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National Tell a Joke Day

Senior Menu: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, vegetables, buttermilk biscuits, banana pudding with bananas.

Birthdays: • Jim Jones • Nate Gellhaus • Rose Tewksbury • Jennie Doeden • Merle Harder • Marc Rossow

9:00am: Boys Golf at Sioux Valley (Volga)

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

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National Thriftshop Day

Senior Menu: Scalloped potatoes with ham, peas, sunset salad, oatmeal raisin cookie, whole wheat bread.

Birthdays: • Raevin Wall-Larson • Carla Kittelson • Lisa Harry • Adam Sippel • Bryce Winther • Lisa Snyder • Kathy Walker

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

12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center

Bus Driver Wanted

The Groton Area School District has openings for a part time (morning) bus route and for a full-time bus route driver. Assistance in obtaining the proper licensure is available. Please contact Transportation Supervisor, Loren Bahr, at 397-8117 for more details.

Apts for Rent

1 bedroom and HUGE 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartments available NOW! All utilities included except A/C, 1 bedroom \$504 and HUGE 2 bedroom 2 bath \$674 Please call or text 239-849-7674

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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Constitutional Amendment R

Title: An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution regarding postsecondary technical education institutes.

Attorney General Explanation

Under the South Dakota Constitution, the Board of Regents is responsible for postsecondary educational institutions funded entirely or in part by the State. Constitutional Amendment R applies to postsecondary technical education institutes that receive state funding and offer career and technical associate of applied science degrees, certificates, or their equivalents. Currently, there are four such institutes: Lake Area Technical Institute, Mitchell Technical Institute, Southeast Technical Institute, and Western Dakota Technical Institute. Under the amendment, postsecondary technical institutes will be governed separately in a manner to be determined by the Legislature.

The amendment also clarifies that the Board of Regents retains control over state-funded postsecondary educational institutions offering associate of arts, associate of sciences, bachelor's, and postgraduate degrees.

A vote "Yes" is for adding a provision to the Constitution regarding postsecondary technical educational institutes. A vote "No" will leave the Constitution as it is.

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Constitutional Amendment

Please support Constitutional Amendment

South Dakota's four technical institutes play a significant role in training and preparing many South Dakota high school graduates to enter the work-force with important and directly applicable job skills in fields such as computer technology, medical technology and care, mechanics for the car, truck, construction and agricultural equipment, manufacturing, electricity, heating and air conditioning, agriculture, telecommunications, welding and many others.

South Dakota's four post-secondary technical institutes are Lake Area Technical Institute in Watertown, Mitchell Technical Institute, Southeast Technical Institute in Sioux Falls and Western Dakota Technical Institute in Rapid City.

Constitutional Amendment R makes clear that our state's four post-secondary institutes may consider evolving from their existing original 1965 status as part of the state's kindergarten through twelfth-grade system toward a dedicated and independent system, without being required to report to the Board of Regents which oversees our six state universities. To do this, however, the technical institutes must remain true to their work-force skill training and development intended to lead directly to employment.

Constitutional Amendment R makes clear that the technical institutes are not allowed to evolve into the traditional university mission and degrees, reserving this for the Board of Regents and our existing state universities.

Constitutional Amendment R passed the legislature overwhelmingly with broad support from a variety of employers, industry representatives, the four post-secondary technical institutes and the Board of Regents. There were no opponents.

Please support Constitutional Amendment R to update our constitution to reflect our existing educational institutions and strengthen the ability of the four technical institutes to meet the work-force shortages in a number of critical industries such as medical technology and care, telecommunications, computer technology, manufacturing, mechanics for the car, truck, construction and agricultural equipment, electricity, heating and air conditioning, agriculture, telecommunications, welding and many others.

Representative Mark Mickelson

Speaker Pro Tempore, 2015

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Former Board Member, South Dakota Board of Economic Development

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Constitutional Amendment

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Constitutional Amendment R would change the South Dakota Constitution to authorize the Legislature to establish a new, unelected and tax-funded governing board which would help the State shift the cost of technical schools from the State budget to the budgets of already overburdened counties, cities and school boards.

Like the SD Board of Regents, this new governing board would oversee every aspect of postsecondary technical institutions. The law exempts the board members from election, so taxpayers would lose direct representation in the oversight of education policies at technical schools. Member selection will be heavily influenced by lobbyists and favored industries according to provisions in a 2015 law (HB1118) that was passed in anticipation of this Constitutional change.

That same law will immediately increase the number of Board members from five to nine, further growing the bureaucracy.

The taxpayers will pay the nine board members, and they will require a substantial budget.

Legislation passed in 2014 (HB1142) allows counties and municipalities to voluntarily contribute money from their general funds, capital outlay funds, or both - to any postsecondary technical institute. The same bill permits local school boards to appropriate funds from their general fund "...for the general operating and financial support of technical institutions". However, the South Dakota Department of Education and the South Dakota Board of Education retain control over the distribution of any such contributions or appropriations, and they determine how the money is used.

Small changes in the wording of laws often result in huge changes in the effect of the law. Lawmakers need only to amend the words "may appropriate funds" to read "shall appropriate funds" in order to transfer the financial burden for technical institutions to struggling local governments.

Please help keep the bureaucracy in check.

Vote NO on Constitutional Amendment

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Rep. Elizabeth May

- District 27



Customer Appreciation and Check-R-Board Days

Aug. 22 through Aug. 25

Different happenings everyday

Monday is cookies and coffee

On Tuesday all attendees receive a Purina cap

Wednesday is bring your pet in for a treat

**Thursday is roast beef sandwiches, beans and drink
served from noon to 7 pm.**

**Be sure to wear your checker board clothing
to be eligible to win \$500.**

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The wood chips have arrived for the elementary playground. New equipment will also be installed in the near future.



The removal of the top soil for the new Dollar General Store began yesterday. In related action, the Groton City Council passed a resolution to lower the speed limit on Main Street between US 12 and 11th Ave. to 15 mph. It officially begins 20 days after publication. It was also reported at the city council meeting the complaints against Dollar General have been settled.

In other city action news, the council approved the wine license to be transferred from Kellie Townsend to Paula Kokales. Paula will be taking over as the new owner of Olde Bank Floral 'n More.

The 2017 budget was presented and the city council will have a special meeting on Monday to go over the budget.

The building permit form was reviewed with a few changes to be done to it and then presented later to the city council for approval.

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Today in Weather History

July 15, 1885: The first of three damaging tornadoes hit 7 miles NNE of Highmore and moved to the northeast. Two small homes were destroyed before the funnel turned to the east, then northeast and north before lifting. This tornado was estimated to have F2 strength and was seen in all directions for 20 miles. The second tornado appeared to be motionless 3 miles east of Harrold, and then moved east to Holabird, in Hyde County, where it destroyed two homes and dissipated. A third tornado, this one with an estimated F3 strength, formed to the west of Highmore and moved east into town, then lifted about 4 miles east of town. Three homes were destroyed, and about 20 other buildings were damaged at Highmore. A farmer was killed 2 miles east of town. Losses totaled about \$55,000, which included many new buildings, including a church and a skating rink.

July 15, 1986: Thunderstorms brought locally heavy rainfall to portions of Walworth to Marshall Counties. Three inches of rain in an hour and a half was reported in extreme northwest Marshall County. The highest rainfall amount was seven inches southeast of Bowdle. The rains caused lowland flooding, with water over several roads in Marshall County, including Highway 10, two miles east of Britton. In Britton, 3.86 inches of rain was reported.

July 15, 2006: Record heat occurred across central and north central South Dakota and into parts of northeast South Dakota. Afternoon high temperatures ranged from 105 to as high as 120 degrees. Record highs were set at Pierre, Mobridge, Kennebec, and Timber Lake. Pierre set a new all-time record high of 117 degrees and Mobridge tied their all-time record high of 116 degrees. Kennebec and Timber Lake both hit a record high temperature of 112 degrees. The coop observer station 17 miles west-southwest of Fort Pierre tied the state record high temperature with 120 degrees. Other high temperatures for the day were 116 degrees at Onida and Mission Ridge, 114 degrees at Murdo, 112 degrees at Redfield and Blunt, 111 degrees at Stephan, 110 degrees at Conde and Gann Valley, and 109 degrees at Aberdeen.

July 15, 2011: A large upper-level high-pressure area built over the region bringing very hot and humid conditions. This heat was the worst to hit the region since July 2006. Beginning on Friday, July 15th and persisting through Wednesday, July 20th, many locations experienced high temperatures in the 90s to lower 100s, with low temperatures in the 70s at night. Also, humidity levels rose to extreme levels at times. Surface dew point temperatures in the 70s and lower 80s brought extreme heat index values of up to 110 to 125 degrees. The dew points were some of the highest ever recorded in the region. The dew point at Aberdeen tied the previous record with 82 degrees. Sisseton also tied their record with 83 degrees. Watertown came a degree shy of tying their record with 80 degrees.







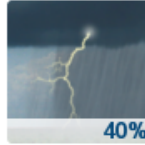
The prolonged heat took its toll on livestock with fifteen hundred cattle perishing during the heat. Numerous sports and outdoor activities were canceled. Some of the highest heat index values included; 110 degrees at Mobridge; 111 degrees at Watertown; 113 degrees at Miller and Gettysburg; 114 degrees at Wheaton and Faulkton; 116 degrees at Pierre; 118 degrees at Sisseton; and 121 degrees at Aberdeen. The highest heat index value occurred at Leola with a temperature of 98 degrees and a dew point of 82 degrees, and the heat index hit 125 degrees.

1888: The Bandai volcano erupts on the Japanese island of Honshu on this day in 1888, killing hundreds and burying many nearby villages in ash. Click [HERE](#) for more information from the History Channel.

1901: The city of Marquette, Michigan set their all-time record high temperature with 108-degree reading.

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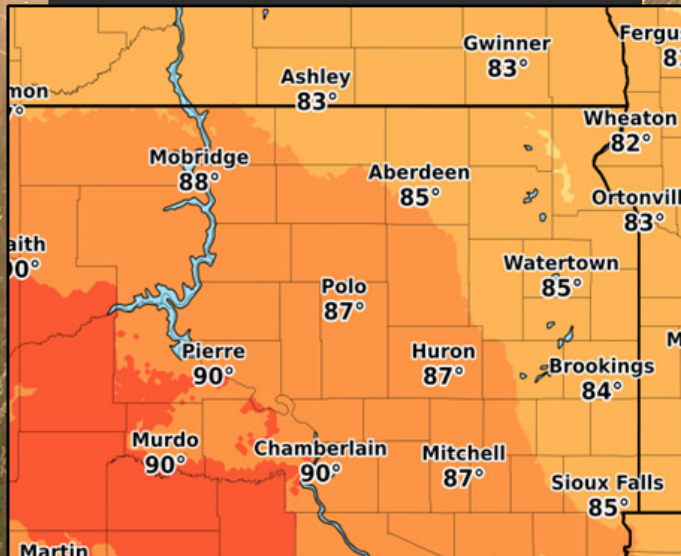
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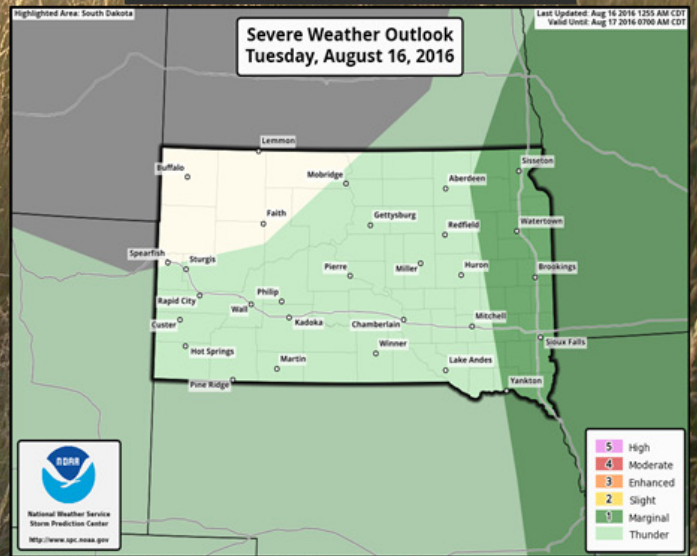
Warm Again Today Storms Possible Eastern Areas



Today's High Temperatures



Severe Threat Today



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Temperatures will be warm once again today, with highs in the 80s for most locations. Parts of central South Dakota will be around 90 degrees. Conditions will feel a bit humid as well, more so for eastern portions of the forecast area. Scattered showers and thunderstorms are also possible across eastern South Dakota and west central Minnesota this afternoon as a frontal boundary moves across the region. A few storms could be on the strong side with hail and gusty winds. Far eastern portions of the forecast area are in a marginal risk for severe storms today.

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Yesterday's Weather

High Outside Temp: 82.8 F at 5:35 PM

Low Outside Temp: 63.1 F at 3:34 AM

High Gust: 19.0 Mph at 2:06 AM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 105° in 1988

Record Low: 42 in 1897

Average High: 82°F

Average Low: 57°F

Average Precip in Aug: 1.25

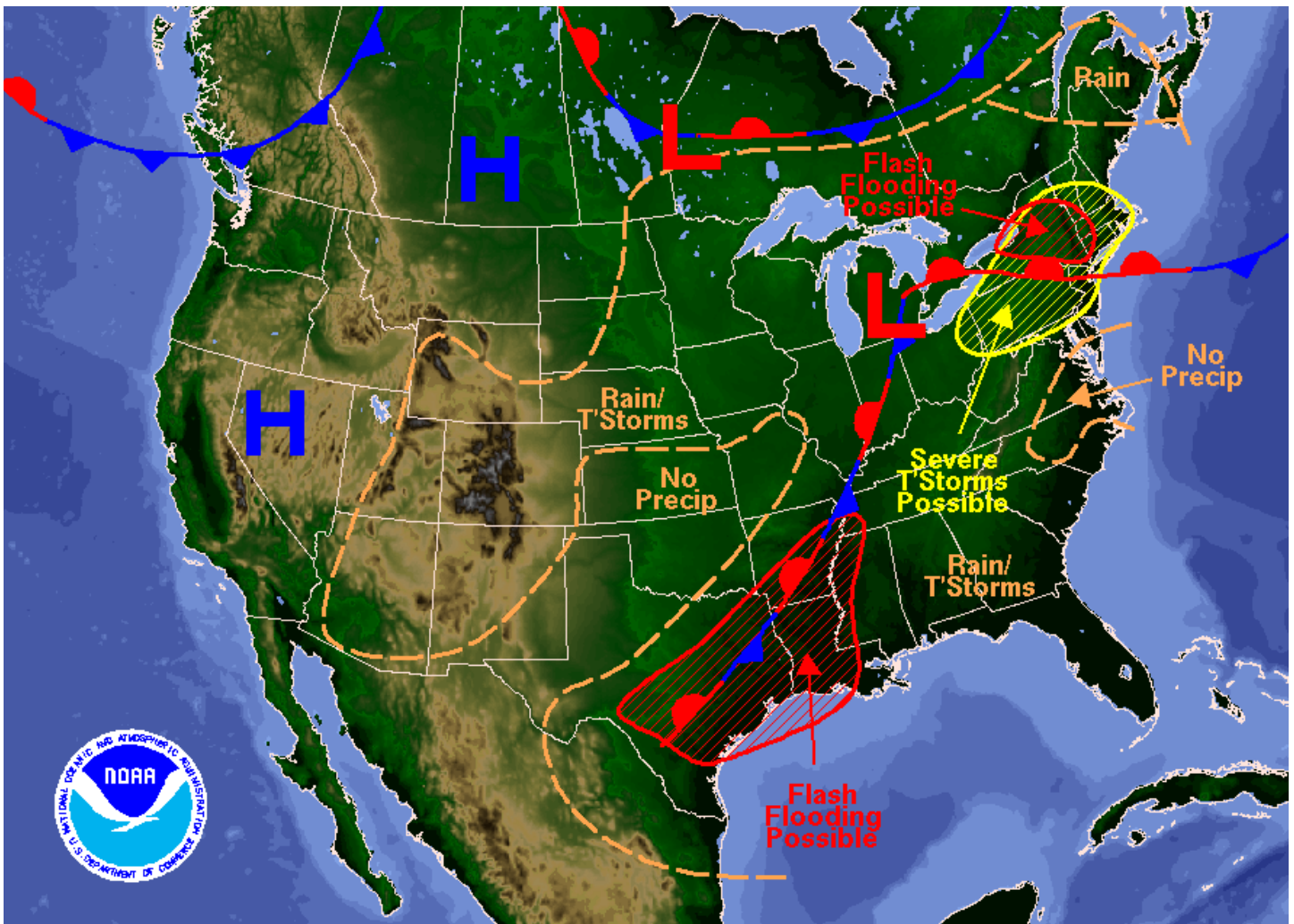
Precip to date in Aug: 1.45

Average Precip to date: 15.11

Precip Year to Date: 12.53

Sunset Tonight: 8:38 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:37 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Tue, Aug 16, 2016, issued 4:46 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McReynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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LIVING FOR OTHERS

William Booth, the Founder of the Salvation Army, had a deep love for the Lord and the poor of London. In fact, the Army was founded in the slums of London in a nation that was not very kind to the poor. On one occasion Booth was actually arrested for practicing charity among the poor.

During that era the needs of the poor were great and the times were difficult for all. As a result, his work grew rapidly. He was told that there was a similar need in America and decided to send some "volunteers" from his Army to America to begin their work here.

On one occasion the American Salvation Army was having a convention. Although he could not attend he was asked to send a message to the ones in attendance. He cabled only one word: "Others!"

There is a great danger when we do not think of "Others!" Paul warned about it when he wrote, "Don't be selfish: don't live to make a good impression on others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourself."

It is almost impossible to imagine the impact that we Christians could have on the world if we took Paul's words to heart. Imagine with me, if you can, how different the world would be if we accepted the problems of others as though they were ours.

Prayer: Help me, Father, to accept my responsibility to be moved with compassion and act with charity to meet the needs of others who need hope and help. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Philippians 2:3 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves.

The logo for Golden Living, featuring the words "golden" in orange and "living" in blue, with a stylized orange and blue wave graphic below.

We now accept

The logo for Avera Health Plans, featuring the word "Avera" in white on a blue background, with a white cross symbol to the right, and "Health Plans" in white below.

for out patient therapy.

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News from the Associated Press

Aerodynamics Inc. makes inaugural flight out of Pierre

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Aerodynamics Inc. has begun flights between South Dakota's capital city and Denver, after a rocky two-year process.

Pierre officials began looking for a new carrier in 2014 after becoming dissatisfied with Great Lake Airlines, whose service was plagued by flight delays and cancelations. That carrier blamed the problems on a pilot shortage caused by federal regulations.

Pierre leaders in late 2014 recommended Aerodynamics take over service under a federal subsidy program but later soured on the carrier due to concerns over finances and management. Last April, they decided to once again recommend Aerodynamics, after the carrier made leadership changes.

Aerodynamics flew its first flight out of Pierre on Monday. Mayor Laurie Gill says the city's goal was to get reliable service to a major hub, and that's been accomplished.

Men convicted in reservation metal bar assault lose appeals

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Two men convicted of assaulting another man on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation with a metal bar have lost their appeals to the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Authorities say Wesley Running Shield and Michael Alford in June 2014 used the metal bar to break the victim's leg and hand and also caused a large cut on his head.

They were convicted in February 2015 of assault with a dangerous weapon and assault resulting in serious bodily injury. They were sentenced four months later to each serve 15 years in prison followed by three years of supervised release.

U.S. Attorney Randolph Seiler says the appeals court recently affirmed their convictions and sentences.

300 students get scholarships to South Dakota tech schools

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Three-hundred students have been selected to receive free rides to South Dakota's four public technical schools.

The office of Gov. Dennis Daugaard says the Build Dakota Scholarship Board chose the recipients of the financial aid packages from a pool of 1,300 applications. The selected students will receive free tuition, books and any materials required by their degree.

The Build Dakota Scholarship program is funded through a \$25 million donation from banker and philanthropist T. Denny Sanford and a \$25 million grant from the state. The program aims to support students entering eight "high-need" areas, including automotive, medical lab technicians and welding.

South Dakota residents and out-of-state students are eligible to apply. Recipients must commit to work in their field of study in South Dakota for three years after graduation.

Advisers charged in tribe's marijuana resort enter pleas

REGINA GARCIA CANO, Associated Press

FLANDREAU, S.D. (AP) — Two consultants who helped a Native American tribe plan the nation's first marijuana resort entered opposing pleas Monday to drug offenses, with the attorney for the man who pleaded not guilty arguing outside of court that South Dakota's top prosecutor is proceeding under a "legal fiction."

Jonathan Hunt, who oversaw the first crop for the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe, pleaded guilty to a

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drug conspiracy count in the city of Flandreau, which is adjacent to the tribe's reservation where the ambitious "adult playground" never took off. Eric Hagen, the CEO of the Colorado-based consulting firm Monarch America, pleaded not guilty to charges of conspiracy to possess, possession and attempt to possess more than 10 pounds of marijuana.

The charges were filed Aug. 3, eight months after tribal leaders destroyed the marijuana crop, fearing a federal raid, and walking away from the headline-grabbing scheme that they estimated would have yielded up to \$2 million in monthly profits.

Hagen's attorney, Mike Butler, spoke publicly for the first time Monday, blasting Attorney General Marty Jackley for charging his client because he "couldn't go after the tribe."

"I am yet unaware of any evidence, any evidence, that my client possessed even a gram of marijuana," Butler said outside the courtroom. "...The marijuana belonged to the Santee Sioux Tribe. They paid for it. They had legal ownership of it at all times. Mr. Hagen never had possession, actual or constructive, of the marijuana alleged in this case."

Butler said he will call tribal officials to testify in court.

Hunt and his attorney declined to comment to The Associated Press on Monday. Hunt is to be sentenced Dec. 19, though the date could change depending on Hagen's case. The prosecution recommended probation.

The tribe's attorney, Seth Pearman, said tribal officials are not commenting on the cases at the moment. No tribal officials are charged.

Court documents say Hunt ordered 55 different strains of marijuana seeds from a company in the Netherlands that were put in CD cases and sewn into shirts and shipped to the tribe's office in August 2015. Authorities say Hunt and others planted about 30 strains in September and October at the greenhouse on the reservation.

Authorities allege that Hagen conspired to possess, possessed and attempted to possess the marijuana plants that were being grown at the greenhouse.

The Santee Sioux began to explore growing marijuana after the Justice Department outlined a new policy in 2014 clearing the way for Indian tribes to grow and sell marijuana under the same conditions as some states that have legalized pot. When tribal leaders initially touted their plan to open the resort, Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe president Anthony Reider said they wanted it to be "an adult playground."

The ambitious plans included a smoking lounge with a nightclub, bar and food service and, eventually, an outdoor music venue. Tribal officials planned to use the money for community services and to provide income to tribal members.

But weeks after the growing operation took off, the crop was burned in batches — about 600 plants in all — after federal officials signaled a potential raid.

Jackley warned against the idea from the outset, saying changes in tribal law to permit the operation wouldn't protect non-tribal members. Hunt is not a member of any recognized tribe in the U.S.

Patient: IHS delayed removing dirty sewing needle from foot

PINE RIDGE, S.D. (AP) — An Oglala Sioux woman says in a federal lawsuit that she's suffered a disabling injury after staff at the Indian Health Service hospital in Pine Ridge waited days to remove a dirty sewing needle lodged in her foot.

Karrie Yankton of Pine Ridge is seeking expenses and court-determined compensation in the suit against the federal government alleging medical negligence.

A previous administrative claim for \$5 million was denied.

Yankton says she visited the Pine Ridge facility's emergency room in September 2010 for a sharp pain

in her heel. She says the sewing needle wasn't removed for several days after staff identified it.

Yankton says the negligence of IHS employees has caused her physical suffering, permanent disfigurement and disability and income loss, among other allegations.

An IHS spokesman says the agency doesn't comment on pending litigation.

Oglala Sioux Tribe members to join pipeline protesters

PINE RIDGE, S.D. (AP) — Oglala Sioux Tribe members are traveling from their reservation in southwest South Dakota to join a growing protest against the construction of a four-state oil pipeline.

Donna Solomon is the tribe's legislative liaison. She says at least two buses and several cars carrying tribal members will arrive Monday evening to the site of the protest in North Dakota, just north of the Standing Rock Indian Reservation.

The Standing Rock Sioux had quietly opposed the Dakota Access pipeline for months near their reservation, but protesters' resistance heated up last week as at least 18 people were arrested.

Pipeline opponents say the project would disturb sacred sites and could affect drinking water on the reservation and for people downstream.

The company says the pipeline would include safeguards such as leak detection equipment.

Dakota Access pipeline owners sue North Dakota protesters

JAMES MacPHERSON, Associated Press

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — Developers of a \$3.8 billion, four-state oil pipeline sued in federal court Monday to stop protesters near an American Indian reservation in North Dakota from interfering with the project, alleging the safety of workers and law enforcement is at risk.

Dakota Access LLC filed a lawsuit against Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Chairman David Archambault II and other protesters, seeking restraining orders and unspecified monetary damages.

The protesters "have created and will continue to create a risk of bodily injury and harm to Dakota Access employees and contractors, as well as to law enforcement personnel and other individuals at the construction site," the company wrote in court papers.

Archambault was among several protesters charged last week with disorderly conduct or criminal trespass at the construction site near the Standing Rock Sioux reservation that straddles the North Dakota-South Dakota border.

The tribe sued federal regulators late last month for approving the pipeline, which will take crude oil from the Bakken oil fields in North Dakota to Illinois and cross the Missouri River just upstream of the reservation. The tribe argues the pipeline would disturb sacred sites and affect drinking water for the thousands of residents on the reservation and the millions who rely on it downstream.

Dakota Access said in court papers that threats have been made to workers, and rocks and bottles have been thrown, and that Archambault excused tribal employees from work last week to protest the pipeline's construction.

Archambault told reporters Monday that he was arrested for "doing what everybody else was doing: demonstrating." He said he expected more arrests and acts of civil disobedience to continue, calling the pipeline "a black poisonous snake" that "is made from nothing but greed."

Workers accompanied by armed private security guards started construction on the project near the reservation last week.

Several sheriff's deputies and about 30 North Dakota Highway Patrol troopers were on site Monday, and the highway patrol asked motorists to avoid a state highway near the reservation because of the protests.

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Texas-based Dakota Access claims the protesters are causing the company “to lose goodwill among its customers” because of delays and are “diminishing” its “opportunity to complete construction of the pipeline’s water crossing before its permits expire.”

Man shot by Aberdeen police officer in weekend incident

ABERDEEN, S.D. (AP) — Authorities have arrested a man who was shot by an Aberdeen police officer for felony aggravated assault and drug charges.

Attorney General Marty Jackley says the incident happened after officers responded to a disturbance call at a residence shortly after midnight Saturday.

Jackley says 21-year-old Ehkhu Hser Poe of Aberdeen was shot and taken to a hospital with undisclosed injuries. His condition wasn’t released.

It wasn’t immediately clear if Poe has an attorney.

Jackley did not name the officer who was involved. The officer will be placed on administrative leave during the investigation, which is standard procedure.

An officer also was hurt during the incident. Jackley says the officer was treated at a hospital for serious injuries that weren’t life threatening and released.

Sioux Falls man pleads not guilty to cyberstalking charge

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A Sioux Falls man accused of placing Craigslist advertisements that included pornography, a photo of a woman’s face, her address and an invitation to come to her home for sex has pleaded not guilty to cyberstalking.

Eugene Ogden recently entered the plea in federal court in South Dakota.

Ogden’s indictment says that between June and July he used email accounts and Craigslist to cause emotional distress to the adult woman, “an intimate partner.”

The Associated Press has requested comment from the federal public defender’s office, which is representing Ogden.

Latest: Attorney: No evidence consultant possessed marijuana

FLANDREAU, S.D. (AP) — The Latest on two consultants charged in a failed plan to open the nation’s first marijuana resort (all times local):

12:40 p.m.

The attorney for a consultant facing drug charges in connection with a Native American tribe’s failed effort to open the nation’s first marijuana resort says the drug for the operation never belonged to this client.

Attorney Mike Butler is defending Eric Hagen, the CEO of the Colorado-based consulting firm Monarch America. Butler says he is unaware of any evidence showing that his client possessed “even a gram of marijuana.”

South Dakota Attorney General Marty Jackley filed three charges against Hagen on Aug. 3. Hagen pleaded not guilty Monday to conspiracy to possess, possession and attempt to possess more than 10 pounds of marijuana.

Butler says Jackley is proceeding under a “legal fiction” against Hagen.

Another consultant in the resort plan, Jonathan Hunt, pleaded guilty to a conspiracy count Monday.

9:55 a.m.

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A consultant from Colorado has pleaded not guilty to possession and other drug charges related to a failed attempt to establish the nation's first marijuana resort at a Native American reservation.

Eric Hagen was charged Aug. 3 with conspiracy to possess, possession and attempt to possess more than 10 pounds of marijuana.

Hagen entered a not-guilty plea Monday in Flandreau, South Dakota.

The state's top prosecutor filed the charges against Hagen, the CEO of the Colorado-based consulting firm Monarch America, months after tribal leaders destroyed the marijuana crop over fears of a federal raid.

Another consultant in the resort plan, Jonathan Hunt, pleaded guilty to a conspiracy count Monday.

9:45 a.m.

One of two consultants who worked with a Native American tribe on its plans to open the nation's first marijuana resort has pleaded guilty to a drug offense in South Dakota.

Jonathan Hunt is the cultivation expert who oversaw the first marijuana crop of the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe. He entered his plea to a drug conspiracy count for his role in the planned resort on Monday in Flandreau.

The state's top prosecutor filed drug-related charges Aug. 3 against Hunt and Eric Hagen, CEO of the Colorado-based consulting firm Monarch America, months after tribal leaders destroyed the marijuana crop over fears of a federal raid.

Court documents show the 43-year-old Hunt, of Denver, ordered marijuana seeds from a Dutch company that were shipped surreptitiously to the tribe's office in 2015.

Traffic injuries, fatalities fall dramatically at Sturgis

STURGIS, S.D. (AP) — Traffic-related injuries and fatalities at this year's Sturgis Motorcycle Rally were down dramatically from a year ago, when the 75th annual event attracted record crowds.

The Highway Patrol reported 50 injury accidents and a record-low three deaths during the seven-day rally that wrapped up Sunday, down from 124 injuries and a record-high 15 deaths last year. Non-injury accidents and arrests for driving under the influence also were down this year.

A record 739,000 people attended last year's landmark rally. This year's attendance hasn't been released, but traffic counts as of Friday were down 40 percent from 2015, state Transportation Department spokeswoman Kellie Beck told the Capital Journal.

"Last year, there were like a million people out there. It was nuts," rally-goer Jackie Griffin told KELO-TV. "This year it's not too bad."

Many vendors reported a big drop in business, blaming smaller crowds.

"We had to slash prices this year just because of the turnout," T-shirt vendor Brian Blaine told KOTA-TV. "We went from \$55 a shirt all the way to \$15.99 a shirt. We took a big hit on sales."

Vendor Robert Huddleson told KEVN-TV that it's getting harder for small vendors to compete with big companies, and this was his last rally.

"I would love to come back, but I'm not going to put up with the hassle anymore," he said.

North Dakota patrol asks motorists to avoid pipeline protest

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — The North Dakota Highway Patrol is asking motorists to avoid state Highway 1806 near Fort Rice because of an oil pipeline protest along the road.

Troopers say traffic delays are expected on the highway that runs through the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation in southern North Dakota.

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Opponents of the \$3.8 billion Dakota Access pipeline are protesting near a construction zone just north of the reservation. Troopers say motorists should use an alternate route, such as state Highway 6.

Highway Patrol Lt. Tom Iverson says about 250 protesters were at the site on Monday. He says there are about 30 troopers monitoring the protest.

Powerball ticket sold in Huron worth \$50K; jackpot at \$94M

HURON, S.D. (AP) — A Powerball ticket sold in Huron is worth \$50,000 in the latest drawing.

State lottery officials say the ticket matched four of five white ball numbers and the Powerball in Saturday's drawing to win the game's third prize. The odds of doing so are 1 in about 913,000.

Powerball is played in 44 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. The jackpot for Wednesday's drawing sits at \$94 million.

2-motorcycle crash on Interstate 90 kills 1, injures 1

PRESHO, S.D. (AP) — A crash on Interstate 90 in Lyman County involving two motorcycles killed one driver and injured the other.

The Highway Patrol says one of the bikes slowed quickly and the other rear-ended it. The crash happened 6 miles west of Presho near midday Sunday.

Both of the drivers were 58-year-old men. Authorities did not immediately identify them.

Police chief was surprised by violence after fatal shooting

TODD RICHMOND, Associated Press

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Following a night of violence that left half a dozen businesses in flames, the Milwaukee police chief expressed surprise at the level of unrest that erupted after the fatal shooting of a black man by a black officer.

"This was, quite frankly, unanticipated," Police Chief Edward Flynn said Monday, two days after the worst of the rioting hit the Sherman Park neighborhood on the city's economically depressed and largely black north side.

The city was calmer on Monday evening after two nights of unrest. Six arrests were made after some "heated confrontations" but there was no destruction of property or rioting, Flynn said. A 10 p.m. curfew for those under the age of 18 appeared to be honored with the aid of community leaders and parents, Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett said.

The chief's statement raised questions about whether authorities could have taken steps to curb the violence, perhaps by sharing details of the shooting earlier, including the officer's race or footage from his body camera.

Randolph McLaughlin, a Pace University law professor and a civil rights attorney, questioned how Milwaukee leaders could have expected the streets to stay quiet on Saturday night given the national debate about law enforcement and race.

"For a mayor to say everything's fine (and) we just killed somebody, that's turning a blind eye to his town," McLaughlin said.

He said Barrett should have reached out to residents and community leaders and asked: "What do we need to do to make sure your community is safe?" McLaughlin said. "He needs to stay on the job."

David Klinger, a University of Missouri-St. Louis sociology professor who studies police use of deadly force, said it would not necessarily have helped for police to release the officer's race sooner. He pointed out that the city saw disruptions on Sunday night, after his race had been publicized, though less

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intense than the previous night.

He also said the city may have hesitated to give the officer's race sooner for fear it would identify him. Remy Cross, a criminologist at Webster University in St. Louis, said the officer's race probably does not matter to many people in the community.

"They see the institution as racist, not the individual," Cross said. "Once you put on the uniform, you're blue, and blue sees black as bad."

Flynn said it was "an error in narrative to assume" that because police shot someone that the shooting will be controversial "so let's have a riot."

Cecil Brewer, 67, who owns an apartment house directly across from the intersection where protesters burned a gas station on Saturday night and hurled rocks at police on Sunday night, said the rioting was all but inevitable.

"There's so much anger in these kids," Brewer said. The shooting "was like a spark in a powder keg. It doesn't matter to them if what the authorities are saying is true."

The problems began Saturday afternoon when police stopped a rental car that was driving suspiciously, Flynn said. Sylville Smith bolted from the car with a gun, leading an officer on a short foot chase before the officer shot the 23-year-old man. Police said Smith was fleeing a traffic stop but released few other details.

The violence erupted later that evening.

During a news conference around midnight calling for calm, Barrett said people were gathering at the scene when he left at 5 p.m. Saturday, but they were peaceful and he thought everything was under control.

At another news conference Sunday afternoon, Flynn offered new details, revealing that the officer who opened fire was black, like Smith, and said body-camera video showed Smith had turned toward the officer and refused to drop his weapon. He also said the officer shot Smith in the chest and arm. Some people interviewed on the north side had speculated that Smith was shot in the back.

The body-camera footage has not been released. It's in the custody of the state Justice Department, which is leading the investigation into the shooting.

Flynn activated the department's 150-member crowd-control team on Sunday night, and Gov. Scott Walker put the National Guard on standby. Hundreds of people gathered near the scene of the shooting that evening, but remained peaceful. Most of them eventually dispersed.

Around 10:30 p.m., however, a group of perhaps 100 demonstrators began marching through the streets, eventually blocking an intersection next to a BP gas station that burned down the night before. They threw bottles, chunks of concrete and rocks at officers. Dozens of officers arrived and forced the group down the street.

Seven officers were injured and 14 people were arrested by the time it was over. An 18-year-old man was shot near the intersection. Police had to use an armored vehicle to rescue him. He was taken to a hospital, but Flynn said his life was not in danger.

Smith's death was just the latest in a string of shootings involving police and black men to spark demonstrations and protests.

In Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where 37-year-old Alton Sterling was fatally shot in July during a struggle with two white police officers, protests largely dissipated after three law enforcement officers were killed in a shooting attack that appeared to target police. Demonstrations also unfolded after 32-year-old Philando Castile was shot and killed in suburban St. Paul, Minnesota, during a traffic stop by a Latino police officer. Those protests dwindled in the ensuing weeks.

Last year, the state Justice Department agreed to review Milwaukee police procedures after a white

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officer shot Dontre Hamilton, a mentally ill black man, in a downtown park during a scuffle.

DeShawn Corprue, 31, who lives behind the burned-out BP station, said nothing that police released about Smith's death would have stopped the weekend's unrest.

"People are just so angry," he said.

Flynn blamed a Chicago chapter of the Revolutionary Communist Party for coming to town and inciting Sunday's violence.

"There is ample opportunity for second-guessing, I'm sure," Flynn said.

Ultralight pilot in Germany spends night in tree after crash

BERLIN (AP) — The pilot of an ultralight aircraft in Germany spent more than 12 hours stuck up a tree after rescuers were unable to reach him overnight.

Police in the southwestern state of Baden-Wuerttemberg said the unidentified man crash-landed in the tree late Monday about 30 kilometers (19 miles) east of Stuttgart.

Attempts to bring the man down from his lofty perch 30 meters (98 feet) above ground had to be abandoned at nightfall because of the risk that the plane and its pilot might be dislodged and fall to the ground, police said.

The 59-year-old was eventually rescued unharmed Tuesday.

Palestinians: Dozens wounded in clashes with Israeli troops

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Palestinian medical officials say some 35 people have been wounded in clashes with the Israeli military near the West Bank city of Hebron.

The Palestinian Red Crescent says live fire struck about 10 people Tuesday after rioters threw big rocks at Israeli troops. It says the 25 others were struck by rubber bullets.

The Israeli military says its forces were on an overnight operation in the Fawwar refugee camp to uncover militant weaponry and ammunition.

The military says it fired toward the riot's main instigators to try to prevent escalation.

The military often conducts raids against suspected militants.

Palestinian attacks have killed 34 Israelis and two visiting Americans since September. Over 205 Palestinians have been killed, most of them identified as attackers by Israel.

The Latest: Clinton taps ex-Interior chief for transition

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Latest on the 2016 presidential campaign. (all times local):

7:00 a.m.

Hillary Clinton has tapped former Interior Secretary Ken Salazar to lead her White House transition team.

Salazar will chair a team that also includes former National Security Adviser Tom Donilon, former Michigan Gov. Jennifer Granholm, and longtime Clinton allies Neera Tanden and Maggie Williams.

The team will oversee planning for a potential Clinton administration should the Democratic nominee win in November.

Republican Donald Trump has tapped New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie to lead his transition efforts.

By law, both nominees have access to offices in Washington and other resources to begin planning for their potential administrations.

3:30 a.m.

Donald Trump is calling for "extreme" vetting of immigrants seeking admission to the United States,

but he's offering few specifics about how that might work, how long it might last or how taxpayers would foot the bill.

Trump, who had previously called for an unprecedented temporary ban on immigration by Muslims, vowed Monday to overhaul the country's screening process and block those who sympathize with extremist groups or don't embrace American values.

The GOP presidential nominee has made stricter immigration measures a central part of his proposals for defeating the Islamic State — a battle he said Monday is akin to the struggle against communism during the Cold War. He called for parents, teachers and others to promote "American culture" and encouraged "assimilation."

But he didn't say which countries or regions would be subject to the "extreme" vetting, and his announcement that government agencies would create the list suggested that would not happen before the election in November.

The Latest: Louisiana: FEMA head travels to Baton Rouge

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — The Latest on flooding in the Deep South (all times local):

6 a.m.

The administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency is coming to Louisiana to meeting with state officials on the ongoing flooding there.

Craig Fugate will meet with Gov. John Bel Edwards on Tuesday to discuss the situation.

The governor's office says Fugate will travel to Louisiana to meet with the state's Unified Command Group to discuss the federal assistance available and response efforts.

The federal government declared a major disaster in the state, specifically in the parishes of Tangipahoa, St. Helena, East Baton Rouge and Livingston. State officials say disaster declarations for other parishes affected by flooding could come this week.

2:45 a.m.

Some residents of Louisiana's capital city have begun struggling to return to flood-damaged homes on foot, in cars and by boat as waters recede in some areas.

But though the rain had mostly stopped, new places in the state are facing flood dangers from the deluge that has sent thousands into shelters.

Rivers and creeks are still dangerously bloated south of Baton Rouge. People have filled sandbags to protect their houses, bracing for the worst as high water flows toward the Gulf of Mexico. In one area, Ascension Parish, officials say some small towns have already been inundated.

Several deaths have been reported, including a body pulled late Monday from Baton Rouge floodwaters. The disaster has prompted thousands of rescues and many found refuge in hastily prepared shelters.

2 more books planned for 'Ember in the Ashes' series

NEW YORK (AP) — Sabaa Tahir has more battles planned for her heroine Laia in the best-selling fantasy series "An Ember in the Ashes."

Razorbill, an imprint of Penguin Young Readers, told The Associated Press on Tuesday that it had a deal for books 3 and 4. The author's first novel, "An Ember in the Ashes," came out last year and was an immediate critical and commercial hit, with Paramount Pictures acquiring film rights. The sequel, "A Torch Against the Night," is scheduled for publication at the end of this month. Book 3 is expected in

2018.

The series is set in a world inspired by ancient Rome and tells of young Laia's fight, which leads her to disguise herself as a slave, against the tyrannical Martial Empire.

Search resumes for Nazi gold train that might not even exist

VANESSA GERA, Associated Press

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Explorers in Poland began digging Tuesday for a legendary Nazi train laden with treasure and armaments, dissuaded by decades of fruitless searches and a scientific determination that no train is even there.

The search in southeastern Poland attests to the power of a local legend claiming a Nazi "gold" train disappeared in a mountain tunnel as the Germans escaped the advancing Soviet army at the end of World War II.

As the dig got underway, a yellow excavator moved earth along railroad tracks above the spot where two explorers believe the train is buried, according to images aired by Poland's TVN24. The work is expected to last several days.

The two men claimed last year to have located the elusive train with radar equipment below ground in the city of Walbrzych, sparking a gold rush in that area.

A government official initially said he was "99 percent sure" the train was there, but geological experts using magnetic equipment found no train on the spot.

Historians say the existence of the train, which is said to have gone missing in May 1945, never has been conclusively proven. Polish authorities nonetheless have seemed eager to check every possibility of recovering treasures that have sparked the imaginations of local people for decades.

Legend holds the train was armed and loaded with treasure and disappeared after entering a complex of tunnels under the Owl Mountains, a secret project known as "Riese" — or Giant — the Nazis never finished.

The area belonged to Germany at the time, but has been part of Poland since the borders were moved in the postwar settlement.

Russian warplanes take off from Iran to target IS in Syria

NATALIYA VASILYEVA, Associated Press

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian warplanes took off on Tuesday from a base in Iran to target Islamic State fighters and other militants in Syria, Russia's Defense Ministry said, widening Moscow's bombing campaign in a major development in the country's civil war.

The long-range bombers took off from near the city of Hamedan, around 280 kilometers (175 miles) southwest of the Iranian capital, and struck targets in three provinces in northern and eastern Syria.

It is virtually unheard of in Iran's recent history to allow a foreign power to use one of its bases to stage attacks from. Russia has also never used the territory of another country in the Middle East for its operations inside Syria, where it has been carrying out an aerial campaign in support of President Bashar Assad's government for nearly a year.

The announcement suggests cooperation on the highest levels between Moscow and Tehran, both key allies of the embattled president.

It comes a day after Russia's defense minister said Moscow and Washington are edging closer to an agreement on Syria that would help defuse the situation in the besieged northern city of Aleppo.

Russian Defense Minister Sergei Shoigu said the agreement would "allow us to find common ground

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and start fighting together for bringing peace to that territory,” adding that Russian representatives are “in a very active stage of talks with our American colleagues.”

A U.S. official said, however, that discussions with the Russians are still ongoing and no agreement is close. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the talks.

Russia and the United States have been discussing greater coordination for striking extremists in Syria, but they have been unable to reach agreement on which militant groups could be targeted.

Russia has criticized what it describes as U.S. reluctance to persuade the Syrian opposition groups it supports to withdraw from areas controlled by al-Qaida’s branch in Syria.

In Tehran, the state-run IRNA news agency quoted Ali Shamkhani, the secretary of Iran’s Supreme National Security Council, as saying that Tehran and Moscow have exchanged “capacity and possibilities” in the fight against the Islamic State group.

“With constructive and extended cooperation between Iran, Russia and Syria and the resistance front (Hezbollah), the situation has become very tough for terrorists and the trend will continue until the complete destruction of them,” Shamkhani said.

Russia and Iran have been expanding their ties in the past months after most of the sanctions against Iran were lifted following the nuclear deal with world powers that put restricted Iran’s nuclear program from weapons-grade capability.

A top Russian lawmaker, Adm. Vladimir Komoyedov, said Russia’s decision to use a base in Iran will help to cut costs, which is “paramount right now.”

The Russian ministry’s statement issued said Su-34 and Tu-22M3 bombers took off earlier in the day to target Islamic State and the Nusra Front militants in Aleppo, as well as in Deir el-Zour and Idlib, destroying five major ammunition depots, training camps and three command posts.

The Nusra Front is al-Qaida’s branch in Syria. However, the group recently announced it was changing its name to Fath al-Sham and severing ties with the global terror network in an apparent attempt to evade Russian and U.S.-led airstrikes. Russia and the U.S. have dismissed the name change as window-dressing.

The Russian Defense Ministry released a video showing a Russian Tu-22M3 long-range bomber dropping bombs in strikes described as “terrorist objects in Syria.”

The nearest air base to Hamedan is Shahid Nojeh Air Base, some 50 kilometers (31 miles) north of the city. Iran’s constitution, ratified after its 1979 Islamic Revolution, bans the establishment of any foreign military base in the country. However, nothing bars Iranian officials from allowing foreign countries to use an airfield.

Russia says its bombing campaign in Syria is focused on extremist groups but it has frequently struck other, including more moderate rebels fighting Assad’s forces.

Last week, Russian bombers launched a wave of airstrikes on the city of Raqqa, the Islamic State group’s de facto capital in northern Syria, killing at least 20 civilians according to Syrian opposition activists.

10 Things to Know for Today The Associated Press

Your daily look at late-breaking news, upcoming events and the stories that will be talked about today:

1. RUSSIAN WARPLANES TAKE OFF FROM IRAN TO TARGET IS MILITANTS

In a major development, Russia has never before used territory of another country in the region, outside Syria, for its operations in the war-ravaged country before this.

2. WHERE TRUMP SHARES A POLICY WITH OBAMA

The Republican nominee says that as president he would end “our current strategy of nation-building” — a dislike shared by many, including the current U.S. president.

3. WHAT HAS BECOME AN ELECTION ISSUE IN '16

The law that bans federal funding for Medicaid coverage of most abortions is now in the spotlight some 40 years after it was passed by Congress.

4. MILWAUKEE DEEMED TOUGHEST CITY FOR BLACKS

The city of 600,000 is the country’s most segregated metropolitan area, surpassing larger, deeply divided cities such as Chicago, Cleveland and Detroit, an analysis of census data find.

5. FLOODWATERS PERSISTS IN LOUISIANA

As waters begin to recede from parts of Baton Rouge, displaced residents struggle to return to flood-damaged homes on foot, in cars and by boat even as new places in the state face rising flood dangers.

6. CALIFORNIAN ARRESTED FOR STARTING WILDFIRES

Damin Anthony Pashilk, 40, faces arson charges for allegedly sparking the blaze that destroyed more than 175 homes and other structures in a Northern California town.

7. MAN CHARGED IN SLAYING OF IMAM, FRIEND

Oscar Morel, 35, is suspected of gunning down an imam and his friend as they left a New York City mosque, say police, who have not yet released a motive.

8. MELTING GLACIERS POSE THREAT

The icecaps of South America are dying from soot and rising temperatures, threatening water supplies to communities and leading to sudden, tragic flooding.

9. MOVE OVER, FACE TIME

Google’s video chatting app, dubbed Duo, represents the tech giant’s response to other popular video calling options.

10. RIO GAMES SHINE LIGHT ON LACK OF SPORTS FOR BRAZILIAN GIRLS

Brazilian female athletes are shining at the Summer Olympics — and people here are playing attention, some for the first time.

Louisiana: Flood danger persists, body pulled from waters

MICHAEL KUNZELMAN, Associated Press

MELINDA DESLATTE, Associated Press

REBECCA SANTANA, Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — As waters begin to recede in parts of Louisiana’s capital city, some residents struggled to return to flood-damaged homes on foot, in cars and by boat. But though the rain had mostly stopped, new places in the state faced flood dangers from the deluge that has sent thousands into shelters.

Rivers and creeks were still dangerously bloated in areas south of Baton Rouge as people filled sandbags there to protect their houses, bracing for the worst as the water worked its way south. In one area, Ascension Parish, officials said some small towns have already been inundated.

Seven deaths have been reported and more than 20,000 have had to be rescued since Friday in some of the worst flooding the state has ever seen. And at least 11,000 have hunkered down in shelters to wait out the floods.

The slow-moving, low-pressure system that dumped more than 20 inches of rain on some parts of Louisiana was crawling into Texas, but the National Weather Service warned the danger of new flood-

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ing remained high due to the sheer volume of water flowing toward the Gulf of Mexico.

In and around Baton Rouge, many were anxious to check on damage. But a police officer at one Baton Rouge area roadblock warned Jack Miller that the 60-year-old was risking arrest if he tried to drive a boat on a trailer down a stretch of the highway down to just two lanes.

"I'm trying to get back to my home and rescue my cat," Miller said.

Authorities late Monday said a body had been pulled from floodwaters in Baton Rouge, raising the toll to seven dead.

Casey Rayborn Hicks, a spokeswoman for the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office, said a volunteer patrolling in his boat Monday found the victim in front of a library though the manner of death and the person's identity still awaited confirmation.

Despite the dangers, people ventured out.

Karla and Johnathon McDaniel waded through chest-deep water to revisit their home they fled late Saturday night but the water was too deep to get inside.

On their way out, the McDaniels stopped to gawk at a monster truck revving its engine in a failed attempt to free a National Guard vehicle mired in a muddy ditch. It was a welcome moment of levity after days of worry around the state's southeast, which saw thousands of water rescues.

Julee Doiron, 56, and a friend walked down the road to a flooded storage facility where she has a valuable record collection. She felt fortunate the flooding stopped a block short of her home, but she owns a couple of water-damaged rental properties that aren't covered by flood insurance.

"None of these places are in a flood zone," she said. "Why buy it if you don't need it? My agent didn't recommend it to me."

In a state more accustomed to hurricanes, forecasters said the rains were nearly off the charts in intensity. Meteorologist Ken Graham of the National Weather Service's office in Slidell, near New Orleans, said forecasters had alerted people days ahead of the rain. Yet the forecasts Thursday were for 8 inches of rain, with higher totals expected in some areas.

One town, Zachary, received more than 2 feet of rain in a 48-hour period that ended Saturday morning. Another, Livingston, got nearly 22 inches over the same stretch. Rivers in the region reached historic highs — occasionally shattering old records dating to 1983 floods.

As the scope of the disaster became clear, churches, schools and other places opened to take evacuees. Shelters filled up so fast that some slept on the floor because not enough cots had arrived. And some shelters had to shut down when they also took on water.

Volunteers have been dropping off supplies and food like jambalaya or red beans and rice at shelters. They have also been going out in boats — locally referred to as the "Cajun Navy" — to rescue people, supplementing the efforts of National Guardsmen, state officials and Coast Guardsmen deploying in high-water vehicles, boats and helicopters.

Jared Serigne of St. Bernard Parish said he helped organize volunteer efforts involving roughly 70 experienced boaters who helped hundreds of people from flooded communities. He criticized government officials for closing roads, blocking boats from reaching launch areas.

"You've got all of these people who hunt and fish who have more experience than the average first responder," he said.

Louisiana Gov. John Bel Edwards defended the state's response, saying unprecedented flooding "presented tremendous challenges for everyone."

"But I'm very proud of the effort that we're making. More than anything else, I'm proud that Louisianians are taking care of their own and people are being neighbors to one another," he said.

Analysis: Trump nation-building view not in line with Bush

ROBERT BURNS, AP National Security Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump says that as president he would end “our current strategy of nation-building and regime change” because they don’t work. His dislike for nation-building is shared by many, including none other than the target of his criticism, President Barack Obama.

In fact it was Obama’s predecessor, Republican George W. Bush, who committed the U.S. to large-scale nation-building projects in Iraq and Afghanistan. Obama discarded that strategy while trying to keep enough U.S. influence there to prevent those two countries from crumbling. Obama’s approach may not have worked, but it’s not Bush-like “nation-building.”

And while the Republican presidential nominee argued against nation-building in a foreign policy speech Monday, he advocated for something even more grandiose: seizing Iraq’s oil wealth in the aftermath of the U.S. invasion in 2003 that toppled Saddam Hussein.

“I have long said that we should have kept the oil in Iraq,” he said in Youngstown, Ohio. “I said, ‘Keep the oil. Keep the oil. Keep the oil. Don’t let somebody else get it.’” It would have required U.S. troops to protect the oil, he said, but the benefit would have been clear today.

“If we had controlled the oil like I said we should, we could have prevented the rise of ISIS in Iraq, both by cutting off a major source of funding and through the presence of U.S. forces necessary to safeguard the oil and vital infrastructure products necessary for us to have the oil.”

Rather than nation-building, this would have been nation-grabbing, making Iraq a de-facto American colony.

In the final months of his administration, Bush negotiated an agreement with the Iraqi government that called for all U.S. troops to leave the country by December 2011. Obama stuck to that schedule, believing that the Iraqis needed to stand on their own while the U.S. turned its attention to other pressing needs at home and abroad, what he called “nation building at home.” Obama, supported by his first secretary of state, Hillary Clinton, saw Bush’s nation-building effort as a proven failure.

Iraqi politics, however, never overcame sectarian divisions, undermining the Iraqi army and leaving an easy target for IS.

Trump is right that the Islamic State capitalized on the political and security vacuum in Iraq in 2014, but it’s not clear that a long-term U.S. military occupation to hold and exploit Iraq’s oil resources would have led to a more stable outcome.

Trump says he would have used money from the sale of Iraqi oil to pay for the care of wounded soldiers and the families of those Americans killed in the war.

“This proposal by its very nature would have left soldiers in place of our assets,” he said. “We would have had soldiers there guarding this valuable supply of oil. In the old days, when we won a war, to the victor belonged the spoils.”

After major military victories, the 240-year-old United States has tended to pour money and aid back into countries it has fought to help re-establish governments and services. It was, in fact, a kind of nation-building approach. The U.S. still has troops in Germany and Japan, with the permission of those nations, but it never confiscated their natural resources.

In his speech, Trump said that as president he would discard “nation-building.” In its place would be what he called a new approach, which he described simply as halting the spread of “radical Islam.” He said that if elected he would convene an international conference on the topic and work closely with Israel, Jordan, Egypt, Russia, the NATO alliance and “all others who recognize this ideology of death that must be extinguished.”

Trump also called Monday for “extreme” ideological vetting of immigrants seeking admission to the

United States, vowing to significantly overhaul the country's screening process and block those who sympathize with extremist groups or don't embrace American values.

"Those who do not believe in our Constitution, or who support bigotry and hatred, will not be admitted for immigration into our country," Trump said. "Only those who we expect to flourish in our country — and to embrace a tolerant American society — should be issued visas."

Trump's proposals were the latest version of a policy that began with his unprecedented call to temporarily bar foreign Muslims from entering the country — a religious test that was criticized across party lines as un-American.

15 Guantanamo detainees sent to UAE in major transfer

DAVID McFADDEN, Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Fifteen prisoners at the Guantanamo Bay detention center were sent to the United Arab Emirates in the single largest release of detainees during the Obama administration, the Pentagon announced Monday.

The transfer of 12 Yemeni nationals and three Afghans to the UAE comes amid a renewed push to whittle down the number of detainees held at the U.S. prison in Cuba that President Barack Obama aims to close.

The Pentagon says 61 detainees now remain at Guantanamo, which was opened in January 2002 to hold foreign fighters suspected of links to the Taliban or the al-Qaida terrorist organization. During the Bush administration, 532 prisoners were released from Guantanamo, often in large groups to Afghanistan and Saudi Arabia.

The latest batch of released prisoners had been held without charge at Guantanamo, some for over 14 years. They were cleared for release by the Periodic Review Board, comprised of representatives from six U.S. government agencies.

The UAE successfully resettled five detainees transferred there last year, according to the Pentagon. In July 2008, the seven-emirate nation also repatriated UAE citizen and Guantanamo prisoner Abdulah Alhamiri at the same time that Afghanistan and Qatar each accepted one prisoner a piece.

In the United Arab Emirates, the state-run WAM news agency had no reports on the Guantanamo transfers on Tuesday and UAE officials declined to immediately comment on the Pentagon announcement.

The United Arab Emirates is a major regional military ally for the U.S., as it hosts American military personnel targeting the Islamic State group with airstrikes in Iraq and Syria. Dubai's Jebel Ali port is the most frequently visited by ships of the U.S. Navy outside of America.

Lee Wolosky, the State Department's special envoy for Guantanamo's closure, said the U.S. was grateful to the United Arab Emirates for accepting the latest group of 15 men and helping pave the way for the detention center's closure.

"The continued operation of the detention facility weakens our national security by draining resources, damaging our relationships with key allies and partners, and emboldening violent extremists," Wolosky said.

It's unclear what has happened to prisoners the UAE previously took in, though it's widely believed they undergo some sort of government-monitored rehabilitation. Of those already taken in, there have been no complaints of maltreatment, said Clive Stafford Smith, the director of the British-based advocacy group Reprieve, which represented one of the Yemenis released.

"From what we've learned, they've been treated pretty well," he told The Associated Press. "They've been banned from traveling and any meaningful communication. ... They've actually been OK. Arabic

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is the main language and its pretty close to home.”

Obama has been seeking to close the detention center amid opposition from Congress, which has prohibited transferring detainees to the U.S. for any reason. The administration has been working with other countries to resettle detainees who have been cleared for transfer.

Naureen Shah, Amnesty International USA’s director of national security and human rights, said the transfers announced Monday are a “powerful sign that President Obama is serious about closing Guantanamo before he leaves office.”

U.S. Rep. Ed Royce, a Republican from California who is chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, criticized the Obama administration for recent releases, portraying the freed detainees as “hardened terrorists.”

The Office of the Director of National Intelligence says 5 percent of Guantanamo prisoners released since Obama took office have re-engaged in militant activities and an additional 8 percent are suspected of doing so. That compares with 21 percent confirmed and 14 percent suspected during the Bush administration.

According to Amnesty, one of the Afghans released to the UAE alleged that he was “tortured and subjected to other cruel treatment” while in U.S. military custody. The man, identified only as Obaidullah, was captured by U.S. special forces in July 2002 and allegedly admitted to acquiring and planting anti-tank mines to target U.S. and other coalition forces in eastern Afghanistan.

In clearing him for transfer, the review board said he hasn’t expressed any anti-U.S. sentiment or intent to re-engage in militant activities. However, a Pentagon profile from last year also said he provided little information and they had little “insight into his current mindset.”

One of the Yemeni men sent to the UAE was identified as Zahir Umar Hamis bin Hamdun, who the Pentagon alleged traveled to Afghanistan in 1999 and after training at a camp acted as a weapons and explosives trainer.

A Pentagon profile from September 2015 said he expressed dislike of the U.S., which they identified as “an emotion that probably is motivated more by frustration over his continuing detention than by a commitment to global jihad.”

Returning Guantanamo prisoners back to Yemen would be difficult amid a two-year civil war raging in the Arab world’s most impoverished country. The conflict there pits an internationally recognized government, backed by a coalition led by Saudi Arabia, a Sunni powerhouse, against Shiite rebels known as Houthis and their allies. The UAE is a part of that Saudi-led coalition.

There was also no immediate reaction in Afghanistan on the transfer of the three Afghans from Guantanamo to the UAE.

The Latest: Usain Bolt relaxed, confident as 200 heats begin

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — The Latest on the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro (all times local): 4:55 a.m.

He’s feeling good. And that’s never good for his competition.

The heats for Usain Bolt’s favorite race — the 200 meters — are beginning Tuesday at the Rio Olympics and the Jamaican sprinter is remarkably relaxed.

“I’m always confident going into the 200 meters,” said Bolt, who surged past Justin Gatlin to win the 100 meters on Sunday, his seventh Olympic gold.

Also Tuesday, American Christian Taylor will try to defend his triple jump title, while Jamaica’s Omar McLeod and American Devon Allen, the University of Oregon football/track standout, are among those seeking gold in the men’s 110-meter hurdles.

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Medals also will be awarded in the women's discus, the women's 1500 meters and the men's high jump.

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On most days at the Summer Olympics, the talk focuses on times and medals and world records.

On Monday in Rio de Janeiro, it was all about the weather.

High winds and driving rain flipped sailboats over like tub toys, caused throwers to foul or release their discus early, threw pole vaulters off their stride and made running on parts of the Olympic track like splashing through puddles.

The 110-meter hurdles heats were hard hit, prompting organizers to run a special race later in the night for those who did not qualify when the weather was the worst.

"It's atrocious. It's hard to compete in weather like this," said Jamaican hurdler Omar McLeod, who won the first heat amid heavy rain. "The water is beaming down in your face and your eyes and it's real hard."

Some sailing races were canceled and the boats raced to get back to shore safely.

At the Olympic Stadium, someone had some fun: "Singin' in the rain" was blaring on loudspeakers.

3:50 a.m.

The Russian runner who blew the whistle on Russia's doping scandal fears for her safety and has switched residences after hackers breached a database that records her whereabouts.

Yulia Stepanova and her husband, Vitaly, spoke up about a state-run doping system in Russia that led to the ouster of the country's athletes from the Rio Olympic track meet.

Recently, their email was hacked and the password stolen for Stepanova's account on a database controlled by the World Anti-Doping Agency. Like hundreds of athletes, Stepanova accesses the WADA system to enter her whereabouts, so doping-control officers can find her if she's selected for out-of-competition testing. The database also contains personal contact information, such as phone numbers and addresses.

Stepanova told reporters Monday "if something happens to us, you should know it's not an accident ... we are trying to take every measure possible to keep ourselves safe."

3:30 a.m.

Brazilian female athletes are shining at the Rio Olympics — and people here are paying attention, some for the first time.

In a country where men's soccer is king, Brazilian women have found it difficult to find their place in sports because of the lack of athletic programs, funding and what they call unfair marketing decisions that promote men.

But now each victory of Brazil women's soccer team is being savored. And when Rafaela Silva won gold in women's judo — Brazil's first gold medal of this Olympics — major newspapers splashed her photo on their front pages.

The country's most famous female soccer player, Marta, told reporters "all the love we are getting during the Olympics, we hope that it doesn't go away ... with that much-needed support, women's soccer can grow."

Her team faces Sweden in Tuesday's semifinal.

FACT CHECK: Trump gets his Mideast history wrong

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EDITOR'S NOTE _ A look at the veracity of claims by political figures.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump painted the Middle East as an oasis of stability before Hillary Clinton's tenure as secretary of state, arguing that she and President Barack Obama "launched" the Islamic State group onto the world.

In trying to outline how he would defeat the threat, Trump himself launched several other false claims on Monday.

He said Clinton and Obama sought to install a democracy in Libya and pushed for immediate change in leadership in Syria, accusing the pair of embarking on a "nation-building" strategy that few Republicans would ascribe to Obama's intervention-averse administration.

In contrast, he advocated his own vision for U.S. foreign policy that included the suggestion of a U.S. takeover of Iraq's oil reserves.

A look at some of Trump's comments and how they adhered to the facts:

TRUMP: "President Obama and Hillary Clinton should have never attempted to build a democracy in Libya, to push for immediate regime change in Syria or to support the overthrow of Mubarak in Egypt."

THE FACTS: Trump seems to be confusing Obama and Clinton's limited interventions, and sometimes non-interventions, with President George W. Bush's post-9/11 regime-change efforts.

When the U.S. led a coalition to bomb Libya in March 2011, it was sold as a humanitarian intervention. Obama vowed not to deploy U.S. troops on the ground and focused primarily on protecting Libyan civilians from dictator Moammar Gadhafi's military forces. He didn't promise a stable democracy there, like Bush did in invading Iraq.

Five months into Syria's conflict, Obama urged President Bashar Assad to step aside. But Obama did very little to realize such a result, to the great dismay of his GOP critics and even some in his own administration.

To this day, the United States maintains its call for a Syria without Assad, even as it works with the Syrian leader's closest partners to try to engineer a unity government that would keep Assad in power, perhaps indefinitely.

While Trump is right that Libya, Syria and Egypt appeared more stable seven years ago, his analysis leaves out the simmering resentment for autocratic governments that would bubble over during the 2011 Arab Spring. That cannot be ascribed to Obama and Clinton.

TRUMP on Clinton's role in the Libya campaign: "With one episode of bad judgment after another, Hillary Clinton's policies launched ISIS onto the world stage."

THE FACTS: The U.S.-led military campaign in Libya created a security vacuum and political chaos. But it took three years before IS emerged in Iraq and Syria, and there is no connection between those developments.

The group has its roots in a militant organization known as al-Qaida in Iraq, which found haven in Syria after being nearly decimated in Iraq in 2007-2009.

Some experts say the instability in Libya opened a door for the Islamic State to spread to North Africa, particularly after it suffered heavy losses in Syria and Iraq in 2015-16. But the group is facing severe setbacks there, too.

TRUMP on the Iraq war: "I have been clear for a long time that we should not have gone in. But I have

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been just as clear in saying what a catastrophic mistake Hillary Clinton and President Obama made with the reckless way in which they pulled out."

THE FACTS: Trump did publicly say he wanted U.S. troops out years earlier than Obama pulled them out.

He said in March 2007 the U.S. should declare victory and withdraw troops because Iraq was going to get further bogged down in civil strife.

He said the U.S. was "keeping a lid" on the situation by being there, but that when the U.S. leaves, "it's all going to blow up" so the U.S. might as well leave "because you just are wasting time."

TRUMP: "I have long said that we should have kept the oil in Iraq ... In the old days, when we won a war, to the victor belonged the spoils."

THE FACTS: While Trump argues against nation-building, he seems to be suggesting the U.S. should have seized Iraq and its natural resources as an American colony. He ignores the fact that Iraq is a sovereign country and the U.S. at no point threatened to take possession of the country.

Trump says he would have used the money from oil sales to pay for the care of wounded soldiers. But the mission would require a permanent occupation, or at least until the oil runs out, and a large presence of American soldiers to guard sometimes isolated oil fields and infrastructure.

Trump's claim that the U.S. has taken "spoils" in previous wars also raises questions.

After major wars, the 240-year-old United States has tended to pour money and aid back into countries it has fought to help re-establish governments and services.

The U.S. still has troops in Germany and Japan, with the permission of those nations, but it did not take possession of their oil or other natural resources.

To achieve Trump's stated goal of destroying Islamic State militants' revenue stream, the U.S. has bombed oil facilities in Iraq. The bombing was designed to render the oil facilities inoperable, but not destroy them, with the notion that Iraq could rebuild its own economy with their oil when the conflict ended.

TRUMP: "Anyone who cannot name our enemy is not fit to lead our country. Anyone who cannot condemn the hatred, oppression and violence of radical Islam lacks the moral clarity to serve as our president."

THE FACTS: Obama doesn't use the phrase "radical Islamic terrorism," but he condemns the group harshly and regularly. He has characterized IS fighters as "thugs," "thieves" and terrorists.

Obama says he doesn't want to connect the group to the religion of Islam. Doing so, he says, would unnecessarily anger Arab allies fighting the group, alienate Muslims at home and validate the claims of the enemy. "ISIL is not 'Islamic,' he has said, using his preferred acronym for the group.

Trump's actual opponent in the presidential race, Clinton, is more comfortable with such terminology. She has used the terms "radical jihadism" and "radical Islamism."

TRUMP on one of the San Bernardino shooters: "She wanted to support very openly jihad online... A neighbor saw suspicious behavior, bombs on the floor and other things, but didn't warn authorities because they said they didn't want to be accused of racial profiling."

THE FACTS: There is no such evidence.

Jarrod Burguan, the city's police chief, says no one reported knowing anything about what husband-and-wife shooters Syed Farook and Tashfeen Malik had been plotting, even after the Dec. 2, 2015, terror attack that killed 14 people at a luncheon for county government employees.

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Instead, some neighbors told investigators after the attack that they had general concerns about people “who looked a little different” in the neighborhood and didn’t feel it was appropriate to say anything.

That’s a far cry from seeing bombs on the floor or identifying other suspicious behavior.

TRUMP: “I had previously said that NATO was obsolete because it failed to deal adequately with terrorism. Since my comments, they have changed their policy and now have a new division focused on terror threats.

THE FACTS: NATO established a Defense Against Terrorism program in 2004, long before Trump ran for president. And its latest efforts in Iraq were already under discussion when Trump criticized the alliance in March.

Trump’s comments reflected a broader frustration of the U.S. and others that NATO members weren’t playing an active role against IS in Iraq and Syria.

At a July summit, the alliance agreed to contribute aircraft and conduct training in Iraq. It also has stepped up intelligence coordination. No one has cited Trump as a motivation for such decisions.

TRUMP: The Islamic State “has a new base of operations” in Libya.

THE FACTS: Islamic State militants have tried to establish such a base in the city of Sirte. But a U.S.-supported military offensive in Libya this year has all but driven the group out of its former headquarters there.

U.S. officials estimated at one point as many as 6,000 extremists in the North African country. Latest estimates put only a “couple hundred” IS militants left in Sirte. Libyan officials say the city is 70 percent liberated and IS militants are cornered in a few locations.

Democrats seek repeal of ban on federal funding of abortion

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NEW YORK (AP) — The law that bans federal funding for Medicaid coverage of most abortions is now in the spotlight some 40 years after it was passed by Congress, emerging as an election issue in the national debate over the procedure.

First approved in 1976, and renewed annually ever since as part of the congressional appropriations process, the Hyde Amendment makes exceptions in cases of rape or incest, or when a pregnancy endangers a woman’s life.

For most of its existence, the amendment had broad bipartisan support in Congress, but that’s now changed. At their recent national convention, Democrats for the first time included in their platform a call for the Hyde Amendment to be repealed. Their presidential nominee, Hillary Clinton, is embracing that stance, even as it risks creating friction within the party.

IT’S COMPLICATED

The amendment’s supporters depict it as essential in ensuring that taxpayers who oppose abortion do not have to subsidize it. Critics assail the policy as discriminatory, making it difficult for low-income women to obtain a legal medical procedure that’s readily accessible for more affluent women.

“Access to abortion shouldn’t depend on your zip code, and it shouldn’t depend on your pocketbook,” said Nancy Northup, president of the Center for Reproductive Rights.

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For now, repeal of the Hyde Amendment is a long-term goal, not an imminent likelihood. Even if Clinton wins, Democrats would need improbably large gains in Congress to have a chance of ending the policy during her first term.

An extra complication: A handful of Democratic senators support the amendment, including Bob Casey of Pennsylvania, Joe Manchin of West Virginia and Clinton's own running mate — Tim Kaine of Virginia. Abortion-rights leaders were dismayed when Kaine reiterated his personal opposition to repeal.

"We sincerely hope that he will continue to educate himself on what Hyde means to the most vulnerable women in this country and join us in fighting this injustice," said Ilyse Hogue, president of NARAL Pro-Choice America.

PARTY POLITICS

In the House, Democrats have introduced a bill that would nullify the Hyde Amendment and require the federal government to ensure abortion coverage in public health insurance programs, including Medicaid. No one from the chamber's Republican majority is among the measure's 119 co-sponsors.

Despite the political obstacles, advocates of repeal are upbeat as they succeed in drawing more attention to the amendment.

"I don't think we're as far away as people might think," said Rep. Diana DeGette, D-Colo., a leading abortion-rights supporter. "We got tired of tacitly accepting that a ban on Medicaid money was acceptable."

WHO'S AFFECTED

The amendment is named after its initial sponsor, Republican Rep. Henry Hyde of Illinois, who made clear from the start that the policy would target low-income women.

"I certainly would like to prevent, if I could legally, anybody having an abortion, a rich woman, a middle-class woman or a poor woman," he told Congress in 1977. "Unfortunately, the only vehicle available is the (Medicaid) bill."

According to the Guttmacher Institute, a research group that supports abortion rights, about half of U.S. women getting abortions have family income below the federal poverty line. The typical \$500 cost for a first-trimester abortion is burdensome to many of them.

Guttmacher estimates that if Hyde were repealed, the number of annual abortions among Medicaid-covered women would likely rise by about 33,000.

MEETING THE DEMAND

Yamani Hernandez, executive director of the National Network of Abortion Funds, one of the groups urging the amendment's repeal, said the network gets about 116,000 inquiries per year, and is only able to help about 30,000 women. Its abortion assistance in 2014 totaled \$3.5 million.

Hernandez says women calling the network's hotline are often mothers already struggling financially to raise children who worry that bearing another child would push them deeper into poverty.

"We have to trust people's decisions," Hernandez said. "Wealthy people get to do that all the time — make the choices that are right for their families. People with lower incomes are expected to have their choices dictated to them."

ACTING BEYOND HYDE

Even with the Hyde Amendment in place, there are 15 states — acting either voluntarily or under court order — that cover a wide range of abortions for low-income women with state Medicaid funds. These states are Alaska, California, Connecticut, Hawaii, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mon-

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tana, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Vermont, Washington and West Virginia.

In Illinois and Arizona, court rulings say state Medicaid funds should cover all medically necessary abortions. However, abortion-rights activists say relatively few women in those two states end up receiving such abortion coverage.

The remaining states restrict Medicaid coverage of abortion to the limited cases allowed under the Hyde Amendment. South Dakota goes a step further, barring coverage even in cases of rape and incest.

With Congress unlikely to repeal the amendment any time soon, action is expected at the state level. In Illinois, some Democrats are pushing legislation that would expand the availability of Medicaid-covered abortions. In West Virginia, abortion-rights supporters are braced for efforts by abortion opponents to make such abortions less available.

PUBLIC OPINION

The Susan B. Anthony List, an anti-abortion group, is mounting a door-knocking campaign in three battleground states that emphasizes Clinton's views.

The group's president, Marjorie Dannenfelser, says the repeal issue has the potential to divide Democrats, and she would like to see Republican nominee Donald Trump speak out in support of the Hyde Amendment.

"He's insane if he lets that go by the wayside," Dannenfelser said.

On the other side, abortion-rights activists are eager to maintain momentum after achieving a major victory in June when the Supreme Court struck down tough anti-abortion restrictions in Texas.

"Hyde is one of the harshest remaining barriers to abortion," said Destiny Lopez of All above All, a coalition seeking the amendment's repeal. "Young people, people of color — they understand this is about their communities unfairly bearing the brunt."

Trump reveals few details on "extreme vetting" of immigrants

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio (AP) — Donald Trump is calling for "extreme" vetting of immigrants seeking admission to the United States, but he's offering few specifics about how that might work, how long it might last or how taxpayers would foot the bill.

Trump, who had previously called for an unprecedented temporary ban on immigration by Muslims, vowed Monday to overhaul the country's screening process and block those who sympathize with extremist groups or don't embrace American values.

"Those who do not believe in our Constitution, or who support bigotry and hatred, will not be admitted for immigration into our country," Trump said in a foreign policy address in Youngstown, Ohio. "Only those who we expect to flourish in our country — and to embrace a tolerant American society — should be issued visas."

The GOP presidential nominee has made stricter immigration measures a central part of his proposals for defeating the Islamic State — a battle he said Monday is akin to the struggle against communism during the Cold War. He called for parents, teachers and others to promote "American culture" and encouraged "assimilation."

But he didn't say which countries or regions would be subject to the "extreme" vetting, and his announcement that government agencies would create the list suggested that would not happen before the election in November.

The candidate's aides said federal agencies would use questionnaires, social media, interviews with

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family and friends or other means to vet applicants' stances on issues including religious freedom, gender equality and gay rights. Trump did not clarify how U.S. officials would assess the veracity of responses to the questionnaires or how much manpower it would require to complete such arduous vetting.

He did say that implementing the policy overhaul would require a temporary halt in immigration from "the most dangerous and volatile regions of the world that have a history of exporting terrorism."

"We will stop processing visas from those areas until such time as it is deemed safe to resume based on new circumstances or new procedures," Trump said.

The address comes during a trying stretch for Trump's presidential campaign. He's struggled to stay on message and build a consistent case against Democrat Hillary Clinton, repeatedly roiling the White House race with provocative comments that have deeply frustrated many in his own party.

Clinton has seized on Republican concerns about Trump, highlighting the steady stream of GOP national security experts who've said their party's nominee is unfit to serve as commander in chief. She kept up that argument Monday as she campaigned alongside Vice President Joe Biden in Scranton, Pennsylvania, a working class area where both have family ties.

Biden called Trump's views "dangerous" and "un-American." He warned that Trump's false assertions last week about President Barack Obama founding the Islamic State extremist group could be used by extremists to target American service members in Iraq.

"The threat to their life has gone up a couple clicks," Biden said.

Trump has since said he was being sarcastic in accusing Obama of founding the Islamic State. Still, he directly blamed the president and Clinton, who served as Obama's secretary of state from 2009 to 2013, for backing policies that "unleashed" the group, including withdrawing U.S. troops from Iraq in late 2011.

He also challenged Clinton's fitness to be president, declaring she lacks the "mental and physical stamina" to take on the extremists.

Trump was vague about what he would do differently to decimate the Islamic State in its strongholds in Iraq and Syria. He vowed to partner with any country that shares his goal of defeating the extremist group, regardless of other strategic disagreements, and named Russia as a nation he would like to improve relations with.

Russia and the U.S. have been discussing greater coordination in Syria, where the Islamic State is part of a volatile mix of groups fighting for power. But they have been unable to reach an agreement on which militant groups could be targeted.

Trump also vowed to end "our current strategy of nation-building and regime change" — a criticism that extends to policies of both parties. He panned the long, expensive Iraq War started under Republican President George W. Bush, as well as Obama's calls for new leadership in some Middle East countries during the pro-democracy Arab Spring uprisings.

Obama has held up Bush's years-long commitment to setting up and securing a new government in Iraq after the initial invasion as a reason to avoid U.S. military intervention in countries like Syria.

Trump's most specific anti-Islamic State proposals centered on keeping those seeking to carry out attacks in the West from entering the United States. He said attacks involving "immigrants or the children of immigrants" underscore the need to implement "extreme vetting."

Trump first announced his call for banning Muslims last year during the GOP primary. He introduced a new standard following the June massacre at a gay nightclub in Orlando, vowing to "suspend immigration from areas of the world where there is a proven history of terrorism against the United States, Europe or our allies, until we fully understand how to end these threats."

That proposal raised numerous questions that the campaign never clarified, including whether it would apply to citizens of countries like France, Israel, or Ireland, which have suffered recent and past attacks.

Black police recruit hopes to shatter perceptions

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Renata Phillip was 11 years into a satisfying teaching career when she shocked her friends and family last August by deciding to make a drastic career change: become a police officer.

Her decision came amid growing concern over police tactics in the wake of a number of deaths at the hands of officers of unarmed black men across the country. Most recently, the fatal police shooting of a black man who had a gun in his hand police sparked violent unrest in Milwaukee.

Phillip, a black woman who grew up in a mostly white, upper middle class neighborhood 30 miles east of Los Angeles, said she wasn't motivated by race. But race is a motivation now as she completes her training to become a Los Angeles County sheriff's deputy.

"Everything that's going on, it drives me to work a little harder," the 36-year-old said during a break at the department's grueling training academy.

Phillip hopes to be an example to those who've never dealt with a black law enforcement officer. "If I can have a positive experience with someone and maybe help them change their mind, why not?" she said.

A little more than a year ago, Asia Hardy was in Phillip's shoes, training to become an officer with the Los Angeles Police Department.

The 26-year-old, who grew up in an idyllic, close-knit neighborhood in Pasadena, has been a probationary officer for just over a year, working the beat she requested in one of the most dangerous neighborhoods in Los Angeles.

She said Phillip should expect both criticism and pride on the streets.

"I get called a sellout sometimes," she said. Some will tell her: "Why are you doing the white man's job?"

Others see Hardy as a beacon.

"They'll say, 'I'm glad you're out here representing us,'" she said. "Or you get the little girl pointing at you and saying, 'Look, Mommy, there's a girl cop.' Things like that make my day. I want that little girl to know she can grow up and be a cop if she wants to."

Black officers made up about 12 percent of all police in 2013, the most recent year nationwide statistics are available. That compares to the overall black population of 13.2 percent.

Departments have long struggled to recruit black candidates, said Nelson Lim, a researcher at the Rand Corp. who helps organizations diversify.

In 2004, Lim consulted with the LAPD, which was under a federal consent decree to hire more minorities. Even then, he said the department failed to meet its diversification goals.

Now with increased tensions, Lim said it's only going to be harder.

"You don't need a study to conclude that would have a negative impact," he said.

In the days after a sniper attack killed five of his officers last month, Dallas Police Chief David Brown urged black people to leave protests and join the department to work for change from within.

"Serve your community," said Brown, who is black. "We're hiring. Get off of that protest line and put your application in."

Phillip, the Los Angeles sheriff's recruit, was settled into her teaching career at Ganesha High School in Pomona, a middle-class city near her hometown of Diamond Bar but far from it in terms of gangs

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and violent crime.

But she decided to become an officer after realizing she was spending more and more time helping her students with problems outside the classroom, and that she was enjoying it.

One student had lost a friend to gang violence. He started acting out by disrupting class, getting into drugs and into trouble.

Phillip said she worked to gain his trust and build rapport, which eventually allowed her to find out what was bothering him and help him transfer to another school. The change removed him from negative influences, allowing him to focus on school.

"Now you see a person who has taken charge of their past and isn't letting someone else determine what they will or won't do," she said. "I thought, 'I need to spend more time doing this.'"

Phillip is one of just two black women in her class of 84 recruits. More than half are men and most are white or Hispanic.

Only three recruits out of every 100 will make it to graduation, said Capt. Scott Gage, who's in charge of training at the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

He cited extensive background checks, rigorous physical requirements, dozens of tests and determination to stick with the yearlong process.

Phillip's mother worked as an accountant, her father as an engineer. When Phillip told her family about her decision to join law enforcement, there were tears.

"My heart really just sank," said Phillip's mother, Gloria Solomon. "Honestly, this is awful to say as a mother, but I almost wished she didn't get through."

Solomon said she was concerned not because of racial tensions in the U.S., but simply because policing is a dangerous job.

After praying about it and seeing how passionate her daughter was about law enforcement, Solomon said she's now fully on board.

"I'm just really proud of her and I just really want her to be safe," she said.

Hardy, the rookie LAPD officer, said she specifically requested to work in the most crime-ridden division.

"I knew a lot of African Americans live there and I wanted to be there to reach out, I want everybody to do better," she said. "Them seeing me out there and knowing, 'Wow, there goes a female cop. A black female cop.' I wanted to be that example."

Phillip also hopes to work in troubled neighborhoods.

"If I'm not putting myself in the position to really effect change then what am I doing?" she said. "Hopefully somewhere I have the opportunity to change someone's mind. Hopefully that someone standing on the news protesting maybe sees me on the street one day and says, 'Maybe I could do that.'"

Man arrested for arson blaze that decimated California town

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LOWER LAKE, Calif. (AP) — A California man was arrested Monday on arson charges for allegedly sparking a wildfire that exploded over the weekend, destroying more than 175 homes, business and other structures in a Northern California town, authorities said.

Lake County Sheriff Brian Martin said Damin Anthony Pashilk, 40, of Clearlake was arrested Monday on 17 counts of arson and is in jail. He is suspected in numerous fires in Lake County over the past year.

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection Director Ken Pimlott said the blaze in the town of Lower Lake has caused over \$10 million in damages and left dozens of families homeless.

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"Mr. Pashilk committed a horrific crime and we will seek prosecution to the fullest extent of the law. My thoughts continue to be with the people of Lake County during this difficult time," Pimlott said.

The wind-whipped had spread to more than six square miles in the Lower Lake area about 90 miles north of San Francisco.

It was just 5 percent contained, though late in the day fire officials said no other structures were under direct threat.

Weather conditions bedeviled firefighters Monday and the forecast called for temperatures to reach the upper 90s in coming days, with no rain in sight. A heat wave and gusty winds also put Southern California on high fire alert.

Underlying it all is a five-year drought that has sapped vegetation of moisture.

For the first time in several generations, wildfire had stalked Lower Lake last year during a devastating period from the end of July through September. Three major blazes blackened towns and mountainous wildland within a few miles to the east and south of town.

The new reality roared into Lower Lake on Sunday, when wind-driven flames fed by pines in the mountains and oaks that cluster on the rolling hills close to town wiped out whole blocks, authorities said.

Thousands of people fled the area — some after ensuring their goats and chickens were safe.

Lower Lake is home to about 1,300 mostly working class people and retirees who are drawn by its rustic charm and housing prices that are lower than the San Francisco Bay Area.

Firefighters couldn't protect all of historic Main Street and flames burned a winery, an antiques store, old firehouse and the Habitat for Humanity office.

The organization was raising money to help rebuild homes in nearby communities torched last year. Between them, the four blazes have destroyed more than 1,400 of the 36,000 housing units in all Lake County.

The fire in Lower Lake reduced businesses to little more than charred foundations that were still smoldering on Monday. All that remained of many homes was burnt patio furniture and appliances, and burned out cars in the driveways.

No injuries have been reported and the cause of the fire that broke out Saturday was unknown.

Last September, one of California's most destructive wildfires ravaged a series of small towns just a half-hour from Lower Lake, whose residents were forced to evacuate. It killed four people, left a fifth missing and destroyed more than 1,300 homes in nearby communities.

Despite getting some rain last winter and spring, Lake County is tinder dry. Lawns in front of Lower Lake's modest, one-story homes are brown, matching the wildland grasses on the mountains outside town.

In wetter times, the region was not visited by the kind of wildfires that now batter it.

Other than a pair of large blazes in the 1960s, which destroyed far fewer homes in a county that had just one-quarter its current 64,000 residents, lifelong resident and county supervisor Jim Comstock can't remember anything approaching the past year.

Residents have a new view of the wild beauty they've always admired. Comstock said when his wife sees tall grass, she wonders aloud when the property owner will cut it. After 1,500 acres burned last year on the 1,700-acre ranch where Comstock grew up and still lives, he has cleared out brush to make fire breaks — a ritual familiar to other Californians who live in areas traditionally associated with wildfires.

"Everybody is just on edge," he said. "The trees are beautiful, but when they catch fire, they carry fire."

Retirees Denis and Carolyn Quinn evacuated once last year and again this weekend, when they

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grabbed family photos and fled the house they share just off Main Street with their adult daughter and granddaughter.

Last time, their property was spared. On Sunday, they were let back in briefly to see that only their home and the one next door still stood among the 15 or so homes on the block.

For Denis Quinn, it was a sign from God that the couple should not succumb to thoughts of leaving due to the wildfire threat.

"It's a poor community," he said at a high school opened to evacuees about 20 miles from town. "There are a lot of people who are down here, down on their luck. I really feel for people and think that we can stay and help them."

In central California, a wildfire near Lake Nacimiento, about 180 miles northwest of Los Angeles, grew to more than 8 square miles. The fire destroyed 12 homes over the weekend and forced authorities to evacuate some residents by boat when it shifted toward the lake. It was only slightly contained.

A wildfire in Nevada turned deadly when U.S. Forest Service firefighter Justin Beebe, 26, of Vermont, was hit by a tree Saturday, authorities say.

By many measures, Milwaukee is toughest US city for blacks

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In the country's long history of racial strife, a few cities have become flashpoints: Los Angeles. Chicago. Ferguson, Missouri. Baltimore.

But by many measures, there is no tougher place to be black in America than Milwaukee, where in recent days the shooting death of a black man by a black police officer has led to violent protests, riots that destroyed businesses and gunfire.

The city of 600,000 along Lake Michigan is also the country's most segregated metropolitan area, surpassing larger, deeply divided Midwestern cities such as Chicago, Cleveland and Detroit, a 2012 Manhattan Institute analysis of census data found.

The overwhelming majority of the black residents who make up 40 percent of Milwaukee's population are concentrated on its north side — where the rioting and Saturday's shooting occurred — and away from the breweries and festivals that draw tourists to the waterfront.

People living on the north side are far more likely to live in poverty, to be incarcerated or to be out of work than those in the city overall or the metro area, according to a University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee report. Wisconsin also has the highest rate of black unemployment of any state, and it leads the country in the number of black men behind bars, with 1 out of 8 in prison or jail as of the 2010 census, another study found.

It is a reality that most people don't see or hear about, in part because Milwaukee's size often excludes it from nationwide rankings or news accounts of big-city problems. Some community leaders also have preferred not to publicize the issues, said state Sen. Lena Taylor, who still lives on the same north side block where she grew up.

"We've always been known as a city with a small-town mentality," Taylor said. "We're a destination. We don't want people to be afraid to come to Milwaukee."

There's also a misconception among outsiders about Wisconsin, she said.

"They don't also think we have black people."

The state is investigating the fatal shooting of Sylville Smith, whom Milwaukee police say was shot after he turned toward an officer with a gun in his hand. Police say the 23-year-old was fleeing after a traffic stop.

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Police Chief Edward Flynn has blamed protesters from outside of Milwaukee for much of the unrest, saying protests and prayer vigils had been peaceful Sunday until a group from Chicago showed up.

But the protests of recent days follow decades of racial tension, particularly between the black community and police.

Cecil Brewer, 67, lives near the gas station rioters burned on Saturday night. He's lived in Milwaukee for the last 14 or 15 years, and said black people have a target on them. He's constantly afraid an officer will pull him over.

"It's a form of racism that if you haven't lived it, you can't understand it," he said. "People look at me because of the color of my skin. It's messed up."

Many of Milwaukee's black families came to the area after World War II to work in the city's factories, where good-paying jobs were plentiful.

Then came the fight for civil rights. After a 1967 riot turned deadly, a white priest, the Rev. James Groppi, led 200 nights of marches to push for fair housing laws. Joining him on some of those marches was the Rev. Jesse Jackson, a civil rights leader who participated in similar marches across the country.

The story of struggle in Milwaukee's black community is similar to what has happened in other cities across the U.S., Jackson said Monday. The factories closed or moved jobs to the suburbs or overseas. A lack of transportation made it tougher for people to find work, and poverty led to violence and other problems, Jackson said.

"This is another classic box car on the train of urban neglect," he said of Milwaukee. "You have a jobs desert. People have no place to work."

According to a 2015 study by the Economic Policy Institute, Wisconsin's black unemployment rate was nearly 20 percent in 2014.

The numbers are even bleaker in Milwaukee's north side. A study of what's considered the most disadvantaged zip code found that just over a third of men ages 20 to 64 living there were employed, compared with 78 percent in the greater metro area.

That 2014 study by University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee professor Marc Levine also found nearly half of residents lived below the poverty line, compared with 28 percent in the city overall. More than one of every five unit of housing was vacant.

Taylor also pointed to high rates of teen pregnancy and a crack cocaine epidemic that led to generations of "kids who raised themselves." There also have been incidents involving police, such as the shooting of a mentally ill black man by an officer in 2014.

She said what may be most surprising is that the anger didn't simmer over sooner.

"What you have are individuals who have been devalued, who have a lack of opportunity ... who don't see any hope," Taylor said. "When you put all that in one pot, it's like a pressure cooker. At some point, you have to have a release."

Miller's head-first dive at the finish line beats Felix

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RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — For beating Allyson Felix, Shaunae Miller gets a gold medal. Maybe they should give her a cape, too.

It took a head-first dive, Superwoman-style, for Miller to spring an Olympic upset Monday over America's top female sprinter in the 400 meters and deny her a record fifth gold medal.

Miller, a 22-year-old from the Bahamas, took an early lead, then held off Felix's charge along the straightaway. Neck-and-neck with two steps to go, Miller sprawled and tumbled across the line to win by .07 seconds.

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Now, instead of a coronation for Felix, it's a celebration for Miller, who finished second to the American at last year's world championships. Her dive will go down as one of the most dramatic images we've seen at these, or any, Olympics.

Not that she planned it that way.

"I don't know what happened. My mind just went blank," Miller said. "The only thing I was thinking (about) was the gold medal, and the next thing I know, I was on the ground."

And yet, she didn't even get the evening's biggest roars. Those were reserved for pole vaulter Thiago Braz da Silva, who gave Brazil its first medal in track and field by setting an Olympic record (6.03 meters) to upset world-record holder and defending champion Renaud Lavillenie of France.

"I thought I was in a movie. ... My first urge was to go run and hug Thiago so much," said bronze medalist Sam Kendricks of the United States. "But I knew that it was his moment and he needed to be on camera and experience it for himself."

Lavillenie put the bar at 6.08 meters for his last attempt, and as he was getting ready to jump, the crowd booed. He responded with a thumbs-down sign. After the loss, he complained about the spectators taking sides.

In the 800 meters, David Rudisha of Kenya won a second straight gold medal, and Clayton Murphy picked up bronze to give the United States its first medal in that event since 1992.

But The Dive is what everyone will be talking about.

As Miller, who formerly competed for University of Georgia, lay on her back, gasping for breath and maybe even stunned herself at what she'd done, Felix sat on the ground stone-faced. Ten seconds passed. Then 20.

The winner's first clue came from the stands, not the scoreboard, which showed Miller winning in 49.44 seconds, ahead of Felix and bronze medalist Shericka Jackson of Jamaica.

A familiar voice cut through the air.

"I heard my mom screaming," Miller said. "When I heard her screaming, I was like, 'OK, I had to have won the race.'"

Starting from Lane 7, Miller expanded the lag, instead of getting gobbled up the way most women do when Felix is on the track.

Stride for stride they ran down the last 100 meters, until the last few steps. Felix, classically trained by Bobby Kersee, made a textbook lean into the finish line. Miller tried something else. Something no coach would ever teach.

"She gave everything she had and her legs gave out at the line," said Miller's coach, Lance Brauman, who also works with 100-meter silver medalist Tori Bowie of the U.S. "Was not intentional."

Then again, amazing things happen with a gold medal at stake.

While Miller jumped with her arms flailing forward, the rules say the win is determined by which athlete has any part of her torso cross the line first. The photo finish showed Miller's shoulder barely beat Felix to the line.

"I don't think I ever quite had a year this tough," Felix said, as her eyes welled with tears.

She was one of those rare athletes who had the cachet to get the Olympics to change the schedule. After winning the world championship at 400 meters last year, she put the 200-400 double in her sights for the Olympics. The schedule as it was originally written made it impossible: The 200 heats were scheduled for the same evening as the 400 final.

Felix asked, and she received: The 200 heats were moved to the morning to give America's best female sprinter a chance for the two-fer.

But she never got to the starting line in the 200 because an injury derailed her training and she came

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up short at Olympic trials.

The 400 was her only chance for individual gold. Instead, she got silver to go with the pair she won in 2004 and 2008 in the 200.

Even so, Felix became the most decorated U.S. female track athlete, with seven overall medals.

But this was Miller's night.

The flagbearer for her country in the opening ceremonies, Miller came into the games 5 for 5 in her races this season, including Diamond League meets in Shanghai, Eugene and London.

Now she's 6 for 6.

A wild finish to a crazy night.

It began with a downpour that stopped action in all the events and put the DJ to work, playing "Singing In The Rain," "Umbrella," and "I Can't Stand the Rain," among other fare, while the fans waited out the delay.

Those who stayed got their money's worth.

Miller ended up with a few scrapes and bruises.

"My body is kind of numb," she said. "It's all just burning right now."

The pain will go away. That gold is hers forever.

'Act of God': Ruinous flooding catches Louisiana off guard

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BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — An act of God is how some are describing it, a catastrophic 48-hour torrent of rain that sent thousands of people in Louisiana scrambling for safety and left many wondering how a region accustomed to hurricanes could get caught off guard so badly.

At least seven people have been killed and more than 20,000 have had to be rescued since Friday in some of the worst flooding the state has ever seen.

A seventh body was pulled from floodwaters Monday, said Casey Rayborn Hicks, a spokeswoman for the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Office. A volunteer patrolling in his boat found the body, and sheriff's units confirmed the discovery. The coroner's office said the man in his 50s died of accidental drowning.

As of Monday, the rain had mostly stopped, but rivers and creeks in many areas were still dangerously bloated and new places were getting hit by flooding. In areas south of Baton Rouge, people were filling sandbags, protecting their houses and bracing for the worst as the water worked its way south. In Ascension Parish officials said some small towns have already been swamped by floods.

More than 11,000 people were staying in shelters, with a movie studio and a civic center that usually hosts concerts and ballets pressed into service.

"It was an absolute act of God. We're talking about places that have literally never flooded before," said Anthony "Ace" Cox, who started a Facebook group to help collect information about where people were stranded. He was in Baton Rouge to help his parents and grandparents, who got flooded out.

"Everybody got caught off guard," he said.

Forecasters said one reason was the sheer, almost off-the-charts intensity of the storm and the difficulty of predicting how bad it would be.

Meteorologist Ken Graham of the National Weather Service's office in Slidell said forecasters alerted people days in advance of the storms. The forecasts Thursday were for 8 inches of rain, with higher

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totals expected in some areas.

But Graham emphasized that forecasting exactly how much rain is going to fall and where is nearly impossible. "It's one thing to say we're getting set up for a lot of rain. It's another thing to say where is this going to be," he said.

Some areas, such as the town of Zachary, received more than 2 feet of rain in a 48-hour period that ended Saturday morning. Another hard-hit area, Livingston, got nearly 22 inches over the same stretch.

Graham said the odds of that much rain were 1 in 500 in some places, and 1 in 1,000 in others.

Those rainfalls sent river levels in the region to historic highs — in some cases shattering the old records mostly set during the 1983 floods.

Unlike in a hurricane, when shelters are established well in advance by parish governments and the Red Cross when the threat becomes obvious, shelters for those driven from their homes by the flooding were set up more haphazardly by parish officials.

As the scope of the disaster became clear, churches, schools and other places opened their doors to take evacuees. Shelters filled up so fast that some people had to sleep on the floor Saturday night because not enough cots had arrived. And some shelters had to shut down when they, too, started to take on water.

Marc and Crystal Matherne and their three children loaded up their cars with their three dogs and drove out of their flooded Baton Rouge neighborhood Sunday before the water got too deep to pass.

After a night in the shelter, Marc Matherne planned to head back to see if he could help stranded neighbors. His wife said she felt pangs of "survivor guilt," knowing that their home was probably still dry while so many neighbors had flood damage.

"I want to blame somebody because of all the hurt that's going on, but I don't know if anybody knew" how bad the flooding would be, she said. "It just seemed like a normal event for us, but it wasn't."

Volunteers have been dropping off supplies and food like jambalaya or red beans and rice at shelters. They have also been going out in boats — locally referred to as the "Cajun Navy" — to rescue people, supplementing the efforts of National Guardsmen, state officials and Coast Guardsmen in high-water vehicles, boats and helicopters.

Gov. John Bel Edwards defended the state's response, saying the unprecedented flooding had "presented tremendous challenges for everyone."

"But I'm very proud of the effort that we're making. More than anything else, I'm proud that Louisianians are taking care of their own and people are being neighbors to one another," he said, stressing that search and rescue operations were still ongoing.

Jared Serigne of St. Bernard Parish said he helped organize volunteer efforts involving roughly 70 experienced boaters who helped hundreds of people from flooded communities. He criticized government officials for closing roads, a move that prevented boats from reaching launch areas.

"You've got all of these people who hunt and fish who have more experience than the average first responder," he said.

But going out on the water carries dangers, too.

Lt. Davis Maderé of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries, who spent days rescuing people and their animals, said the floodwaters are a potential minefield of submerged vehicles, fences and mailboxes that can trip up boats.

Above the water, he said, snakes trying to escape the deluge have been spotted in trees, and rescuers must be careful of power lines that are close overhead because the water is so high.

National Guard Col. Ed Bush said parish officials want the volunteer rescuers to coordinate more with the authorities overseeing the rescue effort.

"What they're trying to do is prevent overzealous people from getting stuck themselves. We've had a couple of examples of that," Bush said.

The slow-moving, low-pressure system moved into Texas, but the National Weather Service warned there is still a danger of new flooding, as the water works its way toward the Gulf of Mexico.

Google's Duo app joins crowded field of video calling

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Knock, knock, Google's video chatting app has arrived.

The app, dubbed Duo, represents Google's response to other popular video calling options, including Apple's FaceTime, Microsoft's Skype and Facebook's Messenger app.

Duo isn't much different from the other video chatting services, except that it gives a glimpse at who is making the call, helping the recipient decide whether to answer. Google calls this feature, "Knock, knock."

The new app, announced in May, is being released Tuesday as a free service for phones running on Google's Android operating system as well as Apple's iPhones.

Like FaceTime for iPhones, Duo only requires a person's phone number to connect. Many other services require both participants to have account logins to use their video calling options.

Google has been offering video calling through its Hangout feature for several years, but the internet company is now tailoring that service for business meetings.

Duo is being billed as a simpler, more reliable way to see friends and family as you talk to them.

It is the first of two new mobile apps that Google, owned by Alphabet Inc., has planned for this summer. The Mountain View, California, company also is preparing to unveil a new messaging app called Allo featuring a robotic assistant that will suggest automated responses to texts.

The Latest: Cuba's surprise beach volleyball run ends

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — The Latest on the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro (all times local): 1:25 p.m.

Viacheslav Krasilnikov and Konstantin Semenov of Russia beat Cuba 22-20, 22-24, 18-16 to reach the beach volleyball semifinals.

They will play Italy's Paolo Nicolai and Daniele Lupo, with the winner going to the gold medal match.

Cuba's Nivaldo Diaz and Sergio Gonzalez led 13-10 in the third set — two points from victory. The Russians won the next four points and finally clinched it on their fourth match point with a serve the tipped the netcord and fell onto the Cuban side.

Krasilnikov threw his hat into the stands and fell to the sand. Semenov also collapsed, while the Cubans doubled over in shock.

Cuba was the surprise of the men's bracket, advancing through pool play with a perfect record, including a victory over a fourth-seeded Brazilian team. The Copacabana crowd seemed to adopt them, chanting "Cu-ba!" and cheering them as they rallied to win the second set.

The Cuban team had played in only one major international competition before and took an unusual path to the Olympics through a regional qualifier.

12:05 a.m.

Brazil has won its second gold of the Rio Games when 22-year-old Thiago Braz da Silva upset Olympic champion Renaud Lavillenie.

Lavillenie, of France, first set the Olympic record at 5.98 meters, and boosted by the boisterous home

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fans, da Silva cleared 6.03 to improve on that mark.

Sam Kendricks of the United States took bronze with 5.85.

12:05 a.m.

Italy's Paolo Nicolai and Daniele Lupo have beaten one of Russia's two men's beach volleyball quarterfinalists and moved one win away from an Olympic medal.

The Italians won 21-18, 20-22, 15-11 on Monday night, playing an hour or so after a downpour drenched the Copacabana venue. After the winning point hit the wet sand, Nicolai doubled over, his head in his hands, and his partner gave him a hug, trying to lift him.

Russians Dmitri Barsouk and Nikita Liamin were the No. 23 seed in the tournament. Another Russian team, Viacheslav Krasilnikov and Konstantin Semenov, were to play Cuba later Monday night.

12:05 a.m.

Dubbed the "world select" team, Qatar is advancing in men's handball.

The gas-rich Middle Eastern nation of Qatar fields a squad composed almost entirely of foreign-born players from around the globe, provoking controversy among opponents.

Despite second place at last year's world championships, they left it late to qualify for the Olympic quarterfinals, needing a 22-18 win over Argentina on Monday night to make it through.

Qatar's reward for qualifying is a tough game against reigning European champion Germany on Wednesday.

The women's quarterfinals are Tuesday, with hosts Brazil playing 2015 world silver medalist the Netherlands, while reigning Olympic and world champion Norway meets Sweden in an all-Scandinavian clash.

11:55 p.m.

MEDAL ALERT-UPSET ALERT: Brazil's Thiago Braz da Silva broke the 6-meter barrier to upset defending champion Renaud Lavillenie and win pole vault gold with an Olympic record of 6.03. Lavillenie, of France, took silver with 5.98 and American Sam Kendricks had bronze with 5.85.

11:30 p.m.

It took a dramatic dive by Shaunae Miller of Bahamas at the finish line to win the women's 400-meter final, preventing American Allyson Felix from capturing a record fifth Olympic gold medal.

Miller clocked 49.44 seconds, running in lane 7, to narrowly hold off Felix, who finished in 49.51. Shericka Jackson of Jamaica won the bronze in 49.85.

Felix won the 400 at the world championships last year and was planning to run the 200- and 400-meter double in Rio, but was hampered by an ankle injury at the U.S. trials and didn't make the team for the 200. She won the 200 in London four years ago.

Felix now has seven Olympic medals, including three silvers. She could still run both the 4x100 and the 4x400 relays in Rio.

The 30-year-old American entered the games as one of six women with four Olympic gold medals in track and field.

11:10 p.m.

MEDAL ALERT: Shaunae Miller of Bahamas has won the women's 400-meter final with a diving finish, preventing American Allyson Felix from capturing a fifth Olympic gold medal. Miller finished in 49.44 on

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Monday to narrowly hold off world champion Felix, who finished strongly in 49.51. Shericka Jackson of Jamaica won the bronze in 49.85.

10:55 p.m.

Middle distance runner David Rudisha won gold — but didn't get a world record this time.

The Kenyan won his second Olympic title in a row on Monday by swerving into the lead just after halfway and using his long strides to kick for home.

The only one to keep close was Taoufik Makhloufi, the 1,500 gold medalist at the London Games four years ago.

Between the two middle distance champions, Rudisha never gave the Algerian a chance and won in 1 minute, 42.15 seconds, over a second of the time he set at the Olympics four years ago.

Makhloufi ran an Algerian record of 1:42.61 and Clayton Murphy of the United States set a personal best of 1:42.93 for bronze.

10:50 p.m.

MEDAL ALERT: David Rudisha of Kenya has won his second 800-meter Olympic title in a row with a devastating last lap, beating Taoufik Makhloufi of Algeria. Clayton Murphy of the United States took bronze. This time, there was no world record, but his time of 1 minute 42.15 was his season's best.

10 p.m.

Usain Bolt received his latest gold and Justin Gatlin picked up his latest silver — this time, without any fuss.

A night after Bolt won his third Olympic title at 100 meters, beating Gatlin, the medalists returned to the Rio Games track for the ceremony.

Gatlin smiled widely as his name was announced Monday, then blew a kiss to polite applause. No sign of the full-throated booing that accompanied his introduction before Sunday's sprint.

Gatlin has become a polarizing figure in the sport after serving two doping bans.

A year ago at the world championships in Beijing, Gatlin also finished second to Bolt in the 100.

When the American stood on the podium there, he pointed a finger and shouted at someone in the stands who was bothering his mother.

10 p.m.

Rain that caused a 25-minute disruption to the Olympic track and field program has caused havoc on the 110-meter hurdles and the discus preliminaries.

In the hurdles, the first four in each of the five heats automatically advance to the semifinals, along with the next four fastest times.

Organizers announced that the eight hurdlers who didn't qualify automatically from the two rain-affected heats before the rain delay would get another chance in a special race at the end of Monday night's schedule to push for a qualifying time.

The discus throwers were having difficulty in the slippery conditions, with nine of the 17 competitors fouling on their first attempt, and six on the second.

9:40 p.m.

China leads the standings after men's 3-meter springboard preliminaries.

Cao Yuan totaled 498.70 points on Monday as he seeks to add another medal at the Rio Games. Cao

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won bronze in synchronized 3-meter.

Rommel Pacheco of Mexico was second at 488.25, followed by Kristian Ipsen of the United States at 461.35.

Others advancing to the semifinals include Patrick Hausding of Germany, Jack Laugher of Britain and American Mike Hixon. Laugher earned gold in synchro 3-meter.

Defending champion Ilia Zakharov of Russia barely scraped into the semis, grabbing the 18th and last spot.

9:40 p.m.

The International Cycling Union says it will check Tuesday to see if a wildfire has impacted the mountain bike course for the Rio Olympics.

Ash from a wildfire roughly 10 miles from the Olympic field hockey venue littered the playing surface before the Monday evening session of the women's quarterfinals in that sport.

The mountain bike center is about 2 miles from the field hockey venue.

The UCI says it has been told that the fire is under control.

Practice on the mountain bike course begins Wednesday. The women's race will be held Saturday, with the men's race on Sunday.

9:15 p.m.

The evening track and field program has resumed after strong rain and winds delayed competition in Rio de Janeiro.

The men's 110-meter hurdles preliminaries started again with one hurdler falling at the finish line.

The pole vault final and women's discus preliminaries also had been halted Monday night because of the rain.

Pole vaulters don't like a lot of wind, especially gusts because it affects their flight. For discus throwers, the wind can affect flight and distance.

Before the evening program was delayed, several discus throwers landed their discuses in the nets because it was so wet. And two heats of the hurdles were completed before the roughly 25-minute delay.

8:50 p.m.

The evening track and field program has been put on hold due to strong winds and rain in Rio de Janeiro.

The pole vault final, women's discus preliminaries and men's 110-hurdles were halted Monday night until conditions improve.

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Before the evening program was halted, several discus throwers landed their discuses in the nets because it was so wet.

At the same time, the public address system was playing "I'm singing in the rain."

Asian stocks drift pending fresh news; oil takes a breather

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SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Asian stock markets drifted sideways on Tuesday as the price of oil took

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a breather from a three-day rally. Investors were digesting mixed reports on the health of the global economy and awaiting U.S. data later in the week.

KEEPING SCORE: Japan's Nikkei 225 fell 0.3 percent to 16,827.09 and South Korea's Kospi eked out a 0.1 percent gain to 2,052.15. Hong Kong's Hang Seng index added less than 0.1 percent to 22,943.73 while Australia's S&P/ASX 200 dipped 0.1 percent to 5,533.20. Stocks in mainland China and Taiwan were lower but markets in Indonesia and Singapore rose.

ANALYST'S TAKE: "Trading across the region is also subdued. Currency markets are becalmed, and gold and oil are steady at higher levels," Michael McCarthy, chief market strategist at CMC Markets, said in a daily commentary. "Naturally, energy and material stocks are finding support, but volumes indicate an overall lack of investor interest."

MIXED DATA: Global markets have seen small gains and losses as investors digest mixed reports on the health of the global economy. Japan's economy grew at a lower-than-expected 0.2 percent in the second quarter, which could push the Bank of Japan do more to stimulate the economy. Last week, data showed that Chinese factory output and other economic activity weakened in July. American consumers cut spending in July, but a survey showed that U.S. homebuilders are feeling more optimistic as prices and sales of new homes rise.

WALL STREET: U.S. stocks closed at a record high Monday thanks to gains for chemical and machinery companies as well as energy companies that rose on the back of the recovery in the price of oil. The Dow Jones industrial average climbed 0.3 percent to 18,636.05. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 0.3 percent to 2,190.15. The Nasdaq composite added 0.6 percent to 5,262.02.

OIL: Benchmark U.S. crude shed 29 cents at \$45.45 per barrel in New York. The contract jumped \$1.25, or 2.8 percent, to \$45.74 a barrel on Monday after Russia said it would work with Saudi Arabia to achieve market stability. Brent crude, a benchmark used to price international oils, lost 33 cents at \$48.02 a barrel in London.

CURRENCIES: The dollar fell to 100.48 yen from 101.21 yen and the euro rose to \$1.1193 from \$1.1183.

Today in History The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Tuesday, Aug. 16, the 229th day of 2016. There are 137 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 16, 1777, American forces won the Battle of Bennington in what was considered a turning point of the Revolutionary War.

On this date:

In 1812, Detroit fell to British and Indian forces in the War of 1812.

In 1858, a telegraphed message from Britain's Queen Victoria to President James Buchanan was transmitted over the recently laid trans-Atlantic cable.

In 1937, the American Federation of Radio Artists was chartered.

In 1948, baseball legend Babe Ruth died in New York at age 53.

In 1954, Sports Illustrated was first published by Time Inc.

In 1956, Adlai E. Stevenson was nominated for president at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago.

In 1962, The Beatles fired their original drummer, Pete Best, replacing him with Ringo Starr.

In 1976, the ABBA single "Dancing Queen" was released in Sweden.

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In 1977, Elvis Presley died at his Graceland estate in Memphis, Tennessee, at age 42.

In 1978, James Earl Ray, convicted assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., told a Capitol Hill hearing he did not commit the crime, saying he'd been set up by a mysterious man called "Raoul."

In 1987, 156 people were killed when Northwest Airlines Flight 255 crashed while trying to take off from Detroit; the sole survivor was 4-year-old Cecelia Cichan (SHEE'-an).

In 1991, Pope John Paul II began the first-ever papal visit to Hungary.

Ten years ago: A former American school teacher, John Mark Karr, was arrested in Thailand as a suspect in the 1996 slaying of child beauty queen JonBenet Ramsey in Boulder, Colorado. (Karr's confession that he had killed JonBenet was later discredited.) New York City officials released new tapes of hundreds of heart-wrenching phone calls from the World Trade Center on 9/11, along with other emergency transcripts. Alfredo Stroessner, the anti-communist general who'd ruled Paraguay for decades, died in Brasilia, Brazil, at age 93.

Five years ago: President Barack Obama, on a Midwest bus tour, implored Iowans during a stopover in Peosta to share ideas with him about how leaders could give an economic jolt to the nation's heartland. Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany and French President Nicolas Sarkozy, meeting in Paris, called for greater economic discipline and unity among European nations but declined to take immediate financial measures.

One year ago: Trigana Air Service Flight 257, an Indonesian ATR 42-300, crashed during a domestic flight; all 54 people on board were killed. Tens of thousands of Brazilians demonstrated their discontent with President Dilma Rouseff.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Ann Blyth is 88. Actor Gary Clarke is 83. Actress Julie Newmar is 83. Actor John Standing is 82. College Football Hall of Famer and NFL player Bill Glass is 81. Actress Anita Gillette is 80. Actress Carole Shelley is 77. Country singer Billy Joe Shaver is 77. Movie director Bruce Beresford is 76. Actor Bob Balaban is 71. Ballerina Suzanne Farrell is 71. Actress Lesley Ann Warren is 70. Actor Marshall Manesh is 66. Rock singer-musician Joey Spampinato is 66. Actor Reginald VelJohnson is 64. TV personality Kathie Lee Gifford is 63. Rhythm-and-blues singer J.T. Taylor is 63. Movie director James Cameron is 62. Actor Jeff Perry is 61. Rock musician Tim Farriss (INXS) is 59. Actress Laura Innes is 59. Singer Madonna is 58. Actress Angela Bassett is 58. Actor Timothy Hutton is 56. Actor Steve Carell (kuh-REHL') is 54. Former tennis player Jimmy Arias is 52. Actor-singer Donovan Leitch is 49. Actor Andy Milder is 48. Actor Seth Peterson is 46. Country singer Emily Robison (The Dixie Chicks) is 44. Actor George Stults is 41. Singer Vanessa Carlton is 36. Actor Cam Gigandet is 34. Actress Agnes Bruckner is 31. Singer-musician Taylor Goldsmith (Dawes) is 31. Actress Cristin Milioti is 31. Actor Shawn Pyfrom is 30. Country singer Ashton Shepherd is 30. Country singer Dan Smyers (Dan & Shay) is 29. Actor Kevin G. Schmidt is 28. Actress Rumer Willis is 28. Actor Parker Young is 28. Actor Cameron Monaghan is 23. Singer-pianist Greyson Chance is 19.

Thought for Today: "Action may not always bring happiness; but there is no happiness without action." — Benjamin Disraeli, British statesman (1804-1881).