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**A double rainbow formed after the storm passed by on Friday.**

## **Jr Teeners season ends with a 12-2 loss to Milbank.**

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## **Sunday, July 19**

Jr. Teener Region

Legion Regions in Groton (Championship at 4 p.m., if 2nd game is needed, it will be played at 7 p.m.)

**Birthdays:** Carol Strom • Arlis Doeden • Alexis Harder • Hunter Monson • Isaiah Cutler

9:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran worship with Communion

9:00am: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

9:00am: St. John's Lutheran worship with communion

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10:00am: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Pierpont Church

11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship

5:00pm: HBM worship at historic Trinity Church

**Open:** Recycling Trailer in Groton

The recycling trailer is located at 10 East Railroad Ave.

**The cardboard/paper**

recycling trailer at the school is **Closed**

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**Hanlon Brothers  
Gravel Huling**

New & Cleaning of  
Stockdams with our  
60' reach trackhoe

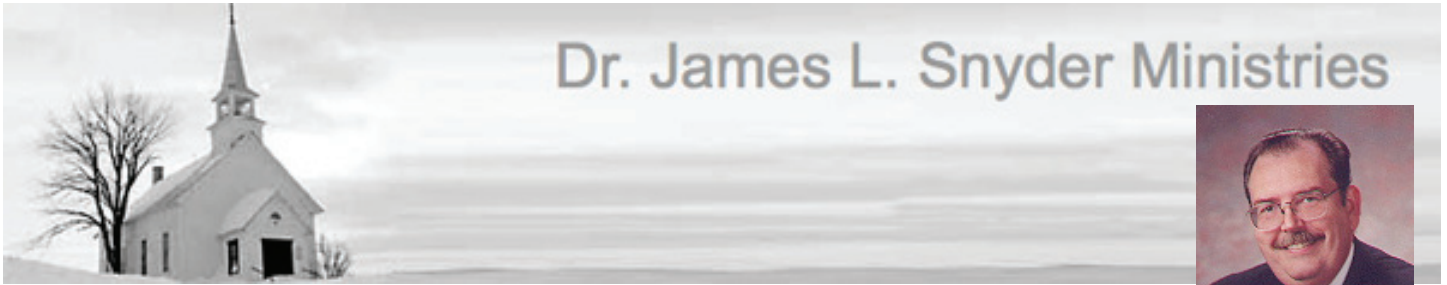
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## Groton Building Permits Year to Date

1/12/15	Alan Strom	15001	\$ 60.00	Remodel Interior	517 N 4th St	\$ 40,000.00
2/18/15	Jim Lane	15002	\$ 40.00	Attic and 2nd floor bathroom	108 N 5th St	\$ 7,000.00
1/23/15	Doug Jorgenson	15003	\$ 60.00	Remodel Main Floor	408 W 3rd Ave	\$ 30,000.00
1/27/15	Bonnie Larson	15004	\$ 30.00	Replace soffit	207 N 5th St	\$ 5,000.00
2/4/15	Bert Raap	15005				
2/18/15	Wells Fargo Bank	15006	\$ 50.00	Replace Sign	120 N Main	\$ 20,000.00
3/10/15	Dorene Nelson	15007	\$ 30.00	Remodel Front Entry	202 N 2nd St	\$ 3,000.00
3/13/15	Mary Fliehs	15008	\$ 40.00	Replace Roof	605 E 5th Ave	\$ 5,800.00
		15009				
3/17/15	Groton Fire Hall	15010	\$ 30.00	New Door	305 N RR Ave	\$ 1,500.00
3/24/15	Don Shanholts	15011				
3/27/15	Jason Hill	15012	\$ 60.00	Remodel Basement	907 N 1st ST	\$ 48,500.00
3/27/15	Vance McInerney	15013	\$ 30.00	Remodel Bathroom,garage door	113 N 1st St	\$ 5,000.00
3/31/15	Jordan Sippel/Jonathan Lemke	15014	\$ 30.00	Put up Fence	303 N 3rd St	\$ 1,500.00
4/24/15	Kens Fairfood	15015	\$ 70.00	Remodel store	4 E Hwy 12	\$ 75,000.00
4/7/15	Lorraine Cowan	15016	n/c	Replace deck	309 N Main St	\$ 300.00
4/20/15	Full Circle Ag	15017	\$ 70.00	Pole Shed	110 East Aspen Ave	\$ 100,000.00
4/10/15	Joe Foertsch	15018	\$ 30.00	Move shed, pour pad	601 N 4th St	\$ 2,500.00
4/10/15	Lila Olson	15019	\$ 30.00	Putting in sidewalk	507 E 13th Ave	\$ 4,079.09
4/13/15	Marjorie Overacker	15020	\$ 30.00	Replace Deck	603 E 5th Ave	\$ 3,000.00
4/15/15	David & Mary Blackmun	15021	\$ 30.00	Replace Doors	402 E 7th Ave	\$ 4,000.00
4/13/15	Ed Opp	15022	n/c	Install Walk Way	511 E 1st Ave`	\$ 100.00
4/14/15	Justin Fischbach	15023	\$ 30.00	Reroof House	602 N 3rd St	\$ 1,000.00
4/14/15	Eric Moody	15024	\$ 30.00	Enclose patio	411 N Main St	\$ 5,000.00
5/3/15	Jeff & Luann Steen	15025	\$ 30.00	Patio & Fence	1301 N 5th St	\$ 2,700.00
4/15/15	William Gauer	15026	\$ 30.00	Deck	1304 N 5th St	\$ 2,000.00
4/20/15	Tom Woods	15027	\$ 70.00	Remodel Kitchen & Addition	406 N Main St	\$ 70,000.00
5/1/15	Shaun Wanner	15028	\$ 60.00	Remodel Kitchen& Addition	505 N Lincoln	\$ 50,000.00
4/25/15	Steve Thurston	15029	\$ 30.00	Reshingle Roof	403 E 7th Ave	\$ 5,000.00
4/27/15	Jay Waage	15030	\$ 30.00	Reshingle Roof	1105 N 3rd St	\$ 3,400.00
4/26/15	Joe Foertsch	15031	\$ 30.00	Add playhouse and swing set	601 N 4th St	\$ 1,500.00
4/27/15	Vance McInerney	15032	\$ 30.00	Windows, soffit, fascia & gutters	113 N 1st St	\$ 4,000.00
5/5/15	Dale Fliehs	15033	n/c	Deck	108 N 4th St	\$ 495.00
5/1/15	Mike Fordham	15034	\$ 30.00	New windows and siding	406 N Washington	\$ 3,700.00
5/4/15	Jim Gerdes	15035	n/c	Replace 3 sheets of sheetrock	15 N 4th St	\$ 60.00
5/1/15	Ron Refhuss	15036	\$ 40.00	Replace Kitchen countertop etc	207 N 3rd st	\$ 9,500.00
5/4/15	Pernell Graf	15037	\$ 30.00	New Windows, doors and siding	608 N 2nd st	\$ 600.00
		15038				
5/1/15	Duane McDonald	15039	\$ 50.00	New Building	106 S Broadway	\$ 30,000.00
5/5/15	Rix Farms Inc	15040	\$ 40.00	Replace Shingles	12960 406 Ave	\$ 8,500.00
5/5/15	Scott Freeman	15041	n/c	Replace plaster with sheetrock	519 E 2nd Ave	\$ 500.00
5/10/15	Betty Breck	15042	\$ 30.00	Misc projects	503 N 3rd St	\$ 800.00
5/15/15	Pioneer Ford	15043	\$ 70.00	New Building	108 N 3rd St	\$ 75,000.00
5/20/15	Mike Imrie	15044	\$ 30.00	New Front Door	404 N State ST	\$ 1,500.00
5/20/15	Larry Schelle	15045	\$ 30.00	Replace Deck	910 N 5th	\$ 1,700.00
5/22/15	David & Mary Blackmun	15046	\$ 40.00	Replace Concrete	402 E 7th Ave	\$ 9,500.00
5/22/15	Craig Speich	15047	\$ 50.00	Side House and new windows	402 N Broadway	\$ 25,000.00
5/26/15	Heather Palmer	15048				
6/1/15	Steve Giedt	15049	\$ 60.00	Remodel at 111 N Main St	111 N Main St	\$ 50,000.00
6/1/15	Karla Davidson	15050	\$ 40.00	Reshingle	305 N 1st St	\$ 7,200.00
6/2/15	Becky Diegel	15051				
6/3/15	Groton United Methodist Church	15052	\$ 30.00	Replace carpet and flooring	9 E 9th Ave	\$ 4,999.00
6/11/15	Clint Fjelstad	15053	\$ 30.00	Replace Windows, Door and Siding	305 N 3rd ST	\$ 3,000.00
6/15/15	Doug Hamilton	15054	\$ 60.00	Breezeway and Garage	411 N 4th St	\$ 50,000.00
6/15/15	Brett Schwan	15055	\$ 30.00	Replace Plaster, Windows and Ins	237 E 2nd ave	\$ 1,000.00
6/18/15	Kandi Weismantel	15056	n/c	Playhouse and sidewalk	606 N 3rd St	\$ 300.00
6/8/15	Bryan Sombke	15057	\$ 40.00	Replace Windows	1105 N 2nd St	\$ 7,200.00
6/18/15	Richard Donovan	15058	\$ 30.00	Storage Shed	308 N 1st St	\$ 1,000.00
6/19/15	Beulah Hoops	15059	n/c	New Flooring	811 N 3rd St	\$ 400.00
6/23/15	Yvonne Lorenz	15060	\$ 30.00	Build a deck	205 E 9th Ave	\$ 1,200.00
6/24/15	Steve Smith	15061	\$ 30.00	Remodel bathroom	1104 N Main St	\$ 3,000.00
6/29/15	Gary Heitmann	15062	\$ 30.00	Repair steps and install Railing	1101 N 3rd St	\$ 4,000.00



Dr. James L. Snyder Ministries



## Then the Birthday Card Arrived

When I was young, I always looked forward to my birthday. I could not wait until it came around and usually it was in the summer. I distinctly remember graduating from the age of nine to the double-digit number of 10, I thought I had arrived.

When I hit the age of 16 and got my driver's license and started driving around, of course my driving around was contingent upon my father allowing me to borrow his car. When I turned 18, however, I bought my own car.

At 20, I thought I arrived and had become a full-fledged adult. Becoming an adult was important until I realized how expensive it was to be an adult. Had I known that, I would have reverted to my sixth birthday.

Now that I am well beyond that magical age of 20, I am not so excited about birthdays. In fact, I would like to forget my birthday completely and how old I really am. This year I was making some good progress in this area.

My accomplice was the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage whose birthday is two days after mine. If we forget my birthday, she is counting on me forgetting her birthday. It all works out pretty well, except I'm not allowed to forget our anniversary.

Everything was going quite well and if anybody in any way suggested something about my birthday, I always directed them away from the subject.

For example, one friend approached me and said, "Don't you have a birthday this month?"

Without missing a beat, I said, "What do you think of Donald Trump running for president?"

It had the intended effect. For the next half hour, love him or hate him, my friend went on and on about Donald Trump running for president. I discovered that if you want to diverge attention away from one subject all you need to do is introduce something political. And it worked for me. I guess politics does have its place in our society.

By the time he finished talking politics, he forgot his initial question. I had not and was glad he had.

I have now come to appreciate politics more than ever. Normally, I have little time or patience for politics or politicians, unless they can get me out of a jam. Most of the time these politicians are getting me into a jam but here is one time I out of a jam by using politics.

The thing I have come to and I get no argument from my "Better Half," if you ignore or by chance forget your birthday in any year that birthday does not count.

Believe me; I am not looking for any birthday presents. I have just about everything I want and usually what people get me for my birthday is something I cannot use or do not even want. Therefore, the birthday presents are gone from my list of "Gotta Have."

My thought is, if I can ignore my birthday, then it does not exist. After all, I have had enough birthdays, thank you.

What I like to point out to people who argue with me on the subject is the fact that a birthday is just a number. Some people are all caught up with numbers; I only like numbers in my checkbook.

I do not want to know or care about how old I really am. After all, you are only as old as you feel and I must admit there have been times I felt 192. I guess everybody has been in that category.

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Age does not make much difference, except when I can use it to my advantage. Like when I go to McDonald's and get a senior coffee. Then I bank on my age. If my age can save me a nickel, I will use it. Beside that, I have little time for how old I am.

I am hoping good old Uncle Sam has also forgotten my age. After all, when people reach a certain age, and I am trying to forget that age, he wants them to retire. Bless my heart; retirement is not in my plan. So, if I can keep my uncle from knowing how old I am he cannot talk me into some kind of early retirement. I plan to work myself to death.

I was doing quite well hiding my upcoming birthday when an incident happened. The mailman came and my wife went out to to pick up the mail. When she came back, she handed me a package and said, "Here's a package from your publisher."

I was so excited, as you can imagine. That is, until I opened the package. It was a birthday card wishing me a happy birthday along with a birthday present. Thanks, I thought to myself, for reminding me I am getting old. Now that cat is out of the bag and I am not sure what to do next.

Maybe I will celebrate my birthday with an Apple fritter representing each year of my age. This year I might be 100.

I like what David said. "Now also when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have showed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to every one that is to come" (Psalms 71:18).

No matter how old I get, God will always be faithful to His Word.

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**Game winning hit against Red-field by Bennett Shabazz. Groton advances to championship game Sunday at 4:00.** (Photo by Tricia Keith)

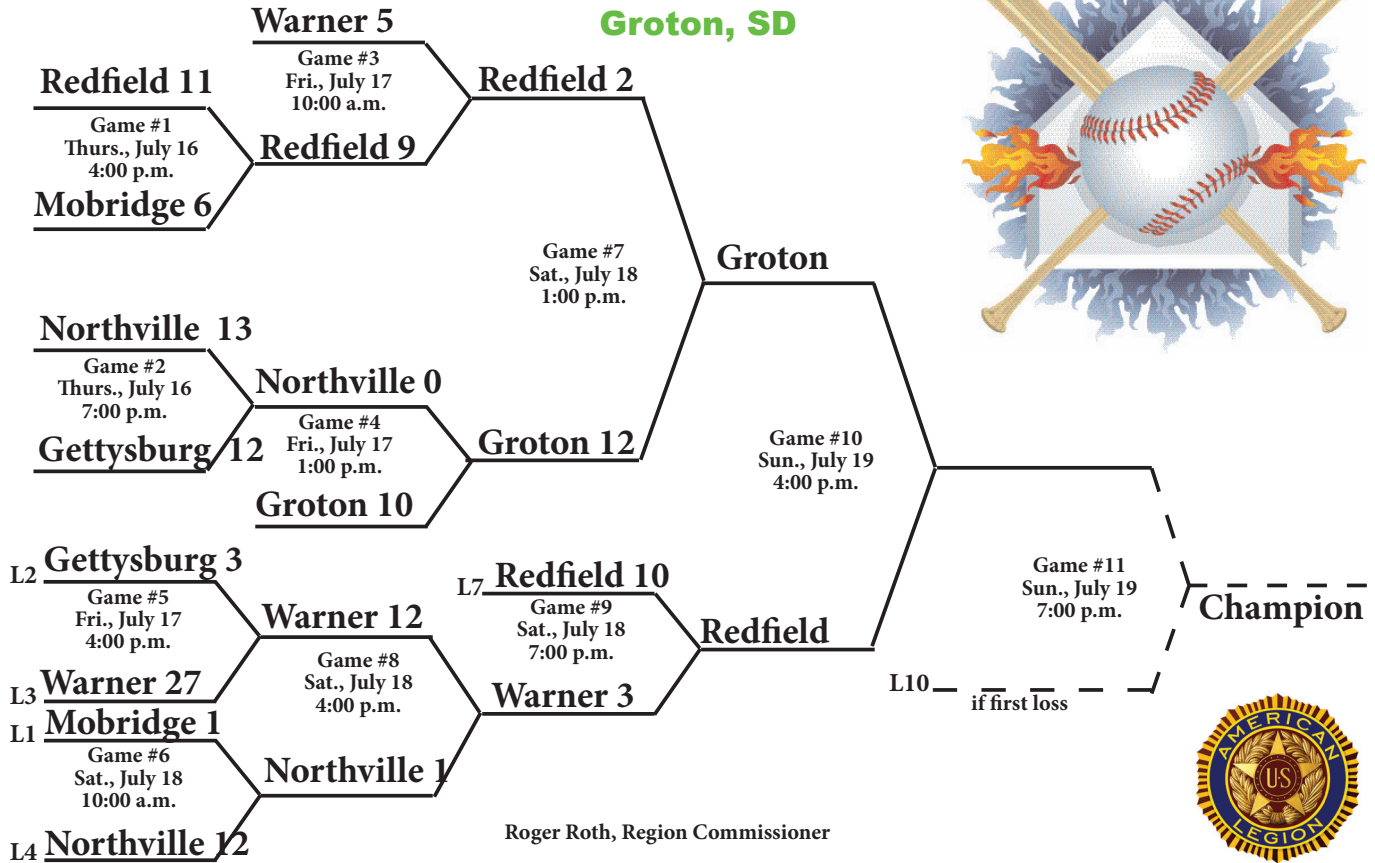
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## American Legion Region 6B Tournament

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday - July 16-19, 2015

**Locke-Karst Field  
Groton, SD**

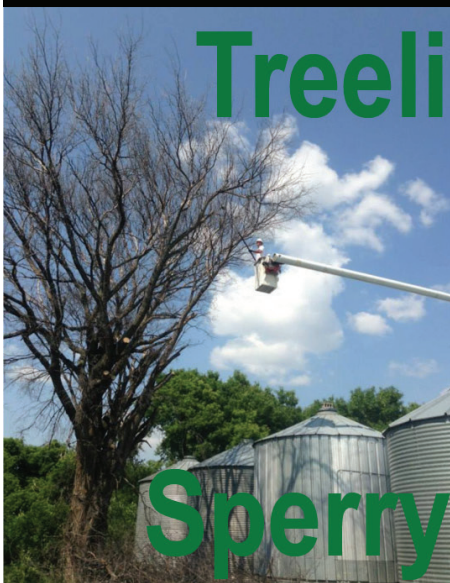


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## Being Good Stewards Of Taxpayer Dollars

Throughout my time serving as governor, good stewardship of taxpayer dollars has been my goal. Two pieces of recent news can assure South Dakotans that state government is handling their money responsibly.

On June 30, we closed the fiscal year with a budget surplus. Our ongoing revenues came in higher than projected and our expenses came in lower than budgeted. Revenue growth for the completed 2015 fiscal year exceeded estimates adopted by the Legislature last March by \$10 million, or 0.71 percent; and state agencies demonstrated fiscal restraint, spending \$11.5 million less than appropriated, or 0.84 percent.

Each year when we make budget projections, we try to make estimates that are as accurate as possible. There's no way to project the exact numbers, so it's better to err on the side of a surplus not a deficit. Through the Bureau of Finance and Management's diligence, we were pretty close this year. Our projections were 99 percent accurate.

The good news of the surplus follows on the heels of a recently released report from the Mercatus Center in which South Dakota was ranked third in the nation for fiscal condition. The study is based on the comprehensive annual financial reports from each state for fiscal year 2013. The study compares states by their abilities to pay short-term bills, meet long-term spending obligations and increase spending. The study also takes budget and trust fund solvency into account.

In the study, we ranked just behind Alaska and North Dakota – and that's something to be proud of. While Alaska and North Dakota derive a large percentage of their revenues from oil severance taxes, we must rely on other revenues more closely tied to economic activity.

When I took office, balancing the budget was my number one priority. Now, for four years in a row, we have maintained structural balance in our budget and we've done so without using one-time revenues or rainy day funds.

In a time when many other states are adopting rosy projections and employing budget gimmicks to justify overspending, South Dakota is acting responsibly. We don't spend money we don't have, we keep our budget structurally balanced and we seize opportunities to spend in the short-term where it can lead to savings. These practices reflect the responsible values of South Dakota citizens.

## Today in Weather History

July 19, 1933: A significant F2 tornado moved ESE from west of Tulare to 3 miles ENE of Hitchcock. About 10 farms were damaged, and several barns were destroyed. Estimated property loss was set at \$50,000.

July 19, 2010: Severe storms moved from Montana southeastward across western South Dakota into south central South Dakota, merging with another area of storms over west central South Dakota. The storms produced a wide swath of hail and strong winds from northern Butte County, through southern Meade, eastern Pennington, Jackson, and Bennett Counties. Millions of dollars in crop damage was reported, along with some damage to homes and automobiles.

1886 - A hurricane from the Gulf of Mexico crossed Florida causing great damage from Cedar Keys to Jacksonville. (David Ludlum)

1960 - Cow Creek and Greenland Ranch in Death Valley, CA, reported morning lows of 102 degrees. The afternoon high at Greenland Ranch was 124 degrees, and the high at Cow Creek that afternoon was 126 degrees. The coolest low for the entire month for both locations was 82 degrees. (The Weather Channel)

1974 - A severe thunderstorm with winds to 80 mph and up to two inches of rain washed out four to five foot deep sections of roadway in Lake Havasu City, AZ. Three persons in a station wagon died as it was carried 3000 feet down a wash by a ten foot wall of water. (The Weather Channel)

1977 - Thunderstorms produced torrential rains over parts of southwestern Pennsylvania. Some places receive more than twelve inches in a seven hour period. The heavy rains cause flash flooding along streams resulting in widespread severe damage. The cloudburst floods Johnstown with up to ten feet of water resulting in 76 deaths, countless injuries, and 424 million dollars damage. (David Ludlum) (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Fifteen cities in the western and the southeastern U.S. reported record low temperatures for the date, including Winnemucca, NV, with a reading of 33 degrees. Flagstaff AZ reported a record low of 34 degrees. Afternoon and evening thunderstorms produced severe weather in New York State and New Jersey. High winds and hail two inches in diameter injured two persons and caused considerable damage to crops in the Pine Island area of central New York State. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Thunderstorms in Nebraska produced more than five inches of rain at Red Cloud, including two inches in fifteen minutes. Torrid temperatures continued over California, with record highs of 115 degrees at Red Bluff and 116 degrees at Redding. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)








1989 - Early morning thunderstorms in the Lower Mississippi Valley produced 5.50 inches of rain south of Alexander, AR, in just ninety minutes, and flash flooding which resulted claimed the life of one woman. Thunderstorms in Indiana produced 4.95 inches of rain in twelve hours east of Muncie. Eight cities in the southwestern U.S. reported record high temperatures for the date, including Las Vegas, NV, with a reading of 115 degrees, and Phoenix, AZ, with a high of 116 degrees. The low that night at Phoenix of 93 degrees was the warmest of record for that location. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

2005 - A severe heat wave gripped the region during early to mid-July. Las Vegas, NV tied their all-time record high temperature of 117 degrees, equalling the old record set on July 24, 1942.

2006 - The first of two severe thunderstorms hits the St. Louis area, causing the largest power outage in the city's history with over 570,000 people losing electricity.

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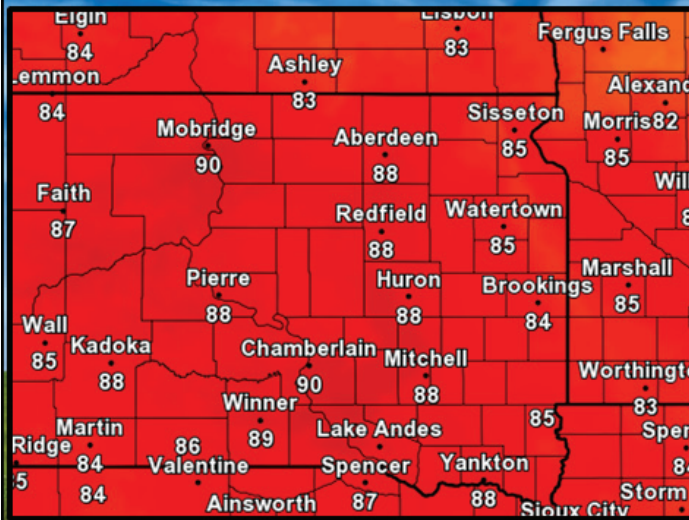
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Today	Tonight	Monday	Monday Night	Tuesday	Tuesday Night	Wednesday
						
Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Mostly Clear	Mostly Sunny	Chance T-storms	Chance T-storms
High: 88 °F	Low: 61 °F	High: 82 °F	Low: 56 °F	High: 84 °F	Low: 63 °F	High: 85 °F



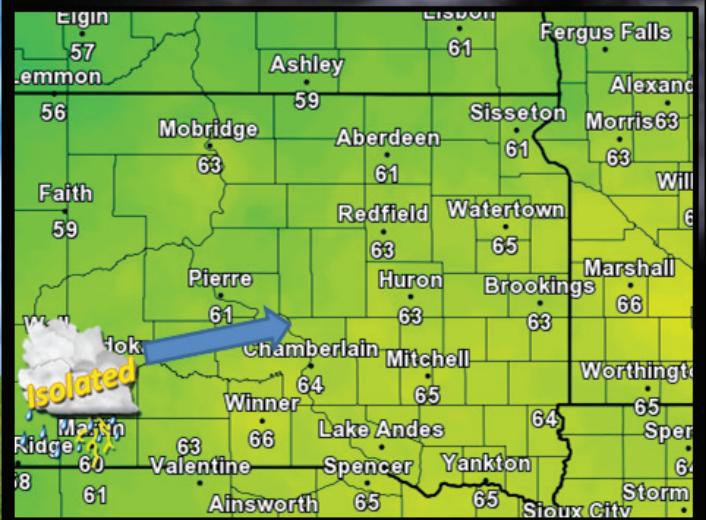
## Today

### High Temperatures



## Tonight

### Lows



Isolated Storms Moving Into Western/Central SD

## National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD



[weather.gov/Aberdeen](http://weather.gov/Aberdeen)



National Weather Service Aberdeen



@NWSAberdeen

Updated: 7/19/2015 4:16 AM Central

Published on: 07/19/2015 at 4:25AM

High pressure will bring another dry day to the region. However, there is an isolated thunderstorm chance for parts of western and central South Dakota tonight. Some storms may be strong, with gusty winds or hail possible. Dry and slightly cooler conditions can be expected for Monday.



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## Yesterday's Weather

**High:** 78.4 at 2:36 PM

**Low:** 58.3 at 6:37 PM

**High Gust:** 26 at 3:59 PM

**Precip:** 0.00

## Today's Info

**Record High:** 106° in 1932

**Record Low:** 42° in 1900

**Average High:** 84°F

**Average Low:** 60°F

**Average Precip in July:** 1.97

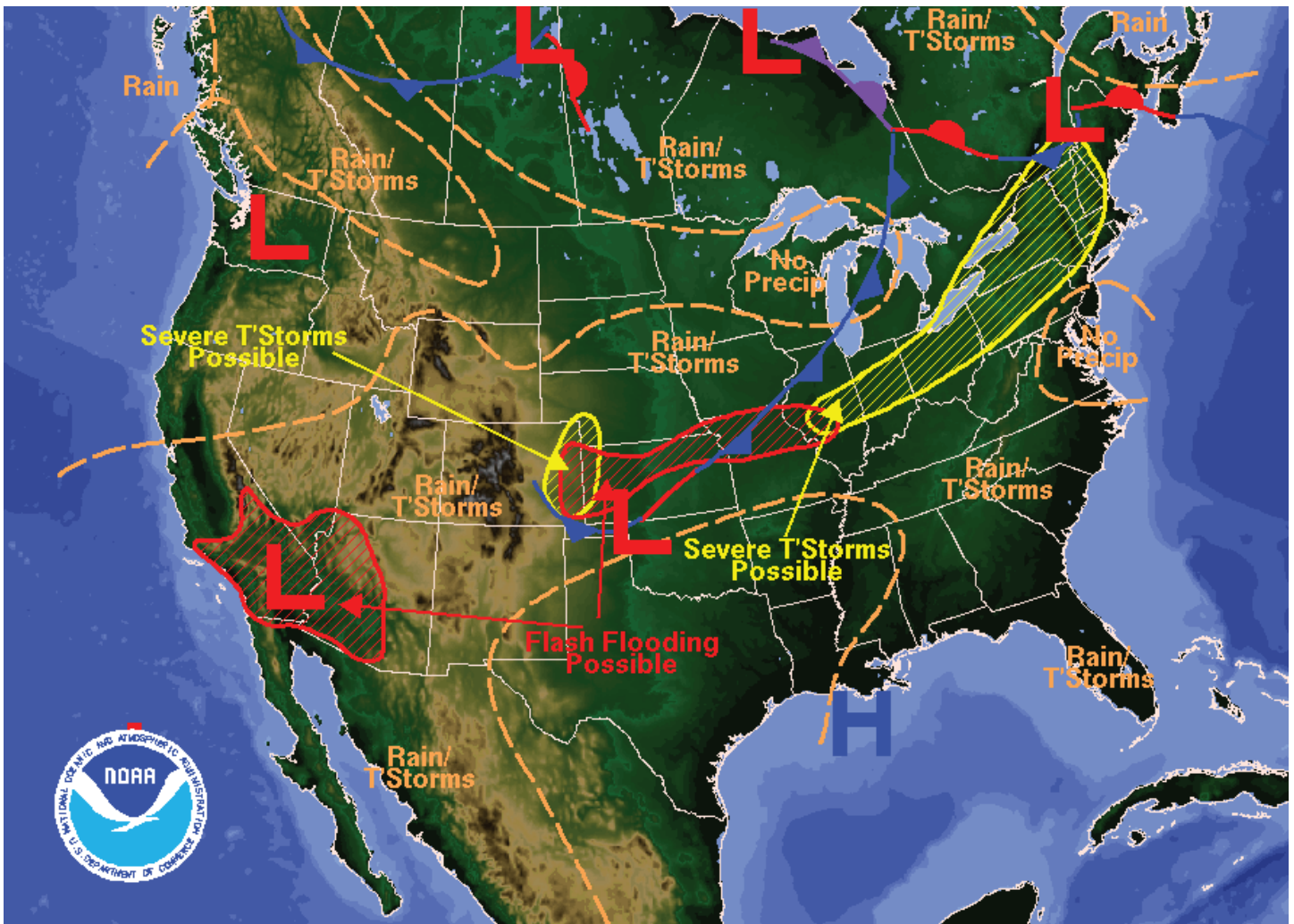
**Precip to date in July:** 2.45

**Average Precip to date:** 12.81

**Precip Year to Date:** 9.87

**Sunset Tonight:** 9:15 p.m.

**Sunrise Tomorrow:** 6:04 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Sun, Jul 19, 2015, issued 4:52 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by Fanning based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



## PAST, PRESENT OR FUTURE?

A formal dinner for important individuals was scheduled in Washington. General Jimmy Doolittle decided to invite Charles Lindbergh, the famous pilot, to join him to recognize him for his outstanding accomplishments.

After a moment's thought, Lindbergh said, "It seems to me that life is full of so many worthwhile opportunities that I do not want to spend a lot of time celebrating the past."

Paul wisely said to his friends, "I choose to focus all my energies on one thing: I will forget the past... and look forward to serving You until the end of my race when I receive my prize: heaven!"

Too often we look at what we have done or where we have been and neglect to realize where we, as Christians, are going. We all have betrayed, disappointed and abandoned our Savior. However, we must let go of the past. God has forgiven us, so we must keep focused on our relationship with Him now and do what we can do to serve Him faithfully and lovingly until He greets us in heaven.

**Prayer:** Help me, Savior, to realize that the past is gone and that the life I live now is to please You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

**Scripture for Today:** Philippians 3:13-14 but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead,

## News from the Associated Press

### **Officials name Emery man, 74, who died in single-car crash**

BRIDGEWATER, S.D. (AP) — Authorities have identified an Emery man who was killed in a car crash Friday afternoon near Bridgewater.

The South Dakota Highway Patrol says 74-year-old Ronald Triebwasser was the passenger in a 2013 Dodge Grand Caravan that was traveling west on 261st Street when it left the road as it approached a nearby driveway.

The minivan briefly traveled in the ditch, vaulted off the driveway approach, landed and rolled. Triebwasser was ejected and died of his injuries.

Seventy-four-year-old Judith Triebwasser was driving and sustained serious non-life threatening injuries.

### **Weather Service: 1 tornado confirmed Friday in Day County**

WAUBAY, S.D. (AP) — The National Weather Service said Saturday at least one tornado was confirmed in northeastern South Dakota on Friday and that storms downed trees and power lines and overturned campers.

The extent of the damage was unclear Saturday afternoon but trees were down in Day County and some sheds and grain bins were crumpled, according to Ryan Vipond, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Aberdeen.

There were several funnel clouds reported but the only confirmed tornado was seen in Waubay, Vipond said.

Day County, which includes Waubay, saw wind speeds of up to 90 mph and was hit with the brunt of the damage Friday night. There were reports of flipped campers and broken windows that caused a few injuries, according to Vipond. He said several downed power lines also caused some fires.

In Brown County, Emergency Management Director Scott Meints told the American News in Aberdeen that wind and hail damaged crops.

"We got a lot of crop damage, along with quite a few power outages and smaller branches downed," he said.

Residents were beginning to clean up Saturday and Vipond said crews were assessing the extent of the damage.

### **Authorities name Parkston man who died in fatal car crash**

PARKSTON, S.D. (AP) — Authorities have identified a Parkston man who was killed Friday in a car crash.

The Department of Public Safety says 52-year-old Paul Bader was riding his motorcycle as he was struck by a Buick Enclave that was attempting to pass a semi-truck. A 78-year-old man was driving the Buick.

Officials say the driver of the Buick first hit the motorcycle and then the semi about two miles north of Parkston. Bader died at the scene.

The driver and passenger of the Buick were trapped in their car and had to be extricated. Both sustained serious, non-life threatening injuries. The driver of the semi was not injured.

Highway Patrol authorities are continuing to investigate. Charges are pending.

## **Rapid City woman drowns in creek; alcohol likely a factor**

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Authorities in Rapid City are investigating the drowning of a woman in Rapid Creek.

Rapid City police responded to a report of a drowning in the creek near Steele Avenue and Omaha Street just before 7 a.m. Saturday.

There officers say they found an unresponsive woman who had been pulled out of the water and onto the bank of the creek. She was pronounced dead at the scene.

Captain Dan Rud says alcohol is believed to be a factor. The Rapid City Police Department and the Pennington County Sheriff's Office are continuing to investigate.

Rud says it's important to remember that increased water levels and creek flow in Rapid City make for an extremely dangerous combination at this point in the summer.

## **Officials in North, South Dakota caution drivers to be safe**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Officials in North Dakota and South Dakota are cautioning drivers to be safe on the roads as both states have seen a high number of fatalities this summer already.

Two more people in South Dakota died Friday in car crashes, bringing the state's death toll for July to 19. Office of Highway Safety Director Lee Axdahl said this week that in the majority of crashes South Dakota has seen so far in July, alcohol and speed were believed to be factors.

"Unfortunately, those factors always seem to be part of most fatalities," he said. "We know vehicle crashes can happen in an instant for a variety of reasons. But doing things such as not drinking and driving, slowing down and wearing your seat belt increases the chances of you and your passengers staying alive."

Last year, there were seven deaths on the road in the first 13 days of July in South Dakota. This year, there were 16 in the first 14 days.

"Too many family members and friends are grieving right now over unnecessary and fresh tragedies," Axdahl said in a statement. "That doesn't include the emotional burdens felt first by responders, including law enforcement, firefighters, paramedics and others who witness the horrible scenes at those crashes."

In North Dakota, the state Department of Transportation told KXMC-TV that 68 people have died on the road so far this year, which is 13 more than at this time last year. So far, seven people have died in July.

Captain Eric Pederson cited the same factors that North Dakota sees in most of its deadly crashes. He said seatbelt laws and the presence of law enforcement helps to keep people safe.

"You constantly see people seeing us, reaching over and putting on their seat belt," he said. "So, nobody likes getting a ticket but that deterrent effect does save lives," he said.

## **Sioux Falls man allegedly held woman against will for years**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A 35-year-old Sioux Falls man is facing charges for allegedly forcing a woman to prostitute herself for several years.

Michael Dickey is charged with first-degree human trafficking, two counts of domestic aggravated assault and domestic simple assault.

Authorities say Dickey held the 43-year-old woman against her will for several years.

He allegedly controlled her by injecting her with narcotics. The woman told police he forced her have

sex more than 100 times since they moved to Sioux Falls several months ago.

Deputy Minnehaha County State's Attorney Abby Roesler says Dickey would make all prostitution arrangements, reserving hotel rooms in the woman's name or arranging for sex acts to be performed at his apartment.

Dickey is being held on a \$100,000 cash-only bond. It's unclear whether he has an attorney.

## Hearing scheduled in South Dakota for Dakota Access Pipeline

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota regulators tasked with considering whether to approve construction of a proposed oil pipeline that would run through the state have scheduled a two-week evidentiary hearing for this fall.

South Dakota Public Utilities Commissioner Chris Nelson says the commission will take input from parties involved with the Dakota Access Pipeline at the end of September and beginning of October.

Dakota Access LLC wants to build the 1,100-mile pipeline from North Dakota to Illinois. About 270 miles of the pipeline would be in eastern South Dakota.

Landowners opposed to the project say they have environmental concerns.

Nelson tells the American News in Aberdeen (<http://bit.ly/1CIs5Td>) the Public Utilities Commission will review the evidence gathered at the hearing and decide by mid-December whether to approve a construction permit.

## Sioux Falls inmate fails to return to minimum-security unit

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A minimum-security prison inmate in Sioux Falls has been placed on "escape" status for failing to return to prison after a job search.

The South Dakota Department of Corrections says inmate Ryan Dahl left the minimum-security unit on the grounds of the South Dakota State Penitentiary on Friday afternoon. He failed to return to the grounds by the scheduled time.

Dahl is a 21-year-old white man. He's 5 feet 11 inches tall, weighs approximately 150 pounds and has blonde hair and blue eyes.

Dahl is currently serving five years for receiving or transferring a stolen vehicle, possession of more than two ounces of marijuana and distribution of marijuana to a minor.

Authorities say anyone who sees Dahl or knows of his whereabouts should contact law enforcement immediately.

## Scientist to give update on Black Hill's cave excavation

WIND CAVE NATIONAL PARK, S.D. (AP) — The scientist who led a crew to excavate ice age fossils from the mouth of an unexplored cave in the Black Hills is updating the public on what's been found so far.

Jim Mead and a team of researchers began excavating Persistence Cave in June. During their two-week field camp, the researchers removed sediment from the cave that contains ice age fossils.

The fossils date back potentially 11,000 years. They'll provide clues of past climates and help researchers study how animals have adapted to changing environments.

Mead will be at Wind Cave National Park on July 25 to give the public an update on the fossils found so far. There will also be an update on efforts to expand the small cave that could connect with the larger Wind Cave.

## Endangered dragonflies, raised in captivity, being released

REGINA GARCIA CANO, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Federally endangered dragonflies that have been raised in a laboratory over the past several years are being released at a forest preserve this week in Illinois, where scientists believe they'll be a good match with the small population still there.

The Hine's emerald dragonflies, which for decades were believed to be extinct, were carefully raised at the University of South Dakota over the past four to five years after eggs were collected from a dragonfly in southwestern Wisconsin. Three out of the 20 dragonflies that could be released have already been freed so far this week at a forest preserve near Chicago. No more than 320 of the insects remain in Illinois.

"We are trying to maximize their survivorship in captivity," said Daniel Soluk, a professor at the University of South Dakota and the project leader. In the wild, he said, not very many dragonfly eggs survive to become adults — perhaps 10 of 1,000. Bringing them into the lab can dramatically increase their chances, so that of the same group maybe 100 or even 200 survive "all the way to where they'd be ready to emerge into adulthood."

The Hine's emerald dragonfly was discovered in Ohio, but by the mid-1900s, scientists believed the insect was extinct. That changed when one adult specimen was collected in the Des Plaines River Valley, southwest of Chicago, in 1988. The Hine's emerald was listed as a federally endangered species in 1995, and it can now be found in Illinois, Michigan, Missouri and Wisconsin.

Female dragonflies lay eggs by dropping the tip of their body into shallow water. Immature dragonflies — known as nymphs — typically hatch from the eggs in the spring. Nymphs live in the water for about four years, until they crawl out, shed their skin one last time and emerge as flying adults. The adults live only four to five weeks between June and August.

The eggs for this project were collected from a dragonfly captured in southwestern Wisconsin, Soluk said, because the Hine's emerald dragonflies in that area have the same diverse genetic composition as the ones found in Illinois.

"You may have lots of numbers, but if they're genetically almost identical, that means there's not as much ability to resist something like a disease that comes along or that they just won't have as much flexibility in terms of quick responses to things like change in conditions," Soluk said.

Between 80 and 320 Hine's emerald larvae emerge as flying adults in Illinois every year, said Kristopher Lah, an endangered species coordinator at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Chicago Ecological Services Field Office.

For years the environmental group Nature Conservancy has worked to preserve the species in Door County, Wisconsin, where coastal springs and wetlands create a rich habitat for the dragonflies, which catch and eat small flying insects, including mosquitoes, gnats and biting flies.

The effort, says the group's ecologist Mike Grimm, goes beyond the dragonfly's role in nature.

"We never hardly ask 'Why is the Mona Lisa important?' We could tear it down, burn it, and would civilization collapse? No," Grimm said. "But it's something that we value because it's beautiful or it has some intrinsic value that we just want to protect. Some species, what is their value? A small butterfly doesn't really have any economic value and probably could go extinct and we'd never even know it. But I think there's an obligation to our future generations of people that we try to preserve the Earth in at least as good a condition as we found it."

## AP News in Brief

### **Family of Chattanooga shooter says he suffered from depression, expresses horror and grief**

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — The family of the man who authorities say killed four Marines and sailor in Chattanooga said in a statement that their son suffered from depression and was not the son they knew.

"There are no words to describe our shock, horror, and grief," said the statement, provided Saturday to the Associated Press by a lawyer representing the family of Muhammad Youssef Abdulazeez. "The person who committed this horrible crime was not the son we knew and loved. For many years, our son suffered from depression. It grieves us beyond belief to know that his pain found its expression in this heinous act of violence."

"We understand there are many legitimate questions that need to be answered," the statement said. "Having said this, now is the time to reflect on the victims and their families, and we feel it would be inappropriate to say anything more other than that we are truly sorry for their loss."

The family added that they are cooperating with the investigation.

In Chattanooga, a city that prides itself on strong ties between people of different faiths, some Muslims feared the community's perception of them had changed after the shooting rampage Thursday.

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### **Donald Trump criticizes John McCain's war record, says 'I like people who weren't captured'**

AMES, Iowa (AP) — Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump criticized Sen. John McCain's military record at a conservative forum Saturday, saying the party's 2008 nominee and former prisoner of war was a "war hero because he was captured. I like people who weren't captured."

The comment drew some boos from some in the audience — and quick condemnation from rivals who have been waiting for such an opening to rein in the outspoken reality television personality. Trump has surged in polls recently, frustrating many in his party concerned that he has hijacked the 2016 Republican primary and damaged the GOP brand.

Trump and McCain traded barbs earlier this week. McCain said Trump's controversial comments about immigrants had "fired up the crazies" at a rally in Phoenix. Trump retorted that the Arizona Republican was "a dummy" who graduated at the bottom of his class at the U.S. Naval Academy.

McCain's war record was a cornerstone of his 2008 bid for president. A Navy pilot during the Vietnam War, he was captured after his plane was shot down. He was held for more than five years as a prisoner of war.

On Saturday, speaking at a conference of religious conservatives, Trump was pressed on his description of McCain as "a dummy." The moderator, Republican pollster Frank Luntz, described McCain as "a war hero."

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### **Saudi Arabia says it broke up planned Islamic State attacks as death toll rises in Iraq blast**

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Saudi Arabia announced Saturday it has broken up planned Islamic State attacks in the kingdom and arrested more than 400 suspects in an anti-terrorism sweep, a day after a powerful blast in neighboring Iraq killed more than 100 people in one of the country's deadliest single attacks since U.S. troops pulled out in 2011.

The Saudi crackdown underscores the OPEC powerhouse's growing concern about the threat posed by the Islamic State group, which in addition to its operations in Iraq and Syria has claimed responsibility for recent suicide bombings aimed at Shiites in the kingdom's oil-rich east and in next-door Kuwait.

The Saudi Interior Ministry accused those arrested over the "past few weeks" of involvement in several attacks, including a suicide bombing in May that killed 22 people in the eastern village of al-Qudeeh. It was the deadliest militant assault in the kingdom in more than a decade.

It also blamed them for the November shooting and killing of eight worshippers in the eastern Saudi village of al-Ahsa, and for behind another attack in late May, when a suicide bomber disguised as a woman blew himself up in the parking lot of a Shiite mosque during Friday prayers, killing four.

The Interior Ministry said that in June they thwarted a suicide bomb attack on a large mosque in eastern Saudi Arabia that can hold 3,000 worshippers, along with multiple planned attacks on other mosques and diplomatic and security bodies.

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## **AP-GfK Poll: No surge in support for gay marriage after Supreme Court rules in favor of it**

NEW YORK (AP) — The Supreme Court's ruling last month legalizing same-sex marriage nationwide has left Americans sharply divided, according to an Associated Press-GfK poll that suggests support for gay unions may be down slightly from earlier this year.

The poll also found a near-even split over whether local officials with religious objections should be required to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples, with 47 percent saying that should be the case and 49 percent say they should be exempt.

Overall, if there's a conflict, a majority of those questioned think religious liberties should win out over gay rights, according to the poll. While 39 percent said it's more important for the government to protect gay rights, 56 percent said protection of religious liberties should take precedence.

The poll was conducted July 9 to July 13, less than three weeks after the Supreme Court ruled states cannot ban same-sex marriage.

According to the poll, 42 percent support same-sex marriage and 40 percent oppose it. The percentage saying they favor legal same-sex marriage in their state was down slightly from the 48 percent who said so in an April poll. In January, 44 percent were in favor.

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## **IOUs for RIPs: Greece's cash crisis creates hardships for funeral homes and mourning families**

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Greece's cash crisis has disrupted all aspects of daily life — death included.

Greek funeral homes are struggling to cope with banking restrictions that limit customers to taking out only 60 euros (\$65) a day in cash. Even a modest funeral service in Greece costs more than 15 times that, in a country that traditionally carries out funerals shortly after death and pays for them almost entirely in cash.

"Especially this week, with the capital controls at the banks, no matter who we asked money from, we couldn't even recover our costs," said Eustratios Voulamandis, who runs a funeral home in a blue-collar neighborhood west of Athens.

In a back room of the funeral home, work carries on, as employees remove shrink wrap from coffins and use a staple gun to fasten ornamental fabric around the caskets. But Voulamandis' business relies on lump sum payments made by survivors that start at 800 euros (\$866) and are currently impossible to collect.



"To get started on a funeral service, we need 800-1,000 euros but people are giving us 50, 70, even 20 euros and telling us it's all they have," he said.

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## **ADL leader's retirement marks a shift for the 102-year-old civil rights group, US Jews**

NEW YORK (AP) — Over 28 years as head of the Anti-Defamation League, Abe Foxman emerged as a forceful torchbearer for American Jews. He counseled presidents and diplomats, CEOs and celebrities. He took on prominent figures over anti-Semitic remarks or representations — actor Mel Gibson among them — and accepted any ensuing apologies on behalf of an entire community. No other U.S. Jewish leader has wielded as much influence with policymakers, faith leaders and U.S. Jews.

On Monday, Foxman retires as national director, a major moment of transition in American Jewish life that raises questions about the future of the organization known as the ADL.

Foxman, 75, spoke to The Associated Press on Wednesday amid the partially packed file boxes and memorabilia in his Manhattan office. He talked anti-Semitism and Israel, took on his critics, and reflected on the past and future of an organization he helped mold.

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## **AP Exclusive: 5 years after BP spill, Gulf has uptick in share of old temporarily sealed wells**

Five years after the Obama administration promised to move swiftly to permanently plug unused oil and gas wells in the Gulf of Mexico, even more shafts are lingering for longer periods with only temporary sealing, an investigation by The Associated Press shows.

It is not clear how many incompletely sealed wells may have leaked — they generally are not monitored as carefully as active wells — but they contain fewer barriers to pent-up petroleum and rupture more easily. The threat to the environment increases with time.

In July 2010, during the BP oil spill, the AP reported that the Gulf was littered with more than 27,000 unused wells, including 14 percent left with just temporary seals.

The AP's new analysis of federal data shows that the neglect of long-idle wells has intensified since 2010, despite the federal push after the BP accident:

—Twenty-five percent more wells have now stayed temporarily sealed for more than a year, jumping from 2,855 to 3,576.

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## **In sworn testimony, Bill Cosby says he paid women to keep affairs a secret from his wife**

NEW YORK (AP) — Bill Cosby, in sworn testimony a decade ago, said he had paid women after sex to keep the affairs from his wife, suggested he was skilled at understanding nonverbal cues for sexual consent and called one of his accusers a liar.

The New York Times (<http://nyti.ms/1CPjldP>) reported the revelations Saturday after obtaining a copy of a transcript from a deposition Cosby gave in a lawsuit filed by a former Temple University employee who alleges he drugged and molested her.

According to excerpts from the deposition released a month ago, and first obtained by The Associated Press, Cosby admitted he procured Quaaludes with the intent of giving them to young women he wanted to have sex with.

The Times, citing the transcript, reports that Cosby told lawyers for Andrea Constand, who worked at

Temple in Philadelphia and brought the suit, that he was a "pretty decent reader of people and their emotions in these romantic sexual things."

He said he offered to pay for Constand's education and paid another woman whom he had met in 1976. He said he funneled money to one of the women he had sex with through his agent so his wife wouldn't find out.

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## **The Latest: Rick Santorum wants curbs on legal immigration in effort to help boost wages in US**

The latest on the Republican presidential contenders wooing social conservatives at the annual Family Leadership Summit in Ames, Iowa, an event that's attracting thousands of potential Iowa caucus-goers. All times are local.

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Several Republicans presidential candidates are vowing to stop illegal immigration. But Rick Santorum says the U.S. needs to curtail legal immigration as well.

The former Pennsylvania senator says the vast majority of immigrants coming into the U.S. — legally and illegally — are driving down wages for American-born workers.

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## **Rain calms California wildfire that jumped interstate, burning cars, forcing drivers to flee**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A rare summer storm helped firefighters advance on a wildfire that swept across a California interstate, torching vehicles and sending people running for their lives before burning property in a desert town.

Light rain and moist air dampened the blaze on Saturday in the mountainous Cajon Pass 55 miles northeast of Los Angeles, the main route connecting Southern California and Las Vegas.

"The weather really helped," U.S. Forest Service spokesman Travis Mason said.

The fire was sparked Friday afternoon below the elevated lanes of Interstate 15. Pushed by 40 mph winds, it raced up a hill and onto the traffic-clogged freeway, trapping hundreds of people amid a cauldron of smoke, flames and ash.

Drivers and their passengers abandoned their cars as flames hopscotched down the freeway, destroying 20 vehicles, several of which exploded in fireballs.

## **Today in History** **The Associated Press**

Today is Sunday, July 19, the 200th day of 2015. There are 165 days left in the year.

### **Today's Highlight in History:**

On July 19, 1985, Christa McAuliffe of New Hampshire was chosen to be the first schoolteacher to ride aboard the space shuttle. (McAuliffe and six other crew members died when the Challenger exploded shortly after liftoff in January 1986.)

### **On this date:**

In 1553, King Henry VIII's daughter Mary was proclaimed Queen of England after pretender Lady Jane Grey was deposed.

In 1848, a pioneer women's rights convention convened in Seneca Falls, New York.

In 1903, the first Tour de France was won by Maurice Garin.

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In 1944, the Democratic national convention convened in Chicago with the renomination of President Franklin D. Roosevelt considered a certainty.

In 1952, the Summer Olympics opened in Helsinki, Finland.

In 1965, the first president of South Korea, Syngman Rhee, died in Honolulu.

In 1975, the Apollo and Soyuz space capsules that were linked in orbit for two days separated.

In 1979, the Nicaraguan capital of Managua fell to Sandinista guerrillas, two days after President Anastasio Somoza fled the country.

In 1980, the Moscow Summer Olympics began, minus dozens of nations that were boycotting the games because of the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan.

In 1984, U.S. Rep. Geraldine A. Ferraro of New York won the Democratic nomination for vice president by acclamation at the party's convention in San Francisco.

In 1989, 111 people were killed when United Air Lines Flight 232, a DC-10 which suffered the uncontained failure of its tail engine and the loss of hydraulic systems, crashed while making an emergency landing at Sioux City, Iowa; 185 other people survived.

In 1990, President George H.W. Bush joined former presidents Ronald Reagan, Gerald R. Ford and Richard M. Nixon at ceremonies dedicating the Nixon Library and Birthplace (since redesignated the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum) in Yorba Linda, California.

**Ten years ago:** President George W. Bush announced his choice of federal appeals court judge John G. Roberts Jr. to replace retiring Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. (Roberts ended up succeeding Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, who died in September 2005; Samuel Alito followed O'Connor.)

**Five years ago:** The Agriculture Department pressured Shirley Sherrod, an administrator in Georgia, to resign after a conservative website posted video it claimed showed her making racist remarks. (After reviewing the entire video, the White House ended up apologizing to Sherrod.) A train slammed into another at a station north of Calcutta, India, killing at least 63 people. Australian David Warren, who'd invented the "black box" flight data recorder, died in Melbourne at age 85.

**One year ago:** A New York City police officer involved in the arrest of Eric Garner, who died in custody two days earlier after being placed in an apparent chokehold, was stripped of his gun and badge and placed on desk duty. Actor James Garner, 86, died in Los Angeles.

**Today's Birthdays:** Actress Helen Gallagher is 89. Country singer Sue Thompson is 89. Singer Vikki Carr is 75. Blues singer-musician Little Freddie King is 75. Country singer-musician Commander Cody is 71. Actor George Dzundza is 70. Rock singer-musician Alan Gorrie (Average White Band) is 69. Tennis player Ilie Nastase is 69. Rock musician Brian May is 68. Rock musician Bernie Leadon is 68. Actress Beverly Archer is 67. Movie director Abel Ferrara is 64. Actor Peter Barton is 59. Rock musician Kevin Haskins (Love and Rockets; Bauhaus) is 55. Movie director Atom Egoyan is 55. Actor Campbell Scott is 54. Actor Anthony Edwards is 53. Country singer Kelly Shiver is 52. Actress Clea Lewis is 50. Percussionist Evelyn Glennie is 50. Country musician Jeremy Patterson is 45. Classical singer Urs Buhler (Il Divo) is 44. Actor Andrew Kavovit is 44. Rock musician Jason McGerr (Death Cab for Cutie) is 41. Actor Benedict Cumberbatch is 39. Actress Erin Cummings (TV: "Astronaut Wives Club") is 38. TV chef Marcela Valladolid is 37. Actor Jared Padalecki is 33. Actor Trai Byers is 32. Actor Steven Anthony Lawrence is 25.

**Thought for Today:** "An optimist will tell you the glass is half-full; the pessimist, half-empty; and the engineer will tell you the glass is twice the size it needs to be." - Author unknown.