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## Dairy Queen Help Wanted

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

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### Monday, May 9

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

**School Lunch:** Submarine, French fries, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Meatloaf, baked potato with sour cream, creamed peas, fruited Jell-O, whole wheat bread.

**Birthday:** April Abeln

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

POSTPONED: Girls Golf Meet at Olive Grove, Groton

4:00pm: 7th/8th Track at Aberdeen Central School

6:00pm: School Board Meeting

### Tuesday, May 10

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

**School Lunch:** Chicken patty, tri tater, broccoli and dip, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Tater tot hot dish, green beans, grape juice, sour cream apple pie square, whole wheat bread.

**Anniv:** John & Anita Lowary

**Birthday:** Lee Hjermstad

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

2:00pm: Track at Britton

7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Church Council

### Wednesday, May 11

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

**School Lunch:** Tacos, tater tots, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Creamed chicken, buttermilk biscuit, peas, mandarin oranges, peanut butter cookie.

**Birthdays:** • Audrey Padfield • Beulah Hoops • Alyssa Stolle • Susan Foster

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

12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center

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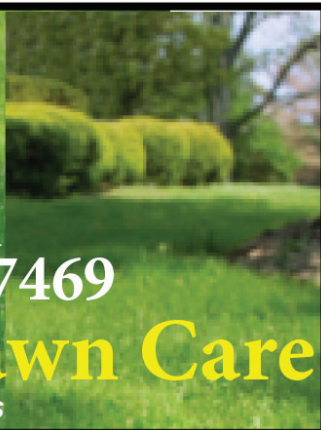
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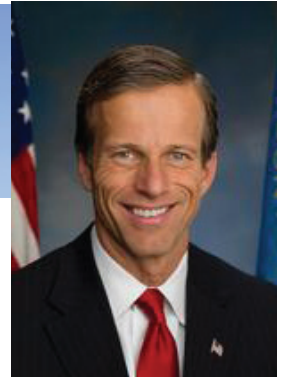
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## Something for Everyone in South Dakota

By Sen. John Thune

Every May, we recognize tourism in the United States and celebrate the many unique opportunities that are available for travelers from coast to coast. While my job sometimes requires me to spend time in Washington, D.C., away from the beauty of South Dakota, it does give me the chance to encourage people who have never been to our state to make their way to the heartland. I often hear, "South Dakota — I've never been, but I hear it is beautiful" or "That's the state with the faces, right?" People not familiar with our state probably don't realize that while Mount Rushmore is awe-inspiring and something that everyone should experience, our state has so much more to offer.

South Dakota has an incredibly diverse array of natural wonders and fascinating sites that offers something for everyone, from a large group getting ready for a family vacation to a couple retreating on their honeymoon to the lone traveler looking for adventure.

One of the easiest ways to get a taste of the state is to start your trip in Sioux Falls, travel along I-90, and end up in Rapid City. Sioux Falls is South Dakota's largest city and is growing rapidly, but many agree that it has maintained its small-town feel. Must-dos include the falls, sculpture walk, and bike trails.

As you head west, you will be tempted to stop at almost every town and exit, as each place offers new and different charms. Whatever you do, you won't want to miss the World's Only Corn Palace in Mitchell. Check out the basketball court, corn murals, and don't forget to grab a popcorn ball — they're delicious.

As you cross the river from Chamberlain to Oacoma, you will catch one of the most beautiful views in the state. After taking in the beauty of the "Mighty Mo" as you cross the American Legion Memorial Bridge, you'll see several billboards for Al's Oasis telling you to stop and try the pie — and you should.

There are so many sights to see in western South Dakota as well. If the hundreds of signs advertising free ice water and 5-cent coffee don't convince you to stop at Wall Drug, the giant dinosaur to the right of the interstate might.

The Badlands, Needles Highway, Sylvan Lake, Harney Peak, Bear Butte. Where do I even begin? The natural beauty of the western side of the state is unmatched. I recommend checking out as many of those places as you can.

And of course — Crazy Horse and Mount Rushmore. Enormous, breathtaking sculptures captured for eternity in giant rock walls. Sights unlike any other. Crazy Horse, which pays tribute to the renowned Lakota leader, will be the world's largest sculpture when completed. Meanwhile, Mount Rushmore pays tribute to four of our nation's presidents.

I haven't even mentioned one of the most important parts of South Dakota's tourism— our Native American culture. The Senate recently passed my legislation, the Native American Tourism and Improving Visitor Experience (NATIVE) Act, which integrates tribally driven tourism plans nationally that will ultimately help grow local economies and encourage visits to Indian Country. The culture of the Lakota, Dakota, and Nakota nations is unique and rich, and everyone should take the opportunity to experience it.

To my fellow South Dakotans, you should all be proud of what makes our state the greatest in the nation. I hope you spend some time this year exploring parts of our state that you haven't yet visited, or revisiting some of your favorite sites. You'll be glad you did.

## Should You Join the Gig Economy?

By Nathaniel Sillin

Today, our standard workday isn't so standard anymore and we're talking more about "gigs" – alternative work arrangements that often depend on the latest technology and a desire to set one's own schedule and pay. However, the question is whether everyone plans for the reality of the work or the impact self-employment in any form can have on his or her long-term finances.

Gig workers – a broad spectrum that includes temporary help agency workers, on-call employees, contract company workers, independent contractors and freelancers – were measured as a startling and growing economic force in a March study by Harvard and Princeton researchers ([https://krueger.princeton.edu/sites/default/files/akrueger/files/katz\\_krueger\\_cws\\_-\\_march\\_29\\_20165.pdf](https://krueger.princeton.edu/sites/default/files/akrueger/files/katz_krueger_cws_-_march_29_20165.pdf)). According to their measurements, this diverse group of earners that made up 10.1 percent of the workforce in February 2005 has grown to nearly 16 percent as of late 2015.

Anyone thinking about going into business in place of or in addition to their day job should consider a planning period with the help of a qualified financial or tax expert. Major issues to cover include:

Consider qualified tax and financial advice. Switching to gig work – even if you find lucrative contract work in your field – can be an enormous shock to your finances. Cash flow can be irregular, disrupting budgets and long-term savings. It's a good idea to get some qualified financial and tax advice so you understand the changes you might face and to keep major financial goals like retirement and college savings on track.

Setting up a business structure: While most gig economy participants settle on a sole proprietorship or some form of limited liability company (LLC) business structure, (<https://www.sba.gov/starting-business/choose-your-business-structure>) the choice needs to be carefully considered based on your particular business activity, overall tax situation and other financial factors unique to you. This is probably one of the most important reasons to seek out qualified tax, legal or financial expertise – the level of personal or property risk inherent in your choice might call for a structure that offers additional protection against lawsuits or insurance claims.

Think carefully about your benefits... Unless you fit a particular group exempt (<https://www.healthcare.gov/health-coverage-exemptions/exemptions-from-the-fee/>) from the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act or are insured by a spouse or partner, you'll have to invest in healthcare insurance for yourself or consider the cost of being uninsured. This is a particularly important expense to plan in advance based on your health needs and the type of affordable coverage that's available. Get referrals on qualified health insurance agents to get a full range of choices. And most of all, make a plan to keep saving and investing your money for long-term goals. Walking away from a weekly check can make that process tougher – talk about it and plan for it.

Track your spending and planning carefully. If you don't budget or track your expenses now, it's time to start. Being in business entitles you to certain deductions for home office expenses, equipment and other costs related to your work. So whether you use a specific software program or a computer spreadsheet or paper and pen to track your expenses, do so regularly to avoid missing items that could eventually save you money. If you're working with a tax professional or financial planner, coordinate this recordkeeping with the work they're doing for you. Also keep a constant discussion going about saving for the future, including retirement.

Make sure you're really right for this. With proper planning, the gig economy can be both enjoyable and challenging. You'll not only learn whether you can support yourself, but also whether you'll enjoy doing it long-term. Many of us dream of being our own boss, but reality can be very different, particularly when managing uneven earnings and cash flow common to many new companies. It's not just about business; it's about whether your lifestyle and personality traits (<https://hbr.org/2010/02/should-you-be-an-entrepreneur>) make you right for operating a business in this economy – or any economy.

Bottom line: Plenty of people find themselves dealing either by choice or necessity with the brave new world of "gig" work. It's important to approach it as a financial and lifestyle decision on par with starting a business.

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## Today in Weather History

May 9, 1999: Torrential rains of two to five inches fell in Lyman County during the late evening hours which caused flash flooding on Medicine Creek. The KOA Campgrounds near Kennebec were flooded including the main facility. Several roads were also flooded and damaged along Medicine Creek. Storm total rainfall in Kennebec was 3.40 inches. Also, a weak F0 tornado touched down briefly three miles south of Reliance with no damage reported. Winds gusting to 70 mph knocked over a 4000-bushel holding bin near Revillo.

1918: An F4 tornado moved across Floyd, Chickasaw, and Winneshiek Counties in northeast Iowa from two miles north of Pearl Rock to Calmar. Two people died just east of Calmar when the tornado was a mile wide. Losses in and near Calmar totaled \$250,000. Overall, this tornado killed seven people and injured 15 others.

1933: An estimated F4 tornado moved through Monroe, Cumberland, and Russell Counties in Kentucky along a 60-mile path. The town of Tompkinsville, KY was the hardest hit with 18 people killed. Overall, 36 people lost their lives.

1966: Record snows fell in the northeastern Ohio and western Pennsylvania, including 3.1 inches at Pittsburgh and 5.4 inches at Youngstown Ohio. Snow also extended across parts of New York State with eight inches reported in the southern Adirondacks.

1990: The 1990 Machilipatnam Cyclone was the worst disaster to affect Southern India since the 1977 Andhra Pradesh cyclone. This category four on the Saffir-Simpson scale had a severe impact on India, with over 967 people reported having been killed. Over 100,000 animals also died in the cyclone with the total cost of damages to crops estimated at over \$600 million (1990 USD).

1995: An F3 tornado produced \$10 million in damages along its 40-mile path across central Illinois. The tornado caused significant damage in Cantrall where three homes were destroyed, 10 had major damage, and 11 had minor damage. The roof and interior of a grade school suffered extensive damage. The tornado passed about 2 miles southeast of the new NWS Office in Lincoln, Illinois.

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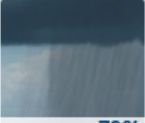
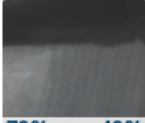



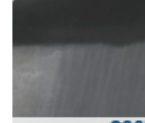
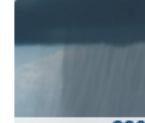


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Today	Tonight	Tuesday	Tuesday Night	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday
 70%	 70% → 40%	 30%	 20%		 20%	 20%
Showers Likely and Breezy	Showers Likely and Breezy then Chance Showers	Chance Showers	Slight Chance Showers then Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny then Partly Sunny and Breezy	Slight Chance Showers	Slight Chance Showers
High: 64 °F	Low: 50 °F	High: 68 °F	Low: 40 °F	High: 63 °F	Low: 42 °F	High: 60 °F



 **Wet Weather Returns Today**  
Updated: 5/9/2016 3:20 AM Central



**60s**

**Breezy** east winds developing  
Slight chance of thunderstorms

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Published on: 05/09/2016 at 3:21AM

Expect highs in the 60s today as rain showers invade the area. A few rumbles of thunder will also be possible through this evening. Breezy to windy east winds will develop across the area. This will be as an area of low pressure moves northward across the region today and tonight. Precipitation chances will begin to decrease Tuesday, with a return of dry weather by mid-week.

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## Yesterday's Weather

**High:** 75.5 at 5:28 PM

**Low:** 40.7 at 5:32 AM

**High Gust:** 23 at 2:53 PM

Precip: 0.00

## Today's Info

**Record High:** 95° in 1911

**Record Low:** 21 in 1966

**Average High:** 67°F

**Average Low:** 42°F

**Average Precip in May:** 0.92

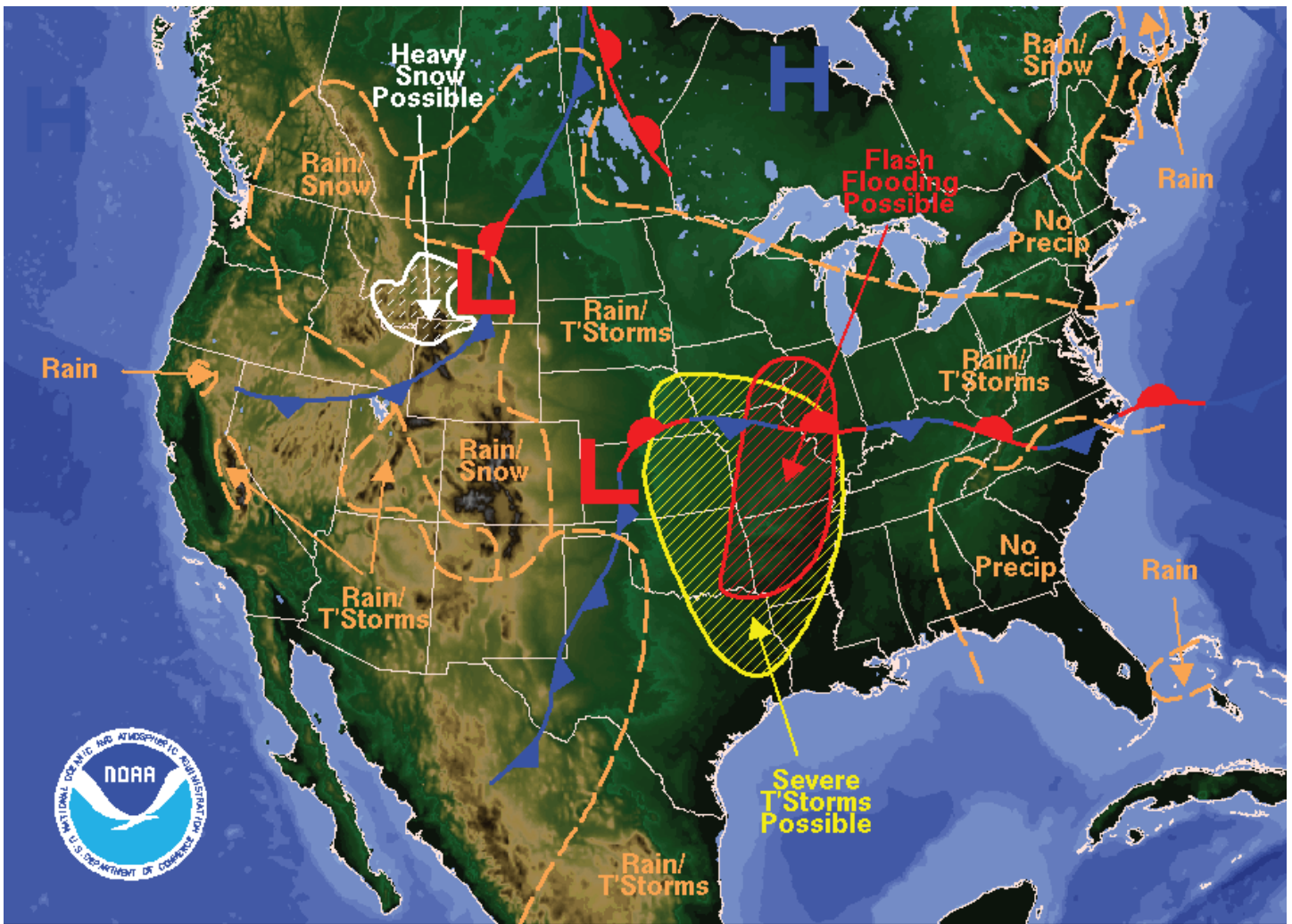
**Precip to date in May:** 0.00

**Average Precip to date:** 4.95

**Precip Year to Date:** 3.39

**Sunset Tonight:** 8:50 p.m.

**Sunrise Tomorrow:** 6:08 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Mon, May 09, 2016, issued 4:33 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by McReynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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## BALD HEADS AND BOLD LOVE

Ten-year-old Charles was undergoing chemotherapy following surgery for brain cancer. When his hair began to fall out in large clumps, he decided to shave his head. His friends at school noticed this and in a way to support and encourage him, they also shaved their heads.

Once when Jesus was teaching His disciples the difference between self-centeredness and greatness, He used a child to get His point across. He knew that they had been arguing among themselves as to who would be the greatest in His Kingdom. He knew that they were confusing His earthly and heavenly kingdoms. To help them understand the importance of humility and sincerity He said, "unless you turn from your sins and become like little children you will never get into the Kingdom of Heaven." His disciples had become so preoccupied with the idea of an earthly kingdom that they lost sight of His divine purpose. It was time for a lesson.

Children have wonderful characteristics. They are loving and loyal, they forgive and forget, they try and trust, they sympathize and share, they accept and respect others. No wonder Jesus used a child as an example. What is it that keeps us from becoming childlike?

Prayer: Lord, give us a faith that is as humble and trusting as a child's and let us be as willing as they are to reach out to others in need. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Matthew 18:1-3 Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven."



## News from the Associated Press

### **Car-semi collision killed 1 person, Nebraska patrol says**

SOUTH YANKTON, Neb. (AP) — One person has been killed and two injured in a northeast Nebraska collision between a car and a semitrailer.

The accident occurred about 10:15 a.m. Saturday on U.S. Highway 81 just south of Yankton, South Dakota. The Nebraska State Patrol says the northbound car crossed the center line and collided with the oncoming big rig.

The patrol says the 42-year-old car driver died at the scene. She was identified as Laura Suhr, of Norfolk. A 3-year-old child with her was taken to a Sioux Falls, South Dakota, hospital, and an 11-year-old child with her was taken to a hospital in Yankton. The patrol says the truck driver wasn't hurt.

### **Forest officials temporarily close Roubaix Campground**

CUSTER, S.D. (AP) — Black Hills National Forest officials say Roubaix Campground will be closed to the public on Tuesday and Wednesday to remove trees infested by mountain pine beetles.

Some 175 bug-killed trees within the boundaries of the campground need to be cut and removed.

Forest spokesman Scott Jacobson says removing the trees is necessary to reduce hazards and provide a safe place to the visitors and campers. The removal also will reduce further spread of the beetles.

Future closure dates may be posted at the campground entrance if the work cannot be finished during the dates shown.

The work will be performed by Boxelder Job Corps fire students and the Forest Service.

### **Memorial service for Colette Abbott to be held Monday**

VERMILLION, S.D. (AP) — A memorial service for Colette Abbott, the wife of University of South Dakota President James Abbott, is being held on Monday.

Colette Abbott died suddenly Wednesday at the couple's residence in Vermillion at the age of 59. Officials say she had recently been diagnosed with cancer and was awaiting surgery.

The service starts at 11 a.m. in Aalfs Auditorium in Slagle Hall on the university campus.

The family requests that memorial gifts be directed to the James W. and Colette Abbott scholarship at the USD Foundation or to the Children's Home Society.

The former Colette Pugh grew up in Pierre, attended USD and married James Abbott in 1987. They have three adult daughters and two grandchildren.

James Abbott became the school's 17th president in 1997.

### **Nevada reluctantly killed bighorn sheep to save them**

**SCOTT SONNER, Associated Press**

RENO, Nev. (AP) — Nevada state wildlife veterinarian Peregrine Wolff worked at zoos in the Midwest, with farm animals in Florida and exotic species on movie sets in Hollywood. She never dreamed she'd have to help pull the trigger on a contentious strategy to slaughter a diseased herd of bighorn sheep.

Ed Partee, a state game biologist who's spent much of his 24-year career rebuilding bighorn populations, drew the grim task of tracking and gathering the carcasses of the 27 sheep. The animals were gunned down from a helicopter in February in an emergency attempt to save a neighboring herd.

"Having to kill an animal like that is probably one of the worst feelings I've ever had in this job," said Partee, a native Nevadan who grew up fishing and hunting and knew by the time he was in junior high that he wanted to be a wildlife scientist.

Now, they wait to see if their gamble paid off in a race against the spread of pneumonia that's also hit bighorns in Washington, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, Montana and Utah, and threatens efforts to rebuild native

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populations that were on the brink of extinction a half century ago.

About 2 million bighorn sheep roamed North America before numbers started declining in the late 1800s to about one-tenth of that today due primarily to overhunting, habitat loss and disease — often transmitted by domestic animals.

"It's been a concern since the Old World European settlers started bringing their domestic sheep with them across the West," said Wolff, president of the American Association of Wildlife Veterinarians.

She suspects Desert bighorns in northwest Nevada contracted the biological agents that spread the pneumonia from domestic sheep or goats, as has been the case elsewhere. That's been a point of contention in Montana and Idaho, where ranchers and conservationists have been fighting for decades over management of domestic sheep that biologists blame for transmitting the disease.

Livestock producers suffered a setback in March when the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld a 2010 U.S. Forest Service decision to protect bighorns in Idaho's Payette National Forest by closing 70 percent of the domestic grazing allotments.

The Idaho Wool Growers Association had argued that the service failed to consult the Department of Agriculture's research service before it pushed 10,000 sheep out of the area, running many ranchers out of business.

It's a "heated topic that has vast socio-economic and ecological impacts in the western United States," said Maggie Highland, a USDA animal disease researcher at Washington State University.

She's among those who question the science and wonder whether Nevada acted prematurely, "without really understanding all of the factors that caused the first outbreak."

"I'd also question how we know for certain that none of the members of the affected herd hadn't already intermingled with the herd that they were reportedly trying to protect," Highland wrote in an email to AP.

Skeptics include Mark Thurmond, professor emeritus of veterinary epidemiology at the University of California-Davis.

"What they are doing is illogical — to say we found these agents therefore we've got to eradicate this entire herd," Thurmond said. He says disease transmittal involves a complex combination of multiple agents and outside impacts, ranging from drought and wildfires, to extreme cold and snow.

"If the herd is doing well otherwise, why destroy the gene pool that has been able to handle these agents?" he told AP.

But by all accounts, the Nevada herd was not doing well.

State officials knew if they didn't act fast, the sheep would disperse as the snowpack melted. Partee said they were lucky to get an early warning of trouble in December because they'd just fitted several sheep with radio-signal collars in a partnership with Oregon to monitor movement across state lines.

"You could tell right away there was something not right because of the fact they weren't moving," Partee said. "Within weeks we started realizing we were at the start of a devastating disease event."

Necropsies confirmed the dead animals had pneumonia. Others were in such bad shape that Wolff was "surprised they were still alive."

"In January, we started talking about the fact that if we lost this herd, it would be tragic, but if it spread to the neighboring herd to the south, we'd lose both of those," Wolff said.

By the time the decision was made to kill the herd, fewer than a third of the 100 animals remained and those were so weak that they barely attempted to flee when the helicopter approached.

The move wasn't without precedence. British Columbia killed a herd in hope of saving others in 2000. Utah officials killed 25 in 2010, and Washington 63 in 2013.

Wolff consulted experts, including those in British Columbia, before conceding that killing the herd was the only hope to keep the disease from spreading in the state with the most bighorns in the Lower 48. Nevada is the only state with all three North American species — Desert, California and Rocky Mountain.

Early indications are the kill may have kept the disease from reaching the neighboring herd.

Wolff stands by the decision.

"I take exception to anyone in the domestic sheep industry looking over my shoulder and telling the Nevada Department of Wildlife how to manage," she said. "I totally understand the politics. But to deny the science because of the politics is sort of short-sighted to me."

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## Dairy Queen to return to city of Pierre

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Dairy Queen will return to Pierre in 2017 after a four-year absence.

Pierre residents Lonnie and Jackie Heier says they have bought the old Dairy Queen building on Sioux Avenue and intend to open a new Dairy Queen Grill and Chill Restaurant in the spring or summer of 2017. The Heiers own Dairy Queen locations in Eagle Butte, Martin and Vermillion.

Lonnie Heier says he's been looking for a new Pierre spot since the restaurant closed down in 2013. He plans to hire 40 to 50 new full- and part-time staff.

## 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 FOES FACE DIMINISHED OPTIONS AT CONVENTION

Republicans and conservatives opposed to the billionaire businessman can still fight over the party's platform and his choice of a vice presidential nominee.

#### 2. HARD-TALKING MAYOR FAVORED TO BE NEXT PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT

Filipinos line up to vote for a president that opinion polls show will likely be Rodrigo Duterte, the 71-year-old who gained popularity with his pledges to kill criminals and end corruption within six months.

#### 3. WHAT MAY AID CANADIAN WILDFIRES FIGHT

Cooler temperatures and light rain have officials optimistic they've reached a turning point on getting a handle on a massive blaze that has devastated parts of Fort McMurray, Alberta.

#### 4. INVITED MEDIA FINDING NORTH KOREA CONGRESS HARD TO COVER

Pyongyang is expelling a BBC journalist for allegedly "insulting the dignity" of the authoritarian country, while it continues to keep other foreign press away from its ruling party proceedings.

#### 5. NORTH CAROLINA FACES DEADLINE TO ABANDON LGBT LAW

The U.S. Justice Department warns that the new law violates civil rights protections against sex discrimination at work and in education.

#### 6. GERMAN VILLAGE WITH BIG REFUGEE CAMP DEFIES FEARS OF TROUBLE

The shelter in a former office complex in the tiny town of Sumte brings benefits including dozens of jobs to the isolated rural region of northern Germany.

#### 7. WHO IS SIGNALING URGENCY WITH ZIKA

The White House and Democrats are pressuring congressional Republicans to act on Obama's demands for \$1.9 billion to combat the virus.

#### 8. TREASURY SECRETARY HEADS TO PUERTO RICO

Jacob Lew is calling attention to the effect the U.S. territory's \$70 billion debt crisis is having on the millions of Americans who live there and to the GOP-led Congress' struggle to come up with a solution.

#### 9. STUDY: E-CIGARETTE POISONINGS SURGE IN CHILDREN

Researchers say the results highlight a need for better parent awareness about the importance of keeping the devices out of sight and reach of young kids.

#### 10. IT'S 'WOE, CANADA' FOR HEAT STAR

Dwyane Wade's warm-up shots during the Canadian national anthem spark some outrage.

## Man accused of killing 3 in Maryland expected in court

SILVER SPRING, Md. (AP) — A federal security officer suspected in three fatal shootings outside a high school, a mall and a supermarket in a Maryland suburb of the nation's capital is due in court for an initial appearance.

Eulalio Tordil, 62, of Adelphi is scheduled to appear in court Monday afternoon in Rockville, Maryland. He faces charges including first-degree murder.

Police say the shootings began Thursday when Tordil fatally shot his estranged wife Gladys, a chemistry teacher, in a high school parking lot. A bystander was wounded.

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Authorities say the shootings continued Friday at two other parking lots, one outside Montgomery Mall and the other at a shopping center. Police said those shootings, including one in which two other people were wounded, were likely botched carjackings.

A friend of the Tordils said in an interview Sunday evening that he saw the couple as recently as three weeks ago and was not aware they had any troubles. Gary Cochran of Sterling, Virginia, said Eulalio Tordil, who attended high school with his wife, was "always smiling and very polite."

Cochran said he and his wife "can't believe this is the person we invited into our home."

Police said the other victims who died in Friday's shootings were Malcom Winffel, 45, of Boyds, and Claudina Molina, 65, of Silver Spring.

Winffel and a friend, who wasn't identified, were shot while trying to help a victim of an attempted carjacking, police said. The friend and the carjacking victim were both wounded.

"He was always helping people," Pilar Winffel of Columbia said of her brother. "If a friend of a friend was moving, he would go and help."

At a news conference Saturday night, Montgomery County Assistant Police Chief Russ Hamill said Tordil spoke to investigators a little about the shootings. "I would not describe him as being remorseful," Hamill said.

Hamill said a search of Tordil's car uncovered a .40-caliber Glock handgun that was used in Friday's shootings. Hamill said police believe it also was used in Thursday's shooting of Gladys Tordil but more testing is needed to confirm.

Tordil, a federal security officer employed by the Federal Protective Service, was put on administrative duties in March after a protective order was issued against him when his wife said he had threatened to harm her if she left him, The Washington Post (<http://wapo.st/1WOrwyg>) reported. Tordil subjected their children to "intense-military-like discipline," such as push-ups and detention in a dark closet, according to the order.

The protective service said Tordil's weapon, badge and credentials were taken when he was placed on leave.

Cochran said he had no idea about the protective order, and never suspected any domestic problems.

"I just saw a beautiful family," he said, adding that Tordil never mentioned the action taken against him at work.

The charges against Tordil carry a maximum sentence of life in prison. Maryland abolished the death penalty in 2013.

## Blazers, Heat look to even series up at home in Game 4s

**TIM REYNOLDS, AP Basketball Writer**

MIAMI (AP) — By definition, Portland and Miami are not yet facing must-win games.

It may seem otherwise.

Down 2-1 in their respective series, the last thing either the Trail Blazers or the Heat will want is to head out on the road later this week facing elimination. So in a pair of Game 4s on Monday — Portland plays host to Golden State as their Western Conference semifinal resumes, while Miami will entertain the Toronto Raptors in their back-and-forth East semis matchup — the home teams will face plenty of pressure.

"This is competition at its highest," Heat coach Erik Spoelstra said.

The Miami-Toronto series has been extremely tight, with the Raptors outscoring the Heat so far 287-285. But it will have a much different look now, after a pair of MRI exams on Sunday sent both starting centers to the sidelines.

Toronto said it will be without Jonas Valanciunas for the rest of the series because of a sprained right ankle. Miami isn't sure how long it will be without Hassan Whiteside, who is listed as day-to-day with a sprained knee ligament.

"It's going to be small-ball with a smaller center," Toronto's Kyle Lowry said. "It's going to be a fun game."

And now the Raptors and Heat know who awaits: Cleveland finished off its sweep of Atlanta on Sunday,



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putting the Cavaliers back in the Eastern Conference finals for the second straight year.

Toronto won a road game on Saturday to take the lead in its series. Golden State will now need a road win to keep the lead in its series.

The Blazers got back into their matchup by taking Game 3 behind a 40-point effort from Damian Lillard. Portland became the first team to beat Golden State twice this season, and it's unknown if the Warriors will have MVP Stephen Curry back from his knee injury in time for Game 4.

A look at Monday's games:

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Raptors at Heat, Toronto leads 2-1. 8 p.m., TNT.

The Raptors could be leading this series 3-0 right now.

Then again, so could the Heat.

It's rare that such statements would make any simultaneous sense, but in this case they seem to apply. The game that Toronto lost in this series came in overtime, a contest where Lowry and his backcourt mate DeMar DeRozan combined to shoot 12 for 35. The games that Miami has lost so far were ones where the Heat wasted fourth-quarter leads, a seven-point edge in Game 2 and a six-point cushion in Game 3.

Now it's up to Miami to find a way at home to knot the series.

"It's a very competitive series," said Heat guard Dwyane Wade, who scored 38 points in Game 3. "They're the second seed for a reason. Throughout this year they won 56 games. It's a good team and we went in and got one from them, they came in and got one from us. ... This going to be one of those tough series that's going to go down to the last minute."

The Heat were down by 13 points when the Raptors lost Valanciunas in the third quarter of Game 3, then went on a spurt to take the lead. In the end, Lowry's 29 second-half points were too much for Miami.

"When he's in a zone like that ... you want to do something to help him stay in that zone," the Raptors' Patrick Patterson said.

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Warriors at Trail Blazers, Golden State leads 2-1. 10:30 p.m., TNT.

Losing streaks don't happen to the Warriors.

Golden State is 10-0 in the games that immediately follow losses this season, winning those by an average of 15.8 points. Put another way, when the Warriors are annoyed, they respond — and usually emphatically.

"All it means is that we won a home court game," Portland coach Terry Stotts said. "It was important to win it and it's going to be a tough game on Monday. To me, it wasn't an explosive game but we kept grinding it out a little bit."

It was more than a grind-out.

Besides Lillard's brilliant 40-point effort, Al-Farouq Aminu needed only nine shot attempts to score 23 points. The Blazers were 17 for 30 from 3-point range, yet still attacked enough to get to the line 29 times (making 23).

"We stepped it up," Lillard said.

If the Warriors get Curry back — he's listed as doubtful — then the emotional lift would be seismic. Plus, Golden State knows that taking a 3-1 lead back home would present them with a chance for not just a closeout opportunity in Game 5 but perhaps a nice bit of rest before facing either San Antonio or Oklahoma City in the West finals.

"We don't have the luxury of staying with a set rotation," Warriors coach Steve Kerr said. "We have to read what's going on and play different people based on what we see and what we need, but that's all right. We've got a lot of players who can play and they've been ready to perform all year."

## North Carolina gov. faces Fed's Monday deadline on LGBT law

GARY D. ROBERTSON, Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — North Carolina Gov. Pat McCrory shows no signs of backing down in the face of the federal government's Monday deadline to declare he won't enforce the new state law limiting protections for LGBT people — defiance that could risk funding for the state's university system and lead to a protracted legal battle.

McCrory and other state officials have been under pressure since the U.S. Justice Department warned last week that the law passed in March violates civil rights protections against sex discrimination on the job and in education for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people.

In letters, federal civil rights enforcement attorneys focused particularly on provisions requiring transgender people to use public restrooms that correspond to their biological sex. A federal lawsuit against the state is possible, the Justice Department said.

"It's the federal government being a bully. It's making law," McCrory said on "Fox News Sunday." The Justice Department is "trying to define gender identity, and there is no clear identification or definition of gender identity." Still, McCrory wouldn't disclose how the state would respond in writing.

"I'm looking at all my options," he said.

McCrory has called the law a common-sense measure. He said it's designed to protect the privacy of people who use bathrooms and locker rooms and to expect all people inside the facilities to be of the same gender. McCrory said Sunday he was not aware of any North Carolina cases of transgender people using their gender identity to access a restroom and molest someone, a fear frequently cited by the law's supporters as the main reason for its passage.

While McCrory agreed that the Justice Department could warn of consequences if North Carolina established separate bathrooms for white and black people, the governor said the agency goes too far in contending that transgender people enjoy similar civil rights protections.

"We can definitely define the race of people. It's very hard to define transgender or gender identity," McCrory said. He added that he had made a request for more time to respond to the Justice Department but that was denied.

The governor has become the public face of the law called House Bill 2, which has been the subject of fierce criticism by gay rights groups, corporate executives and entertainers demanding that the law be repealed. North Carolina has already paid a price for the law, with some business scaling back investments in the state and associations cancelling conventions.

The 17-campus UNC system risks losing more than \$1.4 billion in federal funds if they don't comply. Another \$800 million in federally backed loans for students who attend the public universities also would be at risk if it's found that enforcing the law violates Title IX of the Civil Rights Act, which bars discrimination based on sex. The letter to McCrory said the law also violates Title VII, which bars employment discrimination.

Repealing the law also would satisfy the attorneys, but GOP lawmakers who run the General Assembly had no plans before to do so Monday.

Senate leader Phil Berger of Eden said last week that he's frustrated because "we have a federal administration that is so determined to push a radical social agenda that they would threaten" federal funding. "I just think the people should be frustrated and people should be angry."

UNC President Margaret Spellings has said that while the university system is obligated to follow the law, it did not endorse the law. Spellings said later she hoped legislators would change the law, which could discourage promising faculty and students from coming to system campuses. McCrory said the system's governing board wouldn't get together until Tuesday to discuss the issue.

Civil liberties groups and several individuals already have sued to challenge the law, which also prevents local governments from passing rules giving protections to LGBT people while using public accommodations such as restaurants and stores. The state law was designed to block an ordinance by the city council in Charlotte.

## Memories of Barbaro resonate a decade after tragic injury

DAVID GINSBURG, AP Sports Writer

BALTIMORE (AP) — The passage of time has trickled ever so slowly for trainer Michael Matz since Barbaro's final gallop at the Preakness.

A decade ago, Matz saddled the frisky Kentucky Derby winner with designs of pulling off an encore at Pimlico Race Course. Soon after emerging from the starting gate, Barbaro stumbled and broke his right hind leg.

Despite the efforts of an esteemed veterinarian, the unrestricted financial backing of the horse's owners and the outpouring of love from racing fans around the world, the injuries Barbaro suffered at the Preakness ultimately led to his death.

For those who knew the whimsical thoroughbred, vivid memories linger.

"When you're looking for another horse like that, it seems like it's been ages," Matz said. "I'm hoping, but I don't have a great deal of confidence I'm going to find it or it's going to find me."

That's because, as Barbaro owner Roy Jackson said, "He was one in a million horse."

Barbaro came into the Preakness unbeaten in six races, but that's not the only reason why Matz loved the dark bay colt.

"Especially this time of year, there are always memories of Barbaro," Matz said. "One minute he wins the Kentucky Derby in front of 160,000 people, and on Monday afternoon he's out in the paddock rolling around in the grass and having a good time. Those are the things that stand out."

After tumbling to the dirt at the Preakness, Barbaro was transported to the New Bolton Center at the University of Pennsylvania's rural Kennett Square campus, where Dr. Dean Richardson performed surgery. Although Barbaro's broken leg healed, he developed laminitis, a painful and often crippling hoof condition, in his left hind leg. Following several more procedures, Barbaro was found to have laminitis in both front legs.

At that point, Richardson, along with owners Roy and Gretchen Jackson, realized the horse could not be saved. Barbaro was euthanized on January 29, 2007.

Though Richardson is confident he did everything possible to keep the horse alive, he looks back at the time with no small measure of regret.

"It's not like there have been evolutionary changes in the technology over the last 10 years to repair this type of fracture," Richardson said. "In retrospect, however, there are certainly some subtle things that I would probably do differently today if I were to approach the same type of fracture."

"If you ask me, would I love to have another chance at saving Barbaro, the answer is categorically yes. That's more because I care so much about him, because he's a real special horse."

Barbaro's situation was unusual in that the Jacksons were willing to spend thousands of dollars for veterinary care to keep him alive — and not necessarily because of his potential as a stud.

"It's not that horses can't be repaired, it's just that many times the economics of repairing a horse's injury are not aligned," Richardson said. "You don't have the combination of an owner who has the resources and a horse that justifies that expense."

The Jacksons and Barbaro fit the description.

"He deserved whatever we could do to try to save him," Roy Jackson said. "The stud thing, it didn't matter."

Barbaro's ashes are buried at Churchill Downs, the site of his biggest victory. A bronze statue of the horse stands atop his remains.

"Sometimes I sit on the sideline there, watch people take pictures in front of the statue," Jackson said. "I think it's a great memorial for him."

Barbaro's mother, La Ville Rouge, lives at the stables on the Jacksons' estate in Chester County, Pennsylvania. That, and the love Barbaro received 10 years ago, have helped his owners move on.

"We don't dwell on it much," Roy Jackson said. "We got letters from people in every state and 14 foreign countries. We think back on the huge outpouring of support we got. That's what I think about more than the injury."

Richardson has taken a similar stance.

"The bitterness of losing him lessens over time," he said. "But I've got a picture of Barbaro on my office wall and a painting of him at home. I certainly do still think about him."

Matz has 70 stalls at the Fair Hill Training Center. He hopes to one day fill one of them with a horse capable of competing for the Triple Crown.

"All trainers are looking for that, and I was lucky enough to get one in Barbaro," he said. "The worst part of it is, we never will really know how good he really was."

## **A not-so-good ending as 'The Good Wife' concludes its run**

**FRAZIER MOORE, AP Television Writer**

NEW YORK (AP) — Would Peter Florrick, embattled governor of Illinois, get a guilty verdict and face prison? Did his dutiful wife, Alicia, continue to stand by him — or finalize their pending divorce and stick with her current squeeze, private investigator Jason Crouse?

"Who do you want to come home to, every night?" Alicia's law-firm colleague, Lucca, asked her. "Who do you want to see when you open your door?"

These were among the gnawing questions waiting to be answered when CBS' "The Good Wife" concluded its seven-season run Sunday night.

Read no further if you're not ready to find out.

The end of last week's "Good Wife" found Gov. Florrick, despite professing he is innocent of corruption charges from his stint as state's attorney, opting to take a deal: two year's imprisonment instead of risking 10 years if found guilty.

"There's no good answer, is there?" he told Alicia.

In the suspenseful finale he changed his mind. New evidence surfaced even as the jury deliberated Peter's guilt. A breakneck effort was launched to have the jury consider it. Then it turned out the evidence would work against Peter. An about-face effort was mounted to keep the evidence away from the jury.

By the end of the hour, Peter had accepted what appeared to be the best possible deal: a year's probation and his resignation as governor.

Alicia stood beside him as he made the announcement that he was stepping down, his political career in ruins, but with Alicia (knowing nothing of it) already being teed up as a possible future candidate for governor.

Then, after having chosen to commit herself to Jason — the man she wanted to come home to every night — Alicia found he had flown the coop.

The series ended with nothing conclusive about her divorcing Peter or about the future of her career. In the final moments she was pointedly alone, yet painfully independent in a way she has never been before.

Walking down a deserted hallway stoic and in solitude, she seemed an indefinable blend of crushed and defiant, clearly a woman whose life would proceed in ways the audience will never be privy to, beyond the bounds of the series. Thus did it fire the viewer's imagination while triggering a measure of frustration at the loose ends.

Starring Julianna Margulies as wife, mother and powerful Chicago lawyer Alicia Florrick, this complex drama has blended social issues, office politics and family turmoil in multi-strand narratives populated with a robust supporting cast including Christine Baranski, Alan Cumming, Matt Czuchy, Cush Jumbo, Jeffrey Dean Morgan as Jason, and Chris Noth as Peter — plus Alicia's dead lover Will Gardner (departed cast member Josh Charles) returning for this finale, thanks to Alicia's fantasies.

Since its premiere in 2009, "The Good Wife" has won devoted fans, critical acclaim and awards that include five Emmys and a Peabody.

Its husband-and-wife creators, Robert and Michelle King, played a vital role in bringing the series to its conclusion. Now they have opted to move on, with their next project "BrainDead," a new drama series premiering on CBS this summer.



## Prince Harry, Michelle Obama help kick off Invictus Games

**TERRANCE HARRIS, Associated Press**

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Britain's Prince Harry and first lady Michelle Obama helped kick off the Invictus Games for wounded veterans with uplifting speeches Sunday night, joining other figures from the worlds of sports, entertainment and politics in a glittery opening ceremony.

The two-hour event in Orlando, Florida, included performances by British singer James Blunt and soprano Laura Wright. Actor Morgan Freeman and former president George W. Bush — honorary chairman of this year's games — sat in the audience for the ceremonial start of the games at Disney's ESPN Wide World of Sports Champion Stadium.

Nearly 500 athletes from 14 different countries are competing in the Paralympic-style sports competition over a four-day period beginning Monday.

The Invictus Games are the creation of Prince Harry, who got the inspiration to help wounded and sick military personnel and their families after his two tours of duty in Afghanistan. The initial Invictus Games were held last year in London.

"I can't tell you how proud I am to have the second Invictus Games open in America," Prince Harry said. "I'm a long way from London tonight, but when I look out, I see so many familiar faces, servicemen and women, their friends and their families and all of the people who got them here. I feel like I'm at home."

The evening began with participants dressed in their nation's colors marching into Champion Stadium to a standing ovation from the crowd. There were several musical performances and then three veterans spoke about the injuries they suffered and their fight to regain control of their lives.

"I served along soldiers from all over the world," Prince Harry said. "I saw the sacrifices you and your families made to serve your nations. I learned about the importance of team work and camaraderie in the way that only military service can teach you."

There was a military flyover and the black and yellow "I Am" flag, which has become the symbol of the Invictus Games, was flown by helicopter into the stadium. There was also a fireworks show.

The first lady spoke toward the end of the ceremony.

"It is truly an honor to be here tonight to help kick off this year's Invictus Games," she said. "I want to, of course, start by thanking Prince Harry for his outstanding leadership and for bringing the Invictus Games here to Orlando. He is truly our Prince Charming. He should be proud of his work."

## Ex-FBI agent to plead guilty to perjury during Bulger trial

BOSTON (AP) — A former FBI agent accused of lying during Boston gangster James "Whitey" Bulger's trial is expected to plead guilty to perjury charges.

Robert Fitzpatrick is slated to appear Monday afternoon in U.S. District Court in Boston for a change-of-plea hearing.

The now-76-year-old is accused of lying to jurors and overstating his professional accomplishments during Bulger's 2013 racketeering trial.

Fitzpatrick, who had been second-in-command of the FBI's Boston division during Bulger's bloody reign in Boston, was the first witness Bulger's lawyers called during the high-profile trial.

Prosecutors say Fitzpatrick falsely claimed to be the first officer who recovered the rifle used to assassinate Martin Luther King Jr. in 1968.

During the 2013 trial, Assistant U.S. Attorney Brian Kelly pressed Fitzpatrick about that claim.

"Isn't it true that three Memphis police officers found the rifle that was used to kill Martin Luther King, not Bob Fitzpatrick?" Kelly asked.

"I found the rifle along with them," Fitzpatrick replied. "They could have been there ... but I'm the one that took the rifle."

Prosecutors also suggested that Fitzpatrick exaggerated claims he tried to persuade supervisors to terminate Bulger as an informant because he didn't appear to be gathering information on the Mafia. They

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suggested he was just trying to sell copies of a book he wrote about Bulger.

Fitzpatrick originally pleaded not guilty last April to six counts each of perjury and obstruction of justice. Bulger was convicted of a range of gangland crimes in the 1970s and '80s, including roles in 11 murders. He's currently serving two life sentences.

## Today in History The Associated Press

Today is Monday, May 9, the 130th day of 2016. There are 236 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 9, 1961, in a speech to the National Association of Broadcasters, Federal Communications Commission Chairman Newton N. Minow decried the majority of television programming as a "vast wasteland." On this date:

In 1754, a political cartoon in Benjamin Franklin's Pennsylvania Gazette depicted a snake cut into eight pieces, each section representing a part of the American colonies; the caption read, "JOIN, or DIE."

In 1814, the Jane Austen novel "Mansfield Park" was first published in London.

In 1864, Union Maj. Gen. John Sedgwick was killed by a Confederate sniper during the Civil War Battle of Spotsylvania in Virginia.

In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson, acting on a joint congressional resolution, signed a proclamation designating the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day.

In 1926, Americans Richard Byrd and Floyd Bennett supposedly became the first men to fly over the North Pole. (However, U.S. scholars announced in 1996 that their examination of Byrd's flight diary, discovered earlier that year, suggested he had turned back 150 miles short of his goal.)

In 1936, Italy annexed Ethiopia.

In 1945, with World War II in Europe at an end, Soviet forces liberated Czechoslovakia from Nazi occupation. U.S. officials announced that a midnight entertainment curfew was being lifted immediately.

In 1951, the U.S. conducted its first thermonuclear experiment as part of Operation Greenhouse by detonating a 225-kiloton device on Enewetak Atoll in the Pacific nicknamed "George."

In 1974, the House Judiciary Committee opened public hearings on whether to recommend the impeachment of President Richard Nixon. (The committee ended up adopting three articles of impeachment against the president, who resigned before the full House took up any of them.)

In 1980, 35 people were killed when a freighter rammed the Sunshine Skyway Bridge over Tampa Bay in Florida, causing a 1,400-foot section of the southbound span to collapse.

In 1994, South Africa's newly elected parliament chose Nelson Mandela to be the country's first black president.

In 1996, in dramatic video testimony to a hushed courtroom in Little Rock, Arkansas, President Bill Clinton insisted he had nothing to do with a \$300,000 loan at the heart of a criminal case against his former Whitewater partners.

Ten years ago: Freed by rescuers drilling round-the-clock by hand, two men walked out of an Australian mine where they had been trapped for two weeks by an earthquake. (The joy over the survival of Brant Webb and Todd Russell was tempered by the loss of Larry Knight, who died in the same rock collapse.)

Five years ago: Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich announced on social networking websites that he was running for the Republican presidential nomination. Dallas Wiens, the nation's first full face transplant recipient, joined surgeons at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston in his first public appearance since the 15-hour procedure in March 2011. Belgian cyclist Wouter Weylandt lost control of his bike and tumbled down a mountain pass to his death during the third stage of the Giro d'Italia (JEER'-oh dee-TAHL'-yah). Lidia Gueiler, Bolivia's first female president, died at age 89.

One year ago: North Korea announced it had successfully test-fired a newly developed ballistic missile from a submarine in the latest display of the country's advanced military capabilities. Actress Elizabeth Wilson, 94, died in New Haven, Connecticut. Renowned country fiddler Johnny Gimble, 88, died in Drip-

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ping Springs, Texas.

Today's Birthdays: Actor-writer Alan Bennett is 82. Rock musician Nokie Edwards (The Ventures) is 81. Actor Albert Finney is 80. Actress-turned-politician Glenda Jackson is 80. Producer-director James L. Brooks is 79. Musician Sonny Curtis (Buddy Holly and the Crickets) is 79. Singer Tommy Roe is 74. Singer-musician Richie Furay (Buffalo Springfield and Poco) is 72. Actress Candice Bergen is 70. Pop singer Clint Holmes is 70. Actor Anthony Higgins is 69. Singer Billy Joel is 67. Blues singer-musician Bob Margolin is 67. Rock singer-musician Tom Petersson (Cheap Trick) is 66. Actress Alley Mills is 65. Actress Amy Hill is 63. Actress Wendy Crewson is 60. Actor John Corbett is 55. Singer Dave Gahan (GAHN) (Depeche Mode) is 54. Actress Sonja Sohn is 52. Rapper Ghostface Killah is 46. Country musician Mike Myerson (Heartland) is 45. Actor Chris Diamantopoulos (dy-uh-MAN'-toh-POO'-lehs) is 41. Rhythm-and-blues singer Tamia (tuh-MEE'-ah) is 41. Rock musician Dan Regan (Reel Big Fish) is 39. Rock singer Pierre Bouvier (Simple Plan) is 37. Actress Rosario Dawson is 37. Rock singer Andrew W.K. is 37. Figure skater Angela Nikodinov is 36. Actress Rachel Boston is 34. TV personality Audrina Patridge is 31. Actress Grace Gummer is 30.

Thought for Today: "Life is a series of collisions with the future; it is not the sum of what we have been, but what we yearn to be." — Jose Ortega y Gasset, Spanish philosopher (born this date in 1883, died in 1955).

## North Korea congress gives Kim Jong Un new title of chairman

**ERIC TALMADGE, Associated Press**

PYONGYANG, North Korea (AP) — North Korea's ruling-party congress on Monday announced a new title for Kim Jong Un, party chairman, in a move that highlights how the authoritarian country's first congress in 36 years is aimed at bolstering the young leader.

Less than a third of the more than 100 foreign journalists invited for the historic congress were permitted to attend, and even they were allowed to view the proceedings in the ornate April 25 House of Culture for only about 10 minutes. Earlier Monday, a BBC correspondent was expelled for allegedly "insulting the dignity" of North Korea.

As a military band in full uniform played the welcoming song used whenever North Korea's leader enters a public place, Kim strode onto the stage, generating a long, loud standing ovation from the several thousand delegates attending.

In unison the delegates shouted, "Mansae! Mansae!" wishing Kim long life.

He and other senior party members took their seats, filling several rows on a stage, below portraits of Kim's grandfather, North Korean founder Kim Il Sung, and father, Kim Jong Il. The walls were decked with banners of red with the ruling party's hammer sickle and pen logo embossed in gold.

Kim Yong Nam, the head of the North's Parliament, stood to read a roster of top party positions — calling Kim Jong Un chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea for the first time.

Kim had already been head of the party, but with the title of first secretary.

His predecessors keep their posthumous titles. Kim Jong Il remains "eternal general secretary" and Kim Il Sung is still "eternal president."

The congress, which began Friday, has touted Kim's successes on the nuclear front and promised economic improvements to boost the nation's standard of living. Mostly, however, the congress has put Kim himself front and center in the eyes of the people and the party as the country's sole leader.

The event includes what for the North is a relatively large contingent of foreign journalists, but Monday marked the first time any of them were allowed inside the venue. Instead, officials have kept the foreign media busy with trips around Pyongyang to show them places North Korea wants them to see.

Only about 30 of the more than 100 invited journalists were allowed into the congress Monday. Before that, the only window any of them had on the proceedings was through the lens of state media.

North Korea on Monday expelled BBC correspondent Rupert Wingfield-Hayes, who had not among journalists covering the congress. He had covered an earlier trip of Nobel laureates and had been scheduled to leave Friday. Instead, he was stopped at the airport, detained and questioned.

O Ryong Il, secretary-general of the North's National Peace Committee, said the journalist's news cover-

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age distorted facts and "spoke ill of the system and the leadership of the country." He said Wingfield-Hayes wrote an apology, was expelled Monday and would never be admitted into the country again.

The BBC said Wingfield-Hayes was detained Friday along with producer Maria Byrne and cameraman Matthew Goddard, and that all were taken to the Pyongyang airport.

"We are very disappointed that our reporter Rupert Wingfield-Hayes and his team have been deported from North Korea after the government took offence at material he had filed," the BBC said in a statement. "Four BBC staff, who were invited to cover the Workers Party Congress, remain in North Korea and we expect them to be allowed to continue their reporting."

On Sunday Kim Jong Un delivered a three-hour speech to delegates Sunday to review the country's situation and progress since the last congress was held in 1980, before Kim was born. He announced a five-year economic plan, the first one made public since the 1980s.

The speech, in which he said North Korea was a responsible nuclear state that will not use its nuclear weapons first unless its sovereignty was threatened, underscores Kim's dual focus on building up the military while trying to kick-start the North's economy, which has seen some growth in recent years but remains hamstrung by international sanctions over its nuclear program.

Kim identified a number of areas as critical to the economy, including the country's power supply, agriculture and light-manufacturing production. He stressed that the country needs to increase its international trade and engagement in the global economy, but didn't announce any significant reforms or plans to adopt capitalist-style marketization.

The congress was expected to go on for a couple more days, though no date has been announced, and surprises can never be ruled out.

Mass rallies will likely be held to mark its conclusion in a celebratory fashion.

## Winning Powerball ticket sold in Trenton, New Jersey

**BRUCE SHIPKOWSKI, Associated Press**

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — Marcelo Chilel said the convenience store where he works in New Jersey's capital city does a steady lottery business, with more people showing up when the jackpots get big. One of the people that came this past week is now holding one of the largest winning tickets in the history of Powerball.

Only one ticket matched all six numbers in Saturday night's drawing for a \$429.6 million jackpot, said Powerball spokeswoman Kelly Cripe, and New Jersey lottery officials said Sunday it was sold at a 7-Eleven store in Trenton. The winning Powerball numbers were 5-25-26-44-66 and the Powerball number was 9.

"We have never had a winning ticket this big, not even close," said Chilel, adding that his colleagues are amazed that it happened. "It's great that they got it here."

The ticket holder did not immediately come forward to claim the prize.

Chilel said that when he heard the ticket was sold in Mercer County, he thought it would be great if it was sold at the store where he works. And when he found out that was the case, he says he felt very happy for the customer.

New Jersey lottery officials were also ecstatic about the news.

"Winning the Powerball jackpot is a life-changing event. Congratulations to the ticketholder(s) and to the retailer who sold it," New Jersey Lottery executive director Carole Hedinger said in a statement. "We expect that the winner or winners will take their time before claiming the prize and consult with the appropriate professionals that can assist them in navigating these uncharted waters. Certainly though, we will be anxiously awaiting the phone call."

Hedinger said the jackpot is the sixth-largest in Powerball jackpot history.

The jackpot Saturday was the largest since a record \$1.6 billion payout in January. That jackpot was shared by three winning tickets.

Only one winning ticket will claim Saturday night's prize, though it was not immediately known if that ticket was held by one person or multiple people. Cripe said a winner, or co-winners, electing a one-time cash payout will receive \$284.1 million.

Several lottery players in New Jersey who don't hold the winning ticket said Sunday that they wish the



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big winner well.

Among them was John Warren, who joked that he had all the winning numbers that were drawn. Unfortunately, he didn't have more than two of them on any one of the \$40 worth of tickets he had bought.

"I know I'm more likely to get hit by a bus or lightning than win a big jackpot like this one," the Lakewood man said as he sipped a cup of coffee in a convenience store parking lot in Jackson Township. "But I was hoping to maybe win a couple hundred bucks or so in smaller prizes. Instead, I won \$2, which paid for this coffee."

Warren's pal, Tommy Young, said he doesn't play the lottery often. But he spent \$5 this week.

"Not a winner in the bunch, not even close," Young said. "But it was fun to think about cashing in the winning ticket."

This isn't the first time Powerball luck has struck in New Jersey. In 2013, a sole ticket claimed a \$383 million Powerball jackpot.

Seven tickets from Saturday night's drawing matched five numbers and claimed \$1 million, including three in New York, two in Illinois and one apiece in California and Virginia.

Powerball is played in 44 states plus Washington, D.C., Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The odds of winning are one in 292.2 million.

## **Penn State settlements covered 1971 Sandusky abuse claim**

**MICHAEL R. SISAK**

Penn State's legal settlements with Jerry Sandusky's accusers cover alleged abuse dating to 1971, which was 40 years before his arrest, the university said Sunday, providing the first confirmation of the time frame of abuse claims that have led to big payouts.

The disclosure came as Penn State President Eric Barron decried newly revealed allegations that former football coach Joe Paterno was told in 1976 that Sandusky had sexually abused a child and that two assistant coaches witnessed either inappropriate or sexual contact in the late 1980s. Paterno, who died in 2012, had said the first time he had received a complaint against Sandusky was in 2001.

Barron said the accusations were unsubstantiated, and suggested that the university is being subjected unfairly to what he called rumor and innuendo.

Responding to questions about the president's statement and claims against the school, university spokesman Lawrence Lokman told The Associated Press he could confirm that the earliest year of alleged abuse covered in Penn State's settlements is 1971.

Sandusky graduated from Penn State in 1965 and returned as a full-time defensive coach in 1969.

The university has paid out more than \$90 million to settle more than 30 civil claims involving Sandusky, now 72 and serving a lengthy prison sentence for the sexual abuse of 10 children. The trial involved only allegations dating as far back as the mid-1990s.

The settlements, including the one covering the 1971 allegation, were reached after Sandusky's 2012 conviction. But few details have been provided on the payouts by either the school or lawyers for those who said Sandusky victimized them.

The allegations about Paterno and the assistant coaches were cited in a ruling last week by Philadelphia Judge Gary Glazer in litigation between an insurance company and Penn State over how much of the settlement costs the school must bear.

The insurers cited an allegation that a boy had told the longtime Penn State football coach in 1976 that he had been molested by Sandusky. The court document also cited statements, from those claiming they had been Sandusky's victims, that two unidentified assistant coaches had said they witnessed inappropriate contact between Sandusky and children in the late 1980s.

Barron wrote the university community Sunday that he was "appalled by the rumor, innuendo and rush to judgment" following Glazer's disclosure of some allegations made against Paterno and some of his assistants.

Barron said those allegations, and others raised in some news reports in recent days, are "unsubstantiated and unsupported by any evidence other than a claim by an alleged victim."

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"Coach Paterno is not alive to refute them. His family has denied them," Barron said. Some of the press reports, he said, "should be difficult for any reasonable person to believe." Barron said few crimes are as heinous as child sex assault, and the university is committed to prevention, treatment and education.

But he said he had "had enough of the continued trial of the institution in various media."

Sue Paterno, who has defended her husband's legacy and said the family had no knowledge of new claims, also called for an end to what she called "this endless process of character assassination by accusation."

Lokman declined to answer questions about what steps the university took to verify abuse claims during the settlement process, or about what it had done to investigate the new allegations that Paterno and members of his coaching staff knew about Sandusky's abuse decades before his 2011 arrest.

The university hired settlement experts Kenneth Feinberg and Michael Rozen to handle the claims. Feinberg declined comment. Rozen did not respond to an email from the AP.

In 2001, Paterno told high-ranking university officials one of his assistant coaches reported seeing Sandusky acting inappropriately with a child in a team shower. In 2011, Paterno told a grand jury he did not know of any other incidents involving Sandusky, who retired from Penn State in 1999.

Paterno was fired following Sandusky's November 2011 arrest and died of lung cancer in January 2012. He was not charged with any crime, and his family is pursuing a lawsuit against the NCAA for commercial disparagement.

Three university officials, including former President Graham Spanier, await trial on criminal charges for their handling of the Sandusky scandal.

## Ship that took historic cruise to Cuba returns to Miami

MIAMI (AP) — The first cruise ship to travel from the United States to Cuba in decades has returned to Miami.

Carnival Cruise Line spokesman Roger Frizzell says the Adonia returned to Miami on Sunday, a week after it departed.

The ship had 700 passengers and almost 375 crew members. The ship included 16 people who had been born in Cuba.

The Cuban government dropped a longstanding ban on Cuban-born people returning to their homeland by sea before the start of the trip.

Before the 1959 Cuban revolution, cruise ships regularly traveled from the U.S. to Cuba. But Cold War tensions shut down travel between the two nations.

Now, both sides hope the cruise is the first step toward a future in which thousands of ships a year could cross the Florida Straits.

## 'Captain America: Civil War' nabs fifth best-opening ever

LINDSEY BAHR, AP Film Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — What superhero fatigue? Disney and Marvel's "Captain America: Civil War," the 13th film in the Marvel Cinematic Universe, has strong-armed its way to becoming the fifth-highest domestic opening ever according to comScore estimates Sunday.

The film grossed a massive \$181.8 million this weekend, bumping "Iron Man 3" out of the top five all time debuts. "Civil War" now ranks right below "Marvel's The Avengers" and "Avengers: Age of Ultron," which hold the third and fourth place spots.

It's nearly double the opening of the previous "Captain America" film, "The Winter Soldier," which opened to \$95 million in April 2014, but that is at least partially attributable to the fact that "Civil War" is basically an Avengers movie in disguise.

Directed by Joe and Anthony Russo, "Civil War" sees an ideological showdown between Iron Man (Robert Downey Jr.) and Captain America (Chris Evans) and is packed to the brim with Avengers old and new. It's been very well-received by critics and, now, audiences, who gave the film a promising "A" CinemaScore,

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which should bode well for the film's longevity. Audiences were 59 percent male and mostly adults. Teens made up only 11 percent of the audience.

After a \$75 million first day, the opening was right in line with expectations, and according to comScore senior media analyst Paul Dergarabedian, is well on its way to becoming a \$1 billion movie.

"We've become so accustomed to these massive numbers, now we're putting up single day numbers that would be very noteworthy opening weekends on their own," Dergarabedian said.

"Civil War" cost a hefty \$250 million to produce but has already far-surpassed that thanks to a healthy international debut last weekend and a big bump from China this weekend. In sum, the superhero showdown has earned \$678.4 million globally to date.

Great reviews and word of mouth will surely distinguish "Civil War" from "Batman v. Superman: Dawn of Justice," which, by comparison, opened to \$166 million in late March but fell sharply over the subsequent weekends. That film has earned \$327.3 domestically million to date and this weekend placed 10th with \$1 million.

As is to be expected when there's only one new wide release, the rest of films on the box office charts looked paltry in comparison. The only big change was that "Civil War" effectively ended the three week first-place run of Disney's "The Jungle Book" which came in second with \$21.9 million, bringing its domestic total to \$285 million.

Aside from the flop of "The Finest Hours" in January, Disney is having a great 2016 and this weekend surpassed the \$1 billion domestic mark in a record 128 days. It took 165 days to reach that threshold last year. The Marvel element is a key portion of that and one that other studios are trying to match.

"The Marvel Cinematic Universe and the Marvel Studios team as led by Kevin Feige has really been a model for consistency in extraordinary storytelling," said Dave Hollis, Disney's executive vice president of theatrical distribution. "Kevin has established this interlocking, interwoven cinematic universe that is not just unprecedented in terms of its size and scale, but also it's really unparalleled in entertainment today, the \$9 billion in business that they've done in 12 movies."

Hollis credits the continued and growing success of the franchise to Feige's commitment to quality and also the strategy of each year releasing one Marvel film that is familiar to audiences and one that is new. In 2015, that meant having an "Avengers" movie and "Ant-Man," and in 2014, it was a "Captain America" movie and "Guardians of the Galaxy." This year, the new element will be "Doctor Strange," which stars Benedict Cumberbatch and debuts in November.

"You couldn't have a better lead in for the summer," said Dergarabedian, who noted that Memorial Day weekend should also be quite significant with the release of "Alice Through the Looking Glass" and "X-Men: Apocalypse."

"Even though on paper it might not look as strong as last year, the summer of 2016 shouldn't be underestimated," Dergarabedian said.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to comScore. Where available, the latest international numbers for Friday through Sunday are also included. Final domestic figures will be released Monday.

1. "Captain America: Civil War," \$181.8 million (\$220 million international).
2. "The Jungle Book," \$21.9 million (\$24.1 million international).
3. "Mother's Day," 9 million (\$3 million international).
4. "The Huntsman: Winter's War," \$3.6 million (\$4.2 million international).
5. "Keanu," \$3.1 million.
6. "Barbershop: The Next Cut," \$2.7 million.
7. "Zootopia," \$2.7 million (\$5.7 million international).
8. "The Boss," \$1.7 million (\$510,000 international).
9. "Ratchet and Clank," \$1.5 million (\$500,000 international).
10. "Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice," \$1 million.

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2. "The Jungle Book," \$24.1 million.
3. "Finding Mr. Right 2," \$13 million.
4. "Neighbors 2: Sorority Rising," \$9 million.
5. "Zootopia," \$5.7 million.
6. "Phantom Detective," \$5 million.
7. "The Huntsman: Winter's War," \$4.2 million.
8. "Mother's Day," \$3 million.
9. "Florence Foster Jenkins," \$1.8 million.
10. "Up For Love," \$1.7 million.

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## Once unthinkable in US, drug shoot-up rooms get serious look

**DAVID KLEPPER, Associated Press**

Across the United States, heroin and other drug users have died in alleys behind convenience stores, on city sidewalks and in the bathrooms of fast-food joints — because no one was around to save them when they overdosed.

An alarming 47,000 American overdose deaths in 2014 has pushed elected leaders from coast to coast to consider government-sanctioned sites where heroin users can shoot up under the supervision of a doctor or nurse who can administer an antidote if necessary.

"Things are getting out of control. We have to find things we can do for people who are addicted now," said New York state Assemblywoman Linda Rosenthal, who is working on legislation to allow supervised injection sites that would also include space for treatment services. "The idea shouldn't be dismissed out of hand."

Critics of the war on drugs have long talked about the need for a new approach to addiction, but the idea for supervised injection sites is now coming from state lawmakers in New York, Maryland and California, and city officials in Seattle, San Francisco and Ithaca, New York.

While such sites have operated for years in places such as Canada, the Netherlands and Australia, they face legal and political challenges in the U.S.

"It's a dangerous idea," said John Walters, drug czar under President George W. Bush. "It's advocated by people who seem to think that the way we should help sick people is by keeping them sick, but comfortably sick."

At Sydney's Medically Supervised Injecting Centre, more than 5,900 people have overdosed since it opened in 2001. No one has died. It's the same at Insite in Vancouver, British Columbia. About 20 overdoses happen there every week, but the facility has yet to record a death.

Sydney's facility is tucked between a hostel and a Chinese restaurant in the red-light district. Up to 16 users can shoot up in the injection room, which resembles a doctor's office. Staffers are not allowed to administer drugs, though clean needles are provided.

After users get their fix, clients head to a second room with a warmer feel. Colored Christmas lights hang from the ceiling; books and magazines line the shelves. Clients can relax with coffee or tea or talk to staff. Some stay for 15 minutes; others spend hours. They leave through a back door to protect their privacy.

An Amsterdam clinic — one of three in the Dutch capital — goes even further, distributing free, govern-



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ment-paid heroin to long-term addicts so they don't have to commit a crime to pay for their fix.

In Vancouver, Insite offers patients treatment services just up the stairs from where they shoot up.

Rhea Jean spoke to the AP after recently injecting herself there. She felt nauseous and ran outside to the curb to vomit. Her face covered with scabs, the longtime heroin user looks far older than her 33 years.

"It's a great place for active users in full-blown addiction. It links you up to other programs," said Jean, who hasn't sought treatment through Insite.

The Vancouver facility was targeted for closure by Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his Conservative Party. The case went to the Supreme Court of Canada, which in 2011 told the government to issue an exemption to the drug laws allowing Insite to operate.

In the U.S., which for decades has treated addiction as a law enforcement issue, the biggest hurdle remains federal law, which makes such facilities illegal. Supporters say officials in the nation's capital could grant an exemption or adopt a hands-off approach similar to the federal government's response to state medical marijuana programs.

Kevin Sabet, a former drug policy adviser to the Obama administration, put the chances of injection sites getting approval anytime soon at zero.

"These facilities send a message that there is a safe use, and I don't think there is any safe use of heroin," said California state Assemblyman Tom Lackey, who spent 28 years as a California Highway Patrolman. He opposes legislation there to allow state and local health departments to allow supervised clinics.

In Maryland, state House of Delegates member Dan Morhaim is an emergency physician who has administered the overdose antidote Narcan "many, many times." He sees his bill for supervised injection sites as just one of many creative approaches.

"It's not going to cure everyone. I'm not unrealistic," he said. "But moving people from more dangerous behavior to less dangerous behavior is progress."

## Facebook's No. 2 exec pays tribute to single mothers

MENLO PARK, Calif. (AP) — Facebook Chief Operating Officer Sheryl Sandberg says that until her husband's death, she never realized how hard it is to be a single parent.

She says in a touching Mother's Day weekend Facebook post that odds are stacked against single moms. She says many live in poverty, work two jobs or don't have paid leave to care for themselves or children if they get sick. She calls on leaders to rethink public and corporate work force policies to better support single mothers.

Sandberg's husband, Dave, died in a treadmill accident a year ago while on vacation in Mexico.

She concedes she's fortunate not to have financial worries of other single moms and admits she should have spent more time writing in her book about women raising children without a partner.

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Across the United States, heroin users have died in alleys behind convenience stores, on city sidewalks and in the bathrooms of fast-food joints — because no one was around to save them when they overdosed.

An alarming 47,000 American overdose deaths in 2014 — 60 percent from heroin and related painkillers like fentanyl — has pushed elected leaders from coast to coast to consider what was once unthinkable: government-sanctioned sites where users can shoot up under the supervision of a doctor or nurse who can administer an antidote if necessary.

"Things are getting out of control. We have to find things we can do for people who are addicted now," said New York state Assemblywoman Linda Rosenthal, who is working on legislation to allow supervised injection sites that would also include space for treatment services. "The idea shouldn't be dismissed out of hand. I don't see anyone else coming up with anything new and innovative."

Critics of the war on drugs have long talked about the need for a new approach to addiction, but the

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idea of allowing supervised injection sites is now coming from state lawmakers in New York, Maryland and California, along with city officials in Seattle, San Francisco and Ithaca, New York, who note that syringe exchanges were once controversial but now operate in 33 states.

While such sites have operated for years in places such as Canada, the Netherlands and Australia, they face significant legal and political challenges in the U.S., including criticism that they are tantamount to waving a white flag at an epidemic that should be fought with prevention and treatment.

"It's a dangerous idea," said John Walters, drug czar under President George W. Bush. "It's advocated by people who seem to think that the way we should help sick people is by keeping them sick, but comfortably sick."

But proponents argue such sites are not so radical outside the U.S., pointing to examples where they offer not only a place to shoot up, but also health care, counseling and even treatment beds. In many cases, the users are there to shoot up heroin or dangerous opioids like fentanyl, though some take painkillers in pill form.

At Sydney's Medically Supervised Injecting Centre, more than 5,900 people have overdosed since it opened in 2001. No one has died. It's the same at Insite in Vancouver, British Columbia. About 20 overdoses happen there every week, but the facility, which is jointly operated by a local nonprofit and the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority, has yet to record a death.

"A big fat zero," said Insite site coordinator Darwin Fisher.

Sydney's facility is tucked between a hostel and a Chinese restaurant in Kings Cross, the city's red-light district. Aside from the security guard posted just inside the front door, it looks like a typical health clinic.

At least two staffers, including a registered nurse, monitor the injection room. They are not allowed to administer drugs, though sterile needles are provided. If a patient overdoses, the nurse delivers the antidote Narcan, which quickly reverses the overdose.

After users get their fix, they head to a second room with a decidedly warmer feel. Colored Christmas lights hang from the ceiling; books and magazines line the shelves. Clients can relax with a cup of coffee or tea or talk to staff. Some stay for 15 minutes; others spend hours. They exit through a back door to protect their privacy.

The center opened on an 18-month trial basis following a sharp increase in heroin use in Sydney. The trial was repeatedly extended by government officials until 2010, when it was granted permanent status. It's run by the social services arm of the Uniting Church and is funded by police-seized proceeds of various crimes.

A clinic in Amsterdam — one of three injection sites in the Dutch capital — goes even further, distributing free heroin to long-term addicts as part of a government program created for hardened addicts who might otherwise commit a crime to pay for their fix.

About 80 users visit up to three times a day. Most are men, and the average age is 60. Many began using in the 1970s and 1980s.

"We would ideally like them to cut back their use," said Fleur Clarijs, a doctor at the facility.

But, she said, the main objective of the facility is to reduce risk to users — and their effects on the community.

In Vancouver's seedy Downtown Eastside neighborhood, Insite offers patients treatment services just up the stairs from where they shoot up. About a third of Insite's visitors request referral to a detox program, the clinic said.

A woman who gave her name as Rhea Jean spoke to The Associated Press after recently injecting herself there. She felt nauseous and ran outside to the curb to vomit. Her face covered with scabs, the longtime heroin user looks far older than her 33 years.

"It's a great place for active users in full-blown addiction. It links you up to other programs," said Jean, who herself hasn't sought treatment through Insite.

A 65-year-old man who gave his name only as James because he's in a 12-step program that requires anonymity said he has been using heroin since age 22. He was clean for 17 years before relapsing; he said he was sexually abused as a child and spent 23 years in prison.

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He keeps returning to heroin, he said, because it provides release from his problems. Insite is the one place he can go and be treated if he reacts badly to the drug, he said.

"They saved my life three times," he said, adding that addiction shouldn't be demonized.

"There's a large section of society that still refuses to accept it as a disease," he said.

The three clinics visited by the AP initially faced opposition from politicians and members of the public but gradually won support, in part because of studies showing reductions in overdose deaths and open-air drug use in the surrounding community.

A 2010 survey of residents and businesses in Kings Cross, for instance, found strong support.

Insite was targeted for closure by Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his Conservative Party. The case went to the Supreme Court of Canada, which in 2011 told the government to issue an exemption to the drug laws allowing Insite to operate.

"Insite saves lives," Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin wrote in the decision. "Its benefits have been proven. There has been no discernible negative impact on the public safety and health objectives of Canada during its eight years of operation."

Advocates in the U.S. have long discussed the potential benefits of injection sites — but they point to the tripling of heroin and opioid overdose deaths since 2000 as one reason why the suggestion is starting to get serious consideration.

The deaths of actors Philip Seymour Hoffman and Heath Ledger put celebrity faces on the risks of overdosing alone, and it was revealed recently that representatives for Prince sought help for his addiction to painkillers just a day before the musician was found dead.

In an effort to stay safe, some addicts are taking matters into their own hands. In Boston, after Massachusetts General Hospital equipped security guards with Narcan, the hospital began seeing an uptick in addicts shooting up in bathrooms and parking garages.

Elsewhere in the city, a nonprofit recently set aside a room where addicts can go after using drugs. The users can't inject there, but a nurse monitors those in the room and will intervene in case of overdose.

U.S. federal law effectively prohibits injection facilities, but supporters say that if a state or city were to authorize one, Washington officials could adopt a hands-off approach similar to the federal response to state medical marijuana programs.

Kevin Sabet, a former drug policy adviser to the Obama administration, put the chances of injection sites getting approval anytime soon at zero. He believes supporters want full legalization of all drugs and are exploiting the opioid crisis to advance their agenda.

California Assemblyman Tom Lackey, who served on the California Highway Patrol for 28 years, said he understands that supporters are looking for a new approach. But he has deep reservations about legislation in his state which would create clinics where users could use heroin, crack or other drugs.

"These facilities send a message that there is a safe use, and I don't think there is any safe use of heroin," he said.

In Maryland, state House of Delegates member Dan Morhaim is an emergency physician who himself has administered Narcan "many, many times." He sees his bill for supervised injection sites as just one of many creative approaches that will be needed to solve the heroin problem.

"It's not going to cure everyone," he said. "But moving people from more dangerous behavior to less dangerous behavior is progress."

Marianne Jauncey, medical director at Sydney's Medically Supervised Injecting Centre, said she would prefer better ways to help hardened addicts. Her facility will work to keep them alive until that happens.

"Given their histories," she said, "I think the least that we can do as a society is try."

## 'Bathroom bandit' pilfers plumbing at Ohio businesses

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Police in Ohio's capital are searching for a man who's been pilfering plumbing from stores, hospitals and restaurants.

Dubbed the Bathroom Bandit, Columbus police say he enters various local establishments, visits the men's restroom, disconnects the plumbing and leaves with the stolen parts in his backpack.

A police department spokeswoman says the businesses won't only have to replace the parts, but hire a plumber to repair the man's toilet tinkering. She said his crimes may be unusual, but they're still felonies. The thief has struck a Kmart, several restaurants and the Mount Carmel West Hospital, all on the city's west side.

He is described as a white male between 40 and 50 years old, 5'7" to 5'11" and 180 to 200 pounds. He's been seen driving a black Honda Accord.

## Looming marijuana ruling could limit federal prosecutions

**SUDHIN THANAWALA, Associated Press**

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Rolland Gregg and his family have fought federal marijuana charges for more than three years, arguing that the roughly 70 marijuana plants investigators found on their Washington property were for their own medicinal use and fully complied with state law.

A federal jury last year convicted Gregg, his mother and his wife of growing 50 to 100 marijuana plants — amounts their attorney said are in compliance with state medical marijuana law. With prison sentences looming, they have now turned to a recent act of Congress that they say should have stopped the U.S. Department of Justice from prosecuting them because they were doing what their state allowed. Marijuana is illegal under federal law, and the DOJ disagrees with Gregg's understanding of the new law.

"It's been the hardest thing I've ever had to deal with in my life when you see the government coming down on you for simply trying to be healthy," Gregg said.

A federal appeals court is expected to issue a ruling soon on the scope of the law that could pave the way to end or overturn at least six federal marijuana criminal prosecutions and convictions in California and Washington, including Gregg's, and limit future prosecutions of medical marijuana users and dispensaries in eight Western states that allow them.

"The 9th Circuit is the biggest circuit, one that contains lots of marijuana states. If they were to say, 'The federal government is prohibited from enforcing medical marijuana law,' that would be huge," said Sam Kamin, a professor at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law who studies marijuana regulation.

At issue is a Congressional amendment that said the DOJ could not use funding Congress allocated to it for 2015 and 2016 to prevent states that have legalized medical marijuana from implementing laws that permit its use, distribution and possession.

The amendment's bipartisan sponsors — California Congressmen Sam Farr, D-Carmel, and Dana Rohrabacher, R-Costa Mesa,— say it prohibits the DOJ from prosecuting people who are complying with state medical marijuana laws. California and more than 20 other states have legalized marijuana for medical use. The drug, however, remains illegal under federal law.

The DOJ has interpreted the law more narrowly, saying it prevents prosecutors from trying to block state medical marijuana laws or charging state officials who implement them, yet permits U.S. attorneys to go after marijuana dispensaries and growers.

The 9th Circuit is expected to clarify the amendment in appeals by three sets of defendants who have cited it as grounds for judges to dismiss their marijuana charges.

Steve McIntosh, a dispensary owner in Los Angeles, had permits from local officials that show him in compliance with state law, according to his attorney, Marc Zilversmit. Under the Congressional amendment, the most the federal government can do is refer him to state authorities for prosecution, Zilversmit said.

Another defendant, marijuana grower Samuel Doyle, met Washington's requirements for collective cannabis grows for medical marijuana patients, his attorney Douglas Hiatt said.

"He was growing medical marijuana for people who needed it, whether they could afford it or not," Hiatt said.

The DOJ says McIntosh's dispensary had ties to a street gang, and Doyle and his co-defendants did not meet the legal requirements for medical marijuana in Washington. Investigators found more than 550 plants growing on the Spokane property Doyle oversaw, and at least one of Doyle's co-defendants indicated the marijuana was being sold, prosecutors said.



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The DOJ did not respond to a request for further comment.

Gregg's case is not among the ones the 9th Circuit is set to rule on. But he has raised the same argument as the other defendants, and the 9th Circuit has put his appeal on hold pending the outcome of the other appeals, his attorney Phil Telfeyan said.

"The feds think they have the power to override voters of the State of Washington and the will of Congress," said Telfeyan, co-founder of the nonprofit civil rights group Equal Justice Under Law. "It's up to the 9th Circuit to tell them, 'Enough is enough. You can't keep prosecuting people who are using medical marijuana for their needs.'"

The DOJ cited a county investigator's testimony that he saw evidence of a for-profit marijuana growing operation on Gregg's family property. The investigator said he found records that he believed were for drug sales, a scale and packaging material in the house as well as firearms, according to court documents.

Gregg, 34, who owns an alternative energy company, denied he sold marijuana, saying he used the drug to treat pain following a snowboarding accident that left him with a broken back and neck. His mother has rheumatoid arthritis and his ex-wife had an eating disorder, he said, adding that all three had medical marijuana authorizations.

But the DOJ argued in his case and Doyle and McIntosh's cases that the Rohrabacher-Farr amendment doesn't bar it from prosecuting people violating federal drug law, even if they meet state law.

Alex Kreit, a marijuana law expert at Thomas Jefferson School of Law in San Diego, said the DOJ and marijuana defendants have strong arguments for their conflicting interpretations of the amendment.

"The (amendment's) language is not a model of clarity," he said. "It really is open to a number of different interpretations."