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Oral Interp at Brookings

School Breakfast: Cereal, long john, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Italian dunkers, green beans, veggie cups, fruit.

Senior Menu: Goulash, green beans, apple crisp, whole wheat bread.

Anniv: Dick & Judy Fliehs • Lars & Darinda Tunby

Birthdays: Tina Kosel • Matt Groeblinghoff • Randy Hjermstad • Dylan Anderson • Molly Jordan • Lars Tunby

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study 7:30pm: School Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 28

First Round FB Playoffs: 7 p.m.: Groton Area hosts Mobridge-Pollock

School Breakfast: Breakfast bagel, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Boneless wings, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed veggies, fruit, tea bun.

Senior Menu: Ham, sweet potatoes, peas, acini dePepi fruit salad, whole wheat bread.

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

Wednesday, October 29

United Methodist Jr UMYF Food Drive Night **School Lunch:** Chili, cornbread, carrots and dip, fruit.

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Rounds with Wide Lead in U.S. Senate Race... Daugaard Trounces Wismer in Governor's Contest

Lee M. Miringoff Barbara L. Carvalho Mary E. Griffith This NBC News/Marist Poll reports:

In the race for U.S. Senate in South Dakota, Republican Mike Rounds, 43%, is out in front of Democrat Rick Weiland, 29%, and independent Larry Pressler, 16%, among likely voters including those who

are undecided or have voted early. A majority of likely voters who support Pressler, 56%, reports their second choice is Weiland, and most Weiland backers, 72%, say their backup candidate is Pressler.

Republican Governor Dennis Daugaard, 67%, outdistances his Democratic challenger and state legislator Susan Wismer, 28%, among likely voters including those who are undecided yet leaning toward a candidate or have voted early. With a favorable rating of 70%, Daugaard is popular among the likely electorate. Wismer, however, is not well-known to a plurality of likely voters.

"Rounds is benefitting from a multi-candidate field," says Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director of The Marist College Institute for Public Opinion. "Although Rounds has a double-digit lead, there are still undecided voters, and the possibility for some shuffling of support between Weiland's and Pressler's supporters."

Poll Points U.S. Senate:

• Rounds, 43%, leads Weiland, 29%, and Pressler, 16%, among likely voters in the U.S. Senate race including those who are undecided yet leaning toward a candidate or have voted early. Independent Gordon Howie has the support of 3%, and 7% are undecided.

• Looking at party, more than twice as many Democrats, 10%, support the Republican Rounds, than

the proportion of Republicans, 4%, who back Weiland, the Democrat.

*All references to the survey must be sourced as "NBC News/ Marist Poll."

There is little consensus among independents likely to vote. Rounds has 32%, 31%

are for Pressler, and 22% for Weiland.

• 63% of likely voters with a candidate preference including early voters are firmly

committed to their choice of candidate for U.S. Senate. Similar proportions of Rounds', 70%,

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and Weiland's backers, 66%, are firmly in their respective candidate's camp. 48% of Pressler's supporters express a strong level of support to him.

• 10% of likely voters with a candidate preference say they might vote differently come Election Day. 17% of Pressler's backers, 8% of Weiland's supporters, and 6% of Rounds' backers might vote differently.

• Among likely voters with a candidate preference excluding early voters, Pressler is the second choice candidate of 43%. 18% select Weiland while 10% choose Rounds. Weiland is the second choice of a majority of Pressler's backers, 56%. And, Pressler is the second choice of most of Weiland's supporters, 72%. The plurality of Rounds' backers, 44%, says Pressler is their second choice.

• Majorities of likely voters have a favorable impression of Rounds, 52%, and a positive view of Pressler, 52%. 46% think well of Weiland.

• Among registered voters including those who are undecided yet leaning toward a candidate or have voted early, Rounds, 43%, leads Weiland, 28%, and Pressler, 16%. Four percent are for Howie.

• When it comes to the issue crucial in deciding their vote for Congress, 25% of likely voters cite breaking the partisan gridlock in Washington. Social Security and Medicare, 15%, the deficit and government spending, 14%, health care, 13%, and job creation and economic growth, 12%, also rate. Seven percent mention military action against ISIS, while immigration is noted by 3%. Looking out for the interests of women receives 2%.

Poll Points Governor:

• In the contest for South Dakota governor, Daugaard, 67%, outpaces Wismer, 28%, among likely voters including those who are undecided yet leaning toward a candidate or have voted early.

• Most Republican likely voters rally behind Daugaard. However, Wismer only receives 68% of Democrats likely to cast a ballot. 29% of Democrats cross party lines and support Daugaard.

• 67% of likely voters with a candidate preference including early voters strongly

support their choice of candidate for South Dakota governor. 69% of Daugaard supporters and 61% of Wismer's backers say they will not waver in their support for their candidate. Five percent of likely voters with a candidate preference might vote differently.

• Daugaard, 67%, has a commanding lead over Wismer, 26%, among registered voters in South Dakota





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including those who are undecided yet leaning toward a candidate or have voted early.

• Daugaard enjoys a high favorable rating, 70%. Wismer is unfamiliar to 43% of likely voters. Wismer's favorable score is 31%, and her negative rating is 25%.

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• 32% of adults in South Dakota approve of the job President Barack Obama is doing in office. A majority, 56%, disapproves.

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How the Survey was Conducted

Nature of the Sample: NBC News/Marist Poll of 1,204 South Dakota Adults

This survey of 1,204 adults was conducted October 19th through October 23rd, 2014 by The Marist Poll sponsored in partnership with NBC News. Adults 18 years of age and older residing in the state of South Dakota were interviewed by telephone using live interviewers. Landline telephone numbers were randomly selected based upon a list of telephone exchanges from throughout the state of South Dakota from ASDE Survey Sampler, Inc. Respondents in the household were selected by asking for the youngest male. To increase coverage, this landline sample was supplemented by respondents reached through random dialing of cell phone numbers from Survey Sampling International. The two samples were then combined and balanced to reflect the 2010 Census results for age, gender, income, race, and region. Results are statistically significant within ± 2.8 percentage points. There are 990 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within ± 3.1 percentage points. There are 730 likely voters defined by a probability turnout model. This model determines the likelihood respondents will vote in the November 2014 election based upon their chance of vote, interest in the election, and past election participation. The results for this subset are statistically significant within ± 3.6 percentage points. The error margin increases for cross-tabulations.



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Today in Weather History

1991: The first winter storm of the season moved across western and northern South Dakota. The storm produced widespread snow and freezing rain. Strong winds also produced blowing snow which caused blizzard conditions. Snow amounts ranged from 3 to 11 inches. Many schools and businesses in western South Dakota were closed. Snow drifts, as high as 6 feet, made many roads impassable. Travel across western South Dakota was extremely difficult, if not impossible. Forty traffic accidents occurred in the Black Hills while five accidents were reported in Pierre. A semi overturned east of Kadoka. Many major roads were closed due to the snow and visibility. Rapid City airport was closed. Freezing rain downed electric and telephone lines in Mobridge, Gettysburg, Belvidere, Midland, and Mission. Ice also broke six power poles in Walworth County. Some rural areas were without electricity for 30 hours. Three accidents in Aberdeen were attributed to slippery roads.

1913: The town of Edwardsville, in southern Wales, saw the deadliest tornado in United Kingdom history when a twister hit the mining town and may have killed as many as six people (accounts vary).

1929: A winter storm established a record (at the time) for the state of Michigan by dumping 27 inches of snow on Ishpeming in 24 hours.

1764 - A "very remarkable storm of snow with high winds" produced 22 inches at Rutland in central Massachusetts. (David Ludlum)

1929 - A snowstorm dumped 27 inches upon Ishpeming, MI, in 24 hours to establish a state record. (David Ludlum)

1962 - An early season winter storm over New England blanketed northern Maine with 7 to 16 inches

of snow, and southeastern New England with up to 3 inches of snow. Worcester MA received a record 4.7 inches of snow. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Showers and thunderstorms produced locally heavy rain from Virginia to New York State. Fallen leaves made roads and sidewalks slick, and also clogged sewers. Rainfall totals of 1.55 inches at Newark NJ, 1.54 inches at Harrisburg PA, 1.27 inches at Scranton PA, and 1.22 inches at Atlantic City NJ, were records for the date. (The National Weather Summary)

1988 - Low pressure brought snow and gale force winds to the Great Lakes Region, and snow and high winds to the north central U.S. Winds gusted to 47 mph at Lansing MI, and reached 55 mph at Pierre SD. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Wintry weather invaded the northwestern U.S. A storm crossing the Central Rockies produced up to 23 inch-







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- * South Dakota Right to Life



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es of snow in the mountains east of Salt Lake City UT. "Indian Summer" continued in the Lower Ohio Valley and the Upper Great Lakes Region. Afternoon highs of 71 degrees at Marquette MI and 72 degrees at Sault Ste Marie MI were records for the date. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)



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TUESDAY



TODAY





TONIGHT

Slight Chc Rain Low: 37 °F



Slight Chc Rain High: 49 °F

20%

TUESDAY



Partly Cloudy Low: 27 °F



Mostly Sunny High: 53 °F

WEDNESDAY



WEDNESDAY

NIGHT

THURSDAY

Partly Cloudy Low: 34 °F



COOLER & WINDY TODAY



Low pressure moving across North Dakota will bring a few light showers to the region, with the best forcing for any light rain across south-central and eastern South Dakota. Windy conditions are also expected today.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 68.6°F at 3:50 PM Low: 43.2°F at 12:15 AM High Gust: 40 mph at 11:45 AM Precip: 0.00

Today's Info Record High: 83° in 1983

Record Low: 10° in 1919 Average High: 52°F Average Low: 28°F Average Precip in Oct.: 1.77 Precip to date in Oct.: 0.29 Average Precip to date: 20.25 Precip Year to Date: 13.23 Sunset Tonight: 6:28 p.m. Sunrise Tomorrow: 8:08 a.m.



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POLAR OPPOSITES

"Have it your way" was the Burger King slogan for forty years. It's been changed. Their new slogan is "Be Your Way."

Why the change? In a recently released statement the management team said the new motto is intended to remind people that "they can and should live how they want anytime. It's ok not to be perfect...Self-expression is most important; it's our differences that make us individuals instead of robots."

Burger King's Senior Vice President noted in an interview "that 'Have it Your Way' focuses only on the purchase...the ability to customize a burger. By contrast he said, 'Be Your Way' is about making a connection with a person's greater life style." How confusing.

A "life-style" reflects our way of life; our values and attitudes. If we "be our way," it can be dangerous. It seems to suggest that "anything goes"...there is no wrong unless we agree on right and wrong. Furthermore, no one has any right to interfere with "my way."

Unfortunately, our ways seldom agree with the ways of God unless we have been born again. Hearts are evil, thoughts are corrupt, desires self-centered and evil ways are the life-style of the non-believer.

"To fear the Lord is to hate evil," said Solomon. Then, speaking on behalf of God, he said, "I hate pride and arrogance, evil behavior and perverse speech."

God's Word and wisdom is very clear: It's either His way or the evil way. It cannot be both.

Prayer: Lord, living our way is the easy way - but the wrong way. Give us a deep desire to seek Your way. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Proverbs 8:13 To fear the Lord is to hate evil; I hate pride and arrogance, evil behavior and perverse speech.

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News from the App Associated Press

Girl run over, killed by truck driven by brother

HARTFORD, S.D. (AP) — A 14-year-old Hartford girl died when she was run over by a pickup truck driven by her 16-year-old brother.

Authorities say the girl and two other girls were chasing the pickup in a parking lot on Saturday afternoon, hoping to catch a ride. The 14-year-old girl jumped onto the truck's running board, slipped off and was run over. She was pronounced dead at the scene.

The Minnehaha County Sheriff's Office did not immediately release the names of those involved. Authorities called the incident a tragic accident and said no charges will be filed.

Jamaican disc jockey pleads guilty in lottery scam

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — A prominent Jamaican disc jockey has pleaded guilty for his role in a lottery scam case being tried by federal prosecutors in North Dakota.

Deon-ville O'Hara, also known as ZJ Wah Wa, is among 26 people accused of participating in a scheme that induced elderly people throughout the United States to send millions of dollars to cover fees for lottery winnings.

Authorities say O'Hara traveled to the U.S. to pick up money from victims.

Victims included a North Dakota woman who was promised \$19 million in winnings, and a South Dakota man who was told he won \$3.5 million and a 2012 Mercedes

O'Hara pleaded guilty on Friday to conspiracy, which carries a maximum penalty of 40 years in prison. Sentencing is scheduled for Feb. 23 in Bismarck.

Corp holding river meetings in Bismarck, Pierre

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — The Army Corps of Engineers is holding public meetings in the two capital cities in the Dakotas this week on its draft operating plan for the Missouri River.

The meetings will include a presentation on the 2014 operations and on plans for managing the river's system of reservoirs in 2015. There also will be question-and-answer sessions, and opportunities for members of the public and others to speak one-on-one with corps officials.

Meetings are scheduled Tuesday for 11 a.m. at the Bismarck Event Center in Bismarck and for 6 p.m. at the Capitol Lake Visitor Center in Pierre.

The corps is holding similar meetings this week in Montana, Missouri and Iowa.

Pressler: Hot Springs hospital could treat PTSD

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — U.S. Senate candidate Larry Pressler says that a national center for post-traumatic stress disorder should be located at the Veterans Affairs hospital in Hot Springs.

Pressler made the statement Sunday in reaction to an Argus Leader article that told the story of a 25-year veteran of the South Dakota National Guard who suffered from PTSD. She recently committed suicide in Sioux Falls.

Presser says there's been talk of creating about a dozen new PTSD treatment centers in quiet, rural areas of the U.S. He says instead of building a new facility, it would make more sense to use the existing VA hospital in the scenic Black Hills.

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Pressler says that he himself suffered from PTSD after serving two tours of combat duty in Vietnam.

Voting guide for South Dakota general election REGINA GARCIA CANO, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The dominant contest in this election cycle is the race to fill the open seat of retiring U.S. Sen. Tim Johnson, but South Dakota residents also must choose a new member of Congress, a governor and other state leaders, as well as decide on three ballot measures. Here's what can be found on the Nov. 4 ballot:

U.S. SENATE: Former Gov. Mike Rounds easily won the GOP nod and has been the front-runner for much of the race, but he has challengers on his heels in Democrat Rick Weiland and independent Larry Pressler, a former Republican who spent 18 years in Congress. Republicans are trying to pick up six Senate seats, and the tightening in this race has attracted national political advertising money. Also on the ballot is independent Gordon Howie, a former Republican state lawmaker.

U.S. HOUSE: Republican U.S. Rep. Kristi Noem has maintained a large lead both in name recognition and fundraising over Democratic challenger Corinna Robinson, a retired Army veteran. Noem, who was first elected in 2010, has campaigned on issues of agriculture and human trafficking, while Robinson says she'll focus on increasing teacher salaries and promoting technology careers.

GOVERNOR: In his quest for a second four-year term, Republican Gov. Dennis Daugaard has run on a platform of fiscal responsibility and economic growth. He has has drawn some ire from school boards and educators for cutting school aid in 2011 when the sluggish economy limited state tax collections. Democratic challenger state Rep. Susan Wismer, the state's first woman to be nominated for governor by a major party, supports expanding Medicaid and making state government more open, and has been critical of Daugaard's handling of the state budget.

Independent candidate Mike Myers, a former law school professor, is looking for increased teacher pay and dropping the Common Core education standards — the latter also supported by Daugaard and Wismer. The lieutenant governor candidates are: Matt Michels with Daugaard, Susy Blake with Wismer and Lora Hubbel with Myers.

INITIATED MEASURE 17: The so-called patient choice 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. If approved, doctors who agree to the conditions set forth by insurers, including payments for services provided to patients, could join an insurer's pre-ferred providers list. Supporters say it would give South Dakota residents the freedom to choose their doctor, but opponents of the measure said it would neither provide more choice nor reduce costs.

INITIATED MEASURE 18: If approved, the state minimum wage would increase from \$7.25 to \$8.50 an hour; increase the \$2.13 hourly tip wage to half the minimum wage; and tie future increases to the cost of living. Supporters say the measure would help boost South Dakota's lagging personal income, while opponents say it could force businesses to increase prices, lay off workers or reduce benefits.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT Q: Passage would authorize the Legislature to allow roulette, keno and craps games at Deadwood casinos that now only offer slot machines, poker and blackjack. The additional games also could be offered at the state's tribal casinos. Supporters say casinos in the historic Black Hills gambling town are hurting because of increased competition. Opponents say the measure would expand gambling and increase social ills caused by gambling addictions, such as crime.

SECRETARY OF STATE: Republican Shantel Krebs, Democrat Angelia Schultz, Libertarian and Lori Stacey with the Constitution Party are vying for the seat being vacated by Republican Jason Gant.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL: Libertarian Chad Haber is challenging incumbent Republican Marty Jackley. AUDITOR: Libertarian Kurt Evans is challenging incumbent Republican Steve Barnett.

TREASURER: Democrat Denny Pierson and Libertarian Ken Santema are challenging Rich Sattgast, the incumbent Republican.

COMMISSIONER OF SCHOOL AND PUBLIC LANDS: Republican Ryan Brunner, the current deputy commissioner, and Libertarian John English are running for the open seat.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSIONER: Democrat David Allen and Wayne Schmidt with the Constitutional Party are trying to unseat incumbent Gary Hanson, a Republican.

LEGISLATURE: All 35 senators and 70 representatives are running, and there's no chance Republicans will give up control of either chamber because of the large number of uncontested races.

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. GOVERNORS BACK HOME QUARANTINE FOR EBOLA WORKERS

Chris Christie and Andrew Cuomo are at odds with scientists over Ebola as the governors back 21-day quarantines for medical workers returning from West Africa.

2. FAMILY QUESTIONS EBOLA CARE

The kin of Thomas Eric Duncan, the only patient to die from the virus in the U.S., question why his care was different than the eight other Americans who survived.

3. SOUTH KOREA FERRY CAPTAIN MAY FACE DEATH

A report says that prosecutors are demanding capital punishment for the skipper of the ferry that sank and killed more than 300 people.

4. PRO-EUROPEAN PARTIES LEAD UKRAINE POLL

Two allied pro-European parties that ran on a platform to enact tough reforms take a joint lead in a parliamentary election.

5. EX-ARMY EXPERTS CASH IN WITH PRIVATE FIRMS

AP's Ken Dilanian finds that defense contractors continue to profit from the troubled intelligence program Distributed Common Ground System despite its failures.

6. FROM PARIAH TO GLOBAL AUTO STAR

Automakers win back SUV customers by making smaller, more fuel-efficient ones that also appeal to newly wealthy buyers in Asia and South America and former skeptics in Europe.

7. TEEN WOUNDED IN SCHOOL SHOOTING DIES

Gia Soriano, 14, is the second schoolgirl to die after classmate Jaylen Fryberg opened fire in a high school cafeteria north of Seattle.

8. NEIGHBORS DEEMED KEY TO COPING WITH CATASTROPHES

An AP survey suggests support from people in their community has a big impact on how prepared towns feel for disasters such as Superstorm Sandy.

9. WHAT SHAKES UP COLON CANCER SCREENING

Millions of people who have avoided colon cancer screening can get a new home test that's noninvasive and doesn't require the icky preparation.

10. GIANTS PITCHER ACES LATEST TEST

Madison Bumgarner puts San Francisco just one win from another World Series title, throwing a fourhitter to beat the Kansas City Royals 5-0

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AP News in Brief

New York, New Jersey emphasize home confinement for Ebola workers amid government criticism

NEW YORK (AP) — The governors of New York and New Jersey are at odds with scientists over Ebola as they back 21-day quarantines for medical workers returning from West Africa, while the nation's top infectious-disease expert warns that such restrictions are unnecessary and could discourage volunteers from aiding disease-ravaged countries.

The two governors late Sunday night emphasized separately that their policies permit home confinement for medical workers who have had contact with Ebola patients if the workers show no symptoms. They will receive twice-daily monitoring from health officials.

The emphasis on home confinement was at odds with the widely criticized treatment of a nurse returning from Sierrra Leone who was forcibly quarantined is a New Jersey hospital isolation unit even though she said had no symptoms and tested negative for Ebola.

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo said such quarantines in medical facilities would only be used in some cases, such as if the health care workers were from states other than New York or New Jersey. For workers under home confinement, family members will be allowed to stay, and friends may visit with the approval of health officials. Workers displaying any symptoms will go straight to the hospital.

"We're staying one step ahead," Cuomo said Sunday night. "We're doing everything possible. Some people say we're being too cautious. I'll take that criticism."

How was Liberian Ebola patient's treatment different from American patients who survived?

DALLAS (AP) — When Thomas Eric Duncan became the first diagnosed case of Ebola in the United States, his relatives with roots in virus-ravaged Liberia knew what questions to ask.

Would his treatment include experimental drugs? Was a blood transfusion from a survivor an option? What about a transfer from the hospital in Dallas, where he was being treated, to one of four medical centers nationwide that specialize in highly infectious diseases like Ebola?

Duncan, poor and uninsured, did not get all the help his family members wanted, and they now question why his care was different in some ways than that of Americans infected with the deadly virus who survived. Of the nine people who have been treated for Ebola in the U.S., only Duncan has died.

"We asked. We begged. We pleaded. I even offered my own blood, even though it wouldn't do anything for him," said nephew Josephus Weeks, who was so close in age to Duncan that they were raised like brothers. "We requested everything we could think of to save Eric. They said no."

Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas spokesman Wendell Watson said "many treatment options" were considered, including experimental drugs and a transfusion. What could be done to save Duncan was "discussed daily" with experts at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Emory University in Atlanta, which has a special isolation unit that successfully treated other Ebola patients. He said all parties decided to leave Duncan in Dallas, where he died Oct. 8.

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INSIDE WASHINGTON: Revolving door between companies, Army on display in intelligence program

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army's troubled \$5 billion intelligence fusion network has been a source of lucrative contracts to companies whose employees once worked for the Army, while failing to deliver on its promise of making data seamlessly accessible to soldiers in the field, according to records and interviews.

The Distributed Common Ground System (DCGS-A) was supposed to integrate intelligence from a network of sensors and databases to provide a common intelligence picture from the Pentagon to the farthest reaches of Afghanistan.

But the program so far has been a bust, with one memorable Army testing report finding it "not operationally effective, not operationally suitable and not survivable."

The performance failures of the network have been well-documented, but less scrutiny has been devoted to the revolving door between defense companies that profit from the troubled intelligence system and the military commands that continue to fund it, records show.

Several people who worked in key roles in Army intelligence left for top jobs at those companies. In the world of government contracting, that's not illegal or entirely uncommon, but critics say it perpetuates a culture of failure.

Girl wounded in Washington state school shooting dies, bringing death toll to 3

MARYSVILLE, Wash. (AP) — A 14-year-old girl who was wounded when a student opened fire inside a Washington state high school has died, raising the death toll in the shooting to three.

Gia Soriano died Sunday night, more than two days after she was shot, officials at Providence Regional Medical Center Everett said.

"We are devastated by this senseless tragedy," her family said in a statement, read at a news conference by Dr. Joanne Roberts. "Gia is our beautiful daughter, and words cannot express how much we will miss her."

Roberts said Gia's family was donating her organs for transplant.

Another girl was killed Friday when a popular freshman at Marysville-Pilchuck High School north of Seattle opened fire.

South Korean prosecutors demand death penalty for captain of doomed ferry

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — South Korean prosecutors on Monday demanded the death penalty for the captain of a ferry that sank in April, killing more than 300 people, and life sentences to three key crew members, a court official said.

Prosecutors also requested that a district court sentence 11 other crew members up to 30 years in prison on charges that they were negligent and failed to protect passengers when the ferry was sinking April 16, said an official at the Gwangju District Court in southern South Korea. He spoke on condition of anonymity, saying he wasn't authorized to speak to the media about the requested punishment.

The 15 crew on trial were among the first people rescued from the ship when it began badly listing en route from Incheon, west of Seoul, to the resort island of Jeju. Most of those who died in the disaster

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were students from a single high school who were on a field trip to the island.

Capt. Lee Joon-seok and the three key crew members — a first mate, a second mate and the chief engineer — were indicted in May on homicide charges. Eleven other crew members were indicted on less serious charges.

Court officials have said the court will issue verdicts on the 15 crew members in November.

Before US breakthroughs, gay marriage has been accepted by some countries around the world

LONDON (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court's refusal this month to review rulings that overturned bans on same-sex marriage marked a milestone in gay rights in the United States. Around the world, many countries have come to accept such unions as part of the tapestry of everyday life. But there are still pockets of resistance. Here is a look at some countries that have made same-sex marriage common practice:

BRITAIN WAITS, ACCEPTS:

In 1992, five same-sex couples in London applied for marriage licenses in one of the opening salvos of the battle for what campaigners call "marriage equality."

The license bid was denied — to no one's surprise — and one of the organizers, rights campaigner Peter Tatchell, said that most gay people at the time believed same-sex marriage to be an "impossible, unattainable" goal.

Whale hunts, polar bears and door knocks: Getting out the Senate vote above the Arctic Circle

BARROW, Alaska (AP) — Three children whiz by on a snowmobile as Gabe Tegoseak, crunching through icy streets in the town that's as far north as you can go and still be in the United States, is hunting for votes.

He's tired after a late night spent butchering one of three bowhead whales that subsistence hunters towed in from the pewter-colored waters of the Chukchi Sea. Slabs of blubber cover front yards all over town, and Tegoseak has some whale of his own to cut up and cook at home.

But not yet. There is an election coming soon, and doors await his knock. Harold Snowball answers one of them.

"Are you a Republican or Democrat, do you mind if I ask?" says Tegoseak. Snowball thinks he's a registered Democrat but says he votes for who he believes will do a better job. In this case, that will probably be Alaska's Democratic U.S. senator, Mark Begich.

"Yeah!" Tegoseak says with a fist pump, and later makes a note of this on a spreadsheet.

SUVs — once a symbol of American excess — are becoming the world's favorite ride

DETROIT (AP) — Once a hulking symbol of American excess, sport utility vehicles are quickly becoming the world's favorite way to get around.

It's a surprising rebirth for a vehicle that was the subject of obituaries when gas prices spiked in 2008. Automakers won back customers by making smaller, more fuel-efficient SUVs that also appealed to

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newly wealthy buyers in Asia and South America and former skeptics in Europe.

Indian drivers want SUVs to navigate rough roads. In China they're a status symbol. European and American Baby Boomers buy SUVs because they're easier to climb in and out of. Upwardly mobile Brazilian families like their spaciousness. Cheaper subcompacts like the Renault Duster are bringing in customers who couldn't afford SUVs before.

Earlier this year, SUVs overtook four-door sedans for the first time as the most popular vehicle for individual buyers in the U.S. By 2018, analysts expect China to be the biggest market for SUVs in the world.

"The SUV genie is out of the bottle. They've been discovered by enough people that you'll never put them back," says Karl Brauer, a senior analyst with the car buying site Kelley Blue Book.

Actress Marcia Strassman, who starred in 1970s sitcom 'Welcome Back, Kotter,' dies at age 66

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Marcia Strassman, who played Gabe Kaplan's wife, Julie, on the 1970s sitcom "Welcome Back, Kotter," has died. She was 66.

Strassman died at her Sherman Oaks, California, home on Friday after battling breast cancer for seven years, her sister, Julie Strassman, said Sunday.

"They gave her 2 ¹/₂ years to live but she lasted much longer," she said. "She was very courageous." Strassman had numerous roles on television and in film during her five-decade career.

She played nurse Margie Cutler on the first season of "MASH" before her breakout role in "Welcome Back, Kotter." The show was about a teacher returning to the tough high-school of his youth to teach a classroom full of misfits, including future movie star John Travolta.

Bumgarner's latest gem leads Giants past Royals, within a victory of third title in 5 years

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Hall of Famer Juan Marichal mingled in the San Francisco clubhouse and waited patiently for his chance to share a kind, congratulatory word with Madison Bumgarner.

Marichal understood it would be tough to find a moment with the man of the night. MadBum, the man of the postseason, more like it.

One of the greatest pitchers ever thinks the world of one of baseball's brightest young arms, so standing in line to speak to the lefty was no big deal.

What Bumgarner did to pitch the Giants within one victory of another World Series championship certainly was.

The Southern southpaw tossed a four-hit gem in his latest brilliant postseason start, and the Giants beat the Kansas City Royals 5-0 on Sunday night to reach the cusp of a third championship in five years.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Oct. 27, the 300th day of 2014. There are 65 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 27, 1914, author-poet Dylan Thomas was born in Swansea, Wales.

On this date:

In 1787, the first of the Federalist Papers, a series of essays calling for ratification of the United States

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Constitution, was published.

In 1858, the 26th president of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt, was born in New York City.

In 1880, Theodore Roosevelt married his first wife, Alice Lee.

In 1904, the first rapid transit subway, the IRT, was inaugurated in New York City.

In 1922, the first annual celebration of Navy Day took place.

In 1938, Du Pont announced a name for its new synthetic yarn: "nylon."

In 1947, "You Bet Your Life," starring Groucho Marx, premiered on ABC Radio. (It later became a television show on NBC.)

In 1954, U.S. Air Force Col. Benjamin O. Davis Jr. was promoted to brigadier general, the first black officer to achieve that rank in the USAF. Walt Disney's first television program, titled "Disneyland" after the yet-to-be completed theme park, premiered on ABC.

In 1962, during the Cuban Missile Crisis, a U-2 reconnaissance aircraft was shot down while flying over Cuba, killing the pilot, U.S. Air Force Maj. Rudolf Anderson Jr.

In 1978, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin (men-AH'-kem BAY'-gihn) were named winners of the Nobel Peace Prize for their progress toward achieving a Middle East accord.

In 1980, opera star Beverly Sills gave her last public performance during a farewell gala at New York's Lincoln Center.

In 1995, a sniper killed one soldier and wounded 18 others at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. (Paratrooper William J. Kreutzer was convicted in the shootings, and condemned to death; however, the sentence was later commuted to life in prison.)

Ten years ago: The Boston Red Sox won their first World Series since 1918, sweeping the St. Louis Cardinals in Game 4, 3-0. New York City's subway system marked its 100th anniversary. Bandleader Lester Lanin died in New York at age 97.

Five years ago: Eight American troops were killed in two separate bomb attacks in southern Afghanistan. Michael Jackson's last work, the documentary "Michael Jackson: This Is It," opened.

One year ago: The Boston Red Sox beat the St. Louis Cardinals 4-2 to tie the World Series at two games apiece; the game finished with a pickoff play, a first in postseason history. Lou Reed, 71, who radically challenged rock's founding promise of good times and public celebration as leader of the Velvet Underground and a solo artist and was a founder of indie rock, died in Southampton, New York.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Nanette Fabray is 94. Actor-comedian John Cleese is 75. Author Maxine Hong Kingston is 74. Country singer Lee Greenwood is 72. Producer-director Ivan Reitman is 68. Country singer-musician Jack Daniels is 65. Rock musician Garry Tallent (Bruce Springsteen & the E Street Band) is 65. Author Fran Lebowitz is 64. Rock musician K.K. Downing is 63. TV personality Jayne Kennedy is 63. Actor-director Roberto Benigni is 62. Actor Peter Firth is 61. Actor Robert Picardo is 61. World Golf Hall of Famer Patty Sheehan is 58. Singer Simon Le Bon is 56. Country musician Jerry Dale McFadden (The Mavericks) is 50. Internet news editor Matt Drudge is 48. Rock musician Jason Finn (Presidents of the United States of America) is 47. Rock singer Scott Weiland (WY'-land) is 47. Actor Sean Holland is 46. Actress Sheeri Rappaport is 37. Actor David Walton is 36. Violinist Vanessa-Mae is 36. Actress-singer Kelly Osbourne is 30. Actress Christine Evangelista is 28.

Thought for Today: "He who seeks rest finds boredom. He who seeks work finds rest." - Dylan Thomas (1914-1953).