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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

Wednesday, February 18 Ash Wednesday

Anniv: Chuck and Mickey Padflield

Birthdays: Crystal Young, Zach Herron

Senior Menu: Ranch chicken, boiled potatoes, green beans, cake with strawberries, whole wheat bread.

School Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, fruit, yo-gurt, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Fish nuggets, French Fries, roman salad, fruit.

6:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Lenten meal (WELCA executive board serves)

7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship with Communion

Thursday, February 19

1994: Kara and Todd Anderson

Birthdays: Connor Hanson, Gaylene Voss, Heather Westby, Heidi Westby, Robert Sippel, Robin O'Neill, Terry Furman, Tyler Kampa

Senior Menu: Herbed roast pork, baked potato with sour cream, lemon buttered broccoli, cimmanon apple sauce, whole wheat bread.

School Breakfast: Cheese omlet, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Mini corndogs, baked beans, carrots and dip, fruit.

Boys Basketball at Redfield-Doland (7th at 3

Dakota Brush Brooms, Brushes, Mops, Can Liners, Paper Products.

Get Ready for Spring With Wash Brushes & Squeegees

397-9337

104 N. Main, Groton

OPEN: Recycling Trailer in Groton

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

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Gilchrist to retire



Ward Gilchrist, electric superintendent, submitted his resignation effective May 29, 2015. He has worked for the city for over seven years and Mayor Scott Hanlon wished to thank Ward for his years of service.

One of the police vehicles broke down, but it is covered under warranty. There is a part that they are waiting for and General Motors is still looking for a part. Police Chief Stacy Mayou reported that it has been frustrating with the wait.

The rubble site report was given and the city had a net profit of \$2,857.77 in 2014. The state wants the city to document how the refrigerant is removed from refrigerators and freezers. It is suppose to be reclaimed. The fees will be unchanged for this year.

The curb and gutter hearing was held with Tony and Brenda Madsen present. "We hope the road gets done this year," Tony said. City Finance Officer Anita Lowary said with the lower price of oil, "We hope the bids come in under the engineer's estimate so it fits in our budget," she said. The resolution of necessity was approved for curb and gutter on the south side of West Fifth Avenue from Washington Street to Garfield Street.

The council decided to have Shawn Lambertz attend the Electric Superintendent Conference in Watertown, March 3-4.

There was a request to use sick leave for a "live-in" situation. City ordinance states that sick leave can be used for an employee, or employee's child or parent. City Attorney Drew Johnson said he had drafted a letter to Anita stating it would be inappropriate to allow sick-leave in that situation. The council agreed.

There was discussion on the old couches at the community center and some of the other old stuff such as old books and puzzles. The council agreed that some of the old stuff has to go.

There are grants available to help restore some of the old buildings downtown as part of the "Downtown Revitalization" project.

A reminder that election petitions are due February 27 at 5 p.m. for city council. Positions up are Eddy Opp, Michelle Muilenburg (who cannot run as she is moving out of town) and Mary Fliehs. Opp has turned his petition in and Fliehs has her petition out, gathering signatures.

First there was no Ninth Avenue West as recorded in the 1895 plat. Then in 1997, it was put back in as part of Krueger's Second Addition to the City of Groton. Part of the problem is that there are two approaches at Ninth Avenue West, one to the substation and the other to Krueger's property. With the 2016 highway project, the state wants to eliminate the approach to the substation, moving the fence gate on the north side. City Attorney Drew Johnson said, "I don't think they can cut you off if it's always been there." It was also mentioned that people will no longer be able to park along the highway to watch the football games or to park the buses for the track meets.

The council will continue to meet at the Groton Community Center.

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Wheeting had double-double night with Tiospa-Zina

The Groton Area girls basketball team got back on the winning track with a 62-47 win over Tiospa-Zina Tuesday night in Groton. Carly Wheeting had a double-double night with 13 points and 10 rebounds. Groton led at the guarterstops at 20-16, 31-22 and 44-32.

Courtney Kurtz led the Tigers with 18 points followed by Carly Wheeting with 13, Audrey Wanner 12, Katie Koehler 11 and Ashley Gibbs eight.

Leading the way for the Wambdi were Fidelity Eastman with 15 points followed by Bethany Robertson with 14, Julissa Max eight, Mon Jackson five, Haley Shephard and Jennifer Rondell each had two and Persephone Eastman added one.

Groton Area made 38 percent of its field goals, was 14 of 21 from the line, had 38 rebounds with Wheeting having 10, 12 assists with Kurtz having six, nine steals with Koehler having three, 10 team fouls and 11 turnovers.

Tiospa Zina made 32 percent of its field goals, was five of eight from the line, had 24 rebounds with Christenson having seven, 10 turnovers, 20 fouls, two steals and eight assists.

Groton won the junior varsity game, 35-27. Scoring for Groton were Gia Gengerke with 11, Emily Locke seven, Alexis Stange and Harleigh Stange with six each, Madison Sippel and Marlee Jones each with two and Hannah Lewandowski added one.

Hailey Shepherd led Tiospa-Zina with 11 points.

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.

Concessions Manager Wanted

The Groton Area School District is seeking qualified applicants for a concessions manager for the 2015-2016 school year. Salary is \$50/event plus commission. Information and applications are available at www.grotonarea.com.

Applications for Baseball Coordinator, Coaches, Groundskeeper, Concession Stand Manager, Concessions Workers; Swimming Pool Lifeguards; Public Works Laborers; Cemetery Caretaker, Swimming Pool Manager will be accepted until 5pm March 16 for the City of Groton. Request application at City Hall, 209 N Main St, PO Box 587, Groton, SD 57445 or by calling 397-8422. Equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate against disabled persons. (0210.0217.0310)

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Today in Weather History February 18, 1962: Rain started in the afternoon of the 18th and by the late in the day, temperatures

February 18, 1962: Rain started in the afternoon of the 18th and by the late in the day, temperatures dropped to below freezing resulting in a glaze up to three quarters of an inch on trees and power lines. Many utility lines were downed by the glaze or by falling trees and branches. Temperatures continued to drop during the night changing the rain to snow by the 19th. Strong winds accompanied this snow causing local blizzard conditions.

1899 - While much of the central and eastern U.S. was recovering from the most severe cold wave of modern history, the temperature at San Francisco soared to 80 degrees to establish a record for month of February. (David Ludlum)

1959 - Some of the higher elevations of California were in the midst of a five day storm which produced 189 inches of snow, a single storm record for North America. (13th-19th) (David Ludlum)

1966 – The temperature dropped to 49 degrees below zero at Winnipeg, Manitoba Canada, the city's all-time lowest recorded temperature.

1987 - A small but intense low pressure system combined with northerly upslope winds to produce eight inches of snow in five hours at Meeteetsie WY, located southeast of Cody. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Thunderstorms soaked the Central Gulf Coast Region with heavy rain. Totals in southern Louisiana ranged up to 8.50 inches near the town of Ridge, with 6.55 inches at Plaguemine. Thunderstorms in northern Florida drenched Apalachicola with 5.41 inches of rain in 24 hours, and produced wind gusts to 75 mph at Mayo. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Low pressure off the coast of North Carolina brought freezing rain and heavy snow to Virginia and the Carolinas. Snowfall totals in Virginia ranged up to 18 inches at Franklin. Freezing rain reached a thickness of two inches around Charlotte NC. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1990 - An intense but slow moving Pacific storm worked its way across Utah over a two day period. The storm blanketed the valleys with 4 to 12 inches of snow, and produced up to 42 inches of snow in the mountains. Heavy snow also fell across northern Arizona. Williams received 22 inches of snow, and 12 inches was reported along the south rim of the Grand Canyon. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

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An Arctic air mass will bring much below normal temperatures to the region through Thursday. High temperatures today will range from the single digits below zero in eastern North Dakota, to the mid-20s across western South Dakota. Lows tonight will be mainly in the single digits and teens below zero.

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Yesterday's Weather High: 12.1 at Midnight

Low: -6.7 at 6:16 AM Wind Chill: High Gust: 34 at 3:36 PM Snow: 0.00 Precip: 0.00

Today's Info Record High: 66° in 1930

Record Low: -32° in 1903 Average High: 29°F Average Low: 8°F Average Precip in Feb.: 0.29 Precip to date in Feb.: 0.00 Average Precip to date: 0.76 Precip Year to Date: 0.40 Sunset Tonight: 6:05 p.m. Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:29 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Wed, Feb 18, 2015, issued 3:10 AM EST DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center Prepared by Mcreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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FINANCES AND FRIENDSHIP

Is there a limit to friendship? It seems that there is.

"A man lacking in judgment strikes hands in pledge, and puts up security for his neighbor" is sound advice!

Only the hardest of hearts wants to see anyone suffer from a lack of life's necessities. Most of us want to be thought of as having kind hearts and willing hands. Many have given more than their share of their goods and finances without thinking of the cost to them personally. What seemed wise, in the final analysis was not. So, we come to a verse that puts the idea of giving into context for us.

It's foolish, or a "man lacks judgment," for a person to place their name on a contract unless they know for certain the character and financial resources of the other person. So, there is indeed a limit to friendship.

Very often, and with good intentions and the desire to be "liked," we foolhardily shake hands or "make a pledge" for a person who cannot or will not honor their word. To enter into any agreement with any person for any reason must be given careful, prayerful thought. It is foolish to give our word and promise to fulfill any contract simply to be liked or considered a "friend."

This proverb addresses the idea of "certainty." If, for example, the person who is the primary individual on the contract becomes unable to fulfill his obligations, the burden of fulfilling the obligation falls on the "hand shaker." To do so may endanger the family of the co-signer as well as encourage the one wanting financial assistance to be extravagant and careless in spending.

Prayer: We ask, Lord, that we may seek Your wisdom and guidance before making foolish choices to help others. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Proverbs 17:18 One who has no sense shakes hands in pledge and puts up security for a neighbor.

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News from the Associated Press

Suspect in death of Adrian Peterson's son to remain in jail

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A man charged in the death of the 2-year-old son of Minnesota Vikings running back Adrian Peterson will remain in jail until his trial in September.

Judge Bradley Zell on Tuesday said he does not think 29-year-old Joseph Patterson is a flight risk, but he does think Patterson is a danger to his ex-girlfriend.

Patterson is charged with second-degree murder, manslaughter and aggravated assault in Tyrese Ruffin's 2013 death. Patterson maintains Tyrese choked on a snack.

Patterson was released on \$2 million bond in September but turned himself in when authorities issued an arrest warrant in January, saying Patterson had violated bond conditions by contacting the boy's mother. Patterson also faces aggravated assault and kidnapping charges in an alleged attack on Tyrese's mother in June.

Wind chill advisories issued for much of the Dakotas

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — Icy air over the Dakotas is plunging temperatures and wind chills to dangerous levels.

Early morning lows Wednesday are in the single digits and teens below zero, and wind chills are in the minus teens, 20s and 30s. The wind child hit minus 40 in Grand Forks in eastern North Dakota.

Forecasters say frostbite can occur in less than half an hour under such conditions. The National Weather Service has issued wind chill advisories for eastern, central and northwestern North Dakota, and for eastern South Dakota.

Applications being taken for \$50M tech school programs

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakotans and out-of-state residents interested in going to the state's four technical institutes for in-demand jobs can now apply for part of \$50 million in scholarship money.

The Build Dakota Scholarship Board listed 54 program options within eight, high-need industry areas that will be covered in the first year.

Those include automotive, welding, building trades/construction, energy technicians, engineering technicians, precision manufacturing, medical lab technicians and some licensed practical nursing programs.

A complete list is available at http://doe.sd.gov/builddakota .

About 300 scholarships will be available for new, incoming students this fall. Recipients must commit to work in their field of study in South Dakota for three years after graduation.

The program is funded through a \$25 million donation from banker T. Denny Sanford and a \$25 million grant from the state.

Dakota Prairie Grasslands names new deputy supervisor

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — The U.S. Forest Service's new deputy supervisor for the Dakota Prairie Grasslands says he's glad to be back in the Dakotas.

John Kinney is graduate of Northern State University in Aberdeen, South Dakota, and says he has family spread throughout both Dakotas.

Kinney most recently worked at the Helena and Lewis and Clark National Forests in Montana. He also

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has worked for the Forest Service in Idaho, Kentucky and South Dakota.

He's been named the deputy grasslands supervisor for the Dakota Prairie Grasslands, which manages the Little Missouri, Sheyenne, Grand River and Cedar River grasslands in the Dakotas.

Plymouth police seize 200 pounds of marijuana, arrest 2 men

PLYMOUTH, Minn. (AP) — Authorities have seized a shipment of marijuana worth about \$750,000 following a surveillance operation in Plymouth.

Law enforcement in South Dakota contacted the Plymouth Police Department on Monday to alert local authorities the load was heading there. Plymouth Police Capt. Jeff Swiatkiewicz says drug investigators and officers set up surveillance of the marijuana's transfer in a parking lot.

Police arrested two brothers from Independence after they drove off in a pick-up truck filled with 200 pounds of marijuana. They're expected to be charged Wednesday.

The person who drove the marijuana from South Dakota to Minnesota hasn't been arrested.

Canadian diplomats, South Dakota leaders to mark Canada Day

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Canadian diplomats and South Dakota leaders will mark Canada Day at the state Capitol.

Diplomats and members of the Alberta and Manitoba Legislative Assemblies will join South Dakota officials and lawmakers Wednesday in Pierre.

Consul General Jamshed Merchant, who is Canada's top diplomat in the Upper Midwest, is scheduled to address a joint session of the South Dakota Legislature at 2 p.m. The event is open to the public.

America's northern neighbor is South Dakota's largest export market. More than 40 percent of South Dakota's foreign-bound goods are sold to Canada, and annual trade between the state and Canada totals \$1.2 billion.

APNewsBreak: SD US attorney to resign, work for private firm REGINA GARCIA CANO, Associated Press JAMES NORD, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The U.S. attorney for South Dakota plans to resign and open an office in Sioux Falls for a private law firm that has also hired North Dakota's U.S. attorney, a person with knowledge of the moves told The Associated Press late Tuesday.

Brendan Johnson will announce his resignation Wednesday at a news conference in Sioux Falls scheduled for 11 a.m. CST, according to the person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the person was not authorized to publicly discuss Johnson's decision ahead of his official announcement.

Johnson plans to open an office in Sioux Falls for Minneapolis-based law firm Robins Kaplan LLP, the person said.

Department of Justice rules prevented Johnson from commenting.

Tim Purdon, 46, announced last week he will leave the federal prosecutor's job in North Dakota on March 12 to return to private practice in Bismarck but has not publicly announced his next move. The source confirmed Purdon also will be working for Robins Kaplan.

DOJ rules also prevent Purdon from commenting.

Some Democrats had hoped Johnson, 39, would run for the Senate seat left open when his father, U.S. Sen. Tim Johnson, retired in January. Rick Weiland, an aide to former U.S. Sen. Tom Daschle, ran as the Democrat in a four-way race easily won in November by Republican Mike Rounds.

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President Barack Obama nominated Brendan Johnson to be South Dakota's 40th U.S. attorney and the Senate unanimously confirmed him in October 2009. Prior to that, Johnson was a federal law clerk in Rapid City for U.S. District Court Judge Karen Schreier, a Minnehaha County deputy state's attorney in Sioux Falls and a partner in the Sioux Falls law firm now known as Johnson, Abdallah, Bollweg and Parsons LLP.

The Robins Kaplan firm has more than 220 attorneys and has offices in Minneapolis, New York, Atlanta, Boston, Los Angeles and Naples, Florida. In 1998, it won more than \$6 billion in a settlement for the state of Minnesota as part of a lawsuit against cigarette manufacturers.

Tuesday's Scores The Associated Press

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Aberdeen Central 69, Huron 59 Bridgewater-Emery 60, Mitchell Christian 58 Britton-Hecla 66, Leola/Frederick 58 Burke/South Central 61, Colome 48 Canton 47, West Central 45 Chamberlain 61, Lyman 29 Chester 68, Garretson 56 Clinton-Graceville-Beardsley, Minn. 45, Waverly-South Shore 44 Corsica/Stickney 71, Tripp-Delmont/Armour 28 Crow Creek 87, Lower Brule 75 Dell Rapids 72, Sisseton 44 DeSmet 70, Lake Preston 28 Elk Point-Jefferson 57, Centerville 51 Flandreau 76, Baltic 47 Gayville-Volin 62, Andes Central 37 Langford 65, Aberdeen Christian 35 Lennox 56, Beresford 50 Little Wound 94, Pine Ridge 76 McCook Central/Montrose 49, Tri-Valley 47 Miller 80, Faulkton 40 Mobridge-Pollock 66, Stanley County 51 Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 64, Bon Homme 47 New England, N.D. 52, Harding County 45 Ortonville, Minn. 63, Milbank Area 45 Redfield/Doland 75, Northwestern 17 Sioux City, West, Iowa 70, Dakota Valley 58 Sioux Falls Christian 76, Harrisburg 43 Sioux Falls Lincoln 76, Sioux Falls O'Gorman 66 Sioux Falls Roosevelt 47, Yankton 39 Sioux Falls Washington 69, Brookings 46 Sioux Valley 58, Castlewood 45 St. Thomas More 77, Hill City 38

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Aberdeen Central 68, Huron 55 Aberdeen Roncalli 49, Ipswich 46 Alcester-Hudson 57, Colman-Egan 41 Bridgewater-Emery 37, Mitchell Christian 26 Britton-Hecla 47, Leola/Frederick 46 Castlewood 58, Sioux Valley 52 Chamberlain 46, Stanley County 38 Clark/Willow Lake 71, Florence/Henry 27 Corsica/Stickney 60, Tripp-Delmont/Armour 51 Dakota Christian 69, Scotland 49 Dell Rapids 50, Sisseton 25 Deubrook 35, Estelline 30 Dupree 41, Kadoka Area 11 Elk Point-Jefferson 53, Centerville 46 Elkton-Lake Benton 48, Arlington 34 Ethan 57, Freeman 25 Flandreau 45, Baltic 25 Freeman Academy 43, Canistota 40 Garretson 49, Parker 47 Great Plains Lutheran 48, Faulkton 29 Groton Area 62, Tiospa Zina Tribal 47 Harding County 70, Bison 39 Harrisburg 56, Sioux Falls Christian 32 Herreid/Selby Area 55, Potter County 45 Hitchcock-Tulare 39, Wolsey-Wessington 23 Howard 82, Iroquois 6 Jones County 86, White River 36 Langford 50, Aberdeen Christian 24 McLaughlin 47, Lemmon 42 Milbank 65, Ortonville, Minn. 33 Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 61, Bon Homme 30 New Underwood 46, Newell 36 Oldham-Ramona/Rutland 47, Dell Rapids St. Mary 43 Parkston 55, Andes Central 18

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Panel approves potential prohibition of abortion procedure JAMES NORD, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A measure that could ban a surgical abortion procedure that Planned Parenthood says doesn't occur in South Dakota passed through a House committee on Tuesday.

The bill's sponsor, Republican Rep. Isaac Latterell, told the House Health and Human Services Committee that a later-term abortion procedure could involve separating the skull from the spine. He said his legislation bans that practice, which he said may be part of a procedure called dilation and evacuation.

"I believe at a certain size child it's necessary to sever the head from the spine, and if that is done during a (dilation and evacuation procedure) then I'm opposed to it," Latterell said in an interview Tuesday.

Planned Parenthood spokeswoman Jennifer Aulwes said the language in the bill is medically inaccurate and inflammatory and that the procedure isn't performed in South Dakota. The committee approved the measure 11-2, over the protests of Democrats.

Elizabeth Nash is a policy analyst with the Guttmacher Institute, a national research organization that supports legal access to abortion. She said the bill appears to be an attempt to make abortion sound "horrible" and a step toward banning another type of procedure.

"What this bill is really about is the inflammatory language and riling up people to be opposed to abortion," Nash said. "This language is pretty gruesome. It's inflammatory. It's designed to get the political juices flowing. It is not really about what medical practice is like."

She said South Dakota's only abortion clinic, in Sioux Falls, doesn't perform abortions after a pregnancy reaches 14 weeks. Planned Parenthood's website says dilation and evacuation typically occurs after 16 weeks.

South Dakota law limits abortions after 24 weeks, according to the Guttmacher Institute.

South Dakota rolls over NAIA's Avila 84-60

VERMILLION, S.D. (AP) — Casey Kasperbauer was 5 of 9 from beyond the arc for 15 points to lead four players in double figures as South Dakota rolled over NAIA's Avila 84-60 on Tuesday night.

Tyler Larson had 12 points, Tre Burnette added 10 points with 11 rebounds and Brandon Bos had 10

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points for South Dakota (14-14), which took a break from Summit League play.

Avila led 17-14 midway through the first half but Larson drove for a layup to start a 14-0 run for a 28-17 lead at the 7:23 mark. The Coyotes led 43-29 at the break and were ahead 74-46 with 7:28 left in the game.

South Dakota scored 30 points in the paint and had 31 second-chance points. The Coyotes held a 49-17 advantage on the boards, including 21-6 on the offensive end.

D'Vante Lewis scored 15 points and Nduka Ezeamii had 13 for Avila.

SD Legislature calls for balanced federal budget amendment JAMES NORD, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Spurred by fears of excessive national debt, the South Dakota Legislature on Tuesday formally joined 24 other states in calling for a convention to amend the U.S. Constitution to require a balanced federal budget.

The South Dakota Senate voted 19-13 to approve the resolution calling for a constitutional convention, which was previously passed in the House. It takes 34 states to trigger a convention and 38 states to approve an amendment.

Republican Sen. Ernie Otten painted a picture of crushing national debt. Sen. Bruce Rampelberg, a Republican from Rapid City, likened debt to a giant wave bearing down on the country.

"This thing is facing us just like a tsunami out there, and it's coming at us," Rampelberg said. "I want to do something, and this is the best something I can think of right now."

With South Dakota, 25 states have passed resolutions supporting a balanced-budget amendment, according to nonprofit advocacy group Balanced Budget Forever. South Dakota lawmakers in recent years have pushed similar resolutions but have failed to secure the necessary support.

Sen. Troy Heinert, a Democrat from Mission, said lawmakers would be better off passing a resolution to demand getting the money out of politics in Washington, D.C.

Opponents also that argue the convention could backfire and be used to rewrite many parts of the Constitution, an outcome typically called a "runaway convention." Otten said a separate bill the Senate passed on Tuesday addresses those concerns.

The proposal would restrict a South Dakota convention representative from approving any unauthorized amendments, and Otten said state delegates would be "agents of this Legislature."

The bill would also require convention delegates from the state to take an oath affirming they wouldn't support a rogue amendment, and the measure would allow up to a \$5,000 civil fine if a delegate violated the oath.

Ohio Gov. John Kasich, who is behind Balanced Budget Forever, praised South Dakota lawmakers for passing the resolution.

"It puts South Dakota on the map here as a state that has seen the wisdom of trying to do something to rein in Congress," Kasich said in a voicemail.

Measure to increase lawmaker pay fails in state Senate

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The state Senate has voted down a measure to increase lawmaker pay to \$10,000 for each regular legislative session as part of an effort to encourage more South Dakotans to run for office.

The full Senate on Tuesday voted 21-11, less than the necessary two-thirds majority required to approve the plan to boost the current \$6,000 salary.

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Republican Sen. Craig Tieszen says his proposal was designed to make it easier for South Dakotans to serve. He says that higher pay will make the Legislature stronger.

Opponents argue that the money spent on raising legislator pay could go to other state priorities.

The state House has passed several proposals to allow for increases in South Dakota lawmakers' compensation, which is among the lowest in the nation.

Owner of SD car dealership indicted on grand theft charges

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Authorities in South Dakota are accusing the owner of a car dealership of participating in misleading business transactions.

Attorney General Marty Jackley says 38-year-old Joseph Stanford has been indicted on charges of grand theft by deception and selling a motor vehicle without the consent of a lienholder.

Prosecutors say Stanford in late 2013 "engaged in deceptive business transactions surrounding the selling and buying of a vehicle." The Brandon man at the time was the owner and principal of Moto Joes.

It's unclear whether Stanford has an attorney. He did not immediately return a call seeking comment Tuesday.

House panel moves to allow concealed weapons at SD Capitol JAMES NORD, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — People who have a permit should be able to carry a concealed weapon in the South Dakota Capitol, a state House committee narrowly voted on Tuesday, rejecting an argument by the Highway Patrol that it could cause confusion.

The House Local Government Committee voted 7-6 in favor of a plan to remove the prohibition, with a few potential exceptions.

Republican Sen. Betty Olson, from Prairie City, the bill's Senate sponsor, told the committee that she would like to have the freedom to legally carry a concealed weapon because of concern about what could happen if the Capitol came under attack.

"We're sitting on the floor and looking up in the gallery. There's not much protection up there if somebody decided to walk in and eliminate some of us politicians," Olson said.

The bill includes provisions that allow constitutional officers, Supreme Court justices and legislative leaders to prohibit carrying concealed weapons in certain areas, such as the House or Senate galleries, or in offices, she said.

Republican Rep. Blaine Campbell, of Rapid City, the bill's House author, said that some people who have a concealed weapons permit forget they have a weapon when they come into the Capitol, something Olson acknowledged she has done.

Campbell said the proposal isn't meant to discredit the South Dakota Highway Patrol, which is tasked with protecting the Capitol but is instead about constitutional rights.

The Highway Patrol opposes the measure because it could cause confusion for law enforcement entering a violent situation, said Maj. Dana Svendsen, an assistant superintendent. The agency takes its job very seriously and troopers undergo a significant amount of training, he said.

"Please let law enforcement make the tough calls and do the job we're here to do," Svendsen said A measure to authorize only lawmakers to have weapons in the Capitol building failed last week in a Senate committee, though the panel approved a measure allowing sergeants-at-arms to carry. Several other gun-related bills are pending this session.

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Republican Rep. Lee Qualm, of Platte, pushed back against opponents who said they felt safer in a Capitol where the state troopers are the only ones legally allowed to carry weapons.

"We're making laws for law-abiding citizens. Crooks, thieves, people that want to do bodily harm, have zero regard for laws. Zero," Qualm said. "And a gun-free zone? Man, that's open season."

Inmate serving rape sentence dies following lengthy illness

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A South Dakota prison inmate serving a 30-year sentence for first-degree rape has died of natural causes following a lengthy illness.

The South Dakota Department of Corrections says 60-year-old Harold Kusick died Monday in Sioux Falls. Kusick was sentenced in 2004 for a rape that had happened a decade earlier.

Prosecutors accused Kusick of assaulting a girl three times between 1992 and 1995, when she was under age 13. He pleaded guilty to one count of first-degree rape, and the state dropped two charges as part of an agreement.

A Pennington County judge also ordered Kusick to pay for the victim's counseling.

Corrections officials on Tuesday said an autopsy is being conducted. They did not disclose Kusick's illness.

South Dakota AG reacts to ruling to block immigration order

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota Attorney General Marty Jackley says it's time for a "meaningful discussion" about immigration reform in Washington following a federal court ruling that blocks an executive order on immigration.

A federal judge in Texas temporarily blocked executive orders Tuesday that would have shielded from deportation as many as 5 million people who entered the U.S. illegally.

South Dakota is one of 26 states that have challenged the Obama administration's orders as unconstitutional.

The coalition of states led argues that President Barack Obama has violated the "Take Care Clause" of the U.S. Constitution, which they say limits the scope of presidential power.

The federal government is expected to appeal the ruling to the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Jackley says joining the suit didn't cost anything to South Dakota.

Opponents fear problems from chicken facility near Parker

PARKER, S.D. (AP) — A large egg-laying operation planned near Parker would be too close to town and would pose too many problems for area residents, opponents believe.

Sioux Falls-based Sonstegard Foods hopes to put 6 million birds on a farm in Turner County, 2¹/₂ miles from Parker. Opponents attended a public meeting Monday night to voice their concerns about potential problems such as odor.

"Nearly 1,200 residents live within a 2-mile radius," opponent Katie Overvaag said.

DaVida Jaqua said she likes chickens and has raised them, "but I also know how messy they are and how stinky they are and you take that times 6 million and that's a lot."

The chicken farm would have 10 barns, two dry manure buildings, a processing plant and a feed mill. Pat Riley, who lives near Worthington, Minnesota, spoke to the crowd Monday about the impact Sonstegard's egg-laying site at Harris, Iowa, has had on neighboring communities.

"You won't be able to go outside in the summer," he told Parker-area residents. "This is nothing like you people have ever seen before."

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Area farmer Shane Merrill, who toured the company's facility in Iowa, said he was impressed by the measures in place to control flies.

"There were four pest control people right there," he said. "That was all they did."

Sonstegard officials say they are designing the Parker facility to minimize odor.

Parker Mayor Ron Nelson said the city has not taken an official position on the proposal but that the promise of new jobs and a boost to the area economy is enticing.

"Those 155 good-paying jobs don't come easily in a town like this," he said.

Trial over Sturgis trademark delayed from summer to fall

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) — A four-year-old trademark dispute between Sturgis Motorcycle Rally Inc. and Rushmore Photo and Gifts and Wal-Mart Stores Inc. will go to trial in the fall rather than this summer. The trademark infringement lawsuit was scheduled for trial in July, but the opposing sides asked U.S. Chief District Judge Jeffrey Viken to delay the trial. Both sides said the trial would come too close to the annual motorcycle rally's 75th anniversary in early August.

The Rapid City Journal reports (http://bit.ly/1vbtAFv) the 10-day trial is now set to begin Oct. 19. Sturgis Motorcycle Rally Inc. sued Rushmore Photo and Gifts and Wal-Mart over its Sturgis trademark. The group says the trademark is needed to protect the quality of products connected with the rally that draws hundreds of thousands of people each year.

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. OBAMA'S ARAB WORLD VIEW CHALLENGED BY CRISES

The president often cited Iraq, Yemen, Syria and Libya as models for his successful approach in a volatile region. Terrorism and conflict have exposed the weaknesses in those countries and the flaws in his approach.

2. KIEV SAYS REBELS CONTINUING ATTACK IN EAST

Ukraine's troops are withdrawing from the Debaltseve, the epicenter of fighting between the government and the pro-Russian factions.

3. CHINESE NEW YEAR HAS GLOBAL IMPACT

The weeklong holiday that shuts down China's industries ripples through to a global stock market lull and a busy travel season throughout Asia.

4. IN PAKISTAN, A BATTLE AGAINST VACCINATION CONTINUES

The country's anti-vaccine campaigners don't cite scientifically questionable research; they target health workers with deadly violence that derails efforts to immunize children.

5. WHY CONSUMERS ARE STILL NOT SPENDING THEIR CASH

The trend of cushioning savings and paying off debt which started after the recent financial crisis is continuing despite cheap gas prices.

6. HOW RISING SEAS ARE CREEPING ONTO INDIA'S ISLANDS

In the country's Sundarbans, a low-lying delta region in the Bay of Bengal, saltwater is rising at twice the global average, pushing poor farmers further and further inland.

7. VAPE 'EM IF YOU'VE GOT 'EM, INMATES TOLD

Many jail officials say the benefits of e-cigarettes — for instance, they decrease traditional cigarette contraband — outweigh potential problems or health risks.

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8. 'MODERN FAMILY' GREETS MODERN TECHNOLOGY

Other than a few scenes shot with a MacBook Pro, the Feb. 25 episode of the ABC show was captured entirely with iPhone 6s and iPads.

9. A-ROD APOLOGIZES 'TO THE FANS'

In a vague handwritten note referencing "the mistakes that led to my suspension," the MLB star says he's ready "to put this chapter behind me and play some ball."

10. WHO'S CROWNED AT WESTMINSTER

Miss P, a soft-spoken beagle, followed in the footsteps of great uncle Uno, the 2008 winner, to become the nation's top dog this year.

AP News in Brief

Obama's view of US role in Arab world challenged by deepening crises across the region

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's view of the U.S. role in the Middle East and North Africa is being challenged by deepening crises in the very countries he has seen as models for his approach to the volatile region: Iraq, Syria, Yemen and Libya.

After making good on his pledge to end large-scale American ground wars in the region, Obama has inched the military back into Iraq. The targeted counterterrorism campaigns Obama prefers to ground combat have weakened some extremists, but done little to quell the chaos in which terror groups thrive, or ward off the formation of new factions, like the Islamic State. And Obama's calls for regional governments and local security forces to take the lead for stabilizing their own countries has often only exposed the weaknesses of those institutions.

The White House acknowledges that the terror threat has spread throughout the region, though officials argue the risk to the U.S. posed by groups like the Islamic State is less than when al-Qaida was at peak strength. Still, U.S. defense and intelligence agencies are deeply concerned about the number of countries buckling under a toxic mix of political chaos and security concerns.

A look at the situation in countries where Obama has tried to stake out a new model of American engagement in the Arab world:

IRAQ

Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko says Ukrainian troops have been pulled out of Debaltseve

ARTEMIVSK, Ukraine (AP) — Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko says Ukraine has pulled most of its troops out of Debaltseve.

Poroshenko said in comments on his official Twitter account that the Ukrainiam army has withdrawn out 80 percent of its troops and two more columns have yet to leave town.

Poroshenko denied claims by the Russia-backed rebels that the Ukrainians were encircled. He says the troops are leaving Debaltseve with weapons and ammunition.

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Key issues in the states' lawsuit over Obama's administrative actions on immigration

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's plan to shield more than 4 million immigrants living in the country illegally from deportation is on hold after a judge temporarily blocked the effort.

One program to help immigrants brought to the country as children was scheduled to kick in Wednesday, but instead Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson said U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services wouldn't accept applications. And preparations for a second program aimed at protecting millions of parents of U.S. citizens and legal permanent residents have been idled until further notice.

U.S. District Judge Andrew Hanen wrote in a lengthy ruling that without a temporary injunction "the genie would be impossible to put back in the bottle."

Twenty-six states sued the Obama administration last year to block the programs. A trial date has not been set.

Obama on Tuesday said he disagreed with the ruling.

As China goes on holiday for Lunar New Year, business and cultural impact felt globally

HONG KONG (AP) — Decades ago the Chinese New Year holiday, also known as Spring Festival, had little impact outside of China. But as the country gained outsized economic influence, the holiday, which has enormous cultural significance in the Chinese-speaking world, has become more prominent. This is how it ripples around the world.

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Chinese factories shut down for the holiday and then some, with hundreds of millions of migrant workers heading to their hometowns, part of the world's largest mass movement of people. In the lead up to the holiday, factories run flat out to fill orders before shutting. The holiday itself runs from Feb. 18 to 24 this year, but workers start setting off as much as two weeks earlier on packed trains and buses. After the holiday they may take the same amount of time to return, or not. The holiday is a prime occasion to switch jobs.

It all means an annual headache for retailers and importers overseas who rely on China. Shipping companies warn customers that China's transport and logistics networks are at capacity and their shipments must be at ports two weeks ahead of the holiday to stand a chance of getting on a boat before the country shuts down. This year, shipping delays are compounded by a slowdown at U.S. West Coast ports.

While US debates vaccines, Pakistan is in high-stakes battle to eradicate crippling polio

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (AP) — While vaccine distrust has sparked debates amid a measles outbreak in the United States, Pakistan is in a deadly battle to wipe out polio.

Long eradicated in the West, polio remains endemic in Pakistan after the Taliban banned vaccinations, attacks targeted medical staffers and suspicions lingered about the inoculations.

The persistence of this crippling, sometimes fatal virus shows just how difficult wiping out a disease can be, even amid campaigns seeing thousands of vaccinators go into the field to offer polio drops to children, sometimes under armed guard.

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"When we leave in the morning, we do it at the risk of our life," vaccinator Rubina Iqbal said. "We don't know whether we will come back alive or not."

Polio is a highly contagious virus generally transmitted in unsanitary conditions. There is no cure for the virus, which mostly affects children under 5, though it can be prevented with a vaccine.

Threat of mass migration for 13 million Indians, Bangladeshis in disappearing Sundarbans

BALI ISLAND, India (AP) — The tiny hut sculpted out of mud at the edge of the sea is barely large enough for Bokul Mondol and his family to lie down in. The water has taken everything else from them, and one day it almost certainly will take this, too.

Saltwater long ago engulfed the 5 acres where Mondol once grew rice and tended fish ponds, as his ancestors had on Bali Island for some 200 years. His thatch-covered hut, built on public land, is the fifth he has had to build in the last five years as the sea creeps in.

"Every year we have to move a little further inland," he said.

Seas are rising more than twice as fast as the global average here in the Sundarbans, a low-lying delta region of about 200 islands in the Bay of Bengal where some 13 million impoverished Indians and Bangladeshis live. Tens of thousands like Mondol have already been left homeless, and scientists predict much of the Sundarbans could be underwater in 15 to 25 years.

That could force a singularly massive exodus of millions of "climate refugees," creating enormous challenges for India and Bangladesh that neither country has prepared for.

For many Americans, money saved at the gas pump is being stashed in pockets, for now

WASHINGTON (AP) — In recent months, the stage seemed set for American consumers to do what they've traditionally done best: Spend money — and drive the economy.

The lowest gas prices in five years had given people more spending money. Employers added over 1 million jobs from November through January, the best three-month pace in 17 years. Businesses even raised pay in December. Economists had forecast that last week's retail sales report for January would show a healthy rise.

And yet — to the surprise of analysts — consumers have held their wallets closely.

Even though Americans spent \$6.7 billion less at gas stations in January than they had two months earlier, the extra cash didn't get spent anywhere else: Retail sales, excluding gas, fell slightly from November to January.

The unexpected pullback provided evidence that drivers had used their extra money to further rebuild their savings and reduce their debts — a trend that began after the financial crisis and recession.

Oregon's incoming governor faces challenges after being thrust into office by resignation

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Incoming Oregon Gov. Kate Brown faces a monumental challenge as she takes the reins of a state government mired in scandal on less than a week's notice and with a special election already looming.

America's first bisexual governor will be sworn in Wednesday, becoming Oregon's 38th leader after

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fellow Democrat John Kitzhaber resigned amid ethics questions.

Brown, who has been in the relatively obscure position of secretary of state, replaces Oregon's most experienced governor in the middle of a legislative session.

Since Kitzhaber announced Friday he'd be stepping down, Brown has said little about her plans as governor. But she offered a hint in a statement from her office on Tuesday previewing her inaugural speech.

"She'll lay out a series of immediate reforms needed to restore the public's trust in government," the statement said. "And she'll speak to her bipartisan approach to helping Oregon's working families make ends meet."

Greece to make proposal to creditors, but unclear whether it would be accepted

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Greece was preparing Wednesday to present its creditors with an official proposal aimed to save bailout talks from collapse, as time is running out for a deal that would keep the country solvent and within the euro currency bloc.

Germany, the main European creditor, was quick to say it was skeptical of any new proposals.

Greek government spokesman Gavriil Sakellaridis said Athens' plan would involve extending the 240 billion euro international loan agreement that has kept the country afloat since 2010 — but, apparently, without the austerity strings attached.

"We believe the terms of the bailout cannot continue by any means," Sakellaridis told private Antenna TV.

Greek shares were up 1.5 percent in late morning trading on the news, after days of losses, and the eurozone's Euro Stoxx 50 index rose 0.8 percent.

Hawaii takes to the Web to campaign against hikers who trespass to see beautiful waterfall

HONOLULU (AP) — Hawaii officials have long been warning people to stay away from Sacred Falls, a dramatic waterfall where a landslide killed eight hikers more than 15 years ago.

But hikers keep returning, encouraged by gushing reviews on websites and YouTube.

Now the state is pushing back with its own online campaign.

It's releasing a video showing a law enforcement officer citing people for criminal trespassing. It features interviews with officers talking about risking their own lives to rescue people who get in trouble in the valley.

Sacred Falls is about an hour's drive from Honolulu on Oahu's lush eastern side. A park there used to be open to the public, but the state Department of Land and Natural Resources closed it in 1999.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18, the 49th day of 2015. There are 316 days left in the year. **Today's Highlight in History:**

On Feb. 18, 1885, Mark Twain's "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" was published in the U.S. for the first time (after already being published in Britain and Canada).

On this date:

In 1546, Martin Luther, leader of the Protestant Reformation in Germany, died in Eisleben.

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In 1564, artist Michelangelo Buonarroti died in Rome, just weeks before his 89th birthday. In 1861, Jefferson Davis was sworn in as provisional president of the Confederate States of America in Montgomery, Alabama.

In 1913, Mexican President Francisco I. Madero and Vice President Jose Maria Pino Suarez were arrested during a military coup (both were shot to death on Feb. 22).

In 1930, photographic evidence of Pluto (now designated a "dwarf planet") was discovered by Clyde W. Tombaugh at Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Arizona.

In 1943, Madame Chiang Kai-shek, the wife of the Chinese leader, addressed members of the Senate and then the House, becoming the first Chinese national to address both houses of the U.S. Congress.

In 1953, "Bwana Devil," the movie that heralded the 3D fad of the 1950s, had its New York opening. In 1960, the 8th Winter Olympic Games were formally opened in Squaw Valley, California, by Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

In 1970, the "Chicago Seven" defendants were found not guilty of conspiring to incite riots at the 1968 Democratic national convention; five were convicted of violating the Anti-Riot Act of 1968 (those convictions were later reversed).

In 1984, Italy and the Vatican signed an accord under which Roman Catholicism ceased to be the state religion of Italy.

In 1995, the NAACP replaced veteran chairman William Gibson with Myrlie Evers-Williams, the widow of slain civil rights leader Medgar Evers.

In 2001, auto racing star Dale Earnhardt Sr. died in a crash at the Daytona 500; he was 49.

Ten years ago: Explosions tore through Baghdad and a nearby city on the eve of Shiite Muslims' holiest day, killing three dozen people. Uli Derickson, the flight attendant who'd helped save passengers during the 1985 TWA hijacking, died in Tucson, Arizona, at age 60.

Five years ago: In Austin, Texas, software engineer A. Joseph Stack III crashed his single-engine plane into a building containing IRS offices, killing one person besides himself. President Barack Obama personally welcomed the Dalai Lama to the White House, but kept the get-together off camera and low key in an attempt to avoid inflaming tensions with China. In Vancouver, Evan Lysacek became the first U.S. man to win the Olympic gold medal since Brian Boitano in 1988, shocking everyone by upsetting defending champion Evgeni Plushenko.

One year ago: Defiant protesters shouted "Glory to Ukraine!" as burning tents lit up the night sky after thousands of riot police moved against the sprawling protest camp in the center of Kiev. Megan Rice, an 84-year-old nun, was sentenced in Knoxville, Tennessee, to nearly three years in prison for breaking into a nuclear weapons complex and defacing a bunker holding bomb-grade uranium, a demonstration that exposed serious security flaws at the Y-12 National Security Complex in Oak Ridge. (Two other activists received sentences of just over five years.) Jorrit Bergsma set an Olympic record and led another Dutch speedskating sweep, winning the 10,000 meters at Sochi with an upset of countryman Sven Kramer in 12:44.45, eclipsing the Olympic record of 12:58.55. Maria Franziska von Trapp, 99, the last surviving member of the seven original Trapp Family Singers of "Sound of Music" fame (and step-daughter of "the" Maria von Trapp), died in Stowe, Vermont.

Today's Birthdays: Actor George Kennedy is 90. Former Sen. John Warner, R-Va., is 88. Author Toni Morrison is 84. Movie director Milos (MEE'-lohsh) Forman is 83. Singer Yoko Ono is 82. Singer-songwriter Bobby Hart is 76. Singer Irma Thomas is 74. Singer Herman Santiago (Frankie Lymon and the Teenagers) is 74. Actress Jess Walton (TV: "The Young and the Restless") is 69. Singer Dennis DeYoung is 68. Actress Sinead Cusack is 67. Actress Cybill Shepherd is 65. Singer Juice Newton is 63. Singer Randy Crawford is 63. Rock musician Robbie Bachman is 62. Rock musician Larry Rust (Iron Butterfly) is 62.

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Actor John Travolta is 61. Actor John Pankow is 60. Game show host Vanna White is 58. Actress Jayne Atkinson is 56. Actress Greta Scacchi (SKAH'-kee) is 55. Actor Matt Dillon is 51. Rock musician Tommy Scott (Space) is 51. Rapper Dr. Dre is 50. Actress Molly Ringwald is 47. Actress Sarah Brown is 40. Actor Ike Barinholtz is 38. Actor Kristoffer Polaha is 38. Singer-musician Sean Watkins (Nickel Creek) is 38. Actor Tyrone Burton is 36. Rock-singer musician Regina Spektor is 35. Opera singer Isabel Leonard is 33. Roots rock musician Zac Cockrell (Alabama Shakes) is 27. Actor Shane Lyons is 27. Actress Maiara Walsh is 27.

Thought for Today: "Temperament is temper that is too old to spank." - Charlotte Greenwood, American actress-comedian (1893-1978).

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 Transtportation - 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.

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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:

• 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 <u>one</u> 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 <u>two</u> 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

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- 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

Address Exceptions:

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

<u>Living with someone else</u> - 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 <u>Consent for Use of Address</u> form may be obtained at the exam station or printed off our website.

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

<u>People who travel full-time</u> - 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. <u>Military and Military Dependents</u> - 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.