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St. John's Lutheran Church is having its annual soup, sandwich, and pie luncheon (\$2.00 each) on Thursday, September 10th, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. along with crafts and a bake sale. Supplemental funds have been applied for from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

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**

Friday, September 4

School Breakfast: Cereal, juice, fruit, yogurt,

School Lunch: Quesadilla, romane salad, corn, fruit.

Birthday: Troy Carda

7:00pm: Football at Mobridge

Saturday, September 5

2009: Dave and Becky Hunter

Birthdays: Mary Fordham • Lauri Howard • Dan Krueger • Clayton Sternhagen • Irene Zoellner 1:00pm: Girls soccer at Tea Area (JV at 3 p.m.) 3:00pm: Boys Soccer at 3 pm (Boys JV at 5 pm) 4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

Sunday, September 6

Birthdays: Samantha Larson • Trey Gengerke •

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

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

10:15am: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship 11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship

Monday, September 7

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Labor Day

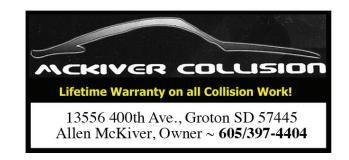
Birthdays: Alana Wolken • Dannielle Dobberpuhl • Faye Berndt • Kris Ferrington • Crystal Waage

Tuesday, September 8

School Breakfast: Mini pancakes, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: BBQ, baked beans, veggie trays,

Birthdays: Russ Claussen • Seth Duncan • Kelly



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Groton Area netters beat Deuel

Groton Area goes to 2-0 on the season with a 3-0 win over Deuel in action Thursday night in Groton. Game scores were 25-13, 25-20 and 25-15.

Groton was 51 of 57 with 10 ace serves. Marlee Jones was 13 of 14 with four ace serves, Gia Gengerke and Katie Koehler each had two aces.

In sets, Groton was 51 of 52 with 29 assists, all by Jones.

Groton was 67 of 84 in spikes with 29 kills. Josie Doeden was 21 of 24 with 12 kills. Audrey Wanner was 15 of 21 for seven kills.

Groton had 50 digs with Audrey Wanner having 17 and Katie Koehler 12.



Audrey Wanner hits the ball over the net.



Marlee Jones had a good night serving, having 13 of 14 serves with four ace serves.

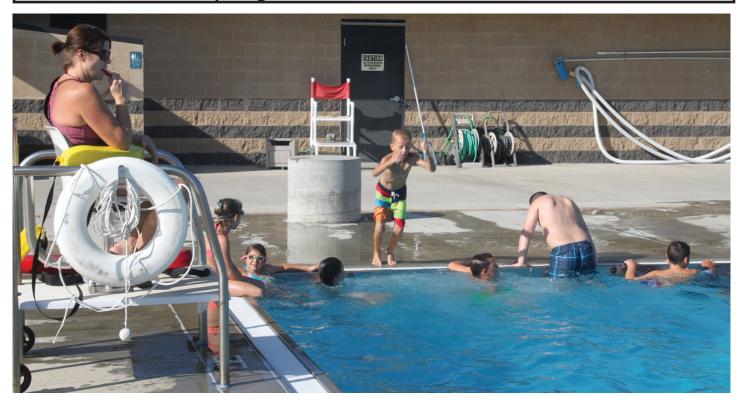
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Kelli Hanson was one of the lifeguards on duty Thursday as the Groton Swimming Pool was packed. It was estimated that there were close to 100 swimmers Thursday evening. The Groton Pool will be open through Sunday.



Corbin Weismantel jumps off the diving board at the Groton Pool.

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Today in Weather History
September 4, 2001: Near record or record heat hit central and north central South Dakota on this day in 2001. High temperatures during the afternoon were in the upper 90s to around 105 degrees. Pierre and Kennebec set record highs of 105 and 106, respectively. Mobridge rose to a high of 96 and Timber Lake topped out at 98 degrees on this day in 2001.

1939 - A thunderstorm deluged Washington D.C. with 4.4 inches of rain in two hours. September of that year was very dry across much of the nation, and Washington D.C. received more rain in that two hour

period than most other places in the country that entire month. (David Ludlum)

1970 - The greatest natural disaster of record for Arizona occurred. Unprecedented rains caused rivers in central Arizona to rise five to ten feet per hour, sweeping cars and buildings as far as 30 to 40 miles downstream. Flooding claimed the lives of 23 persons, mainly campers, and caused millions of dollars damage. Water crested 36 feet above normal near Sunflower AZ. Workman's Creek was deluged with 11.40 inches of rain in 24 hours to establish a state record. Moisture from Pacific Tropical Storm Norma led to the severe flooding. (4th-6th) (The Weather Channel)

1986 - An unusually strong dust devil moved across the Flagstaff Pulliam Airport. The dust devil blew open the doors of the National Weather Service office scattering papers and bringing down a ceiling-

mounted light fixture. (Storm Data)

1987 - Thunderstorms developing along a stationary front produced heavy rain across the Southern Atlantic Coast States. Up to eight inches was reported north of Charleston SC. Serious flooding was reported in Monks Corner SC. Seven cities in the northeastern U.S. reported record low temperatures for the date. Houlton ME dipped to 32 degrees. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - The western U.S. experienced another day of record heat. The afternoon high of 91 degrees at Stampede Pass WA established an all-time record for that location, and Los Angeles CA equalled their alltime record high with a reading of 110 degrees. A record high of 107 degrees at San Diego CA was their hottest reading in 25 years. Red Bluff CA was the hot spot in the nation with an afternoon reading of 118 degrees. (National Weather Summary)

1989 - Overnight thunderstorm rains of four and a half to seven inches drenched eastern Nebraska during the morning hours, pushing creeks out of their banks, and flooding fields, country roads and city streets. Totals ranged up to 6.97 inches south of Creston. It was also a soggy Labor Day for northern Florida. Jacksonville reported 6.82 inches of rain, and evening thunderstorms produced 2.75 inches of rain in one hour at Sandlewood. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

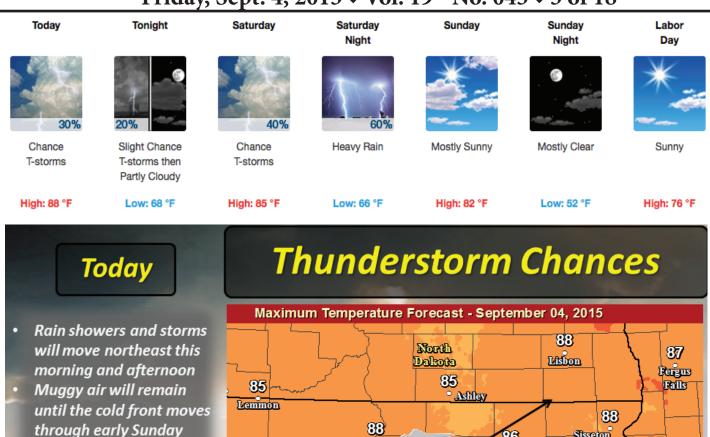


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Stump Removal

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Saturday

- More thunderstorms are possible during the afternoon and evening
- Heavy rain and a few severe storms are possible
- Highs again in the 80s

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Kadoka

A muggy air mass will stay in place until a cold front pushes through the area Sunday morning (it will feel like fall next week). Until then, a few rounds of showers and storms will be possible. The first is working its way through the area this morning and will continue into the afternoon across northeastern South Dakota and west central MN. The second round will arrive Saturday, when heavy rainfall and a few severe storms are possible. Stay tuned!

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Yesterday's Weather High: 94.3 at 2:57 PM

Heat Index: 107 at 3:14 PM

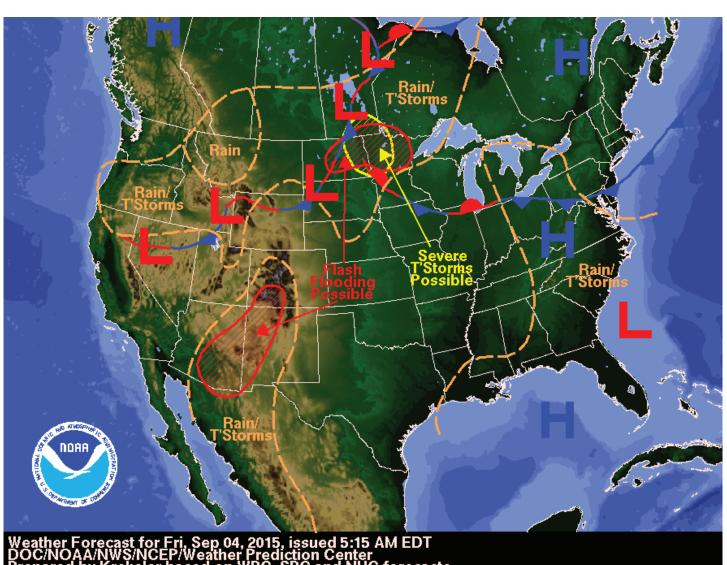
Low: 70.9 at 5:49 AM High Gust: 23 at 1:53 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info Record High: 100° in 1931

Record Low: 30° in 1961 Average High: 77°F Average Low: 51°F

Average Precip in Sept.: 0.30 Precip to date in Sept.: 0.00 **Average Precip to date: 16.59 Precip Year to Date:** 16.56 Sunset Tonight: 8:06 p.m. Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:59 a.m.



Fri, Sep 04, 2015, issued 5:15 AM EDT EP/Weather Prediction Center based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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CHANGE YOUR COURSE

One night at sea, the captain of a large destroyer saw lights off in a distance. It appeared as though another ship was heading directly toward him. Turning to his signalman, he ordered him to send a warning: "I'm a Captain. I'm on a destroyer. Change your course ten degrees south."

Came the reply, "I'm a Seaman First Class. I'm on a lighthouse that is unmovable. Change your course ten degrees north."

There are many times when it does not matter who you are, but where you are and - even more importantly - where you are going. There is great advice to support this fact in Proverbs: "There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death."

There is a vast difference between the right choice and the choice that "seems" right. Sometimes we make decisions quickly to solve problems without seeking guidance. Decisions or solutions that are often simple, easy, convenient or attractive, may lead us in the wrong direction. This is why we need God's help and guidance to look carefully and cautiously at our options. We need to be certain to choose the ones that honor Him and lead us into the likeness of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Prayer: Help us, Father, to look to You for wisdom, insight and leadership in every choice we make. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Proverbs 14:12 There is a way that seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.

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News from the App Associated Press

2 killed in Pennington County motorcycle crash

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Authorities say two people from Missouri were killed when the motorcycle they were on left South Dakota Highway 385 and struck a guardrail in Pennington County.

The Pennington County Sheriff's Office says the crash occurred near mile marker 91 about 3 p.m. Thursday. Deputies say a 68-year-old woman died at the scene. Rescuers transported a 72-year-old man to the hospital in Rapid City, but he died on the way.

Authorities didn't release the victims' names pending notification of relatives.

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

Deadline extended to apply online for some SD deer licenses

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The deadline to apply online for some deer hunting licenses in South Dakota has been extended.

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks Department says the new deadline to submit an online application for the East River, Muzzleloader and Refuge Deer hunting seasons is 8 a.m. CDT Wednesday.

Shon Eide is the department's licensing supervisor. He says hunters are used to being able to apply for those seasons through Labor Day weekend and many of them do so at the department's booth during the South Dakota State Fair in Huron.

The previous deadline was set for Sept. 2.

Thursday's Scores The Associated Press

Volleyball

Aberdeen Roncalli def. Britton-Hecla, 25-11, 25-16, 25-14

Andes Central/Dakota Christian def. Avon, 18-25, 25-20, 25-17, 25-17

Baltic def. Garretson, 25-17, 25-15, 25-19

Beresford def. Canton, 25-11, 25-19, 25-20

Bridgewater-Emery def. Tripp-Delmont/Armour, 25-17, 25-10, 25-22

Brookings def. Yankton, 25-15, 25-22, 25-16

Castlewood def. Dell Rapids St. Mary, 25-14, 25-9, 25-18

Centerville def. Marion, 25-21, 23-25, 25-23, 25-22

Dakota Valley def. Elk Point-Jefferson, 25-14, 25-8, 20-25, 25-12

DeSmet def. Lake Preston, 25-12, 25-15, 25-10

Deubrook def. Estelline, 25-7, 25-7, 25-9

Elkton-Lake Benton def. Colman-Egan, 25-17, 25-17, 25-6

Ethan def. Sanborn Central/Woonsocket, 25-20, 21-25, 25-18, 25-22

Florence/Henry def. Waverly-South Shore, 20-25, 25-22, 25-21, 25-16

Freeman Academy def. Menno, 25-17, 25-9, 25-14

Gayville-Volin def. Alcester-Hudson, 25-10, 21-25, 17-25, 25-18, 15-6

Groton Area def. Deuel, 25-13, 25-20, 25-15

Hamlin def. Flandreau, 13-25, 25-18, 25-18, 25-23

Hanson def. Parkston, 25-21, 25-19, 25-9

Harding County def. Lemmon, 24-26, 23-25, 25-20, 25-13, 15-9

Herreid/Selby Area def. McLaughlin, 25-18, 25-18, 25-14

Highmore-Harrold def. Lower Brule, 25-9, 25-10, 25-6

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Hitchcock-Tulare def. James Valley Christian, 23-25, 25-15, 25-22, 25-21

Hot Springs def. Bennett County, 25-17, 25-8, 25-18

Kimball/White Lake def. Sunshine Bible Academy, 25-18, 25-6, 25-17

Lead-Deadwood def. St. Thomas More, 25-23, 25-23, 23-25, 25-19

Leola/Frederick def. Edmunds Central, 25-8, 25-12, 25-21

Little Wound def. Oelrichs, 28-26, 25-20, 26-24

Lyman def. Gregory, 25-18, 25-8, 26-24

Mitchell Christian def. Iroquois, 25-14, 25-9, 25-20

Mt. Vernon/Plankinton def. Corsica/Stickney, 25-8, 25-9, 25-9

Northwestern def. Langford, 25-3, 25-11, 25-9

Oldham-Ramona/Rutland def. Canistota, 25-13, 25-18, 20-25, 25-13

Parker def. McCook Central/Montrose, 25-16, 25-13, 20-25, 23-25, 15-5

Philip def. Kadoka Area, 22-25, 25-21, 20-25, 25-15, 15-13

Platte-Geddes def. Wessington Springs, 25-23, 25-19, 25-18

Potter County def. Strasburg-Zeeland, N.D., 3-0

Redfield/Doland def. Milbank Area, 25-23, 20-25, 25-14, 25-22

Rosholt def. Great Plains Lutheran, 18-25, 25-11, 25-14, 20-25, 16-14

Sioux Falls O'Gorman def. Sioux Falls Lincoln, 25-16, 25-17, 22-25, 25-21

Sioux Falls Washington def. Sioux Falls Roosevelt, 25-12, 15-25, 25-27, 25-19, 15-13

Sioux Valley def. Clark/Willow Lake, 25-19, 25-12, 25-19

Sisseton def. Webster, 25-22, 25-19, 25-17

South Sioux City, Neb. def. Vermillion, 25-18, 25-22, 25-14

Spearfish def. Hill City, 25-11, 25-13, 25-10

Sturgis def. Douglas, 25-21, 20-25, 19-25, 25-23, 19-17

Sully Buttes def. Miller, 25-12, 25-12, 25-13

Timber Lake def. Bison, 24-26, 25-19, 23-25, 25-20, 15-11

Todd County def. Marty Indian, 25-17, 25-20, 25-10

Tri-Valley def. Lennox, 25-12, 25-22, 25-19

Viborg-Hurley def. Scotland, 25-18, 27-25, 25-21

Wagner def. Chamberlain, 25-11, 25-14, 25-16

Wall def. Rapid City Christian, 21-25, 25-23, 28-26, 25-11

Watertown def. Mitchell, 25-15, 25-13, 25-18

Wilmot def. Waubay-Summit, 25-18, 29-31, 25-22, 21-25, 15-10

Ainsworth Triangular

Winner def. Ainsworth, Neb., 25-16, 25-5, 25-18

Winner def. Valentine, Neb., 19-25, 25-23, 25-16, 25-17

Dakota State hosts US Senate cybersecurity field hearing JAMES NORD, Associated Press

MADISON, S.D. (AP) — Some of the most significant challenges to confronting the burgeoning threat to the U.S. from cyberattacks comes from a lack of understanding about cybersecurity, a shortage of security experts and the increasing sophistication of Internet strikes, a series of experts said Thursday at a U.S. Senate field hearing.

Sen. John Thune hosted the gathering at Dakota State University to help inform federal policymaking aimed at guarding against dangers in cyberspace. Thune, who is chairman of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, called cyberattacks a "very serious national security consideration" that isn't going away.

"Cyber threats are important to South Dakotans," Thune said. "The same state-sponsored hackers and criminal groups that are attacking the federal government to gain access to sensitive and classified information are using similar techniques to steal intellectual property from our businesses and critical infra-

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structure, disrupt and deny access to our online services and steal our identities and personal information to fraudulently spend money in our names."

More than 780 data breaches were reported last year by U.S. businesses, government agencies and other organizations that had customer or employee data exposed through hacking or inadvertent leaks, according to the Identity Theft Resource Center.

The home-state hearing also served to highlight Dakota State's nationally recognized cyber operations program. The university has about 700 undergraduate students enrolled this fall for degrees closely related to cybersecurity.

Experts testifying at the hearing said businesses and individuals need to be more aware of basic cybersecurity such as updating software and using strong passwords. They also said there's a significant need to increase the number of cybersecurity professionals.

Dakota State professor Kevin Streff, chairman of the cyber operations and security department, said there's projected to be a global shortage of more than 1 million cybersecurity workers before the end of the decade. He said expanding the cybersecurity workforce — in part through scholarships and financial support — and improving cybersecurity training are necessary.

Eric Pulse, director of risk advisory services at accounting firm Eide Bailly, said that there needs to be a change of perspective toward cybersecurity akin to the shift in attitude toward airplane security after the 9/11 terrorist attacks. People are nonchalant with sensitive data, he said.

Pulse added that companies can put expensive technical protections in place, but still be vulnerable to cyberattacks.

"If there's not a secure culture, if an employee is going to click on that phishing link or whatever it is, they could have become the prettiest horse in the glue factory," he said.

Thune said he hopes to help build on changes in law to improve cybersecurity. One measure he hopes to move forward aims to improve information-sharing between business and the government.

Jayhawks hope to lean on captains to emerge from obscurity AMIE JUST, Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — There has been turnover in nearly every aspect of the Kansas football program over the past year, from the coaching staff to the roster to the way the entire operation is run.

Three new captains will attempt to lead the Jayhawks out of the fog.

Defensive lineman Ben Goodman, quarterback Montell Cozart and defensive back Fish Smithson were elected to lead the Jayhawks, who open the season on Saturday against South Dakota State. The trio will be joined by a rotating fourth captain that is chosen each week.

"It's such an honor," said Cozart, who won an open competition to start under center after losing the quarterback job a year ago. "Being able to lead 105 guys out there, every Saturday, having them trust you as a captain and a brother, I can't even put it into words."

Every team has captains, of course. There is nothing unique about that. But those chosen by the Jayhawks carry a heavy burden — not only are they leading Kansas onto the field for games, they are being asked to help dig the entire program out of the doldrums.

Kansas has not had a winning season since 2008, three head coaches ago. The Jayhawks haven't won more than three games in the last five seasons, or more than one Big 12 game over that same span. After a brief period of respectability — startling success, even — they have returned to the conference cellar, where they have battled the past couple of years with also-ran Iowa State.

In other words, the captains have plenty of work to do.

"They control the temperament on the field," said Kansas defensive coordinator Clint Bowen, who was interim coach last season when Charlie Weis was dismissed. "You need to get your guys to understand that a good play doesn't mean go crazy and get too excited and a bad play doesn't mean get all down. I think the captains being on the field will keep that under control."

Goodman was a freshman during Weis's first season, so he at least has some experience on his side. Over the years, he's tried to absorb the leadership lessons of former players Toben Opurum, Cassius Sendish

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and Ben Heeney, who is now trying to make it with the Oakland Raiders.

"They were all great captains," Goodman said. "They did their job. (Learning) from Heeney, as a captain, he made plays. That's how you stay respected."

Goodman, Cozart and Smithson provide continuity among the captains from week to week, but Beaty said the fourth captain would likely be tied to special teams. It may be the kicker or punt return, or simply a player who has stood out in what be less-visible ways.

"As a staff, every meeting we start with starts with special teams," Beaty said. "Whether it's one unit or four, everything we do starts with special teams."

For good reason, too. The Jayhawks squandered two games last season because of them.

They were tied 20-20 with No. 16 Oklahoma State after a 35-yard field goal late in the game. Then, Tyreek Hill took the ensuing kickoff 99 yards for a touchdown. The Cowboys won 27-20.

Four weeks later, the Jayhawks had No. 4 TCU on the run in the third quarter. But after getting held on third down, a decent punt turned into a disaster when the Horned Frogs' Cameron Echols-Luper returned it 69 yards for a score. TCU went on to win, 34-30.

Beaty is certainly aware of those downfalls. That's a big reason why his staff wanted to leave a captain spot open for a special teams player to earn.

"We wanted to make sure we left a spot open for that third part of the game that a lot of people don't put a lot of emphasis on," he said. "We really do value those guys that play in those seven or eight seconds. Those seven or eight seconds are very, very valuable to us."

Attorney general: Woman who died in jail was being monitored KEVIN BURBACH, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A 24-year-old South Dakota woman who suffered a fatal methamphetamine overdose while in custody was asked repeatedly by jail staff whether she had taken any illegal drugs and was moved to a holding cell for special monitoring after her cellmate requested medical attention for her, authorities said Thursday.

Attorney General Marty Jackley, whose office conducted the state investigation, told The Associated Press that that the circumstances surrounding Sarah Circle Bear's death on July 5 are unfortunate, but that "the normal jail procedures were followed."

Circle Bear's family is questioning whether the American Indian woman received adequate medical attention before she died, but jail officials in Aberdeen say they did everything they could and there was no indication she was in danger before she was found unresponsive in a holding cell.

Sarah Circle Bear called for jail staff using an emergency call button around 8 a.m. and told staff she had a stomach ache, but didn't ask for medical attention, Brown County Sheriff's deputy and jail administrator Craig Nelson told The Associated Press on Thursday.

Circle Bear's father, Terrance Circle Bear, has said an inmate who was in custody with his daughter in Aberdeen, where Sarah Circle Bear was taken the day of her arrest for ingesting a controlled substance, told him his daughter was suffering and repeatedly asked for help but was ignored.

Her cellmate pushed the help button at 8:18 a.m. and told staff that Circle Bear was acting strange, according to Brown County Sheriff Mark Milbrandt. Jail staff didn't think Circle Bear wasn't acting unusual, Milbrandt said, but they decided to put her in a holding cell after consulting with a nurse, who told them to monitor her vitals.

Milbrandt said it's common for inmates to use the emergency button to call staff for non-emergencies and that complaints like stomachaches are not unusual. He said Circle Bear had previously been in custody at the jail and made similar complaints.

"We feel saddened by what happened," he said. "We did what we could do."

Circle Bear was arrested July 3 with her fiancé, Wayne Pahl, following a police chase, according to state authorities. The state Highway Patrol has not released the details, but Pahl's mother, Carla, said her son was fleeing after he and Circle Bear had bought meth in Sioux Falls.

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Pahl said her son, who's in custody at the Roberts County Jail, told her that he swallowed the meth and hours later began having convulsions and had to be transferred to a hospital. Pahl said she didn't know what Circle Bear did with the methamphetamine she had.

Jackley said investigators have concluded that Circle Bear did not obtain the drugs while in custody and that she brought them into the Brown County jail in a way "that was not detectable from regular and acceptable jail procedures."

Jackley said three separate jail workers had asked Circle Bear whether she was under the influence of any drugs, and all three times she said no. Had she told authorities she had ingested drugs, Mildbrandt said, she would have been helped immediately.

Circle Bear was monitored on video constantly while in the holding cell and jail staff checked on her every 15 minutes, Milbrandt said. She showed movement in her cell on video about two minutes before she was found unresponsive at 10:37 a.m., and a jail employee administered CPR 12 seconds after not finding a pulse. She was pronounced dead at a hospital later that day.

Terrance Circle Bear has said he's pursuing legal action with out-of-state attorneys but didn't provide further details.

1 count dismissed against man accused of threatening feds AMY FORLITI, Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A federal judge has dismissed one count against a Minneapolis man accused of threatening law enforcement officials after his friends were charged with plotting to join the Islamic State group.

Mahamed Abukar Said still faces one count of impeding and retaliating against a federal law enforcement officer, but U.S. District Judge Lawrence Piersol in South Dakota ruled Thursday that prosecutors must provide more specifics about who Said allegedly targeted, how that person was threatened, and what statement allegedly constituted a threat.

Said was charged in April, days after authorities arrested six Minnesota men on terror charges. Those men, and a seventh who was arrested earlier, have pleaded not guilty and face a February trial.

Prosecutors allege that after the April arrests and court hearings, Said used Twitter to make threats, saying, "Ima whack that us attorney general." Prosecutors said the tweet was directed at Minnesota's U.S. attorney, who had been in the news talking about the arrests.

Prosecutors say Said also threatened a "massacre" if his friends were not freed.

Defense attorneys argued there was confusion over who Said was allegedly threatening. Attorney Chris Madel wrote in court papers that the indictment contained no facts about who was allegedly threatened, how that person was threatened or what statement might have been a threat.

Prosecutors said that was irrelevant because whomever the tweet referred to is a federal law enforcement officer, and the government is not required to prove that a threat referred to a particular person.

The case is being handled by prosecutors in Wisconsin and judges in South Dakota to avoid a conflict of interest.

In an order filed before he made his decision, Piersol said he was concerned about the charges as they currently stood because some jurors could find that the threat was against Minnesota U.S. Attorney Andy Luger, while others could find it was against the U.S. Attorney General or some other unnamed person.

"The jurors, if convicting, would all have to agree on who was threatened," Piersol wrote.

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. KENTUCKY CLERK'S JAILING PAVES WAY FOR GAY MARRIAGE LICENSES

Same-sex couples will return to the Rowan County Courthouse for the fifth time since June to ask for a marriage license. Only this time, jailed clerk Kim Davis will not be there to stop them.

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2. BODIES OF DROWNED SYRIAN BOYS LAID TO REST

The Syrian man who lost his family during a desperate voyage from Turkey to Greece returns home to Kobani to bury his wife and two young sons.

3. REFUGEES IN HUNGARY VOW TO WALK TO AUSTRIA

Hundreds of frustrated refugees stuck at a Budapest train station for days begin gathering up their belongings, vowing to make their way to Vienna on foot.

4. WHAT FRANCIS' VISIT MEANS FOR BUSINESSES

While hoping to cash in on pope merchandise and the extra crowds, transportation security restrictions leave some stores and restaurants wondering how they'll be able to operate.

5. HORSE INDUSTRY WORRIES ABOUT PLANS TO CURB SUBSIDIES

Of the 40 states with legalized gambling, 20 funnel a slice of revenues from casinos and slots parlors to prop up horse racing, but some states are starting to shift these funds elsewhere.

6. FIRED REGULATOR: BROWN PUSHED TO WAIVE OIL SAFEGUARDS

California regulators warned Gov. Jerry Brown's administration in 2011 that his orders to override safeguards in granting oil industry permits would violate laws protecting groundwater.

7. HOW PRESIDENT WILL PERSUADE A MONARCH

Obama welcomes King Salman of Saudi Arabia with assurances that a nuclear deal with Iran will also come with the resources to check its influence.

8. GOVERNMENT TO ISSUE JOBS REPORT

A healthy employment gain in August could provide one of the final pieces of evidence the Federal Reserve needs to start raising interest rates from record lows on Sept. 17.

9. MAY THE FORCE BE WITH ... YOUR WALLET

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Father of drowned boys returns bodies to Syrian hometown of Kobani for burial

KUCUK KENDIRLI, Turkey (AP) — The Syrian man who survived a capsizing during a desperate voyage from Turkey to Greece has taken the bodies of his wife and two sons back to the Syrian Kurdish region they fled, to bury them in their hometown of Kobani.

The haunting image of the man's 3-year-old son, Aylan Kurdi, washed up on Turkish beach focused the world's attention on the wave of migration fueled by war and deprivation.

A convoy of vehicles crossed into Kobani from the Turkish border town of Suruc on Friday.

Legislators from Turkey accompanied Abdullah Kurdi to Kobani. Journalists and well-wishers were stopped at a check-point some 3 kilometers from the border.

Aylan drowned along with his 5-year-old brother Galip and his mother, Rehan while trying to reach the island of Kos.

Frustrated refugees at Budapest train station prepare to walk to Vienna

BUDAPEST, Hungary (AP) — Hundreds of frustrated refugees who have been stuck at Budapest's Keleti train station for days have begun gathering up their belongings, vowing to make their way to Vienna on foot. Hungarian police stood aside and watched as the refugees, mostly young men, whistled and chanted.

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They say they are fed up with being stuck in limbo and are prepared to go by foot the 240 kilometers (150 miles) to the Austrian capital. The group is quickly gathering in size amid a tense atmosphere.

For days Hungarian authorities have been preventing refugees from Syria and elsewhere from traveling to Austria and Germany.

Same-sex couples will try to get marriage licenses as Kentucky clerk sits in jail for contempt

ASHLAND, Ky. (AP) — April Miller and Karen Roberts will return to the Rowan County Courthouse on Friday for the fifth time since June to ask for a marriage license.

Only this time, clerk Kim Davis will not be there to stop them. Instead, she will be sitting in jail, ordered there by a federal judge who found her in contempt for refusing to follow his order that she issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples.

U.S. District Judge David Bunning offered to release Davis if she promised not to interfere with her employees issuing licenses, but she refused. She told the judge her mother-in-law pleaded with her to go to church from her deathbed four years ago. She did, converting to Christianity and the belief that gay marriage is a sin.

After sending Davis to jail, Bunning threatened each of her six employees with the same fate if they followed her lead and refused to comply with his order. Five of the six deputy clerks told Bunning they would issue the licenses. The sixth clerk, Kim Davis' son, was the holdout.

At one point, Bunning looked at Davis' son Nathan and warned him not to interfere with his fellow employees on Friday. The judge said he did not want "any shenanigans," like the staff closing the office for computer upgrades as they did briefly last week.

Philadelphia officials working hard to get wary businesses excited by prospect of papal crowds

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Business owners in Philadelphia could enjoy a financial windfall from the crowds expected for the papal visit — if their employees can get to work through the security perimeters and road closures.

To encourage shops to navigate the hurdles and stay open for the historic occasion, the city this week launched the hashtag (hash)OpenInPHL. Officials also began distributing marketing kits with buttons and signs saying "Welcome Pope Francis" and "I'll Be There."

"Even if beer needs to be delivered by drone, (at)McGillins will be open," tweeted the city's oldest bar, McGillin's Olde Ale House.

The (hash)OpenInPHL campaign is designed to generate excitement and quell the backlash of negative publicity around logistics for the Sept. 26-27 visit. Pope Francis, who will be in town to close the World Meeting of Families, is expected to draw more than 1 million pilgrims.

Traffic restrictions imposed by the U.S. Secret Service and limited public transit have left some stores and restaurants in the lurch. Planned road closures include about 25 miles of highway, a major bridge connecting Philadelphia to New Jersey and dozens of blocks in the heart of downtown.

US greeting Saudi king with promises of military support, training to stem Iran's influence

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Obama administration is greeting King Salman of Saudi Arabia with assurances that a nuclear deal with Iran also comes with the necessary resources to help check its regional ambitions.

The king is making his first visit to the White House since ascending the throne in January. The visit on Friday comes at an important moment. Congress will soon take up a resolution of disapproval of the nuclear agreement, though Democrats are expected to provide Obama with enough votes to sustain his

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expected veto.

Saudi officials have voiced support for the deal, but they are also worried about the international community's ability to enforce it. The visit is pushing the administration to publicly address those concerns before Congress votes.

To that end, Secretary of State John Kerry said the U.S is working with allies in the Middle East to develop a ballistic missile defense system, special operations training and will team up on large-scale military exercises.

"We are determined that our Gulf friends will have the political and military support that they need," Kerry said during a speech delivered in Philadelphia, which was also broadcast in Iran.

Players hoping "Deflategate" fallout includes refining discipline process

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Tom Brady is free and Ramon Foster can't help but laugh. Sorry, the irony is just a little too delicious.

The Pittsburgh Steelers' guard remembers joining the rest of his teammates in declining to ratify the new collective bargaining agreement between the owners and the NFL Players Association in the summer of 2011 because of concerns it gave Commissioner Roger Goodell too much authority.

Now Foster was sitting in his locker Thursday night praising the New England Patriots' quarterback for making a stand against Goodell, a stand the Steelers felt obligated to make four years ago while the other 31 teams — the Patriots included — rushed to get back on the field and get paid following a four-month lockout.

U.S. District Judge Richard M. Berman's decision to lift the four-game ban levied against Brady by the NFL for the four-time Super Bowl winner's perceived role in "Deflategate" struck a serious blow to Goodell's credibility. It also shed light on an issue the Steelers homed in on long ago: Goodell's process of serving as judge, jury and executioner when it comes to issuing discipline is misguided.

"That's just Roger Goodell abusing his power again, \bar{I} guess," Foster said. "We've known it for a while and it's been going on for a while, too. We don't know what's going to happen or change from that, but it shows that he's been abusing power."

AP Exclusive: Ex-Calif. official says governor ordered regulators to bypass US water law

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — California's top oil and gas regulators repeatedly warned Gov. Jerry Brown's senior aides in 2011 that the governor's orders to override key safeguards in granting oil industry permits would violate state and federal laws protecting the state's groundwater from contamination, one of the former officials has testified.

Brown fired the regulators on Nov. 3, 2011, one day after what the fired official says was a final order from the governor to bypass safety provisions of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act in granting permits to oil companies for oilfield injection wells. Brown later boasted publicly that the dismissals led to a speed-up of oilfield permitting.

Brown's spokesman, Evan Westrup, said Thursday that the allegations, contained in a newly filed court declaration by Derek Chernow, Brown's fired acting director of the state Department of Conservation, were "baseless."

This year, however, the state acknowledged that hundreds of the oilfield operations approved after the firings are now polluting the state's federally protected underground supplies of water for drinking and irrigation.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has now given the state until 2017 to resolve what state officials conceded were more than 2,000 permits the state improperly gave oil companies to inject oilfield production fluid and waste into protected water aquifers. An earlier AP analysis of the state permits found

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more than 40 percent of those were granted in the four years since Brown took office.

Horse racing industry frets as states look to rein in casino subsidies propping up purses

BOSTON (AP) — Horse track operators and breeders are concerned the good times might be trotting to a close as some states move to rein in a lucrative subsidy that's helped prop up their long suffering-industry.

Twenty states divert a slice of casino and slots parlors revenue to help boost horse racing prize money, according to the American Gaming Association. Bigger purses, the thinking goes, will draw the top level horses and generate more track bets, helping revive the once-popular industry.

But facing budget deficits and out-of-state casino competition, some lawmakers are reassessing.

"Every local track and every local horsemen's group is always worried about that," says Christopher Scherf, executive vice president of the Maryland-based Thoroughbred Racing Associations. "Politicians see someone has money and they figure they can use it. That's what they do."

Generally, the racing subsidies call for diverting a percentage of table game and slot machine revenues to a state fund with strict guidelines for how the money is spent.

Residents of popular Illinois recreation area expect quiet Labor Day weekend amid manhunt

FOX LAKE, Ill. (AP) — Residents and business owners in one of Illinois' most popular recreational areas say a manhunt for three suspects wanted in the killing of an area police officer will bring a more quiet and somber Labor Day weekend than usual.

The northern Illinois boating and fishing playground known as the Chain O' Lakes normally draws tens of thousands of visitors for end-of-summer fun. But concerns mounted Thursday that tourists might decide to go elsewhere because of the heavy police presence and fear that the fugitives could be hiding somewhere in the lush landscape of lakes, wetlands and forest glens.

"People are concerned about those individuals. And the few customers I get in here, that's all they talk about," said Marciano Martinez, co-owner of the popular Dockers restaurant, where diners can sit on a lakeside pier under plastic palm trees.

Also Thursday, authorities said they had recovered video from a homeowner's security system that could provide clues in the search for the three men suspected in the slaying of Lt. Charles Joseph Gliniewicz.

The homeowner told investigators the video shows three people near the scene of the shooting. The recording was turned over to the Department of Homeland Security for analysis, and results were expected later in the day, Lake County Major Crime Task Force Cmdr. George Filenko said, though a public briefing was not planned.

Disney unleashes its full marketing 'Force' with Star Wars toy launch months ahead of movie

NEW YORK (AP) — The release of the new Star Wars movie may still be months off, but Disney is unleashing its full marketing "Force" behind the launch of hundreds of toys and other items related to the film.

The massive marketing blitz, which Disney has named "Force Friday," spans all kinds of media and included an 18-hour global "unboxing" streamed live on YouTube. Meanwhile, major toy retailers planned to be open and hold special events when the toys first became available just after midnight Friday. Among the first cities was Hong Kong with toy stores open at midnight.

The marketing push behind "Star Wars: Episode VII - The Force Awakens," is unique because it's so far ahead of the movie's U.S. release, 116 days to be exact. But analysts say it can work because Star Wars is such a popular franchise.

Leaked images of action figures of characters that have not even hit the big screen — like Sarco Plank, some kind of alien desert nomad that has only been glimpsed in a Vanity Fair on-set shoot — are only

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likely to fuel consumer demand, says Steve Pasierb, CEO of the Toy Industry Association.

"It's pretty rare, but in the age of social media, you can get those characters out and create buzz around these things in ways that you couldn't in the past," Pasierb says. "There's something easy to tap into, which is the Star Wars mystique which is some 30 years old."

Today in History The Associated Press

Today is Friday, September 4, the 247th day of 2015. There are 118 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On September 4, 1781, Los Angeles was founded by Spanish settlers under the leadership of Governor Felipe de Neve.

On this date:

In 1886, a group of Apache Indians led by Geronimo (also known as Goyathlay, "One Who Yawns") surrendered to Gen. Nelson Miles at Skeleton Canyon in Arizona.

In 1888, George Eastman received a patent for his roll-film box camera, and registered his trademark: "Kodak."

In 1917, the American Expeditionary Forces in France suffered their first fatalities during World War I when a German plane attacked a British-run base hospital.

In 1948, Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands abdicated after nearly six decades of rule for health reasons.

In 1951, President Harry S. Truman addressed the nation from the Japanese peace treaty conference in San Francisco in the first live, coast-to-coast television broadcast.

In 1957, Arkansas Gov. Orval Faubus used Arkansas National Guardsmen to prevent nine black students from entering all-white Central High School in Little Rock. Ford Motor Co. began selling its ill-fated Edsel.

In 1963, a Swissair Caravelle III carrying 80 people crashed shortly after takeoff from Zurich, killing all on board.

In 1971, an Alaska Airlines jet crashed near Juneau, killing all 111 people on board.

In 1972, U.S. swimmer Mark Spitz won a seventh gold medal at the Munich Olympics, in the 400-meter medley relay.

In 1974, the United States established diplomatic relations with East Germany.

In 1984, Canada's Progressive Conservatives, led by Brian Mulroney (muhl-ROO'-nee), won a landslide victory in general elections over the Liberal Party of Prime Minister John N. Turner and the New Democrats headed by Ed Broadbent.

In 1995, attorney William Kunstler, who spoke out for the politically unpopular in a controversial career, died in New York at age 76.

Ten years ago: Six days after Hurricane Katrina left a devastated New Orleans in chaos, police stormed the Danziger Bridge, shooting and killing two unarmed people and wounding four others. (Five New Orleans police officers were found guilty of civil rights violations in connection with the shootings; however, a federal judge threw out those convictions in September 2013 and ordered a new trial, concluding the case had been tainted by "grotesque prosecutorial misconduct.")

Five years ago: Protesters hurled shoes and eggs at Tony Blair in Dublin, Ireland, as he held the first public signing of his memoir as British prime minister amid high security. Pulitzer Prize-winning cartoonist Paul Conrad, 86, died in Rancho Palos Verdes.

One year ago: Joan Rivers, the raucous, acid-tongued comedian who crashed the male-dominated realm of late-night talk shows, died at a New York hospital at age 81, a week after going into cardiac arrest in a doctor's office following a routine medical procedure. President Barack Obama and British Prime Minister David Cameron pressed fellow NATO allies at the scene of a summit in Wales to confront the "brutal and poisonous" Islamic State militant group wreaking havoc in Iraq and Syria. Former Virginia Gov. Bob McDonnell and his wife, Maureen, were convicted of taking bribes to promote a dietary supplement

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in a corruption case that derailed the career of the onetime rising Republican star.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Mitzi Gaynor is 84. Actor Kenneth Kimmins is 74. Singer Merald "Bubba" Knight (Gladys Knight & The Pips) is 73. World Golf Hall of Famer Raymond Floyd is 73. Actress Jennifer Salt is 71. World Golf Hall of Famer Tom Watson is 66. Rhythm-and-blues musician Ronald LaPread is 65. Actress Judith Ivey is 64. Rock musician Martin Chambers (The Pretenders) is 64. Actress Khandi Alexander is 58. Actor-comedian Damon Wayans is 55. Rock musician Kim Thayil is 55. Actor Richard Speight Jr. is 46. Actor Noah Taylor is 46. Actress Ione Skye is 45. Actor-singer James Monroe Iglehart is 41. Pop-rock singer-DJ-musician-producer Mark Ronson is 40. Rhythm-and-blues singer Richard Wingo (Jagged Edge) is 40. Rock musician Ian Grushka (New Found Glory) is 38. Actor Wes Bentley is 37. Actor Max Greenfield is 36. Singer Dan Miller (O Town) is 35. Singer Beyonce (bee-AHN'-say) Knowles is 34. Country singer-musician Tom Gossin (Gloriana) is 34. Actress-comedian Whitney Cummings is 33. Actor-comedian Kyle Mooney (TV: "Saturday Night Live") is 31. Folk-rock musician Neyla Pekarek (The Lumineers) is 29. Actor Carter Jenkins is 24. Actor Trevor Gagnon is 20.

Thought for Today: "Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, today is God's gift, that's why we call it the present." - Joan Rivers (1933-2014).