity thefts, authorities say.

# The high road or the low road? Scotland took a long and winding path to independence vote

EDINBURGH, Scotland (AP) — On Calton Hill, overlooking Edinburgh, stands Scotland's National Monument. A colonnade of classical stone pillars modeled on the Parthenon in Athens, it's grand, inspiring — and unfinished, ever since the money to build it ran out two centuries ago.

It's a fitting image for the country as seen by independence campaigners, who hope voters will finish Scotland's incomplete journey to statehood by backing separation from Britain in a referendum on Thursday.

Polls suggest the outcome will be close. For many people south of the Scottish-English border, the idea that Scotland might leave the United Kingdom has come as a recent shock. But it has been decades, even centuries, in the making.

"I've always felt we could run ourselves. We used to, years ago," said David Hall, whose job is winding the clocks on some of Edinburgh's most famous structures, including the Nelson Monument on Calton

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#### Hill.

He adds an often-heard sentiment: "We've always been treated as second-rate up here, by down south."

## Vikings bring back RB Adrian Peterson despite child abuse charge, will play vs Saints

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. (AP) — Adrian Peterson was back at Minnesota Vikings headquarters on Monday, and the first thing fullback Jerome Felton did when he saw his star running back was give him a high-five.

While many of Peterson's teammates welcomed him back and threw their support behind the embattled former MVP, the Vikings also faced plenty of criticism for deciding to let Peterson play while facing charges of child abuse.

The Radisson hotel chain suspended its sponsorship deal with the Vikings and former players like Cris Carter and Scott Fujita lined up to question the team's motives while Peterson insisted that he was not a child abuser.

"I understand that this is a very difficult thing to handle," Vikings general manager Rick Spielman said. "But we also feel strongly as an organization that this is disciplining a child. Whether it's an abusive situation or not, or whether he went too far disciplining, we feel very strongly that that is the court's decision to make, but we also understand the seriousness of abusing children as well."

After deactivating Peterson for the 30-7 loss to the New England Patriots on Sunday while they gathered more information on the face of the franchise's indictment, the Vikings reinstated Peterson on Monday and said they expected him to play against the New Orleans Saints next weekend. Peterson is accused of using a wooden switch to spank his 4-year-old son.

# **Today in History**

### The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, September 16, the 259th day of 2014. There are 106 days left in the year. **Today's Highlight in History:** 

On September 16, 1974, President Gerald R. Ford announced a conditional amnesty program for Vietnam war deserters and draft-evaders.

### On this date:

In 1498, Tomas de Torquemada, notorious for his role in the Spanish Inquisition, died in Avila, Spain. In 1810, Mexicans were inspired to begin their successful revolt against Spanish rule by Father Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla and his "Grito de Dolores (Cry of Dolores)."

In 1893, more than 100,000 settlers swarmed onto a section of land in Oklahoma known as the "Cherokee Strip."

In 1908, General Motors was founded in Flint, Michigan, by William C. Durant.

In 1914, "Candid Camera" creator Allen Funt was born in New York.

In 1919, the American Legion received a national charter from Congress.

In 1940, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Selective Training and Service Act. Samuel T. Rayburn of Texas was elected Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives.

In 1953, "The Robe," the first movie presented in the widescreen process CinemaScope, had its world

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premiere at the Roxy Theater in New York.

In 1964, the rock-and-roll show "Shindig!" premiered on ABC-TV.

In 1982, the massacre of between 1,200 and 1,400 Palestinian men, women and children at the hands of Israeli-allied Christian Phalange militiamen began in west Beirut's Sabra and Shatila refugee camps. In 1994, a federal jury in Anchorage, Alaska, ordered Exxon Corp. to pay \$5 billion in punitive dam-

ages for the 1989 Exxon Valdez (val-DEEZ') oil spill (the U.S. Supreme Court later reduced that amount to \$507.5 million). Two astronauts from the space shuttle Discovery went on the first untethered space-walk in ten years.

In 2007, O.J. Simpson was arrested in the alleged armed robbery of sports memorabilia collectors in Las Vegas. (Simpson was later convicted of kidnapping and armed robbery and sentenced to nine to 33 years in prison.)

**Ten years ago:** Hurricane Ivan plowed into the Gulf Coast with 130-mile-per-hour wind and a major storm surge; Ivan was blamed for 92 deaths, 25 of them in the U.S. The number of foreigners kid-napped during the Iraq insurgency reached at least 100. The National Hockey League lockout went into effect.

**Five years ago:** Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mt., chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, unveiled sweeping legislation to remake the nation's costly health care system. Mary Travers, 72, one part of the folk trio Peter, Paul and Mary, died in Danbury, Connecticut. NCAA President Myles Brand, 67, died in Indianapolis.

**One year ago:** Aaron Alexis, a former U.S. Navy reservist, went on a shooting rampage inside the Washington Navy Yard, killing 12 victims before being shot dead by police.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Janis Paige is 92. Blues singer B.B. King is 89. Clergyman-author Rev. Robert H. Schuller is 88. Actor George Chakiris is 82. Bluesman Billy Boy Arnold is 79. Movie director Jim McBride is 73. Actress Linda Miller is 72. Rhythm-and-blues singer Betty Kelly (Martha & the Vandellas) is 70. Musician Kenney Jones (Small Faces; Faces; The Who) is 66. Actress Susan Ruttan is 66. Rock musician Ron Blair (Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers; Mudcrutch) is 66. Actor Ed Begley Jr. is 65. Country singer David Bellamy (The Bellamy Brothers) is 64. Country singer-songwriter Phil Lee is 63. Actor-comedian Lenny Clarke is 61. Actor Kurt Fuller is 61. Jazz musician Earl Klugh is 61. Actor Christopher Rich is 61. Singer Frank Reed (The Chi-Lites) is 60. TV personality Mark McEwen is 60. Baseball Hall of Famer Robin Yount is 59. Actor Mickey Rourke is 58. Magician David Copperfield is 58. Country singer-songwriter Terry McBride is 56. Actress Jennifer Tilly is 56. Retired MLB All-Star pitcher Orel Hershiser is 56. Retired MLB All-Star Tim Raines is 55. Actress Jayne Brook is 54. Singer Richard Marx is 51. Comedian Molly Shannon is 50. Singer Marc Anthony is 46. Comedian-actress Amy Poehler is 43. Country singer Matt Stillwell is 39. Singer Musiq (MYOO'-sihk) is 37. Actor Michael Mosley is 36. Rapper Flo Rida is 35. Actress Alexis Bledel is 33. Actress Sabrina Bryan is 30. Actress Madeline Zima is 29. Actor Ian Harding (TV: "Pretty Little Liars") is 28. Actress Kyla Pratt is 28. Actor Daren Kagasoff is 27. Rock singer Teddy Geiger is 26. Actress-dancer Bailey Buntain is 25. Rock singer-musician Nick Jonas (The Jonas Brothers) is 22.

**Thought for Today:** "You can love a person deeply and sincerely whom you do not like. You can like a person passionately whom you do not love." - Robert Hugh Benson, English author and clergyman (1871-1914).