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## Sunday, August 2

**Birthdays:** David Strom • Marsha Wienk • Peggy Flihs • Jesse Nierman • Chris Wheeting • Jennifer Keimig • Erin Unzen • Dylan Graf • Spencer Kavanaugh • Morgan Rossow  
9:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship with Communion  
9:00am: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass  
9:15am: C&MA School  
10:00am: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Pierpont Church  
10:15am: C&MA Fellowship time  
10:45am: C&MA Worship  
11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship  
5:00pm: HBM worship at historic Trinity Church

## Monday, August 3

**Senior Menu:** Chicken rice casserole, green beans, spinach salad, chocolate pudding with bananas, whole wheat bread.

**Anniv:** Lance & Kristie Hawkins

**Birthdays:** Mike Sundling • Michelle Kramer • Brad Hamilton

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

## Tuesday, August 4

**Senior Menu:** Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, broccoli, pumpkin bar with topping or carrot bar

**Anniv:** Craig & Kim Weber

**Birthdays:** Kristie Flihs • Allen McKiver • Tim Berndt • Lindsey Furman

10:00am: C&MA Ladies Bible Study

**Open:** Recycling Trailer in Groton  
The recycling trailer is located at 10 East Railroad Ave.

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

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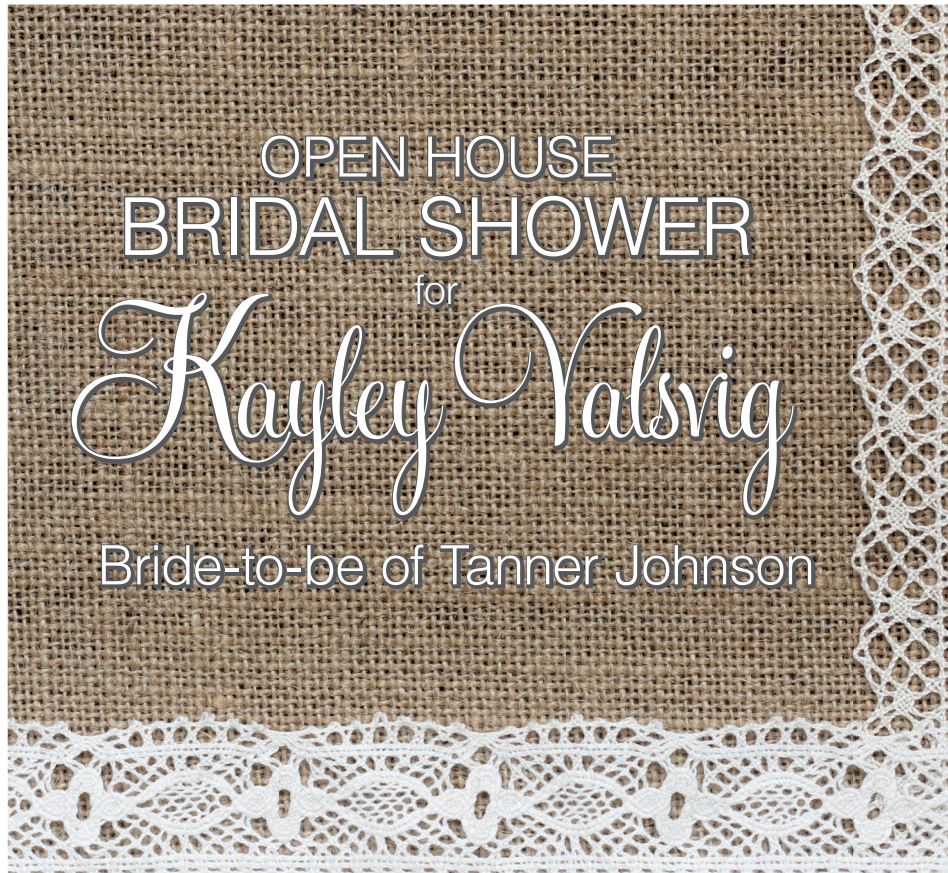
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GROTON CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING AGENDA  
August 3, 2015 - 7pm  
Groton Community Center

- 1) Minutes
- 2) Financial Report
- 3) Transfer Funds
- 4) Bills
- 5) Swim Pool Hours for Brown County Fair
- 6) Dept Reports – Public Works
- 7) Introduction of 2016 Budget
- 8) Meeting Reports – Mary & Jay
- 9) CC rent proposal
- 10) Joint Jurisdiction Map
- 11) Fall Cleanup Dates
- 12) Exe Session – Legal & Personnel

AND any other business that may come before the Council

Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup>

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

At the Groton United Methodist Church

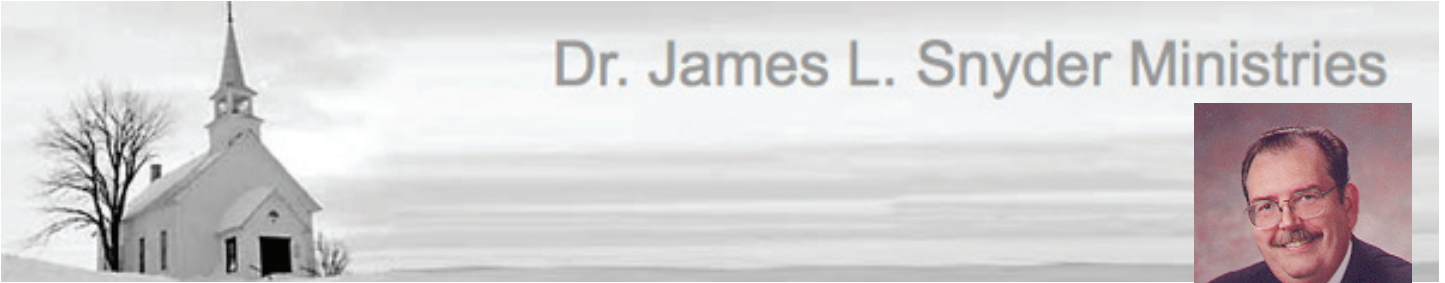
The couple is registered at Herberger's, Menards and Target

## Larson Bridal Shower

Bridal shower for Samantha Larson will be held on Saturday, August 8 from 2-4 at Olive Grove Golf Course. The couple is registered at Target.

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Dr. James L. Snyder Ministries



## Dancing In The Summer Rain

This is the time of the year when rain is a frequent visitor, especially in the afternoon. It is then that a person is tempted to go outside and dance in the rain. One famous singer was so caught up with a rainy afternoon that he did his famous, "Singing in the rain." At my age, the only dancing I do is the bathroom shuffle, which has become more frequent than usual lately.

The early Native Americans used to do their "Rain Dance," in the hopes that some rain would come their way and water their crops. It is hard to tell what their average of success was in that practice. Obviously, it was not so successful that it is carried on down today. It may very well be that their "Rain Dance," was simply some contrived activity to break the monotony while waiting for the white man to steal their land.

Rain is a funny thing. Well, not so much a funny thing as something that confounds the average common sense, which is not that hard to do. From the advantage of many years of observation, rain will come when rain comes, and just when you think you have enough rain, it rains some more. In addition, when you desperately need rain those clouds are deliberately looking the other way.

When it is raining a friend of mine always says, "I guess we needed the rain." To me this does not make sense. Because it rains when we need the rain and then it rains when we have had enough rain. Or at least when I have had enough rain. My definition of enough rain is, when I have an afternoon outing planned.

I have yet to hear my friend say when the sun is shining and not a cloud in the sky, "I guess we don't need rain today." The truth of the matter is, we may need rain that day. I have come not to pay much attention to what my friend says. In fact, I think I'm going to get a new friend.

Rain is a very important part of our social makeup. Without rain, much of what we do would simply dry up and blow away. Not only do we need rain for horticultural reasons, but for sociological reasons as well.

For example, we use rain to identify somebody who is not very smart, or at least not as smart as we think we are. We say of such a person, "He doesn't know enough to get in out of the rain."

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What we do not know is, perhaps that person has a good reason to be out in the rain. He may, in fact, know that he is out in the rain and has chosen to stay out for reasons known only to him. Perhaps, he is just so delighted with the summer rain he just felt like dancing in the rain. Are we really going to fault a person for indulging in such activity?

I am beginning to think that rain really gets a bad rap all the way around.

Another example comes to mind. Some people will say, "I am saving up for a rainy day." All I want to know is what a rainy day has to do with saving money. Nobody ever says, "I'm saving up for a snowy day." Nor, does anybody ever say, "I'm saving up for a sunny day." The latter would make more sense to me. There are plenty of sunny days that I could use plenty of money.

All I say, if you want to save money, save money and let the rain out of it. The rain has enough to do without being burdened down with helping you save money. Anyway, the only thing the rain can give you is a rain check.

Perhaps the worst of all is the phrase, "Don't rain on my Parade." I have never really understood this. No person who has ever said this to me was involved in a parade at the time.

Take last week for example. The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage was telling me about some plans she was putting together and I simply indicated that I did not think it was a good idea. I know when to keep my mouth shut; I just do not always do it.

With both hands on her hips, looking at me with one of "those looks," she said to me in that familiar tone, "Don't you dare rain on my Parade."

At the time, I had no idea what parade she was talking about. If she was planning a parade, I wanted to be in on it. I love a parade. Furthermore, where did she get the idea that I could snap my finger and cause it to rain? I'm good, but not that good. Of course, who am I to argue with her?

The only thing I know for sure about rain is that God is in charge of it and he dispenses it at his good pleasure. Jesus said, "That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust." (Matthew 5:45 KJV).

I certainly cannot control the rain but I can thank God for His wisdom in sending the rain when He chooses.

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## Friends . . . Near and Far

*Editor's Note: This is the 33rd in a series featuring your friends, near and far.*

### Morgan Holler

**Where are you living today?** Groton, SD

**JobWise what are you doing today?** I am Farming With my dad while expanding our operation into field tile and dirt work.

**How long have you been working at the current job?** Full Time, I have been here 5 years. Other than that my whole life.

**How did you get your current job?** It as my hope to get back to the farm. So I set my goals to get back here and I did.

**If you have previous employments list them and how long you were there.** While at college I worked during the school year for Ag Research for the Graduate Program. I did that for 3.5 years.

**What year did you graduate from high school?** I graduated in 2006 from Langford High School.

**Where did you attend college and what was your degree?** I went to South Dakota State University and ma-



**Morgan is holding Farrah. Heather is holding Naomi**

jored in Agronomy: Plant Science with a minor in Pest Management.

**What advice would you give the high school students today?** Don't rush into a career, BUT don't be lazy. Find a career you know you will love to do for years to come. When you find what you want to do, work hard for what you want. Don't expect to get anything on a silver platter. Instead be grateful for every opportunity you get.

**List your major accomplishments that you have had so far in life.** Just having the ability to own my own business. I get to work for myself. Not many people get to do that, especially at my age. God Has blessed me with a Job that I love

**Are you married? If so what is your spouses name and where was she from?** Yes, Heather, She is originally from Brookings.

**How did the two of you meet?** SDSU we both went to the same church and church events and started hanging out.

**Do you have any children?** Farrah is 2.5, Naomi is 4 months

**Do you feel that your high school and college education prepared you adequately for post education life?** Going to college, I was a little worried. Langford High School had me fully prepared when I got there. I was able to skip some entry level classes and expand my education from there.

College has helped me in many ways. Do I always go back to what my text books taught me, no. In fact one of the first classes I took at SDSU, Intro to Plants or something like that. They told me half of the stuff I will learn the first two years will be obsolete within 2 years of graduating. It has helped me along the way in the last 5 years push my education. Know how to go to different classes throughout the year and keep up on things.

College also gave me a great network to call upon. I have some friends from there I talk to very regularly. Sometimes if it is above their head I will even call up old professors and get their opinion. I felt I was very prepared to get out into the real world.

## Today in Weather History

August 2, 1960: Hail the size of a hen egg caused from moderate damage to total loss to corn, soybean, and grain crops on 50 to 75 farms in Marshall, Roberts, and Grant Counties. High winds caused damage to buildings and uprooted trees in Britton.

1954 - Severe thunderstorms produced golf ball size hail for thirty minutes in north central Kansas. One drift measured 200 feet long, seventy feet wide and three feet deep. (The Weather Channel)

1975 - Record heat gripped New England. Highs of 104 degrees at Providence, RI, and 107 degrees at Chester and New Bedford, MA, established state records. The heat along the coast of Maine was unprecedented, with afternoon highs of 101 degrees at Bar Harbor and 104 degrees at Jonesboro. (The Weather Channel)

1985: Strong and sudden wind gusts cause a plane crash at the Dallas/Fort Worth Airport in Texas that kills 135 people. The rapid and unexpected formation of a supercell, an extremely violent form of thunderstorm, led to the tragedy.








1987 - Hot weather continued in the central U.S. Fifteen cities reported record high temperatures for the date, including Concordia KS with a reading of 106 degrees, and Downtown Kansas City, MO, with a high of 105 degrees. Evening thunderstorms produced severe weather in the Ohio Valley and the north central U.S. Thunderstorms in South Dakota produced wind gusts to 70 mph at Philip, and hail two inches in diameter at Faulkton. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)


1988 - Searing heat continued from the Middle and Upper Mississippi Valley to the Middle and Northern Atlantic Coast States. Twenty-six cities reported record high temperatures for the date. Chicago IL reported a record seven days of 100 degree heat for the year. (The National Weather Summary)

1989 - Low pressure representing the remains of Hurricane Chantal deluged north central Texas with heavy rain. Up to 6.50 inches drenched Stephens County, and Wichita Falls reported 2.22 inches of rain in just one hour. Bismarck, ND, reported a record warm morning low of 75 degrees, and record hot afternoon high of 101 degrees, and evening thunderstorms in North Dakota produced wind gusts to 78 mph at Lakota. Early evening thunderstorms in Florida produced high winds which downed trees at Christmas. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

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| Today   | Tonight   | Monday  | Monday Night  | Tuesday  | Tuesday Night   | Wednesday   |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sunny   | Mostly Clear  | Sunny   | Mostly Clear  | Sunny  | Slight Chance T-storms  | Chance T-storms   |
| High: 84 °F   | Low: 51 °F  | High: 82 °F   | Low: 53 °F  | High: 81 °F  | Low: 58 °F  | High: 77 °F   |








## Next Few Days: Dry To Start – Turning Inclement

### Temperatures – Seasonally Cool








| Today  | Mon  | Tue  | Wed  | Thu  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |
| 87° 58°  | 86° 60°  | 84° 61°  | 81° 60°  | 79° 60°  |
| N 20   | E 10   | SE 18  | SE 13  | NE 11  |






**5 Day Outlook - Mobridge, SD**

| Today  | Mon   | Tue  | Wed  | Thu  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |
| 85° 51°  | 83° 54°   | 81° 57°  | 79° 59°  | 76° 58°  |
| N 22   | N 10  | E 11   | SE 10  | NE 11  |




**5 Day Outlook - Aberdeen, SD**

| Today   | Mon   | Tue   | Wed   | Thu   |
|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 91° 58°   | 87° 61°   | 85° 62°   | 85° 62°   | 83° 59°   |
| N 21  | E 10  | SE 18   | SE 13   | N 11  |

**5 Day Outlook - Pierre, SD**

| Today   | Mon  | Tue   | Wed   | Thu   |
|---|--|---|---|---|
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 84° 54°   | 78° 55°  | 79° 57°   | 78° 59°   | 77° 58°   |
| N 22  | NW 14  | E 11  | SE 10   | SE 11   |

**5 Day Outlook - Watertown, SD**


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



Published on: 08/02/2015 at 4:38AM

Dry high pressure will move into the region today. Temperatures will start out around normal - though cooler air filtering into the region should stick around for the next several days. As the high pressure system moves south and east, hit & miss showers and storms will dominate the forecast for the middle and latter half of the work week.

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## Yesterday's Weather

**High:** 90.6 at 5:18 PM

**Heat Index:** 99.0 at 5:17 PM

**Low:** 58.5 at 6:14 AM

**High Gust:** 22 at 2:56 PM

Precip: 0.00

## Today's Info

**Record High:** 105° in 1938

**Record Low:** 40° in 1971

**Average High:** 84°F

**Average Low:** 59°F

**Average Precip in Aug:** 0.16

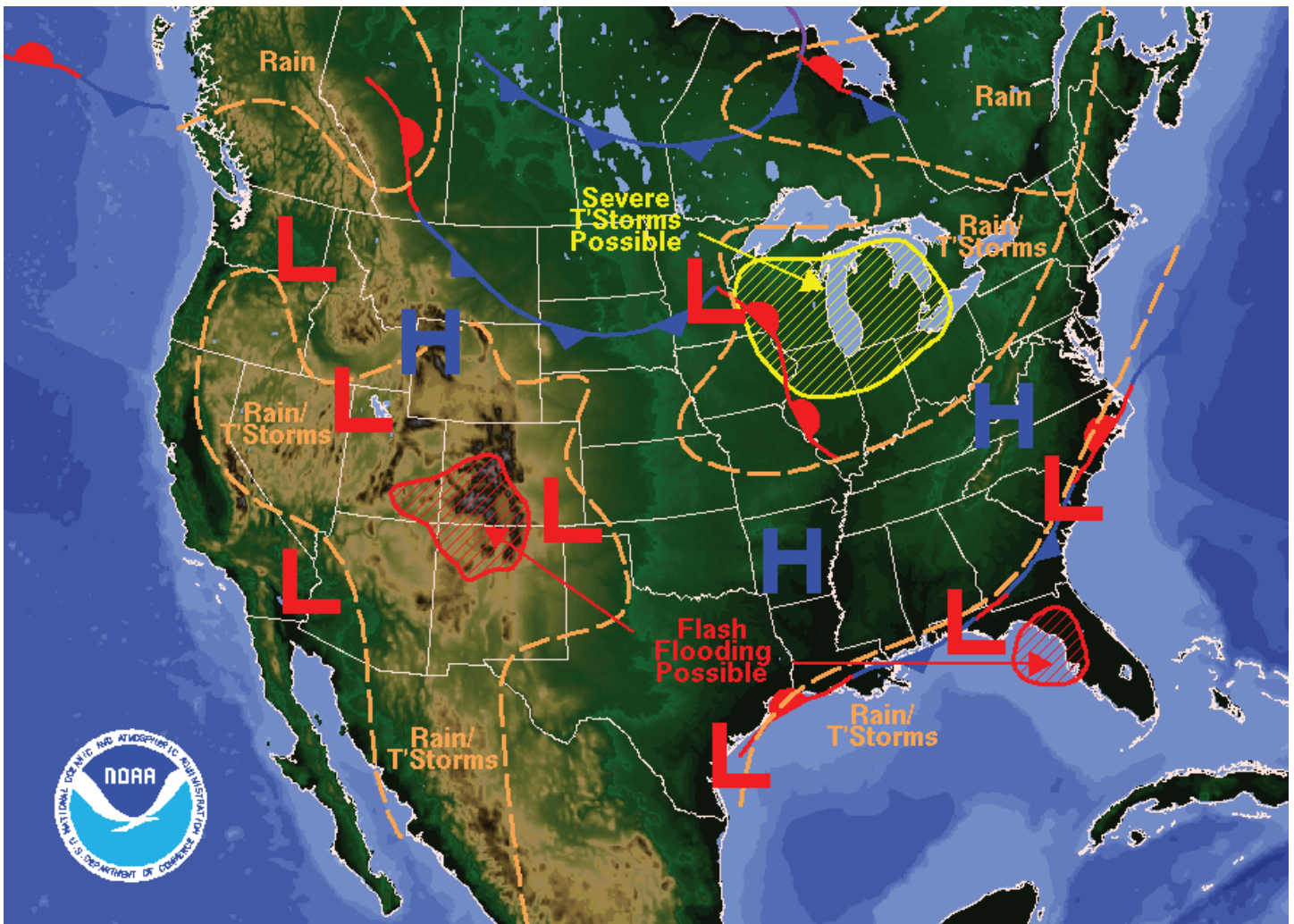
**Precip to date in Aug:** 0.00

**Average Precip to date:** 14.02

**Precip Year to Date:** 11.57

**Sunset Tonight:** 9:00 p.m.

**Sunrise Tomorrow:** 6:19 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Sun, Aug 02, 2015, issued 4:23 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by Krekeler based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



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## CRITICISM

Paderewski was a great Polish pianist. But when he first chose to take piano lessons a teacher said to him, "Your hands are too small. You will never be able to master the keyboard."

Caruso was one of the greatest tenors who ever lived. When he went for his first voice lesson in Italy, the teacher said to him, "Your voice is like wind whistling through a window." He refused to give him voice lessons.

Alexander Graham Bell spent years working to develop and perfect his telephone. When he displayed it to a group of people, they said, "You are a fool with a useless toy."

As Christians we must learn to look at criticism as a "challenge and call to courage" and turn to the Lord for His guidance. If we are grateful for the skills and talents God has given us, we will accept every opportunity to "do better" as a gift to honor Him. The choice is ours: We can choose to rise to the occasion, meet it and be victorious, or give up in fear because we do not trust in Him. The God of our salvation and hope says that with His help all things are possible. We must only accept and act in His strength and power, knowledge and wisdom.

**Prayer:** Lord of our lives, whenever we face an obstacle, may we see it as an opportunity to turn to You for grace and guidance. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

**Scripture for Today:** Colossians 1:11 strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy;

## News from the Associated Press

### **Colorado man dies by Lead after driving motorcycle off road**

DEADWOOD, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Department of Public Safety says a 46-year-old Colorado man has died near Lead.

The man was riding 2005 Harley Davidson east on U.S. Highway 14A on Friday when drove off the road on a curve and rode into the ditch. The man left his bike and struck a sign post.

The Fort Collins, Colorado, man was transported to Deadwood Regional Hospital, where he died of his injuries.

The name of the victim is not being released pending notification of his family.

Alcohol is not believed to be a factor. He was not wearing a helmet.

### **VA: Files containing personal information thrown in trash**

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Officials with the Department of Veterans Affairs in the Black Hills say they're taking steps to notify veterans affected by an information breach after an employee accidentally threw away personnel files on its Hot Springs campus.

The Rapid City Journal reports the VA says someone tossed a box containing files with personal information into a trash bin on May 15 during an office move. A different employee noticed the box in the trash two days later and VA police recovered them.

Spokeswoman Teresa Forbes tells the newspaper that the breach affects about 1,100 veterans.

Forbes says the VA is "very confident" that the personal information of veterans has not been misused. She says the information included veterans' names, Social Security numbers, phone numbers and addresses.

### **South Dakota looks to add more women to state patrol ranks**

**KEVIN BURBACH, Associated Press**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — As a kid, Deanna Johnson was always interested in playing sports and beating up boys on the playground — not the typical things girls were supposed to like.

Now an adult, she's a state trooper with almost exclusively male counterparts.

"The role didn't fit for me, the role that I was supposed to take on," she said.

Johnson is one of six women in the state Highway Patrol, a minority in a squad of about 175 troopers. The state agency is trying change to that, and began a campaign this summer to foster better on-the-road representation.

"You want your agency to represent the community that you work for," said Lt. Randi Erickson, the agency's director of training, who's spearheading the effort.

But that's going take time, and applicants. Of the three seminars for interested women that troopers have held across the state so far this summer, only one was attended.

There, in Sioux Falls, Johnson and Trooper Cortney Paul talked to four women about the independence troopers have and the fact that, despite making up only 3 percent of the agency's workforce, they've never felt discriminated against or singled out. Case in point: Johnson is pregnant and she said the agency has been very accommodating, even to the fact that she can longer wear her traditional trooper's uniform: "I'm a wearing a dress, for God's sake."

The lack of women in the state patrol isn't an issue unique to South Dakota, or even state police agencies. Nationwide, Erickson said, it's something with which police agencies, sheriff's departments and highway patrols are all struggling.

In 2013, almost 12 percent of all law enforcement officers nationwide were women, according to data compiled by the FBI. In 2007, 6.5 percent of state police department officers were women, according to the U.S. Department of Justice.

In South Dakota, 6.5 percent of all law enforcement officers in the state were women in 2013, according to the FBI.

"We're just trying to have a proactive approach, getting this message out to a wide applicant pool, a diverse applicant pool," he said.

The seminar attendees spanned various age ranges. McKayla Hovde, a 21-year-old Sioux Falls resident, said she's surveying different law enforcement agencies and liked what she heard, even if it means she would be entering a field dominated by men.

"It's quite intimidating, but I think it would be rewarding at the same time because I'm proving that I can do it and I can try to help persuade women to do a mostly manly job," she said.

Johnson said the outreach campaign is allowing her to talk to women directly about her experience in law enforcement and how succeeding in a male-dominated field has changed her. She's the first woman in state history to become a drug-dog handler and she said her colleagues often tell her she's their preferred backup.

"I just want every woman to realize that the opportunity's there for them to take on the role that they feel is right for them. And maybe that's not the highway patrol," she said. "But we're not bounded by limitations because of who we are."

## Obama to mandate steeper emissions cuts from US power plants

**JOSH LEDERMAN, Associated Press**

NEW YORK (AP) — President Barack Obama will impose even steeper cuts on greenhouse gas emissions from U.S. power plants than previously expected, senior administration officials said Sunday, in what the president called the most significant step the U.S. has ever taken to fight global warming.

A year after proposing unprecedented carbon dioxide limits, Obama was poised to finalize the rule at a White House event on Monday. In a video posted to Facebook, Obama said the limits were backed up by decades of data showing that without tough action, the world will face more extreme weather and escalating health problems like asthma.

"Climate change is not a problem for another generation," Obama said. "Not anymore."

Opponents vowed to sue immediately, and planned to ask the courts to put the rule on hold while legal challenges play out. Many states have threatened not to comply.

In his initial proposal, Obama had mandated a 30 percent nationwide cut in carbon dioxide emissions by 2030, compared to 2005 levels. The final version will require a 32 percent cut instead, said the officials, who weren't authorized to comment by name and requested anonymity.

The final rule also gives states an additional two years — until 2022 — to comply, officials said, yielding to complaints that the original deadline was too soon. States will also have until 2018 instead of 2017 to submit their plans for how they'll meet their targets.

But the administration will attempt to incentivize states to take action earlier by offering credits to states that boost renewable sources like wind and solar in 2020 and 2021, officials said.

The focus on renewables marks a significant shift from the earlier version that sought to accelerate the ongoing transition from coal-fired power to natural gas plants, which emit far less carbon dioxide. The revised rule aims to keep the share of natural gas in the nation's power mix at current levels.

The stricter limits in the final plan were certain to incense energy industry advocates who had already balked at the more lenient limits in the proposed plan. But the Obama administration said its tweaks would cut energy costs and address concerns about power grid reliability.

The Obama administration previously predicted the emissions limits will cost up to \$8.8 billion annually by 2030, although it said those costs would be far outweighed by health savings from fewer asthma attacks and other benefits. The actual price won't be clear until states decide how they'll reach their targets.

America's largest source of greenhouse gases, power plants account for roughly one-third of all U.S. emissions of carbon dioxide and other heat-trapping gases blamed for global warming. Obama's rule assigns customized targets to each state, then leaves it up to the state to determine how to meet them.

In the works for years, the power plant rule forms the cornerstone of Obama's plan to curb U.S. emissions and keep global temperatures from climbing, and its success is pivotal to the legacy Obama hopes to leave on climate change. Never before has the U.S. sought to restrict carbon dioxide from existing power plants.

By clamping down on power plant emissions, Obama is also working to increase his leverage and credibility with other nations whose commitments he's seeking for a global climate treaty to be finalized later this year in Paris. As its contribution to that treaty, the U.S. has pledged to cut overall emissions 26 percent to 28 percent by 2025, compared to 2005.

Even before the rule was finalized, more than a dozen states announced plans to fight it. At the urging of Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, some Republican governors have declared they simply won't comply, setting up a certain confrontation with the Environmental Protection Agency, which by law can force its own plan on states that fail to submit implementation plans.

Yet even in many of those states, power companies and local utility authorities have started preparing to meet the targets. New, more efficient plants that are replacing older and dirtier ones have already pushed emissions down nearly 13 percent since 2005, putting them about halfway to meeting Obama's goal.

In Congress, lawmakers have sought to use legislation to stop Obama's regulation. McConnell has also tried previously to use an obscure, rarely successful maneuver to allow Congress to vote it down.

The more serious threat to Obama's rule will likely come in the courts. The Electric Reliability Coordinating Council, which represents energy companies, said 20 to 30 states were poised to join with industry in suing over the rule. The Obama administration has a mixed track record in fending off legal challenges to its climate rules.

## AP News in Brief

### **After son's death, Biden associates resume discussions about challenging Clinton in 2016**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Joe Biden's associates have resumed discussions about a 2016 presidential run after largely shelving such deliberations during his son's illness and following his death earlier this year. But Biden has yet to tell his staff whether he will run or personally ask them to do any planning for a potential campaign, according to several people close to the vice president.

Recent conversations between Biden's associates and Democratic donors and operatives have led to speculation that Biden will challenge front-runner Hillary Rodham Clinton for the party's nomination, and individuals close to Biden have started looking into what options might be available to him if he were to run, such as potential staff in Iowa and the filing deadlines for entering the Democratic field.

But the people close to the vice president say his launching a White House run remains uncertain. Biden is expected to make a final decision as soon as early September, according to those familiar with his plans.

The people close to Biden spoke to The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity, because they were not authorized to discuss the deliberations.

The renewed focus on Biden comes amid some signs of weakness for Clinton, including declines in her favorability among voters in recent polling. Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders, who is challenging Clinton for the Democratic nomination, has been attracting large crowds with a liberal economic message, evidence of a hunger within the party for an alternative to Clinton's candidacy.

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### **Afghan Taliban issues statement quoting leader of the Haqqani Network to prove he is alive**

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — The Afghan Taliban issued a written statement Sunday purportedly quoting Jalaluddin Haqqani, the leader of the notoriously brutal Haqqani insurgent group, in an effort to quell rumors of his death.

The statement, posted to the Taliban's website, quoted Haqqani mourning the loss of Mullah Mohammad

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Omar, the one-eyed leader of the group whose death the extremists confirmed last week. The Afghan government says Mullah Omar died in April 2013.

The Taliban have announced that Mullah Akhtar Mohammad Mansoor is their new leader and released a purported audio statement from him Saturday. The statement released Sunday did not include any audio of Haqqani speaking to prove he is alive, however it comes as the Taliban tries to present a unified front behind Mansoor as they continue their nearly 14-year insurgency against the Afghan government.

Relatives of Mullah Omar, including his son Yacoob, have said they do not support Mansoor, hinting at fissures between those who want to continue fledgling peace talks and the movement's more extreme elements. The statement Sunday said Haqqani backed Mansoor as the Taliban's leader.

"My particular recommendation to all members of the Islamic Emirate is to maintain their internal unity and discipline," the statement quotes Haqqani as saying, using the Taliban's name for Afghanistan. The statement added Haqqani said followers should not be deceived by enemy propaganda.

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## **US, Egypt resume formal security talks suspended 6 years ago amid Arab Spring with Kerry visit**

CAIRO (AP) — The United States and Egypt on Sunday resumed formal security talks that were suspended six years ago amid the political unrest that swept the country in the wake of the Arab Spring.

Two days after the U.S. delivered eight F-16 warplanes to Egypt as part of a military support package, Secretary of State John Kerry relaunched the dialogue with Egyptian officials in Cairo.

Kerry, on the first stop of a Mideast trip aimed at assuaging Arab concerns over the nuclear deal between Iran and world powers, began his day in talks with Egyptian Foreign Minister Sameh Shoukry. He later will see President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi before leaving for Qatar, where he will hold discussions with Gulf Arab foreign ministers on the Iran deal and its implications for the region.

Despite continuing human rights concerns in Egypt, the Obama administration is increasing military assistance to the country as it confronts growing threats from extremists, particularly in the Sinai Peninsula.

U.S. military assistance to Egypt also had been on hold until earlier this year due to human rights and democracy concerns in the wake of the military overthrow of Islamist President Mohammed Morsi in 2013.

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## **Suicide attack by Kurdish rebels kills 2 soldiers, wounds 24 others in eastern Turkey**

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Kurdish rebels on Sunday detonated an explosives-laden agricultural vehicle at a military police station in eastern Turkey, killing two soldiers and wounding 24 others, authorities said, amid a sharp escalation of violence between the government forces and the autonomy-seeking insurgents.

Militants of the Kurdistan Workers' Party, or PKK, used two tons of explosives to attack the station on a highway near the town of Dogubayazit in Agri province, close to Turkey's border with Iran, causing extensive damage to the building, the regional governor's office said in a statement. The wounded soldiers were hospitalized but there was no word on their conditions.

In a separate attack, one soldier was killed and four others were injured when their military vehicle hit a land mine believed to have been laid by the rebels in the southeastern Mardin province, the local governor's office said Sunday.

Violence has flared in Turkey in the past 10 days, shattering a fragile peace process launched in 2012 with the Kurds. The government has conducted almost daily airstrikes at PKK bases in northern Iraq while the rebels have attacked Turkey's security forces. The airstrikes began as the U.S. and Turkey announced the outlines of a deal to help push the Islamic State group back from a strip of territory it controls along the Syrian-Turkish border, replacing it with more-moderate rebels backed by Washington and Ankara.

At least 24 people have been killed in the renewed violence in Turkey, most of them soldiers.

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## **Memphis police officer fatally shot during traffic stop in Tennessee, suspect on the run**

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — A police officer was fatally shot Saturday night during a traffic stop in Memphis and a manhunt is underway for the suspect, Tennessee police officials said.

Memphis Police Director Toney Armstrong said during a news conference that police received a call at about 9:15 p.m. Saturday about an officer being shot. Armstrong said the officer was conducting a traffic stop when he was shot multiple times. The officer was transported in critical condition to a hospital, where he died.

In a statement Sunday morning, Memphis Police identified the slain officer as 33-year-old Sean Bolton. No further details were released.

Armstrong said police have not made an arrest and the suspect is on the run. He said police are using all available resources to find the shooter.

Bolton is the third Memphis officer to be fatally shot in slightly more than four years. Officer Tim Warren was killed while responding to a shooting at a downtown Memphis hotel in July 2011. In December 2012, Officer Martoiya Lang was killed while serving a warrant.

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## **Malaysia seeks help from territories near Reunion to expand search area for MH370 debris**

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — Malaysia says it's seeking help from territories near the island where a suspected piece of the missing Malaysia Airlines jet was found in order to expand the search area for plane debris.

Transport Minister Liow Tiong Lai said in a statement Sunday that the Department of Civil Aviation is reaching out to these authorities to allow experts "to conduct more substantive analysis should there be more debris coming on to land, providing us more clues to the missing aircraft."

The statement also said that the wing part found on Reunion on Wednesday has been verified by French authorities and others, including Boeing, as being from a Boeing 777. Flight 370 is the only missing 777.

A U.S. official had confirmed that same information after the wing part was found.

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## **Zimbabwe says lion that was a companion to Cecil, the lion shot by a US hunter, is alive**

HARARE, Zimbabwe (AP) — Wildlife authorities in Zimbabwe on Sunday dismissed a report of the shooting death of a male lion who was a companion of Cecil, a well-known lion killed by an American hunter in early July.

The Zimbabwe National Parks and Wildlife Management Authority released a photograph of the lion named Jericho that it said was taken Sunday morning.

A statement from the authority said Jericho "is still alive and being monitored" by Brent Stapelkamp, who is following Jericho's movements with the help of a satellite collar on the lion.

The Facebook page of a group called the Zimbabwe Conservation Task Force said Saturday that Jericho was killed.

Cecil's killing sparked an international outcry. Zimbabwean authorities called it an illegal hunt.

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## **Going analog: Young Japanese learn from aging atomic bomb survivors to keep storytelling alive**

KUNITACHI, Japan (AP) — On a recent weekend, an 84-year-old survivor of the Nagasaki atomic bombing retraced his movements on a map: the inferno during his 20-kilometer (12-mile) walk home, the "black rain" of falling radioactive particles and how he felt sick days later.

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His audience of eight listened intently, some asking questions and taking notes. They hope to tell his story to future generations after he is gone, to take their listeners to the scene on Aug. 9, 1945, the way Shigeyuki Katsura saw and felt it.

In a government-organized program in the western Tokyo suburb of Kunitachi, 20 trainees ranging from their 20s to their 70s are studying wartime history, taking public speech lessons from a TV anchor and hearing stories from Katsura and another Kunitachi resident who survived Hiroshima.

"It's been 70 years since the bombings, and we survivors are getting old. Time is limited and we must hurry," said Terumi Tanaka, the 83-year-old head of a national group, the Tokyo-based Japan Confederation of A and H Bomb Sufferers' Organizations.

In a way, they are going backward in this digital age, learning face-to-face from their elders in order to carry on a storytelling tradition. It is not unlike Kabuki actors inheriting their seniors' stage names and performing their signature pieces.

## 'Whitney is going to haunt her from the grave': Brown's sister vows family feud just beginning

ALPHARETTA, Ga. (AP) — Bobby Brown's sister vowed the family feud was "far from over" between their family and the late Whitney Houston's kin during the memorial service for her niece, Bobbi Kristina Brown.

A frustrated Leolah Brown walked out of the St. James United Methodist Church in Alpharetta on Saturday and spoke to reporters gathered outside. She was angry because of some words that were said during the funeral by Pat Houston, the sister-in-law and former manager of Whitney Houston.

"I told her that Whitney is going to haunt her from the grave," Leolah Brown told reporters outside the church.

Before she went back inside the church, Leolah Brown expressed her love for Bobbi Kristina and Whitney Houston. But she ultimately spewed more venom toward Pat Houston, calling her a "phony" and not a "blood relative."

"It's just getting started," she said.

## Today in History The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, August 2, the 214th day of 2015. There are 151 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On August 2, 1985, 137 people were killed when Delta Air Lines Flight 191, a Lockheed L-1011 Tristar, crashed while attempting to land at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

### On this date:

In 1776, members of the Continental Congress began attaching their signatures to the Declaration of Independence.

In 1873, inventor Andrew S. Hallidie (HAH'-lih-day) successfully tested a cable car he had designed for the city of San Francisco.

In 1876, frontiersman "Wild Bill" Hickok was shot and killed while playing poker at a saloon in Deadwood, Dakota Territory, by Jack McCall, who was later hanged.

In 1909, the original Lincoln "wheat" penny first went into circulation, replacing the "Indian Head" cent.

In 1923, the 29th president of the United States, Warren G. Harding, died in San Francisco; Vice President Calvin Coolidge became president.

In 1934, German President Paul von Hindenburg died, paving the way for Adolf Hitler's complete takeover.

In 1939, Albert Einstein signed a letter to President Franklin D. Roosevelt urging creation of an atomic weapons research program. President Roosevelt signed the Hatch Act, which prohibited civil service employees from taking an active part in political campaigns.

In 1943, during World War II, U.S. Navy boat PT-109, commanded by Lt. (jg) John F. Kennedy, sank after

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being rammed in the middle of the night by the Japanese destroyer Amagiri off the Solomon Islands. Two crew members were killed.

In 1945, President Harry S. Truman, Soviet leader Josef Stalin and Britain's new prime minister, Clement Attlee, concluded the Potsdam conference.

In 1964, the destroyer USS Maddox suffered light damage during a skirmish with North Vietnamese patrol torpedo boats in the Gulf of Tonkin. (This and an alleged second incident two days later led to congressional approval of the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution that propelled America deep into war.)

In 1974, former White House counsel John W. Dean III was sentenced to one to four years in prison for obstruction of justice in the Watergate coverup. (Dean ended up serving four months.)

In 1990, Iraq invaded Kuwait, seizing control of the oil-rich emirate. (The Iraqis were later driven out in Operation Desert Storm.)

**Ten years ago:** An Air France jetliner from Paris skidded off a runway while landing at Toronto's Pearson International Airport during a storm and burst into flames; all 309 people aboard survived. President George W. Bush signed a free trade pact with six Latin American countries known as CAFTA. American freelance journalist Steven Vincent was found shot to death in Basra, Iraq, after being abducted by armed men.

**Five years ago:** President Barack Obama, addressing the Disabled American Veterans in Atlanta, said the U.S. would leave Iraq "as promised and on schedule," portraying the end of America's combat role in the 7-year war as a personal promise kept. Actress Lindsay Lohan was released from a Los Angeles jail after serving 14 days of a 90-day sentence for violating her probation in a 2007 drug case. The Washington Post Co. announced that billionaire Sidney Harman would buy Newsweek for \$1 and assume the magazine's debts.

**One year ago:** Dr. Kent Brantly, the first Ebola victim to be brought to the United States from Africa, was safely escorted into a specialized isolation unit at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta, where he recovered from the disease. Author Billie Letts, 76, died in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Former CBS News President Ed Joyce, 81, died in Redding, Connecticut.

**Today's Birthdays:** Actor Nehemiah Persoff is 96. Former Sen. Paul Laxalt, R-Nev., is 93. Rock musician Garth Hudson (The Band) is 78. Movie director Wes Craven is 76. Singer Kathy Lennon (The Lennon Sisters) is 72. Actor Max Wright is 72. Actress Joanna Cassidy is 70. Actress Kathryn Harrold is 65. Actor Butch Patrick (TV: "The Munsters") is 62. Rock music producer/drummer Butch Vig (Garbage) is 60. Singer Mojo Nixon is 58. Actress Victoria Jackson is 56. Actress Apollonia is 56. Actress Cynthia Stevenson is 53. Actress Mary-Louise Parker is 51. Rock musician John Stanier is 47. Writer-actor-director Kevin Smith is 45. Actor Sam Worthington is 39. Figure skater Michael Weiss is 39. Actor Edward Furlong is 38. Rock musician Devon Glenn is 35. Singer Charli XCX is 23. Actress Hallie Eisenberg is 23.

**Thought for Today:** "Ideas are powerful things, requiring not a studious contemplation but an action, even if it is only an inner action." - Midge Decter, American writer.