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## Silver Skates Postponed

**After skating on the ice, although the surface looks good, we found that it is not frozen solid. We want to keep the skaters safe, so we are moving to our established contingency plan of holding the carnival next Sunday, February 7th. We will hold one performance at 1:00. With cooler temps next week, we will be able to significantly improve the skating rink for the safety of the skaters. If you are unable to attend next week due to prior plans, please contact your instructor.**

### Wednesday, February 3

**School Breakfast:** French toast, links, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Meatballs, tiny potato, broccoli and dip, tea buns, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, broccoli, carrot bar.

**Anniv:** Craig and Patty Harms

**Birthdays:** Dale Wolter, Delbert Leonhardt, Dwight Zerr, Tina Guthmiller

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

12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center

### Thursday, February 4

Senior trip to Pierre

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

**School Lunch:** Cheese stick, tater tots, romaine salad, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Baked chicken, rice pilaf, cauliflower/pea salad, tapioca pudding, whole wheat bread.

**Birthdays:** Betty Sue Felkey, Craig Jondahl, James Lane, KayLynn Overacker, Nora Bunn

**Open:** Recycling Trailer in Groton  
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**Coming up this week at [gdilive.com](http://gdilive.com)**

**Friday, Feb. 5: Boys (JV & V) and Girls Basketball (V) host Hamlin**

**Saturday, Feb. 6: Boys (JV & V) and Girls Basketball (V) at Warner**

**Sunday, Feb. 7th: 1 p.m. Performance of the Carnival of Silver Skates**

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## Shabazz brothers combine for 32 points in Groton's win over Langford

The Shabazz boys teamed for 32 points as the Groton Tigers handed fourth rated Langford its second loss of the season Tuesday night in Groton, 51-36.

In the first quarter, the game was tied twice and there were two lead changes before Groton took a 14-9 lead at the break. The Tigers made 20 percent of its field goals in the first quarter and had two turnovers while Langford made 38 percent of its field goals and had six turnovers.



**Seric Shabazz scored 20 points for the Tigers.** (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

The Tigers continued to roll along in the second quarter, making 42 percent of its field goals and having three turnovers while Langford was making 38 percent of its field goals and four turnovers as Groton took a 28-17 lead at half time. Langford made three of eight field goal sin the third quarter for 38 percent and had four turnovers while Groton was four of 13 from the field for 30 percent and had two turnovers. Groton led at the end of the



**The music directors for Groton and Langford sang the National Anthem while the GHS Pep played the music. Cody Swanson is from Groton and Kelly Wieser is from Langford. It was an awesome treat for the large crowd on hand.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



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**Bennett Shabazz scored 12 points for the Tigers.** (Photo by

Julianna Kosel)



third quarter, 40-27. In the final quarter, Langford Area closed to within 11, 47-36, but the Tigers went on to win, 51-36. Groton made 40 percent of its field goals in the fourth quarter and had three tunovers while Langford made 17 percent of its fourth quarter shots and had no turnovers.

Seric Shabazz led the Tigers with 20 points which inlcuded four three-pointers and he was four of four from the line. Brother Bennett had 12 points as he made two three-pointers and was four of four from the line. Hunter Lerew added 10 points, Sean Schuring had seven points as he made one three-pointer and was two of two from the line. Aaron Severson added two points.

Mason Larson led the Lions with 14 points followed by Chance Olson with 10, Zac Fries had five, Ryan Punt three, Brady Wieker two and Josh Punt and James Erickson each had one free throw.

The Tigers were 17 of 47 from the field for 36 percent while Langford was 11 of 38 for 29 percent. The Tigers were 10 of 11 from the line for 91 percent off of Langford's 13 team fouls. Langford was 13 of 18 from the line for 72 percent off of Groton's 14 team fouls.

Groton had seven offensive rebounds with Hunter Lerew having three, and 20 defensive rebounds with Sean Schuring having seven. Langford had 11 offensive rebounds with Chance Olson and Jordan Carson each having two and 24 defensive rebounds with Ryan Punt having nine. The Tigers had eight assists with Bennett Shabazz haivng five. Langford had three assists. Bennett Shabazz had one block. Groton had 12 turnovers with 10 of them being steals (Jordan Carson with 3), and Langford had 19 turnovers with 11 of them being steals (Seric Shabazz 5, Bennett Shabazz 4).



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Groton goes to 9-5 on the season and will host Hamlin on Friday. Langford goes to 12-2 and will travel to Wilmot on Saturday.

Langford won the junior varsity game, 34-26. Scoring for Groton: Treyton Diegel 6, Brandon Keith 5, Marshall Lane 4, Tylan Glover 4, Austin Jones 4, Anthony Sippel 3. Scoring for Langford: James Erickson 11, Dylan Frey 8, Logan Block 5, Zac Fries 4, Cody Jensen 4, Gary Moore 2.



**The Groton Dance team performed at half time of the varsity game.** (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



**Adam Herman passes the ball to Hunter Lerew.** (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

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## Today in Weather History

February 3, 1997: A winter storm dropped from 6 to 15 inches of snow across central and northeast South Dakota as well as west central Minnesota deepening the already expansive snowpack. The wind came up from the north at 20 to 30 mph during the morning of the 4th causing blowing and drifting snow blocking some roads and making travel hazardous if not impossible. Several vehicles got stuck or went off the road. Due to the heavy snowfall, a roof collapsed in Aberdeen, damaging a car. Many schools started late or were canceled, adding to the number of days missed for the season. Some snowfall amounts included, 5 inches at Wheaton, 6 inches at Britton, Summit, Webster, Browns Valley, Artichoke Lake, and Ortonville, 7 inches at Aberdeen, 6 SE McIntosh, Pollock, Timber Lake, 8 inches at Leola, Ipswich, Eagle Butte and Gettysburg, 9 inches at Miller and Mellette, 10 inches at Mobridge, Watertown, Clear Lake, Pierre, Kennebec, and Onida, and 11 inches at Clark and Blunt. Snowfall amounts of a foot or more included, 12 inches at Highmore, Bryant, and Gann Valley, 13 inches at Faulkton, 14 inches 23 N Highmore and Murdo, and 15 inches at 1 SE Stephan. Up to this point in the winter season, record snowfall and record cold were the rule across the area.

1844: Boston Harbor was so thick with ice on this date that a channel had to be cut through the ice for the "Britannia" ship to leave with 30,000 letters for England.

1947: The record-low temperature for continental North America was recorded in Snag, in the Yukon Territory, Canada. The temperature was 81.4 degrees below zero. Click [HERE](#) for more information from the Weather Doctor.

1988: Arctic air continued to invade the central U.S. The temperature at Midland, Texas plunged from a record high of 80 degrees to 37 degrees in just three hours. Morning lows in the higher elevations of Wyoming were as cold as 38 degrees below zero. Heavy snow blanketed southwestern Colorado, with 16 inches reported at Steamboat Springs.

1989 - Severe cold gripped the north central U.S. The morning low of 29 degrees below zero at Casper WY was a record for the month of February. Wisdom MT hit 53 degrees below zero. Missoula MT reported a wind chill reading of 85 degrees below zero. (The National Weather Summary)



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Today

Tonight

Thursday

Thursday  
Night

Friday

Friday  
Night

Saturday



Mostly Cloudy



Mostly Cloudy



Partly Sunny



Mostly Cloudy



Chance Snow



Mostly Cloudy



Mostly Sunny

High: 26 °F

Low: 16 °F

High: 27 °F

Low: 13 °F

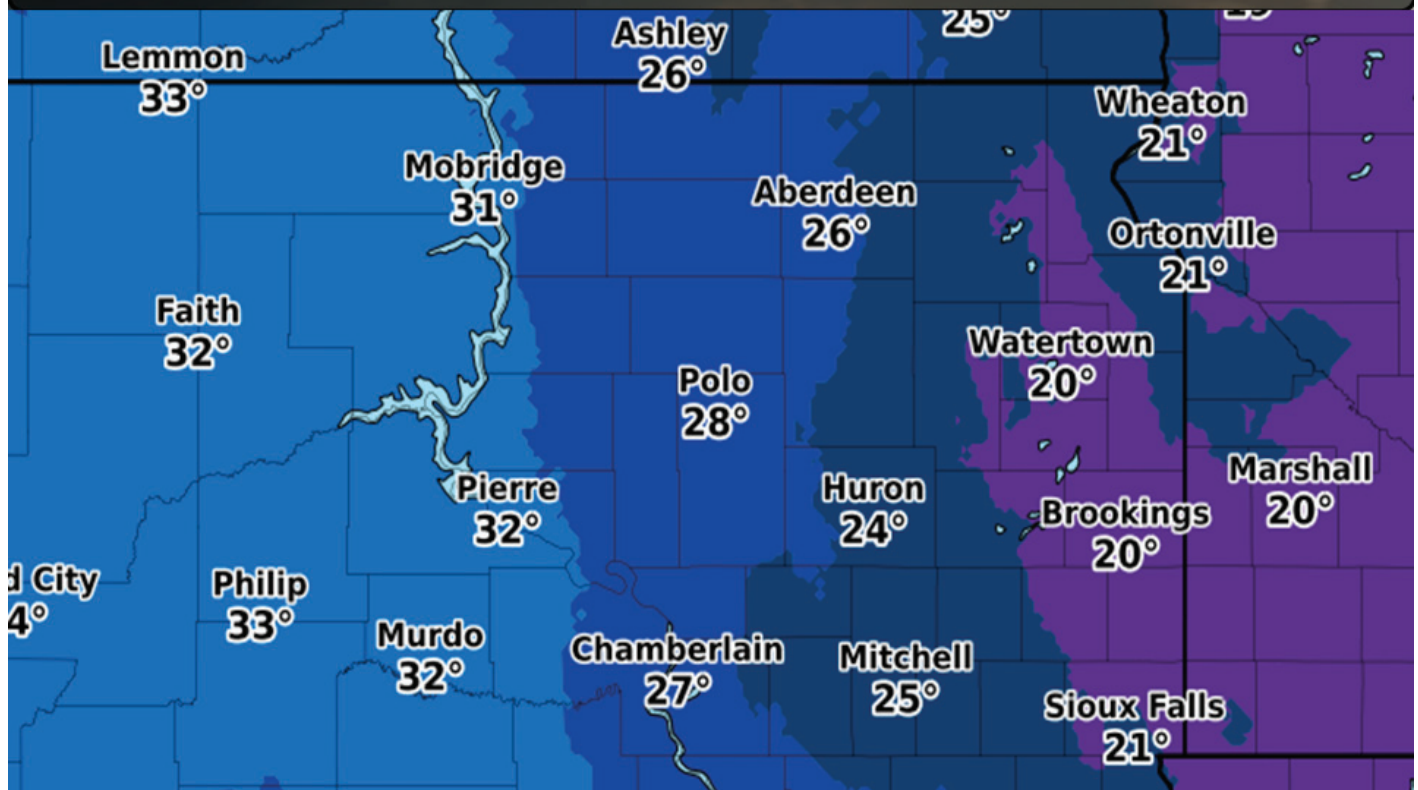
High: 32 °F

Low: 17 °F

High: 38 °F



## Near Normal Temps Today



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Updated: 2/3/2016 5:20 AM Central

Published on: 02/03/2016 at 5:22AM

Conditions will be tranquil across the area today as temperatures rise into the 20s and low 30s. Light snow will be possible late tonight across far northeast South Dakota into west central Minnesota.



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## Yesterday's Weather

**High:** 27.4 at 2:23 PM

**Low:** 19.5 at 9:46 AM

**High Gust:** 25 at 4:39 PM

Precip: 0.00

## Today's Info

**Record High:** 58° in 1991

**Record Low:** -37° in 1917

**Average High:** 25°F

**Average Low:** 3°F

**Average Precip in Feb.:** 0.04

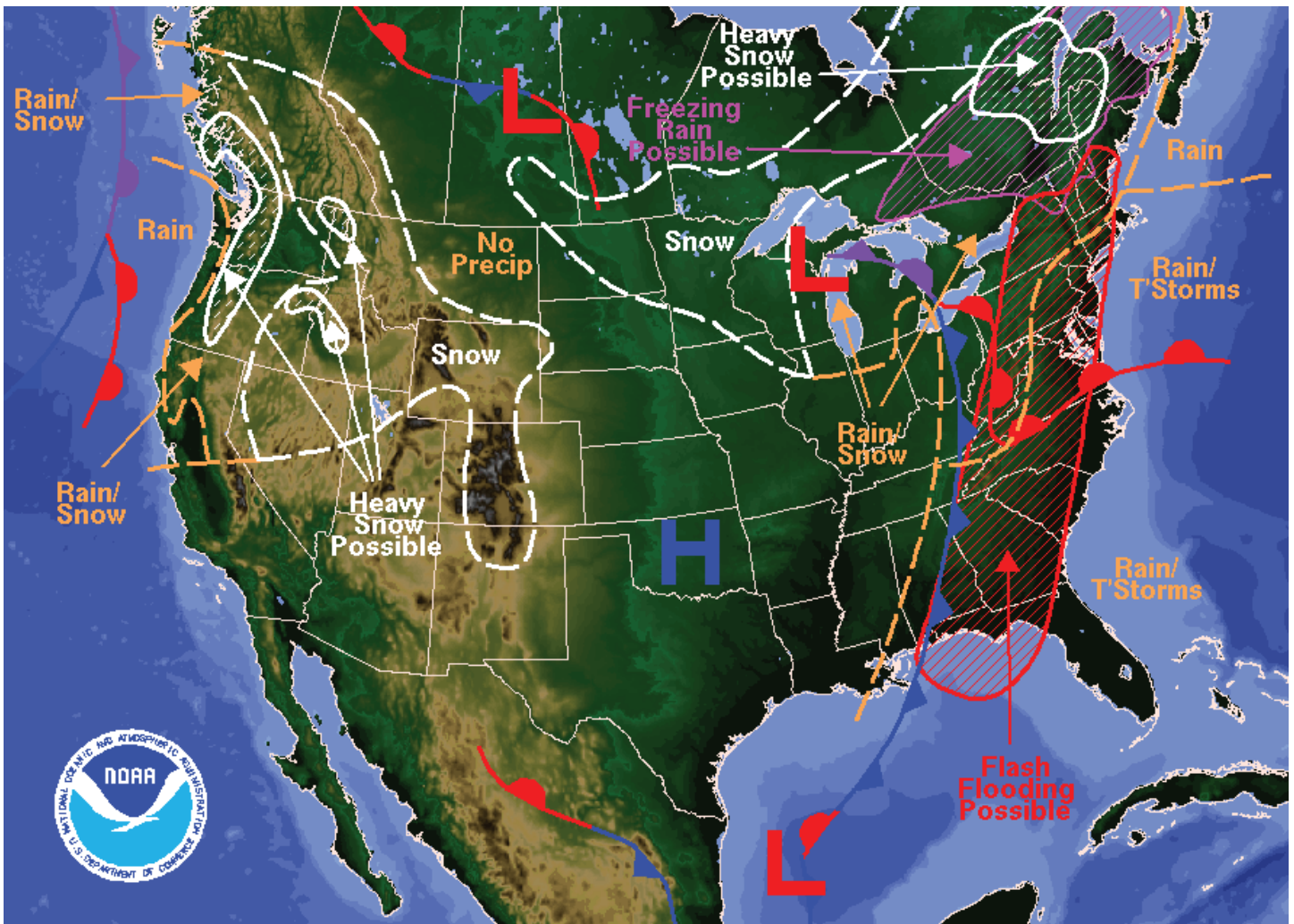
**Precip to date in Feb.:** 0.00

**Average Precip to date:** 0.51

**Precip Year to Date:** 0.00

**Sunset Tonight:** 5:42 p.m.

**Sunrise Tomorrow:** 7:12 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Wed, Feb 03, 2016, issued 3:57 AM EST  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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## SITTING OR STANDING?

Young Timothy was running through the house as fast as his little legs could carry him. As he was going around a corner he slipped, fell, and broke his mother's most expensive vase. Pointing at a chair, his mother raised her voice and said, "Sit!"

"I won't!" he said defiantly.

Taking him by the shoulders she backed him into a chair, forcing him to sit down. As she was about to begin a lecture, he said boldly, "I may be sitting on the outside, but I'm still standing on the inside!"

Many Christians have the same attitude toward God. With hearts that are hard and minds that are determined, they stand before His presence with an attitude of defiance. Often, when we do not get what we want from God, we seem to raise our fists and say, "If You won't give me what I want, I'll get it on my own. I don't need Your strength or power, I'll use my own."

When we turn from God and willingly allow sin to harden our hearts as a lump of clay hardened by the sun there is nothing He can do. When we refuse to be open to the Spirit of God and choose to go our own way and do our own thing He will not stop us. Be careful not to turn against the Lord.

**Prayer:** Father, may we realize that You do for us and give to us what it best for us. Give us open minds and willing hearts. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

**Scripture for Today:** Psalm 95:6-11 Today, if only you would hear his voice, "Do not harden your hearts as you did at Meribah,



### **Tornadoes in the South; snow in Plains and Upper Midwest**

**EMILY WAGSTER, Associated Press**

**JOSH FUNK, Associated Press**

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Heavy rain prompted an apartment evacuation in northwest Georgia one day after storms spawned tornadoes in Mississippi and Alabama and dumped snow on places farther west.

The National Weather Service, citing a report from an emergency manager in Catoosa County, Georgia, said the apartments being evacuated before dawn Wednesday were near the town of Fort Oglethorpe, just south of Chattanooga, Tennessee, and about 110 miles northwest of Atlanta. No serious injuries were reported in the flooding.

On Tuesday, tornadoes touched down in Mississippi and Alabama as thunderstorms swept through the region, while a powerful snowstorm buried parts of Colorado and Nebraska in more than a foot of snow before crawling into the Upper Midwest.

Greg Flynn, spokesman for the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency, said a confirmed tornado was reported just before 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in eastern Newton and Lauderdale counties, largely rural areas in the eastern part of the state. Lauderdale County Sheriff Billy Sollie said the storm damaged homes, toppled trees and knocked out power.

In Alabama, the National Weather Service in Birmingham reported a “confirmed large and destructive tornado” on the ground near the city of Aliceville, about 45 miles west of Tuscaloosa. Minor injuries were reported.

Later, in west Tennessee, high winds damaged several homes and school buildings in Crockett County. Public schools there were to close Wednesday as officials surveyed the damage. Law enforcement officials believed a tornado had passed through, but Weather Service meteorologists in Memphis said late Wednesday they couldn’t confirm a touchdown, The Jackson Sun reported.

The combination of snow in one part of the country and severe thunderstorms in another isn’t unusual when a powerful system moves across the country, said Greg Carbin with the National Weather Service’s Storm Prediction Center.

“February can feature some exciting dynamics in the atmosphere,” Carbin said. “This system we’ve had our eye on since it was in the Pacific.”

The weather system that blew in from California steadily dumped snow on the Denver area Monday and continued overnight. Heavy snowfall and powerful winds on Tuesday knocked out power, prompt schools and businesses to close, and triggered flight cancellations across a swath of states from Colorado to northern Michigan.

### **Snow moves out of southeastern South Dakota; problems remain**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Heavy snow has moved out of southeastern South Dakota, but it will still be a while before things return to normal.

The storm dropped heavy snow in the region on Tuesday. Reports include 17 inches in Vermillion, and 4-6 inches in Sioux Falls. Many roads are still snow-covered or drifted shut.

Interstate 29 remains closed from Exit 73 at Tea south to the Iowa border, and no travel is advised on some other highways in the region.

Many schools, businesses and organizations are closed or opening late.

### **Game, Fish and Parks: 2015 hunting, fishing licenses expired**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks Department says that the state’s outdoor enthusiasts should remember that their hunting and fishing licenses for 2015 have now become expired.

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The agency said Tuesday that 2016 hunting and fishing licenses can either be purchased on the Internet or from authorized license dealers.

The department says the purpose of Game, Fish and Parks is to conserve, manage and protect South Dakota's wildlife resources, parks and outdoor recreational opportunities.

The agency says those resources are for the use and enjoyment of the people of the state and for visitors to South Dakota.

## 20 mountain lions killed so far in Black Hills season

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Wildlife officials in South Dakota report that 20 mountain lions have been killed so far during the hunting season in the Black Hills Fire Protection District.

A report from the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks shows 13 of the 20 lions killed were females. The biggest lion killed so far this season was a 7-year-old, 156-pound male harvested in Custer County.

The season began the day after Christmas and will conclude March 31, unless the harvest limit of 60 total mountain lions or 40 female lions is reached prior to that date. The mountain lion season outside of the Black Hills district runs year-round.

The state has had a residents-only mountain lion season since 2005.

## Thaden, Wolles reappointed to State Conservation Commission

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota Gov. Dennis Daugaard has reappointed Gerald Thaden and Thomas Wolles to the State Conservation Commission.

Thaden, who is from Marvin, will serve as the Farmer Area 1 representative. Wolles, who is from Colton, will serve as the Farmer Area 2 representative.

South Dakota Agriculture Secretary Lucas Lentsch says the two men bring a wealth of experiences to the commission, and their knowledge of conservation practices has been invaluable during their past tenures.

Thaden and Wolles serve with seven others on the commission, which has administrative oversight of South Dakota's 69 conservation districts. Commissioners oversee the development and implementation of the state coordinated plan and set natural resources policy.

## Tuesday's Scores The Associated Press

### BOYS' BASKETBALL

Aberdeen Central 53, Watertown 43  
Bennett County 53, Kadoka Area 31  
Cheyenne-Eagle Butte 83, Mobridge-Pollock 46  
Groton Area 51, Langford 36  
Highmore-Harold 73, Sunshine Bible Academy 33  
Hitchcock-Tulare 66, James Valley Christian 60  
Milbank Area 58, Castlewood 54  
Potter County 50, Redfield/Doland 37  
Spearfish 79, Lead-Deadwood 38  
St. Thomas More 68, Belle Fourche 64  
Sully Buttes 70, Jones County 27  
Warner 72, Faulkton 33  
Webster 51, Waubay/Summit 28  
Wilmot 53, Great Plains Lutheran 47  
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Beresford vs. Vermillion, ppd. to Feb 4.  
Brookings vs. Sioux Falls Lincoln, ppd. to Feb 19.  
Centerville vs. Alcester-Hudson, ppd.  
Chamberlain vs. Platte-Geddes, ppd.  
Dell Rapids vs. Canton, ppd.  
Deuel vs. Sisseton, ppd.  
Elkton-Lake Benton vs. Flandreau Indian, ppd.  
Flandreau vs. Colman-Egan, ppd. to Feb 9.  
Florence/Henry vs. DeSmet, ppd.  
Garretson vs. Baltic, ppd.  
Lyman vs. Gregory, ppd.  
Marty Indian vs. Freeman Academy, ppd.  
Mitchell vs. Huron, ppd. to Feb 8.  
Mt. Vernon/Plankinton vs. Mitchell Christian, ccd.  
Parker vs. Chester, ppd.  
Sioux Falls O'Gorman vs. Sioux City, North, Iowa, ppd.  
Sioux Falls Roosevelt vs. Yankton, ppd. to Feb 4.  
Viborg-Hurley vs. Canistota, ppd.  
Waverly-South Shore vs. Estelline, ppd.  
West Central vs. Tri-Valley, ppd. to Feb 4.

## **GIRLS' BASKETBALL**

Aberdeen Central 64, Watertown 38  
Aberdeen Roncalli 55, Miller 33  
Faith 51, McIntosh 40  
Highmore-Harold 41, Sunshine Bible Academy 37  
James Valley Christian 54, Hitchcock-Tulare 52  
Lead-Deadwood 43, Spearfish 37  
Leola/Frederick 40, Ipswich 29  
Newcastle, Wyo. 59, Custer 35  
Rapid City Stevens 87, Douglas 35  
Sisseton 50, Tiospa Zina Tribal 37  
St. Thomas More 63, Belle Fourche 28  
Sully Buttes 68, Jones County 33  
Warner 63, Faulkton 40

## **POSTPONEMENTS AND CANCELLATIONS**

Avon vs. Menno, ppd.  
Beresford vs. Vermillion, ppd. to Feb 22.  
Brandon Valley vs. Sioux Falls Washington, ppd.  
Burke/South Central vs. Corsica/Stickney, ppd.  
Centerville vs. Alcester-Hudson, ppd.  
Chamberlain vs. Platte-Geddes, ppd.  
Dell Rapids vs. Canton, ppd.  
Elkton-Lake Benton vs. Flandreau Indian, ppd.  
Flandreau vs. Colman-Egan, ppd. to Feb 19.  
Madison vs. Milbank Area, ppd. to Feb 15.  
Marty Indian vs. Freeman Academy, ppd.  
Mitchell vs. Huron, ppd. to Feb 22.  
Mt. Vernon/Plankinton vs. Mitchell Christian, ccd.  
Parker vs. Chester, ppd.  
Parkston vs. McCook Central/Montrose, ppd.

Scotland vs. Freeman, ppd.  
Sioux Falls Lincoln vs. Brookings, ppd. to Feb 5.  
Sioux Falls Roosevelt vs. Yankton, ppd. to Feb 4.  
Tripp-Delmont/Armour vs. Ethan, ppd.  
Waverly-South Shore vs. Estelline, ppd.  
West Central vs. Tri-Valley, ppd. to Feb 4.

## Short-term lender gives \$1.7M for SD interest rate amendment

**JAMES NORD, Associated Press**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A Georgia company that provides short-term loans has contributed about \$1.7 million to a South Dakota group pursuing a ballot measure that opponents say is an industry-backed attempt to insert a loophole allowing unlimited interest rates into the state constitution.

The company, Select Management Resources LLC, was the sole financier in 2015 of South Dakotans for Fair Lending, a political committee pushing for the amendment to cap interest rates in South Dakota at 18 percent annually but allow higher ones if the borrower agrees to them.

Campaign finance documents released this week show the financial connection between the amendment campaign and the short-term lending industry. The amendment group spent more than \$1.5 million circulating petitions to get the measure on the November 2016 ballot.

Select Management Resources, based in Alpharetta, has auto title lending locations in South Dakota under the name North American Title Loans. The company also is in a legal fight over whether Attorney General Marty Jackley should rewrite his explanation of a ballot measure that would cap interest rates at 36 percent annually, without the exception.

Payday loan opponents argue the industry-supported amendment would actually cement the possibility of sky-high interest rates in the South Dakota constitution. The measure says no law capping interest is valid unless the borrower can agree to a different rate.

Steve Hildebrand, a South Dakota resident leading the push for the 36 percent proposal, has criticized Select Management Resources. The 18 percent amendment was put forward after the 36 percent measure.

"Their tactics are going to be dirty and gruesome and the people of South Dakota should pay close attention to what they're doing," said Hildebrand, whose South Dakotans for Responsible Lending group raised about \$24,000 in cash contributions during the reporting period.

Hildebrand has said Rod Aycox, who runs Select Management Resources, made a surprise visit to his Sioux Falls coffeehouse in June to try to persuade him not to pursue the 36 percent measure. Hildebrand also said Aycox paid people to try to sabotage his restaurant.

Aycox didn't immediately return a telephone message from The Associated Press on Tuesday requesting comment.

Select Management Resources also donated \$455,000 in 2015 to a political organization called Give Us Credit South Dakota that is focused on the 36 percent cap measure, according to state campaign finance documents. Give Us Credit South Dakota Chairman Bradley Thuringer didn't immediately return a message Tuesday from The AP.

The state Supreme Court could hear arguments this month on Select Management Resources' legal fight. A company employee has argued that Jackley's description doesn't tell voters that short-term lenders would be forced out of business in the state if the ballot measure passes.

Lisa Furlong, chairwoman of South Dakotans for Fair Lending, has largely avoided speaking publicly about the amendment campaign. In a statement released in January, she called the measure "far more stringent" than Hildebrand's 36-percent cap. Furlong also did not immediately respond to The Associated Press on Tuesday.

## Residents invited to design crest for USS South Dakota sub

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — State officials are inviting artists of all ages to design a crest for the new U.S.S. South Dakota.

Lt. Gov. Matt Michels says that when the SSN-790 submarine sets sail, it should carry a crest designed by someone who calls South Dakota home. It will be the first Navy vessel in 69 years to bear the state's name.

Entries will be accepted in four categories — elementary school, middle school, high school and open class — and prizes will be awarded to the top three designs in each class.

The nuclear sub will carry a crew of 14 officers and 117 enlisted service personnel.

Commanding Officer Ron Withrow says a crest provides the crew with an identity and serves as a symbol of mission and culture.

## Troubled Indian Health Service office gets interim director

**REGINA GARCIA CANO, Associated Press**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A new interim director has been assigned to the regional office responsible for federally administered hospitals that care for Native Americans in the Dakotas, Nebraska and Iowa weeks after inspectors found serious deficiencies at two health centers in the area.

Robert McSwain, the principal deputy director of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, announced the change in leadership Monday for the Indian Health Service's Great Plains Area office, which provides health care services to about 122,000 Native Americans. In addition, a four-member team will focus on medical and quality assurance at the hospital on the Rosebud Indian Reservation in South Dakota, where inspectors found deficiencies in November so severe that its emergency department closed.

Rear Adm. Kevin Meeks will begin serving as the acting director on Monday, replacing Ron Cornelius, who had been in charge of the Aberdeen office since at least January 2012.

"(Meeks) consistently achieves outstanding results in carrying out the responsibility for the provision of comprehensive health care services to one of the largest and most diverse IHS service populations," McSwain said in Monday's letter to the tribes, which was first reported by the Argus Leader.

Meeks will inherit a troubled region as detailed in records recently obtained by The Associated Press.

Inspectors with the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, commonly referred to as CMS, determined that failures at the Rosebud emergency room constituted an "immediate jeopardy" situation, a term used when a hospital's actions — or lack thereof — have caused or are likely to cause serious injury, harm, impairment or death to a patient.

Those deficiencies included records for a patient with a history of untreated tuberculosis showing no infection control measures put in place while the person was treated; no documentation given about the tuberculosis when the patient was transferred to a different facility; and a patient having a heart attack was not treated until 90 minutes after she arrived.

An inspection at the hospital on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota in October uncovered that staff members "would copy and paste information from old charts in current patient records" resulting in multiple errors in medical records. Also, a machine used to clean and sanitize dishware had been broken for three years.

Earlier in 2015, CMS inspectors also determined that deficiencies at a hospital in Winnebago, Nebraska, put patients in an "immediate jeopardy," including a man who died of kidney failure.

The substandard care offered by some of the facilities that Meeks will oversee will be discussed Wednesday at a U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs hearing. U.S. Sens. John Thune and Mike Rounds of South Dakota, Heidi Heitkamp of North Dakota and Al Franken of Minnesota requested the hearing.

"We are at a critical stage with Indian Health Service, particularly in the Great Plains Area," Rounds said in a statement. "In many cases, IHS facilities are the only hospitals for miles. Adequate healthcare is a treaty responsibility of the federal government. Clearly, IHS is not meeting that obligation."



## **Legislative committee approves bill to allow industrial hemp**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A legislative committee has approved a bill that would open the door to the cultivation of industrial hemp in South Dakota.

The House Agriculture and Natural Resources committee voted 11-2 to approve the plan Tuesday. It heads to the full House of Representatives for consideration.

Republican Rep. Mike Verchio is the bill's main House sponsor. He says hemp could "transform the rural economics" of South Dakota if used to its full potential.

The South Dakota bill restricts the content of THC for industrial hemp. It would allow people to apply to the state Department of Agriculture for a license to grow the plant.

Republican Rep. Scott Craig opposed the bill. Craig says he's concerned that allowing industrial hemp cultivation is part of the pro-drug lobby's efforts to eventually legalize marijuana.

## **Most of South Dakota winter wheat crop remains in good shape**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The majority of South Dakota's winter wheat crop remains in good condition as the winter wears on.

The Agriculture Department says in its latest crop report that 67 percent of the crop is in good to excellent condition, compared with 71 percent last month. Only 1 percent is rated poor or very poor.

Cattle and calf conditions in the state are rated 84 percent good to excellent, and sheep and lamb conditions are 81 percent in those categories.

Hay supplies in South Dakota are rated 98 percent adequate to surplus, and stock water supplies are 80 percent in those categories.

## **Gunman wounds 2 Israeli officers, 3 gunmen killed by police**

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli police say three young Palestinians carrying automatic weapons, explosive devices and knives were shot and killed by security forces near Jerusalem's Old City after one opened fire and wounded two officers.

Police spokeswoman Luba Samri says the attack took place Wednesday after Israeli paramilitary border police officers noticed three people who aroused their suspicion near the Damascus Gate of the Old City.

She says officers stopped them, and as they began checking ID cards, one of the suspects drew his gun and opened fire, wounding two female officers, one of them critically. The officers opened fire and killed the three Palestinians.

The last four months have seen near-daily Palestinian attacks on Israeli officers and civilians.

## **Pilot of plane hit by explosion describes unfolding scene**

**ABDI GULED, Associated Press**

**DUSAN STOJANOVIC, Associated Press**

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — The pilot of a passenger plane that was damaged in an explosion and fire over Somalia described on Wednesday how the crew jumped into action to fly the plane back to Mogadishu airport and keep the passengers calm even as smoke enveloped the passenger cabin and wind rushed through a hole blown through the fuselage.

In a telephone interview with The Associated Press, Serbian captain Vlatko Vodopivec said he and others were told the explosion was caused by a bomb, though civil aviation authority officials said Wednesday they had found no evidence so far of a criminal act in Tuesday's blast aboard the Airbus 321 jetliner.

"It happened at about 11,000 feet," Vodopivec said. "It was my first bomb; I hope it will be the last."

The 64-year-old has flown for several European and African companies in a long piloting career.

"When we heard a loud bang, the co-pilot went back to the cabin to inspect the damage and I took over the commands as the procedure demands," he said, adding that the engines and hydraulics functioned normally so he had no problem flying the aircraft back to Mogadishu.

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"Smoke came into the cockpit, but it was mostly concentrated in the back of the aircraft," he said in a telephone interview from a U.N. military base in Mogadishu before he was to fly to Athens, Greece. "The stewardesses did a great job calming down the passengers and following the emergency procedure."

He said the crew included an Italian co-pilot and two Greek, two Kenyan and one Bosnian flight attendant.

"We were told one person was sucked out of the plane, but that is still not confirmed," he added.

Cellphone video taken aboard the plane pans from passengers, some wearing oxygen masks, in seats toward the back of the airliner in flight, and then swivels to the empty front area with a hole in the side of the cabin. There is a loud sound of rushing air. The video was taken by Awale Kullane, Somalia's deputy ambassador to the United Nations, and obtained by The Associated Press.

The passengers bunched in the back appear calm. A child wearing an oxygen mask attached to the overhead compartment sits quietly, a blanket covering the legs. Near the hole, oxygen masks dangle and sway from overhead compartments.

Investigators moved the plane from the runway to a private hangar. Foreign technical experts were involved in the inquiry, said Ali Mohamoud, an aviation official at the Mogadishu airport.

Two passengers on board the flight that was headed to Djibouti in the Horn of Africa said they heard a loud bang that left a hole in the passenger cabin.

Awale Kullane, Somalia's deputy ambassador to the U.N. who was on board the flight, said on Facebook that he "heard a loud noise and couldn't see anything but smoke for a few seconds." When visibility returned they realized "quite a chunk" of the plane was missing, he wrote.

An official investigation is underway and a preliminary report will be issued later this week, officials said.

Daallo Airlines said in a brief statement posted on its Facebook page that the Airbus A321 plane was operated by Hermes Airlines. It said the plane "experienced an incident shortly after take-off."

"The Aircraft landed safely and all of our passengers were evacuated safely. A thorough investigation is being conducted by Somalia Civil Aviation Authority," the Daallo statement said.

Hermes Airlines is based in Athens. Its main business is providing planes on a "wet lease" basis, meaning it leases insured planes staffed and serviced by its crew to other carriers.

Hermes' fleet includes four A321s, one Airbus A320 and one Boeing 737, according to its website

Mohamed Hassan, a police officer in Balad, an agricultural town 30 kilometers (about 18 miles) north of Mogadishu, said residents had found the dead body of a man who might have fallen from a plane.

Somalia faces an insurgency perpetrated by the Somali Islamic extremist group al-Shabab, which is responsible for many deadly attacks across the nation.

## UK court grants death certificate for notorious earl

**GREGORY KATZ, Associated Press**

LONDON (AP) — The only son of a British earl who has been missing since the family's nanny was killed in his home more than 40 years ago has been granted a death certificate for his father.

The certificate was granted Wednesday by Britain's High Court at the request of George Bingham. It means he can inherit his late father's title and become the Eighth Earl of Lucan.

"I am very happy with the judgment of the court in this matter," Bingham said. "It has been a very long time coming."

The disappearance of Lord Richard Lucan, the Seventh Earl of Lucan, has continued to fascinate Britons and cause endless media speculation.

He vanished after nanny Sandra Rivett was found dead at the family's London home on Nov. 7, 1974. Lucan's wife, Veronica, was hit in the head repeatedly when she ran downstairs to investigate, but she survived. Lucan's bloodstained car was later found abandoned near England's south coast.

In 1975, an inquest jury declared him Rivett's killer. Detectives believe the aristocrat — a habitual gambler nicknamed "Lucky Lucan" — intended to murder his wife, but killed the nanny by mistake.

Many believe he drowned himself in the English Channel soon after the killing, but no body was ever found.

Over the years there have been scores of reported sightings around the world. Stories of the purported

discovery of Lord Lucan have been a tabloid newspaper staple in Britain for decades, and his name has become a byword in Britain for a person or object that can't be found.

Rivett's son, Neil Berriman, who had called for Lucan be prosecuted for murdering his mother, said he was satisfied with the court ruling.

"I think he's dead," Berriman said of Lucan. "It is fantastic and I am very pleased for" Bingham.

## Snyder calls for \$30M in state help for Flint water bills

**DAVID EGGERT, Associated Press**

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder will propose \$30 million in state funding to help pay the water bills of Flint residents facing an emergency over the city's lead-contaminated water supply.

Snyder will brief Flint officials and pastors about the plan Wednesday and outline it to lawmakers next week as part of his 2016-2017 budget proposal, according to a statement the governor's office provided to The Associated Press.

The aid would cover the estimated portion of residential customers' utility bills for water that has been or will be used for drinking, cooking, bathing and washing hands. Customers would still be responsible for paying for water used to flush toilets, water lawns, wash clothes and other purposes.

"Flint residents will not have to pay for water they cannot drink," the Republican governor said in a statement to the AP late Tuesday. "My budget recommendation will include the request that the state make payments to the city's water system for residential bills going back to April 2014 and alleviate the need for residential water shutoffs."

Snyder has apologized for regulatory mistakes that caused Flint's water to become tainted with lead from old pipes after the city switched its supply source in 2014. His office estimates the \$30 million Consumption and Consumer Use Credit — available because of a one-time \$575 million budget surplus — would cover a two-year period from April 2014 until this spring, when officials hope the water supply is declared safe to consume again without filters.

An estimated 21,000 residential customers have continued paying their bills despite various water problems, while 9,000 have not, according to the Snyder administration.

The 21,000 customers, including those who have since moved away, would get a credit for 65 percent of the water portion of their combined water/sewer bill — the part of the bill Snyder's office estimates is used for water that could be ingested or come into contact with skin. The 9,000 residential customers in arrears would be put on a payment plan to catch up on sewer charges and 35 percent of their water fees, potentially over a period of years.

Businesses and other commercial customers would get a 20 percent credit for the water portion of their bill.

Sewer fees account for a little more than half of a typical Flint resident's bill. So a household that pays \$150 a month could get a \$46 monthly credit, or about \$1,100 for 24 months of having water that has had a host of problems, not just lead-related. Residents complained about the smell, taste and appearance of the water. They also raised health concerns, reporting rashes, hair loss and other problems.

Marc Edwards, a Virginia Tech professor who helped expose the lead problem in September, said: "It's hard to find moral justification in having (residents) pay for water that is not suitable for consumption nor, until recently, for bathing. This essentially refunds all the money associated with consumption or consumer use. I think it's an amazing gesture of common sense and goodwill, and it corrects an injustice."

Snyder, who met with Flint pastors last week, had promised to present them a plan on unpaid bills within a week. He met with Republican leaders in the GOP-controlled Legislature on Tuesday to discuss the proposal, which will require lawmakers' approval.

Angela Wittrock, spokeswoman for Senate Democratic Leader Jim Ananich of Flint, said Snyder's plan "doesn't even come close to refunding Flint residents for undrinkable, unusable water they paid for starting in April 2014 — let alone what they then paid for water they could use. And in many homes, the water is still not safe to drink."

Earlier Tuesday, Ananich criticized Snyder for an inadequate, slow response to the crisis, raising concerns



about lead testing, water bills and a delay in helping children absorb less lead with nutritional programs.

Over the weekend, a civil lawsuit — at least the sixth filed so far — was initiated in federal court seeking compensatory and punitive damages and class-action status for approximately 30,000 customers who paid for or were billed for Flint water.

Snyder and legislators last week enacted \$28 million in emergency Flint funding for the current fiscal year, including \$3 million to help the Flint Utilities Department with unpaid bills. Snyder is expected to include other Flint-related funding in his 2016-2017 spending plan.

## **APNewsbreak: Missing reporter tells wife he's back in China**

**DIDI TANG, Associated Press**

BEIJING (AP) — A Chinese journalist who disappeared while seeking asylum abroad turned up Wednesday, telling his wife by phone he voluntarily returned to China for an investigation, in the latest case of Beijing's increasingly strong reach beyond the mainland for wanted people.

He Fangmei said she spoke with her journalist husband, Li Xin, when she was summoned to a police station to receive his call. She said he told her his return was voluntary, but that she believes he was forcibly brought back and spoke against his own will.

Several people believed to be wanted by Chinese authorities have disappeared over the past year while overseas or in Hong Kong, and some critics allege that Chinese agents are abducting them without proper authorization to bring them to the mainland for interrogation.

"Beijing used to take into account foreign governments and respect other countries' laws, but in tandem with its rising strength in economy and expanding political influence, Beijing is becoming more overt in its operations and feels it can lord over some neighboring countries," veteran dissident Hu Jia said.

Li fled China in October and told the AP in an interview from India that he left because he had been forced to spy on fellow journalists, and that he wanted to stop. He later sought shelter in Thailand before disappearing Jan. 11.

"He won't tell me where he is in China, but asks me to stay rested and live my life. He asks me not to contact any outsider for it does no good to him or me," the wife said in voice and text message exchange with AP from the Henan province town of Xinxiang. "But I know that's the pattern, and Li completely spoke contrary to his own will."

Local police reached by phone said they had no knowledge of the case.

The case shows the "growing length of the Chinese government's long arm beyond its borders" in cracking down on dissenters both at home and abroad, said Maya Wang, a Hong Kong-based researcher for Human Rights Watch.

Last October, a publisher of the Hong Kong gossip publishing house Mighty Current vanished from his apartment in Pattaya, a Thai beach resort. Gui Minhai resurfaced in January on China's state broadcaster CCTV, where he said he returned to China to turn himself in for an old crime.

Four other members of the publishing house also disappeared one by one. The last one was Lee Bo, who was believed to have been picked up while in Hong Kong, although he has sent notes to his wife that claimed he returned to the mainland voluntarily.

Pro-democracy Hong Kong lawmakers and human rights activists allege they were abducted by Chinese agents, and that any such detentions in Hong Kong violates the territory's autonomy under the "one country, two systems" model.

Beijing also has managed to have the Thai government repatriate dissidents and Uighur refugees.

When a 16-year-old son of a detained rights lawyer tried to flee the country after his passport was confiscated, Chinese agents were able to track his escape route and nabbed him in Myanmar. Bao Zhuoxuan has since been brought back to China and placed under house arrest, while his mother faces the charge of state subversion and his father the charge of inciting state subversion.

State media outlets then told a story of how Beijing rescued a misled teenager from being illegally smuggled out of the country.

In the latest case, Li was riding a train from Bangkok to Nong Khai in northeastern Thailand, where he

planned to cross over into Laos and then re-enter Thailand for visa reasons, his wife said. Li was seeking refugee status in Thailand.

His wife said she had been banned from leaving China and was recently sent back from the border city of Shenzhen to their hometown in the central province of Henan. There, she was told she would soon hear from Li.

On Wednesday, she was summoned to a police station and the call from her husband came through on a police landline. The incoming number was not shown, she said.

Disappearances are a cunning tactic to subdue the activists, said Hu, the dissident.

"First of all, when someone just disappears, it's impossible for lawyers and family members to intervene," Hu said.

It also places "huge psychological pressure" on relatives unsure of the status of their loved one, as well as opening the detained person to possible torture and mistreatment that could alter their personality and outlook, Hu said.

## Malaysian politician ousted after criticizing prime minister

**EILEEN NG, Associated Press**

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — The son of former Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad resigned as the top leader of a federal state Wednesday, saying he was ousted because he had criticized Prime Minister Najib Razak over a \$700 million financial scandal.

Mukhriz Mahathir said he had lost majority support in the Kedah state assembly following a party bid to remove him as chief minister. Mahathir has been leading calls for Najib to step down, and Mukhriz's ouster was seen as a continuing purge of critics in Najib's government.

The prime minister's office in a statement said Mukhriz lost majority support because of a lack of confidence in his leadership and concerns that better preparations were needed for the party to retain the state in general elections due in 2018.

Mukhriz however, warned that the ruling Malay party was now at "its weakest point," tainted by scandal-ridden state investment fund 1MDB and more than \$700 million that was channeled into Najib's personal bank accounts.

The attorney general last week cleared Najib of any criminal wrongdoing, saying most of the money in his accounts was a private donation from the Saudi royal family and that Najib had returned most of it.

Authorities in Switzerland, Singapore and other countries are still investigating 1MDB for possible graft, and two former Malaysian officials also have challenged the attorney general's decisions.

"Scandal after scandal, we can't take it all. It's too much for us. This is traumatizing all of us," Mukhriz said.

1MDB is mired in 42 billion ringgit (\$10.1 billion) in debt and has been selling its assets to clear its books. Najib, who formed 1MDB in 2009, became embroiled in the scandal after documents were leaked last year suggesting that money deposited into his accounts may have come from entities linked to 1MDB.

## Judge could rule on Cosby bid to toss sex-assault charges

**MARYCLAIRE DALE, Associated Press**

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (AP) — A suburban Philadelphia judge hopes to decide whether to dismiss a sexual assault case against actor Bill Cosby over an unwritten promise of immunity a former prosecutor says he gave Cosby's now-deceased lawyer a decade ago.

Judge Steven T. O'Neill puzzled over the testimony of former Montgomery County District Attorney Bruce Castor on Tuesday and peppered him with questions as Castor wrapped up hours of testimony for the defense. The proceedings resume Wednesday morning.

Cosby, 78, was arrested and charged in December with drugging and violating former Temple University

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athletic department employee Andrea Constand at his suburban Philadelphia mansion in 2004. He could get up to 10 years in prison if convicted.

Castor said he found serious flaws in the case in 2005 and declined to bring charges. He said he steered the matter to civil court so Constand could become "a millionaire." But he also maligned her credibility throughout the day and questioned whether she and her mother set out to extort Cosby.

"If there was an agreement, why didn't you make that agreement in writing?" the judge asked Castor.

"It was unnecessary because I concluded there was no way the case would get any better," he said.

Castor said if Cosby's then-attorney, Walter Phillips, and other defense attorneys "wanted more than that to protect themselves, it was up to them to provide it."

He said that he made the decision not to bring charges as a representative of the state — as "the sovereign," as he put it, over and over — and that it would last in perpetuity.

"For all time, yes," Castor said when pressed.

He said he had his top assistant, Risa Vetri Ferman, who later succeeded him and is now a county judge, tell Phillips that Cosby would not be charged. However, Castor said the two lawyers did not have "an agreement" that Cosby would testify in exchange for not being prosecuted.

Phillips died last year.

Castor suggested that Cosby and Phillips had the same understanding, because Cosby later agreed to testify without invoking his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination in a lawsuit brought against him by Constand.

"Cosby would've had to have been nuts to say those things if there was any chance he could've been prosecuted," Castor said, referring to the damaging testimony from a deposition unsealed last summer.

The former DA said he "wanted there to be some measure of justice" for Constand. "I thought making Mr. Cosby pay money was the best I was going to be able to set the stage for."

He added: "I was hopeful that I had made Ms. Constand a millionaire."

Kevin Steele, the newly elected district attorney who is pursuing the case, has said Cosby would need an immunity agreement in writing to get the case thrown out. He said he has no evidence one exists.

In a barrage of allegations that have destroyed Cosby's image as America's Dad, dozens of women have accused the former TV star of drugging and sexually assaulting them since the 1960s. But this is the only case in which he has been charged.

The unsealing of the testimony from Constand's lawsuit prompted Castor's successors to reopen the case and ultimately charge Cosby.

Cosby admitted in the deposition that he had affairs with young models and actresses, that he obtained quaaludes to give to women he wanted to have sex with and that he gave Constand three pills at his home. He said he reached into her pants but insisted it was consensual.

Castor defended his decision not to bring charges, testifying that he saw Constand's year-long delay in reporting the allegations, inconsistencies in her statements and her contact with a lawyer before going to police as problematic.

Castor said Constand's delay was of "enormous significance" in his consideration of the case. He said it thwarted his ability to test her hair or fingernails for evidence she was drugged.

Still, Castor said, he investigated the case thoroughly because he wanted to show authorities in Constand's native Canada that celebrities don't get preferential treatment in America.

## Higher temperatures make Zika mosquito spread disease more

SETH BORENSTEIN, AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The mosquito behind the Zika virus seems to operate like a heat-driven missile of disease. The hotter it gets, the better the mosquito that carries Zika virus is at transmitting its buffet of dangerous illnesses, scientists say.

Although it is too early to say for this outbreak, past outbreaks of similar diseases involved more than just biology. In the past, weather has played a key role, as have economics, human travel, air conditioning and mosquito control. Even El Nino sneaks into the game. Scientists say you can't just blame one thing



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for an outbreak and caution it is too early to link this one to climate change or any single weather event.

As the temperature rises, nearly everything about the biology of the *Aedes aegypti* mosquito — the one that carries Zika, dengue fever and other diseases — speeds up when it comes to spreading disease, said entomologist Bill Reisen of the University of California Davis.

“With higher temperatures you have more mosquitoes feeding more frequently and having a greater chance of acquiring infection. And then the virus replicates faster because it’s hotter, therefore the mosquitoes can transmit earlier in their life,” Reisen said. The thermodynamics of mosquitoes are “driven by temperature.”

The hotspots for this Zika outbreak also have been temperature and drought hotspots recently. Recife, Brazil, the largest city in the Zika-struck region, saw its hottest September-October-November on record, about 1.2 degrees Celsius (2.2 degrees Fahrenheit) above normal, according to NASA data. The state of Pernambuco had its hottest and driest year since 1998, according to the state weather agency. And globally, last year was the hottest on record.

Scientists have studied Zika far less than other mosquito-borne diseases, so for guidance they often look at dengue fever or chikungunya, which are transmitted by the same species of mosquito. Dengue infects as many as 400 million people a year, with a quarter of them sick enough to be hospitalized.

Zika was just declared a global public health emergency after being linked to brain deformities in babies in South America. Several thousand cases of microcephaly have been reported in Brazil since October, although researchers have so far not proven a definitive link to the virus. No vaccine exists for Zika.

In general, mosquitoes don’t live long, maybe 10 to 12 days on average, said Tom Scott, a University of California Davis professor of both entomology and epidemiology. That’s also about how long it takes a virus to grow in the mosquito gut, making the bug infectious and able to spread the disease. Often the insect will die before it can get a chance to spread the disease.

Warmer air incubates the virus faster in the cold-blooded mosquito. So the insect has more time to be infectious and alive to spread the disease, Scott said.

Warmer temperatures also make the mosquito hungrier, so it takes more “blood meals” and can spread the disease to more people, Scott, Reisen and others said. And warmer temperatures generally increase the mosquito population.

Kristie Ebi, a professor of global health at the University of Washington, calls it “a temperature-driven eruption.”

That’s not the only role of weather.

El Nino, a natural warming of parts of the central Pacific Ocean that changes weather worldwide, usually puts northeastern Brazil into a drought, as it did last year. *Aedes aegypti* does well in less-developed regions in droughts, because it lives in areas where poorer people store water in outdoor containers, said Jonathan Patz, director of the global health institute at the University of Wisconsin.

“As with all mosquito-borne viruses, climate is one of many factors that influence Zika transmission,” said Andy Monaghan, a scientist who works on public health impacts of climate change at the National Center for Atmospheric Research. “I think it is too early to say anything about the role of climate change in the ongoing Zika outbreak.”

However, Monaghan earlier this year presented a paper to the American Meteorological Society’s annual convention that predicts that eventually *Aedes aegypti* “will move northward in the U.S. due to future warming, which would expose people to the mosquito on a regular seasonal basis in states like Missouri, Tennessee, Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia and D.C.”

## South Korea warns North Korea not to launch satellite

**HYUNG-JIN KIM, Associated Press**

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — South Korea warned on Wednesday of “searing” consequences if North Korea doesn’t abandon plans to launch a long-range rocket that critics call a banned test of ballistic missile technology.

The South’s rhetoric about unspecified harsh consequences comes less than a month after North Korea’s

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defiant fourth nuclear test and as diplomats at the U.N. work on strong new sanctions against the North.

North Korea on Tuesday informed international organizations of its plans to launch an Earth observation satellite on a rocket between Feb. 8 and 25, and if North Korea's past patterns are any clue, angry warnings by its neighbors and Washington probably won't dissuade a coming launch.

The launch declaration, which is meant to warn civilians, shipping and aircraft in the area about the rocket and falling debris, follows North Korea's disputed claim on Jan. 6 to have tested a hydrogen bomb, the country's fourth nuclear test. A launch would be seen as a snub by North Korea of its only major ally, China, whose representative for Korean affairs landed in the North for talks on Tuesday.

South Korean and U.S. officials said the launch would threaten regional security and violate U.N. Security Council resolutions that ban the country from engaging in any ballistic activities.

"We warn that if North Korea proceeds with a long-range missile launch, the international society will ensure that the North pays searing consequences for it as the launch would constitute a grave threat to the Korean Peninsula, the region and the world," senior South Korean presidential official Cho Tae-yong said in televised remarks.

In Washington, Daniel Russel, the top diplomat for East Asia, said the U.S. was tracking reports of the North's planned launch. He said a launch that uses ballistic missile technology would be another violation of a U.N. ban and strengthens the argument for the international community to impose "real consequences" on North Korea for destabilizing behavior. He called for the imposition of tough additional sanctions.

Russel said a launch "would be an unmistakable slap in face to those who argue that you just need to show patience and dialogue with the North Koreans but not sanctions," in an apparent reference to China.

China urged all sides to show restraint Wednesday over North Korea's announcement of its launch plans, and expressed skepticism over the U.S. calls for tough new sanctions.

"We hope all sides show restraint and take prudent action to avoid any moves that may increase the tensions on the (Korean) Peninsula," Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Lu Kang told reporters at a regularly scheduled news briefing.

North Korea has spent decades trying to develop operational nuclear weapons along with missiles capable of striking the mainland United States.

North Korea's last long-range rocket launch, in December 2012, was seen as having successfully put the country's first satellite into orbit after a string of failures. The North also told international agencies before that launch of its plans. Each new rocket launch improves North Korea's missile technology, which is crucial for its goal of developing a nuclear-armed missile capable of hitting the U.S. mainland.

U.N. deputy spokesman Farhan Haq said North Korea informed the International Civil Aviation Organization and the International Telecommunication Union of its launch plans.

"Right now, we're carefully monitoring developments and are in close touch with the interested parties and the international organizations," Haq said at U.N. headquarters in New York.

The International Telecommunication Union said North Korea informed its Geneva office of its intention to launch a Kwangmyongsong (Bright Star) -type Earth observation satellite with a four-year operational life. But the ITU's U.N. representative, Gary Fowlie, said not enough technical information had been supplied to register the planned launch in its Master International Frequency Register.

A South Korean official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because of office rules, said Seoul estimated that the first stage of the rocket would fall off the west coast of South Korea, more debris would land near the South's Jeju Island, and the second stage would land off the Philippines' east coast.

North Korea, an autocracy run by the same family since 1948, is estimated to have a handful of crude nuclear devices and an impressive array of short- and medium-range missiles, but it closely guards details about its nuclear and missile programs. This means there is considerable debate about whether it can produce nuclear bombs small enough to place on a missile, or missiles that can reliably deliver their bombs to faraway targets.

The North's recent nuclear test has led to another push in the U.N. to tighten sanctions, something that followed North Korea's 2012 rocket launch and its 2013 third nuclear test. The North followed that test with an escalating campaign of bombast that included threats to fire nuclear missiles at the United States and South Korea.

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North Korea has said that plutonium and highly enriched uranium facilities at its main Nyongbyon nuclear complex are in operation. But just what is happening at Nyongbyon is unclear. North Korea booted out international inspectors in 2009, and independent assessments by outside experts since then have been spotty.

## 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. IOWA SHOWS POLLING IS SLIPPERY BUSINESS

Pollsters had a tough time pinning down the state's electorate, taking it on the chin when Donald Trump's lead in pre-election polls ended with a Ted Cruz victory at Monday's caucuses.

### 2. ELECTION MYSTERY MONEY RETURNS

Obscure donations are back, with more than \$4 million flowing to groups supporting Republican and Democratic presidential candidates, The AP learns.

### 3. SOMALI OFFICIALS START INVESTIGATING BLAST ON BOARD PLANE

They say no evidence has been found so far of a criminal act in an explosion in an airliner which took off from Mogadishu's airport and returned for an emergency landing.

### 4. TEXAS RESIDENT INFECTED WITH ZIKA THROUGH SEX

It's the first instance of the virus being transmitted within the U.S. amid the current outbreak in the Americas.

### 5. SYRIA AID CONFERENCE TO SEEK RECORD \$9B FOR 2016

The expectations are based on the reframing of the assistance debate, following the migration of hundreds of thousands of desperate Syrians to Europe, but there is often a shortfall in funding.

### 6. WHO IS FACING MORE SERIOUS CHARGE IN TEEN'S SLAYING

Authorities say Virginia Tech student Natalie Keepers helped dispose of seventh-grader Nicole Lovell's body, adding a charge of an accessory.

### 7. JUDGE COULD RULE ON COSBY BID TO TOSS SEX-ASSAULT CHARGES

Judge Steven T. O'Neill hopes to decide whether to dismiss the case against the actor over an unwritten promise of immunity a former prosecutor says he gave the comedian's now-deceased lawyer.

### 8. BIG FREIGHT RAILROADS TO MISS SAFETY TECHNOLOGY DEADLINE

A Federal Railroad Administration list provided to The AP shows Canadian National Railway, CSX Transportation and Norfolk Southern won't be ready until 2020.

### 9. WHY CENTRAL FIGURE IN 'SERIAL' PODCAST TO ARGUE FOR NEW TRIAL

Adnan Syed's motion centers on two issues: an alibi witness who was never called to testify, and cell tower data that defense attorneys argue is inaccurate.

### 10. WHAT CAN DEFINE SUPER BOWL LEGACIES

They are cemented or destroyed thanks to a sometimes fluky confluence of luck, hubris or the random bounce of a ball.

## Global stocks weighed down by another oil price dive

YURI KAGEYAMA, AP Business Writer

TOKYO (AP) — Global shares stumbled Wednesday after another steep drop in the price of oil reinforced worries about the potential impact on the world economy of job cuts and reduced investment in the energy industry.

KEEPING SCORE: France's CAC 40 inched down 0.2 percent to 4,276.23 and Germany's DAX was down 0.7 percent at 9,513.72 in early trading. Britain's FTSE 100 slipped 0.4 percent to 5,899.64. But U.S. shares were set to recover some of the previous day's losses. Dow futures were up 0.3 percent at 16,146. S&P 500 futures rose 0.4 percent to 1,904.50.

ECONOMY WORRIES: Investors are worried about spillover effects from the slump in oil prices as major



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energy companies cut jobs and investment. Falling oil prices are also an added challenge for economies that are battling deflation at a time when both China and the U.S. are showing signs of faltering growth momentum. However, some analysts think there will be eventually be an economic boost from lower energy costs as the disposable income of consumers could be increased by several trillion dollars.

THE QUOTE: "Falling oil prices have been one of the key drivers of negative sentiment in stocks. Two days of sharply weaker oil prices have refocused share markets on the potential problems flowing from the bear market in oil," said Ric Spooner, chief analyst at CMC Markets in Sydney. "Significant cuts in capital expenditure in the energy market are taking their toll on economies," he said in a commentary. "Markets are also concerned about the potential impact on credit markets that might flow from bankruptcies in the oil sector if oil prices keep falling."

ASIA'S DAY: Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 lost 3.2 percent to finish at 17,191.25. South Korea's Kospi slipped 0.8 percent to 1,890.67. Hong Kong's Hang Seng was down 2.3 percent at 18,991.59 and China's Shanghai Composite fell 0.4 percent to 2,739.25. Australia's S&P/ASX 200 dropped 2.3 percent to 4,876.80. Markets also fell in Taiwan, Southeast Asia, India and New Zealand.

ENERGY: Benchmark U.S. oil was up 29 cents at \$30.17 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange after being lower during much of the Asian trading day. The futures contract slid \$1.74, or 5.5 percent, to close at \$29.88 a barrel in New York on Tuesday; it fell nearly 6 percent the day before. Brent crude, a benchmark for international oils, rose 26 cents to \$32.98 a barrel in London. It lost \$1.52, or 4.4 percent, to \$32.72 on Tuesday.

CURRENCIES: The dollar fell to 119.93 yen from 120.81 yen the day before. The euro edged down to \$1.0919 from \$1.0925.

## Obama to make first visit of his presidency to a US mosque

**KEVIN FREKING, Associated Press**

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's first visit to a U.S. mosque comes as Muslim-Americans say they're confronting increasing levels of bias in speech and deeds.

Obama is scheduled to visit the Islamic Society of Baltimore on Wednesday. Its campus contains a mosque and school that runs from kindergarten through 12th grade.

Last week, Obama became the first sitting president to speak at the Israeli Embassy. In remarks at the embassy, he warned of growing anti-Semitism in the world.

Obama's message in Baltimore will follow a similar tack. The White House said he will focus on the need to speak out against bigotry and reject indifference. It's the kind of effort that Muslim-Americans said they've been waiting for from America's political and religious leaders.

"For some time, we've been asking for pushback. Perhaps this will start a trend," said Ibrahim Hooper, a spokesman for the Council on American-Islamic Relations.

CAIR has tracked a growing number of attacks on mosques and on individuals in the months following the Paris terrorist attack and the shooting rampage in San Bernardino, California. A severed pig's head was delivered to a mosque's doorstep in Philadelphia. Someone attempted to set fire to a mosque in Southern California.

Hooper said harassment and bullying is also on the rise. He cited Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump's call for a ban on Muslims entering the country as an example of how bias toward Muslims has become part of the American mainstream.

"I don't think there's ever been this level of fear and apprehension in the Muslim-American community," Hooper said.

Meanwhile, some Republicans have criticized Obama for not linking attacks like the one in Paris to "radical Islamic terrorism." Republican presidential candidates Ted Cruz and Trump have voiced that concern.

Obama has said he refuses to describe the Islamic State and other such groups that way because the term grants them a religious legitimacy they don't deserve.

In June 2009, just five months into his presidency, Obama toured the Sultan Hassan mosque during a

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visit to Cairo. In a speech at Cairo University, he declared that the U.S. would never be at war with Islam. "America and Islam are not exclusive," he said, and share "common principles of justice and progress, tolerance and the dignity of all human beings."

Attendees at the Baltimore mosque are predominantly of Turkish heritage, although immigrants of other nationalities also participate, said Akbar Ahmed, an Islamic studies specialist at American University who has researched mosques around the U.S.

Obama "left it literally to the last" to visit a U.S. mosque, Ahmed noted, "but better late than never."

Ahmed said the visit will be reassuring to U.S. Muslims amid the heightened rhetoric of the 2016 presidential campaign. "The president going there means he hasn't forgotten us," Ahmed said.

Obama will also be sending a signal to the world that the U.S. has not abandoned its commitment to religious pluralism, Ahmed said.

## Rubio could see campaign fortunes rise from Iowa finish

**JULIE BYKOWICZ, Associated Press**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Marco Rubio's strong third-place finish in Iowa could sound like a starting gun to the Republican Party's top donors.

For months, many of these benefactors have been sitting on the sidelines or spreading their money around to multiple presidential candidates as they waited to see whether one of four experienced politicians could rise up enough to take on political newcomer Donald Trump and conservative insurgent Ted Cruz.

Rubio, a 44-year-old Florida senator, came within striking distance of Trump's second place in Iowa, a surprising result given the celebrity businessman's dominance in polls. Rubio moves on to New Hampshire, which weighs in Tuesday, having picked up the same number of Iowa delegates as Trump, and just one fewer than Cruz.

"A lot of people who held back have now seen how real my candidate is," said Phil Rosen, a New York-based fundraiser for Rubio. Rosen said he'd received — unprompted — about 20 emails in the early hours Tuesday from people asking how they can give money to Rubio's campaign. "To me, it's a big, big sign that people are getting in touch without me having to make my solicitation," Rosen said.

As Rubio experiences an upswing, Jeb Bush is falling out of favor with key donors. That could eventually swing more money toward Bush's onetime protege.

"It's too late for Jeb Bush, and I think that's kind of sad," said Stanley Hubbard, a billionaire Minnesota broadcast executive. He'd previously expressed interest in giving a lot of money to outside groups helping the former Florida governor, Rubio or another GOP contender who rises up to take on Trump and Cruz.

Yet Hubbard said he has his eye on New Hampshire, where it's possible New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie or Ohio Gov. John Kasich could have a solid showing. "Let's see what happens next."

One of Bush's biggest boosters, Mike Fernandez, said he was "saddened" that his candidate finished under 3 percent in Iowa. Fernandez gave more than \$3 million last year to an outside group backing Bush and separately paid for anti-Trump advertisements.

"I hope somehow he makes a miraculous comeback," the billionaire Miami health-care executive said of Bush. "There's obviously a disconnect between his campaign and what the people want."

Asked if he would consider backing a candidate other than Bush, he said, "I'm going to stay by his side until the very end."

Any donor momentum Rubio gains out of Iowa would build on efforts that seemed to be beginning late last year, fundraising reports filed Sunday night show.

He was the standout fundraiser among Bush, Christie and Kasich, the foursome that are vying for many of the same voters and donors. In the final three months of the year, Rubio raised roughly double what Bush had, even though he inherited a network of support from his father and brother, both former presidents.

Rubio dramatically outraised Christie and Kasich and began January with more cash on hand than any of those three, although the \$10.4 million fell short of the \$18.7 million Cruz had on hand.

Cruz eagerly noted that financial advantage as evidence he's the GOP candidate to beat.

"It's, frankly, unprecedented," Cruz told reporters Tuesday night on a flight from New Hampshire to South

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Carolina. "The conservative is supposed to be broke, and instead we've got the resources to compete nationally combined with a grassroots army from the ground."

Looking specifically at clusters of donors that make up the Republican Party "establishment" — power centers on Wall Street in New York and K Street in Washington — Rubio is increasingly dominant.

Two hedge fund billionaires, Paul Singer in New York and Ken Griffin in Chicago, gave a Rubio-boosting super PAC \$2.5 million each late last year. Chris Cline, a coal executive, gave \$1 million to the Bush super PAC Right to Rise through one of his limited liability companies. Four months later he wrote a personal check for \$500,000 to Rubio's super PAC, Conservative Solutions.

Cline called both Bush and Rubio "excellent candidates" — but added, "Rubio is obviously a strong candidate."

"I am interested in the Republicans having the best possible candidate to face the Democrats in November," he said in an emailed statement.

Rubio's campaign reported more than \$1 million that was raised by registered Washington lobbyists in the second half of 2015 — more than double what that group of people raised for Bush in the same time period.

Christie and Kasich raised barely anything via Washington lobbyists, the reports showed.

## 'What If' moments that defined Super Bowl legacies

**WILL GRAVES, AP Sports Writer**

Imagine a world where the name Scott Norwood evokes awe in Buffalo, not "aww, dude."

A world where David Tyree is just another former NFL player with a two-sentence Wikipedia entry, not the guy who seemingly magnetized a ball to his helmet and helped spoil New England's shot at perfection.

A world where Marshawn Lynch gets to go full "Beast Mode" after getting the ball 3 feet away from giving the Seattle Seahawks back-to-back Super Bowl titles instead of serving as the world's most overqualified decoy on one of the more infamous calls in NFL history.

For five decades, Super Bowl legacies have been cemented or destroyed thanks to a sometimes fluky confluence of luck (good or bad), hubris (looking at you, Seahawks offensive coordinator Darrell Bevell) and the random bounce of a ball that will do and go wherever it well pleases, thank you very much.

A peek into what might have been (Bevell, a pass, really? Really?!?!?) if certain epic moments on the last Sunday of the NFL season had gone the other way.

**THE GAME:** 1991 Super Bowl

**THE WHAT IF:** Norwood's kick tucks just inside the upright to give the Bills and their Hall of Fame-laden roster the franchise's first Super Bowl title, the start of the greatest dynasty in league history.

**THE BIZARRO WORLD:** The Bills run off four straight Super Bowl wins and Norwood retires with a fistful of rings and later runs for Mayor of Buffalo, where he continues to run unopposed. Giants head coach Bill Parcells decides to stick around rather than take a two-season sabbatical, keeping the Giants competitive in the NFC East (instead of bottoming out under Parcells' replacement Ray Handley), which keeps the Dallas Cowboys from running roughshod over the NFC East for the rest of the 1990s.

**THE GAME:** 2000 Super Bowl

**THE WHAT IF:** Tennessee wide receiver Kevin Dyson wriggles free from St. Louis linebacker Mike Jones ("Mike Jones!") and Jones' Pop Warner perfect tackle at the goal line on the final play from scrimmage.

**THE BIZARRO WORLD:** Contrary to popular belief (warning, rant upcoming), Dyson's score would have merely tied the game, assuming Tennessee converted an extra point, not won it for the Titans. Tennessee wins the overtime toss and Al Del Greco makes a 52-yarder that just sneaks over the crossbar. Kurt Warner and the Greatest Show on Turf never see the field in the extra period.

That leads to the NFL's competition committee — in a dash of sanity the rest of the world is still waiting on — coming up with a new overtime format that ensures each team gets the ball at least once no matter



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what. Dick Vermeil decides not to retire and Mike Martz never becomes Rams coach. The Rams remain competitive into the late-2000s — winning it all in 2001 — and voters happily pass a measure for a new downtown stadium to keep one of the league's most profitable teams.

THE GAME: 2008 Super Bowl

THE WHAT IF : Tyree, he of the 54 career receptions, lets Eli Manning's desperation pass slip through his fingers after New England safety Rodney Harrison hits Tyree (legally, for once) so hard some enterprising young Patriots fan in Silicon Valley invents the GIF ahead of schedule.

THE BIZARRO WORLD: The Patriots hold on to complete a 19-0 season, forcing lazy sports writers to come up with a new angle instead of calling Mercury Morris and other members of the '72 Miami Dolphins every time some team gets off to a hot start. Ralph Lauren begins a Bill Belichick line of signature hoodies — Tagline: "Who cares what you look like when you're perfect?"

The Patriots start a new tradition of popping a Sam Adams every year when the last unbeaten team is forced to put a crooked number in the loss column. Michael Strahan stays active for another year, killing his talk show career and forcing Kelly Ripa to eventually co-host with Josh Groban, cutting short his singing career and giving husbands all over the world one less lame anniversary gift idea.

THE GAME: 2015 Super Bowl

THE WHAT IF: The defending champion Seahawks give it to their running back with the ball at the 1 rather than trying to turn Russell Wilson and Ricardo Lockette into Joe Montana to John Taylor 2.0.

THE BIZARRO WORLD: Lynch runs over Malcom Butler to get into the end zone and Tom Brady drops to a mortal-like 3-3 in Super Bowls. Lynch is voted MVP and arrives at Disney World two days later, where he tells wide-eyed kids he's just there so he won't get fined. NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell fines Brady \$20 for "Deflategate," figuring Brady and his team blowing it yet again was punishment enough. Brady responds by suing the league and makes Uggs fashionable courtroom attire.

## Clinton wins Iowa, campaigns turn to New Hampshire

**KATHLEEN HENNESSEY, Associated Press**

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NASHUA, N.H. (AP) — Hillary Clinton tried to turn a skin-of-her-teeth victory in Iowa into a bit of momentum for her battered Democratic campaign, and Ted Cruz sought to lock in his spot at the top of the Republican field as the presidential candidates packed up Tuesday and sped to New Hampshire.

The contenders descended on the Granite State — along with scores of volunteers and staff — and quickly scattered for a blitz of campaign rallies and television interviews. Some sought to capitalize on the results of the Iowa caucuses, while others looked to put the best face on poor showings as they settled in for the Feb. 9 New Hampshire primary and beyond.

Clinton celebrated her narrow win in the leadoff caucuses and said she expected a tough fight in New Hampshire, noting she'll be campaigning in the "backyard" of Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders, where he has been running strong for weeks.

Sanders celebrated his stronger-than-expected showing in Iowa, landing at dawn in Bow and addressing a hardy group of supporters who met him. "We're in this for the long haul," he told reporters as his plane flew through the night to the season's second showdown.

Indeed, the once-unthinkably-small margin between the former first lady, senator and secretary of state over the self-declared democratic socialist suggested the Democratic contest is headed toward a protracted fight between the party's pragmatic and progressive wings.

Clinton defeated Sanders by less than three-tenths of 1 percent, the closest in Iowa Democratic caucus history, the state party said. Sanders said his campaign was still reviewing the results and did not concede.

On the Republican side, Cruz's win in Iowa provided a twist worthy of the topsy-turvy race. The Texas senator proved to be beloved by evangelicals, even if maligned by many others in his party, and adept

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at mounting a powerful grass-roots operation. Donald Trump's second-place finish was a humbling blow to the boastful mogul who had dominated the polls for weeks. Coming in a close third, Marco Rubio was catapulted to the top of heap of establishment candidates vying to be the party's preferred alternative to Trump or Cruz.

For Republicans, the pivot to New Hampshire meant the still-crowded cast of candidates has turned toward a less religious and mostly undecided electorate.

New Hampshire has historically favored more moderate candidates than Iowa, and more than 40 percent of the state's voters are not registered in any political party, giving them the power to choose which party's primary to vote in. Polls show well over half of GOP voters have yet to make up their minds.

That may be good news for Cruz, who is hoping to avoid the conservatives' Iowa curse. Unlike past candidates who found love in Iowa but fizzled fast, Cruz argued Tuesday that his campaign has staying power, resources and broad appeal.

"This is the power of the conservative grass roots, and there is a silent majority in this country," Cruz told CNN. "This is center-right country. This is a country built on Judeo-Christian values. And the heart of my campaign is based on common-sense principles."

As his campaign kept one eye on New Hampshire, the other was on South Carolina, where his fiery conservatism is expected to resonate better than in New England. Cruz held an evening rally in Greenville, S.C., before returning to New Hampshire.

Rubio on Tuesday told supporters in Exeter, "Perhaps no state in the country demands more of candidates than New Hampshire does." Still, he too was looking ahead. His campaign announced the endorsement of South Carolina Sen. Tim Scott, the only African-American Republican in the Senate.

And then there is Trump, who may be the candidate most in need of a comeback after Iowa. Despite stealing the spotlight and driving the debate for months, he appears to have been out-organized by Cruz in Iowa.

Trump lashed out at the media Tuesday for framing his second-place finish in Iowa as a loss. "The press didn't treat me right," he told a crowd in Milford, New Hampshire. "Instead of saying, 'Unbelievable job!' they said, 'Well, yeah, he did all right.'"

Trump picked up the endorsement of former Massachusetts Sen. Scott Brown, whose backing marks Trump's first endorsement by a current or former senator. It provides additional evidence that some in the Republican establishment are beginning to warm to a potential candidacy.

Rubio's advisers cast the GOP race as a three-man contest — an attempt to box out the other contenders vying for mainstream Republicans.

That won't be easy. Ohio Gov. John Kasich, former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie on Tuesday stormed into New Hampshire with packed campaign schedules. All three are hoping the state will breathe life into their flagging campaigns.

Democrats spent much of the day wrestling over the Iowa results. Sanders' campaign declared victory even in defeat, saying the results were a "giant step" toward proving he was a viable candidate.

Clinton, meanwhile, played up her win — no matter how narrow — while setting expectations for a difficult road ahead.

Rallying supporters in Nashua, she urged voters to get practical and ask themselves when they hear candidates' promises: "Does this just sound good on paper or does this get done? And who is mostly likely going to be able to deliver?"

## Today in History The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 3, the 34th day of 2016. There are 332 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 3, 1959, rock-and-roll stars Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson died in a small plane crash near Clear Lake, Iowa.

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## On this date:

In 1783, Spain formally recognized American independence.

In 1865, President Abraham Lincoln and Confederate Vice President Alexander H. Stephens held a ship-board peace conference off the Virginia coast; the talks deadlocked over the issue of Southern autonomy.

In 1913, the 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, providing for a federal income tax, was ratified.

In 1924, the 28th president of the United States, Woodrow Wilson, died in Washington, D.C., at age 67.

In 1930, the chief justice of the United States, William Howard Taft, resigned for health reasons. (He died just over a month later.)

In 1943, during World War II, the U.S. transport ship *Dorchester*, which was carrying troops to Greenland, sank after being hit by a German torpedo; of the more than 900 men aboard, only some 230 survived.

In 1959, An American Airlines Lockheed Electra crashed into New York's East River, killing 65 of the 73 people on board.

In 1966, the Soviet probe *Luna 9* became the first manmade object to make a soft landing on the moon.

In 1971, New York City police officer Frank Serpico, who had charged there was widespread corruption in the NYPD, was shot and seriously wounded during a drug bust in Brooklyn.

In 1991, the rate for a first-class postage stamp rose to 29 cents.

In 1994, the space shuttle *Discovery* lifted off, carrying Sergei Krikalev, the first Russian cosmonaut to fly aboard a U.S. spacecraft.

In 1998, Texas executed Karla Faye Tucker, 38, for the pickax killings of two people in 1983; she was the first woman executed in the United States since 1984. A U.S. Marine plane sliced through the cable of a ski gondola in Italy, sending the car plunging hundreds of feet, killing all 20 people inside.

In 2005, Alberto Gonzales won Senate confirmation as attorney general.

**Ten years ago:** An Egyptian passenger ferry sank in the Red Sea during bad weather, killing more than 1,000 passengers. Twenty-three al-Qaida prisoners escaped from a Yemeni prison, including one convicted of the 2000 attack on the destroyer *USS Cole*. Actor Al Lewis ("The Munsters") died in New York (he was probably 82, although he'd claimed to have been born in 1910, which would have made him 95).

**Five years ago:** Tens of thousands of protesters staged unprecedented demonstrations against Yemen's autocratic president, Ali Abdullah Saleh (AH'-lee ahb-DUH'-luh sah-LEH'), a key U.S. ally in battling Islamic militants, as unrest inspired by uprisings in Egypt and Tunisia spread further in the Arab world.

**One year ago:** An evening rush-hour commuter train with 750 people aboard slammed into a SUV at a crossing in Valhalla, New York, killing the vehicle's driver and six people on the train. A video released on militant websites purportedly showed a Jordanian pilot who was captured by the Islamic State group being burned to death.

**Today's Birthdays:** Comedian Shelley Berman is 91. Former Sen. Paul Sarbanes, D-Md., is 83. Football Hall-of-Famer Fran Tarkenton is 76. Actress Bridget Hanley is 75. Actress Blythe Danner is 73. Singer Dennis Edwards is 73. Football Hall-of-Famer Bob Griese is 71. Singer-guitarist Dave Davies (The Kinks) is 69. Singer Melanie is 69. Actress Morgan Fairchild is 66. Actress Pamela Franklin is 66. Actor Nathan Lane is 60. Rock musician Lee Ranaldo (Sonic Youth) is 60. Actor Thomas Calabro is 57. Actor-director Keith Gordon is 55. Actress Michele Greene is 54. Country singer Matraca (muh-TRAY'-suh) Berg is 52. Actress Maura Tierney is 51. Actor Warwick Davis is 46. Actress Elisa Donovan is 45. Reggaeton singer Daddy Yankee is 40. Musician Grant Barry is 39. Human rights activist Amal Alamuddin Clooney is 38. Singer-songwriter Jessica Harp is 34. Actor Matthew Moy is 32. Actress Rebel Wilson is 30. Rapper Sean Kingston is 26.

**Thought for Today:** "Your friend will argue with you." — Alexander Solzhenitsyn, Russian writer (1918-2008).