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The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is $\ensuremath{\mathbf{OPEN}}$

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.

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MS/HS Picture Day

School Breakfast: Cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: BBQ chicken, flatbread, sweet tots, veggie cups, fruit.

Senior Menu: Hot roast beef combination, carrots, mandarin oranges, peanut butter cookie

Anniversary: Lars & Kelli Hanson

Birthdays: Christopher Podoll • Gloria Pharis • Scott Vedvei • Shane Reich

7:00am: United Methodist Men's Bible Study 12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community

Center

3:45pm: United Methodist Confirmation 7:00pm: Emmanuel Luther League

7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Confirmation with

youth and parents

7:00pm: United Methodist Sr High UMYF

Thursday, October 9

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

School Lunch: Walking taco, refried beans, carrots and dip, fruit.

Senior Menu: Baked chicken breast, noodles roman off, lemon buttered broccoli, pineapple strawberry ambrosia, whole wheat bread.

Birthdays: • Clint Jacobson, Jr. • Jerry Johnson • Eileen Schuelke • Janet Harder • London Bahr • Joseph Smith

4:00pm: NEC XC at Webster

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

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

Land for cash rent 274 tillable acres in Day County/Union Township/ Section one/Lots 1,2,3, and 4. Mail all bids to Judy A .Tobin 42343 130th St. Pierpont, SD 57468. Closing Date Sept. 29, 2014. (pd)

Wanted to Rent

Looking for a small house to rent around the Aberdeen area. 605/380-0959.



Golden LivingCenter-Groton is accepting applications for:
Full-Time Dietary
Aide and Part-Time

Full-Time night RN/LPN - \$1,000 sign-on bonus eligible

Cook

Full-Time all shifts CNA - \$1,000 sign-on bonus eligible

Part-Time/Casual CNA

To apply stop in at 1106 N 2nd St., Groton, or call 605/397-2365.

SERVICE TECH

Farm Equipment Tech needed for repair and service of Case IH and Massey Ferguson farm equipment. Sponsored training, excellent benefit package and the possibility for advancement. Contact Steve at 605-395-6421 or email resume to s.harry@harrysinc.com.

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We certainly have seen the end of the growing season as the temperature dipped to 25 degrees this past week. In the process my tomato plants died a horrible death. I didn't get them picked like I had planned so I lost my valuable crop. I love to grow a garden and to harvest the produce throughout the year. I had a pretty good year but I am disappointed that I didn't get the tomatoes out of the garden before that killing frost hit. At least I wasn't depending on that crop as my income.

Harvest is moving along as the farmers are moving rapidly through the soybeans and will soon be attacking the corn. From what I have seen and heard we have a very good harvest but unfortunately the prices are low. Best of luck as you deal with the decisions that have to be made in terms of what you will do with that crop and be safe as you work long hours into the night to get the job done.



Just a few notes as I recap a couple of events that I attended this past week.

Probably the most educational thing I did was to take a helicopter tour in Day County to look at the water conditions. We also looked onto Clark County as we flew over the area to get a bird's eye view of the land that has been lost to the rising water. It is an unbelievable view and one that I will not soon forget. We must find some solutions to the problems that are being created as there is a lot of land that has been lost. This is land that has been farmed and could be producing income. The loss of productive farm land is not the only issue to consider. The high water has destroyed many of the roads in the area and some are completely covered by water. I have visited some of these areas to visit with the farmers in the past year but to see it from the air is really eye opening. It was a smooth ride and I enjoyed it very much but I really feel for those landowners who have to deal with the problems that have been created.

I gave a report in Aberdeen about the interim committee that is considering our roads and bridges. I have talked about this a couple of times in previous newsletters but I will just say that we have our final meetings in Pierre on November 6 and 7 to consider some ideas that may become bills for us to vote on this next session. These are open meetings so if you are interested you can come out or you can listen to the sessions on the internet. A lot of things have been talked about and we have had great input from interested parties. Now we need to find some solutions that will be supported by a large number of our legislators.

I also attended a Foster Grandparents Award Banquet in Aberdeen. It was a special event and it is amazing how many people give so much of themselves as volunteers. Some of the recipients are quite elderly and yet they keep giving to others.

Homecoming activities this past week included a fun but windy day in Doland on Friday and then a real cold but calm day in Aberdeen for Gypsy Day. This pretty much ends the high school homecomings but we do have SDSU's Hobo Day on October 25th. I hope to see you there.

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Dirks to celebrate 99th Birthday

Gladys Dirks will be honored for her 99th birthday on October 19th from 3:30 to 5:30 at Golden Living Center in Groton. Cake & coffee will be served. No gifts, please.



Houdek to celebrate 99th Birthday

Laverna Houdek of Groton, SD celebrates her 99th birthday on Tuesday, October 14, 2014. She enjoys visiting with friends and is still an avid Twins fan. Win or lose, Laverna, never misses a Twins game on TV. Greetings may be sent to 1005 Redwood Lane, Aberdeen SD, 57401.

Netters lose to Leola-Frederick

Groton's volleyball team lost to Leola-Frederick Tuesday night in Frederick, 25-23, 21-25, 22-25 and 22-25.

Groton was 123 of 145 in spikes with 25 kills. Josie Doeden was 35 of 40 with nine kills and Maggie Simon was 21 of 24 with five kills.

In serves, Groton was 84 of 97 with 17 ace serves. Marlee Jones was 19 of 21 with six ace serves and Ashley Gibbs was 15 of 16 with three ace serves.

Groton had 116 digs with Kasey Waage having 32, Ashley Gibbs 17 and Courtney Kurtz 15.

In sets, Groton was 126 of 126 with 26 assists. Kurtz had 116 with 22 assists and Audrey Wanner had six with three assists.

Groton had five blocks, three by Doeden and one each by Maggie Simon and Wanner.

Groton won the junior varsity match by game scores of 25-14 and 25-17.

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Today in Weather History

1982: October 8th and 9th, 1982 a record-breaking snowstorm for so early in the Fall paralyzed the northern Black Hills with three to six feet of heavy, wet snow and winds of 40 to 70 miles an hour. Some snowfall amounts included 41 inches at Galena, 36 inches at Lead, and 23 inches at Deadwood. Five to six feet of snow was common in the higher elevations. The heavy wet snow caused numerous problems. The roof of a clothing store in Lead collapsed under the weight of the snow and several other businesses were damaged. The roofs of at least three trailer homes also collapsed. The combination of strong winds and heavy snow broke tree branches (causing extensive timber damage), power lines and telephone poles. Damage was done to 40 miles of power lines, including 30 broken power poles. Some residents were without power for five days. The city of Deadwood was without electricity and fresh water for at least three days.

1871 - Prolonged drought and dessicating winds led to the great Chicago fire, the Peshtigo horror, and the Michigan fire holocaust. Fire destroyed more than seventeen thousand buildings killing more than 200 persons in the city of Chicago, while a fire consumed the town of Peshtigo WI killing more than 1100 persons. In Wisconsin, a million acres of land were burned, and in Michigan, 2.5 million acres were burned killing 200 persons. "Tornadoes of fire" generated by intense heat caused houses to explode in fire, and burned to death scores of persons seeking refuge in open fields. (David Ludlum) (The Weather Channel)

1901 - A deluge at Galveston, TX, produced nearly twelve inches of rain in about a six hour period. The rains came precisely thirteen months after the day of the famous Galveston hurricane disaster. (David Ludlum)

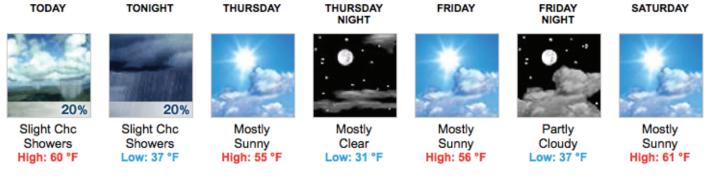
1982 - An unusually early snowstorm hit the northern Black Hills of Wyoming and South Dakota. The storm produced up to 54 inches of snow, and winds as high as 70 mph. The snowfall was very much dependent upon topography. Rapid City, 20 miles away, received just a trace of snow. (The Weather Channel)

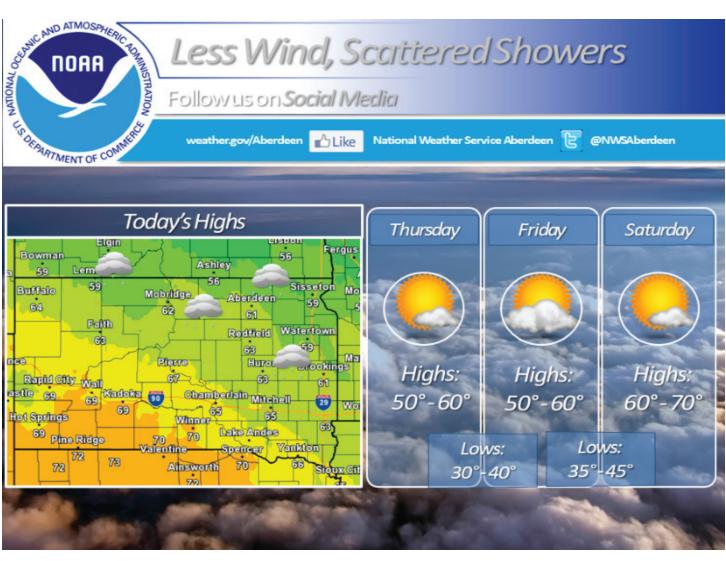
1987 - Unseasonably cold weather prevailed from the Upper Mississippi Valley to the southeastern U.S. Thirty cities reported record low temperatures for the date, including Madison WI with a reading of 22 degrees. The low of 28 degrees at Evansville IN was the coolest of record for so early in the season. Hot weather continued in the southwestern U.S. Phoenix AZ reported a record high of 104 degrees and a record tying 116 days of 100 degree weather for the year. Tucson AZ established an all-time record with 72 days of 100 degree weather for the year. (The National Weather Summary)

1988 - Snow was reported across parts of northern New England. Two inches blanketed Mount Snow VT. Warm weather continued in the northwestern U.S. The afternoon high of 80 degrees at Stampede Pass WA exceeded their previous record for October by seven degrees. (The National Weather Summary)

1989 - Morning lows in the 20s were reported from the Northern Plains to the Upper Great Lakes. International Falls MN and Marquette MI reported record lows of 22 degrees. Unseasonably warm weather prevailed in central California as the Oakland Athletics won the American League pennant. San Luis Obispo CA reported a high of 99 degrees. (The National Weather Summary)

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Less wind today as surface high pressure slides across the region. There could be an isolated shower that pops up later in the afternoon or evening, but little to no rainfall accumulation is expected. Slightly cooler air moves in for the latter half of the work week.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 60.2°F at 4:10 PM **Low:** 38.4°F at 11:04 PM

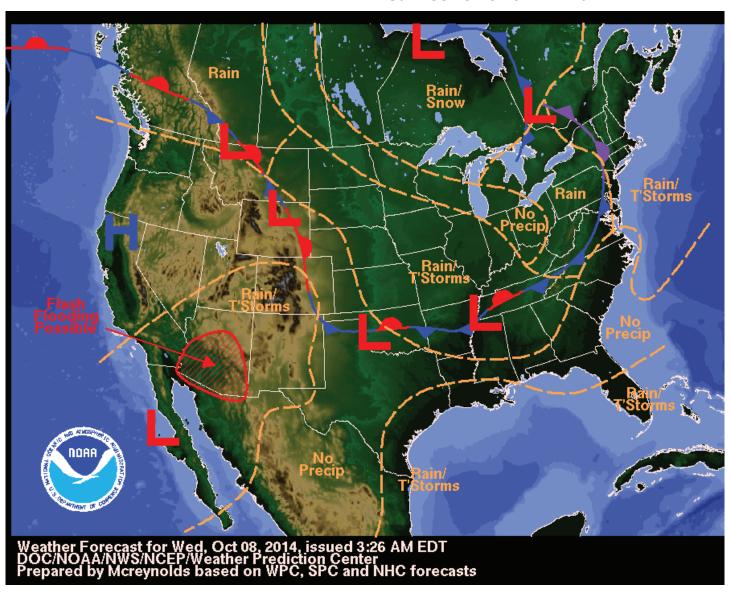
High Gust: 30 mph at 11:54 AM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info Record High: 87° in 1936

Record High: 87° in 1936 Record Low: 9° in 1895 Average High: 62°F Average Low: 36°F

Average Precip in Oct.: .54
Precip to date in Oct.: 0.02
Average Precip to date: 19.02
Precip Year to Date: 12.96
Sunset Tonight: 7:01 p.m.
Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:42 a.m.



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CONFIDENCE GUARANTEED!

Each time I walk through a book store I make it a point to visit the "self-help" section. It never ceases to amaze me at the large amount of space this particular category of books occupy. Over 1,500,000 different titles are available in the United States and the amount of money spent on them exceeded \$13,900,000.00.

In 1859 Samuel Smiles published a book entitled, Self-help, and an industry designed to provide self-help, self-improvement, problem solving and confidence building was born. But, this was not the beginning of this movement. The Egyptians receive some credit for this area of knowledge as well as The Book of Proverbs.

However, there's one very important difference between Proverbs and the other sources available for hope and help: The Book of Proverbs comes with a guarantee from God. The others do not, even cannot, guarantee anything. Only a guarantee that comes from God can be trusted.

"For the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being snared." Confidence does not come from a formula or a mental exercise, nor a plan or a program. It comes from the only One who can empower us to become and do things that are beyond our imagination. For whatever God wants us to do, He will, through His power, enable us to do it.

Confidence does not come from within - it comes from God. When we apply His "discernment and sound judgment," His presence and power is available for us.

Prayer: Lord, may we seek the wisdom of Your Word and reject the foolishness of those who live in darkness. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Proverbs 3:26 for the Lord will be at your side and will keep your foot from being snared.

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News from the App Associated Press

Former SD pastor accused of child sex crimes

CANTON, S.D. (AP) — A former pastor at a Canton church is accused of having sex with a minor while working there.

A federal grand jury in Lincoln County on Monday indicted Tony Haglund on three sex crime counts. The Argus Leader reports he was arrested in Florida's Sumter County, where he works as a real estate agent.

A woman who answered Haglund's phone told The Associated Press he had no comment.

Authorities allege Haglund had sexual contact with a 15-year-old girl when he pastor at Canton Lutheran Church.

David Zellmer is bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America South Dakota Synod. He tells the Argus Leader that the synod asked Haglund to resign when the allegations arose. Haglund resigned about a year ago.

Haglund could face 40 years in prison if convicted.

Rapid City man sentenced in Amber Alert case

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A Rapid City man found not guilty of beating his former girlfriend and kidnapping their two children has been sentenced to time served on a criminal trespass count.

Twenty-eight-year-old Skye 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 say they found Burnham-Endicott and the children in another apartment in the same complex hours later.

A jury late last month cleared him of aggravated assault and kidnapping charges but found him guilty of criminal trespassing. Judge Janine Kern on Tuesday sentenced him to the time he spent in jail following his arrest — about eight months.

State partially lifts Lesterville water ban

LESTERVILLE, S.D. (AP) — Residents of Lesterville can once again use water from the local system for washing and bathing, but they still can't drink it.

The state has partially lifted a water ban that was put in place Monday after high levels of a potentially dangerous chemical were found in the water.

The chemical tetrachloroethylene (teh-truh-klohr-oh-ETH'-eh-leen) is used mainly in the textile and dry cleaning industries, and in high amounts over time it can lead to liver problems and can increase people's cancer risk. It's not known how it got in the water.

Mayor Muriel Pratt says officials have put up a portable showering facility and are delivering bottled water to residents.

About 130 people live in the southeastern community.

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Harrisburg voters approve \$25M school bond issue

HARRISBURG, S.D. (AP) — Residents in the Harrisburg School District near Sioux Falls have overwhelmingly approved a \$25 million bond issue.

The money will pay for a new elementary school, a high school addition and improvements to other facilities.

Eighty-four percent of the 1,054 voters in Tuesday's election favored the proposal. Construction is to start in the spring, with the new facilities ready by the start of the 2016 school year.

First 3 flu cases of the season confirmed in SD

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota has its first flu cases of the season.

The state Health Department says officials have confirmed one case of influenza A and two cases of influenza B.

The flu cases are a child in Charles Mix County and two older residents in Lawrence and Pennington counties.

State Epidemiologist Lon Kightlinger says getting vaccinated is the best way to guard against getting the flu.

Tuesday's Scores

The Associated Press

VOLLEYBALL

Aberdeen Central def. Brookings, 25-20, 25-20, 25-20

Alcester-Hudson def. Centerville, 25-19, 25-13, 25-14

Andes Central def. Freeman, 25-21, 25-21, 25-10

Arlington def. Deuel, 25-14, 25-10, 25-17

Belle Fourche def. Sturgis, 20-25, 28-26, 25-27, 26-24, 15-12

Bennett County def. Red Cloud, 25-20, 19-25, 25-21, 15-25, 15-13

Bison def. Faith, 25-14, 25-20, 25-12

Bridgewater-Emery def. Canistota, 25-20, 25-8, 25-21

Castlewood def. Florence/Henry, 25-15, 25-13, 25-14

Chester def. Tri-Valley, 25-12, 25-16, 25-9

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Clark/Willow Lake def. Britton-Hecla, 25-21, 25-21, 25-12

Dakota Valley def. Homer, Neb., 25-13, 25-11, 25-15

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Flasher, N.D. def. McIntosh, 25-11, 25-14, 25-8

Gayville-Volin def. Irene-Wakonda, 25-16, 25-20, 25-7

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Kimball/White Lake def. Chamberlain, 25-13, 25-16, 25-18

Lead-Deadwood def. Harding County, 25-23, 25-17, 20-25, 25-22

Lyman def. Kadoka Area, 25-12, 25-9, 26-24

Marion def. Menno, 25-17, 25-14, 26-24

Marshall, Minn. def. Sioux Falls Lincoln, 25-18, 25-16, 25-14

Marty Indian def. Crow Creek, 13-25, 14-25, 25-8, 25-19, 15-7

McCook Central/Montrose def. Howard, 25-11, 25-15, 26-24

Milbank def. Ortonville, Minn., 25-11, 25-14, 25-17

Miller def. Aberdeen Roncalli, 23-25, 25-15, 19-25, 25-12, 15-12

Newell def. Dupree, 25-9, 24-26, 26-24, 25-27, 15-13

Northwestern def. Webster, 25-8, 25-9, 25-10

Oldham-Ramona/Rutland def. Great Plains Lutheran, 25-15, 18-25, 25-23, 20-25, 15-10

Parkston def. Platte-Geddes, 25-16, 25-19, 26-24

Pine Ridge def. Hot Springs, 25-11, 25-20, 25-10

Potter County def. Herreid/Selby Area, 25-13, 25-21, 25-20

Sanborn Central/Woonsocket def. Sunshine Bible Academy, 25-27, 25-11, 25-20, 25-27, 15-13

Sioux Falls Christian def. Canton, 25-15, 25-9, 25-9

Sioux Falls O'Gorman def. Sioux Falls Washington, 25-14, 25-16, 25-9

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Wagner def. Scotland, 25-23, 25-9, 25-14

Warner def. Langford, 25-3, 25-5, 25-8

Watertown def. Sioux Falls Roosevelt, 20-25, 15-25, 25-19, 25-22, 15-10

Waverly-South Shore def. Estelline, 19-25, 25-19, 25-12, 22-25, 15-11

West Central def. Beresford, 25-9, 25-18, 25-15

White River def. Todd County, 25-10, 25-18, 20-25, 25-7

Wilmot def. Rosholt, 25-14, 25-15, 25-20

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Ainsworth Tournament

Stuart, Neb. def. Colome, 25-8, 25-11, 25-14

Arbitrator dismisses EB-5 lawsuit for South Dakota KEVIN BURBACH, ASSOCIATED PRESS

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A lawsuit brought against South Dakota six years ago related to the state's embattled visa program designed to lure wealthy immigrants to invest in state projects has been dismissed. On Tuesday, the South Dakota Board of Regents announced that a California arbitrator dismissed the breach-of-contract lawsuit initially brought against the state in 2008 by California-based Darley International.

Darley filed the lawsuit against the South Dakota International Business Institute, whose employee Joop Bollen administered the EB-5 visa program while he worked for the public institute at Northern

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State University. Darley had an agreement to recruit investors in China for South Dakota projects and argued that Bollen and SDIBI violated that agreement by ending it in 2008.

Arbitrator Robert A. Baines found that the SDIBI had the power to legally terminate its agreement and there was no breach of contract when SDIBI ended the arrangement in January 2008, the Board of Regents said Tuesday in a news release. All claims brought by Darly have been dismissed, the regents said.

The EB-5 program and the lawsuit have become a key political issue in the state over the past several months as the midterm elections near.

South Dakota's Democratic Party has accused Bollen of dragging the state into a costly lawsuit and argues that he should not have filed documents on behalf of the state during the early stages of the lawsuit. The lawsuit began while Mike Rounds, who's running for U.S. Senate, was governor. Whether Rounds knew of the lawsuit has become an issue in his current campaign. He has said he was not personally aware of the lawsuit when it was filed.

Rounds said Tuesday that he "feels vindicated" in light of the announcement

"Today's decision proves what I've been saying all along — that everything my opponents have been saying about EB-5 are lies, innuendo, and nonsense misinformation," he said in a news release.

The Democratic Party called on the Board of Regents Tuesday to pursue legal action against Bollen for the cost of the lawsuit's legal fees, which they estimate to be \$500,000.

Zach Crago, the executive director of the state Democratic Party, also requested the Board of Regents release all documents related to the now-closed litigation.

"It is my hope that the Board of Regents will comply right away with the previous requests of state legislators, the press, and the public to release these documents since their previous conditions have been lifted," Crago said in a release.

Bollen has agreed to respond to questions from a legislative committee regarding the EB-5 program in the state but has declined to comment to media as the news has unfolded.

South Dakota confirms 2 new cases of swine disease

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota veterinary officials say two more farms have confirmed cases of a potentially deadly swine virus, bringing the state total to 38 farms.

The South Dakota Animal Industry Board held a conference call Tuesday for its October meeting. Staff veterinarian Dr. Todd Tedrow says two new hog farms in the state have confirmed cases of Swine Enteric Coronavirus Diseases.

Most of the cases in the state are the porcine epidemic diarrhea virus. State Veterinarian Dr. Dustin Oedekoven says one is the porcine delta coronavirus.

Oedekoven says South Dakota has had considerably fewer cases than surrounding states such as Minnesota and Iowa. But he says the porcine epidemic diarrhea virus is still a concern because it can spread easily and can be deadly to piglets.

State says defense of marriage ban unchanged

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The state attorney general says South Dakota will continue to defend its constitutional ban on same-sex marriage despite a decision by the U.S. Supreme Court to not hear the issue. Marty Jackley says the state still believes marriage should be defined by South Dakota voters and not by the federal courts. Jackley says the state's "longstanding tradition" will now be tested in federal district court and likely the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals.

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Six same-sex couples challenged the state's ban in federal court in May with Minneapolis attorney Josh Newville. Newville questioned Tuesday whether South Dakota wants to be remembered as one of the last state's in the country to legalize same-sex marriage.

Oral arguments are expected to be scheduled soon on the state's motion to dismiss the lawsuit.

Small passenger plane lands in field near Glenham

GLENHAM, S.D. (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration says no one was injured when a small passenger plane from Aberdeen landed in a field while on its way to Mobridge on Tuesday morning.

FAA spokeswoman Elizabeth Cory says the Piper 31 aircraft had two passengers and landed in a field this morning one mile south of the town of Glenham. She didn't specify why the plane went down.

The FAA is still investigating the incident. Cory says she expects to have more details later Tuesday afternoon.

South Dakota measure on doctor choice stirs debate REGINA GARCIA CANO, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota patients could have more choice of doctors within their health insurance networks if voters approve a ballot measure that is drawing strong opposition from the health insurance industry.

The proposal on the ballot, Initiated Measure 17, seems simple enough: doctors who agree to the conditions set forth by insurers, including payments for services provided to patients, could join the insurer's preferred providers list.

Preferred providers, also known as in-network doctors, usually charge less for services than those outside the network. One of the complaints about President Barack Obama's health law is that some of the insurance plans offered on state exchanges don't offer enough doctors in-network. At least in theory, the South Dakota measure would expand that if more doctors join networks.

The measure has split the medical community with the state's medical association — dominated by doctors — and specialty hospitals in favor of it and health insurers and large hospital networks opposed.

Big health insurers say that allowing doctors to join any plan — known in medical circles as "any-willing provider requirements" — would increase the costs of health care.

"Any-willing provider requirements directly undermine health plans' efforts to promote quality, affordable care for consumers," said Clare Krusing, a spokeswoman for trade association America's Health Insurance Plans. "The research shows that consumers pay the price."

Health insurers form networks in part to gain leverage in negotiating better rates with doctors or hospitals who want to be included in that network in order to get the insurer's business. Preferred provider organizations, or PPOs, are a common form of coverage that involves large networks of doctors and other care providers.

As insurers attempt to corral rising health care costs, narrow networks have grown more common, especially in coverage sold on new public health insurance marketplaces created by the health care law. These networks might include only 30 percent or less of the hospitals in a geographic area, as opposed to 70 percent or more for a broader network, according to the consulting firm McKinsey & Co.

While South Dakota is a small market, the insurance industry is watching the outcome of the ballot measure closely as similar proposals have been considered over the past year in other states including Pennsylvania and New Hampshire.

Supporters commissioned a study by a University of South Dakota economist to look into the potential

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cost effects of the proposed law. Associate professor Michael Allgrunn found that the proposed law would not increase health expenditures, but critics point to empirical studies into any-willing provider laws that show overall costs could increase at least 3 percent.

"This is really about putting patients back in control of their health care decisions," said Dr. Blake Curd, a state senator and an orthopedic surgeon, who supports the measure. "People need to be able to pick the physician and/or the provider that they think is in the best position to help them get better when they face a health care challenge."

The measure got onto the ballot after supporters responded to defeat in the Legislature in March by submitting more than 30,000 signatures, almost twice the number needed.

In South Dakota, such a law for pharmacies went into effect in 1990. Twenty-six other states currently have some form of any-willing provider laws, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. The services they encompass vary widely; most of the laws apply exclusively to pharmacies, others to chiropractors and some to a broad range of providers.

Backers of "Yes on 17" have spent over \$500,000 on their campaign with the slogan "Freedom to choose your doctor." Their billboards have been up for at least six months and their TV ads have run during primetime.

The committee behind "No on 17" will disclose its contributions and expenses for the first time in a filing with the secretary of state's office by Oct. 24.

The measure's foes include insurers Avera Health Plans and Sanford Health Plan, whose operators also own the largest hospital networks in the state.

"I think it's very deceiving because they want to say 'You can go to any doctor you want,' and the answer is that's not completely true," said Dr. Preston Renshaw, chief medical officer of Avera Health Plans. "...If the doctor doesn't meet the terms and conditions (set by the insurance company), that doctor still might not be there."

Renshaw added that health plans offered in the state already allow patients to receive services from out-of-network doctors and do cover a portion of those visits. That share covered by the insurer is smaller than what it would pay for in-network visits.

Jamaican DJ files plea deal in lottery scam

DAVE KOLPACK, Associated Press

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — A prominent Jamaican disc jockey charged for his role in a lottery scam targeting older people in the Dakotas and elsewhere is scheduled to plead guilty.

Deon-ville O'Hara, also known as ZJ Wah Wa, is among 26 people who were indicted by a federal grand jury in North Dakota, where the investigation is centered. He is charged with three counts, including conspiracy, wire fraud, and money laundering.

A plea agreement filed last month calls for O'Hara to plead guilty to conspiracy, which carries a maximum sentence of 40 years in prison. A hearing is scheduled for Oct. 24 in Bismarck.

Steven Mottinger, O'Hara's attorney, declined to comment.

U.S. Attorney Timothy Purdon would not comment specifically, but said people should be on guard and discuss possible scams with family members.

"I cannot say this too many times or loudly enough, if you get a phone call telling you that you won a lottery you didn't enter, hang up, hang up, 'Purdon said. "It's a scam."

The original indictment listed among the victims an 83-year-old North Dakota woman who sent seven

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separate checks for a total of nearly \$158,000 after she was promised \$19 million in winnings. Authorities say she was talked into emptying her savings account and taking out a loan on a life insurance policy.

Other victims included a South Dakota man who sent a \$14,000 cashier's check after he was promised \$3.5 million and a 2012 Mercedes, and a 92-year-old man from Charleston, South Carolina, who mailed an \$80,000 cashier's check to one of the defendants, court documents show.

Seven people have pleaded guilty in the case and are scheduled for sentencing in March 2015.

Jamaican lottery schemes have been happening for many years. The Jamaica and U.S. governments set up a task force in 2009 to stop the scams, but the problem has gotten worse, Purdon said.

Pennington County officer injured by suspect

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A Pennington County sheriff's deputy was treated at a Rapid City hospital for a leg injury and released after authorities say he was struck by a vehicle while trying to apprehend a suspect.

The sheriff's office says Deputy Shawn Stalder was trying to arrest a woman for a probation violation Monday afternoon when she got into a sport utility vehicle. Stalder tried to wrestle her from the vehicle but she drove off and ran over his left leg.

The woman was later arrested and taken to the hospital for treatment of unspecified injuries.

SDSU takes big hit in FCS polls after weekend loss

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota State University took a big hit in the Football Championship Subdivision polls after a 45-10 weekend loss to Illinois State.

The Jackrabbits fell from ninth to 19th in both the coaches' poll and The Sports Network Poll. Undefeated Illinois State moved up from 22nd to 15th in both polls.

SDSU hosts Missouri State on Saturday.

Truck crash in ND kills turkeys; SD driver hurt

LAMOURE, N.D. (AP) — A semitrailer crash in southeastern \tilde{N} orth Dakota killed an estimated 400 turkeys and injured the South Dakota driver.

The Highway Patrol says the semi went out of control on a curve on a county road near LaMoure about 9 p.m. Monday and landed on its side in the ditch.

The semi was hauling a flatbed trailer with cages containing about 800 turkeys. Patrol Sgt. Tom Herzig says the owner of the turkeys rounded up those that were not killed.

Fifty-nine-year-old driver Lavern Lentz, of Huron, South Dakota, was flown to an Aberdeen hospital with what the patrol said were serious injuries.

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. SYRIAN RIGHTS GROUPS CALL ON WORLD TO SAVE KOBANI

The dramatic appeal comes after Islamic State fighters pushed into parts of the town located on the Syria-Turkish border.

2. WHAT U.S. EBOLA TRAINING FOCUSES ON

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Physicians practice how to safely put on and take off white suits and helmets to avoid breaches in health workers' protective gear which have contributed to the virus spread in West Africa.

3. NOBEL IN CHEMISTRY REVEALED

The prize goes to Americans Eric Betzig and William Moerner and German scientist Stefan Hell for "the development of super-resolved fluorescence microscopy."

4. PRESSURE RISING IN KERRY NUCLEAR TALKS WITH IRAN

America's top diplomat plunges back into Iranian nuclear talks with one eye on his adversary and the other on developments at home.

5. LAS VEGAS CHAPELS READY FOR GAY WEDDINGS

The city's Marriage License Bureau is expected to issue licenses for same-sex couples starting at 2 p.m. (5 p.m. EDT) Wednesday.

6. MYANMAR TRIES TO ERASE ROHINGYA NAME

The government tries to compel residents of the country's only Muslim-majority region who refuse to register with immigration officials to identify themselves as illegal migrants from Bangladesh.

7. WHY WAREHOUSE WORKERS TAKE AMAZON TO COURT

The justices will decide if the company's two former staffers should be compensated for time spent in security screenings under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

8. WHO QUESTIONS HONG KONG PROTESTS

Typically middle-class, middle-aged and proudly pragmatic, Hong Kongers who call themselves the "silent majority" bristle at the notion that the teenagers and 20-somethings camping out on the streets represent the former British colony.

9. GEITHNER GRILLED OVER AIG BAILOUT

The former New York Federal Reserve chief is due back in court in a trial of a lawsuit filed by the insurance giant's former CEO over the handling of the rescue.

10. ISRAELI LIBRARY OWNS PRIZED COLLECTION

Among its treasures are Kafka's Hebrew vocabulary notebook, the first written evidence of the Yiddish language and Bibles smuggled out of Syria by the Mossad.

AP News in Brief

Syrian rights groups call on world to save town of Kobani from falling to Islamic State group

MURSITPINAR, Turkey (AP) — Several Syrian human rights groups called on the world to save the embattled Syrian Kurdish town of Kobani from falling into the hands of the Islamic State group as a new U.S.-led airstrikes targeted the extremists near the town Wednesday.

The dramatic appeal late Tuesday came after Islamic State fighters pushed into parts of the town, located on the Syria-Turkish border and also known as Ayn Arab, its Arabic name.

Kobani has been under the onslaught of the Islamic State group since mid-September when the militants' launched their offensive in the area, capturing several Kurdish villages around the town and bringing Syria's civil war yet again to Turkey's doorstep.

The fighting has forced some 200,000 of the town residents and villagers from the area to flee and seek shelter across the frontier in Turkey. Activists also say that more than 400 people have been killed in the fighting.

Around noon Wednesday, warplanes believed to be of the U.S.-led coalition bombed positions of the

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Islamic State group near Kobani. One airstrike, visible from the border, hit a hill and an open space near the town.

Docs' Ebola training focuses on astronaut-like gear; breaches contributed to spread in Africa

CHICAGO (AP) — The serious-faced physicians practice pulling on bulky white suits and helmets that make them look more like astronauts than doctors preparing to fight a deadly enemy. These training sessions at U.S. hospitals on Ebola alert and for health workers heading to Africa can make the reality sink in: Learning how to safely put on and take off the medical armor is crucial.

"When you're in the real deal, remember to take your time," biosafety expert John Bivona told doctors during a course this week at the University of Chicago's medical center. Suits splashed with patients' vomit or blood must be removed carefully, he explained.

"As much as possible, grab from the inside" to avoid touching contaminated parts of the suits, he said. "Be liberal with disinfectant."

Looking stoic after this week's training, Dr. Mark Nunnally said he's "not overly worried, but I think there's a legitimate concern" that someone with Ebola may arrive at the hospital's door.

An anesthesiologist, he's among about 35 doctors and nurses who've volunteered to treat any Ebola patients who may show up at the Chicago hospital. Nunnally said he volunteered because "somebody has to do it, and I think it's important to give care where there's a need."

Report: Sierra Leone Ebola burial teams strike, leaving bodies in streets

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone (AP) — The Sierra Leone Broadcasting Corporation reported Wednesday that bodies of Ebola victims have been left in the country's streets because of a strike by burial teams, who complain they have not been paid

Health Ministry spokesman Sidie Yahya Tunis said the situation is "very embarrassing," insisting money was available to pay the teams. He promised to provide more information later Wednesday.

The World Health Organization says Ebola is believed to have killed more than 600 people in Sierra Leone, where there have been more than 2,100 confirmed cases.

In Spain, officials said a nurse and a nursing assistant have been placed under observation for Ebola in a Madrid hospital where a colleague became infected after working with two Spanish missionary priests who contracted the disease in West Africa and later died at the center. It was not known whether the two also treated the two priests or the infected colleague.

The infected nursing assistant is the first person known to catch the disease outside the outbreak zone in West Africa during the current epidemic. She was said to be in stable condition Wednesday.

Kerry to meet Iran's top diplomat for more nuke talks, as each contends with politics at home

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a late-November deadline approaching, America's top diplomat is plunging back into Iranian nuclear talks with one eye on his adversary and the other on developments at home, as pressure rises in Washington for a deal ensuring the Islamic republic cannot become a nuclear state. The prospect of a Republican takeover of the Senate means Secretary of State John Kerry will be on

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a tight leash.

Kerry, European Union negotiator Catherine Ashton and Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif will gather in Vienna next week, diplomats say. Another negotiating round is expected shortly after to include Britain, China, France, Germany and Russia. They all have seven weeks to seal a comprehensive accord easing economic sanctions on Iran for curbs on its nuclear program. Failure could mean the process falling apart.

But there is no guarantee negotiators can reach a historic compromise. Iran has invested billions in its nuclear infrastructure and says it won't dismantle a program of energy production that it considers its inherent right. Hawks in the U.S., Israel and elsewhere fear world powers are making too many concessions, leaving Iran on the threshold of developing nuclear weapons and destabilizing the Middle East and beyond.

U.S. and European negotiators hope that capping Iran's uranium centrifuges at a few thousand, forcing Tehran to redesign a potential plutonium plant and guaranteeing strict inspections of Iranian sites could be parts of a solution.

Las Vegas, its chapels and Elvis impersonators ready for same-sex weddings after court ruling

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The marriage licenses are already gender neutral. Chapel photographers have been practicing shooting two brides wearing white gowns. And an ordained Elvis will be waiting at the end of the aisle.

Las Vegas, the land of wedding chapels, is ready for gay weddings.

On Tuesday, Nevada and Idaho joined the growing number of states where same-sex marriage is legal when the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that gay couples' equal protection rights were violated by the gay marriage bans in both states.

The Marriage License Bureau in Las Vegas is expected to issue licenses for same-sex couples starting at 2 p.m. Wednesday. Idaho will start Wednesday morning.

Las Vegas saw this moment coming and prepared accordingly. The county's marriage licenses went gender-neutral a couple weeks ago, just in case.

Pragmatic 'silent majority' in Hong Kong critical of protests, prioritize economic stability

HONG KONG (AP) — When Beijing cracked down on student protesters in Tiananmen Square in 1989, Bobby Yim was among many in Hong Kong who sympathized with the demonstrators and angrily denounced the Chinese government. But 25 years later, his views on China have changed — and he couldn't muster any support for the students now clamoring for democratic reforms in his own city.

"Yes, the Chinese government was wrong then. But we were very emotional. Looking back, if the students had won, would China be where it is now?" said Yim, a retired insurance manager out for a stroll at a mall in Taikoo Place, a few subway stops from the main protest site. Yet there was almost no sign here of the turmoil that has rocked Hong Kong.

"The kids occupying the streets now are dragging the whole society down. I think the economy and people's livelihoods are more important that what they are asking for," he added. "I tolerate them, but only to a certain degree."

Yim's views are echoed by many of the older generation in this city of 7 million, which has been deeply

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divided over Hong Kong's student-led pro-democracy protests pushing for a greater say in choosing the city's leader.

The scale and youthfulness of the movement, the largest and most dramatic since the former British colony returned to Chinese rule in 1997, has captured the world's imagination, but many Hong Kongers who consider themselves older and wiser have stood by watching with skepticism.

Israeli national library's rare manuscripts tell amazing stories of survival

JERUSALEM (AP) — These are treasures that Israel doesn't allow anyone to check out of its national library.

Kafka's Hebrew vocabulary notebook. The first written evidence of the Yiddish language. And the Crowns of Damascus, Bibles smuggled out of Syria 20 years ago in a Mossad spy operation so classified that their very existence in Israel was kept secret for years.

Many nations maintain official libraries of their countries' most prized historical manuscripts. Israel's is unique: It seeks manuscripts from every country in the world where Jews have ever lived.

Now the National Library of Israel is dusting the cobwebs off some of the most prized jewels of its collection as it seeks to draw attention to a new effort to preserve — and publicize — these treasures. It's pioneering a worldwide initiative to digitize every Hebrew manuscript in existence. It's building a new home next to the Israeli parliament. On Sunday, it sent a prized manuscript handwritten by medieval Jewish philosopher Maimonides to France accompanied by bodyguards for a first-ever display at the Louvre Museum.

Court fight over federally protected bird puts temporary halt to Sandy recovery on Fire Island

BAY SHORE, N.Y. (AP) — A court fight to protect the piping plover is holding up a \$207 million plan to replenish sand along a 19-mile stretch of shoreline on New York's Fire Island.

The small bird that lives on the island is listed as threatened under the federal Endangered Species Act and, elsewhere in the country, is listed as endangered. Besides arguing to protect the bird's habitat, critics say the project would be a huge waste of money.

But elected officials have decried the delay, saying human lives are in danger if a repeat of 2012's Superstorm Sandy strikes the region and work is not completed to bulk up Fire Island as a barrier for mainland Long Island. During the storm, dunes as high as 20 feet facing the Atlantic Ocean were credited with absorbing the brunt of Sandy's fury and preventing widespread damage on the barrier island 5 miles south of Long Island's mainland.

A hearing on the dispute was set for Wednesday in federal court on Long Island.

On one side is the environmental group Audubon New York, which last month obtained a temporary restraining order halting the project. One the other is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which is directing the project. Suffolk County joined the government's side last week.

Ex-New York Fed, Treasury chief Geithner grilled in court over handling of 2008 bailout of AIG

WASHINGTON (AP) — Timothy Geithner, a key player in the U.S. government's 2008 bailout of Ameri-

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can International Group Inc., is due back in court Wednesday in a trial of a lawsuit filed by the insurance giant's former CEO over the handling of the rescue.

On Tuesday, Geithner affirmed his belief that the bailout was needed to avert disaster for the financial system. Geithner was president of the New York Federal Reserve at the time of the rescue and later Treasury secretary.

A lawyer grilled Geithner at the trial of the lawsuit brought by former AIG Chairman and CEO Maurice Greenberg. He is suing the federal government for about \$40 billion in damages, asserting that it violated the Constitution's Fifth Amendment by taking control of the insurance giant without "just compensation" for the shares it received.

The \$85 billion loan package for AIG, which was teetering toward bankruptcy in September 2008, gave the government control of 80 percent of the New York-based company's stock. While upholding the necessity of the AIG bailout, Geithner in his testimony Tuesday also acknowledged that he had said the bailout "wiped out" AIG shareholders.

That statement was in line with testimony Monday by former Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson, who said the AIG bailout was specifically designed by the government to punish the company. Paulson, who headed the Treasury Department at the time of the rescue, said AIG shareholders should have faced punishment for the company's troubled balance sheet.

Vikings star Adrian Peterson heads to court, not guilty plea likely in child abuse case

HOUSTON (AP) — For Texas prosecutor Lucy Wilke, there was no gray area about whether an 11-year-old boy being hit nearly 20 times with a three-foot piece of looped wire by his father for not taking out the trash was discipline or child abuse.

"This was just excessive. This was abuse and not corporal punishment," said Wilke, who in 2010 helped convict the Kerrville, Texas, man on a charge of injury to a child. He was sentenced to four years in prison.

Prosecutors in Montgomery County, north of Houston, also believe there is no gray area when it comes to Minnesota Vikings running back Adrian Peterson, who faces the exact same charge. Like the Kerrville case, Peterson used an object — in his case a tree branch — to discipline his 4-year-old son.

Peterson is expected to plead not guilty on Wednesday during his first court appearance since being indicted last month. If convicted, Peterson faces up to two years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. Peterson has said he never intended to harm his son and was only disciplining him in the same way he had been disciplined as a child growing up in East Texas.

Corporal punishment is legal in every U.S. state. Should Peterson's case go to trial, legal experts say, the final determination of what is reasonable discipline will be based on the standards found in the local community — and Texas law offers no definition of what that is. It says the use of non-deadly force against someone younger than 18 is justified if a parent or guardian "reasonably believes the force is necessary to discipline the child or to safeguard or promote his welfare."

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Today in History

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Today is Wednesday, Oct. 8, the 281st day of 2014. There are 84 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 8, 1914, the World War I song "Keep the Home Fires Burning," by Ivor Novello and Lena Guilbert Ford, was first published in London under the title "Till the Boys Come Home."

On this date:

In 1869, the 14th president of the United States, Franklin Pierce (puhrs), died in Concord, New Hampshire.

In 1871, the Great Chicago Fire erupted; fires also broke out in Peshtigo, Wisconsin, and in several communities in Michigan.

In 1918, U.S. Army Cpl. Alvin C. York led an attack that killed 25 German soldiers and captured 132 others in the Argonne Forest in France.

In 1934, Bruno Hauptmann was indicted by a grand jury in New Jersey for murder in the death of the kidnapped son of Charles and Anne Morrow Lindbergh.

In 1944, "The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet," starring Ozzie and Harriet Nelson, made its debut on CBS Radio. Former Republican presidential nominee Wendell Willkie, 52, died in New York.

In 1945, President Harry S. Truman announced that the secret of the atomic bomb would be shared only with Britain and Canada.

In 1956, Don Larsen pitched the only perfect game in a World Series to date as the New York Yankees beat the Brooklyn Dodgers in Game 5, 2-0.

In 1957, the Brooklyn Baseball Club announced it was accepting an offer to move the Dodgers from New York to Los Angeles.

In 1967, former British Prime Minister Clement Attlee died in London at age 84.

In 1970, Soviet author Alexander Solzhenitsyn was named winner of the Nobel Prize for literature.

In 1982, all labor organizations in Poland, including Solidarity, were banned.

In 1992, former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt died in Unkel, Germany, at age 78.

Ten years ago: In a testy debate rematch, President George W. Bush and Sen. John Kerry quarreled over the war in Iraq, jobs, education, health care, abortion, the environment, cheaper drugs and tort reform at a town-hall session in St. Louis. Thirty-four people, most of them Israelis, were killed when suicide bombers blew up the Taba Hilton Hotel in Egypt. A videotape surfaced showing militants beheading British hostage Kenneth Bigley in Iraq. Martha Stewart reported to the Alderson Federal Prison Camp in West Virginia to begin serving five months behind bars for lying about a stock sale. Kenyan environmentalist Wangari Maathai (wan-GAH'-ree mah-DY') won the Nobel Peace Prize.

Five years ago: An Arizona sweat lodge ceremony turned deadly as some participants became ill and collapsed inside the 415-square-foot structure; three died. (Motivational speaker James Arthur Ray, who'd led the ceremony, was convicted in 2011 of three counts of negligent homicide and served 20 months in prison.) A powerful car bomb exploded outside the Indian Embassy in Kabul, killing 17 people. Romanian-born German writer Herta Mueller won the Nobel Prize in literature.

One year ago: The White House said President Barack Obama would nominate Federal Reserve vice chair Janet Yellen to succeed Ben Bernanke as chairman of the nation's central bank. Britain's Peter Higgs and Belgian colleague Francois Englert won the Nobel Prize in physics for helping to explain how matter formed after the Big Bang. Phil Chevron, 56, the guitarist for the boisterous Anglo-Irish band the Pogues, died in Dublin.

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Today's Birthdays: Entertainment reporter Rona Barrett is 78. Actor Paul Hogan is 75. Rhythm-and-blues singer Fred Cash (The Impressions) is 74. Civil rights activist Rev. Jesse Jackson is 73. Comedian Chevy Chase is 71. Author R.L. Stine is 71. Actor Dale Dye is 70. Country singer Susan Raye is 70. TV personality Sarah Purcell is 66. Actress Sigourney Weaver is 65. Rhythm-and-blues singer Robert "Kool" Bell (Kool & the Gang) is 64. Producer-director Edward Zwick is 62. Country singer-musician Ricky Lee Phelps is 61. Actor Michael Dudikoff is 60. Comedian Darrell Hammond is 59. Actress Stephanie Zimbalist is 58. Rock musician Mitch Marine is 53. Actress Kim Wayans is 53. Rock singer Steve Perry (Cherry Poppin' Daddies) is 51. Actor Ian Hart is 50. Gospel and rhythm-and-blues singer CeCe Winans is 50. Rock musician C.J. Ramone (The Ramones) is 49. Actress-producer Karyn Parsons is 48. Singer-producer Teddy Riley is 48. Actress Emily Procter is 46. Actor Dylan Neal is 45. Actor-screenwriter Matt Damon is 44. Actress Kristanna Loken is 35. Rhythm-and-blues singer Byron Reeder (Mista) is 35. Rock-soul singer-musician Noelle Scaggs (Fitz and the Tantrums) is 35. Actor Nick Cannon is 34. Actor Max Crumm is 29. Singer-songwriter-producer Bruno Mars is 29. Actor Angus T. Jones is 21. Actress Molly Quinn is 21.

Thought for Today: "Everything that irritates us about others can lead us to an understanding of ourselves." - Carl Gustav Jung, Swiss psychiatrist (1875-1961).