

Groton Daily Independent

Monday, Oct. 26, 2015 ♦ Vol. 20 - No. 096 ♦ 1 of 17

- 1- Frost Construction Ad
- 1- Doeden 50th Anniversary Ad
- 1- Recycling Trailers in Groton
- 1- Today's Information
- 2- New neighbor is Norman Anderson
- 2- Adult Birthday Club News
- 2- House for Sale Ad
- 3- Winter Survival Kit
- 3- Treeline Tree Service Ad
- 4- Friends Feature: Brie Lund
- 5- Thrivent Financial Choice Dollards
- 6- Today in Weather History
- 7- Local Weather Forecast
- 8- National Weather Map
- 8- Local Weather
- 9- Daily Devotional
- 10 - News from the Associated Press

Monday, October 26

National FFA Convention

School Breakfast: Egg and cheese omelet, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Turkey gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, tea bun, fruit.

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

Anniv: Harry & Gloria Pharis

Birthdays: Ethan Charles Briggs • Marie Sternhagen

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

3:30pm: 5th Grade Band Instrument Introduction

6:30pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

7:30pm: School Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 27

First Round of Football Playoffs

National FFA Convention

School Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Chili, corn bread, fruit, carrots and dip.

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

Anniv: Dick & Judy Fliehs • Lars & Darinda Tunby

Birthdays: Tina Kosel • Matt Groeblichhoff • Randy Hjermsstad • Dylan Anderson • Molly Jordan • Lars Tunby

10:00am: United Methodist Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, October 28

National FFA Convention

School Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Garlic cheese bread,



50th Anniversary

Doug and Arlis Doeden will be celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary with an open house. The event will be held Friday, Nov. 6, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Olive Grove Clubhouse.

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**

© 2015 Groton Daily Independent



FROST
CONSTRUCTION INC.
GENERAL CONTRACTOR
605.290.1535
custom homes | remodels | additions

New Neighbor at 809 N 1st St., Groton

My name is Norman L. Anderson, age 86.

About 1888, a man named Soren Anderson learned of free land being available in a great "new land" (America) and with wife, Elizabeth, in tow, sailed from Oslo, Norway, eventually to settle in Jasper, Minn. While there, their first son, Albert, was born.

About 1890, Soren acquired a quarter of land located five miles northeast of Pierpont. Soon after arrival in Pierpont, another son, Severt, was born.

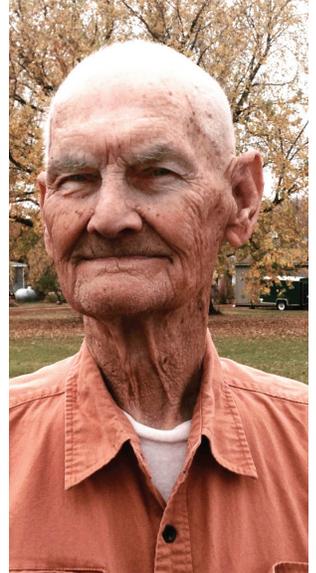
In following years seen the arrival of Severt's two sons, Milton and Norman, and three daughters. Upon the death of Soren in 1936, Severt moved his family to the Veblen Hillard area to farm.

WWII activity caused Severt to move to Portland, Ore., in order to help the war effort by building liberty ships at Swan Island near Portland.

About 1940, Severt sent his entire family. While there his two sons joined the U.S. Navy and they were to travel the world during the next 22 years. Both sons fought in the Korean and Viet Nam wars. They were to retire in 1968.

As a result of handling atomic weapons, Milan was taken from us by Luekemia. Norman went on to work for the postal service for 15 years.

Norman's roots (and mind) was always in South Dakota. After moving from Pierpont to Oregon and living in Oregon for several years, he has returned here to live in Groton. He is happy to finally be back and plans to enjoy life here and make (hopefully) many new friends.



ABC

The Adult Birthday Club met at the Olive Grove Clubhouse for the month of October with Audrey Padfield as hostess.

Prizes were awarded to Ella Johnson, Darlene Fischer and Deloris Knoll.

Some of the Padfield family attended also.

The November 3rd meeting will be held at the Groton Dairy Queen at 1 p.m. with Lorraine Sippel as hostess.



Great Starter Home! Great Location!

Located right across from the elementary school at 805 N 1st St., this home features a spacious back yard, 2-stall garage, full finished basement with wash room and bathroom. Main floor has two larger bedrooms with walk-in closets and one smaller bedroom, a spacious living/dining room and a cozy kitchen. The home has dual fuel (electric/natural gas) and a newer lifetime warranty water heater. Contact Dick Kolker at 605/397-8464. Asking \$150,000.

Winter Survival Kit

What follows is a sample winter survival kit to be placed in your vehicle. Don't feel like the items on this list are the only things that should go into your survival kit. This is only a sample. Perhaps your personal experience or situation dictates that other items need to be added. What is important is that you have a kit in your vehicle.

Survival Kit sampler:

- blankets/sleeping bags/old coats
- high-calorie, non-perishable food...such as nuts, granola bars, trail mixes and jerky
- flashlight with extra batteries
- first aid kit
- knife
- extra clothing to keep dry
- a large empty can and plastic cover with tissues and paper towels for sanitary purposes
- a smaller can and water-proof matches to melt snow for drinking water;
- an empty coffee can and candles
- a sack of sand (or cat litter)
- shovel
- windshield scraper and brush
- tool kit
- tow rope
- booster cables
- water container
- compass
- road maps

Also remember that if you become stranded in your vehicle during a winter storm, NEVER leave the safety of the vehicle. Your odds of survival greatly increase if you remain with the vehicle. Also travel with a fully charged cell phone, with a backup battery if possible.



Treeline Tree Service

**Over 30 Years
of Combined
Experience!**

**TJ Sperry:
380-7915**

**Tyler Sperry:
216-8431**

Sperry Stump Removal

Friends . . . Near and Far

Editor's Note: This is the 41st in a series featuring your friends, near and far.

Brie Lund

Job **Wise** **what are you doing today?** Elementary Special Education and Title I Teacher at Britton-Hecla Elementary

How long have you been working at the current job? 2 Months

How did you get your current job? I went through an application process involving an application, resume, and interview.

For my job with Peace Corps, I submitted an application that included three essays and letters of recommendation. Then there was an interview followed by medical screening followed by many vaccinations. Finally I trained for ten weeks in the Gambia to learn the Wolof language and cultural practices.

If you have previous employments list them and how long you were there. For the last two years I served as US Peace Corps Volunteer in The Gambia, West Africa. There I worked as teacher trainer to improve teaching practices and raise literacy rates, facilitated creative use of recycled materials as teaching aids, and reduced the use of corporal punishment in schools. I also was a member of a Malaria Task Force, educating on malaria prevention and motivating behavior change to reduce malaria rates.

In college I worked as a private tutor and as a custodian for four years. I worked at Wylie Park as a Zoo and Park Maintenance Worker for a summer and two summers as a Camp Counselor/Totus Tuus Teacher.

What year did you graduate from high school and name of your high school: Groton Area High School Class of 2009

Where did you attend college and what was your degree?

Franciscan University of Steubenville, OH with one semester abroad in Austria
Bachelor of Science in Education-K-12 Special Education and Early Childhood PreK-5

What advice would you give the high school students today?

Seize opportunities to travel and don't be afraid to step out on your own. You'll learn a great deal about the human experience, where you come from, who you are, and who you're meant to be. Challenge yourself to do things that are difficult.

List your major accomplishments that you have had so far in life.

Selected to be the Peace Corps Volunteer Leader of about 30 education volunteers
Achieved Advanced Level Proficiency in the Wolof Language based upon the guidelines of the American Council for the Teaching of Foreign Languages

Coordinator of a 40-member student organization in college-awarded Coordinator of the Year Award for Leadership and Service

Ran a half marathon

Do you feel that your high school and college education prepared you adequately for post education life? Yes. I certainly didn't learn everything I needed to know in high school and college, but instead I learned how to learn and how to be flexible which is necessary at each new phase in life.



Have you gotten this e-mail?



**THRIVENT
FINANCIAL®**

Connecting faith & finances for good.™

Dear Paul Kosel:

Good News! As of October 11, 2015 you have Choice Dollars® to direct.

To direct Choice Dollars, click the Direct Now! button below and log in.

Direct Now!

For more information

If you have any questions, please contact a Customer Care Professional from the Member Connection Center at 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" at the prompt or email mail@thrivent.com.

If you have Choice Dollars, consider directing them to Heaven Bound Ministries.



When you click on the Direct Now link in your email, there will be an option to Direct to a New Organization. Type in Heaven Bound in the box, click on Find, and the organization will appear.

Direct to a New Organization

Enter information pertaining to the organization you are looking for, like organization name, city, state, etc.

Enter Keyword(s):

Find

To see a full list of search options, use our [Advanced Search](#).

Today in Weather History

October 26, 1919: Record cold occurred across the area on this day in 1919. Temperatures fell below zero at many locations across central and northeast South Dakota and into west central Minnesota. The record lows were 3 degrees below zero at Aberdeen, 4 degrees below zero at Wheaton, 5 degrees below zero at Kennebec, 8 degrees below zero southeast of McIntosh, and a much below normal low of 10 degrees below zero at Miller.

October 26, 2010: A record breaking surface low pressure area moved across the Northern Plains and brought high winds to all of central and northeast South Dakota from the early morning of the 26th into the early evening of the 27th. Sustained northwest winds of 40 to 50 mph with gusts to 60 to 75 mph caused scattered property damage across the region along with blowing several vehicles off the road. Along with the high winds came snowfall of 1 to 5 inches which resulted in treacherous driving conditions. Several schools started late on the 27th due to the slippery roads and high winds. The high winds, combined with slippery roads at times, blew several semis and other vehicles off the road on Interstate-29 and at several other locations across the region. Only minor injuries occurred with these incidents. The high winds damaged many traffic signs and signals, downed many power lines and poles, along with downing branches and several trees. As a result, several hundred customers were without power for a time across the area. The high winds caused roof and siding damage to many buildings along with damaging some fences. A shed was also completely destroyed near Sisseton.

1859 - New York City had their earliest substantial snow of record as four inches blanketed the city. (David Ludlum)

1919 - The temperature at Bismarck, ND, plunged to ten degrees below zero, the earliest subzero reading of record for the city, and a record for the month of October. (The Weather Channel)

1926 - Barrow, AK, received a record fifteen inches of snow, and also established a 24 hour precipitation record of 1.00 inch which lasted until the 21st of July in 1987. (The Weather Channel)

1962 - A storm brought five to six inches of snow to Vermont and New Hampshire, with up to ten inches reported in the mountains. (The Weather Channel)

1983 - A heat wave was in progress over the Northern Rockies, with record highs of 81 degrees at Sheridan WY and Billings MT. (Sandra and TI Richard Sanders - 1987)

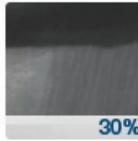
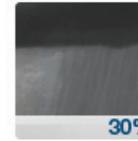
1987 - Five cities in south central Texas reported record high temperatures for the date, including Corpus Christi and Del Rio with readings of 93 degrees. Laredo TX was the hot spot in the nation with a high of 98 degrees. Thunderstorms moving over the Lower Mississippi Valley deluged Lake Charles LA with 2.70 inches of rain in one hour resulting in severe local flooding. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Thunderstorms moving out of northern Texas spawned five tornadoes in Louisiana during the morning hours. The thunderstorms also produced wind gusts to 75 mph at Jennings LA, and the driver of a vehicle was killed by a falling tree near Coushatta LA. Snow squalls in the Lower Great Lakes Region produced heavy snow in western New York State, with 12 inches reported at Colden. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Unseasonably warm weather continued in the north central U.S. Afternoon highs of 78 degrees at Alpena MI, 75 degrees at Duluth MN, 79 degrees at Fargo ND, 77 degrees at International Falls MN, 76 degrees at Marquette MI, 75 degrees at Sault Ste Marie MI, and 80 degrees at Saint Cloud MN, were all the warmest of record for so late in the season. Morning lows of 63 degrees at Concordia KS and Omaha NE were the warmest of record for the date. (The National Weather Summary)

Groton Daily Independent

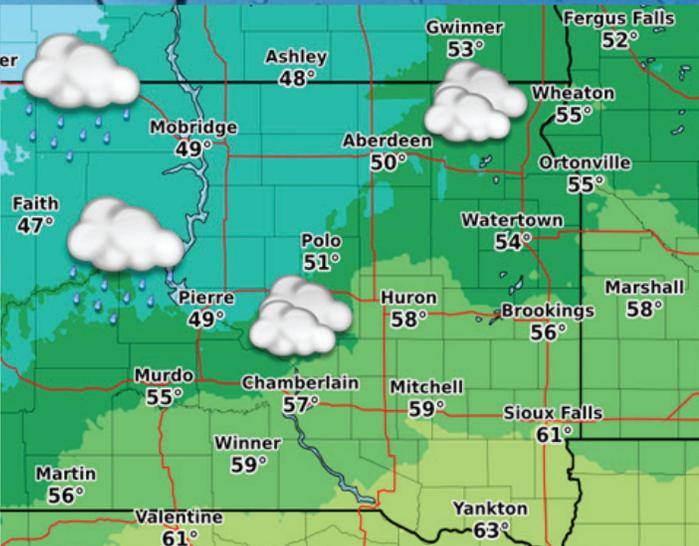
Monday, Oct. 26, 2015 ♦ Vol. 20 - No. 096 ♦ 7 of 17

Today	Tonight	Tuesday	Tuesday Night	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday
						
Increasing Clouds	Chance Showers	Slight Chance Showers	Chance Showers	Slight Chance Rain/Snow and Breezy	Blustery. Slight Chance Snow Showers then Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny
High: 50 °F	Low: 41 °F	High: 60 °F	Low: 37 °F	High: 42 °F	Low: 27 °F	High: 45 °F



Showers Into Western/Central Dakotas Today Inclement Through Wednesday



Today	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
	 <p>Highs: 50s & 60s</p>	 <p>Highs: Low 40s & Windy</p>	 <p>Highs: Mid & Upper 40s</p>

National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD


weather.gov/Aberdeen

[National Weather Service Aberdeen](https://www.facebook.com/NWSAberdeen)

[@NWSAberdeen](https://twitter.com/NWSAberdeen)
Updated: 10/26/2015 4:29 AM Central

Published on: 10/26/2015 at 4:30AM

A slow moving weather system will bring light showers to the central and western Dakotas today. Precipitation will linger across the region into Tuesday and Wednesday.

Groton Daily Independent

Monday, Oct. 26, 2015 ♦ Vol. 20 - No. 096 ♦ 8 of 17

Yesterday's Weather

High: 56.2 at 3:35 PM

Low: 39.5 at 7:04 AM

High Gust: 14 at 3:55 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 83° in 1922

Record Low: -3° in 1919

Average High: 52°F

Average Low: 29°F

Average Precip in Oct.: 1.77

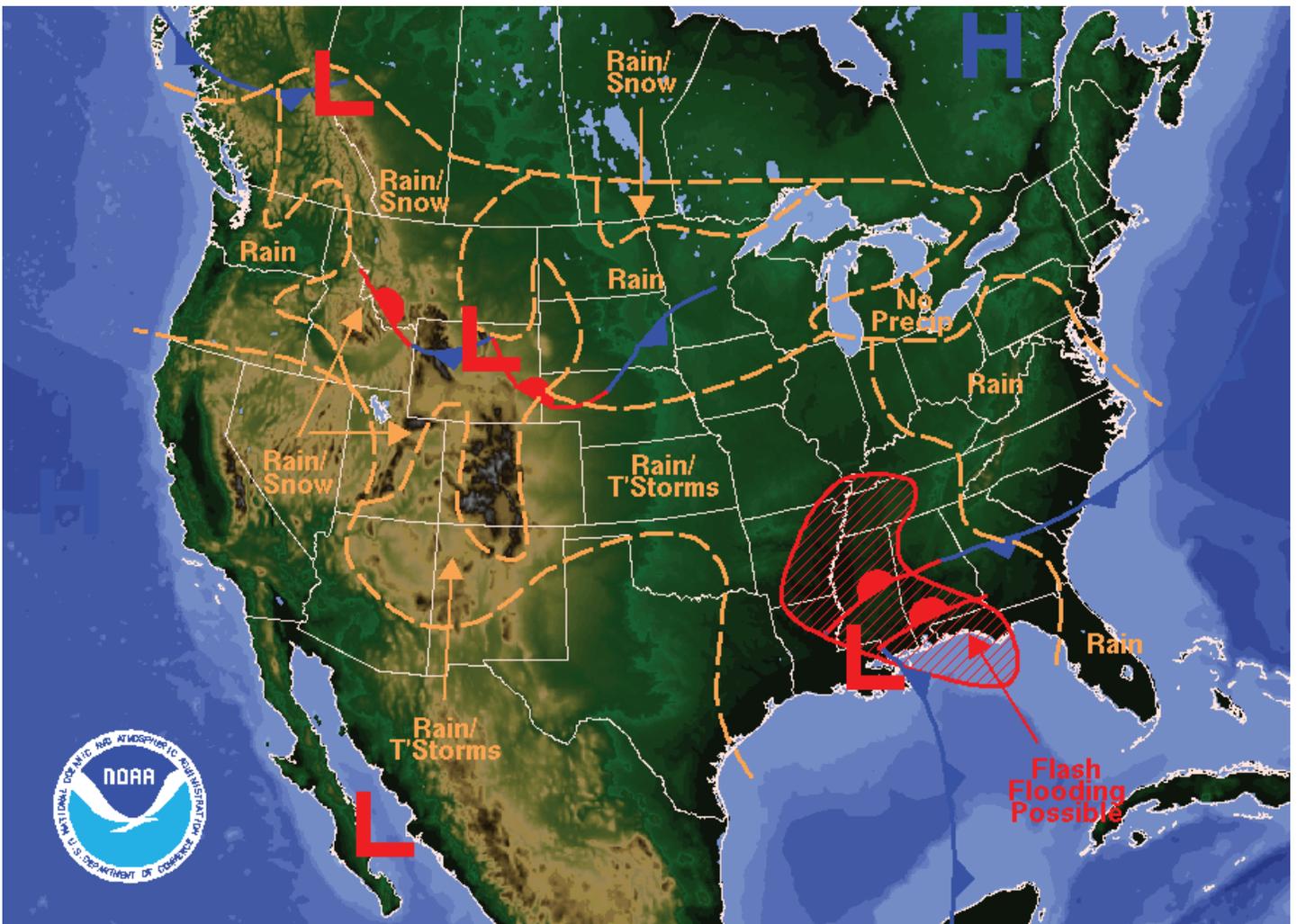
Precip to date in Oct.: 0.99

Average Precip to date: 20.25

Precip Year to Date: 19.11

Sunset Tonight: 6:30 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 8:05 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Mon, Oct 26, 2015, issued 4:46 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



WHEN TIMES ARE THREATENING

A young boy was sitting on the roof of his home watching his father repair a leak in the shingles. Not realizing the steep pitch of the roof, he began to inch his way upward and suddenly started to slide downward. Realizing the danger of his situation he shouted, "O God, help me I'm in trouble and I'm going to fall to my death!"

Suddenly his jeans became snagged on a nail and he stopped sliding. Looking upward he said, "Thanks God, but I'm all right now!"

Who do you call upon when you are suddenly faced with a life threatening situation? We often have a loved one whom we can call upon in a moment's notice. Most of us are blessed with a few faithful friends who respond immediately in times of disaster. But when we are suddenly and without warning faced with what appears to be an imminent disaster, what then?

Fortunately, our God has promised us that we will never face any adversity alone. Again and again His Word assures us that He is ready, willing and able to rescue us when we are in trouble. He is always alert, awaiting our call and anxious to respond.

Prayer: Father, we are grateful for Your promise that we can always "call upon You in the day of trouble." In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Psalm 50:15 Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me."

News from the Associated Press

One person killed in accident near Andover

ANDOVER, S.D. – One person was killed in a two-vehicle crash that occurred early Sunday morning east of Andover, S.D.

Names of the six people involved are not being released pending notification of families.

A 2004 Montana Pontiac mini-van was eastbound on U.S. Highway 12 in the right westbound lane. It collided with a 1988 Barth Regency RV pulling a jeep that was traveling west in the same lane. The driver of the mini-van was pronounced dead at the scene. One of the five occupants in the RV sustained minor injuries.

In a separate crash, a 1999 Chevrolet Cavalier was traveling through the crash scene when it hit a tire that had come off the RV. Both occupants of the car suffered non-life threatening injuries. The driver was a male, 27, and the passenger was a 24-year-old female. Their names also have not been released.

Because of the debris, the westbound lanes of U.S. Highway 12 were closed for about 4 ½ hours.

The Highway Patrol continues to investigate. Other agencies responding to the scene were the Brown County Sheriff's Office, Day County Sheriff's Office, Groton Police Department, Aberdeen Fire and Rescue, South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks, Webster Fire Department and Waubay Fire Department.

The Highway Patrol is part of the state Department of Public Safety.

Motorcyclist killed in collision near Tea

TEA, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Highway Patrol says a 55-year-old man was killed after the motorcycle he was driving was struck by a pickup truck near Tea.

The crash happened just after 4:30 a.m. Sunday on Interstate 29 when a 25-year-old man lost control of the truck and it went into a ditch, hit the median and rolled. The truck landed in northbound traffic and collided with the motorcycle.

The motorcyclist was pronounced dead at the scene. It wasn't immediately known if the truck driver sustained any injuries.

Authorities haven't released the identity of either man involved in the crash.

An investigation is ongoing.

SDSU Extension, Western Ag Development open new office

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — The new offices of South Dakota State University Extension Rapid City Regional Center and the South Dakota Department of Agriculture Western Ag Development Office open in Rapid City this week.

People are invited to drop by the First Interstate Bank Building on North Creek Drive from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. all week for snacks, coffee and tours.

SDSU Extension Community Development field specialist Peggy Schlechter says the organizations are eager for the public to stop by and see the new location.

Bob Weyrich, the Western Ag Development representative for the South Dakota Department of Agriculture, says the regional collaboration offers greater response.

The open house runs Monday through Friday.

Farming friends harvest for South Dakota man with cancer

CROOKS, S.D. (AP) — A South Dakota farmer who's battling lymphatic cancer is getting help from neighbors and friends during harvest season.

More than 20 fellow farmers lent a hand to Mike McAreavey on his 300-acre farm north of Crooks earlier this month. The farming friends came from all around Crooks, as well as the Colton, Lyons and Ellis areas,

Groton Daily Independent

Monday, Oct. 26, 2015 ♦ Vol. 20 - No. 096 ♦ 11 of 17

and brought their equipment to harvest a couple of McAreavey's soybean fields, the Tristate Neighbor (<http://bit.ly/1LO3WwA>) reported.

The event was organized by Derry Benson, a family friend from the Crooks area, and lunch was provided by the CHS Eastern Farmers Cooperative elevator in Crooks.

His three sons, who usually take time off from their full-time jobs to harvest, also stopped by the farm to help out.

When McAreavey and his sons get together for harvest, they really thrive, said his wife, Karen. And harvesting is Mike McAreavey's favorite thing about being a farmer, she said, so it wasn't easy for him to watch others do the work for him.

"Farmers are pretty independent characters, just by nature," Mike McAreavey said.

He initially was diagnosed with lymphoma 15 years ago and learned it had returned last spring. Cancer treatments began in April, with McAreavey's second round of chemotherapy starting Oct. 5, three days after his friends helped him harvest.

"It kind of wipes you out," he said of chemotherapy.

Longtime neighbor Mike Hanson showed up with his combine because helping someone in need is the neighborly thing to do, he said.

"If I'm ever in need, I hope to get something like this in return," Hanson said, "but you hope you never need it."

McAreavey's family also was thankful for the large turnout.

"That's what it's all about," said his son, Jon McAreavey, "having good friends and neighbors."

McAreavey and his sons plan to gradually harvest the remaining crops.

But having a large chunk of the work done takes the pressure off, Mike McAreavey said.

"It's just a good feeling," he said.

Film narrates efforts to preserve Lakota language in SD, ND

REGINA GARCIA CANO, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A documentary that chronicles efforts on reservations in North Dakota and South Dakota to save the language of the Lakota people is set to premiere on public television stations nationwide in November.

The 55-minute film "Rising Voices" highlights how classroom instruction and immersion preschools, dictionaries, voice recordings and animated cartoons are being used to preserve the Lakota language, which is estimated to be spoken by fewer than 6,000 people — less than 14 percent of the Lakota population in North and South Dakota — with an average age that will soon reach 70.

In the documentary, a wide range of Lakota people and some non-Native Americans who have learned the language share the successes and challenges they've faced in furthering the reach of the tongue.

"The Lakota are the most iconic of American Indians," said producer Larry Hott. "They are the ones that Hollywood thinks of; the Lakota have the headdresses, and the buffalo, and the teepee, and Sitting Bull. So, in the American imagination, this is what an American Indian looks like.

"This is a community that's very famous, that's iconic, that's actually known around the world, and here you have a language that was once spoken by many, many more thousands than those who speak it now. There's only 6,000 speakers left. That creates a race against time."

The film addresses what is now seen as a dark moment in federal education mandates: the assimilation policy that forced Native American children into boarding schools, where students were forced to speak English and were punished when they were caught speaking in their native tongues. The policy inherently limited or erased the Lakota fluency of some Native Americans who later were unable or refused to teach it to their children and the children of their children.

"I wasn't able to speak Lakota to my own children because I was afraid for them and what shame they would have to go through," Philomine Lakota said in the film, her voice cracking. "I was afraid that they would be rejected in their education system and go through the punishments that I went through."

A Lakota immersion program in Fort Yates, North Dakota, highlighted by the documentary had 11 children between the ages of 3 and 5 when the film crew visited. Enrolled students traveled from Bismarck

Groton Daily Independent

Monday, Oct. 26, 2015 ♦ Vol. 20 - No. 096 ♦ 12 of 17

and other areas, some making a two-hour round trip every day.

In another effort, a basketball coach tells how he began to incorporate Lakota words during practices for shoot, pass, dribble, miss and rebound.

Philomine Lakota is now a Lakota teacher at Red Cloud Indian High School in Pine Ridge, where students take daily classes in Lakota and she encourages them to fight for the "biggest battle of their lives," which she believes is the one to preserve their language.

"There are days when we have real good days and they just start speaking Lakota on their own, and my heart swells with pride, and I say we have hope, we have hope, I have hope, I have hope, they are doing it and I don't want to break their momentum," she said. "Those are rare."

Federal loans, grant to help SD businesses in rural areas

HURON, S.D. (AP) — Three organizations in South Dakota will receive a portion of the \$12.5 million in loans and grants that the U.S. Department of Agriculture is handing out to assist businesses in rural areas.

The federal agency says Northeast Council of Governments Development Corporation in Aberdeen, South Eastern Development Foundation in Sioux Falls and Northern Electric Cooperative Inc. in Bath will receive funds that are expected to create jobs and promote entrepreneurship.

The Northeast Council of Governments and the South Eastern Development Foundation will receive loans of more than \$485,000 and \$325,000, respectively, to provide low-interest loans for business and community development.

Meanwhile, Northern Electric Cooperative will get a \$300,000 grant to purchase and renovate a building in a medical and dental clinic.

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. STRONG AFGHAN EARTHQUAKE FELT ACROSS SOUTH ASIA

Vineet Gahlot, the director of seismology at the Indian Meteorological Department, says the quake had a magnitude of 7.7 and an epicenter deep in the Hindu Kush region of Afghanistan.

2. WHALE-WATCHING BOAT SINKS OFF BRITISH COLUMBIA

The vessel was carrying 27 people and Canadian authorities are saying at least five have died and one person remains missing.

3. ISRAELI POLICE REPORT STABBING IN TEL AVIV

There have been almost daily Palestinian attacks against Israeli civilians and security forces in recent weeks.

4. CARSON'S LACK OF EXECUTIVE EXPERIENCE PRODUCES SKEPTICISM

The only 2016 candidate for president who has never led a state or company says someone who can perform life-or-death surgeries can run the country.

5. WHY FAMILY STUNTS DISABLED DAUGHTER'S GROWTH

Fearing for the future of Charley Hooper, 10, whose brain is believed to function at the level of a newborn's, her parents give her hormones which prevent her from growing, the AP learns.

6. EU, BALKAN COUNTRIES COMMIT TO MORE SHELTER FOR MIGRANTS

European leaders decide that reception capacities should be boosted in Greece and along the Balkans migration route to accommodate 100,000 more people as winter looms. EUROPE-MIGRANTS

7. WHO HAS A HARD TIME WITH TEACHERS LEAVING FOR EUROPE

With the school year just kicking off in Iraq, schools in refugee camps for Syrians are scrambling to accommodate the students left behind.

8. AFGHAN SECURITY ADVISER WARNS OF RISK FROM ISLAMIC STATE GROUP, AL-QAIDA

Mohammad Hanif Atmar says the country is in danger of again becoming a safe haven for "terrorists" and calls for U.S. and NATO military backing to help drive them out.

9. WOMAN FACES 2ND-DEGREE MURDER CHARGES IN OKLAHOMA CRASH

Adacia Chambers' attorney says his client might suffer from a mental illness but there is no indication that she was drinking before the crash.

10. HOW MUCH TIME PUBLIC SCHOOL KIDS SPEND TAKING TESTS

Researchers look at 66 big-city school districts and come up with an answer — between 20 and 25 hours every year.

AP News in Brief

The Latest: 7.7-magnitude earthquake in Afghanistan felt across South Asia

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — The latest on a powerful earthquake in Afghanistan felt across South Asia (all times local).

2:00 p.m.

A powerful 7.7-magnitude earthquake in northern Afghanistan rocked cities across South Asia.

Strong tremors were felt in Kabul, New Delhi and Islamabad on Monday. In the Pakistani capital, walls swayed back and forth and people poured out of office buildings in a panic, reciting verses from the Quran.

Canadian authorities: 5 dead, 21 rescued after whale watching boat sinks off British Columbia

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — Five people died after a whale watching boat with 27 people on board sank off Vancouver Island on Sunday and one person remained missing, Canadian authorities said.

The vessel made a mayday call late Sunday afternoon on what was a calm, clear and sunny day off the tourist community of Tofino, a popular destination for whale watchers on Canada's West Coast, the Joint Rescue Coordination Centre said.

Lt.-Cmdr Desmond James, a spokesman for the rescue agency staffed by Canadian military and Coast Guard personnel, said late Sunday that the agency's search concluded with five people dead, 21 rescued and one person missing. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police will take over the search for the person who remains missing.

"As of right now the case has been turned over to the RCMP and it's a missing person file," he said. "Fortunately, we did manage to rescue 21 people."

The boat, the 20-meter Leviathan II, was partially submerged 8 nautical miles (12 nautical kilometers) west of Tofino.

Israeli army: Palestinian stabs Israeli in West Bank before being shot dead

JERUSALEM (AP) — A Palestinian stabbed an Israeli in the West Bank before being shot and killed Monday, the Israeli military said.

The Israeli was stabbed in the neck and "severely wounded" at an intersection near the city of Hebron, and the Palestinian was shot and killed at the site, the military said.

Police spokeswoman Luba Samri said initial reports indicated the Israeli was a soldier, but the military declined to provide details about the person's identity. Israeli media identified the wounded Israeli as a 19-year-old.

It was the latest incident in weeks of almost daily Palestinian attacks against Israeli civilians and security forces. In the past five weeks, 10 Israelis have been killed in Palestinian attacks, mostly stabbings, while 51 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli fire, including 30 said by Israel to be attackers and the rest in clashes.

The latest violence is linked to tensions over a sensitive Jerusalem holy site revered by Jews and Muslims.

Palestinians have accused Israel of trying to expand the Jewish presence at the site in violation of decades-old arrangements. Israel adamantly denies such allegations, saying they amount to incitement to violence.

GOP hopeful Carson says his skills as neurosurgeon can heal what ails nation, others not sure

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ben Carson is the only 2016 candidate for president who has never led a state or company or run for political office. No matter, he says. Surely someone who can perform life-or-death surgeries can run the country.

Carson challenged the medical status quo as a storied neurosurgeon — cutting out half of a child's brain to end her seizures, separating twins joined at the head — in a three-decade career at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

"I believe in getting the best out of everybody," Carson told The Associated Press. "In my operating room, everybody was free to speak." He said, "I want that person who is cleaning the floor, if they see something, to say something."

But the White House is a long way from the operating room, where the doctor with the technical skill unquestionably is the one in charge, not the best deal-maker or diplomat seeking consensus. Carson's lack of executive experience produces deep skepticism from critics in both parties.

Yet he's among the leaders in the Republican presidential campaign. In a new Associated Press-GfK poll, Carson has the highest positive and lowest negative rating of any Republican sized up by registered GOP voters, with 65 percent giving him a favorable rating and just 13 percent rating him unfavorably. Moreover, 62 percent of such voters think he could win the presidency if he is nominated, second only to the 71 percent who think of Donald Trump as an electable candidate.

Family stunts disabled daughter's growth, has her womb removed, in a bid to improve her life

BALI, Indonesia (AP) — Whether Charley Hooper has any concept of the space she occupies in the world is an enigma.

She is so disabled that her mother considers her "unabled." At 10, her brain is believed to function at the level of a newborn's. She cannot speak, cannot walk, cannot see anything beyond light and dark and perhaps the shadowy shape of a face held inches away.

As her body grew bigger, her parents feared her world would grow smaller. How would they lift her or get her out of the house? They saw for Charley a grim future of hoists and machinery, of isolation and loneliness, of days spent trapped in bed, staring up at a ceiling she couldn't even see.

So Jenn and Mark Hooper came up with a radical solution. They gave their daughter hormones to stop her growth. Then they had doctors remove her womb to spare her the pain of menstruation. Charley is now around 1.3 meters tall (4 foot 3) and 24 kilograms (53 pounds), and will remain so for the rest of her life.

The Hoopers' fight to get the hormone treatment — known as growth attenuation — was grueling. Although an increasing number of parents across the U.S., Europe and New Zealand consider it a medical miracle, others see the very idea of stunting and sterilizing the disabled as a violation of human rights.

Afghan security adviser warns of risk from IS, al-Qaida; urges US and NATO military backing

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Al-Qaida has re-established a presence in Afghanistan and the Islamic State group has become a serious threat, the Afghan national security adviser warned, saying the country was in danger of again becoming a safe haven for terrorists and calling for U.S. and NATO military backing to help drive them out.

The warning by Mohammad Hanif Atmar follows the announcement earlier this month by President Barack

Groton Daily Independent

Monday, Oct. 26, 2015 ♦ Vol. 20 - No. 096 ♦ 15 of 17

Obama that the U.S. would keep 9,800 troops in Afghanistan through most of next year, casting aside a pledge to withdraw most U.S. forces before leaving office. Obama cited the fragile security situation in the face of a resurgent Taliban.

Speaking to The Associated Press in an interview late Saturday, Atmar said al-Qaida, the Taliban, the Islamic State group and other insurgents, including the brutal Haqqani network, which has ties to the Taliban, "are morphing."

"They have not been degraded, they have regenerated themselves," he said.

Atmar warned the insurgent groups are reinventing themselves, joining forces, and drawing funds and support from outside as they take advantage of a perceived weakness of Afghan forces following the end of the U.S.-led international combat mission last year.

Oklahoma woman faces 2nd-degree murder charges in weekend parade crash that killed 4

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — A 25-year-old woman accused of driving a car into a crowd of people at an Oklahoma State University homecoming parade over the weekend, killing four people and injuring dozens of others, is set to make her first court appearance.

Adacia Chambers of Stillwater is scheduled to appear Monday in Payne County District Court. Chambers was arrested after the Saturday crash on suspicion of driving while under the influence. Stillwater police said Sunday she was being held on four additional counts of second-degree murder.

Police did not elaborate on the new charges in a statement announcing them, and a spokesman did not return repeated messages seeking comment. Officials with the Payne County district attorney's office couldn't immediately be reached.

Tony Coleman, Chambers' attorney, said at a press conference in Oklahoma City that he believed his client suffers from a mental illness but that there was no indication that she was drinking before the crash. Police are awaiting blood tests to determine whether Chambers was impaired by drugs or alcohol.

"I absolutely can rule out alcohol," Coleman said.

Classes swell at refugee schools in Iraq as teachers flee to Europe

KAWERGOSK, Iraq (AP) — The young Syrian refugees at the Kawergosk refugee camp in northern Iraq have already lost so much — and now they're losing their teachers.

One after another, school teachers have packed up and left for Europe — searching for opportunity, safety and a better life.

With the school year just kicking off in Iraq, schools like this one are scrambling to accommodate the refugee students left behind. Nine of Kawergosk's teachers fled to Europe this summer and the remaining teachers are doubling up on students.

Mizgeen Hussein, 28, is among those teachers left behind. A refugee from Derik, Syria, Hussein admits that despite her commitment to the students, she would leave if she had the money.

"The reason for me to leave is to have a future", said Hussein, who teaches a class of 37 children at the camp's school. "For sure this has an effect on us," she added. "For now, we'll solve it with the people who are here until they will bring other teachers."

Old issues and new ones haunt the Sept. 11 case at Guantanamo as proceedings grind on

GUANTANAMO BAY NAVAL BASE, Cuba (AP) — Colleen Kelly came to Guantanamo Bay with a sense of impatience, dismayed at the U.S. military's floundering effort to try five detainees charged with roles in the Sept. 11 terrorist attack.

Having lost a brother at the World Trade Center, Kelly has closely followed each new development as

Groton Daily Independent

Monday, Oct. 26, 2015 ♦ Vol. 20 - No. 096 ♦ 16 of 17

the case lurched along since the men were brought to this U.S. base in Cuba in 2006 from clandestine overseas CIA detention centers.

She was at the latest pretrial session as an observer chosen by a lottery for family of people killed in the attacks. Before coming to Guantanamo, she was skeptical about the decision to try them by military commission instead of a civilian federal court. That didn't change after seeing it up close last week, but she felt some optimism. But only some.

"It's very, very frustrating," she said during a break in proceedings. "It's been 14 years since Sept. 11 and I just don't feel like this is swift justice by any stretch of how we would define swift."

Still, she said, "The prosecution has been incredibly dedicated ... and people are so dedicated to seeing this through. There are forces just outside of anyone's control."

Today in History The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Monday, Oct. 26, the 299th day of 2015. There are 66 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 26, 1965, The Beatles received MBE medals as Members of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire from Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace.

On this date:

In 1774, the First Continental Congress adjourned in Philadelphia.

In 1825, the Erie Canal opened in upstate New York, connecting Lake Erie and the Hudson River.

In 1861, the legendary Pony Express officially ceased operations, giving way to the transcontinental telegraph. (The last run of the Pony Express was completed the following month.)

In 1881, the "Gunfight at the O.K. Corral" took place in Tombstone, Arizona.

In 1921, the Chicago Theatre, billed as "the Wonder Theatre of the World," first opened.

In 1944, the World War II Battle of Leyte Gulf ended in a major Allied victory over Japanese forces, whose naval capabilities were badly crippled.

In 1949, President Harry S. Truman signed a measure raising the minimum wage from 40 to 75 cents an hour.

In 1958, Pan American Airways flew its first Boeing 707 jetliner from New York to Paris in 8 hours and 41 minutes.

In 1972, national security adviser Henry Kissinger declared, "Peace is at hand" in Vietnam. Aviation innovator Igor Sikorsky died in Easton, Connecticut, at age 83.

In 1975, Anwar Sadat became the first Egyptian president to pay an official visit to the United States.

In 1984, "Baby Fae," a newborn with a severe heart defect, was given the heart of a baboon in an experimental transplant in Loma Linda, California. (Baby Fae lived 21 days with the animal heart.) "The Terminator," a science-fiction movie starring Arnold Schwarzenegger as a killer cyborg from the future, was released by Orion Pictures.

In 1994, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel and Prime Minister Abdel Salam Majali of Jordan signed a peace treaty during a ceremony at the Israeli-Jordanian border attended by President Bill Clinton.

Ten years ago: Iranian president Mahmoud Ahmadinejad (mahk-MOOD' ah-muh-DEE'-neh-zhadh) declared that Israel was a "disgraceful blot" that should be "wiped off the map." A 20-year-old Palestinian blew himself up in an open-air market in Hadera, killing five Israelis. The Chicago White Sox defeated the Houston Astros, 1-0, in Game 4 to win their first World Series since 1917.

Five years ago: Saddam Hussein's foreign minister, Tariq Aziz, was sentenced to death for persecuting members of Shiite religious parties under the former regime. (The sentence was never carried out; Aziz died of a heart attack in June 2015.) Iran began loading fuel into the core of its first nuclear power plant. A day after an earthquake sparked a deadly tsunami, Indonesia saw another natural disaster as Mount Merapi (meh-RAH'-pee) began erupting explosively, resulting in hundreds of deaths in the weeks that followed.

One year ago: Left-leaning Dilma Rouseff was narrowly re-elected in Brazil's tightest presidential elec-

Groton Daily Independent

Monday, Oct. 26, 2015 ♦ Vol. 20 - No. 096 ♦ 17 of 17

tion since its return to democracy three decades earlier. Serena Williams won the WTA Tour Finals for the third straight year and fifth time overall, beating Simona Halep 6-3, 6-0 in Singapore. The San Francisco Giants shut out the Kansas City Royals 5-0 to take a 3-2 edge in the World Series.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Shelley Morrison is 79. Author Pat Conroy is 70. Actress Jaclyn Smith is 70. TV host Pat Sajak is 69. Former U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton is 68. Singer Maggie Roche (The Roches) is 64. Musician Bootsy Collins is 64. Actor James Pickens Jr. is 63. Rock musician Keith Strickland (The B-52's) is 62. Actor D.W. Moffett is 61. Actress-singer Rita Wilson is 59. The president of Bolivia, Evo Morales, is 56. Actor Patrick Breen (TV: "Madam Secretary") is 55. Actor Dylan McDermott is 54. Actor Cary Elwes is 53. Singer Natalie Merchant is 52. Country singer Keith Urban is 48. Actor Tom Cavanagh is 47. Actress Rosemarie DeWitt is 44. Actor Anthony Rapp is 44. Writer-producer Seth MacFarlane (TV: "Family Guy") is 42. TV correspondent and co-host Paula Faris (TV: "The View") is 40. Actress Lennon Parham is 40. Actor Hal Ozsan is 39. Actor Jon Heder is 38. Singer Mark Barry (BBMak) is 37. Actor Jonathan Chase is 36. Olympic silver medal figure skater Sasha Cohen is 31. Rapper Schoolboy Q is 29.

Thought for Today: "Without a song, each day would be a century." - Mahalia Jackson, gospel singer and civil rights activist (born this date in 1911, died in 1972).