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## The cardboard/paper

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### Sunday, January 11

1 p.m. to 9 p.m.: Skating Rink open

**Birthdays:** Kayla Jensen, LaVonne Raap, Randy Padfield

3:00pm: United Methodist Worship at Golden Living Center

### Monday, January 12

**School Breakfast:** Pancake on stick, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Chicken tenders, sweet tots, veg cups, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, parsley buttered carrots, banana cake with icing, whole wheat bread.

**Birthdays:** Allyssa Locke, Derrick Halsey, Renee Swisher

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

1:30pm: St. John's Lutheran Nursery Circle

4:00pm to 9:00pm: Ice Skating Rink Open

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

7:00pm: School Board Meeting

### Tuesday, January 13

**School Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Submarines, baked chips, car-



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## 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.



Dr. James L. Snyder Ministries



## Whatever Happened to an Old-Fashioned Handshake?

I must confess I do have some old-fashioned biases. I would be the first to admit I'm not up to date on the latest fad or trend.

I come from that era that believed the well-dressed man is one that doesn't stand out from everybody else. I've tried to keep to that all these years. I certainly don't want to stand out and have people recognize me or point their finger at me and whispered to each other.

For years, I've been very careful about that. Now, it seems that because I try to dress like a well-dressed man and not stand out I am in fact standing out. Nobody, except me and two other people, really care about being well-dressed.

This has never been an issue with me and it even now is not an issue. But reflecting on the past year and looking forward to the year before me, I have to take some calculations. According to my calculation, I no longer fit into that "well-dressed man" category, because the term "well-dressed man" does not mean what it used to mean.

I hate it when something outlasts its definition.

To be a well-dressed man today, according to the latest fads and trends I have noticed, I need to throw away my belt and let my trousers drop all the way down to my knees.

Let me go on record as saying, never in a million years will that happen.

Then there is the issue about a necktie. Am I the last person on planet earth wearing a necktie?

Very few people today know how to tie a necktie. Well, I do and I will until they put me in a casket and then I hope I'm still wearing a tie. So if you come to my funeral and look at me in the casket and I'm not wearing a tie, complain to someone for me.

The latest trends and fads have no interest to me whatsoever.

This came to my attention recently when I had to sign some legal papers for something to do with the church. I had to sign here, initial there, sign the next page, initial three pages and it went on and on until I ran out of ink.

I'm one of those old-fashioned guys that use a fountain pen and all that signing and initialing drained all of the ink out of my fountain pen. Before I finished, I was on the verge of carpal tunnel.

I sighed rather deeply, looked at the gentleman (I think he was a gentleman because he was dressed like a gentleman), and said kind of sarcastically, "Do you remember the old-fashioned handshake?"

He looked at me without smiling and then said, "Here are some more papers for you to sign."

I thought I was signing my life away, but in reality, I was just signing my ink away.

I do remember when a handshake really meant something. Just about everything was sealed

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with a handshake and both parties were as good as their word. It would take a lot of undoing to undo that handshake. Now, you're only as good as the word on a piece of paper over your signature. Then, some lawyer can finagle it around to mean something other than what you really meant it in the first place. So what's the purpose of all this?

I know you're not supposed to say this, but I will, I sure long for the good old days when a handshake was all you needed. I get tired of the rigmarole passing as business these days. I get tired of paperwork that's piled higher than the tallest tree in the forest.

Of course, if we go back to that handshake scenario, it will put many lawyers out of business. What would these people do for a living? I have some ideas, but I'm going to keep that to myself.

Trust has gone out of our culture today because everybody is only after what they can get for themselves and they don't care how they get it.

A handshake met something in "the day." In fact, I believe it was more binding than all of the paperwork and signed documents and legalese we have today. It's hard to sue a handshake!

What I want to know is simply this. When we replaced the good old-fashioned handshake with all of this legalese stuff, are we better off? Have we simplified everything and covered all of the bases?

The answer is a loud no.

A man's word used to be his bond and something he would never go back on.

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and I have lived on that marital philosophy all of our married life. I know in the marriage ceremony there is no "handshake." But the philosophy of that handshake is right there. When I said "I do," and she responded by another "I do," we were shaking hands and saying to everybody around us but particularly to one another, "We do."

I think James shook the right hand when he wrote, "But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath: but let your yea be yea; and your nay, nay; lest ye fall into condemnation" (James 5:12).

I'm all for getting back to the good old days when a handshake was all you needed.

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## 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.

## Groton girls beat Langford

Groton Area had three players in double figures as the Lady Tigers defeated the Langford Area Lions, 61-24. Groton led at the quarterstops at 18-0, 31-13 and 46-16.

Carly Wheeting led the Tigers with 16 points followed by Courtney Kurtz with 15, Audrey Wanner had 12, Gia Gengerke four, Katie Koehler, Ashley Gibbs and Emily Locke each had three and Harleigh Stange added two points. Koehler and Kurtz each made one three-pointer.

The Lions were led by Emily Johnson with 12 points (four three-pointers) while Tess Williams had seven, Madi Nelson five and Wendy Barrett two.

Groton made 24 of 67 field goals for 36 percent, 10 of 16 free throws off of Langford's 15 team fouls, had 43 rebounds with Wheeting having eight and Wanner seven, seven assists with Kurtz having three, three blocks (one each by Wanner, Stange and Wheeting), nine turnovers and 18 steals with Kurtz having five and Wheeting four.

Groton is now 4-3 on the season and will host Webster on Tuesday and be at Clark-Willow Lake on Thursday.

Groton won the junior varsity game, 32-4. Gia Gengerke led Groton with 11 points followed by Harleigh Stange with six, Madison Sippel had four, Marlee Jones, Alex Stange, Jasmine Schinkel, Lexi Gustafson and Hattie Weismantel each had two points and Miranda Hanson added one free throw.

Lexi Wika and Maddy Reints each had two points for Langford.

## All four grapplers place at Miller

All four wrestlers placed at the Miller Tournament held Saturday with Trevor Pray and Kelby Hawkins taking first, Tyler Scott placing second and Brandyn Anderson placing fourth.

113: Trevor Pray pinned Frank Even, Burke/Gregory, 3:48; he decisioned Landon Sivertsen, Miller-Highmore/Harrold, 7-2; and in the championship match, he decisioned Carsten McNeil, Redfield/Doland, 7-1.

132: Kelby Hawkins pinned Jaylon Graff, Wolsey-Wessington, 1:00; he pinned Connor Bertsch, Miller-Highmore/Harrold, 2:26; and in the championship match, he pinned Jordan Scheier, McCook Central/Montrose, 4:00.

160: Tyler Scott pinned Oscar munoz, Mariona/Freeman, 1:28; he won by forfeit over Phillip Gililand, Sully Buttes; and in the championship match, he lost by a major decision to Tanner Henkel, Howard, 15-1.

220: Brandyn Anderson was pinned by Dowain Kerner, Burke/Gregory, 5:59; he pinned Trey Noess, Marion/Freeman, 1:31; he pinned Ray Edgar, Faulkton Area, 5:11; and in the third place match, he was pinned by Dowain Kerner, Burke/Gregory, 1:54.



**Tyler Scott lost by a major decision to Howard's Tanner Henkel in the championship match.**

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**Trevor Pray took first with a decision over Carsten McNeil, Burke/Gregory, 7-1.**



**Kelby Hawkins pinned Jordan Scheier, McCook Centra/Montrose, in the championship match, 4:00.**



**Brandyn Anderson scored a pin over Ray Edgar of Faulkton Area, 5:11.**

**John Thune**  
U.S. SENATOR - SOUTH DAKOTA



## New South Dakota Delegation Will Hit the Ground Running

Things have changed in our state since 1962. South Dakota's commerce and tourism industries have flourished under the construction of the interstate highway system. Sioux Falls has nearly tripled in size; two state universities moved to division one, competing in the highest levels of academics and athletics; corn yields have doubled and no-till farming has made the plow and cultivator obsolete. South Dakota is represented by three members in Congress instead of four, and our lone member of the House is a female. Indeed, things have changed.

But not since 1962 has South Dakota sent an all-Republican delegation to Congress. This is a pretty historic occurrence; especially considering the last time Republicans held the majority in both chambers of Congress and South Dakota



**The 2015 delegation from South Dakota are Senator Mike Rounds, Senator John Thune and Representative Kristi Noem.**



**The 1962 delegation from South Dakota were (L-R) Rep. E.Y. Berry, Sen. Joseph Botum, Sen. Karl Mundt and Rep. Ben Reifel**

had an all-Republican delegation was 1953. While divided delegations can provide opportunities to work together, South Dakotans stand to benefit from a strong leadership team in Congress that will promote Republican policies that create jobs, reduce federal regulatory overreach, stimulate the economy, and get Washington's legislative process working again for them.

Over the past few years of Democrat control in the Senate, too often the minority party was shut out of the legislative process, leading to dysfunction and gridlock. Under Republican control, the Senate will get back to work, returning to regular order, which means bills will be considered out in the open in committees before coming to the Senate floor, and all senators, regardless of party, will have a chance to propose and debate amendments.

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As the new senior senator, I'm looking forward to working with both Senator Rounds and Representative Noem to advance a number of important South Dakota priorities during this session of Congress. From reining in burdensome EPA regulations and preventing backdoor energy taxes and fines on ranchers and farmers, to passing the job-creating Keystone XL pipeline and repealing the most onerous parts of ObamaCare, I'm looking forward to rolling up my sleeves and working with them on the major issues facing this country.

Our new South Dakota delegation is ready to hit the ground running. I look forward to new opportunities to serve South Dakota in the coming year with a strong South Dakota leadership team ready to promote policies in Congress that will create jobs and stimulate the economy.



## A New Year Brings New Responsibilities

Legislative business in Congress is divided between just over two dozen committees, each of which specializes in a specific policy area. At the beginning of each Congress, members are assigned to the committee – or committees – on which they will serve.

Last Congress, I served on the House Agriculture and Armed Services Committees. Within those committees, I was able to help write and pass the Farm Bill and two annual National Defense Authorization Acts (NDAA). With farm policy largely set for the next five years and a number of reforms made to defense policy through the last two NDAA's, I felt I could have a greater impact for South Dakota on the Ways and Means Committee, which has jurisdiction over taxes, trade, Social Security, Medicare and much more. During the first week of January, I was officially welcomed as a member of the Committee and I'm already looking forward to the work that must be done.

The Ways and Means Committee is considered to be one of the most powerful committees in Congress and I will be the first representative from South Dakota to serve on it. It is also the oldest congressional committee, first gathering in 1789. Eight Presidents and eight Vice Presidents have served on this committee, as have four Supreme Court Justices.

The congressional agenda this year is jam-packed with efforts that fall under Ways and Means jurisdiction. One of the first places we'll focus is expanding trade. Currently, South Dakota exports billions of dollars in goods and services annually, which supports nearly 125,000 jobs in the state. My goal is to grow these numbers even further by expanding our access to foreign markets.

Over the last few years, we've been looking at finalizing two new free-trade deals – the Trans Pacific Partnership with countries in the Asia-Pacific and the Transatlantic Trade Investment Partnership with the European Union. While Congress doesn't negotiate the deals, we can help guide the discussion and we have the final say on whether to accept the agreement. All of this will go through Ways and Means.

In addition to trade, both Ways and Means leadership and the White House have shown a willingness to work together to simplify the tax code. Farmers and ranchers in South Dakota are often disproportionately impacted by bad tax policy, especially when it comes to Section 179 or the death tax.

After my dad passed away, my own family was impacted by the death tax. Like most farmers, everything we had was wrapped up in the land and machinery that was necessary for the business to continue. As a result, we took out a loan that impacted every decision we made for a decade. I understand the impact of these taxes and as one of the only voices from rural America on the Committee, I will do all I can to protect South Dakota families from the burdensome taxes that jeopardize the American Dream.

Tax simplification and trade expansion are two of Congress's top agenda items this year. Beyond these two issue areas, I will play a big role in holding the IRS accountable, ensuring children within our foster care system are properly cared for, taking a look at unemployment compensation, and much more as a member of Ways and Means.

As South Dakota's only voice in the 435-member House, I want to make sure our voice is heard and I'm confident we're in the best position possible for that to happen.

## Today in Weather History

January 11, 2009:

A vigorous, but fast moving winter storm system moved through the Dakotas last night and early today. Although snow accumulations from the storm only ranged from 1 to 4 inches, strong winds behind the system produced significant blowing and drifting snow and widespread blizzard conditions across the area. Reports from trained spotters and law enforcement indicated visibility dropped to below one quarter mile for several hours, and near zero (white-out conditions) in many rural or unsheltered areas. Sustained north to northwest winds at many locations were on the order of 20 to 35 mph, with peak wind gusts as high as 60 to 65 mph. In addition, as the arctic air mass surged into the region, temperatures fell some 30 degrees from early this morning to mid-afternoon.

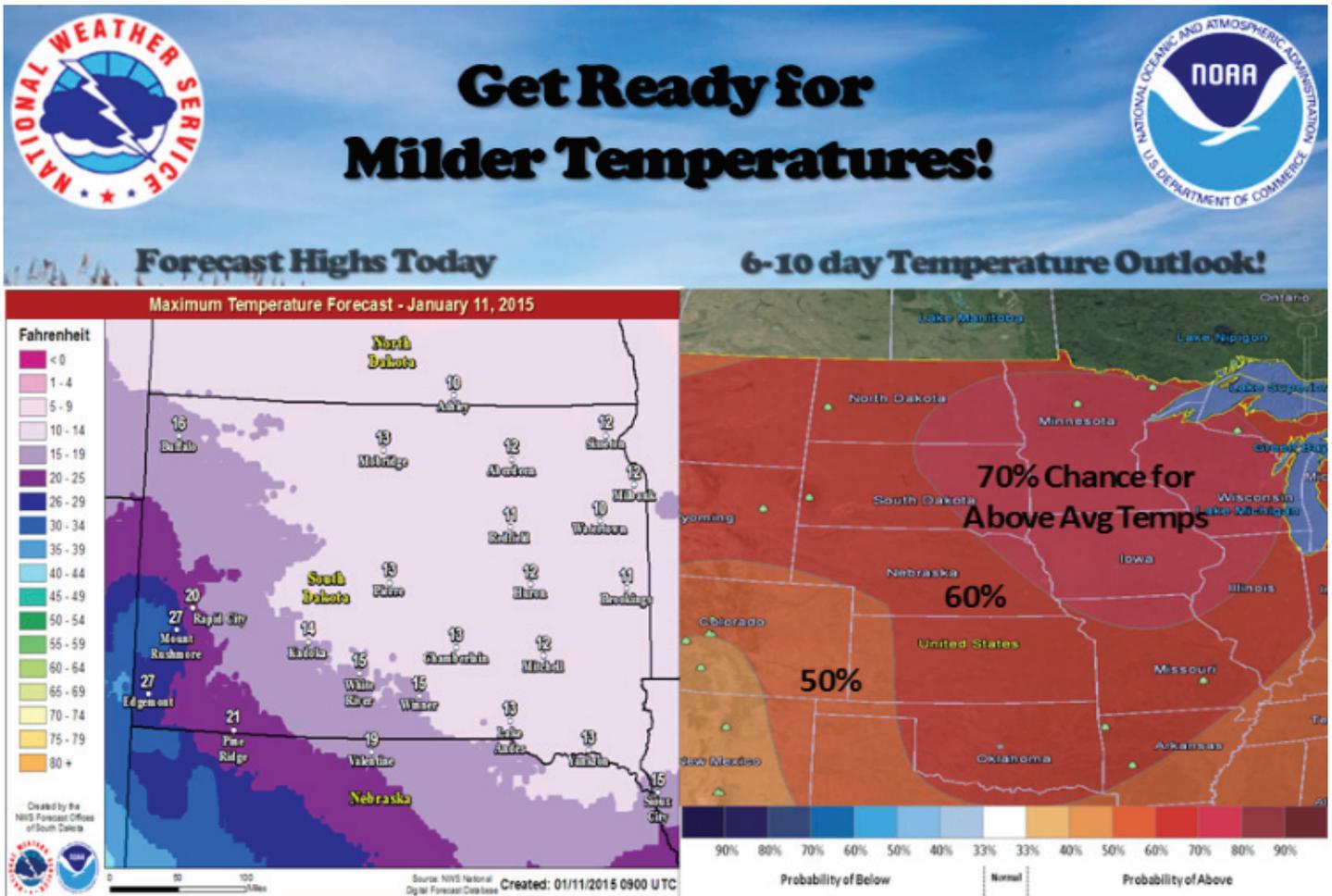
1963 – An F2 tornado was reported in Scott County Indiana, north of Louisville, Kentucky. It was on the ground for 5 miles north of Scottsburg and damaged or destroyed several homes and barns.

1972 – Winds raced down the eastern slopes of the Rockies resulting in wind gusts of more than 140 mph in parts of Colorado. Damage was estimated at \$25 million.

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| THIS AFTERNOON              | TONIGHT                     | MONDAY                             | MONDAY NIGHT                | TUESDAY                     | TUESDAY NIGHT              | WEDNESDAY                   |
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|                             |                             |                                    |                             |                             |                            |                             |
| Mostly Sunny<br>High: 13 °F | Mostly Clear<br>Low: -13 °F | Mostly Clear<br>Cold<br>High: 3 °F | Mostly Clear<br>Low: -10 °F | Mostly Sunny<br>High: 16 °F | Partly Cloudy<br>Low: 5 °F | Partly Sunny<br>High: 27 °F |



## National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

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 National Weather Service Aberdeen 
 @NWSAberdeen 
 Updated: 1/11/2015 4:36 AM Central

A quick moving upper disturbance will bring areas of light snow to the region, mainly along and north of Highway 12. Snowfall amounts will be light, generally under a half inch. A reinforcing shot of arctic air will keep things chilly heading into the work week. However, models continue to advertise a warm up to normal or above normal temperatures as the week wears on.

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## Yesterday's Weather

**High:** 13.8 at 3:53 PM

**Low:** -6.9 at Midnight

Wind Chill:

**High Gust:** 14 at 9:29 PM

Snow: 0.00

Precip: 0.00

## Today's Info

**Record High:** 55° in 1987

**Record Low:** -31° in 1912

**Average High:** 22°F

**Average Low:** 1°F

**Average Precip in Jan.:** 0.18

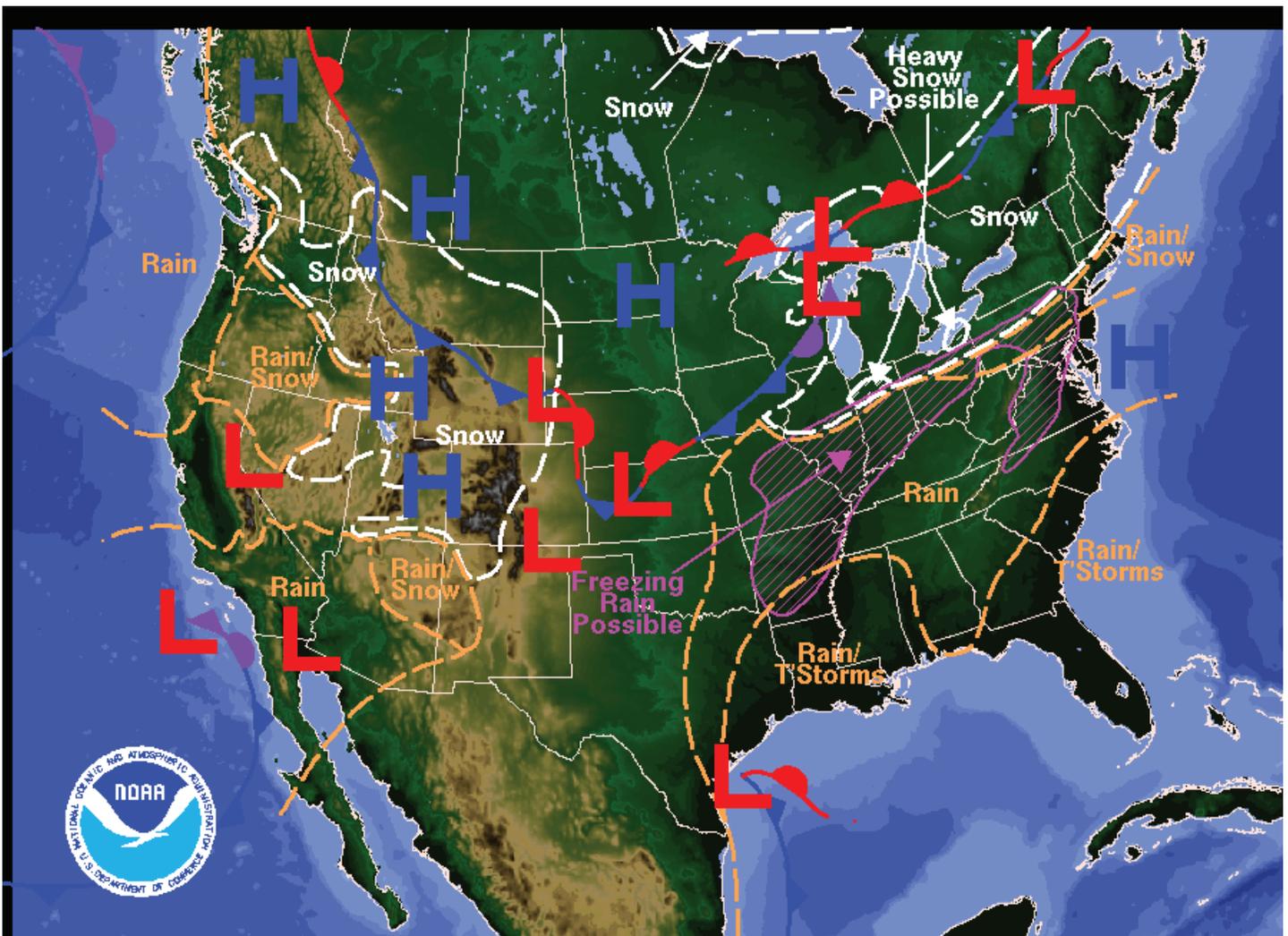
**Precip to date in Jan.:** 0.40

**Average Precip to date:** 0.18

**Precip Year to Date:** 0.40

**Sunset Tonight:** 5:13 p.m.

**Sunrise Tomorrow:** 8:11 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Sun, Jan 11, 2015, issued 3:20 AM EST  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by Kong based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



## Choose Wisely!

God created us to live in relationships with others. In fact, it is difficult for many to go through a day without speaking to someone about something. Friends are very important and can bring "good things to life." However, the opposite can also be true. Some friendships bring healing, help and hope into our lives while others bring us trouble, turmoil and tragedy.

No doubt Solomon had his share of friendships that were not what he expected and brought the unwanted and unexpected into his life. So, he issued us a warning: "A righteous man is cautious in friendship, but the way of the wicked leads them astray."

"Righteous" in the Old Testament always refers to meeting God's standards of what is right and just. If our relationship with God is as He wants it to be, then we must be "cautious" about our relationships with others. Their influence us always standards for righteous living. Unfortunately, being close friends with a person whom we admire and respect, but who has no time or concern for godly things is very dangerous. The influence that person has on our life can lead us astray and destroy us. That is why we must be "cautious." Our relationship with God is more important that any relationship with any other person.

But how "cautious" are we to be? Very! The meaning of that word includes "duties" like instigate, spy out or search out. "How foolish," some might say. Not really. If we want the best God has to offer us we must be cautious.

**Prayer:** Lord, may we guard our relationship with You and strengthen it through reading Your Word and prayer. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

**Scripture for Today:** Proverbs 12:26 The righteous choose their friends carefully, but the way of the wicked leads them astray.

An advertisement for "Friday is Fried Chicken Day" at Andover Bar &amp; Grill. The ad features a large fried chicken drumstick in the center. Text includes "FRIDAY IS FRIED CHICKEN DAY", "Served with Mashed Potatoes &amp; Gravy", "Serving 5-9 p.m.", "WE'VE GOT WINGS! Every Wednesday!", and "ANDOVER BAR &amp; GRILL". The address "120 S Main St. • 298-5252" is at the bottom. The ad is decorated with flames and a beer glass.

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News from the  Associated Press

## With every statewide office, GOP plans to stay the course

**JAMES NORD, Associated Press**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — With the GOP's hold on every statewide office and supermajorities in both legislative chambers for the first time in more than 50 years, it seems like a good time to be among the roughly 240,000 registered Republicans in South Dakota.

Observers from both parties admit that Democrats have a long way to climb if they want to reclaim any significant influence in the state, but South Dakota's senior U.S. senator counsels Republicans not to be overconfident and to continue passing policies in the same vein as those that put them in power.

Gov. Dennis Daugaard, who was sworn in along with state legislators Saturday, advised Republicans to "act with courage and to do things that may be risky politically" because South Dakota residents respect politicians who vote in keeping with their values. New U.S. Senator Mike Rounds, who took the oath of office Jan. 6 and was present in Pierre this weekend, said it's now time for Republicans in Congress to prove they can govern at the federal level.

Breaking down the statistics — and the GOP electoral wave of 2014 — shows a dismal situation for the state's crumbling Democratic bloc. Indeed, Minnehaha County Commissioner Jeff Barth, a veteran political observer who unsuccessfully ran in December to chair the state's Democratic party, called his team's shape a "basic tale of woe."

South Dakota Democratic Party Chairwoman Ann Tornberg said her party needs to focus on three areas: fundraising, field work and recruiting young people. She said getting party units active at the county level will be critical.

One key test will be whether the party can secure a candidate to run against U.S. Sen. John Thune in 2016, which it was unable to do in 2010. Tornberg said the party "(hopes) that the right person will step forward."

Barth said he anticipates the party will be able to pick up a handful of legislative seats in the 2016 election because it's a presidential year. And under her leadership, Tornberg said, Democrats will re-double existing efforts to campaign more aggressively.

"The things that we've done in the past did not work in this election, and I don't think they're going to," Barth said. "The party is so, so feeble that now we fight harder than ever with each other as opposed to fighting to win together."

Democrats are forming outside efforts to complement the state party. A group called South Dakota Progress could work to recruit local candidates, while former U.S. Senate candidate Rick Weiland has hinted in fundraising pitches that he's working on a team to push for ballot initiatives.

Republicans control all 13 statewide offices, from U.S. Senate to state auditor. Daugaard won reelection with a 45.1 percent margin, the largest in a governor's race in the South Dakota history.

As of December 2014, registered Republicans in South Dakota outnumbered the state's roughly 176,000 Democrats by nearly 65,000. The total number of registered voters at that time was 521,433.

"Sometimes you catch the wind, and sometimes the wind is in your face," Thune said, remembering his 524-vote defeat in 2002 and the tough race that brought him to the Senate in 2004. "It feels good to be part of a movement."

He said if Republican candidates listen to their constituents and, at least at the federal level, remember their roots, the eye-popping margins could be sustained.

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But Thune cautioned Republicans to remember 2004, when the state's three-member congressional delegation were all Democrats. The shift since then, he said, is "a pretty remarkable transformation."

## With low oil, gasoline prices, is Keystone still necessary?

**DINA CAPPIELLO, Associated Press**

**JONATHAN FAHEY, Associated Press**

WASHINGTON (AP) — A 50-percent plunge in the price of crude oil, resulting from abundant global oil supplies, and cheaper gasoline at the pump raise critical questions about whether the Keystone XL oil pipeline is still needed or even makes financial sense.

Oil prices always have been volatile, and both the pipeline company and the oil refiners and producers that would use the pipeline expect prices to rise and plunge throughout the project's life.

When Keystone XL was first proposed in the fall of 2008, for example, oil was in the midst of an even bigger plunge, from nearly \$150 a barrel to below \$35, and the global economy was collapsing into recession.

Opponents will use lower prices to argue that the pipeline now could pose a greater threat to the environment than originally thought.

Low oil prices could make the pipeline more important to the development of new oil sands projects in Canada than anticipated by the State Department, which is conducting the environmental review, and therefore is more likely to increase emissions of carbon dioxide and other gases linked to global warming.

The review found the pipeline was not likely to exacerbate global warming, but it based that conclusion on higher oil prices. At such prices, producers can afford the higher cost of transporting oil by rail or other means and still make a profit. At low oil prices, they might decide only to expand drilling if they have an inexpensive way of getting the oil to market.

The price of oil closed at \$48 a barrel on Friday.

Proponents say that during periods of low oil prices, the pipeline is more important because oil companies would otherwise have less incentive to deliver what they say is important oil from a reliable source to U.S. refiners on the Gulf Coast. But they say the current price decline is not enough to change the long-term prospects for oil exploration in Canada, global demand for crude, or prices.

Oil prices will have little impact on the politics. The Republican-controlled Congress has made passing a bill approving the pipeline a priority, despite a presidential veto threat.

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Q: Will Keystone XL lower gasoline prices?

A: Probably not, but that has not changed. The price of crude oil does affect the price of gasoline, and refiners set up to use heavy crude would enjoy lower priced-oil. That would make those refiners more profitable, but it would not necessarily lower the price of gasoline. Wholesale gasoline prices are based on market benchmarks, which are more closely correlated to the highest-price crude oil on the market, not the lowest price crude.

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Q: Do lower oil prices mean a pipeline would have a bigger effect on oil sands development and emissions of the pollution linked to global warming?

A: Possibly. How much the pipeline could increase production in the oil sands depends on an array of assumptions about global oil demand, prices and regulation. In theory, by increasing the price that oil sands producers could get for their oil, the pipeline encourages more development. But that's true at

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low and high prices, too, according to Michael Levi, senior fellow for energy and the environment at the Council on Foreign Relations.

It could be, though, that at low oil prices the cheap transport provided by a pipeline would be just enough to make some new projects profitable enough to develop, and that concerns environmentalists.

In either case, however, the Canadian producers would have to assume low prices will linger for years. Oil sands projects have long lives, so companies based decisions on whether to build them based on assumptions over oil prices over the long term, not based on current prices.

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Q: Does Keystone XL still make sense for TransCanada?

A: It makes more sense than ever. TransCanada stands to make more money from the project now than it did when it was first proposed.

That's because the cost of the project has increased from \$5.4 billion to \$8 billion, and most of the cost will be borne by TransCanada's customers, according to Carl Kirst, an analyst at BMO Capital Markets. Oil producers and refiners have agreed to pay 75 percent of the cost overruns up to \$8 billion; anything over that will be split evenly.

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Q: Does it still make sense for oil companies operating in Canada?

A: Probably. Periods of low prices are to be expected over the life of the pipeline, but to producers in Canada the lower the price, the more important it is to have additional low-cost ways to get oil to market. That way they can fetch a higher price for it where it is produced. Many have already started investing in expansion projects that would benefit from low-cost market access.

If oil prices fall further or stay low for a long period, however, producers will have no choice but to delay or cancel new projects. If they do not think they would be able to fill the pipeline they would back out of the project because they have to pay for capacity on the line whether they use it or not.

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Q: Does it still make sense for refiners on the U.S. Gulf Coast?

A: Yes. To refiners, more oil is better, and more of the type of oil they need is better still. Many complex Gulf Coast refineries are geared to process the heavy crudes that come out of Canada, Venezuela and Mexico. Because that crude is harder to process, it is cheaper than light sweet crude. If there is more heavy crude available, the price drops, lowering the price for refiners. Venezuelan and Mexican crude production has been falling, so refiners would like another reliable source.

"We still want that crude," said Bill Day, a spokesman for the refining company Valero, which would be a Keystone XL customer. "Canadian heavy crude is some of the lowest-priced crude on the planet."

## **ND senator to Air Force: Consider training airspace impacts**

**JAMES NORD, Associated Press**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — With a U.S. Air Force decision likely imminent on whether to establish an enormous bomber training area over the Northern Plains, U.S. Sen. Heidi Heitkamp said she urged a senior Air Force official to consider the expansion's impact on civilian aircraft, businesses and medical facilities.

The North Dakota Democrat said she has been reassured about the proposed expansion of the Powder River Training Complex over the Dakotas, Montana and Wyoming.

"I'm encouraged by the Air Force's commitment to answer those communications concerns and heed the economic needs of impacted communities," she said.

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A decision could come in the next few weeks, and then it would go before federal aviation regulators for authorization.

Heitkamp said she's been concerned about civilians communicating easily with the Air Force about the expansion and how it would affect medical facilities, agricultural producers and other businesses. Officials from Montana have also raised significant concerns about the expansion, saying the bombers would disrupt rural communities and scare livestock as they roar overhead on maneuvers, dropping flares and chaff.

"People in North Dakota are incredibly pro-Air Force," Heitkamp told The Associated Press. "It's not for lack of patriotism or lack of willingness to work through these problems."

The proposed expansion would quadruple the training airspace, making it the largest such area over the continental United States. It would be used by B-1 bombers at Ellsworth Air Force Base in South Dakota and B-52 bombers at Minot Air Force Base in North Dakota.

South Dakota U.S. Sen. John Thune, who has been working on the proposal since 2006, has the said the expansion would also provide an additional layer of protection against Base Realignment and Closure for Ellsworth, which is a significant economic driver for the Rapid City area. Heitkamp said the project will impact more than just South Dakota.

"They've got the Bakken out there, and so some of the same concerns that Montana has raised, I suppose they're hearing a little bit about from western North Dakota," Thune said. "But if you think about ... what that means for a base like Minot where you've got B-52s, and if you're trying to keep a base open, one of the principal issues you're going to have to deal with is training areas."

The Air Force acknowledged in a study released Nov. 28 that the low-altitude flights and loud sonic booms have the potential to startle ranchers, recreationists and those living on reservations in the region. Heitkamp said if the Air Force adequately implements the proposal officials shared with her, she'll rest easier.

"If what we saw in planning becomes a reality, I think people in North Dakota will be grateful for that attention to general aviation that the Air Force has put into this plan," she said.

## **U. of South Dakota medical school names new assistant dean**

VERMILLION, S.D. (AP) — The medical school at the University of South Dakota has named a new assistant dean of medical student affairs.

The Sanford School of Medicine has appointed Dr. John Wempe to the position. His duties include career counselling for medical students at the school's four teaching campuses and assisting students as they progress through their medical training to graduation.

He will also participate in the medical school's admissions process and recruitment programs.

Wempe is a native of Parkston. He comes to the University of South Dakota after a more than 30-year career in the military. He most recently served as the CEO of the Department of Defense Medical Examination Review Board at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

## **Culver's CEO to speak at SD Corn Growers annual meeting**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The CEO of the restaurant chain Culver's will be the keynote speaker of the South Dakota Corn Growers Association annual meeting in Sioux Falls.

Craig Culver will speak before members of the association Saturday. Nearly 1,000 people are expected to attend the 29th annual meeting.

Speakers throughout the day will discuss the 2014 farm bill and other federal policies, as well as grain

marketing, risk management, information technology and succession planning.

## **SD Department of Tourism looking for travel counselors**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Department of Tourism is looking for travel counselors and supervisors for the 10 information centers along Interstates 29 and 90.

The travel guides are needed from May through September to help visitors with travel needs. The centers are located near Chamberlain, New Effington, Salem, Spearfish, Tilford, Valley Springs, Vermillion, Vivian, Wasta and Wilmot.

Applicants must be high-school graduates, possess knowledge of South Dakota's history and visitor attractions, and have computer and communication skills.

Some centers remain open through October to help out-of-state hunters and other travelers.

## **SD man accused of seriously injuring a baby gets 10 years**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A South Dakota man accused of seriously injuring a baby who repeatedly woke him up has been sentenced to 10 years in prison.

U.S. District Judge Charles Kornmann sentenced 27-year-old Brett Roach, who was found guilty of assault resulting in serious bodily injury in connection with the incident in May 2013.

Prosecutors say the McLaughlin man was babysitting his wife's young children when he forcefully threw the 10-year-old baby off the bed and across the room after the baby repeatedly woke him up. Roach called 911 when he noticed the baby was unconscious.

Doctors determined the baby had suffered skull fractures and remained in critical condition for a long time.

Roach is under the custody of the U.S. Marshals. It wasn't immediately clear whether he has an attorney.

## **Overdose death has Grand Forks police reviewing drug cases**

**DAVE KOLPACK, Associated Press**

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — An overdose death from a powerful synthetic morphine has Grand Forks police wondering if other people who've been sickened by drugs in the past six months have taken the substance.

Officers last weekend found an unresponsive 18-year-old Grand Forks man who was later pronounced dead. Police said the use of powdered fentanyl was likely a contributing factor in the death of the man, Bailey Henke.

Police Lt. Bill Macki said it's unusual for authorities to talk about open drug investigations but believe fentanyl could have played a part in other drug overdoses in the area. Grand Forks police are looking into overdose cases dating back to June. Law enforcement in Fargo received a couple of reports in October about people getting sick from heroin laced with fentanyl.

The investigation into overdoses comes just a few months after the last of 15 defendants was sentenced for providing synthetic hallucinogens that led to the deaths of two Grand Forks-area teenagers. In that case, a Grand Forks man who described himself as a hobby chemist cooked up chemicals he bought online from a Texas company.

"Those cases aren't at all related, but you could draw a parallel there," Macki said. "When you can't account for the origin of substances, that makes them especially dangerous. Just like any illegal drug, even if the origin is somewhat clean or structured, once it gets to someone who is selling it you don't

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know what they're mixing it with."

Macki said Grand Forks police haven't talked with other agencies in the area about fentanyl, but he wasn't surprised to hear about the possible cases in Fargo.

"Our investigation is kind of showing that some of the potential powdered fentanyl users are also heroin users, so I guess I wouldn't doubt that," Macki said.

The deaths in the past several years of two bodybuilders in Minnesota and South Dakota were blamed on the use of prescribed fentanyl patches. Unlike those cases, where the fentanyl originally came from a pharmaceutical marketing company, the powder in the Grand Forks death was obtained "through illicit means," Macki said. He would not be specific.

"We're certainly working hard to establish where these substances might have come from, but it's way too early to speculate whether it's something local or something that is being brought in, or shipped in from overseas."

In addition, Macki said, the time-released patch is more predictable than the powdered form that has made its way to North Dakota but "there is really no safe way to take this substance."

Fargo police, fire and public health departments said they haven't noticed any unusual patterns in drug use, despite the cases of heroin mixed with fentanyl, said Steve Dirksen, the city's fire chief.

"Our research showed that the numbers have pretty much remained consistent in the number of overdoses in the community over the past four or five years," Dirksen said. "We haven't seen anything on the streets or heard about anything since the incidents in October."

## Tribes join effort to keep Yellowstone grizzlies protected

**MATTHEW BROWN, Associated Press**

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — Leaders of American Indian tribes in the Rocky Mountains and Great Plains are signing onto an effort to retain federal protections for grizzly bears in and around Yellowstone National Park.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is expected to decide this year whether it will move to lift protections for the roughly 1,000 grizzlies scientists say live in the Yellowstone region.

The campaign to enlist tribal backing for continued protections — including a prohibition on hunting — is being coordinated in large part by wildlife advocates.

Organizers say more than two dozen tribes have signed on through resolutions or other declarations of support.

Grizzlies received federal protections in 1975 after getting wiped out across much of their range.

Federal grizzly recovery coordinator Chris Servheen says letters of consultation were sent to four tribes in April but none responded.

## Saturday's Scores

**The Associated Press**

### Boys Basketball

Bison 46, Dupree 38

Brandon Valley 39, Yankton 30

Bridgewater-Emery 62, Colman-Egan 51

Castlewood 39, Britton-Hecla 35

Chamberlain 51, Cheyenne-Eagle Butte 49

Corsica/Stickney 62, Wagner 56, OT

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Eureka/Bowdle 54, Faulkton 50  
Faith 74, Harding County 49  
Hamlin 58, Estelline 41  
Herreid/Selby Area 61, Ipswich 45  
Huron 68, Brookings 56  
James Valley Christian 56, Sully Buttes 49  
Kimball/White Lake 75, Tripp-Delmont/Armour 25  
Lennox 51, Clark/Willow Lake 47  
New Underwood 81, Kadoka Area 41  
Oakes, N.D. 82, Leola/Frederick 64  
Oelrichs 65, Takini 60  
Pierre 71, Harrisburg 69  
Rapid City Christian 65, Jones County 43  
Sioux County, Neb. 70, Edgemont 44  
Sioux Falls Christian 61, Unity Christian, Orange City, Iowa 52  
Spearfish 64, Douglas 50  
Sturgis 65, Alliance, Neb. 44  
Tri-Valley 61, Platte-Geddes 52  
Wall 76, Bennett County 47  
West Central 65, Milbank Area 49  
Winner 64, Gregory 52

## **Big East Conference Tournament**

### **Consolation Semifinal**

Flandreau 80, Baltic 23  
Garretson 75, Howard 25

### **Semifinal**

Chester 57, Sioux Valley 50  
Parker 62, McCook Central/Montrose 61, OT

### **CNOS Classic**

Rock Valley, Iowa 65, Dakota Valley 50

### **Girls Basketball**

Bennett County 48, Wall 33  
Brookings 42, Huron 41  
Cheyenne-Eagle Butte 47, Chamberlain 41  
Clark/Willow Lake 53, Lennox 40  
Hamlin 70, Estelline 23  
Hanson 44, Avon 38  
Herreid/Selby Area 48, Ipswich 34  
Jones County 55, Rapid City Christian 29  
Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 64, Sanborn Central/Woonsocket 49  
Oelrichs 80, Takini 20  
Pierre 67, Harrisburg 48  
Rapid City Stevens 58, Sioux Falls Roosevelt 52  
Sioux County, Neb. 51, Edgemont 39  
Sioux Falls O'Gorman 71, Watertown 59

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Sturgis 54, Alliance, Neb. 35  
Sully Buttes 45, James Valley Christian 31  
Tri-Valley 51, Platte-Geddes 35  
Unity Christian, Orange City, Iowa 61, Sioux Falls Christian 18  
Wagner 71, Corsica/Stickney 53  
West Central 52, Milbank 39  
Winner 69, Gregory 23

## **Redfield Classic**

Aberdeen Roncalli 61, St. Francis Indian 28  
Florence/Henry 47, Leola/Frederick 46  
Hitchcock-Tulare 57, Waverly-South Shore 51  
Northwestern 70, Little Wound 39  
Redfield/Doland 58, Tea Area 55  
St. Thomas More 69, Warner 34  
Summit 66, McLaughlin 37

## **South Dakota outlasts IFPW, 64-62**

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (AP) — Tyler Larson scored 14 points on 5 of 12 shooting from the field to lead South Dakota to a 64-62 victory over IPFW on Saturday night.

Trailing 61-59 IPFW in the final 10 seconds, IPFW had an opportunity to tie the game when Isaiah McCray was fouled by South Dakota's Eric Robertson. However McCray would make just 1 of his 2 free throws, leaving the Mastodons still down one. After a foul by Mo Evans, Larson sank a pair of free throws, pushing the lead back to three to effectively close out the game for the Coyotes.

Casey Kasperbauer finished with 11 points for South Dakota (8-9, 2-1 Summit Conference), which has now won five of its last six games. James Hunter added 10 points and six rebounds.

Steve Forbes led all scorers with 24 for IPFW (8-9, 1-3), which has lost four of five.

## **South Dakota State runs away from Omaha 87-68**

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — George Marshall scored a career-high 25 points and South Dakota State ran away from Nebraska-Omaha 87-68 on Saturday.

Marshall was 10 of 18 from the floor and made 5 of 8 3-point attempts. Reed Tellinghuisen added 19 points, Deondre Parks had 18, and Cody Larson chipped in with 11 points and seven boards.

South Dakota State (11-7, 2-2 Summit League) led by one with 5:42 left in the first half but closed on a 12-5 run — including Marshall's 3-pointer — to lead 41-32 at the break.

The Jackrabbits used a 10-point run midway through the second half — including Tellinghuisen's 3-pointer — to push the lead to 21 and they cruised to the victory.

Tre'Shawn Thurman and Jake White led Omaha (7-9, 1-3) with 12 points apiece. Mike Rostampour had 11 points with 13 rebounds.

## Daugaard shifts focus to legacy for final 4 years in office

**JAMES NORD, Associated Press**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Addressing a crowd of supporters and family during his second inaugural speech, Gov. Dennis Daugaard shifted his focus Saturday to the mark he would like to leave on the state in his final term.

Daugaard, Lt. Gov. Matt Michels and dozens of other constitutional and elected officials took their oaths of office at the state Capitol ahead of Tuesday's opening of the 2015 legislative session.

Daugaard said he took pleasure in his re-election because it proved South Dakota voters backed the path he has paved over the past four years: fiscal responsibility, smart investment and courageous choices.

"They just had to trust me back then," Daugaard told reporters after the speech, reflecting on his first win in 2010. "It was gratifying to be re-elected when I had a record."

The ceremony took place in the Capitol rotunda amid the pageantry that welcomes new elected officials to office. As he took the oath of office, Daugaard rested his hand on a bible that his grandparents bought when they arrived in the U.S. from Denmark.

The 70 members of the state House of Representatives and 35 senators were also sworn in from their respective chambers Saturday. Republicans have strong majorities in the Legislature after decisive victories in the November elections.

Standing outside the upper chamber, Senate Majority Leader Tim Rave, of Baltic, said he enjoys inauguration day because he gets to see old friends he has made over his legislative career.

"Today is all about fun and family, and then the real work starts on Tuesday," Rave said.

Daugaard has laid out a budget for the upcoming session that puts additional state money into schools, health programs and Medicaid provider payments and spending on state employees. He's also talked about overhauling the state's juvenile justice system. And his next speech, Tuesday's State of the State, will address how he intends improve roads and bridges in South Dakota.

Four years ago, Daugaard ended his inaugural speech with reflections on his parents and grandparents. In this address, he focused on the future, especially fitting because a new granddaughter was recently born.

The governor said he likes to imagine that someday, maybe a half-century from now, his grandchildren might watch this inaugural speech. He hoped they'd see "that I wasn't blown by the winds, that I had some courage and resolution and that our state's better."

## AP News in Brief

### Unity and defiance: Thousands to converge on Paris in rally to honor victims of terror attacks

PARIS (AP) — A rally of defiance and sorrow, protected by an unparalleled level of security, on Sunday will honor the 17 victims of three days of bloodshed in Paris that left France on alert for more violence.

Unity against extremism is the rallying cry for the hundreds of thousands expected to attend the gathering, including the Israeli prime minister and the Palestinian president. Hours before the rally was to start, France's enormous Republique plaza began to fill with people.

"We are all Charlie, we are all police, we are all Jews of France," Prime Minister Manuel Valls declared on Saturday, referring to the victims that included employees at the Charlie Hebdo newspaper, shoppers at a kosher grocery and two police officers.

The three days of terror began Wednesday when a pair of masked gunmen stormed the newsroom of the satirical newspaper, killing 12 people. Al-Qaida's branch in Yemen said it directed the attack to avenge the honor of the Prophet Muhammad, a frequent target of the weekly's satire. On Thursday, a separate gunman killed a policewoman on the outskirts of Paris and on Friday, the attackers converged.

With the brothers who stormed Charlie Hebdo holed up in a printing plant near Charles de Gaulle airport, the third gunman seized hostages inside a kosher market. It all ended at dusk Friday with near-simultaneous raids at the printing plant and the market that left all three gunmen dead. Four hostages at the market were also killed.

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## **5 people detained over attacks in France freed from custody; search continues for widow**

PARIS (AP) — A video shows the gunman who seized hostages in a Paris kosher grocery and killed a policewoman pledging allegiance to the Islamic State group and claiming responsibility for the attacks.

The SITE Intelligence Group said Sunday it had verified the 7 minute long video, which shows Amedy Coulibaly with a gun, exercising and giving speeches in front of an Islamic State emblem.

Coulibaly took over the kosher grocery, demanding freedom for the brothers who carried out the massacre at newspaper Charlie Hebdo. At the time, the brothers were trapped in a printing house near Charles de Gaulle airport.

All three men were killed in nearly simultaneous raids by security forces.

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## **Paris terror arsenal: Kalashnikovs, rocket launcher, grenade, automatic pistols mark trend**

LONDON (AP) — Kalashnikov assault rifles. Plenty of ammunition. Molotov cocktails, a grenade, a death-dealing Skorpion machine pistol and a few handguns. Plus a revolving light that could be placed on a car roof to make it look like an undercover police car.

The list of weapons— along with a jihadi flag — carried by the French Muslim terrorists who launched the Charlie Hebdo attacks is frightening, especially given al-Qaida's warning of further such assaults. And it also represents a striking change for western Europe, where gun crime is far more rare than in the United States.

The relatively heavy weaponry — a staple of recent attacks — seems to indicate that terrorist networks are moving away from bombs in favor of military-grade assault rifles and machine guns backed by smaller automatic pistols.

Gun attacks spread a different kind of terror than bombings: more personal, more focused, and able to be drawn out into the kind of protracted urban drama that seizes a society's attention for days. Even in Europe, guns can be easier to acquire, transport and conceal than explosives.

The mini-arsenal police found after the final shootout with brothers Cherif and Said Kouachi even included an advanced rocket launcher — with a loaded rocket ready for firing.

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## **Passenger bus in southern Pakistan crashes into oil tanker, killing 57 people**

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — A passenger bus crashed into an oil tanker in southern Pakistan early Sunday, killing 57 people with remains charred beyond recognition, officials said.

Dr. Seemi Jamali, who heads the emergency section at Jinnah Post Graduate Medical Center in Karachi where the remains were brought, said they had received 57 bodies. Four people were also injured, she said.

She said the hospital would have to do DNA tests to identify the victims.

The Minister of Transportation for Sindh Province, Mir Mumtaz Hussain Jakhrani, said the crash happened when the passenger bus hit an oil tanker early Sunday about 50 kilometers (31 miles) outside of Karachi.

A relative of one of the victims told The Associated Press that his sister and two uncles and all their families were on board the bus.

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## **With tail recovered, focus on finding AirAsia's black boxes intensifies as pings detected**

PANGKALAN BUN, Indonesia (AP) — A day after the tail of the crashed AirAsia plane was fished out of the Java Sea, the search for the missing black boxes intensified Sunday with more pings heard.

The signals were detected over an area spanning from 1 kilometer to 4 kilometers (1.6 miles to 2.4 miles) from the location of the jet's rear. Officials cautioned it was too soon to know if the sounds were coming from the cockpit voice and flight data recorders, which detached from the tail of when the aircraft plummeted into the sea Dec. 28, killing all 162 people on board.

"It was detected within a wide area, which needs to be combed by divers," said Nurcahyo Utomo, an investigator with Indonesia's National Commission for Transportation Safety. "Right now, I would not dare to say if it's from the black boxes."

He said the weather allowed work to continue in the morning, but that strong currents and high waves, which generally worsen in the afternoon, could prevent divers from thoroughly searching the area.

However, AirAsia CEO Tony Fernandes expressed optimism by tweeting that while still not confirmed, he was receiving strong information that the recorders may have been found.

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## **Suspect arrested after 3 killed, 1 critically wounded in Idaho shooting spree**

Investigators are probing the background of a suspect in a shooting spree in Moscow, Idaho, that left three people dead and another critically wounded.

A gunman opened fire Saturday at three separate locations in the western Idaho city, killing a victim at each site.

John Lee, 29, the suspected attacker, was captured in the afternoon following a high-speed chase in nearby Washington state.

Moscow Police Chief David Duke said Lee killed his adoptive mother, 61-year-Terri Grzebielski, at her home before heading to Northwest Mutual life insurance.

The gunman shot David Trail, 76, a Moscow businessman, and Michael Chin, 39, of Seattle. Trail died

at Pullman Regional Hospital. Chin was treated for critical wounds at Moscow hospital before being flown to a Seattle hospital, Duke said.

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## **Golden Gate Bridge closes for longest period in its history, to install median barrier**

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Yellow-clad work crews shared San Francisco's iconic Golden Gate Bridge with only bikers, runners, and seabirds Saturday, as officials shut down the bridge to private traffic for the longest period in its 77-year history to install a safety barrier.

The moveable median barrier is meant to prevent more of what since 1970 have been 128 head-on collisions on the bridge, with 16 fatalities, bridge spokeswoman Priya David Clemens said Saturday.

As she spoke, crews were laying down barriers, installing tracks for the barriers to move on, and plugging holes left by the jutting plastic rods that formerly divided opposing streams of traffic on the bridge, which spans the mile-wide channel between the San Francisco Bay and the Pacific Ocean.

"There's a lot of activity. It feels very lively out here," Clemens said.

By late Saturday, Clemens said the entire barrier had been placed on the bridge and crews were at work positioning and attaching it as well as taking care of miscellaneous projects such as painting.

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## **Larry Wilmore preparing to replace Stephen Colbert on Comedy Central**

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Larry Wilmore says that his new "Nightly Show" launching on Comedy Central later this month will be like a hybrid of "The Daily Show" and "Politically Incorrect," combining comic observations and a topical panel discussion.

Wilmore's half-hour show, which will air at 11:30 p.m. EST on weeknights following Stewart's "Daily Show," is replacing "The Colbert Report" with Stephen Colbert headed to CBS. Unlike the star of "The Colbert Report," Wilmore will be himself, and not play a character.

"It may be comic, it may be provocative," Wilmore told reporters at a television conference on Saturday. "Who knows? It will go where it goes."

Celebrities will be part of the mix, "but they won't be hawking books and movies," he said. He'll begin test shows next week in anticipation of a Jan. 19 premiere.

Wilmore, 53, is a comic veteran with extensive experience both onstage and behind the scenes, most recently developing the ABC comedy "black-ish." He's known to Comedy Central viewers as the "senior black correspondent" on "The Daily Show." He jumped at the chance for the new show when Stewart suggested it, somewhat surprised at his age to be getting the opportunity.

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## **Awaiting pope, Sri Lanka's Catholic minority hope they can help heal war's wounds**

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP) — On the road into the capital from the main airport, dozens of the faithful have turned out in recent days to clean and decorate the Catholic churches that Pope Francis will pass on his Tuesday drive into Colombo.

"It is a privilege to see him with our own eyes," said Sister Mary Cleophus, a nun and longtime teacher who was hanging decorative cloths of white and yellow — the papal colors — at Saints Peter and Paul Church.

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Like many in the Indian Ocean island nation, she had feared last week's elections, which pushed aside longtime President Mahinda Rajapaksa in a stunning upset. Politics has often meant violence in Sri Lanka, and Rajapaksa had rarely been subtle about amassing his immense power.

But when he was defeated by a former ally, Maithripala Sirisena, he quietly stepped down Friday morning. All went peacefully.

"It is a miracle," said Cleophus. "We had doubts."

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## Tom Terrific: Brady's 3 TD passes - and 1 by Edelman - lift Patriots to 35-31 win over Ravens

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. (AP) — One big comeback, then another.

And now another game for Tom Brady and the New England Patriots.

The quarterback who treats deficits as distractions dug the Patriots out of two 14-point holes — the first team to do that in NFL playoff history — to reach the AFC championship game for the fourth straight year with a 35-31 win over the Baltimore Ravens on Saturday.

"Behind twice by 14 wasn't necessarily in the plan," Brady said. "It took a lot of execution to overcome it."

Thanks to three touchdown passes by Brady and one by college quarterback turned receiver Julian Edelman, the resilient Patriots kept their season alive.

## Today in History

### The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Jan. 11, the 11th day of 2015. There are 354 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 11, 1935, aviator Amelia Earhart began an 18-hour trip from Honolulu to Oakland, California, that made her the first person to fly solo across any part of the Pacific Ocean.

### On this date:

In 1815, Sir John A. Macdonald, the first prime minister of Canada, was born in Glasgow, Scotland.

In 1861, Alabama became the fourth state to withdraw from the Union.

In 1908, President Theodore Roosevelt proclaimed the Grand Canyon National Monument (it became a national park in 1919).

In 1913, the first enclosed sedan-type automobile, a Hudson, went on display at the 13th National Automobile Show in New York.

In 1927, the creation of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences was proposed during a dinner of Hollywood luminaries at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles.

In 1939, British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain and Lord Halifax, the British foreign secretary, met with Italian leader Benito Mussolini in Rome.

In 1942, Japan declared war against the Netherlands, the same day that Imperial Japanese forces invaded the Dutch East Indies.

In 1964, U.S. Surgeon General Luther Terry issued "Smoking and Health," a report which concluded that "cigarette smoking contributes substantially to mortality from certain specific diseases and to the overall death rate."

In 1965, the Beach Boys recorded their version of "Do You Wanna Dance?" by Bobby Freeman at Gold Star Studios in Hollywood.

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In 1977, France set off an international uproar by releasing Abu Daoud, a PLO official behind the massacre of Israeli athletes at the 1972 Munich Olympics.

In 1989, nine days before leaving the White House, President Ronald Reagan bade the nation farewell in a prime-time address, saying of his eight years in office: "We meant to change a nation and instead we changed a world."

In 1995, 51 people were killed when a Colombian DC-9 jetliner crashed as it was preparing to land near the Caribbean resort of Cartagena - however, 9-year-old Erika Delgado survived.

**Ten years ago:** President George W. Bush nominated federal judge Michael Chertoff to be Homeland Security chief, succeeding Tom Ridge. Iraqi Prime Minister Ayad Allawi (EE'-yahd ah-LAH'-wee) publicly acknowledged for the first time that parts of Iraq probably wouldn't be safe enough for people to vote in upcoming elections. James Griffin, founding member of the 1970s pop group Bread, died in Franklin, Tennessee, at age 61.

**Five years ago:** A federal judge in San Francisco began hearing arguments in a lawsuit aimed at overturning Proposition 8, California's voter-approved ban on same-sex marriage. (Chief U.S. District Judge Vaughn R. Walker later overturned the ban; his ruling was upheld on appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.) Mark McGwire admitted to The Associated Press that he'd used steroids and human growth hormone when he broke baseball's home run record in 1998. Miep Gies (meep khees), the Dutch office secretary who defied Nazi occupiers to hide Anne Frank and her family for two years and saved the teenager's diary, died at age 100. French New Wave director Eric Rohmer, 89, died in Paris.

**One year ago:** Former Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, 85, died eight years after a devastating stroke left him in a coma. Alex Rodriguez was dealt the most severe punishment in the history of baseball's drug agreement when an arbitrator ruled the New York Yankees third baseman was suspended for the entire 2014 season as the result of a drug investigation. Gracie Gold won her first U.S. figure skating title at the championships in Boston; Charlie White and Meryl Davis won a record sixth straight U.S. ice dance title.

**Today's Birthdays:** Producer Grant Tinker is 90. The former prime minister of Canada, Jean Chretien (zhahn kray-tee-EHN'), is 81. Actor Mitchell Ryan is 81. Actor Felix Silla is 78. Movie director Joel Zwick is 73. Country singer Naomi Judd is 69. World Golf Hall of Famer Ben Crenshaw is 63. Singer Robert Earl Keen is 59. Actress Phyllis Logan (TV: "Downton Abbey") is 59. Musician Vicki Peterson (The Bangles) is 57. Actress Kim Coles is 53. Actor Jason Connery is 52. Contemporary Christian musician Jim Bryson (MercyMe) is 47. Rock musician Tom Dumont (No Doubt) is 47. Rhythm-and-blues singer Maxee Maxwell (Brownstone) is 46. Movie director Malcolm D. Lee is 45. Singer Mary J. Blige is 44. Musician Tom Rowlands (The Chemical Brothers) is 44. Actor Marc Blucas is 43. Actress Amanda Peet is 43. Actor Rockmond Dunbar is 42. Actress Aja Naomi King (TV: "How to Get Away With Murder") is 30. Actress Kristolyn Lloyd (TV: "The Bold and the Beautiful") is 30. Reality TV star Jason Wahler (TV: "Laguna Beach"; "The Hills") is 28. Pop singer Cody Simpson is 18.

**Thought for Today:** "If you are ruled by mind you are a king; if by body, a slave." - Cato, Roman statesman and historian (234 B.C.-149 B.C.)