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Birthday: Amanda Briggs Anniversary: Duane & Rhonda Fliehs

Volleyball Regions at Roncalli

6 p.m.: Groton Area vs. Milbank Area Followed by Roncalli vs. Sisseton

Football Playoff Game

Saturday, Nov. 8th at the School of Mines Field Rapid City Game Time: 7:30 p.m. CST

Groton Prairie Mixed League

Team Standings: Jackelopes 7, Chipmunks 6, Pocket Gophers 4, Killer Chihuahuas 3, Foxes 3, Coyotes 1

Men's High Games: Roger Colestock 245, Brad Waage 203, Randy Stanley 199, Brad Larson 199 Women's High Games: Dar Larson 170, 166, Vicki Jorgensen 167, 158, Vicki Walter 158,

Men's High Series: Brad Waage 579, Roger Spanier 549, Brad Larson 547

Women's High Series: Brenda Waage 465, Vicki Jorgensen 463, Dar Larson 448

The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is **OPEN**

OPEN: Recycling Trailer in Groton

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

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Groton Chiropractic Clinic

Carol McFarland-Kutter, D.C. 1205 N 1st St., Groton 397-8204

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

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Attached garage.
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Middle School/ High School News 6th Health – Mrs. Seibel

We have focused on physical fitness and exercise in health class. Students learned the mental, emotional, social, and physical benefits of exercise first. From there we performed different exercises that would improve flexibility, upper body strength, cardio, and core performances. During Physical Education class, students were then given four tests to perform and their scores were recorded. Next they studied the FIT principle and how to use it in their own personal fitness plan of which they have been completing this past week. From now until December 13 the students are to be using their personal fitness plan to improve in any of the areas that they chose to try to increase their performance scores. Once again in December students will be given the same



tests and hopefully they will see an increase in their personal performance. The students also had the opportunity to perform the RICE test on fellow students that had pretend injuries. Get fit! Be fit!

8th grade Health - Mrs. Seibel

This class has been learning about physical fitness, exercise, and lifetime activities. These students learned about the five components of fitness and then were given four fitness tests to see how physical fit they are compared to students of the same age and sex. The fifth component is BMI – body mass index- and each student figured their BMI using height and weight. These students are being asked to use their personal fitness plan and track their physical activity and time on calendars from now until December 13. At that time, students will perform the same tests and compare and contrast their results. In my classroom, a heart rate lab was conducted where students learned how to gauge personal intensity workout levels by finding their target heart rate zone. Another activity used in Health class was pairing the students up to teach a physical activity/exercise class that would get their heart rates into their target zones. These activities are being instructed during their Physical Education classes

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right now. Nutrition is our next topic.

9th grade Health - Mrs. Seibel

To begin our school year the ninth graders, too, studied physical fitness and exercise. Students learned how to use Polar fitness watches to help them perform in their target heart rate zones in order to increase their cardiorespiratory fitness. They too, have fitness plans and are tracking their workouts on calendars that will be turned in monthly. In December, tests will be performed again and stu-



dents will compare and contrast their fall scores to winter scores. Presently we are in a nutrition for life unit. Students have had the opportunity to become wise consumers by evaluating sugars and fats in food by reading food labels, assessing their personal daily nutritional needs, practicing wellness by choosing nutritious cereals, and planning healthful menus.

8th grade Reading — Mrs. Seibel

We have finished the Literary collections of story stories, character and themes, and we are now doing lessons that will help develop our core proficiencies on how to write evidence based claims. The students will be reading and writing evidence based claims from the following nonfiction texts: "Ain't I a Woman?" by Sojourner Truth, "Equal Rights for Women," by Shirley Chisholm, and "Wimbledon Has Sent Me a Message: I'm Only a Second-Class Champion," by Venus Williams. Next we will be reading a nonfiction book, Sunrise over Fallujah. We will follow the journey that American soldiers of the Civil Affairs Unit endured in Iraq during that war in 2003.

7th grade Reading — Mrs. Seibel

Students have read the following types of prose during this nine-week period: short story, novella, biography, autobiography, personal essay, articles, and folk tales. In each collection, the focus is on the following areas: comprehension, vocabulary knowledge, literary focus, reading focus, and writing. The next collection will focus on characterization of characters.

HIGH SCHOOL & JUNIOR HIGH GUIDANCE ACTIVITIES - Jodi Sternhagen

Fall 2014 has been a busy time in the guidance office! Students have been busy preparing for college and are asking many important questions. Several students have begun applying for scholarships; a new list of scholarship opportunities is given to them each month. I encourage all seniors to stop by whenever possible. If you have a question or would like to meet with me regarding your child's future, please feel free to give me a call at 397-8381.

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GROTON VISITATION PRO-GRAM - SHADOWING & COL-LEGE DAYS - Jodi Sternhagen

Visiting a college or shadowing a professional are important ways of learning. Juniors and seniors are granted two visitation days per year during the last two years of high school. Any student who is interested should see me to get information and to set up a visit. So far, many of the juniors and seniors have taken application forms and have expressed an interest in this program.



GROTON FALL TESTING PROGRAM - Jodi Sternhagen

This fall GHS students were able to take several tests to help prepare academically for college and also to help define their interests. These include:

Grades 10 & 11 October 15 PSAT

Grades 11-12 October 30 ASVAB Testing

Grade 12 November 5 NCRC testing
Grade 11 December 3 Practice ACT Test

The ASVAB test, NCRC, and Practice ACT test are free to all students in the respective grades. The PSAT is an optional test which students can take for a minimal fee.

ACT Testing – The ACT test is offered in October, December, February, April, June and September for students. Two times yearly – in October and in April – the ACT is offered in Groton. The ACT measures knowledge in the areas of English, Reading, Math and Science and is usually taken at the end of the junior year of high school. Students sign up for the ACT online at www.actstudent.org and will also find practice test material at this site. There are also many practice materials in the School Counseling Office which are available for checkout. The ACT score is used by colleges to determine admission and scholarship eligibility. A similar test – the SAT (www.collegeboard.com) – is also used for admission and scholarship eligibility and is commonly taken by students attending schools on the east or west coast.

GROTON JUNIOR and SENIOR CLASSES ATTEND POST-HIGH PLANNING DAY -

Jodi Sternhagen

On October 2 all juniors attended Post-High Planning Day in Aberdeen. Fifty-four post-secondary insti-

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tutions were represented at the fair where admissions counselors talked with students about their futures. The students were able to browse through exhibits and talk to various representatives.

Biology II - Jodi Sternhagen

The Biology II students began the year with an introduction into human anatomy and physiology. We just finished studying an overview of organ systems and have moved into a detailed study of each organ system beginning with the integumentary system. Each week the students have learned a new set of health science vocabulary terms and at the end of each quarter have a cumulative test. Students participate in several hands-on activities such as labs, projects, and group activities. During the year, students will continue to conduct scientific lab experiments including using the microscope and dissecting. Each student is asked to keep a notebook of health science terms, and health science clinical reviews.

Classifieds

Togel Bridal Shower

Come and Go Bridal Shower for Megan Togel, bride-to-be of Logan Clemensen, November 15, 2014, 10:00-11:30 A.M. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ferney, SD. The couple is registered at Target and Inspire.

Smith Thank You

Thank you to all who contributed to my bridal shower gift from Lori's Pharmacy. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

Laura Smith

Bride-to-be of Taylor Anderson

Apartments For Rent
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ONE AND TWO bedroom apartment for rent. HDS subsidized. Rent includes utilities and heat. No smoking. Pets okay. Contact Darlene Daly at 605/397-8131.

House for Rent

Two-bedroom house in Groton. Full basement, breezeway, attached garage, large yard. Wheelchair accessible. Furnished, appliances included. \$700/month. Less with lease. (941) 525-4515.

Physics - Jodi Sternhagen

The Physics class started the year with an introduction to the physical world through mathematics and applied learning. The students have learned about models, velocity, acceleration, force, and vectors and have used trigonometric functions to solve for resultants in four quadrants. During the year, the students will be performing several labs, writing formal lab reports, and will use Excel to graph. Each week, the physics students work in groups and as a whole class to solve core science problems. Currently students are studying velocity, displacement and acceleration by looking at graphs and are using mathematics to solve for unknowns.

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Intro. to Tech. - Don Donley

This is a freshman class which is split into three groups:

Group 1) Working on metal fabrication.

Group 2) Working on woodworking projects.

Group 3) Working on a graphic design unit.

Tech 2 - Don Donley

This is a Sophomore class currently rotating through several modules; house wiring on a computer program, and a hands on unit in the shop, engineering, electronics, architectural drafting, mechanical drafting, gas welding, MIG welding, wood lathe, metal lathe, scroll saw, basic drafting, and working in the shop. We rotate every 7 days.

Construction Tech. - Don Donley

This is a Junior class and they are working on a storage building.

Tech. 4 - Don Donley

This is a Senior class and they are working on small engines.

Physical Science—Kristen Gonsoir

Physical science has begun the year studying physics. The year began with the study of motion including velocity and acceleration and how they relate to Newton's Laws of Motion. Now the class has moved into its exploration of energy and work. Energy is the ability to cause change while work is the exertion of a force over a distance. Also within this unit will be the study of simple machines and thermal energy. Students do at least one laboratory exercise per chapter.

Chemistry I—Kristen Gonsoir

Chemistry I is in the unit on atomic structure. Students are currently finishing the nine weeks learning about the composition of atoms and learning about isotopes and how to calculate atomic mass. Students will also learn about more recent discoveries about atomic structure. Students will spend some time outside of the textbook learning about the fundamental particles of atoms that go beyond the proton, neutron, and electron. The unit will end with students doing a brief research paper.

Chemistry II—Kristen Gonsoir

Chemistry II is learning about the organic family of alkenes and alkynes. Both alkenes and alkynes are unsaturated. The term unsaturated in organic chemistry means that the structure has the possibility to hold more hydrogen atoms than it does—hence the molecule is unsaturated. Plant fats are unsaturated fats, meaning that the carbon chain in their molecule has double or even triple bonds. To hydrogenate vegetable oil to make margarine is to add hydrogen to the structure to make it saturated like an animal fat. Following this chapter, students will have a lab unit on polymers where they will synthesize several polymers in the lab.

Oral Interpretation- Kristen Gonsoir

The oral interpretation invitational season is just getting underway. GHS students had a strong performance at Milbank with all competing earning superior or excellent ratings. The team will compete at Northern State University on October 18, 2014, Brookings October 27, 2014, Watertown on November 1, 2014, and Aberdeen on November 14, 2014 before regions on November 17, 2014 in Aberdeen.

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Debate- Kristen Gonsoir

The November debate resolutions have just been released. The public forum debaters will prepare to debate the resolution, "On balance, the beneifts of genetically modified foods outweigh the harms." Lincoln Douglas debaters will prepare to debate the resolution, "The right to be forgotten from Internet searches ought to be a civil right." The debate season will open competition at Aberdeen on November 14-15, 2015. The debate season will continue until March. The debate program is excited to welcome volunteer coach Travis Kiefer.

Music - Mr. Johnson

The high school band has concluded its marching season. This was a great year for the marching band. I am especially proud of the effort and pride the students displayed throughout the past 9 weeks. As a result, lines were straight, members were in step, and the music was played well, and with a great deal of spirit! We marched in the homecoming parade, the Gypsy Day parade, and the Lake Region Marching Band Festival. The Lake Region Festival featured 21 bands in Groton, including the SOUND of USD from Vermillion. Over 1000 students marched down Main Street that day.

Now the band is making the transition to the concert band setting. Chair seating auditions are complete, and we have been developing daily routines that reinforce core concepts of band. Jazz band has also begun weekly rehearsals on Tuesday and Thursday mornings before school. We have a lot to look forward to the rest of the year!

We are on the verge of starting this year's fifth grade band. It's always exciting to see what the next class of students has to offer to our band program. With ample daily practice, weekly lessons, and parental support at home, these students will carry on the tradition of excellence Groton has been known for.

Upcoming events featuring the music department include the Veteran's Day program on November 11th and the Christmas Concert on December 18th.

Mr. Hawkins

6th Science - Our 6th grade science curriculum is broken down into three main areas: life science, earth science, and physical science. The first nine weeks was mainly devoted to life science. We studied cells, both animal and plant. We also studied different living things, and how they are classified in kingdoms and so forth. We learned about their ecosystems and adaptations that help many organisms survive. We will now be getting into the earth science portion.

8th Science- 8th grade science is earth science all year long. This is the first year I have ever taught 8th graders in the classroom, let alone an 8th grade science class. I have been enjoying it though. Earth science was always my favorite branch of science. I have been learning more myself as we get deeper into the material. Natural resources, soil, rocks, weathering, and erosion are just a few of the topics that we have covered. Later on we will get into plate tectonics, earthquakes, and volcanoes.

Groton Area Elementary School News

Elementary Principal~ Dan Dalchow

Each year brings new challenges and the school takes on a different dynamic as its students mature, move on, and new students enter. The school year, now in full swing, is moving right along and going very well. Walk into any classroom and you will see actively engaged students. Watch students coming

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to school and you will see happy, smiling faces that enjoy being here. Students know their routines, they are learning, and they are reading, (even the kindergarteners).

Speaking of reading, have you checked out the monthly Accelerated Reader board? It is fun to check and see who has reached their goals. If you have not signed up for the Accelerated Reader email notification, it is very easy. Once you sign up, you will receive an email every time your child takes a quiz showing you the results of the quiz, as well as the level of book read, and other basic information about the book and quiz. It is a great way to stay involved in your child's progress and they become readers.

Conferences will be November 13th. I encourage you to attend your child's conference if at all possible. If you cannot, please make arrangements to meet with your child's teacher at some alternative time. Studies have shown that students are much more successful when their parents take an active part in their educational process. Knowing how your child is performing, knowing what you can expect them to be bringing home, and knowing what is going on in the classroom provides you with a wealth of information that you can use to help your child do their very best at school.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me during school hours. It's starting out to be another great year!

Sincerely,

Mr. Dan Dalchow ~ Principal Groton Area Elementary School Elementary Phone # 397-2317 E-mail: dan.dalchow@k12.sd.us

Junior Kindergarten – Kayla Krause

HAPPY FALL, Y'ALL! What more could you ask for than beautiful weather, fall colors, and happy kids? We have had a great time getting to know our new friends in junior kindergarten and growing together. Our focus each week centers around a theme. We have had weekly themes from apples to dinosaurs to spiders and bugs. Incorporated in that theme, we study a letter of the week and a math skill of the week. We also incorporate that theme into our learning centers. Junior kindergarten students have the opportunity to visit learning centers around our classroom once a day. Our class favorite is the dramatic play center which has featured a doctor's office, a bakery, a puppet theater, and even a grocery story. We build in the block center, work on letter recognition in our literacy center, and learn to draw letters and symbols in our writing center just to name a few.

Our class has had its fair share of visitors as well. Just last week, we invited the Pumpkin Lady to our classroom. The Pumpkin Lady brought us many different types of pumpkins that we had never seen before. We saw pumpkins with stripes, pumpkins with pink and teal tints, and even a pumpkin that resembled a cube! She also brought a pumpkin for each student to paint at school and take home to their families. The junior kindergarten class also happily welcomed our first mystery reader. Parents or other relatives of our students were encouraged to volunteer their time and come to our class and promote literacy by reading to our children. It takes a village to prepare these little ones for Kindergarten and we are so grateful for all the helping hands that make that possible.

1st Grade ~ Emily Eichler & Julie Milbrandt

Greetings from first grade! We have been very busy learning new routines and skills each day. Our days are filled with reading, math, science, social studies, art, handwriting, calendar, PE, music, and library.

In reading, we have already learned 58 high-frequency words, the short vowel sounds, how to blend words, identify different genres of stories, and read words that contain r-blends, s-blends, l-blends, or double final consonants. We also build, read, and manipulate words daily.

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Our math curriculum is teaching us many different strategies to solve math problems. We will continue to learn more strategies throughout the year. Students are encouraged to solve problems using the method that works best for them. Some of the strategies we have learned include making circle drawings, Math Mountains, and counting on. We have used these to solve addition and subtraction equations, find the unknown partner, and solve story problems.

We have been busy learning about rules and laws of our community and country. This week, we began learning about globes, maps, and locations. In science, we have learned about living and nonliving things, habitats, and how plants and animals live. We also love to express our creativity through an art activity each week.

As you can see we are very busy in first grade!

3rd Grade ~ Kristi Anderson & Deb Winburn

Third grade began the year with 43 students.

The Common Core standards have affected the order in which we teach some of our topics, mostly math. We start working with multiplication and fractions much sooner than in previous years. We will be working with area and perimeter more than we ever have in the past. However, we still need to ensure we have a strong foundation of the basics while adding new skills, so we continue to make money, time, word problems, and basic facts a part of our day whenever we can. We continue to rely heavily on the Smartboards to help us learn and practice. Students also have a couple of very useful websites to help cement their math skills, ixl.com and sumdog.com.

We are always so excited about books in third grade – old favorites and new ones that come our way. We have read a wide variety of picture books and novels by outstanding authors. Humphrey the Hamster chapter books are a definite favorite with third graders. We also enjoyed the first two Clementine books. We are currently reading Howliday Inn, a sequel to Bunnicula. Students are keeping interactive notebooks this year in language, reading, math, and science. When studying a skill, students do a one or two-page layout with visuals to help them remember the most important information when studying a particular skill. Some entries include a practice activity for students. Students may use these all year to look back in as a reference.

Science finds us studying animals. This includes learning about life cycles and classification. Students will research and write animal reports. We are leaning about different types of communities in social studies – urban, suburban, and rural. Students will make rural collages. They wrote paragraphs about urban areas accompanied by an illustration. Map work and geography remain ongoing throughout all topics.

We want to say a big thank you to the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary for once again providing all third graders with their own dictionary. These were given in honor of all our men and women who are serving or have served our country. The students so enjoy perusing them, and it also reinforces all of the dictionary skills we need to know.

Even though it feels like summer outside, fall art adorns every nook and cranny of our room, so we hope that will encourage the season to stick around for several more weeks. As always, we are grateful to go to school in such a supportive community. Happy fall!

5th Grade ~ Shelby Hendrickson & Janel Lone

Fifth grade continues to be departmentalized in hopes of better preparing our students for junior high. Departmentalizing means that teachers are assigned to certain subjects rather than just certain students. Mrs. Hendrickson teaches Reading, Spelling, and Social Studies and Mrs. Lone teaches Math,

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English, and Science to all 5th graders. We have 44 students this year.

Social Studies and Science are sometimes considered the more difficult subjects in 5th grade because of the content and vocabulary. Study skills, such as studying for test and taking notes, are as important as the content to the success of 5th graders in these areas. In Science class, students have been studying the earth and will be moving on to space. There have been many hands on projects to help make this more real to them. In Social Studies, students have learned about the geography of their nation and will be moving into lessons on Native Americans.

In Reading students have completed a variety of projects. Designing book jackets, mobiles, and reports to using their computer skills to construct a PowerPoint presentation, Mrs. Hendrickson has fifth graders using their imagination to express themselves while reading some of their favorite books. Math has us moving into larger numbers. We find that students who know their multiplication facts have an easier transitioning into the multiple steps problems expected of our fifth graders.

Fifth graders will have some new experiences the year. Band is starting earlier this year. Students who are interested in participating in band will start the 2nd quarter with instruments in hand. This will give them a half of year head start. During the last quarter fifth graders will have an opportunity to take part in the DARE program. Officers from our community will come and teach 10 lessons on the DARE decision making process. Exciting and new experiences to help them grow and be prepare for middle school.

It will be a busy and exciting year.

Speech ~ Mary Hempel

Hello, My name is Mary Hempel, I am a Licensed Speech Language Pathologist, (also known as Speech Therapist, or SLP for short). Jennifer Deutsch is also an SLP, she has her Master's Degree as well as the CCC's (The National Certification for Speech Therapists).

We are employed with the North Central Special Education Cooperative (NCSEC) - serving students since 1971, with an office at Northern State University. It serves a total of 7 different school districts in the area, with Speech Therapy, Early Childhood, & Psychological Services.

We are the Speech Therapists for the Groton Area School District and responsible for Speech Therapy for ages Birth through age 21. You can reach us by calling the Groton Area Elementary School, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mrs. Deutsch is here on Mondays & Thursdays.

I am beginning my 5th year in the Groton Area School District (the first 2 were part-time working with Candice Mohn). Jennifer Deutsch has been a part of NCSEC for several years, primarily working in the Langford Area School District. She will be here 2 days a week. Please feel free to contact us if you have questions or concerns about communication, speech sound development, a child's social interactions, language, etc.). Speech Pathology covers a wide range of communication needs.

Speech Communication includes: Phonation> producing sound; Resonance; Fluency>stuttering; Intonation. The components Language include: Phonology>, manipulating sounds; Morphology>, understanding and using minimal units of meaning; Syntax>, constructing sentences by using Grammar> rules; Semantics>, interpreting signs or symbols of communication to construct meaning; and Pragmatics>, social aspects of communication.

Physical Education – Lynette Grieve

This first few weeks of school were great for having P.E. outside. Even though, we almost blew away a few times. Then it turned cold, so inside we went. The super weather and fresh air helps us get our second wind for our next set of afternoon classes.

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We enjoyed playing kickball, Pom-Pom Pull-Away, Helping Hands Tag, and Frisbee Toss outside. We have played Amoeba Tag, Helping Hands Tag, and 3-Team Dodgeball inside.

We recently started a unit on volleyball. We have learn how to set and bump using a beach ball. It is much easier and softer for these young hands to handle. We have practiced hitting the beach ball without, and now with the net, trying to get it over.

G.R.A.S.P. (OST) ~ Rose Long

The G.R.A.S.P. program and Lights On Afterschool:

The GRASP program is one of the many quality out-of-school time programs that helps keep students safe, support their healthy growth and inspire learning beyond the school day. Students in quality after-school programs are involved in safe, structured activities, have opportunities to learn new skills, and are less likely to participate in risky behavior.

Lights On Afterschool is an annual event which seeks to raise awareness and support for these programs across the state by highlighting the value of quality out-of-school time programs for children, working families, communities and the state's economy. Thousands of communities nationwide will celebrate Lights On Afterschool to shine a light on the afterschool programs that keep kids safe, inspire them to learn and help working families.

This year's Lights On Afterschool recognition took place during the South Dakota School Age Care Alliance (SoDakSACA) Conference on October 10th at the Cedar Shore Resort in Chamberlain with the lighting of the bridge that connects Chamberlain and Oacoma. However, the National Lights On Afterschool recognition day is actually October 23, 2014. The governor of South Dakota has proclaimed this day to be Lights On Afterschool day with a proclamation to recognize all the after school programs in South Dakota that services the students and families every day.

The Afterschool Alliance started Lights On Afterschool in 2000. The first time South Dakota held their first annual observation at the state level for Lights On Afterschool was in 2010 with the lighting of Mount Rushmore.

Recent/Future Activities:

The GRASP program recently participated in activities to help raise awareness about Fire Safety as October 9th was Fire Safety Day. As a group, we learned about fires and what to do in case of a fire. The group also practiced the Stop, Drop, and Roll technique while playing one of our favorite games.

Looking forward, GRASP will be participating in activities relating to different themes including Veterans Day and Thanksgiving among others where we will use our creative talents along with working on many other skills.

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The Groton Daily Independent is gearing up for another trek to western South Dakota.

Groton Area vs. St. Thomas More School of Mines Football Field Saturday, 7:30 p.m. (CST)

We will be blogging the game with coverage in the GDI and Weekly Paper The Blog Address is http://blog.397news.com/?p=1366

The following wish the Tigers Good Luck

Not a complete list

Aberdeen Chrysler Center

Bahr Construction & Spray Foam, Groton

Blocker Construction, Groton

Doug Abeln Seed, Groton

Fritz's Place, Bristol

Frost Construction, Groton

Full Circle Ag, Groton

Golden Living Center, Groton

Groton Ford

Harry Implement, Ferney

Home Federal Bank - Brenda Waage, Aberdeen

Howard Construction, Groton

Howie's Training Studio, Groton

James Valley Seed - Doug Jorgenson, Groton

James Valley Telecommunications, Groton

Johnson Agency, Groton

KR Body Shop, Andover

Lori's Pharmacy

Milbrandt Enterprises, Inc.

Northeast Chiropractic - Taylor Anderson, Aberdeen

Olde Bank Floral 'N More, Groton

Olson Backhoe & Trenching, Groton

Producer's Hybrids - John Wheeting, Groton

RDO Equipment, Aberdeen

Rix Farms - Grant and Roger

RSPK

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Spanier Harvesting & Trucking, Groton

T.C.'s Lawn Care & Irrigation, Columbia

Titan Machinery - Justin Hanson

Treeline Tree Service, Groton

Tuffer 'N Hell Farm Equipment, Groton

Weber Landscaping, Groton

Rapid City Forecast

SATURDAY

SATURDAY NIGHT



Mostly Sunny High: 54 °F



Partly Cloudy Low: 39 °F

Mostly sunny, with a high near 54. West wind 5 to 7 mph becoming northeast in the afternoon.

Saturday Night Partly cloudy, with a low around 39. West wind 3 to 5 mph.

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Today in Weather History

1959: A strong cold front that brought near blizzard conditions and cold temperatures in the 5th continued to bring record or near record lows during the morning hours. Some low temperatures include; -13 in Murdo; -12 in Eureka; -11 in Britton; -10 in Castlewood; -9 near McIntosh and Redfield; -8 in Andover; -7 in Clear Lake and Kennebec; -6 degrees in Aberdeen; -5 in Watertown; and -4 in Pierre. 2005: The deadliest tornado to strike Indiana since April 3, 1974, occurred around 2 am. Twenty four fatalities, 238 injuries, and nearly 90 million dollars in damage were inflicted by a single F3 tornado with a path length of 41 miles. This tornado moved in a northeasterly direction from just north of Smith Mills Kentucky to Gentryville, Indiana and crossed the Ohio River three times. Most of the damage occurred as the tornado past southeast of the city of Evansville, Indiana.

2008: A strong area of low pressure moving across South Dakota and into Minnesota brought widespread rain, freezing rain, and snow to central, north central, and northeast South Dakota. Much of the freezing fell across central and north central South Dakota west of the Missouri River. As the freezing rain changed over to snow and the winds increased, the ice and snow buildup on the power lines and poles caused hundreds of power poles to break across Jones, Stanley, Dewey, and Corson counties. East of the Missouri River, the colder air and stronger winds moved in changing the rain over to snow. Strong winds of 30 to 45 mph with gusts near 60 mph brought widespread blizzard conditions to all of the area. Ice buildup from the freezing rain ranged from a tenth to as much as an inch for counties west of the Missouri River. Snowfall amounts across the entire area generally ranged from 2 to 8 inches with a 15 inch amount recorded in southwest Corson County. Some of the snowfall amounts included; 3 inches in Eagle Butte, Blunt, Kennebec, Mission Ridge, and Onida; 4 inches in Pollock, Gettysburg, and Bowdle; 5 inches south of Harrold, Iona, and near McIntosh; 6 inches in Mobridge; 7 inches in Murdo; 8 inches in McLaughlin, and 15 inches southwest of Keldron. All 4,600 customers of the Moreau-Grand Electric Company lost power due to the storm. The last time this occurred was during the winter of 1967-68. The monetary loss to this cooperative and other electric cooperatives for Jones, Stanley, Corson, and Dewey counties was in the hundreds of thousands of dollars. There were over 100 line workers working countless hours with crews coming as far away as Nebraska and Iowa to assist in the

power recovery. Over 1,000 customers were without power for an extended period of time. Cell phone coverage was also knocked out for parts of the West River area due to downed towers. The blizzard resulted in numerous school, business, and road closures along with flight cancellations. Interstate was shut down from Mitchell, South Dakota to the Wyoming border from Thursday the 6th until Friday evening of the 7th. Many semi trucks and cars were stranded along the Interstate with many people being res-



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cued. Many travels took shelter in Murdo, Chamberlain, and Pierre until the Interstate reopened. There were several accidents across the area with a serious accident in Walworth County on Highway 83 near the Potter County line. In the early afternoon hours of Friday the 7th, slippery roads, high winds, and low visibilities contributed to the rollover of a passenger van carrying seven students. The passenger van rolled several times causing serious injuries to three of the students. The Governor declared a state of emergency on the 7th, and President Bush declared South Dakota a disaster area.

1977: At 1:30 am the Kelly Barnes Dam near Toccoa, GA failed after a period of heavy rain; seven inches since November 2. In particular, 3.5 inches fell between 6 pm and midnight November 5. The resulting flash flood caused 39 fatalities, destroyed several houses, and damaged buildings on the campus of Toccoa Falls College.

1988: A powerful storm in the northern Great Lakes dropped 2 feet of snow along the shore of Lake Superior and 3 feet in the Porcupine Mountains of Upper Michigan. Marquette established a November record with 17.3 inches in 24 hours.

2001: Remnants of Hurricane Noel intensified over the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The massive storm blew out car windows, caused blackouts, and swamped wharves. Confederation Bridge closed for the first time ever when winds gusted up to 96 mph.

1951 - Snow fell from the Texas panhandle to the Lower Great Lakes, leaving record totals of 12.5 inches at Saint Louis MO, and 14.1 inches at Springfield MO. Other heavier snowfall totals included 20 inches at Nevada MO, 13.5 inches at Sedan KS, 13 inches at Decature IL, and 10 inches at Alva OK. In the Saint Louis area, up to 20 inches was reported in Washington County. (5th- 6th) (David Ludlum) (The Weather Channel)

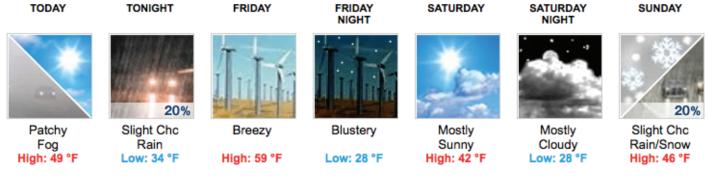
1987 - High winds in the northeastern U.S., turning a recent warm spell into a distant memory, gusted to 63 mph at Rhode Island. Squalls resulting from the high winds produced five inches of snow at Marquette MI and seven inches at Rome NY. A storm in the southwestern U.S. brought heavy snow to some of the higher elevations of Arizona, Colorado and Utah. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

1988 - A powerful low pressure system over the Great Lakes Region continued to produce snow across parts of the Ohio Valley and the Great Lakes Region. Snowfall totals along the shore of Lake Superior reached 24 inches, with three feet of snow reported in the Porcupine Mountain area of Upper Michigan. Marquette MI established a November record with 17.3 inches of snow in 24 hours. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Unseasonably warm weather prevailed in the south central and southeastern U.S. Nine cities from Florida to Oklahoma and Texas reported record high temperatures for the date as readings warmed into the 80s. The high of 89 degrees at the Dallas/Fort Worth Airport in Texas equalled their record for November. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

2005 - Severe thunderstorms produced a deadly tornado near Evansville, Indiana during the early morning hours of November 6. There were 23 fatalities from the tornado, with 19 of the deaths occurring in the Eastbrook Mobile Home Park located just to the southeast of the city (Associated Press). It was Indiana's deadliest tornado since the Super Outbreak on April 3, 1974.

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Surface high pressure will allow for a mild day across the region. However, another fast moving system is expected to approach late tonight, and move across the region on Friday. Due to the warm air moving in ahead of the low pressure system tonight, low temperatures will drop early, then slowly rise through the night. Light rain is again possible across parts of north central and northeast South Dakota, and west central MN, and winds will become strong and gusty behind the cold front Friday afternoon.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 51.8°F at 11:15 AM **Low:** 33.4°F at 10:13 PM

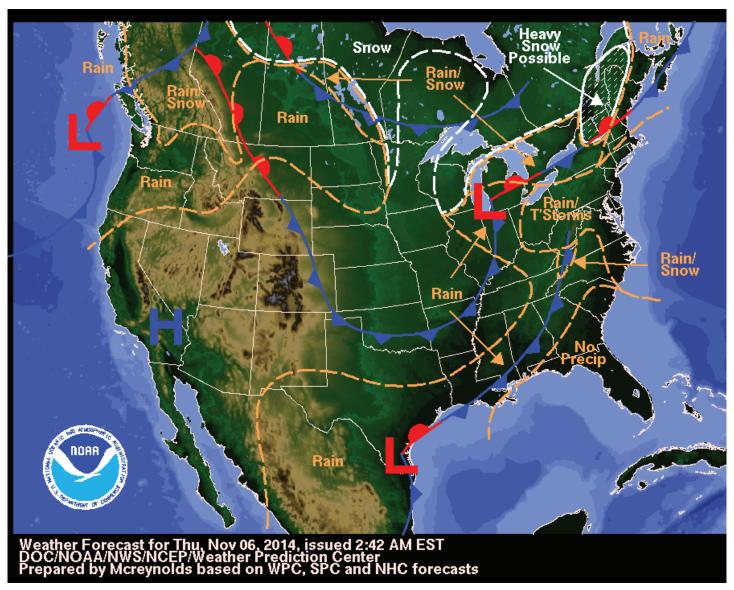
High Gust: 39 mph at 1:20 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info Record High: 75° in 1909

Record High: 75° in 1909 Record Low: -8° in 1991 Average High: 46°F Average Low: 24°F

Average Precip in Nov.: 0.15 Precip to date in Nov.: 0.00 Average Precip to date: 20.62 Precip Year to Date: 13.23 Sunset Tonight: 5:14 p.m. Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:22 a.m.



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ALL SEEDS ARE NOT THE SAME

"What are you planting?" asked the salesman of the elderly gentleman.

"Seeds," said the old farmer, rather nonchalantly.

"Of course they're seeds. I can see that. I'm not dumb or blind," he said with a bit of sarcasm in his voice.

"Well, if you are so interested, hang around for a few months and see what comes up. You might be surprised. Might even be something you like," came the reply.

Planting seeds and gardening is a craft. It is done with care and concern. Nothing is left to chance and the only uncontrollable aspect of farming is the weather.

"The wages of the righteous is life," wrote Solomon, "but the earnings of the wicked are sin and death." The word "wages" in this verse comes from the agricultural world and describes the crop or yield that is gained at the time of harvest. Earnings are the result of work. But both have a similar meaning: Our life style and way of living have implications far beyond the moment. Righteousness brings life, now and after this life - eternal life with God. The alternative life style, wickedness, is one of sin and leads ultimately to death - eternal separation from God.

Our God is a just God and will reward each of us for the "seeds" we plant. Our old farmer knew what the crop would be from the seeds he planted. He didn't have to wait and be surprised at harvest time. Neither do we.

God's Word leaves no doubt about sowing seeds and the coming harvest. "Do not be deceived," said Paul, "for whatever a man sows, that will he also reap."

Prayer: Father, may we examine our lives in light of your Word and plant "seeds of righteousness" each day. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Proverbs 10:16 The wages of the righteous is life, but the earnings of the wicked are sin and death.

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News from the App Associated Press

Custer State Park buffalo auction set for Nov. 15

CUSTER STATE PARK, S.D. (AP) — Some of the bison gathered during the annual Custer State Park Buffalo Roundup will be sold this month.

The bison auction will be held on Saturday, Nov. 15, at the park corrals in the southern Black Hills.

The park says 226 head will be sold.

The auction will also be online at http://www.DVAuction.com .

More than 14,000 people watched this year's annual roundup in September, matching crowd records from the previous six years.

Horseback riders were joined by all-terrain vehicles and pickup trucks to gather about 1,200 bison into corrals, joining roughly 100 head brought in earlier. Most of them were given shots and returned to the park.

Man gets 5 years in prison for assaulting woman

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — A Cannon Ball man accused of assaulting a woman in the hallway of a casino on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation has been sentenced to five years in prison.

Forty-one-year-old Dustin Lester was accused in February of punching and kicking the woman multiple times at Prairie Knights Casino. U.S. Attorney Timothy Purdon says Lester was dating the woman. The assault was captured by security video.

Lester pleaded guilty in July to assault with a dangerous weapon. He'll be on supervised release for three years following his prison term.

Ballot measures: Minimum wage, gun sales, GMOs The Associated Press

Marijuana activists who have longed for decades to end America's drug war pocketed more major victories Tuesday, with Oregon, Alaska and the nation's capital approving recreational pot use. Here are how some other ballot measured fared on Tuesday:

MINIMUM WAGE

Voters in four states approved increases in the state minimum wage. In Arkansas, it will rise from \$6.25 an hour to \$8.50 by 2017, in Nebraska from \$7.25 to \$9 and in South Dakota from \$7.25 to \$8.50. In Alaska, it will increase \$2 an hour to \$9.75 in 2016.

GUN SALES

In Washington state, voters approved a measure to expand background checks on gun sales and transfers; the checks will extended to private transactions and many loans and gifts. The rival measure would have prevented the state from expanding checks in that fashion; it was trailing statewide.

FOOD FIGHT

Voters in Colorado and Oregon rejected measures that would have required labeling of certain genetically modified foods. The proposals would have applied to raw and packaged foods produced entirely or partially by genetic engineering. They did not apply to food served in restaurants.

In Hawaii, voters in Maui County opted to temporarily ban the cultivation of genetically engineered crops after a campaign featuring \$8 million in advertising from some of the world's largest corn-seed

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producers.

SUGARY DRINKS

Voters in Berkeley, California, became the first in the country to pass a tax on sodas and other sugary drinks. High-dollar advertising campaigns by the \$76 billion U.S. soft-drink industry had defeated the proposal in more than 30 other cities and states in recent years, including San Francisco where voters on Tuesday rejected a soda tax.

SD man gets 11 years in years-old sex abuse case

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — \overline{A} South Dakota man has been sentence to 11 years in prison in a nearly two-decade old child sexual abuse case.

U.S. Attorney Brendan Johnson says 42-year-old Frank Baker Jr. pleaded guilty in July to one count of aggravated sexual abuse of a child.

Johnson says the Eagle Butte sexually assaulted a girl under the age of 12 between June 1995 and August 1996, when he was providing babysitting services.

U.S. District Judge Roberto Lange has also ordered Baker to five years of supervised release. Barker is under the custody of the U.S. Marshals Service.

GOP increases hold on Legislature, shrinks Dems BY KEVIN BURBACH, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota Republicans have increased their hold on the state Legislature, netting at least four seats to strengthen their supermajorities on Election Day and further diminishing the Democratic Party's role in shaping policy.

The GOP swept every statewide and congressional office on Tuesday, giving them total rule for the first time in more than 50 years.

Democrats grabbed one state Senate seat, bringing their total to eight of 35, but Republicans picked up at least five seats in the House, leaving Democrats with only 11 legislators the in the 70-seat chamber. One House race in Sioux Falls was still too close to call Wednesday afternoon, with Democratic incumbent Rep. Paula Hawks leading Republican Bob Deelstra by seven votes.

With voters retaining Republicans' supermajorities — for which Senate Majority Leader Tim Rave said the party is "blessed" — the attention will now turn to issues for the upcoming session, such as teacher pay and improving roads, he noted Wednesday.

Voters voiced their support for increasing teacher salaries this year and gubernatorial candidate Rep. Susan Wismer made the issue a cornerstone of her campaign. Rave, who said he plans to seek the majority leader nomination again, expects the Legislature to figure out "some way at a state level we can help address those challenges."

Tuesday's election marks 20 straight years that Republicans have won or kept control of both chambers of the Legislature. Democrats are pretty used to being the minority party by now, House Minority Leader Bernie Hunhoff said Wednesday.

"We wish we weren't so experienced at being the loyal opposition," said Hunhoff, who jumped chambers Tuesday, swapping his House seat for the District 18 Senate seat currently held by Republican sister-in-law, Jean Hunoff.

Bernie Hunhoff said even though his party lacks representation in the Legislature, he still believes most South Dakota residents support its policies, pointing to, among other things, the minimum wage

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measure passing with more than 55 percent of the vote Tuesday.

"There are various ways to be effective, even if you don't have the numbers," he said.

Hunhoff himself said he's not planning on seeking any leadership roles this session and instead wants to work in a bipartisan fashion on expanding Medicaid, a task he said is easier when you're not a party leader.

Although he stopped short of naming potential candidates, Hunhoff said the Democrats have a good base of young talent he hopes can lead the party into the future.

"With term limits, we just have to develop new leaders," he said. "And we've got some folks who are more than capable."

Corps to reduce Missouri River releases in SD

YANKTON, S.D. (AP) — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers plans to reduce the amount of water releases from Fort Randall and Gavins Point dams on the Missouri River.

The changes in the popular recreational area will begin Thursday. The Corps is reminding duck hunters to check their decoys and river users to plan for lower levels.

Releases will be reduced by approximately 3,000 cubic feet per second in a stair-step manner during four days.

The new levels will be in effect until winter releases are implemented in December. The navigation season at the mouth of the Missouri River ends on Dec. 10.

Sports special for Brokaw looks at hunting season DAVID BAUDER, AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Tom Brokaw will take NBC Sports Network viewers with him on a trip to his native South Dakota for pheasant hunting season, a special that could become the template for a regular series.

The veteran NBC anchor hosts "Opening Day," airing at 11 p.m. ET on Wednesday, Nov. 19, after a hockey game.

The program examines traditions around the beginning of hunting season, which is a big business in South Dakota. Brokaw details how the state made itself a destination, visits the annual dinner of the hunters' group Pheasants Forever and goes out with fellow hunters including Ted Turner.

Brokaw got rid of his guns while living in Los Angeles during the tumultuous year of 1968. But he took up hunting again a couple of decades later, usually accompanied by his bird dog Sage.

Brokaw, who splits his time between New York and Montana, looks forward to opening day as a way to connect each year with friends he grew up with.

"I stay in the small towns, and it's revisiting my youth," he said.

South Dakota has cultivated businesses surrounding the opening of pheasant hunting season, making it a destination for hunters around the country each year on the third Saturday of October.

"The state just gets it," he said.

Turning his outings into TV isn't new for Brokaw. For years, an annual fishing trip he conducts with pals like Michael Keaton has been chronicled on "Buccaneers & Bones," a series on the Outdoor Channel.

If the "Opening Day" special works well, the idea could spread to examine the culture around other sports and traditions, according to NBC Sports.

Brokaw, 74, keeps busy while undergoing chemotherapy for multiple myeloma, a cancer affecting

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blood cells in the bone marrow. He worked on Election Night on Tuesday, where an alarm on his cellphone went off while he was on the air at MSNBC. He quickly made light of the gaffe by taking out the phone and pretending to take a grocery list.

"I'm near the end of the treatment and I'm very encouraged by the process," he said.

Man sentenced on federal sex trafficking charge

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A Wisconsin man has been sentenced to more than five years in prison on a federal sex trafficking charge in South Dakota.

Thirty-four-year-old Thomas Roberts was accused of bringing a woman from Milwaukee to Sioux Falls a year ago for the purpose of prostitution. U.S. Attorney Brendan Johnson says he pleaded guilty in August to a charge of transportation for prostitution.

Roberts was sentenced Monday to 63 months in custody to be followed by five years of supervised release. He also was ordered to forfeit four cellphones, a laptop and \$1,100 in cash.

Dakotas Republicans relish new Senate influence HENRY C. JACKSON, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican lawmakers from the Dakotas on Wednesday savored sweeping GOP election gains, including a Senate seat for former South Dakota Gov. Mike Rounds and a chance for incumbents in both states to push their policies in a majority for the first time since 2006.

Rounds' victory in flipping an open seat held by retiring Sen. Democrat Tim Johnson helped round out GOP control of the Senate. The seat was one of at least seven picked up by Republicans nationwide, with races in Alaska and Virginia yet to be called.

Only one Democrat — North Dakota Sen. Heidi Heitkamp — remains in the Dakotas' congressional delegation. What that means from a policy perspective will take shape in the coming months. But Rounds and the senior Republican senators, John Thune of South Dakota and John Hoeven of North Dakota, plan to take up a slew of issues they said had stalled under a Democratically controlled Senate.

"Tonight was a marvelous stepping stone. ... Let's build upon it," Rounds said after clinching victory on Tuesday night.

Thune and Hoeven said Rounds' arrival in Washington would dovetail with renewed efforts on energy policy, limiting government overreach and applying fresh pressure to President Barack Obama.

Chief among them, Hoeven said, was legislation that would allow the Canada-to-Texas Keystone XL oil pipeline to go forward.

"I think the Keystone XL pipeline will be one of the first we take up, and I think we have the sixty votes we need to approve it," Hoeven said. "And it will be a big test case for the president. Whether he wants to work with us and move forward."

Rounds campaigned on the Keystone pipeline and, more broadly, on providing a check to Obama. After wobbling during the campaign, he comfortably won an unwieldy, four-way race that included Democrat Rick Weiland and former Republican Sen. Larry Pressler running as an independent.

"I think we'll have enough votes to actually get the Keystone XL pipeline released from captivity," Rounds said, reiterating that less rail congestion would allow South Dakota farmers to ship more crops. "That's a huge economic issue in South Dakota."

Both Thune and Hoeven worked behind the scenes to get Rounds into the race before he announced and then encouraged him and gave advice as the nearly two-year Senate campaign unfolded. Hoeven, who served as governor of North Dakota at the same time Rounds was governor of South Dakota, said

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he thought Rounds' background as a state leader would make him an excellent senator because he knows the importance of compromising and working with both parties.

Thune said the overall mood was "very buoyant, as you would expect. It's always fun to win."

Hoeven said being a part of the majority would was exciting but reflected a new responsibility, too.

"The American people want us to address important issues, now we get to do that and see if the president joins with us," Hoeven said.

Hospital feels better prepared after Ebola scare

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A Sioux Falls man faces a charge of false reporting after allegedly telling police officers who arrested him on suspicious of drunken driving that he was suffering from the Ebola virus.

Twenty-eight-year-old Komouteh Toe was arrested Monday after officers found him allegedly passed out at the wheel of a vehicle that had crashed into a street sign.

Toe was taken to a hospital, where health workers determined his alleged Ebola claim was false. Avera McKennan officials say the hospital turned the situation into a drill, which has left them better-prepared. A telephone listing could not be found for Toe, and it was not clear if he had an attorney.

Service set for longtime Mammoth Site director

HOT SPRINGS, S.D. (AP) — A memorial service will be held later this month for Larry Agenbroad, the longtime director and principal investigator at The Mammoth Site in southwestern South Dakota.

Agenbroad died Friday at a Hot Springs retirement home. He was 81. The memorial service will be held on Saturday, Nov. 15, at 10 a.m. at the Hot Springs Mueller Civic Center, according to Chamberlain McColley's Funeral Home.

Agenbroad served as the director and principal investigator at The Mammoth Site for nearly four decades, helping transform it from a single tusk found atop a hill into a world-class facility that is home to the highest concentration of mammoth fossils in the world. Sixty-one have been found in the area. About 100,000 people visit the site each year.

"He took a strange bone hit by a bulldozer and showed this community a vision which they adopted," his son Finn Agenbroad, of Denver, told the Rapid City Journal (http://bit.ly/1Ei0PYi). "And he then took that vision to create a national landmark, and then went on to create an in situ research center where scientists from all over the world come to study mammoths of the Pleistocene Era."

Joe Muller, chief operating officer and business manager of The Mammoth Site and a longtime friend of Agenbroad's, said the scientist "was looked up to by everybody in mammoth research throughout the world."

"If there was a question that came up anywhere that was mammoth-related, they would contact Larry," he said.

James Mead, who served as co-principal investigator with Agenbroad at The Mammoth Site from 1974 to the mid-1980s, said Agenbroad mentored hundreds of aspiring scientists, including him.

"When it comes to mammoths, he was really one of the top people out there," said Mead, now a professor at East Tennessee State University.

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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. WINNING GOP EAGER TO MOVE AHEAD WITH THEIR AGENDA

The Republican Party wants to strike legislative victories on the Keystone pipeline and rolling back some Obamacare elements and environmental regulations.

2. WHAT FUELED GOP MIDTERM VICTORY

Pollsters find that low midterm turnout combined with the president's sagging popularity handed Republicans their biggest win in years.

3. JERUSALEM TENSIONS BRING DISCORD TO ISRAELI GOVERNMENT

Hard-line members of Netanyahu's cabinet want to remove restrictions on Jews praying at a holy site that's revered also by Muslims.

4. POLICE: PHILLY ABDUCTION VICTIM FOUND SAFE

The woman is spotted near Baltimore in a car with her suspected kidnapper and is rescued soon after.

5. HOW SOAPS ARE HELPING AFGHANS MOVE ON

New television series entertain viewers and promote democratic change using strong female characters and election backdrops to plots.

6. 'MOM! DAD! WE WILL BE LATE FOR WORK!"

"Bring Your Parents Day" clears elders' confusion about what younger people are doing professionally in a rapidly-changing workplace.

7. AC/DC DRUMMER CHARGED WITH HIRING HITMEN FOR KILLINGS

Phil Rudd, who joined the rock band forty years ago, is accused of attempting to procure murder in his adopted home of New Zeland.

8. ACCUSED MAN IN WASHINGTON KILLING SURRENDERS

The 33-year-old fugitive who allegedly killed his girlfriend and posted pictures of her body online was arrested in Oregon.

9. 'DROP THAT PLATE RIGHT NOW'

To Arnold Abbot, feeding the homeless in a public park in Florida was an act of charity. To the city of Fort Lauderdale, the 90-year-old was committing a crime.

10. WHO WON THE NIGHT AT THE COUNTRY MUSIC AWARDS

Miranda Lambert takes home trophies for album and single of the year and best female vocalist while Luke Bryan is crowned top entertainer.

AP News in Brief

In command in Congress, Republicans ready to move agenda on environmental, jobs legislation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans' resounding victory gives them an opportunity to push legislation that's been bottled up in the Democratic Senate, from targeting elements of President Barack Obama's health care law to constructing the Keystone XL oil pipeline to rolling back environmental regulations.

Democrats suffered an electoral drubbing in Tuesday's midterms, and Republicans regained control of the Senate and widely expanded their majority in the House. In command in both chambers in January, Republicans maintained that they have to show they can govern or else voters will show them the door. "We now have the votes and we have the ability to call the agenda, so stop name-calling and let's

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actually produce some legislation that helps jobs and the economy and moves our country forward," Rep. Jason Chaffetz, R-Utah, said in an interview. "I think the country has figured that out and they've given us the mandate to do it and we better produce, or they'll kick us out too."

House Republicans are counting on Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., in line to be the next Senate majority leader, to move ahead on the dozens of jobs bills that have been passed by the House but remained stalled in the Senate. They also are counting on a swift vote early next year on building the Keystone XL pipeline to carry oil from Canada to the U.S. Gulf Coast now that Republicans clearly have the numbers in the Senate.

"It's jobs, jobs," said Rep. Randy Weber, R-Texas, who also wants to lift the ban on crude oil exports.

Republicans seize on anger, demographics for midterm success

WASHINGTON (AP) — Their rout complete, Republicans are celebrating sweeping victories from North Carolina to Colorado.

The GOP's success, however, may have as much to do with the dynamics of a low-turnout midterm election as widespread dissatisfaction with President Barack Obama's leadership, according to operatives and pollsters still working to understand how the Republican Party exceeded its own already high expectations this week.

An estimated 37 percent of eligible voters cast a ballot in the midterm elections, said Michael McDonald, an associate professor at the University of Florida. If that projection holds, it would be the lowest turnout since 1942, when Americans busy fighting a war let the level drop to 34 percent.

This year's electorate was largely older, whiter and more male than is often the case in presidential years. Republican pollsters knew the GOP would benefit from a smaller and less diverse electorate, but didn't predict the extent to which some Democratic allies would stay home on Election Day.

"The composition of the electorate was fundamentally different than anyone predicted," said Gene Ulm, a pollster at Public Opinion Strategies, a firm that worked for Republican candidates or super PACs in Maine, Iowa, Colorado, New Mexico, North Carolina and Kentucky, among other states.

Police: Boyfriend sought in Wash. woman's killing arrested in Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A man charged with killing his girlfriend in Washington state and accused of posting pictures of her body online and writing that he wanted authorities to kill him walked up to an Oregon officer Wednesday night and surrendered, police said.

David Kalac, 33, was arrested at a transit center in Wilsonville, about 20 miles south of Portland, Clackamas County sheriff's Sgt. Nate Thompson said.

An officer was patrolling the area when a man came out of a wooded area near a parking lot.

"He basically said, 'I have a warrant for my arrest," Thompson said in a telephone interview. Kalac was cooperative but provided no details about how he got to Wilsonville, the spokesman said.

Kalac has been charged with second-degree murder in the slaying of Amber Lynn Coplin, 30, in Port Orchard, Washington. He was transported to Portland, where he was being held on \$2 million bail.

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Guess who's coming to work? Mom & Dad step into the cubicle on Bring In Your Parents Day

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Seta Whitford-Stark was dumbfounded last year when she found out her daughter Amy quit her job at an employee-recruiting agency to work for LinkedIn, an Internet company that Seta had never heard of. Amy tried to explain what the online professional networking service did, but Seta couldn't quite grasp the concept or why the 29-year-old would want to work there.

"Oh my God, what has she gotten herself into?" Seta, now 73, recalls muttering to herself.

Then Seta got to observe Amy and her colleagues in action at LinkedIn Corp.'s New York office and came away with a much better understanding of her daughter's career. She'll be back at LinkedIn again Thursday for its second annual "Bring In Your Parents Day," joining thousands of parents at companies around the globe in an event that gives adult children a rare opportunity to showcase the cultural and technological changes that have transformed the modern workplace.

Conceived by LinkedIn last year, more than 50 companies and other organizations in 16 countries are now embracing this generational spin on the take-the-kids-to-work craze that began a couple decades ago. Companies realize that some parents who once tried to enlighten their kids by letting them tag along at work may be confused about what their now-adult children do.

"The first reaction when you hear about this is, 'Really, bring your parents to work? Is that really something you should be doing?" says LinkedIn Corp. CEO Jeff Weiner. But it makes sense, he says, "once you have done it and see how meaningful it is. It helps us all speak a common language in terms of how the world is working today."

In a land of brutal violence, Salvador's women and girls are targeted for rape and murder

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — In a country terrorized by gangsters, it is left to the dead to break the silence on sexual violence.

Rather, to the bodies of women and girls pulled from clandestine graves, raped, battered and sometimes cut to pieces. They attest to the abuse committed by members of street gangs who take girl-friends, discard them when they know too much, then deliver them to group rape and murder.

Those who gather statistics say there are no reliable numbers on sexual violence in El Salvador. Threats prevent many from reporting attacks. Others who have grown up amid abuse may not recognize rape as a crime. Still others flee the country rather than seek justice from a system that more often delivers impunity.

U.S. immigration attorneys say there has been a dramatic increase in the number of women and girls from Central America seeking asylum in the United States after having been kidnapped and raped.

"We are seeing an exponential increase," said Lindsay Toczylowski, a lawyer with Catholic Charities in Los Angeles. "It's the evolution of gang warfare. ... It's what we see in other war situations around the world where rape is used as a weapon."

Police: Woman abducted in Philadelphia rescued in Maryland as 'dangerous predator' arrested

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A woman abducted off a Philadelphia street was reunited with her family hours after police said she was found safe outside Baltimore and the man who grabbed her was arrested.

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Keisha Gaither, who a day earlier had sobbed as she pleaded for the safe return of her kidnapped daughter, was smiling as she stood before the microphone at a Philadelphia news conference Wednesday evening.

"I'm taking my baby home. Thank you. Thank you so much," she said as authorities announced the rescue of 22-year-old Carlesha Freeland-Gaither and the arrest of the suspect.

Law enforcement agents spotted her and the man in a car with a broken-out back window in Jessup, Maryland, and arrested the suspect after he stepped out of the car, authorities said.

Freeland-Gaither had some injuries but was generally doing OK, police said. Family members were reunited with her late Wednesday after Philadelphia police drove them to the hospital.

25 years after fall of Berlin Wall, pockets of a vibrant east and decaying west

DRESDEN, Germany (AP) — In the German city of Dresden, trumpet player Ludwig Guettler takes pride in the soaring spires of the Baroque Frauenkirche church, rebuilt from the ruins of World War II, and sees them as a symbol of his city's vibrant economic and cultural life.

Some 275 miles (440 kilometers) away in Dortmund, Ilse-Margarete Bonke tries to save her decaying city from a drug scourge by picking up heroin needles from the streets, but finds her work impeded by kids who sneak up on her, pulling off her curly wig and spitting in her face.

The two cities have met contrasting fates since the crumbling of the Berlin Wall 25 years ago — with Dresden becoming a magnet for high-tech firms and a cultural center, and Dortmund sinking into deep economic depression. What may be surprising about this picture is that Dresden is in the former communist east and Dortmund was once a symbol of the economic might of the capitalist west.

Overall, the west still remains more prosperous than the east: Unemployment is higher in the east, disposable incomes are lower and populations are older as the young move west for better opportunities. But the east has been catching up, and in some key cases there has been a reversal of fortunes. That is largely due to the still mandatory "solidarity fees" instituted after reunification to help raise the former East Germany's living standards — payments that are becoming increasingly controversial as swaths of western Germany fall into decline.

In Dresden, one of former East Germany's biggest cities with about 530,000 inhabitants, the economy is humming and universities are attracting students, who often stay on after graduation to work in Dresden's myriad research institutions and computer chip producers. Unemployment is at 8 percent, compared to an average of 9 percent over all of the former East Germany; the city has been out of debt since 2006.

Year after Typhoon Haiyan, Filipino survivors' near-death selfie a memento of luck, obligation

TANAUAN, Philippines (AP) — The Saavedras waited for death as Typhoon Haiyan tore their roof, knocked down walls and unleashed torrents of seawater below them. All they could do was pray, say "I love you" one last time and take a picture.

David Saavedra raised his cellphone in the chaos to snap a group selfie to record their final moments. He took it for his eldest sister in Manila, hoping to show that at the end, her family was together — even serene.

That explains his smile, incongruous against the wind-ripped scene and the terror-stricken faces of his

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younger sister, Veronica, and their mother.

The picture was intended to go on top of David's coffin, but instead it is a reminder of the family's immense luck, and of the obligation they feel to help neighbors who weren't nearly as fortunate when the massive typhoon hit Nov. 8, 2013.

More than 7,300 people died or went missing when Haiyan slammed the central Philippines, including the Saavedras' laidback farming town of Tanauan, as one of the most ferocious typhoons ever to hit land. The monster storm displaced about 4 million people and turned a large swath of densely populated regions into a wasteland.

AC/DC drummer accused in New Zealand of trying to arrange killings of 2, drugs possession

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — The 60-year-old drummer for Australian rock band AC/DC whose hits include "Dirty Deeds Done Dirt Cheap" was accused Thursday of trying to arrange two killings as well as possession of drugs.

Phil Rudd made a brief appearance at the Tauranga District Court in his adopted home of New Zealand and was charged with attempting to "procure murder," which carries a maximum prison term of 10 years.

He was released on bail. One of the conditions is that he must not have any contact with anyone involved in the alleged plot.

The Bay of Plenty Times newspaper reported that the Australian-born Rudd was accused of trying to hire a hit-man to carry out the two killings. Police raided Rudd's home Thursday morning, according to the paper, and held him in custody until his court appearance.

A judge suppressed the names of the intended victims and the would-be hit-man in the alleged plot, the newspaper said.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Nov. 6, the 310th day of 2014. There are 55 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 6, 1984, President Ronald Reagan won re-election by a landslide over former Vice President Walter Mondale, the Democratic challenger.

On this date:

In 1814, Adolphe Sax, the inventor of the saxophone, was born in Dinant, Belgium.

In 1854, America's "March King," John Philip Sousa, was born in Washington, D.C.

In 1860, former Illinois congressman Abraham Lincoln defeated three other candidates for the presidency: John Breckinridge, John Bell and Stephen Douglas.

In 1861, Confederate President Jefferson Davis was elected to a six-year term of office.

In 1928, in a first, the results of Republican Herbert Hoover's presidential election victory over Democrat Alfred E. Smith were flashed onto an electric wraparound sign on the New York Times building.

In 1934, Nebraska voters approved dissolving their two-chamber legislature in favor of a nonpartisan, single (or "unicameral") legislative body, which was implemented in 1937.

In 1944, British official Lord Moyne was assassinated in Cairo, Egypt, by members of the Zionist Stern gang.

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In 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower won re-election, defeating Democrat Adlai E. Stevenson.

In 1962, Democrat Edward M. Kennedy was elected Senator from Massachusetts.

In 1977, 39 people were killed when the Kelly Barnes Dam burst, sending a wall of water through Toccoa Falls College in Georgia.

In 1990, about one-fifth of the Universal Studios backlot in southern California was destroyed in an arson fire.

In 2012, President Barack Obama was elected to a second term of office, defeating Republican challenger Mitt Romney.

Ten years ago: An Ivory Coast airstrike killed nine French peacekeepers and an American aid worker, prompting France to wipe out the country's modest air force. The designers of SpaceShipOne, the first privately manned rocket to burst into space, were handed a \$10 million check and the Ansari X Prize trophy.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama signed a \$24 billion economic stimulus bill, hours after the government reported that the unemployment rate had hit 10.2 percent in Oct. 2009 for the second time since World War II.

One year ago: Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, testifying before the Senate Finance Committee on the nation's health care law, was blistered by Republicans who bluntly challenged her honesty, pushed for her resignation and demanded unsuccessfully that she concede President Barack Obama had deliberately misled the public about his signature domestic program. At the Country Music Association Awards, Miranda Lambert won her fourth straight female vocalist of the year award while her husband, Blake Shelton, won album of the year and male vocalist - a category he also won for the fourth year in a row.

Today's Birthdays: Actress June Squibb (Film: "Nebraska") is 85. Director Mike Nichols is 83. Country singer Stonewall Jackson is 82. Singer Eugene Pitt (The Jive Five) is 77. Singer P.J. Proby is 76. Country singer Guy Clark is 73. Actress Sally Field is 68. Pop singer-musician Glenn Frey (The Eagles) is 66. Singer Rory Block is 65. Jazz musician Arturo Sandoval is 65. TV host Catherine Crier is 60. News correspondent and former California first lady Maria Shriver is 59. Actress Lori Singer is 57. Actor Lance Kerwin is 54. Rock musician Paul Brindley (The Sundays) is 51. Education Secretary Arne Duncan is 50. Rock singer Corey Glover is 50. Actor Brad Grunberg is 50. Actor Peter DeLuise is 48. Actress Kelly Rutherford is 46. Actor Ethan Hawke is 44. Actress Thandie Newton is 42. Model-actress Rebecca Romijn (roh-MAYN') is 42. Actress Zoe McLellan is 40. Actress Nicole Dubuc is 36. Actress Taryn Manning is 36. Actress Katie Leclere (LEH'-klehr) is 28. Singer-songwriter Ben Rector is 28. Actress Emma Stone is 26. Actress Mercedes Kastner is 25.

Thought for Today: "Quotation is a serviceable substitute for wit." - Oscar Wilde (1854-1900).