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## Service Notice: Mickey Padfield

Services for Michele "Mickey" Padfield, 65, of Groton will be 10:30 a.m., Thursday, January 14 at the United Methodist Church, Groton. Rev. Thomas Carlson will officiate. Burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Gardens, Aberdeen.

Visitation will be held at Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel in Groton on Wednesday from 5-7 p.m. with a prayer service at 7 p.m.

Mickey died January 9, 2016 at Avera Heart Hospital in Sioux Falls.

## No School Thursday

There will be no school on Thursday so that staff and students who wish to go to Mickey Padfield's funeral may do so. Mickey was a long time lunch room employee of the Groton School District.

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

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recycling trailer at the school is **Closed**

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## Tuesday, January 12

**School Breakfast:** Breakfast bagel, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Garlic cheese bread, corn, carrots and dip, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Chili, cornbread, coleslaw, lime pear Jell-O.

**Birthdays:** Allyssa Locke, Derrick Halsey, Renee Swisher

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

6:30pm: GBB host Waubay-Summit

## Wednesday, January 13

**School Breakfast:** Pancake on stick, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Soft shell tacos, bread sticks, tri taters, fruit.

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

**Birthdays:** Adam Franken, Ben Schaller, Chuck Johnson, Elizabeth Abernathy, Ellen Leonhardt, Lance Hawkins, Monte McNickle.

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

8:30am: MathCounts at Aberdeen Simmons Middle School

12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center

3:45pm: St. John's Lutheran Confirmation

7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Confirmation with parents

## Thursday, January 14, 2016

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

**Anniv:** Jay & Linda Johnson

**Birthdays:** Austin Anderson, Jesse Howard, Margaret Padfield, Jennifer Thompson.



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## Looking Ahead to 2016

It has been a year since I was sworn into the United States Senate. When you trusted me with your vote to represent you in Washington, I promised to work to reduce burdensome regulations, promote pro-growth policies and make the government more effective and efficient. The new Republican-led Senate got

to work right away, passing legislation to authorize construction of the Keystone XL pipeline, a balanced budget, repeal major provisions of Obamacare, update the Toxic Substance Chemical Control Act, reform Social Security, protect Medicare, defund Planned Parenthood and provide permanent tax relief to South Dakota families and businesses. While I am proud to be a part of the Senate majority responsible for this progress, much more must be done.

Before the Senate reconvened in 2016, I spent a week traveling across the state, hosting public meetings in Pierre, Sioux Falls and Rapid City. The goal of these meetings is to hear firsthand from South Dakotans about the issues and policies they care about most. As we look ahead to the coming year, it is now even clearer to me what our priorities must be: enacting a budget through regular order, continuing to strengthen national security and care for our veterans and rein in President Obama's continued executive overreach.

Like many South Dakotans, I too am concerned about transparency in government. A prime example of how Washington can be more transparent is to enact a budget through regular order, instead of mammoth end-of-year omnibus bills crafted behind closed doors by a few individuals. Reviving and staying committed to a normal budget process in which all 12 appropriations bills are passed individually will allow us to make policy changes. It is the best tool we have to make certain the federal government is being a responsible steward of taxpayer dollars while reining in spending and reducing our debt. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and House Speaker Paul Ryan have said that passing all of the appropriations bills through regular order—something that hasn't been done in more than 20 years—is one of their top priorities for 2016. I will do everything I can to help them become successful.

We must also continue to prioritize national security in 2016. With terror attacks in Paris and San Bernardino late last year, continued aggression by Iran and North Korea and weaknesses in our own border screening process that have come to light in the past few months, we must make certain our military and border security agencies are keeping us safe. Further, we must make certain the men and women who wear the uniform of the United States are properly cared for after their service. The Department of Veterans Affairs continues to be plagued with mismanagement and unaccountability. As a member of the Senate Armed Services and Veterans' Affairs Committees, I will continue to seek policies that strengthen and reinforce these principles.

Finally, we must work to protect Americans from damaging new rules and regulations being promulgated by the administration. New restrictions on gun control are the latest example in a long list of regulations President Obama has sought to implement by executive order, bypassing Congress entirely. Addressing "regulation without representation" and pushing back on the president's overreach will continue to be a top priority of mine as we move into 2016.

After spending the holidays hearing firsthand from many of you, continuing to work toward a more accountable, effective and efficient government will continue to be my focus in 2016. I look forward to addressing these and other challenges in the coming year.

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## Groton boys fend off Tiospa Zina

Groton Area boys battled a fast paced Tiospa Zina basketball team Monday night and the Tigers won the game, 57-53. Groton Area, now 4-2 on the season, will travel to Clark on Friday to take on Clark-Willow Lake. Tiospa Zina, now 5-3, will host Aberdeen Roncalli on Tuesday. Incidentally, Tiospa Zina lost to Little Wound, 81-54, and the Tigers will play Little Wound at 4 p.m. Saturday at the Redfield-Doland Classic.

The lead changed hands twice and the game was tied three times in the first quarter as the Wambdi took a 16-11 lead at the end of the first quarter. Both teams were five of 15 in shooting with Groton Area having seven turnovers and Tiospa Zina having five.

Groton rallied to tie the game at 17 and took a 19-17 lead on an Aaron Severson basket. The Tigers opened up a five point lead at half time, 29-24. Groton Area was six of 17 from the field while Tiospa Zina was one of 16 in shooting.

The Tigers opened up a nine-point lead in the third quarter, 38-29, and led at the end of the third quarter, 44-36. Groton made seven of 16 field goals while Tiospa Zina made four of 11.

The fourth quarter was a free throws shooting game for the Tigers, who made nine of 17 free throws. Caleb White came off the bench to score seven points in the fourth quarter for the Wambdi, who were six of 15 from the field in the quarter while Groton was two of six.

Sean Schuring led the Tigers with 15 points followed by Aaron Severson with 14, Hunter Lerew had 12, Brandon Keith had five points, Seric Shabazz and Adam Herman each had four points and Bennett Shabazz had three points.

Dion Iyarpeya led the Wambdi with 15 points followed by Calvin Max Jr. with 14, Jarrod Appenay and Caleb White each had seven, Inyanha Max had five, Jesse Abrahm three and Micah East-



**Bennett Shabazz got the ball handed off to Adam Herman before he was headed by Tiospa Zina's Gabe Akipa.**

(Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Brandon Keith made a three-pointer and was two of four from the line to give Groton Area five points.** (Photo

by Paul Kosel)

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man added two points.

Groton Area made 41 percent of its field goals while Tiospa Zina made 32 percent. From the line, Tiospa Zina was 15 of 21 for 71 percent off of Groton's 16 team fouls. Groton was 17 of 33 from the line for 52 percent off of Tiospa Zina's 25 team fouls. Tiospa Zina had the edge in rebounds, 36-35, with Sean Schuring and Hunter Lerew each having eight for Groton and Dion Iyarpeya having eight for Tiospa Zina. Groton Area had 14 assists with Schuring having four. The Tigers had 11 turnovers with nine being steals. Tiospa Zina had 13 turnovers with six being steals as Brandon Keith had three steals.

Groton Area won the C game, 28-26. Tylan Glover and Trey Diegel each had 10 points for Groton, Austin Jones had six and Johnny Doeden two. Tiospa Zina won the junior varsity game, 52-43. Scoring for

Groton were Trey Diegel with 18, Brandon Keith 10, Jackson Oliver six, Marshall Lane three and adding two points apiece were Anthony Sippel, Truitt Rogers and Austin Jones.



**Hunter Lerew had 14 points for the night.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Seric Shabazz puts up this shot over Tiospa Zina's Jarrod Appenay.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Aaron Severson had some nice assists under the basket and he scored 14 points.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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	P	FG	FGA	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	OFF	DEF	TOT	PF	TP	A	TO	BK	S	
NO TIOSPA ZINA																	
3 Max Jr., Calvin	*	4	8	1	3	5	7	0	0	0	3	14	0	2	0	3	32:00
10 Appenay, Jarrod	*	2	6	0	2	3	4	1	6	7	4	7	0	1	0	3	24:00
12 Max, Inyanha	*	1	3	0	1	3	4	1	3	4	1	5	1	2	2	0	16:00
13 Abraham, Jesse	*	1	4	0	3	1	2	2	3	5	4	3	0	3	0	0	16:00
20 Iyarpeya, Dion	*	4	18	4	14	3	4	3	5	8	4	15	0	2	0	1	32:00
2 Cook, Terrell		0	3	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	4	0	0	1	0	0	16:00
11 Greeley, Divante		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0:00
21 Eastman, Micah		1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	2	0	1	0	1	16:00
23 White, Caleb		3	5	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	1	7	0	0	0	1	8:00
30 Akipa, Gabe		0	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0:00
TEAM REBOUNDS								0	6	6				0			
Team Totals		16	50	6	29	15	21	10	26	36	25	53	1	13	2	9	160

Total FG% - 1st: 6/25 0.240 2nd: 10/25 0.400 Game: 0.320 Deadball  
 3-PT FG% - 1st: 3/16 0.188 2nd: 3/13 0.231 Game: 0.207 Rebounds  
 Total FT% - 1st: 9/14 0.643 2nd: 6/7 0.857 Game: 0.714 (3,0)

	TOT-FG		3-PT				REBOUNDS										MIN
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4 Shabazz, Bennett	G	0	2	0	1	3	6	0	5	5	4	3	2	2	0	0	16:00
5 Shabazz, Seric	G	1	6	0	1	2	4	1	2	3	1	4	2	3	0	1	24:00
11 Herman, Adam	G	1	5	0	0	2	3	3	0	3	1	4	2	3	0	1	16:00
20 Keith, Brandon		1	4	1	4	2	4	0	0	0	3	5	1	1	0	3	16:00
50 Severson, Aaron		6	9	0	0	2	6	1	3	4	3	14	1	0	0	0	8:00
TEAM REBOUNDS								0	4	4				0			
Team Totals		19	46	2	10	17	33	8	27	35	16	57	14	11	0	6	136

Total FG% - 1st: 10/26 0.385 2nd: 9/20 0.450 Game: 0.413 Deadball  
 3-PT FG% - 1st: 2/7 0.286 2nd: 0/3 0.000 Game: 0.200 Rebounds  
 Total FT% - 1st: 7/14 0.500 2nd: 10/19 0.526 Game: 0.515 (8,0)

SCORE BY PERIODS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	TOTAL
Tiospa Zina	16	8	12	17	53
Groton	11	18	15	13	57

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## Today in Weather History

January 12, 1912: The all-time coldest temperature ever recorded at Aberdeen and Timber Lake was 46 degrees below zero on this date in 1912. On February 8th, 1895, 46 degrees below zero was also recorded in Aberdeen. The record low for this date was also set at Watertown with 38 degrees below zero.

January 12, 1997: On January 12th, 1997, some of the greatest snow depths were recorded across central and northeast South Dakota. Ipswich had 29 inches on the ground, Aberdeen had 30 inches, Timber Lake had 31 inches, Mobridge had 34 inches, and Waubay had 38 inches. Some of the highest snow depths were recorded at Summit, Sand Lake, and at Eureka. Summit had 42 inches of snow on the ground on January 12th, Sand Lake had 47 inches, and Eureka had a snow depth of 50 inches. The snow depth at Aberdeen was the all-time record snow depth and Mobridge was just an inch shy of their 35 inch record snow depth.

1886: With a reading of 26 degrees below zero, Bowling Green Kentucky recorded its coldest temperature on record.

1888 - A sharp cold front swept southward from the Dakotas to Texas in just 24 hours spawning a severe blizzard over the Great Plains. More than 200 pioneers perished in the storm. Subzero temperatures and mountainous snow drifts killed tens of thousands of cattle. (David Ludlum)

1890: A tornado touched down at St. Louis, MO and crossed the Mississippi River, ending just south of Venice. The worst damage from this tornado occurred in St. Louis. Further east and northeast, one tornado in McLean County passed through downtown Cooksville, damaging at least a dozen buildings, while a tornado in Richland County destroyed four homes northeast of Olney. In all, over 100 homes and other buildings were unroofed or damaged. The tornado caused 4 deaths and 15 injuries.

1912 - The morning low of 47 degrees below zero at Washta IA established a state record. (The Weather Channel)

1985: A record snowstorm struck portions of western and south central Texas. All snowfall records dating back to 1885 were easily broken. Austin measured 3.6 inches and Del Rio received 8.6 inches. San Antonio saw a record setting 13.5 inches from this event.

1987 - Twenty-seven cities in the Upper Midwest reported new record high temperatures for the date. Afternoon highs of 72 degrees at Valentine NE and 76 degrees at Rapid City SD set records for the month of January. (National Weather Summary)

1988 - Parts of North Dakota finally got their first snow of the winter season, and it came with a fury

as a blizzard raged across the north central U.S. Snowfall totals ranged up to 14 inches at Fargo ND, winds gusted to 65 mph at Windom MN, and wind chill readings in North Dakota reached 60 degrees below zero. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - A dozen cities in the southeastern U.S. reported record high temperatures for the date as readings warmed into the 70s and 80s. Fort Myers FL reported a record high of 86 degrees. (National Weather Summary)

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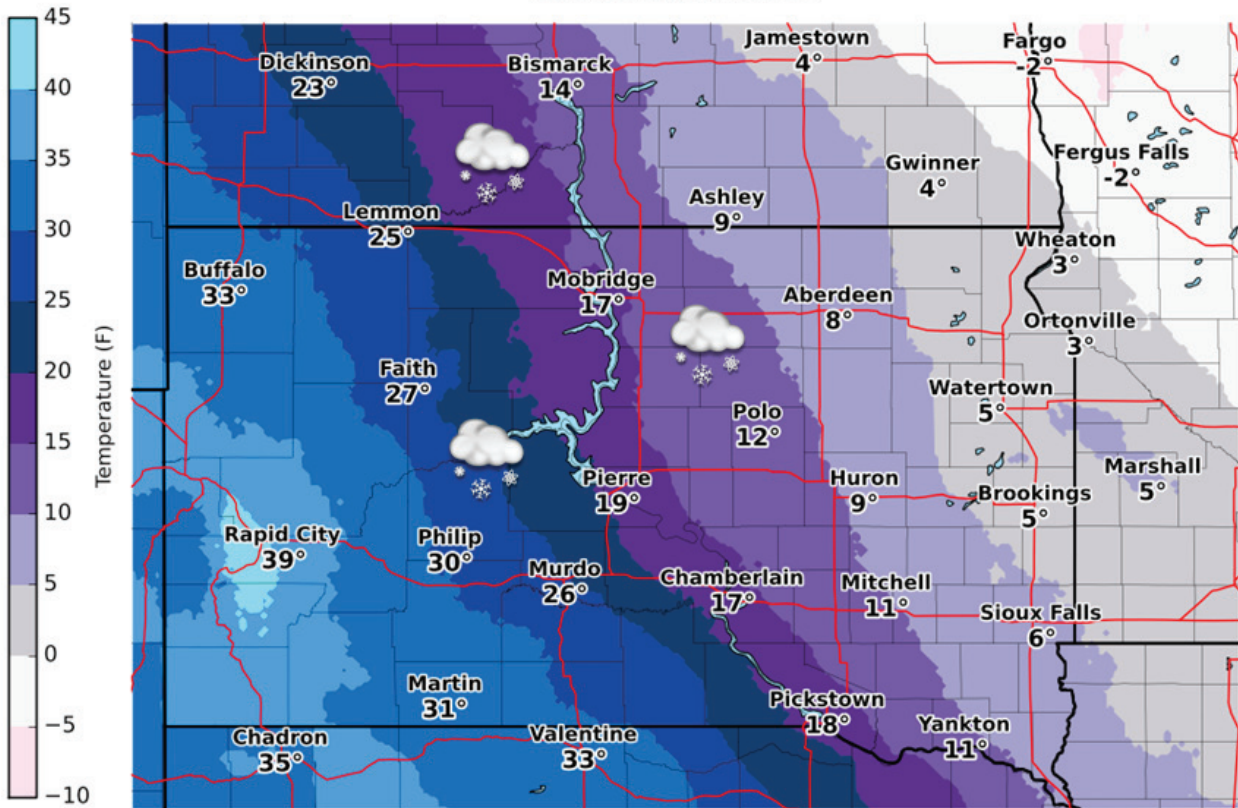
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Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday	Thursday Night	Friday
						
Cold	Scattered Flurries	Partly Sunny	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy
High: 8 °F	Low: 2 °F↑	High: 28 °F	Low: 18 °F	High: 31 °F	Low: 7 °F	High: 15 °F

## Cold Again Today! Valid: January 12, 2016



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A cold air mass has again rolled south into the region. So, you can expect cold temperatures today, especially over the eastern Dakotas and western Minnesota. Light snow showers are also expected across portions of the central Dakotas today. Accumulations should remain light.

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## Yesterday's Weather

**High:** 22.8 at 2:56 PM

**Low:** -1.0 at 10:45 PM

**Wind Chill:** -14.0 at 7:55 PM

**High Gust:** 31 at 3:12 PM

**Precip:** 0.00

## Today's Info

**Record High:** 58° in 1987

**Record Low:** -46° in 1912

**Average High:** 22°F

**Average Low:** 1°F

**Average Precip in Jan.:** 0.21

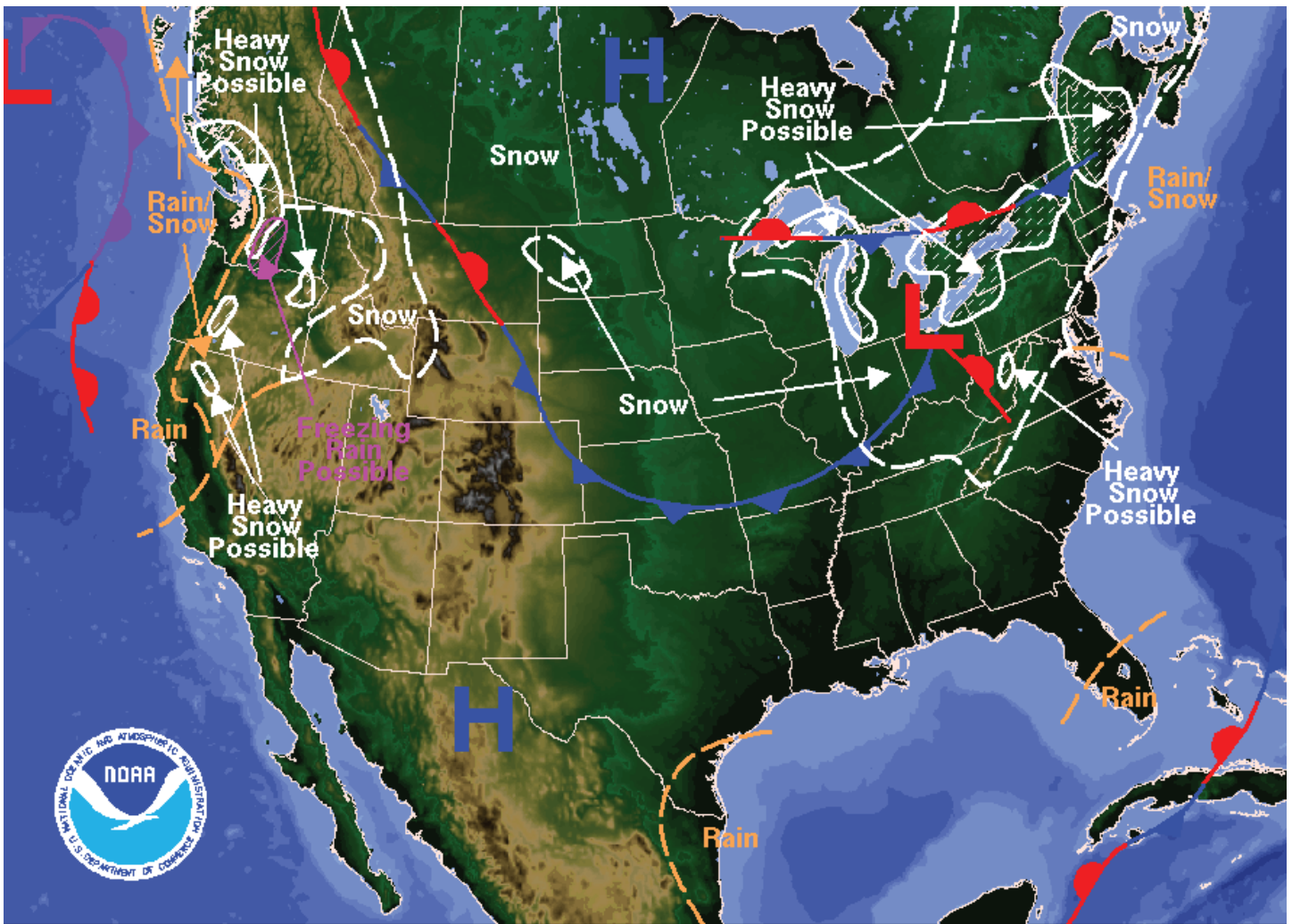
**Precip to date in Jan.:** 0.00

**Average Precip to date:** 0.21

**Precip Year to Date:** 0.00

**Sunset Tonight:** 5:12 p.m.

**Sunrise Tomorrow:** 8:10 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Tue, Jan 12, 2016, issued 3:03 AM EST  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



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## "EASY TERMS"

In the window of one of the more exclusive jewelry stores in New York was an exquisite display of crosses. Some were gold, some platinum, some had diamonds, and others cut jewels. All had expensive price tags. In front of the display was an embossed card stating the words: EASY TERMS.

No doubt the one who prepared the card was unfamiliar with the words of Jesus when he prayed, "If it is possible...let this hour pass." And again, "Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what You will."

Jesus was very familiar with the role of the cross in the punishment of criminals. He certainly would have seen crucifixions as He traveled from one area to another. They were not hidden from the sight of those passing by. They were public displays of extreme pain, humiliation, suffering, disgrace and dishonor. He knew what awaited Him and knew there was no other option, even though He asked His Father for a way out.

For Jesus, there were no EASY TERMS. He lived in the shadow of the cross and knowing the price that had to be paid for our salvation. What pain it cost Jesus and His Father. Have you thanked Him recently?

**Prayer:** Father, we can never understand the cost of our salvation. Give us grateful hearts as we think of Your cross. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

**Scripture for Today:** Mark 8:31-38 He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again.

## News from the Associated Press

### **National champion NDSU tops final FCS polls of season**

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Five-time national football champion North Dakota State University is the unanimous No. 1 team in the final FCS polls of the season.

The Bison on Saturday beat Jacksonville State 37-10 for a fifth straight title. They top both the final coaches poll and the final STATS media poll.

NDSU rival South Dakota State made the top 20 in both polls — finishing 16th in the coaches poll and 15th in the media poll. The Jackrabbits made their fourth consecutive appearance in the FCS playoffs this past season.

The University of North Dakota received votes in both polls but did not crack the top 25.

### **Sioux Falls police investigating armed robbery of casino**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Sioux Falls police are investigating the armed robbery of a casino.

Authorities say a male wearing a mask and a hooded sweat shirt entered the Deuces Casino shortly before 1 a.m. Tuesday, showed a handgun and demanded money.

The male fled with an undetermined amount of cash. No one was hurt.

It's the third casino robbery of the year in the city.

### **Daugaard set to outline teacher pay plan in State of State**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Gov. Dennis Daugaard is set to offer his plan to increase South Dakota's teacher pay in the State of the State address.

The speech is scheduled for Tuesday, when lawmakers return to Pierre for the 2016 legislative session.

A state task force on school funding said it would take at least \$75 million to make South Dakota's teacher salaries competitive.

Daugaard last month pitched a roughly \$4.8 billion budget for the upcoming fiscal year, including more than \$80 million in new spending.

The budget address also included a proposal to expand Medicaid, which is expected to be another key area of debate this year.

The session's main run wraps up around the middle of March, but lawmakers will return for consideration of gubernatorial vetoes at the end of that month.

### **Annual Sunflower Research Forum being held in Fargo**

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Sunflower farmers are gathering in North Dakota for an annual conference.

The National Sunflower Association is hosting the two-day research forum Tuesday and Wednesday at the Ramada Plaza Suites and Convention Center in Fargo.

Researchers from the federal Agriculture Department and universities in North Dakota, South Dakota, Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa will present findings on sunflower studies.

Topics include diseases, insects, irrigation and blackbirds.

It's the 38th year for the research forum.

### **Jackley to address US Chamber's legal reform institute**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota Attorney General Marty Jackley says he will deliver a keynote address this week for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Institute for Legal Reform at the organization's annual meeting in Florida.

The meeting includes general counsel and directors of governmental affairs from U.S. Chamber members

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and businesses throughout the United States. Jackley will be speaking Wednesday morning as president of the National Association of Attorneys General.

Jackley says the association understands that businesses are critical components to building healthy economies and strong communities. He says it is an excellent opportunity to address workforce development, consumer protection, data privacy and 21st century policing.

Jackley says he also plans to discuss how South Dakota balances its budget without a state income tax.

## Monday's Scores The Associated Press

### BOYS' BASKETBALL

Breckenridge, Minn. 66, Sisseton 58  
Canistota 67, Gayville-Volin 42  
Crow Creek 68, Colome 52  
Elk Point-Jefferson 56, Viborg-Hurley 33  
Groton Area 57, Tiospa Zina Tribal 53  
Kadoka Area 55, Dupree 46  
Madison 67, West Central 41  
Ortonville, Minn. 50, Milbank Area 37  
Parkston 37, Hanson 34  
Wyndmere-Lidgerwood, N.D. 51, Rosholt 44  
POSTPONEMENTS AND CANCELLATIONS  
Oldham-Ramona/Rutland vs. Waverly-South Shore, ppd.

### GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Breckenridge, Minn. 57, Sisseton 51  
Castlewood 48, Florence/Henry 39  
Dell Rapids 58, Lennox 45  
Dupree 60, Kadoka Area 54  
Howard 51, Mitchell Christian 36  
Irene-Wakonda 58, Parker 46  
Lake Preston 60, Iroquois 36  
Lead-Deadwood 57, Douglas 54  
Lemmon 46, Flasher, N.D. 33  
McIntosh 58, Tiospaye Topa 31  
New Underwood 54, Oelrichs 47  
Ortonville, Minn. 37, Milbank 34  
Platte-Geddes 58, Corsica/Stickney 38  
Viborg-Hurley 61, Alcester-Hudson 35  
Wilmot 49, Clinton-Graceville-Beardsley, Minn. 40

## SESSION '16: Things to know as lawmakers return to Pierre

**JAMES NORD, Associated Press**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota lawmakers are in for a busy 2016 legislative session when they return Tuesday. The state's financial picture has strengthened, putting lawmakers in better position to consider such goals as freezing college tuition and increasing pay for Medicaid providers. Here are some things to know as the session opens:

### IN THE MONEY

South Dakota closed its last fiscal year with a budget surplus of more than \$20 million, and better-than-expected state finances factored into Gov. Dennis Daugaard's ambitious new \$4.8 billion budget.

The governor's plan includes more than \$80 million in new general state spending, with the money planned for higher outlays for education, Medicaid providers and state employees, among other targets.

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Much of roughly \$60 million in one-time spending for the current budget year would help pay off debt to help the state's public universities and technical schools freeze tuition.

The bottom line for state lawmakers: More cash makes it easier to fund programs more than last year.

## BUSTLING SESSION

Plenty of legislation is on the docket, with perhaps none more important than Daugaard's proposal to expand Medicaid for disabled and low-income people. Well, unless it's the widely held desire to do something to raise teacher pay that's been called worst in the nation.

More details on that during the governor's State of the State address on Tuesday.

Abortion bills are also in play, including a 20-week abortion ban. Another would require abortion providers to tell women undergoing drug-induced medical abortions that they may be able to reverse the procedure if they change their mind in time.

Other bills would govern bathroom use for transgender students, and let people grow hemp.

Democrats, who are in the minority in both chambers, say they will push for economic development and tighter government oversight.

## GOP WILL TELL TALE

The Republican governor's Medicaid expansion plan may wind up revealing a split between conservatives and moderates in his party, which controls both legislative chambers. Some GOP lawmakers see a troubled path in the state House, with concerns including state costs and ideological opposition to the federal health care law.

South Dakota Democrats are happy that two of their top issues, Medicaid expansion and teacher pay, are tops for some Republicans this year too.

## KEY PLAYERS

Sen. Corey Brown will serve Senate Republicans as majority leader this session after the departure of former leader Tim Rave. Brown will lead negotiations for his chamber during discussions with the governor's office and House Majority Leader Brian Gosch.

Kim Malsam-Rysdon, a senior adviser to Daugaard, is leading Medicaid expansion efforts for the governor's office, including during complicated negotiations with the federal government. She has said a group Daugaard convened to investigate expansion is preparing to lobby lawmakers during the session.

## GETTING INVOLVED

Have an issue that's important to you? Get involved!

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## Trich disease diagnosed in another South Dakota cattle herd

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A reproductive disease of cattle has been found in another South Dakota herd.

The state Animal Industry Board says bovine trichomoniasis, or trich, was recently diagnosed in a herd in Dewey County.

It's the fourth herd with the disease since last November. Veterinarians earlier diagnosed trich in two Oglala Lakota county cattle herds and one herd operating in Corson and Ziebach counties.

Trich can cause early term abortions in cattle. The board says the disease can be "economically devastating" to ranchers, and has put several rules in place to try to prevent its spread.

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## Sioux Falls Sports Authority hires Augustana man to lead

SIoux FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The Sioux Falls Sports Authority has hired an Augustana University athletic administrator as its new executive director.

Bryan Miller is Augustana's assistant athletic director for external operations. He'll begin his duties with the Sports Authority next month.

Miller replaces Wes Hall, who's leaving to become chief operating officer of the Omaha Sports Commission in Nebraska.

Community leaders formed the Sioux Falls Sports Authority in 2006 to recruit major sporting events to the area. It's run by a board of directors made up of 15 community members and the executive director.

## 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. WHAT OBAMA WILL FOCUS ON DURING FINAL STATE OF UNION ADDRESS

The president will paint an optimistic vision of the country's future in hopes of encouraging voters to elect another Democrat to the White House.

### 2. AT LEAST 10 DEAD, 15 INJURED IN ISTANBUL BLAST

State-run TRT television says the explosion was likely caused by a suicide bomber, but authorities have not commented on the cause.

### 3. FIERCE FIGHT PRECEDED DRUG LORD'S CAPTURE

Mexican marines who raided the hideout of Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman were met by heavily armed men and intense gunfire.

### 4. AID CONVOYS REACH 3 SYRIA COMMUNITIES BESIEGED FOR MONTHS

The U.N. humanitarian chief welcomes a Syrian statement that such deliveries should be repeated and sustained.

### 5. WHO IS LAUDED AS AN ARTIST WHO MADE IT OK TO BE DIFFERENT

David Bowie may have been a crucial source of support to youngsters uncertain about their gender in an era when gender fluidity was much less accepted than it is today.

### 6. WHAT BEDOUIN DRAMA IS VYING FOR

The movie "Theeb" (Wolf) set among tribesmen roaming the desert emerges as the first potential Oscar contender produced by Jordan's film industry.

### 7. WHY UNDERDOG CANDIDATES KEEP POWERING ALONG CAMPAIGN TRAIL

For the longshots sprinting across Iowa and New Hampshire before the Feb. 1 caucuses, one thing keeps them fired up: the prospect of a political upset.

### 8. REPORT CHARTS HISTORY OF ABUSE AT GRAND CANYON

It outlines a history of harassment on river trips through the national park in which male park employees allegedly propositioned female colleagues for sex.

### 9. RUPERT MURDOCH ANNOUNCES ENGAGEMENT

The media mogul proposes to Jerry Hall, the American actress and former supermodel who had a long-time relationship with Mick Jagger.

### 10. NO. 2 ALABAMA WINS FOURTH NATIONAL TITLE IN LAST SEVEN SEASONS

"It was tough. It really was," says Nick Saban, who now has more national titles than every other coach but Bear Bryant.

## The Latest: Germany fears victims in Turkish bombing

ISTANBUL (AP) — The latest on the explosion in historic center of Istanbul. All times local:  
3 p.m.

German Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier has told reporters in Berlin that he cannot rule out that Germans are among the dead in a suicide bombing in Istanbul. He said that the German government is in contact with Turkish authorities and condemned the attack as a "barbaric act of terrorism."

Chancellor Angela Merkel, speaking at a different news conference, said, "we are very concerned that German citizens could be and probably will be among the victims."

2:40 p.m.

Denmark has joined Germany in warning its citizens to avoid crowds outside tourist attractions in Turkey. The Danish Foreign Ministry updated its website following Tuesday's deadly explosion in a historic district of Istanbul that is popular with tourists, killing at least 10 people and wounding 15 others.

The travel advisory said Danes should "until further notice" avoid public places and other places where a lot of people are gathered.

2:25 p.m.

Turkish Deputy Prime Minister Numan Kurtulmus says the suicide bomber who carried out an attack in Istanbul's historic neighborhood is a 28-year-old Syrian national.

Kurtulmus said most of the 10 people who died in the blast are foreigners. It was unclear whether the number included the alleged bomber.

Kurtulmus was speaking to reporters in Ankara following a high-level security meeting hastily called to discuss the attack. Kurtulmus and other ministers were traveling to Istanbul to oversee the investigation

1:45 p.m.

The European Union says it stands with Turkey in the fight "against all forms of terrorism" after the explosion in the heart of Istanbul.

EU foreign policy chief Federica Mogherini said Tuesday that both sides "must step up our efforts to counter extremist violence" and noted that this had been set as a priority at a November EU-Turkey summit in Brussels.

The Istanbul governor's office said the explosion killed at least 10 people and injured 15 others. President Recep Tayyip Erdogan blamed it on a suicide bomber with links to Syria.

1:35 p.m.

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan says a Syria-linked suicide bomber is believed to be behind a blast in Istanbul that killed 10 people, and wounded some 15 others.

Erdogan said in televised remarks on Tuesday that both Turks and foreigners are among the dead. He did not provide details.

12:35 p.m.

Turkey's Dogan news agency says at least six Germans, one Norwegian and one Peruvian are among the injured in an explosion in an area of Istanbul popular with tourists.

A spokeswoman for the Norwegian Foreign Ministry in Oslo said the office is working with the embassy in Turkey to check media reports of Norwegian citizens among the wounded. Seoul's Foreign Ministry also told reporters via text message that one South Korean had a slight finger injury after the blast.

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12:20 p.m.

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The warning follows a deadly explosion Tuesday in a historic district of the Turkish city that is popular with tourists.

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Germany's Foreign Ministry warned on its website that further violent clashes and "terrorist attacks" are expected across Turkey.

It also urged travelers to stay away from demonstrations and gatherings, particularly in large cities

11:35 a.m.

The Istanbul governor's office says the explosion at the city's historic Sultanahmet district has killed least 10 people. A statement says 15 other people were injured in Tuesday's blast. The cause of the explosion is under investigation, but state-run TRT television says it was likely caused by a suicide bomber.

11:10 a.m.

The private Dogan news agency says at least two people were hospitalized following an explosion in the historic center of Istanbul.

State-run TRT television says the blast was likely caused by a suicide bomber, but authorities have not commented on the cause.

Private NTV television said the explosion was close to a park that is home to a landmark obelisk. The state-run Anadolu Agency says several police and medics were sent to the area.

## The shining: UK commuters told trains delayed by sunlight

LONDON (AP) — It's the dark days of one of the rainiest British winters on record. So some London commuters were surprised to hear their trains had been delayed because of the sun.

Rail operator Southeastern tweeted Tuesday that "we had severe congestion through Lewisham due to dispatching issues as a result of strong sunlight." The company said low winter sun was hitting monitors at an angle that meant the drivers could not see them.

Almost 1 million people travel to London by train every weekday — and commuters are used to hearing a wide array of excuses for the frequent delays.

Past culprits have included "leaves on the line" and "the wrong type of snow."

## Couple struggles to sell 'Silence of the Lambs' house

PERRYOPOLIS, Pa. (AP) — A Pennsylvania couple is struggling to sell a house used as the home of psychotic killer Buffalo Bill in the 1991 film "The Silence of the Lambs."

Scott and Barbara Lloyd listed the house last summer, but they've dropped the asking price from \$300,000 to \$250,000.

The three-story Victorian in Layton was the second-most clicked home on Realtor.com last year, but Scott Lloyd told the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review (<http://bit.ly/1ZneWt5>) that the publicity has attracted curiosity seekers, but no serious buyers.

"We're finally starting to see a little bit of motion," Lloyd said.

The home's location in a tiny village about an hour's drive southeast of Pittsburgh works against it. So does the fact that it has only one bathroom to go with its four bedrooms.

"Even though it's got notoriety, location still is a big deal," said Erik Gunther, a senior editor and expert on unique homes for Realtor.com.

The foyer and dining room were depicted in the film, but no, there's no dungeon pit in the basement where the killer played by Ted Levine kept his victims before killing and skinning them. Those grisly scenes were filmed on a soundstage.

A film crew spent three days shooting in the home near Perryopolis. The Lloyds are selling the house, where they raised their son, because they're downsizing into a ranch-style home they're building a few miles away.

A couple months after buying the home, the Lloyds were married Feb. 13, 1977, in the foyer where Levine's character first meets the FBI agent portrayed by Jodie Foster.

Anthony Hopkins won an Academy Award for playing Dr. Hannibal Lecter, a crazed, cannibalistic psychia-

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trist whose macabre clues help rookie Agent Clarice Starling track down and kill Buffalo Bill in his home. Foster also won an Oscar.

"The fact that a home gets a ton of publicity doesn't necessarily add up to a quick sale," Gunther said. "Just because I want to gawk at something doesn't mean I want to buy it."

## **Palestinian officials: 16-year-old rock thrower shot dead**

JERUSALEM (AP) — Palestinian health officials say a 16-year-old has been shot dead after hurling stones at Israeli troops in the West Bank.

The Israeli military says it is looking into Tuesday's incident.

The last three months have seen near-daily Palestinian attacks on Israeli civilians and soldiers that have killed 24 people. Palestinian protesters have also frequently clashed with Israeli troops in the West Bank.

At least 139 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli fire in the last three and a half months. About two-thirds of them are said by Israel to be attackers, while the others were killed in clashes with troops.

Israel says the bloodshed is fueled by a Palestinian campaign of incitement. Palestinians say it stems from frustration at decades of occupation.

## **Chinese stocks steady, helping to shore up global markets**

**The Associated Press**

LONDON (AP) — Chinese stock markets eked out a last-minute gain Tuesday, a development that's helped European shares recoup further recent losses and Wall Street futures point to solid gains at the open. A modest pick-up from overnight lows in oil prices also helped to shore up the mood.

KEEPING SCORE: In Europe, the FTSE 100 index of leading British shares was up 1.6 percent at 5,967 while Germany's DAX rose 2.2 percent to 10,045. The CAC-40 in France was 2.1 percent higher at 4,405. Wall Street was poised for a solid open too, with Dow futures and the broader S&P 500 futures up 0.7 percent.

CHINA VOLATILITY: Worries about the Beijing's ability to manage financial markets coupled with deepening fears about a protracted slowdown in the world's No. 2 economy have kept investors on edge after sharp losses over the past week. After losing 5 percent the day before, the latest in a string of dramatic declines, stocks in Shanghai zigzagged throughout the day before ending 0.2 percent higher at 3,022.86. .

YUAN MOVES: China's tightly controlled onshore yuan, which was the source of last week's market turmoil after authorities guided it sharply lower, was little changed. However, interbank rates spiked for the offshore yuan, which is freely traded in Hong Kong, leading many to believe China's central bank is intervening in the market in order to foil speculators trying to drive it lower.

QUOTABLE: "There have been strong signs ... that markets are starting to find a bit of stability and risk appetite is starting to increase somewhat," said James Hughes, chief market analyst at GKFX. However, Hughes cautioned that oil prices could prove a drag and that any test of the \$30 a barrel level could leave oil, mining and any other commodity stock exposed to downside risk.

OIL THREATENS \$30: Having nearly fallen below \$30 a barrel, oil prices recovered somewhat but remained lower on the day. A barrel of benchmark New York crude was down 0.5 percent at \$31.27 while the Brent international standard fell 0.1 percent at \$31.53. On Monday, the benchmark rate slid 5.3 percent, to settle at \$31.41 a barrel on Monday. The last time it finished lower was Dec. 5, 2003, when it closed at \$30.73 a barrel.

ASIA'S DAY: Though Chinese stocks steadied, other Asian markets suffered as Japanese traders returned from holiday and responded to the recent downtrend. The country's benchmark Nikkei 225 fell 2.7 percent to close at 17,218.96. Other regional indexes were dragged down by the Nikkei. Hong Kong's Hang Seng shed 0.9 percent to 19,711.76 while South Korea's Kospi dropped 0.2 percent lower to 1,890.86.

CURRENCIES: Trading in currency markets was fairly tepid with the euro down 0.1 percent at \$1.0852 while the dollar was unchanged at 117.77 yen.



## Bedouin coming-of-age drama vying for Oscar nod

KARIN LAUB, Associated Press

AL-SHAKRIYEH, Jordan (AP) — A coming-of-age drama set among Bedouin tribesmen roaming the desert emerged as the first potential Oscar contender produced by Jordan's nascent film industry.

"Theeb" (Wolf), set in 1916, tells the story of a playful 11-year-old Bedouin boy of the same name who gets caught up in his tribe's alliance with the British against Ottoman rulers during the era's Arab Revolt.

Billed as a "Bedouin Western" and an authentic portrayal of Bedouin culture, Theeb is one of nine movies short-listed for best foreign language film nominations. The final five will be announced Thursday.

For the amateur cast from a Bedouin clan and for two young Jordanians writing and directing their first feature film, making Theeb has already been a wild ride, climaxing in the 2014 world premiere at the Venice Film Festival. That marked the first time the actors left Jordan or saw the entire film.

"They got a 10-minute standing ovation," said director Naji Abu Nowar, who won for best director in the "Orrizonti" (Horizons) category in Venice.

"The Bedouins, it's a very macho culture, and you never see anyone cry, even the children ... and to see tears coming out of some of their eyes (during the premiere) was a really powerful moment," he said, speaking from the Palm Springs International Film Festival, a last pre-Oscar opportunity to promote foreign films.

Theeb also won two nominations from the British Academy of Film and Television Arts, or BAFTA, for its 2016 awards — for best foreign language film and for outstanding directorial debut for Abu Nowar, who is also British.

The actors have since resumed their lives in al-Shakriyeh, a small Bedouin village nestled among striking rock formations rising from the desert floor of Wadi Rum, a protected landscape just north of the Red Sea and one of Jordan's main tourist attractions.

Jacir Eid Al-Hwietat, who played Theeb, is now 15, attends 10th grade and has revised his career plans, from police officer to actor. "I'm a celebrity among my friends now," said Jacir, who has morphed from a boy with a sweet smile into a guarded teen.

His cousin, Hussein Salameh al-Sweilhiyeen, who played Theeb's brother Hussein, is back to racing camels and working as a tourist guide. Since Theeb, he has appeared in a German TV documentary about Wadi Rum and a Jordanian tourism commercial, and said he would like to do more acting.

Al-Sweilhiyeen said being involved in Theeb made him aware of the need to protect traditions. Bedouin lifestyles in the area have changed dramatically in the last few decades, with nomads settling down, trading their camels for pickup trucks and living off tourists instead of goat herds.

"Sometimes I say the old life was better," said al-Sweilhiyeen, sitting on the floor of the carpeted family diwan, or traditional reception area for guests. "The desert teaches you how to depend on yourself. Now we have good services, but we need to protect some old customs."

Jacir's father, 42-year-old Eid, still remembers the old ways; he was born in a tent and as a boy rode camels over long distances as his family wandered the desert before settling down about 30 years ago. He dropped out of school as a 15-year-old, taught himself English, began guiding tourists and recently sold his last camels, saying he doesn't have the time and space to care for them properly.

Al-Hwietat became the local point man for the filmmakers, Abu Nowar and Bassel Ghandour, who produced the film and co-wrote the script. The pair lived in al-Shakriyeh for most of 2012, soaking up Bedouin culture, rewriting the script and holding acting workshops for the local cast.

Theeb was filmed over five weeks by veteran Austrian cinematographer Wolfgang Thaler, the most experienced crew member and praised by all involved as the bedrock of the production.

Ghandour said Thaler used super-16mm film in part because it captures the desert's harsh sun and deep shadows more naturally. Theeb, also released commercially, was "definitely low-budget," Ghandour said, but wouldn't reveal how much it cost to make.

Half a century before Theeb, scenes of the Oscar-winning epic "Lawrence of Arabia" about maverick British army officer T. E. Lawrence were filmed in Wadi Rum, just minutes from where Jacir and his family live.

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Jacir's grandfather was part of the local support staff for "Lawrence," also set during the Arab Revolt, and the tradition continues. Jacir's father, Eid, has worked on international productions, most recently as a location manager for "The Martian," a 2015 science fiction film starring Matt Damon, which just won a Golden Globe Award for Best Musical or Comedy Motion Picture.

Damon was unpretentious during the shoot, greeting everyone at the start of each day, said al-Hwietat. Providing locations and crew for foreign films remains an important part of Jordan's film work, said George David, general manager of the Royal Film Commission. Major films shot in Jordan also include "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" (1989) and "The Hurt Locker" (2008).

At a time of growing conflict in the region, urban centers in Jordan, seen as relatively safe, are standing in for Baghdad or Beirut, he said, adding that "we have also become the go-to location for Mars and the moon."

Meanwhile, the success of Theeb signals the development of domestic film production.

Over the past decade, the commission has offered workshops on all aspects of film-making, including an annual screenwriters' lab in consultation with the Sundance Institute. It also helped promote 25 feature films and documentaries made in Jordan between 2010 and 2015.

However, budget cuts have forced the closure of a film school and the commission had to reduce training. "If we, as an industry, tackle the funding issue, I think we will be seeing more Theeb's," said David. "Whether it wins or not, we are already very proud of what it has already achieved."

Back in al-Shakriyeh, the Theeb cast members play it cool, despite what appears to be a mild case of Oscar fever. If Theeb is nominated, four of them plan to travel to the awards ceremony in Hollywood — Jacir, his father Eid, cousin Hussein and the film's villain, played by local resident Hassan Mutlaq al-Maraiyeh.

Like others in the film industry, they have already thought about what to wear for the big night — black robes, the Bedouin version of formal attire, instead of the beige ones for every day, said Jacir's father.

## **US border agents to inspect US-bound trucks on Mexican soil** **ELLIOT SPAGAT, Associated Press**

SAN DIEGO (AP) — For the first time, U.S. border authorities will inspect trucks entering the United States on Mexican soil, working simultaneously with Mexican counterparts.

The new facility in Tijuana, which aims to reduce congestion and speed cargo crossings into San Diego, overcame resistance in Mexico to letting U.S. officials carry guns. In April, Mexican lawmakers approved changes to the country's firearms law to permit foreign customs and immigration officials to be armed on the job.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection Commissioner R. Gil Kerlikowske and Mexican Treasury Secretary Luis Videgaray were scheduled to open the joint inspection facility Tuesday in Tijuana's Mesa de Otay section, just blocks from one of the busiest crossings on the 1,954-mile border.

Customs and Border Protection provided few details ahead of the ceremony, saying the effort "represents the shared commitment between the United States and Mexico to promote economic growth and prosperity between the two countries connected by more than just a shared border."

It is the latest demonstration of closer border ties. Last month, a group of U.S. and Mexican investors opened an air terminal in San Diego with a bridge that crosses a razor-wire border fence to Tijuana's existing airport, believed to be the only cross-border airport outside the European Union.

In October, Mexican authorities began inspecting Mexico-bound cargo at the airport in Laredo, Texas. U.S. authorities plan to inspect U.S.-bound trucks in San Jeronimo, in the Mexican state of Chihuahua, near the border cities of Ciudad Juarez and El Paso, Texas.

Cargo has long been inspected in the U.S. and in Mexico. The new "pre-inspection" facilities effectively meld two stops into one.

Alejandra Mier y Teran, executive director of the Otay Mesa Chamber of Commerce in San Diego, said authorities told her that truck inspections in Tijuana will initially be limited to fresh produce that is deemed to be low risk for spreading pests or disease. Eventually more products may be eligible.

"It will be very beneficial for those who use it, but the potential is even greater," Mier y Teran said.

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The larger significance is that U.S. and Mexican officials will work under the same roof, sharing intelligence and other information, said Christopher Wilson, deputy director of the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars' Mexico Institute.

"They're going to get to know each other better than ever before," Wilson said. "This is really joint border management in its early stages."

Plans for the joint inspection facilities have long been in the works but faced resistance in Mexico over allowing U.S. agents to be armed.

"Mexico has been very sensitive about U.S. agents operating on Mexican soil for the last couple centuries, since the Mexican-American War but particularly since the 1980s," Wilson said. "It's an issue of national sovereignty. The fact that they are willing to do this shows Mexico doesn't just have a narrow conception of what that means."

## Questions and answers about the State of the Union address

**DARLENE SUPERVILLE, Associated Press**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Since the tradition of a State of the Union address began in the late 18th century, only a few presidents have not delivered their final speech in person.

Harry Truman, Dwight D. Eisenhower and Jimmy Carter all sent written copies of their speeches to Congress. Barack Obama doesn't want to be No. 4.

Instead, he will deliver his final State of the Union address at the Capitol on Tuesday, about a week earlier than usual.

"Since I took office seven years ago in the midst of crisis, I don't think I've ever been more optimistic about a year ahead than I am right now," Obama said in a video previewing the speech.

Some questions and answers about the State of the Union address:

Q: Why is the president giving the speech?

A: The Constitution requires that the president "from time to time give the Congress information on the State of the Union, and recommend to their consideration such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient."

Q: Who delivered the first State of the Union address?

A: George Washington on Jan. 8, 1790 in New York.

Q: Does it have to be a speech?

A: No. For his first address on Dec. 8, 1801, Thomas Jefferson sent written copies to both houses of Congress to be read by each chamber's clerks. Jefferson wanted to simplify what he believed was an aristocratic imitation of the British monarch's speech from the throne, which he thought ill-suited for a republic. The practice of sending written copies to Congress continued for more than a century.

Q: Who resumed delivering the annual message in person?

A: Woodrow Wilson, on April 8, 1913. He's also credited with transforming the speech from a report on executive branch activity into a blueprint for the president's legislative agenda for the year.

Q: When did the annual message become known as the "State of the Union" address?

A: Franklin D. Roosevelt applied the constitutional phrase "State of the Union" to both the message and the event. It became the popular terminology from then on.

Q: How has the speech been affected by advances in communications technology?

A: Calvin Coolidge delivered the first speech broadcast on radio in 1923. Harry Truman's address in 1947 was the first broadcast on television. Lyndon B. Johnson recognized the importance of having a

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national audience when he moved the speech from midafternoon to 9 p.m. in 1965 to attract the largest number of TV viewers. George W. Bush's 2002 speech was the first available as a live webcast on the White House website.

Obama used social media to help power his presidential campaigns, and he's used Twitter, Facebook, Tumblr, Instagram and YouTube to promote his State of the Union addresses. Obama devotes a page on the White House website to the speech. This year, the White House is using the online annotation platform Genius to revisit Obama's past State of the Union speeches by adding context and commentary. It's also using Snapchat and Amazon Video to bring Tuesday's address to the "people where they are."

Q: Has the speech ever been postponed?

A: Ronald Reagan's 1986 address was postponed after the Challenger space shuttle exploded in flight on Jan. 28 of that year.

Q: Is there a State of the Union speech every year?

A: No. Each of the past five presidents — Reagan in 1981, George H.W. Bush in 1989, Bill Clinton in 1993, George W. Bush in 2001 and Obama in 2009 — chose not to give an official State of the Union address their first year in office. That speech would have come soon after their inaugural addresses.

Q: Has the State of the Union speech always been delivered in person since Wilson resumed the practice?

A: No. Truman sent his final message in print, as did Eisenhower in 1961 and Carter in 1981. As Eisenhower recovered from a heart attack in 1956, he prepared a seven-minute, filmed summary of the message from his retreat in Key West, Florida, that was broadcast nationwide. Richard Nixon sent a printed message in 1973; his staff said an oral message would have come too soon after his second inaugural address.

Q: Which presidents didn't deliver a State of the Union message?

A: William Henry Harrison, who died 32 days after his inauguration in 1841, and James A. Garfield, who was assassinated in 1881 after 199 days in office.

Q: Who sits with the first lady?

A: The White House invites people whose personal stories help highlight a particular issue or public policy. Reagan was the first in 1982 to invite special guests and recognize them during the speech. Every president since has continued the tradition. With gun violence drawing increased attention from Obama, one seat in Michelle Obama's guest box will be left empty in memory of victims of gun violence, the White House said.

## Tide Turner: Gutsy play helps 'Bama get past Clemson, 45-40

RALPH D. RUSSO, AP College Football Writer

GLENDALE, Ariz. (AP) — The last step toward making Alabama's run of championships under Nick Saban the greatest in college football history was the toughest.

The Crimson Tide needed all its power and speed. It needed all its talent and steely resolve. When that alone couldn't do it, it was up to one gutsy trick to help win the fourth national title of the Saban dynasty.

Derrick Henry, O.J. Howard and Kenyan Drake hit No. 1 Clemson with long touchdowns, and No. 2 Alabama outlasted the dynamic play of Deshaun Watson to win the College Football Playoff championship 45-40 on Monday night.

The Crimson Tide (14-1) won its three previous championship game appearances in runaway fashion. This game was an instant classic — a relief for fans who sat through the blowouts that turned the New Year's Six lineup into a dud.

It finally broke open on perhaps the boldest call of Saban's career.

With 10:34 left in the fourth quarter and Alabama having just tied the game at 24-24, Saban took a

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gamble to try to keep the ball away from Watson. He called for an onside kick called Pop Kick from Adam Griffith and Alabama defensive back Marlon Humphrey caught it over the shoulder at midfield.

Tide turned.

"It was tough. It really was," said Saban, who now has more national titles than every other coach but Bear Bryant, the man who first made Alabama synonymous with college football greatness.

"I made the decision to do it because the score was (tied) and we were tired on defense and weren't doing a great job of getting them stopped and felt like if we didn't do something or take a chance to change the momentum of the game that we wouldn't have a chance to win," Saban said.

Moments later, Alabama took back the lead for good. For the second time, Clemson (14-1) lost track of the tight end Howard in coverage and Jake Coker hit him in stride deep for a 51-yard touchdown to make it 31-24 with 9:45 left.

Clemson and Watson proved to be every bit Alabama's equal. The Tigers just kept coming.

Watson led Clemson to a field goal to make it 31-27, and boom! Another Alabama big play. Drake broke free and streaked down the sideline for a 95-yard kickoff return touchdown, diving the last 5 yards to the pylon.

Watson threw his third touchdown pass to make it 38-33 with 4:40 left, and then Alabama went back to its workhorse Heisman Trophy winner. Henry plunged into the end zone for his third touchdown of the game to make it 45-33 with 1:07 left.

"We stand toe-to-toe with everybody in the country," Clemson coach Dabo Swinney said. "This program doesn't take a backseat to anybody."

Watson threw another touchdown pass to cap a wild 40-point fourth quarter, but would not get another chance. Clemson's onside kick went out of bounds. Coker took a knee and after a two-year drought that felt like eternity in Tuscaloosa, Alabama was back on top.

After a loss to Ole Miss in mid-September, there were doubters. Saban used them to fuel his team.

"There weren't many people earlier in the year who thought they could do it," he said.

The Crimson Tide became the second team in college football's poll era, dating back to 1936, to win four titles in seven seasons.

Alabama joins Notre Dame, which won four titles from 1943-49, but those Fighting Irish never even played in bowl games, nevertheless two playoff games. For Saban, it is his fifth national championship — four in his nine seasons at Alabama — leaving him only one short of Bryant.

Watson gave the Tide all it could handle, throwing for 405 yards and four touchdowns, and conjured up memories of Vince Young's miraculous performance for Texas in the 2006 Rose Bowl that derailed Southern California's dynasty.

The sophomore, who finished third in the Heisman Trophy voting, had 478 total yards against a loaded Tide defense and bested Young's 467 yards against the Trojans. But Watson couldn't finish the job the way Young did in Pasadena, California, and win the national title.

"All the stats don't really matter to me," Watson said. "I just wanted to get the win and do something that we haven't done in 34 years."

Instead, Saban and the Tide raised another trophy, their first in this new playoff system, and got another confetti shower. It is the Tide's 11th national title in the poll era — 10 AP and one coaches' poll — and more than any other school.

Alabama was a unanimous No. 1 in the final AP poll and Clemson finished No. 2.

The Tide hit Clemson early with Henry, who scored the game's first touchdown on a 50-yard burst through the middle. He finished with 158 yards on 36 carries. Howard was the offensive player of the game with five catches for 208 yards, including a 63-yarder that set up Alabama's final score.

After Watson and walk-on Hunter Renfrow hooked up for two touchdowns to give Clemson a 14-7 lead at the end of the first quarter, Henry tied it up with a 1-yard plunge.

Back and forth it went.

Alabama had never been challenged like this in a championship game under Saban. Alabama pulled away from Texas for Saban's first Tide title to end the 2009 season. Alabama blanked LSU for the next in

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2011 and crushed Notre Dame to repeat in 2012.

Trying to become the first FBS team to go 15-0, Clemson did not crumble under the force of Alabama's might.

But all those five-star recruits and future NFL players that dot the Alabama roster showed they also have plenty of resiliency and toughness. And Saban, the quintessential CEO coach, showed he had a little riverboat gambler in him.

That upside kicked stunned the stadium and Clemson, and brought a big grin to the face of the country's most serious coach.

The Tide will send another batch of players to the NFL this year, as Saban always does. There is another wave ready to roll.

"I think as long as he's in Alabama," Coker said, "Alabama is going to be up at the top."

## Underdog candidates keep powering along the campaign trail

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PARKERSBURG, Iowa (AP) — Running as an underdog presidential candidate isn't always glamorous.

You speak to half-filled halls and small rooms, low-key rallies. There may not be a bus emblazoned with your smiling face. And then there are the rally-goers who blatantly say they aren't quite convinced.

But for the longshots sprinting across Iowa and New Hampshire before the Feb. 1 caucuses, one thing keeps them fired up: the prospect of a political upset.

"Let's prove the New York media totally wrong," former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee said to about 40 people gathered in a senior center dining room in Parkersburg, Iowa last week. At least half were residents finishing dinner, a couple of whom left in the middle of the town hall-style meeting.

Among those hoping for an Iowa winter miracle are Huckabee, 2008 winner of the caucuses, and former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum, winner in 2012. Also looking for political salvation in either first-to-vote Iowa or in the New Hampshire primary are Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul and former technology executive Carly Fiorina.

Polls in both states show them all lagging in the low single digits. Texas Sen. Ted Cruz and businessman Donald Trump are leading the recent polls in Iowa, followed by Florida Sen. Marco Rubio and, retired neurosurgeon Ben Carson in third and fourth. Former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie and Ohio Gov. John Kasich are behind in Iowa, but running stronger in New Hampshire.

Some other underdogs have left the race already. Remember former Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal, former Texas Gov. Rick Perry, South Carolina Sen. Lindsey Graham and former New York Gov. George Pataki?

The tricky thing for many of these candidates is that having fans in the early states doesn't necessarily translate into votes.

John Stewart, a 64-year-old attorney who lives on Lake Panorama in Iowa, said he liked Huckabee and Santorum, but he didn't believe they had a chance at winning.

"Their day has come and gone," he said at the Prime Time restaurant in Guthrie Center, Iowa before a Cruz event last week. "People still like and appreciate them. But Cruz and Rubio have some momentum. Cruz has more. It's Cruz's time."

Huckabee, whose slipping poll numbers bumped him off the main stage event during the last Republican debate, noted that many people don't make up their minds until the final days. But he also called Iowa a "critical ground zero."

"I don't want to say we have to be one, two, three, four. A lot of it depends on where the grouping is," Huckabee said.

Upsets are a grand tradition of the Iowa caucuses. Huckabee and Santorum both came from behind to win. But this year, Trump and Cruz seem to have captured many of the conservative and evangelical voters that supported them previously. Of course, there are lots of reasons a candidate may stick around. Some want to advance their political philosophy or promote their brand for future book deals and TV appearances. And there's always the prospect of a cabinet role or the vice presidency.

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Still, Santorum, who wooed over 45 people gathered at a house party in suburban Des Moines Thursday, said he believes in the voters of Iowa.

"Three and half weeks is a long time," Santorum said, as a group of friends and neighbors mingled and munched on Chex mix and cookies. "Four years ago, fifty percent of the people who voted didn't decide until the last week."

Despite narrowly beating eventual nominee Mitt Romney in Iowa in 2012, Santorum has spent this entire race at the back of the pack. He's never polled well enough to make it on to the main debate stage and has focused largely on Iowa, spending so much time here that he had visited all 99 counties by September.

The Republican debates have proven particularly frustrating for the lower-polling candidates. This week, Fiorina and Paul were cut from the main stage at the Republican debate in South Carolina Thursday. Debate host Fox Business Network announced the debate lineup Monday evening.

Paul said last week before a birthday celebration in a Des Moines bar the race was still "wide open." He stressed his organization on college campuses and noted that he has volunteer captains in over 1,000 of Iowa's 1,681 precincts.

"A thousand precinct chairs shows that we are a first tier campaign that's in it, not to mess around, not to get second, not to get third, not to get sixth," Paul said, addressing the crowded room standing on top of a chair. "We're in it to win it."

Paul has said he will not participate in an undercard debate.

Fiorina hit an optimistic tone in New Hampshire recently, where she has campaigned heavily. Fiorina moved up in the polls after a strong undercard performance in the first Republican debate, which propelled her to the main stage in the subsequent debates. But she has been unable to maintain the momentum.

Still, while GOP voters in New Hampshire often mention Fiorina as an impressive candidate, few say she's their No. 1 choice. During an event before roughly 50 voters at a local Elks Lodge, Fiorina herself noted that an undecided voter told her that day he'd need to see her at least once more before making up his mind.

"I get it, I accept it that you take your responsibility seriously," she joked.

After the event, that voter, Ed DeClercq, still wasn't sold. He said: "I see them all and I take it all in and decide when I go to the booth."

## Today in History The Associated Press

### Today in History

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 12, the 12th day of 2016. There are 354 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlights in History:

On Jan. 12, 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson said in his State of the Union address that the U.S. military should stay in Vietnam until Communist aggression there was stopped. The TV series "Batman," inspired by the comic book and starring Adam West and Burt Ward as the Dynamic Duo, premiered on ABC, airing twice a week on consecutive nights.

### On this date:

In 1773, the first public museum in America was organized in Charleston, South Carolina.

In 1828, the United States and Mexico signed a Treaty of Limits defining the boundary between the two countries to be the same as the one established by an 1819 treaty between the U.S. and Spain.

In 1912, textile workers at the Everett Mill in Lawrence, Massachusetts, most of them immigrant women, walked off the job to protest wage cuts.

In 1915, the U.S. House of Representatives rejected, 204-174, a proposed constitutional amendment to give women nationwide the right to vote. The silent film drama "A Fool There Was," which propelled Theda Bara to stardom with her portrayal of a predatory vamp, premiered in New York.

In 1932, Hattie W. Caraway became the first woman elected to the U.S. Senate after initially being appointed to serve out the remainder of the term of her late husband, Thaddeus.

In 1945, during World War II, Soviet forces began a major, successful offensive against the Germans in

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Eastern Europe. Aircraft from U.S. Task Force 38 sank about 40 Japanese ships off Indochina.

In 1959, Berry Gordy Jr. founded Motown Records (originally Tamla Records) in Detroit.

In 1971, the groundbreaking situation comedy "All in the Family" premiered on CBS television.

In 1976, mystery writer Dame Agatha Christie died in Wallingford, England, at age 85.

In 1986, the shuttle Columbia blasted off with a crew that included the first Hispanic-American in space, Dr. Franklin R. Chang-Diaz.

In 1998, Linda Tripp provided Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's office with taped conversations between herself and former White House intern Monica Lewinsky.

In 2010, Haiti was struck by a magnitude-7 earthquake; the Haitian government has said 316,000 people were killed, while a report prepared for the U.S. Agency for International Development suggested the death toll may have been between 46,000 and 85,000.

Ten years ago: Mehmet Ali Agca (MEH'-met AH'-lee AH'-juh), the Turkish gunman who shot Pope John Paul II in 1981, was released from an Istanbul prison after serving more than 25 years in Italy and Turkey for the plot against the pontiff and the slaying of a Turkish journalist. A stampede broke out during the Islamic hajj pilgrimage in Saudi Arabia, killing 363 people. Supreme Court nominee Samuel Alito completed four days of testimony at his Senate confirmation hearing.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama visited Tucson, Arizona, the scene of a deadly shooting rampage, where he urged Americans to refrain from partisan bickering and to embrace the idealistic vision of democracy held by 9-year-old Christina Taylor Green, the youngest of the victims. Torrential summer rains tore through Rio de Janeiro state's mountains. Floodwaters poured into downtown Brisbane, Australia, swamping neighborhoods and reaching the tops of traffic lights in some parts of the city. Actor Paul Picerni, 88, died in Palmdale, California.

One year ago: France deployed thousands of troops to protect sensitive sites, including Jewish schools and neighborhoods, in the wake of terror attacks that killed 17. Ezekiel Elliott rushed for 246 yards and four touchdowns as Ohio State won the first national title in college football's playoff era, running over Oregon, 42-20.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Katherine MacGregor (TV: "Little House on the Prairie") is 91. Singer Glenn Yarbrough is 86. The Amazing Kreskin is 81. Country singer William Lee Golden (The Oak Ridge Boys) is 77. Actor Anthony Andrews is 68. Movie director Wayne Wang is 67. Actress Kirstie Alley is 65. Radio commentator Rush Limbaugh is 65. Legal affairs blogger Ann Althouse is 65. Writer Walter Mosley is 64. Country singer Ricky Van Shelton is 64. Radio-TV personality Howard Stern is 62. Writer-producer-director John Lasseter is 59. Broadcast journalist Christiane Amanpour is 58. Rock musician Charlie Gillingham (Counting Crows) is 56. Actor Oliver Platt is 56. Basketball Hall of Famer Dominique Wilkins is 56. Entrepreneur Jeff Bezos is 52. Rock singer Rob Zombie is 51. Actor Olivier Martinez is 50. Rapper TBird (B-Rock and the Bizz) is 49. Model Vendela is 49. Actress Farrah Focuse is 48. Actress Rachael Harris is 48. Rock singer Zack de la Rocha is 46. Rapper Raekwon (Wu Tang Clan) is 46. Singer Dan Haseltine (Jars of Clay) is 43. Rock musician Matt Wong (Reel Big Fish) is 43. Singer Melanie Chisholm (Spice Girls) is 42. Contemporary Christian singer Jeremy Camp is 38. Actress Cynthia Addai-Robinson is 36. Rhythm-and-blues singer Amerie is 36. Actress Naya Rivera is 29. Actor Will Rothhaar is 29. Actor Andrew Lawrence is 28. Rock singer Zayn Malik is 23. Pop/soul singer Ella Henderson (TV: "The X Factor") is 20.

Thought for Today: "Necessity does the work of courage." — Nicholas Murray Butler, American educator and Nobel laureate (1862-1947).