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Baby Shower for Eva Roy Olson, daughter of Nick and Stephanie Olson, will be held Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2015, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Groton, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Eva was born October 7, 2015. They are registered at Target.

Groton Area Schools are starting 2 hours late this morning.

Wednesday, December 2

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

School Lunch: Chicken nuggets, sweet potato fries, romaine salad, breadstick, fruit.

Senior Menu: Baked chicken, baked potato with sour cream, green beans, chocolate cake, whole wheat bread.

Birthdays: Leonard Garness • Liz Doeden • Cade Guthmiller • Meri Erickson

7:00am: United Methodist Men's Bible Study

12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center

6:00pm: Baby Shower for Eva Roy Olson at Emmanuel Lutheran

6:45pm: Emmanuel Lutheran League

7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Confirmation

Thursday, December 3

Emmanuel Lutheran WELCA Joint Bible Study Potluck Meal

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

School Menu: Pizza crunchers, sweet potato fries, carrots and dip, fruit.

Senior Menu: Roast pork, mashed potato and gravy, tomato spoon salad, carrot bar, whole wheat bread.

Birthdays: Brook Anderson • Jeff Merkel • Dennis K Larson • Anthony Sippel • Jamie Rossow

6:00pm: 7th GBB at Redfield

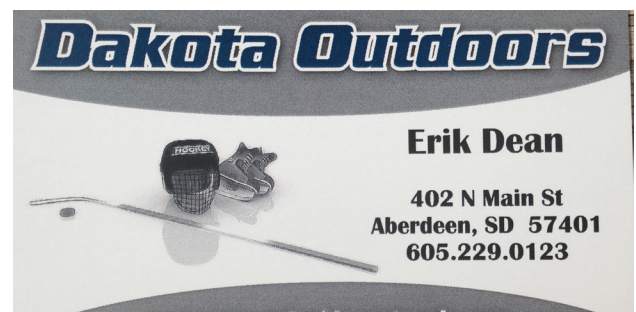
7:00pm: 8th GBB at Redfield

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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The Life of Robert Snyder



Dr. Robert "Doc" Snyder died in his sleep on Nov. 25, 2015 in Grand Forks, ND. He was born in 1929 in Yankton, SD to Ralph and Madelin Snyder.

Prayer service will be held at the Paetznick-Garness Funeral home in Groton, on Sunday, Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. A funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m., Monday, Dec. 7, 2015 at the Methodist Church in Groton, SD. Visitation begins at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Tom Carlson will be officiating. Burial will follow at the Groton Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Groton Methodist Church fund for needy families.

Robert graduated from Conde High School in 1947. He attended SDSU and Colorado State University, where he received his DVM in 1954. He returned to SD and started his veterinary practice before leaving for the service in California for 2 years (1955-57). On July 28, 1957, he married Carolyn Ruth Geisler in Berkeley, CA. They established their home in Groton, SD and lived there for 58 years. They recently moved to Grand Forks, ND.

Robert served as president of the school board, the Groton City Council, and Kiwanis. He was elected "Boss of the Year" by the Chamber of Commerce in 1965 and Veterinarian of the Year by the SDMVA in 1987. He was a delegate to AVMA serving on the Council on Biologic and Therapeutic agents. He served his Church as Sunday school teacher, trustee and finance chairman. He loved to be with friends and family. He was a loving husband and father and grandfather, a man of faith, integrity, compassion and humor. He loved getting to know people and was a good friend and mentor. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping, wood-carving and painting.

Robert is survived by his wife, Carolyn, his 5 children Barb Luna, Kristine (John) Albrecht, Linda (Ben) Sparkman, Mike (Valerie) Snyder, Paul (Shawn) Snyder and 16 grandchildren: Ethan Albrecht, Elisabeth, Daniel, Catherine, and JT Sparkman, Liu Snyder, and Jacob, Nathan, David, John, Titus, Claire, Leah, Simeon, Joshua and Caleb Snyder.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers Gerald, Donald, and George.

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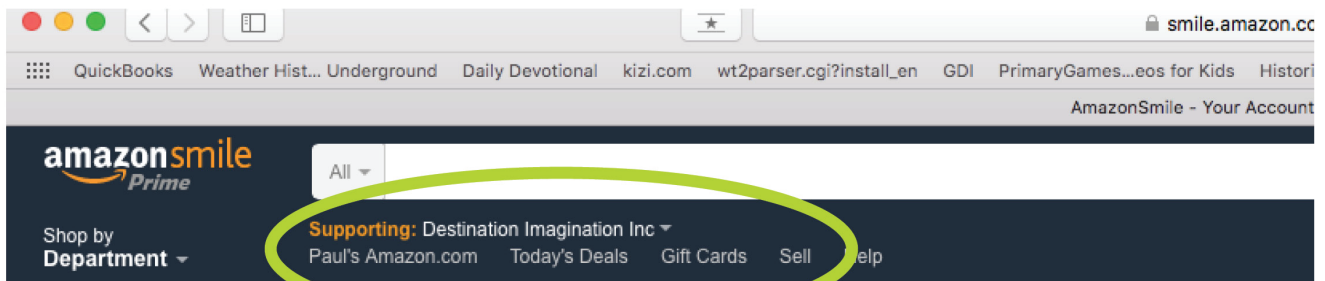
It's a winter wonderland as 6 inches of snow fell in the Groton area with the snow containing 0.52 inch of moisture. The snow may not last long as the extended forecast calls for above normal temperatures returning to the area.

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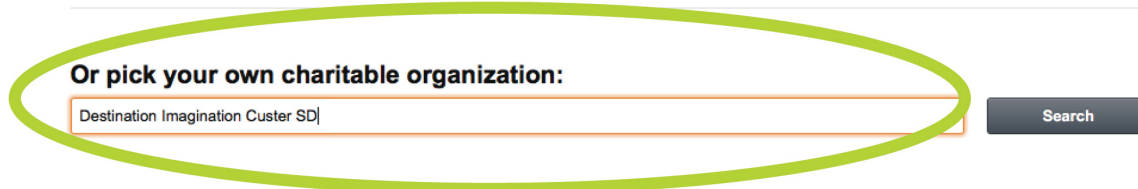
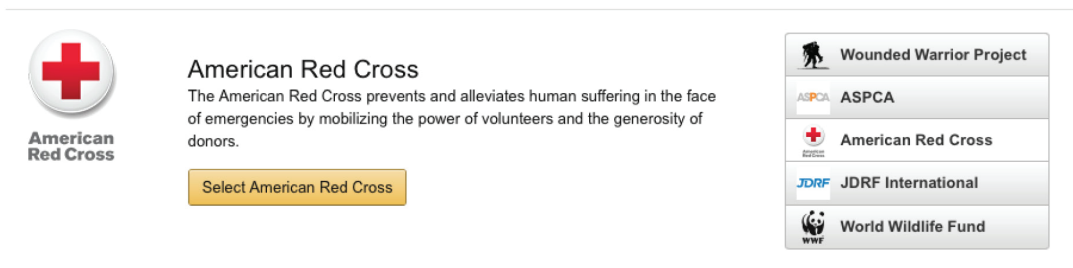
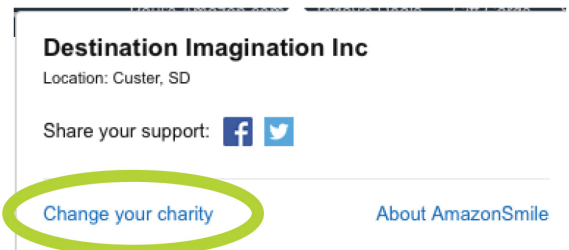
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Getting ready for your holiday shopping? Start at smile.amazon.com and select Destination Imagination of Custer, SD as your charity. A portion of your purchase will support South Dakota Destination Imagination. What could be easier?



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Groton Chamber Holiday Boxes are out about in Groton!

This Week (thru 12/04) – Dairy Queen

Next Week (thru 12/13) – Lori's Pharmacy

Stop by each participating businesses and register for \$25
Groton Chamber Bucks – or a prize supplied by the business.
Prizes will be drawn weekly – starting over each week with
entries!



Merry
Christmas

Today in Weather History

December 2, 1978: A low pressure center moved northeast from Kansas, causing snow to fall over all of southern Minnesota south of a line from Alexandria to Duluth on the 2nd and 3rd, with the heaviest snow falling from west central and southwest Minnesota to west central Wisconsin. Snow depths of six inches or more fell in southwest Minnesota with 10 inches or more at Marshall, MN. Winds averaged near 20 mph, and temperatures ranged from 5 to 15 degrees above zero while the snow fell, but the snow did not cause extensive problems for the area. Wheaton had 2 inches, Artichoke Lake and Browns Valley had 3 inches.

December 2, 1984: Snow fell in the central and northeast parts of South Dakota from the late afternoon of the 1st to the morning of the 2nd, with amounts ranging from 3 to 10 inches. The heaviest amounts were in the northeast part of the state with Day County reporting 8 to 10 inches. Five inches of snow fell at Clear Lake, six inches fell at Waubay, Clark, Miller, and 12 miles southwest of Harrold with 7 inches at Redfield.

December 2, 1950: A rare tornado event occurred when a storm system produced three tornadoes in Illinois, and one in Arkansas. The three tornadoes in Illinois are relatively rare in December with a total of only 3 days with tornadoes from 1835 to 1950. The other years are 1876 and 1949.

December 2, 1959: Between November 19 and December 2, an estimated 20 inches of rain fell near the town of Frejus on the French Riviera. This heavy rainfall caused the Malpasset Dam to collapse which sent 130 foot high wall of water into the towns of Malpasset and Bozon. The wall of water 10 feet high reached Frejus, flooding the western half of the town. The dam breach killed 423 people and caused \$68 million in damages.








Very Warm November

November 2015 was a very warm month across central and northeast South Dakota as well as west central Minnesota. Monthly average temperatures ranged from 3 to almost 9 degrees above normal across the region. It was interesting that Aberdeen, Sisseton, Watertown and Wheaton, Minnesota were nearly as warm or warmer than Kennebec and Pierre in central South Dakota. This does not happen very often for anytime of the year. As a result, all locations in northeast South Dakota and west central Minnesota had one of their top ten warmest Novembers of all-time. Watertown tied for the fourth warmest while Sisseton had their ninth warmest November on record. Wheaton had its sixth warmest November while Aberdeen had its tenth warmest November on record. Some record highs also occurred at Aberdeen and Mobridge on November 14th. The warmer temperatures were due in part to the lack of snow cover across the region along with El Nino.

The monthly precipitation across the region was generally from a quarter of an inch to three quarters of an inch above normal. Most of the precipitation was rainfall, which, for our region, would normally be snowfall. Timber Lake was the only location with below normal precipitation. An intense surface low pressure area brought good coverage of rainfall on the 18th and 19th along with very strong northwest winds. Many locations received from a half inch to over an inch of rainfall with high wind gusts from 50 to nearly 80 mph. The snowfall mainly came at the end of November into the first of December as a large upper level pressure system affected the region. This snowstorm brought anywhere from 3 to 10 inches of snow across the region.

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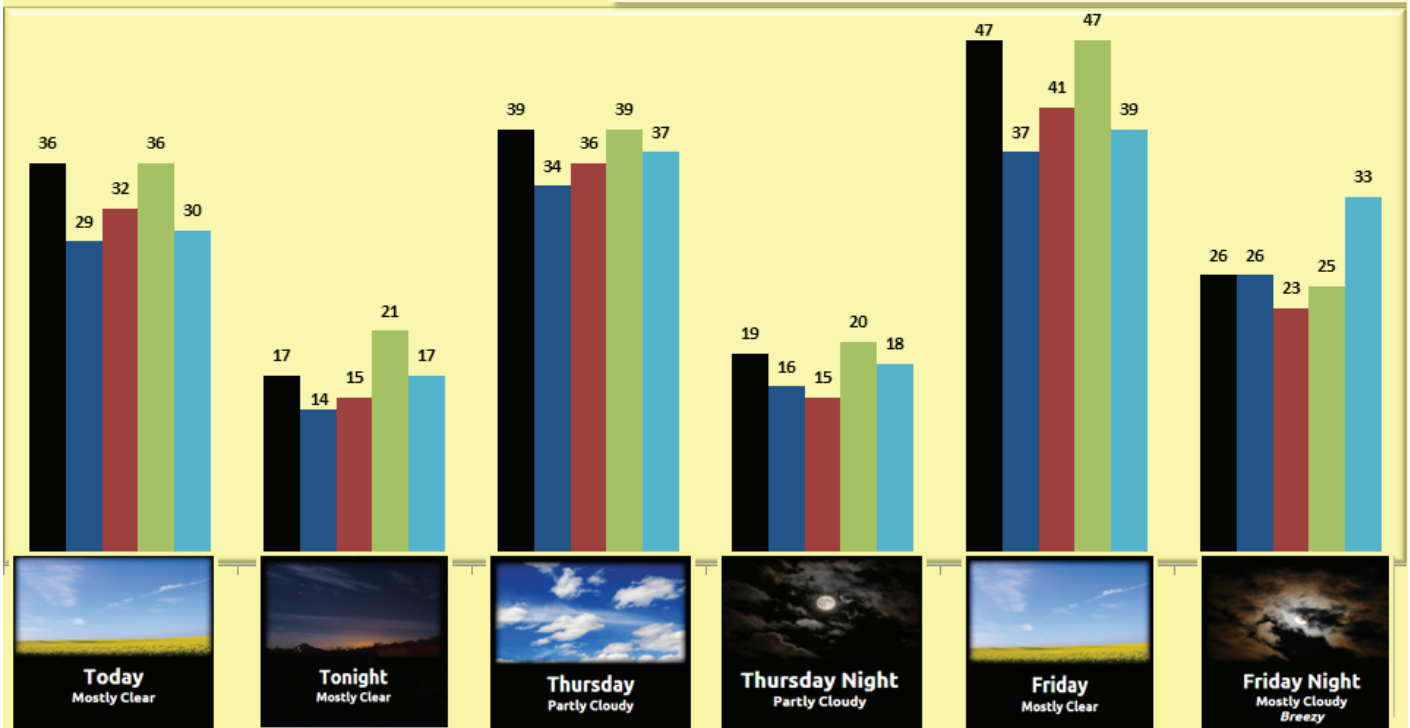
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Today	Tonight	Thursday	Thursday Night	Friday	Friday Night	Saturday
						
Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Partly Cloudy and Breezy then Mostly Cloudy	Partly Sunny
High: 36 °F	Low: 14 °F	High: 39 °F	Low: 17 °F	High: 40 °F	Low: 26 °F	High: 40 °F

Warming Trend Through The Week

Forecast High & Low Temperatures Through Early Next Week

■ Pierre Area
 ■ Watertown Area
 ■ Aberdeen Area
 ■ Mobridge Area
 ■ Sisseton Area



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Updated: 12/2/15 @ 5:00 AM Central

Published on: 12/02/2015 at 5:04AM

Dry conditions and a warming trend can be expected through the remainder of the work week. Snow-melt in the afternoons may lead to early morning fog development, so watch for that potential during the morning commute this week.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 32.3 at 11:01 PM

Low: 27.2 at Midnight

High Gust: 19 at 2:52 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 56° in 2012

Record Low: -20° in 1896

Average High: 30°F

Average Low: 11°F

Average Precip in Dec.: 0.04

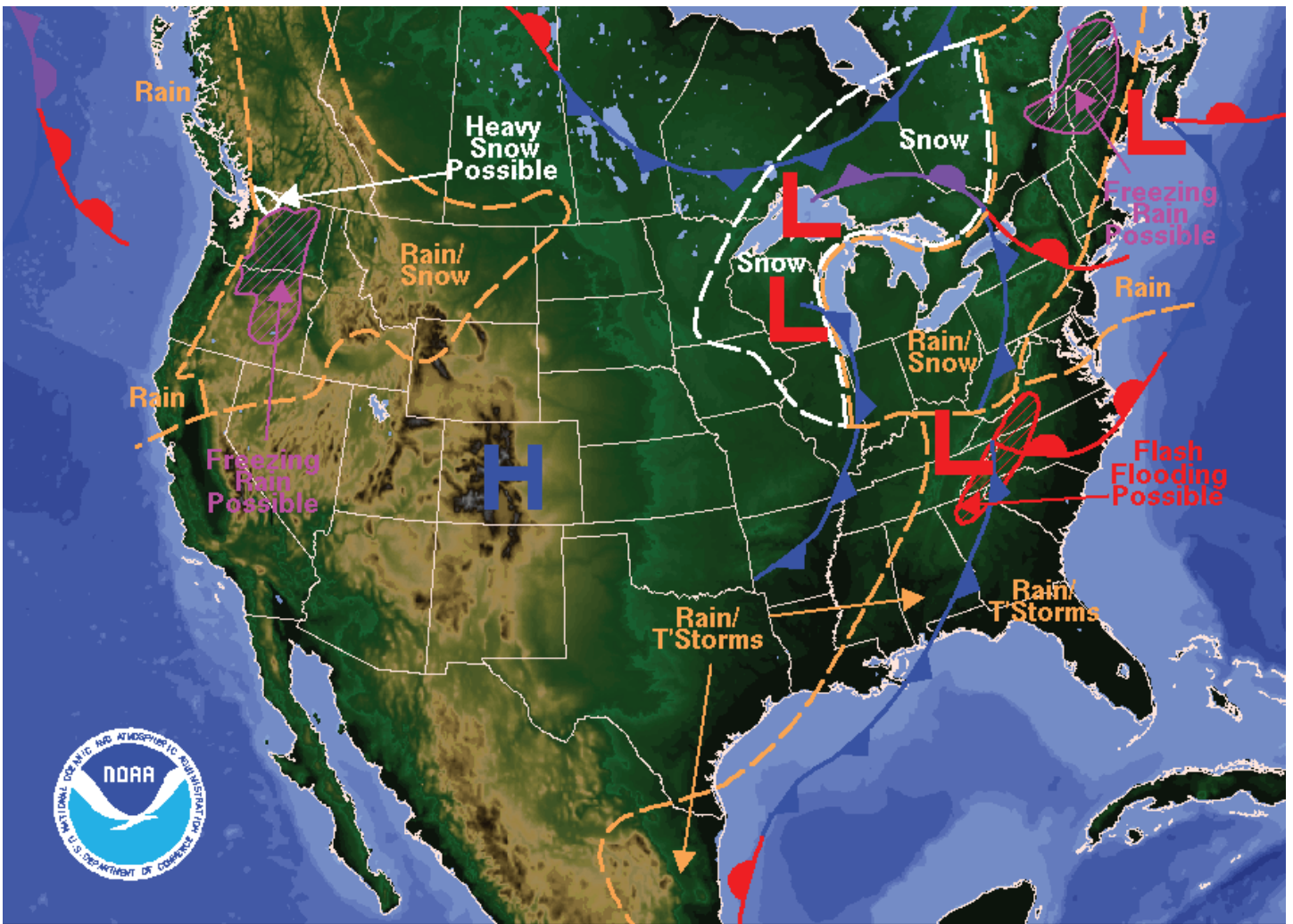
Precip to date in Dec.: 0.00

Average Precip to date: 21.24

Precip Year to Date: 19.82

Sunset Tonight: 4:51 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:55 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Wed, Dec 02, 2015, issued 4:16 AM EST
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



LIFE'S BOOMERANGS

The aborigines are given credit for being the first to develop boomerangs. Although there are many different types and varieties of boomerangs, most of us are familiar with what is called the "returning boomerang." Shaped like a bent arm, when properly thrown, it will return to the one who threw it. Initially they were used for hunting and war. Now, for many, they have become a recreational object.

David made an interesting observation about life's boomerangs: "The trouble he causes recoils on himself, his violence comes down on his own head." Not a pleasant thought for the one who wanted to harm another person.

Remember Haman? He was a conceited and corrupt prime minister. He is a great example of how life can boomerang.

Haman was determined to destroy every Jew in Persia, especially Mordecai. But when Mordecai and his people heard of this diabolical plot, they called upon the Lord for His help. Esther, the queen, decided to give a party and invited Haman to join her and the king. He was elated!

While enjoying the festivities, Queen Esther stood before the king and exposed Haman and his plot. What he had planned for Mordecai came back to him. By nightfall, Haman was hanging on the seventy-five-foot gallows that he had built for Mordecai. No one came to his funeral. In fact, no one liked Haman, except Haman.

Paul said: "The man who sows to please his sinful nature will reap destruction."

Prayer: Help us, Father, to understand and accept the simple fact that whatever we sow, we will certainly reap. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Psalm 7:16 The trouble they cause recoils on them; their violence comes down on their own heads.

News from the Associated Press

Sioux Falls officer helps save family from carbon monoxide

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A Sioux Falls police officer is being credited with helping save members of a family overcome by carbon monoxide gas in their home.

Police Chief Matt Burns says Officer Ryan Chase went “above and beyond the call of duty” by entering the house numerous times at the risk of his own safety to help rescue the family of six.

Michael and Marchelle Holloway and their four children were poisoned by the potentially deadly gas Saturday morning. Michael Holloway was able to get one child outside, and his wife was able to call 911.

Chase is a 17-year veteran of the police force but had never encountered carbon monoxide before. But he says he knew it was a bad situation, and that he needed to get everyone out of the house.

State Supreme Court hearing on McCahren appeal delayed

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Supreme Court won't hear the appeal of a Pierre teenager convicted of killing a classmate until next month.

Justices were to hear the appeal of 18-year-old Braiden McCahren Tuesday. The hearing was postponed until Jan. 13 due to a snowstorm. McCahren's attorney alleges judge errors in the appeal.

McCahren was convicted in September 2014 of second-degree murder in the December 2012 death of 16-year-old Dalton Williams. McCahren was 16 at the time of the shooting but was tried as an adult. He was later sentenced to 15 years in prison.

Authorities said the shooting happened in McCahren's home after an argument about a paintball incident. McCahren also was convicted of aggravated assault for pointing a shotgun at another classmate and pulling the trigger. The gun didn't fire.

4 suspects in assault of patrol trooper plead not guilty

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Four Washington state residents charged with assaulting a South Dakota Highway Patrol trooper have pleaded not guilty to charges.

Authorities say 10-year veteran Zachary Bader was assaulted Oct. 24 while making a traffic stop on Interstate 90 east of Rapid City.

KEVN-TV reports that 33-year-old suspect Donald Willingham pleaded not guilty Tuesday to attempted murder, aggravated assault, and drug and weapons charges.

Twenty-two-year-old Jonathan Melendez, 26-year-old Desiree Sukert and 23-year-old Chase Sukert pleaded not guilty to being accessories, along with drug and weapons counts.

Authorities say they recovered more than 50 pounds of marijuana, \$33,000 in cash and a handgun after the October incident.

The Rapid City Journal reports that Bader was released from a Rapid City hospital on Nov. 7 and is recovering at home.

\$1.7M grant to help Sanford Research study genetic disorder

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A \$1.7 million grant from the Children's Tumor Foundation is helping a Sanford Research scientist better understand a rare genetic disorder that causes tumors in the nervous system.

Dr. Jill Weimer is leading a team that's developing a new pig model for Neurofibromatosis type 1. The disease causes pigmented birth marks, growth deformities and benign tumors, a portion that can become cancerous.

The grant is as part of the not-for-profit organization's Synodos program, an integrated, multidisciplinary consortium of scientists working to develop treatments.

Weimer is a scientist and director of the Children's Health Research Center at Sanford Research. She

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studies nervous system development, neural development disorders and neurodegenerative diseases.

Sanford Research is a non-profit research organization that's part of Sanford Health, an integrated health system headquartered in the Dakotas.

South Dakota's top wildlife officer of the year honored

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — An eight-year veteran conservation officer with the South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks Department is being honored as the state's wildlife officer of the year.

Evan Meyer has been presented with that honor from the Shikar-Safari Club International, a private conservation group.

Meyer has been stationed in Howard since 2008. The department says he was nominated for the award for his "professionalism, excellence and high standards."

Jeremy Roe is a state district conservation officer supervisor. He says Meyer consistently goes above and beyond his normal duties by serving as a hunting incident investigator, background investigator and firearms instructor.

Each year, the conservation group sponsors an award for the wildlife officer of the year in all 50 states and 10 Canadian provinces.

Wreath event to be held in Pierre to honor fallen veterans

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — State officials, members of veterans associations and others are participating in a wreath-laying ceremony to honor fallen veterans during the holiday season.

The Wreaths Across America ceremony will take place on Monday in Pierre.

This is the South Dakota Funeral Directors Association's 9th year of participating in the wreath-laying ceremony. Featured speakers include Gov. Dennis Daugaard and Maj. Gen. Tim Reisch, who is adjutant general of the South Dakota National Guard.

The association is encouraging the public to join the event and pay tribute to the fallen soldiers.

Northern Plains snowstorm sets records in South Dakota, Iowa

BLAKE NICHOLSON, Associated Press

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — A record-breaking snowstorm lingering over the northern Plains on Tuesday caused slippery roads leading to at least one traffic fatality and headaches for schools, but brought much-needed moisture to the region.

The system was dropping heavy, wet snow on the Dakotas that is more typical of a spring snowfall than an early winter event, said Matthew Dux, a National Weather Service meteorologist in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

"It's been responsible not only for the heavy snows up here in the northern Plains, but also torrential heavy rains in the lower Missouri River Valley and into the Tennessee River Valley," Dux said Tuesday.

The storm dropped 8.7 inches of snow on Sioux Falls on Monday, breaking the city's record for the date of 7.6 inches in 1954. Mitchell set a record Monday with 7.2 inches, along with Sioux City, Iowa, with 6.6 inches. Mitchell's previous record had stood since 1991 and Sioux City's since 1981.

Several more inches of snow was expected in the region by Tuesday evening, though no more records were likely to fall, according to Dux. Winter weather warnings and advisories remained in place for much of the Dakotas.

Many South Dakota schools announced late starts or canceled classes. The University of Sioux Falls postponed a Tuesday night men's basketball game against Southwest Minnesota State because of the conditions.

Roads were reported in poor driving condition across both states.

"Here in Bismarck, it's awful slippery," North Dakota Highway Patrol spokesman Tom Iverson said. "Traffic is moving slow, which is good."

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A three-vehicle crash Tuesday morning near Mandaree in which one man died and another person was injured as weather-related, according to the patrol.

Warm ground temperatures contributed to the slick conditions but also promised to boost soil moisture. "The ground isn't completely frozen yet. A lot of this snow, when it does melt, it will be soaking into the ground," Dux said. "A lot of places have been dry this fall, and a snow like this is definitely beneficial heading into the winter."

The latest U.S. Drought Monitor map showed about one-fourth of South Dakota as being abnormally dry before the storm. North Dakota was worse off, with slightly more than half of the state rated abnormally dry or in moderate drought.

Cold arctic air that often rushes into the northern Plains behind wintry storms won't follow this one, Dux said. The forecast calls for high temperatures in the 30s and 40s into next week.

"(The snow) is going to gradually melt and contract, slowly shrink over the next week and a half," Dux said.

2 South Dakota communities to see municipal tax changes

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Two South Dakota communities will soon be implementing municipal tax changes. The state's Business Tax Division says the communities that will see changes starting Jan. 1 are Astoria and Buffalo Chip.

Astoria will increase its 1 percent general sales and use tax rate to 2 percent, while Buffalo Chip will impose a new 2 percent general sales and use tax rate.

South Dakota municipalities are able to implement new tax rates or change existing tax rates on Jan. 1 or July 1 each year.

Woman dies in 2-vehicle crash in eastern South Dakota

VOLGA, S.D. (AP) — A woman is dead and a man is seriously injured following a two-vehicle crash in eastern South Dakota.

The state Highway Patrol says the 34-year-old man lost control of his car shortly after 6 a.m. Tuesday as he was heading east on U.S. Highway 14 near Volga. The car crossed the centerline and collided with a westbound pickup truck.

The car's driver sustained serious injuries that the Highway Patrol says are not threatening his life. He was taken to a hospital. His passenger, the 34-year-old woman, was pronounced dead at the scene.

The pickup's two occupants were not injured.

The Highway Patrol says the pickup's passenger was the only person involved in the crash who was wearing a seatbelt.

Authorities didn't immediately release the names of the drivers and passengers.

Rapper Lil Wayne's upcoming tour includes South Dakota stop

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Rapper Lil Wayne has included a stop in South Dakota as part of his upcoming tour.

The singer will perform March 1 at the Denny Sanford Premier Center in Sioux Falls. The dates for his "Dedication Tour" were announced Tuesday.

A statement announcing the dates says the tour is a "personal thank you from Lil Wayne dedicated to all of his fans in cities he has rarely visited on his past tour runs."

Tickets for the Sioux Falls event go on sale Friday. Prices range from \$29.50 to \$79.50 with a limited supply of discounted tickets for students.

Former bar owner gets no jail time in tax fraud case

REDFIELD, S.D. (AP) — The former owner and operator of a bar in northeastern South Dakota who admitted to not paying sales taxes won't go to jail.

The South Dakota Department of Revenue says Melissia Genzler, of Mellette, has been granted a sus-

pending imposition of sentence after she pleaded guilty to two sales tax charges. Genzler previously owned and operated the Mellette Bar and Grill in Mellette.

Circuit Court Judge Tony Portra placed Genzler on four years of probation. She was also ordered to pay more than \$45,000 in restitution to the state.

Many South Dakota farmers wrap up late-season fieldwork

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Above-normal temperatures before this week's snowstorm in South Dakota allowed many farmers to wrap up late-season fieldwork.

The Agriculture Department says in its last weekly crop report of the season that South Dakota's winter wheat crop is rated 69 percent in good-to-excellent condition, the same as the previous week.

Pasture and range conditions statewide are rated 48 percent good to excellent. Stock water supplies are 71 percent adequate to surplus

Survey indicates more evidence of Midwest economic slowdown

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — The latest monthly survey of supply managers in nine Midwest and Plains states shows more evidence of a slowdown in that region's economy, according to a report released Tuesday.

The overall Mid-America Business Conditions Index fell to 40.7 last month from 41.9 in October, 47.7 in September and 49.6 in August. The regional index was affected by a reduction in manufacturing activity, especially for producers linked to international markets.

"Since our survey oversamples manufacturing firms, it is not surprising that our overall index has weakened significantly for states and industries heavily dependent on agriculture and energy, which are being hammered by a strong U.S. dollar," said Creighton University professor Ernie Goss, who oversees the survey. But he added that the weakness has yet to spill into the broader regional economy.

The survey results are compiled into a collection of indexes ranging from zero to 100. Survey organizers say any score above 50 suggests economic growth, and below 50 a decline. The survey covers Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma and South Dakota.

The regional employment gauge slumped to 41.7 in November from 42.3 in October, indicating job losses for the manufacturing sector and the sector for value-added services, which includes warehousing and utilities.

"Over the past year, the region has lost approximately 1.1 percent of its manufacturing jobs. This pace of job loss is roughly twice that of U.S. manufacturing, which is likewise shedding jobs," Goss said. Areas heavily dependent on manufacturing are experiencing the largest losses.

Economic optimism for the next six months, as captured by the November business confidence index, sank to 41.2 from 42.3 in October.

"Falling agriculture and energy commodity prices, along with global economic uncertainty, pushed supply managers' expectations of future economic conditions lower for the month," Goss said. Over the past 12 months, farm products and energy prices have fallen by 13.6 percent and 22.9 percent, respectively.

Victims of fiery double-fatal crash near Yankton identified

YANKTON, S.D. (AP) — The Highway Patrol has identified two Yankton residents who died in a fiery head-on crash east of the city.

Authorities say 31-year-old Curtis Nelsen was driving a car on the wrong side of state Highway 50 about 5:30 a.m. Monday and collided head-on with an oncoming car driven by 30-year-old Ashley Riibe.

The collision caused Nelsen's car to catch fire, and he died at the scene. Riibe died at a Sioux Falls hospital.

Great Western Bancorp buying parent of Home Federal Bank

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Great Western Bancorp Inc. plans to acquire HF Financial Corp., the parent company of Home Federal Bank.

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The deal involving the two Sioux Falls-based banking companies will create an entity with \$11.3 billion in assets, \$8.5 billion in loans and \$8.6 billion in deposits. It will serve 127 communities in nine states.

The cash and stock transaction is valued at \$19.70 per share, or about \$140 million total. It's pending regulatory approval and expected to be complete by next summer.

Great Western Bancorp is the holding company for Great Western Bank, which has locations in South Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, Arizona, Kansas and Missouri. Home Federal Bank has locations in South Dakota, Minnesota and North Dakota.

"This acquisition offers us the opportunity to expand our footprint and customer base by complementing our existing branch network presence in eastern South Dakota and adding locations in attractive markets in Fargo, North Dakota, and Minnesota," Great Western Bank President and CEO Ken Karels said in a statement.

The deal means four of 12 Home Federal and Great Western branches in Sioux Falls will close, according to the Argus Leader newspaper. It was not immediately clear how many of the two companies' 505 employees in the city would be affected.

"In any merger you're concerned about the impact on people," said Steve Bianchi, Home Federal's president and CEO, adding that the company will reduce staffing through attrition where possible. "A larger organization like Great Western will create more career options and advancement potential for all employees."

USD hires consultant to help search for new football coach

VERMILLION, S.D. (AP) — The University of South Dakota has hired Atlanta-based consulting company College Sports Solutions to help in the search for a new head football coach.

Joe Glenn announced his retirement last week after four seasons.

Athletic Director David Herbster says USD with help from the consultant has established a preliminary list of candidates to succeed Glenn, though he declined to divulge names.

Herbster says the school could name a new coach within the next couple of weeks.