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Good morning from Fargo.

Yes, I'm in Fargo for a couple of days for "Pool School." Remoting computing is very challening, especially using a PC to talk to a MAC. The programs works great, but my normal short cuts don't work.

Time is marching on and I need to get ready for class, so have a great Monday!

- Paul

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

The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is **Closed**

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Monday, April 18

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

School Lunch: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, lettuce, fruit.

Senior Menu: Goulash, green beans, apple crisp, whole wheat bread.

Birthdays: Dylan Vogel, Emily Sippel, Merrie Atherton, Tammie Hanson

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study 3:45pm: 7th/8th grade track at Milbank 7:00 pm: City Council Meeting at GCC

Tuesday, April 19

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

School Lunch: Soft tacos, refried beans, fruit.

Senior Menu: Baked pork chop, mixed vegetables, pineapple strawberry ambrosia, whole wheat bread.

Birthday: Virginia Nehls

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

Wednesday, April 20

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

School Lunch: Hot dog wraps, French fries, carrots and dip, fruit.

Senior Menu: Ranch chicken, boiled potatoes, green beans, cake with strawberries, whole wheat bread.

Anniv: Chuck & Marcia Blumhardt

Birthdays: Blake Harris, Cole Lewandowski, JoAnn Fliehs, Karen Leonhardt, Marlys Rodman

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

12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center

3:45pm: St. John's Lutheran Confirmation 6:30pm: Emmanuel Lutheran League



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Come and go bridal shower for Sarah Geary, bride-to-be of Sam Thorson, Saturday, April 23, 10 a.m., St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Groton. The couple is registered at Bed Bath and Beyond and at Target.

Handiman looking for work

I can do almost anything from building whatever you need, repairing machinery, welding, flooring, installing windows and doors. If you're looking for work to be done around the home or farm, I'm your guy. Call me at 605/228-4172.



GROTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA April 18, 2016 - 7pm Groton Community Center

1) Minutes 2) Bills 3) Findings & Conclusions of P&Z appeal 4) 2nd Reading # 704- Cat Ordinance 5) Street Addressing in the County - County request 6) Needs Survey - Recreation or Other - Olson money 7) CC tables 8) Exe Session - Legal or Personnel 9) Hire Softball Coach

And Any Other Business That is Brought Before The Council.

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Today in Weather History

1880 - More than two dozen tornadoes were reported from Kansas and Arkansas to Wisconsin and Michigan. More than 100 persons were killed, including 65 persons at Marshfield MO. (David Ludlum)

1906 - A severe earthquake shook San Francisco, and unusual easterly winds spread fires destroying the city. (David Ludlum)

1944 - California experienced its worst hailstorm of record. Damage mounted to two million dollars as two consecutive storms devastated the Sacramento Valley destroying the fruit crop. (The Weather Channel)

1957 - A dust devil near Dracut MA lifted a small child three feet into the air, and rolled two other children on the ground. Fortunately none of the three were hurt. The dust devil was accompanied by a loud whistling sound as it moved westward. (The Weather Channel)

1970 - Rapid City, SD, received a record 22 inches of snow in 24 hours. (17th-18th) (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Thirty-one cities in the central U.S. reported record high temperatures for the date, including International Falls MN with a reading of 88 degrees, and Bismarck ND with a high of 92 degrees. A sharp cold front produced high winds in the western U.S. Winds in Utah gusted to 99 mph at the Park City Angle Station, and capsized a boat on Utah Lake drowning four persons. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

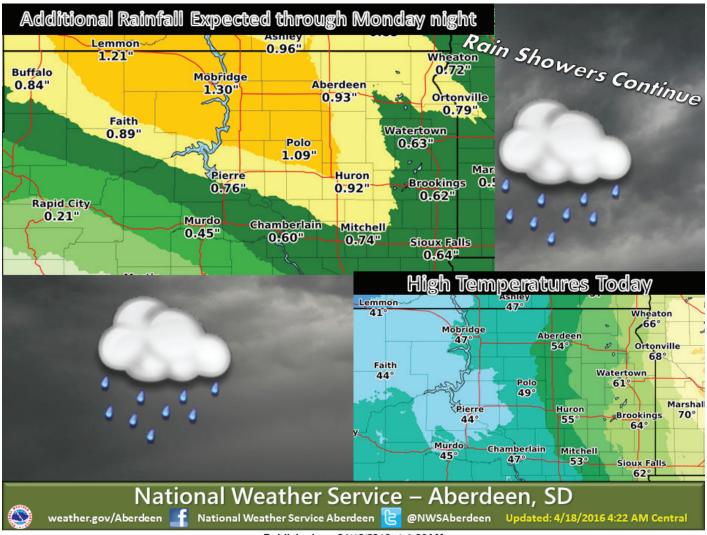
1988 - Afternoon and evening thunderstorms produced large hail and damaging winds in the southeastern U.S. A strong (F-2) tornado severely damaged seventeen mobile homes near Bainbridge GA injuring three persons. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Thunderstorms produced large hail and damaging winds in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. A thunderstorm in Pecos County of southwest Texas produced wind gusts to 90 mph at Imperial. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

1990 - Heavy snow blanketed the west central valleys and southwest mountains of Colorado with up to 18 inches of snow. Nine cities from the Mid Mississippi Valley to the Middle Atlantic Coast Region reported record low temperatures for the date, including Fort Wayne IND with a reading of 23 degrees. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)



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The last of the significant rainfall will cross the region today through tonight. Additional rainfall amounts of a half inch to one and a half inches will be possible. Highs today will remain on the chilly side with temperatures in the 40s and 50s expected. Warmer temperatures are possible in western Minnesota. Showers should push northward on Tuesday with dry conditions expected during the afternoon hours.

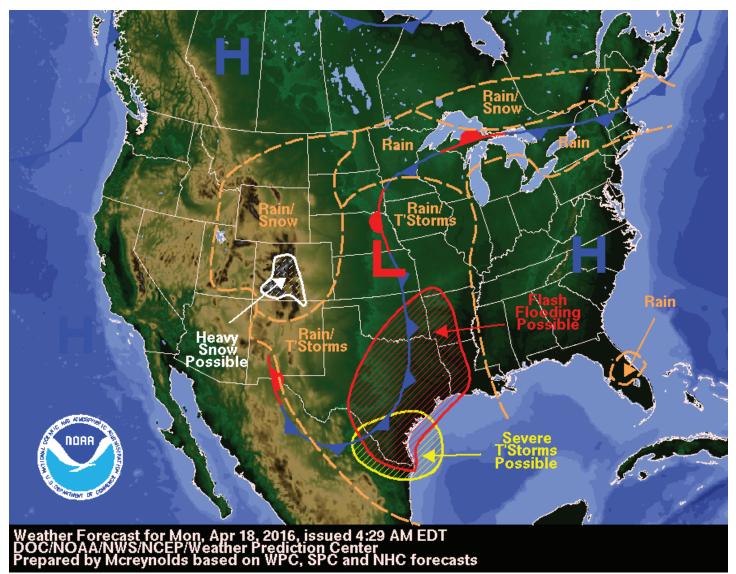
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Yesterday's Weather High: 50.6 at 4:56 PM Today's Info Record High: 89° in 1985

Low: 37.0 at 6:38 AM High Gust: 20 at 9:10 AM

Precip: 0.08

Record Low: 13 in 1953 Average High: 59°F Average Low: 33°F Average Precip in April.: 0.92 Precip to date in April.: 0.42 Average Precip to date: 3.10 Precip Year to Date: 1.37 Sunset Tonight: 8:24 p.m. Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:40 a.m.



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NDISPENSABLE?

Walter Damrosch became a world famous conductor before he was thirty years old. But with his fame came pride. And with his pride, arrogance.

As he rose to a place of prominence in the world of music, he became convinced that no one could take his place. One day while getting ready for a rehearsal, he could not find his baton. Walking to the podium in front of the orchestra, he asked, "Does anyone here have an extra baton?"

Immediately, three men in the orchestra reached into their instrument cases and produced a baton for his use. It was a sobering moment in his life and from that moment on, he never regarded himself as indispensable. He realized he needed help from others.

The Psalmist cried, "He reached down from heaven and rescued me; he drew me out of deep waters."

David wrote this psalm when he was helpless and weak, tired and tried. He was well aware of the fact that only God could rescue him from the enemies that were about to overcome him. He was defenseless and vulnerable. But not without hope or God's help.

There are those times in life when we feel that we are in deep waters that are swirling swiftly around us. We stretch out our arms and cry for help but no one seems to be available to take us by the hand and rescue us.

When this happens, we must believe that God can either deliver us in an instant or, perhaps, teach us to depend on Him to support or strengthen us during the difficult times in our life. Either way we must learn to trust Him completely believing His way is best.

Prayer: Father, help us to understand that You only want what is best for us and that You will always protect us, hold us close to Your side, and never leave us alone. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Psalm 18:16 He reached down from on high and took hold of me; he drew me out of deep waters.

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News from the Associated Press

Males rob Sioux Falls store, fire gunshot; no one harmed

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Sioux Falls police are searching for two males who fired a gunshot while robbing a convenience store.

Authorities say the masked males walked into the Cubby's store about 5:30 a.m. Sunday and demanded money.

Police say one of the suspects pointed a handgun at the clerk and fired a round into the shelving next to the clerk. The clerk wasn't harmed.

Authorities ID victim of motorcycle-car crash near Tea

TEA, S.D. (AP) — The Highway Patrol has identified a Sioux Falls motorcyclist who died in crash with a car in Lincoln County.

Authorities say 26-year-old Levi Sandal was driving a motorcycle that was involved in a collision with a car that had just exited Interstate 29 south of Tea on Saturday afternoon.

Sandal died of his injuries. The driver of the car suffered minor injuries. The crash prompted the shutdown of the area to traffic for several hours.

Authorities ID Minnesota man killed in South Dakota crash

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Authorities have identified a Minnesota man who died in a two-vehicle crash in eastern South Dakota.

The Highway Patrol says 39-year-old Lee Waltner, of Coon Rapids, Minnesota, was driving a car that was struck head-on by another car that crossed the centerline on state Highway 42.

The crash happened Friday night about 7 miles west of Sioux Falls. Waltner was declared dead at the scene. His 8- and 9-year-old daughters who were traveling with him and the driver of the other car were taken to a Sioux Falls hospital with injuries that the patrol said were serious but not life-threatening.

SDSU Extension says plan early to fight noxious weeds

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota State University Extension educators are advising landowners get their noxious weeds under control early this spring with warmer than average temperatures moving into the region.

SDSU Extension Weed Science Coordinator Paul Johnson says spring pasture spraying should begin soon for biennial thistle and wormwood sage.

Johnson says controlling noxious weeds is the law. But because there are fewer commercial spray businesses operating in South Dakota, many landowners are having a difficult time scheduling a time to have their pastures sprayed. He encourages landowners to schedule a commercial sprayer as soon as possible.

Johnson says although Canada thistle and spurge are still small, landowners need to watch closely the noxious weeds are about three weeks ahead of normal this season.

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Badlands National Park waiving admission this coming week

INTERIOR, S.D. (AP) — Outdoor enthusiasts can gain free admission to Badlands National Park this coming week as part of a celebration commemorating the National Park Service's 100th anniversary. The park is waiving entrance fees through April 24.

Park Superintendent Mike Pflaum says the park invites everyone to attend its many programs and events being offered throughout the year. He asks people to take a moment to reflect on what the American people have accomplished in establishing and maintaining the national park system over the past century.

The promotion is part of a program called Find Your Park, a public awareness and education movement to inspire people from all backgrounds to connect with, celebrate and support America's national parks and community-based programs.

1 dead, 3 critically injured in head-on crash near Wall Lake

HARTFORD, S.D. (AP) — One man is dead and three other people are critically injured following a crash near Wall Lake in Hartford.

South Dakota Highway Patrol Sgt. Steve Swenson says a 19-year-old man was driving the wrong way around 8:30 p.m. Friday on Highway 42 north of Wall Lake when he collided head-on with a car driven by a 39-year-old man.

Swenson says the older man was pronounced dead at the scene. The man's 12- and 9-year-old daughters along with the wrong-way driver were taken to Sioux Falls hospitals in critical condition.

Swenson says it was not immediately clear why the driver was heading the wrong way. At least two people had to be extricated from the vehicles.

The names of the four people involved in the crash have not been released.

US House hopeful Paula Hawks raises about \$87K in 1Q

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — State Rep. Paula Hawks, who is trying to unseat Republic U.S. Rep. Kristi Noem, raised about \$87,000 for her campaign during the first three months of 2016.

The Federal Election Commission report for Hawks shows she spent almost \$40,600 during the quarter ending March 31, leaving her with about \$116,000 cash on hand. Her report showed no campaign debt.

During the same period, Noem raised about \$280,000, spent almost \$128,800 and ended with more than \$1.64 million in the bank. Noem's report also showed no campaign debt.

Hawks is a second-term state representative from Hartford. She launched her campaign in August.

Noem, first elected after she beat incumbent Democrat Stephanie Herseth Sandlin in 2010, won against her Democratic challenger in 2014 by more than 30 percentage points.

Authorities identify victims of head-on crash near Tabor

TABOR, S.D. (AP) — Authorities have released the names of the three people who died in a twovehicle crash in Bon Homme County.

The South Dakota Highway Patrol says the victims were 70-year-old Elaine Rasmussen, of Yankton, 48-year-old Matthew Carson and 12-year-old Olivia Carson, both of Inman, South Carolina.

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The Highway Patrol says Rasmussen was traveling the wrong way on state Highway 50 and collided head-on with the minivan driven by Matthew Carson about 3:45 p.m. Thursday.

Authorities say Olivia Carson was riding in the front seat of the minivan. A 14-year-old girl from Inman, South Carolina, who was also riding in the minivan suffered injuries that authorities say are serious but not life-threatening. Her name is not being released because she is a minor.

The crash happened about a mile west of Tabor.

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. FIGHTS LOOM AFTER BRAZIL'S LOWER CHAMBER OKS IMPEACHMENT PROCEEDINGS

The measure now goes to the Senate, which must decide if it will try democratically elected President Dilma Rousseff for alleged fiscal irregularities.

2. QUAKE DEATH TOLL ABOVE 270 IN ECUADOR

As the coastal South American country digs out from its strongest temblor in decades, tales of devastating loss are everywhere and the death count is expected to go up.

3. WHO MISLED CONGRESS ON MILITARY SEXUAL ASSAULT CASES

An AP investigation finds that the Pentagon mischaracterized the actions taken by civilian law enforcement officials when it came to punishing sex offenders.

4. WHAT US FORCES ARE DOING IN JAPAN

The U.S. military joins relief efforts in the southern part of the country for areas devastated by two powerful earthquakes as local rescuers comb through debris looking for 10 people still reported missing.

5. CARTER IN BAGHDAD FOR TALKS

The defense secretary will debrief Iraqi leaders about the next steps the U.S. should take to beef up Iraqi forces to retake the northern city of Mosul from Islamic State militants.

6. THE FEW, THE PROUD, THE MAXED-OUT TRUMP DONORS

About 200 people have donated the max amount of \$2,700 to the Republican front-runner's campaign, which pales in comparison to the nearly 29,000 that have done the same for Hillary Clinton.

7. SUPREME COURT TO HEAR IMMIGRATION ARGUMENTS

The White House is seeking to put in place two programs that could shield roughly 4 million people living in the country illegally from deportation and make them eligible to work in the U.S.

8. VR EXEC DEFENDS NEW MEDIUM

Jason Rubin from virtual reality company Oculus says consumers shouldn't be concerned about an invasion of their privacy when using the Oculus Rift.

9. 'WAR ON TERRIER' ENDS WITHOUT JAIL TIME

The Australian government's dispute with Johnny Depp's wife over their dog smuggling spat is resolved when more serious charges are dropped.

10. PATRIOTS' DAY FESTIVITIES KICK OFF WITH BIG RACE

More than 30,000 runners are set to leave Hopkinton for the 26.2-mile race to Copley Square and the 120th Boston Marathon.