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School Breakfast: Yogurt, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Turkey, gravy, mashed potato, corn, tea bun, fresh and canned fruit.

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

Anniversaries: • Bary & Tricia Keith • Lauren & Jean Harrison


Birthdays: • Jackson Strom • Kyler Ell • Kathy Holm • Ruby Larson • Iver Finnesand • Eric May

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

12:00pm: **Kiwanis meets at the Community Center**

6:00pm: Men's Night at Olive Grove

7:00pm: ELC Confirmation



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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.

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

Classifieds

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.

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.

FRIDAY IS
FRIED CHICKEN DAY
Served with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

Serving 5-9 p.m.

ANDOVER
BAR & GRILL

WE'VE GOT WINGS!
Every Wednesday!

120 S Main St. • 298-5252

The advertisement features a central illustration of a fried chicken drumstick. Below it, there is a red starburst containing the text 'Serving 5-9 p.m.'. To the left, there is a graphic of a plate of wings with the text 'WE'VE GOT WINGS! Every Wednesday!'. To the right, there is a logo for 'ANDOVER BAR & GRILL' featuring a grill, a beer, and flames. At the bottom, the address and phone number '120 S Main St. • 298-5252' are displayed.

Mud Creek Watershed District Public Meeting

Thursday, Sept. 18
9 a.m.

Groton Community Center

1. Call to order
2. Introduction of parties present
3. Presentation by Helms and Associates
4. Update on general improvement plan
5. Question and answer session on initial general improvement plan (limited to 5 minutes per participant)
6. Any other business
7. Adjournment

Service Notice: Larry Leidholt

Memorial services for Larry Leidholt, 67, of Groton will be 4 p.m., Thursday, September 18 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Groton. Rev. Craig Grams will officiate. Inurnment will follow at a later date in Bowdle. Visitation will be held at the church for one hour prior to services on Thursday. Larry died at his residence on September 15, 2014.

Conde National

Team Standings: Mets 5, Braves 4, Cubs 4, Colts 4, Giants 4, Pirates 3.

Men's High Games: Cliff Kuckelburg 225-190, Butch Farmen 181, Topper Tastad 179.

Men's High Series: Cliff Kuckelburg 591, Butch Farmen 506, Lance Frohling 492.

Women's High Games: Val Kuckelburg 591, Breanna Kuckelburg 199-182, Hayley Merkel 182.

Women's High Series: Val Kuckelburg 573, Breanna Kuckelburg 553, Joyce Walter 443.

Coffee Cup

Team Standings: Ken's 6, JVT 5, Ten Pins 4, Jungle Lanes 4, Farm Girls 3, Golden Girls 2.

High Games: Joyce Sanderson 169, Gert Erickson 169, Joyce Walter 164-163, Vicki Walter 158, Sandi Bistodeau 158.

High Series: Joyce Walter 475, Joyce Sanderson 461, Nicole Kassube 458.

Netters lose to Mobridge-Pollock

Groton's volleyball team suffered its first loss of the season Tuesday night to the hands of the Mobridge-Pollock Tigers, 3-0. Game scores were 25-16, 25-20 and 25-21.

Groton had 95 digs with Kasey Waage having 32 and Audrey Wanner 16.

In spikes, Groton was 102 of 121 with 20 kills. Ashley Gibbs was 26 of 29 with five kills and Kasey Kurtz was 19 of 20 with five kills.

Groton was 51 of 57 in serves with five ace serves. Wanner was 12 of 15 with three ace serves.

Groton had 83 sets with Kurtz having 13 assists.

At the net, Josie Doeden and Tori Bjerke each had three of the team's eight blocks.

Blocks 8 (Doeden 3, Bjerke 3)

Groton won the junior varsity match by game scores of 20-25, 25-21 and 15-12. Groton also won the C match by game scores of 25-21, 16-25 and 15-13.

Sunflower Classic Golf Tourney

Thirty-five couples competed in the Annual Sunflower Golf Tournament on Sunday at the Olive Grove Golf Course. The event was sponsored by Groton Ford.

Brad and Dar Larsen took the top honors, winning the Championship Flight with a 70. Ryan and Diane Easthouse were second with a 72 and Mike and Cherry Baker took third with the 72 tie breaker.

The First Flight was also a tie with Doug and Vicki Jorgensen and Brad and Brenda Waage both turning in a 76. Jorgensen won the flight with the tie breaker. Tim and Barb Gillick finished in third place with a 77.

A tie breaker also decided the winner of the second flight as both Chuck and Iris Halbent and Jay and Kasey Waage both had a 77. The win went to the Halbents. Jake and Tiffany Unzen finished in third place with an 80.

Walt and Helen Plumage won the Second Flight with an 82 while Mitchell Madsen and Alexa Schuring finished in second with a 83. Rod and Cheryl Paul were third with 84.

Mike Baker won the putting contest and Chuck Halbent won the pin prize for the longest putt. The pin prize for getting closest to the pin was won by Sarah Ferreria, for the women, and Walt Plumage for the men.

Championship Flight:

Brad and Dar Larsen, 70
Ryan and Diane Easthouse, 72
Mike and Cherry Baker, 72
Mike and June Heinz, 72
Duncan and Sarah Ferreira, 73
Nick and Deb Finnesand, 73
Jarrod and Kristi Flihs, 74
Rod and Arlys Kluess, 77

First Flight:

Doug and Vicki Jorgensen, 76
Brad and Brenda Waage, 76
Tim and Barb Gillick, 77
Joe and Laura Stoebner, 77
Deanne Hoyle and Morris Grosz, 77
Jordan and Chelsey Kline, 77
Randy and Sue Stanley, 78
Lorin and Julie Flihs, 79
Steve and Betty Dunker, 81

Second Flight:

Chuck and Iris Halbent, 77
Jay and Kasey Waage, 77
Jake and Tiffany Unzen, 80
Rich and Tami Zimney, 81
Roger and Peyton Colestock, 81
Jonathan and Mandlyn Flihs, 83
Tony and Brenda Madsen, 84
Tom and Alesa Mahan, 85



Brad and Dar Larsen won the Championship Flight of the Sunflower Golf Tournament on Sunday. Vicki and Doug Jorgensen won the First Flight and Helen and Walt (not pictured) won the Third Flight. Also not pictured are Chuck and and Iris Halbent, who won the Second Flight. (Photo by

Char Telkamp)

Third Flight:

Walt and Helen Plumage, 82
Mitchell Madsen and Alexa Schuring, 83
Rod and Cheryl Paul, 84
Bob Walter and Maddie Colestock, 85
Ken and Lollie Dean, 86
Kent Webb and Ranee Ball, 87
Rolf Ludtke and Chae Metz, 89
LeRoy and Marian Kilber, 90
Earl and Linda Azure, 91
Bob and Val Wegner, 97

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GHS Homcoming Candidates

Groton Area High School Homcoming Coronation is set for
Monday, September 22 @ 7:30 p.m.

Candidates are:

Back Row left to right: Spencer Knecht, Chance Strom, Wyatt Larson, Gabriel Dohman, Logan Lane; Front Row left to right: Maryn Howard, Sydney Thorson, Ashley Gibbs, Courtney Kurtz, Kasey Waage

Homecoming Theme is Decades

Dress up days

Monday: Hick Day

Tuesday: Rock `n Roll Day

Wednesday: Disney Day

Thursday: Color Day (6th-green, 7th-red, 8th-blue, 9th-tiedye, 10th-pink, 11th-white, 12th-black)

Friday: Spirit Day

Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes of the day. Pictures will be held in the library at the beginning of advisory each day.

Parade Marshals will be Tom and Patti Woods.

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Homecoming Week Events

Monday, September 22nd

JH Boys Golf 2:00 pm @ Groton.

Coronation practice 3:00 pm in the gym.

Cross Country 4:00 pm @ Deuel.

JV Football 4:30 pm @ Redfield-Doland.

School Board mtg. 6:00 pm.

Coronation 7:30 pm.

Band will perform at 7:00 pm, parade marshals and royalty will be introduced. Introductions of the varsity cross country, golf, football, volleyball and soccer will follow.

The 2014 Groton High School King and Queen will be crowned.

Pep Rally and Burning of the "G".

Royalty pictures after pep rally in the gym.

Tuesday, September 23rd

King and Queen to St. John's Preschool 9:00-9:30 am.

Cheerleaders, King, and Queen to elementary for lunch 11:15-12:30 pm.

King and Queen to Golden Living Center 3:00 pm.

JH Football 4:30 pm @ Groton vs Milbank.

Boys' Soccer 5:00 pm @ Groton vs Mitchell Christian.

JH Volleyball 5:00 pm @ Groton vs Warner.

Volleyball 6:30 pm @ Groton vs Warner.

Wednesday, September 24th

King and Queen to St. John's Preschool 9:00-9:30 am & 12:50-1:15 pm.

King and Queen to Teddy Bear Daycare 10:00-10:30.

Senior volleyball players, girls' soccer players, golfers, and cross country runners to elementary for lunch 11:15-12:30 pm.

Thursday, September 25th

Senior football players and boys' soccer players to elementary for lunch 11:15-12:30 pm.

Golf 10:00 am @ Sisseton.

Class vs. Class 2:00 pm.

JH Football 4:00 pm @ Aberdeen Central.

Boys' soccer 4:00 pm @ Groton vs James Valley Christian.

JH Volleyball 5:00 pm @ Clark/Willow Lake.

Volleyball 6:30 pm @ Clark/Willow Lake.

Friday, September 26th

School begins 8:30 am.

Teachers take attendance and then MS/HS students will be dismissed with their advisors to work on floats.

Tailgate lunch @11:30 pm football field.

Students will be dismissed to 5th period at 12:00 pm for attendance. Dismiss for the parade.

Homecoming parade @ 1:00 pm.

GHS Pep Band 6:30 pm.

Football game 7:00 pm vs Sioux Valley (King and Queen announced at half time).

Homecoming Dance 9:30-12:30 pm (\$5, refreshments will be served).

*Please call Mrs. Schwan if you would like the King and Queen to be in attendance at any event during the week.

*Call the office at 397-8381 if you would like to register an entry in the parade.

Today in Weather History

1969: In the late afternoon 16 miles east of Pierre in Hughes County, 60 mph wind driven penny size hail damaged crops and buildings in the area. Unofficial amounts of 5 to 6 inches of rain also occurred with the storms.

1975: Heavy rain and hail fell in the Pierre area during the night flooding streets and some basements. Power lines were downed by the strong winds. The damage estimate was in excess of 100,000 dollars.

2000: Lightning started a grassfire in western Stanley County in the early morning hours of the 17th. With the extremely dry and windy conditions, the fire quickly spread and consumed 25,000 acres of grassland before it was brought under control. Smoke from the fire was seen from 40 miles away. The fire also destroyed six outbuildings and an old unoccupied farmhouse. Some roads had to be closed due to the fire and smoke. Several electrical poles were also burned. Many residents were notified of possible evacuations. The fire was finally put out in the early morning hours of the 18th.

1932 - Concord NH was drenched with 5.97 inches of rain in 24 hours to establish a record for that location (16th- 17th). (The Weather Channel)

1963 - Nearly two and a half inches of rain fell at Yuma AZ in 24 hours. It was the most intense rain for Yuma during the period between 1950 and 1977. (The Weather Channel)

1965 - A storm produced a band of heavy snow across parts of Wyoming. Totals of 23 inches at Rawlins and 20.7 inches at Lander easily surpassed previous snowfall record totals for so early in the season. (15th-17th) (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Thunderstorms produced large hail, damaging winds, and heavy rain in the northeastern U.S. Heavy rain in southwestern Pennsylvania forced evacuation of twenty homes along Four Mile Run Creek, near Darlington. Harrisburg PA established a record for the date with 2.11 inches of rain. A cold front in the central U.S. brought freezing temperatures to parts of Montana and Wyoming. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Early in the morning a tornado hit Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio, TX, injuring three persons and causing twenty-eight million dollars damage. A second tornado on the northwest side of San Antonio caused six million dollars damage, and a third tornado in Bexar County killed one person and injured another. Thunderstorms associated with Hurricane Gilbert spawned a total of forty-seven tornadoes in a two day period, with forty of those tornadoes in central and south central Texas. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

1989 - Hurricane Hugo hit the Virgin Islands, producing wind gusts to 97 mph at Saint Croix. Hurricane Hugo passed directly over the island of Saint Croix causing complete devastation and essentially cutting off the island from communications. A storm surge of five to seven feet occurred at Saint Croix. The only rain gauge left operating, at Caneel Bay, indicated 9.40 inches in 24 hours. Hurricane Hugo claimed the lives of three persons at Saint Croix, and caused more than 500 million dollars damage. A ship, Nightcap, in the harbor of Culebra, measured wind gusts as high as 170 mph. A cold front brought high winds to the Great Basin and the Rocky Mountain Region, and thunderstorms along the cold front produced wind gusts to 66 mph at Yellowstone Park WY. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

2004: Flooding and mudslides killed more than 3,000 people in Haiti in Hurricane Jeanne.

“All About Her” Vendor Blender








*Presented by:
The Farmer's Wife Boutique*

*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*

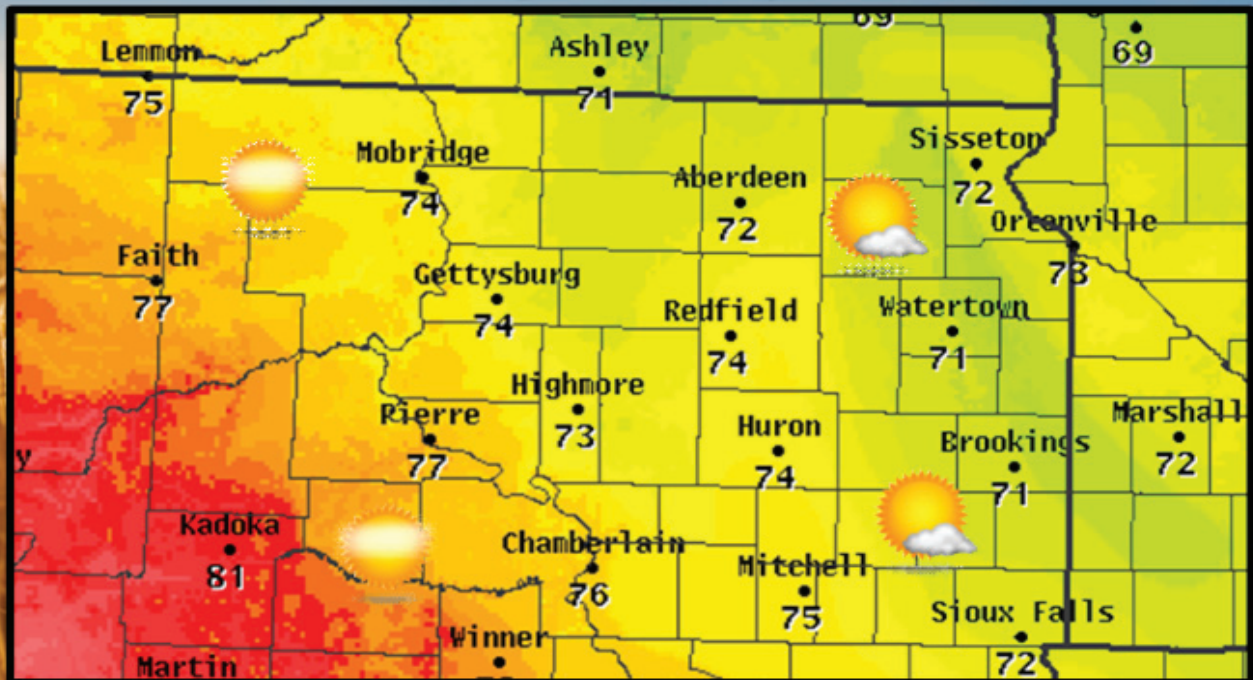
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| TODAY | TONIGHT | THURSDAY | THURSDAY NIGHT | FRIDAY | FRIDAY NIGHT | SATURDAY |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Patchy Fog High: 72 °F | Mostly Clear Low: 47 °F | Breezy High: 73 °F | Mostly Cloudy Low: 60 °F | Partly Sunny High: 82 °F | Partly Cloudy Low: 58 °F | Mostly Sunny High: 75 °F |

Mild Temperatures Continue

Highs Today



National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

weather.gov/Aberdeen  National Weather Service Aberdeen  @NWSAberdeen Updated: 9/17/2014 4:27 AM Central

Another pleasant day across the region today with dry conditions and highs in the 70s. High temperatures will slowly warm through the end of the week, with readings in the 80s by Friday. Breezy conditions will develop on Thursday ahead of an approaching frontal boundary.

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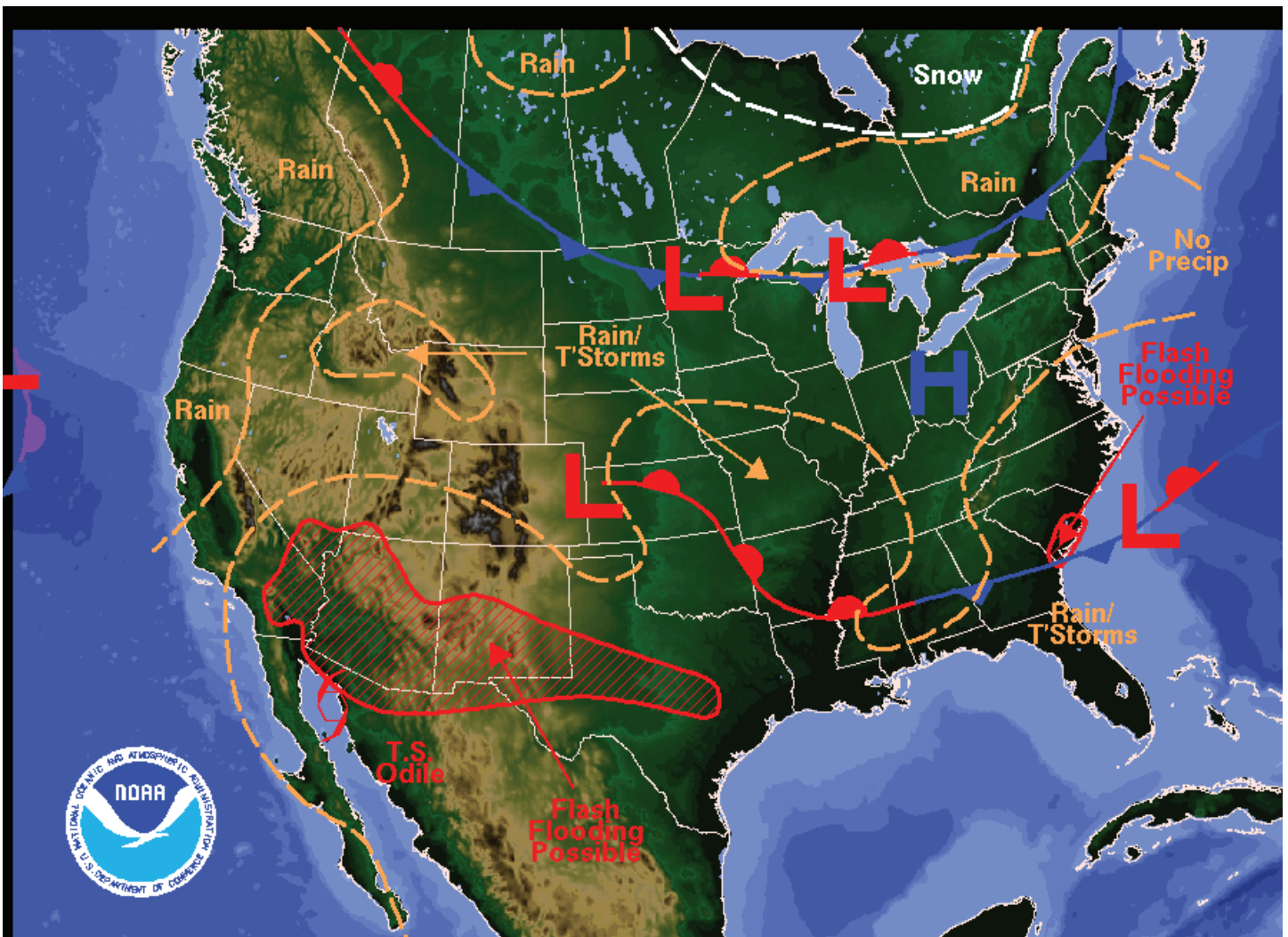
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Yesterday's Weather

High: 73.3°F at 5:57 PM
Low: 39.1°F at 4:17 AM
High Gust: 26 mph at 11:00 AM
Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 97° in 1955, 1920
Record Low: 28° in 1903
Average High: 72°F
Average Low: 45°F
Average Precip in Sept.: 1.20
Precip to date in Sept.: 0.26
Average Precip to date: 17.49
Precip Year to Date: 12.18
Sunset Tonight: 7:41 p.m.
Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:16 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Wed, Sep 17, 2014, issued 2:40 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McReynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



HELP, I'M A PARENT

Throughout the Bible, being obedient to parents is always connected to being submissive to and following the teachings of God. And if we consider God's character to be important and the foundation of His role as our Father, parents will strive to "imitate" His characteristics if they want to be effective representatives of Him.

We often speak of the characteristics of God in high and lofty terms: He is "omniscient, omnipotent, immortal, and omnipresent!" But, Jesus presented the character of God in behaviors that could be seen, and, most of them imitated. Consider such important behaviors as loving, kind, caring, compassionate, forgiving, accepting, helping, healing, encouraging, honest, thoughtful, sensitive, open, available, authentic, a disciplinarian, knowledgeable, wise, a craftsman, a caring Son, student of the Law and Prophets, a model to be followed, submissive to and respectful of the laws and a close obedient relationship to His Father.

Quite a list, indeed. And when I review and think about them, I wonder how often I failed my Father as the parent He wanted me to be as they grew up - even now.

When we consider the important role that parents are called to fulfill, spiritual, moral and ethical examples and authorities to our children, it is easy to cry out, "This job is far beyond me!" And it is if we attempt to do it on our own. But, if we are humble and dependent on Him we have His Word to guide us, and guard us, His Son within us to empower us and the Holy Spirit to lead us.

We also have Proverbs when we want His wisdom.

Prayer: Father, we parents who love and believe in You are blest to have You and Your Word as a "parent's guide." 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.

News from the Associated Press

Reward offered for info in Box Elder gun thefts

BOX ELDER, S.D. (AP) — Authorities are investigating the theft of about 20 guns from a Box Elder business, and offering a \$10,000 reward for relevant information.

Police say the burglary at the Box Elder Trading Post occurred late on Sept. 8 or early on Sept. 9. The thieves forced their way into the business and took the guns and other items.

The federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives is offering a reward of up to \$5,000 for information leading to a conviction. The reward amount would be matched by the National Shooting Sports Foundation.

SD ranchers encouraged to apply for donated hay

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Agriculture officials are encouraging ranchers in disaster-declared counties to apply for donated hay bales.

The South Dakota Department of Agriculture will select the producers who will receive the hay based on the number of applications received, the amount of hay available and need. Recipients will be responsible for arranging the transportation of the hay and the associated costs.

Applications will be accepted through Oct. 9. They can be found on the department's website.

Agriculture officials are also encouraging some producers to donate the baled residue to the department rather than destroying it.

Tuesday's Scores

The Associated Press

VOLLEYBALL

Baltic def. Centerville, 25-21, 25-15, 25-15

Bison def. Newell, 25-23, 25-22, 25-11

Bon Homme def. Tripp-Delmont/Armour, 25-21, 25-21, 25-11

Bridgewater-Emery def. Freeman, 25-12, 25-16, 25-23

Chester def. Howard, 25-11, 25-12, 25-10

Clark/Willow Lake def. Florence/Henry, 25-18, 25-18, 25-20

Colman-Egan def. Canistota, 25-21, 25-23, 25-22

Dakota Valley def. Alcester-Hudson, 25-19, 25-19, 25-9

Dell Rapids def. Canton, 25-15, 25-16, 25-16

Douglas def. Custer, 18-25, 25-22, 25-23, 25-19

Elk Point-Jefferson def. Lennox, 23-25, 25-22, 25-23, 25-17

Flandreau def. Garretson, 25-21, 25-14, 25-18

Freeman Academy def. Irene-Wakonda, 25-15, 25-12, 25-14

Gayville-Volin def. Viborg-Hurley, 25-19, 18-25, 25-16, 25-13

Great Plains Lutheran def. Estelline, 27-25, 25-19, 25-7

Harding County def. Hettinger/Scranton, N.D., 25-22, 25-17, 25-21

Harrisburg def. Brookings, 25-20, 25-21, 9-25, 25-13

Huron def. Pierre, 25-18, 25-21, 22-25, 11-25, 15-8

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Leola/Frederick def. Faulkton, 25-16, 25-23, 23-25, 25-20
Milbank def. Sisseton, 25-19, 26-24, 26-28, 19-25, 15-13
Mobridge-Pollock def. Groton Area, 25-16, 25-20, 25-22
Mt. Vernon/Plankinton def. Kimball/White Lake, 25-18, 25-12, 25-22
Northwestern def. Miller, 18-25, 26-28, 25-12, 25-18, 15-11
Oldham-Ramona/Rutland def. Iroquois, 25-23, 18-25, 19-25, 25-23, 15-6
Parker def. Tea Area, 25-18, 25-20, 23-25, 25-17
Parkston def. Corsica/Stickney, 25-10, 25-9, 25-6
Philip def. Dupree, 25-19, 25-15, 25-18
Pine Ridge def. Little Wound, 25-16, 25-13, 25-12
Platte-Geddes def. Colome, 26-24, 20-25, 25-17, 26-24
Potter County def. Highmore-Harrold, 25-15, 25-22, 25-18
Rapid City Stevens def. Rapid City Central, 25-23, 25-23, 23-25, 25-15
Sioux Falls Christian def. McCook Central/Montrose, 25-6, 25-16, 25-15
Sioux Falls O'Gorman def. Sioux Falls Roosevelt, 25-17, 25-16, 25-19
Sioux Falls Washington def. Sioux Falls Lincoln, 25-20, 28-26, 17-25, 25-21
Sioux Valley def. DeSmet, 25-14, 25-17, 25-20
Sturgis def. St. Thomas More, 26-24, 21-25, 25-12, 21-25, 15-9
Sully Buttes def. Edmunds Central, 25-8, 25-12, 25-8
Sunshine Bible Academy def. Crow Creek, 25-12, 25-10, 25-23
Tiospa Zina Tribal def. Flandreau Indian, 25-16, 25-14, 25-18
Tri-Valley def. Beresford, 25-14, 25-16, 23-25, 21-25, 15-10
Wagner def. Avon, 25-5, 25-6, 25-10
Warner def. Ipswich, 25-11, 25-8, 25-10
Waverly-South Shore def. Grant-Deuel, 27-29, 27-25, 25-21, 25-22
Webster def. Wilmot, 27-25, 24-26, 23-25, 25-21, 15-5
Winner def. Lyman, 25-16, 25-14, 28-26
Yankton def. Brandon Valley, 25-16, 25-18, 25-18

Committee signs off on rule changes for agencies

KEVIN BURBACH, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A South Dakota committee approved rule changes in multiple state departments Tuesday, including allowing the Department of Transportation to regulate newsstands at highway rest stops and giving a multi-state lottery game the green light to start in South Dakota.

The legislative Rules Review Committee approved rule changes for nine departments in all across the state at its meeting in Pierre. Some changes just clear up unclear language in agencies while others allow agencies to regulate new programs.

State agencies must now submit their rule changes to the secretary of state. They take effect 20 days after filing.

Here's a rundown of some of the changes:

REST STOP NEWSTANDS

The Department of Transportation will now regulate all newsstands placed at highway rest stops

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throughout the state.

Bill Nevin, legal counsel for the department, said over the years his department has seen issues with the newsstands, including their poor operating condition, their appearance and the fact they were sometimes blocking rest area patrons. Under the new rules, any vendor wanting to distribute publications at rest stops has to apply through the Department of Transportation at no cost. The department will have discretion on removing newsstands and will only allow six per rest stop.

David Bordewyk, the general manager of the South Dakota Newspaper Association, told the committee his group supports the new rules. Bordewyk said very few daily and weekly newspapers in the state have newsstands at rest areas. He said they're often used by specialty publications.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

The Department of Human Services can now move forward with administering new telecommunications technology and services to deaf, hard of hearing or speech-impaired South Dakotans. The rules passed Tuesday are to administer a new law in South Dakota that allows the state to fund smartphones, tablets and other devices to eligible South Dakotans. The law expands the services and devices that can be provided by the Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program that was established 25 years ago.

To be eligible for the new equipment, applicants must be South Dakota residents, prove they're hearing or speech impaired and earn less than 300 percent of the federal poverty line per year.

Patty Kuglitsch, the president of the South Dakota Association of the Deaf, said her group felt the financial eligibility portion would restrict some South Dakotans from participating in the program. Kuglitsch said the original program, which began in 1989, only required participants to be hearing- or speech-impaired.

Eric Weiss, the director of the Division Services, said the eligibility requirements weren't meant to be limiting to participants and were common in other states.

NEW LOTTERY GAME

A new lottery game based on the board Monopoly will be coming to South Dakota after the committee approved rules for the Monopoly Millionaires' Club, a multi-state lotto draw game.

The game offers multiple million-dollars prizes, with a top prize beginning at \$15 million and being capped at \$25 million. The game will cost \$5 and participants will need to match five numbers and a Monopoly property. The odds of winning the top prize are about 1 in 73 million, according to the South Dakota Lottery Commission. The odds of winning any prize are about one in 10.

Players will also be able to enter a web code found on their lotto ticket online that could send them to Las Vegas, where they will participate on a national game show.

The Lottery Commission said Tuesday the game is expected to begin in October.

DOT: Election signs are banned from right of way

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Department of Transportation is reminding the public that political campaign and ballot-issue signs can't be placed on state highway rights of way.

Bill Nevin with the department's legal counsel says signs are showing up along the state's roadways as the November election nears.

Nevin says the use of right of way is exclusive of official highway signage. He says all other signs not required for traffic control will be removed.

The department says ordinances regulating the placement and removal of signs within towns and cities do not have precedence over state jurisdiction.

Scooter driver injured after being hit by SUV

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A 15-year-old girl driving a motor scooter in Sioux Falls has been hospitalized after being hit by a sports utility vehicle.

The scooter was traveling west Tuesday while an SUV was heading east on the same street, when the girl turned left to go south on a different road.

Police spokesman Sam Clemens says the 25-year-old driving the SUV couldn't see the scooter right away because the vehicle was facing the sun.

The scooter was jammed under the SUV. Clemens says the girl has two broken ankles. Her injuries are not life-threatening.

The driver of the SUV was not injured.

No citations were issued in the case.

Chance of deer-vehicle collision high in Dakotas

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Motorists are more likely to crash into a deer in the Dakotas than in most other states.

State Farm has released its annual ranking of states in terms of the likelihood of deer-vehicle collisions. The insurer uses claims data and state licensed driver counts from the Federal Highway Administration.

South Dakota ranks fifth in the nation, with the chance of a driver hitting a deer estimated at 1 in 82. North Dakota is 16th, with the chance 1 in 120.

The national odds are 1 in 169.

West Virginia tops the list for the eighth year in a row, with a 1-in-39 chance of a motorist hitting a deer.

10 Things to Know for Today

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

1. WHAT U.S. LAWMAKERS ARE READY TO OK

The House is set to approve Obama's plan to order training and arms for moderate Syrian rebels in a bid to combat the Islamic State group in Iraq and Syria.

2. OBAMA CALLS EBOLA GLOBAL SECURITY THREAT

The president intends to send up to 3,000 U.S. military personnel to West Africa and the government could end up devoting \$1 billion to containing the disease.

3. GAZA WIDOW OFFERS INSIGHT INTO WORLD OF SPIES

The woman's account to the AP of collaborating with Israel gives rare insight into the secret espionage side of its war with Hamas.

4. WHY AMERICANS ARE LURED TO NORTH KOREA

The air of hostile mystery surrounding the country is one thing that has inspired several U.S. citizens to try to cross its heavily militarized border.

5. WHO KEEPS CLOSE WATCH ON SCOTLAND

Quebec's separatists are keen to find out if the Scottish independence movement has learned from their failed attempts to break away from Canada.

6. BIG BREAK IN PENNSYLVANIA AMBUSH PROBE

Inside the suspect's abandoned SUV, investigators find evidence they say ties him to the shooting that killed one trooper and critically wounded another.

7. SEN. RUBIO ADOPTS ROLE OF FOREIGN POLICY HAWK

The potential Republican presidential candidate is set to deliver a major national security speech in which he is expected to call for increased defense spending.

8. TAKE IT EASY ON THE WEED

This is what Colorado pot shoppers are being told in a new ad blitz which aims to reduce overconsumption of pot and overcome stoner stereotypes.

9. HARLEY-DAVIDSON CULTURAL ICON TO BE AUCTIONED

It is estimated that one of the most recognizable motorcycles of all time, the one featured in "Easy Rider," will bring up to \$1.2 million at its Oct. 18 sale.

10. VIKINGS PLACE ADRIAN PETERSON ON EXEMPT LIST

The move will require the star running back to stay away from the team while he addresses child abuse charges in Texas.

AP News in Brief

Wary lawmakers ready to OK arms for Syrian rebels fighting Islamic State group in Iraq, Syria

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wary House lawmakers are on track to give President Barack Obama authority to order U.S. military training and arms for moderate rebels confronting the growing danger of Islamic State militants.

Obama was likely to get his wish in a vote Wednesday despite worries from hawks in both parties that his response was insufficient to battle terrorists who have overrun wide swaths of Iraq and Syria.

"If we want to open a front against (Islamic State forces) in Syria, we have to open a front. And I don't see any other way to do it than try to build an alternative force," said Rep. Adam Smith of Washington, top Democrat on the House Armed Services Committee. "No one's excited about it but, you know, it's the best from a series of bad options."

Republican leaders have swung behind Obama's request, though they're not pressuring the GOP rank and file to follow suit. Top Democrats promised the measure would pass.

"I think there's a lot more that we need to be doing, but there's no reason for us not to do what the president asked us to do," Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, said. House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi of California also supports the mission, as does Senate GOP leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky. The measure would send U.S. military trainers to Saudi Arabia to arm and train Syrian opponents of Islamic State militants, who have routed U.S.-trained Iraqi security forces repeatedly and threaten the viability of the government in Baghdad.

Obama expands US response to Ebola epidemic as doctor who survived says no time to waste

WASHINGTON (AP) — An American doctor who survived Ebola said there's no time to waste as President Barack Obama outlined his plan to ramp up the U.S. response to the epidemic in West Africa.

"We can't afford to wait months, or even weeks, to take action, to put people on the ground," Dr. Kent

Brantly told senators Tuesday.

Obama called the Ebola crisis a threat to world security as he ordered up to 3,000 U.S. military personnel to the region along with an aggressive effort to train health care workers and deliver field hospitals. Under the plan, the government could end up devoting \$1 billion to containing the disease.

"If the outbreak is not stopped now, we could be looking at hundreds of thousands of people affected, with profound economic, political and security implications for all of us," Obama said after briefings in Atlanta with doctors from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and from Emory University, where Brantly and two other aid workers with Ebola have been treated.

Obama acted under pressure from regional leaders and international aid organizations who pleaded for a heightened U.S. role in confronting the deadly virus. He called on other countries to also quickly supply more health workers, equipment and money.

South Korea detains US man who apparently tried to swim across river to North Korea

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — South Korean border guards arrested an American man who they believe was attempting to swim across a river to rival North Korea, a South Korean defense official said Wednesday.

The man was apprehended Tuesday night while lying on a bank of the Han River in a restricted military area near the border, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity due to office policy.

The man told investigators that he tried to go to North Korea to meet leader Kim Jong Un, South Korea's Yonhap news agency reported, citing an unidentified government source. It said the man, aged around 29, is a computer repairman from Texas who came to South Korea 10 days ago.

South Korea's Defense Ministry and the National Intelligence Service said they couldn't confirm the report.

Americans are occasionally arrested after entering North Korea illegally from China, but a U.S. citizen trying to get in from South Korea is unusual.

Widow of Gaza collaborator shot in 2012 offers insight into murky world of spies

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — The 48-year-old Palestinian woman's husband was shot to death in 2012 by militants in the Gaza Strip for spying for Israel. A mother of seven, she herself was jailed by Gaza's Hamas rulers for aiding and abetting a spy — her husband.

The widow's account to The Associated Press gave a rare look into the secret espionage side of the war between Israel and the Hamas militant group.

According to her, Israeli security agents took advantage of her late husband's financial troubles a decade ago, luring him into collaborating by offering him a permit to work in Israel. She was later recruited when she was allowed to take one of their children to Israel for medical treatment.

"Our life was hell. We were scared," she said of their years feeding Israel information. "I used to look over my shoulder when I am out in the market, get scared when I see a police car." The woman, who was released in December, spoke on condition of anonymity because Hamas does not allow freed collaborators to talk to the press.

Israel has historically relied on collaborators against Palestinian militants and activists, recruiting them with methods ranging from entrapment and blackmail to cash and perks. Hamas, in turn, has done

whatever it can to stop collaborators — particularly by killing them in public as a deterrent to others — since it holds them responsible for helping Israel assassinate dozens of its top figures.

Big break in barracks ambush probe: Suspect's partly submerged SUV

BLOOMING GROVE, Pa. (AP) — Authorities say a heavily armed survivalist with a vendetta against law enforcement is the suspect in an ambush that killed one Pennsylvania State Police trooper and wounded another in a heavily forested region of northeastern Pennsylvania.

State police have warned the public that 31-year-old Eric Frein of Canadensis is dangerous, saying he's talked about committing mass murder. One local school district has closed Wednesday because of safety concerns for students and staff.

After opening fire on troopers at the remote barracks in the Pocono Mountains Friday night, Frein evidently tried to make his escape in a 2001 Jeep Cherokee, authorities say. Instead, he drove into a swamp about two miles away, where a man walking his dog stumbled across the partly submerged SUV three days later and called 911.

It was the big break police were looking for, one that set off a massive manhunt by more than 200 law enforcement officials who fanned out across miles of thick woods, a place where Frein is believed to feel at home.

Inside the abandoned Jeep, investigators found evidence they say ties Frein to the ambush that killed one trooper and critically wounded another: shell casings matching those found at the shooting scene. Frein's driver's license, Social Security card and Pennsylvania Game Commission range permit. Camouflage face paint, two empty rifle cases and military gear.

Oui? Aye! Quebec's separatist movement has rendezvous with Scotland's ahead of vote

MONTREAL (AP) — Quebec's separatists are watching closely this week to see if the Scottish independence movement has learned from their failed attempts to break away from Canada. And it could be rejuvenated if Scotland breaks away from the United Kingdom.

The Scottish National Party, which is leading the campaign for Scotland to vote yes in Thursday's vote on independence, has been advised over the years by separatists in Quebec, a French-speaking province where two referendums on independence failed, though the last "Non" was narrow. Polls suggest the outcome in Scotland will be close.

A vote by Scotland to separate from Great Britain could in turn bolster the Parti Quebecois, which has never let its dream of independence die, despite a steep drop in support. Jean-Francois Lisee, a prominent party member, said the two parties have held an open dialogue for years and the PQ now has a large delegation in Scotland studying the separatist campaign there.

Members of the Scottish National Party were on hand for Quebec's last referendum in 1995, which almost resulted in independence: the Yes side lost by a count of 50.6 percent to 49.4 percent.

The pro-independence counterparts have kept in contact ever since, and a group of SNP delegates traveled to Quebec as recently as 2011. The Scottish have inquired on how Quebec separatists organized their campaign and planned to acquire international recognition if they won, said Daniel Turp, a senior member of Quebec's pro-independence forces in 1995.

Scientists, sociologist, cartoonist among 2014 winners of MacArthur Foundation 'genius grants'

CHICAGO (AP) — A professor whose research is helping a California police department improve its strained relationship with the black community and a lawyer who advocates for victims of domestic abuse are among the 21 winners of this year's MacArthur Foundation "genius grants."

The Chicago-based John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation announced on Wednesday the 2014 recipients, who will each receive \$625,000 to spend any way they like.

The professor and lawyer, part of an eclectic group that also includes scientists, mathematicians, historians, a cartoonist and a composer, are among several recipients whose work involves topics that have dominated the news in the past year.

"I think getting this (grant) speaks to people's sense that this is the kind of work that needs to be done," said recipient Jennifer Eberhardt, a Stanford University social psychologist who has researched racial stereotypes and crime.

Her work prompted the Oakland, California, police department to ask for her help studying racial biases among its officers and how those biases play out on the street — topics that have been debated nationally in the wake of the police shooting of Michael Brown, an unarmed black 18-year-old in Missouri. Eberhardt, who is also studying the use of body cameras by police — another topic of particular interest since Brown's shooting — said, "I hope this will show the work matters, holds value and promotes social change."

Brazil election could shift diplomatic direction away from Latin America, toward US and Europe

SAO PAULO (AP) — More than a decade of Workers Party rule has seen Brazil prioritize ties with its leftist regional neighbors, from helping muscle socialist Venezuela into the Mercosur trade bloc to financing a billion-dollar transformation of an industrial port in Cuba.

But if President Dilma Rousseff fails to fight off the surging candidacy of reform-minded Marina Silva before presidential voting in October, South America's largest economy could reset its focus.

Silva was thrust into the Socialist Party's presidential nomination when its candidate of choice, Eduardo Campos, died in a plane crash last month. Since then, her anti-establishment profile has propelled her to a neck-and-neck race with Rousseff.

Silva says she would re-emphasize ties to the United States and Europe, mostly by working to land trade deals with each. Such moves could cause tension with Mercosur, which prohibits members from making bilateral deals without the group's approval.

Under Silva, "there will be a change of direction in foreign policy," her top adviser Mauricio Rands told supporters at an event unveiling her proposals. "Brazil should be the promoter of bilateral and regional (trade) agreements."

Vikings place Peterson on exempt list, must stay away from team while legal process unfolds

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — After a day of public pressure from angry fans and concerned sponsors, the Minnesota Vikings have reversed course and placed star running back Adrian Peterson on the exempt-commissioner's permission list, a move that will require him to stay away from the team while he ad-

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dresses child abuse charges in Texas.

The Vikings made the announcement early Wednesday morning, about a day and a half after initially deciding that Peterson could play with the team while the legal process played out. Peterson is charged with a felony for using a wooden switch to spank his 4-year-old son and now could miss the rest of the season while the case proceeds through the court system.

The Vikings came under heavy criticism for their initial stance. Several sponsors responded by either suspending their deals with the Vikings or severing ties with Peterson, prompting Vikings owners Zygi and Mark Wilf to revisit the situation on Tuesday.

"While we were trying to make a balanced decision yesterday, after further reflection we have concluded that this resolution is best for the Vikings and for Adrian," the Wilfs said in a statement. "We want to be clear: we have a strong stance regarding the protection and welfare of children, and we want to be sure we get this right. At the same time we want to express our support for Adrian and acknowledge his seven-plus years of outstanding commitment to this organization and this community."

Peterson was indicted last week in Montgomery County, Texas, after admitting to authorities that he struck his son with a tree branch. Peterson said he was disciplining his son the same way his own father disciplined him while growing up in Palestine, Texas, and didn't intend to hurt him.

Today in History

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Today is Wednesday, September 17, the 260th day of 2014. There are 105 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On September 17, 1939, the Soviet Union invaded Poland during World War II, more than two weeks after Nazi Germany had launched its assault.

On this date:

In 1787, the Constitution of the United States was completed and signed by a majority of delegates attending the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia.

In 1862, more than 3,600 men were killed in the Civil War Battle of Antietam (an-TEE'-tum) in Maryland.

In 1908, Lt. Thomas E. Selfridge of the U.S. Army Signal Corps became the first person to die in the crash of a powered aircraft, the Wright Flyer, at Fort Myer, Virginia, just outside Washington, D.C.

In 1937, the likeness of President Abraham Lincoln's head was dedicated at Mount Rushmore.

In 1944, during World War II, Allied paratroopers launched Operation Market Garden, landing behind German lines in the Netherlands. (After initial success, the Allies were beaten back by the Germans.)

In 1954, the novel "Lord of the Flies" by William Golding was first published by Faber & Faber of London.

In 1964, the James Bond movie "Goldfinger," starring Sean Connery, premiered in London. The fantasy sitcom "Bewitched," starring Elizabeth Montgomery, debuted on ABC-TV.

In 1971, citing health reasons, Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black, 85, retired. (Black, who was succeeded by Lewis F. Powell Jr., died eight days after making his announcement.)

In 1978, after meeting at Camp David, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin (men-AH'-kem BAY'-gihn) and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat signed a framework for a peace treaty.

In 1984, Progressive Conservative leader Brian Mulroney (muhl-ROO'-nee) took office as Canada's 18th prime minister.

In 1994, Heather Whitestone of Alabama was crowned the first deaf Miss America.

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In 2011, a demonstration calling itself Occupy Wall Street began in New York, prompting similar protests around the U.S. and the world.

Ten years ago: President Vladimir Putin said Russia was “seriously preparing” for pre-emptive strikes against terrorists, as Chechen warlord Shamil Basayev took responsibility for a school hostage-taking and other attacks that had claimed more than 430 lives. San Francisco’s Barry Bonds hit the 700th home run of his career, joining Babe Ruth (714) and Hank Aaron (755) as the only players to reach the milestone (San Francisco beat San Diego, 4-1).

Five years ago: President Barack Obama abruptly canceled a long-planned missile shield for Eastern Europe, replacing a Bush-era project that was bitterly opposed by Russia with a plan he contended would better defend against a growing threat of Iranian missiles. An 18-year-old man armed with an ax, knives and Molotov cocktails attacked his high school in Ansbach, Germany, injuring nine students and a teacher before being shot and arrested. Police in New Haven, Connecticut, charged Raymond Clark III, a Yale animal lab technician, with murdering graduate student Annie Le (lay). (Clark later pleaded guilty to the killing, and was sentenced to 44 years in prison.)

One year ago: Engineers declared success as the Costa Concordia cruise ship was pulled completely upright during an unprecedented, 19-hour operation to wrench it from its side where it had capsized off Tuscany in 2012. Eiji Toyoda (cq), 100, a member of Toyota’s founding family who helped create the super-efficient “Toyota Way” production method, died in Toyota city, Japan. Singer-songwriter Marvin Rainwater, 88, died in Minneapolis.

Today’s Birthdays: Actor David Huddleston is 84. Sen. Charles E. Grassley, R-Iowa, is 81. Retired Supreme Court Justice David H. Souter is 75. Singer LaMonte McLemore (The Fifth Dimension) is 79. Retired Marine Gen. Anthony Zinni is 71. Basketball Hall of Fame coach Phil Jackson is 69. Singer Fee Waybill is 64. Actress Cassandra Peterson (“Elvira, Mistress of the Dark”) is 63. Comedian Rita Rudner is 61. Muppeteer Kevin Clash (former voice of Elmo on “Sesame Street”) is 54. Director-actor Paul Feig is 52. Movie director Baz Luhrmann is 52. Singer BeBe Winans is 52. Actor Kyle Chandler is 49. Director-producer Bryan Singer is 49. Rapper Doug E. Fresh is 48. Actor Malik Yoba is 47. Rock musician Keith Flint (Prodigy) is 45. Actor Matthew Settle is 45. Rapper Vinnie (Naughty By Nature) is 44. Actor Felix Solis is 43. Rock singer Anastacia is 41. Rhythm-and-blues singer Marcus Sanders (Hi-Five) is 41. Actress-singer Nona Gaye is 40. Singer-actor Constantine Maroulis is 39. NASCAR driver Jimmie Johnson is 39. Pop singer Maile (MY’-lee) Misajon (Eden’s Crush) is 38. Country singer-songwriter Stephen Cochran is 35. Rock musician Chuck Comeau (Simple Plan) is 35. Actor Billy Miller is 35. Country singer Desi Wasdin (3 of Hearts) is 31. Rock musician Jon Walker is 29. Actress-singer Denyse Tontz is 20.

Thought for Today: “The great tragedy of life is not that men perish, but that they cease to love.”
- W. Somerset Maugham, English author and dramatist (1874-1965).