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Anniversaries: Marc & Jane Johnson • Charles & Sabrina Padfield

Birthdays: • Tyler Holm • Heather Merkel • Carroll Nehls • Cadance Jo Tullis • Michaela Kavanaugh

9:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran School

9:00am: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

9:15am: Emmanuel Lutheran Fellowship

10:00am: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Pierpont (LCMC) worship

10:15am: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship

11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship

5:00pm: Worship at Trinity Church

7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Choir

Monday, October 13

NATIVE AMERICAN DAY - NO SCHOOL

Senior Menu: Chicken rice casserole, green beans, spinach salad, chocolate pudding with bananas, whole wheat bread.

Birthdays: • Carna Atherton-Pray • Carter Jon-dahl • Michael Shilhanek • Kay Olson

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

5:30pm: Northeast Region DI Team Managers Training at GES

7:30pm: School Board Meeting

Sperry Stump Removal Tyler: 605/216-8431
Over 30 Years of Combined Experience!
TJ: 605/380-7915 **TreeLine Tree Service**

The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is **OPEN**

CLOSED: Recycling Trailer in Groton

The recycling trailer is gone for now at 10 East Railroad Ave. Don't forget, there is also a dumpster at the city shop for aluminum cans with the proceeds going to the pool.

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

FOR RENT

Attached garage.

Major appliances included.

\$700 per month

Roger: 605/397-7118

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FRIDAY IS
FRIED CHICKEN DAY
Served with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

Serving 5-9 p.m.

WE'VE GOT WINGS!
Every Wednesday!

ANDOVER BAR & GRILL
120 S Main St. • 298-5252

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.

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Golden LivingCenter-Groton is accepting applications for:
Full-Time Dietary Aide and Part-Time Cook
Full-Time night RN/LPN - \$1,000 sign-on bonus eligible
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Part-Time/Casual CNA
To apply stop in at 1106 N 2nd St., Groton, or call 605/397-2365.

EOE/M/F/D/V

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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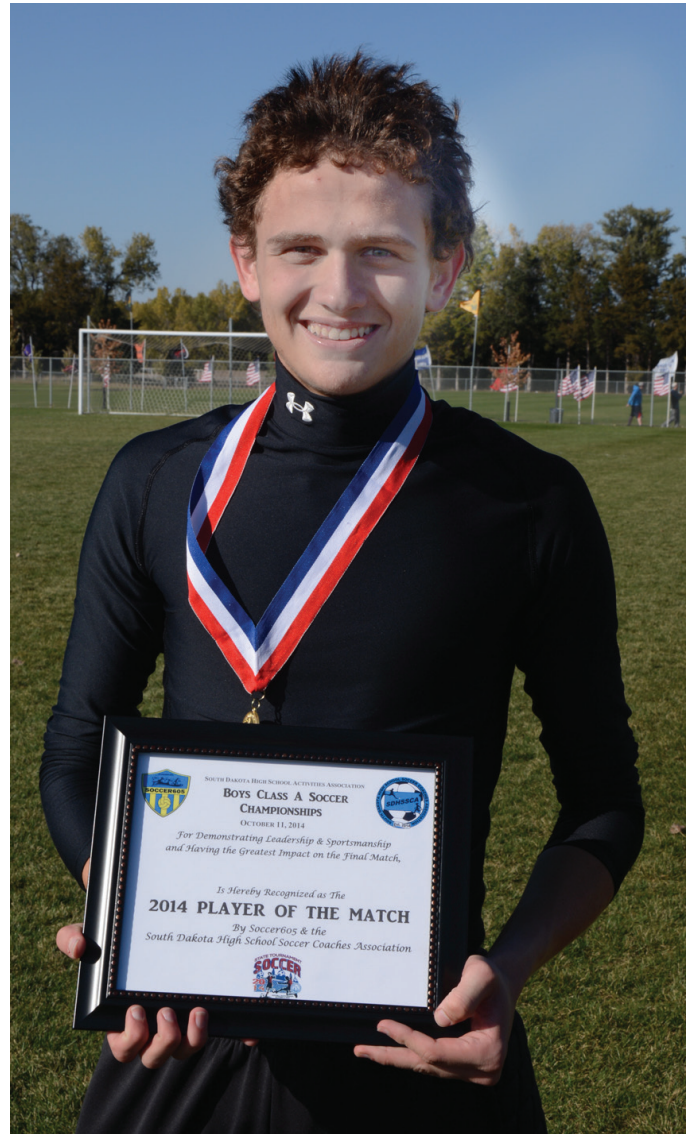
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Groton Boys Are State Soccer Champions

The Groton Boys Soccer team defeated Sioux Falls Christian after 80 minutes of regulation, two ten minute overtimes, and penalty kicks to claim the State A Boys Soccer Championship on Saturday, October 11, 2014 in Mitchell. It was a double sweet day for Coach Mike Becker as it was his birthday, celebrating it with a state title. Even though Groton played one player short for 45 minutes due to a penalty, the Tigers were able to claim the victory with great defense and a will to win. Scoring in the penalty kick phase for Groton were: Jacob Milbrandt, Luke Sternhagen, Wyatt Kurtz, Martin Rygg and finally Landon Larson. Groton's Chance Strom was selected as player of the game.



**Chance Strom - Groton Area
Player of the Match**
(SDPB Photo)



Wyatt Kurtz

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Jacob Milbrandt gets in front of this Sioux Falls Christian player.



Luke Sternhagen battles for the ball in the state soccer title game with Sioux Falls Christian.

State Tournament Photos by Jodi Sternhagen



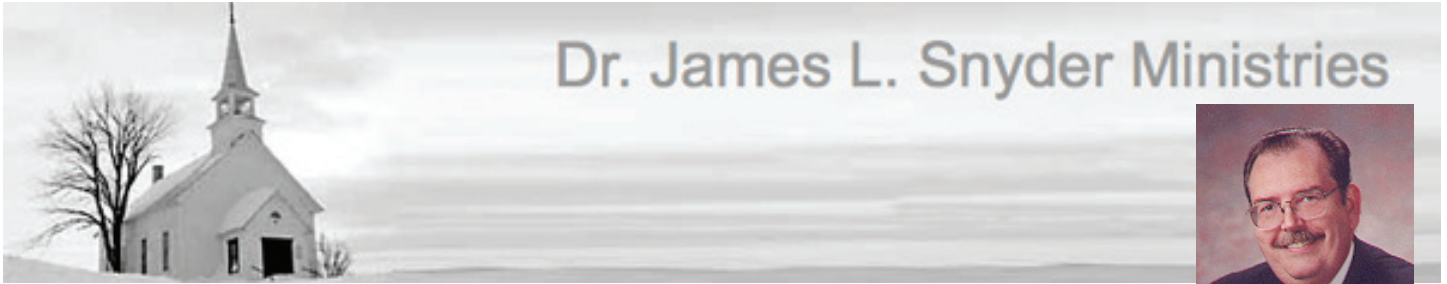
**Wyatt Kurtz
Stormy Bahr
Jacob Milbrandt**

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Landon Larson, Martin Rygg, Rayce Harder, Chance Strom



It's Hard Being a Gentleman in Today's World



The week was going quite well until I ran into Ms.PC. I know a thing or two about language and words, but I still am flabbergasted when it comes to the latest PC. I think somebody ought to do a weekly update on this aspect for us who are not up to date.

I do not make any apologies, but I am from the generation that believes in being a gentleman. I know that does not fit well into today's society, but I am rather hesitant to change this aspect of my life. My father and even my grandfather instilled in me that I needed to be a gentleman at all times. It has been rough down through the years, but I have tried to maintain my gentleman's status through life.

Then I ran into Ms.PC. I am not quite sure where these people come from but I know where I would like to send them; as far from me as possible!

I was about to enter a store and as I opened the door, I noticed a lady behind me. This is where my gentleman DNA kicks in. I opened the door, turned to the lady behind me, and said, "After you, Ms." As I said it, I smiled and nodded my head.

"That is," she said in a very angry voice, "the most sexist thing I have seen all week. How dare you?" Not only was I blindsided by these remarks, but I was dumbfounded.

"Excuse me, ma'am," I said as apologetically as possible.

"There you go again," she glared, "with more of your sexist comments."

Not knowing what she was talking about I just looked at her while holding the door for her.

"I suppose you think you are better than me," she queried. "Where you get the idea that you are better than I because you are a man I will never know."

"I am just holding the door open for you, ma'am," I explained.

"There you are again thinking you are better than I am because I am a woman. Where have you been all your life? Don't you know that men and women are exactly the same?"

Now I was confused. I did not know who I was talking to or rather I should say, who was talking to me. I did not understand what she was saying. I was just trying to be a gentleman.

I thought I would try to explain it to her. Mistake!

"Ma'am," I began, and then she interrupted me.

"Don't you dare call me ma'am again. I am nobody's ma'am!"

Now I did not know what to do. Should I walk into the store and shut the door behind me? Or, should I just shut the door and walk away? At this point, no matter what I did would have been wrong.

"I am just trying to be a gentleman. That's all. I don't mean any disrespect."

I thought it would at least ease the tension in this situation, but I was mistaken.

"That is the problem with people like you. You want me to believe that you are a gentleman and I don't believe it. This world does not need any gentlemen I will tell you that right here and now."

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To say I was a little irritated is to grossly understate the situation. Then I noticed something on the door. On the inside of the door was a lock so the door could be locked from the inside. I do not know what come over me, but I am not responsible for the irritation level I was at at the time.

I turned away from the lady, walked into the store, pulled the door shut behind me, flipped the lock and walked away. Out of the corner of my eye I could see that this woman had stepped up to the door and was rapping on the door, all the time her mouth was going a mile a minute. Thankfully, I could not hear a word she was saying. Since she does not need a gentleman, she did not need me.

For a brief moment, I felt a little guilty about my shenanigans. I have never done anything that outrageous before in my life. Sometimes a gentleman needs to show a lady that being a gentleman is a good thing.

I will continue to be a gentleman and I hope this little incident is a rare exception. Today people make it rather hard for other people to exercise politeness. In our politically correct society nobody knows what is good or what is bad.

The aforementioned lady, and I know she would not want me to call her a lady, and for all practical purposes she was not, has no idea the difference between a man and a woman. Evidently, she has never been married.

If men and women are exactly the same without any difference, why then, are there men and women? Those who do not believe that there is any difference have been sold a bill of goods by some slick shyster who is making them look foolish.

The Bible says, "Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world" (1 John4:4).

My standard of behavior is not set by the people around me, but by the Word of God that is within me.

Today in Weather History

1918: Forest fires ravaged parts of Minnesota from the Duluth area northeastward, claiming the lives of 600 people. Smoke spread to Albany NY and Washington D.C. in 24 hours. Smoke was noted at Charleston SC on the 14th, and by the 15th was reported in northeastern Texas.

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1836 - A third early season storm produced heavy snow in the northeastern U.S. Bridgewater NY received 18 inches, a foot of snow fell at Madison NY, and for the third time all the mountains of the northeastern U.S. were whitened. (David Ludlum)

1886: A powerful hurricane swept into the Sabine Lake region of southeast Texas and southwest Louisiana. Around 200 people and 20,000 cattle were killed. The Gulf of Mexico swept several miles inland, covering Cameron Parish with water twelve feet deep.

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1979: The world's lowest barometric pressure on record, 25.63", occurred in Super Typhoon Tip with 190mph winds. Gale force winds extended 1,350 miles out from the eye making it the largest tropical cyclone on record.


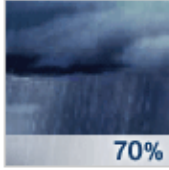
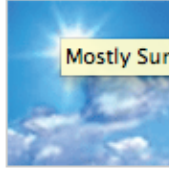
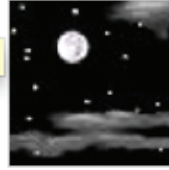



1987 - Floyd, the only hurricane to make landfall the entire season, moved across the Florida Keys. Floyd produced wind gusts to 59 mph at Duck Key, and up to nine inches of rain in southern Florida. Sixteen cities in the Ohio Valley and the Middle Mississippi Valley reported record low temperatures for the date. Record lows included 27 degrees at Paducah KY, and 24 degrees at Rockford IL and Springfield IL. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Twenty cities in the Upper Midwest reported record low temperatures for the date, including International Falls MN with a reading of 17 degrees. The town of Embarass MN reported a morning low of 8 degrees. Snow showers in the northeastern U.S. produced five inches at Corry PA. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Temperatures again warmed into the 80s in the Central Plains Region and the Middle Mississippi Valley, with 90s in the south central U.S. Six cities reported record high temperatures for the date, including Fort Smith AR with a reading of 92 degrees. Strong winds along a cold front crossing the Great Lakes Region and the Ohio Valley gusted to 61 mph at Johnstown PA. (The National Weather Summary)

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TODAY	TONIGHT	COLUMBUS DAY	MONDAY NIGHT	TUESDAY	TUESDAY NIGHT	WEDNESDAY
						
40%	70%	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny
Chance Showers High: 60 °F	Showers Likely Low: 44 °F	Mostly Sunny High: 63 °F	Mostly Clear Low: 34 °F	Sunny High: 65 °F	Mostly Clear Low: 38 °F	Sunny High: 69 °F



Timing Of Rain Showers Today

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Highlights

Showers that develop before noon will mainly be west of the Missouri River.



6 AM – 12 PM



Highlights

The band of showers will move east, reaching central SD by this afternoon.



12 PM – 6 PM



Highlights

Showers move into eastern SD and MN by this evening, and will linger through the night.



6 PM – 12 AM



Updated: 10/12/2014 4:30 AM

Although slightly slower than previously forecast, expect showers to move across the region today. Showers, with an isolated rumble of thunder, will first develop west of the Missouri River. They will then move east, into central South Dakota by the afternoon hours, and finally pushing into eastern South Dakota and west central MN by this evening. Generally speaking, less than a half inch of rain can be expected.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 66.5°F at 4:15 PM

Low: 31.4°F at 7:14 AM

High Gust: 34 mph at 11:24 AM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 87° in 1956

Record Low: 11° in 1917

Average High: 60°F

Average Low: 34°F

Average Precip in Oct.: .80

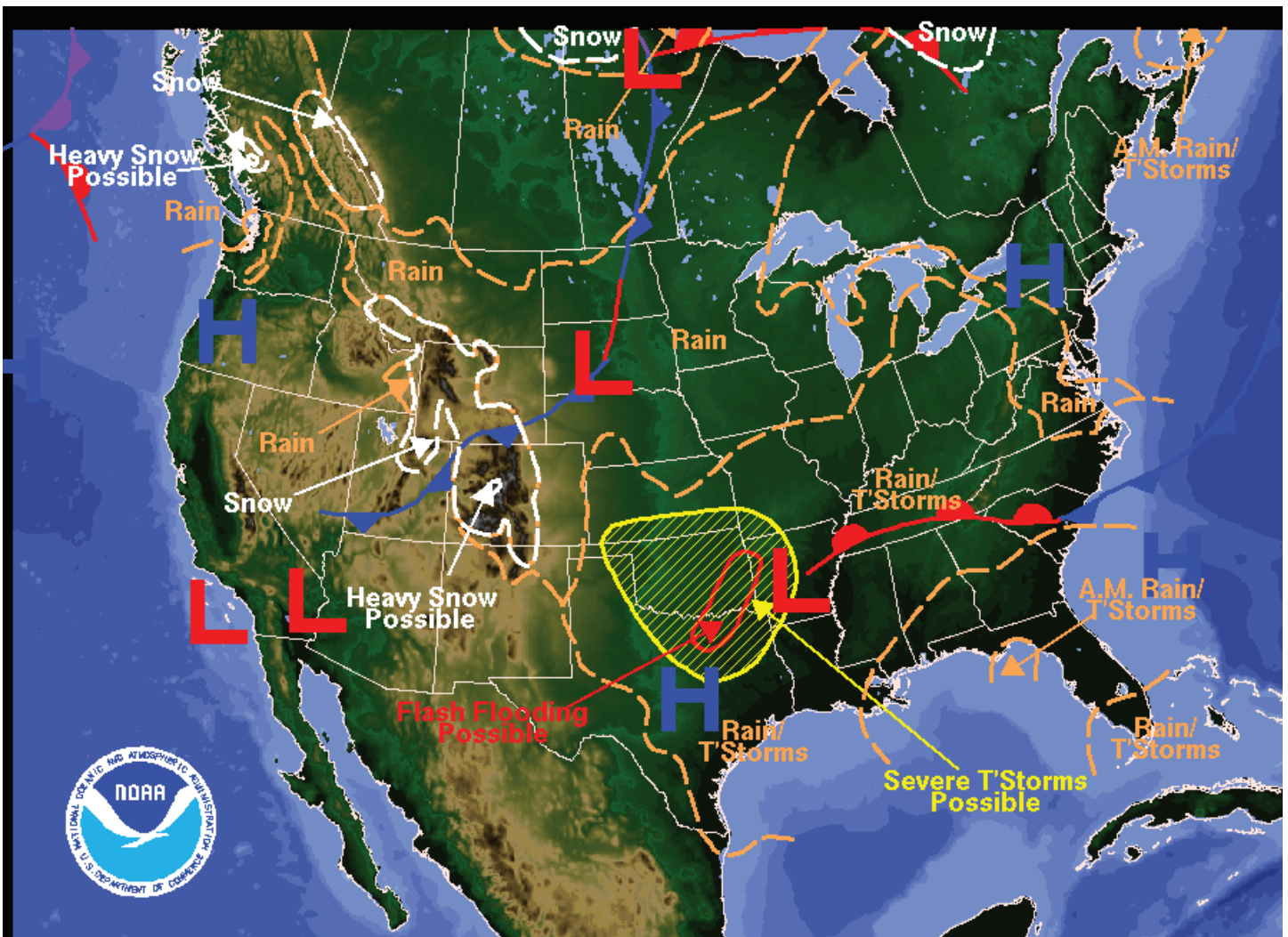
Precip to date in Oct.: 0.04

Average Precip to date: 19.28

Precip Year to Date: 12.98

Sunset Tonight: 6:54 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:47 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Sun, Oct 12, 2014, issued 4:37 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by Rubin-Oster based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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CAUTION! DANGER AHEAD

Highway signs and signals can be very helpful if we follow their directions and commands. If we "read and heed" them, safe passage is usually assured. But, if for some reason we go against the warnings - danger lurks.

In fifteen words, Solomon gives us some critical advice: "Avoid it, do not travel on it, turn from it and go on your way!"

But what is this "it?"

The "path of the wicked" or "the way of wicked men." That's simple and easy to do, we are inclined to say. But, is it really?

Again and again we are encouraged to walk in "paths of righteousness." In this verse, however, we are presented four important tactics for "safe passage."

Avoid temptation. What a simple first step. How much better life would be for all of us if we did everything we could to avoid temptation. Allowing ourselves to become intrigued by the lusts of the world is where evil begins.

Travel by it means that we will stay as far away as possible from being tempted. If we know some "thing" can destroy our walk with God, run quickly from it.

Turn from it means that we activate our will immediately and do not delay or hesitate to seek refuge in God.

Get on our way as soon as possible. To delay is to invite defeat. Hesitation allows time for the devil to seduce us. Run into the arms of God for His protection!

Prayer: We thank You, Father, for giving us guidance that is simple and easy to follow. Now, give us courage. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Proverbs 4:15 Avoid it, do not travel on it; turn from it and go on your way.

Upside-down Kansas, other surprises, enliven races

CHARLES BABINGTON, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — A free steak dinner for everyone who predicted the Senate races in Kansas and South Dakota would be in doubt three weeks from Election Day.

Or that the most-discussed campaign TV ad would show a smiling woman talking about castrating hogs.

Oh? No takers?

When the run toward the 2014 election began, several things were certain:

—Gov. John Kasich, R-Ohio, was in deep trouble.

—Republicans easily would hold Senate seats in states that President Barack Obama lost badly.

—Domestic issues, and especially the president's health care law, would rise above all others.

All that, and more, has changed.

Kasich's re-election now seems so assured that fans talk of his making a second run for president. (It helped that his Democratic opponent was found in a dark parking lot with a woman who's not his wife.)

In the Senate, Republicans still seem on track to pick up the six seats they need to take control. They recruited good candidates and focused on several states Obama lost. Democratic retirements made West Virginia and South Dakota slam dunks.

Democrats facing re-election offered big targets in Arkansas, Louisiana, Alaska and North Carolina.

But with Senate control so tantalizingly close, Republicans find themselves investing time, staff and money into protecting a three-term senator in Kansas — one of the most conservative states.

"Anyone who predicted that last year is either psychic or psychotic," said Matt Bennett, a veteran of Democratic campaigns.

Even if GOP Sen. Pat Roberts survives the challenge from independent Greg Orman, Republicans also must lock down South Dakota, a once-unthinkable concern.

Democrats are pouring \$1 million into TV ads attacking Republican Mike Rounds, a former governor. Driving the uncertainty is third-party candidate Larry Pressler, who spent 18 years in the Senate as a Republican. Republicans answered quickly with \$1 million worth of TV ad buys.

If Republicans lose either of those states, and fall one seat short of controlling the Senate, it will rank among the most crushing failures in recent political history. Especially with a 2016 map that strongly favors Democrats.

Other 2014 campaign surprises:

— The "incredible disappearing Obamacare debate," as described by Dan Schnur, a former top Republican aide who now teaches at the University of Southern California.

For the third straight election, attacking Obama's health law is the Republicans' go-to tactic. But strategists in both parties say the relentless criticism is losing punch as millions of people acquire insurance under the law. Many GOP candidates have broadened their denunciations to Obama's overall competency and tying their Democratic opponents to him generally.

— The rise of fear — of terrorism and disease, especially — as an issue.

Neither was a topic of discussion during the months of state primaries. But the rise of Islamic State militants, Obama's decision to order airstrikes against them, and the outbreak of Ebola have roiled the final weeks of the campaign.

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Several Republican candidates are replacing their ads attacking the health law with sometimes frightening warnings about the risks and threat of the militants and the virus.

Obama, they argue, isn't doing enough, or isn't competent enough, to keep Americans safe.

Democrats call the claims grossly exaggerated and fear-mongering. Yet they worry about the impact.

"Democrats are once again being seen through the old lens about the party on security issues: as weak, indecisive, and afraid to use force," Bennett said.

— The power of one TV ad. Joni Ernst was struggling in Iowa's crowded Republican primary for the seat being vacated by retiring Democratic Sen. Tom Harkin. Then she appeared in a TV ad cheerily saying: "I grew up castrating hogs on an Iowa farm. So when I get to Washington, I'll know how to cut pork."

The ad helped push her to an easy primary victory, and her rise began. She's now in a neck-and-neck race with Democrat Bruce Braley, a congressman who started the race as a clear favorite.

Both candidates have stumbled at times. But Ernst proved that a pitch-perfect ad can break through the din and transform a race almost overnight.

— The role of third-party candidates. They run in every election, but rarely play much of a role. Not this year.

Orman refuses to say whether he would align himself with Democrats or Republicans. But he still shook up the Kansas Senate race by driving out the Democratic nominee and possibly consolidating the anti-Roberts vote.

In South Dakota, Pressler didn't scare away the Democrats' nominee, but he has rattled Republicans with his rise.

Third-party Senate candidates in Louisiana and Georgia could force runoffs that might leave control of the Senate in doubt until December, or even January. Both states require a runoff if no one exceeds 50 percent on the November ballot.

In Maine, Republican Gov. Paul LePage has angered many voters, "but he's alive because of a liberal third party gadfly hurting the Democrats," Bennett said.

Creative South Dakotans featured in new book

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) — A new book tied to South Dakota's 125th anniversary year focuses on creativity.

The Brookings Arts Council released the piece entitled "First We Imagine: 22 Creative South Dakotans Speak on the Subject of Creativity."

It's comprised of interviews of people from arts, academia, journalism, business and government done by John Miller, secretary of the art council and a former South Dakota State University history professor. Among them: doctor and TV personality Rick Holm, research scientist Bonny Specker, businessman Tom Dempster, architect Craig Howe and writer Kent Myers.

The interviews show how Bernie Hunhoff started "South Dakota Magazine"; Kathleen Norris came to write "Dakota: A Spiritual Geography"; and Duane Sander and Al Kurtenbach started Daktronics.

The paperback is \$15 and available in bookstores or directly from the Brookings Arts Council website.

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Saturday's Scores

The Associated Press

VOLLEYBALL

Aberdeen Central def. Harrisburg, 25-19, 25-13, 25-16

Brandon Valley def. Pierre, 19-25, 22-25, 25-18, 25-18, 15-3

Pine Ridge def. Custer, 25-18, 25-22, 26-24

Sanborn Central/Woonsocket def. Wessington Springs, 25-23, 12-25, 25-19, 16-25, 15-11

Chester Challenge

Alcester-Hudson def. Irene-Wakonda, 25-16, 25-20, 25-12

Arlington def. Mobridge-Pollock, 25-10, 25-23, 25-15

Elkton-Lake Benton def. Winner, 25-22, 25-11, 25-16

Parker def. Wagner, 25-23, 25-18, 24-26, 25-27, 16-14

Warner def. Chester, 25-23, 25-1, 25-22

Fargo Invitational

Gold Tournament

First Round

Grand Forks Red River, N.D. def. Sioux Falls Washington, 25-17, 25-23

Sioux Falls Lincoln def. Fargo North, N.D., 25-15, 25-22

Consolation

Sioux Falls Washington def. Fargo North, N.D., 25-12, 25-20

Sioux Falls Washington def. West Fargo, N.D., 28-26, 20-25, 15-10

Consolation Semifinal: Fargo South, N.D. def. Sioux Falls Lincoln, 25-19, 25-15

Quarterfinal: Jamestown, N.D. def. Sioux Falls Lincoln, 30-28, 25-16

Seventh Place: Fargo Davies, N.D. def. Sioux Falls Lincoln, 25-19, 25-11

Gayville-Volin Tournament

Pool Play

Pool B

Freeman def. Walthill, Neb., 25-10, 25-20

Gettysburg Lady Battler Invitational Tournament

Pool Play

Silver Pool

Faulkton def. Faith, 25-7, 25-18

Herreid/Selby Area def. Faulkton, 25-23, 25-22

Herreid/Selby Area def. Faith, 25-20, 25-16

Ipswich def. Faulkton, 25-17, 25-22

Ipswich def. Herreid/Selby Area, 27-25, 25-20

Ipswich def. Faith, 25-15, 25-10

Red Pool

Highmore-Harrold def. Timber Lake, 25-18, 22-25, 27-25

Highmore-Harrold def. McIntosh, 25-12, 25-11

Potter County def. McIntosh, 25-17, 25-14

Potter County def. Highmore-Harrold, 25-12, 25-17

Potter County def. Timber Lake, 25-22, 25-19

Timber Lake def. McIntosh, 20-25, 25-9, 25-18

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Seventh Place: McIntosh def. Faith, 25-18, 25-21

Fifth Place: Timber Lake def. Faulkton, 25-20, 26-24

Third Place: Highmore-Harrold def. Herreid/Selby Area, 25-19, 25-14

Championship: Potter County def. Ipswich, 27-25, 25-14

Hay Springs Triangular

Hay Springs, Neb. def. Little Wound, 25-20, 13-25, 28-26

Newell Triangular

Lemmon def. Newell, 25-19, 25-14, 25-19

Lemmon def. Tiospaye Topa, 25-5, 25-8, 25-14

Newell def. Tiospaye Topa, 25-8, 25-17, 25-9

Redfield-Doland Tournament

Pool Play

Pool A

Belle Fourche def. Eureka/Bowdle, 25-16, 25-14

Belle Fourche def. Waverly-South Shore, 25-19, 25-16

Belle Fourche def. Groton Area, 19-25, 25-20, 25-23

Groton Area def. Eureka/Bowdle, 25-21, 25-20

Groton Area def. Waverly-South Shore, 25-16, 25-23

Redfield/Doland def. Belle Fourche, 25-13, 25-19

Redfield/Doland def. Eureka/Bowdle, 25-15, 25-11

Redfield/Doland def. Waverly-South Shore, 25-14, 25-16

Redfield/Doland def. Groton Area, 25-10, 25-18

Waverly-South Shore def. Eureka/Bowdle, 25-23, 25-18

Pool B

Beresford def. Britton-Hecla, 25-19, 25-21

Beresford def. Webster, 25-23, 25-18

Miller def. Britton-Hecla, 25-18, 25-14

Miller def. Beresford, 25-16, 25-21

Miller def. Webster, 25-16, 25-11

Miller def. Northwestern, 16-25, 25-23, 25-17

Northwestern def. Britton-Hecla, 25-7, 25-3

Northwestern def. Webster, 25-16, 25-14

Northwestern def. Beresford, 25-18, 25-8

Webster def. Britton-Hecla, 25-17, 25-21

Third Place: Miller def. Belle Fourche, 25-19, 25-12

Championship: Northwestern def. Redfield/Doland, 25-13, 25-12

South Dakota State over Missouri State 32-28

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) — Zac Lujan threw three touchdown passes to Jake Wieneke as South Dakota State rallied to beat Missouri State 32-28 Saturday night.

Lujan finished with 17-of-28 passing for 310 yards for the Jackrabbits (4-2, 1-1 Missouri Valley Football Conference), despite being sacked five times. Zach Zenner ran for 149 yards and a score on 27 carries. Wieneke had eight receptions for 183 yards. Jason Schneider had seven catches for 105 yards.

Lujan threw 78- and 10-yard touchdown passes to Wieneke in the second quarter. But Missouri State's

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Kierra Harris and Calan Crowder combined for four rushing touchdowns in the first half to give the Bears (3-3, 0-2) a 28-17 lead at halftime.

After a scoreless third quarter, Lujan and Wieneke connected again for a 26-yard touchdown early in the fourth and Zenner ran it in for another score to put the Jackrabbits on top, 32-28.

"Zach has trained so hard. There's not a lot of people can take those hits," SDSU coach John Stiegelmeier said. "I'm glad he's on our team."

SDSU trailed 28-10 with 3:56 left in the second quarter. It got within 28-17 at the half, and the Jackrabbits' defense limited Missouri State to just 80 yards in the second half and shut down the Bears when they threatened to score late in the game.

The Bears (3-2, 0-1) owned the first half. Harris ran for 72 yards and was 12-for-25 for 113 yards passing. He was intercepted once.

Crowder first scored on a 3-yard run with 30 seconds left in the first quarter, then added a 2-yard run with 3:56 left in the half. The last score was set up by Jerry Springer's interception of a Tyler Finnes pass deep in SDSU territory.

Finnes briefly replaced Lujan at quarterback in the first half.

"We felt the game was moving a little too fast for him. We just wanted him to calm down," Stiegelmeier said. "Zach and the team rallied."

Lujan and Wieneke kept the Jackrabbits close as they teamed up for two first-half scores and connected again midway through the fourth quarter. Wieneke broke past the defense and Lujan floated a 28-yard TD pass into his arms to make it 28-23. Lujan then hit Schneider for a two-point conversion.

On the Jackrabbits' next series, Zenner's 30-yard run down to the 10-yard line set up his own 1-yard run that gave SDSU a 32-28 lead with 7:55 left.

Missouri State drove down field to the South Dakota 31 late in the game but the drive ended with an incomplete pass on fourth down with less than a minute to play.

"I'm really proud of our program," Stiegelmeier said. "To go out and play from that deficit and win the game. I'm just really proud."

Northern Iowa sacks South Dakota 27-16

VERMILLION, S.D. (AP) — Sawyer Kollmorgen and Brion Carnes each threw touchdown passes as Northern Iowa beat South Dakota 27-16 Saturday.

South Dakota (2-4, 0-2 Missouri Valley) opened the game with an 11-play, 76-yard drive which culminated when Trevor Bouma scored on a 17-yard run. He finished with 70 yards on 14 carries.

Northern Iowa (3-3, 1-1), however, would score 17-straight points, including Carnes' 28-yard touchdown pass to Kevin Vereen, Jr., and lead the rest of the way.

Northern Iowa had seven sacks, including three by Brett McMakin, keeping Kevin Earl, who was injured South Dakota's season opener against Oregon, on the run most of the game.

"Seven sacks. We had no sacks. Therein lies the difference," South Dakota coach Joe Glenn said. "Their defensive front was too much for us. We weren't able to run the ball with any consistency or protect the quarterback with any consistency.

"That defensive line we were going against is the best we've seen at our level."

Earl completed 17 of 29 passes for 260 yards, including a 25-yard TD pass to Brandt Van Roekel to cap a 99-yard scoring drive, in his return. He also threw two interceptions.

Carnes added 55 yards on nine carries.

"I don't think (Kollmorgen or Carnes) was special, but maybe they did keep us off balance a little bit,"

Glenn said.

Eric Shufford had seven catches for 75 yards and Aaron Ramsey added three catches for 73 for South Dakota.

Weiland says he'll ask PACs to leave race

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — U.S. Senate candidate Rick Weiland says he plans to ask two national political action committees that have spent nearly \$2 million in South Dakota to stop promoting his candidacy, but Republicans say they just see a campaign tactic.

Weiland, South Dakota's Democratic hopeful, told the Rapid City Journal that he will ask MayDay PAC and Every Voice Action "to get out of this campaign." The two super PACs have said they will spend about \$1.75 million on commercials supporting Weiland's campaign against former Republican Gov. Mike Rounds and former U.S. Sen. Larry Pressler, who's running as an independent.

Weiland has run on his message that big-money donors have no place in politics, but he's been criticized for the money the PACs are spending to get him elected.

The two Super PACs say they're supporting Weiland because he has promised to sponsor a constitutional amendment limiting campaign spending.

"I haven't (asked them to leave), probably because I don't think they would give 2 cents about what I want," he told the newspaper.

Dick Wadham, a strategist with the South Dakota Republican Party, told the Associated Press that Weiland's promise to ask the groups to leave isn't genuine. Wadham said candidates have no control over PACs and Weiland is asking only to please voters.

"He has always known that groups cannot be stopped from airing ads," he said. "He wants the groups' money, but he's publicly calling for them to leave because he knows they won't leave."

Republicans to spend \$1M on ads in South Dakota

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PHIL ELLIOTT, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The National Republican Senatorial Committee plans to reserve \$1 million worth of television advertising time in South Dakota, a spokeswoman for the committee said Saturday, days after national Democrats announced the same.

The investment from the fundraising committee will go toward backing former Republican Gov. Mike Rounds, who has been heavily favored in a race for an open U.S. Senate seat that has grown more competitive in recent weeks.

Brook Hougesen, spokeswoman for the committee, said it bought \$750,000 in airtime Friday night and plans to buy more. The ads will begin airing Tuesday and continue through Nov. 3.

The announcement comes after the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee laid out plans to spend \$1 million in support of Democratic candidate Rick Weiland.

Needing to pick up six seats to regain control of the chamber, Republicans have banked on winning conservative South Dakota, but the move by the national Democrats was a sign the party sees some hope of derailing Rounds.

Also in the fray is former U.S. Sen. Larry Pressler, an independent who served for three terms in the Senate and two terms in the U.S. House as a Republican.

Hougesen said the committee feels Republicans can still take the South Dakota Senate seat being vacated by retiring Democratic U.S. Sen. Tim Johnson.

"Gov. Rounds is well positioned to win the race, but we are not going to allow Harry Reid and Democrats in Washington to flood the airwaves with lies about him," Hougesen said in a statement.

Rounds has faced criticism for a state-run, federal visa program called EB-5 that was administered while he was governor. The program encouraged private investment by foreign nationals to create jobs in rural parts of South Dakota. In exchange, investors received a visa that allowed them to live in the U.S.

Democrats say the program didn't create the promised jobs and was run poorly by a Rounds appointee. They say it threatened to become costly to the state when a California company sued South Dakota in 2008, alleging a breach of its contract to recruit Chinese investors.

That lawsuit was thrown out this past week and South Dakota was cleared of any liability.

Pig farms rebound from virus; meat prices may drop

DAVID PITT, Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — A virus that killed millions of baby pigs in the last year and led to higher pork prices has waned thanks to warmer weather and farmers' efforts to sterilize their operations. And as pigs' numbers increase, sticker shock on things like bacon should ease.

Already, hog supplies are on the rise, with 5.46 million baby pigs born between June and August in Iowa, the nation's leading producer — the highest quarterly total in 20 years and a record 10.7 surviving pigs per litter, according to a U.S. Department of Agriculture report.

It's a significant turnaround from a year ago when the porcine epidemic diarrhea virus was wiping out entire litters. Since the virus first showed up, the federal government rushed to give conditional approval for a vaccine and those in the industry began taking precautions, such as disinfecting trucks, equipment and clothing.

"We've gotten better at managing biosecurity and establishing health protocols," said Greg Lear, a producer near Spencer, Iowa, who lost more than 800 baby pigs last December. "I think Mother Nature helped us with sunshine. It doesn't like sunshine and warmer temperatures."

It's clear the industry is managing the virus, but it's far from eradicated. Two new cases were confirmed by South Dakota veterinary officials in the past week, bringing the state's total to 38 farms. And there's reason to be cautiously optimistic, Lear said, as the virus thrives in colder, wetter environments like those found in fall and winter.

"I'm very fearful in my mind what's coming with winter again," Lear said.

As baby pigs died across the country, pork supplies dropped and prices rose, setting a monthly average retail record of \$4.20 per pound the week of Aug. 14 — an 11 percent increase over the \$3.76 per pound a year earlier, the USDA said.

Consumers didn't seem to be scared by the high prices, either, as demand dropped only about 3 percent in the most recent quarter compared with a year ago, the USDA said.

"We've been talking for some time about consumers starting to push back and we have seen that in certain degrees but not maybe what we had expected," said Lee Schulz, a livestock economist and assistant professor at Iowa State University. "From a pure price standpoint, it's a bit surprising that we've seen such robust demand."

This year's anticipated record-breaking corn and soybean harvests are playing a role in increased producer profits as well, because of a drop in the cost of feed.

U.S. producers will end 2014 with an average profit of about \$60 per animal, by far the best year ever, Purdue University ag economic professor Chris Hurt said. Over the past 25 years, average profits have

been \$10.50 per animal, Hurt said.

Producers are hoping to cash in by raising more hogs. Missouri reported 40,000 more sows, Iowa added 30,000, and Texas, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana and Oklahoma each added thousands, the USDA said in a Sept. 29 report.

It takes about six months to raise a pig to market weight, so the increased supply could mean a slight drop in consumer prices this winter and a more noticeable decline in the spring, Hurt said, noting his models for profit by the end of 2015 are about \$30 per animal.

Many in the industry are optimistic that the worst of the PED virus is behind them, but there is still concern among producers.

Dale Norton — a livestock farmer in Bronson, Michigan, and president of the National Pork Board — lost 1,500 piglets over 2½ weeks in March, but said his barns are now free of the virus.

There may be additional outbreaks, Norton said, but he doubts they'll be as severe, since hog farmers have learned more about the virus and how it spreads and have taken precautions.

"We know that going into the fall the risk with people hauling manure and the risk with it getting colder there's a good potential we'll have more," he said.

AP News in Brief

Palestinian leader assures donors of transparency in reconstruction of war-devastated Gaza

CAIRO (AP) — Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas on Sunday promised a transparent and responsible use of funds pledged at a donor's conference to help Gaza rebuild after this summer's devastating war between Israel and Hamas.

Speaking at the one-day gathering in Cairo, Western-backed Abbas said \$4 billion was needed to reconstruct the coastal strip after the 50-day war that ended on Aug. 27. Participants were expected to pledge hundreds of millions of dollars, and U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry announced immediate U.S. assistance of \$212 million as the conference began.

Abbas said the latest Gaza war caused what he described as "tragedies that are difficult to be described by words ... Entire neighborhoods have been reduced to rubble and 90 families are no longer listed in the civil register."

"The (Palestinian) government will carry out the reconstruction plan with full responsibility and transparency in coordination with the U.N., the donors, international financial institutions, civil society and the private sector," he said.

Abbas and the militant Hamas group, which has ruled Gaza since 2007, recently formed a reconciliation government which held its first Cabinet meeting in Gaza last week. But a blockade of Gaza enforced by both Egypt and Israel remains in force.

UN says more than 100,000 housing units destroyed or damaged in Gaza war

CAIRO (AP) — Here is a look at the scope of destruction in Gaza during the Israel-Hamas war this summer, based on statistics from the United Nations, other international agencies and the Palestinian government.

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About 100,000 housing units were destroyed or damaged to varying degrees, exceeding an initial estimate of 60,000, according to U.N. surveys. Of those, about 20,000 homes were destroyed or severely damaged.

Official: Bomb attack kills police chief of Iraq's restive Anbar province

BAGHDAD (AP) — A bomb explosion Sunday killed the police chief of Iraq's restive Anbar province, Iraqi officials said, in a major blow to the Shiite-led government's efforts in fighting the lethal Sunni-led insurgency.

Anbar has seen a growing insurgency since early this year led by an al-Qaida breakaway group, known as Islamic State. Along with different Sunni armed groups, the group has fully controlled the city of Fallujah, parts of Ramadi and rural areas.

The convoy of Brig. Gen. Ahmed al-Dulaimi had been traveling through an area to the north of Ramadi when the bomb went off nearby, said councilman Faleh al-Issawi.

Al-Issawi added that Iraqi security forces had recaptured the area from the militants a day earlier. It was not immediately clear if others were killed.

Iraq's Interior Ministry, in a statement, confirmed the killing and called al-Dulaimi a "hero who set a good example for self-sacrifice." It praised his role in reorganizing the provincial police force and leading major fighting that caused heavy casualties among the militants.

Finance ministers pledge action to give global economy momentum, but follow-through often lags

WASHINGTON (AP) — World financial leaders are pledging to act boldly and ambitiously to give a weak and uneven global recovery some momentum, but they have often fallen short in the past when trying to follow through on their promises.

The pledge from the International Monetary Fund's policy-setting committee comes after a week of volatile swings in the financial markets — powered by concerns that parts of Europe may be sliding into another recession.

The IMF called increasing economic growth an "utmost priority" during the fall meeting of the IMF and World Bank. In a closing statement Saturday from the steering committee of the 188-nation IMF, the finance leaders also committed to making the necessary structural changes that would boost growth.

Officials also endorsed the IMF's efforts to support three West African countries battling the Ebola crisis, which could be added to ministers' usual concerns over interest rates and budgets, particularly if the virus becomes widespread.

Managing Director Christine Lagarde said at a news conference that the IMF has made \$130 million available to Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone, and that the IMF and other international agencies stood ready to do more.

In Hong Kong, political protests expose questions over economic divide and the city's identity

HONG KONG (AP) — By road, the little apartments are nearly an hour from central Hong Kong and the protests that have swept through it. Twice that long if you take the subway, which is how most people

commute from places like Tuen Mun, a cluster of high-rise apartments built in a once-rural corner of Hong Kong's sprawling New Territories.

But the apartments are also affordable, at least in the way that any real estate can be affordable in one of the world's most expensive cities. The cheapest sell for 2.9 million Hong Kong dollars, or about \$375,000. They are slightly larger than the average American kitchen. Young couples are desperate to buy them.

So when student-led pro-democracy protests began roiling Hong Kong two weeks ago, realtors saw a reflection of something else: the frustrations of a generation increasingly unable to afford the lives their parents had.

"They want to vent their anger. Their voice was not heard in the past," said Adam Pang, a real estate salesman in Tuen Mun, one of nearly a dozen New Towns built over the past few decades to try to relieve the immense housing pressure in this former British colony of 7 million people.

In this city built on commerce, the political protests have churned up deeper questions, exposing a series of economic divides and deep unease over whether the territory's unique identity can survive in China's ever-growing shadow.

Hundreds of thousands flee eastern India as Cyclone Hudhud hits land; typhoon pounds Japan

HYDERABAD, India (AP) — Heavy rain and wind gusts ripped through a large swath of India's eastern seaboard, uprooting trees and snapping power cables as a powerful cyclone swept through the Bay of Bengal and slammed into the southern city of Visakhapatnam, one of two storms pounding Asia on Sunday.

In Japan, at least 35 people were reported injured as Typhoon Vongfong, packing winds of up to 180 kilometers (110 miles) per hour and heavy rain, hit the southern island of Okinawa and was aiming at the next island of Kyushu, where authorities told 150,000 people to evacuate.

Cyclone Hudhud, described as "very severe" by India's meteorological department, had winds of 195 kilometers (120 miles) per hour when the edge of the storm hit land, Chief Staff Officer of India's Eastern Naval Command Rear Admiral S.K. Grewal told reporters. The cyclone's wind speed dipped to about 160 kph (100 mph), but was expected to pick up again later Sunday, he said.

At least two people were reported dead in the cyclone — one from a wall collapse and the other when a tree toppled over.

Visakhapatnam, which was bearing the brunt of the cyclone's fury, is one of the largest cities in southern India and a major naval base.

Police shooting protests continue in St. Louis as demonstrators prepare for widespread arrests

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A weekend of peaceful daytime protests and nightly police standoffs is expected to continue Sunday as organizers prepare for a wave of resistance they anticipate will lead to widespread, intentional arrests the following day.

Organizers of the four-day Ferguson October summit to protest the early August police shooting death of Michael Brown are scheduled to train participants in nonviolent civil disobedience tactics Sunday morning.

On Monday, a "direct action" led by local and visiting clergy members is planned for Ferguson and

other spots in and around St. Louis. Protest leaders don't plan to release details until shortly ahead of time to avoid tipping off law enforcement. Leaders are taking their cues from the Moral Monday demonstrations that began last year in North Carolina before spreading to several other Southern states.

"We still are knee deep in this situation," said Kareem Jackson, a St. Louis rap artist and community organizer whose stage name is Tef Poe. "We have not packed up our bags, we have not gone home. This is not a fly-by-night moment. This is not a made-for-TV revolution. This is real people standing up to a real problem and saying, 'We ain't taking it no more.'"

A crowd that organizers estimated at 3,000 marched through downtown St. Louis on Saturday to protest Brown's death and other fatal police shootings in the St. Louis area and nationwide. Police reported no arrests or violent incidents as of late Saturday, when the protests fanned out to Ferguson.

Stepped-up Ebola screening using no-touch thermometers starts at NYC's Kennedy airport

NEW YORK (AP) — Customs and health officials began taking the temperatures of passengers arriving at New York's Kennedy International Airport from three West African countries on Saturday in a stepped-up screening effort meant to prevent the spread of the Ebola virus.

Federal health officials said the entry screenings, which will expand to four additional U.S. airports in the next week, add another layer of protection to halt the spread of a disease that has killed more than 4,000 people.

"Already there are 100 percent of the travelers leaving the three infected countries are being screened on exit. Sometimes multiple times temperatures are checked along that process," Dr. Martin Cetron, director of the Division of Global Migration and Quarantine for the federal Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, said at a briefing at Kennedy.

Cetron added, "No matter how many procedures are put into place, we can't get the risk to zero."

The screening will be expanded over the next week to New Jersey's Newark Liberty, Washington Dulles, Chicago O'Hare and Hartsfield-Jackson in Atlanta.

23 people injured, some seriously, when trailer overturns during Maine haunted hayride

MECHANIC FALLS, Maine (AP) — A trailer carrying people on a Halloween-themed hayride overturned on a steep dirt road in the Maine woods, injuring 23 people, several of them seriously, authorities said.

The accident occurred Saturday night at Harvest Hill Farms when the driver of a small jeep pulling the flatbed trailer near a haunted house missed a turn at the top of a hill, Androscoggin County Sheriff Guy Desjardins said.

"The trailer jackknifed and the jeep went off the road," Desjardins told the Portland Press Herald. "We're talking about a very narrow dirt road, but extremely steep."

He said the trailer struck a tree, throwing its passengers to the ground.

Authorities said 22 people — ages 15 and older — were on the trailer at the time of the accident. Sgt. Joel Davis of the state fire marshal's office said every passenger on the hayride was injured in some way.

Bumgarner tames Cardinals, Giants get just enough off Wainwright for 3-0 win in NLCS opener

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Madison Bumgarner once again put the San Francisco Giants well on the road to a playoff victory.

Bumgarner pitched shutout ball into the eighth inning and the Giants combined just enough hitting with a couple of defensive flubs by St. Louis to beat the Cardinals 3-0 Saturday night in the NL Championship Series opener.

Bumgarner set a major league postseason record with 26 2-3 consecutive scoreless innings on the road.

"That's pretty cool," he said. "There's stats for everything nowadays. I've happened to have a little extra good luck on the road."

Maybe, although his numbers show that perhaps it's more than luck. In four postseason road starts, he's 4-0 with an 0.59 ERA.

First Ebola case transmitted in USA

DALLAS (AP) — Texas health officials say a health care worker who provided hospital care for an Ebola patient who later died has tested positive for the virus and is in stable condition.

Dr. David Varga, of the Texas Health Resource, says the worker was in full protective gear when they provided care to Thomas Eric Duncan during his second visit to Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital. Varga did not identify the worker and says the family of the worker has "requested total privacy."

If the preliminary diagnosis is confirmed, it would be the first known case of the disease being contracted or transmitted in the U.S.

Varga says the health care worker reported a fever Friday night as part of a self-monitoring regimen required by the Atlanta-based Center for Disease Control.

Duncan died Wednesday in Dallas.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Oct. 12, the 285th day of 2014. There are 80 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 12, 1964, the Soviet Union launched a Voskhod space capsule with a three-man crew on the first mission involving more than one crew member (the flight lasted just over 24 hours).

On this date:

In 1492 (according to the Old Style calendar), Christopher Columbus arrived with his expedition in the present-day Bahamas.

In 1864, Roger B. Taney (TAH'-nee), the fifth Chief Justice of the United States, died at 87; he was succeeded by Salmon Chase.

In 1870, General Robert E. Lee died in Lexington, Virginia, at age 63.

In 1915, English nurse Edith Cavell was executed by the Germans in occupied Belgium during World War I.

In 1933, bank robber John Dillinger escaped from a jail in Allen County, Ohio, with the help of his gang, who killed the sheriff, Jess Sarber.

In 1942, during World War II, American naval forces defeated the Japanese in the Battle of Cape

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Esperance. Attorney General Francis Biddle announced during a Columbus Day celebration at Carnegie Hall in New York that Italian nationals in the United States would no longer be considered enemy aliens.

In 1973, President Richard Nixon nominated House minority leader Gerald R. Ford of Michigan to succeed Spiro T. Agnew as vice president.

In 1984, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher escaped an attempt on her life when an Irish Republican Army bomb exploded at a hotel in Brighton, England, killing five people. Actor Jon-Erik Hexum was mortally wounded on the set of his TV show "Cover Up" when he jokingly shot himself in the head with a prop pistol loaded with a blank cartridge; he was declared dead six days later.

In 1994, the Magellan space probe ended its four-year mapping mission of Venus, apparently plunging into the planet's atmosphere.

In 1999, Pakistan's military overthrew the democratically elected government of Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif. NBA Hall-of-Famer Wilt "The Stilt" Chamberlain died at his Los Angeles home at age 63.

In 2000, 17 sailors were killed in a suicide bomb attack on the destroyer USS Cole in Yemen.

In 2002, bombs blamed on al-Qaida-linked militants destroyed a nightclub on the Indonesian island of Bali, killing 202 people, including 88 Australians and seven Americans.

Ten years ago: A jury in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, took 80 minutes to find suspected serial killer Derrick Todd Lee guilty of first-degree murder in the death of 22-year-old Charlotte Murray Pace. (Lee was later sentenced to death for Pace's killing; he remains on death row.) The Seattle Storm won their first WNBA title with a 74-60 victory over the Connecticut Sun.

Five years ago: A suicide car bombing near a market in northwestern Pakistan killed 41. Addressing the Northern Ireland Assembly, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton urged rival leaders of the power-sharing government to keep making their coalition work for the sake of lasting peace. Americans Elinor Ostrom and Oliver Williamson won the Nobel economics prize.

One year ago: Cyclone Phailin struck the east coast of India, destroying hundreds of thousands of homes and causing hundreds of millions of dollars in crop damage; some four dozen people are believed to have died. Belgian authorities nabbed alleged pirate kingpin Mohamed Abdi Hassan on his arrival in Brussels (he'd been lured from Somalia with promises of work on a documentary about piracy). Anibal Sanchez and four Detroit Tigers relievers came within two outs of the first combined no-hitter in postseason history, striking out 17 to beat the Boston Red Sox 1-0 in the AL championship series opener. The St. Louis Cardinals defeated the Los Angeles Dodgers 1-0 for a 2-0 lead in the NL championship series.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Antonia Rey is 87. Comedian-activist Dick Gregory is 82. Former Sen. Jake Garn, R-Utah, is 82. Singer Sam Moore (formerly of Sam and Dave) is 79. Broadcast journalist Chris Wallace is 67. Actress-singer Susan Anton is 64. Rock singer-musician Pat DiNizio is 59. Actor Carlos Bernard is 52. Jazz musician Chris Botti (BOH'-tee) is 52. Rhythm-and-blues singer Claude McKnight (Take 6) is 52. Rock singer Bob Schneider is 49. Actor Hugh Jackman is 46. Actor Adam Rich is 46. Rhythm-and-blues singer Garfield Bright (Shai) is 45. Country musician Martie Maguire (Courtyard Hounds, The Dixie Chicks) is 45. Actor Kirk Cameron is 44. Olympic gold medal skier Bode Miller is 37. Rock singer Jordan Pundik (New Found Glory) is 35. Actor Brian J. Smith is 33. Actor Tyler Blackburn is 28. Actor Marcus T. Paulk is 28. Actor Josh Hutcherson is 22.

Thought for Today: "Everyone's quick to blame the alien." - Aeschylus (ES'-kuh-luhs), Greek poet and dramatist (524 B.C.-456 B.C.).