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Monday, February 8

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

School Lunch: Hamburgers, French fries, romaine salad, fruit.

Senior Menu: Beef stew, buttermilk biscuits, Waldorf salad, Sherbet.

Birthdays: Carol Anderson, Larry Wheeting, Marian Raines, Sarah Fliehs, Scott Freeman

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

5:15pm: GBB Roncalli here (C game at 5:15, JV at 6:30, Varsity at 8:00)

7:00pm: School Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 9

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

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

Senior Menu: Roast pork, baked potato with sour cream, squash, Molasses cookie, whole wheat bread.



The Groton Area Chamber Choir sang the National Anthem at the 78th Annual Carnival of Silver Skates. In back, left to right, are Gabbie Kramer, Tylan Glover, Noah Poor, Marshall Lane, Garrett Stene, Luke Thorson, Alex Kern and Adam Herman; in front, left to right, are Maggie Simon, Kari Han-son, Aubray Harry, Mar-lee Jones, Jaden Oliver, and Mitchell Koens.

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Coming up this week at gdilive.com

Monday, Feb. 8: GBB host Roncalli (Varsity)

Tuesday, Feb. 9: Boys at Britton-Hecla (JV and Varsity)

Friday, Feb. 12: Girls host Britton-Hecla (Varsity)

**Saturday, Feb. 13: Double Header with Mobridge-Pollock here
(Girls Varsity, Boys JV and Varsity)**

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Monarchs slip past girls in 2OT, breeze past boys in second half run

It was a double header at Warner on Saturday with Warner winning all four games. The most exciting game was the girls varsity that went into double overtime before Warner pulled out a 55-46 win. The Monarchs led for most of the game, scoring seven straight points to take a 20-11 lead at the end of the first quarter. Warner took a 16-point lead in the second quarter and settled for a 29-18 lead at half time. Groton scored 11 straight points in the third quarter to tie the game at 29 as Warner led, 32-31, at the end of the third quarter. The lead changed hands three times before Haylee Hanson made a three-pointer with 21 seconds left to tie the game at 38, sending the game into overtime. Audrey Wanner made two three-pointers in the first over time which resulted in a tied game, 44, sending the game into the second overtime. Groton could not make a field goal in the second overtime as Audrey Wanner and Carly Wheeting both fouled out. The Monarchs made three field goals and was five of seven from the line to post a 55-46 win.

Carly Wheeting led the Tigers with 14 points and seven rebounds followed by Jessica Bjerke with 10 points and eight rebounds, Audrey Wanner had eight points and seven rebounds, Harleigh Stange had seven points, four assists and four steals, Katie Koehler had four points, Payton Maine had two points and Miranda Hanson had one point. Groton made 38 percent of its field goals, 38 percent of its free throws, had 30 rebounds, 10 assists, 13 steals, 16 turnovers and 22 fouls.

Warner was led by Haylee Hanson with 18 points followed by Makala Hauge with 11, Alexis Boesl and Laurie Rogers each had eight, Ashley Fischbach had six and Sydney Liedholt added four points.

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Warner's girls won the junior varsity game, 34-25. Jenny Doeden had seven points, Payton Maine six, Taylor Holm and Gia Gengerke each had four, Sam Menzia three and Alex Stange added one free throw.

Meanwhile the varsity boys team kept pace with Warner in the first half. Warner jumped out to a 7-0 lead before the Tigers rallied to take 9-7 lead. Groton led, 11-9, at the end of the first quarter. Warner scored six straight points in the second quarter to take an 18-13 lead, but the Tigers rallied and held a 22-21 lead at half time. The lead changed hands three times to start the third quarter before Warner scored nine straight points to take a 32-24 lead. Warner led, 39-27, at the end of the third quarter. The Monarchs had a six point run in the fourth quarter and went on to win, 55-35.

Seric Shabazz and Sean Schuring each had 12 points, Hunter Lerew had eight, Bennett Shabazz six and Adam Herman three.



Seric Shabazz

(Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Katie Koehler and Audrey Wanner

(Photo by Julianna Kosel)

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Sean Schuring
(Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Adam Herman
(Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Miranda Hanson
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Harleigh Stange
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Valentine's Day is Sunday, February 14th!

78th Annual Carnival of Silver Skates

The 78th Annual Carnival of Silver Skates was held Sunday afternoon. The temperature was 30 degrees with a NW wind at 30 mph with a gust at 49 and the windchill factor was around 15 degrees. The ice was in good condition and the scenery was extremely stable.



Aubray Harry was chosen as the 2016 Queen of the Carnival of Silver Skates. She is pictured above with her mom, Shonna Harry. Aubray posted on her Facebook Page:

Ever since I started Silver Skates ,back when I was 4, I always looked forward to being a candidate for queen and today my little dream came true. Being queen for the Carnival of Silver Skates is such an honor. Thank you all:))))

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Introduction of the 2015 Carnival of Silver Skates Queen Allison Weber



Allison Weber and Jasmine Schaller held the flags during the singing of the National Anthem.



Aubray Harry is being escorted around the skating rink the sleigh. Pictured going clockwise from left are Allison Weber, Katie Koehler, Jasmine Schaller, Jamie Krueger, Melanie Schuetze and Gabrielle Kramer.

Introduction of 2016 Snow Queens: Jasmine Schaller(Senior) and Alexis Simon (Junior)

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**2015 Carnival of Silver Skates Queen
& Guest
"All I Want For Christmas"
Allison Weber & Ashtyn Bahr**



**1st Grade, "Celebrate Good Times"
Avery Crank, Brenna Imrie, Claire Schuelke,
Emerlee Jones, McKenna Tietz, Caroline
Bahr,
Jenessa Carda, and Teagan Hanten
Instructors, Jasmine Schaller, Shannon
Weidrich, and Sam Menzia**



**Specialty Act: "This Kiss"
Aubray Harry**

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**5th Grade, "Dear Future Husband" Ashtyn Bahr, Aspen Johnson, Ava Kramer, Brenna Carda, Ellie Weismantel, Kamryn Fliehs, KayLynn Overacker, Marlee Tollifson, Shallyn Foertsch, and Sierra Ehresmann
Instructors, Jodi Weigel and Merisa Weigel**



**3rd Grade, "Toss the Feathers" Ashley Johnson, Elizabeth Fliehs, Emma Kutter, Emily Overacker, Jeslyn Kosel, Karlie McKane, Laila Roberts, Emma Bahr, Stacia Carda, Nicolette Nickeson, and Axel Warrington
Instructor, Aubray Harry**

**6th Grade, "Have You Ever Seen the Rain"
Brooklyn Imrie, Julianna Kosel, Kennedy Anderson, Madeline Fliehs, Megan Fliehs, and Tina Zoellner
Instructor, Alexa Schuring**



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**8th Grade. "Surfin USA" Ashley Flihs, Caitlynn Barse, Jenny Pigors, Maddy Schuelke, and Nicole Marzahn
Instructors, Katie Anderson and Coralea Wolter**



**Specialty Act, "Season Song"
Brenna Imrie, Brooklyn Imrie, Claire Schuelke, and Maddy Schuelke**



**10th and 11th Grades, "Born in the USA" Gabrielle Kramer, Hannah Lewandowski, Jasmine Schinkel, Katie Koehler, Madison Sippel, and Melanie Schuetze
Instructors, Katie Anderson and Coralea Wolter**

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The Carnival of Silver Skates committee recongnized James Valley Telecommunications as the Business of the Year. Pictured left to right are Sue Fjeldheim, Coralie Wolter, Deb Schuelke, Tina Kosel, Pam Barse, Rachel Crank, Tasha Sperry, Mike Imrie from James Valley Telecommunications, Dawn Imrie, and Kristi Fliehs.



9th Grade, "Thriller" AnneMarie Smith, Emily Thompson, Kaitlyn Anderson, Sam Menzia, Shannon Wiedrick, Shyla Larson, and Taylor Holm
Instructors, Merisa Weigel and Jodi Weigel



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**Boys Group, "Monster Mash" Jeran Hughes, Keegan Harry, Sam Crank, Porter Jones, Skyler Kramer, Korbin McKane, Troy Nickeson, Tristan Nickeson, Owen Sperry, and Zach Flihs
Instructors, Jamie Krueger and Aubray Harry**



**7th Grade, "Thank You" Alexis Hanten, Erin Unzen, Gabriella Merkel, Grace Wambach, Grace Wiedrick, Hailey Monson, Tessa Erdmann, and Tanae Lipp
Instructor, Katie Anderson and Coralea Wolter**

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**4th Grade,
"California
Dreamin'" Anna
Fjeldheim,
Ashlyn Sperry,
Cadence Feist,
Carly Guthmill-
er, Emma Schin-
kel, Hannah
Monson, Jayla
Jones, Jillian
Hughes, Kate
Profeta, Kyleigh
Englund, and
Sara Menzia
Instructor, Al-
lison Weber**

**2nd Grade,
"Santa Claus is
Coming to Town"
Breslyn Jeschke,
Cali Tollifson,
Delayne Jones,
Emma Davies,
Jaedyn Penning,
Jerica Locke,
Mia Crank, Na-
talia Warrington,
Paisley Mitchell,
Raelee Lilly, and
Rylee Dunker
Instructors, Ta-
sha Dunker and
Alexa Schuring**



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**12th Grade, "Summertime" Aubray Harry, Allison Weber, Jamie Krueger, and Jasmine Schaller
Instructor, Shonna Harry**



Specialty Act, "Winter Wonderland" Ashley Flihs and Alexis Hanten



Snowflakes & Kindergarten, "Summer" Abby Fjeldheim, RaeLynn Feist, Sydney Locke, Sophia Flihs, Ella Kettner, and Novalea Warrington. Instructors, Hannah Lewandowski and Jasmine Schinkel

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Today in Weather History

February 8, 2000: Very warm air was over central and northeast South Dakota where record highs were set in Aberdeen, Pierre, and Sisseton. Aberdeen rose to 62 degrees, Sisseton rose to 53 degrees, and Pierre rose to a warm 69 degrees.

1835 - A severe cold wave gripped the southeastern U.S. The mercury dipped to 8 above at Jacksonville FL, and to zero at Savannah GA. Orange trees were killed to the roots. (David Ludlum)

1936 - The temperature at Denver CO plunged to a record 30 degrees below zero. (David Ludlum) (The Weather Channel)

1956: From February 1-8, heavy snow fell over the Panhandle of Texas. Snowfall amounts include 43 inches in Vega, 24 inches in Hereford, and 14 inches in Amarillo. This storm caused 23 deaths and numerous injuries. It snowed continuously for 92 hours in some locations.

1968: The greatest 1-day snow at the Savannah Airport in South Carolina occurs on this date, when 3.6 inches of snow fell.

1985 - Blue Canyon, CA, set a 24-hour February snowfall record by receiving 42 inches of snow from February 7th-8th.

1988 - Arctic air invaded the north central U.S. Hibbing MN reported a morning low of 30 degrees below zero. (The National Weather Summary)

1989: Mammoth traffic jams in Los Angeles area as a freak snow struck California. Snow was reported from the beaches of Malibu to the desert around Palm Springs.

2013: A nor'easter produced heavy snowfall over the New England states. Total snowfall in Boston, Massachusetts, reached 24.9 inches, the fifth-highest total ever recorded in the city. New York City officially recorded 11.4 inches of snow at Central Park, and Portland, Maine, set a record of 31.9 inches. Hamden, Connecticut recorded the highest snowfall of the storm at 40 inches. Many surrounding cities picked up at least 1 foot. In addition to the significant snowfall totals, hurricane-force wind gusts were recorded, reaching 102 mph in Nova Scotia, 89 mph at Mount Desert Rock, Maine, and 84 mph off the coast of Cuttyhunk, Massachusetts. Boston experienced a storm surge of 4.2 ft, it's fourth-highest. The storm affected Atlantic Canada after hitting the Northeastern United States.




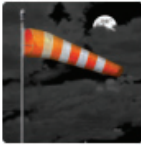





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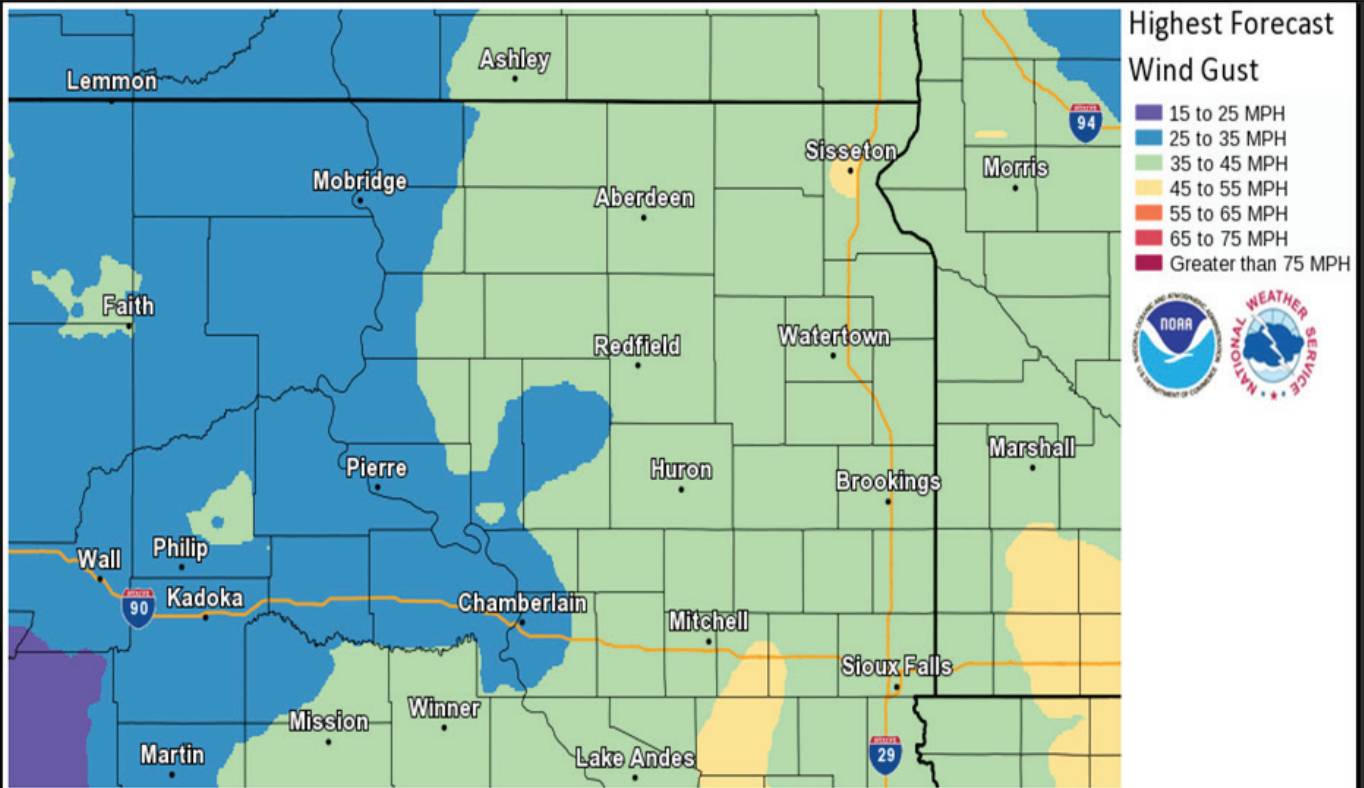
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Today	Tonight	Sunday	Sunday Night	Monday	Monday Night	Tuesday
						
Partly Sunny	Mostly Cloudy and Breezy	Chance Snow and Areas Blowing Snow	Chance Snow and Areas Blowing Snow	Partly Sunny and Blustery	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy
High: 50 °F	Low: 31 °F	High: 35 °F	Low: 20 °F	High: 28 °F	Low: 14 °F	High: 26 °F

Gusty Winds Again Today



Valid from Monday February 8th, 2016 at 9 AM CST to Monday February 8th, 2016 at 6 PM CST
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National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

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Light snow continues across northeast South Dakota and west central Minnesota early this morning, but will gradually end over the next several hours with very little additional accumulation. Strong northwest winds will persist, though, through the morning hours with gusts over 40 mph at times. This will create areas of low visibility at times in blowing snow until snowfall begins to shift east later this morning.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 39.3 at 12:50 PM

Low: 23.3 at 11:58 PM

High Gust: 49 at 2:04 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 62° in 2000

Record Low: -37° in 1994

Average High: 26°F

Average Low: 5°F

Average Precip in Feb.: 0.12

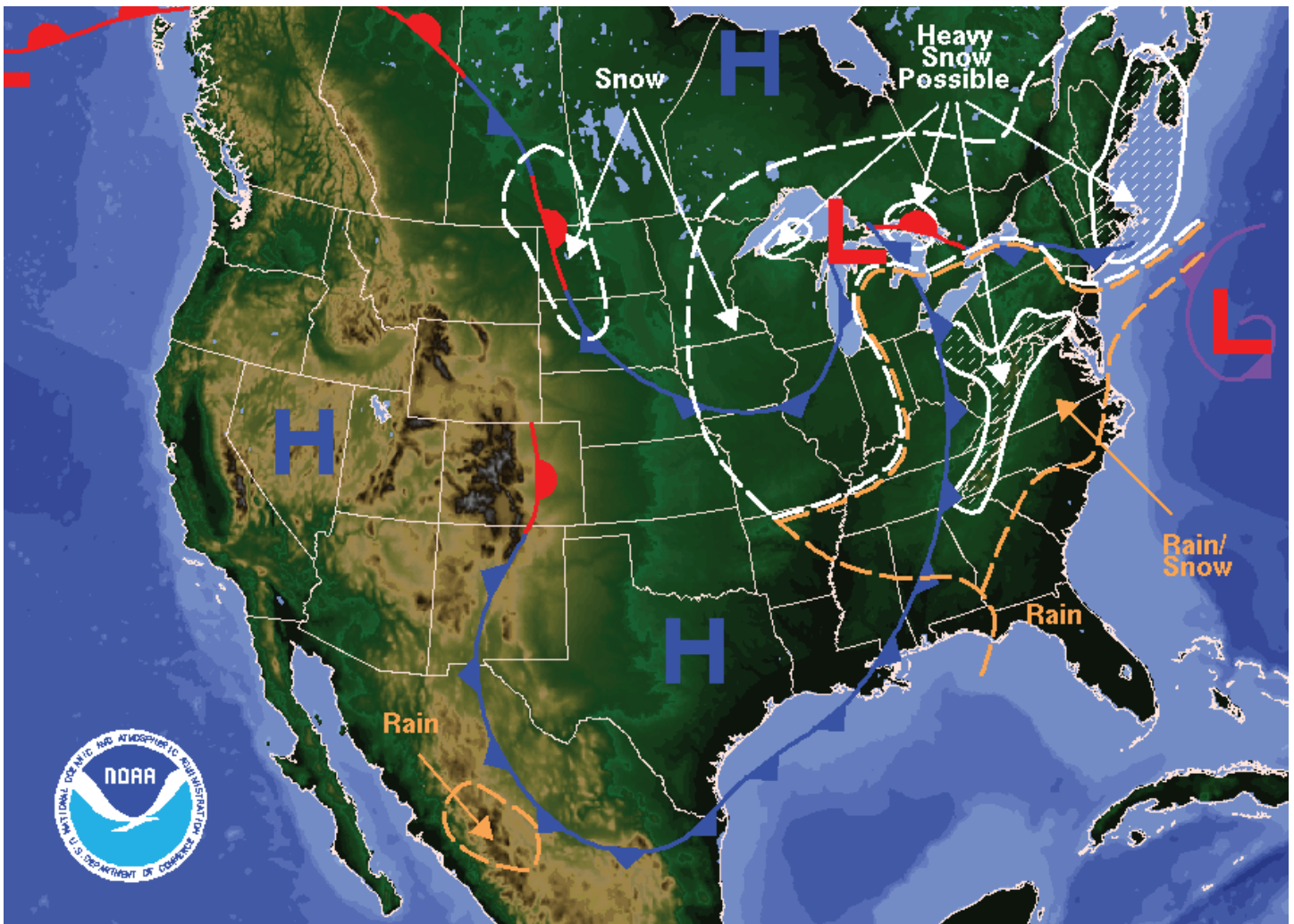
Precip to date in Feb.: 0.00

Average Precip to date: 0.59

Precip Year to Date: 0.00

Sunset Tonight: 5:50 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:44 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Mon, Feb 08, 2016, issued 4:21 AM EST
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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WHY NOT THE BEST?

A doctor listened quietly as his patient carefully described his many symptoms. After reflecting on all of his complaints, the doctor said, "The best thing for you to do is to give up alcohol and all of the rich foods that you eat."

"Oh, me," said the patient. "What's the next best thing?"

Why is it that we are willing to accept what is second best when God wants to give us His very best?

Paul said, "As the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like Him and reflect His glory even more." The key that unlocks the door to God's heart is, "as the Spirit works within us." Much like the patient, we must be willing to change. How? By allowing the Spirit to work within us if we want the very best that God has for us.

God has always wanted us to have His very best. We must never forget that we were made "in the image of God." As we read, remember, and reflect on the teachings of God's Word, our knowledge of Who He is and what He is really like deepens. Then the Holy Spirit will help us to change into the likeness of Christ, if and when we are willing to allow Him to work within us!

Prayer: Help us, Father, to never settle for what is second best when Your desire for us is to be our very best. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Scripture for Today: 2 Corinthians 3:18 And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

News from the Associated Press

Teen dies in head-on crash near Harrisburg

HARRISBURG, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Highway Patrol says a 16-year-old girl was killed in a head-on crash in southeastern South Dakota.

The patrol says the crash happened Sunday morning near Harrisburg.

Troopers say the teenage driver's vehicle crossed the center line on State Highway 11 and hit another vehicle. The 41-year-old female driver of that vehicle suffered minor injuries and was taken to a Sioux Falls hospital.

Neither vehicle had passengers.

Names of the victims have been withheld pending notification of relatives.

Agriculture Department: Registration open for fire academy

FORT PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Department of Agriculture says registration is open for the 2016 Wildland Fire Academy.

The agency says the academy will take place in Fort Pierre starting on March 17.

Robert Lehmann is assistant chief of training/fuels. He says the academy is the most cost effective way for the agency to get the most firefighters properly trained.

The event is a tool for providing quality training to volunteer fire departments and state and federal firefighters. Volunteer departments can get grants to offset the costs of participating in the training at the academy.

USDA grant to help South Dakota increase ethanol usage

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The USDA has awarded the South Dakota Governor's Office of Economic Development a \$1.5 million grant to increase ethanol usage in South Dakota.

GOED Commissioner Pat Costello says that as the ethanol industry continues to grow, the state felt it imperative to use more ethanol and the grant money will help facilitate the initiative.

Under the new Ethanol Infrastructure Program, grant applicants will have the opportunity to receive up to 90 percent of the first \$29,000 in costs for each blender pump.

The program also allows for additional funding for the state's storage tank installation program, which helps stations purchase and install additional fuel storage for ethanol blender pumps.

The storage tank program will now pay costs of a new tank at 90 percent of the first \$40,000 in costs.

Proposal would create wetland mitigation bank for farmers

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A proposal that's under federal review would establish a wetland mitigation credit system that could benefit farmers in South Dakota.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced late last month that it's putting \$9 million toward a new wetland mitigation program in an effort to distribute the mitigation dollars between state and local governments and private parties.

The wetland mitigation bank proposal, which aims to spur conservation innovation nationwide, would be a platform for farmers to connect with conservationists to essentially trade wetlands credits. Provisions in the 1985 Farm Bill have meant farmers who drained wetlands would lose eligibility for Department of Agriculture benefits unless they found a way to mitigate for the loss.

Under the proposal, farmers would drain wetlands on their property and buy acre-for-acre credits in the bank, where high-quality wetlands within the same watershed are protected from development or drainage by permanent easements, to offset the habitat losses.

A similar model has been used by developers, cities and states for years, but such a program for farmers

has been slow to arrive, leaving them unable to drain wetlands without losing eligibility for Department of Agriculture benefits.

Programs like a nearly-completed effort to create an agriculture-focused wetlands mitigation bank in South Dakota and existing efforts in Minnesota and Iowa can help other states to balance agriculture and environmental protection, according to U.S. Department of Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack.

"Our producers and farmers and ranchers need tools to have the flexibility to do what's right for their operations, but at the same time to do what's right for the environment," Vilsack said.

South Dakota Gov. Dennis Daugaard said he's pleased with the work being done toward creating the wetland bank.

The proposal's trading framework is currently being reviewed by federal officials.

Non-trophy bison hunting season begins at Custer State Park

SPEARFISH, S.D. (AP) — The non-trophy bison hunting season has begun at Custer State Park.

Though it typically takes place in the fall during the annual Buffalo Roundup, this year's non-trophy season began Jan. 25.

The non-trophy hunt is meant to remove excess cows and bulls from the herd. The cows are selected on fertility and average 1,000 pounds, while the bulls primarily are 2 years old and average about 950 pounds.

A non-trophy bull permit costs \$2,256, and a cow permit costs \$1,756. Permits are available to South Dakota residents and people from outside the state.

There are 15 non-trophy bull and 10 cow permit holders this season. Each of them gets to keep the meat, head and hide of the bison they kill.

Gary and Cole Blom, a father and son from Yankton, were the first permit holders to take a shot this season, guided by a buffalo herd manager at the park, the Black Hills Pioneer (<http://bit.ly/1L2mqWO>) reported. They were taking the meat back to Yankton to be processed, and planned to send the hides to Michigan for tanning.

The non-trophy bison season is scheduled to go through March 11.

Trophy bison hunts are a management tool to remove the oldest breeding bulls from the herd. Those hunts typically are limited to bulls over 10 years old and about 2,000 pounds.

A trophy bull permit costs \$5,000. The number of trophy licenses has dropped from 10 to eight over the last couple of years because the older bulls can have a fairly high mortality rate after the summer rut from injuries, meaning fewer are necessary to cull.

The trophy bison hunt ran from Nov. 30 to Jan. 15.

Low pay forces South Dakota teachers to hold 2nd, 3rd jobs

DIRK LAMMERS, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Jessica Ries settles in behind the counter of Tip Top Tux and phones a couple to remind them of an upcoming fitting before their wedding. In the back room, beyond the dapper mannequins and vest swatches of pink, yellow and blue, a tote filled with review packets for 24 of her Hayward Elementary School students awaits her attention if she gets any down time.

Ries dismissed her fourth-graders at 2:45 p.m. and, after an hour-long teachers' meeting, hurried to the strip mall shop to fill a three-hour evening shift. There's no time to head home or step out for dinner; a chicken breast reheated in the microwave will have to suffice.

"I don't get home until 9 p.m. those nights," said Ries, 26. "That's twice a week, and then I work weekends."

Second and even third jobs are the norm for many school teachers in South Dakota, where teacher pay ranks lowest in the nation, according to a state education task force. Gov. Dennis Daugaard has proposed a half-cent sales tax increase to help raise teacher pay, but his plan needs two-thirds approval in both the House and the Senate — a tough proposition in a legislature with an anti-tax lean.

Mary McCorkle, president of the South Dakota Education Association, said teachers often give up their

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evenings by grading papers and preparing lessons, and second jobs lead to burnout.

"Something has to give, whether it's your health, your sanity," McCorkle said. "You just can't do everything, and you want to be there for your students."

The SDEA, which represents more than 5,000 teachers in the state, said Daugaard's proposal is an acknowledgement that South Dakota schools are having trouble hiring and keeping teachers.

The Brookings School District used to get dozens of applications for each open teaching position but now receives resumes from just a handful of qualified candidates, said school board President Steve Bayer. The pool depth is likely dwindling as applicants look across South Dakota's eastern border to better-paying jobs.

"When you can make another thousand dollars a month as an experienced teacher, it's probably worth looking at a place in Minnesota," he said.

South Dakota's average teacher salary of \$40,023 in 2013-14 lagged an average of six states that border it by \$11,888 a year and was \$8,643 behind the next lowest neighbor, North Dakota, the group found. In some of South Dakota's more remote areas, that average salary drops quickly.

Lori Brandt, 54, has been teaching in Big Stone for 31 years, yet the sixth- to eighth-grade reading and English teacher makes just \$42,000. To get by, she pulls night and weekend desk shifts at a Super 8 motel, and doesn't get home some weeknights until 11 p.m.

Her three grown children graduated from Lake Area Technical Institute, with one son working in maintenance at a cheese factory, another son working at a feedlot and a daughter working as an agriculture manager.

"They all started jobs where they're making more money starting than what I make having taught for that many years," Brandt said.

Daugaard has proposed boosting average pay by 21 percent to \$48,500 per year, relying on a sales tax increase that the House's top Republican has already called unlikely. Majority Leader Brian Gosch said he was working to come up with a plan to raise pay without raising taxes, suggesting schools could dip into reserves or that state aid could be increased.

Teachers across the state say they hear a standard pushback line when the issue of low salaries is raised: They work just nine months of the year.

Jared Baumann, an eighth-grade science teacher at Patrick Henry Middle School in Sioux Falls, says that's not reality. He spends his summers working more than 40 hours a week for a Sioux Falls moving company, and during the school year puts in two or three Saturdays a month doing the same work.

Baumann sees his fellow University of Northern Iowa alum making twice what he makes in marketing, sales and business.

"I can't buy the house they just bought," he said. "I can't afford to take my family on the vacation that they just went on."

Ries, who also works as an assistant soccer coach at Augustana University in the fall, said she needs multiple jobs to pay down student loans and pursue the master's degree that could someday boost her \$36,000 salary. Ries and her husband, Tom, would like to have a child, but they want to be in a better financial situation before taking that step.

"We're not people who spend money on super nice things and then don't have enough money to pay our bills," she said. "We don't have enough money to just live, not live out of our means."

State to hold 1st public meeting on federal Clean Power Plan

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The state Department of Environment and Natural Resources has scheduled its first of several meetings to help develop a state plan to comply with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Clean Power Plan.

The federal Clean Power Plan requires states to submit a plan outlining how it plans on complying with EPA's plan or to request an extension by Sept. 6, 2016.

The department says the federal Clean Power Plan aims to reduce the amount of carbon dioxide emitted from the Big Stone coal-fired power plant near Big Stone City. It also includes the Deer Creek Station

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natural gas-fired combined cycle turbine near White.

The first meeting will be held Feb. 23 at the Milbank Visitor Center in Milbank.

Officials: Pine beetle epidemic slowing, but not yet over

CUSTER, S.D. (AP) — State and federal officials say the mountain pine beetle epidemic is slowing but still continuing in the Black Hills.

The U.S. Forest Service and the South Dakota Department of Agriculture this week released the results of its annual aerial forest health survey on the Black Hills National Forest.

The pine beetle has affected approximately 447,000 acres in the Black Hills since the outbreak began in 1996. Much like in 2014, official says between 16,000 and 17,000 acres were affected last year.

South Dakota State Forester Greg Josten says the pine beetle epidemic is waning but it isn't over yet.

Survey results show an overall decrease in tree mortality across the forest, but also reveal several areas of significant beetle activity.

Park Service: Over 1 million visited Badlands last year

INTERIOR, S.D. (AP) — For the first time in 15 years, more than a million people visited Badlands National Park in South Dakota.

The National Park Service says almost 1.1 million people took in the rugged landscapes of the park in 2015. That's a nearly 14 percent increase compared to 2014.

Badlands National Park covers 244,000 acres in south central South Dakota. It was established as a national monument in 1939 but didn't become a national park until 1978.

Park Superintendent Mike Pflaum says the increased visitation numbers show that people continue to find the park a great place to visit.

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Sioux Falls Washington 51, Brandon Valley 47
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Wagner 54, McCook Central/Montrose 44
Warner 55, Groton Area 37
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Jones County 55, Chamberlain 20
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South Dakota State rolls to 80-58 win over IUPUI

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) — Deondre Parks scored 17 points as South Dakota State rolled to an 80-58 win over IUPUI on Saturday night.

Parks was 7 of 13 from the field for the Jackrabbits (19-5, 8-2 Summit League). George Marshall and Mike Daum added 16 points apiece. The team hit 52.5 percent from the field overall and 50 percent from the foul line.

South Dakota State scored first and never trailed in the first half on its way to a 36-25 advantage at the break.

IUPUI closed the gap to 45-38 early in the second half but the Jackrabbits pulled ahead again and Parks hit a jumper to make it 51-40 with 14:02 to play and they led by double digits the rest of the way.

Matt O'Leary scored 12 points and grabbed nine rebounds for the Jaguars (11-15, 7-4). Jordan Pickett added 13 points.

South Dakota stops losing skid, beats Oral Roberts 91-79

VERMILLION, S.D. (AP) — Casey Kasperbauer nailed 3 of 5 from long range to total 17 points as South Dakota stopped a four-game losing skid with a 91-79 win over Oral Roberts on Saturday.

Kasperbauer, who has made 47 straight free throws this season, made four down the stretch to seal the win and give coach Craig Smith his 100th career win. Tre Burnette had 15 points and five blocks for South Dakota (11-14, 3-8 Summit). Trey Norris had 15 points and eight assists and Tyler Flack added 12 points.

The Coyotes made 53 percent from the floor while limiting ORU to 23-of-56 (41 percent) shooting.

The Golden Eagles closed to 79-77 following Obi Emegano's 3-point play with 2:29 left. Flack answered with a dunk and South Dakota made 10 free throws down the stretch to secure the victory.

Emegano led ORU (11-14, 3-8) with 26 points and nine rebounds. Albert Owens added 17 points.

Sioux Falls police: Man robs casino employee at knifepoint

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Authorities in Sioux Falls say a casino was robbed at knifepoint early Saturday.

Police say the suspect, wearing a face covering and sunglasses, entered Fireside Casino on South Carolyn Avenue about 7:30 a.m. Saturday and threatened the employee. He drove off with an undisclosed amount of cash in the employee's white minivan.

There were no injuries and the robbery remains under investigation.

Man arrested in lot of store he's suspected of robbing

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Sioux Falls police arrested a man on suspicion of armed robbery of a convenience store after discovering him in another person's car in the store's parking lot.

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Police say the man walked into the Get-n-Go on Minnesota Avenue about 9:20 p.m. Friday, displayed a small-caliber air gun and threatened the two clerks. After one of the clerks wrestled away the gun, the man left the store and told a woman sitting in her parked car to get out.

She took her keys as she got out, and responding officers found the man sitting in the car.

The man was booked in the Minnehaha County jail on a count of armed robbery, two counts of aggravated assault and one count of tampering with a vehicle. Formal charges are pending.

House committee set to take up retirement system changes

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A legislative committee is set to take up a measure to create a new retirement plan for future public employees that includes a two-year increase in the normal retirement age to 67 for many new workers.

The state House Retirement Laws committee is scheduled to consider the bill on Monday.

Advocates say the measure is intended to maintain the sustainability of the retirement system.

The changes would remove subsidies for early retirement to pay for an increase in base benefits for public employees such as teachers and city and county workers.

The normal retirement age for new public safety officials would jump two years to 57.

The changes would apply to people hired after June 30, 2017.

Agreement reached with HSBC to address mortgage abuses

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Attorney General Marty Jackley says South Dakota borrowers will receive money as part of a \$470 million joint state-federal settlement with mortgage lender and servicer HSBC to address mortgage origination, servicing and foreclosure abuses.

Jackley says the settlement provides direct payments to South Dakota borrowers for past abuses and compels HSBC through tough servicing standards to treat its borrowers much more fairly in the future.

The settlement includes 49 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

The agreement largely mirrors the 2012 National Mortgage Settlement reached in February of 2012 with the five largest national mortgage servicers.

Trump aiming for New Hampshire win, rivals aim to survive

SERGIO BUSTOS, Associated Press

BILL BARROW, Associated Press

NASHUA, N.H. (AP) — GOP front-runner Donald Trump is aiming for his first win in New Hampshire's fast-approaching primary, while rival Republican candidates, including Jeb Bush, said their campaigns will go on no matter what the outcome Tuesday.

Democrat Hillary Clinton, facing an uphill campaign in the state against Bernie Sanders, took a trip to Michigan.

With the otherwise intense race for the White House seemingly toned down Sunday, it's easy to forget that this leadoff primary could be a make or break situation for several lagging campaigns.

Trump said he doesn't need to win New Hampshire, but would like to. Republican hopeful Marco Rubio continues to downplay his rough outing in Saturday night's GOP debate, while touting his overall campaign momentum after his third-place finish in the Iowa caucuses.

Trump, who is facing intense pressure to perform after coming in second in the Iowa caucuses, opted Sunday for just one of his signature rallies in Plymouth; and when he visited a diner, the billionaire real estate mogul spent less than five minutes interacting with potential voters before sitting down for a meal with staff.

On the Democratic side, New Hampshire favorite Sanders and Clinton — who narrowly won Iowa — are avoiding predictions about Tuesday and looking beyond to South Carolina and Nevada, the next two states

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up in the nomination process.

At his rally, Trump delivered a meandering version of his usual campaign speech and urged supporters to get to the polls.

"If you're not going to vote for me do not vote," he dead-panned.

The billionaire businessman had begun his day with an attempt to do things "the New Hampshire way" by engaging in more personal interactions with voters, stopping by Chez Vachon, a hole-in-the-wall Manchester restaurant that specializes in French Canadian fare and is a popular stop for political candidates.

But while some candidates work to connect with voters by answering questions and even sitting down at their tables, Trump spent less than five minutes circling the restaurant, greeting diners and shaking hands before sitting down for his own breakfast.

At another diner in Tilton, reporters invited along for the visit were greeted by one of Trump's sons, Donald Jr. "We're dividing and conquering," said the younger Trump of his father's absence.

For Republican Govs. Chris Christie, John Kasich and Bush, the task is to make sure the closing argument here isn't their last.

Christie sought to capitalize on his debate effort to batter Rubio, a first-term senator, as unprepared for the presidency. But he also took aim his fellow governors as they battle for many of the same voters in an effort to remain relevant beyond Tuesday.

The governors thus far have struggled to keep Rubio from emerging as the alternative to Trump and Ted Cruz. Cruz, the Texas senator won Iowa, though he's looking beyond New Hampshire to a run of Southern primaries with more conservative electorates.

Under assault from Christie during Saturday's debate, Rubio repeated his standard critique of President Barack Obama several times and played into Christie's argument that the first-term senator is a scripted, inexperienced politician from a do-nothing Congress.

Rubio was back on message Sunday. "People said, 'Oh, you said the same thing three or four times.' I'm going to say it again," Rubio said in Londonderry, New Hampshire.

For Democrats, Sanders drew another large crowd Sunday in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, where he reprised his indictment of a "rigged economy" and "corrupt campaign finance system."

Taking a break from the New Hampshire campaign trail, Hillary Clinton stopped in Flint, Michigan, which continues to deal with the fallout of a lead-contaminated water system.

At the House of Prayer Missionary Church, Clinton noted that for two years, Flint residents drank poisoned water despite officials declaring it safe. She urged Congress to approve \$200 million to fix Flint's water system and vowed to "fight for you in Flint no matter how long it takes."

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. TRUMP AIMING FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE WIN

Rival Republican candidates, including Jeb Bush, say their campaigns will go on no matter what the outcome Tuesday.

2. HOW CLINTON IS TRYING TO WOO NEW HAMPSHIRE VOTERS

The former secretary of state is working to establish a personal connection with the electorate as she faces a difficult struggle against Bernie Sanders for the Democratic nomination.

3. MORE THAN 100 REMAIN MISSING AFTER TAIWAN QUAKE

Two survivors are pulled out alive from a toppled high-rise apartment building, two days after the earthquake killed at least 37, but hope dims for further rescues.

4. BRONCOS DOMINATE PANTHERS IN SUPER BOWL WIN

With his prolific passing and complete control of the game, Peyton Manning helps usher in the NFL's wide-open era of high-scoring offenses and pass-happy game plans.

5. NORTH KOREA'S NEW SATELLITE FLEW OVER SUPER BOWL SITE

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"It passed almost directly overhead Silicon Valley, which is where I am and where the stadium is," tech watcher Martyn Williams says in an email to The AP.

6. WHO DECRIES NORTH KOREA ROCKET LAUNCH AS 'INTOLERABLE PROVOCATION'

The 15-member U.N. Security Council condemns Kim Jong Un's ballistic missile test and vows significant sanctions.

7. MAINE CITY OFFERS LESSONS AMID REFUGEE CRISIS

Though the first Somalis who moved to Lewiston 15 years ago sparked a backlash, today the newcomers are largely accepted, showing how much has changed in the nation's whitest state.

8. TATTOOS ON THE REBOUND IN CUBA

Driven underground after the socialist revolution, hundreds of parlors are operating largely unmolested across the country.

9. COLORADO'S BATTLE OVER TAX LIMITS COULD SHAPE FUTURE GROWTH

By 2030, the state's population will grow by 2 million people, thanks to a strong economy and its low taxes — but those factors may also hinder its success.

10. WHY CHIPOTLE STORES TO OPEN LATER ON MONDAY

The adjusted hours will allow workers to attend a meeting about the chain's recent food safety scares.

Dominant D carries Manning, Broncos to 24-10 Super Bowl win

JOSH DUBOW, AP Sports Writer

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — With his prolific passing and complete control of the game at the line of scrimmage, Peyton Manning helped usher in the NFL's wide-open era of high-scoring offenses and pass-happy game plans.

Manning's possible farewell game in Super Bowl 50 was a throwback to the 1970s when his father Archie was running away from dominant defenses such as the Steel Curtain and Doomsday.

Von Miller forced fumbles that set up both of Denver's touchdowns, led a defense that harassed MVP Cam Newton and helped carry Manning to his second Super Bowl title with a 24-10 victory over the Carolina Panthers on Sunday.

"Whenever you're doing something for your buddies, it means a little bit more," Miller said. "As human beings, we're selfish but when you're doing something for somebody else, that's when the magic happens."

For so many years, Manning's career was defined by his gaudy regular season numbers that weren't enough come playoff time. A lack of help from teammates or the inability to thrive against stellar defenses from teams such as New England and Seattle left Manning with just one Super Bowl title in his first 13 playoff trips.

So perhaps it was fitting that after carrying teammates for most of his career, he was carried over the finish line in this game by Miller and the coordinator Wade Phillips' "Orange Rush" defense.

"I certainly knew that (with) this defense, this team would have a chance," Manning said. "Our defense has just been, from the get-go, they've been nothing but awesome. Being hurt and struggling early in the season wasn't a lot of fun so I was grateful to get back healthy and to try and play my part these last couple of weeks."

But now after throwing for more yards, more touchdowns and winning more starts than any other quarterback in NFL history, Manning could be ready to hang it up. Manning wouldn't say after the game whether this was his final one.

"I got some good advice from Tony Dungy," Manning said of the first of four coaches with whom he's been to the Super Bowl. "He said, 'Don't make an emotional decision.' This has been an emotional week, an emotional night. I'm going to take some time to reflect."

Miller set the tone early when he blew past right tackle Mike Remmers and ripped the ball out of Newton's grasp. Malik Jackson recovered the ball in the end zone for a touchdown to put Denver up 10-0.

Then in the fourth quarter with the Broncos protecting a 16-10 lead, Miller struck again. Once again, he got around Remmers and knocked the ball out of Newton's hands. T.J. Ward recovered at the 4 and C.J. Anderson sealed it with a TD run.

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"In my opinion, we're the greatest defense to ever play the game," linebacker Brandon Marshall said. "Ever. It's a bold statement but top to bottom, we have the greatest talent — from rushers to safeties to linebackers. Better than anybody's ever done it."

After knocking off former Super Bowl champions Ben Roethlisberger and Tom Brady to make it here and then holding Newton and the NFL's highest-scoring offense to its lowest point total of the season, the Broncos stated their case to stand next to Pittsburgh's Steel Curtain defenses of the 1970s, the dominant 1985 Chicago Bears, the 2000 Baltimore Ravens, the 2002 Tampa Bay Buccaneers and the 2013 Seattle Seahawks on the list of top defenses.

Denver recorded 14 sacks, forced seven turnovers and allowed just four touchdowns in the three playoff wins.

"This is the rawest defense ever. Ever," Denver tight end Owen Daniels said. "To do that to the guy that's changing the game, unbelievable. Our defense, you have to put them up there with the best ever."

The Panthers defense was just about as stingy, but couldn't come up with the game-changing turnovers that Denver provided. Carolina held Denver to 194 yards — the fewest ever for a Super Bowl winner — and didn't allow a first down on eight of 14 drives.

But it wasn't enough.

"It's so gut-wrenching and hard to swallow that," All Pro cornerback Josh Norman said. "There were chances and opportunities there and we just didn't capitalize on them."

Newton, who threw for 38 touchdowns and ran for 12 in his first 18 games, produced no touchdowns for the first time all season. Denver tied a Super Bowl record with seven sacks and frustrated the player nicknamed Superman.

It didn't help that Newton's receivers dropped passes and the running game never got going against Denver's stout front.

"They made more plays than us and that's what it comes down to," Newton said during a brief three-minute interview. "We had our opportunities and it was nothing special that they did. We dropped balls. We turned the ball over. We gave up sacks. We threw errant passes. That's it."

Clinton making a personal pitch to New Hampshire voters

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MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — From a Michigan pulpit to New Hampshire's town halls, Hillary Clinton is working to establish a personal connection with voters as she faces an increasingly difficult struggle against Bernie Sanders for the Democratic nomination.

Once a formidable front-runner, Clinton narrowly won Iowa's caucuses and has watched her national lead over Sanders begin to erode. She now faces a likely loss in Tuesday's first-in-the-nation primary in New Hampshire, creating a sense of urgency for the famously private politician to create a more intimate bond with voters.

Two days before voters in New Hampshire will cast ballots, Clinton traveled to Flint, Michigan, on Sunday to address the city's water crisis, vowing to make a "personal commitment" to help the city's residents deal with contaminated water. "I will not for one minute forget about you or forget about your children," she said.

On Saturday, Clinton spoke candidly about the difficulties and double-standards she faces as a female politician — a topic she rarely addresses other than to promote the historic nature of her candidacy.

"The fact is I do have a somewhat narrower path that I try to walk and I do think sometimes it comes across as a little more restrained, a little more careful, and I am sure that is true," Clinton said during a town hall in Henniker, New Hampshire. "I am who I am, I can't do some sort of personality transformation."

Her aides, meanwhile, were eager to promote one of her responses during a Wednesday night forum hosted by CNN where she spoke with humility about her faith and public service. She noted in response

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to a question from a rabbi that she receives daily scriptures from a minister.

"I'm constantly trying to balance how do I assume the mantle of a position as essentially august as president of the United States, not lose track of who I am, what I believe in and what I want to do to serve?" she said. "I don't know that there is ever any absolute answer, like, 'OK, universe, here I am, watch me roar' or 'Oh, my gosh, I can't do it, it's just overwhelming, I have to retreat.'"

The strategy carries echoes of Clinton's 2008 come-from-behind victory in New Hampshire. A moment in a Portsmouth cafe when Clinton's eyes welled up and she became emotional was widely credited with bringing female voters back into the fold and helping her win the state after losing Iowa to then-Illinois Sen. Barack Obama.

But this year, with Sanders leading in the state by double-digits in many polls, Clinton is aiming her emotions at a far broader audience in the states that follow: the Feb. 20 Nevada caucuses, the Feb. 27 South Carolina primary and a swath of states holding contests on March 1.

Clinton's campaign is wary that a big Sanders victory in New Hampshire could help him make headway among women and minority voters, important parts of the coalition that twice elected Obama as president. Already there are signs that he is making in-roads with those groups: In Iowa, polling showed that Clinton lost a majority of young voters and unmarried women.

Her campaign has sought to secure female voters in New Hampshire, who typically play a pivotal role in elections and have noted her connections to several female officeholders who have endorsed her, including Sen. Jeanne Shaheen and Gov. Maggie Hassan.

During a Clinton campaign rally in Concord on Saturday, former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said: "You have to help. Hillary Clinton will always be there for you and just remember there's a special place in hell for women who don't help each other."

On Sunday, former President Bill Clinton told supporters in Milford that Clinton backers had been subjected to "vicious trolling" online — an oblique reference to what her campaign has nicknamed the "Bernie Bros."

Sanders denounced supporters who engage in sexist attacks in an interview with CNN's "State of the Union" on Sunday. "Look we don't want that crap," he said. "That anybody who is supporting me that is doing the sexist things, we don't want them."

On the cusp of victory, Sanders has largely been sticking to his script, wary of any changes that might threaten his edge in the state. His aides are hoping a larger turnout in the state, along with a sizable war chest of contributions, will fuel their campaign into the later contests.

Reborn Maine milling city offers lessons amid refugee crisis

DAVID SHARP, Associated Press

LEWISTON, Maine (AP) — The arrival of thousands of Somali refugees in this former mill city in the nation's whitest state sparked a backlash at first, complete with a rally of white supremacists and a pig's head rolled into the local mosque.

Fifteen years later, the Somali newcomers are solid members of the community, as evidenced by its proliferation of shops, restaurants and mosques — and a championship-winning high school soccer team featuring players from Somalia and other African countries.

Shukri Abasheikh, owner of Mogadishu Store, a general store that caters to the African community, said she and her fellow newcomers have won respect from residents through hard work.

"When Somalis came in, Lewiston people, Maine people, they think we need welfare, but we don't need welfare. We need jobs. We need peace. We need education," said Abasheikh, who worked as a janitor before achieving her dream of running her own business.

As the U.S. prepares to accept thousands of refugees from war-torn Syria in coming months and years, this riverside community illuminates the challenges such newcomers can face — and shows that integration can be slow and painful, but ultimately successful.

Since February 2001, more than 5,000 Africans have come to Lewiston, a city of 36,500 on the Androscoggin River, in a prime example of what scholars call "rapid ethnic diversification."

The first Somalis found Lewiston after a refugee resettlement program was established in Portland, Maine's largest city.

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Because of a housing shortage in Portland, they looked 30 miles to the north, where aging apartments that once housed Lewiston's mill workers provided plenty of low-cost homes. Despite the bitter winters, Somalis saw a safe place with good schools that was walkable and not too big.

There was no formal plan. It just happened.

At first, Lewiston residents didn't know what to make of these newcomers who spoke no English, providing a challenge for schools. Many knew little of Somalia beyond news coverage of a soldier from a nearby town who was killed in a Somali firefight that became the basis for the movie "Black Hawk Down."

Some locals resented so many black Muslims moving to a Roman Catholic community where the twin spires of the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul dominate the skyline. Rumors spread that the newcomers were getting perks like better housing and even free cars.

Then came a letter from the mayor to the Somali community in 2002, asking them to discourage their friends and family from moving to Lewiston, saying "our city is maxed-out financially, physically and emotionally."

An out-of-state white supremacist group seized upon the discord to hold a rally.

Residents were bewildered to find their community painted as racist in the national news, and that low point became a turning point. They began to embrace the Somali community, and thousands staged a support rally far larger than the handful of people with the white supremacists.

"That was definitely eye-opening, to see that they support and accept us," said Abdirahman Mohamud, Abasheikh's son, who grew up in Lewiston.

Three years after the rally, when someone rolled the pig's head into the mosque, swift condemnations followed. The governor at the time visited Lewiston to denounce the act, and police quickly charged the perpetrator.

Today, the smell of deep-fried samboosa fills a store in Lisbon Street, and the aroma of basmati rice and goat meat emanates from another. Shops feature colorful clothing and African staples like fufu flour.

Somalis have taken jobs with L.L. Bean, Maine's iconic outdoors retailer, and other local employers. Refugees and asylum seekers will account for about half of the city's general assistance spending in the coming year, but overall spending is the same as it was in 1990, said Deputy City Administrator Phil Nadeau.

The success flies in the face of a wave of anti-immigration sentiment nationwide that's fueled by concerns over recruitment by Muslim extremists, something that could cause problems for Syrian refugees, said Westy Egmont, director of the Immigrant Integration Lab at the Boston College School of Social Work.

Immigration opponents include Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump, who wants to ban Muslims, and several governors who have rejected the president's call to accept Syrian refugees.

"Syrians, like all newcomer groups, will face both a warm welcome and serious opposition," Egmont said, "depending on where they end up being placed."

In Lewiston, white residents now see the black newcomers want the same things they do — a safe place to raise a family, good schools, freedom and jobs, said Abdi Said, a refugee who was originally put in San Jose, California, before he moved to Lewiston.

"We are working hard, and we're going to school and everything — like regular American people," said Said, who hopes to buy a home for his family. "They see that we are not different."

Longtime residents have largely accepted the immigrants, said Jimmy Simones, whose grandfather was a Greek immigrant who opened Simones' Hot Dog Stand, an eatery that's now a regular stop for politicians and city leaders.

"They became a part of our community," he said. "We move on."

The signs of acceptance are apparent at Lewiston High School, where newcomers from soccer-loving countries helped elevate the already-good team to the state championship in November.

Coach Mike McGraw, whose undefeated soccer team featured players from Somalia, Kenya and Congo, said he likes that the Muslim players often stop to pray before a game.

"It doesn't take long for kids to become Americanized," he said. "What I'm happy about my kids is that they have not lost touch with their culture."

The players don't like to talk about immigration or politics. Their success is simply an example of team-

work, said Abdi Shariff, a co-captain who lived in a Kenyan refugee camp before his family relocated to Louisville, Kentucky, and then Lewiston.

"It just shows," he said, "that people from different races, different cultures, can all work together and accomplish a goal if they want to."

Trump seeks to reverse fortunes in New Hampshire

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NASHUA, N.H. (AP) — With less than two days until New Hampshire voters go to the polls, Hillary Clinton took a trip to Michigan. And other candidates, including Jeb Bush, said their campaigns will go on no matter what the outcome Tuesday. Donald Trump said he doesn't need to win New Hampshire, but would like to — though he was notably casual in his campaign effort Sunday.

With the otherwise intense race for the White House seemingly toned down Sunday, it's easy to forget that this leadoff primary could be make or break for several lagging campaigns.

Republican hopeful Marco Rubio continues to downplay his rough outing in Saturday night's GOP debate, while touting his overall campaign momentum after his third-place finish in the Iowa caucuses.

Trump, who is facing intense pressure to perform after coming in second in the Iowa caucuses, opted Sunday for just one of his signature rallies in Plymouth; and when he visited diner, the billionaire real estate mogul spent less than five minutes interacting with potential voters before sitting down for a meal with staff.

On the Democratic side, New Hampshire favorite Bernie Sanders and Clinton — who narrowly won Iowa — are avoiding predictions about Tuesday and looking beyond to South Carolina and Nevada, the next two states up in the nomination process.

At his rally, Trump's delivered a meandering version of his usual campaign speech. And by the 45-minute mark, as the candidate railed against U.S. trade policy, many of the undecided voters and college students in the crowd were streaming toward the exits to catch the Super Bowl.

"There's only so much you can listen to," said Plymouth State University student Robyn Footit, who is not a fan of Trump.

Still, Trump, who had said earlier on CNN Sunday that he doesn't "have to win" in New Hampshire to maintain his place among the contenders for the GOP nomination, urged supporters to get to the polls.

"If you're not going to vote for me, do not vote," he dead-panned.

The billionaire businessman had begun his day with an attempt to do things "the New Hampshire way" by engaging in more personal interactions with voters, stopping by Chez Vachon, a hole-in-the-wall Manchester restaurant that specializes in French Canadian fare and is a popular stop for political candidates.

But while some candidates work to connect with voters by answering questions and even sitting down at their tables, Trump spent less than five minutes circling the restaurant, greeting diners and shaking hands before sitting down for his own breakfast.

At another diner in Tilton, reporters invited along for the visit were greeted by one of Trump's sons, Donald Jr. "We're dividing and conquering," said the younger Trump of his father's absence.

Asked whether his father's confidence had been shaken at all by his second-place finish in Iowa, Donald Jr. described his dad as a man with plenty of fight left. "He's a fighter, so he's just going to get back in it and keep going. It's not over 'til it's over," he said.

For Republican Govs. Chris Christie, John Kasich and Jeb Bush, the task is to make sure the closing argument here isn't their last.

Christie sought to capitalize on his debate effort to batter Rubio, a first-term senator, as unprepared for the presidency. But he also took aim at his fellow governors as they battle for many of the same voters in an effort to remain relevant beyond Tuesday.

The governors thus far have struggled to keep Rubio from emerging as the alternative to Trump and Ted Cruz. Cruz, the Texas senator, won Iowa though he's looking beyond New Hampshire to a run of Southern primaries with more conservative electorates.

Under assault from Christie during Saturday's debate, Rubio repeated his standard critique of President

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Barack Obama several times and played into Christie's argument that the first-term senator is a scripted, inexperienced politician from a do-nothing Congress.

"You have not been involved in a consequential decision where you had to be held accountable," Christie told Rubio.

Rubio was back on message Sunday. "People said, 'Oh, you said the same thing three or four times.' I'm going to say it again," Rubio said in Londonderry, New Hampshire.

For Democrats, Sanders drew another large crowd Sunday in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, where he reprised his indictment of a "rigged economy" and "corrupt campaign finance system."

Taking a break from the New Hampshire campaign trail, Hillary Clinton stopped in Flint, Michigan, which continues to deal with the fallout of a lead-contaminated water system.

At the House of Prayer Missionary Church, Clinton noted that for two years, Flint residents drank poisoned water despite officials declaring it safe. "This is not merely unacceptable or wrong, though it is both. What happened in Flint is immoral," Clinton said.

She urged Congress to approve \$200 million to fix Flint's water system and vowed to "fight for you in Flint no matter how long it takes."

No masterpiece, but Manning rides off with a win

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SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — The best thing for Peyton Manning is that he won the Super Bowl.

A close second: He never has to lace 'em up again.

Constantly harassed, never quite comfortable — sort of the way the whole season has played out — Manning walked away with his second Super Bowl title Sunday night, after Denver's defense all but handed him the Lombardi Trophy in a 24-10 victory over the Carolina Panthers.

A towel draped over his shoulder, his freshly printed championship hat on his head, Manning wouldn't budge on whether this was, in fact, his last game.

"I got some good advice from Tony Dungy," Manning said of the first of four coaches with whom he's been to the Super Bowl. "He said, 'Don't make an emotional decision.' This has been an emotional week, an emotional night. I'm going to take some time to reflect."

If part of the decision involves a peek back at this game, he won't like anything he sees, except the final score.

He was creaky, off-target at times. He got bamboozled into his first interception of this year's playoffs and could've thrown a few more if Panthers' defenders had better hands. Manning lost a fumble, as well.

His most important throw? Might have been the pass that flew 10 yards out of the end zone but drew a defensive holding call that set up the game-clinching touchdown late in the fourth quarter. Manning completed 13 passes for 141 yards and got the Broncos moving to start both halves.

That was plenty. Those small wisps of offense set up a few field goals, kept the Broncos in good field position — then allowed No. 18 and Co. to clear the way for a smothering, historically good defense that won the game with seven sacks and four turnovers.

Manning became the first quarterback to win the Super Bowl with two franchises. He joined his brother, Eli, and 10 other quarterbacks as multiple Super Bowl winners. He's been taking it week by week this year, insisting he's not thinking about what he'll do after the season. Now that it's over, he'll have to decide whether he wants to walk away on top — same as his boss, John Elway, did after he won his second title back in 1999.

After his final win, Elway took some time to reflect and admitted to himself that he couldn't grind another year.

Smart money has Manning making the same choice, and his father, Archie, suggested his kid's days in Denver are all but done.

"I want to hear his side of it first," Archie said, while standing against a wall outside the Broncos locker room. "I've got some ideas. I would never tell Peyton what to do. I'll lay some things out for him. He knows what to consider. If he wants to play some more football, he's going have to go to another team."

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He's going to be 40. But we have not talked about it."

Manning is technically under contract with the Broncos for one more season, though everything they've done over the past year — fire John Fox, hire Gary Kubiak and Wade Phillips, revamp the offense — has spoken to a desire to build a winner that will last beyond Manning's tenure in Denver.

Which could be ending shortly.

Manning spoke to the team Saturday night — an emotional talk that defensive lineman Derek Wolfe called the "most intense" speech he'd ever been part of.

"I kind of thanked them for letting me be a part of the journey," Manning said.

It had the makings of a farewell.

The quarterback rewrote the record book his first three years in Denver, then remade himself in Year 4. He threw 17 interceptions, missed six games with an injured foot, suited up as a backup, and finally, came back as a diminished game manager.

But he didn't shirk from that role.

He won with a Super Bowl passer rating of 56.6 that, unbelievably, wasn't that much lower than what he compiled this season.

He won by handing off a lot. The Broncos ran 28 times Sunday, including on third-and-9 late in this game while nursing a lead. That never would have happened in earlier in his 18-year career. Denver's 11 first downs were the same as Manning would've racked up in a quarter a few years back.

"We couldn't move it, couldn't run it," Archie Manning said. "I got so tired of hearing 'No gain.' They said it a hundred times."

A game like this that would normally send Peyton scurrying to the film room, trying to figure out how to make things better for next week.

Next week doesn't matter. Next year might not either.

"Peyton's spoiled us," his father said. "The season was hard. So different. But that's what life is, and football has many similarities. It's dealing with adversity. That's what life's about."

Divers find 2 bodies, wreckage of small plane off California

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Two bodies and the wreckage of a small plane were found Sunday by divers searching in the water off Southern California for evidence following a midair collision believed to have killed three people, authorities said.

Divers made the discovery about 100 feet below the surface, in an area about 2 miles off Los Angeles Harbor, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Capt. Jack Ewell said in a statement.

Investigators from the coroner's office will identify the victims and divers will resume the search Monday morning, he said.

A massive search was launched Friday after a plane piloted by a 72-year-old woman was seen on radar colliding with a craft carrying men ages 61 and 81 off San Pedro, just outside the harbor.

Authorities have not released any identities, but the woman's husband identified her as Mary Falstrom of Torrance.

Richard Falstrom said his wife, a longtime pilot, told him Friday that she was going on a plane ride to enjoy the sunny weather. Hours later came the news of the collision.

Some debris from a plane carrying two men, including a pilot's logbook, was quickly found. But there was no sign of Falstrom or her plane.

Richard Falstrom believes his wife died doing something that gave her great joy.

"She loved flying. It was a passion," he told The Associated Press.

His wife was a member of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., an international organization of women pilots, and he said she volunteered at the Western Museum of Flight at Torrance Airport, from which she and the other

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plane took off Friday.

The plane carrying the men was a Beech 35 Bonanza and the second was a Citabria, said Allen Kenitzer, a spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration. Falstrom said his wife flew a Super Decathlon, an aerobatic plane by the same maker of the Citabria.

The crash site was near the Angels Gate light, a lighthouse at the San Pedro Breakwater that is on the National Register of Historic Places. The area is popular for flight students.

Authorities said both pilots were experienced.

Offbeat humor and upbeat messages dominate Super Bowl 50 ads

MAE ANDERSON, AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — From a strange creature called “Puppymonkeybaby” to a tear-inducing Audi ad, Super Bowl ads ran the gamut this year from offbeat humor to heartfelt messages.

On advertising’s biggest night, Chrysler celebrated Jeep with an ad filled featuring black-and-white portraits of veterans, kids and pop icons. In Audi’s spot, a depressed aging astronaut remembers his joy for life by driving an Audi sports car with his son. And in a quirky Doritos ad, a fetus in a sonogram appears to rocket out of the womb to chase a bag of chips the mother angrily tossed away.

The goal for advertisers: to stand out and win over the 114 million-plus people watching the big game on Super Bowl Sunday, much the way the Denver Broncos triumphed over the Carolina Panthers. With ads costing a record \$5 million for 30 seconds this year, the stakes are high to stand out from the 40-plus advertisers and be remembered.

In general, advertisers played it safe with universally liked celebrities such as Anthony Hopkins (TurboTax) and Ryan Reynolds (Hyundai), cute animals and pro-America themes.

“It’s been a pretty safe night,” said David Berkowitz, chief marketing officer at advertising agency MRV. “There’s relatively little going over the top.”

Offbeat humor reigned with a creature called “Puppymonkeybaby” — pretty much exactly what it sounds like — in an ad for Mountain Dew’s Kickstart. The ad sought to show that three great things go together, since Kickstart combines Mountain Dew, juice and caffeine.

“It’s on my list of the weirdest ad of the night, but it’s very catchy and people will be talking about it,” said Kelly O’Keefe, a marketing professor at Virginia Commonwealth University.

Heartfelt messages were in abundance too. SunTrust’s ad urged people to take a breath and feel better about their financial health. BMW’s Mini urged people to “defy labels.”

Most ads managed to avoid the somber tone struck last year, when an ad for Nationwide about preventable household accidents bummed out many in the audience.

There were a couple of misfires. Two pharmaceutical ads highlighted unappealing digestive conditions. One promoted an anti-diarrhea medication Xifaxan with a small-intestines mascot taking a seat at the Super Bowl. Another sought to raise awareness about “opioid-induced constipation.”

“This just isn’t a topic that people want to hear about during a Super Bowl,” said Villanova University marketing professor Charles Taylor.

OFFBEAT HUMOR

Mountain Dew’s ad might have been the weirdest ad of the night, but Doritos’ ad also seemed likely to divide viewers. The spot showed a couple during a sonogram. When the mother throws away a bag of Doritos, the fetus seems to zoom after it, to the consternation of all present.

“It caught you a little off guard, but it fit the brand,” said O’Keefe.

Some Super Bowl watchers agreed. Brian Kearney, from Morris County, New Jersey, was watching the game with about 15 people and said the ad was a hit with his friends.

“I thought it was hysterical, we all cracked up,” Kearney said.

Other ads with offbeat humor: Bud Light featured Amy Schumer and Seth Rogen traveling around America promoting “The Bud Light Party.” A Shock Top ad showed actor T.J. Miller trading insults with the brewery’s talking orange wedge mascot. And the outdoor goods-and-clothing company Marmot showed a man palling around with an actual marmot he appears to be falling for, all to illustrate falling in love with

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the outdoors.

MONEY MONEY MONEY

Eight years after the financial meltdown, financial companies are feeling more comfortable promoting their products and services. Six advertised in the big game, including including SunTrust Banks, PayPal, Quicken Loans, Intuit brand and Intuit's TurboTax and Social Finance Inc.

Most promoted optimistic messages about money. TurboTax, for instance, enlisted Anthony Hopkins to get out the message that you can file your taxes for free with TurboTax. PayPal's music-video style ad asked people to embrace "New Money."

"We're officially over the mourning of 2008 (financial crisis)," said Mediapost columnist Barbara Lippert.

CINEMATIC ADS

Some advertisers created mini-movies. Toyota went long with a 90-second ad depicting bank robbers who use a Prius 4 to escape from police. LG enlisted Liam Neeson in a futuristic spot showing off LG's new OLED 4K TV. Hyundai's "The Chase" ad, echoed "The Revenant," showing people escaping grizzly bears by using Hyundai's remote start feature.

"Super Bowl advertisers are sticking with light themes," said Tim Calkins, a marketing professor at Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management. "Last year we had serious ads about fathers and mortality. This year the ads are funny and creative."

'Kung Fu Panda 3' tops Super Bowl weekend at box office

JAKE COYLE, AP Film Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The Coen brothers' "Hail, Caesar!" and the Jane Austen-monster mashup "Pride and Prejudice and Zombies" followed distantly behind "Kung Fu Panda 3," which remained on top of the box office over Super Bowl weekend.

DreamWorks Animation's "Kung Fu Panda" sequel earned an estimated \$21 million in its second weekend of release, according to studio estimates Sunday. Joel and Ethan Coen's '50s Hollywood satire "Hail, Caesar!" opened in second place with an estimated \$11.4 million in North American theaters for Universal Pictures.

The two other major new releases struggled.

The Nicholas Sparks' romance "The Choice" debuted with \$6.1 million for Lionsgate. Despite expectations of a No. 2 opening, "Pride and Prejudice and Zombies," bankrolled by Cross Creek Picture and released by Sony's Screen Gems, eked out a meager \$5.2 million.

Though the majority of weekend grosses are made on Fridays and Saturdays, Hollywood generally seeks to avoid competing with the football broadcast and instead sticks largely to counterprogramming. The best Super Bowl weekend remains the 2008 concert film "Hannah Montana and Miley Cyrus" (\$31.1 million) followed by an earlier Sparks adaption, 2010's "Dear John" (\$30.5 million).

Paul Dergarabedian, senior media analyst for comScore, called Super Bowl weekend a trade-off for studios that sacrifice a day of moviegoing for the promotional benefit of the game's mass audience. A number of movie previews were set to play during the broadcast.

"It's one of those weekends that Hollywood braces for but they know how to course correct before it happens," Dergarabedian said.

Playing in 2,232 theaters, "Hail, Caesar!" is one of the Coen brothers' more wide-opening movies, but it earned a dismal C-minus CinemaScore from audiences. Starring Josh Brolin as a studio fixer in the classic Hollywood era and featuring George Clooney and Channing Tatum as '50s stars, "Hail, Caesar!" is the Coens' most broad comedy since their 2008 "Burn After Reading." That film opened with \$19.1 million.

Alejandro Inarritu's Oscar-nominated "The Revenant" continues to roll. Its global total is up to \$325 million, and "The Revenant" led overseas business with \$24 million internationally over the weekend. On Saturday, Inarritu also won best director from the Directors Guild Awards.

In its eight week of release, Walt Disney Co.'s "Star Wars: The Force Awakens" celebrated a pair of milestones over the weekend. It surpassed \$900 million at the North American box office and crossed \$2 billion globally.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to comScore.

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Where available, the latest international numbers for Friday through Sunday are also included. Final domestic figures will be released Monday.

1. "Kung Fu Panda 3," \$21 million (\$23 million international).
2. "Hail, Caesar!" \$11.4 million.
3. "The Revenant," \$7.1 million (\$24 million international).
4. "Star Wars: The Force Awakens," \$6.9 million (\$7 million international).
5. "The Choice," \$6.1 million (\$750,000 international).
6. "Pride and Prejudice and Zombies," \$5.2 million.
7. "The Finest Hours," \$4.7 million (\$2.8 million international).
8. "Ride Along 2," \$4.5 million (\$2.9 million international).
9. "The Boy," \$4.1 million (\$2.7 million international).
10. "Dirty Grandpa," \$4.1 million (\$4.5 million international).

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at international theaters (excluding the U.S. and Canada), according to comScore:

1. "The Revenant," \$24 million.
2. "Kung Fu Panda 3," \$23 million.
3. "A Violent Prosecutor," \$19.5 million.
4. "Alvin And The Chipmunks: The Road Chip," \$12.8 million.
5. "The Hateful Eight," \$8.5 million.
6. "Les Tuche 2," \$8.5 million.
7. "The 5th Wave," \$7.7 million.
8. "Star Wars: The Force Awakens," \$7 million.
9. "Goosebumps," \$6.5 million.
10. "Daddy's Home," \$5.4 million.

Today in History The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Feb. 8, the 39th day of 2016. There are 327 days left in the year. This is the Chinese New Year of the Monkey.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 8, 1966, during the Vietnam War, President Lyndon B. Johnson and South Vietnamese Premier Nguyen Cao Ky (nuh-WEN' kow ky) concluded their meetings in Hawaii by issuing the "Declaration of Honolulu," which asserted the resolve of their countries to defeat the Communists.

On this date:

In 1587, Mary, Queen of Scots was beheaded at Fotheringhay Castle in England after she was implicated in a plot to murder her cousin, Queen Elizabeth I.

In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Roanoke Island, North Carolina, ended in victory for Union forces led by Gen. Ambrose E. Burnside.

In 1910, the Boy Scouts of America was incorporated.

In 1915, D.W. Griffith's groundbreaking as well as controversial silent movie epic about the Civil War, "The Birth of a Nation," premiered in Los Angeles under its original title, "The Clansman."

In 1922, President Warren G. Harding had a radio installed in the White House.

In 1942, during World War II, Japanese forces began invading Singapore, which fell a week later.

In 1952, Queen Elizabeth II proclaimed her accession to the British throne following the death of her father, King George VI.

In 1965, Eastern Air Lines Flight 663, a DC-7, crashed shortly after takeoff from New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport; all 84 people on board were killed. The Supremes' record "Stop! In the Name of Love!" was released by Motown.

In 1968, three college students were killed in a confrontation with highway patrolmen in Orangeburg,

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South Carolina, during a civil rights protest against a whites-only bowling alley.

In 1976, Martin Scorsese's graphic urban drama "Taxi Driver," starring Robert De Niro, was released by Columbia Pictures.

In 1989, 144 people were killed when an American-chartered Boeing 707 filled with Italian tourists slammed into a fog-covered mountain in the Azores.

In 1996, in a ceremony at the Library of Congress, President Bill Clinton signed legislation revamping the telecommunications industry, saying it would "bring the future to our doorstep."

Ten years ago: President George W. Bush condemned deadly rioting sparked by cartoons of the prophet Muhammad as he urged foreign leaders to halt the spreading violence. U2 captured five Grammy awards for their album "How to Dismantle An Atomic Bomb," including album of the year.

Five years ago: Wael Ghonim (WY'-uhl goh-NEEM'), a 30-year-old Google executive who'd helped ignite Egypt's uprising, appeared before protesters in Cairo's Tahrir Square for the first time after being released from detention; he told them, "We won't give up."

One year ago: A riot erupted outside a major soccer stadium in Egypt, with a stampede and fighting between police and fans killing at least 19 people. At the Grammy Awards in Los Angeles, Sam Smith won best new artist, record of the year, song of the year for "Stay with Me" and best pop vocal album; Beck won album of the year for "Morning Phase."

Today's Birthdays: Composer-conductor John Williams is 84. Newscaster Ted Koppel is 76. Actor Nick Nolte is 75. Comedian Robert Klein is 74. Actor-rock musician Creed Bratton is 73. Singer Ron Tyson is 68. Actress Brooke Adams is 67. Actress Mary Steenburgen is 63. Author John Grisham is 61. Retired NBA All-Star and College Basketball Hall of Famer Marques Johnson is 60. Actor Henry Czerny is 57. The president of the Philippines, Benigno Aquino III, is 56. Rock singer Vince Neil (Mötley Crüe) is 55. Rock singer-musician Sammy Llanas (YAH'-nus) (The BoDeans) is 55. Former Environmental Protection Agency administrator Lisa P. Jackson is 54. Movie producer Toby Emmerich is 53. Actress Mary McCormack is 47. Rock musician Keith Nelson (Buckcherry) is 47. Basketball Hall of Famer Alonzo Mourning is 46. Dance musician Guy-Manuel de Homem-Christo (Daft Punk) is 42. Actor Seth Green is 42. Actor Josh Morrow is 42. Rock musician Phoenix (Linkin Park) is 39. Actor Jim Parrack is 35. Folk singer-musician Joey Ryan (Milk Carton Kids) is 34. Actress-comedian Cecily Strong is 32. Rock musician Jeremy Davis is 31. Rock musician Max Grahn (Carolina Liar) is 28. Actor Ryan Pinkston is 28. Professional surfer Bethany Hamilton is 26. Actress Karle Warren is 24.

Thought for Today: "Discussion is an exchange of knowledge; an argument an exchange of ignorance."
— Robert Quillen, American journalist (1887-1948).