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United Methodist Jr UMYF Food Drive Night

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South Dakota among Top 10 States in Trucking Safety, Enforcement

PIERRE, S.D. – A national trucking research firm ranks South Dakota in the Top 10 nationally for motor carrier safety and enforcement, state Highway Patrol Col. Craig Price said today.

South Dakota ranked ninth in a year-long study by the American Transportation Research Institute, the national trucking industry's not-for-profit research organization. The organization said the top 10 states demonstrate a balanced approach to enforcement activities involving commercial motor vehicles.

The study measured a number of factors, including truck crashes, enforcement violations and number of inspections per million miles traveled, as well as types of violations and contributing factors to crashes.

"The study shows South Dakota has a low crash rate for trucks, uses budgeted funds effectively and focuses on violations that relate to truck crashes," Price said. "We believe this study shows that our citizens and visitors are among the safest in the nation when traveling our highways. It also shows the motor carriers who operate in South Dakota are safety conscious and really doing their part to make the roads safe for all of us."

Bill Graves, president and CEO of the American Trucking Association, said the top-ranked states have law enforcement agencies that work with truckers to make safety and reduced crashes a top priority. Maryland ranked first in the study. In the region, Montana was fifth and Iowa 10th.

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Bennett Shabazz got a first down run to take the Tigers down to the Moberidge-Pollock 10 yard line after having a 30-yard run.

Groton Area advances in football playoffs with 41-0 win over Moberidge-Pollock

Groton Area will advance to the second round of the football playoffs after beating Moberidge-Pollock Tuesday night in Groton, 41-0.

Groton had 351 yards total offense while the visiting Tigers had 52 yards offense. Jackson Doeden led Groton with 143 yards rushing, completed one of three passes for 25 yards and a touchdown and had five tackles. Spencer Knecht had 109 yards rushing, 25 yards receiving and led the defense with 10 tackles and a fumble recovery. Bennett Shabazz had 60 yards rushing and two interceptions. Adam Herman had nine yards rushing and five tackles and Nick Dalchow had seven tackles. Seric Shabazz had five yards rushing.

Moberidge-Pollock came out tough in the first quarter, giving the hometown Tigers a run for the money. The visiting Tigers took nearly six minutes off the clock on the opening drive and even went for a fourth and six before the drive stopped. Groton's drive went about three and a half minutes before Jacob Milbrandt attempted a 32-yard field goal that fell short.

Moberidge-Pollock had only four attempts before punting. Groton Area started its drive from the Moberidge-Pollock 43 as the first quarter ended scoreless. Jackson Doeden had a 19-yard run to give Groton a first down and the ball at the 12 yard line. Doeden would eventually score from two-yards out with 9:38 left in the half. Milbrandt kicked the PAT and Groton took a 7-0 lead.

Two Moberidge-Pollock penalties foiled its drive as the Tigers eventually ended up punting on fourth and 17.

Groton took over on its own 30-yard line. Despite two first downs and a Moberidge-Pollock penalty, Groton went from second and seven to fourth and 14 as Groton ended up punting. Moberidge-Pollock could not get a first down and Stevie Fey sacked the Tigers to make it fourth and 17.

Groton took over with 1:52 left in the half at the Moberidge-Pol-

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Spencer Knecht gains 10 yards before being brought down by a couple of Mobridge-Pollock defenders.

to Spencer Knecht. We haven't used that play much and we had to dig deep into the play book.

"We made some adjustments at halftime," Wanner said. "Bennett (Shabazz), Jackson (Doeden) and Spencer (Knecht) ran the ball well. We're starting to execute better and understand our roles better."

Groton had the ball first in the third quarter and took nearly six minutes off the clock, starting its own 20 yard line and marching down the field with six first downs as Doeden ended the drive on a four-yard run. Doeden also ran in the PAT and it was 21-0.

lock 35 yard line. Groton got a first down with 13 seconds left and called time out at the 25-yard line. Spencer Knecht would break free and dash 25 yards to score for the Tigers with four seconds left. The PAT kick was no good and Groton led at half time, 13-0. "I thought a big play was right before halftime," Wanner said. "We scored on the pass play from Jackson Doeden



Bennett Shabazz gives ball a boot as he punts the ball.

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Adam Herman (#11) deflected the pass into the air away from Mobridge-Pollock's Riley Schott. Bennett Shabazz caught the ball and returned it to the Mobridge-Pollock 22 yard line. Also pictured are Landon Larson (#21) and Spencer Knecht (#19).

Mobridge-Pollock's drive was short-lived for on second and 26, Bennett Shabazz intercepted the ball and Groton had excellent field position at the Mobridge-Pollock 22 yard line. Groton got down to the 12-yard line before fumbling the ball. Mobridge-Pollock got a first down thanks to a Groton penalty, but Shabazz, once again, intercepted the ball as Groton Area took over on the Mobridge-Pollock 34 yard line.

"Bennett had a couple of good interceptions," Wanner said. "Our defensive line had some good knock-downs. Mobridge-Pollock had a freshman quarterback as their starter suffered a concussion at their game last week."

Groton's drive started with 2:30 left in the third quarter. With three first downs, Knecht would score on a four-yard run with 21 seconds left in the third quarter. The PAT kick was no good and Groton took a 27-0 lead.

"We're putting some points on the board," Wanner said. "We scored 34 against Sisseton last week and 41 against Mobridge-Pollock. It's something I've been waiting for. Any time you can put up that many points, it takes the pressure off the defense."

Mobridge-Pollock started at its own 28 yard line. A Groton penalty gave Mobridge-Pollock a first down as the third quarter ended. Spencer Knecht would recover a Mobridge-Pollock fumble on the first play of the fourth quarter as Groton took over on the Mobridge-Pollock 40 yard line. The Tigers got in trouble, however, being third and 21 and punting on fourth and 11.

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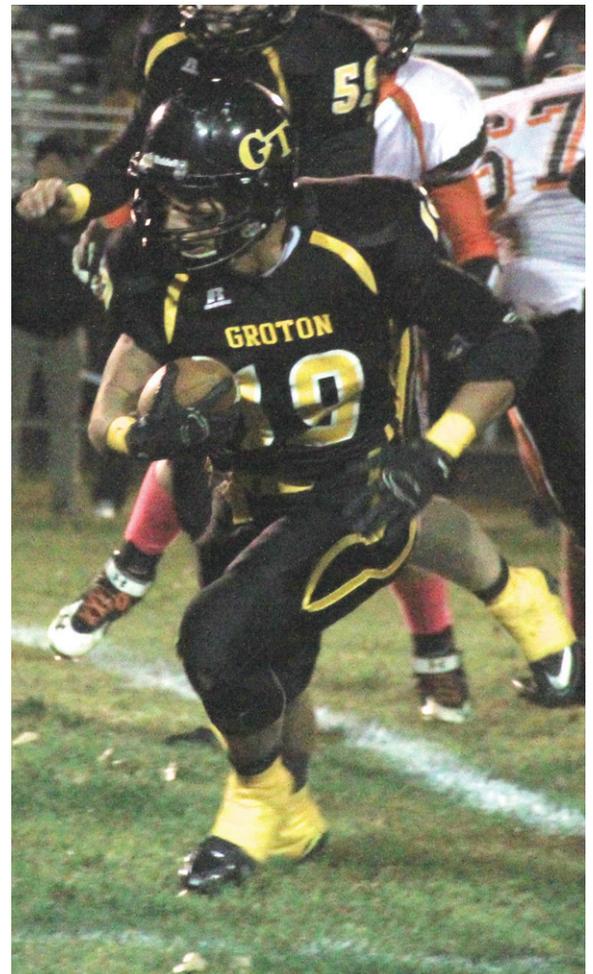
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Stevie Frey (#65) takes down Mobridge-Pollock's Brady Greger for a sack and a loss of 10 yards. Also pictured is Nick Dalchow (#59).

Mobridge-Pollock took over on its own 20 yard line, but had to punt on fourth and 18. Shabazz returned the punt 25 yards and Groton was at the Mobridge-Pollock 24 yard line. On the next play, Knecht would score on a 24 yard run. Milbrandt kicked the PAT and Groton took a 34-0 lead with 7:47 left in the game.

Mobridge-Pollock punted on fourth and six as Groton took over on the Mobridge-Pollock 39 yard line. Groton got a first



Spencer Knecht runs for six yards to get a first down for the Tigers.

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Jackson Doeden blows past the Mobridge-Pollock defense for a 19-yard run to give Groton a first down and the ball on the Mobridge-Pollock 12 yard line.

"As long as we keep playing, it gives the kids an opportunity to play in big, fun games," Wanner said. "There's no tomorrow once you lose at this point. Custer has some size and a good running back. They're not 8-1 for no reason. There are no weak teams left and we'll have our work cut out for us. It should be a fun trip. The last time we went out west we came home with a big win. I'm proud of our kids. Our kids played well and we're healthy. That's a big plus at this time of the year."

Groton lost one of two fumbles and had six penalties for 65 yards.

Mobridge-Pollock had four yards rushing, 48 yards passing, lost one of two fumbles, threw two interceptions and had seven penalties for 36 yards.

- Paul Kosel

down on third and 11 with the ball down to the 30-yard thanks to a Shabazz 30-yard run. Shabazz would score on a two-yard run with 2:41 left in the game and Milbrandt kicked the PAT as Groton took a 41-0 lead.

Mobridge-Pollock had the last play of the game as Groton Area will advance to the second round of the football playoffs.



Jackson Doeden has a 10-yard run to give Groton a first down and the ball at the Groton 43 yard line.

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1st Round
Tuesday, October 28

Quarterfinal Round
Monday, November 3

Semifinal Round
Saturday, November 8

Championship Round
Friday, November 14

Region 1

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Swisher Field

#1 Aberdeen Roncalli	46
#4 Redfield/Doland*	0

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#2 Groton Area	41
#3 Mobridge-Pollock	0

Region 2

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Salem

#1 McCook Central/Montrose	14
#4 Tri-Valley*	7

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#2 Canton	45
#3 Sioux Valley	7

Region 3

Time: 6:00 p.m. CT

#1 Parkston	56
#4 Lead-Deadwood*	0

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#2 Winner	0
#3 Bon Homme	20

Region 4

Time: 6:30 p.m. MT

#1 Custer	35
#4 Red Cloud*	12

Time: 6:30 p.m. MT

#2 St. Thomas More	52
#3 Bennett County	8



2014 Class 11B Football Playoffs



Quarterfinal Teams

Parkston	57.250
Custer	57.000
St. Thomas More	56.222
Aberdeen Roncalli	54.375
McCook Central/Montrose	53.500
Bon Homme	50.250
Groton Area	48.875
Canton	47.125

* Denotes at-large team (cannot host 1st round game)

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Region 1

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#1 Madison	55
#4 Milbank Area*	0

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#2 Dell Rapids	41
#3 Sisseton	12

Region 2

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#1 Lennox	35
#4 Dakota Valley*	14

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#2 Tea Area	17
#3 Vermillion	20

Region 3

Time: 5:30 p.m. CT @ Hartford

#1 West Central	56
#4 Cheyenne-Eagle Butte*	0

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Mission

#2 Todd County	16
#3 Chamberlain	42

Region 4

Time: 6:00 p.m. MT

#1 Hot Springs	51
#4 Pine Ridge*	0

Time: 6:00 p.m. MT

#2 Belle Fourche	66
#3 Little Wound	13



2014 Class 11A Football Playoffs

Time:

#1 Madison	
#8 Chamberlain	

Time:

Time:

#4 Hot Springs	
#5 Belle Fourche	

Time: 7:30pm CT @ DakotaDome

Time:

#2 Dell Rapids	
#7 Vermillion	

Time:

Time:

#3 West Central	
#6 Lennox	

Quarterfinal Teams

Madison	55.625
Dell Rapids	54.125
West Central	52.000
Hot Springs	51.250
Belle Fourche	48.125
Lennox	46.625
Vermillion	46.250
Chamberlain	44.000

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Quarterfinal Round
Thursday, October 30

Semifinal Round
Friday, November 7

Championship Round
Friday, November 14

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#1 Yankton	
#8 Huron	

Time:

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#4 Harrisburg	
#5 Mitchell	



Time: 7:30pm CT @ DakotaDome

2014 Class 11AA Football Playoffs

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Coughlin-Alumni

#2 Brookings	
#7 Watertown	

Time:

Time: 6:00 p.m. MT @ Box Elder

#3 Douglas	
#6 Pierre T.F. Riggs	

Quarterfinal Teams

Yankton	56.875
Brookings	49.000
Douglas	46.750
Harrisburg	45.875
Mitchell	41.500
Pierre T.F. Riggs	41.125
Watertown	40.250
Huron	35.500

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Quarterfinal Round
Thursday, October 30

Semifinal Round
Friday, November 7

Championship Round
Saturday, November 15

Time: 4:30 p.m. CT @ Howard Wood Field

#1 SF Lincoln	
#8 RC Central	

Time:

Time: 6:00 p.m. CT @ McEneaney Field

#4 SF O'Gorman	
#5 Aberdeen Central	



Time: 7:30pm CT @ DakotaDome

2014 Class 11AAA Football Playoffs

Time: 7:30 p.m. CT @ Howard Wood Field

#2 SF Roosevelt	
#7 RC Stevens	

Time:

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#3 Brandon Valley	
#6 SF Washington	

Quarterfinal Teams

SF Lincoln	57.250
SF Roosevelt	54.500
Brandon Valley	52.375
SF O'Gorman	49.125
Aberdeen Central	46.250
SF Washington	43.375
RC Stevens	43.000
RC Central	38.750

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Region 1

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#1 Arlington	48
#4 Deubrook Area*	19

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Clear Lake

#2 Deuel	18
#3 Webster Area	0

Region 2

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Elkton

#1 Elkton-Lake Benton	44
#4 Menno/Marion	14

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#2 Garretson	36
#3 De Smet/Iroquois*	18

Region 3

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Woonsocket

#1 Woon./Wess. Spr./Sanb. Cent.	60
#4 Platte-Geddes/Dak. Christian	16

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Kimball

#2 Kimball/White Lake	52
#3 Bridgewater-Emery/Ethar	26

Region 4

Time: 6:00 p.m. CT

#1 Gregory	59
#4 Clark/Willow Lake*	6

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#2 Lyman	42
#3 Stanley County	32



2014 Class 9AA Football Playoffs

Time:

#1 Arlington	
#8 Kimball/White Lake	

Time:

Time:

#4 Woon./Wess. Spr./Sanb. Cent.	
#5 Elkton-Lake Benton	

Time: 1:30pm CT @ DakotaDome

Time:

#2 Gregory	
#7 Lyman	

Time:

Time:

#3 Deuel	
#6 Garretson	

Quarterfinal Teams

Arlington	57.625
Gregory	56.875
Deuel	54.125
Woon./Wess. Spr./Sanb. Cent.	53.375
Elkton-Lake Benton	52.000
Garretson	50.875
Lyman	50.500
Kimball/White Lake	49.750

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Region 1

Time: 6:30 p.m. CT @ Rosholt

#1 Tri-State	18
#4 Chester Area*	27

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Selby

#2 Herreid/Selby Area	36
#3 Warner	50

Region 2

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#1 Howard	60
#4 Viborg-Hurley*	6

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Alcester

#2 Alcester-Hudson	48
#3 Gayville-Volin	7

Region 3

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Wolsey

#1 Wolsey-Wessington	56
#4 Colome*	6

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Gettysburg

#2 Potter County	26
#3 Sully Buttes	8

Region 4

Time: 6:30 p.m. MT

#1 Philip	62
#4 Hanson*	36

Time: 6:00 p.m. MT

#2 New Underwood	64
#3 RC Christian	12



2014 Class 9A Football Playoffs

Time:

#1 Philip	
#8 Chester Area	

Time:

Time:

#4 Wolsey-Wessington	
#5 Potter County	

Time: 10:30am CT @ DakotaDome

Time:

#2 Howard	
#7 Warner	

Time:

Time:

#3 Alcester-Hudson	
#6 New Underwood	

Quarterfinal Teams

Philip	59.000
**Howard	57.875
Alcester-Hudson	57.875
Wolsey-Wessington	56.625
Potter County	55.000
New Underwood	54.500
Warner	51.875
Chester Area	48.750

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** Tie broken by average of opponents' power points

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Region 1

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#1 Faulkton Area	54
#4 Hitchcock-Tulare*	8

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#2 Langford Area	24
#3 Eureka/Bowdle	26

Region 2

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT @ Hayti

#1 Hamlin	56
#4 Colman-Egan	0

Time: 6:00 p.m. CT

#2 Dell Rapids St. Mary	52
#3 Waverly-South Shore*	22

Region 3

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#1 Canistota	66
#4 Scotland*	26

Time: 7:00 p.m. CT

#2 Avon	68
#3 Burke/South Central	30

Region 4

Time: 6:00 p.m. MT

#1 Faith	40
#4 Sunshine Bible Academy*	16

Time: 6:00 p.m. MT

#2 Harding County	50
#3 Wall	0



2014 Class 9B Football Playoffs

Time:

#1 Hamlin	
#8 Eureka/Bowdle	

Time:

Time:

#4 Faith	
#5 Harding County	

Time: 10:30am CT @ DakotaDome

Time:

#2 Canistota	
#7 Dell Rapids St. Mary	

Time:

Time:

#3 Faulkton Area	
#6 Avon	

Quarterfinal Teams

Hamlin	60.000
Canistota	58.875
Faulkton Area	57.500
Faith	56.500
Harding County	55.625
Avon	54.750
Dell Rapids St. Mary	54.500
Eureka/Bowdle	50.250

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Wheat Growers Receives Governor's Safety Awards

(Sioux Falls, SD) --- Wheat Growers was awarded 15 of the 50 company Meritorious Safety and Health Awards at the 22nd Annual South Dakota Governor's Safety and Health Conference in Sioux Falls. Fifteen Wheat Growers locations were honored with Meritorious Achievement awards for their efforts towards achieving safety excellence. Meritorious Achievement awards are given for superior safety performance.



Cutline for photo: Pictured from left to right: Casey Buchholz (Tulare), Jason White (Woonsocket), Jeff Tiede (Southern Regional Manager), Bruce Eldridge (Chamberlain), John Zeck (Bath), Mike Madsen (Carpenter), Don Herman (Miller), Rick Flatten (Willow Lake), James Lynch (Yale), Tom Waletich (Safety Department), Allen Rogers (Stickney), and Lon Siefken (Columbia).

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Since 1993, the annual Governor's Safety Awards has recognized employers with superior safety records. Employers submit workplace injury data that is compared with state and national data and the entrant's past performance. Ongoing safety programs and activities are also considered.

"We're very proud of these 15 Wheat Growers locations and the work and dedication that went into earning the Governor's Safety Award," Bill Spreeman, Wheat Growers Vice President, Safety, Environmental and Regulatory Affairs, said. "As we continue with another record-setting harvest, it's important to remember that one of Wheat Growers' core values is a Commitment to a Positive Safety Culture. These locations are fine examples of how we take that core value to heart every day."

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Today in Weather History

1925: Record cold occurred across the area on this date in 1925. The record lows were 9 at Wheaton, Minnesota, 2 degrees below zero at Watertown, 5 degrees below zero at Aberdeen, 7 degrees below zero southeast of McInstosh, and a frigid late October 19 degrees below zero at Kennebec.

1956: A violent tornado, or series of tornadoes, moved along a path more than 100 miles in length from south of North Platte, Nebraska into Rock County, Nebraska. It was an unusually late occurrence so far north and west in the U.S. for such a storm.

1917 - The temperature at Denver, CO, dipped to zero, and at Soda Butte, WY, the mercury plunged to 33 degrees below zero, a U.S. record for the month of October. (David Ludlum)

1942 - A tornado struck the town of Berryville in northwest Arkansas killing 20 persons and causing half a million dollars damage. (David Ludlum)

1956 - A violent tornado, or series of tornadoes, moved along a path more than 100 miles in length from south of North Platte NE into Rock County NE. It was an unusually late occurrence so far north and west in the U.S. for such a storm. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Severe thunderstorms in Arizona produced wind gusts to 86 mph at the Glendale Airport near Phoenix, baseball size hail and 70 mph winds at Wickenburg, and up to an inch of rain in fifteen minutes in Yavapai County and northwest Maricopa County. Arizona Public Service alone reported 2.5 million dollars damage from the storms. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Wintry weather prevailed in the Upper Midwest. South Bend, IN, equalled their record for October with a morning low of 23 degrees. International Falls MN reported a record low of 11 degrees in the morning, then dipped down to 8 degrees above zero late in the evening. (The National Weather Summary)

1989 - Thunderstorms developing along a cold front produced severe weather in Oklahoma and north central Texas during the late afternoon and evening hours. Thunderstorms in Oklahoma produced weak tornadoes near Snyder and Davidson, and produced hail two inches in diameter at Altus. Large hail damaged 60 to 80 percent of the cotton crop in Tillman County OK. Nine cities in the northeastern U.S. reported record high temperatures for the date as readings warmed into the 70s. For Marquette MI it marked their fifth straight day of record warmth. Arctic cold invaded the western U.S. Lows of 7 degrees at Alamosa CO and 9 degrees at Elko NV were records for the date. (The National Weather Summary)

2011 - New York City received one inch of snow, the earliest they had received



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that much snow since records began. It was also only the fourth times since the Civil War snow had fallen in New York City in October. The storm also left over three million people without power including 62% of the customers of Connecticut Light and Power.

1867: A hurricane struck Puerto Rico, sinking 50 ships and killing over a thousand people along its path. This is still one of the strongest hurricanes in Puerto Rico's history.

1985: When Hurricane Juan came ashore at Morgan City, LA it was only a Category 1. However its very slow and bizarre looping track caused torrential rains to inundate the Gulf Coast and Appalachians from October 28 to November 1. A foot of rain was recorded at Mobile.

1999: A supercyclone swept in from the Bay of Bengal, killing at least 9,573 and leaving over 10 million homeless in Orissa state, India.

2012: Hurricane Sandy roared into the New Jersey shore bringing 80 mph winds and 30 foot waves to the eastern seaboard from Chesapeake Bay to New England. There were 148 direct fatalities and millions were without electricity, some for up to 3 weeks after the storm.

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TODAY	TONIGHT	THURSDAY	THURSDAY NIGHT	FRIDAY	FRIDAY NIGHT	SATURDAY
						
Mostly Sunny High: 50 °F	Slight Chc Rain Low: 35 °F	Breezy High: 47 °F	Mostly Clear Low: 19 °F	Sunny High: 42 °F	Partly Cloudy Low: 26 °F	Breezy High: 48 °F



Cool Temperatures Thursday & Friday

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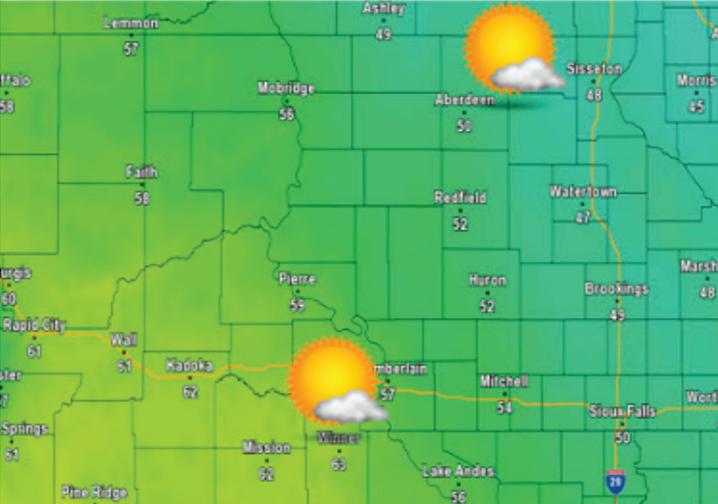


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Today



Tonight	Thursday	Friday 
		
Mid 30s	45° - 52°	35° - 43°
19° - 25°		
20%-30%	0%	0%
0.01-0.10"	0.00"	0.00"
S 10-15	N 15-25	SE 5-15

Legend: Chance Precip Accumulation Wind

Sunshine is expected to make a return today to northeast South Dakota as low clouds finally push east into Minnesota. However another quick moving system will move along the North Dakota and South Dakota border later this afternoon and evening, bringing more chances of light rain. This low will also drag an arctic cold front through the area. This will result in unseasonably cool temperatures both Thursday and Friday. A stiff north wind on Thursday will make it feel much colder during the day. Winds will be light to start the day Friday, but south winds increasing to 10 to 15 mph will make for a brisk evening of trick or treating.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 46.1°F at 5:34 PM

Low: 39.5°F at 9:41 AM

High Gust: 31 mph at 12:21 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 79° in 1937

Record Low: -5° in 1925

Average High: 51°F

Average Low: 27°F

Average Precip in Oct.: 1.86

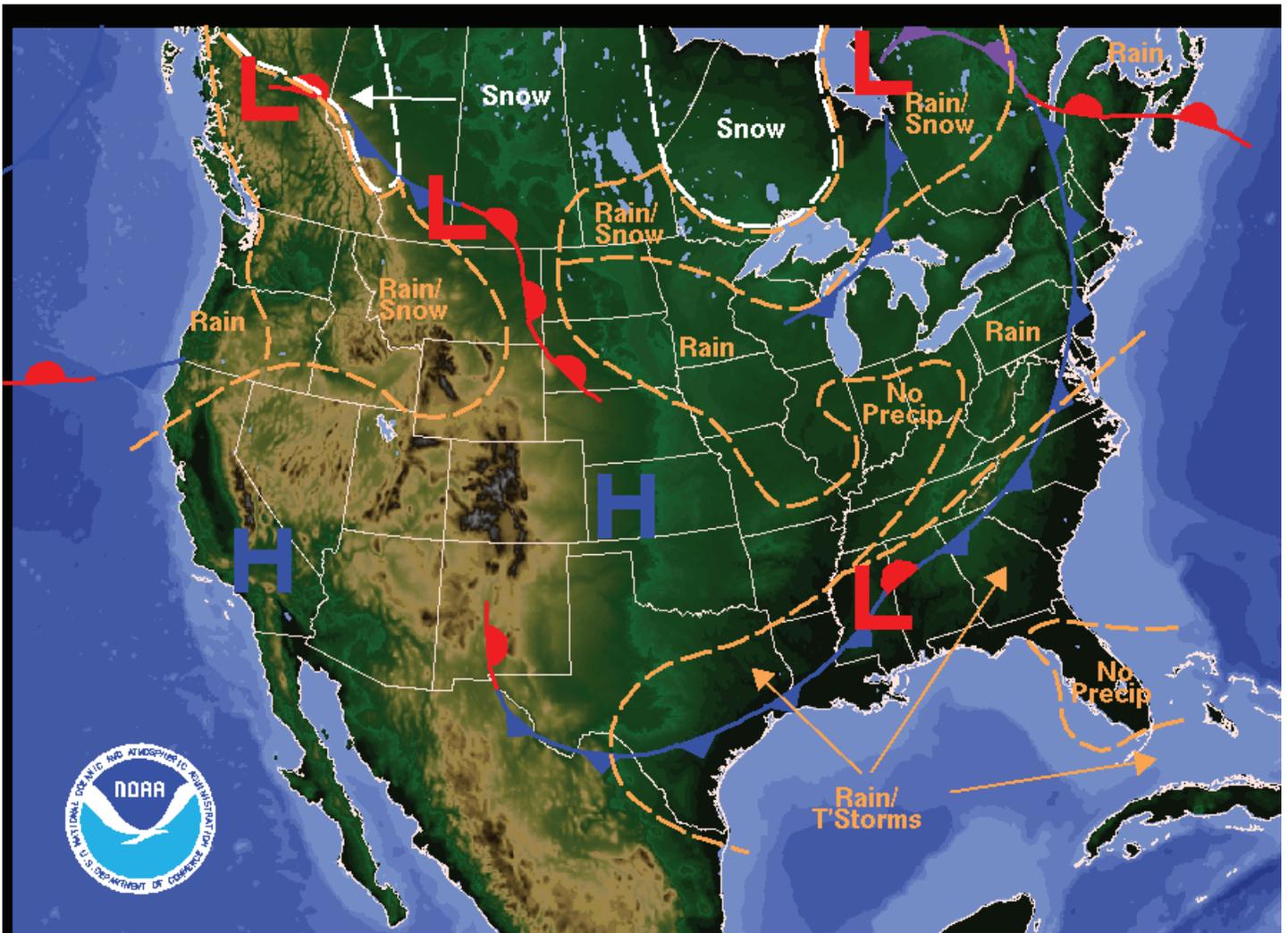
Precip to date in Oct.: 0.29

Average Precip to date: 20.34

Precip Year to Date: 13.23

Sunset Tonight: 6:25 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 8:10 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Wed, Oct 29, 2014, issued 3:19 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McReynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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BEHIND EVERYTHING: GOD'S WISDOM

It's not an everyday thought. Nor do we look at the beauty that surrounds us, the miracles that invade our lives, the unexpected meeting of a need out of nowhere or waking up to see the dawn of a new day. Somehow, we rarely see, or acknowledge, or are even aware of the wisdom of God at work in our lives and in our world.

"I was appointed from eternity...from the very beginning before the world began, when there were no oceans, no springs with water, before the mountains were settled, before the hills, before He made the earth or its fields, or any of the dust of the world...before the heavens were set in place or He marked the horizons of the moon or established the clouds, or fixed the borders of the oceans and the foundation of the earth, I was the craftsman at His side!"

What a description of the wisdom of God. Before anything was, there was wisdom - God's wisdom - present and at work, forming and fashioning, settling and securing everything. Boundaries before water, heavens before the clouds - and on and on. First, His presence, then His plan and now His purpose. Things did not just "happen." God's wisdom was at work and is at work.

After looking at "wisdom at work," Solomon says in simple, easy to understand words, "Now then, my sons, listen to me: blessed are those who keep My ways." In other words, apply His wisdom to our lives

And in the end: "Whoever finds Me finds life and finds favor from the Lord." What a generous God!

Prayer: It's almost impossible, Father, to comprehend the fact that Your wisdom is available to us if we seek it. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Proverbs 8:32 "Now then, my children, listen to me; blessed are those who keep my ways.

A campaign graphic for Louie Liebig. The background is a stylized American flag. The text reads: "VOTE LOUIE LIEBIG FOR BROWN COUNTY COMMISSIONER". Below the text is a black and white portrait of Louie Liebig, a man with glasses. To the right of the portrait is a list of bullet points: "Married 47 years with 2 children & 8 grandchildren", "Carried mail in Aberdeen for 35 years - Retired 2004", and "Life member of VFW & member of American Legion". At the bottom, it says "Paid for by Liebig for Commissioner Committee".

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News from the Associated Press

Authorities searching for man empty grain bin

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) — Authorities emptied a grain bin full of corn at a Brookings elevator as part of the search for a man who was last seen nearly a week ago.

Police Chief Jeff Miller tells The Brookings Register that there is no evidence of foul play in the disappearance of 26-year-old Jacob Heisinger. He was last seen leaving a bar early on Oct. 23.

Authorities searched the grain elevator area on Tuesday after a tip from the public.

Heisinger is from California but has been living in Brookings for at least a couple of years. He's been taking classes at South Dakota State University.

Other students on campus tell KELO-TV that they hope the mystery is solved soon.

Mayor: Sioux Falls plow blades keeping Jesus theme

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The mayor of Sioux Falls said the city will not paint over religious messages that parochial school students put on city-owned snow plow blades unless it is legally forced to do so.

Mayor Mike Huether told KELO-AM radio on Tuesday that the city is holding firm in its position: "Unless, I guess, I get some Supreme Court case (that) says that I have to."

Students at Lutheran High School and Sioux Falls Lutheran School painted the plow blades as part of the city's Paint the Plows program. One blade includes the words "Jesus Christ" and the other "Happy Birthday Jesus."

The Siouxland Freethinkers complained to the city, saying the religious artwork on publicly owned vehicles violates the constitutional separation of church and state.

Lutheran High School Principal Derek Bult told the Argus Leader (<http://argusne.ws/1pECKSJ>) that he was contacted by a city official last week and told to have students repaint the plow blades, or city staffers would. He said he was so pleased with the mayor's comments Tuesday that he organized an afternoon assembly to surprise students.

"I know it was really hard to take, especially (for) those students who worked on that plow and had a hard time understanding why" it became an issue, Bult said.

City Attorney David Pfeifle said officials are still doing a "delicate balancing test" between competing clauses within the First Amendment, including free speech, freedom of religion and the separation of church and state.

"Our goal is to not paint them over, and we're exploring every option," he said.

Siouxland Freethinkers President Amanda Novotny said the group will consult with the nonprofit Freedom From Religion Foundation about how to proceed.

Corps to lower Lakes Sakakawea, Oahe before spring

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — The Army Corps of Engineers plans to lower the levels of Missouri River reservoirs in the Dakotas before the start of the 2015 spring runoff season.

The agency's plan is to lower Lake Oahe by more than 3 feet and Lake Sakakawea by about 6 feet by the start of the runoff season March 1, according to Jody Farhat, chief of the corps' Missouri River Basin Water Management Division.

She spoke Tuesday at meetings in Bismarck and Pierre, the states' capitals, on the agency's draft

operating plan for the river for the upcoming year, according to The Bismarck Tribune and the Capital Journal.

"We are not going to put these communities at risk of flooding," Farhat said.

Because of high water levels in the two reservoirs after a wet year, officials in the Dakotas are worried that next spring could bring a repeat of 2011, when Missouri River flooding caused by heavy spring snow runoff and rain led to damage in the two states.

"My biggest concern is that we don't repeat that," Pierre resident Brent Dykstra said. "I don't think we've learned our lesson."

Susan Weinand, of Bismarck, said she lost neighbors to health problems and suicide after 2011.

"I can't live through another flood," she said.

Farhat said there's no indication that next spring will have similar conditions. The corps also expects all flood storage space in the river system to be available, she said.

The amount and quality of information available to the corps also has increased since 2011, further reducing the risk of flooding, Farhat said.

"The actual operation (of the river) is based on the facts on the ground," she said.

The final version of the corps' 2015 annual operating plan for the river will be published in December. The agency is accepting public comments until Nov. 21 via email at Missouri.Water.Management@nwd02.usace.army.mil.

State inmates harvest 19 tons of produce

YANKTON, S.D. (AP) — Community organizations in southeastern South Dakota are receiving nearly 19 tons of fresh produce thanks to inmates at two state prisons.

The South Dakota Department of Corrections says inmates at Yankton Minimum Unit and Mike Durfee State Prison in Springfield harvested about 37,800 pounds of produce this year.

Inmates in the horticulture program at Mike Durfee State Prison start growing the tomatoes and peppers. The vegetables are later transferred to a two-acre garden at the Yankton Minimum Unit. All other vegetables are grown from seed at the Yankton facility.

The produce is eventually given to organizations like nursing homes and churches throughout southeastern South Dakota.

Ex-Maine tribal official sentenced to 18 months

BANGOR, Maine (AP) — The former finance director for Maine's Passamaquoddy (pass-uh-muh-KWAH'-dee) Tribe has been sentenced to 18 months in prison for embezzling about \$20,000 from the tribe.

Charles Fourcloud was also sentenced Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Bangor to three years of probation and ordered to pay full restitution.

The 59-year-old Fourcloud had pleaded guilty in June.

Authorities say he submitted false expense claims to steal the money.

Fourcloud was fired as finance director of the Passamaquoddy's Pleasant Point reservation government in September 2013 for lying about his identity.

Authorities say Fourcloud's real name is Arlynn Knudsen, and he was sentenced to 10 years in federal prison in 1998 after pleading guilty to his role in the embezzlement of nearly \$2.7 million from Oglala Lakota College in South Dakota.

USD conference focuses on SD's political history

VERMILLION, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota's political history will be the focus of a conference the week after the election at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion.

The event called "Exploring South Dakota's Political Tradition" will be Thursday, Nov. 13 at the Al Neuharth Media Center.

The daylong program will feature the launch of the book "The Plains Political Tradition: Essays on South Dakota Political Culture (Vol. 2)" and speech by Tom Isern, a University Distinguished Professor of History at North Dakota State University.

There will also be four panel discussions.

The conference is free but registration is required by Nov. 7.

Thune takes more public campaign role in SD Senate

JAMES NORD, Associated Press

MARION, S.D. (AP) — The popular incumbent Sen. John Thune has taken an increasingly public role in Republican U.S. Senate candidate Mike Rounds' campaign since polls earlier this month made the race appear tight, showing up at campaign stops, providing staffers and boosting him in an ad.

Seated around a boardroom table in Marion, about 35 miles southwest of Sioux Falls, former U.S. Department of Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns said South Dakota would be well served by the team beside him — Rounds to his left and Thune to his right.

"Thune and Rounds," Johanns, now a retiring U.S. senator from Nebraska, said with a laugh at the Tuesday discussion with farmers. "Can I start that now — Thune and Rounds? I just think you're blessed."

Thune, a popular Republican elected in 2004, has always supported Rounds in his run for the open South Dakota Senate seat, but until recently had operated largely behind the scenes. Polls earlier this month indicated Rounds could be in trouble in the four-way race, partly due to allegations of mismanagement in the EB-5 visa program. When the campaign arms of the Senate Republicans and Democrats pledged \$1 million toward the race in early October, many thought the seat — considered key for a Republican takeover of the Senate — could suddenly be in play.

In stepped Thune.

"I think a lot of people thought this was a sleeper race for a long time, but when the race started to tighten a little bit ... I think people engaged probably on a level that maybe they hadn't been before," Thune said.

In campaigning with Thune, Rounds is following a trusted path seen elsewhere. In Alaska, another key Senate battleground, Republican nominee Dan Sullivan has campaigned with Sen. Lisa Murkowski and run campaign ads promoting her endorsement. In North Carolina, GOP challenger Thom Tillis has campaigned with Republican incumbent Richard Burr as he tries to unseat Democratic Sen. Kay Hagan.

Thune said his team and the Rounds staff have talked behind the scenes for months. In the past weeks, Thune loaned a handful of staffers to the Rounds campaign.

Thune's counsel might be useful to Rounds because he has never really faced a tough race. When he ran for governor in 2002, he was considered an underdog, running on a simple platform of "good government." The other two candidates attacked each other viciously and Rounds ended up winning the primary comfortably with 44 percent of the vote.

Since then, he has cruised to two general election victories, never winning less than 57 percent of the vote. Before October this year, he'd never even run a negative ad.

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By contrast, Thune has gone through the gauntlet, twice. In consecutive cycles, Thune's race was considered a key battleground and one of the most-watched in the country.

Next week, Rounds will face Democrat Rick Weiland and independents Larry Pressler and Gordon Howie to replace retiring U.S. Sen. Tim Johnson, a Democrat. A handful of polls this week show Rounds with a comfortable lead.

He said Tuesday that his campaign waited until Election Day was near before bringing in popular surrogates, such as Thune, to reach undecided voters. Former Republican presidential nominee Mitt Romney will be in Sioux Falls on Thursday to stump for Rounds. Thune will also attend.

"He's extremely popular here in South Dakota," Rounds said of Thune. "We think John is one of the key proponents in helping us to overcome those people who may be undecided."

Tuesday's Scores

The Associated Press

PREP FOOTBALL

Class 9AA

First Round

Region 1

Arlington 48, Deubrook 19

Deuel 18, Webster 0

Region 2

Elkton-Lake Benton 44, Menno-Marion 14

Garretson 36, DeSmet/Iroquois 18

Region 3

Kimball/White Lake 52, Bridgewater-Emery 26

Woonsocket/Wessington Springs/Sanborn Central 60, Platte-Geddes/Dakota Christian 16

Region 4

Gregory 59, Clark/Willow Lake 6

Lyman 42, Stanley County 32

Class 9A

First Round

Region 1

Chester 27, Tri-State 18

Warner 50, Herreid/Selby Area 36

Region 2

Alcester-Hudson 48, Gayville-Volin 7

Howard 60, Viborg-Hurley 6

Region 3

Potter County 26, Sully Buttes 8

Wolsey-Wessington 56, Colome 6

Region 4

New Underwood 64, Rapid City Christian 12

Philip 62, Hanson 36

Class 11A

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First Round

Region 1

Dell Rapids 41, Sisseton 12

Madison 55, Milbank Area 0

Region 2

Lennox 35, Dakota Valley 14

Vermillion 20, Tea Area 17, OT

Region 3

Chamberlain 42, Todd County 16

West Central 56, Cheyenne-Eagle Butte 0

Region 4

Belle Fourche 66, Little Wound 13

Hot Springs 51, Pine Ridge 0

Class 9B

First Round

Region 1

Eureka/Bowdle 26, Langford 24

Faulkton 54, Hitchcock-Tulare 8

Region 2

Dell Rapids St. Mary 52, Waverly-South Shore 22

Hamlin 56, Colman-Egan 0

Region 3

Avon 68, Burke/South Central 30

Canistota 66, Scotland 26

Region 4

Faith 40, Sunshine Bible Academy 16

Harding County 50, Wall 0

Class 11B

First Round

Region 1

Aberdeen Roncalli 46, Redfield/Doland 0

Groton Area 41, Mobridge-Pollock 0

Region 2

Canton 45, Sioux Valley 7

McCook Central/Montrose 14, Tri-Valley 7

Region 3

Bon Homme 20, Winner 0

Parkston 56, Lead-Deadwood 0

Region 4

Custer 35, Red Cloud 12

St. Thomas More 52, Bennett County 8

Volleyball

Brookings def. Mitchell, 25-15, 23-25, 25-14, 20-25, 15-9

Huron def. Aberdeen Central, 29-27, 25-22, 21-25, 25-18

Omaha Nation, Neb. def. Marty Indian, 25-10, 25-18, 25-16
Rapid City Stevens def. Sturgis, 25-7, 25-15, 25-12
Red Cloud def. Oelrichs, 25-22, 25-23, 25-23
Sioux Falls O’Gorman def. Brandon Valley, 23-25, 25-11, 25-16, 25-12
Sioux Falls Roosevelt def. Sioux Falls Lincoln, 25-18, 25-18, 25-18
Spearfish def. Rapid City Central, 25-17, 27-25, 25-12
Watertown def. Harrisburg, 25-18, 25-17, 25-16
Yankton def. Sioux Falls Washington, 25-22, 25-15, 21-25, 19-25, 15-13
Huron Triangular
Freeman Academy def. Mitchell Christian, 25-20, 25-21, 25-20
Freeman Academy def. James Valley Christian, 25-13, 25-20, 14-25, 25-18
Mitchell Christian def. James Valley Christian, 25-15, 25-23, 25-21

43 groups to intervene in SD Keystone re-approval

KEVIN BURBACH, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Utility regulators approved 43 applications Tuesday from individuals and groups that want to have a say in South Dakota’s decision on whether to re-approve part of the Keystone XL pipeline that would run through the state if it is ever built.

The state Public Utilities Commission approved all of the groups that requested “party status” — including 15 from Nebraska — despite some objections from TransCanada Corp. Thirty-five of the applications expressed reservations over the project, and one landowner said he was “bullied” by the operator of the proposed pipeline during negotiations to cross his property — an assertion the company denies.

TransCanada had formally asked the commission last month to reapprove the project, which the state initially authorized in 2010. State rules dictate permits must be reapproved if the construction of the project does not start within four years of their issuance.

Most of the applicants that requested “party status” shared concerns over negative effects the pipeline could have on private land, the potential impact on drinking water and the possible destruction of culturally significant Native American sites. Party status allows a city, county, governmental agency, nonprofit organization or individual to cross-examine witnesses and take part in the discovery process.

The proposed project would transport oil from Canadian tar sands through Montana and South Dakota to Nebraska, where it would connect with existing pipelines to carry more than 800,000 barrels of crude oil a day to refineries along the Gulf Coast. The South Dakota portion of the project is about 315 miles long and would extend from the Montana border in Harding County to the Nebraska border in Tripp County.

The Keystone XL pipeline has been delayed for years awaiting a decision by the federal administration of President Barack Obama. The White House said earlier this year that it was putting off a decision indefinitely.

All applicants approved to participate Tuesday must provide evidence for any claims made at the next hearing held by the commission, a date for which has not been set. There is no timeline for the entire re-approval process.

Jane Kleeb, the executive director of Bold Nebraska, said her group applied to join the process because it wants to give landowners the ability to contest the conditions of the pipeline.

TransCanada didn’t oppose the majority of the applicants, but did seek to block the citizens from Nebraska, an international environmental group and two men from Minnesota. Attorney William Taylor,

representing TransCanada, said the Nebraska citizens didn't fall under the requirements of the South Dakota law that allows citizens to intervene.

"TransCanada does not want to quiet their voices," he said, "only have their voices heard in the appropriate manner."

The commissioners eventually approved all groups after deciding that the South Dakota law was fairly broad and allowed for most interested groups who wished to join.

Mark Cooper, a spokesman for TransCanada, said in a statement that the "professional activists" that are intervening "do not speak for the majority of Americans who want to see Keystone XL built."

Documents suggest Dems scaling back ad plans in SD

PHILIP ELLIOTT, Associated Press

HENRY C. JACKSON, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Democrats are scaling back their spending in South Dakota, as recent polls show the Republican nominee, former Gov. Mike Rounds, moving ahead.

Documents obtained by The Associated Press show Senate Democrats' campaign committee plans to spend \$29,000 on ads between now and Nov. 3. That's after previously spending about \$400,000 on broadcast and cable ads and at one point promising a total investment of roughly \$1 million.

The reduced spending by the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, often referred to as the DSCC, could be a sign that Democrats no longer view the South Dakota race as competitive. That's a potentially significant development in the race for control of the Senate, where Republicans need to net six seats to take control. The South Dakota seat, currently held by retiring Sen. Tim Johnson, a Democrat, is viewed as a must-have for the GOP.

Four candidates are vying to replace Johnson: Rounds; Democrat Rick Weiland; former GOP Sen. Larry Pressler, who is running as an independent; and tea-party inspired independent Gordon Howie.

Signs of a reduced investment from national Democrats came one day after Weiland held an unusual press conference, attacking the DSCC's ad campaign in the state. He said the television spots run by the committee have hurt his campaign, tainting him by making look negative. He also said they were designed to boost the prospects of Pressler, not him.

After the event, Mayday PAC, a political action committee, announced it would invest a further \$1 million on Weiland's behalf, bringing that group's total spending to roughly \$2 million in the race. The group criticized the DSCC saying it had not followed through on its commitment to South Dakota and should have invested earlier in the contest.

Overall, Rounds has outraised and outspent Weiland in the race. Outside groups are also spending for ads to support Rounds.

Weiland's repudiation of the DSCC's ad campaign came after two polls in recent days showed Rounds with a lead in the race.

A Sioux Falls Argus Leader/KELO-TV poll released on Monday found Rounds with the support of 42 percent in a four-way race with Weiland at 33 percent, Pressler at 13 percent and Howie at 2 percent. Another poll, conducted by NBC News and Marist University, had Rounds with 43 percent, Weiland with 29 percent, Pressler with 16 percent and Howie with 3 percent.

The same documents that show Democrats cutting back their spending indicate Republicans plan to maintain a robust presence on airwaves in South Dakota. The National Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee, Senate Republicans' campaign arm, has booked more than \$340,000 for ads in South Dakota between now and Election Day, although both parties can change their plans.

House Republicans make liberal use of Obama in ads

DAVID ESPO, AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans rolled out late-campaign attack ads tying Democrats to an unpopular President Barack Obama on Tuesday as the chief executive embarked on a round of travel to boost gubernatorial candidates in a half-dozen states.

One week before election day, the television ad wars neared a crescendo in the battle for Senate control.

In the area around Louisville, Kentucky, campaign officials said target voters could expect to see an average of 97 commercials related to the contest in the final week. The region is ground zero in the race between Senate GOP Leader Mitch McConnell and Democratic challenger Alison Lundergan Grimes.

Republican hopes of capturing the Senate received a boost in Kansas, where the Tea Party Patriots Citizen Fund announced support for embattled Sen. Pat Roberts in his race with independent Greg Orman — after opposing the 78-year-old incumbent in the GOP primary.

"We've been counting on you, Kansas. You're a Republican state, for goodness sakes!" exhorted Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky, lending his tea party star power to the incumbent.

Republicans must pick up six seats to gain a Senate majority. They appear certain of at least three — in West Virginia, Montana and South Dakota — and there are nine other competitive races, including six for seats currently in Democratic hands.

Not even Democrats claim they have a chance to win control of the House midway through Obama's second term, and Republicans angled for gains in areas where the president ran well in 2012.

The party's congressional committee unveiled ads in 11 races, and gave the president a featured role in most.

"Under Barack Obama, West Virginia has lost 5,000 coal jobs," says one, targeting Democratic Rep. Nick Rahall.

"Send Obama a message. Defeat Ann Kirkpatrick," says a second, airing in Arizona.

Obama's political itinerary through Election Day was strong evidence of the dilemma facing Democrats.

The president has traveled sparingly this fall, buffeted by poor approval ratings and a need to manage fears that an Ebola epidemic ravaging West Africa could find its way to American shores.

Obama's travel plans for the next few days run to Wisconsin, Michigan, Maine, Rhode Island, Connecticut and Pennsylvania. He won all six in 2012, and all host gubernatorial races this fall.

His first stop, in Milwaukee, was arguably the most politically significant. Republican Gov. Scott Walker faces a challenge from Mary Burke in a close race.

In a difficult political season, Democrats say they hope to pick off a handful of Republican-held House seats. They are on defense in far more than that, and a party official disclosed that top leaders had raised \$500,000 during the day from candidates facing little or no challenge — money that will go to help vulnerable Democrats.

The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee said it was advertising on television for 27 seats in the campaign's final week, 22 that they currently control and five held by Republicans.

"She'd privatize Medicare and Social Security, too. ... That's change we can't afford," says one, aimed at Martha McSally, who is challenging Democratic Rep. Ron Barber in Arizona.

The DCCC said Mariannette Miller-Meeks, running against Rep. Dave Loebsack in Iowa, "partnered with a company that outsourced hundreds of jobs overseas to India."

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The television ads were non-stop in Kentucky, where the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee returned to the airwaves after an absence of three weeks in a race that is tilting McConnell's way.

"After 30 years, it just feels like Mitch is making his job work for him — and not us," former teacher Estelle Bayer says in the ad. McConnell, she says, "voted himself six pay raises, and became a millionaire."

McConnell, who has aired his share of grim-faced attack ads in pursuit of a sixth term, lightened up in a new one.

It spoofs campaign consultants shown trying to place him in memorable settings that have been used in other ads — standing astride two trucks or near a baby, or with a bloodhound. Finally, the narrator says, "Maybe it's enough for to say, "Mitch fights for Kentucky."

Some developments Tuesday:

VOTING REGISTRATION

A state judge in Georgia declined to act on a dispute over 56,000 voter-registration applications. The NAACP and other groups accused elections officials of not processing applications quickly enough.

LIKELY RUNOFF

Both sides geared up for a Dec. 6 runoff in Louisiana, assuming that neither Democratic Sen. Mary Landrieu nor Republican Rep. Bill Cassidy, wins outright next week.

The Republican campaign committee has booked \$2.8 million for television ads in a runoff, and the Democrats \$1.8 million. A conservative business coalition, the Charles and David Koch-backed Freedom Partners Chamber of Commerce, has booked another \$1.8 million to oppose Landrieu.

Associated Press writers Donna Cassata and Philip Elliott in Washington, David Lieb in Wichita, Kansas and Bill Barrow in Atlanta contributed to this story.

103 South Dakota bison transferred to other states

WIND CAVE NATIONAL PARK, S.D. (AP) — Bison from Wind Cave National Park have been transferred to preserves in South Dakota and other states to help form new or boost existing herds.

The National Park Service says a total of 103 bison are part of the relocation effort. The bison transferred out of state are going to Missouri, Iowa, Kansas and Illinois.

The transfers are allowed under an agreement between the Park Service and The Nature Conservancy.

Tom Farrell with the Park Service says Wind Cave's bison herd is known for its high levels of genetic purity and diversity.

Farrell says all bison tested negative for brucellosis. He adds that each animal that is being transferred received a microcomputer chip and metal ear tag

SD corn, sunflower harvests lag behind average

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A week of warm, dry weather has helped South Dakota farmers with the harvest, but much of the corn and sunflower crops remain in the field.

The Agriculture Department says in its weekly crop report that nearly all of the soybean crop and nearly three-fourths of the sorghum crop have been harvested.

However, the corn harvest is only 34 percent complete, well behind the average pace of 60 percent. And only 29 percent of the sunflower crop is harvested, well behind 49 percent on average.

About 73 percent of the winter wheat crop has emerged, ahead of the average pace.

The report says South Dakota ranchers are busy weaning calves and moving cattle from summer pastures.

Pasture and range conditions statewide are rated 62 percent good to excellent. Stockwater supplies are 80 percent adequate to surplus.

Rapid City seeing rash of business burglaries

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Rapid City police are investigating a rash of business burglaries.

Since Oct. 12, 11 burglaries have been reported at a variety of businesses, from restaurants to office buildings. The majority of the break-ins happened overnight.

Police say in most cases, burglars gained access through a door or window and got away with money.

Authorities are encouraging members of the public to be vigilant and immediately report any suspicious activity.

CHI donating \$10 million to University of Mary

BLAKE NICHOLSON, Associated Press

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) Catholic Health Initiatives is donating \$10 million to the University of Mary, which is the largest gift the private Bismarck school has received in its 55-year history.

The money will fund endowed scholarships supporting students enrolled in programs such as nursing and health care administration at Mary, where about 3,000 students are enrolled.

Bismarck-based St. Alexius Medical Center in September became an affiliate of CHI, a national non-profit health system headquartered in Colorado with a division in Fargo. CHI and St. Alexius are forming a regional health system of hospitals and clinics in western and central North Dakota.

"We are keenly aware of the serious workforce and educational needs North Dakota is experiencing," Jeffrey Drop, senior vice president of CHI's Fargo Division, said in a statement Tuesday. "As we now expand our service into the Bismarck-Mandan community, the University of Mary's sterling reputation as a leader in health care and business education make the university a perfect partner for our growing health care system."

University President James Shea said the gift demonstrates CHI's commitment to health and wellness, strengthens an existing relationship between St. Alexius and the school "and dramatically increases educational opportunities for so many students who will come to us from our region and beyond."

Catholic Health Initiatives was formed in 1996 to strengthen the Catholic health ministry. It is one of the nation's largest health systems, with nearly 100 hospitals and other facilities in 18 states.

St. Alexius serves residents of central and western North Dakota, eastern Montana and northern South Dakota. It is associated with the Sisters of the Annunciation Monastery in Bismarck and retains a local board of directors.

CHI's donation is among the larger ones made to public and private universities in North Dakota in recent years.

In 2013, Valley City State received \$2.5 million for scholarships from the estate of alumnus Marjorie Wright and her husband.

In 2012, Continental Resources Inc. and Chairman Harold Hamm donated \$10 million to the University of North Dakota for a new geology school.

In 2010, Scheels All Sports donated \$5 million and Sanford Health \$10 million toward the renovation and expansion of the Bison Sports Arena on the North Dakota State University campus.

In 2006, former North Dakotan Frank Bain donated \$2.3 million to NDSU for scholarships.

Last Vegas casino owner Ralph Engelstad in 1998 announced a \$100 million gift for a new hockey arena at his alma mater, the University of North Dakota. He died in 2002, and his family in 2007 announced a \$20 million gift for UND scholarships, athletics and endowments.

Outside group pledges \$250,000 to Weiland

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A national political action committee says it's putting about \$250,000 into South Dakota's U.S. Senate race to back Democratic candidate Rick Weiland.

The group MoveOn.org plans to spend more than \$200,000 on television and online advertisements statewide. It says it's also buying up about \$40,000 worth of TV ad time specifically in the Rapid City market.

Weiland faces Republican Mike Rounds and independents Larry Pressler and Gordon Howie in a race that's key to the Republicans taking control of the U.S. Senate.

Mayday PAC on Monday pledged \$1 million for Weiland. The group had already set aside another \$1 million in early October.

A Sioux Falls Argus Leader/KELO-TV poll released Monday showed Rounds with a nine 9-point lead over Weiland with a plus or minus 3.5 percent margin of error.

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. IRAQI KURDS HEAD TO FIGHT MILITANTS IN SYRIA

The 150 peshmerga troops crossed into Turkey on their way to help their Syrian brethren in their battle with the Islamic State group in the besieged border town of Kobani.

2. WHY AL-QAIDA IS OFFERING AN OLIVE BRANCH TO RENEGADE GROUP

The terrorist network is using Western-led airstrikes against the Islamic State group to try to bring the extremists back into its fold and capture some of the spotlight and jihadist support from IS military advances.

3. COMMERCIAL SUPPLY ROCKET EXPLODES AT LIFTOFF

No injuries are reported following the first catastrophic launch in NASA's commercial spaceflight effort.

4. FEDERAL EBOLA EFFORTS RAISE QUESTIONS ABOUT CZAR'S ROLE

Ron Klain has barely been seen and the White House's behind-the-scenes coordination of the response to the outbreak is severely tested a week before midterm elections.

5. LAVA TESTS HAWAII COMMUNITY'S RESOLVE

Residents of Pahoia on the Big Island have been preparing for weeks for the slow-motion disaster.

6. MIDTERMS COULD BRING TIEBREAKER ROLE FOR BIDEN

The vice president's profile might be raised if the Senate splits evenly between GOP and Democrats, ahead of his possible 2016 run.

7. GLOBAL ECONOMY'S STUMBLE WON'T SHIFT FED'S POLICIES

The U.S. central bank is expected to reaffirm its low-rate policy at the conclusion of a two days meeting.

8. WHERE BIRTH RATES ARE SLUMPING

The government of Cuba is making a nationwide push to increase the number of babies as the country registers lowest number of newborns in Latin America.

9. WHO FAKED AP STORY

The FBI confirms it came up with a bogus Associated Press story to catch a bomb threat suspect in 2007.

10. WORLD SERIES GOES INTO GAME 7

Kansas City's batters break open game with a seven-run second and batter the San Francisco Giants 10-0.

AP News in Brief

Analysts: IS ignores al-Qaida's call to reunite to fight West, but their feud has tapered off

WASHINGTON (AP) — Al-Qaida is using U.S.-led coalition airstrikes in Syria as a reason to extend olive branches to the renegade Islamic State group, saying the two should stop feuding and join forces to attack Western targets — a reunification that intelligence analysts say would allow al-Qaida to capitalize on the younger group's ruthless advance across the region.

Analysts are closely watching al-Qaida's repeated overtures, and while a full reconciliation is not expected soon — if ever — there is evidence the two groups have curtailed their infighting and are cooperating on the Syrian battlefield, according to activists on the ground, U.S. officials and experts who monitor jihadi messages.

Al-Qaida is saying, "Let's just have a truce in Syria," said Tom Joscelyn, who tracks terror groups for the Long War Journal. "That is what's underway now. ... What we have seen is that local commanders are entering into local truces. There are definitely areas where the two groups are not fighting."

The Islamic State group has seized about a third of Iraq and Syrian territory and is terrorizing civilians to impose a strict interpretation of Islamic law. Their advances led to airstrikes by the United States and a coalition of Western and Persian Gulf nations in both Iraq and Syria.

IS was kicked out of al-Qaida in May after disobeying its leader, Ayman al-Zawahiri. So far, IS has not publicly responded to al-Qaida's calls to reunite — the most recent on Oct. 17 from al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, the Yemen-based offshoot that denounced the airstrikes and called on rival militant groups to stop their infighting and together train their sights on the West.

After rocket explosion, commercial space company to recover debris, look for what caused it

ATLANTIC, Va. (AP) — The owners of a commercial supply ship that exploded moments after liftoff promised to find the cause of the failed delivery mission to the International Space Station and warned residents to not touch any debris they might stumble across from the craft, which was carrying hazardous materials.

Crews planned to hit the ground at daybreak Wednesday to search for pieces of Orbital Sciences Corp.'s Antares rocket and Cygnus cargo module, which blew up Tuesday night just moments after lifting off from NASA's launch complex at Wallops Island, Virginia, said Bill Wrobel, director of the facility.

The cargo ship was carrying 5,000 pounds of experiments and equipment for NASA, as well as pre-packaged meals and freeze-dried Maryland crabcakes for a Baltimore-born astronaut who's been in orbit for five months. All of the lost materials will be replaced and flown to the 260-mile-high space station, NASA space station program manager Mike Suffredini said. He said astronauts at the station

currently have enough supplies to last until spring.

The accident could draw scrutiny to the space agency's growing reliance on private U.S. companies in the post-shuttle era. NASA is paying billions of dollars to Virginia-based Orbital Sciences and the California-based SpaceX company to make station deliveries, and it's counting on SpaceX and Boeing to start flying U.S. astronauts to the orbiting lab as early as 2017. It was the fourth Cygnus bound for the orbiting lab; the first flew just over a year ago. SpaceX is scheduled to launch another Dragon supply ship from Cape Canaveral, Florida, in December.

Until Tuesday, all of the supply missions by Orbital Sciences and SpaceX had been near-flawless.

Joe Biden the tiebreaker: What happens if the Senate between Dems, GOP is tied after midterms?

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's the stuff of a campaign manager's dream: The sitting vice president, in the midst of his own run for president, dashes across Pennsylvania Avenue and bursts into the Senate to cast the deciding vote on make-or-break legislation, saving the day for his party while C-SPAN cameras capture the moment.

For Joe Biden, it could become a reality — in the event of a deadlocked Senate after the midterm elections.

If the Senate splits evenly between Democrats and Republicans, the vice president's role as the 101st senator would instantly be elevated. That in turn would raise Biden's own profile heading into 2016, when Biden has said he may run for president again. It could even help him try to rival the rock-star status that Democrats have already bestowed upon Hillary Rodham Clinton.

"It makes Joe Biden suddenly a hugely relevant Washington figure," said Douglas Brinkley, a presidential historian at Rice University. "It shows he's a power player."

On the other hand, it could also make Biden the face of messy political fights on Capitol Hill, potentially alienating some voters along the way.

Where's the czar? Federal Ebola response raises questions about White House coordination

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's commander in the fight against Ebola was expected to operate below the public radar. But did that mean invisible?

Ron Klain has barely been seen, and a week before midterm elections, Obama is pressing to dispel criticism that the government can't manage the Ebola crisis.

The White House's behind-the-scenes coordination of the Ebola response is being severely tested, while the Pentagon and states like New York and New Jersey take public steps that are far firmer than federal guidelines. That's creating the appearance of a crazy quilt of Ebola measures.

"The CDC is behind on this," New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie said Tuesday. "Governors ultimately have responsibility to protect the public health of people within their borders."

Some public health law experts say the government could have anticipated differences in approaches and acted sooner to establish federal guidelines for states to follow.

The politics of Ebola: Tricky balancing act for Christie, Cuomo could have ramifications

NEW YORK (AP) — Two ambitious governors — one Republican, one Democrat — known for their no-nonsense, take-charge style in a calamity have set off a furor with their aggressive handling of the Ebola crisis, and how it plays out could shape their political futures.

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie won praise for their decisive response to Superstorm Sandy two years ago, and their reaction to Ebola seemed rooted in the same philosophy: They would take bold steps to reassure a jittery public with a display of bipartisan cooperation.

But their style this time has proved far more divisive.

"This is a big moment, and a lot of people are watching carefully," said William Eimicke, professor of public affairs at Columbia University. "It's about balance and judgment, and voters will remember if this was handled well or not."

The two men hurriedly put together a mandatory, three-week quarantine plan for health care workers returning from Ebola-stricken West Africa that has come under fire from the White House, medical groups and some quarters of the media, even as the new guidelines were emulated by other states and seemed to influence the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which tightened its recommendations.

In a once-graceful building, Myanmar's story is told by the residents of 12 tiny apartments

YANGON, Myanmar (AP) — The little apartment building was graceful once. Maybe even beautiful. There is an elegance in the arched windows now covered with grime. It's in the ornamental pillars, coated with paint so faded that it's hard to say if the building is yellow or white. It's in wide windows kept open through the endless hot months, bringing in the breeze from the Yangon River.

The building whispers of a past. Of middle-class lives. Of a cosmopolitan, colonial city that was once a great Asian crossroad, the capital of a country once called Burma. But that was a long time ago.

Now, in the late afternoons when the breeze starts to pick up, two old friends carry out plastic chairs to sit in front of a building battered by time, monsoons and history. They talk about the neighborhood and their children. They worry about money.

U Tin Win has spent 67 years in the building on 41st Street, moving in when he was 6 years old. His friend Round Namar isn't sure how long it's been. Sixty-five years? Seventy? "All I know," Namar says, "is my mother told me I was born here."

All those years the two have lived next door to one another, in ground-floor apartments each a little bigger than a shipping container.

Zambian President Michael Sata dies after an illness; Cabinet plots political transition

LUSAKA, Zambia (AP) — Zambian leader Michael Sata, a longtime opposition leader who was finally elected president in 2011, died after an illness, the Zambian government said Wednesday. The Cabinet held a meeting to discuss a political transition, which would include elections within 90 days in the southern African nation.

Sata died shortly after 11 p.m. on Tuesday at London's King Edward VII hospital, where he was being treated, Cabinet secretary Roland Msiska said in a statement.

Sata's wife, Christine Kaseba, and his son, Mulenga Sata, were at the 77-year-old president's side

when he died, Msiska said. Mulenga Sata is the mayor of the Zambian capital, Lusaka.

"I urge all of you to remain calm, united and peaceful during this very difficult period," Msiska said in an appeal to Zambians.

The Cabinet discussed plans for a political handover, a Zambian official said. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he is not authorized to speak to the media. Article 38 of the Zambian constitution requires that presidential elections be held within 90 days of the president's death.

As midterms draw near, Gabby Giffords finds few allies willing to challenge NRA on gun control

SEATTLE (AP) — She has delivered the same 64-word speech eight times already, but Gabby Giffords is struggling to get through the ninth.

"Together, we can win elections," the former Arizona congresswoman tells her Seattle audience before starting to stumble.

After a moment of confused silence, an aide whispers the next line, and Giffords continues the broken sentence: "... change our laws."

Four years after she was shot in the head and went on to inspire millions with her recovery, Giffords is as committed as ever to pushing for tighter gun-control laws. But in the final days of this year's midterm elections, few candidates are willing to rally to her cause. There's little to suggest those elected next week will pursue the changes she seeks in the nation's gun laws.

As Giffords visited nine states in the past two weeks, the National Rifle Association was working in at least 30, with advertising and get-out-the-vote manpower, to strengthen its position in Washington and state capitals. She will be widely outspent this year by the NRA and others who support the rights of gun owners.

Hundreds of thousands of Sandy victims may still need emotional support in wake of storm

LONG BEACH, N.Y. (AP) — Two years after Superstorm Sandy, New York and New Jersey residents are still dealing with mental health issues from the storm.

Officials say the cumulative stress of coping with the disaster and rebuilding homes and lives has left many traumatized.

Some children avoid showers because they remind them of rain. Adults suffer from an inability to track bills or paperwork.

Connie Livolsi of Long Beach says bad weather affects her. She says she doesn't "feel safe anymore."

New York officials say about 700,000 are affected, while New Jersey says its disaster mental health program has served 500,000.

Group of Syrian rebels enter Kurdish town from Turkey to help in fight against IS militants

MURSITPINAR, Turkey (AP) — Syrian activists and Kurdish officials say a small group of Syrian rebels have entered the embattled border town of Kobani to help Kurdish fighters battling Islamic State extremists.

The group of around 50 armed fighters is from the Free Syrian Army, an umbrella group of main-

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stream rebels fighting to topple Syrian President Bashar Assad.

Idriss Nassan, a Kurdish official from Kobani, said the group crossed to Kobani through the Mursitpinar border crossing with Turkey.

Their arrival early on Wednesday came several hours after a group of Iraqi Kurdish peshmerga troops arrived in Turkey, also on their way to Syria to help their Syrian Kurdish brethren fight IS militants.

The peshmerga fighters from Iraq are expected to cross into Syria later in the day.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Oct. 29, the 302nd day of 2014. There are 63 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 29, 1964, thieves made off with the Star of India and other gems from the American Museum of Natural History in New York. (The Star and most of the other gems were recovered; three men were convicted of stealing them.)

On this date:

In 1618, Sir Walter Raleigh, the English courtier, military adventurer and poet, was executed in London.

In 1787, the opera "Don Giovanni" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart had its world premiere in Prague.

In 1901, President William McKinley's assassin, Leon Czolgosz (CHAWL'-gahsh), was electrocuted.

In 1929, Wall Street crashed on "Black Tuesday," heralding the start of America's Great Depression.

In 1940, Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson drew the first number - 158 - in America's first peacetime military draft.

In 1956, during the Suez Canal crisis, Israel invaded Egypt's Sinai Peninsula. "The Huntley-Brinkley Report" premiered as NBC's nightly television newscast.

In 1966, the National Organization for Women was formally organized during a conference in Washington, D.C.

In 1979, on the 50th anniversary of the great stock market crash, anti-nuclear protesters tried but failed to shut down the New York Stock Exchange.

In 1987, following the confirmation defeat of Robert H. Bork to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court, President Ronald Reagan announced his choice of Douglas H. Ginsburg, a nomination that fell apart over revelations of Ginsburg's previous marijuana use. Jazz great Woody Herman died in Los Angeles at age 74.

In 1994, Francisco Martin Duran fired more than two dozen shots from a semiautomatic rifle at the White House. (Duran was later convicted of trying to assassinate President Bill Clinton and was sentenced to 40 years in prison.)

In 1998, Sen. John Glenn, at age 77, roared back into space aboard the shuttle Discovery, retracing the trail he'd blazed for America's astronauts 36 years earlier.

In 2012, Superstorm Sandy came ashore in New Jersey and slowly marched inland, devastating coastal communities and causing widespread power outages; the storm and its aftermath are blamed for at least 182 deaths in the U.S.

Ten years ago: Four days before Election Day in the U.S., Osama bin Laden, in a videotaped statement, directly admitted for the first time that he'd ordered the September 11 attacks and told Americans "the best way to avoid another Manhattan" was to stop threatening Muslims' security. A seriously ill Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat was flown from the West Bank to Paris for medical treatment (he died less than two weeks later). European Union leaders signed the EU's first constitution. Comedian

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Vaughn Meader, who'd gained fame doing satirical impressions of President John F. Kennedy, died in Auburn, Maine, at age 68.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama paid a post-midnight visit to Dover Air Force Base in Delaware to honor the return of 18 soldiers killed in Afghanistan. A Coast Guard C-130 plane and a Marine Cobra helicopter collided off the Southern California coast, killing seven Coast Guard members and two Marines. Deposed President Manuel Zelaya and his opponents agreed to a U.S.-brokered deal to end the power crisis that had paralyzed Honduras following a coup.

One year ago: Medicare chief Marilyn Tavenner, whose agency oversaw the "Obamacare" enrollment website, apologized to Congress for the severe technical problems that marred the online rollout of President Barack Obama's health care overhaul. The U.N. confirmed an outbreak of polio in Syria for the first time in over a decade, warning the disease threatened to spread among an estimated half a million children who had never been immunized because of the civil war.

Today's Birthdays: Bluegrass singer-musician Sonny Osborne (The Osborne Brothers) is 77. Country singer Lee Clayton is 72. Rock musician Denny Laine is 70. Singer Melba Moore is 69. Musician Peter Green is 68. Actor Richard Dreyfuss is 67. Actress Kate Jackson is 66. The former president of Turkey, Abdullah Gul, is 64. Actor Dan Castellaneta (TV: "The Simpsons") is 57. Country musician Steve Kellogg (Wild Horses) is 57. Comic strip artist Tom Wilson ("Ziggy") is 57. Actress Finola Hughes is 55. Singer Randy Jackson is 53. Rock musician Peter Timmins (Cowboy Junkies) is 49. Actress Joely Fisher is 47. Rapper Paris is 47. Actor Rufus Sewell is 47. Actor Grayson McCouch (mih-COOCH') is 46. Rock singer SA Martinez (311) is 45. Musician Toby Smith is 44. Actress Winona Ryder is 43. Actress Tracee Ellis Ross is 42. Actor Trevor Lissauer is 41. Actress Gabrielle Union is 41. Olympic gold medal bobsledder Vonetta Flowers is 41. Actress Milena Govich is 38. Actor Jon Abrahams is 37. Actor Brendan Fehr is 37. Actor Ben Foster is 34. Rock musician Chris Baio (Vampire Weekend) is 30. Actress India Eisley is 21.

Thought for Today: "Numerous politicians have seized absolute power and muzzled the press. Never in history has the press seized absolute power and muzzled the politicians." - David Brinkley, American broadcast journalist (1920-2003).