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Bus Driver Needed

The Groton Area School District has an opening for a morning bus route driver for the 2016-17 school year. Interested persons should contact Superintendent Joe Schwan at 397-2351.

Manager Wanted

Part Time Apartment Manager wanted. Responsible for showing apartments, handing out applications, overseeing maintenance and other duties as needed. Up to \$25 per hour. Previous sale experience a plus. Send email of interest to Grotnmnger@gmail.com

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

The cardboard/paper

recycling trailer at the school is **Open**

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Birthdays: Christopher Sippel • Brandyn Anderson • Carlyle Mortenson • Krista Tunby • Gloria Leidholt • Trista Jean Keith • Travis McKiver
4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

Sunday, July 31

Birthdays: Amanda Swenson • Lynette Furman • Keith Baker
9:00am: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass
9:00am: St. John's Lutheran worship
10:00am: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Pierpont Church
11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship

Monday, Aug. 1

National Raspberry Cream Pie Day

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

Birthdays: Bert Raap • Linda Gengerke • Anabeth Rohwer • Heather Dixon • Kervin Wolter • Baily Reich • Karen Young • Martin Schumacher, Lacey Grabow

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study
7:00pm: Groton City Council Meeting at Groton Community Center

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Rural Entrepreneurs Encouraged to Apply for \$10,000 Fellowship Opportunity

Rural entrepreneurs across the state are expanding their businesses, hiring more staff, making more money and learning how to work less and live more through the highly praised Dakota Rising Fellowship. Dakota Rising encourages all qualified rural entrepreneurs to apply for a 2016 Dakota Rising Fellowship between August 1 and September 15, 2016. The impactful experience is life changing—and the \$10,000 grant is icing on the cake.

Dakota Rising is an initiative of Dakota Resources, a statewide organization designed to enrich communities and empower people across rural South Dakota. Through Dakota Rising, rural business owners can learn how to boost their businesses through an experience that challenges people to think differently. Dozens of Dakota Rising graduates testify to the powerful coaching, resources, networking and business advice gained through the fellowship.

"In the past year, Dakota Rising helped me find a better balance between my personal and professional life," says David Malsam of CompQuest Technology in Aberdeen. "We added another employee, have more credibility in the marketplace and have grown leaps and bounds in the area of efficiencies."

Applicants interested in the Dakota Rising Fellowship should be:

*The owner or primary decision maker of a business that has progressed beyond survival or has filed a business tax return for at least two years.

*A full-time entrepreneur with at least one full or part-time employee or contract laborer, with some possible exceptions.

*Operating a business within a rural community with the potential to draw from beyond the immediate service area or a rural business owner providing an essential community product or service.

*Be willing and excited about participating in all Dakota Rising Fellow activities, gatherings, networking and learning opportunities.

Becoming a Dakota Rising Fellow has changed the lives and helped accelerate the growth of rural businesses across South Dakota, with benefits that include a like-minded support network, hands-on business coaching, access to valuable tools and resources and a \$10,000 grant. For more information or to apply, visit www.dakotaresources.org and click under the Dakota Rising tab. You can also contact Beth Davis, President of Dakota Resources, at beth@dakotaresources.org.

GROTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

August 1, 2016 - 7pm
Groton Community Center

- 1) Minutes
- 2) Compling with official notices
 - a) Butch Farmen – future plans for house
 - b) Vehicles without license
- 3) Financial Report
- 4) Bills
- 5) Department Reports
- 6) Swimming Schedule for Year End
- 7) Administrative Rules and Procedures Discussion
- 8) Resolution on Grant funding – BB Playground
- 9) SDML conference – Oct 4-7- Rapid City
- 10) Resolution on SDPAA Board Position
- 11) Special Meeting -2017 Budget – Aug 22
- 12) Exe Session – Legal

Aug. 5 Deadline for Urban and Community Forestry Grant

PIERRE, S.D.— The deadline to apply for a 2016 Urban and Community Forestry Comprehensive Challenge Grant is quickly approaching.

Applications and accompanying documentation must be submitted to the South Dakota Department of Agriculture's Division of Resource Conservation and Forestry (SDDA RC&F) for review by the state forester and the South Dakota Urban Forestry Advisory Council by Aug. 5.

"The Challenge Grant can be used to help communities solve a specific community forestry problem or demonstrate the importance of trees and urban forests in our communities," said McKenzi Kohlnhofer, SDDA RC&F urban forestry specialist. "Projects must be for trees or tree management on public land or in public right of ways and have a maximum amount of \$5,000. Funds for professional services are limited to \$5,000, tree inventories and assessments to \$5,000, existing tree care and maintenance to \$1,000, training and education to \$5,000, and new tree planting to \$1,000 per project." (***)Download Kohlnhofer audio(***)

Applicants are limited to one tree planting project per fiscal year. Communities must contribute a 50/50 match for all funds awarded which can be met in a number of ways. Projects must follow the guidelines for Community Forestry Challenge Grants. These guidelines can be viewed at: <http://sdda.sd.gov/documents/UCF%20Challenge%20Grant%20Requirements%20Details.pdf>. The Challenge Grant application can be found at: <http://sdda.sd.gov/conservation-forestry/grants-loans/community-forestry-challenge-grants/>. A complete submission consists of: the application, a budget sheet, a supplemental questionnaire, a completed W-9 form, a work plan and two tree quotes if tree planting funds are requested. If you have questions, please contact Kohlnhofer at 605.773.3594.

Agriculture is a major contributor to South Dakota's economy, generating \$25.6 billion in annual economic activity and employing over 115,000 South Dakotans. The South Dakota Department of Agriculture's mission is to promote, protect, preserve and improve this industry for today and tomorrow. Visit us online at <http://sdda.sd.gov> or find us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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The Groton Christian & Missionary Alliance Church held its Vacation Bible School this week. Friday evening there was a program at the church followed by a picnic and games in the park.



Left photo: Joanne Ehresmann rolls a roll of toilet paper while her grandson, Bently, holds the other end.

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West Nile Risk Heats Up

PIERRE, S.D. – South Dakota's peak transmission for West Nile virus (WNV) is now through the end of August and health officials are warning residents activity is already increasing.

"We are seeing a higher than normal number of mosquitoes test positive for West Nile this year and the number of human cases so far is already above our 10-year average," said Dr. Lon Kightlinger, state epidemiologist for the Department of Health. "We can't emphasize enough how important it is for people to protect themselves with insect repellent."

South Dakota had reported 19 human WNV cases as of July 28 and Kightlinger said next week's surveillance update will show cases continuing to climb. Cases have been reported in Beadle, Bookings (2), Brown (4), Codington, Davison, Douglas, Grant, Hamlin, Lincoln, McCook, Minnehaha (2), Spink (2) and Todd counties. There have also been positive mosquito detections in Brookings, Brown, Edmunds, Hughes, Lincoln and Minnehaha counties.

Kightlinger said South Dakota has a disproportionately high number of WNV cases and he encouraged residents to reduce their risk with the following precautions:

- ♦ Apply mosquito repellents (DEET, picaridin, oil of lemon eucalyptus or IR3535) to clothes and exposed skin. Limit exposure by wearing pants and long sleeves in the evening.
- ♦ Limit time outdoors from dusk to midnight when Culex mosquitoes, the primary carrier of WNV in South Dakota, are most active.
- ♦ Get rid of standing water that gives mosquitoes a place to breed. Regularly change water in bird baths, outside pet dishes, and drain water from flower pots and garden containers.

- ♦ Support local mosquito control efforts.

These precautions are especially important for people at high risk for WNV – those over 50, pregnant women, transplant patients, individuals with diabetes or high blood pressure, and those with a history of alcohol abuse. People with severe or unusual headaches should see their physicians.

For updated case numbers and prevention information see <http://westnile.sd.gov>.

Preventing and controlling infectious disease is one objective of the Department of Health's 2015-2020 strategic plan, <http://doh.sd.gov/strategicplan>.

Britton Grain Terminal

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Tours and lunch will begin at Noon.



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Today in Weather History

July 30, 1981: Operation Skywarn organized by the National Weather Service in Bismarck four years ago had a perfect opportunity to put the training into operation on this day. A spotter 20 miles west of Bismarck identified a rotating wall cloud 10 minutes before a tornado touchdown. The strong tornado was rated as having F3 strength, leaving behind an 18-mile long path of destruction. The force of the storm drove a stick between a tire and rim. A 6-inch steel beam was twisted and found near the high tension tower which had been toppled.

July 30, 2001: Strong winds of 81 mph blew much of the roof off of the bowling alley in Mobridge. Some flying debris also damaged a trailer home. Many trees were snapped in two or uprooted, and many power lines were downed. High winds brought down tree branches and also knocked the power out for several hours in Pollock.








July 30, 2010: Very heavy rains of 5 to 10 inches caused the Rosehill Dam to break in the early morning hours in southeast Hand County. Flash flooding began around 1 am CDT with two campers being swept up around 130 am CDT. The two campers clung to a tree until they could be rescued around 6 am CDT. They were both injured with one camper being treated for hypothermia and other airlifted to Sioux Falls to be treated for broken ribs and head trauma. The dam broke at 330 am CDT with the spillway breaking at 420 am CDT. There was between a 100 to 150-foot hole left by the dam break. The flash flooding continued downstream on Sand Creek causing damage to area farms, filling basements, and flooding many roads.


1970: Hurricane Celia was born in the northwest the Caribbean Sea on this day. The hurricane would be one of the worst ever to hit Texas and would reach Texas late on August 3. The storm reached its peak as it made landfall near Corpus Christi, Texas, as a strong Category 3 hurricane. Hurricane Celia is currently the last major hurricane to make landfall on the middle Texas Coast.

1979: A forty-minute hailstorm bombed Fort Collins, Colorado with baseball to softball size hail. Two thousand homes and 2500 automobiles were damaged, and about 25 persons were injured, mainly when hit on the head by the huge stones.

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Today	Tonight	Sunday	Sunday Night	Monday	Monday Night	Tuesday
						
Partly Sunny then Slight Chance T-storms	Chance T-storms	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy then Chance T-storms	Chance T-storms	Chance T-storms	Sunny
High: 82 °F	Low: 64 °F	High: 85 °F	Low: 68 °F	High: 88 °F	Low: 66 °F	High: 88 °F



Today 80s



Warming Trend Begins

Isolated thunderstorms today. Locally heavy rainfall possible as thunderstorms chances increase across E SD and W MN overnight



Tonight 60s

National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

weather.gov/Aberdeen  National Weather Service Aberdeen  @NWSAberdeen Updated: 7/30/2016 4:55 AM Central

Published on: 07/30/2016 at 4:59AM

Our warming trend begins today, with temperatures topping out in the 80s. Isolated showers and thunderstorms can be expected today. Locally heavy rainfall will be possible as thunderstorm chances increase across eastern South Dakota and west central Minnesota overnight.

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Yesterday's Weather

High Outside Temp: 82.0 F at 3:52 PM

Low Outside Temp: 61.1 F at 5:22 AM

High Gust: 11.0 Mph at 2:19 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 106° in 2006

Record Low: 39 in 1971

Average High: 84°F

Average Low: 59°F

Average Precip in July: 2.94

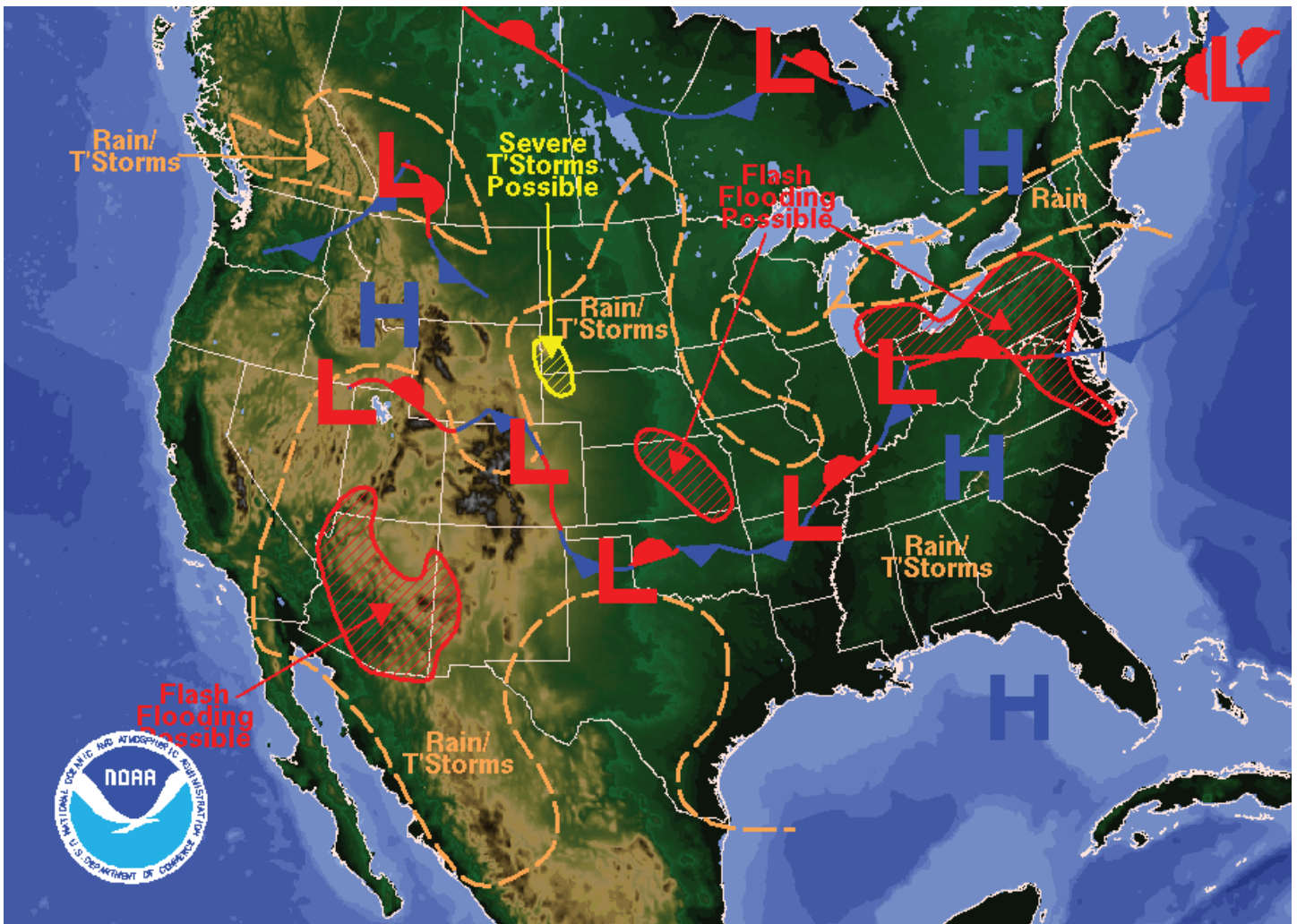
Precip to date in July: 3.92

Average Precip to date: 13.78

Precip Year to Date: 10.58

Sunset Tonight: 9:03 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:17 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Sat, Jul 30, 2016, issued 4:39 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by Santorelli based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



WHICH HAND?

"Grandma," said little Josie, "did you know that God created the world with His left hand?"

"My goodness, Honey, wherever did you get that idea? What do you mean He used His left hand?" asked Grandma.

"The way I figure it," she explained, "is that God had to use His left hand because Jesus was sitting on His right hand."

Josie heard the story in Sunday school and in her childlike faith accepted its truth. How precious is a faith that believes. And although we may not know all of the details, God reveals Himself and His plan for His creation and His children, us, in His Word. But there is another thought we must remember when we think about where Jesus is.

His final words to His disciples were, "Be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

What does it mean when He said, "I am with you?" Simply this: Jesus was with His disciples physically as He went about His work while on earth. After His resurrection He ascended into heaven. Now, He is with us through the work of the Holy Spirit. He knew there would be difficult days and trying times for His disciples then and now. So He gave His Word, "I am with you until the end."

For those who accept Him as Savior there is no need to fear facing life alone. "I," said Jesus, "am with you!"

Prayer: How blest we are, Father, to know that You are with us every moment of our lives. Give us a peace that comes from Your presence as we faithfully serve You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Matthew 28:20

News from the Associated Press

Patrol conducting sobriety checkpoints in 17 counties

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Highway Patrol is holding sobriety checkpoints in 17 counties during August.

There are 24 checkpoints scheduled in the 17 counties. The patrol conducts the checkpoints as a way to discourage people from drinking and driving.

Checkpoints are planned during the month for the counties of: Bennett, Brookings, Brown, Brule, Butte, Codington, Custer, Davison, Day, Hughes, Lake, Lawrence, Minnehaha, Pennington, Roberts, Spink and Yankton.

State Democrats boost Clinton's chances in South Dakota

JAMES NORD, Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Hillary Clinton has a stronger chance than recent Democratic presidential candidates of carrying South Dakota in the fall — especially cast against her Republican opponent, Donald Trump, top state Democrats said Friday.

Delegates were heading home from the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia, where Clinton became the first woman to claim a major party's presidential nomination. She would also be the first Democrat since Lyndon B. Johnson in 1964 to win deep red South Dakota if she's successful in November.

"I know it's an uphill battle," said state Democratic Party Chairwoman Ann Tornberg, a superdelegate who supported Clinton. "But I really feel this is the best chance in decades."

The race will be competitive because Clinton knows the Midwest and has put in time and effort visiting South Dakota over the years, said former U.S. Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle, a Clinton superdelegate. She has an understanding of the state that other presidential candidates haven't possessed, Daschle said.

Tornberg said residents aren't lining up behind Trump, who doesn't have a background in agriculture and likely won't attract much support from tribal members. South Dakota U.S. Sen. John Thune didn't attend the Republican National Convention last week, which "speaks volumes" about Trump's lack of support, she said.

"Trump is the gift that just keeps on giving," said delegate Rick Weiland, a former Democratic U.S. Senate candidate.

Clinton will also help South Dakota's down ballot Democrats, including challengers to Thune and GOP Rep. Kristi Noem, Tornberg said.

Democratic U.S. House candidate Paula Hawks said she expects Democrats will come out in greater numbers this year.

Hawks, who is at a significant fundraising disadvantage in her race against Noem, said she's also looking to pick up independents and moderate Republican voters who come to view Trump as an unacceptable candidate.

Meanwhile, Republicans are confident Trump will carry the state that gave Mitt Romney a double-digit victory over President Barack Obama in 2012.

"I think that there's controversy with Hillary Clinton at every turn," state Republican Party executive director Ryan Budmayr said. "I think it's difficult to trust her, and ultimately I don't think her policies and her ideals resonate with South Dakotans."

State House GOP leader departs campaign for re-election

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A Republican legislative leader says he's dropping out of his race for re-election to a third term in the state House.

Assistant Majority Leader Steve Westra said Friday that it was a "tough decision" to step away from the race.

He became an assistant leader of the GOP House majority in 2015 after earning a second term the year before.

Westra, of Sioux Falls, says he needs to focus on his family and his work. The Argus Leader first reported Westra's decision.

Westra was running in District 13. He was first elected to serve in the House in 2012. He didn't rule out a future bid for public office.

Egg-laying chickens and eggs both up in South Dakota

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Egg-laying chickens and eggs are up in South Dakota.

The Agriculture Department reports layers during June totaled just under 2.1 million, up from 1.65 million the previous year.

Egg production during the month totaled 47 million eggs, up from 41 million in 2015. Production per 100 layers was 2,273 eggs, compared to 2,479 last year.

Activist wants public to vote on Sioux Falls office building

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A Sioux Falls activist is trying to gather enough petition signatures to allow the public to vote on a proposed \$25 million city office building downtown.

The City Council recently voted to pull funding for the 79,000-square-foot, three-story structure. But Mayor Mike Huether vetoed that move, saying the project is needed.

Activist Bruce Danielson filed the necessary paperwork to begin collecting signatures. He needs to gather about 5,700 valid signatures in three weeks to force a special election.

Nicaragua electoral authority unseats opposition lawmakers

LUIS MANUEL GALEANO, Associated Press

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — Nicaragua's top electoral authority decimated the country's political opposition on Friday by unseating practically all of its remaining lawmakers in congress as President Daniel Ortega prepares to seek a third term.

The Supreme Electoral Council ousted 16 opposition legislators from the Liberal Independent Party and its ally the Sandinista Renovation Movement Friday for not recognizing their officially sanctioned leader. That leader, Pedro Reyes, had recently been given that authority by the Supreme Court, which removed the opposition party's previous leader following a long-running political dispute. Reyes is seen by some within his own party as a tool of Ortega.

The 16 legislators removed from their seats supported the party's former leader Eduardo Montealegre and refused to recognize Reyes, who said the vacant seats will be filled by party members who recognize him.

Carlos Langrand, one of the ousted lawmakers, said through his Twitter account: "We have been unseated for not lowering our heads before the dictatorship of Daniel Ortega."

Nicaragua is scheduled to hold elections Nov. 6.

"We tried to avoid this, we convened meetings on several occasions, they have ignored it and we

asked the electoral authority to unseat them, because they do not want to accept the new authority in (the party)," Reyes said.

The National Assembly is composed of 92 legislators. It is currently in recess.

The Sandinista Renovation Movement, which lost two lawmakers and is allied with the Liberal Independent Party, called the council's decision "a new blow to completely liquidate political pluralism and make disappear the opposition voices in parliament and public institutions that have played an important role in denouncing Ortega's abuses of power."

The Sandinista National Liberation Front chose Ortega as its presidential candidate in June for the seventh consecutive time. He announced he would not allow international election monitoring because those organizations are "shameless" and work for the "empire" that seeks to attack or remove from power leftist governments.

On Thursday, the legislators who were later unseated had released a public letter declaring themselves independent.

Sociologist and political analyst Oscar Rene Vargas said that Ortega has become more radical in his actions against the opposition because he fears that in free elections the public would remove him like they did in 1990.

"There is a fear within commander Daniel Ortega, who appears to be the one behind moves like these," Vargas said. "It seems like he does not trust the polls that supposedly show the people favoring him." Various opinion polls have shown that more than 60 percent of those polls think he should remain in power.

The National Coalition for Democracy, which was seen as the strongest opposition force against Ortega's re-election, decided several weeks ago to not participate in the election, which it termed an "electoral farce."

American women trump men in medal pursuit at Rio Olympics

DAVE SKRETTA, AP Sports Writer

The image of sprightly gymnasts tumbling across a balance beam has always drawn American viewers during the Olympics, just like pictures of bikini-clad beach volleyball players going for gold.

In some sports, women trump the men when it comes to prestige — and success.

Might as well add cycling to the list.

As the U.S. team heads for the Rio Olympics, the women wearing the stars and stripes are among the heavy favorites in several disciplines. Megan Guarnier and her teammates are perhaps the strongest team on the road, Kristin Armstrong is the two-time and defending time trial gold medalist, and the women's pursuit squad recently smashed the world record on the track.

The men's squad would be happy to get a medal of any color. In any discipline.

"On the women's side we're doing incredibly well and we have a lot to be proud of," USA Cycling chief executive Derek Bouchard-Hall said, "and that's a product of two things: America's acceptance of women's sport and Title IX, which has really helped with that. We're one of the top three countries in the world. Some of our programs are superb."

Indeed, Guarnier is the world's top-ranked rider and recently won the Giro Rosa, arguably the biggest stage race for women. In the same race, Olympic teammate Evelyn Stevens won a pair of stages and another teammate, Mara Abbott, won a stage and briefly held the leader's pink jersey.

Three of the four riders on the Olympic team dominated the race. The fourth member? Armstrong.

She won gold in the race against the clock at the Beijing Games and defended it four years ago in London. She has been working back from a second brief retirement for a shot at a three-peat.

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The women's road squad is so strong that two other riders, Carmen Small and Amber Neben, sought arbitration to determine whether they deserved a spot. And while both would have been a shoo-in on just about any other team, neither of them won their case for Team USA.

"There's a lot of pressure," Guarnier said, "but I don't think we can let that pressure factor into our performance. There is a certain point where the pressure is good and where it turns bad. The pressure to medal is good."

Stevens will join Armstrong in contesting the time trial, and both are capable of medals. Stevens is a former world silver and bronze medalist in the discipline.

"This is really exciting," Stevens said. "Megan is No. 1 in the world, Mara is one of the best climbers in the world, so yeah, I think we have a really great road team."

On the BMX course, Alise Post recently stood on the podium at the world championships and is the world's third-ranked rider. Her teammate, Brooke Crain, is ranked sixth.

Over on the track, the pursuit squad of Sarah Hammer, Chloe Dygert, Kelly Catlin, Jennifer Valente and Ruth Winder are heavy favorites after their ride at worlds in March. They were more than 4 seconds better than the field in a race that took them just 4 minutes, 16.180 seconds.

"The world record (for men) is 3:51, so that just shows how strong and fast we are," said Hammer, who will also try to better the silver she won at the London Games in the omnium. "One of the coolest things is looking back, and we chuckle about it, the last team (the U.S.) fielded at the world championships for men, I think was in 2006. And we beat their time."

The men won't have a pursuit team in Rio. Their only riders on the track are omnium rider Bobby Lea and keirin rider Matt Baranoski, and both are considered longshots to medal.

The road squad consists of just Taylor Phinney and Brent Bookwalter after a disastrous qualifying period left the Americans with fewer riders on the start line than Morocco and Iran. Both will contest the time trial, too, where Phinney is an outside medal contender.

The best chance for an American medal from a men's rider is in BMX, where Nic Long is ranked No. 2 in the world and Connor Fields has a legitimate chance to land on the Rio podium.

Still, they have their work cut out for them if they want to match their female counterparts.

"The men's side is a different challenge and that's where we're struggling," Bouchard-Hall said, "and there's two reasons. One is our peers are operating at an exceptionally high level. It's a big sport in Europe and they get some of their best athletes in the talent pool. For us, we compete with a lot of other sports and it's harder to find those real genetic outliers.

"The other is investment — we don't have near as much money to invest. We simply don't have the money to run those track programs," Bouchard-Hall said. "We're disappointed where we are on the men's side but it's a difficult challenge to overcome."

More bug spray, less dining al fresco planned in Zika zone

JENNIFER KAY, Associated Press

KELLI KENNEDY, Associated Press

MIAMI (AP) — As word spread that Miami's hippest neighborhood was now considered ground zero for the first mosquito-transmitted infections of the Zika virus in the U.S. mainland, many residents vowed to take precautions, local officials urged tourists not to change travel plans and mosquito-control workers geared up for war against the pests.

"Zika is now here," Dr. Thomas Frieden, director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, said Friday.

Some Miami residents said Friday that they were stocking up on mosquito repellent and planning to

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bring lunches to work instead of sitting at outdoor cafe tables under the Wynwood neighborhood's bright murals. The gentrifying neighborhood is known for bold graffiti-style murals spray-painted across warehouses, art galleries, restaurants and boutiques.

"I'm freaking out ... but at the same time I don't want to freak out," said Wynwood resident Zoe Schultze as she cradled her 6-month-old son in her arms while she stopped for coffee with her husband.

U.S. health officials said they do not expect widespread outbreaks in this country of the sort seen in Brazil, and other parts of Latin America and the Caribbean, in part because of better sanitation, better mosquito control and wider use of window screens and air conditioners.

The virus has triggered alarm across the warmer latitudes of the Western Hemisphere. Although most people who get Zika don't even know they are sick, infection during pregnancy can cause babies to be born with disastrously small heads and other severe brain-related defects.

Some medical experts said pregnant women should not travel to the Miami area, especially if it involves spending time outdoors. However, the CDC is not issuing such advice.

"If I were a pregnant woman right now, I would go on the assumption that there's mosquito transmission all over the Miami area," warned Dr. Peter Hotez, a tropical medicine expert at the Baylor College of Medicine.

He said that there are probably more cases that have not been diagnosed and that people should not be surprised if mosquitoes are soon found to be spreading Zika in Louisiana and Texas as well.

More than 1,650 people in the mainland U.S. have been infected with Zika in recent months, nearly all while traveling abroad. The four people in Florida are believed to be first ones to contract the virus from mosquitoes within the 50 states.

"This is not just a Florida issue; it's a national issue. We just happen to be at the forefront," Florida Gov. Rick Scott said.

People in Florida's Miami-Dade and Broward counties are being tested to learn whether there are more cases, the governor said.

Even though the mosquito-transmitted cases were limited to South Florida, leaders across Florida were nervous about the potential fallout to tourism, the state's No. 1 industry.

Florida had more than 106 million visitors last year, and tourism-related employment accounts for around 1.2 million jobs.

No mosquitoes in Florida have actually been found to be carrying Zika, despite the testing of 19,000 by the state lab. But other methods of Zika transmission, such as travel to a stricken country or sex with an infected person, have been ruled out in the four South Florida cases.

It's not surprising that no mosquitoes have tested positive because it can take a couple of weeks before an infected person shows symptoms, and by then the mosquitoes that transmitted the virus are dead, said C. Roxanne Connelly, a medical entomology specialist at the University of Florida and a past president of the American Mosquito Control Association.

"Believe it or not, it's difficult to find positive mosquitoes even when you're in the middle of an epidemic," Connelly said. "Sometimes you don't know where these people were infected. At home? At work? Where they were playing baseball?"

Zika-fighting efforts include pesticide spraying, setting of traps and eliminating standing water around homes.

Jenny Gray, who is 27 and works in Wynwood for an art designer, said she will follow experts' advice to wear insect repellent.

"I don't plan on having kids now, but I do sometime in the future. Better to stay protected," she said. "That really does concern me."

But Phillip Lopez, a 34-year-old Wynwood resident who works at an outdoor bar and exercises out-

side, said: "It's a concern, but you got to do what you got to do. You can't not go outside."

Questions remain about killing of San Diego policeman

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JULIE WATSON, Associated Press

SAN DIEGO (AP) — San Diego police were trying to determine whether a shooting that killed a veteran officer and wounded another was a deliberate attack.

Jonathan DeGuzman, a 16-year veteran of the force, died Thursday night when a gunfight erupted after he and his partner stopped someone on a street in a blue-collar area of town.

Hours later, a trail of blood led to a wounded suspect who remained hospitalized in critical condition, while a second man described only as a potential suspect was captured after an hours-long SWAT standoff Friday.

The death of DeGuzman, 43, came as departments around the country are on high alert following the killing of officers this month in Dallas and Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The chain of events started about 11 p.m. Thursday when DeGuzman and Wade Irwin, 32, stopped someone in a southeastern neighborhood, although it wasn't immediately clear whether the gang officers stopped a pedestrian or a car, police said.

Almost immediately a shootout ensued and the officers called for backup.

"We're talking very, very quickly. Seconds to a minute or so," Police Chief Shelley Zimmerman said.

Both men were wounded despite wearing bulletproof vests.

Zimmerman said it was unknown whether the San Diego attack was premeditated. She also said video was recovered from the officers' body cameras.

DeGuzman died at a hospital. Irwin, a nine-year veteran who had joined the gang suppression unit in June, underwent surgery with his wife at his side, Zimmerman said.

"The good news is that he is going to survive and he is going to recover," Zimmerman said.

Police swarmed the neighborhood where the shootout happened. About a half-hour after the shooting, they followed a trail of blood to a ravine and found Jesse Gomez, 52, with a chest wound.

He was in critical condition Friday but was expected to survive. Police gave no further information about Gomez or his role in the shootout except to say he was a suspect.

During the search for a second man described as a "potential" suspect, residents were ordered to stay in their homes throughout the night as San Diego police and officers from other law enforcement agencies scoured yards, streets and alleys. A helicopter hovered over the neighborhood.

About nine hours after the shootout, heavily armed officers surrounded a house about a half-mile (about 1 kilometer) away, one of them using a loudspeaker to urge a man they called "Marcus" to surrender. Authorities also detonated several gas bombs at the scene to draw him out and used tools to break windows and pound on the roof.

Then, about a dozen heavily armed SWAT officers raced to another house about two blocks away, positioning an armored truck and robots outside. The possible suspect wasn't there either.

Marcus Antonio Cassani, 41, was finally found several blocks away and held on an Anaheim arrest warrant.

Zimmerman said police were investigating whether Cassani, who has a criminal record that includes drug, weapons and burglary convictions, had any role in the police shootings.

Zimmerman told reporters that she went to DeGuzman's home to tell his wife and two children of his death.

"I can tell you he is a loving, caring husband, father. Talked about his family all the time," Zimmerman

said. "I know him, and this is gut-wrenching. He cared. He came to work every single day wanting to just make a positive difference in the lives of our community and that's why he lost his life."

DeGuzman received the purple heart in 2003 after he was stabbed by a man he had stopped for speeding. The man was convicted of attempted murder on a peace officer in 2004.

He was the 33rd San Diego police officer killed in the line of duty since 1913.

San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer denounced the latest shootings.

"Violence against the men and women who wear the badge is violence against us all," he said.

Clinton, Trump struggle for national security upper hand

ROBERT BURNS, AP National Security Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — In their struggle for the upper hand on national security, Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump are emphasizing strikingly different themes - he as the bold and cunningly unpredictable strongman who will eliminate terrorism; she as the calm, conventional commander in chief who will manage all manner of crises.

Terrorism is Trump's national security touchstone, and the Islamic State group is his target. He promises to wipe it out, and quickly.

Clinton accuses him of fearmongering and of denigrating the U.S. military as gutted and worn out. She presents herself as the anti-Trump.

"America's strength doesn't come from lashing out," she said in accepting the Democratic nomination Thursday. "Strength relies on smarts, judgment, cool resolve, and the precise and strategic application of power." By implication, Trump is cast as bombastic, scattershot, impulsive and fanciful.

National security has emerged as a key focus of the campaign — not so much the candidates' plans as their temperaments. Trump says he is best suited because he would be a dealmaker and deliberately unpredictable, thus making it more difficult for adversaries to counter his military or diplomatic moves. Clinton pitches her steadiness and depth of experience from eight years in the Senate and four years as President Barack Obama's secretary of state.

Each has zeroed in on what many consider the most worrisome issues: terrorism and an assertive Russia. The next president, however, will face a wider range of problems, to include ending the war in Afghanistan, managing the nuclear ambitions of Iran and North Korea, coping with a rising China and ending a cycle of bloody instability in Iraq and Syria. There also are challenges in cyberwarfare, nuclear weapons and the modernization of the U.S. military.

Trump calls his approach "America first," meaning alliances and coalitions would not pass muster with him unless they produced a net benefit to the U.S. He drew rebukes from much of the national security establishment when he suggested in a recent newspaper interview that as president he might not defend certain NATO member countries against outside attack if they were falling short of the alliance's defense spending targets. He also has been accused of being too easy on Vladimir Putin, the Russian president whom Trump has openly admired.

Clinton sees international partnerships as essential tools for using American influence and lessening the chances of war. That is an approach rooted in a U.S. tradition of bipartisan support for institutions such as NATO, whose value and future Trump says should not be taken for granted.

Trump has tried to keep his focus on fear. In his acceptance speech at the Republican National Convention he decried "war and destruction." He said the long-volatile and often violent Middle East is now "worse than it has ever been before," suggesting Americans are increasingly at risk.

He mocks Clinton's experience as a member of Obama's war Cabinet, labeling her legacy at the State

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Department as "death, destruction, terrorism and weakness."

She questions Trump's reliability. "He loses his cool at the slightest provocation," she said in her acceptance speech at the Democratic National Convention. "Imagine him in the Oval Office facing a real crisis. A man you can bait with a tweet is not a man we can trust with nuclear weapons."

The commander in chief's responsibility in the nuclear arena is not traditionally a hot-button issue on the campaign trail. But it has arisen more regularly this time, mainly because the Democrats see Trump as vulnerable to voter doubts about whether he could be trusted to use nuclear restraint. He raised eyebrows during a Republican primary debate when he seemed unaware of the nuclear "triad," the bombers, submarines and long-range missiles that have comprised the three basic pieces of the American nuclear arsenal for more than 50 years.

Through her supporters, including retired military officers, Clinton has pushed back on Trump's claim that he alone has the right formula for keeping America secure.

"She, as no other, knows how to use all instruments of American power, not just the military, to keep us all safe and free," John Allen, the retired Marine general and former presidential envoy to the international coalition aligned against the Islamic State, told the Democratic National Convention.

Allen presented a counterpoint to Trump's top military supporter, retired Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn, former director of the Defense Intelligence Agency. In his address to the Republican National Convention, Flynn doubled down on Trump's portrayal of Clinton as unqualified to be president. He blamed her for "bumbling indecisiveness, willful ignorance and total incompetence."

Convention over, Clinton faces hacking, Trump criticism

LISA LERER, Associated Press

JONATHAN LEMIRE, Associated Press

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Giddy if exhausted, Hillary Clinton embarked on a post-convention Rust Belt bus tour just hours after becoming the first female presidential nominee of a major political party. The celebratory mood quickly evaporated amid fresh revelations that hackers had breached a program used by her campaign and Republican nominee Donald Trump promised to sharpen his barbs.

"Remember this," Trump said during a rally Friday in Colorado Springs, Colorado. "Trump is going to be no more Mr. Nice Guy." And for the first time he encouraged his supporters' anti-Clinton chants of "lock her up."

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bias by party officials during her primary contest against Bernie Sanders. In the furor that followed, party chairwoman Debbie Wasserman Shultz resigned just as Democrats launched their convention.

Clinton and her running mate, Sen. Tim Kaine of Virginia, will attempt to return attention to their positive economic message on Saturday, with campaign stops through economically struggling areas of Pennsylvania and Ohio.

"When we take that oath of office next January, we know we can make life better. We know we can create more good jobs," she told voters gathered at an outside market in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Clinton cited an economic analysis by economist Mark Zandi, a former economic adviser to 2008 Republican presidential nominee John McCain, that found more than 10 million jobs could be created in her first term if her economic proposals were put in place. Zandi's analysis of Trump's plans found they would cost the country 3.5 million jobs and lead to a "lengthy recession."

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Democrats continued contrasting their optimistic message with the more troubled vision of the state of the nation presented by Trump and others at the GOP convention a week earlier.

Kaine called the "very dark and negative" event a "journey through Donald Trump's mind."

"That's a very frightening place," he told thousands of supporters in Philadelphia.

Clinton told voters that they faced a "stark choice," calling the coming election the most important one in her lifetime.

"This is a moment of reckoning for our country. I don't recognize the country that Donald Trump describes," she said.

Army report: Grenade found in room of Dallas gunman in 2014

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DALLAS (AP) — The Army reservist who killed five Dallas police officers had kept an unauthorized grenade in his room on an Afghanistan base in 2014, according to a report by Army officials investigating a sexual harassment complaint against him.

The report released Friday includes new details about an incident that left Micah Johnson stripped of his weapons and removed from his base in disgrace in May 2014. His military career ended soon afterward. His parents have said he was never the same.

The 25-year-old Dallas man was killed July 8 after targeting police during a rally protesting recent police shootings. Carrying an assault rifle, Johnson took multiple positions as he attacked police and

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threatened to kill more before a bomb-carrying robot was deployed to kill him, authorities have said.

Johnson, a black man, told authorities during the attack that he wanted to gun down white officers, police have said.

The Mississippi-born Johnson was in ROTC in high school and would join the Army Reserve. But his military career ended soon after a female soldier reported four pairs of panties missing while the two were at Camp Shank, a base in eastern Afghanistan known as "Rocket City" because the Taliban targeted it many times.

Soldiers found the missing underwear in a dumpster where Johnson had apparently thrown them after getting caught with them in his room. Later on, a few other soldiers were packing up Johnson's possessions and found the MK-19 grenade in his room, as well as a .50-caliber round and prescription medicine belonging to someone else, the report said.

The Army has blacked out the recommendations of the investigating officer who wrote the report.

Soldiers aren't allowed to have grenades in their barracks, according to several military experts. Johnson's superiors could have recommended punishment for stealing government property or mishandling ammunition, said Geoffrey Corn, a former military judge who teaches at the South Texas College of Law. But they may have chosen to pursue the sexual harassment case since it was so strong, he said.

The presence of the grenade also alarmed Patrick McLain, a Dallas defense lawyer and former military judge who was not involved in Johnson's case.

"If indeed he really had panties that belonged to her without her permission, that kind of pales in comparison to having an explosive device or to having someone else's medication. That's serious," McLain said.

Retired Sgt. Gilbert Fischbach, who was Johnson's squad leader before he deployed and has been highly critical of the military's handling of the case, said the grenade finding "should have been a red flag."

Fischbach said the military dropped both the protective order sought by the woman in her sexual harassment complaint and her request that he be psychologically evaluated.

The report the Army released on Friday, redacted to black out the names of all involved but Johnson, is only a small piece of the story, said Fischbach.

"There will be more documents coming out," said Fischbach. "I told you it was going to be a smoke screen."

Johnson's parents and the woman who accused him of sexual harassment did not return messages Friday.

The Army still has not said why Johnson was honorably discharged instead of a lesser discharge, as the lawyer representing Johnson in the sexual harassment case has said he previously expected.

Nor have local or federal authorities detailed what led Johnson upon his return to the U.S. to plan the deadliest attack on American law enforcement since 9/11. Officials in Dallas won't even confirm if they are still examining Johnson's body.

Records released Friday by the police in Mesquite, the Dallas suburb where Johnson lived with his mother, indicate he had previous disputes with a woman.

One night in January 2011, Johnson walked into the Mesquite police department and appeared upset, according to a police report. Johnson told an officer that "he was lied to by a female friend" and "did not want to get into trouble." The report, first reported by The Dallas Morning News, doesn't elaborate on what he meant or name the friend.

Police wrote that he had "displayed unstable mental faculties" but did not want to see a mental health professional or contact his mother. A friend eventually picked him up.

The responding officer thought the incident should be documented because of Johnson's "erratic behavior."

Clinton roars against Trump as a hacking distraction arises

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JONATHAN LEMIRE, Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Fresh off a spirited convention, Hillary Clinton told prospective voters Friday they face a "stark choice" in November and pressed ahead with the scalding rhetoric against her Republican rival that marked many of the speeches in Philadelphia. Another distraction arose, however, as her aides acknowledged that a hacking attack that exposed Democratic Party emails also reached into a computer system used by her own campaign.

Rallying in Colorado, Donald Trump denounced Clinton's convention speech as "full of lies" and said he's starting to agree with those calling for Clinton to be locked up.

Not long after, the intrusion into a system used by the Clinton campaign came to light, first reported by Reuters. The FBI said it was working to determine the "accuracy, nature and scope" of the cyberattacks. Campaign spokesman Nick Merrill said the newly disclosed breach affected a Democratic National Committee voter analysis program used by the campaign and other organizations. The hackers had access to the program for about five days.

Merrill said outside experts found no evidence that the campaign's "internal systems have been compromised" but gave no detail on the program or nature of the attacks. President Barack Obama and cybersecurity experts have said Russia was almost certainly responsible for the DNC hack, and the House Democratic campaign committee reported Friday that its information had been accessed.

The developments followed the leaking of DNC emails earlier in the week that pointed to a pro-Clinton bias by party officials during her primary contest against Bernie Sanders. In the furor, party chairwoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz resigned just as Democrats were launching their convention.

Clinton is in the midst of a post-convention campaign bus tour through the battleground states of Ohio and Pennsylvania.

She told supporters in a West Philadelphia arena the coming election is the most important one in her lifetime.

"It's not so much that I'm on the ticket, it's because of the stark choice that's posed to Americans in this election," she said.

In Colorado Springs, Trump at times seemed to brush off the fierce convention-week Democratic criticism, which went so far as to question his sanity. Sounding more like a pundit than the subject of all the vitriol, he pronounced her speech "so average" and "full of cliches." But he grew harsher as his event went on.

"Remember this," he said, "Trump is going to be no more Mr. Nice Guy." And for the first time he encouraged his crowd's anti-Clinton chants of "lock her up."

"I've been saying let's just beat her on Nov. 8," he said, "but you know what? I'm starting to agree with you."

Polls find that most Americans question Clinton's honesty. But in her convention speech and her first events afterward, her priority was to go after Trump, not ask for trust.

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Democrats contrasted their optimistic message with the more troubled vision of the state of the nation presented by Trump and others at the GOP convention a week earlier. Kaine told CNN he found the Republican gathering "dark and depressing."

The convention provided hours of glowing tributes to Clinton, including deeply personal testimonials from her husband, daughter Chelsea Clinton and Obama.

And Clinton offered an open hand to backers of Sanders, saying, "I've heard you. Your cause is our cause." But Trump said Friday that Sanders "sold his soul to the devil" when he — unlike some of his loudly protesting supporters — threw his support behind Clinton.

Clinton campaign: Computer service used by campaign hacked

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WASHINGTON (AP) — A computer service used by the campaign of Hillary Clinton was hacked as part of a broader breach of the Democratic National Committee, an intrusion for which the Russian government is the leading suspect, the campaign said Friday.

The breach affected a DNC data analytics program used by the campaign and a number of other organizations, according to the campaign. It said outside security experts reviewing the campaign's computer system have found "no evidence that our internal systems have been compromised."

The hackers had access to the program, which is used to conduct voter analysis, for about five days. It did not include Social Security numbers or credit card information, a campaign aide said.

The campaign did not specify what types of data the service was analyzing, but partnerships with modern e-commerce companies can allow sophisticated tracking, categorization and identification of website visitors. This can help organizations tailor their online content, advertising and solicitations to be more effective.

The announcement comes as the FBI investigates a hack at the DNC that resulted in the posting last week of embarrassing internal communications on WikiLeaks, and a similar intrusion of the House Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. President Barack Obama has said Russia was almost certainly responsible for the DNC hack, an assertion with which cybersecurity experts have agreed.

The FBI said Friday it was aware of "media reporting on cyber intrusions involving multiple political entities, and is working to determine the accuracy, nature and scope of these matters."

The intrusions have added another layer of mystery to the hacking of Democratic Party information that has been revealed in the heat of this year's presidential and congressional elections.

The DNC breach led to the release by WikiLeaks on July 22, days before the Democratic national convention began, of 19,000 emails showing that supposedly neutral party officials were favoring Hillary Clinton over Sen. Bernie Sanders during their primary contest for the presidential nomination. As

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a result of that disclosure, party chairwoman Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz, D-Fla., announced her resignation this week.

On Friday, the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, which raises money and provides other assistance for Democratic House candidates, acknowledged a digital break-in of its computers that it said resembled the DNC hack.

Spokeswoman Meredith Kelly said the committee was "the target of a cybersecurity incident" and was informed by investigators "that this is similar to other recent incidents, including the DNC breach."

She said the congressional campaign committee is using CrowdStrike Inc., a computer security firm based in Irvine, California, and is "cooperating with the federal law enforcement with respect to their ongoing investigation." She said her organization is "continuing to take steps to enhance the security of our network in the face of these recent events."

CrowdStrike issued a statement confirming its work for the congressional campaign committee but provided no additional details.

The Clinton campaign took pains Friday to assert that its internal emails, voicemails or other internal communications and documents weren't compromised by the hack of the DNC analytics service. But such third-party, connected systems represent appealing options for hackers searching for less-protected routes to attack an organization.

Computer hacking, emails and indications of Russian involvement have evolved into a political issue in the presidential campaign between Clinton and Republican candidate Donald Trump.

This week, Trump encouraged Russia to seek and release more than 30,000 other missing emails deleted by Clinton, the former secretary of state. Democrats accused him of trying to get a foreign adversary to conduct espionage that could affect this November's elections, but Trump later said he was merely being sarcastic.

Clinton deleted the emails from her private server, saying they were private, before handing other messages over to the State Department. The Justice Department declined to prosecute Clinton over her email practices, though FBI Director James Comey called her "extremely careless" in handling classified information.

CrowdStrike and another security firm, ThreatConnect Inc. of Arlington, Virginia, said they found evidence pointing to Russian government involvement in the DNC hack when they analyzed the hackers' methods and efforts to distribute the stolen emails and other files. The hacker groups, identified by CrowdStrike as Cozy Bear and Fancy Bear, used different but sophisticated techniques to break into the DNC and try to avoid detection. Most of the DNC emails appeared to have been stolen May 25.

Reuters first reported the DCCC hack and the hack that affected the Clinton campaign.

The Latest: Trump slams Clinton's 'rosy-dory' optimism

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Latest on the 2016 presidential race after the Democratic and Republican nominating conventions (all times EDT):

9:30 p.m.

Donald Trump is condemning the optimistic picture of the nation that Hillary Clinton painted at the Democratic National Convention.

Trump, speaking at a rally in Denver Friday night, says Clinton was "talking last night about how wonderful things are."

"She made it sound like everything is rosy-dory," Trump says. "Things are not rosy-dory, folks."

He claims Clinton ignored recent terror attacks and disturbing trends in long-term unemployment and housing purchases.

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Many observers have said Trump's convention in Cleveland outlined a very dark depiction of the United States.

7 p.m.

Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign says a computer system connected to the campaign has been hacked.

Campaign aides say the intrusion was part of a larger breach of the Democratic National Committee that was made public earlier this week, when WikiLeaks released the organization's private emails.

The violation concerned a DNC analytics data program used by the campaign and a number of other organizations.

Spokesman Nick Merrill says a review conducted by outside cyber security experts has found "no evidence" that the campaign's "internal systems have been compromised." The campaign refused to give additional details about the program or nature of the attack.

5:40 p.m.

Donald Trump pulled off the upset — at least in television popularity.

The Nielsen company estimated that 29.8 million people watched Hillary Clinton's acceptance speech at the Democratic National Convention on Thursday night on the commercial networks. That fell short of the 32.2 million people who watched Trump speak to the Republicans a week before.

That came despite the Democrats reaching more people than the Republicans on each of the first three days of their respective conventions.

5:25 p.m.

The White House is inviting representatives of Donald Trump's and Hillary Clinton's campaigns to start participating in meetings about the presidential transition.

White House chief of staff Denis McDonough spoke by phone Friday with New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie and Ed Meier. Christie is Trump's transition chairman and Meier works for Clinton's campaign.

The White House says McDonough informed the campaigns that Trump and Clinton are now eligible to receive intelligence briefings from the government. He told them their campaigns can also now use government-provided workspace in Washington for transition planning.

McDonough says senior White House officials will be in touch with both campaigns in the coming weeks.

It's traditional for the outgoing administration to conduct planning with both major parties' nominees to ensure a smooth transition for whoever wins.

5:10 p.m.

Donald Trump is claiming that Bernie Sanders "sold his soul to the devil" in deciding to support Hillary Clinton for president.

Trump, speaking Friday at a rally in Colorado Springs, Colorado, said that Sanders "folded" when he abandoned his quest for the Democratic presidential nomination.

"He wanted to go home, he wanted to go to sleep," Trump said. He then noted that Sanders' "people are angry" and praised their efforts to disrupt the Democratic National Convention.

5:00 p.m.

Donald Trump is declaring that Hillary Clinton's acceptance speech at the Democratic National Con-

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vention was "so average."

Trump, the Republican nominee, said Friday at a rally in Colorado Springs, Colorado that he watched Clinton's speech the night before in Philadelphia. He criticized her speech as being "full of clichés" and full of false claims against him.

Trump also bragged about TV ratings that indicated that more people watched his acceptance speech than Clinton's speech. The Democratic convention, however, had more overall viewers during the four nights.

He said that he thought Chelsea Clinton did very well and noted that she's his friend's daughter Ivanka. He joked that he wished they weren't friends "because it would be a lot easier!"

Trump also complained that the fire marshal in Colorado Springs would not let more people into his event.

3:57 p.m.

Many limited-government conservatives may be skeptical of Donald Trump, but his running mate wants them to know the Republican presidential nominee will be their advocate.

The Indiana governor addressed the American Legislative Exchange Council in Indianapolis on Friday, vouching for the "importance" Trump "would place on empowering states."

He told the national gathering of business interests and conservative state lawmakers that "the states created the federal government, the federal government didn't create the states."

He also evoked former President Ronald Reagan and quoted from a Robert Frost poem, telling the group that bold conservative leadership required them to take "the road less traveled."

1:42 p.m.

Hillary Clinton and running mate Tim Kaine are starting their bus tour of a pair of battleground states.

The Democratic presidential nominee said during a kickoff rally in Philadelphia Friday that the tour through critical Pennsylvania and Ohio will stop at "places that make things." And she took a dig at her GOP rival, saying Donald Trump "doesn't make anything in America except bankruptcies."

Clinton pledged that her first 100 days in office would see the biggest investment in new jobs since World War II. She said it would focus on infrastructure, technology, clean energy and advanced manufacturing.

1:33 p.m.

The Trump and Clinton campaigns are about to become neighbors in Washington.

Both campaigns open formal transition offices on Monday in the same Pennsylvania Avenue building close to the White House, where they'll plan for victory on Election Day and the tangle of logistics that'll mean for the incoming administration. The effort is funded by taxpayers as part of \$13 million Congress appropriated for pre-election planning.

It's a herculean task that will test the limits of Trump in particular, a political outsider who, thus far, has struggled to attract experienced talent to his presidential campaign. But Clinton's campaign is preparing too for matching thousands of prospective appointees and staffers to thousands of government positions that will need to be filled.

12:46 p.m.

Donald Trump's running mate is saying that the Republican presidential campaign might lift its ban of certain media outlets from campaign events.

Indiana Gov. Mike Pence said Friday that the campaign would evaluate its policy and added that

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events would be "available to the media, whether they're fair or unfair."

Pence's remarks on the Hugh Hewitt radio show came days after a Washington Post reporter was searched and ejected from one of his events.

Trump had been a frequent critic of the media and has banned several outlets from covering his campaign events, including BuzzFeed, Politico, The Huffington Post and The Washington Post.

Pence, who touted his own record of being available to the media, considered launching a state-run news serviced. He ultimately scrapped the effort.

10:45 a.m.

Donald Trump is vigorously tweeting the morning after Democrats finished their presidential nominating convention. His targets? A few choice people who criticized him from the stage at the Democratic National Convention.

The Republican presidential nominee referred to former New York mayor Michael Bloomberg, also a billionaire, as "Little Michael Bloomberg," who "never had the guts to run for president" and whose final term as mayor was "a disaster."

That's a reversal from 2012, when Trump praised Bloomberg for reducing crime in New York City, declaring, "That's leadership."

Trump attacked Gen. John Allen, saying he "failed badly in his fight against ISIS." The former deputy commander of the wars in the Middle East had called Hillary Clinton the kind of "commander in chief America needs."

As for Clinton's claim that Trump can't handle a political campaign, he noted that he defeated a field of Republican hopefuls to win the GOP nomination.

10:30 a.m.

Donald Trump's running mate, Mike Pence, is offering condolences after a San Diego police officer was killed and another injured in an early morning shooting.

The Indiana governor and Republican vice presidential candidate said Friday that he has a "heavy heart."

He's calling on the country to offer thanks to "those who stand on the thin blue line of law enforcement" and he says this is a challenging time for the nation's police.

Pence noted that an Indianapolis police officer was injured earlier this week in a shootout.

10:19 a.m.

Mike Pence is riding a Harley Davidson motorcycle across Indiana with a national guard charity group. The Indiana governor and Donald Trump's running mate departed from Indianapolis Friday morning along with over 100 riders.

Pence says he rode motorcycles when he was younger. But he joked that he took it up again after he was elected governor because "it's required in the Constitution."

The group is riding to Indiana's first state Capitol in Corydon, near the Kentucky border. Pence will ride with the group for a shorter leg of the trip.

The Republican vice presidential candidate is riding a Harley Davidson Street Glide that a Pence spokesman says was borrowed from a friend.

9:40 a.m.

Donald Trump's campaign is calling Democrat Hillary Clinton's acceptance speech at the Democratic

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National Convention "an insulting collection of clichés and recycled rhetoric."

The statement issued Friday on Trump's campaign Facebook page says Clinton's stance on immigration "will take jobs, resources and benefits from the most vulnerable citizens of the United States and give them to the citizens of other countries."

Trump tweeted a link to the statement. It slams Clinton for not mentioning the words, "radical Islam," "her disaster in Libya" or the investigation of Clinton's private email server.

The statement says Clinton's remarks were "delivered from a fantasy universe, not the reality we live in today."

Clinton said Trump is offering America "empty promises" and what she called "bigotry and bombast."

8:45 a.m.

Tim Kaine says Donald Trump was not being sarcastic, he was being "ignorant" when he urged Russia look for Hillary Clinton's missing emails.

The Democratic vice presidential nominee told CNN's "New Day" Friday that any such suggestion should be "temperamentally, a disqualification for the office" of president.

Trump said in a press conference this week: "Russia, if you're listening, I hope you're able to find the 30,000 emails that are missing." He later said he was being sarcastic.

To that, Kaine said Friday: "That's not being sarcastic, that's ignorant."

Democratic National Committee emails were hacked last week and handed over to WikiLeaks. Private security experts — although not yet any U.S. government agencies — say they found clues that point to hacking groups whose targets track the strategic interests of Russia's government.

8:15 a.m.

Democratic vice presidential nominee Tim Kaine says he is "worried" about certain aspects of the Trans-Pacific Partnership agreement.

Speaking to CNN's "New Day" Friday, Hillary Clinton's running mate said he does not want to declare a position on the TPP trade agreement "until it's done."

He said that he is particularly concerned about one element that compromises the right of corporations to challenge unfair trade practices in private courts.

"A treaty is supposed to be a promise that should be enforced," he said.

7:45 a.m.

Donald Trump's campaign manager says that if Hillary Clinton is right that it's, "midnight in America," it's the fault of Democratic leaders.

Paul Manafort tells "Fox & Friends" on Friday that, "if it's midnight in America, it's because of seven-and-a-half years of the Obama-Clinton administration."

He was responding to Clinton's claim at the Democratic National Convention that Trump has brought the Republican Party from "morning in America to midnight in America."

Manafort says Trump thinks America is great "but the American people don't feel that the future is what they want it to be."

He said Clinton "can't hide" from her 25 years in public life.

Streb shoots 63 and joins Walker in lead at PGA

DOUG FERGUSON, AP Golf Writer

SPRINGFIELD, N.J. (AP) — In a major championship season of endless theater, the PGA Championship lived up to its end of the bargain Friday.

Robert Streb led the way, even if hardly anyone noticed.

As thousands of fans crammed into the closing holes at Baltusrol to see if Jason Day could finish off his amazing run and Phil Mickelson could make it to the weekend, Streb hit a 6-iron into 20 feet on his final hole at the par-3 ninth for a shot at 63.

He made the birdie putt during a TV commercial break, making him the 28th player to shoot 63 in a major, and the third in the last 16 days.

"It was pretty noisy for the 15 people that were out there," Streb said.

No matter where anyone was at Baltusrol, there was no shortage of entertainment.

Mickelson hit his opening tee shot off the property and onto a side street and made triple bogey, only to rally to make the cut. Rickie Fowler finished birdie-eagle to get back into the picture. Rory McIlroy only needed to birdie the par-5 18th, the easiest hole on the course, to make the cut. From the fairway, he made bogey and was headed home to figure out what was wrong with his putting.

A second round that began in rain with one group given the wrong hole location on No. 10 ended with Streb and Jimmy Walker sharing the lead and becoming the eighth and ninth players to match the 36-hole record in the PGA Championship at 131.

Walker had to settle for a 4-under 66, right when he had the 36-hole record for all majors (130) within his reach with two par 5s remaining. But he hit into the hospitality area well left of the 17th and scrambled for par, and then his tee shot narrowly missed its mark and found the water on the 18th, leading to bogey.

Even so, he was tied at the halfway point of a major.

"It's going to be a new experience, and it will be fun," Walker said. "You still have to go perform. Doesn't matter what tournament it is."

Day dropped to even par with a double bogey on No. 7, and that appeared to wake up the world's No. 1 player. Day went on a tear with seven birdies over his next eight holes, two of them from 18 feet, one of them from 35 feet. Suddenly, he was on the verge of a shot at 63 until he hooked his tee shot to the base of the hospitality area on the 17th, and pushed a driving iron into the right rough on the 18th. He settled for pars at both for a 65.

Day was right where he wanted to be, three shots behind going into the weekend, his name high on the leaderboard for everyone to see. At stake is a chance to join Tiger Woods as the only back-to-back PGA champions since the stroke-play era began in 1958.

Day was joined at 7-under 133 by Emiliano Grillo, the talented young Argentine who worked hard on his putting at Baltusrol and watched it pay off. Grillo got this afternoon of birdies going by making five of them in a seven-hole stretch on the back nine until he cooled on the front and had to settle for a 67.

This is new territory for him, too.

Just like Walker and Streb, he has never even contended in a major.

"I've never been in this situation, and I'm not afraid of it," Grillo said. "I'm going to go out and enjoy it."

By the end of the day, it was easy to overlook a familiar figure — Henrik Stenson, the British Open champion who made eagle on the 18th at the turn and polished off another 67. He was only four shots behind in his bid to match Ben Hogan as the only players to win two straight majors at age 40.

Mickelson made the cut, and that might have been the most entertaining of all.

He began his round with a tee shot so far left that it sailed off the property, bounced along Shunpike Road and caromed to the left down Baltusrol Way. Wherever it finished, it was out-of-bounds, and Mickelson had to scramble for a triple bogey. He spent the rest of the day battling to get back, and he delivered on the 18th with a birdie to post a 70.

"I think in the history of the PGA Championship, that's the worst start of any player's round. I'd have to look it up," Mickelson said.

No need to. Someone pointed out that Nicolas Colsaerts piped two over the fence and made 8.

"I'm having a difficult time right now managing my expectations, because I know how well I'm playing and I'm so result-oriented that I'm not playing very relaxed, free golf like I did at the British, like I did in the preparation here," Mickelson said.

Two weeks ago at Royal Troon, where Mickelson opened with a 63 and Stenson close with a 63, it was just those two players in a duel that ranked among the greatest.

At Baltusrol, a dozen players were separated by five shots going into the weekend, a group that included Martin Kaymer (69). Jordan Spieth was finally back in the mix, at least on the fringes, after a hot start that led to a 67. He was in the group six shots behind.

The biggest surprise was Streb, who became the fourth player with a 63 at Baltusrol. Jack Nicklaus and Tom Weiskopf each had 63 in the opening round of the 1980 U.S. Open, and Thomas Bjorn shot 63 in the third round in the 2005 PGA Championship.

Streb hasn't had a top 10 on the PGA Tour since he tied for 10th in the PGA Championship last year. He found something in his swing a few weeks ago, birdied the last four holes a week ago Friday in the Canadian Open just to make the cut, and grabbed a sliver of history at Baltusrol.

'Zika is now here': Mosquitoes now spreading virus in US

JENNIFER KAY, Associated Press

KELLI KENNEDY, Associated Press

MIAMI (AP) — Mosquitoes have apparently begun spreading the Zika virus on the U.S. mainland for the first time, health officials said Friday, a long-feared turn in the epidemic that is sweeping Latin America and the Caribbean.

Four recently infected people in the Miami area — one woman and three men — are believed to have contracted the virus locally through mosquito bites, Gov. Rick Scott said.

No mosquitoes in Florida have actually been found to be carrying Zika, despite the testing of 19,000 by the state lab. But other methods of Zika transmission, such as travel to a stricken country or sex with an infected person, have been ruled out.

"Zika is now here," said Dr. Thomas Frieden, director of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Still, U.S. health officials said they do not expect widespread outbreaks in this country like those seen in Brazil, in part because of better sanitation, better mosquito control and wider use of window screens and air conditioners.

The virus has triggered alarm across the Western Hemisphere's warmer latitudes. While most people who get Zika don't even know they are sick, infection during pregnancy can cause severe brain-related birth defects, including disastrously small heads.

More than 1,650 people in the mainland U.S. have been infected with Zika in recent months, nearly all while traveling abroad. The four people in Florida are believed to be first to contract the virus from mosquitoes within the 50 states.

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"This is not just a Florida issue. It's a national issue — we just happen to be at the forefront," Scott said.

Florida agricultural officials immediately announced more aggressive mosquito-control efforts, and Florida politicians rushed to assure tourists it's still safe to visit the state.

Some medical experts said pregnant women should not travel to the Miami area, especially if the visit involves spending time outdoors. The CDC is not issuing such advice, however.

Health officials said the U.S. might see small clusters of infections. But "we don't expect widespread transmission in the continental United States," the CDC's Frieden said.

The four Florida infections are thought to have occurred in a small area just north of downtown Miami, in the Wynwood arts district, the governor said.

The area, known for bold murals spray-painted across warehouses, art galleries, restaurants and boutiques, is rapidly gentrifying and has a number of construction sites where standing water can collect and serve as a breeding ground for mosquitoes.

People in Florida's Miami-Dade and Broward counties are being tested to learn whether there are more cases, the governor said.

"If I were a pregnant woman right now, I would go on the assumption that there's mosquito transmission all over the Miami area," warned Dr. Peter Hotez, a tropical medicine expert at the Baylor College of Medicine in Texas.

He said that there are probably more cases that have not been diagnosed, and that people should not be surprised if mosquitoes are soon found to be spreading Zika in Louisiana and Texas as well.

Earlier this week, federal authorities told blood centers in the Miami-Fort Lauderdale areas to stop collecting blood until they screen it for the virus.

Zika's symptoms can include low-grade fever, rash, joint pain, headaches and inflamed eyes and typically last seven to 10 days. None of the four people infected in Florida are showing symptoms anymore, officials said.

Frieden said the evidence suggests that the mosquito-borne transmission occurred several weeks ago over several city blocks.

It's not unusual that no mosquitoes have tested positive for Zika, said C. Roxanne Connelly, a medical entomology specialist at the University of Florida and a past president of the American Mosquito Control Association.

It can take a couple of weeks before an infected person shows symptoms, and by then the mosquitoes that transmitted the virus are dead, she said.

"Believe it or not, it's difficult to find positive mosquitoes even when you're in the middle of an epidemic," Connelly said. "Sometimes you don't know where these people were infected. At home? At work? Where they were playing baseball?"

Zika primarily spreads through bites from a specific species of mosquito that is found in urban parts of the South and peaks in number in August and September. There have been more than 4,700 cases of mosquito-borne Zika in Puerto Rico and other U.S. territories.

The cycle of infection inside a country can start when a blood-sucking mosquito bites a traveler who has returned from abroad with the virus in his or her bloodstream. The mosquito then bites someone else, spreading the virus.

Health officials have been long predicting this would happen in the continental U.S. sometime this summer, probably in Florida and Texas, because of the types of mosquitoes that thrive there and the large numbers of people who travel back and forth to Latin America.

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Orange County Mayor Teresa Jacobs, whose jurisdiction includes Walt Disney World and other Orlando-area theme parks, said tourists shouldn't think twice about coming to the Sunshine State. Florida had more than 106 million visitors last year, and tourism is the state's biggest industry.

Florida's theme parks "have mosquito control down like no place else I don't think on the planet," Jacobs said.

Zika-fighting efforts include pesticide spraying, setting of traps and eliminating standing water around homes.

Florida's governor has allocated over \$25 million for dealing with Zika, and the White House and the CDC have provided over \$10 million. However, Congress left on a seven-week vacation without giving the Obama administration any of the \$1.9 billion it sought to battle the virus.

White House spokesman Eric Schultz called that "regrettable" and said: "Today's news should be a wake-up call to Congress to get back to work."

Jenny Gray, who is 27 and works in Wynwood for an art designer, said she will follow the experts' advice to wear insect repellent.

"I don't plan on having kids now, but I do sometime in the future. Better to stay protected," she said. "That really does concern me."

But Phillip Lopez, a 34-year-old Wynwood resident who works at an outdoor bar and exercises outside, said: "It's a concern, but you got to do what you got to do. You can't not go outside."

Rabbi was behind meeting between pope, Polish rescuers

VANESSA GERA, Associated Press

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Pope Francis' visit to Auschwitz-Birkenau on Friday included an encounter with 25 Christian Poles who rescued Jews during the Holocaust — a powerfully symbolic meeting that Poland's chief rabbi played a key role in orchestrating.

Rabbi Michael Schudrich, a native of New York City whose grandparents all immigrated from Poland, had long hoped to see such a meeting in Poland between a pope and some of the remaining Poles who risked their lives during World War II to help and protect Jews.

Yad Vashem in Israel has recognized 6,620 Polish gentiles who sheltered Jews among the so-called "Righteous Among the Nations." Today fewer than 240 in Poland are still alive.

Remembering their sacrifices is an important part of Schudrich's mission as the spiritual head of Poland's Jewish community, and he has often said that one can never do enough for them.

In a telephone interview with The Associated Press on Friday, Schudrich said the pope's meeting with survivors was "something I have been thinking about for a while: what kind of non-material present, what kind of thank-you, can we give to the 'Righteous'?"

He noted that a U.S. group, the Jewish Foundation for the Righteous, offers them some financial help. "But I wanted to come up with a spiritual gift and I thought that a special blessing from the pope would make them feel honored because of their unbelievable morality and humanity," he said.

He said he approached members of the church hierarchy several months ago with the idea of including a meeting during the pope's visit to Poland this week.

They were receptive and then they all got down to the business of organizing the meeting, which happened Friday during the pope's mostly silent visit to Auschwitz-Birkenau.

Schudrich had tried to arrange a meeting between a group of Righteous and Benedict XVI when that pope visited Poland in 2006, but it did not work out. John Paul II had met with some at the Vatican during his papacy, but it was the first such encounter at one of the former death camps.

Francis met with them one by one and presented each one with a gift in a small red box.

One, 86-year-old Tadeusz Stankiewicz, valued the fact that the pope made his visit in silent contem-

plation, saying the site "is no place for pompous speeches which are not always honest."

Stankiewicz had hoped to tell the pope that faith in God helped him and his family overcome fear and help Jews, but there was no possibility to speak.

Schudrich said he was grateful that the pope met with the Righteous and also valued his silent homage to the victims of Auschwitz-Birkenau, most of whom were Jewish.

Afterward, when he met Francis briefly, he said he told him: "Thank you for your prayer of silence."

He said the pope responded: "Pray for me."

Donald Trump speech beats Hillary Clinton in TV viewership

DAVID BAUDER, AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Donald Trump pulled off the upset — at least in television popularity.

Hillary Clinton's acceptance speech at the Democratic National Convention was seen by 29.8 million people on the commercial networks, the Nielsen company said Friday. That fell short of the 32.2 million people who watched Trump speak to the Republicans a week before.

Trump, who used to carefully watch television ratings during his days as star of "The Apprentice," immediately boasted about the victory during a campaign appearance Friday in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

"We beat her by millions on television. Millions!" he said. "Honestly, the numbers were incredible."

Although Trump has been a proven ratings draw throughout his campaign, the Democratic convention had proven more popular with viewers than the Republicans for its first three nights. Stars like Alicia Keys, Katy Perry, Lenny Kravitz and Paul Simon performed for the Democrats, and President Barack Obama, first lady Michelle Obama and former President Bill Clinton showed off their oratorical skills.

Meanwhile, star power was much dimmer at the Republican meeting. One night, the convention even ended 15 minutes earlier than planned, leaving television networks scrambling to fill time.

But viewers turned up to hear Trump: his audience was watched by 9 million more people than it was for any other night of the Republican convention, Nielsen said. Meanwhile, the Democrats actually had slightly more viewers for the first night of its convention than it did for the nominee's speech, typically the highest-rated night of convention coverage.

Four years ago, the audience for Obama's acceptance speech was 35.7 million, while 30.2 million saw Republican challenger Mitt Romney.

Nielsen's count did not include PBS' commercial-free coverage, which made the margin closer. PBS said its viewership for Clinton's speech was 3.91 million people, and 2.75 million the week earlier for Trump.

Fox News Channel went from first to worst during a tumultuous two weeks that included the resignation of its chief executive, Roger Ailes, on the day Trump spoke. An estimated 9.4 million people watched Trump on Fox, the most popular network for Republicans, and Fox took out newspaper ads touting its first-place finish among those covering the convention.

Just over 3 million people watched Clinton on Fox. Perhaps sensing its audience's level of interest, Fox showed fewer live events from the convention floor than its rivals, preferring discussions hosted by anchors Bill O'Reilly and Megyn Kelly. Sean Hannity was brought in for analysis immediately after the convention closed each night.

Meanwhile, it was a coup for CNN, whose 7.51 million viewers topped all of the networks Thursday by a comfortable margin. This convention marked the first time the cable network beat the broadcasters in head-to-head competition. The relatively newsy events appeared to benefit the networks that

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followed them throughout the prime time hours, as opposed to ABC, CBS and NBC, which came on at 10 p.m. ET each night.

MSNBC was seen by 5.27 million, NBC had 4.52 million, ABC had 3.85 million and CBS had 3.65 million, Nielsen said. It was measuring the time all of the networks competed head-to-head, from 10 p.m. until the convention's close.

For politicians, the true measure of the speech's effectiveness will come in about a week, when polls indicate whether or not the convention gave Clinton a bump in popularity.

Today in History The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Saturday, July 30, the 212th day of 2016. There are 154 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 30, 1916, German saboteurs blew up a munitions plant on Black Tom, an island near Jersey City, New Jersey. Although casualties were limited (about a dozen people were killed), the explosion was so huge, it was felt throughout New York City and damaged the Statue of Liberty.

On this date:

In 1619, the first representative assembly in America convened in Jamestown in the Virginia Colony.

In 1729, Baltimore, Maryland, was founded.

In 1864, during the Civil War, Union forces tried to take Petersburg, Virginia, by exploding a gunpowder-laden mine shaft beneath Confederate defense lines; the attack failed.

In 1918, poet Joyce Kilmer, a sergeant in the 165th U.S. Infantry Regiment, was killed during the Second Battle of the Marne in World War I. (Kilmer is remembered for his poem "Trees.")

In 1932, the Summer Olympic Games opened in Los Angeles.

In 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed a bill creating a women's auxiliary agency in the Navy known as "Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service" — WAVES for short.

In 1945, the Portland class heavy cruiser USS Indianapolis, having just delivered components of the atomic bomb to Tinian in the Mariana Islands, was torpedoed by a Japanese submarine; only 317 out of nearly 1,200 men survived.

In 1956, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a measure making "In God We Trust" the national motto, replacing "E Pluribus Unum" (Out of many, one).

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed a measure creating Medicare, which began operating the following year.

In 1975, former Teamsters union president Jimmy Hoffa disappeared in suburban Detroit; although presumed dead, his remains have never been found.

In 1980, Israel's Knesset passed a law reaffirming all of Jerusalem as the capital of the Jewish state.

In 1996, actress Claudette Colbert died in Barbados at age 92.

Ten years ago: Israel agreed to a 48-hour suspension of aerial activity over southern Lebanon after its bombing of a Lebanese village that killed 29 people. Congo held its first multiparty election in four decades (incumbent President Joseph Kabila later won a runoff).

Five years ago: NATO jets bombed three Libyan state TV satellite transmitters in Tripoli, targeting a propaganda tool in Moammar Gadhafi's fight against rebels. Caribbean Airlines Flight 523 from New York, a Boeing 737-800, slid off the end of a rainy runway in Guyana and broke in half; all 163 people on board survived.

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One year ago: The Associated Press released the results of a five-month independent study it had commissioned which found that athletes competing in the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro would be swimming and boating in waters so rife with sewage bacteria and viruses, they faced the risk of becoming seriously ill. The Afghan Taliban confirmed the death of longtime leader Mullah Mohammad Omar and appointed his successor, Mullah Akhtar Mansoor. Singer Lynn Anderson, 67, whose strong, husky voice carried her to the top of the charts with "(I Never Promised You a) Rose Garden," died in Nashville, Tennessee.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Edd (correct) "Kookie" Byrnes is 83. Former Major League Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig is 82. Blues musician Buddy Guy is 80. Movie director Peter Bogdanovich is 77. Feminist activist Eleanor Smeal is 77. Former U.S. Rep. Patricia Schroeder is 76. Singer Paul Anka is 75. Jazz musician David Sanborn is 71. Former California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger is 69. Actor William Atherton is 69. Actor Jean Reno (zhahn rih-NOH') is 68. Blues singer-musician Otis Taylor is 68. Actor Frank Stallone is 66. Actor Ken Olin is 62. Actress Delta Burke is 60. Law professor Anita Hill is 60. Singer-songwriter Kate Bush is 58. Country singer Neal McCoy is 58. Actor Richard Burgi is 58. Movie director Richard Linklater is 56. Actor Laurence Fishburne is 55. Actress Lisa Kudrow is 53. Bluegrass musician Danny Roberts (The Grascals) is 53. Country musician Dwayne O'Brien is 53. Actress Vivica A. Fox is 52. Actor Terry Crews is 48. Actor Simon Baker is 47. Actor Donnie Keshawarz is 47. Movie director Christopher Nolan is 46. Actor Tom Green is 45. Rock musician Brad Hargreaves (Third Eye Blind) is 45. Actress Christine Taylor is 45. Actor-comedian Dean Edwards is 43. Actress Hilary Swank is 42. Olympic gold medal beach volleyball player Misty May-Treanor is 39. Actress Jaime Pressly is 39. Alt-country singer-musician Seth Avett (AY'-veht) is 36. Actress April Bowlby is 36. Actress Yvonne Strahovski is 34. Actress Gina Rodriguez is 32. Actor Nico Tortorella is 28. Actress Joey King is 17.

Thought for Today: "The secret of managing is to keep the guys who hate you away from the guys who are undecided." — Casey Stengel, American baseball manager (born this date in 1890, died in 1975).