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The cardboard/paper
recycling trailer at the school is **OPEN**

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

FOR RENT

Attached garage.

Major appliances included.

\$700 per month

Roger: 605/397-7118

Monday, January 5

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

School Lunch: Chicken nuggets, French fries, carrots and dip, breadstick, fruit.

Senior Menu: Hamburger cabbage roll hot dish, mixed vegetables, pears, cornmeal muffin.

Birthdays: Austin Luecke, Brett Anderson, James Torguson

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

10:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study Leaders Meet

4-6 p.m.: Skating Rink Open

6:30pm: GBB at Langford Area

7:00pm: City Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 6

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

School Lunch: Hot dogs, baked beans, lettuce salad, fruit.

Senior Menu: Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, broccoli, pumpkin bar with topping, whole wheat bread.

Anniv: Bill and Vicki Podoll

Birthdays: Alfred Tastad, Carla Ronning, Samantha Bunke, Zachary Townsend, Stephanie Luvaas-Jung

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

1:30pm: St. John's Lutheran Good Cheer Topic Leader

5:15pm: BBB at Milbank (C game at 5:15, JV at 6:30, V at 8:00)

Wednesday, January 7

School Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, yogurt, fruit,

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.

Dunker Family Christmas Party

The annual Dunker Christmas party was held on Dec. 26, 2014, at the Brentford Fire Hall. The Williams families served as hosts for the evening. The forty-six family members who attended were Gordon and Dorene Nelson, Groton, SD; Gary and Carmel Willett and Nicholas, Carver, MN; Corey and Brenda Nelson, Hope and Isaac, Rochester, MN; and Christopher Willett and Cassie Kanzenbach, Coon Rapids, MN (Hazel Sager family); Dave and Roberta Olson, Brookings, SD; and Mick and Carol Osterman, Groton, SD (Inez Knickrehm family); Francis and Phyllis Halvorson, Aberdeen, SD; Bonnie Clemensen,

Brentford, SD; Lew Borge, Aberdeen, SD; Ralph and Jan Borge, Aberdeen, SD; LeaAnn Flaagan and Jordan, West Fargo, ND (Evelyn Clausen family); Carol Dunker, Aberdeen, SD; Darlyne Johnson, Stratford, SD; Larry and Barbara Dunker, Mankatoa, MN; and Buzz and Linda Anderson, Eagan, MN (Ray Dunker family); Steve and Betty Dunker, Groton, SD; and Terry and Susan Ellingson, Aberdeen, SD (Dale Dunker family); and Don and Pam Kettering, Yankton, SD; Max Williams, Brentford, SD; Tas Tellinghuisen, Sioux Falls, SD; Colin Williams, Maddie and Henry, Brentford, SD; and Jenna Williams and Jack, Warner, SD (Millie Williams family). Dorene (Sager) Nelson was in charge of the program with Darlyne (Dunker) Johnson accompanying the Christmas carols. Each of the six of seven families present introduced themselves and announced news from their families.

Classifieds

Apartments For Rent

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

WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

and Congratulations

The Farmer's Wife Boutique



**Friday,
Dec. 9**

**In celebration, Olde Bank Floral 'n More
will be open until 8 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 9th**

Sale Prices good

Friday and Saturday Only

Christmas clearance 50-75% off

Winter Head and Hand all 30% off

All Kids Merchandise - 30% off



**Fresh flowers, silks, home
decor & so much more**

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The Life of Donley Raines

Services for Donley Raines, 91, of Groton will be 11 a.m., Tuesday, January 6 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Groton. Pastor Elizabeth Johnson will officiate. Burial will follow in Union Cemetery.

Closed casket visitation will be held one hour prior to services on Tuesday.

Don died January 2, 2015 at Golden Living Center, Groton. He had resided there for three years.

Donley Raines was born the son of Ralph Raines and Inez Rosheim Raines on December 22, 1923 at Dell Rapids, South Dakota. He grew up on farms near Dell Rapids and Flandreau, where he attended rural grade schools, graduating in Moody County. After attending two years High School in Eagan, he was graduated from Flandreau High School in 1942. After graduation, he worked at the L.G. Everist Quarry, Dell Rapids until joining the US Navy Seabees in July of 1943. His tour of duty lasted nearly three years, most of his duty was spent in Honolulu, Hawaii and he was discharged in May of 1946. He then attended South Dakota State for two years and graduated South Dakota University with a major in Accounting in spring of 1950. Upon graduation, he was employed June 1950 by the bank now known as Wells Fargo. On September 2, 1951 he married Marian Christenson Anderson. To this union two children were born-Lee Raines and Susan Raines. He was employed by Wells Fargo Bank for nearly thirty-two years during which he worked at Banks in Britton, Hecla, Mobridge, Groton and Aberdeen.

He enjoyed his family, fishing, camping and especially golf. At various times and at various locations, he was a member of the Kiwanis Club, Rotary and Lions organizations. While working in Britton he serves as Britton City Auditor, and served on city council in Groton. He was a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Masonic Lodge and other organizations. Don was a member of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Groton.

Celebrating his life is his wife, Marian, his step-son, Dean Anderson, his children, Lee Raines of Austin, Texas, Susan (Peter) Jahraus of Pierre, grandchildren, Matt (Allison) Jahraus, Mike (Stef Mohl) and great-grandchildren: Dylan, Ryan and Jordan.

Preceding him in death were his parents and his sister, Elizabeth Smith.

Casketbearers will be Ronnie Frericks, Roger Christenson, David Christenson, Scott Christenson, Mike Muth, Bryan Walz and Travis Christoffer.

Honorary Casketbearers will be his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be directed to Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Groton Transit, Groton Rescue or Aspire.

Today in Weather History

1994: A low pressure system traveled from the Dakotas, across southern Minnesota and to the Great Lakes Region, from the late morning of the 5th, through the early evening of the 7th. By the early evening hours on the 7th, up to three and one-half feet of snow had fell along the higher terrain of Lake Superior. The storm also produced heavy snow across parts of central Minnesota. Six inches or more occurred across much of central Minnesota. In west central Minnesota, Wheaton and Artichoke Lake received 5 inches, with 6 inches at Browns Valley.

2012: Numerous record high temperatures were broken across central and northeast South Dakota along with west central Minnesota throughout the week. Some of the records were broken by as much as 12 to 17 degrees and had been held for 80 to 90 years. Aberdeen surpassed their all-time record high for January by 3 degrees with 63 degrees on Thursday, January 5th. Kennebec tied their all-time record high for January with 70 degrees on January 5th. [Click HERE](#) other records.

1884 – One of only two days in history during which the temperature at Louisville, Kentucky, never rose above zero. The low was -20 with a high of 1 degree below zero.

1974 – The warmest temperature ever recorded in Antarctica was 59 degrees at Vanda Station on the Scott Coast.

1835 - It was a record cold morning in the eastern U.S. The mercury at the Yale Campus in New Haven CT plunged to 23 degrees below zero, and reached 40 below in the Berkshire Hills of Connecticut. (David Ludlum)

1904 - Bitterly cold air gripped the northeastern U.S. Morning lows of -42 degrees at Smethport PA and -34 at River Vale NJ established state records. (The Weather Channel)

1913 - The temperature at the east portal to Strawberry Tunnel reached 50 degrees below zero to tie the record established at Woodruff on February 6, 1899. (David Ludlum)

1982 - A three day rainstorm in the San Francisco area finally came to an end. Marin County and Cruz County were drenched with up to 25 inches of rain, and the Sierra Nevada Range was buried under four to eight feet of snow. The storm claimed at least 36 lives, and caused more than 300 million dollars damage. (Storm Data)

1987 - A massive winter storm spread heavy snow from the southwestern U.S. into the Rockies. In Utah, the Alta ski resort reported a storm total of 42 inches of snow. Winds gusted to 64 mph at Albuquerque NM. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)








1988 - Thunderstorms helped produce heavy snow in the Lower Great Lakes Region. Snow fell at the rate of four to five inches per hour, and snowfall totals ranged up to 69 inches at Highmarket NY. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - A strong Pacific cold front produced heavy snow and high winds in Nevada. Winds gusted to 80 mph north of Reno, while up to two feet of snow blanketed the Lake Tahoe ski area. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1990 - Thunderstorms produced heavy rain in the Central Gulf Coast Region. New Orleans, LA, was drenched with 4.05 inches of rain in 24 hours. An overnight storm blanketed the mountains of northern Utah with up to eleven inches of snow. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

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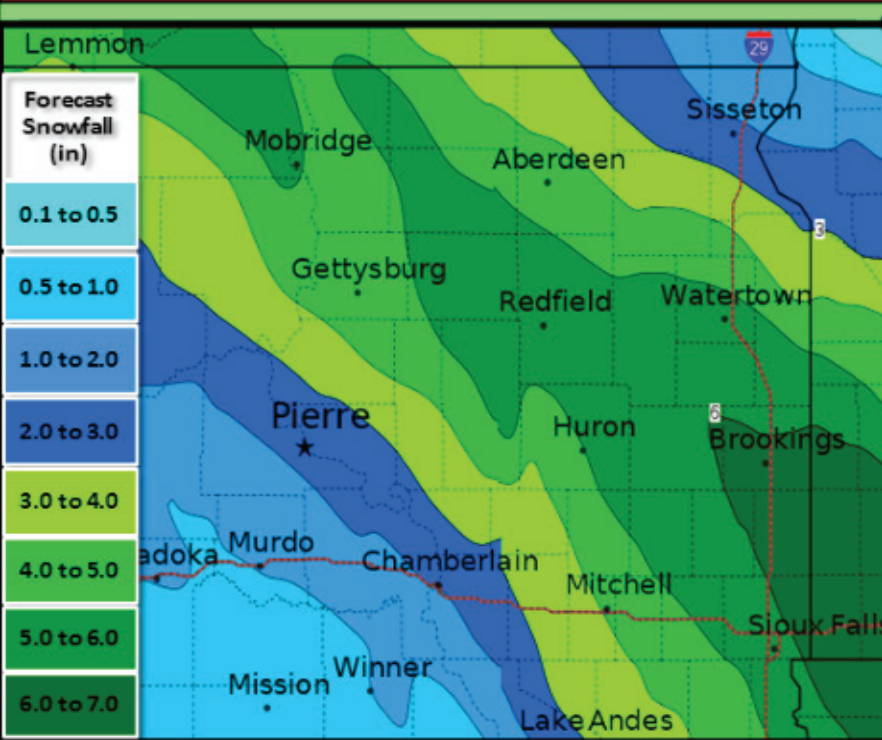
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Snow High: 6 °F	Chance Snow Low: -9 °F	Blustery High: 7 °F	Blowing Snow Low: -20 °F	Cold High: -2 °F	Mostly Cloudy Low: -8 °F	Blustery High: 17 °F



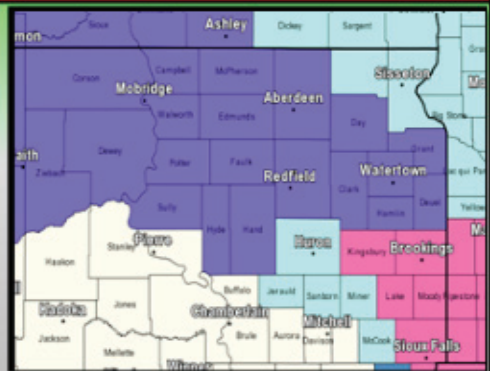
Expect Snow Monday – Monday Night



Expected Snowfall Through Monday Night



Headlines for Monday



National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD



weather.gov/Aberdeen



National Weather Service Aberdeen



@NWSAberdeen

Updated 1/4/2015 3:49 PM Central

Arctic air and northwest winds will continue to promote dangerously cold wind chills tonight into Monday morning. Meanwhile, an Alberta clipper system will sweep across the region on Monday with 2 to 5 inches of snow likely. The system pulls away from the area Monday night with another shot of Arctic air and brutally cold wind chills to follow.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 1.0 at 12:47 PM

Low: -11.1 at 10:56 PM

High Gust: 26 at 12:08 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 63° in 2012

Record Low: -32° in 1924

Average High: 22°F

Average Low: 2°F

Average Precip in Jan.: 0.07

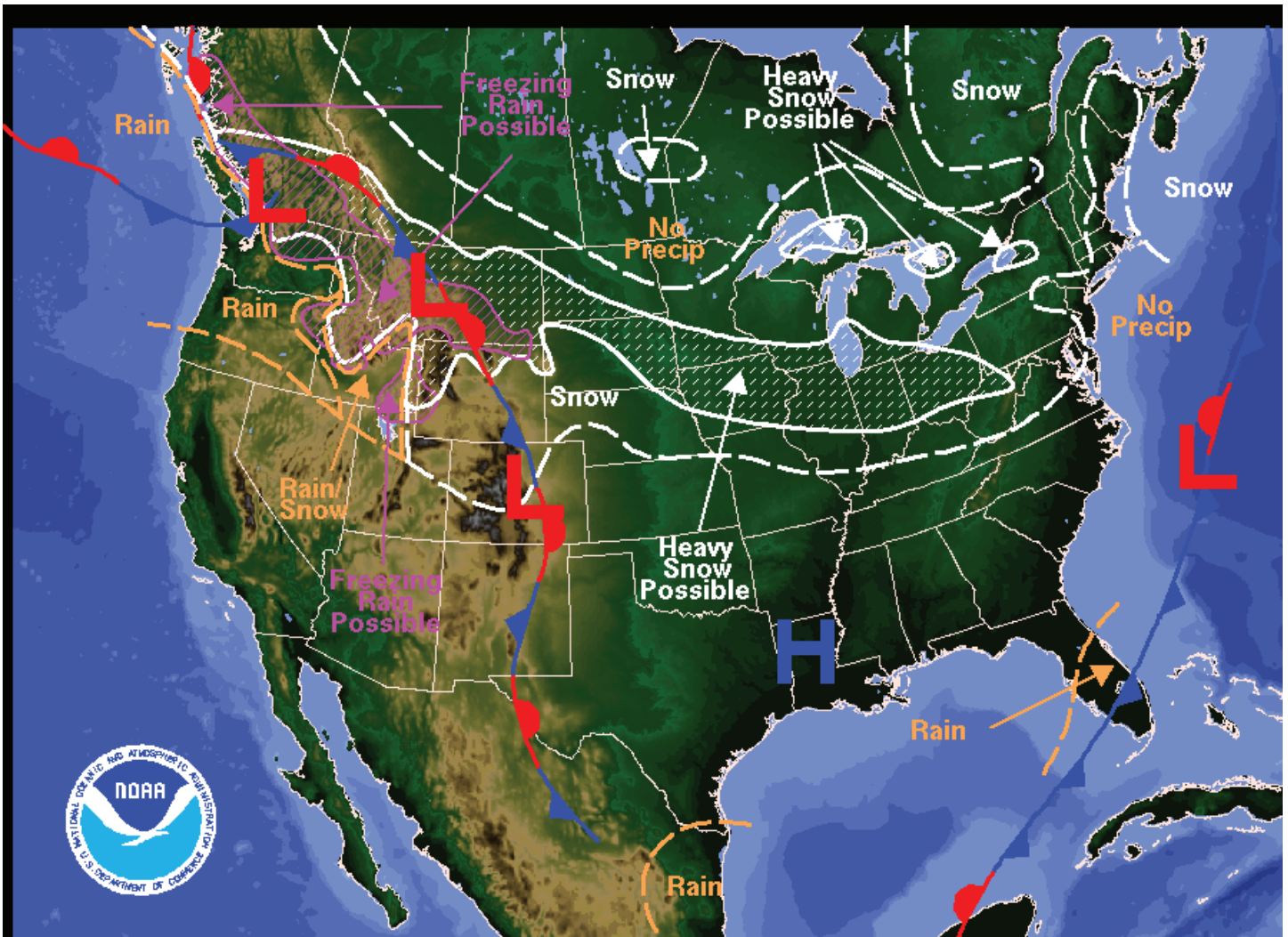
Precip to date in Jan.: 0.00

Average Precip to date: 0.07

Precip Year to Date: 0.00

Sunset Tonight: 5:06 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 8:13 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Mon, Jan 05, 2015, issued 4:30 AM EST
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McReynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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WE HAVE OUR LIMITS

Solomon makes no apology when he writes: "The blessing of the Lord, it makes one rich." That is the literal translation of the verse: "The blessing of the Lord brings wealth." And when he wrote that powerful statement, he made it abundantly clear that our resources - no matter how abundant they may be - are "limited" by God. It is the Lord who is faithful and who has the final word on riches and who gets them and when they will get them.

No matter how hard we try, how many hours we work, what we do or the skills we possess, we - in and of ourselves - cannot produce wealth. All the wealth in the world cannot make one "rich." If God does not add His blessing to whatever we have we are, in His sight, poor. On the other hand, one may have none of this world's goods, yet be rich. How can this be? Rich but not rich? Poor and yet rich? It certainly seems to be contradictory.

But it isn't. Rich is in the eye of the beholder.

Throughout his Proverbs, Solomon warns us that if we get the "riches" of this world through methods that are dishonest or deceitful, unfair and unjust, many problems will come with them. These problems may range from psychological to physical, legal to financial, personal to interpersonal or relationship issues. Godly living, God-honoring work and God-centered practices bring joy and satisfaction, peace and true prosperity with them to the one who lives for the Lord.

God's riches come with His blessings. They are free of fear and the consequences that come with disobedience.

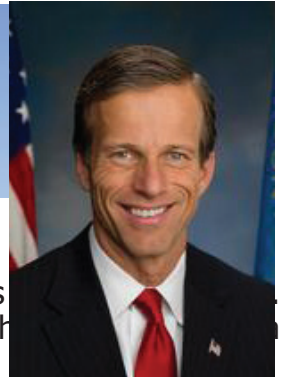
Prayer: Father, may all that we do, bring blessings honor and glory to Your name. May we seek Your "riches." In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Proverbs 10:22 The blessing of the Lord brings wealth, without painful toil for it.

An advertisement for "Fried Chicken Day" at Andover Bar & Grill. The text "FRIDAY IS FRIED CHICKEN DAY" is prominently displayed in a bold, brown, blocky font. A single fried chicken drumstick is positioned in the center, overlapping the text. Below the main text, it says "Served with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy". A red starburst graphic contains the text "Serving 5-9 p.m.". At the bottom left, there's a graphic of several fried wings with the text "WE'VE GOT WINGS!" and "Every Wednesday!". On the right, the "ANDOVER BAR & GRILL" logo features a beer glass and a grill. The address "120 S Main St. • 298-5252" is at the bottom right.

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Served with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
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WE'VE GOT WINGS!
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John Thune
U.S. SENATOR - SOUTH DAKOTA



New Priorities and Goals for a New Year

It is about this time every year that people start planning for new opportunities. Some call them resolutions, but I prefer to call them priorities or goals. With both new Republican majority in the Senate, I am eager to work on a number of issues

With a Republican-controlled Congress and a Democrat White House, there are a number of bipartisan issues we can and should be working together on for the American people. These include important issues like approving the Keystone XL pipeline to create jobs and free up freight rail capacity, especially for agricultural commodities, reauthorizing trade promotion authority to ensure American goods are on an equal playing field in the global marketplace, and acting on bipartisan jobs bills that in the 113th Congress passed the House but were denied further action in the Democrat-controlled Senate.

The two parties may not share the same vision or the same prescription for change, but that doesn't mean we can't find ways to work together to help our country move in a positive direction, especially with the stagnant economy under the current administration. I am looking forward as part of the Senate leadership team, including my role as Chairman of the Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, to help get Washington working again for the American people. The commerce committee will have the opportunity to address several issues important to South Dakotans including rural broadband, rail service, aviation, cybersecurity, and the long overdue need to modernize our telecommunications policy.

I am also eager to advance a number of important South Dakota priorities including final approval of the expansion of the Powder River Training Complex (PRTC). For the past eight years, I have worked closely with the Air Force in its effort to expand the PRTC to ensure our B-1 pilots and crews in South Dakota can maintain the maximum level of readiness and save taxpayer dollars in the process. I am committed to working with the Air Force and the Federal Aviation Administration to open this expanded airspace as soon as possible to ensure multiple aircraft and crew can train together, simulating a more realistic combat environment with no live fire.

I also remain committed to reining-in the Obama Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) overreach to protect South Dakotans from the devastating impact these EPA actions would have on American jobs and energy prices. I will also reintroduce my bill to block the controversial proposal to lower the ground-level ozone standard – the most expensive regulation in EPA history. Finally, I'll continue fighting for South Dakota consumers by working to stop President Obama's backdoor national energy tax, and the EPA's effort to further regulate farms, ranches, and businesses by expanding its regulatory authority under the Clean Water Act.

I know South Dakotans continue to feel the weight of ObamaCare's higher health care premiums and deductibles, canceled plans, and burdensome regulations. As families learn what their plans will cost them this year, opposition to the president's signature health law will only continue to grow. I am committed to repealing and replacing the most onerous parts of ObamaCare with policies that lower health care costs for South Dakota families.

Because there is so much to tackle in this new Congress, there will be considerable debate about what to address first; but rest assured, serving the people of South Dakota will continue to be my number one priority. As your U.S. Senator I look forward to new opportunities to serve South Dakota in the coming year and wish all South Dakotans a happy, safe, and healthy new year.

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Vaccinating Saves Lives

For those who grew up in the 1950s and early 1960s, measles was almost a childhood rite of passage. Fifty years ago there were half a million cases and 500 deaths reported in the United States every year. South Dakota experienced over 10,000 cases of measles during the peak years before the 1960s.

Since the 1950s measles and several other diseases – smallpox, polio, diphtheria, tetanus and mumps – have been either controlled or eliminated in South Dakota.

What accounts for this tremendous shift in public health? Improved nutrition, widespread understanding of how diseases are transmitted, and improved sanitation have all played a role. But by far the single most important factor in saving lives from contagious disease is childhood vaccinations. Thanks to Jonas Salk – who developed the polio vaccine – and others like him, people are living longer and more productive lives.

Unfortunately measles is trying to make a comeback in the United States. Measles is a highly contagious airborne disease that causes permanent brain damage in one in every 1,000 patients. It is fatal in three of every 1,000 patients. The majority of those who contract measles in the United States are preschoolers, adolescents and young adults who were not vaccinated.

As I write this, the state Department of Health has confirmed six cases of measles in South Dakota. After 17 years without a single case, we've had 6 confirmed cases in one week. Why? Because even though vaccinations are proven to prevent disease and save lives, some choose against vaccination.

Avoiding vaccination has been a recent trend. As the memory of these diseases fades into the past, too many people seem to forget the risk of not vaccinating children. Unsubstantiated and discredited theories about side effects have created unreasonable anxiety. Medical professionals, repeated scientific studies and organizations such as the American Academy of Pediatrics agree that vaccination is vital and safe.

I recognize that there are extreme circumstances where a child may not be able to receive specific vaccines because of a severe allergy or condition. In South Dakota, we also allow people to forgo a vaccination for religious reasons. But for the overwhelming majority of people, vaccines are safe and reliable.

Not vaccinating doesn't just affect you and your kids. It puts others at risk as well. Just as the polio vaccine protected millions of children from disease in the 1950s, vaccines s



A Typical Day

One of the questions I get most often is: "What does a typical day look like for you?" It's a good question, but one that I sometimes struggle to answer concisely, as every day is a little different.

When Congress is in session, I stay out in Washington, D.C. Like a handful of other Members of Congress, I have a pullout bed in my office so I don't have to waste time getting through city traffic every day.

Throughout each day in session, we vote on a series of bills. Sometimes those bills will impact millions of people; other times, they impact only certain communities. Either way, I cast my vote in the way I believe best represents South Dakota's values and interests. At the end of each vote, the vote tally will be displayed in the House chamber on equipment manufactured by Daktronics in Brookings, South Dakota, to let Members of Congress know if the bill passed or failed.

Placing votes only accounts for a small portion of my day, however. Most of my time is spent preparing for such decisions, educating myself on the issues I'll be weighing in on, and helping write the legislation that we vote on.

During the early morning hours, I usually try to catch up on any news that happened overnight and prepare for the meetings I'll have that day. Some mornings, I'll join my colleagues to meet with House leadership so we can weigh in on what policy areas we believe should be pursued in the weeks to come. We'll also discuss reservations folks have about pending legislation and how those concerns can be addressed.

Throughout the week, congressional hearings or briefings are scheduled where I can collect information to help inform future legislative action or oversee the implementation of previously passed bills. We will bring in witnesses – who may be members of the administration, private stakeholders, or experts in the area – to give testimony and answer any questions Members of Congress may have. This is always a good time for me to hold the administration accountable for their actions and assess what changes should be made to ensure government programs work better for hardworking Americans.

For me, the best part of every day is the meetings I hold with South Dakotans. Most weeks, I meet one-on-one with dozens of constituents to listen to their concerns and calls to action. These meetings – along with the perspectives shared with my office over the phone and in writing – play a tremendous role in the decisions I make.

About once a week, I spend time with reporters, offering them updates on my work and allowing them to question me on the actions I've taken. I firmly believe it's my responsibility to share with you what I work on from week-to-week and this is one way that I accomplish that.

In the evenings, I finish up letters and emails to South Dakotans who write in with questions or feedback. It's also my time to reflect on what ideas I can bring to the table and the kind of fixes needed to address the problems our nation faces.

When Congress isn't in session, I head back to South Dakota where I hold meetings with constituents, visit local businesses and schools, and try to make it to at least a few of my kids' basketball games.

I understand that I've been placed in this position to serve the people of South Dakota and I have never forgotten that. This week, I will take an oath of office to launch a third term as South Dakota's representative in the House. It's a responsibility I do not take lightly and one that I spend every day trying to fulfill.

It's been an honor and privilege serving you the last four years and I wholeheartedly look forward to serving you again this year.

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News from the  Associated Press

\$20,000 Mega Millions, \$6,000 Wild Card 2 Tickets Sold in Sioux Falls, North Sioux City

Pierre, S.D. – A Mega Millions ticket sold in Sioux Falls is worth \$20,000 following the Jan. 2, 2015 drawing and a \$6,000 Wild Card 2 ticket was sold in North Sioux City for the Jan. 3, 2015 drawing.

The holder of the winning Mega Millions ticket matched four of five white ball numbers and the Mega Ball to win the game's \$5,000 third prize but because they purchased the Megaplier option for an additional dollar and the Megaplier was 4, the prize is quadrupled to \$20,000. Winning numbers are 13, 15, 35, 62, 74 and the Mega Ball is 12. The odds of winning the third prize in Mega Millions is 1:739,688.

The owner of the winning Wild Card 2 ticket matched five of five white ball numbers but missed the Wild Card to pick up the game's second prize. Winning numbers are 6, 16, 18, 20, 25 and the Wild Card is the Ace of Diamonds. The odds of winning \$6,000 playing Wild Card 2 are 1:126,579.

Both winners are advised to sign the back of their tickets immediately, put them in a safe place, and contact the Sioux Falls Lottery office at 605-367-5840 or the Pierre Lottery office at 605-773-5770 to make arrangements to validate the ticket and claim the prize. Winners have 180 days to claim their winnings.

Mega Millions is played in 44 states, the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The jackpot currently sits at \$206 million for the next drawing on Tues., Jan. 6, 2015. Wild Card 2 is played only in Idaho, Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota. The jackpot for the drawing on Wed., Jan. 7, 2015 is \$230,000.

Dakotas begin workweek with extreme cold and heavy snow

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — The work week in the Dakotas is beginning with bitter cold and heavy snow. Wind chills plummeted to as low as the minus 30s in the two states early Monday, as a storm moved in from the west. The National Weather Service posted numerous weather warnings and advisories.

Forecasters said about half a foot of snow could fall in western and south central North Dakota and in eastern South Dakota by the end of the day.

North Dakota State beats South Dakota State 72-69

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Kory Brown scored 17 points and North Dakota State won its 19th straight home game with a 72-69 victory over South Dakota State on Sunday.

The Bison led by as many as 14 points in the second half, and had an eight-point lead with less than 3 minutes to play. Then South Dakota State went on a 9-2 run, with four points from Cody Larson and Deondre Parks' five, to pull within 70-69 with 44 seconds left.

North Dakota State's Lawrence Alexander made a pair of free throws for a three-point lead, Brown blocked a layup attempt and Parks missed a 3 with 4 seconds left.

Brown finished 8 of 13 from the floor. Alexander had 16 points, Dexter Werner 14 and A.J. Jacobson 12 for North Dakota State (10-5, 2-0 Summit League).

Larson and Parks scored 21 points apiece to lead South Dakota State (9-7, 0-2).

South Dakota storms back to beat Denver 74-69

DENVER (AP) — Tyler Larson scored 22 points, including two free throws in the final seconds, as South Dakota came back to beat Denver 74-69 on Sunday.

South Dakota trailed by 11 points early in the second half, but stormed back to go up by 13 with 3:35 left on Casey Kasperbauer's 3-pointer.

Larson's made free throws with 4 seconds left gave South Dakota a 72-69 lead. Denver turned the ball over on its possession and Dejon Davis sealed it with a layup before the buzzer.

Kasperbauer had 15 points for South Dakota (7-9, 1-1 Summit) and James Hunter added 12.

Brett Olson hit 9 of 14 shots and finished with 24 points for Denver (7-8, 1-1). Jalen Love and Marcus Byrd had 13 apiece, and Cam Griffin added 10.

Byrd converted four free throws, on back-to-back possessions, to give Denver an 11-point lead, its largest of the game, with 16:08 left.

Wyoming man sought in theft of South Dakota furs

CUSTER, S.D. (AP) — A Wyoming man arrested in connection with a break-in at an office has been linked to the theft of \$35,000 worth of furs and hides in South Dakota.

The Rapid City Journal reports the Custer County Sheriff's Office has issued an arrest warrant for 22-year-old Tyrell Legerski in connection with the spring burglary at a Custer, South Dakota, fur store. Legerski is already facing at least 19 charges for burglaries around Gillette.

Store owners discovered on Easter Sunday that someone had stolen over 200 items including buffalo hides and arctic fox hats.

The sheriff's office says authorities have recovered dozens of furs and hides since Legerski's arrest, but the items are being held as evidence.

Incoming Senate chairman: Gas tax increase on table

WASHINGTON (AP) — The incoming chairman of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee says raising the federal fuel taxes is among the options under consideration to replenish the dwindling Highway Trust Fund.

Sen. John Thune of South Dakota says all options must be looked at to fill an enormous shortfall when the existing highway legislation expires in May.

Gas and diesel taxes haven't risen since 1993, resulting in perennial shortfalls in the fund that pays for most road projects.

Several commissions have called for raising the taxes, but Congress has been reluctant. Instead lawmakers have dipped repeatedly into the general treasury to keep the trust fund solvent.

The federal gas tax is 18.4 cents per gallon and the diesel tax is 24.4 cents per gallon.

Thune spoke on "Fox News Sunday."

Several winter-related activities planned in SD

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Several indoor and outdoor winter-related activities for people of all ages have been scheduled in Sioux Falls.

The events include free skate rental, \$5 tubing, fireworks at Falls Park, as well as a holiday lights tour for seniors. The activities will begin Friday and run through Sunday.

An ice fishing derby is planned for 10 a.m. Saturday. Ice fishing poles will be loaned out on a first-

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come, first-served basis, but registration and a South Dakota fishing license is required. All-age ski races are also scheduled for 1 p.m. at Great Bear Recreation Park.

SD man gets 13 years for sexual contact charge

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A South Dakota man accused of sexually abusing two women has been sentenced to 13 years in federal prison.

U.S. District Judge Roberto Lange has also ordered 31-year-old James Pesicka to five years of supervised release for his conviction of two counts of sexual contact by force and threat.

Prosecutors say Pesicka sexually assaulted a young woman between July 2008 and February 2012. They say the Dupree man also engaged in "sexual contact by fear" with another young woman between March 2012 and May 2013.

Pesicka is in custody of the U.S. Marshal's Service.

SD native, author Steve Linstrom to speak at Heritage Center

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A South Dakota native and author of two historical fictional novels will be speaking at the Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre this month.

Steve Linstrom will address the process he followed to write "The Last Ram" and "The Murder Trial of the Last Lakota Warrior" during a presentation scheduled for Jan. 13. Both novels are set in South Dakota and are based in varying degrees on real-life events.

"The Last Ram" is set in 1903 in the Badlands, while "The Murder Trial of the Last Lakota Warrior" tells the story of a young Lakota warrior who stood trial for shooting an Army lieutenant in the aftermath of the Wounded Knee massacre.

Linstrom worked in state government for several years before becoming a full-time writer.

Man treated for gunshot wound says he was shot by robbers

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Sioux Falls police are investigating a reported robbery in which the victim was shot in the leg.

Authorities say the man reported about 1 a.m. Monday that he had been robbed by three masked people outside of an apartment building. The man told officers that he complied with the robbers' demands and then ran away, only to be shot in the leg.

Police say the man was treated for a non-life threatening gunshot wound.

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. JURY SELECTION TO GET UNDERWAY IN BOSTON MARATHON BOMBING CASE

Seating jurors in the case against Dzhokhar Tsarnaev is set to begin Monday under tight security at the federal courthouse in Boston and could take several weeks.

2. WHO WILL TEST HIS SWAY AGAINST GOP-RUN CONGRESS

Fresh off a two-week vacation, Obama immediately begins ramping up for his State of the Union address — his best chance to set the agenda for 2015 on his own terms.

3. INDONESIA CRACKS DOWN ON AVIATION SECTOR AFTER AIRASIA CRASH

The transportation ministry reveals harsh measures against everyone who allowed Flight 8501 to take

off without proper permits.

4. NORTH KOREA BLASTS U.S. FOR SANCTIONS OVER SONY ROW

Pyongyang's rhetoric is probably directed as much at a domestic audience as it is at Washington.

5. NEW CONGRESS TO CONVENE WITH REPUBLICANS IN CONTROL

The GOP is intent on upending the president's policies, including his 5-year-old health care law and his recent immigration actions.

6. BOKO HARAM EXTREMISTS SEIZE KEY BASE ON NIGERIA-CHAD BORDER

"They came in their hundreds... and immediately began to throw explosives and bombs," fisherman Audu Labbo tells The AP.

7. WHAT THE FORECAST FOR U.S. WILL BRING

Cold, and lots of it. A dip in the jet stream means frigid air from Canada and points north will plummet into the eastern two-thirds of the United States this week.

8. MEXICO SCANDALS TAINT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT

What is supposed to be the nation's new era of transparency and reform, feels a lot like the same old age of violence and corruption.

9. MARIO CUOMO'S WAKE, FUNERAL, TO BE HELD IN MANHATTAN

The former NY three-term governor died in his Manhattan home, hours after his son, Gov. Andrew Cuomo, was inaugurated for a second term.

10. HOW TO RAISE YOUR HOME'S IQ

At the International CES gadget show in Las Vegas this week, manufacturers will promote devices and functionality for creating the so-called "smart home."

AP News in Brief

Survivors of Boston Marathon bombings clamor for justice as jury selection gets underway

BOSTON (AP) — People who lost loved ones or were injured in the 2013 Boston Marathon bombings are clamoring for justice as jury selection gets underway in one of the nation's most closely watched federal death penalty cases in two decades.

Seating jurors in the case against Dzhokhar Tsarnaev was set to begin Monday under tight security at the federal courthouse in Boston and could take several weeks.

Jurors will be chosen from a pool of about 1,200. They will decide whether Tsarnaev planned and carried out the twin bombings that killed three people and injured more than 260 near the finish line of the race on April 15, 2013.

If they find him guilty, they also will decide whether he should be put to death. Survivors and first responders are among those expected to testify.

Heather Abbott of Newport, Rhode Island, who lost her left leg below the knee in the attacks, said her biggest question may be an unanswerable one: "Why?"

Recharged after Hawaii vacation, Obama tests his sway in 2015 against GOP-run Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama this week will test whether he still has the sway to keep Washington focused on his own priorities, even as a new Republican-run Congress descends on

the Capitol eager to take him on.

Fresh off a two-week vacation, Obama immediately began ramping up for his State of the Union address — his best chance to set the agenda for 2015 on his own terms. Obama will roll out new executive steps and proposals for Congress this week on home ownership, higher education and manufacturing jobs — a similar menu to the one Obama has offered in years past.

Republicans have an entirely different blueprint for the start of the year. In full control of Congress for the first time of Obama's presidency, they planned an all-out offensive against his policies on immigration, foreign policy and the environment.

In a sign of their divergent paths, just as lawmakers arrive in Washington to start the new Congress this week, Obama was heading out of town. He planned to spend most of the week in Michigan, Arizona and Tennessee showcasing how his own economic policies are fueling the economic recovery.

The State of the Union comes early this year, on Jan. 20, and it is Obama's first with Republicans in control of both House and Senate.

Indonesia's aviation safety practices under fire after AirAsia crash, still no sign of plane

PANGKALAN BUN, Indonesia (AP) — Highlighting the depth of Indonesia's air safety problems, the transportation ministry revealed harsh measures Monday against everyone who allowed AirAsia Flight 8501 to take off without proper permits — including the suspension of the airport's operator and officials in the control tower.

The licenses and schedules of all airlines flying in the country also will be examined to see if they are violating the rules, said Djoko Murjatmodjo, acting director general of air transportation.

The crackdown comes as searchers continue to fight bad weather while combing the Java Sea for bodies and wreckage of the Airbus A320 that crashed Dec. 28, killing all 162 passengers and crew on board.

The plane was traveling between Surabaya, Indonesia's second-largest city, and Singapore on a Sunday. Officials have since said its permit for the popular route was only for Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, and that AirAsia quietly switched three of those days. Officials in Singapore, however, have said the plane was authorized to fly on Sundays from its end.

While the airline is being investigated, Indonesia announced on Saturday that it banned all AirAsia flights between Surabaya and Singapore.

Across much of US, a first taste of winter as deep chill arrives, settles in

CHICAGO (AP) — In addition to some snow and heavy rain, bitterly cold temperatures have begun moving into parts of the U.S. and will be staying put for at least part of this week.

Here are some questions and answers about the weather:

Q: WHAT'S THE FORECAST?

A: The Midwest will see the tail end of a storm that could leave as many as 6 inches of snow in Chicago by early Tuesday. After that, Arctic temperatures like those seen in North Dakota and Minnesota will rush in. Parts of those states were expecting wind chills of between 25-50 degrees below zero through Monday morning.

It'll be a similar story in New York, where rain showers will give way to cold air. By Thursday, "New

York City will be lucky if it hits 20" for a high and could see lows near 10 degrees, according to Michael Musher with the National Weather Service's Weather Prediction Center.

Analysis: Mexico scandals taint all levels of government, which offer only more of the same

MEXICO CITY (AP) — As he heads to Washington on Monday to meet with Barack Obama, Enrique Pena Nieto leaves behind a year that was hardly what he had envisioned.

The Mexican president and his team started 2014 carrying out a slew of newly passed reforms, from breaking up telecommunications monopolies to opening the nation's energy sector, earning him international plaudits, including a Time magazine cover with his image above the caption "Saving Mexico."

Then came a 1-2-3 punch of scandals: Soldiers killing 22 civilians in a questionable "shootout"; the abduction and presumed murder of 43 college students, allegedly at the hands of local officials and police in league with a drug cartel; and revelations that Pena Nieto and his treasury secretary live in luxury homes built and financed by a favorite government contractor.

What was supposed to be "Mexico's moment," a new era of transparency and reform, felt a lot like the same old age of violence and corruption.

Tens of thousands have taken to the streets since the 43 college students disappeared Sept. 26. Even institutions normally cautious about criticizing the government, including the Roman Catholic Church, have spoken out, and a Mexican protester even disrupted the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony in Oslo, Norway, to draw attention to the tragedy.

Police from around US mourn with family of slain officer; thousands turn their backs on mayor

NEW YORK (AP) — Police officers from around the U.S. joined grieving family members as they mourned a 32-year-old immigrant who realized his dream of being an NYPD officer but was gunned down in his squad car.

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio and Police Commissioner William Bratton eulogized Officer Wenjian Liu on Sunday as an incarnation of the American dream: a man who had emigrated from China at age 12 and devoted himself to helping others in his adopted country.

But thousands of officers turned their backs as de Blasio spoke, repeating a stinging display of scorn for a mayor who many officers say is anti-police.

The gesture among officers watching the mayor's speech on a screen outside a Brooklyn funeral home added to tensions between de Blasio and rank-and-file police even as he sought to mollify them.

"Let us move forward by strengthening the bonds that unite us, and let us work together to attain peace," de Blasio said.

It's not the Jetsons just yet, but CES shows smart-home gadgets starting to work together

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Imagine a world in which your garage door opens automatically as you pull into the driveway. The living room lights and heater turn on — perhaps the oven starts warming up, too. In the so-called "smart home," cars, appliances and other devices all have sensors and Internet connectivity to think and act for themselves, and make your life easier.

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We're not there just yet, but we're getting closer.

The smart-home concept is known in tech circles as the Internet of Things. Current iterations primarily include our ability to control gadgets such as lights and security alarms or view data remotely through a smartphone app. At the International CES gadget show in Las Vegas this week, manufacturers will promote more devices and functionality. Some gadgets will be able to talk directly with one another, not just to an app. The four-day show opens to the public Tuesday.

The Internet of Things could mean big business for gadget makers. The Consumer Electronics Association projects sales of smart energy and security systems alone will total \$574 million this year, a 23 percent increase from 2014. Although that pales by comparison to the \$18 billion spent on TVs and displays, growth has been swift. In terms of people smartening up their homes in earnest, though, it will probably be another two years before devices are cheap and widespread enough for the typical consumer, says Eduardo Pinheiro, CEO of Muzzley, which makes a hub that allows devices to talk to each other.

For now, the smart home is more about possibilities than practice. Many companies exhibiting at CES are laying the foundation for what a smart-home system will eventually do, hoping to entice consumers to start thinking about upgrading to smart gadgets. It's not always an easy sell.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Jan. 5, the fifth day of 2015. There are 360 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 5, 1925, Democrat Nellie Tayloe Ross of Wyoming took office as America's first female governor, succeeding her late husband, William, following a special election.

On this date:

In 1781, a British naval expedition led by Benedict Arnold burned Richmond, Virginia.

In 1895, French Capt. Alfred Dreyfus, convicted of treason, was publicly stripped of his rank. (He was ultimately vindicated.)

In 1905, the National Association of Audubon Societies for the Protection of Wild Birds and Animals was incorporated in New York State.

In 1914, auto industrialist Henry Ford announced he was going to pay workers \$5 for an 8-hour day, as opposed to \$2.34 for a 9-hour day. (Employees still worked six days a week; the 5-day work week was instituted in 1926.)

In 1933, the 30th president of the United States, Calvin Coolidge, died in Northampton, Massachusetts, at age 60. Construction began on the Golden Gate Bridge. (Work was completed four years later.)

In 1949, in his State of the Union address, President Harry S. Truman labeled his administration the Fair Deal.

In 1957, President Dwight D. Eisenhower proposed assistance to countries to help them resist Communist aggression in what became known as the Eisenhower Doctrine.

In 1964, during a visit to the Holy Land, Pope Paul VI met with Patriarch Athenagoras I of Constantinople in Jerusalem.

In 1970, Joseph A. Yablonski, an unsuccessful candidate for the presidency of the United Mine Workers of America, was found murdered with his wife and daughter at their Clarksville, Pennsylvania, home. (UMWA President Tony Boyle and seven others were convicted of, or pleaded guilty to, the killings.) "All My Children" premiered on ABC-TV.

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In 1975, "The Wiz," a musical version of L. Frank Baum's "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz" featuring an all-black cast, opened on Broadway.

In 1983, President Ronald Reagan announced he was nominating Elizabeth Dole to succeed Drew Lewis as secretary of transportation; Dole became the first woman to head a Cabinet department in Reagan's administration, and the first to head the DOT.

In 1994, Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill, former speaker of the House of Representatives, died in Boston at age 81.

Ten years ago: President George W. Bush opened a new drive for caps on medical malpractice awards, contending the limits would lower health care costs. The bodies of 18 young Iraqi Shiites taken off a bus and executed in Dec. 2005 were found in a field near Mosul. Cpl. Wassef Ali Hassoun (wah-SEF' ah-LEE' hah-SOON'), a Marine charged with desertion in Iraq after mysteriously disappearing from his post was again declared a deserter - this time for failing to report to his U.S. base. (Hassoun turned himself in to military authorities in June 2014.) Eris, the largest dwarf planet of the solar system, was identified by astronomers at the Palomar Observatory in California.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama scolded 20 of his highest-level officials over the thwarted Christmas Day terror attack on an airliner bound for Detroit, taking them jointly to task for "a screw-up that could have been disastrous" and should have been avoided. The U.S. and British embassies in Yemen reopened their doors after a two-day closure prompted by security concerns.

One year ago: The Iraqi military tried to dislodge al-Qaida militants in Sunni-dominated Anbar province, unleashing airstrikes and besieging the regional capital. Acting with a court order, the family of Jahi (juh-HY') McMath, a 13-year-old California girl declared brain dead after a tonsillectomy, removed her from a California hospital to be cared for elsewhere.

Today's Birthdays: Former Vice President Walter F. Mondale is 87. Actor Robert Duvall is 84. Juan Carlos, former King of Spain, is 77. Singer-musician Athol Guy (The Seekers) is 75. Talk show host Charlie Rose is 73. Actress-director Diane Keaton is 69. Actor Ted Lange (lanj) is 67. Rhythm-and-blues musician George "Funky" Brown (Kool and the Gang) is 66. Rock musician Chris Stein (Blondie) is 65. Former CIA Director George Tenet is 62. Actress Pamela Sue Martin is 62. Actor Clancy Brown is 56. Singer Iris Dement is 54. Actor Ricky Paull (correct) Goldin is 50. Actor Vinnie Jones is 50. Rock musician Kate Schellenbach (Luscious Jackson) is 49. Dancer-choreographer Carrie Ann Inaba is 47. Actress Heather Paige Kent is 46. Rock singer Marilyn Manson is 46. Actor Shea Whigham is 46. Actor Derek Cecil (TV: "House of Cards"; "Treme") is 42. Actor Bradley Cooper is 40. Actress January Jones is 37. Actress Brooklyn Sudano is 34.

Thought for Today: "It is the job that is never started that takes longest to finish." - J.R.R. Tolkien, English author (1892-1973).

Driver's Exam Stations

Important: Application must be submitted at least 1 hour in advance of scheduled closing time. No drive tests will be given from 11:30 to 1:30. For more information see our website at www.dps.sd.gov call 1-800-952-3696.

Aberdeen: 2729 W Highway 12

Open 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday

Redfield: Dept. of Transportation - N Hwy 281.

Open 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Webster: Courthouse Basement (711 W 1st St. - Ste. 107

Open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Fridays

DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO OBTAIN A SOUTH DAKOTA DRIVER LICENSE OR ID CARD (photo copies cannot be accepted)

Federal requirements have changed the documents required to obtain or renew your South Dakota driver license or identification card. We want to make the process as quick and easy as possible for you.

Look over the documents on the list below, and if you have any questions at all, anything you don't understand or any documents you aren't sure you can find, please contact the Driver Licensing Program. You may email DPSLicensingInfo@state.sd.us (please include your first and last name) or call toll-free at 1-800-952-3696 or directly at 605-773-6883.

If you think you will have difficulty obtaining any of the documents please contact us. We may be able to arrange for an extension or a temporary permit while you gather the documents needed to obtain your federally compliant South Dakota driver license or identification card. If you find that you simply can't produce one of the required documents, we can work with you in those situations. Again, please use the contact information for the Driver Licensing Program if you have any questions or concerns.

The need to show the additional documents is a one-time requirement. That means once you have your federally compliant driver license or identification card in hand, you will only need that card and two documents to show your current address the next time you renew your driver license or identification card. If your driver license or identification card has a gold star in the upper right corner, then it is federally compliant.

Our staff is committed to providing the best service possible, so don't hesitate to contact us by telephone or email. We will help you in any way we can.

Federal regulations require anyone applying for a new, renewal, or duplicate driver license or identification card to provide the documents listed below and on page 2 (photo copies are not acceptable):

I. You will need one Identity Document. NOTE: If your name is different than the name on your identity document, you will need to bring additional proof of your legal name. Acceptable documents for proof of a legal name change are a certified marriage certificate (issued by a state vital records agency), a certified adoption document, or a certified court order authorizing a name change (such as a divorce decree). If you have had multiple marriages, you will need to bring similar documents providing legal proof of each name change (presenting a valid passport with your current name eliminates this requirement).

An Identity Document to prove identity, date of birth, and lawful status is considered to be one of the following:

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◆ Certified U.S. birth certificate issued by state or county (hospital birth certificates are not acceptable)

- ◆ Valid unexpired U.S. passport
- ◆ Certificate of Naturalization
- ◆ Certificate of Citizenship

Non-Citizens may bring:

- ◆ Valid unexpired permanent resident card
- ◆ Valid unexpired employment authorization document
- ◆ Foreign passport with valid unexpired U.S. Visa with I-94

South Dakota birth and marriage certificate information is available on the state of South Dakota web site at <http://www.doh.sd.gov/vitalrecords/order.aspx> and through your local County Register of Deeds office. Marriage certificates before 1950 may not be available for same day issuance. For telephone numbers and addresses to write for out-of-state vital records, please visit <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/w2w.htm>.

II. You will need one document to prove Social Security number. Only the documents listed below can serve as proof of Social Security number (the document must include your name and full social security number):

- ◆ Social Security card
- ◆ W-2 Form
- ◆ SSA 1099 Form
- ◆ Non-SSA 1099 Form
- ◆ Pay stub

(For information on how to apply for a social security number or replacement card, please visit <http://www.socialsecurity.gov/ssnumber/>.)

III. You will need two documents to prove your residential address. A parent's proof of address is acceptable for a minor child. Proof of address documents may **not be more than one year old**. Please bring two of the documents listed below (each must contain your current physical address):

- ◆ Utility bill
- ◆ Pay stub or earnings statement
- ◆ Rent receipt
- ◆ Phone bill
- ◆ Transcript or report card from an accredited school
- ◆ Bank statement
- ◆ Mortgage document
- ◆ Tax document
- ◆ Homeowners/renter's insurance policy
- ◆ Other items with your address can be reviewed by Driver Licensing personnel
- ◆ If you are unable to provide proof of residency, please call 1-800-952-3696 or 605-773-6883 for exceptions.
- ◆ Post Office Box addresses are acceptable in areas not assigned a street or 911 address

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Address Exceptions:

Minors - If a minor does not have two documents proving residency, the parent may provide two forms for them.

Living with someone else - An individual residing with another person may have the other person sign a "Consent for Use of South Dakota Address" form and present two residency documents belonging to the person with whom they reside. The Consent for Use of Address form may be obtained at the exam station or printed off our website.

Living within an organization or at a facility - Applicants may provide a letter from the organization or facility (on their letterhead) stating the individual resides there.

People who travel full-time - If you are using a mail forwarding address, you must complete the Residency Affidavit. You will also need to provide one document no more than one year old proving your temporary South Dakota address (campground or RV park receipt) and one document no more than one year old proving your personal mailbox (PMB) service address (receipt from the PMB business or a piece of mail with your PMB address on it). If you have friends or family in South Dakota and plan to use their address, you can complete and follow the instructions on the Consent for Use of Address form.

Military and Military Dependents - Applicants can use an out-of-state address on their license and provide two documents proving residency showing the out-of-state address.

Before your license or ID card is issued, our examiners will review your documents to make sure they comply with the federal requirements. We will work with you to resolve any problems with your documents and to identify any additional documents or other information that may be necessary to complete the process. The additional requirements are designed to establish a more secure driver license, which will address our shared concern about national security, identity theft and highway safety.

Veterans

Veterans who have been honorably discharged from the military have the option of adding the word "Veteran" to the front of their South Dakota driver license or identification card. In addition to the documents listed above, they will need to present:

- ◆ DD-214 form which shows their honorable discharge status from active duty or
- ◆ Present a certificate signed by a county or tribal veteran's service officer verifying their status.
- ◆ DD Form 2 (Retired)
- ◆ DD Form 2A (Reserve Retired)

Note to CDL holders: If you are required to carry a medical examiners certificate (aka DOT medical card) you must show a valid card at the driver exam station.