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## 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.

## Thursday, August 6

Elementary New Student Registration

Full Circle Ag Golfing

**Senior Menu:** Hot pork combination, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrot-raisin salad, pear halves, whole wheat bread.

**Birthdays:** Becky Hunter • Cheri Hein • Alexis Gustafson • David LaMee • Cheri Shabazz • Karen White • Damian Bahr

9:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran India Circle

2:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Nigeria Circle

## Friday, August 7

State Teener Tourney

**Senior Menu:** Salmon loaf, creamed peas, watermelon, peanut butter brownie, whole wheat bread.

**Birthdays:** Kelli Hanson • Sherwin Nyberg • Jessica Grams • Lynda Townsend • Tiffany Unzen • Ryan Kutter • Connor Blumhardt

6:30am: C&MA Men's Bible Study at Dairy Queen

6:00pm: Wine on 9 Golf

## Saturday, August 8

State Teener Tourney

**Anniv:** Brad & Diann Morehouse • 2008: April and Branden Abeln

**Birthdays:** Yvonne Lange • Sashia Sombke • Karter Moody

4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

**Open:** Recycling Trailer in Groton

The recycling trailer is located at 10 East Railroad Ave.

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recycling trailer at the school is **Open**

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## Pump Prices in South Dakota on a 12-Day Slide

The resolution of localized refinery issues and lower prices for crude oil have kept downward pressure on South Dakota and U.S. price averages at the pump, which have fallen in South Dakota for 12 straight days and nationally for 20 consecutive days.

In South Dakota, AAA reports the average price for regular gasoline is \$2.75, with an average of \$2.85 in Rapid City and \$2.60 in the city of Sioux Falls. The state hit its 2015 high price of \$2.81 on July 22.

	Today	Last Week	Change	Jul. 7	Change	Last year
Aberdeen	\$2.639	\$2.698	(\$0.059)	\$2.732	(\$0.093)	\$3.402
Brookings	\$2.684	\$2.768	(\$0.084)	\$2.736	(\$0.052)	\$3.538
Huron	\$2.737	\$2.801	(\$0.064)	\$2.769	(\$0.032)	\$3.535
Mitchell	\$2.758	\$2.745	\$0.013	\$2.649	\$0.109	\$3.453
Pierre	\$3.011	\$2.936	\$0.075	\$2.914	\$0.097	\$3.370
Rapid City	\$2.850	\$2.889	(\$0.039)	\$2.816	\$0.034	\$3.609
Sioux Falls	\$2.605	\$2.625	(\$0.020)	\$2.580	\$0.025	\$3.297
Vermillion	\$2.595	\$2.669	(\$0.074)	\$2.664	(\$0.069)	\$3.382
Watertown	\$2.745	\$2.832	(\$0.087)	\$2.734	\$0.011	\$3.519
Yankton	\$2.878	\$2.874	\$0.004	\$2.694	\$0.184	\$3.468
South Dakota	\$2.757	\$2.787	(\$0.030)	\$2.765	(\$0.008)	\$3.474

The national average stands at \$2.64 per gallon today, down six cents versus one week ago and 13 cents versus one month ago.

The global price of crude oil continues to sink on expectations that the market will remain oversupplied in the near term. Recent reports suggest that Chinese manufacturing has fallen to its lowest level in two years, which may signal that this important driver of global consumption is poised for less than anticipated economic growth. Weaker growth means lower than projected oil demand, which could further increase the glut in global petroleum supplies.

Drivers are paying the lowest average pump prices for this date since 2009,

Reports that Iran is planning to increase oil output when sanctions are lifted, combined with the U.S. increasing its rig count, has also contributed to major crude benchmarks (Brent and West Texas Intermediate) opening this week's trading session at multi-month lows.

At the close of yesterday's formal trading on the NYMEX, WTI closed down \$1.95 at \$45.17 per barrel.

The national average has steadily dropped, yet volatility continues to characterize several regional markets due to unexpected drawdowns in supply. While some states may not experience significant price drops as a result of regional supply and distribution issues, the national average is expected to keep moving lower leading up to the Labor Day holiday, barring any unexpected spikes in the price of global crude oil or unexpected disruptions to domestic production.

Pump prices west of the Rockies remain the most expensive in the nation and all seven states with averages above \$3 per gallon are located in this region. Drivers in California (\$3.72) are paying the nation's highest averages for retail gasoline and are followed by Alaska (\$3.48), Hawaii (\$3.27), Nevada (\$3.23) and Washington (\$3.17) as top five most expensive markets for motorists. Although prices on the West Coast appear to be easing, retail averages remain volatile based on shifts in supply and demand.

Motorists can find current gas prices along their route with the free AAA Mobile app for iPhone, iPad and Android. The app can also be used to map a route, find discounts, book a hotel and access AAA roadside assistance. Learn more at [AAA.com/mobile](http://AAA.com/mobile).

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## GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #06-6 School Board Meeting August 10, 2015 – 7:30 PM – GHS Conference Room

### AGENDA:

1. Call to Order with members present. Approve agenda as proposed or amended.

#### CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of minutes of July 13, 2015 school board meeting as drafted or amended.
2. Approval of North Central Special Education Co-Op (NCSEC) agenda items...as school of record.
3. Approval of July District bills for payment.
4. Approval of July Financial Report, Agency Accounts, and Investments.
5. Approve transportation requests from Langford in accordance with SDCL 13-29-4.

#### OLD/CONTINUING BUSINESS:

1. Open Forum for Public Participation...in accordance with Board Policy & Guidelines.
2. Internal Control Report: Credit Cards and Bank Reconciliations
3. School Board Committee Reports:
  - a. Building, Grounds, & Transportation: Lars Hanson, Marty Weismantel, Merle Harder
  - b. Personnel, Policy, & Curriculum: Dorene Nelson, Grant Rix
  - c. Negotiations: Kelly Kjelden, Steve Smith
4. Administrative Reports: (a) Superintendent's Report; (b) Principal's Reports; (c) Business Manager Report

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review and approve bus routes for 2015-2016 school year. [Loren Bahr]
2. Discuss OST Rates for 2015-2016.
3. Approve lane change for Lynette Grieve from BS+30 to MS+30.
4. Approve hiring Kim Weber as paraprofessional 3 hours/day, \$12.50/hour.
5. Approve resignation of Barb Wacholz, Elementary Paraprofessional.
6. Approve resignation of Jacky Fortin, MS/HS Paraprofessional.
7. Approve hiring Bertha "Lea" Wimmer as full-time custodian at \$11.00/hour effective July 29, 2015.
8. Approve hiring Molly Ringgenberg as MS/HS Paraprofessional for 2015-16 school year, \$10.50/hour.
9. Approve Craig Sternhagen as Volunteer Assistant Boys Soccer Coach for 2015 season.
10. Approve Chris Kucker and Barb Lone as Volunteer Assistant Girls Soccer Coaches for 2015 season.
11. Acknowledge receipt of Public School Exemption #16-01: Grades K, 2, 4, and 6.
12. Acknowledge receipt of Public School Exemption #16-02: Grades 8 and 12.
13. Approve Open Enrollment Application #15-09 (Grade 8) from Aberdeen School District.
14. Executive Session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1) – Personnel.
15. Approve agreement for instrumental lesson instructor, Bailey Geist.

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## 10th Annual Jan Hinrichs Memorial 5 X 5



## Softball Tournament

★ ★ ★ August 8 & 9, 2015

## Claremont Ballpark



Silent basket auction at the church on Saturday!

## Many fun activities planned:

Poker run

Honker squares

Gun raffles

Full concession stand

Just to name a few!!



If you want to play but do not have a team,  
please call Tom Feser at 294-7346

All proceeds will go to the improvement of  
Claremont City Park.



**Back Row from left to right: Alexis Hanten, Portia Kettering, Ashley Gibbs, Alexis Simon**  
**Front Row from left to right: Alicia Davis, Jillian Hughes**

## **BROWN COUNTY 4-H FASHION REVUE RESULTS**

The 2015 Brown County 4-H Fashion Revue was held Wednesday, July 15th. Primrose Retirement Community graciously offered their facility for the event. Ashley Farrand, the 4-H Summer Assistant narrated, while six models modeled 8 constructed and selected outfits.

In the early afternoon, Pat Dennert of Frederick and Diane Steinheiser of Redfield judged the models. The models were judged on the following criteria: the fit and style of the garment, as well as the accessories; the individual's modeling ability; the construction of the garment; and the garments cost and care. Each model was given a ribbon placing. Senior and Junior participants will represent Brown County at the South Dakota State Fair.

### **RESULTS:**

Beginners:

Purple Ribbon- Alicia Davis and Jillian Hughes

Juniors:

Purple Ribbon- Alexis Hanten and Portia Kettering (2)

Seniors:

Purple Ribbon-Ashley Gibbs (2) and Alexis Simon

## Today in Weather History

August 6, 1962: Wind damaged farm buildings and hail damaged crops over a large area. The area affected was northern Faulk, portions of Spink, Northern Clark, Codington, and Grant, along with Day County.

August 6, 1969: During the day and evening hours, two relatively large storms brought destructive weather to much of Minnesota. The northerly storm area moved in from North Dakota between Fargo and Grand Forks. The southern storm rapidly developed north of Wadena. These two storms combined to cause twelve tornadoes, two large areas of wind and hail damage, and one waterspout. The storms killed 15 people, injured 106, and caused 4.8 million dollars in property and public utility damage.

August 6, 1969: The first report of high winds was southeast of Piedmont with gusts of 65 to 70 mph estimated by a National Weather Service employee. Damage in that area included several downed trees and leveled gardens. As the storm moved east, large hail was reported. The first wind gust at Ellsworth AFB was 89 mph at 1918 MST on the northwest end of the runway. By 1925 MST, sustained winds were over 50 mph for nearly 10 minutes and the peak gust was 114 mph. The sensor on the southeast end of the runway, 2.5 miles away, recorded a wind gust of 114 mph at 1929 MST. The damage on the base included several large trees blown over and snapped in half and roof damage to base housing units. A few tents set up on the taxiways for an air show were blown around, but not significantly damaged. A survey by base meteorologists indicated the main downburst winds hit over open prairie surrounding the runway, where there are no trees or structures. Also between 1920 and 1930 MST, a meteorology student estimated winds between 70 and 80 mph at Box Elder, where gardens were leveled and wooden fences and roofs were damaged.

1890 - Thunderstorms left four inches of hail covering the ground in Adair County and Union County in Iowa. The hail drifted into six foot mounds, and in some places remained on the ground for twenty- six days. (The Weather Channel)

1918 - Unusually hot weather began to overspread the Atlantic Coast States, from the Carolinas to southern New England. The temperature soared to an all-time record high of 106 degrees at Washington D.C., and Cumberland and Keedysville hit 109 degrees to establish a state record for Maryland. Temperatures were above normal east of the Rockies that month, with readings much above normal in the Lower Missouri Valley. Omaha NE reached 110 degrees. (David Ludlum)

1959 - A bucket survey showed that thunderstorms dropped 16.70 inches of rain on parts of Decatur County IA. The total was accepted as Iowa's 24 hour rainfall record. (The Weather Channel)

1986 - Evening thunderstorms produced wind gusts to 100 mph at Winner SD damaging two hundred homes. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1987 - Afternoon thunderstorms deluged Milwaukee, WI, with 6.84 inches of rain, including more than five inches in two hours, breaking all previous rainfall records for the city. Floodwaters were four feet deep at the Milwaukee County Stadium, and floodwaters filled the basement of the main terminal at the airport. Flooding caused 5.9 million dollars damage, and claimed the life of one person. Death Valley, CA, reported a morning low of 97 degrees. A midday thunderstorm deluged Birmingham AL with nearly six inches of rain in one hour. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Severe thunderstorms produced large hail and damaging winds in Pennsylvania and New York State. A cold front crossing the northwestern U.S. produced wind gusts to 66 mph at Livingston MT. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

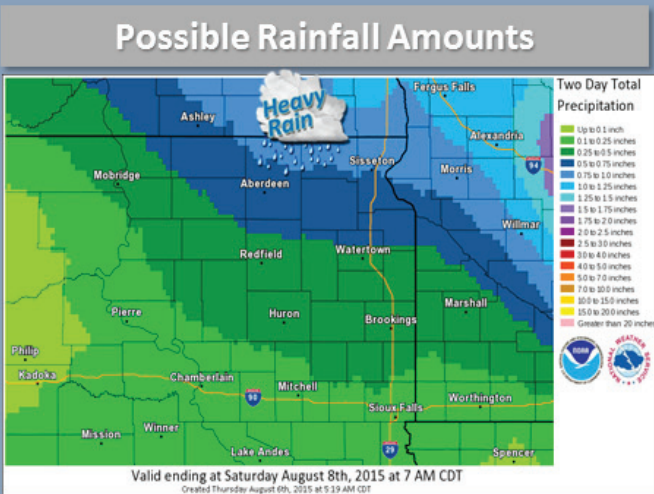
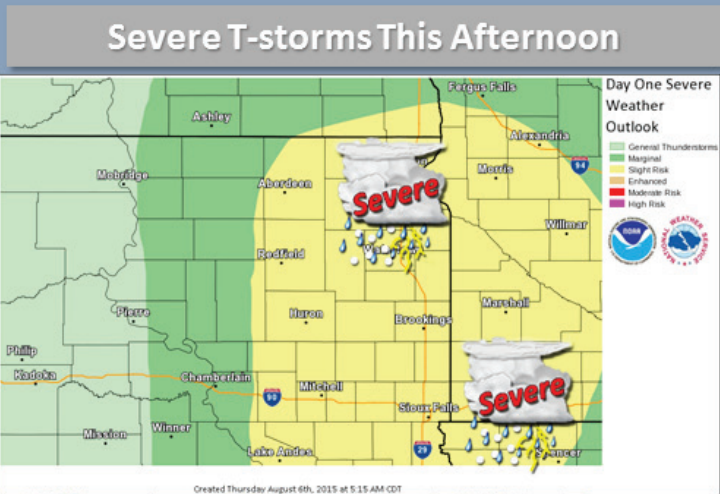
1989 - Thunderstorms developing ahead of a cold front produced severe weather from northwestern Texas to the Southern Appalachians, and in the northeastern U.S. There were 136 reports of large hail or damaging winds during the day and evening. Thunderstorms in the Southern Plains Region produced tennis ball size hail northwest of Buffalo OK, and wind gusts to 100 mph at Pampa TX. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

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<b>NOW until 9:15am Thu</b>  <b>Flash Flood Warning</b>	<b>Today</b>  <b>70%</b> Heavy Rain High: 81 °F	<b>Tonight</b>  <b>30%</b> Chance T-storms Low: 58 °F	<b>Friday</b>  Mostly Sunny High: 86 °F	<b>Friday Night</b>  <b>30%</b> Chance T-storms Low: 59 °F	<b>Saturday</b>  <b>30%</b> Chance T-storms High: 82 °F	<b>Saturday Night</b>  <b>40%</b> Chance T-storms Low: 61 °F
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## Storms Possible This Evening



**Timing:** Severe Threat Best after 3 PM. Any activity should exit to the east by 10pm.  
**Threats:** Large Hail, Damaging Winds, and even Tornadoes are Possible.

**Heaviest Rainfall Amounts are Expected in Northeastern South Dakota and Western Minnesota tonight. Higher Rainfall Totals are Possible.**

Non Severe Thunderstorms are Expected During the Morning Hours

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Published on: 08/06/2015 at 5:38AM

Showers and thunderstorms will cross the region this morning. Small hail and locally heavy rainfall will be possible with some thunderstorms. Another round of storms will develop by this afternoon as a more potent low pressure system crosses the region. Some thunderstorms may become strong to severe with hail, damaging winds, and locally heavy rainfall possible. These storms should push east of the region later this evening with dry conditions expected tonight.

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## Yesterday's Weather

**High:** 83.0 at 5:24 PM

**Low:** 60.5 at 6:52 AM

**High Gust:** 20 at 11:39 PM

Precip: 0.47

## Today's Info

**Record High:** 108° in 1941

**Record Low:** 44° in 1902

**Average High:** 84°F

**Average Low:** 58°F

**Average Precip in Aug:** 0.39

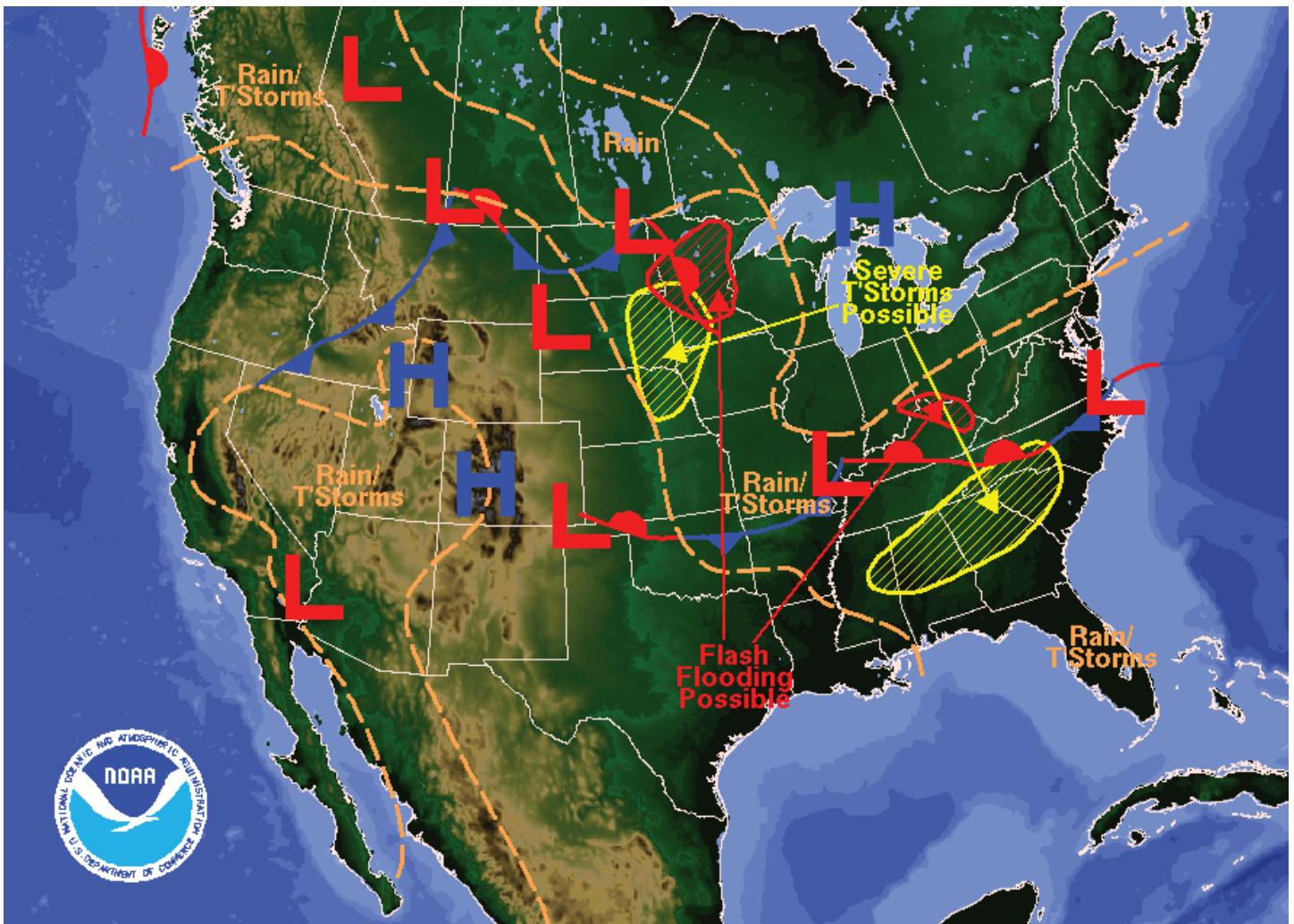
**Precip to date in Aug:** 0.47

**Average Precip to date:** 14.25

**Precip Year to Date:** 12.04

**Sunset Tonight:** 8:54 p.m.

**Sunrise Tomorrow:** 6:23 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Thu, Aug 06, 2015, issued 6:42 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by Krekeler based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts





## DON'T LEAVE SHORE WITHOUT HIM

A young ensign was completing his first deployment aboard a large destroyer. He had performed all of his duties in an exemplary manner and as a reward the captain gave him permission to "get the ship underway."

In his excitement and enthusiasm for being given such an honor, he went through every procedure carefully, wanting to further impress his superiors. However, in taking advantage of this new challenge he broke an old tradition. As he was steering the ship out of the harbor, the First Officer quietly said to him, "Ensign, you have overlooked one of the unwritten rules of the sea. Make sure the Captain is on board before you get underway."

There are times in all of our lives when we are so anxious to "get underway" that we leave our "Captain" standing on the shore. We all face days of uncertainty and tasks that seem beyond us. We are overwhelmed by opportunities that are unfamiliar and demands that have defeated others around us. So unprepared and uncertain, we rush into the journey without God's guidance. Then we discover that we are in a sea with waves that would turn our lives upside down and winds that take away our breath. Unfortunately, we often leave shore without our Captain. But, fortunately, when we return, we find He is there waiting to take the helm. The winds and waves obey His voice!

**Prayer:** Lord, may we realize that we will not be safe without Your presence as we travel life's seas. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

**Scripture for Today:** Psalm 139:10 Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me.

## News from the Associated Press

### **Gettysburg police chief resignation not due to flag debate**

GETTYSBURG, S.D. (AP) — Gettysburg's police chief says his resignation has nothing to do with debate over the department's emblem and uniform patch that includes a Confederate flag.

KCCR radio reports that Bill Wainman said he has taken a position with the Hot Springs Police Department, in part to be closer to family. His last day as Gettysburg's chief is Aug. 21.

Gettysburg officials last month said they won't change the police patch, despite calls from at least one person to do so amid nationwide debate about the Confederate flag. Town officials say the patch is a tribute to Gettysburg's history and has nothing to do with racism.

The City Council has named patrol officer Mark Kessler to succeed Wainman. Kessler told the Capital Journal that he supports keeping the patch.

### **Philanthropist offers \$25,000 grant to historical society**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A Pierre philanthropist is donating \$25,000 to the South Dakota State Historical Society to fund an event celebrating the return of a historic South Dakota artifact.

The historical society says philanthropist Mansour Karim has offered the challenge grant to help support the Great Sioux Horse Effigy Return Celebration, a three-day event scheduled to be Oct. 10.

To meet Karim's challenge grant, society officials still need to raise another \$7,500, but their overall goal is to raise an additional \$17,500 by Oct. 1.

The Great Sioux Horse Effigy was recently returned to the museum after being featured in "The Plains Indians: Artists of Earth and Sky," an international touring exhibition.

It will go back on display at the Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre in October.

### **New 4-H state fair building under construction in Huron**

HURON, S.D. (AP) — Construction has started on a brand new home for the state's 4-H participants at the South Dakota State Fairgrounds in Huron.

The Department of Agriculture announced Wednesday that work has begun on the Nordby Exhibit Hall for 4-H, Youth and Community.

The 48,000-square-foot hall will feature multiple classrooms, a large kitchen for 4-H special food competitions and a performance stage.

The hall is being named after Huron philanthropist Earl Nordby, who made his money in the soft-drink bottling industry.

The old Clover Hall that was built in the 1950s was demolished to make way for the new building.

### **Plea agreement reached in Standing Rock reservation killing**

**JAMES MacPHERSON, Associated Press**

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — A Fort Yates man pleaded guilty Wednesday in the killing of a woman on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation.

Lance Summers, 30, pleaded guilty to second-degree murder in the slaying last year of 38-year-old Natalie White Lightning of Cannon Ball. The charge carries a maximum penalty of life in prison, but Summers' plea deal calls for 10 years in federal prison.

He earlier pleaded not guilty to federal charges of first-degree murder and sexual abuse.

U.S. District Judge Daniel Hovland set sentencing for Nov. 2.

White Lightning was last seen by friends on March 17, 2014, and her body was discovered on April 22 by two people walking through heavy vegetation on the 2.3 million-acre reservation that straddles North

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Dakota and South Dakota.

Court documents allege that Summers raped an unconscious White Lightning, who had been drinking heavily, on March 18. The affidavit says he choked White Lightning with one hand on her throat.

When Summers and a 17-year-old boy — both of whom appeared to have been drinking — realized White Lightning was not breathing, Summers called Fort Yates police, according to the documents. He said there was an unresponsive woman lying in the field where White Lightning's body was later found, the documents say.

Summers and the 17-year-old were arrested at the scene after a brief foot chase. Charges against the teen are pending in juvenile court.

Court records say the boy was crying and told police, "There is a woman out there," and, "Natalie's still out there." After they were arrested and placed in the back of a squad car, Summers told the boy not to "say anything about this," the documents say. Officers searched the field in darkness but were unable to find White Lightning.

Jana Miner, a public defender representing Summers, said he made three calls to authorities on White Lightning's cellphone but refused to tell authorities "where she was or who she was."

Miner said there was no evidence that her client "had physical contact" with White Lightning. She said, however, that her client matched a DNA sample taken from a cigarette butt found near White Lightning's body.

Miner and assistant U.S. Attorney Gary Delorme said an autopsy found that suffocation, hypothermia and alcohol intoxication were factors in White Lightning's death.

## **Bikers, officials say this year's 75th Sturgis rally is huge**

**JAMES NORD, Associated Press**

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) — It will take some time and tallying before official attendance numbers for the 75th Sturgis Motorcycle Rally are in, but bikers and officials who've packed the small Black Hills town in western South Dakota say it's one of the largest rallies they've ever seen.

Attendance projections for this year's rally, which runs through Sunday, breached 1 million people — which would be a huge jump from the current record, an estimated 633,000 people who flooded Sturgis at the 60th rally in 2000. State and local officials have reported indications that this year is outsized, including heavier traffic, higher vehicle counts and more fatal accidents.

Sturgis police Chief Jim Bush, who has worked nearly 40 rallies in the town of roughly 6,900, said he can see that Sturgis and the surrounding area are bustling with more visitors than usual.

"I'll still say if not (the biggest), it's going to be darn close to the biggest rally we ever had," Bush said.

Preliminary South Dakota Department of Transportation counts released Tuesday put the number of vehicles entering the Sturgis rally over the weekend at nearly 40 percent higher than last year. Pedestrians often outpaced the mass of bikers inching toward the main downtown rally area on Wednesday.

Tony Mangan, a spokesman for the South Dakota Department of Public Safety, said the increased numbers of people and heavier traffic come with, "unfortunately, the possibility of more accidents."

Traffic fatalities tied to the Sturgis rally grew to nine on Tuesday, compared with three during roughly the same time period in 2014.

Bret Brower, who has been to five rallies, said he saw an injured rider when he was traveling to the nearby Black Hills town of Deadwood. The 57-year-old from Ellensburg, Washington, said he's been more careful this year when riding, "especially when you see somebody sprawled out on the highway."

The South Dakota Highway Patrol said Wednesday that authorities have so far seized over \$10,000 more in cash compared with last year's rally. There have also been 17 more felony drug arrests and over 200 more citations compared with last year.

South Dakota Attorney General Marty Jackley, whose office includes the state Division of Criminal Investigation, said the traffic fatalities and the implications of the felony drug busts have been concerning.

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But Jackley, who praised a strong working relationship between local, state and federal law enforcement officials, said the rally has been pretty nonviolent so far.

Rusty Mitchell, a 57-year-old from Fallbrook California, said he hasn't seen much rowdiness or fighting. "These are basically good, working class people out here for a good time," Mitchell said as he pointed up the line of bikes parked into the distance.

Brower, who said he planned to leave early because the rally had become "a little bit too much," said he has talked to a lot of first-time attendees who came for "the big granddaddy" 75th anniversary.

Tim Swezy, who was polishing his Yamaha Warrior on Main Street in Sturgis, said the anniversary is part of the reason he decided to attend this year — that, and it's been "on the bucket list."

The 56-year-old Illinois resident, who also explored the Black Hills area for a few days with his wife, Sandy, said he hasn't had a bored moment.

"I'll probably come back on the 80th," Tim Swezy said. "I've got a lot of things to see."

## After 9 days, Keystone XL pipeline hearings finish in Pierre

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — After nine days, the state Public Utilities Commission has finished hearing from opposing sides in the debate over whether to allow the Keystone XL oil pipeline to run through South Dakota.

The commission is considering whether to approve for the second time in just over five years construction of the South Dakota portion of the long-delayed pipeline. The state authorized TransCanada Corp.'s project in 2010, but permits must be revisited if construction doesn't start within four years.

Opponents on Wednesday requested that commissioners immediately deny the pipeline permit. That request was dismissed by commissioners.

Parties involved now have until Oct. 1 to submit post-hearing briefs supporting their arguments and until Oct. 31 to reply to their opponents' briefs.

## Bison seek 5th straight FCS title with coaching staff intact

DAVE KOLPACK, Associated Press

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Second-year North Dakota State head coach Chris Klieman signed a contract extension after leading the Bison to their fourth straight Football Championship Subdivision title in January, but that's not why he was thanking his boss during Wednesday's media day festivities.

The Bison enter the season with a luxury they haven't enjoyed since moving up to NCAA Division I athletics in 2004. Their entire coaching staff is back.

"I'm so thankful to (NDSU athletic director) Matt Larsen for letting us keep everybody together," Klieman said. "When you have the success that we have, people come calling and try to get your guys. Continuity is important in all athletics."

Klieman, who was NDSU's defensive coordinator before taking over the program from Craig Bohl two years ago, is lending some of his expertise on the defensive side in fall practice. The Bison lost six standout starters on defense, including the FCS player of the year and NFL draft pick Kyle Emanuel at end. They also lost two four-year starting safeties.

It's a different story on offense, where the Bison are flush with talent at every position and return one of the top quarterbacks in the country in Carson Wentz. Not that Klieman wants to get into the business of outscoring opponents.

"I don't want those offensive guys to press and think, boy, we've got to win games 45-42 because we have a young defense," Klieman said. "Then we won't put up a ton of points."

Wentz said the return of every full-time assistant coach should help the team weather any growing pains.

"It's something that I really didn't think about until we opened fall camp and I realized, hey, everyone really is back. It says a lot about what we have here," Wentz said. "It's truly something special. And the tradition and how much it means not just to the players, but the community and the coaches as well."

The Bison staff should benefit from the return of wide receiver Zach Vraa, who will be entering his sixth year of college athletics after redshirting one year and missing one season with a broken collarbone. Vraa

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describes himself as a "half player, half coach" who relishes the role of helping younger players.

"A lot of times, guys will come up to me obviously and ask about plays like every young guy should," Vraa said. "Guys really do consider me a leader. It makes me feel good that young guys are looking up to me."

The Bison open the season Aug. 29 at Montana, followed by the home opener Sept. 12 against Weber State and the resumption of a century-old rivalry with North Dakota on Sept. 19. The two in-state schools haven't played since 2003.

"It's cool," Wentz, a Bismarck native, said about having UND on the schedule. "But we're 100 percent focused on Montana. That's down the road. We'll get there in due time."

## Police seize \$10,000 more in cash during Sturgis this year

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Highway Patrol says authorities have seized over \$10,000 more in cash this year compared to last year's Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.

The Department of Public Safety said Wednesday that authorities in western South Dakota have seized over \$17,600 in cash since July 28, the majority of which was in Sturgis. Last year at this time authorities had taken approximately \$7,300.

Authorities have also had 17 more felony drug arrests and issued over 200 more citations compared to last year.

The only category in which officials have seen fewer crimes is DUI arrests. So far, law enforcement officers have made 134 DUI arrests, compared to 138 last year.

## Governor appoints judge to fill new 7th circuit judgeship

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Gov. Dennis Daugaard has appointed a new circuit court judge to fill a new judgeship created by the state Legislature this year.

Daugaard says Magistrate Judge Matthew Brown, of Custer, will preside as a circuit court judge in South Dakota's Seventh Circuit Court.

The seventh circuit includes Custer, Fall River, Oglala Lakota and Pennington counties.

Brown has served as a magistrate judge in the seventh circuit since 2014.

He has worked for Black Hills Legal Services, the Pennington County State's Attorney's Office and for the Custer County State's Attorney's Office. He has also served as a special assistant attorney general.

Brown is a 1996 graduate of Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minnesota, and a 1999 graduate of The University of South Dakota School of Law.

## Sioux Falls police chief announces plans to retire this fall

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The second-longest serving police chief in Sioux Falls history announced Wednesday he will retire this fall after almost 30 years on the force.

Chief Doug Barthel, 52, joined Mayor Mike Huether at the Sioux Falls Police Department to announce he will step down in to October take a position as director of community relations and public policy for Sanford's health care system.

Barthel said deciding to leave was "extremely difficult."

"It's been an incredible career," he said. "I've been blessed with some fantastic opportunities."

Barthel began with the department in 1986 and former Mayor Dave Munson appointed Barthel as chief in May 2003. At the time of his appointment, Barthel was 40 and a lieutenant who had supervised the department's drug task force.

Barthel became chief at a time when Sioux Falls police leadership was changing. His predecessor, Clark Quiring, was demoted, freeing up the police chief position.

His last day in the department will be Oct. 16, he said, adding that he will take several weeks to relax, and hunt pheasants, before he joins Sanford in December.

The city will immediately begin searching for Barthel's replacement, Huether said.

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Barthel noted in his press conference that his only wish was that during his tenure he could say the city had won the "war on drugs."

"I always wanted to be able to say that," he said, "but other than that it's just been a great career."

## Fatalities tied to Sturgis Motorcycle Rally on record pace

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) — The number of traffic fatalities tied to the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally in western South Dakota has risen to nine.

The state Department of Public Safety says a two-motorcycle crash on U.S. Highway 385 on Tuesday afternoon killed 31-year-old Destiny Smith and injured 44-year-old Michael Weissman. Both are from Glendale, Arizona.

Authorities say Weissman and Smith were riding a motorcycle together at the Sheridan Lake Fishing Pulloff when Weissman lost control. Smith was thrown into southbound traffic, where she was hit by another motorcycle and died.

Weissman was also thrown from his bike.

The Rapid City Journal reports that the record for rally-related fatalities is believed to be 11 during the 50th anniversary rally in 1990. This year's event is the 75th anniversary. It runs through Sunday.

## Rapid City man pleads not guilty to killing 6-month-old girl

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A Rapid City man accused of killing a 6-month-old girl has pleaded not guilty.

Twenty-six-year-old Kristopher Houchin faces a second-degree murder charge in the June 26 death of L'Naya White. Preliminary autopsy results indicated she died from brain bleeding as a result of blunt force trauma.

Police say Houchin was baby-sitting the girl. He initially also faced rape and child abuse charges, but authorities said those charges were not supported by the autopsy.

Houchin could face life in prison if convicted of murder.

## Services for South Dakota firefighter killed in California

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A Rapid City firefighter and avid outdoorsman who died fighting a wildfire in California will be honored in a procession, memorial service and funeral in South Dakota starting this weekend.

David Ruhl, 38, was on temporary assignment with the Big Valley Ranger District of the Modoc National Forest when he went missing Thursday in hazardous fire conditions. His body was found a day later. The U.S. Forest Service said he died of carbon monoxide poisoning and smoke inhalation.

A procession and memorial service are scheduled Sunday afternoon in Rapid City. His funeral is Monday morning at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Rapid City. Gov. Dennis Daugaard has ordered flags in South Dakota be flown at half-staff on Monday in Ruhl's honor.

Ruhl is survived by his wife, Erin, and two children. Erin Ruhl said in a statement that her husband "loved to hunt, ski, bike and hike, and the Forest Service fit him to a 'T.'"

"He made lasting friends from all over and had an awesome sense of humor," she said.

In South Dakota, Ruhl was the engine captain on the Mystic Ranger District of the Black Hills National Forest. He previously had worked in the Pierre area.

"He was definitely passionate about being a firefighter and being a good firefighter," said Ryan Cumbow, engine captain for the firefighting crew assigned to the Fort Pierre National Grassland and Ruhl's former supervisor when Ruhl worked on that crew.

"I always thought Dave was easy to train, and he picked up on things very quickly," Cumbow told the Rapid City Journal. "He always watched out for everybody. He was always cognizant of what was happening around him."

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## 10 Things to Know for Today

The Associated Press

Your daily look at late-breaking news, upcoming events and the stories that will be talked about today:

### 1. MIXED MESSAGES ON DEBRIS FROM FLIGHT 370

Confusion and anxiety for victims' families after Malaysia says a piece of a wing is from the missing jetliner, yet authorities in France, the U.S. and Australia stop short of full confirmation; other debris still to be tested also found.

### 2. HOW FIELD FOR GOP CONTENDERS COULD SHRINK

The Republican Party should begin narrowing its vast field of presidential hopefuls in earnest with the first debate of the 2016 campaign.

### 3. WHAT MAY DIM HISTORIC ACHIEVEMENT

Egypt unveils a major extension of the Suez Canal that it says will boost national pride and the economy, but the ceremony is being overshadowed by an Islamic State affiliate's threat to kill a Croatian hostage seized on the outskirts of Cairo.

### 4. WHY NASHVILLE THEATER ATTACK MAY BE DIFFERENT

What appeared to be another mass shooting at a movie theater ended up being an attack by a disturbed homeless man who wasn't armed with a real gun and was eventually shot and killed by police.

### 5. JAPAN MARKS 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIROSHIMA BOMBING

Mayor Kazumi Matsui uses the occasion to renew calls for Obama and other world leaders to ensure a nuclear-weapons-free world.

### 6. WHAT'S STILL ON CONGRESSIONAL AGENDA

A divided Senate is joining the House in summer recess, but Congress is on course for an autumn of showdowns over Iran, spending and Planned Parenthood.

### 7. WARMING TEMPS PUSH WALRUS NORTH

A warming environment and melting ice push walrus north in the Bering Sea, limiting the main food source for several small villages in Alaska.

### 8. FIRM THAT SCREENS BALTIMORE COPS UNDER REVIEW

A psychological outfit paid to evaluate the city's police, including a lieutenant charged in the killing of Freddie Gray, has been reprimanded by the state police for cutting corners, documents obtained by AP find.

### 9. TO BEE, OR NOT TO BEE: THIS IS NO BUMBLING INSECT AUDIT

Maine is recruiting citizen scientists to help take a census of bumblebees that officials say is important to protect crops like blueberries and cranberries.

### 10. PAY TV INDUSTRY SHOWS CRACKS IN MEDIA EARNINGS

Erosion in the pay TV bundle spurs media companies and distributors to acknowledge that more people are cutting the cord and ditching pricey channel packages.

## AP News in Brief

### Conflicting messages on origin of wing flap found in Flight 370 probe prompts frustration

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — The confusion and frustration that punctuated the investigation into the disappearance of Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 erupted anew Thursday after officials offered conflicting levels of confidence on whether a piece of a wing found washed up on an Indian Ocean island last week came from the vanished plane.

Malaysian Prime Minister Najib Razak's announcement in the pre-dawn hours of Thursday that the part, known as a flaperon, did indeed come from the doomed aircraft was at odds with the message from authorities in France, the U.S. and Australia, who have stopped short of full confirmation.

The conflicting comments raised questions about why Malaysia had seemingly gone rogue with its announcement and infuriated many families of those on board the plane, who have waited more than 500

days for concrete clues into the fates of their loved ones. Dai Shuqin, the sister of one of the passengers, was among about a dozen Chinese relatives who held a demonstration outside Malaysia Airlines' offices in Beijing.

"France is being cautious about it, but Malaysia is desperate to put an end to this case and run away from all responsibilities," she said.

Malaysian Transport Minister Liow Tiong Lai later reiterated Najib's comments and said differences with other countries amounted to "a choice of words."

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## **The Latest on MH370: John Kerry says debris has reopened wounds, hopes it matches plane**

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — The latest on the missing Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 (all times local):

5:30 p.m.

U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry says the discovery of the plane wing part has reopened wounds in the mystery of MH370.

Kerry, who is in Malaysia for meetings with Southeast Asian counterparts, says the U.S. hopes that the debris that was discovered on Reunion Island — if it is found to be conclusively from the aircraft — will help to bring some sense of closure.

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## **With first debate, GOP looks to narrow candidate field, set direction for general election**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The political veteran with the right resume, but perhaps the wrong last name. The rookie senators and their focus on foreign policy and individual rights. Governors with experience — and baggage. The never-been-elected outsiders, and of course, the billionaire showman.

For the Republican Party, the narrowing of that vast field of presidential hopefuls begins in earnest Thursday with the first debate of the 2016 campaign. At stake for Republicans: not only picking the candidate to represent them in the general election, but also selecting the direction the party will take as it seeks to regain the White House.

"You're starting off with a lot of candidates who have an initial group of support that reflect a particular element of the party, but nobody is close at this point to putting together a majority coalition," said David Winston, a Republican pollster.

As in the 2012 Republican primaries, the GOP faces a tug of war between those eager for a candidate with broad general election appeal and those who think the key to winning is nominating a fiery conservative.

But this time, the field of 17 candidates is both larger and more seasoned, making the choice Republicans will ultimately make less certain or inevitable than in past elections.

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## **Egypt to unveil major Suez Canal extension billed as historic feat by government**

CAIRO (AP) — Egypt is to unveil a major extension of the Suez Canal that President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi has billed as a historic achievement that will boost the economy following years of unrest.

An elaborate ceremony due later on Thursday in the Suez Canal city of Ismailia will be hosted by the president and attended by foreign dignitaries.

The unveiling of the \$8.5 billion extension has been trumpeted as a historic achievement by pro-government media and has revived the nationalistic personality cult built around the 60-year-old el-Sissi.

But the ceremony will be overshadowed by an Islamic State affiliate's threat to kill a Croatian hostage kidnapped on the outskirts of Cairo last month, a grim reminder of the threat posed by Islamic militants to Egypt's stability.



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## **Police: Assailant in latest movie theater attack was homeless, had psychological issues**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — What initially appeared to be another mass shooting at a movie theater ended up being an attack by a disturbed homeless man who wasn't armed with a real gun was eventually shot and killed by police.

Vincente David Montano, 29, bought a ticket for "Mad Max: Fury Road" at a theater in a middle-class community in southern Nashville on Wednesday and entered with pepper spray, an airsoft pellet gun and an ax, Metro Nashville Police spokesman Don Aaron said.

Some of the theatergoers in the audience ran outside and alerted police officers who had responded to a vehicle crash nearby, police said in a news release issued late Wednesday.

South Precinct Officer Jonathan Frith, a six-year veteran, was the first officer to encounter Montano, the news release said. Montano pointed his pellet gun at Frith and pulled the trigger, prompting Frith to fire one round from his patrol rifle in self-defense, the release said. Frith then backed out of the theater while keeping Montano contained inside as SWAT officers responded.

At that point, Montano began to use the pepper spray and officers said they encountered a cloud of it as they entered to take Montano into custody. Montano fired his pellet gun again and four SWAT members fired back, the release said. Montano attempted to flee out the rear door of the theater and as he emerged with ax in hand and started toward officers, five opened fire, according to the release. Montano was struck and killed.

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## **Obama assails critics of Iran nuclear deal, warns Congress voting against pact could spark war**

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama assailed critics of his Iran nuclear deal Wednesday as "selling a fantasy" to the American people, warning Congress that blocking the accord would damage the nation's credibility and increase the likelihood of more war in the Middle East.

Besides challenging opponents at home, Obama cast Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu as an isolated international opponent of the historic accord, saying, "I do not doubt his sincerity, but I believe he is wrong."

The agreement would require Iran to dismantle most of its nuclear program for at least a decade in exchange for billions of dollars in relief from international sanctions. But Netanyahu and some critics in the U.S. argue that it would not stop Iran from building a bomb.

The president's blunt remarks, in an hour-long address at American University, were part of an intense lobbying campaign by the White House ahead of Congress' vote next month to either approve or disapprove the international agreement. Opponents of the agreement have streamed to Capitol Hill, too, to make their case, and they have spent tens of millions of dollars on advertisements.

The stakes are high, Obama said, contending that it isn't just Iran's ability to build a bomb that is on the line but also "America's credibility as the anchor of the international system."

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## **Japan marks 70th anniversary of bombing of Hiroshima with renewed call for nuclear arms ban**

HIROSHIMA, Japan (AP) — Japan marked the 70th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima on Thursday, with Mayor Kazumi Matsui renewing calls for U.S. President Barack Obama and other world leaders to step up efforts toward making a nuclear-weapons-free world.

Tens of thousands of people stood for a minute of silence at 8:15 a.m. at a ceremony in Hiroshima's peace park near the epicenter of the 1945 attack, marking the moment of the blast. Then dozens of doves were released as a symbol of peace.

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The U.S. bomb, "Little Boy," the first nuclear weapon used in war, killed 140,000 people. A second bomb, "Fat Man," dropped over Nagasaki three days later, killed another 70,000, prompting Japan's surrender in World War II.

The U.S. dropped the bombs to avoid what would have been a bloody ground assault on the Japanese mainland, following the fierce battle for Japan's southernmost Okinawan islands, which took 12,520 American lives and an estimated 200,000 Japanese, about half civilians.

Matsui called nuclear weapons "the absolute evil and ultimate inhumanity" that must be abolished, and criticized nuclear powers for keeping them as threats to achieve their national interests. He said the world till bristles with more than 15,000 nuclear weapons.

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## **Asian nations endorse Iran nuke deal as Kerry says Hiroshima anniversary shows accord's import**

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — The 10 members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and five of their large neighbors endorsed the nuclear deal negotiated between Iran and six world powers, as U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry said Thursday's 70th anniversary of the Hiroshima bombing highlighted the importance of the accord in preventing the spread of atomic weapons.

In a joint statement, the foreign ministers of the ASEAN countries along with Australia, India, Japan, New Zealand and South Korea welcomed the deal with Iran struck last month as an "important resolution" that could resolve one of the world's most pressing concerns if it is adhered to. The statement was issued on the final day of a Southeast Asian regional security forum in Malaysia.

If the deal is fully implemented "the international community will be able to resolve this significant international security challenge, and to do so peacefully," said the statement. It said the deal would "ensure the exclusively peaceful nature of Iran's nuclear program," which many believe has been used as a cover for atomic weapons development. Iran denies that charge.

ASEAN includes Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, the Philippines and Vietnam. Also signing the statement were China, Russia and the United States, which were involved in negotiating the agreement with Iran.

The public display of Asian support for the deal comes as President Barack Obama tries to convince skeptical U.S. lawmakers to back the accord, which would place curbs on Iran's nuclear program in exchange for sanctions relief. On Wednesday, Obama delivered a speech in Washington defending the agreement and challenging opponents to come up with a viable alternative. He accused critics of "selling a fantasy" and warned Congress that blocking the accord would damage American credibility and increase the likelihood of more war in the Middle East.

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## **From John Travolta to 'Mash Donald's' golden arches, American culture seeps into Iranian life**

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Shortly after Iran reached a nuclear deal with world powers, a local newspaper in Tehran published an image that many outside the country would take for granted: An American actor hawking an expensive watch.

But John Travolta's blue eyes staring out of the advertisement, which showed him sitting next to NASA's X-15 experimental rocket jet on a California runway, offered a dose of Americana rarely seen since the 1979 Islamic Revolution. And soon, there could be even more.

Businesses worldwide want to get into Iran, home to some 80 million people, oil and gas reserves and a sizable middle class craving U.S. brands. Though hard-liners worry that could corrupt the Islamic nation, others have opened their minds to the idea of having them around.

"We have had economic dealings with the United States in the past," said Mohsen Jalalpour, head of Iran's Chamber of Commerce. "Americans are very interested in some Iranian goods and some American goods are popular with Iranians as well. Popularity of the brands and this background can be helpful."

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Hundreds of thousands of Iranians call the U.S. home. Those still in Iran have exposure to America through bootleg DVDs and television shows streamed online via virtual private networks allowing them to get around Internet censors. Those who can afford it can make the quick flight to Dubai, where nearly every global brand has a presence.

## **Pay TV industry showing cracks as cord-cutting hurts profits, stand-alone channels questioned**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Further cracks emerged this week in the pay TV bundle as media companies and distributors indicated that more people are cutting the cord and ditching pricey channel packages. Meanwhile, media company executives did damage control, putting a positive spin on the prospect of selling individual channels online.

Disney's stock tumbled 9 percent Wednesday, a day after reporting that it was trimming its forecast for TV subscriber-fee profit growth through next year because of subscriber losses at its flagship ESPN sports network. Other channel operators also saw shares drop. Viacom fell 7.5 percent, Time Warner fell 9 percent, CBS fell 4.6 percent and Discovery Communications fell 12.1 percent.

Dish said its satellite TV subscriber losses accelerated in the quarter through June, falling 81,000 to 13.9 million, nearly double the loss of 44,000 a year ago.

Analysts say that popular channels like ESPN would likely survive any dramatic shift in consumer preference toward online channel packages like Sling TV, which at \$20 a month, is far cheaper than traditional pay TV packages.

The question, wrote analyst Martin Pyykkonen of Rosenblatt Securities, is "whether the revenue substitution from skinnier bundles and/or a la carte channel plans will at least approximate the traditional cable bundle revenue over time."

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

Today is Thursday, August 6, the 218th day of 2015. There are 147 days left in the year.

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

On August 6, 1945, during World War II, the United States dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, resulting in an estimated 140,000 deaths. (Three days later, the United States exploded a nuclear device over Nagasaki; five days after that, Imperial Japan announced its surrender.)

### **On this date:**

In 1813, during the Venezuelan War of Independence, forces led by Simon Bolivar recaptured Caracas.

In 1825, Upper Peru became the autonomous republic of Bolivia.

In 1862, the Confederate ironclad CSS Arkansas was scuttled by its crew on the Mississippi River near Baton Rouge, Louisiana, to prevent capture by the Union.

In 1914, Austria-Hungary declared war against Russia and Serbia declared war against Germany.

In 1926, Gertrude Ederle became the first woman to swim the English Channel, arriving in Kingsdown, England, from France in 14 1/2 hours.

In 1930, New York State Supreme Court Justice Joseph Force Crater went missing after leaving a Manhattan restaurant; his disappearance remains a mystery.

In 1956, the DuMont television network went off the air after a decade of operations.

In 1961, Soviet cosmonaut Gherman Titov became the second man to orbit Earth as he flew aboard Vostok 2.

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act.

In 1978, Pope Paul VI died at Castel Gandolfo at age 80.

In 1986, William J. Schroeder (SHRAY'-dur) died at at Humana Hospital-Audubon in Louisville, Kentucky, after living 620 days with the Jarvik 7 artificial heart.

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In 1993, Louis Freeh won Senate confirmation to be FBI director.

**Ten years ago:** Anti-war activist Cindy Sheehan, whose soldier-son, Casey, was killed in Iraq, began a weeks-long protest outside President George W. Bush's Texas ranch. Former British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook, who'd quit Prime Minister Tony Blair's Cabinet to protest the Iraq war, died in Inverness, Scotland, at age 59. A Tunisian airliner plunged into the Mediterranean while trying to make an emergency landing in Sicily; 16 of the 39 people aboard were killed.

**Five years ago:** In a stunning announcement, Hewlett-Packard Co. said it had ousted CEO Mark Hurd after an investigation of a sexual harassment complaint found that he had falsified expense reports and other documents to conceal a relationship with a contractor.

One year ago: President Barack Obama closed a three-day U.S.-Africa summit in Washington which brought together leaders from more than 50 African nations. Michael Worthington was put to death by the state of Missouri for raping and killing college student Melinda "Mindy" Griffin in 1995, making him the first U.S. prisoner executed since a lethal injection in Arizona the previous month in which an inmate took nearly two hours to die.

**Today's Birthdays:** Children's performer Ella Jenkins is 91. Actor-director Peter Bonerz is 77. Actress Louise Sorel is 75. Actor Michael Anderson Jr. is 72. Actor Ray Buktenica is 72. Actor Dorian Harewood is 65. Actress Catherine Hicks is 64. Rock singer Pat MacDonald (Timbuk 3) is 63. Country musician Mark DuFresne (Confederate Railroad) is 62. Actress Stepfanie Kramer is 59. Actress Faith Prince is 58. Rhythm-and-blues singer Randy DeBarge is 57. Actor Leland Orser is 55. Actress Michelle Yeoh (yoh) is 53. Country singers Patsy and Peggy Lynn are 51. Basketball Hall of Famer David Robinson is 50. Actor Jeremy Ratchford is 50. Actor Benito Martinez is 47. Country singer Lisa Stewart is 47. Movie writer-director M. Night Shyamalan (SHAH'-mah-lahn) is 45. Actress Merrin Dungey is 44. Singer Geri Halliwell is 43. Actor Jason O'Mara is 43. Singer-actor David Campbell is 42. Actress Vera Farmiga is 42. Actress Ever (cq) Caradine is 41. Actress Soleil (soh-LAY') Moon Frye is 39. Actress Melissa George is 39. Rock singer Travis McCoy (Gym Class Heroes) is 34. Actor Leslie Odom Jr. is 34. Actress Romola Garai is 33. Rock musician Eric Roberts (Gym Class Heroes) is 31.

**Thought for Today:** "If you want something done, ask a busy person to do it. The more things you do, the more you can do." - Lucille Ball, American actress-comedian (born this date in 1911, died 1989).