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**Birthday:** • Rick Hanson  
9:00am: ELC School  
9:00am: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass  
9:15am: ELC Fellowship Hour  
10:00am: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Pierpont (LCMC) worship  
10:00am: UMC School  
10:15am: ELC Worship  
11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship  
5:00pm: Worship at Historic Trinity Church  
7:00pm: ELC Choir

**29**

**School Breakfast:** Mini pancakes, cereal, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Italian dunkers, steamed carrots, veg cups, fresh and canned fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Tater Tot Hotdish, Green Beans, Grape Juice, Sour Cream Apple Pie Square, Whole Wheat Bread.

**Birthdays:** • Adam Atherton • Ben Brandt • Bob Johnson • Ken Dinger • Lauren Wheeting • Neil Johnson

6:30am: ELC Bible Study

10:00am: Boys regional golf at Sisseton

10:00am: WELCA Bible Study Leaders meet

4:00pm: Groton Area Cross Country Meet at Olive Grove Golf Course

4:30pm: JH VB hosts Redfield-Doland (use 2 courts)

4:30pm: JV FB vs Redfield-Doland at Doland

6:30pm: VB hosts Florence/Henry with C/JV at 6:30



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## The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is **OPEN**

### 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.**

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## Groton to host soccer playoff games

Groton Area and Sioux Falls Christian are the top two seeded teams in the Class A Boys post-season soccer round. Fourth seeded Tea Area will host fifth seeded Hot Springs and third seeded James Valley Christian will host sixth seeded St. Thomas More in games set for Tuesday, Sept. 30. On October 4, top seeded Sioux Falls Christian will host the winner of the Tea-Hot Springs game and second seeded Groton Area will host the winner of JV Christian-St. Thomas More. The championship is set for Saturday, Oct. 11, in Mitchell.

In the girls bracket on Tuesday, Sept. 30, fourth seeded Groton Area will host fifth seeded Vermillion and third seeded Tea Area will host sixth seeded West Central. Then on October 4, St. Thomas More will host the winner of the Groton-Vermillion game and second seeded Belle Fourche will host the winner of the Tea-West Central game. The championship is set for Saturday, Oct. 11, in Mitchell.

## Classifieds

### 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.**

### Cash Rent Land

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### Wanted to Rent

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## Build Some Hometown Pride

These are some snapshots taken by a Groton Garden Club member illustrating home and yard improvements going on in Groton.





## Soccer team beats Mitchell Christian

The Groton High School Boys Soccer team played Mitchell Christian on Tuesday, September 23rd in Groton and won 7-0. The game, one of two home games scheduled for Homecoming Week 2014, was played in wet and rainy conditions. The Tigers scored at the 29 minute mark with a pass from Rayce Harder to Luke Sternhagen and the goal by Wyatt Kurtz. At 11:48 Martin Rygg scored an unassisted goal and at 7:48 Jacob Milbrandt scored the final goal of the first half with an assist by Luke Sternhagen.

In the second half, Lane Weig scored at 30:00 minutes on a rebound off the goalie. Rayce Harder scored on a header at 25:00 minutes with an assist to Zach Crosby. Martin Rygg scored his second unassisted goal at 24:00. The final Tiger goal was a header by Wyatt Kurtz with an assist by Martin Rygg. Chance Strom was the Groton goalie. The Tigers are coached by Mike Becker and Craig Sternhagen



Zach Crosby



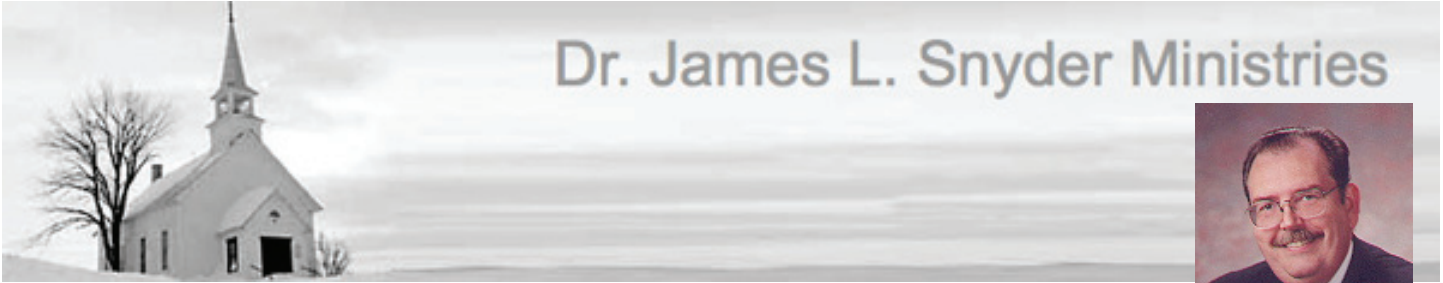
Rayce Harder



Lane Weig

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Dr. James L. Snyder Ministries



## People, after All, Are Just People

Dr. James L. Snyder

I believe many people put too high importance on certain people as if they were special. Everybody wants to be considered special, but then if everybody is special then nobody is special.

Whatever anybody else thinks, I am growing weary of celebrities. We have a terrible, incurable disease in our country called celebrititis. In my research, I have not found any cure for this. And believe me, I have searched.

Celebrities come in all sizes and shapes; sports, music, movies, TV, news reporters and even religious leaders have gotten into this game. In our culture today, nothing really happens unless some celebrity does it or says it.

Frankly, I am tired of all of that nonsense. I do not know one celebrity I would take anything from that resembled the truth. A celebrity cannot think on his or her own, but must always rely upon a script. We all know what happens when they go off script.

There is this phenomenon out in Hollywood called the red carpet. I am not sure exactly what the red carpet is except that it is a carpet in the color red, thus The Red Carpet. And yet, if one of these celebrities walks on this so-called red carpet, everybody wants to take a picture of them.

I cannot think of a celebrity anywhere, living or dead, that I would like a photo. Have you ever seen one of these celebrities without their makeup? You would not recognize him or her.

If I want a photograph these days, I want it to be of my family. In my book, my family is all the celebrity I need. If I want to sit down and go through some pictures, I want it to be of my family, people that I know and love. I do not want it to be some made-up picture that has been photoshopped by some expert. Anybody who has a photograph taken of them and then has somebody touch it up and make it look better is a hypocrite. That is not the way they really look.

Is there a celebrity anywhere that wants anybody to see them as they really look?

Celebrities are just people and we need to start treating them like the people they are.

A person is not important because they make a certain amount of money. A person is not important because everybody recognizes them.

Newscasters today have become celebrities in their own right or left depending on their political position. Somehow, they have tricked us into thinking because they are celebrities and they look like \$1 million, that what they have to say is something I want to hear.

When I was young, I watched the Three Stooges. They

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could make stupid things funny. Now when they were making these stupid movies they were doing so on purpose. I laughed at them because what they did had an agenda to make me laugh. Nobody ever took what they did seriously.

Now we have the Three-Stooges-syndrome in our newsrooms today. I often wonder if they know how ridiculous they look and sound when they are touting their opinion about something going on in the world? Actually, when you think of it, they would make the Three Stooges envious.

I think if our country is ever going to be saved, we are going to have to somehow get rid of all of the celebrities. I know it is going to be hard, I know we will have severe withdrawals, but it will serve us well in the end.

I am tired of celebrities and I want to see something real for a change.

Of course, we have on television now what is called reality shows. In reality, these reality shows have not an ounce of reality to them. The thing that is so significant to me is, many people think it is reality.

The only reality about these reality shows is the money these people are making pretending to be real. The money is real, but the moneymakers are about as false as my grandmother's teeth.

I have come to the place where I do not believe anything I see on television. If it is on television, it has been tweaked so that somebody can make MONEY. After all, the only purpose of television is to make some people rich, filthy rich. And the richer they are the filthier they are.

My premise is still the same; people are just people. When will everybody come to that conclusion? I think the sooner we come to that the more we will realize that nobody is better than anybody else. I do not have to take a second seat to some person starring in the movies. How can you say somebody is important when they have to memorize a script somebody else wrote and then they have to shoot it 17 times to get it right? That is a celebrity?

Where are the good honest hard-working people that made this country what it used to be?

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage reminded me of something Jesus said. "And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me" (Matthew 25:40).

It is comforting to know that people, after all, are just people and I count myself to be one of those "just people."

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36 MONTH 600 HRS/YR LEAS      \$23,010/YR	36 MONTH 600HRS/YR LEASE      \$27,014/YR



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## Today in Weather History

1951: On this day in 1951 in the early morning hours, near record or record cold covered central and northeast South Dakota as well as west central Minnesota. Temperatures across the area fell into the upper teens and 20s. Aberdeen recorded a record low of 18 degrees, Kennebec fell to 20 degrees, Pierre dropped to 21 degrees while Timber Lake had a record low of 23 degrees. The overnight low in Mobridge was 23 degrees, 24 degrees at Watertown, and 26 degrees at Sisseton.

1836 - The first of three early season snows brought four inches of snow to Hamilton, NY, and two inches to Ashby MA. (David Ludlum)

1893 - Albuquerque, NM, was soaked with 2.25 inches of rain, enough to establish a 24 hour record for that city. (The Weather Channel)

1917 - A hurricane hit Pensacola, FL. Winds gusted to 95 mph, and the barometric pressure dipped to 28.50 inches. Winds at Mobile AL gusted to 75 mph. (The Weather Channel)

1971: Atlantic Hurricane Irene crossed Nicaragua to reform in the eastern Pacific as Hurricane Olivia. Olivia recurved northeast and made landfall in central Baja California. The deserts of southern California received an inch of rain.

1987 - Thunderstorms produced up to ten inches of rain in southern Kansas and north central Oklahoma overnight. The Chikaskia River rose 2.5 feet above flood stage at Blackwell OK during the day causing flooding in Kay and Grant counties of north central Oklahoma. Early morning thunderstorms in the Lower Rio Grande Valley of Texas produced 3.07 inches of rain in six hours at McAllen. Thunderstorms produced up to six inches of rain in southeastern Texas later in the day. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Thunderstorms developing ahead of a cold front in the central U.S. produced severe weather from northern Texas to the Lower Missouri Valley during the late afternoon and evening hours. Hail three inches in diameter was reported at Nolan TX, and wind gusts to 80 mph were reported at Lawrence KS. Thunderstorms drenched downtown Kansas City MO with up to four inches of rain, leaving some cars stranded in water six feet deep. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

1989 - Thunderstorms over northeastern Florida drenched Jacksonville with 4.28 inches of rain between midnight and 6 AM EDT. Unseasonably cool weather prevailed in the northeastern U.S. Five cities reported record low temperatures for the date, including Binghamton NY with a reading of 30 degrees. Morning lows were in the 20s in northern New England. Unseasonably mild weather prevailed in the northwestern U.S., with afternoon highs in the upper 70s and 80s. In Oregon, Astoria reported a record high of 83 degrees. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)








1994: The auto ferry Estonia capsized and sank quickly in rough waters in the Baltic Sea. It was reported that there were at least 6-foot waves in the area. About 900 people lost their lives, while there were 141 survivors.

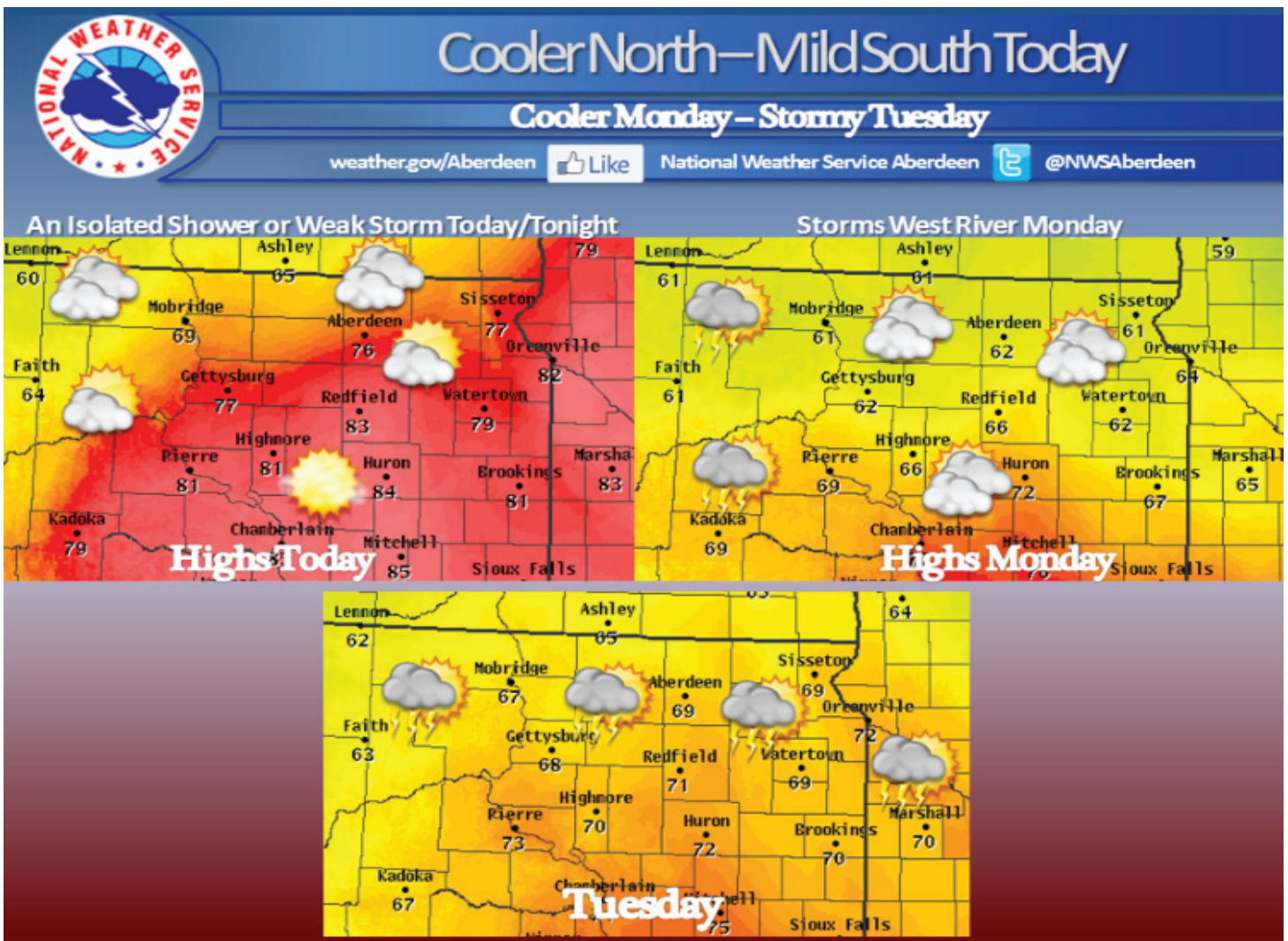
2004: The remnants of Hurricane Jeanne, combined with two cold fronts, produced precipitation leading to rising rivers and flooded roads in the northern portion of Delaware, resulting in swamped vehicles. An F2 tornado in northern New Castle County damaged numerous planes and buildings at the airport and injured five people. Damage totaled around \$1 million.



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TODAY	TONIGHT	MONDAY	MONDAY NIGHT	TUESDAY	TUESDAY NIGHT	WEDNESDAY
						
Mostly Sunny High: 76 °F	Slight Chc Showers Low: 51 °F	Slight Chc Showers High: 61 °F	Mostly Cloudy Low: 54 °F	Thunderstorms Likely High: 68 °F	Chance Showers Low: 52 °F	Mostly Sunny High: 69 °F



A storm system strengthens over the High Plains today, drawing cooler air into the region. The cool air remains in place Monday and into early Tuesday before the system lift northeast. As it passes overhead, widespread thunderstorm activity looks possible.

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## Yesterday's Weather

**High:** 86.0°F at 4:04 PM

**Low:** 64.0°F at 6:36 AM

**High Gust:** 30 mph at 1:44 PM

Precip: 0.00

## Today's Info

**Record High:** 94° in 1905

**Record Low:** 18° in 1951, 1895

**Average High:** 67°F

**Average Low:** 40°F

**Average Precip in Sept.:** 1.97

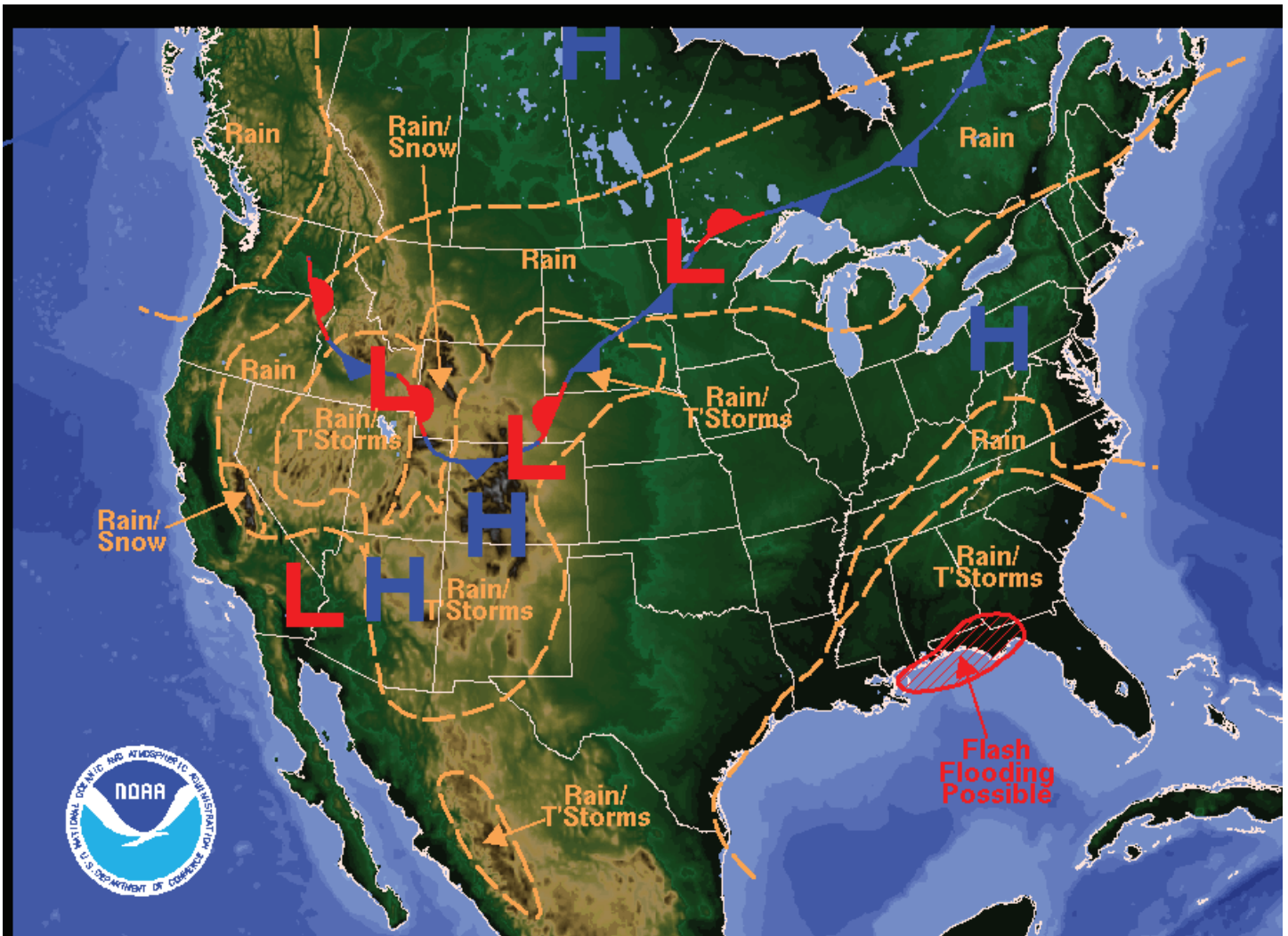
**Precip to date in Sept.:** 0.54

**Average Precip to date:** 18.26

**Precip Year to Date:** 12.84

**Sunset Tonight:** 7:20 p.m.

**Sunrise Tomorrow:** 7:29 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Sun, Sep 28, 2014, issued 4:35 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by Kong based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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## A CLEAR DISTINCTION

There are many things that need clarification to be sure that everyone understands varying positions. Some are easy to see, others a little more difficult. The Bible is very clear on everything God wants us to know. There is one thing we can all agree on, however: it's not the things of the Bible that present a problem that should keep us awake at night. It's the things that we understand and don't apply to our lives each day.

Solomon, once again, reminds us that we are not to ever think we are self-sufficient: "Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil." Once again we are reminded that first things must always be first: "Fear the Lord, for that is where wisdom begins." Wisdom does not come from within - no matter how well educated we are.

Paul picked up this theme in Romans: "...test and approve what God's will is..." The one who thinks he is wise and who leans on his own understanding and the understanding that comes from the world's wisdom is in danger. On the other hand, God honors and rewards those who are willing to admit they need His wisdom!

And the reward for seeking His wisdom first? It will "bring health to our bodies and nourishment to our bones." Following God's wisdom will not only enable us to make good, ethical decisions. Those who obey His laws and turn from evil will find themselves living a healthy lifestyle!

Scripture constantly reminds us of the consequences of sin and unconfessed sin. And whatever it asks us to do is always in our very best interests. Live right and be well.

**Prayer:** Thank You, Father, for making life's choices clear and simple to follow. With Your help we can succeed. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

**Scripture for Today:** Proverbs 3:7, 8 Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones.



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News from the  Associated Press

## Brookings Bel Brands cheese plant opens this week

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) — The new Bel Brands USA cheese plant formally opens this week in Brookings.

Political leaders and company representatives from the company's U.S. and Paris headquarters are among those who plan to attend the ribbon cutting Friday.

The \$140 million facility will employ about 250 people and produce 1.5 million Mini Babybels every day.

Bel Brands also makes The Laughing Cow cheese wedges.

## Saturday's Scores The Associated Press

### VOLLEYBALL

Britton-Hecla def. Tiospa Zina Tribal, 19-25, 25-23, 25-23, 21-25, 15-8

Lake Preston def. James Valley Christian, 25-17, 25-17, 25-23

Lower Brule def. Marty Indian, 25-15, 11-25, 25-7

Pine Ridge def. Cheyenne-Eagle Butte, 25-16, 25-18, 25-15

### Belle Fourche Tournament

#### Pool Play

#### Pool A

Belle Fourche def. Moorcroft, Wyo., 25-15, 25-15

Belle Fourche def. Lyman, 25-15, 25-17

Belle Fourche def. Hot Springs, 25-14, 25-13

Hot Springs def. Moorcroft, Wyo., 20-25, 25-23, 25-16

Lyman def. Moorcroft, Wyo., 25-14, 22-25, 25-23

Lyman def. Hot Springs, 25-23, 25-9, 25-21

#### Pool B

Bennett County def. Bowman County, N.D., 22-25, 25-16, 25-21

Spearfish def. Bowman County, N.D., 25-11, 25-9

Spearfish def. Bennett County, 25-14, 25-21

Spearfish def. Upton, Wyo., 25-17, 25-15

Upton, Wyo. def. Bennett County, 17-25, 25-18, 25-17

#### Pool C

Lead-Deadwood def. Rapid City Central JV, 13-25, 25-23, 25-20

Lead-Deadwood def. Philip, 12-25, 25-22, 25-11

Philip def. Rapid City Central JV, 26-24, 25-18

St. Thomas More def. Rapid City Central JV, 25-15, 25-16

St. Thomas More def. Philip, 25-12, 24-26, 27-25

St. Thomas More def. Lead-Deadwood, 25-21, 25-23

#### Pool D

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Douglas def. Hill City, 25-13, 25-14  
Douglas def. Wall, 25-22, 25-18  
Sturgis def. Douglas, 23-25, 27-25, 25-16  
Sturgis def. Wall, 25-23, 25-13  
Sturgis def. Hill City, 17-25, 25-20, 25-20  
Wall def. Hill City, 25-18, 25-16

## Central South Dakota Conference Tournament

### Pool Play

#### Pool 1

Miller def. Highmore-Harrold, 25-21, 25-15  
Miller def. Potter County, 28-30, 25-19, 25-21  
Potter County def. Highmore-Harrold, 25-23, 25-19  
Sully Buttes def. Faulkton, 25-20, 25-12

#### Pool 2

Faulkton def. Chamberlain, 26-28, 25-16, 25-21  
Mobridge-Pollock def. Faulkton, 25-11, 25-11  
Mobridge-Pollock def. Chamberlain, 25-8, 25-14  
Sully Buttes def. Chamberlain, 25-15, 25-19  
Sully Buttes def. Mobridge-Pollock, 21-25, 25-19, 25-16

#### Fifth Place

Highmore-Harrold def. Chamberlain, 18-25, 25-17, 25-16

#### Third Place

Potter County def. Mobridge-Pollock, 25-19, 25-11

#### Championship

Sully Buttes def. Miller, 25-18, 16-25, 25-21

## Eastern Coteau Conference Tournament

### First Round

Great Plains Lutheran def. Waubay, 25-12, 25-17  
Rosholt def. Waverly-South Shore, 25-19, 25-16  
Summit def. Florence/Henry, 25-11, 25-15  
Wilmot def. Grant-Deuel, 25-22, 25-17

### Consolation Semifinal

Grant-Deuel def. Waubay, 25-19, 25-18  
Waverly-South Shore def. Florence/Henry, 25-13, 25-15

### Semifinal

Great Plains Lutheran def. Wilmot, 26-24, 25-23

Summit def. Rosholt, 25-22, 25-16

Seventh Place: Waubay def. Florence/Henry, 25-17, 25-15

Fifth Place: Waverly-South Shore def. Grant-Deuel, 25-20, 25-20

Third Place: Wilmot def. Rosholt, 26-24, 25-13

Championship: Summit def. Great Plains Lutheran, 25-14, 26-24

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## Eastern Tournament

### First Round

Dakota Valley def. Sisseton, 25-14, 25-8

Elk Point-Jefferson def. Pipestone, Minn., 26-24, 25-27, 25-16

Milbank def. Tea Area, 25-23, 25-18

Tri-Valley def. Winner, 25-23, 23-25, 25-20

### Consolation Semifinal

Pipestone, Minn. def. Tea Area, 22-25, 25-19, 25-11

Sisseton def. Winner, 25-19, 25-20

### Semifinal

Dakota Valley def. Tri-Valley, 25-22, 16-25, 25-23

Elk Point-Jefferson def. Milbank, 25-18, 16-25, 25-12

Seventh Place: Winner def. Tea Area, 25-18, 27-29, 26-24

Fifth Place: Sisseton def. Pipestone, Minn., 25-23, 25-23

Third Place: Tri-Valley def. Milbank Area, 25-16, 25-16

Championship: Dakota Valley def. Elk Point-Jefferson, 25-18, 25-16

## Elkton-Lake Benton Tournament

Alcester-Hudson def. Centerville, 21-25, 25-12, 25-10

Alcester-Hudson def. Dell Rapids St. Mary, 25-15, 25-14

Dell Rapids St. Mary def. Centerville, 16-25, 25-23, 25-13

Elkton-Lake Benton def. Centerville, 25-9, 25-7

Elkton-Lake Benton def. Dell Rapids St. Mary, 25-5, 25-10

Iroquois def. Centerville, 25-10, 25-19

## Kimball Tournament

### First Round

Dakota Christian def. Wolsey-Wessington, 25-14, 25-23

Jones County def. Sunshine Bible Academy, 25-15, 25-6

Kimball/White Lake def. Colome, 25-5, 25-13

Wessington Springs def. South Central, 25-20, 10-25, 28-26

### Consolation Semifinal

South Central def. Colome, 25-22, 25-14

Sunshine Bible Academy def. Wolsey-Wessington, 25-10, 15-25, 28-26

### Semifinal

Jones County def. Dakota Christian, 25-15, 25-15

Kimball/White Lake def. Wessington Springs, 25-23, 25-16

Seventh Place: Wolsey-Wessington def. Colome, 25-10, 26-24

Fifth Place: South Central def. Sunshine Bible Academy, 25-18, 25-19

Third Place: Wessington Springs def. Dakota Christian, 25-23, 26-24

Championship: Kimball/White Lake def. Jones County, 25-23, 25-17

## Little Moreau Conference Tournament (LMC)

Bison def. McIntosh, 25-16, 25-21

Bison def. Faith, 25-16, 25-21



Dupree def. Tiospaye Topa, 25-14, 25-15  
Faith def. Newell, 25-16, 25-21  
Faith def. Dupree, 25-23, 25-21  
Harding County def. Faith, 25-16, 25-8  
Harding County def. Timber Lake, 25-21, 25-14, 25-16  
Harding County def. Lemmon, 25-21, 25-17  
Harding County def. Lemmon, 25-15, 25-18  
Lemmon def. Timber Lake, 25-20, 25-18  
Lemmon def. Bison, 26-24, 25-22  
Lemmon def. Tiospaye Topa, 25-4, 25-10  
McIntosh def. Dupree, 25-14, 25-21  
Timber Lake def. Bison, 25-16, 25-23  
Timber Lake def. McIntosh, 25-17, 25-22, 25-16  
Timber Lake def. Newell, 25-22, 25-15

Sioux Falls Pentagon Classic  
Pool Play  
Pool D  
Warner def. Dell Rapids, 25-10, 25-8  
Warner def. Mitchell Christian, 25-15, 25-8

## Jury finds SD man not guilty in Amber Alert case

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A jury has found a Rapid City man who faced life in prison not guilty of beating his former girlfriend and kidnapping their two children.

The jury of nine women and three men on Friday found 28-year-old Skye Burnham-Endicott not guilty of aggravated assault and three counts of kidnapping, but they did find him guilty of criminal trespassing.

Burnham-Endicott was accused of attacking his ex-girlfriend in an apartment in February and taking their daughters, who were about 1 month old and 1 year old at the time. Police issued an Amber Alert and said they found Burnham-Endicott and the children in another apartment in the same complex hours later.

Burnham-Endicott testified on Friday that he knew his ex-girlfriend saw him take his children to his cousin's apartment after she called the police, according to the Rapid City Journal.

"I know she saw me," he said.

Police arrested Burnham-Endicott the next morning after he told his cousin to let them into her apartment.

Burnham-Endicott did admit to hitting his children's mother before he left, but said he resorted to hitting her after she started hitting him with a piece of a nightstand that she had thrown down a stairway. He said their relationship had been turbulent and she had attacked him in the past.

If he was found guilty of first-degree kidnapping, Burnham-Endicott could have faced life in prison.

His sentencing date for criminal trespassing is set for Oct. 7. The crime is a class one misdemeanor punishable by up to a year in jail and a \$1,000 fine.

## AP News in Brief

### **County police: Ferguson officer expected to survive shooting; search underway for 2 suspects**

FERGUSON, Mo. (AP) — A Ferguson police officer was shot in the arm Saturday night after encountering two men at a community center who ran from him and then opened fire during a foot chase, authorities said.

St. Louis County Police Chief Jon Belmar said at a media briefing early Sunday that the officer approached the men around 9:10 p.m. because the community center was closed. As the officer approached, the men ran away. When the officer gave chase, "one of the men turned and shot," Belmar said.

The officer was shot in the arm and is expected to survive, he said. Belmar did not identify the officer or give further details about his condition. He said the officer returned fire but said police have "no indication" that either suspect was shot.

A search was underway for the suspects early Sunday in Ferguson, the St. Louis suburb that's been the scene of racial unrest in the wake of the August shooting death of an unarmed black 18-year-old by a white police officer.

Belmar said he did not think the officer's shooting was related to two separate protests about Michael Brown's shooting that were going on Saturday night around the same time.

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### **Obama: 'gulf of mistrust' between residents and police in too many communities corroding US**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The widespread mistrust of law enforcement that was exposed by the fatal police shooting of an unarmed black man in Missouri exists in too many other communities and is having a corrosive effect on the nation, particularly on its children, President Barack Obama says. He blames the feeling of wariness on persistent racial disparities in the administration of justice.

Obama said these misgivings only serve to harm communities that are most in need of effective law enforcement.

"It makes folks who are victimized by crime and need strong policing reluctant to go to the police because they may not trust them," he said Saturday night in an address at the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's annual awards dinner.

"And the worst part of it is it scars the hearts of our children," Obama said, adding that it leads some youngsters to unnecessarily fear people who do not look like them and others to constantly feel under suspicion no matter what they do.

"That is not the society we want," he said. "It's not the society that our children deserve."

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### **As world leaders pledge aid, delays mean Ebola clinics must turn sick away**

MONROVIA, Liberia (AP) — Doctors are in short supply. So are beds for patients. Six months into the world's worst-ever Ebola outbreak, and the first to happen in an unprepared West Africa, the gap between what has been sent by other countries and private groups and what is needed is huge.

Even as countries try to marshal more resources, those needs threaten to become much greater, and possibly even insurmountable.

Fourteen-year-old D.J. Mulbah was taken by his mother and grandmother on Saturday in desperate pursuit of a coveted bed at the Ebola clinic run by Doctors Without Borders in Monrovia, Liberia's capital. Too weak to stand, he was put into a taxi with his backpack and a bucket for vomit. Now he lay on the dirt beside the worried women.

"He's been sick for a week with a runny stomach," said his mother, wiping the sweat off the boy's brow with her bare hands. "We tried calling an ambulance days ago but nobody ever came."

Beds are filling up as fast as clinics can be built. Ambulance sirens blare through standstill traffic. Often there is nowhere to take the sick except to "holding centers" where they await a bed at an Ebola treatment facility.

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## **More than 30 people found unconscious, believed dead at Japanese volcano site**

TOKYO (AP) — Rescue workers have found 30 or more people unconscious and believed to be dead near the peak of an erupting volcano in central Japan, local government and police said.

Nagano prefecture posted on its website that about 30 people had heart and lung failure, the customary way for Japanese authorities to describe a body until police doctors can examine it. At least four of the victims were being brought down Sunday afternoon.

A Nagano police official described the number as more than 30. He spoke on condition of anonymity because he wasn't authorized to speak publicly.

Mount Ontake in central Japan erupted shortly before noon Saturday, spewing large white plumes of gas and ash high into the sky and blanketing the surrounding area in ash. The mountain is a popular climbing destination, and at least 250 people were initially trapped on the slopes, though most made their way down by Saturday night.

Before the unconscious victims were found, Japan's Fire and Disaster Management Agency said that 45 people had been reported missing. The exact location of the bodies and their identities were not immediately known.

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## **Syrian volunteer rescuer on a brief break from war to raise awareness for group's work**

NEW YORK (AP) — Thousands of miles from his ravaged homeland in the comfort and security of midtown Manhattan, Raed Saleh chokes up as he recalls some of the horrors he has witnessed as a rescue worker in northern Syria.

He feels angry, cheated and most of all, deeply sad for his country.

"Two Americans and one Brit were killed, and the entire world mobilized to fight Daesh," he said, referring to the Islamic State group by its Arabic acronym. "In Syria, some 200,000 people have died: Why doesn't anyone care?"

From New York, Saleh says he has been in touch with colleagues in Syria over the phone and Internet since airstrikes by the U.S.-led coalition began Tuesday.

"We were rescuing people from Syrian regime strikes. Today we are rescuing people from coalition strikes," he said. The Britain-based Syrian Observatory of Human Rights reports that at least 13 civilians have died so far in coalition strikes, while the Pentagon said Friday it had not received any reports of civilian casualties from coalition airstrikes.

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## **Indian leader Modi takes star turn at Madison Square Garden to court diaspora community**

NEW YORK (AP) — A day after addressing a hushed U.N. General Assembly, where headphone-wearing delegates rarely break into a smile, India's new prime minister is assured a raucous reception as he addresses a crowd from a rotating stage at Madison Square Garden.

Exhibiting unusual glitz for a visiting leader, Narendra Modi takes a star turn at the famous New York auditorium as he courts the Indian-American community on his first U.S. visit since sweeping to power in May.

Modi is no stranger to a big stage. Backed by huge corporate wealth, he was the center of the slickest election campaign India has seen, drawing huge crowds. Indian media quickly gave him the celebrity-like nickname of "NaMissouri"

Madison Square Garden, however, takes it up a notch. It is home to the New York Knicks basketball team, and was where John Lennon played his last concert. Muhammad Ali fought his first bout against Joe Frazier there.

Organizers expect about 18,500 Indian-Americans to attend. They are among more than 30,000 across the U.S. who had registered for free tickets. The speech will also be broadcast on a big screen in Times Square.

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## **US doctor exposed to Ebola virus in Sierra Leone to be admitted to NIH hospital isolation unit**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The National Institutes of Health is preparing to care for an American doctor who was exposed to the Ebola virus while volunteering in Sierra Leone.

Out of what the agency called "an abundance of caution," the physician is expected to be admitted to the special isolation unit at the NIH's hospital near the nation's capital as early as Sunday, for observation.

NIH infectious disease chief Dr. Anthony Fauci wouldn't discuss details about the patient but said that in general, an exposure to Ebola doesn't necessarily mean someone will become sick.

"When someone is exposed, you want to put them into the best possible situation so if something happens you can take care of them," Fauci said.

"NIH is taking every precaution to ensure the safety of our patients, NIH staff and the public," said an agency statement.

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## **AP ENTERPRISE: Italy fights mafia with powerful new approach: banishing sons**

LOCRI, Italy (AP) — First Italy fought its mafia mobsters by confiscating their wealth. Now judges are taking away something more precious: their sons.

Riccardo Cordi', a shy 18-year-old scion of one of Italy's most notorious mob families, is a pioneer in a new strategy to fight the mafia by exiling crime clan sons from their homes and families. Riccardo is the first of about 20 sons sent into a kind of rehab away from the mob by juvenile courts in the southern region of Calabria, home to the dangerous 'ndrangheta syndicate.

By age 16, Riccardo seemed destined to go the way of his father, a reputed boss gunned down in a turf war, and three elder brothers in prison on mafia-related convictions. Their photos line the wall of

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the fortress-like Cordi' home in Calabria, seen in an exclusive visit by The Associated Press, in a testimony to the rule of blood in the powerful `ndrangheta.

But when Riccardo was charged with attempted theft and damage to a police car, judge Roberto Di Bella followed up his acquittal with a startling order: The `ndrangheta family prince would be sent away to Sicily until he turned 18.

Di Bella had sent Riccardo's three brothers to prison and wanted to spare the last son a similar fate. He cited legal provisions that allowed courts to remove minors from families incapable of properly raising them.

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## **Police: Bodies of 2 parents, 3 children found in home near Provo; cause of death undetermined**

SPRINGVILLE, Utah (AP) — Two parents and three of their children were found dead in a home near Provo, and authorities said early Sunday they were trying to determine the cause of the deaths.

The bodies were reported to officers in Springville about 8 p.m. MDT Saturday, police spokesman Lt. Dave Caron said.

"Police secured the scene and checked to make sure it was safe to continue the investigation inside," he said.

"There were no obvious signs of trauma or foul play," Caron said in a telephone interview early Sunday. "We didn't see that when we first got there and we still don't."

The spokesman also said that police don't believe that there is any danger to the community.

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## **Thousands of Hong Kong pro-democracy protesters defy police in tense standoff**

HONG KONG (AP) — A tense standoff between thousands of Hong Kong pro-democracy protesters and police warning of a crackdown spiraled into an extraordinary scene of chaos Sunday as the crowd jammed a busy road and clashed with officers wielding pepper spray.

A huge crowd of protesters tried to reach a mass sit-in being held outside government headquarters to demand Beijing grant genuine democratic reforms to the former British colony, but was held back by police who had warned people to leave the area for their own safety.

Beijing condemned the protests, calling them "illegal."

Students and activists have been camped out on the streets outside the government complex all weekend. Students started the rally, but by early Sunday leaders of the broader Occupy Central civil disobedience movement said they were joining them to kick-start a long-threatened mass sit-in.

In a rare scene of disorder in the Asian financial hub, thousands of other protesters arriving to join the crowd breached a police cordon, spilling out onto a busy highway and causing traffic to come to a standstill. Protesters raised their hands in the air to signal their nonviolent intentions, and at one point cleared a narrow path for vehicles to get through.

## **Today in History** **The Associated Press**

Today is Sunday, Sept. 28, the 271st day of 2014. There are 94 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

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On Sept. 28, 1787, the Congress of the Confederation voted to send the just-completed Constitution of the United States to state legislatures for their approval.

**On this date:**

In 1066, William the Conqueror invaded England to claim the English throne.

In 1542, Portuguese navigator Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo arrived at present-day San Diego.

In 1841, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow completed his poem "Excelsior."

In 1850, flogging was abolished as a form of punishment in the U.S. Navy.

In 1914, the First Battle of the Aisne during World War I ended inconclusively.

In 1924, three U.S. Army planes landed in Seattle, having completed the first round-the-world trip by air in 175 days.

In 1939, during World War II, Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union signed a treaty calling for the partitioning of Poland, which the two countries had invaded.

In 1958, voters in the African country of Guinea overwhelmingly favored independence from France.

In 1964, comedian Harpo Marx, 75, died in Los Angeles.

In 1974, first lady Betty Ford underwent a mastectomy at Bethesda Naval Medical Center in Maryland, following discovery of a cancerous lump in her breast.

In 1989, deposed Philippine President Ferdinand E. Marcos died in exile in Hawaii at age 72.

In 1994, an Estonian ferry capsized and sank in the Baltic Sea with the loss of 852 lives.

Ten years ago: An earthquake measuring magnitude 6.0 rocked central California. Kidnappers in Iraq released two female Italian aid workers, Simona Torretta and Simona Pari, and five other hostages. Award-winning fashion designer Geoffrey Beene died in New York at age 77.

**Five years ago:** Iran tested its longest-range missiles and warned they could reach any place that threatened the country, including Israel, parts of Europe and U.S. military bases in the Mideast. Former Panamanian President Guillermo Endara, 73, who'd led his country to democracy after the U.S. invasion that toppled Gen. Manuel Noriega, died in Panama City.

**One year ago:** Locked in a deepening struggle with President Barack Obama, House Republicans demanded a one-year delay in major parts of the nation's new health care law and permanent repeal of a tax on medical devices as the price for preventing a partial government shutdown threatened for Oct. 1. (Senate Democrats rejected the plan and the White House said that "any member of the Republican Party who votes for this bill is voting for a shutdown.") The Global Citizen Festival, highlighting world poverty, took place in New York's Central Park.

**Today's Birthdays:** Actress Brigitte Bardot is 80. Singer Ben E. King is 76. Actor Joel Higgins is 71. Actor Jeffrey Jones is 68. Singer Helen Shapiro is 68. Movie writer-director-actor John Sayles is 64. Rock musician George Lynch is 60. Zydeco singer-musician C.J. Chenier (sheh-NEER') is 57. Actor Steve Hytner is 55. Actress-comedian Janeane Garofalo (juh-NEEN' guh-RAH'-fuh-loh) is 50. Country singer Matt King is 48. Actress Mira Sorvino is 47. TV personality Moon Zappa is 47. Actress-model Carre Otis is 46. Actress Naomi Watts is 46. Country singer Karen Fairchild (Little Big Town) is 45. Country musician Chuck Crawford is 41. Country singer Mandy Barnett is 39. Rapper Young Jeezy is 37. World Golf Hall of Famer Se Ri Pak is 37. Actor Peter Cambor is 36. Writer-producer-director-actor Bam Margera is 35. Actress Melissa Claire Egan is 33. Actress Jerrika Hinton is 33. Rock musician Daniel Platzman (Imagine Dragons) is 28. Actress Hilary Duff is 27. Actor Keir Gilchrist is 22.

**Thought for Today:** "To fight oppression, and to work as best we can for a sane organization of society, we do not have to abandon the state of mind of freedom. If we do that we are letting the same thuggery in by the back door that we are fighting off in front of the house." - John Dos Passos, American author (born 1896, died this date in 1970).