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Dairy Queen Help Wanted

HELP WANTED: Part-time, flexible hours. Apply at Dairy Queen in Groton.

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

The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is **Closed**

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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 Hjernstad

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

6:30pm: Emmanuel Lutheran League

7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Confirmation with youth and parents and sixth graders

Thursday, May 12

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

School Lunch: Mini corn dogs, baked beans, carrots and dip, fruit.

Senior Menu: Turkey chow mein, rice/chow mein noodles, broccoli, breadsticks, sour cream apple pie square.

Birthday: Cindy Hinman

11:00am: Girls Golf at Madison

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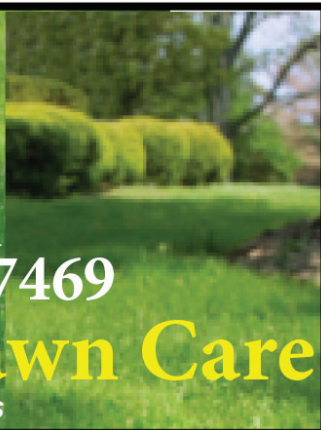
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Groton historic church awarded Deadwood Grant

Sherri Rawstern from the Brown County Historical Society received a letter from the South Dakota State Historical Society about a grant application for the Groton Historic Trinity Church. The Deadwood Grant for the repair of the main stained glass window at the historic Trinity Church at Third Street and Third Avenue in Groton was approved for up to \$9,000. The Brown County Historical Society will match that amount.

Betty Breck of Groton was instrumental in submitting the grant application. This was the second time the grant was submitted.

The church, which has been under the ownership of the Brown County Historical Society, is now managed by the Groton Historic Society, thanks to Dick Kolker of Groton.

The stained and painted glass panels need to be removed, disassembled, and re-lead. Structural members need attention and reinforcing where deficient. Exterior protective plexiglass needs to be removed and replaced by clear vented exterior glazing for protection. Exterior woodwork should be re-painted at this time.

May is also recognized as Historic Preservation Month.

<http://397news.com/publications/14627700001690/Grant.pdf>



Click on the above link to view the complete grant application as submitted by Betty Breck on behalf of the Brown County Historical Society.

Despite the extensive vandal damage, the most pressing reason for repairing the 130- year-old windows now is the weight bowing and bulging due to aging lead. This grant application seeks funds for the repair of only the large altar window and not the small side windows because the altar window needs immediate attention, whereas the small windows can wait until such time as they can be repaired and replaced as a complete project, funded by the sale of memorial plaques for each window.



JVT CEO Joins National Board

Competitive Carriers Association (CCA) announced that James Groft, CEO of JVT, has joined CCA's Board of Directors. Groft oversees James Valley Telecommunications' family of companies including Northern Valley Communications and wireless provider James Valley Wireless.

"I am delighted to welcome James to CCA's Board of Directors," said Steven K. Berry, President & CEO of CCA. "James Valley Wireless has been a CCA member for many years, and James' nearly 20 years of extensive experience in the industry will be a wonderful addition to the Board. I look forward to working with James and our continued work with James Valley Wireless on CCA members' collective goal to ensure competitive carriers are able to grow and thrive in the industry."

James Valley Wireless started wireless operations in 2008 following a network build surrounding Aberdeen and currently is a member of CCA's Data Services Hub.

"We're very proud of the service and products we provide to the area, and I'm very excited to join the CCA," said Groft. "We know our involvement in

CCA helps our customers, and that's our first priority."

JVT offers nationwide coverage and unlimited data plans. JVT also provides high speed internet, cable TV and home phone service to the Groton, Aberdeen and Redfield areas.



On May 8th, four graduating seniors were honored at a special mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church. Seniors included: James Thompson, Sam Sanderson, Jaden Oliver and Maggie Simon. (Photo by Renee Marzahn)

School board looking at major renovation options

The Groton Area School Board has a lot of thinking to do about the upcoming capital improvement project(s).

Mike Hubbard talked about the long range planning for the Groton Area School District. Things will have to be brought up to code as the district will no longer be grandfathered in once construction begins. Options include remodeling the 1934 addition, tearing down and rebuilding the 1934 addition, along with many other remodeling options for both the high school and elementary buildings and infrastructure. The presentation was nearly two hours in length. If you would like to watch the Livestream and follow along with the booklet, the links are provided below:

School Board Meeting from May 9th Livestreamed at: <https://livestream.com/GDI/events/5363515>

Here is the link to the Proposed Building Improvement Measures Booklet: <http://397news.com/publications/14627700001691/School.pdf>

There are about 20 sophomore students interested in going to a Washington D.C./New York City trip. Scott Thorson presented the proposal. It would be about \$2,200 per student. Hope to fund raise \$1,000 per student in the next 14 months. The trip would be June 8-12, 2017. Should have a firm number by the end of next week.

David Blackmun from the Groton City Council talked about the soccer field agreement. It had been going back and forth between the school and the city and there never was a signed contract.

The preliminary budget for the 2016-17 school year was presented. The estimated valuation of the district for 2017 is \$1.23 billion. Overall, school district patrons will see a drop in the mil levy for the 2016-17 school year.

Nov. 16 youth rally facility charge will be waived.

In other action:

Approve resignation from Glenna Remington, paraprofessional, at end of 15-16 school year.

Approve resignation from Shaun Wanner, JH Girls Track Coach, for the 16-17 school year.

Approve hiring Jordan Kjellsen as JH Girls Track Coach for the 16-17 school year.

Approve hiring Becky Erickson as Assistant Girls Basketball Coach for 16-17 school year.

Approve hiring Justin Hanson as Head Boys Basketball Coach for 16-17 school year.

Approve signed auxiliary staff work agreements for 16-17 school year.

Approve summer library work agreement for Becky Lewandowski for 54 hours at \$11.20/hour.

Approve summer school work agreements for Deb Winburn and Julie Milbrandt for 88 hours at \$15.00/hour.

Approve special education extended school year services agreements for:

a. Deb Winburn for 6 hours @ \$15.00/hour

b. Gail Kyar for 56 hours @ \$11.20/hour

c. Joni Groeblichhoff for 56 hours @ \$10.50/hour

d. Amanda Bisbee for 12 hours @ \$10.50/hour

Issue work agreements for salaried auxiliary staff and off-staff coaches.

a. Loren Bahr, Transportation Director

b. Kathryn Bury, Assistant Business Manager

c. Beth Gustafson, School Nurse

d. Mike Nehls, Head Custodian

e. Chuck Padfield, Food Service Director

f. Chelsea Hanson, Head Volleyball Coach

g. Sandi Sippel, Wrestling Cheer Advisor

h. Mike Becker, Head Boys Soccer Coach

i. Cory Harder, Head Girls Soccer Coach

j. Joann Donley, co-DI Advisor

Approve educational advancement lane change for Diane Kurtz from MS to MS+15 for 16-17 school year.

Noem Announces 2016 Winners of Congressional Art Competition

SIOUX FALLS, SD – Congresswoman Kristi Noem today announced the 2016 Congressional Art Competition Winner: William Drzycimski, of Sioux Falls, for his painting depicting Queen Rock in Palisades State Park. At an event in Sioux Falls today (photo attached), Noem presented Drzycimski with a Challenge Coin and certificate to recognize his achievement. Drzycimski, a homeschooled sophomore, will have his artwork displayed in the U.S. Capitol complex, along with winning artwork from other congressional districts, for the next year.

Second place was awarded to Ashley Geraets for her colored-pencil piece, "Foxology." Geraets attends Roosevelt High School in Sioux Falls. Her artwork will hang in Rep. Noem's congressional office in Washington for one year. To view or download copies of this year's winning artwork, please click [here](#).

"I am so impressed by the artistic abilities of South Dakota's young people," said Noem. "William and Ashley are extremely talented. I am grateful to them for sharing their gifts and to their teachers for taking the time to help enhance these students' natural abilities. I'm so proud to have these pieces, which represent our state so well, displayed in the U.S. Capitol."

The Congressional Art Competition is sponsored by Rep. Noem's office in partnership with the South Dakota Arts Council. The Congressional Art Competition began in 1982, providing members of Congress with an opportunity to recognize talent in their home districts.

The South Dakota Arts Council, an office of the South Dakota Department of Tourism, is a state agency serving South Dakotans and their communities through the arts with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts and the State of South Dakota. The South Dakota Department of Tourism is comprised of the Office of Tourism and the South Dakota Arts Council. The Department is led by Secretary James D. Hagen.



**Drzycimski Shows Noem His
Winning Artwork
Washington Pavilion (5/9/16)**

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Today in Weather History

May 10, 1982: An F3 tornado was first sighted six miles west of Tintah, Minnesota. The storm moved into the town of Tintah and then northeastward, dissipating north of Wendell. Two farms, sites were damaged west of Tintah. Nearly one dozen farm buildings were destroyed, and 50 cows were killed. Hail as large as softballs preceded the tornado into Tintah where there was extensive damage. A school and church received heavy damage, two railroad cars were overturned, homes and grain buildings were damaged and utility poles and trees were uprooted.

1880: A tornado estimated to be F4 intensity moved across 20 miles of Scott and Morgan Counties in central Illinois. The tornado touched down near Alsey and moved northeast, passing 8 miles south of Jacksonville. The tornado was strongest in the Pisgah area, where 30 buildings were destroyed. Seven people were killed.

1905 - A deadly tornado hit the town of Snyder, OK, killing 87 persons. The tornado leveled 100 homes in Snyder, and destroyed many others. The large and violent tornado killed a total of 97 persons along its 40 miles path across southwestern Oklahoma. Its roar could reportedly be heard up to twelve miles away. (David Ludlum) (The Weather Channel)

1966 - Morning lows of 21 degrees at Bloomington-Normal and Aurora, IL, established a state record for the month of May. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Summer-like "Father's Day" type weather prevailed in the north central and western U.S. for "Mother's Day", as seventeen cities reported record high temperatures for the date. Jamestown ND soared to a record high of 96 degrees. Thunderstorms along the Central Gulf Coast deluged Lillian AL with 14.5 inches of rain, and nearby Perdido Key FL with 12.8 inches of rain. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

1988 - Thunderstorms produced hail and high winds over the Atlantic Coast Region and the Gulf Coast States marking the end of a five day episode of severe weather associated with a cyclone tracking out of the Great Basin into southeastern Canada. (The National Weather Summary)

1989 - Thunderstorms developing ahead of a cold front crossing the Plateau Region produced wind gusts to 75 mph at Butte MT, and gusts to 77 mph at Choteau MT. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1990 - A spring storm produced heavy snow in Upper Michigan and eastern Wisconsin. Totals ranged up to 12 inches at Marquette MI, with eight inches reported at Muskego WI and Hartford WI. The heavy wet snow, and winds gusting to 35 mph, damaged or destroyed thousands of trees, and downed numerous power lines. Total damage from the storm was more than four million dollars. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

2010: On this day, Oklahoma experienced its largest tornado outbreak since May 3, 1999. Fifty-five twisters tore through the state, including two rated EF4. The EF4 storms took three lives and injured 81 people. Ironically, both EF4 tornadoes struck Norman, Oklahoma, home of the Storm Prediction Center and the National Severe Storms Laboratory. Fourteen additional tornadoes hit Oklahoma during May 11-13. The May 10 disaster racked up insured property losses of \$2 billion.

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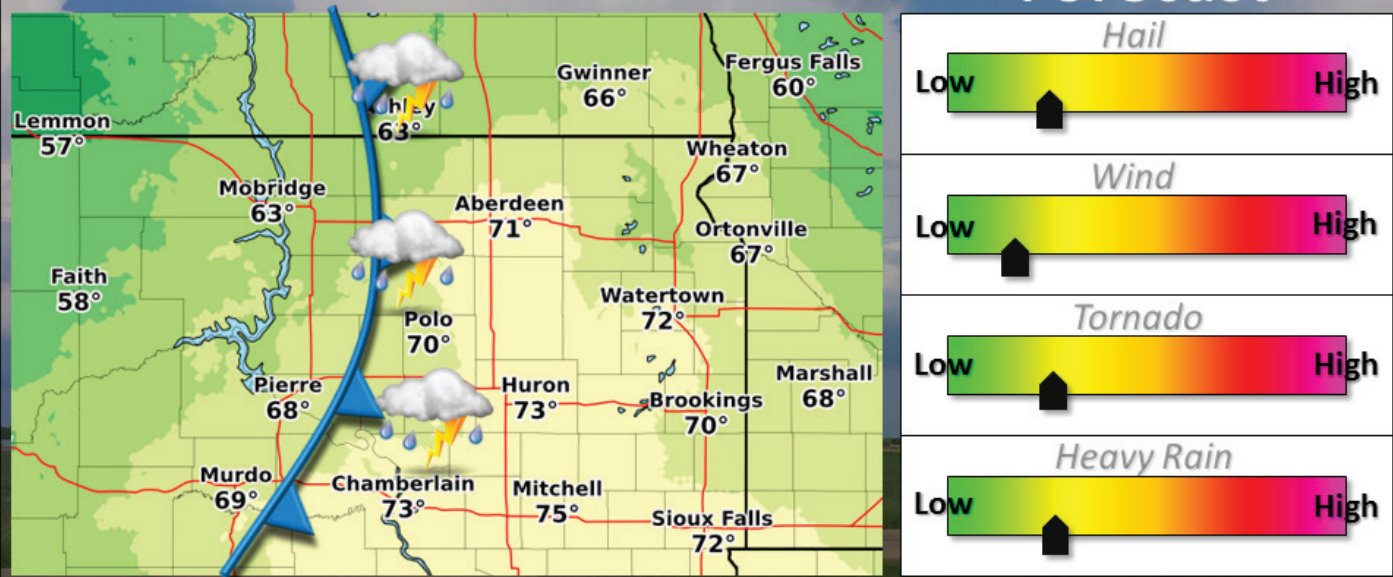
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Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday	Thursday Night	Friday
						
60%	60% → 20%				20%	20%
T-storms Likely	T-storms Likely then Slight Chance T-storms	Mostly Sunny then Mostly Sunny and Breezy	Mostly Cloudy and Breezy then Mostly Cloudy	Partly Sunny then Mostly Sunny and Breezy	Slight Chance Showers	Slight Chance Showers
High: 70 °F	Low: 44 °F	High: 63 °F	Low: 43 °F	High: 61 °F	Low: 37 °F	High: 53 °F

Isolated Severe Thunderstorms Possible This Afternoon

Threat Forecast



National Weather Service, Aberdeen SD

Published on: 05/10/2016 at 5:08AM

A front will move across South Dakota today - sparking scattered showers and thunderstorms this afternoon - most likely between the Missouri River and James Valleys. There is the risk that a storm or two could briefly become severe with this system. Dry and cool air will follow for tonight and continue into Wednesday and Thursday.

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Yesterday's Weather

High: 62.8 at 2:26 PM

Low: 52.1 at 11:25 AM

High Gust: 30 at 5:11 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 92° in 1987

Record Low: 20 in 1981

Average High: 67°F

Average Low: 42°F

Average Precip in May: 1.03

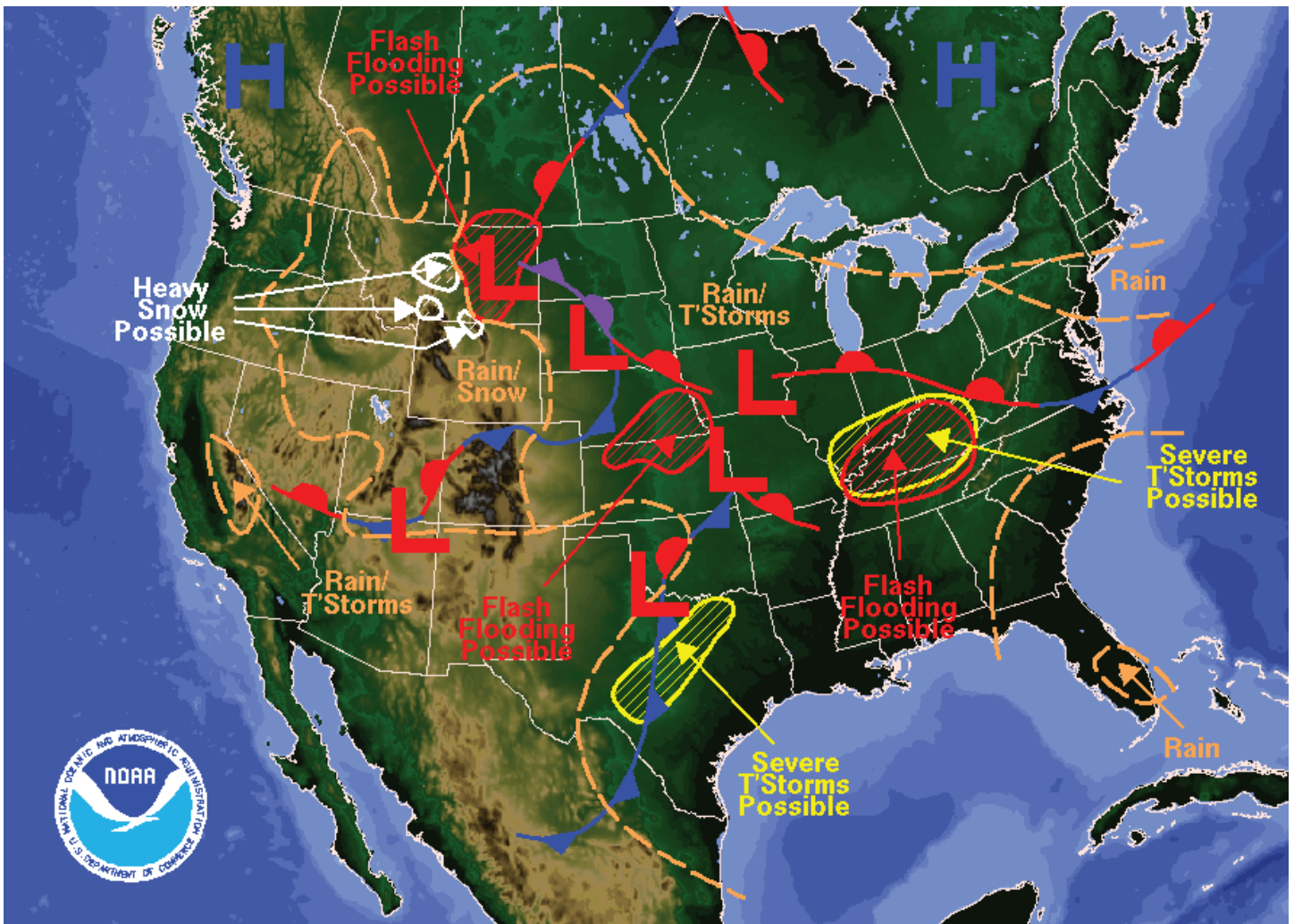
Precip to date in May: 0.11

Average Precip to date: 5.06

Precip Year to Date: 3.50

Sunset Tonight: 8:52 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:07 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Tue, May 10, 2016, issued 4:50 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McReynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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DIFFERENT FOR A PURPOSE

The hummingbird weighs only a tenth of an ounce. It does not glide or soar; nor does hop or sit on a limb. But it can twist and turn, fly backward and even upside down.

The ostrich is a 300 pound bird. Even though it has wings, it cannot fly. However, it can run 50 miles an hour.

The duck hawk is the size of a crow and is very fast. In fact, it can dive after prey at 185 miles an hour.

As with birds, so it is with humans. Each of us is different because God has created us for a unique purpose. Paul said, "Learn to know God's will for you which is good and pleasing and perfect."

Sometimes that seems unlikely when we are confused and troubled, depressed and discouraged. It seems that nothing is or ever will be the way we want it to be. Why not give up or give in?

Paul gives us the reason for the turmoil: God has to transform us and renew our minds before He can use us to do His work in His world. Unless we allow Him to fill our minds with His Word and learn His ways, we will never be transformed and capable of fulfilling the plan He has developed for each of us.

Prayer: Lord, give us no peace until we allow You to transform us into the person You would have us to be and to do what You want us to do. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Romans 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

News from the Associated Press

Williston angler lands possible state-record paddlefish

WILLISTON, N.D. (AP) — A Williston angler over the weekend landed what might be a North Dakota record paddlefish.

Grant Werkmeister snagged a whopper on Saturday that weighed an unofficial 131 pounds. That would beat the record 130-pounder caught in May 2010 by Alex Mergen, of Black Hawk, South Dakota.

The North Dakota Game and Fish Department must verify that Werkmeister's catch is a state record.

Werkmeister tells KUMV-TV that he's been fishing for 20 years, and "never expected to pull something like that out of the water."

Interstate 29 crash in Union County kills 1, injures 4

ELK POINT, S.D. (AP) — One person is dead and four others injured after a two-vehicle crash on Interstate 29 in Union County.

The Highway Patrol says a sport utility vehicle went out of control in heavy rain, crossed through the median and into the oncoming lanes and collided head-on with a van. The crash happened shortly before 1:30 p.m. Monday near Elk Point.

A 32-year-old female passenger in the SUV later died from her injuries. A 45-year-old male passenger in the van suffered what the patrol says are life-threatening injuries.

Both drivers and a second passenger in the van suffered what authorities say are minor injuries.

The names of the people involved weren't immediately released.

Bernie Sanders schedules Thursday rallies in South Dakota

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — U.S. presidential hopeful Bernie Sanders has scheduled a trip to South Dakota.

Sanders is competing with Hillary Clinton for the Democratic endorsement. Whoever gets it likely will run against presumptive Republican nominee Donald Trump.

Sanders on Thursday has scheduled a 10:45 a.m. rally at the New Gym of Pine Ridge School in Pine Ridge and a 2 p.m. rally at Memorial Park in Rapid City.

Admission to both events is free and on a first come, first served basis. Doors open in Pine Ridge at 8:45 a.m. and in Rapid City at noon. Officials say RSVPs are encouraged at both events.

Surviving tornadoes doesn't have to be a matter of luck

KELLY P. KISSEL, Associated Press

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Storms swept through the nation's midsection Monday, spawning numerous tornadoes. While tornadoes can form any time weather conditions are right, the area from Texas to Nebraska typically sees tornadoes between April and June.

Here are some items from the nation's tornado history and some tips on how to stay safe:

DEADLY DAYS

Advances in science and communications have lengthened warning times over the years, but even then the wrong storm at the wrong place can kill dozens or even hundreds.

The nation's worst tornado outbreak was only five years ago, on April 27-28, 2011, when 175 tornadoes killed 316 in Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee and Virginia. That series of storms surpassed those of April 3-4, 1974, when 127 tornadoes killed 310, mostly in the Ohio Valley.

The Tri-State tornado of March 18, 1925, killed 695 people in Missouri, Illinois and Indiana, and since then the highest death toll from a single storm is 158 at Joplin, Missouri, on May 22, 2011.

WHO'S MOST AT RISK?

The nation's midsection and the Southeast see the most storms, but some forecasters don't like the

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term Tornado Alley because they prefer to make the point that storms can form anywhere. Tornadoes have been reported in every state, including Alaska.

Storm Prediction Center data compiled in 2010 showed that, in the previous 30 years, Texas had the most storms, followed by Kansas, Florida and Oklahoma. (Alaska had three.) Texas had the greatest number of killer tornadoes, too, followed by Arkansas, Tennessee and Missouri.

Among cities, more have occurred in Oklahoma City than anywhere else — more than 100 since 1893.

BIG AND STRONG

A twister 2.6 miles wide struck near El Reno, Oklahoma, on May 31, 2013, with winds measured at 290 mph about 500 feet above the ground. It was a bit larger than a tornado that hit Hallam, Nebraska, on May 22, 2004.

A May 3, 1999, storm that later killed 36 people at Moore, Oklahoma, had winds of about 302 mph at Bridge Creek, Oklahoma.

The wind speeds in these storms were measured using Doppler radar rather than traditional anemometers, which can be swept away when directly hit by a storm.

HOW TO STAY SAFE?

It's all about having a plan, and start planning early if possible.

To begin, buy a weather radio, which carries alerts from your local National Weather Service office (and many models can be programmed to sound an alert tone only if your area is threatened.) You should also clear a path to your basement or a closet or interior room on the lowest floor of your home. The golden rule: Put as many walls between you and the outside.

On the day of the storm, tune in to local broadcasters or your local NWS office and follow them and FEMA on social media if you will check it often enough. Avoid media that won't automatically cut in with warnings for your area.

A watch means conditions are good for storms to develop. The National Weather Service says it means just that: Watch.

If you are home when a warning is issued, go to your safe place. You have been warned. Remember — as many walls as possible between you and the outside. Don't go outside to confirm the storm is in your area. Spotters and forecasters have already done that.

If you are in car when a warning is issued, flee if it is safe to do so, but be aware thousands of others may have the same idea. If you are unable to get away, get out of your vehicle and into the lowest place possible (but watch for areas prone to flash flooding). Do not go under a bridge, where winds can actually be higher because of a change in air pressure where it passes beneath.

State department says youth should use employment services

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The state Department of Labor and Regulation says young adults finalizing their summer plans should pay a visit to their local department office for employment services.

Labor and Regulation Secretary Marcia Hultman says high school and college students, as well as recent graduates, should use the employment services the department offers.

The agency says summer employment can frequently be a young person's first exposure to work, and it is where youth learn skills including professionalism, customer service and appropriate workplace communication.

South Dakota driver exam stations closed on Friday, Saturday

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Department of Public Safety says state driver exam stations will be closed on Friday and Saturday so employees can attend annual training.

Driver Licensing Director Jane Schrank says residents have 180 days prior to the expiration date of their license to renew.

Schrank says she realizes it is an inconvenience to close exam stations for any reason, so the department is letting people know so they can come to the exam station beforehand or renew online.

The only station usually open on Saturdays is in Sioux Falls.

2 South Dakota students named US Presidential Scholars

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Two South Dakota students have been named U.S. Presidential Scholars.

They are among 160 high school seniors from across the country who made the 2016 class of scholars for their accomplishments in academics, the arts, and career and technical education fields.

The scholars from South Dakota are Shelby Riggs, from Mitchell High School in Mitchell, and Austin Lentsch, from Theodore F. Riggs High School in Pierre.

Lentsch tells KCCR-AM that he was "super excited" to be nominated and is "ecstatic" for the opportunity to "bring the honor back to Pierre."

Created in 1964, the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program has honored almost 7,000 of the nation's top-performing students with the prestigious award.

The U.S. Presidential Scholars will be honored for their accomplishments in Washington during a ceremony scheduled for June 19.

South Dakota tribe seeks children's century-old remains

REGINA GARCIA CANO, Associated Press

ROSEBUD, S.D. (AP) — The remains of at least 10 Native American children who died nearly 2,000 miles away from their homes while being forced to attend a government-run boarding school in Pennsylvania more than a century ago could soon be repatriated under an effort taken up by a South Dakota tribe.

The exhumation and return of the bodies of the children who as students of the Carlisle Indian Industrial School were stripped of their culture and left vulnerable to abuse won't be an easy undertaking. But leaders of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe hope that a meeting with representatives from the U.S. Army and other tribes scheduled for Tuesday will begin the negotiation process to repatriate the remains of the 10 children, and eventually, of the dozens more who died while attending the school as part of an assimilation policy intended to rid the children from Native American traditions and replace them with European culture.

"We are hoping that the United States government will say 'Yes, let's bring your relatives home,'" said Russell Eagle Bear, the historic preservation officer for the Rosebud Sioux Tribe. "Back then, the military had total control over us and they took these kids, and especially during those first five years of starting that school, our youth died. Back then in that timeline, our people were basically under almost a hostage situation so our people couldn't go all the way out to Pennsylvania to retrieve loved ones."

The boarding school, founded by Army officer Richard Henry Pratt, operated between 1879 and 1918 and saw more than 10,000 Native American children, who upon arrival were required to have their braids cut off and dress in military-style uniforms in an effort to grind out their heritage. Students were punished for speaking their native language and had to go by a European name.

The students lived under harsh conditions that included physical abuse and were used as farm labor during the summer. Children also were left susceptible to various types of disease, such as tuberculosis, which led to their early death. Nearly 200 students died and were buried at the school, which is now part of the U.S. Army War College.

The Army in a statement on Monday said the meeting Tuesday will begin a formal government-to-government consultation that will help all parties better understand the legal requirements to disinter a person buried in any Army cemetery.

"It is the Army's desire to work with these leaders, work (a) successful resolution, and bring the young men and women home," according to the statement.

Leaders from the Standing Rock Sioux and Northern Arapaho Tribes are among those expected to attend the gathering.

This is the first major effort to repatriate the remains, and it began after a youth group on its way back home from a summit at the White House last summer stopped by the former school. Sydney Horse Looking, a high school senior who was part of the group, said the youth didn't like what they saw.

"They didn't get a proper burial, in my opinion, and the cemetery itself is pretty close to one of the main roads there, and people just drive by," said the 17-year-old Horse Looking, who along with the rest of

the youth group pressed the tribe's council to begin the repatriation effort. "I think those kids should be brought home and reunited with their families. It wasn't their choice to go to that school."

Eagle Bear said his office has identified 10 children who are buried at the former school. He said the identification process has been challenging because some records have the children's European names, not their native names. Furthermore, he said, the graves were relocated between the late 1920s and early 1930s and some headstones lack names.

Eagle Bear said that if the Army authorizes the exhumation, he will take a medicine man with him to have a spiritual ceremony to help identify the remains, and DNA testing will be a backup. He hopes the exhumation can begin as early as this summer.

"A lot of these moms and dads went to their graves without knowing what happened to their child and how that child was treated," Eagle Bear said. "So, let's roll up our sleeves, let's lay out a plan and let's bring them back."

Nebraska trio backing South Dakota measure to go nonpartisan

DIRK LAMMERS, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Three Nebraska state legislators with South Dakota ties are lending their voices of support to a South Dakota constitutional amendment that would remove candidates' party affiliations from primary and general election ballots.

Nebraska has a nonpartisan, one-chamber legislature, in which Republican and Democratic candidates run against each other in primaries and the top vote-getters advance to the general election. If passed by South Dakota voters on Nov. 8, the measure championed by former Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Rick Weiland with help from the non-profit Open Primaries would adopt a similar system for state House and Senate seats and other statewide offices.

Nebraska Speaker of the Legislature Galen Hadley, a Republican, says that state's system has worked well for nearly 80 years, and it shouldn't be foreign to South Dakota voters because they already use it in municipal elections. There are no party caucuses, so instead of party leaders telling party members how to vote, bill sponsors have to round up 25 "Yes" votes in order to get their legislation to pass.

"It becomes their bill, and they're basically the one that has to build a coalition," said Hadley, a former University of South Dakota business professor and dean.

The South Dakota Republican Party opposes the measure.

Ryan Budmayr, the party's executive director, said removing candidates' party affiliations from election ballots strips away transparency and denies voters relevant information.

"Party label lets voters know where candidates stand on significant issues," Budmayr said.

The South Dakota Democratic Party has not taken an official stance on the ballot measure, and party chairwoman Ann Tornberg declined comment on the issue.

Nebraska Sen. Adam Morfeld, a Democrat who attended Sioux Falls' Lincoln High School, said Nebraska's system is more inclusive because it doesn't lock independent voters out of the primary system.

"It's less about the parties and more about the ideas," Morfeld said.

Nebraska Sen. Colby Coash, a Republican who has been in office for eight years, said the growing segment of independents in his district required him to court Republicans, Democrats and Independents if he wanted to win and keep his seat. So when Coash was sworn into office, he carried the voices of all voters, he said. Those who win a party primary but have no real opposition in the general election carry just their party's voice.

"It breeds a lazy candidate," said Coash, who grew up just south of the South Dakota-Nebraska border. "If you run for office and you're out there talking to voters, and your race is over nine, 10 months before you're sworn in, you've got no reason to go out and connect with the people who sent you there."

Jon Schaff, a Northern State University political science professor, said voters' default choice on ballot measures is typically no, as many choose the status quo on complicated issues. But at the measurable frustration with the so-called "business as usual" in national politics, evidenced by their support of non-

establishment candidates such as Donald Trump, Ted Cruz and Bernie Sanders, might give the initiative a fighting chance.

"It's just a matter of how riled up are the people and do they see that as a carrier of that anger," Schaff said.

Weiland, who has gathered support from Democrats, Republicans and Independents, thinks the measure has a shot in the current political climate.

"There's a tail wind," Weiland said. "People are looking for something different."

2-year-old girl falls into septic tank, later dies

CUSTER, S.D. (AP) — A 2-year-old girl died after falling into an underground septic tank near Custer. Evelyn Ferraro was reported missing about 9 a.m. Friday from a mobile home court 3 miles west of Custer. A Custer County sheriff's deputy found the underground tank adjacent to the yard where the child was reported missing. Officials drained the tank and found the girl inside, unresponsive. She died at a Custer hospital later in the morning.

Sheriff Rick Wheeler tells The Associated Press that authorities assume the girl drowned. An autopsy is not planned.

Wheeler declined to provide other details of the incident, citing the ongoing investigation. He said no criminal charges are likely.

A memorial service is scheduled at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Little White Church in Hill City.

2 killed in collision between car, big rig, authorities say

SOUTH YANKTON, Neb. (AP) — Authorities say a collision that killed a Norfolk woman in northeast Nebraska's Cedar County also claimed the life of her 2-year-old son.

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 an oncoming semitrailer.

The patrol says the car driver, 42-year-old Laura Suhr, died at the scene. Authorities say her 2-year-old son, Sean, died later at a hospital. An 11-year-old child traveling with them was taken to a hospital in Yankton. A hospital spokesman couldn't immediately provide any information Monday.

The patrol says the truck driver wasn't hurt.

Pakistan says US-Afghan raid rescues son of Pakistani ex-PM

ASIF SHAHZAD, Associated Press

LYNNE O'DONNELL, Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — A joint raid by U.S. and Afghan forces on Tuesday rescued the son of a former Pakistani prime minister from a three-year-long Taliban captivity in Afghanistan, officials said.

Ali Hiader Gilani was found during the raid conducted near Afghanistan's eastern border with Pakistan, according to Afghan President Ashraf Ghani's office. Gilani, believed to be in his 30s, is the son of Pakistan's former Prime Minister Yusuf Raza Gilani whose secular anti-Taliban Pakistan People's Party's led several major offensives against Islamic militants.

In Pakistan, the foreign ministry said the Afghan National Security Adviser Mohammad Hanif Atmar told Pakistan's foreign affairs adviser, Sartaj Aziz, in a telephone call of the development.

Ghani's spokesman, Zafar Hashemi, told The Associated Press that Gilani was being taken to the Pakistani embassy in Kabul. The embassy said he had not yet arrived.

The raid took place on Tuesday in the Gayan district of Pakitka province, Hashemi said — not in Ghazni province as the Pakistani Foreign Office earlier reported.

The elder Gilani, who served as prime minister from 2008 to 2012, said last year that the kidnappers demanded the release of several al-Qaida prisoners in exchange for his son. He also said that the captors had

let his son talk to him by phone for eight minutes, and that he was being held somewhere in Afghanistan. Gunmen kidnapped the younger Gilani in May 2013, several days before the general elections in his central Pakistani hometown of Multan.

There was no immediate comment from U.S. or Afghan officials.

Abdul Qadi Gilani, a brother of the younger Gilani, praised Afghan authorities and Pakistan's army chief Gen. Raheel Sharif for his brother's successful recovery. He said the army chief also called their father about the rescue. A jubilant elder Gulani was seen on Pakistani TV attending an election rally after hearing the news.

"This is a very good day for me," the father said as his other son, Abdul Qadir, told reporters in Multan that his brother will arrive from Afghanistan to Islamabad later Tuesday.

"I am very happy and I have no words to express my joy," Abdul Qadir said.

Pakistan's Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif issued a statement expressing pleasure over the rescue while the current leader of the People's Party, Bilawal Bhutto Zardari, announced on Twitter the Afghan ambassador in Islamabad first called the elder Gilani to tell him about his son.

The Pakistani Taliban have fought the state for over a decade, killing tens of thousands of people in a bid to install their own harsh Islamic system.

Scientific basis for laws on marijuana, driving questioned

JOAN LOWY, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Six states that allow marijuana use have legal tests to determine driving while impaired by the drug that have no scientific basis, according to a study by the nation's largest automobile club that calls for scrapping those laws.

The study commissioned by AAA's safety foundation said it's not possible to set a blood-test threshold for THC, the chemical in marijuana that makes people high, that can reliably determine impairment. Yet the laws in five of the six states automatically presume a driver guilty if that person tests higher than the limit, and not guilty if it's lower.

As a result, drivers who are unsafe may be going free while others may be wrongly convicted, the foundation said.

The foundation recommends replacing the laws with ones that rely on specially trained police officers to determine if a driver is impaired, backed up by a test for the presence of THC rather than a specific threshold. The officers are supposed to screen for dozens of indicators of drug use, from pupil dilation and tongue color to behavior.

The foundation's recommendation to scrap the laws in Colorado, Montana, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Washington comes as legislatures in several more states consider adopting similar laws.

At least three states, and possibly as many as eleven, will also vote this fall on ballot measures to legalize marijuana for either recreational or medicinal use, or both. Several legislatures are also considering legalization bills.

"There is understandably a strong desire by both lawmakers and the public to create legal limits for marijuana impairment in the same manner we do alcohol," said Marshall Doney, AAA's president and CEO. "In the case of marijuana, this approach is flawed and not supported by scientific research."

Determining whether someone is impaired by marijuana, as opposed to having merely used the drug at some time, is far more complex than the simple and reliable tests that have been developed for alcohol impairment.

There's no science that shows drivers become impaired at a specific level of THC in the blood. A lot depends upon the individual. Drivers with relatively high levels of THC in their systems might not be impaired, especially if they are regular users, while others with relatively low levels may be unsafe behind the wheel.

Some drivers may be impaired when they are stopped by police, but by the time their blood is tested they have fallen below the legal threshold because active THC dissipates rapidly. The average time to collect blood from a suspected driver is often more than two hours because taking a blood sample typically

requires a warrant and transport to a police station or hospital, the foundation said.

In addition, frequent marijuana users can exhibit persistent levels of the drug long after use, while THC levels can decline more rapidly among occasional users. Nine states, including some that have legalized marijuana for medicinal use, have zero-tolerance laws for driving and marijuana that make not only the presence of THC in a driver's blood illegal, but also the presence of its metabolites, which can linger for weeks after use.

That makes no sense, said Mark A. R. Kleiman, a New York University professor specializing in issues involving drugs and criminal policy. "A law against driving with THC in your bloodstream is not a law you can know you are obeying except by never smoking marijuana or never driving," he said.

He said rather than switching to a new kind of law as AAA recommends, states should consider simply making it a traffic violation.

Studies show that using marijuana and driving roughly doubles the risk of a crash, Kleiman said. By comparison, talking on a hands-free cellphone while driving — legal in all states — quadruples crash risk, he said. A blood alcohol content of .12, which is about the median amount in drunken driving cases, increases crash risk by about 15 times, he said.

Driving with "a noisy child in the back of the car" is about as dangerous as using marijuana and driving, Kleiman said.

The exception is when a driver has both been using marijuana and drinking alcohol because the two substances together greatly heighten impairment, he said.

The foundation also released a second study that found the share of drivers in fatal crashes who had recently used marijuana doubled in Washington after the state legalized it for recreational use in December 2012. From 2013 to 2014, the share of drivers who had recently used marijuana rose from 8 percent to 17 percent.

While it stopped short of blaming the crashes on that increase, AAA traffic safety director Jake Nelson said traffic fatalities went up 6 percent in Washington during that same period while the fatalities nationally declined.

2 Kentucky governors, past and present, in acrid public feud

ADAM BEAM, Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Kentucky's two most recent governors are feuding, but they can agree on one thing: the FBI is investigating.

While peaceful transitions of power are a longstanding U.S. tradition, the handoff in Kentucky from Democrat Steve Beshear to Republican Matt Bevin has been ugly. The two men have argued loudly over health care, voting rights, pensions and even the appointment of Beshear's wife to a state commission.

Things were so tense recently that Bevin and Beshear both claimed the FBI was investigating the other. An FBI spokesman would not confirm or deny anything, preferring to stay out of the fight like many in Kentucky's political circles.

The spat has intensified so much that Beshear has taken the extraordinary step of starting a nonprofit group that is paying for ads critical of Bevin and his policies. Bevin, in turn, has launched an investigation of the former Beshear administration, using a state law granting him subpoena power and public money to hire a private law firm to determine if the ex-governor violated state ethics and procurement laws.

Also nipping at Bevin's side is Democratic Attorney General Andy Beshear, Steve Beshear's son. The younger Beshear has already taken Bevin to court — twice — over his policies. The result is an old-fashioned clash in this Appalachian state pitting one of Kentucky's most powerful political families against a Republican outsider intent on upending a power structure in which Democrats have controlled things for decades.

"This has got the makings of a real Hatfield and McCoy feud," former Democratic Gov. John Y. Brown Jr. said. "I don't think it's good for Kentucky."

The harsh talk from both sides — with Bevin accusing Beshear of telling a "straight-out lie" and Beshear calling Bevin "a bully" — is surprising to some. Bevin had repeatedly promised on the campaign trail to

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change the political tone in Frankfort if elected.

Yet the hostilities emerged before Bevin took office when he called Beshear "an embarrassment" for appointing his wife to an unpaid position on the Kentucky Horse Park Commission. He then leavened his December inaugural address with some veiled shots at Beshear as the former governor sat stone-faced just a few feet away.

In March, Bevin posted a scathing video to his Facebook page of an empty state House chamber, chiding Democratic leaders for not meeting on the budget. The legislature wasn't scheduled to convene until 4 p.m. that day, and House Democrats were in fact meeting in their offices across the street.

"His attacks tend to be personal attacks," Steve Beshear said. "It's not just a disagreement over ideas. But because you disagree with me you are a bad person and I'm going to get you in some way."

Beshear has not been blameless. Ten days after Bevin was elected, Beshear held a news conference criticizing Bevin's plans to dismantle Kentucky's health insurance exchange and replace its expanded Medicaid program, both cornerstones of Beshear's legacy.

Once he left office, Beshear started a nonprofit group which — because of a U.S. Supreme Court ruling — can raise and spend unlimited amounts of money on political ads as long as more than half of its spending is on social welfare issues. The group has already paid for its first web ad, declaring that Bevin "uses fake numbers as justification for an ideological agenda." And this week, he wrote a letter criticizing both Bevin and federal officials for negotiating "back room deals" for Kentucky's Medicaid program.

"It's protocol for a former governor or a former president to be gracious and let the new governor be the governor," said Damon Thayer, the Republican floor leader of the state Senate. "It just seems to me that Steve Beshear is having a hard time dealing with the fact that he's no longer governor."

The feud is likely to ripple out into the fall elections as Republicans seek control of the state House of Representatives, the only legislative chamber in the South the GOP does not control. Democrats recently were clinging to a three-seat majority in the state House of Representatives, but campaigned hard against Bevin in a series of special elections, winning three out of four to solidify their majority for the rest of this year. Now Republicans are eyeing November, when all 100 seats in the House will be on the ballot.

Recently, Bevin prayed at a National Day of Prayer event at the state Capitol, where he lamented the division in the country, "some of which we seem to increasingly celebrate." But after the event, Bevin did not appear willing to reconcile his differences with Beshear.

"For those who have their own agendas and miss their role to such a degree that they keep hanging around, God bless them," he said. "I can't speak for what the motivation is there. But I'm a little confused by it. It's rather embarrassing for Kentucky, frankly."

Lynch: NC transgender law part of civil rights struggle

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JONATHAN DREW, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — In suing the state where she was born and raised for discriminating against transgender people, Attorney General Loretta Lynch invoked the defining civil rights struggles of the last century and made clear that the federal government sees its dispute with North Carolina as about far more than bathrooms and showers.

Lynch, the first black woman to hold the job, elevated the profile of the Justice Department's potentially epic clash with North Carolina over its new bathroom law by placing it in the context of America's Jim Crow era — when signs above water fountains and restaurants fostered race discrimination — as well as more recent efforts to deny gay couples the right to marry.

"Instead of turning away from our neighbors, friends and colleagues, let us instead learn from our history and avoid repeating the mistakes of our past," Lynch said at a news conference Monday announcing the lawsuit, directly addressing North Carolina residents. "Let us reflect on the obvious but neglected lesson that state-sanctioned discrimination never looks good and never works in hindsight."

Her remarks, in unusually forceful and personal language, came as North Carolina Gov. Pat McCrory

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refused to back down over a law that requires transgender people to use the public restroom corresponding to the gender on their birth certificate. The Justice Department says the measure violates civil rights laws and is seeking a court order to block it.

Lynch's announcement of a lawsuit — and her reassurance to the transgender community that "We see you" — brought tears to Stephen Wiseman, a 37-year-old social worker and transgender man in Asheville, who praised Lynch for giving "historical examples that people can relate to."

He said it was a historic moment to have the attorney general stand behind a podium and offer transgender people such affirmation.

"That sort of acknowledgment and validation is huge when the other side is saying: 'you're nobody. You're making all this up,'" he said.

The rhetoric was perhaps fitting given what's at stake — billions of dollars in aid for North Carolina are up in the air, and there's the potential for a landmark decision regarding the reach of the nation's civil rights laws.

A judge could begin hearing arguments in the competing cases within weeks as North Carolina seeks to stop the government from temporarily blocking the law or stripping away funding, said Rina Lindevaldsen, a Liberty University law professor specializing in family and constitutional law.

"This seems like the kind of thing that's on track for the Supreme Court," she said.

The measure took effect in March, passed in reaction to a Charlotte ordinance allowing transgender people to use the bathroom that corresponds to their gender identity.

Since then, the state's been riven by business cancellations and boycotts from stars such as Bruce Springsteen and Pearl Jam. Contentious debate about the law has divided not only state residents but also public officials; state attorney general Roy Cooper, a Democrat running against McCrory for governor, has refused to defend it.

The Justice Department last week gave McCrory until Monday to say he would refuse to enforce the law. Instead, he doubled down by suing the federal government for a "baseless and blatant overreach" and later criticized Lynch for language he said was divisive.

"This is not a North Carolina issue. It is now a national issue," said McCrory, a Republican up for re-election in November.

Monday's actions carry immediate practical impact, moving the debate into the courtroom and putting on notice other states that in recent months have proposed similar laws limiting protections for gay, bisexual and transgender people.

In addition, the U.S. Education Department and other federal agencies could ultimately try to cut off money to North Carolina to force compliance.

The state university system risks losing more than \$1.4 billion in federal funds. An additional \$800 million in federally backed loans for students who attend the public universities could also be at risk.

Beyond that, though, Lynch sought to frame the lawsuit as part of a broader conversation. She likened her agency's involvement in the North Carolina law to the shifting expansion of civil rights that scrapped legal racial segregation and prohibitions against gay marriage.

"This is about the dignity and the respect that we accord our fellow citizens," Lynch said. "It's about the founding ideals that have led this country, haltingly but inexorably in the direction of fairness, inclusion and equality for all Americans."

Mara Keisling, the director of the National Center for Transgender Equality in Washington, said the "silver lining to this very dark cloud" is that the dialogue is "turning into one of the most important educational moments we've ever had."

"All they had to do was just leave us out of their political machinations. We didn't do anything to anybody," Keisling said, referring to North Carolina elected officials. "Trans people in North Carolina were just happily going about their business."

Tornadoes hit Plains; 2 dead, homes destroyed in Oklahoma

DANIEL C. HOUSTON, Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Tornadoes destroyed homes, overturned vehicles and stripped the bark from trees as they churned across Oklahoma, part of a strong series of storms that hit the Plains.

At least two people died Monday in weather so violent that forecasters declared a “tornado emergency” for communities in the path of one of the twisters.

“You are in a life-threatening situation,” forecasters declared while warning the communities of Roff, population 725, and Hickory, population 71, which were ultimately spared major damage. “Flying debris will be deadly to those caught without shelter.”

Dana Lance was driving through the Pontotoc County community of Roff on her way home from work Monday when the skies grew ominous, sirens wailed and forecasters on the radio told people to take cover. “I parked and went into the school, which has a safe room,” Lance said. “There were kids and elderly people, dogs and cats, babies. It was like the whole town was there.”

In nearby Murray County, where Hickory is located, emergency management director Gary Ligon said one person was injured.

Garvin County officials said a man believed to be in his upper 70s died when another tornado hit a home near Wynnewood, south of Oklahoma City. That storm, caught on video by several storm chasers, appeared white against the dark clouds of a supercell storm. In Johnston County, the sheriff’s office said a man was killed by a tornado near Connerville.

The Oklahoma Office of Emergency Management reported the storms destroyed a radio station building in Coal County and an undetermined number of homes in Murray, Garvin and Johnston counties.

The bad weather should settle in the Ohio and Tennessee valleys on Tuesday, forecasters said, while another storm system should bring storms to the area from north Texas to near St. Louis on Wednesday.

In Hugo, near the Red River, Charles Webb piled one of his dogs and one of his cats in the laundry room Monday and hunkered down as the storm came over his house, clipping trees and spinning up debris. Webb said he emerged from his home minutes later to see blue skies.

“We’re real lucky, but we’ve been lucky for a lot of years, fortunately,” Webb said Monday.

In the rolling hills between Oklahoma City and Dallas, the Oklahoma Highway Patrol closed Interstate 35 near Wynnewood for 15 minutes Monday so the storm could pass.

Jessica Randolph, a cashier at the Love’s Travel Stop in Paul’s Valley, Oklahoma, said the tornado came so close that managers ordered employees and customers to take shelter.

“They put us in the showers,” Randolph said. “I drove in when all of that was going on. All we had was pea-sized hail.”

Despite the danger, Randolph said she has seen severe weather before and wasn’t frightened by the experience.

“Not for me. I’m used to it,” she said.

The National Weather Service said a tornado touched down in central Iowa, with no immediate reports of damage, and another hit near Nehawka, Nebraska, about 30 miles south of Omaha.

Sandy Weyers, the director of the Cass County Emergency Management office, said a homeowner didn’t make it inside by the time the tornado arrived so he grabbed onto a tree and “rode it out.” Weyers said the man suffered only cuts and scrapes, while the home was a total loss after the roof and four outer walls gave way.

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. FOR CAPITOL HILL, IT’S A NEW REALITY, NOT A SHOW

Congressional Republicans return to Washington, grappling with the prospect of Donald Trump as their

presidential nominee, with reactions ranging from rejection to lukewarm embrace.

2. NEW PHILIPPINE LEADER SEEN AS EMANCIPATOR, LOOMING DICTATOR

Rodrigo Duterte is poised to become the president-elect of the Philippines after an incendiary and populist campaign.

3. AFTER PARTY CONGRESS, KIM JONG UN OVERSEES A PARADE OF THE MASSES

After the North Korean leader solidified his hold on power and his commitment to developing nuclear weapons, hundreds of thousands of participate in a choreographed civilian parade.

4. DEADLY KNIFE ATTACK IN GERMANY

One person is dead and several wounded after a knife-wielding 27-year-old German man who "expressed political motivations" attacked at a train station outside Munich.

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Tornadoes destroyed homes and overturned vehicles as they churned across Oklahoma, part of a strong series of storms in America's heartland.

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In suing North Carolina for discriminating against transgender people, Loretta Lynch invokes the defining civil rights struggles of the last century.

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Rachel Notley declares Fort McMurray saved and says a plan will be put together within two weeks so 88,000 residents forced to evacuate can return to their homes.

8. WHY BRAZIL POLITICS ARE IN DISARRAY

The fight over President Dilma Rousseff's future takes a strange twist in Congress, with the leader of the lower house saying senators can't go ahead with an impeachment vote and the Senate leader insisting they will.

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Lezley McSpadden tells the AP she'll never forget the day a police officer killed her 18-year-old son in Ferguson, and she recalls the shooting's aftermath in her new autobiography.

10. HOW WARRIORS STAR DID IN RETURN FROM INJURY

Stephen Curry shrugs off a sprained knee to score an NBA-record 17 points in overtime, finishing with 40 as Golden State rallied past Portland 132-125.

Mass rally in North Korea after congress bolsters leader

ERIC TALMADGE, Associated Press

PYONGYANG, North Korea (AP) — After a ruling-party congress in which leader Kim Jong Un enshrined his hold on power and his commitment to developing nuclear weapons, hundreds of thousands of North Koreans celebrated with a massive civilian parade Tuesday featuring floats bearing patriotic slogans and marchers with flags and pompoms.

Kim presided over the parade and waved down to the crowd from his "tribune of honor" on a balcony of the Grand People's Study House, which overlooks the square. North Koreans had been practicing roles in the parade and other events for weeks, and participation is considered mandatory.

"We had been practicing every other day for this event," said Yun Song Hua, a 25-year-old medical student at Kim Il Sung University. "I'm proud to be able to participate in an event like this with our leader here with us."

The two-hour parade started off with a 30-minute speech by Kim Yong Nam, the head of North Korea's parliament and nominal head of state. Foreign journalists in Pyongyang for the congress had to gather hours earlier, at 5:30 a.m., to go through strict security screening. They had to surrender all telephones and communication devices, which is typical whenever foreign media cover an event where Kim Jong Un is present.

The four-day congress completed Monday was the authoritarian country's first since 1980, before Kim was even born. The body of more than 3,400 delegates endorsed his nuclear and economic policies,

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promoted his favored officials and gave him a new title of party chairman.

Kim told delegates the North would not use its nuclear weapons first unless its sovereignty is threatened and hinted he was willing to work with countries that had previously been hostile toward the North if they are willing to work with him.

Though big on pomp and visuals intended to inspire awe, the congress was first and foremost a means for Kim to solidify his standing as the sole leader of the party and formalize the positions of those he trusts. Those include Ri Yong Gil, a senior official South Korea's intelligence agency had previously said had been executed.

But by calling a congress — something his father, Kim Jong Il, never did — Kim demonstrated what may also be a leadership style more like that of his charismatic grandfather, national founder Kim Il Sung. Kim Il Sung worked through party organs more than Kim Jong Il, who preferred using his own network of trusted individuals to get things done.

Kim Jong Un spoke several times during the congress — including one speech that lasted three hours and has aired repeatedly on the North's state-run television. He announced a new five-year plan for the economy, the first made public since the 1980s, to show that improving the nation's standard of living, which has fallen far behind its neighboring China and rival South Korea, is one of his top priorities.

To do that, he stressed that North Korea must strive to build better trade relations with other countries, though he also remained firm on what the North claims is its right to develop and possess a nuclear arsenal for self-defense.

How North Korea can do both is a question mark.

Its nuclear program has brought a heavy price in sanctions that stifle growth. After its most recent test, which Pyongyang claims was of its first hydrogen bomb, sanctions are at their toughest level in 20 years and the nation is facing increasing isolation from even China, its Korean War ally, with whom trade is essential.

The mixture of what seemed to be overtures for better relations with a hard line on Pyongyang's right to keep a nuclear deterrent did not resonate much in Washington or Seoul.

South Korean officials quickly wrote it off as nothing new and nothing they could accept.

White House spokesman Josh Earnest said at a press briefing Monday that Washington is more focused on North Korea's actions than its words.

"Once North Korea demonstrates a commitment to coming back into compliance with those international obligations, the United States and the rest of the international community would be prepared to enter into negotiations with them and begin to give them access to the international community that they've been denied for some time now," Earnest said.

Evans Revere, an expert on Northeast Asia and a former senior State Department official, said the message out of Pyongyang was that nuclear weapons are a permanent fixture in North Korea's security posture and the announcement it would not use nuclear weapons unless its sovereignty was threatened was an attempt to seek legitimacy as a nuclear-armed state.

"It's hard to take anything positive from this. The overwhelming message is that they have doubled down on the nuclear issue," he said. "I don't think the international community is going to accept that or work with that."

"The difficult thing for (U.S.) policymakers is, where do you go from here?" said Victor Cha, an expert on North Korea at the Center for Strategic and International Studies who served as a top White House official on Asia policy under President George W. Bush.

"If it was ever unclear that they were not going to give up their nuclear weapons, they have made it crystal-clear that they're not going to," he said. "Can we still talk about denuclearization, or do we aim for a freeze and a cap? It's a tough situation."

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After 2012 stunner, ex-con makes another White House run

JOHN RABY, Associated Press

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — As Donald Trump, Hillary and Bill Clinton and Bernie Sanders campaigned in West Virginia this month before thousands of voters, ex-convict Keith Judd slipped into the state unnoticed.

There were no campaign rallies. No preplanned speeches. No organized public events. Just a chance for the Democratic presidential candidate who received 41 percent of the vote in the state's 2012 primary against President Barack Obama to drive around and see it for himself.

He never got to West Virginia four years ago, because he was in prison.

This time Judd drove nearly 1,400 miles from his hometown of Midland, Texas, and spent a week visiting towns such as Charleston, Beckley, Huntington, Logan, Parkersburg and Williamson before heading back on Sunday, two days before West Virginia's presidential primary.

"I wanted the people to get to know who I was," he said.

That wasn't the case in 2012, when most West Virginia voters had no clue. But they were determined to rebuke Obama, whose clean air regulations remain deeply unpopular in the coal-producing state. So 73,138 of them voted for Judd.

"You really don't expect to get that many votes when you're sitting in a prison cell," Judd said.

Now, after 15 years in prison for threatening and trying to extort his wife in divorce proceedings and for a parole violation, Judd, 57, is a free man. And he is improvising another run for president. His old campaign photo, which looks more like a police mug shot, still shows him with a bushy dark mullet on his website, "Keith Judd for President of USA 2016."

In person, Judd has gone gray, his hair in front is shorter and he wears a suit and tie. He's taking this race seriously enough to have gotten onto primary ballots in Louisiana, Missouri, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, Texas and more, failing to muster even 1 percent of the vote anywhere.

"I don't know what to expect" from West Virginia voters, Judd said. "It's hard for me to figure out what they're going to do."

After West Virginians vote Tuesday, there's the California primary, the last one where his name appears.

With coal's future looking grimmer than ever, the potential looms for another protest vote in West Virginia because the state's primaries are open, enabling independents to vote either for Republicans or Democrats.

Hillary Clinton trounced Obama in the state in 2008, but has since broadly endorsed the federal government's clean air policies, and now trails Trump and Sanders in polls.

It didn't help when she said recently that "we're going to put a lot of coal miners and coal companies out of business — we're going to make clear that we don't want to forget those people." Many West Virginians, already feeling abandoned, focused on the first part of her comment.

Judd, who accuses Obama of waging a war on coal, said he got permission from his probation officer to campaign in West Virginia and "bring some other issues into the national spotlight."

Judd's incarceration prevented him from touring four years ago, when Obama won only 59 percent of the vote and lost to Judd in 10 of West Virginia's 55 counties. Incumbent presidents rarely face a serious primary challenge when seeking re-election, especially from an unknown. But the party denied Judd a pledged delegate at the 2012 convention because he hadn't filed some paperwork.

"What's different this time is, a majority of West Virginians are familiar with Judd," political scientist and historian Robert Rupp said with a chuckle. "Obama's not on the ballot, Judd is known and we have a very spirited campaign between two formidable candidates, Sanders and Clinton."

Rupp, a professor at West Virginia Wesleyan College, also notes that Judd was the only other candidate on the state's Democratic primary ballot when Obama was running for re-election. There are six names to choose from this time, including a West Virginia lawyer, a California businessman and former Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley, who dropped out months ago.

"We will look back at Judd's showing in the 2012 primary as an aberration," Rupp said.

Judd has had political aspirations for decades. In the 1990s, he ran for mayor of Albuquerque and governor of New Mexico. Since 1996, he's managed to get on presidential ballots.

His 1999 conviction, he says on his website, involved false allegations. He was released in June 2013,

then returned to prison five months later for violating parole. Out of prison and on supervised release since October 2014, he now shares a home in Midland with several of his hotel co-workers, and he volunteers in his local Baptist church.

In the coal county of Mingo, where Judd got 60 percent of the vote last time, Ashley Kominar of Kermit said she simply dislikes Obama, and didn't know when she voted for Judd that he was doing time in Texas.

"I still would have gave him my vote," said Kominar, a registered Democrat who now supports Trump. "That wouldn't have been a factor for me at all."

New Philippine leader seen as emancipator, looming dictator

JIM GOMEZ, Associated Press

TERESA CEROJANO, Associated Press

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Rodrigo Duterte, the bombastic mayor of a major southern city, was heralded Tuesday as president-elect of the Philippines after an incendiary and populist campaign that projected him alternatively as an emancipator and a looming dictator.

"Our people have spoken and their verdict is accepted and respected," outgoing President Benigno Aquino III's spokesman Sonny Coloma said in a statement. "The path of good governance ... is already established as all presidential candidates spoke out against corruption."

Former Interior Secretary Mar Roxas, who was running second behind Duterte in the unofficial vote count following Monday's election, conceded defeat. "Digong, I wish you success," Roxas said at a news conference, using Duterte's nickname. "Your victory is the victory of our people and our country."

Duterte's harshest critic also conceded that the mayor, known for his off-color sexual remarks and pledges to kill criminal suspects, had emerged the unquestioned winner.

"I will not be the party pooper at this time of a festive mood," Sen. Antonio Trillanes IV, who has filed a plunder complaint against Duterte, told The Associated Press. "I will step back, listen to his policy pronouncements. This time we don't expect a stand-up comedy act but a president who will address the nation."

Duterte, 71, himself has not spoken since casting his vote Monday, and remained at his home in Davao, on the southern main island of Mindanao.

Results from a semi-official count gave Duterte an unassailable lead, thrusting him into national politics for the first time after 22 years as mayor of Davao and a government prosecutor before that. In those two jobs, Duterte gained notoriety by going after criminals, although he was accused of carrying out hundreds of extra-judicial killings.

This earned him the nickname "Duterte Harry," a reference to the Clint Eastwood movie character with little regard for rules. He has also been compared to Donald Trump, the U.S. Republican presumptive presidential nominee, for his propensity for inflammable statements.

In the election for vice president, who is separately elected in the Philippines, the son of late dictator Ferdinand Marcos was trailing by a hair to a political neophyte, Rep. Leni Robredo, who is backed by outgoing President Benigno Aquino III.

During the three-month campaign, Duterte made audacious promises to eradicate crime and corruption within six months. His explosive outbursts and curses against the inequality and social ills that bedevil the Filipino everyman resonated among different class levels of the people that his big political rivals clearly underestimated until he began to take a strong lead in opinion polls in the final weeks of the campaign.

He captured domestic and international attention with speeches peppered with obscene jokes about sex and rape and anecdotes about his Viagra-fueled sexual escapades, and for undiplomatic remarks about Australia, the United States and China, all key players in the country's politics.

He has not articulated an overall foreign policy, but has described himself as a socialist wary of the U.S.-Philippine security alliance. He has worried members of the armed forces by saying that communist rebels could play a role in his government.

When the Australian and American ambassadors criticized a joke he made about wanting to be the first to have raped an Australian missionary who was gang-raped and killed by inmates in a 1989 jail riot, he

told them to shut up.

He said he would talk with China about territorial disputes in the South China Sea but if nothing happened, he would sail to an artificial island newly created by China and plant the Philippine flag there. China, he said, could shoot him and turn him into a national hero.

He has also threatened to form a one-man rule if legislators in the Congress oppose him.

President Aquino went public against Duterte late in the campaign, saying the mayor may endanger the country's hard-fought democracy and squander economic gains of the last six years, when the Philippine economy grew at an average of 6.2 percent, one of the best rates in Asia.

Aquino, whose parents were democracy champions who helped topple the senior Marcos, also campaigned against Marcos Jr., who has never clearly apologized for economic plunder and widespread human rights abuses under his father. Filipinos have been hypersensitive to potential threats to democracy since they ousted the elder Marcos.

On Monday, Duterte was asked to comment about his image as a mass-murder advocate. He replied without elaborating, "I'm sure that there will be a resurrection one of these days."

Israeli police say 2 Israeli women stabbed in Jerusalem

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli police says two masked attackers have stabbed two Israeli women in Jerusalem, setting off a manhunt that led to the arrest of the assailants.

Police spokesman Micky Rosenfeld says five women were walking along a Jerusalem promenade on Tuesday when they were attacked from behind. Two of them, both said to be about 70 years of age, were stabbed. They have been taken to hospital with moderate injuries.

Rosenfeld gave no details about the arrested attackers.

It's the latest incident in nearly eight months of attacks by Palestinians, mostly stabbings, which have killed 28 Israelis and two Americans. About 200 Palestinians have been killed during the same time, most of them said by Israel to have been attackers while the rest killed in clashes with Israeli forces.

Rio Olympic Spread: Anything from Halal to Kosher to Kimchi

STEPHEN WADE, AP Sports Writer

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — The dining room for the athletes village at the Rio de Janeiro Olympics will be bigger than two football fields, and the kitchen being built in the same massive tent will be as large as one.

The setting hints at quite a spread when the games open in just under three months.

"We want to make sure when there is a medal or a record, part of that record also goes to our food team," said Marcello Cordeiro, Rio's director of food and beverages, in an interview with The Associated Press.

At its peak, the athletes village kitchen will prepare 60,000 meals daily, produced from daily shipments of 210,000 kilograms (460,000 pounds) of raw ingredients — all served up on 4 million biodegradable plates for 18,000 athletes, coaches and staff.

Diners will choose from five different buffets — Brazilian, Asian, International, Pasta and Pizza, Halal and Kosher.

Food for Muslim and Jewish athletes will adhere to their specific religious dietary laws. Koreans will even get spicy kimchee — the nation's famous fermented cabbage, scallions and assorted vegetables — shipped directly from home.

And everyone can try 40 varieties of Brazil's exotic fruits like caju, acai, carambola, caqui, goiaba and maracuja, often squeezed into Brazil's famously delicious juices (sucos in Portuguese).

The subsequent Paralympics will offer the same variety, though the numbers will be smaller.

"We are confident our Brazilian food is going to be a success, we'll make a bit more to be safe," Cordeiro said. "We are doing our best to bring the world to Brazil."

He listed key ingredients of the basic Brazilian diet: rice, black beans, farofa (flour from toasted cassava often sprinkled on top of food) and meat. But the regional specialties are as large as the continent-size country itself.

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Buffet-style eateries are popular in Brazil, where they charge by the weight — so-called “Kilo Restaurants.” There will be no charge for the athletes.

“They can eat all they want,” Cordeiro said. “No scales. We know athletes know exactly what they need to eat.”

To prepare the final menus, Cordeiro and colleagues are holding about 20 food tastings before the Olympics open Aug. 5. They’ve been through seven or eight already, including one a few days ago.

“Imagine you start eating at 10 a.m. and you finish 8 p.m.,” Cordeiro said. “Everyone thinks that food-tasting is super-duper, but this is how you eat.”

He demonstrated, lifting a tiny sandwich slice up to his nose, one made of ham, mozzarella, cream cheese and lettuce. He checked for texture and presentation, and finally took a small bite. Next he graded the offering on a checklist.

“I’ll tell you the truth, I can’t stand the testing,” he said. “This means eating the whole day. Actually, not eating. Tasting. You bite and you leave it.”

Rio will also offer different breakfast styles. For the Japanese palette there might be rice and miso soup, or fish and natto, the gooey, pungent paste made from fermented soybeans.

“We’re also very careful with the spice,” Cordeiro said.

The athletes village consists of 31 apartment towers containing 10,160 bedrooms. It is just one part of the Olympic food operation. Deborah Cordiner is handling most of the rest, including athletes’ food at venues, and support centers for volunteers and accredited guests.

“We always face the same challenges, the transport, the volume of food,” said Cordiner, a Scot who has worked at all but two Olympics — Salt Lake City and Sochi — since the 2000 games in Sydney.

She said athletes at venues will munch on “tens of thousands” of sandwiches.

A spokesman for the organizing committee declined to give the names of catering companies under contract, saying they “are not sponsors, so they don’t have a right to be associated with the games.”

The International Olympic Committee and organizers receive billions from sponsors like McDonald’s.

Cordeiro said he is worried less about the menu — he has about 20 chefs, several from outside Brazil — than he is about food safety. He must guarantee the food is free from steroids or other ingredients that might cause an athlete to test positive on a doping test.

A major offender is the steroid Clenbuterol, which is fed to livestock in some countries to produce leaner meat.

“To assure that our ingredients are free of steroids and other kinds of chemicals, we are making sure our suppliers have all the certificates that are demanded by our national food and drug agency,” Cordeiro said. “People don’t know how complex it is to put out safe food. We know that this is a very sensitive subject that could influence a result or an athlete’s medal.”

He said almost all the food was coming from Brazil, save for items like kimchee and some spices.

Athletes will be forbidden from taking their own food into the dining area, though many will eat away from the village — often in training areas set up by their national teams.

“If an athlete brings something in from outside and eats it the dining hall and gets sick, then it can be blamed on the village food,” he said. “But in the end we know that athletes can go anywhere and buy a hot dog and possibly get it inside.”

Alberta officials say oil sands city saved from fire’s worst

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FORT MCMURRAY, Alberta (AP) — Alberta premier’s declared Canada’s oil sands city saved and said a plan will be put together within two weeks so 88,000 residents forced to evacuate can return to their homes.

At least two neighborhoods in Fort McMurray were scenes of utter devastation with incinerated homes leveled to the ground from a wildfire that the city’s fire chief called a “beast ... a fire like I’ve never seen in my life.”

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But the wider picture was more optimistic as Fire Chief Darby Allen said 85 percent of the city remains intact, including the downtown district.

Alberta Premier Rachel Notley said about 2,400 homes and buildings were destroyed, but firefighters managed to save 25,000 others, including the hospital, municipal buildings and every functioning school.

"This city was surrounded by an ocean of fire only a few days ago but Fort McMurray and the surrounding communities have been saved and they will be rebuilt," Notley said.

Notley said there will be a meeting Tuesday with the energy industry to discuss the state of their facilities and the impact on operations. She got her first direct look at the devastation on Monday after cold temperatures and light rain had stabilized the massive wildfire to a point where officials could begin planning to get thousands of evacuated residents back.

The break in the weather left officials optimistic they've reached a turning point on getting a handle on the massive wildfire. The temperature dipped to 45 degrees Fahrenheit (7 degrees Celsius) on Monday following a week where the region had unseasonably warm temperatures.

Notley flew in Monday to meet with local officials and took a ground tour of the town before holding a news conference at the emergency center.

"I was very much struck by the devastation of the fire. It was really quite overwhelming in some spots," Notley said. "But I will also say that I was struck by the proximity of that devastation to neighborhoods that were untouched."

More than 40 journalists were allowed into Fort McMurray on a bus escorted by police. The forest surrounding the road into town was still smoldering and there were abandoned cars. Only the sign remained at a Super 8 Motel and Denny's restaurant on the edge of town.

The Beacon Hill neighborhood was a scene of utter devastation, with homes burned to their foundations. Allen said at one point in Beacon Hill the fire jumped across a road that is 15 to 20 feet (4.5 to 6 meters) wide.

"It jumped that without thinking about it. This was a beast. It was an animal. It was a fire like I've never seen in my life," he said on the media bus.

In the early stages of the fire he feared that as much as half the city could burn down.

Allen said at one point the fire raced down a hill to the corner of a bank, but firefighters were able to halt the encroaching flames at the bank. Had they failed to stop it there, the fire would have destroyed the downtown district, he said.

But other neighborhoods were not spared. In the Abasand district, townhouses were completely destroyed, and charred children's bikes could be seen in backyards. A parking facility was burned to the ground.

"I just want everyone to know that there were hundreds of people, emergency services staff, that gave their all," Allen said. "I do truly believe we couldn't do any more. This was a horrible fire. Whatever we tried to do, it went a different way and it found some new fuel so we our very best."

About 88,000 people have been forced out of Fort McMurray since the fire broke out a week ago in the heart of Canada's oil sands region. The bulk of the city's evacuees moved south after a mandatory evacuation order, but 25,000 evacuees moved north and were housed in camps normally used for oil sands workers until they also could be evacuated south.

Gas has been turned off, the power grid is damaged and water is undrinkable in Fort McMurray. More than 250 power company workers are trying to restore the grid and assess the gas infrastructure.

"We are now turning our minds more and more to the recovery effort," Federal Public Safety Minister Ralph Goodale said.

"This is going to be a long-term endeavor because at the moment there is no power and gas, no palatable water supply. There's dangerous hazardous material all over the place. It's going to take a very careful, thoughtful effort to get that community back in a livable condition," Goodale said.

Notley said the fire continues to grow outside the city and now is about 790 square miles (2,020 square kilometers) in size.

No deaths or injuries have been reported from the fire itself. But the fire has forced as much as a third

of Canada's oil output offline and was expected to impact an economy already hurt by the fall in oil prices. "We're just beginning to become aware of the economic impacts," Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said.

Alberta's oil sands have the third-largest reserves of oil in the world behind Saudi Arabia and Venezuela. Its workers largely live in Fort McMurray, a former frontier outpost-turned-city whose residents come from all over Canada. Officials said the fire didn't reach the Suncor or Syncrude oil sands facilities north of Fort McMurray, and that the oil mines to the north are not threatened.

Analysts at Goldman Sachs estimated the wildfire has reduced Canada's oil sands production by a million barrels per day, but said in a note the lack of damage to the oil mines could allow for a fast ramp up in production. They noted, however, that the complete evacuation of personnel and of the city could point to a more gradual recovery.

Islamic State leader killed in Iraq's Anbar province

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon says a top Islamic State leader in Iraq's Anbar province has been killed by a coalition airstrike.

Pentagon press secretary Peter Cook says Abu Wahib and three others were killed when their vehicle was struck on May 6 in Rutba. He says Wahib's death is a blow to the group's leadership.

A senior U.S. official said it was an American airstrike. The official was not authorized to discuss the matter publicly, so spoke on condition of anonymity.

Cook says Wahib was a former member of al-Qaida in Iraq and has appeared in Islamic State execution videos. There have been unconfirmed reports in the past suggesting Wahib was targeted by strikes, but this is the first time the Pentagon has said he was killed.

Golden State's Curry returns in Game 4 against the Blazers

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PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Reigning NBA MVP Stephen Curry returned from a right knee sprain for Game 4 of Golden State's playoff series against the Trail Blazers on Monday night.

Curry did not start but came in with 5:58 left in the first quarter. He scored on a pair of jumpers before going back to the bench at the end of the period.

Warriors coach Steve Kerr said Curry's return would depend on how he looked in pregame warmups. Moments later, the star guard did not appear to be hampered by the sprain he sustained in Game 4 of the first-round series against Houston.

The Warriors announced his availability a short time later.

"He's not really under a minutes restriction from (the) training staff," Kerr said. "It's more what he can handle conditioning-wise."

Curry had not played in the first three games of the Western Conference semifinals against the Blazers. The Warriors led the series 2-1 going into Monday's game.

Curry led the Warriors to an NBA-record 73 wins in the regular season, a year after leading the team to its first NBA championship in 40 years. He averaged just more than 30 points this season.

Curry's return comes as a person with knowledge of the award tells The Associated Press that Curry will repeat as NBA MVP, with the announcement coming as early as Tuesday. It has been widely speculated for much of the season that he'd win the award again.

Curry returned to practice last Friday with a brace on his knee. The team did not scrimmage, but Curry ran through an extensive post-practice shooting routine.

He worked out in a 2-on-2 drill before Saturday's Game 3, which the Warriors lost 120-108. He went 3-on-3 on Sunday and at Monday's shootaround, Kerr upgraded him from doubtful to questionable for the game.

Tough-talking Philippine mayor looks set to be new president

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MANILA, Philippines (AP) — A brash and tough-talking mayor who has pledged to kill suspected criminals and end crime within six months emerged Tuesday as the winner in presidential elections after securing an unassailable lead in an unofficial vote count.

The son of late dictator Ferdinand Marcos was trailing narrowly behind an establishment candidate in the vice presidential race.

Rodrigo Duterte, the mayor of southern Davao city, had secured more than 14.4 million votes, according to a count of 87 percent of precincts nationwide from Monday's elections. The closest of his four main rivals, former Interior Secretary Mar Roxas, had 8.6 million votes.

"We can call it now because the gap got so big relative to the maximum the No. 2 can get" of the remaining votes, said William Yu of the Parish Pastoral Council for Responsible Voting. The group is accredited by the Commission on Elections to conduct the unofficial "quick count."

A victory by Duterte would amount to a massive political shift in the Philippines. Starting as an outsider, Duterte built his popularity with radical pledges to eliminate poverty and end corruption and crime. He has a reputation for fighting crime as mayor of Davao for 22 years, but has been accused of ordering extrajudicial killings to achieve that.

On the last day of campaigning Saturday, he made clear he intends to continue his hard-line approach.

"All of you who are into drugs, you sons of bitches, I will really kill you," Duterte, 71, a former prosecutor, told a rally. "I have no patience, I have no middle ground, either you kill me or I will kill you idiots."

Statements such as that have won him the nickname "Duterte Harry," a reference to the Clint Eastwood movie character "Dirty Harry" who had little regard for rules. He has also been compared to Donald Trump, the U.S. Republican presumptive presidential nominee.

Duterte is known for jokes about sex and rape, talking often about his Viagra-fueled sexual escapades, and for undiplomatic remarks about Australia, the United States and China, all key players in the country's politics. He has threatened to dismiss the Philippine Congress and form a revolutionary government if he is confronted with uncooperative legislators.

Outgoing President Benigno Aquino III tried to discourage Filipinos from voting for Duterte over fears the mayor may endanger the country's hard-fought democracy and squander economic gains of the last six years, when the Philippine economy grew at an average of 6.2 percent, one of the best rates in Asia.

But on election day, with opinion polls giving him the best chance to win, Duterte reached out to his opponents.

"Let us be friends," he said at a news conference after voting in Davao. "Let us begin the process of healing."

Among the other presidential candidates, Sen. Grace Poe had 8.1 million votes and Vice President Jejomar Binay had 4.8 million, according to the partial unofficial results. Poe conceded defeat early Tuesday.

In the vice presidential race, Rep. Leni Robredo, was leading narrowly with 13.31 million votes, ahead of Sen. Ferdinand Marcos Jr., who had 13.16 million votes. Marcos Jr. is the son of the former dictator who ruled the Philippines from 1972 until he was ousted in 1986 in a "people power" revolt.

Vice presidents are elected separately from presidents in the Philippines.

Aquino, whose parents were democracy champions who helped topple the senior Marcos, also campaigned against Marcos Jr., who has never clearly apologized for economic plunder and widespread human rights abuses under his father.

Aquino warned that Duterte could be a dictator in the making and urged voters not to support him. Filipinos have been hypersensitive to potential threats to democracy since they ousted the elder Marcos.

Aside from the presidential and vice presidential races, more than 45,000 candidates contested 18,000 national, congressional and local positions in elections that have traditionally been tainted by violence and accusations of cheating.

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About 55 million Filipinos registered to vote at 36,000 polling places across the archipelago of more than 7,100 islands, including in a small fishing village in a Philippine-occupied island in the disputed South China Sea.

Weary of poverty, poor public services, crime, corruption and insurgencies in the hinterlands, voters in the nation of 100 million people looked for radical change at the top.

Duterte tapped into that discontent, pledging to end crime in half a year, even though police said it was impossible. The other candidates stuck to less audacious reforms.

He has not articulated an overall foreign policy, but has described himself as a socialist wary of the U.S.-Philippine security alliance. He has worried members of the armed forces by saying that communist rebels could play a role in his government.

When the Australian and U.S. ambassadors criticized a joke he made about wanting to be the first to have raped an Australian missionary who was gang-raped and killed by inmates in a 1989 jail riot, he told them to shut up.

He said he would talk with China about territorial disputes in the South China Sea but if nothing happened, he would sail to an artificial island newly created by China and plant the Philippine flag there. China, he said, could shoot him and turn him into a national hero.

All of Duterte's opponents have accused him of making remarks that threaten the rule of law and democracy.

Analysts predicted that a Duterte win would weaken the Philippine peso, given his uncertain economic platform. The jitters have affected the Philippine stock market, which fell Friday — the last day of trading before Monday's election holiday — for the 10th time in 11 days.

"The market is obviously emotional and the stronger emotion is usually fear rather than hope," said Jose Vistan, research head at AB Capital Securities Inc. "A big chunk of the reason why we're behaving the way we are is obviously because of the elections."

"Duterte is completely out of the system, he's out of the box," said political science professor Richard Heydarian of De La Salle University in Manila, adding that in the mayor's portrayal of social problems, "there is a gap between the rhetoric and reality but it's working, it's creating panic among a lot of people and rallying them behind Duterte."

Asian shares mostly lower but little changed, Japan up

YURI KAGEYAMA, AP Business Writer

TOKYO (AP) — Asian shares meandered in lackluster trading Tuesday after an overnight drop in oil prices. But a fresh promise of stimulus from Beijing helped to counter pessimism over weak trade data from China for April.

KEEPING SCORE: Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 added 1.5 percent to 16,459.92 as the dollar regained strength, a boon for the nation's exporters. Australia's S&P/ASX 200 rose 0.2 percent to 5,332.40 in early trading. South Korea's Kospi added 0.4 percent to 1,976.19. Hong Kong's Hang Seng dipped 0.2 percent to 20,109.77, while the Shanghai Composite slipped 0.2 percent to 2,826.56.

CHINA FACTOR: China's Cabinet approved measures to boost exports as Beijing struggles to reduce gluts in many industries and reverse an export decline that threatens to cause politically dangerous job losses. The measures announced late Monday include more bank lending, an increase in tax rebates and support for export credits. They followed a decline in trade in April.

ENERGY: U.S. crude fell 10 cents to \$43.34 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. It fell \$1.22 overnight to \$43.44. Brent crude, the benchmark for international oil prices, added 7 cents to \$43.66 a barrel in London.

THE QUOTE: "Two developing macro themes are set to dominate markets in the near-term: the continued gain in the U.S. dollar and the pullback in the oil price. Last night saw these trends continue to develop," Angus Nicholson of IG said in a note.

WALL STREET: The Dow Jones industrial average edged down 34.72 points, or 0.2 percent, to 17,705.91 as

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machinery maker Caterpillar and energy giant Chevron lost ground. The Standard & Poor's 500 index picked up 1.55 points to 2,058.69. The Nasdaq composite index rose 14.05 points, or 0.3 percent, to 4,750.21.

CURRENCIES: The dollar rose to 108.73 yen from 108.29 yen. The euro slipped to \$ 1.1372 from \$1.1401.

Alaska's favorite ice guessing game has 44 winning tickets

NENANA, Alaska (AP) — Alaska's favorite guessing game didn't appear to be too hard to predict this year. There were a whopping 44 winners of the Nenana Ice Classic, evenly splitting the \$300,000 jackpot. The annual game is a prediction of when the ice will go out on the Tanana River in Nenana. The tripod set up on the ice was tripped at 3:39 p.m. Alaska Standard Time on April 23.

Ice classic manager Cherrie Forness says each ticket holder will pocket \$6,818. The winner's names and where they purchased their tickets will be posted on the game's website.

Forness said as far as she knows, all the winners were from Alaska.

The 44 winning tickets is a lot, but far from a record. Forness says there were 58 winning tickets in 1973.

Trump foes plan to push conservative views at GOP convention

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WASHINGTON (AP) — A top adviser from Sen. Ted Cruz's defunct presidential campaign wants supporters to push a conservative agenda, including limits on the bathrooms transgender people can use, a fresh example of the headaches Donald Trump could face at this summer's Republican National Convention.

With Trump's last two rivals — Texas' Cruz and Ohio Gov. John Kasich — abandoning their campaigns, there's no remaining talk of snatching the presidential nomination away from Trump with a contested, multiballot convention battle.

Instead, anti-Trump forces are trying to figure out how to use the GOP meeting in July to keep the billionaire from reshaping the party and its guiding principles, perhaps with fights over the platform, the rules or even his vice presidential pick.

Many expect Trump to build momentum as the convention approaches, narrowing his opponents' options. Even so, here's what may be in store:

IT'S OVER? WHAT NOW?

Trump's foes concede he's likely to arrive in Cleveland exceeding the 1,237 delegates needed to become the nominee. Yet many are still reeling from the contest's unexpected finale last week and are just starting to think about what they could do at the convention that would be productive.

"There's going to be a lot of thinking, a lot of praying and a lot talking between all of us," said Kay Godwin, a Cruz delegate from Blackshear, Georgia.

Many Trump opponents see the Republican platform, the party's statement of ideals and policy goals, as a place for a stand in Cleveland. The convention's 2,472 delegates must approve the platform before formally anointing the presidential nominee.

All — including those chosen to support Trump — can vote however they want on the platform. Many conservatives say they will use that vote to keep Trump from reshaping GOP dogma against abortion, for free trade and on other issues.

Trump has said he would seek to include exceptions for rape and incest to the GOP platform's opposition to abortion — a big problem for conservatives. He's also flouted the party platform by repeatedly criticizing trade deals and calling NATO obsolete.

"If the party walks away from any of its clearly cut social, family values issues, it will be an issue," said Tony Perkins, president of the conservative Family Research Council and GOP delegate from Louisiana. "We're not just going to fall in line because he's the nominee."

A BATTLE OVER TRANSGENDER RIGHTS?

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In an email over the weekend to convention delegates backing Cruz, Ken Cuccinelli — a top adviser in the Texas senator's campaign — urged delegates to fight in Cleveland for "the conservative values that Ted Cruz embodies." The note, bearing the "Cruz '16-Fiorina" insignia and first obtained by The New York Times, said delegates should try getting on convention committees that will write the gathering's rules and party platform.

In a Monday night conference call that was essentially a pep talk, Cruz and Cuccinelli repeated that message and urged delegates to go to Cleveland and fight for conservative principles, said participants who described the private call on condition of anonymity.

In an interview, Cuccinelli said supporters would push one platform plank saying, in effect, "Boys should only be allowed to go in the boys' bathroom, and girls should only be allowed to go in the girls' bathroom."

The federal Justice Department sued North Carolina on Monday over the state's law requiring transgender people to use the restroom of the gender on their birth certificate. Trump has opposed Cruz's proposal that government and businesses be allowed to provide separate bathrooms for transgender people.

Presidents are not bound by their party platforms and typically ignore planks that don't fit their agenda once in office. Even so, a showdown could be an embarrassment Trump would seek to avoid by not pushing divisive changes.

Cuccinelli said the Cruz team was not trying to block Trump's nomination "because he's on a path to majority, and that's the finish line. That's victory."

OTHER BATTLES

Convention fights could occur over the party's rules.

Cruz backers want rules making the GOP "a grassroots party rather than a Washington-centric party," Cuccinelli said. He cited existing requirements that make it harder for some presidential candidates to have their names placed in nomination at the convention.

In addition, Trump has said he'd like a vice presidential candidate with government experience.

Yet, as with the platform, delegates can vote as they please in choosing Trump's running mate. Some opponents suggest they may challenge his choice, either as a protest or to try forcing him to make a different selection.

Recent GOP conventions have approved vice presidential candidates by acclamation and no roll call. But if delegates make enough of a fuss, a roll call with plenty of votes for a rival vice presidential candidate is possible.

"If he wants to dictate who the nominee is" for vice president, "the delegates may not go along," said Roger Stauter, a Cruz delegate from Madison, Wisconsin, who said he would never support Trump.

Others said the convention would probably defer to Trump's thinking about a strategically smart choice.

"He could pick somebody we'd all get pretty excited about," said Shane Goettle, a Cruz delegate from North Dakota.

Asian shares mostly lower but little changed, Japan up

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TOKYO (AP) — Asian shares meandered in lackluster trading Tuesday after an overnight drop in oil prices. But a fresh promise of stimulus from Beijing helped to counter pessimism over weak trade data from China for April.

KEEPING SCORE: Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 added 1.5 percent to 16,459.92 as the dollar regained strength, a boon for the nation's exporters. Australia's S&P/ASX 200 rose 0.2 percent to 5,332.40 in early trading. South Korea's Kospi added 0.4 percent to 1,976.19. Hong Kong's Hang Seng dipped 0.2 percent to 20,109.77, while the Shanghai Composite slipped 0.2 percent to 2,826.56.

CHINA FACTOR: China's Cabinet approved measures to boost exports as Beijing struggles to reduce gluts in many industries and reverse an export decline that threatens to cause politically dangerous job losses. The measures announced late Monday include more bank lending, an increase in tax rebates and

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support for export credits. They followed a decline in trade in April.

ENERGY: U.S. crude fell 10 cents to \$43.34 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. It fell \$1.22 overnight to \$43.44. Brent crude, the benchmark for international oil prices, added 7 cents to \$43.66 a barrel in London.

THE QUOTE: "Two developing macro themes are set to dominate markets in the near-term: the continued gain in the U.S. dollar and the pullback in the oil price. Last night saw these trends continue to develop," Angus Nicholson of IG said in a note.

WALL STREET: The Dow Jones industrial average edged down 34.72 points, or 0.2 percent, to 17,705.91 as machinery maker Caterpillar and energy giant Chevron lost ground. The Standard & Poor's 500 index picked up 1.55 points to 2,058.69. The Nasdaq composite index rose 14.05 points, or 0.3 percent, to 4,750.21.

CURRENCIES: The dollar rose to 108.73 yen from 108.29 yen. The euro slipped to \$ 1.1372 from \$1.1401.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, May 10, the 131st day of 2016. There are 235 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 10, 1941, Adolf Hitler's deputy, Rudolf Hess, parachuted into Scotland on what he claimed was a peace mission. (Hess ended up serving a life sentence at Spandau Prison until 1987, when he apparently committed suicide at age 93.)

On this date:

In 1775, Ethan Allen and his Green Mountain Boys, along with Col. Benedict Arnold, captured the British-held fortress at Ticonderoga, New York.

In 1863, during the Civil War, Confederate Lt. Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson died of pneumonia, a complication resulting from being hit by friendly fire eight days earlier during the Battle of Chancellorsville in Virginia.

In 1865, Confederate President Jefferson Davis was captured by Union forces in Irwinville, Georgia.

In 1869, a golden spike was driven in Promontory, Utah, marking the completion of the first transcontinental railroad in the United States.

In 1924, J. Edgar Hoover was named acting director of the Bureau of Investigation (later known as the Federal Bureau of Investigation, or FBI).

In 1933, the Nazis staged massive public book burnings in Germany.

In 1940, during World War II, German forces began invading the Netherlands, Luxembourg, Belgium and France. The same day, British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain resigned, and Winston Churchill formed a new government.

In 1960, the nuclear-powered submarine USS Triton completed its submerged navigation of the globe.

In 1977, actress Joan Crawford died in New York.

In 1984, the International Court of Justice said the United States should halt any actions to blockade Nicaragua's ports (the U.S. had already said it would not recognize World Court jurisdiction on this issue).

In 1994, Nelson Mandela took the oath of office in Pretoria to become South Africa's first black president. The state of Illinois executed serial killer John Wayne Gacy, 52, for the murders of 33 young men and boys.

In 1996, two Marine helicopters collided in the dark and crashed in a swamp at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, during a U.S.-British training exercise, killing 14 people. The tornado thriller "Twister," starring Helen Hunt and Bill Paxton, was released by Warner Bros.

Ten years ago: Daniel Biechele (BEEK'-lee), a former rock-band manager whose pyrotechnics caused a 2003 Rhode Island nightclub fire that killed 100 people, was sentenced to four years in prison. (Biechele was paroled in March 2008.) Former New York Times executive editor A.M. Rosenthal died at age 84. British movie director Val Guest died in Palm Desert, California, at age 94.

Five years ago: The bulging Mississippi River rolled into the Mississippi Delta after cresting before daybreak at Memphis, Tennessee, causing widespread damage. In a one-two punch against Moammar Gadhafi's

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forces, NATO war planes struck a command center in Tripoli and pounded targets around the besieged port of Misrata. Burt Reinhardt, one of CNN's first presidents, died in Marietta, Georgia, at age 91.

One year ago: Cuban President Raul Castro met with Pope Francis at the Vatican to thank him for working for U.S.-Cuba detente and said he was so impressed by the pontiff, he was considering returning to the Catholic church. In the first round of Poland's presidential elections, Andrzej Duda narrowly edged out incumbent Bronislaw Komorowski; since neither candidate polled more than 50 percent, a runoff was held two weeks later (Duda won).

Today's Birthdays: Author Barbara Taylor Bradford is 83. Rhythm-and-blues singer Henry Fambrough (The Spinners) is 78. Actor David Clennon is 73. Writer-producer-director Jim Abrahams is 72. Singer Donovan is 70. Singer-songwriter Graham Gouldman (10cc) is 70. Singer Dave Mason is 70. Actor Mike Hagerty is 62. Sports anchor Chris Berman is 61. Actor Bruce Penhall is 59. Former Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., is 58. Actress Victoria Rowell is 57. Rock singer Bono (BAH'-noh) (U2) is 56. Rock musician Danny Carey (Tool) is 55. Actor Darryl M. Bell is 53. Playwright Suzan-Lori Parks is 53. Model Linda Evangelista is 51. Rapper Young MC is 49. Actor Erik Palladino is 48. Rock singer Richard Patrick (Filter) is 48. Actor Lenny Venito is 47. Actor Dallas Roberts is 46. Actress Leslie Stefanson is 45. Actor-singer Todd Lowe is 44. Country musician David Wallace (Cole Deggs and the Lonesome) is 44. Actress Andrea Anders is 41. Race car driver Helio Castroneves is 41. Rock musician Jesse Vest is 39. Actor Kenan Thompson is 38. Rhythm-and-blues singer Jason Dalyrimple (Soul For Real) is 36. Rock musician Joey Zehr (The Click Five) is 33. Singer Ashley Poole (Dream) is 31. Actress Odette Annable is 31. Actress Lindsey Shaw is 27. Actress Lauren Potter is 26. Olympic gold medal swimmer Missy Franklin is 21.

Thought for Today: "Nothing recedes like success." — Walter Winchell, American columnist and broadcaster (1897-1972).

Anxiety over Trump cuts into House Republicans' support

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Anxiety over Donald Trump spread among congressional Republicans Monday, pushing several to follow House Speaker Paul Ryan's lead and withhold their support from the divisive billionaire. Ryan himself declared there's no point in trying to "fake" party unity.

"If we go forward pretending that we're unified, then we are going to be at half-strength this fall," Ryan told The Journal Times in Racine, Wisconsin, defending his stunning decision last week to refuse to endorse his party's presumptive presidential nominee.

Still, in interviews with home-state reporters Monday, Ryan denounced the idea of any Republican launching a third-party or independent candidacy to challenge Trump, telling the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel it "would be a disaster for our party."

And Ryan said he'd step aside from the House speaker's traditional role as chairman of the Republican National Convention if Trump wants him to, a scenario that Trump left open over the weekend, underscoring the depths of strife now afflicting a GOP divided against itself.

"He's the nominee. I'll do whatever he wants in respect to the convention," Ryan said, striking a conciliatory note.

Trump himself shrugged off the need for unity heading into the November general election and a likely match-up against Democrat Hillary Clinton, even though that would be the goal in any normal election year after a candidate effectively clinches the nomination, as Trump did last week.

"I think this is a time for unity. And if there's not going to be unity, I think that's OK, too," Trump said on Fox Business Network. "I mean, I'll go out and I think I'll do very well. I think I'm going to win the race either way."

The comments from Ryan and Trump came as both men prepared for a face-to-face meeting Thursday, which Republican leaders hope will begin to mend the fabric of their party. Trump will also meet Thursday with Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and other Senate GOP leaders.

Still, ahead of the meeting, Ryan's negative stance appeared to be providing cover for some vulnerable

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Republicans who are anxious to distance themselves from Trump and his controversial comments about women, Latinos, prisoners of war and others.

Pennsylvania Sen. Pat Toomey, one of the most endangered Senate Republicans, wrote an opinion piece in the Philadelphia Inquirer drawing back from his long-stated intent to back the GOP nominee.

"His vulgarity, particularly toward women, is appalling. His lack of appreciation for constitutional limits on executive powers is deeply concerning. ... In short, I find his candidacy highly problematic," Toomey wrote of Trump. "There could come a point at which the differences are so great as to be irreconcilable."

Toomey appeared to be the only Senate Republican running for re-election to publicly step back from plans to vote for Trump. However, other backing has come with little enthusiasm as senators have announced in the same breath plans to skip the July convention in Cleveland.

Party leaders fear Trump's candidacy could cost Republicans control of the Senate. Even in the House, where Republicans command the largest majority in decades and are unlikely to lose control, vulnerable members are visibly nervous.

Several newly elected lawmakers who could face difficulty in November, including Martha McSally of Arizona, Will Hurd of Texas and Barbara Comstock of Virginia, have told local publications they are not ready to back Trump.

Another Republican in a closely divided district, Rep. Charlie Dent of Pennsylvania, said in an interview that he and others were finding it difficult to support Trump given his history of incendiary comments and his own uncertain record as a Republican, including donations to many Democrats, Clinton among them.

"When you're a candidate running for office you don't like to be in a position where you have to put distance between yourself and someone in your own party," Dent said. "But in this case you're compelled to do it because of the nature of these inflammatory statements."

Trump's tendency to shift stances on policy issues, which has troubled conservatives while handing ammunition to Democrats, arose anew Monday as he defended a weekend suggestion that his tax plan could be negotiable. Clinton aides pounced on the issue in a conference call while Trump defended himself, saying, "This is a negotiation."

Ever confident, Trump announced that New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, a former foe but now an enthusiastic supporter, would head his transition team as he heads for the White House after the election.

Another former opponent, Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida, who's been mentioned by Trump as a potential vice presidential pick, issued a statement saying he wasn't interested because Trump "will be best served by a running mate and by surrogates who fully embrace his campaign."

Sophie Okonedo puts body, soul and sweater into 'Crucible'

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NEW YORK (AP) — It was the last day of 2015 and Sophie Okonedo was getting ready to go out and have fun at a New Year's Eve party when she got an email that would keep her very sober indeed.

It was from the creative team of the Broadway revival of "The Crucible" and they politely wanted to make sure that Okonedo would have all her lines memorized by the first day of rehearsals in a few weeks — and in an American accent.

"I thought, 'Oh, my God.' My New Year's Eve party was ruined. I went into complete panic after that," said Okonedo. "But I did come with all that ready. We all did."

New Year's Eve may have turned into a bumner but audiences on Broadway this spring surely believe it was worth it. The revival of "The Crucible" got four Tony Award nominations, including one for Okonedo.

"Sometimes you just have a gut feeling. I hadn't even read the play for years and I just said, 'Yes, I'll do it!'" she recalled. "Then I thought, 'Oh, I should think about this, shouldn't I?' But I didn't have time to think."

Dutch visionary director Ivo van Hove has starkly illuminated the paranoia and descent into madness as a small town turns on itself in Arthur Miller's classic tale about the Salem witch trials.

"I felt like I understand the panic these people are in," Okonedo said. "You only have to read the news to understand religious fervor or strongly held beliefs by the people in charge and everybody has to follow those beliefs or you're out."

It's the English actress' second time on Broadway, having made her debut in 2014 playing Denzel Washington's wife in "A Raisin in the Sun" and winning a Tony for best actress in a featured role.

She was actually still in "A Raisin in the Sun" when she was offered the part of Elizabeth Proctor in "The Crucible" by producer Scott Rudin. He wanted her to lead a cast that includes Saoirse Ronan, Ben Whishaw, Tavi Gevinson, Ciaran Hinds and Bill Camp.

Camp, who also earned a Tony nomination playing the Rev. John Hale, is in many ways Elizabeth Proctor's nemesis inside the theater but he is a fan of the actress who plays her.

"It's just a privilege to have the opportunity to actually look into Sophie Okonedo's eyes and work with her on the stage. The stakes are just about as high as they get. It's just a privilege," he said. "She's quite amazing and she's always working. Always working."

Okonedo has put her body and soul and something else into the production — her sweater. Costume designer Wojciech Dziedzic fell in love with the actress' own sweater — known as a "jumper" in England — that she wore during rehearsals.

"I thought, 'I don't want to give my own jumper to this production.' But he kept going on about it and we tried every other jumper and jumpers that looked like it. In the end, I said, 'I will donate my jumper to the production.'" She doesn't want it back? "I'll be sick of it by then," she said, laughing.

Okonedo, who earned an Oscar nomination for "Hotel Rwanda," was raised in London and studied at The Royal Academy of Dramatic Art. At the age of about 7, she was watching a variety show on TV when the cast of the musical "Annie" came on.

"One of the little orphans was a girl who looked like me. I was so sort of struck by this — that there was someone in the chorus who looked like me — that I thought it was just fantastic. I was going to do what she did," she said.

She gravitates toward serious and important work and that trend has continued in two small-screen dramas that she did for the BBC that are due to air in America this fall.

In the miniseries "Undercover," Okonedo plays a human rights lawyer whose 20-year marriage she discovers is based on an explosive lie. And in the latest series of "The Hollow Crown," Okonedo plays William Shakespeare's Queen Margaret in "Richard II" and "Henry VI." What, no silly movies with aliens?

"I think even if I did a frivolous sci-fi, I feel I'd still have to find something in it for myself," she said. "I don't think I'd be good otherwise. I don't think I can just pull faces and make sort of funny voices."

Mexico judge says 'El Chapo' extradition may proceed

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MEXICO CITY (AP) — A federal judge has ruled that the extradition of drug lord Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman to the U.S. can move ahead, Mexico's Judicial Council said Monday, but the Foreign Relations Department must still approve it and the defense can appeal.

The council, which oversees Mexico's federal judges and tribunals, said the judge, who was not identified, had agreed that the legal requirements laid out in the extradition treaty between the two countries had been met.

The Foreign Relations Department has 20 days to decide whether to approve Guzman's extradition.

Any extradition attempt can be delayed or stopped by a request to the court by attorneys for Guzman, the convicted leader of the powerful Sinaloa drug cartel.

U.S. Attorney General Loretta Lynch said at an unrelated news conference that she was looking forward to an "imminent" resolution, but did not have a specific timeline.

Guzman was moved Saturday from a prison outside Mexico City to one in Ciudad Juarez near the U.S. border. Questions have arisen on both sides of the border about the decision to relocate the drug lord to a region that is one of his cartel's strongholds.

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A Mexican security official acknowledged Sunday that the sudden transfer was to a less-secure prison. The official said that in general the Cefereso No. 9 prison on the outskirts of Ciudad Juarez, across from El Paso, Texas, is not as impregnable as the maximum-security Altiplano facility near Mexico City where Guzman had been held. The official wasn't authorized to discuss the case publicly and agreed to do so only if not quoted by name.

The official said, however, that Guzman is being held in a maximum-security wing where the same protocols are being enforced as in Altiplano, including 24-hour monitoring via a camera in his cell. Altiplano is considered the country's highest-security prison.

"El Chapo" first broke out of another prison in 2001 and spent more than a decade on the run, becoming one of the world's most-wanted fugitives. He was recaptured in 2014, but slipped out of Altiplano, which many previously had thought was unescapable, in July 2015 by fleeing through a sophisticated, mile-long tunnel that went up into the shower in his cell.

Mexican marines re-arrested him in the western state of Sinaloa in January, after he fled a safe house through a storm drain.

He was returned to Altiplano, where he was placed under constant observation from a ceiling camera with no blind spots, and the floors of top-security cells were reinforced with metal bars and a 16-inch (40-centimeter) layer of concrete.

Some Mexican media have speculated that the weekend move was a prelude to imminent extradition to the U.S., where he faces drug charges in seven jurisdictions. But authorities denied that, and multiple analysts told The Associated Press that there was no sign of a link between the prison switch and extradition.

Guzman was notified of the judge's extradition decision on Sunday evening, a judicial authority official told the AP. The official was not authorized to be quoted by name.

A lawyer for the drug lord, Jose Refugio Rodriguez, told the AP that he would continue trying to block extradition. He said that if the Foreign Department approves extradition, the defense will have 30 working days to seek a court order blocking the transport of his client to the U.S. to be prosecuted on drug charges.

Rodriguez also said he would seek to have Guzman returned to Altiplano prison, arguing that his client's defense will suffer because his attorneys are based far away from where he is now held.

Also Monday, actor Kate del Castillo who wants to make a movie about Guzman's life and arranged for actor Sean Penn to interview the drug boss in October 2015, said she was pleased with the step toward extradition.

"Today's news that El Chapo may be extradited to the United States is good news in that it will allow my team greater access to him in order to tell a full and accurate picture of his unbelievable life and work," Del Castillo said through her publicist.

It was not clear why Del Castillo thought the conditions of Guzman's potential imprisonment in the U.S. would be more accessible than in Mexico.

Mexican authorities have said they are investigating whether Del Castillo received any money from Guzman. She has denied the suggestion.

Guzman's lawyers have said that Del Castillo has the rights to make a film about Chapo's life.

Options dwindling, Sanders says race isn't over

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DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — For Bernie and Jane Sanders, the revolution continues, despite the odds.

The Vermont senator's insurgent campaign seems on its last legs. With a clear delegate lead, Hillary Clinton has turned her focus to the general election and presumptive Republican nominee Donald Trump. Sanders' fundraising has dropped off and he has shed hundreds of staffers. Even President Barack Obama is noting the realities of the delegate math.

But in Atlantic City on Monday, Sanders urged his supporters to keep fighting.

"If we can win here in New Jersey and win in California and win in some of the other states and if we

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can win a majority of the pledged delegates, we're going to go into Philadelphia and the Democratic convention and expect to come out with the Democratic nomination," Sanders said.

That's a lot of ifs. Sanders is trailing Clinton by nearly 300 pledged delegates — those won in primaries and caucuses. Clinton also holds a commanding lead among superdelegates, the elected officials and party leaders who can support the candidate of their choice. That leaves her only 155 delegates short of the 2,383 she needs to secure the nomination.

Sanders clings to the hope he can erase the gap with pledged delegates by winning a string of victories, starting with West Virginia on Tuesday, Kentucky and Oregon on May 17 and California and New Jersey on June 7.

But the White House looks increasingly out of reach and many Democrats are left with questions about what Sanders wants — which he and his wife do not want to entertain.

"The media constantly goes to the end game," said Jane Sanders, a top adviser to her husband. "The journey is as important as the destination. We expect that the people's voices will be heard and represented at the Democratic convention."

While Clinton hasn't called on Sanders to exit the race, his insistence that a path exists is frustrating to her supporters and campaign aides. The White House has said it won't get publicly involved until Sanders formally ends his bid, keeping three of the party's most powerful spokespeople — Obama, first lady Michelle Obama and Vice President Joe Biden — largely on the bench.

To be sure, Sanders continues to draw large enthusiastic crowds to his rallies. But his fundraising has dipped and his advertising has dropped off a cliff, with only about \$525,000 in ads planned for the giant state of California and \$63,000 each in West Virginia and Oregon, according to advertising tracker Kantar Media's CMAG.

Jane Sanders disputed that the campaign was running out of options. She said superdelegates could switch their commitments, suggesting they should consider the results in their home states. She also argued that Sanders has shown momentum and polls well against Trump.

"There have been a lot of surprises," Jane Sanders said. "We saw a Michigan miracle and Indiana no one expected."

Asked about the mathematical odds and what comes next, she expressed frustration with the media, saying "there was never once a point when anyone said he could possibly win," even after he won eight states in a row. "For one full year," she said of the perception, "it's been consistent that he doesn't have a chance."

With a clear Republican opponent in sight, Clinton has called on Democrats to unite around her candidacy to help take on Trump. Campaigning recently in California, she argued that her advantage over Sanders far outpaces the deficit she faced against Barack Obama in the 2008 primaries.

In northern Virginia on Monday, Clinton made only passing reference to her primary opponent at a campaign event, telling a group of working parents that they both have college affordability plans, though "obviously, I think my plan is better."

She quickly pivoted: "But at least we both have plans!" she said, implying that Trump did not.

Just how the Democratic rivals reach detente is not yet clear, partly because Bernie Sanders has not fully said what he is looking for. He is arguing for a say in the party platform at the convention, but that is far from resolved.

"We're still competing for the nomination," said senior adviser Tad Devine. "Having said that, it's really important that the views of the millions of people who have supported him be expressed."

Sanders put the Democratic National Committee on notice Friday, warning it not to stack the convention's standing committees with Clinton supporters. Sanders said if the party is going to be unified in the fall, it can't have a convention at which the views of millions of people are "unrepresented" in the committee membership.