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

The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is **Open**

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

School Lunch: Hot dog, baked beans, fruit, carrots and dip.

Senior Menu: Tuna noodle casserole, broccoli, Swedish Apple Pie Square, whole wheat bread.

Birthdays: • Clint Jacobson, Jr. • Jerry Johnson • Eileen Schuelke • Janet Harder • London Bahr •

Joseph Smith

10:00am: Lake Region Marching Festival in Groton 7:00pm: Football hosts Wagner

Saturday, October 10

Birthdays: • Jenn Gustafson • Erica Swisher • Mandilyn Krueger Fliehs • Megan Erickson 9:00am: VB Tourney at Redfield 4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

Sunday, October 11

Birthdays: Ricky Thurston • Donna Bahr 9:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran School 9:00am: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

9:00am: St. John's Lutheran Worship 9:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Fellowship

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

10:00am: St. John's Lutheran School 10:15am: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship 11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship 5:00pm: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Trinity

6:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Adult Bible Study

Monday, October 12

NO SCHOOL - Native American Day Columbus Day (regional holiday) **Senior Menu:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes



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2015 Lake Region Marching Band Festival Parade Order and Approximate Start Times

Warner (High School)10:1Webster (High School)10:1Leola (Combined)10:2Wilmot (Combined)10:2Waubay (Combined)10:3Hoven (Combined)10:3Ipswich (Combined)10:4Selby Area (Combined)10:4Aberdeen Roncalli (Combined)10:5Northwestern (Combined)10:5Langford Area (Combined)11:0Holgate/Simmons (Middle School)11:1Milbank (Middle School)11:1Groton Area Junior High (Exhibition)11:2SDSU Pride of the Dakotas (University- Exhibition)11:2

Please remember to support the Groton Area Table Talks Group at the concession stand. They are also giving half of their proceeds to the Groton Band Department. They will be serving coffee, cocoa, donuts, pop, water, and candy bars.



Can't make it to the festival? Want to watch it later? It will be live and saved on THE CUBE!

http://www.thecube.com/event/lake-region-marching-festival-536509

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GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #06-6 School Board Meeting October 12, 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 September 14, 2015 school board meeting as drafted or amended.
- 2. Approval of minutes of September 28, 2015 school board meeting as drafted or amended.
- 3. Approval of North Central Special Education Co-Op (NCSEC) agenda items...as school of record.
- 4. Approval of September District bills for payment.

OLD/CONTINUING BUSINESS:

- 1. Open Forum for Public Participation...in accordance with Board Policy & Guidelines.
- 2. Approval of September Financial Report, Agency Accounts, and Investments.
- 3. Approval of September 2015 School Transportation Report.
- 4. Approval of September 2015 School Lunch Report.
- 5. 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
- 6. Follow up discussion concerning 2016 show choir travel plans.

7. Administrative Reports: (a) Superintendent's Report; (b) Principal's Reports; (c) Business Manager Report NEW BUSINESS:

1. Certify delegate to 2015 ASBSD Delegate Assembly in Pierre on November 20, 2015.

2. Approve request from School District Attorney, Rodney Freeman, for contribution of \$130 toward his attendance at the National Education Law Association 2015 Annual Meeting.

3. Consideration and possible approval of recommendation to refinance remaining General Obligation Bonds from GHS Arena project.

4. Discuss homecoming activities.

5. Other items, as may be appropriate or as deemed necessary. ADJOURN

Coverage of the Lake Region Band Festival today and the Groton Area-Wagner football game tonight is sponsored by: Tuffer 'N Hell Livestock Equipment Subway Olson Backhoe & Trenching Milbrandt Enterprises McKiver Collision James Valley Telecommunications James Valley Seed - Doug Jorgensen Harry Implement Groton Ford Doug Abeln Seed Company Columbia Insurance - Marty Weismantel Bahr Spray Foam & Construction Aberdeen Chrysler Center

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Rip 'N Ravel CFEL Club

The monthly meeting of Rip 'N Ravel CFEL was held at the home of Bonnie Erdmann on Oct 5th. Ten members answered roll call with how many days attended Brown County Fair.

Members were reminded of Fall Council meeting on Oct 8th. Marie Sternhagen and Merry Jo Ball will attend.

Ella Johnson made motion that the lesson on Favors for the Holidays be given at December meeting in lieu of Christmas readings.Carol Osterman and Linda Gengerke will take the lesson.

A thank you letter was read from the 4H Forever Foundation for our \$50 donation.

Information was shared by Marie and Rose on a demonstration by Karen Bartel on 'Cake Balls and Bon Bons' given at the Brown Co. Fair.

Maralyn told the club about a Hymn Fest at the Abby of the Hills in Marvin on Oct. 18 at 3:45pm.

Rose passed out information on Strong Communities Award. Langford Branch of 1t State Bank of Claremont and The Front Porch were selected as 1 of 7 finalists to receive an award. Members were encouraged to vote Oct 5-16. As our club outing was held at the Front Porch in September and found it to be a very enjoyable experience.

Next meeting will be at the residence of Darlene Finnesand on Nov. 2.

Netters lose to Sisseton

The Sisseton Redmen volleyball team defeated Groton Area in three games, 25-9, 25-14 and 25-11.

In serving, Groton Area was 28 of 35 with two ace serves. Miranda Hanson was three of six with one ace serve and Katie Koehler was seven of eight with one ace serve. The Redmen were 63 of 65 with six ace serves. Kendra Pikoski was 11 of 12 with five ace serves and Amanda Reinhart was nine of nine with one ace serves.

Groton Area was 141 of 143 in sets with 14 assists. Marlee Jones was 98 of 101 with 13 assists. Sisseton was 144 of 146 with 25 assists. Cami Goodhart was 102 of 103 with 19 assists and Shayli Toelle was 42 of 43 with five assists.

The Tigers were 110 of 127 in spikes with 18 kills. Carly Wheeting was 35 of 37 with six kills and Audrey Wanner was 28 of 35 with four kills. The Redmen were 100 of 109 with 25 kills. Amanda Reinhart was 36 of 37 with 13 kills and Gena Cornelius was 27 of 32 with seven kills.

Groton Area had 72 digs with Paityn Maine having 17. The Redmen had 47 with Colby Thoreson having 15. Groton Area had five blocks with Gia Gengerke having two and the Redmen had four blocks.

Groton won the junior varsity match by game scores of 18-25, 25-23 and 17-15. Sisseton won the C match by game scores of 25-18, 25-23 and 15-13.



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The Groton Lions Club presented a check to Lion Brock Abeln to help him fund a handicapped motorized unit. We are happy to help you Brock and glad to have you as a lions member. Without the people's support we are unable to help others in our community like this so thank you for your support of the Groton Lions Club. Pictured here is our president Lion Chris Frost and Lion Brock Abeln. (Photo from Facebook)



Lions Club helps Abeln with new motorized unit The Groton Lions Club held its October monthly meeting, Thursday evening.

President Chris Frost led the business session.

Neal Abeln was a guest and he, and member Brock Abeln, presented the plans for Brock's mobile equipment. President Chris presented a check from the Groton Lions Club for this worthy cause.

A monetary donation, and a gift of candy also, was voted for the Golden Living Center annual Halloween kids party.

President Chris gave a report on the very successful zone dinner and meeting, held in Groton, last Tuesday. The American Legion, Kiwanis and Lions together will be erecting new highway signs. Groton Lions will pay for all installation costs.

Topper Tastad reported on the progress of the Wheel of Meat, and the gun raffle.

Michelle Mullenbueg, second vice president; sent her written report on the successful fall rummage sale, and the Punt, Pass and Kick contest. Lions Chris, Justin Olson, Michelle, Maddie Colestock, and Joseph Schwan all worked on this project for the kids.

Justin reported that he and Topper drove the Lions entry in the homecoming parade.

Lee Schinkel served lunch during the meeting.

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Today in Weather History

October 9, 1964: Record cold occurred on this day in 1964 across parts of central and northeast South Dakota with temperatures falling into the mid-teens to around 20 degrees at many locations. Sisseton had a record low of 20 degrees; Watertown had a record low of 16 degrees, with Kennebec recording the lowest temperature of 13 degrees on this day in 1964. Although not a record low, Aberdeen fell to 14 degrees.

October 9, 1980: On this day in 1980, very warm air streamed across central and northeast South Dakota as well as west central Minnesota with highs mostly in the 80s. Record highs were established at Watertown with 86 degrees and at both Wheaton and Sisseton with 87 degrees. One of the warmest temperatures across the area was 89 degrees at Kennebec.

1903 - New York City was deluged with 11.17 inches of rain 24 hours to establish a state record. Severe flooding occurred in the Passaic Valley of New Jersey where more than fifteen inches of rain was reported. (David Ludlum) (The Weather Channel)

1981 - The temperature at San Juan, Puerto Rico, soared to 98 degrees to establish an all-time record for that location. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Eighteen cities in the southeastern U.S. and the Middle Atlantic Coast Region reported record low temperatures for the date. Asheville NC dipped to 29 degrees, and the record low of 47 degrees at Jacksonville FL marked their fourth of the month. A second surge of cold air brought light snow to the Northern Plains, particularly the Black Hills of South Dakota. (The National Weather Summary)

1988 - Ten cities in the northeastern U.S. reported record low temperatures for the date, including Hartford CT with a reading of 28 degrees. Snow continued in northern New England through the morning hours. Mount Washington NH reported five inches of snow. Warm weather continued in the western U.S. Los Angeles CA reported a record high of 102 degrees. (The National Weather Summary)

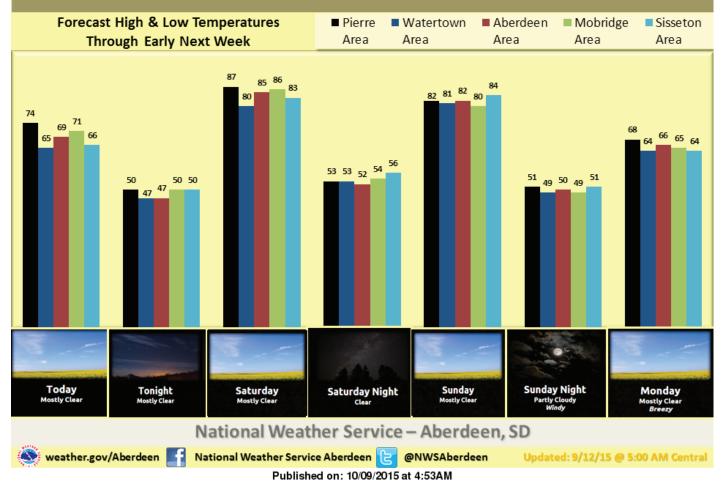
1989 - Unseasonably cold weather continued in the Upper Midwest. Thirteen cities in Ohio, Michigan and Indiana reported record low temperatures for the date, including Marquette MI with a reading of 20 degrees. Unseasonably warm weather continued in the western U.S. as the San Francisco Giants won the National League pennant. San Jose CA reported a record high of 91 degrees. (The National Weather Summary)



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Unseasonably Warm This Weekend



Dry and warm conditions will be the theme through the weekend. In fact, temperatures on Saturday and Sunday are expected to be at least 20 degrees above normal for this time of the year. Warm temperatures will end abruptly later Sunday afternoon into Monday however, thanks to a cold front which will come barreling across the region. Expect gusty northwest winds behind the front as well.

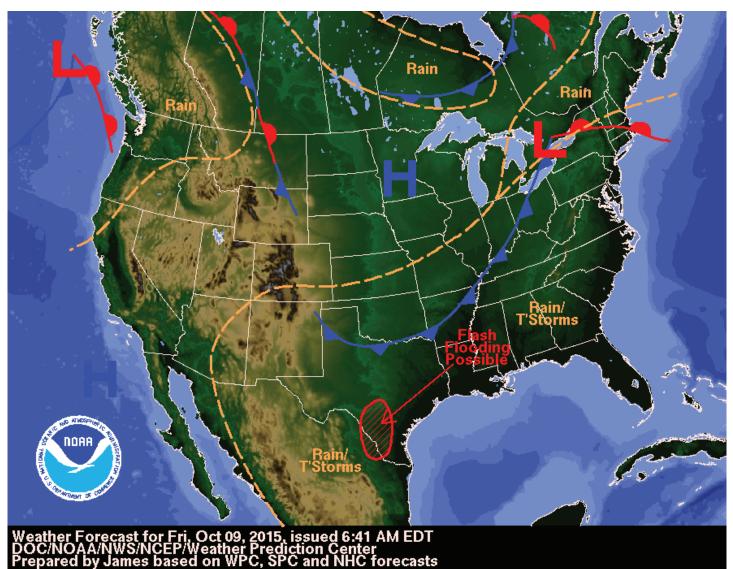
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Yesterday's Weather

High: 63.4 Low: 39.1 High Gust: 21 Precip: 0.00

Today's Info Record High: 86° in 1910

Record High: 86° in 1910 Record Low: 14° in 1964 Average High: 61°F Average Low: 36°F Average Precip in Oct.: 0.67 Precip to date in Oct.: 0.00 Average Precip to date: 19.15 Precip Year to Date: 18.12 Sunset Tonight: 6:59 p.m. Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:43 a.m.





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JUST ASK

During a lull in the Spanish-American War of 1898, Colonel Teddy Roosevelt went to a nurse named Clara Barton. Politely he said, "I have men who are sick and wounded in my regiment. They need the delicacies that you of the Red Cross have. I'm ready to pay for them out of my own pocket."

"Not for a million dollars," came the reply. "All you have to do is to ask."

Salvation is like that. We cannot buy it or earn it, work to attain it nor expect to inherit it from a parent or relative. We must ask for it with sincerity and the simple faith of a small child.

When offered a gift we must accept it to receive it. God's salvation, through Jesus Christ, is offered to us as His gift. Even the faith to accept His salvation is a gift. But we must ask for and accept it to receive it.

Perhaps the most concise definition of how a person is saved is contained in the words: "By grace are you saved through faith which is a gift from God." Our salvation comes from God's grace and our trust in what He did for us through His Son. As Christians we live and die depending on God's gifts of grace, faith and salvation.

Prayer: Father, we are grateful for Your love, grace and mercy and reach out to You in faith accepting Your salvation. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Scripture for Today: Ephesians 2:8-9 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.

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News from the Associated Press

Governor's office accepting spring internship applications

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Gov. Dennis Daugaard is seeking two interns for his office's spring 2016 program in Pierre.

The governor announced Thursday that his office is accepting applications until Nov. 1. The paid intern positions would run from early January through May.

The governor's office says duties could include helping his general counsel, doing research and readying policy briefings, among other responsibilities.

The internships are open to undergraduate and graduate students with preference given to state residents attending South Dakota higher education institutions.

The governor's office also encourages students seeking academic credit to apply.

Thursday's Scores The Associated Press

Volleyball

Arlington def. Castlewood, 25-9, 23-25, 25-13, 25-19 Baltic def. Viborg-Hurley, 25-11, 25-14, 25-20 Belle Fourche def. Red Cloud, 25-9, 25-14, 25-12 Beresford def. Alcester-Hudson, 25-23, 28-26, 25-21 Bon Homme def. Freeman, 25-6, 25-10, 25-12 Brandon Valley def. Huron, 25-17, 26-24, 25-22 Bridgewater-Emery def. Avon, 25-19, 25-15, 25-27, 25-18 Burke/South Central def. Corsica/Stickney, 25-16, 25-21, 22-25, 25-16 Canton def. Garretson, 25-21, 25-20, 25-22 Chester def. Tea Area, 25-11, 25-10, 25-12 Clark/Willow Lake def. Britton-Hecla, 25-8, 25-19, 25-20 Colman-Egan def. Lake Preston, 25-11, 25-22, 25-15 Dakota Valley def. Dell Rapids, 25-16, 25-9, 25-15 Deubrook def. Dell Rapids St. Mary, 25-16, 25-16, 25-17 Douglas def. Sturgis, 25-16, 25-14, 25-13 Elkton-Lake Benton def. DeSmet, 27-25, 25-16, 25-15 Freeman Academy def. Centerville, 25-12, 25-11, 25-15 Hamlin def. Webster, 18-25, 25-20, 29-27, 18-25, 15-12 Howard def. Canistota, 25-17, 25-15, 25-23 Jones County def. Dupree, 25-8, 25-8, 25-16 Lead-Deadwood def. St. Thomas More, 25-12, 25-17, 25-12 Little Wound def. St. Francis Indian, 25-13, 25-15, 25-27, 25-11 Milbank Area def. Aberdeen Roncalli, 25-22, 25-20, 28-26 Miller def. James Valley Christian, 25-19, 20-25, 25-22, 25-16 Mobridge-Pollock def. Timber Lake, 25-10, 25-11, 25-16 Mt. Vernon/Plankinton def. Chamberlain, 25-12, 25-8, 25-13 New Underwood def. Oelrichs, 25-16, 25-19, 25-19 Northwestern def. Faulkton, 25-17, 25-12, 25-13 Oldham-Ramona/Rutland def. Estelline, 25-17, 25-22, 25-6 Parker def. Scotland, 25-9, 25-11, 25-13 Parkston def. Kimball/White Lake, 27-25, 10-25, 25-20, 25-22

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Platte-Geddes def. Gregory, 25-22, 25-11, 25-19 Redfield/Doland def. Deuel, 25-14, 25-15, 25-12 Sanborn Central/Woonsocket def. Tripp-Delmont/Armour, 25-21, 25-18, 25-19 Sioux County, Neb. def. Edgemont, 21-25, 25-21, 25-22, 13-25, 17-15 Sioux Falls Christian def. Sioux Falls O'Gorman, 20-25, 26-24, 24-26, 25-18, 15-13 Sioux Valley def. Madison, 25-13, 25-17, 25-21, 25-23 Sisseton def. Groton Area, 25-9, 25-14, 25-11 Spearfish def. Custer, 25-15, 25-14, 25-19 Sunshine Bible Academy def. Iroquois, 19-25, 25-7, 25-8, 25-17 Tri-Valley def. Elk Point-Jefferson, 25-20, 25-22, 29-31, 25-12 Watertown def. Brookings, 19-25, 25-23, 25-12, 25-21 Waubay/Summit (VB) def. Rosholt, 25-20, 25-13, 25-12 West Central def. McCook Central/Montrose, 26-24, 25-17, 25-20 Winner def. White River, 25-14, 25-16, 25-11 Menno Triangular Gayville-Volin def. Menno, 15-25, 20-25, 25-11, 25-15, 15-4 Gayville-Volin def. Irene-Wakonda, 25-15, 25-21, 25-23 Menno def. Irene-Wakonda, 25-22, 25-19, 25-22 Mitchell Triangular Aberdeen Central def. Mitchell, 25-8, 25-15, 25-17 Hanson def. Mitchell Christian, 25-17, 25-15, 25-14

Obama nominates Seiler for US Attorney in South Dakota REGINA GARCIA CANO, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — President Barack Obama nominated on Thursday longtime federal prosecutor Randolph Seiler to be the next U.S. attorney for the District of South Dakota.

Seiler, 69, has been the acting U.S. attorney in the state since March, when then-U.S. Attorney Brendan Johnson stepped down for a job in private practice. Seiler's nomination as the top federal prosecutor in the state must be confirmed by the U.S. Senate.

"It is with tremendous gratitude and appreciation that I have received the White House nomination to be the 41st U.S. Attorney for the District of South Dakota," Seiler said in a statement Thursday. "...I'll continue to enhance our outreach and prosecutions on our state's nine reservations and strive to give a voice to those who don't have one."

Seiler was among six U.S. attorney nominations put forth on Thursday by the president, who praised their dedication and accomplishments. Obama said "these fine attorneys have distinguished themselves as some of the best and brightest their profession has to offer."

Seiler has worked at the federal office since 1995. He was a violent crime prosecutor until 2009, when he was named first assistant U.S. attorney and tribal liaison. Previously, he was also an assistant U.S. attorney, and he spent 14 years prosecuting violent crime offenses in Indian Country and other areas throughout the state.

South Dakota's senior U.S. senator, John Thune, said he looks "forward to reviewing his nomination and hearing about what he plans to accomplish should he be confirmed."

Seiler grew up in Herreid and served in the U.S. Air Force, which included a year-long tour in Vietnam. He worked in private practice in Mobridge before becoming a prosecutor and has also served as a member of the Fort Pierre city council.

He graduated from the University of South Dakota School of Law and received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Nebraska.

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Mid-Central governing board names interim business manager

PLATTE, S.D. (AP) — Education officials have selected a business manager to replace a staff member at an educational services organization who police suspect killed his family in a murder-suicide.

Platte-based Mid-Central Educational Cooperative's board on Thursday held its first regular meeting since the deaths.

The board conducted routine business before entering a lengthy private session. Members voted afterward to appoint Stephanie Hubers as the interim replacement for former employee Scott Westerhuis.

Attorney Scott Swier declined to provide details about the private discussions. He says the board is making prudent decisions about "moving forward after the tragedy."

Authorities believe Westerhuis killed his wife, their four children and himself hours after the state informed Mid-Central it wouldn't renew a contract for managing a federal grant. The board authorized an in-depth audit at a special September meeting after the deaths.

Indictment: Doctor falsely reported wedding expenses to IRS

ABERDEEN, S.D. (AP) — A pain management physician who practiced in South Dakota for several years has been indicted after authorities accused her of falsely reporting at least \$56,000 of wedding-related and other expenses as business costs.

An indictment filed in U.S. District Court in South Dakota charges Heloise Westbrook with impeding the administration of the Internal Revenue laws.

Authorities accuse Westbrook of filing corporate income tax returns with many entries identified as business expenses that were actually related to personal expenses to pay for her wedding.

The indictment states the IRS began auditing Westbrook in 2008.

Westbrook worked in Aberdeen for more than a decade before she moved to Kentucky to work at a Greenville hospital in 2014.

Westbrook didn't immediately respond to a request for comment left at her office.

State probe clears officers in Lawrence County shootout

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Attorney General Marty Jackley says three Lawrence County sheriff's deputies involved in an exchange of gunfire with a suspect who later died were justified in firing their weapons.

Jackley's report also says 31-year-old Rory Gunderman, of Sundance, Wyoming, died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound, not from a bullet fired by one of the officers.

The probe by the state Division of Criminal Investigation clears Detective Joe Leveque, Sgt. Pat Johnson and Deputy Matt McCroden. They had been put on administrative leave after the Sept. 16 incident, which is normal procedure.

The report says the shootout happened after deputies chased Gunderman, who had stolen a vehicle at gunpoint in Wyoming's Weston County the previous day. The chase began in vehicles and ended on foot in a wooded area near Lead.

Community center opens at Ellsworth Air Force Base

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Éllsworth Air Force Base has opened a community center that will serve as a place for airmen and their families to gather for events like birthday parties and barbecues.

The 5,100-square-foot facility is the centerpiece of a \$64 million construction project that when complete will add 214 homes to the base near Rapid City, nearly doubling the amount of family housing there. The three- and four-bedroom units have attached double garages and fenced backyards.

Officials held a ribbon-cutting ceremony Wednesday for the community center on the base, which is home to an estimated 8,300 people.

"Like any city that needs a common place for people to gather, this community center provides that," said Col. Ty Neuman, vice commander of the 28th Bomb Wing. "It's something that we've been lacking." Sixty-three of the new homes have been finished and are occupied. The rest will be completed over the

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next $1\frac{1}{2}$ years, according to Neuman.

"Not only is it good for the families to be safe and secure while they're here working and training, but it also makes a big difference when family members are deployed to know that the family that they leave behind — the kids and spouses and whatnot — are taken care of," he said. "They're in a secure, safe environment, close to all the amenities and services that the base provides."

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. WHO UNEXPECTEDLY WON THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

The National Dialogue Quartet in Tunisia won for its contributions to the first and most successful Arab Spring movement.

2. IŠLAMIC STATE GROUP MAKES GAINS NEAR ALEPPO

Militants seize several villages from rival insurgents, a surprise attack that comes despite Russian airstrikes that Moscow insists are targeting the extremist group, activists say.

3. ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN VIOLENCE RATCHETS UP

An Israeli man stabs four Arabs in the south of the country as spiking tensions in Jerusalem and the West Bank threaten to spread throughout Israel.

4. WHY THE GOP IS IN TUMULT

House Republicans are staring at turmoil and uncertainty after Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy's decision to not run for speaker.

5. WHERE OBAMA IS HEADED TO

The president will comfort grieving families of victims of the shooting rampage in Roseburg, Oregon, muting his message about gun control where firearms are popular.

6. PROMISE VS. ETHICS: GENE EDITING SPARKS DEBATE

Scientists are intrigued about the potential: wiping out mosquitoes that carry malaria, treating sickle-cell disease, and preventing babies from inheriting life-threatening disorders.

7. WHO IS BEEFING UP THE HEALTH QUOTIENT

Consumers could be persuaded to eat more beef if it were fortified with the heart-healthy omega-3 fatty acids more commonly found in fish and nuts.

8. MEDICAL JOURNAL CAUTIONS ON CHINESE SMOKING

The Lancet says one in three of all the young men in China are likely to die from tobacco, but that the number can fall if the men quit smoking.

9. WHAT ATTORNEYS ARE SAYING ABOUT NORTH CHARLESTON SETTLEMENT

The South Carolina city did not erupt in violence after a white police officer fatally shot an unarmed black man and the victim's family was awarded \$6.5 million.

10. ASTROS PLAY KING FOR A DAY

Collin McHugh and Houston beat the Kansas City Royals at their own game, relying on sharp pitching and stingy defense for a 5-2 victory in the opener of their AL Division Series

AP News in Brief

The National Dialogue Quartet, democracy group in Tunisia, wins Nobel Peace Prize

OSLO, Norway (AP) — A Tunisian democracy group won the Nobel Peace Prize on Friday for its contributions to the first and most successful Arab Spring movement.

The Norwegian Nobel Committee cited the Tunisian National Dialogue Quartet "for its decisive contribution to the building of a pluralistic democracy" in the North African country following its 2011 revolution.

"It established an alternative, peaceful political process at a time when the country was on the brink of

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civil war," the committee said in its citation.

The prize is a huge victory for small Tunisia, whose young and still shaky democracy suffered two extremist attacks this year that killed 60 people and devastated the tourism industry.

Tunisian protesters sparked uprisings across the Arab world in 2011 that overthrew dictators and upset the status quo. Tunisia is the only country in the region to painstakingly build a democracy, involving a range of political and social forces in dialogue to create a constitution, legislature and democratic institutions.

The Latest: Tunisian union leader 'overwhelmed' by Nobel Peace Prize.

OSLO, Norway (AP) — The latest developments in the awarding of the 2015 Nobel Peace Prize. All times local.

11:30 a.m.

A Tunisian union leader who played a key role in democracy-building that won the Nobel Peace Prize says he's "overwhelmed" by the gesture.

Houcine Abassi, secretary general of the UGTT union, told The Associated Press on Friday, "It's a prize that crowns more than two years of efforts deployed by the quartet when the country was in danger on all fronts."

Islamic State group seizes string of villages north of Aleppo city in surprise attack

BEIRUT (AP) — Islamic State militants seized several villages from rival insurgents north of Aleppo city Friday, in a surprise attack that came despite intensive Russian airstrikes that Moscow insists are targeting the extremist group, activists said.

Iranian state media reported that a senior commander in Iran's powerful Revolutionary Guard was killed by the Islamic State group on the outskirts of Aleppo city, but it was not immediately clear whether Gen. Hossein Hamedani's death was related to the new IS offensive.

An Iranian state television report said he was killed while "carrying out an advisory mission." It didn't provide any further details. The official IRNA news agency read a statement by the Guard in which it blamed IS for his death.

The new developments come amid a wave of Russian airstrikes that have targeted insurgents fighting to topple President Bashar Assad, and a ground offensive by the Syrian army in the country's central region.

Moscow says it is targeting mainly Islamic State militants, but U.S. officials and Syrian rebels have said the strikes have hit mainstream rebels for the most part and are designed to shore up Assad's embattled government and troops.

The Latest: Prime Minister condemns Israeli stabber who injured 4 Arabs in revenge attack

JERUSALEM (AP) — The latest developments in ongoing tensions between Palestinians and Israelis following days of violence. (all times local)

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Israel's Prime Minister has condemned an Israeli stabbing attack that injured 4 Arabs.

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AP Interview: Jerusalem mayor defends display of gun, saying he's keeping city safe

JERUSALEM (AP) — Jerusalem's mayor, caught on video this week with a gun slung over his shoulder while visiting a Palestinian neighborhood, is making no apologies for the display of force. He says he's helping keep his city safe.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Nir Barkat urged other licensed gun owners to follow his lead, saying that Israel's plethora of well-trained army veterans gives the country an added edge as it confronts a wave of attacks carried out by lone Palestinians.

"In Israel we're fortunate to have many ex-military and current military reservists that are professionals, well trained, they know how to fight. They know how to use weapons," said Barkat, himself a former Israeli paratrooper commander. "For us, it's an extra security measure that's not happening in the rest of the world."

Barkat described Israel as caught in the midst of an unprecedented battle, with his city at the heart of the unrest.

The violence erupted last month during the Jewish new year with clashes at Jerusalem's most sensitive holy site, a hilltop compound revered by Muslim and Jews.

In tumult, House GOP seeks a leader after McCarthy's abrupt withdrawal from speaker race

WASHINGTON (AP) — Jolted by political lighting for the second time in two weeks, House Republicans are staring at turmoil and uncertainty after Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy's astonishing decision to abandon his campaign to become the chamber's next speaker.

GOP lawmakers, who lately have acted more like feuding relatives than a unified party, were meeting Friday to discuss their next move. On Thursday, Republicans munching barbecue at a closed-door meeting where they seemed ready to coronate McCarthy as their candidate for speaker were aghast when the Californian rose and told them he wouldn't seek the job.

Facing opposition from a band of hard-right conservatives, some McCarthy supporters said he concluded he would have fallen short of the 218 votes needed when the full House formally elects the speaker. Others said he could have won but GOP lawmakers backing him would have infuriated conservative constituents back home, jeopardizing their own careers.

"It was only going to get worse," McCarthy said in an interview published Thursday night by The Wall Street Journal. He added, "This was for the good of the team."

McCarthy's announcement leaves the race to succeed the departing Speaker John Boehner wide open. The Ohio Republican delivered his own shocker on Sept. 25 when he said he would retire from Congress Oct. 30.

Obama focusing on condolences, not gun laws, in visiting families of shooting victims

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama is bringing words of comfort and sympathy to grieving families of victims of the shooting rampage in Roseburg, Oregon, muting his message about the need for new laws to stem gun violence as he visits an area where firearms are popular.

Obama will talk with family members Friday at the start of a four-day West Coast trip. Eight community college students and a teacher were killed before the gunman fatally shot himself in front of his victims after he was wounded by police.

Staunchly conservative Douglas County is bristling with gun owners who use their firearms for hunting, target shooting and self-protection. A commonly held opinion in the area is that the solution to mass killings is more people carrying guns, not fewer.

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"The fact that the college didn't permit guards to carry guns, there was no one there to stop this man," said Craig Schlesinger, pastor at the Garden Valley Church.

Referring to potential protesters, White House spokesman Josh Earnest said: "Those individuals have nothing to fear. The fact is the president has made clear that the goal of his visit is to spend time with the families of those who are so deeply affected by this terrible tragedy."

US airman stabbed outside California hometown bar months after thwarting French train attack

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Airman 1st Class Spencer Stone, hailed as a hero after he was severely cut while helping stop a terror attack on a French train in August, was repeatedly stabbed in what police said was an alcohol-fueled, late-night brawl in a Sacramento nightclub district.

Officials said Stone was in intensive care following the fighting early Thursday but expected to fully recover. "We know it's not related to what occurred in France," Sacramento Deputy Police Chief Ken Bernard said. Stone was out with four friends when they got into a fight near a bar with another group of people, Bernard said.

The deputy chief would not disclose what sparked the argument but said there was no evidence the assailants knew who Stone was.

HEALTHBEAT: Gene-editing research booming amid debate over how far to go in fighting disease

WASHINGTON (AP) — The hottest tool in biology has scientists using words like revolutionary as they describe the long-term potential: wiping out certain mosquitoes that carry malaria, treating genetic diseases like sickle-cell, preventing babies from inheriting a life-threatening disorder.

It may sound sci-fi, but research into genome editing is booming. So is a debate about its boundaries, what's safe and what's ethical to try in the quest to fight disease.

Does the promise warrant experimenting with human embryos? Researchers in China already have, and they're poised to in Britain.

Should we change people's genes in a way that passes traits to future generations? Beyond medicine, what about the environmental effects if, say, altered mosquitoes escape before we know how to use them?

"We need to try to get the balance right," said University of California, Berkeley, biochemist Jennifer Doudna. She helped develop new gene-editing technology and hears from desperate families, but urges caution in how it's eventually used in people.

Researchers, food company look to serve consumers beef with a side of heart-healthy omega-3s

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — Health-conscious consumers might be persuaded to eat more beef if it was fortified with heart-healthy omega-3 fatty acids naturally found in salmon and walnuts, according to researchers and some ranchers who are feeding cattle flaxseed — even marine algae — with an eye to offering another wholesome dinner choice.

People have long been told they can decrease their risk of heart disease by eating more omega-3 fatty acids, the kind salmon get from algae. It inspired researchers at Kansas State University: Could the steaks and hamburgers from cattle fattened on algae pass on those healthy fats?

Separately, some Texas grocery stores are selling beef products fortified with omega-3 through flaxseed, a trial run so successful that orders have quadrupled since it began seven months ago. And a nationwide study shows consumers would be willing to pay \$1.85 a pound more for enriched steaks and 79 cents a pound more for enhanced ground beef, Kansas State agricultural economist Sean Fox said.

After putting a pot roast into her shopping basket at a Wichita grocery store, 31-year-old Lindsey Goodwin

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considered that very question. "Probably, it kind of depends on the price," she said.

But Terry Cooper, 36, was skeptical, adding that the university might have an "uphill battle" persuading people to eat more beef. "The reality is we all eat more junk food ... but we think we should eat healthy," Cooper said.

Today in History The Associated Press

Today is Friday, October 9, the 282nd day of 2015. There are 83 days left in the year. **Today's Highlight in History:**

On October 9, 1940, rock-and-roll legend John Lennon was born in Liverpool, England. (On this date in 1975, his son, Sean, was born in New York.)

On this date:

In 1514, Mary Tudor, the 18-year-old sister of Henry VIII, became Queen consort of France upon her marriage to 52-year-old King Louis XII, who died less than three months later.

In 1776, a group of Spanish missionaries settled in present-day San Francisco.

In 1888, the public was first admitted to the Washington Monument.

In 1914, the Belgian city of Antwerp fell to German forces during World War I.

In 1934, King Alexander I of Yugoslavia was assassinated in Marseille, France, by a Macedonian gunman.

In 1946, the Eugene O'Neill drama "The Iceman Cometh" opened at the Martin Beck Theater in New York.

In 1958, Pope Pius XII died at age 82, ending a 19-year papacy. (He was succeeded by Pope John XXIII.) In 1967, Latin American guerrilla leader Che Guevara was killed by the Bolivian army a day after he was captured.

In 1975, Soviet scientist Andrei Sakharov (AHN'-dray SAHK'-ah-rawf) was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

In 1985, the hijackers of the Achille Lauro (ah-KEE'-leh LOW'-roh) cruise liner surrendered two days after seizing the vessel in the Mediterranean. (Passenger Leon Klinghoffer was killed by the hijackers during the standoff.)

In 1995, a sabotaged section of track caused an Amtrak train, the Sunset Limited, to derail in Arizona; one person was killed and about 80 were injured (the case remains unsolved).

In 2009, President Barack Obama was named the recipient of the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize for what the Norwegian Nobel Committee called "his extraordinary efforts to strengthen international diplomacy and cooperation between peoples."

Ten years ago: Dozens of foreign tourists fled devastated lakeside Mayan towns as Guatemalan officials said they would abandon communities buried by landslides caused by Hurricane Stan and declare them mass graveyards. A driverless Volkswagen Touareg, designed by Stanford University, won a \$2 million race across the rugged Nevada desert, beating four other robot-guided vehicles that completed a Pentagon-sponsored contest aimed at making warfare safer for humans. Actor-comedian Louis Nye died in Los Angeles at age 92.

Five years ago: Chile's 33 trapped miners cheered and embraced each other as a drill punched into their underground chamber where they had been stuck for an agonizing 66 days. The International Monetary Fund wrapped up two days of talks in Washington without resolving deep differences over currency movements. A crush of fans circled a flower-graced mosaic in Central Park's Strawberry Fields and sang lyrics from "Imagine" to honor John Lennon on his 70th birthday.

One year ago: Six U.S. military planes arrived in the Ebola hot zone with more Marines as West African leaders pleaded for the world's help in dealing with what Sierra Leone President Ernest Bai Koroma described as "a tragedy unforeseen in modern times." French novelist Patrick Modiano was named the recipient of the Nobel Prize in literature. Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Carolyn Kizer, 89, died in Sonoma, California.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Fyvush Finkel is 93. Retired MLB All-Star Joe Pepitone is 75. Former Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., is 74. C-SPAN founder Brian Lamb is 74. Rhythm-and-blues singer Nona Hendryx is 71. Singer Jackson Browne is 67. Nobel Peace laureate Jody Williams is 65. Actor Gary Frank is 65. Actor

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Richard Chaves is 64. Actor Robert Wuhl is 64. Actress-TV personality Sharon Osbourne is 63. Actor Tony Shalhoub is 62. Actor Scott Bakula is 61. Musician James Fearnley (The Pogues) is 61. Actor John O'Hurley is 61. Writer-producer-director-actor Linwood Boomer is 60. Pro and College Football Hall of Famer Mike Singletary is 57. Actor Michael Pare is 57. Jazz musician Kenny Garrett is 55. Rock singer-musician Kurt Neumann (The BoDeans) is 54. Country singer Gary Bennett is 51. Movie director Guillermo del Toro is 51. British Prime Minister David Cameron is 49. Singer P.J. Harvey is 46. Movie director Steve McQueen (Film: "12 Years a Slave") is 46. World Golf Hall of Famer Annika Sorenstam is 45. Actress Cocoa Brown is 43. Country singer Tommy Shane Steiner is 42. Actor Steve Burns is 42. Rock singer Sean Lennon is 40. Actor Randy Spelling is 37. Christian hip-hop artist Lecrae is 36. Actor Brandon Routh is 36. Actor Zachery Ty Bryan is 34. Actress Spencer Grammer is 32. Actor Tyler James Williams is 23. Country singer Scotty McCreery (TV: "American Idol") is 22.

Thought for Today: "I think everyone should go to college and get a degree and then spend six months as a bartender and six months as a cabdriver. Then they would really be educated." - Al McGuire, American Basketball Hall of Fame coach (1928-2001).