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The Milbank track meet scheduled for today (Tuesday/7th) has been POSTPONED until Thursday (9th)! Also, there will be NO track meet on Friday in Sisseton.

Wednesday, April 8

Birthdays: Amanda Wheeler, Julia Grenz, Lori Gelhaus, Mitch Hanson, Tammy Erickson

Senior Menu: Baked chicken, rice pilaf, cauliflower and pea salad, pudding, whole wheat bread.

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

School Lunch: Softshell taco, refried beans, carrots and dip, fruit.

7:00 pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Confirmation with youth and parents.

7:00 pm: Emmanuel Lutheran League

7:00 pm: Human Trafficking Seminar at Methodist Church

Thursday, April 9

Birthdays: Becca Monson, Carla Smith, Dale Grenz, Debora Tietz, Lance Larsen, Melissa Connolly, Roxie Merkel, Sydney Rossow

The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is **OPEN**

OPEN: Recycling Trailer in Groton

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

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

FOR RENT

Attached garage.

Major appliances included.

\$700 per month

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Ken's of Groton is expanding

According to Lionel Bruemmer, manager of Ken's Food Fair of Groton, the Groton store will be adding 4,000 square feet of store space. The C store will be expanded and the frozen and fresh food areas will also be enlarged. He said that 17 additional freezer doors will be added. "It's going to be real nice," Bruemmer. "Groton has a real nice grocery store."

Part of the Crossroads Plaza was purchased with most of it being added to the Ken's store. "There is a small section left over that someone can rent," Bruemmer said. The grocery store and C Store areas will be separated in the new design. The grocery store part will be closed off in the early morning and late evening hours. Some essentials like milk and bread will be available in the C store area.

"We're waiting for the equipment," Bruemmer said. The flooring will be done and a fresh coat of paint will be done. The process will take six to eight weeks to complete.

Classifieds

Help Wanted

The Groton Area School District is seeking applications for a GRASP OST Coordinator/Paraprofessional. This position includes summer months and offers competitive salary and benefits. This position closes on April 17, 2015. Questions should be directed to Mr. Dan Dalchow, Elementary Principal. Applications can be found at www.grotonarea.com. (0407.0414)

The Groton Area School District is seeking applications for a Business Office Assistant. This position includes summer months and offers competitive salary and benefits. This position will remain opened until filled. Questions should be directed to Mr. Joe Schwan, Superintendent. Applications can be found at www.grotonarea.com. (0407.0414)

Dairy Queen is now hiring! Looking for smiling, energetic people to work day or evening shifts, flexible schedule. Apply in person at 11 E Hwy 12 in Groton.

FOR RENT

ONE AND TWO bedroom apartment for rent. HDS subsidized. Rent includes utilities and heat. No smoking. Pets okay. Contact Darlene Daly at 605/380-0571 or Arlys Kluess at 605-216-8399.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to sincerely thank all who came to help celebrate my 90th birthday. Thank you to all that sent cards and gifts. I truly enjoyed them all.

Marie Gengerke. (pd)

The Life of Gary Lenling



Services for Gary Lenling, 64, of Claremont will be 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, April 8th at the Claremont United Methodist Church. Pastor Gwen Mader will officiate. Burial with military honors will follow in Hufton Cemetery.

Gary died in his home April 4, 2015 of natural causes. Gary was born on June 30, 1950 in Aberdeen, South Dakota. His family moved to Claremont when he was 5 years old and he continued to live there until his death. He met Marian Ness when he was 10 years old and Marian was 7 years old. They were childhood playmates, teenage sweethearts and they finally became lifelong mates as husband and wife on July 27, 1971.

Gary and Marian, along with their two daughters, made their home in Claremont. Gary bought both his home and his plumbing/ electrical business from Russel Beaver, his mentor and surrogate father. Gary was a tireless worker who was always on call at his job, even on holidays.

Gary served in the South Dakota National Guard and helped during the Rapid

City flood. He was recognized for his service during that natural disaster. Gary was an active community member in Claremont belonging to the American Legion, the Claremont Rural Fire Department, and serving on the Claremont Town Board for nearly 30 years.

Gary loved Claremont so much that he even went out of his way to testify in Pierre before state representatives to obtain funding for the town of Claremont to reconstruct substructures damaged during flooding. During later flooding, he drove Governor Dennis Daugaard through the three feet of water surrounding Claremont to attend an emergency meeting. The meeting in Claremont was attended by the Governor as well as many Brown County Commissioners to find a solution to the submerged roads surrounding our little town.

When Gary wasn't working he was busy with one of his many hobbies including gardening, cooking, yard work, and designing and building creative woodworking projects. Gary also enjoyed fishing. That was the only time he could truly sit down and relax. He would happily sit all day long with a line out even when the fish weren't biting.

Celebrating his life is his wife, Marian of Claremont, his daughters, Wanette Lenling of Claremont, and Corinna Lenling of Escondido, California; two sisters, Ardell Saylor of Claremont and Deb (Ron) Dell of Mina Lake; and his sister-in-law, Barb Lenling of Redfield.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Elden and Elizabeth (Betty) Lenling, brothers, Larry & Myron, a sister-in-law, Loreen Lenling and brother-in-law, Don Saylor.

Honorary Casketbearers will be Don VanderVorst, Dean Haselhorst, Roger Schuller, Ron Dell, Gerry Saylor, Jason Lenling, and all of Gary's other nephews and nieces.

Casketbearers will be Steve Cutler, Sherm Cutler, Wayne Lenling, Arnie Lenling, David Saylor, Matt Schuller and David Traylor.

Bevitized: An Appliance With An Attitude



by Beverly Patterson

There is really no way to ever know just exactly what your day will bring. Sometimes I begin my day by dropping everything I attempt to pick up. Sometimes I oversleep. Sometimes I hit the snooze button several times and sometimes I actually get up before the alarm goes off. Yes, that has actually happened. Maybe like 3 times if you must know, but they count!

And then there was a morning, not long ago, when I thought I was ready to surprise Don with a hot steamy cup of fresh coffee. He usually makes his own but I thought he might like not having to wait for it to brew. I planned this little surprise the night before so that all I would have to do is crawl out of bed, walk down the hall and push the button on Mr. Coffee. When Don finished showering I knew his nose would lead him into the kitchen with a silly smile on his sleepy face murmuring the word "coooofffffeeeee" with every step. The sweet surprise took a rather unexpected turn and that was the day I learned Mr. Coffee had an attitude. I found out that he prefers the carafe to be in a certain position and if it's not, he will pump all of the water in his water holding area onto the counter rather than allowing it to flow over the coffee grounds and into the carafe. Now I'm not the type to scream and yell and throw things. I'm the type that gets upset, utters a

few choice words about product quality to the hypothetical manufacturer that is located somewhere near the ceiling and then I walk away. On this particular occasion I'm quite sure Mr. Coffee thought he had won. I'm quite sure he was already thinking about trying this again. He had no idea that my "Kodak" moment was developing and that it would force him to be sorry. You might be thinking revenge but I prefer to call it "a plan to defuse" in this case, a rather devious appliance.

I knew my plan would be most successful if implemented when I was home alone. Lucky for me, Don's work schedule was going to require him to be gone for a few days when Mr. Coffee and his attitude were still very fresh on my mind. I waited for Don to roll his suitcase across the deck and when I heard the pickup door shut and the engine start I knew it was time to put my plan in motion!

I peeked around the corner from the living room and I could see Mr. Fussypants sitting there on the counter. He was all cocky with his aqua lighted time displayed on the sleek black display panel. His water chamber was empty so he wasn't able to pull any of his hi-jinks on me but I know he wanted to. He knew the guy he made coffee for had left and perhaps he didn't like me because I don't like coffee. Maybe it was personal. For a brief second I felt a bit of compassion for him. Maybe I made him feel bad and maybe I should put an end to my plan and apologize to him. Thankfully those thoughts were extinguished by the memory of the pile of wet towels we used to clean up his mess on the morning he decided to have an attitude!

I hope this won't change how you perceive me but I walked up to the counter. I took hold of the plug on the end of Mr. Coffee's cord and I gave it a rather rapid tug and before he knew what had happened, he was rendered lifeless! His aqua lighted time displayed on his sleek black display panel faded away. That little dab of electricity he was so used to sipping on throughout the day was gone! I huffed a bit of breath onto my fingernails and buffed it away and said to him, "I guess it's safe to say you won't be having any more "light bulb" moments on how to mess with me now that I have removed your power!" This comment was followed by a rather devious bout of laughter as I walked out of the room.....baha-hahahahaha! When I was a safe distance from Mr. No-Coffee I said, "I win!" and then I laughed again!

When Don returned home he noticed the coffee pot was unplugged and asked, "What's up with this?" I told him I had trust issues with that devious machine and then I winked at Mr. No-Coffee and headed down the hall to get ready for bed.

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Blood Drive is April 16th

The Groton Blood Drive is set for Thursday, April 16, noon to 6 p.m. at the Groton American Legion. Contact June Ackman at 397-8369 or Carol Osterman at 397-8498 to make an appointment.

Today in Weather History

April 8, 1995: Ten inches to two feet of snow fell in central South Dakota in a five day period, beginning April 8th. Many roads became impassable. Several businesses, government offices, and schools were closed on the 11th. Twenty-four inches fell at Ree Heights and Gettysburg, 20.0 inches at Faulkton, 18.0 inches at Kennebec, 16.0 inches at Pierre, and 10.0 inches at Doland.

1989: Two-dozen cities in the southwestern U.S. reported new record high temperatures for the date. Phoenix AZ equaled their record for April of 104 degrees established just the previous day.

1998: A major F5 tornado struck western Jefferson County in Alabama leveling the communities of Oak Grove, Rock Creek, Edgewater, McDonald's Chapel, Sylvan Springs and Pratt City. The tornado lifted just two miles from downtown Birmingham. The twister had a track of 20 miles with the damage path averaging between $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile in width. 34 people were killed, 221 injured and 1,000 homes were destroyed.

1919 - A tornado swarm in northern Texas resulted in the deaths of 64 persons. (David Ludlum)

1926 - The lightning-set oil depot fire near San Luis Obispo CA boiled over and engulfed 900 acres. Many tornado vortices resulted from the intense heat of the fire. One such tornado traveled 1000 yards, picked up a house and carried it 150 feet, killing the two occupants inside. (The Weather Channel)

1973 - A severe storm brought high winds and heavy snow to Iowa. Belle Plain received 20 inches of snow, and 19 inches blanketed Dubuque, record totals for both locations for so late in the season. Snow drifts up to sixteen feet high closed highways. (David Ludlum)

1987 - A cold front crossing the Northern Plateau and the Northern Rocky Mountain Region produced high winds in northeastern Wyoming. Winds gusting to 69 mph at Sheridan WY downed power lines and caused some property damage. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)








1988 - Strong northerly winds ushered cold air into the north central U.S. The strong winds, gusting to 60 mph at Rapid City SD and Williston ND, reduced visibilities in blowing dust over the Dakotas. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Two dozen cities in the southwestern U.S. reported new record high temperatures for the date. Phoenix AZ equalled their record for April of 104 degrees established just the previous day. (The National Weather Summary)

1990 - Twenty-two cities reported record low temperatures for the date as readings dipped into the 20s and 30s across much of the eastern U.S. Freezing temperatures severely damaged peach and apple orchards in West Virginia, where prolonged mild weather since January had caused an early blooming of spring vegetation. State and Federal agencies estimated a 50 percent loss in production for peaches and "Delicious Red Apples". (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

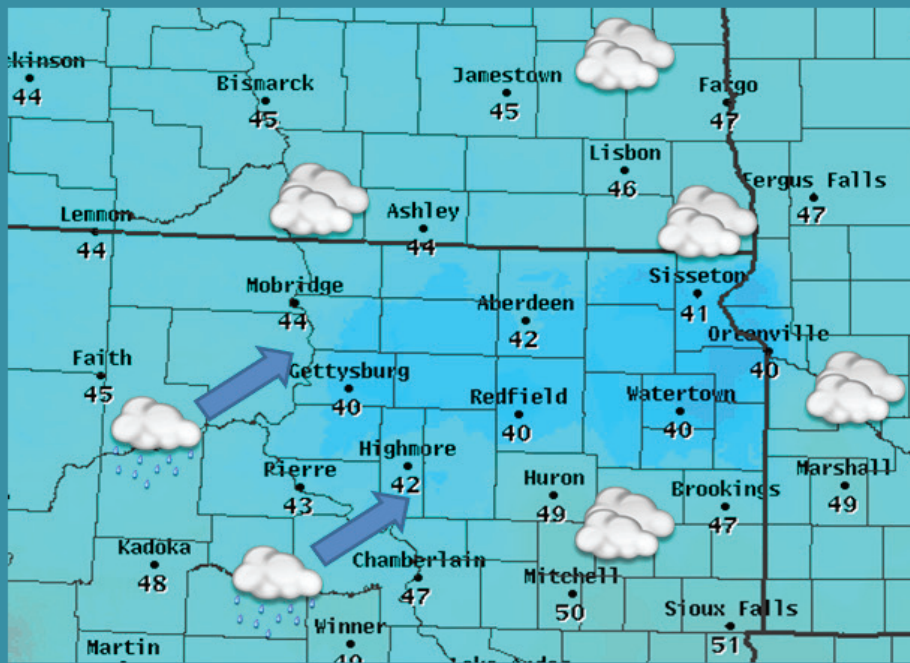
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| Today | Tonight | Thursday | Thursday Night | Friday | Friday Night | Saturday |
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| Areas Fog | Rain/Snow Likely | Rain/Snow Likely | Partly Cloudy | Sunny | Mostly Clear | Mostly Sunny |
| High: 41 °F | Low: 37 °F | High: 53 °F | Low: 30 °F | High: 59 °F | Low: 35 °F | High: 69 °F |



Cool & Cloudy Today
Moisture Moves In This Evening/Overnight



A Tenth To A Quarter Inch Expected
Dry Conditions Redevelop Thursday & Persist Into Next Week

National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

weather.gov/Aberdeen  National Weather Service Aberdeen  @NWSAberdeen **Updated: 4/8/2015 4:39 AM Central**

Published on: 04/08/2015 at 4:42AM

A weather system will move through the region this evening and overnight. Temperatures will be warm enough that most moisture will fall in the form of rain, to the tune of a tenth to a quarter inch of liquid. Unfortunately dry conditions will follow, and persist into the start of next week.

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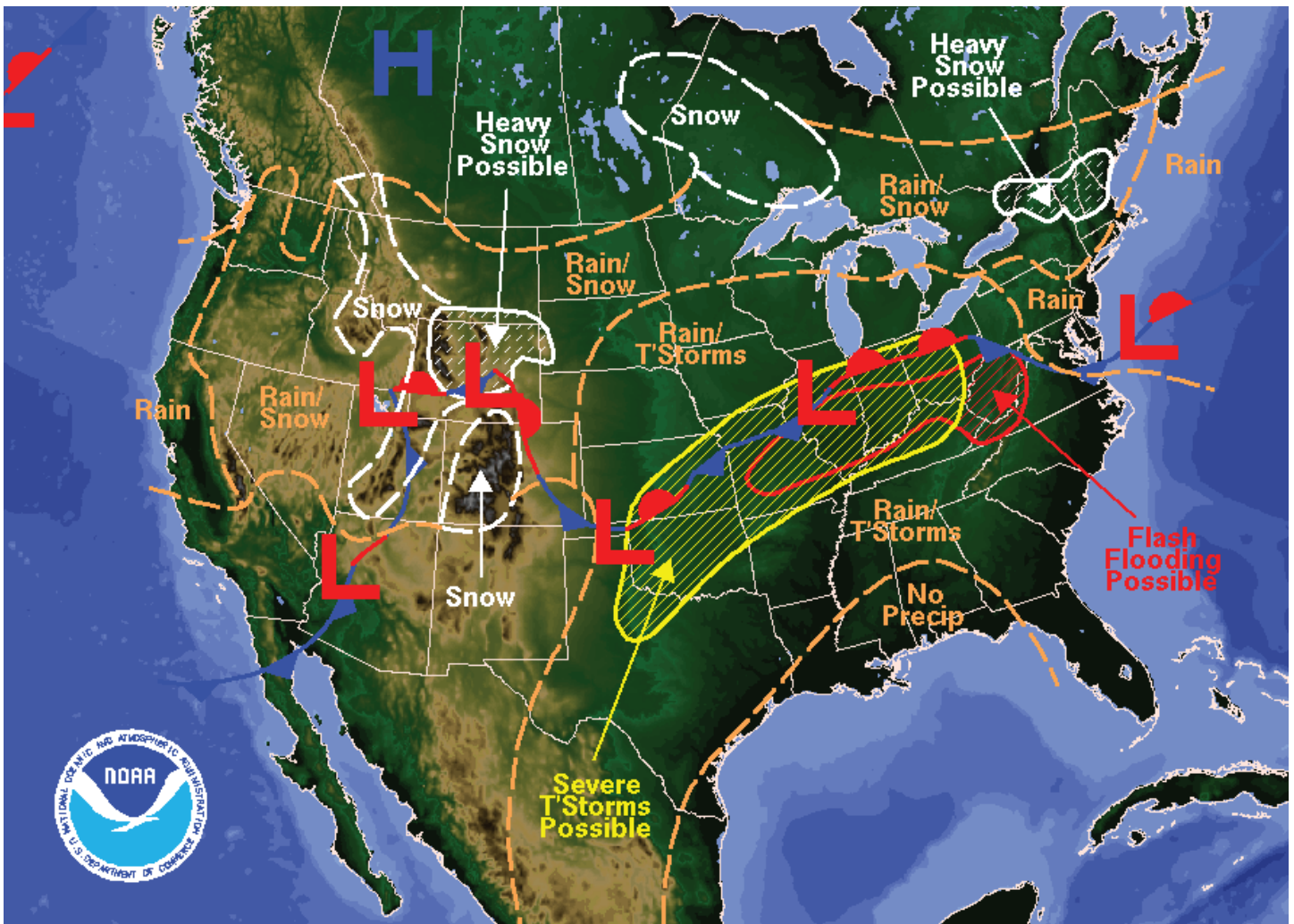
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Yesterday's Weather

High: 38.5 at 3:38 PM
Low: 33.5 at 4:57 AM
High Gust: 17 at 9:10 AM
Snow: 0.00
Precip: 0.01

Today's Info

Record High: 85° in 1945
Record Low: 6° in 1997
Average High: 53°F
Average Low: 29°F
Average Precip in April.: 0.32
Precip to date in April.: 0.01
Average Precip to date: 2.50
Precip Year to Date: 0.48
Sunset Tonight: 8:11 p.m.
Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:00 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Wed, Apr 08, 2015, issued 3:57 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



IT'S ALL ABOUT WHO

Perhaps the most boring people in the world are those who enjoy heaping praise on themselves. They have a view of themselves that far exceeds the reality of who they are and what they have accomplished in life. As one person so aptly said, "They have 'I' problems" - "I have done this and I have done that and I am better than you are and my opinions about myself are trustworthy, reliable and verifiable. And if you do not believe me, ask me and I'll go into more detail and explain more clearly what I have already achieved in life with more to come."

Solomon must have known people who were not only self-centered, but self-sufficient, self-serving and self-satisfied. They had completed a "self-evaluation" survey and broken all previous records. Wisely, Solomon provided some sound advice for those who fall into that category: "Let other people praise you, and not your own mouth; someone else, and not your own lips."

"Praise" is not the problem. If we see someone doing something that is commendable, helpful, kind and gracious in serving others on behalf of God, they are certainly worthy of recognition. So, being recognized or praised is not the problem either.

The problem lies in the fact when we evaluate ourselves by ourselves we normally overlook our flaws and frailties and "think more highly of ourselves than we ought to."

Jesus said it best: "I am not seeking glory for myself." If we glorify God, others will praise our works.

Prayer: We pray, Father, for an attitude of humility as we work to bring honor and glory to Your name! In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Proverbs 27:2 Let someone else praise you, and not your own mouth; an outsider, and not your own lips.

An advertisement for "Spring Annual Ladies Night" at Olde Bank Floral. The background is a light beige with a repeating floral pattern. The text is in various fonts and colors. A central logo for "Olde Bank Floral 'N More" is enclosed in a decorative frame. Promotional offers are listed on either side of the logo. At the bottom, the event date and time are given, along with the store's address and phone number.

Spring Annual
Ladies Night

Designer Fashions
50-75% off
with Deb Gengerke &
new spring
fashions showing

**Original
Photography
Showing**
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News from the Associated Press

3 women arrested in Rapid City fight with unique weapons

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Rapid City police arrested three women after a fight that authorities say involved some unique weapons.

Officers responded to a report of a group of 10 or more people fighting on Monday evening, and used pepper spray to stop one woman from attacking another with a board.

Two other women also were arrested — one for allegedly hitting a woman with a tire iron and another for attacking a woman with screwdriver bits.

The three women who were jailed all are in their 20s. Police did not immediately say what led to the fight.

Videoconference planned for South Dakota food entrepreneurs

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) — South Dakotans interested in marketing their food products can pick up some insight at an upcoming presentation available statewide.

SDSU Extension is hosting a food entrepreneur videoconference at nine locations starting at 1 p.m. CDT, April 14.

It will cover rules and regulations for marketing food products in South Dakota and to other states.

Sites include the SDSU Regional Extension Centers in Sioux Falls, Pierre, Mitchell, Winner, Lemmon, Aberdeen and Watertown as well as the West River Ag Center in Rapid City and South Dakota State University in Brookings.

The presentation is geared toward people interested in starting or expanding a small- to medium-sized food business and representatives from agencies and organizations that work with food entrepreneurs.

A \$15 registration fee is due ahead of time.

Rapid City National Guard unit will deploy to Afghanistan

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A Rapid City-based National Guard unit has been ordered to deploy to Afghanistan.

The South Dakota National Guard Public Affairs Office announced on Tuesday that the South Dakota Army National Guard's Detachment 48, Operational Support Airlift Command, received an order to mobilize.

Six members of the unit will head to Afghanistan in May.

The unit will train for a few weeks at Fort Bliss, Texas, before deploying to Afghanistan. The unit is made up of pilots and operations specialists.

The unit's main duty will be to perform surveillance from the air to support ground troops.

It's the third deployment for Detachment 48, which first went to Afghanistan in 2008.

Senate GOP leadership elections likely to be within a month

JAMES NORD, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The Senate GOP caucus likely will meet in the next month to fill the leadership void left when two top Senate Republicans resigned shortly after the legislative session ended.

Senate President Pro Tempore Corey Brown said Tuesday he would like to hold caucus elections within roughly the next month. The 25-member Republican Senate conference — which could grow if Gov. Dennis Daugaard fills the two vacancies before the caucus elections — will vote to fill the spots that

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Senate Majority Leader Tim Rave and Assistant Majority Leader Dan Lederman vacated with their mid-term departures from the Legislature.

Legislative leaders play a key role in negotiating policy positions. During the 2015 Legislature that meant fighting for the Senate stance on issues such as road and bridge funding hikes and mandating that certain insurance plans cover a costly but effective treatment for children with autism.

Rave left to take a new job at Sanford Health. Lederman said in a blog post that he wants to spend more time with his family but didn't return a follow-up request for comment.

Republican political observers say a credible bid for either leadership post could come from one of the caucus' three majority whips or from a rank-and-file member.

Brown said further votes to fill majority whip positions could be necessary if any of the lawmakers holding the lieutenant-style posts successfully secure one of the vacant top leadership spots. Brown said he has heard of interest from members of the caucus, but declined to discuss the names of potential candidates.

"I don't think there will be a shortage of candidates," he said.

Brown said he hasn't decided yet if he will run. The three majority whips are Sens. Ried Holien, Ernie Otten and Deb Soholt.

Holien said he is considering running for majority leader. Otten said he is weighing a bid for the assistant spot. Soholt said in a text message that she's "considering all options at this point" but said her main concern is the collective strength of the caucus.

Former Senate Majority Leader Russell Olson, who preceded Rave, said the Senate has a "whole room full of leaders." Like Rave, Olson left the Legislature for a new job: to serve as CEO of Heartland Consumers Power District.

Olson said that's part of serving in South Dakota's citizen Legislature.

"Life changes," Rave said. "People come and people go, but the process moves on, and that's how it was designed from the beginning."

Minority Leader Billie Sutton, who leads the eight-member Democratic caucus in the Senate, said he's sad to see Rave, a friend, leave the Legislature. Sutton said Rave was able to unite the conservative and moderate camps of the Senate Republicans to ensure the body got its work done.

"Moving forward, my concern would be that someone would get elected that isn't able to bridge that gap," Sutton said. "That's pretty important to us being effective as a body, is having leaders that can bring the caucuses together, and I'm hopeful that whoever they elect can do that."

Kadoka teenager dies after pickup truck rolls near Norris

NORRIS, S.D. (AP) — Authorities say a Kadoka teenager is dead following a single-vehicle crash near Norris.

The South Dakota Highway Patrol says 16-year-old McKenzie Stilwell was driving on 248th Avenue south of Highway 63 when his truck's left tire entered the ditch after a sharp right turn. Stilwell overcorrected and lost control. The truck slid sideways and rolled once.

Stilwell was driving with 16-year-old David Kary and 17-year-old Brennan Kukal. Both were transported by ambulance to a Rosebud hospital.

Stilwell was not wearing a seat belt. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

The Highway Patrol and Mellette County Sheriff's Office are continuing to investigate the accident.

SD police searching for missing boy with wildlife officials

YANKTON, S.D. (AP) — Authorities in Yankton worked with state and Nebraska wildlife officials on Tuesday to search for a 6-year-old South Dakota boy they believed drowned in the Missouri River near Yankton after disappearing while fishing with his family.

Lincoln Hilt, of Hurley, went missing about 7:30 p.m. Sunday while fishing from the docks at a city park in Yankton. Yankton Police Chief Brian Paulsen said Tuesday afternoon that his team was taking over command of the search and was working with officers from Nebraska Game Conservation and South Dakota Game Fish and Parks.

Authorities, who said Monday their goal is now a recovery mission, used helicopters, boats and divers in their search.

The Hilt family had traveled to Yankton to spend Easter with relatives, mother Tina Hilt told KTIV-TV. Lincoln and his sisters received fishing poles in their Easter baskets Sunday morning.

"We were fishing, and then I got a bite, and I looked away for like a minute, maybe a minute and a half," she said. "Then we looked back, and Lincoln wasn't there. We thought that maybe he had gone up to the bathroom, so we ran up to search the bathroom, and we noticed his rod wasn't around."

Volunteers turned out to help with the search.

"We all came here as one, as a community, to help find this little boy," volunteer Tara Swanson told KELO.

Viborg-Hurley School Superintendent Roby Sylliaasen told the Daily Press & Dakotan newspaper that there would be counselors available for students as classes resumed Tuesday after the holiday break.

"Our thoughts and prayers are with the family," he said. "We are there for our students. Counselors will be on hand. If we need to call in additional counselors, we will."

Missouri River water releases cut because of less snow

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Less water is being released from the Missouri River's dams this spring because officials expect only 80 percent of the normal amount of water to flow into the river basin this year.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers said Monday that it cut the amount of water released from the dam on the South Dakota-Nebraska border because of the reduced water forecast.

Officials say that the mountain snowpack in the upper Missouri River basin is 68 percent of normal. And between the Fort Peck and Garrison dams, the snowpack is about 74 percent of normal.

The Corps expects to be able to provide enough water for barge traffic for at least half the normal season.

2 Cavour men accused of beating horse formally charged

HURON, S.D. (AP) — Two Cavour men who were indicted on felony animal cruelty charges after allegedly beating a horse have been formally charged.

Thirty-five-year-old Justin Murray and 67-year-old Dennis Kerney were arraigned in Beadle County on Tuesday.

KOKK-AM reports the pair allegedly struck an Appaloosa horse on the head and back with wooden clubs as they attempted to groom the animal. The horse sustained injuries to its cheek and leg.

The two men are the first in Beadle County to be charged under the state's felony animal cruelty statute. South Dakota became the last state in the nation to enact such a law in the 2014 legislative session.

Statewide, authorities have filed fifteen felony animal cruelty charges since it took effect in July 2014

and two people have been convicted.

Authorities charge Sturgis man police subdued with bean bags

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A Sturgis man who police subdued with bean bag rounds after he allegedly threatened to kill himself has been charged with simple assault.

Authorities in Rapid City say they met with 69-year-old Robert Spangler in March after it was suspected that he accidentally shot and injured a 29-year-old Rapid City man.

After talking with police, officers say Spangler got out of a vehicle in the parking lot of the Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn and threatened to kill himself with a knife. Police say they shot at least nine bean-bag rounds at Spangler before he dropped the knife.

He was transported to Rapid City Regional Hospital on March 18.

Spangler was arrested and booked at the Pennington County Jail on Friday. He's charged with one count of simple assault.

Spring showers welcome but officials warn region still dry

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota is seeing some welcome rain this week but officials say residents should still be cautious of the unusually dry spring conditions.

National Weather Service Meteorologist Matt Bunkers says western South Dakota is expected to see anywhere from a quarter to three-quarters of an inch of rain between Tuesday night and Thursday morning. Parts of East River saw precipitation Tuesday morning.

Bunkers says the rain will help alleviate some of the region's recent dryness but says residents should still be cognizant as dry conditions return.

The state agriculture department urged residents on Tuesday to be cautious with fire around the Black Hills.

The department says residents should take precautions like not driving or parking a vehicle in dry grass and making sure cigarette butts are properly extinguished.

South Dakota woman dies in Utah ATV accident

MOAB, Utah (AP) — Authorities say a 63-year-old South Dakota woman has died after an all-terrain vehicle rolled over her on a popular Utah desert trail.

The Grand County Sheriff's Office says Karen Johnson, 63, from Millbank, S.D. died Monday at an eastern Utah hospital.

Johnson was riding the Hell's Revenge Trail east of Moab on Monday afternoon and was trying to climb an obstacle on the trail when her ATV rolled on top of her.

She was airlifted to Moab Regional Hospital where she died from her injuries.

The sheriff's office says she was in a private group and not on a commercial ATV tour.

Authorities say she was not wearing a helmet.

Spring planting under way in South Dakota but soils are dry

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Spring planting is underway in South Dakota, but another week of warm, dry conditions didn't help soil moisture.

The Agriculture Department says in its weekly crop progress report that 17 percent of the spring wheat crop, 10 percent of the oats and 7 percent of the barley is in the ground. Seeding of all three crops is on pace or ahead of the average.

Topsoil moisture supplies statewide are rated 67 percent short or very short. Subsoil moisture is rated 62 percent short to very short.

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. SOUTH CAROLINA OFFICER CHARGED WITH MURDER AFTER TRAFFIC STOP

The shooting by the white policeman of a black motorist as he ran away was captured on video by a bystander.

2. HOW RAND PAUL STARTS WHITE HOUSE CAMPAIGN

The tea party favorite is set to spend his first full day as a presidential candidate meeting with voters in New Hampshire.

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With each event averaging about \$500,000, officials looked for other ways the president could cement relationships with foreign leaders without spending public dollars for a lavish black-tie affair.

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Lee Min-bok says his balloons also contained dollar bills and political leaflets criticizing Kim's government.

9. WHAT HELPS SAN FRANCISCO NEIGHBORHOOD KEEP CLEAN

Mobile bathrooms on wheels are so successful that Honolulu and New York inquire about them in seeking solutions for similar sanitation problems.

10. TV RECORD FOR NCAA TITLE GAME

Duke's 68-63 comeback win over Wisconsin on CBS averaged 28.3 million viewers, the most since 1997, when Arizona upset defending champion Kentucky in overtime.

AP News in Brief

White SC police officer charged with murder in black man's death after dramatic video emerges

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — Dramatic video that shows a white South Carolina police officer shooting a fleeing black man after a traffic stop has led authorities to file a murder charge against the officer amid public outrage over a series of deaths of unarmed black men at the hands of law enforcement agents.

The video, provided to the dead man's family and lawyer by an unidentified person who shot the footage, shows North Charleston Patrolman Michael Thomas Slager firing eight shots at the back of Walter Lamer Scott as Scott runs away. The 50-year-old man falls after the eighth shot, fired after a brief pause.

North Charleston Mayor Keith Summey announced the charge at a news conference Tuesday in which he said Slager had made "a bad decision." Authorities said Scott was shot after the officer had already hit the man with a stun gun after a traffic stop Saturday that began over a faulty brake light.

"When you're wrong, you're wrong," Summey told reporters. "When you make a bad decision, don't care if you're behind the shield or a citizen on the street, you have to live with that decision."

Slager, who has been with the North Charleston police for five years, was denied bond at a first appearance hearing Tuesday. He was not accompanied by a lawyer. If convicted, he could face 30 years to life in prison.

Rand Paul starts presidential campaign with visit to New Hampshire, working to build momentum

NASHUA, N.H. (AP) — Republican Sen. Rand Paul is set to spend his first full day as a presidential candidate meeting with voters in New Hampshire.

Paul is scheduled to speak at a rally in Milford, New Hampshire, on Wednesday afternoon, one day after he announced he was in the race for the Republican presidential nomination in 2016. As he arrived in the state late Tuesday, he made an unannounced stop for about 10 minutes at a Manchester bar that is popular among tea party activists.

During the brief stop, he walked through Murphy's Taproom, shaking hands with voters but declining to make any formal public remarks. Those were reserved for Wednesday on the town square in Milford and were expected to echo the combative themes he hammered as he entered the race on Tuesday.

Paul, a tea party favorite, on Tuesday challenged both to Washington and his fellow Republicans to "take our country back." In his announcement speech, he needled Republicans and Democrats alike.

"If we nominate a candidate who is simply Democrat Lite, what's the point?" Paul asked.

Wounded as a slave, died free: Revelation about woman's death at Appomattox takes center stage

APPOMATTOX, Va. (AP) — A Civil War cannonball that ripped through Hannah Reynolds' master's cabin made her a footnote of misfortune, the lone civilian death at the Battle of Appomattox Court House. She died a slave at 60, hours before the war to end slavery unofficially came to a close.

A century and a half later, Reynolds' story is being rewritten: Newly discovered records show that she lingered for several days — long enough to have died a free woman.

This new historical narrative has made Reynolds, along with Confederate General Robert E. Lee and Union Gen. Ulysses Grant, one of the central figures in commemorative activities marking Lee's surrender at Appomattox, Virginia, starting Wednesday. Friday night, a eulogy in period language will be delivered over a plain wooden coffin representing Reynolds' remains, a 100-member gospel choir will sing spirituals and 4,600 candles will be lit to represent the slaves in Appomattox County who were emancipated by Lee's surrender to Grant, his Union counterpart.

The Reynolds story has also inspired some soul searching in this rural county in Virginia's tobacco belt where black and white students were taught in separate schools more than a century after Lee's farmhouse surrender and where discussions of race are approached delicately, if not at all.

"It's hard to bring up. It's even harder to get an honest and open discussion of it," said Joseph Servis, an advanced placement U.S. history teacher at Appomattox High School. His students wrote essays drawing on their own experiences, black and white, with race.

Key moments in murder trial of former New England Patriots star Aaron Hernandez

FALL RIVER, Mass. (AP) — A mysterious box in the basement. A marijuana joint found near the victim with the suspect's DNA on it. A mother's tears. A fiancée's allegiance.

As jurors weigh the evidence against former New England Patriots star tight end Aaron Hernandez, here's a look at some of the key moments in his murder trial stemming from the June 2013 shooting death of Odin Lloyd, who was dating the sister of his fiancée:

THE EVIDENCE

Prosecutors produced neither a murder weapon nor a witness to Lloyd's shooting in a North Attleborough industrial park. Their case hinges on other elements: cellphone records showing Hernandez and two friends communicating with Lloyd around the time of the slaying; Lloyd's phone pinging cell towers between Boston and North Attleborough; surveillance video at Hernandez's home showing him holding a black item that appeared to be a gun minutes after workers at the industrial park heard gunshots; a joint found near Lloyd's body with Hernandez's and Lloyd's DNA on it.

Ambush that killed 15 police in western Mexico could signal cartel's offensive against state

MEXICO CITY (AP) — An ambush that killed 15 state police officers in western Mexico appears to be a drug cartel's revenge attack and could herald a military-style offensive against government authorities.

The assault on a Jalisco state police convoy late Monday on a rural road between the Pacific coast resort of Puerto Vallarta and Guadalajara, the state capital, followed arrests earlier in the day and over the weekend of suspected members of the Jalisco New Generation cartel. It also came a week after a failed attempt to kill state Security Commissioner Alejandro Solorio.

The assassination attempt "was the first response by organized crime to the clash in which state security forces killed the criminal Heriberto Acevedo Cardenas, nicknamed 'El Gringo,'" Solorio said at a news conference Tuesday. He said four suspects in that attack were turned over to federal authorities on Saturday and 11 more on Monday.

Monday night's ambush was a response to those arrests, Solorio said. He gave no details on how it was carried out, but local media said a vehicle was hijacked, parked across the two-lane road and set on fire to force the convoy to stop.

"The serious thing about this attack was that it was very well planned and orchestrated, with a military-style strategy," said Raul Benitez, a security expert at Mexico's National Autonomous University. "This was planned. A lot of gunmen were involved. They blocked the highway to surround them (police) and attack with military superiority."

US speeding arms deliveries to Saudi-led coalition leading Yemen strikes, senior diplomat says

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — The United States is speeding up the delivery of weapons to the Saudi-led coalition launching airstrikes against Shiite rebels in Yemen and is committed to defending Saudi Arabia, a senior American diplomat said.

Speaking Tuesday in the Saudi capital, Riyadh, Deputy Secretary of State Antony Blinken blamed the violence in Yemen on the rebels, known as Houthis, and forces loyal to former President Ali Abdullah Saleh, saying that they have wrecked the country's economy and institutions and created instability that al-Qaida seeks to exploit.

"We have expedited weapons deliveries, we have increased our intelligence sharing, and we have established a joint coordination and planning cell in the Saudi operations center," he said in a statement to reporters after meeting with Saudi royals and Yemen's President Abed Rabbo Mansour Hadi, who fled his country due to Houthi advances and is currently in Saudi Arabia.

Intelligence sharing includes making available raw aerial imagery the coalition could use to better strike anti-Hadi forces, said a U.S. defense official not authorized to comment publicly. Blinken said the U.S. and the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council must coordinate closely and press all parties to seek a political solution.

The fighting in Yemen pits Hadi and his allies against the Houthis and military units loyal to Saleh. Shiite powerhouse Iran supports the Houthis but denies arming them.

Experts push for cleaner stoves in poor countries to cut pollution, reduce deaths

NEW DELHI (AP) — Every evening, hundreds of millions of Indian women hover over crude stoves making dinner for their families. They feed the flames with polluting fuels like kerosene or cow dung, and breathe the acrid smoke wafting from the fires.

The smoke, containing high concentrations of tiny particles known as black carbon, is responsible for premature deaths from cancer and other diseases and is causing or exacerbating environmental problems from climate change and glacial melt to falling crop yields.

When you add up all the tiny stoves, the result comes close to catastrophic. And yet black carbon is largely unregulated and its costs unmeasured, creating a barrier to earmarking public and donor funds for underwriting the use of cleaner cookers.

That could now start to change. A team of economists, scientists and health experts working with The Gold Standard Foundation have developed a uniform way to calculate how much black carbon is released from cooking stoves that use different technologies or fuels.

It's a first and necessary step, they say, in accessing the tens of billions of dollars it will cost to provide cleaner cookers worldwide for some 2.8 billion people still using firewood, kerosene or sundried patties made of hand-packed cow dung.

As funerals planned, lawmaker urges action to prevent carbon monoxide deaths

PRINCESS ANNE, Md. (AP) — Utility regulators and police are trying to determine what could have been done to prevent the deaths of a man and his seven children who died of carbon monoxide poisoning from a generator installed after their home's power had been disconnected.

Officials from Maryland's public utility regulator say they are looking into what happened, while Prin-

cess Anne police have subpoenaed the power company to document exactly what steps it took and when.

Power company officials said they encourage residents who are having trouble paying their bills to contact them, but that Rodney Todd had not done so.

Todd, 36, and his children were poisoned in their sleep only days after the power company discovered a stolen meter and cut off electricity to their rental home, police said. Delmarva Power said it cut off power for safety reasons on March 25, not because the family was behind on its bills, as family members previously had said.

With the power out, Todd had bought the generator and put it in his kitchen to keep his two sons and five daughters warm. Friends and relatives last saw them alive March 28.

Guess who's coming to dinner? Fewer people, as Obama holds fewest state dinners since Truman

WASHINGTON (AP) — An invitation to a White House state dinner has always been one of Washington's most sought-after tickets. There's the elegant setting, VIP guests in tuxedos and designer gowns and a four-course meal served up by America's most famous kitchen.

But don't get your hopes up. President Barack Obama has held the fewest number of state dinners since Harry S. Truman, who left office 62 years ago.

In his first six years, Obama held just seven state dinners. He'll hold at least two more this year, for the leaders of Japan, on April 28, and China, later in the year.

Truman, who became president in 1945, held six dinners during nearly eight years in office.

Shrouded in pageantry, a White House state dinner is the highest diplomatic honor the U.S. reserves for allies and other countries. It's also one of the most lavish affairs the government puts on. The State Department pays the entire tab, which averaged about \$500,000 each for Obama's seven dinners, said White House spokesman Patrick Ventrell.

First Ferguson local election since Brown shooting triples number of blacks on City Council

FERGUSON, Mo. (AP) — Two black candidates were among three people elected to the Ferguson City Council Tuesday, tripling African-American representation in the St. Louis suburb where poor race relations have been a focal point since the August shooting death of an 18-year-old black by a white police officer.

The election means that half of the six-member city council in Ferguson, a town where two-thirds of the 21,000 residents are black, will now be African-American. The lone black incumbent councilman was not up for re-election. The mayor, who could break any tie votes, is white.

Voter turnout increased substantially from the previous election following a strong get-out-the-vote effort from labor unions and other national organizations. The town that drew only 12.3 percent of registered voters last April had 29.4 percent turnout Tuesday, according to the St. Louis County Board of Elections. That was about double the overall turnout in St. Louis County, where Ferguson is located.

Unofficial results showed that Wesley Bell defeated another black candidate to win in the 3rd Ward. Ella Jones defeated another black candidate and two white candidates in the 1st Ward. Brian Fletcher, a former mayor who is white, won a 2nd Ward race against another white candidate.

"This community came out in record numbers to make sure our voices were heard," said councilman-

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elect Bell. "When you have a community engaged, the sky is the limit."

Today in History The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, April 8, the 98th day of 2015. There are 267 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 8, 1935, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the Emergency Relief Appropriations Act, which provided money for programs such as the Works Progress Administration.

On this date:

In 1820, the Venus de Milo statue was discovered by a farmer on the Greek island of Milos.

In 1864, the United States Senate passed, 38-6, the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution abolishing slavery. (The House of Representatives passed it in January 1865; the amendment was ratified and adopted in December 1865.)

In 1904, Longacre Square in Manhattan was renamed Times Square after The New York Times.

In 1913, the 17th Amendment to the Constitution, providing for popular election of United States senators (as opposed to appointment by state legislatures), was ratified. President Woodrow Wilson became the first chief executive since John Adams to address Congress in person as he asked lawmakers to enact tariff reform.

In 1946, the League of Nations assembled in Geneva for its final session.

In 1952, President Harry S. Truman seized the American steel industry to avert a nationwide strike. (The Supreme Court later ruled that Truman had overstepped his authority, opening the way for a seven-week strike by steelworkers.)

In 1961, a suspected bomb exploded aboard the passenger liner MV Dara in the Persian Gulf, causing it to sink; 238 of the 819 people aboard were killed.

In 1974, Hank Aaron of the Atlanta Braves hit his 715th career home run in a game against the Los Angeles Dodgers, breaking Babe Ruth's record.

In 1975, "The Godfather Part II" won the Academy Award for best picture; Ellen Burstyn won best actress for "Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore" while Art Carney received best actor for "Harry and Tonto."

In 1981, General of the Army Omar N. Bradley died in New York at age 88.

In 1990, Ryan White, the teenage AIDS patient whose battle for acceptance had gained national attention, died in Indianapolis at age 18. The cult TV series "Twin Peaks" premiered on ABC.

In 1994, Kurt Cobain, singer and guitarist for the grunge band Nirvana, was found dead in Seattle from an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound; he was 27.

Ten years ago: With presidents and kings looking on, hundreds of thousands of pilgrims in St. Peter's Square sang, applauded and chanted for the Catholic Church to declare John Paul II a saint as the pope was laid to rest.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama and Russian President Dmitry Medvedev signed the New START treaty in Prague. Authorities in Cancun, Mexico, found the body of Monica Beresford-Redman, the wife of "Pimp My Ride" and former "Survivor" producer Bruce Beresford-Redman, who was convicted by a Mexico court in March 2015 of murdering her and sentenced to 12 years in prison (he continues to maintain his innocence). Malcolm McLaren, 64, former manager of the Sex Pistols, died in Switzerland. Bishop Abel Muzorewa, the first black prime minister of an interim white-dominated government before Zimbabwe's independence, died six days before his 85th birthday.

One year ago: The U.S. said it would keep its current force of 450 land-based nuclear missiles but

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remove 50 from their launch silos as part of a plan to bring the U.S. into compliance with a 2011 US-Russia arms control treaty. Breanna Stewart scored 21 points and Stefanie Dolson added 17 points and 16 rebounds to help UConn beat Notre Dame 79-58, giving the Huskies a record ninth women's national championship.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian Shecky Greene is 89. Actor-turned-diplomat John Gavin is 84. Author and Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter Seymour Hersh is 78. Former U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan is 77. Basketball Hall-of-Famer John Havlicek is 75. "Mouseketeer" Darlene Gillespie is 74. Rhythm-and-blues singer J.J. Jackson is 74. Singer Peggy Lennon (The Lennon Sisters) is 74. Songwriter-producer Leon Huff is 73. Actor Hywel Bennett is 71. Actor Stuart Pankin is 69. Rock musician Steve Howe is 68. Former House Republican Leader Tom DeLay is 68. Movie director John Madden is 66. Rock musician Mel Schacher (Grand Funk Railroad) is 64. Actor John Schneider is 55. "Survivor" winner Richard Hatch is 54. Rock musician Izzy Stradlin is 53. Singer Julian Lennon is 52. Actor Dean Norris is 52. Rock singer-musician Donita Sparks is 52. Rapper Biz Markie is 51. Actress Robin Wright is 49. Actress Patricia Arquette is 47. Rock singer Craig Honeycutt (Everything) is 45. Rock musician Darren Jessee is 44. Actress Emma Caulfield is 42. Actress Katee Sackhoff is 35. Actor Taylor Kitsch is 34. Rock singer-musician Ezra Koenig (Vampire Weekend) is 31. Actor Taran Noah Smith is 31. Actress Kirsten Storms is 31. Rock musician Jamie Sierota (Echosmith) is 22. Actress Sadie Calvano is 18.

Thought for Today: "Computers are useless. They can only give you answers." - Pablo Picasso, Spanish artist (born 1881, died this date in 1973).

Driver's Exam Stations

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

Aberdeen: 2729 W Highway 12

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

Redfield: Dept. of Transportation - N Hwy 281.

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

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

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

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

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

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

If you think you will have difficulty obtaining any of the documents please contact us. We may be able to arrange for an extension or a temporary permit while you gather the documents needed to obtain your federally compliant South Dakota driver license or identification card. If you find that you simply

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can't produce one of the required documents, we can work with you in those situations. Again, please use the contact information for the Driver Licensing Program if you have any questions or concerns.

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

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

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

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

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

- ◆ Certified U.S. birth certificate issued by state or county (hospital birth certificates are not acceptable)
 - ◆ Valid unexpired U.S. passport
 - ◆ Certificate of Naturalization
 - ◆ Certificate of Citizenship
- Non-Citizens may bring:
- ◆ Valid unexpired permanent resident card
 - ◆ Valid unexpired employment authorization document
 - ◆ Foreign passport with valid unexpired U.S. Visa with I-94

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

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

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

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

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

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

Address Exceptions:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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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.