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## Flea Market

**Flea Market for 12 days, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Aug. 26-Sept. 7. Vintage, Crocks, Fishing, Jewelry, Cream Cans, Marbles, Buttons, Lanterns, Oil Lamps, Yard Ornaments, Bookcases, Antiques, and Much More. 201 Hwy 25, across from Community Oil Co., Roslyn. New items added daily. 5 (10'x20') Canopys full!**

## 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.

**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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## Friday, Aug. 26

### Pool Hours:

4 p.m. to 7 p.m.: Open Swim

### National Dog Day

### Women's Equality Day

**Senior Menu:** Breaded codfish, parsley buttered potatoes, creamy coleslaw, sherbet, whole wheat bread.

**School Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice or milk.

**School Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, carrots and dip, green beans, fruit.

**Anniversary:** Bill & Eileen Schuelke

**Birthdays:** Jana Duncan • Doris Craig • Carly Wheeting • Dustin LaMee

7:00pm: [Football at Oakes \(streamed live at \[gdilive.com\]\(#\)\)](#)

## Saturday, Aug. 27

### Pool Hours:

1 p.m. to 4:50 p.m.: Open Swim

5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.: Lap Swim

6:40 p.m. to 8 p.m., Open Swim

### Global Forgiveness Day

### Just Because Day

**Birthdays:** Amanda Zimmerman • Paula Dobbins • Kory Anderson

2:00pm: **Soccer hosts Vermillion (Girls at 2 pm, boys at 4 pm)**

4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

## Apts for Rent

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## Netters have clean sweep over Deuel

Groton's volleyball team opened its season Thursday night with a 3-0 win over the Deuel Cardinals in a match played at Clear Lake. Game scores were 25-16, 25-22 and 25-13.

Groton had 11 ace serves with Audrey Wanner having four and Payton Maine three. The Tigers had 24 sets with Katie Koehler having 23 and Paityn Bonn one. Groton had 28 kills with Audrey Wanner having nine and Gia Gengerke eight. Gengerke had four blocks and Taylor Holm had one. The Tigers had 36 digs with Wanner and Gengerke each having eight.

Groton won the junior varsity match, 25-6 and 25-12. Groton made it a clean sweep by winning the C match, 24-4 and 25-10.

## Marzahn, Schuring place at NEC Golf Meet

Two Groton Area golfers placed at the Northeast Conference meet held Thursday at Sisseton.

Sisseton won the team title with 343 points followed by Aberdeen Roncalli with 351, Groton Area with 376, Milbank Area with 397 and Redfield-Doland with 446.

Landon Marzahn placed fifth with a score of 90, Sean Schuring was eighth with a score of 93, while Hunter Schaller shot a 96, Cade Guthmiller a 97 and Treyton Diegel a 112.

In the junior varsity division, Hunter Kassube shot a 123.

### **Soup, Sandwich and Pie Luncheon**

**\$2 Each**

**Thursday, Sept. 8**

**11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**St. John's Lutheran Church**

**Groton**

### **Craft and Bake Sale**

**Supplemental funds have been  
applied for from**

**Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.**

### **OPEN HOUSE FAREWELL RECEPTION**

*for*

*Pastor Elizabeth Johnson*

**Sunday, August 28**

**2 - 4 pm**

**Emmanuel Lutheran Church**

**Groton, SD 57445**

## Groton Ford and S&S Lumber donate bikes for perfect attendance

Groton Ford and S & S Lumber are going to reward Groton Area Elementary kids K-5 for going to school. "We are really excited about this new partnership." Nick Simon of Groton Ford said. "When we found out there really wasn't anything currently in place to reward the kids that make that extra effort to show up for school on time, religiously every day we saw an opportunity. Encouraging our youth at an early age to be responsible for their actions will benefit them the rest of their lives. Last year in K-5 there were seven students with perfect attendance and 18 that missed four periods or less. We have decided to reward every boy and girl that only misses four periods or less with a brand new bicycle! We didn't want to penalize kids for having to miss a period or two for things that just can't be avoided such as travel, dentist, illness etc."

**Pictured left to right are Ryan Schelle from S & S Lumber, Nick Simon from Groton Ford, and Elementary Principal Brett Schwan.**



## The flawed hero within us

By Richard P. Holm, MD

In a world of selfishness, dishonesty, and discrimination, how do our children find their way? Conventional wisdom says that we only learn by example, and just look at what examples abound: selfishness with criminals like Bernie Madoff and other Wall Street scoundrels; dishonesty with blatant false marketing by actors on TV; and discrimination by politicians against people of other religions, other sexual orientation, other cultures, other anything. Indeed, if our children only learned by these kinds of examples, we would be in big trouble. But here is where mental health and choice comes in.

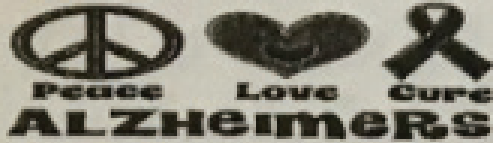
During our lives, especially when young, every one of us must be on a quest for meaning, and experts say that mostly we find our way by choosing examples for living. I learned first from my parents' and then there was the farmer who taught work ethic, the football coach who taught toughness, the debate coach who taught intellectual curiosity, the college classmate who taught kindness, and the med school professor who taught the importance of honest science. It is true that we grow most, not from books, conferences, lectures, or rules, but rather by example from the heroes around us.

The religious expert Joseph Campbell taught us that the "hero's quest" is a story that comes from every culture as a metaphor to help us in our search for meaning. The classic hero story of Greek mythology begins with an innocent baby, born from one mortal parent crossed with a god, who somehow escapes an evil menace, and as a young adult embarks on some quest to find meaning. This adventure commonly finds the hero selflessly slaying an evil dragon to save an innocent damsel while bringing back truth and justice to the nearby village.

The modern hero story is different from the Greek myth. She or he is a flawed ordinary person, someone with whom each of us can relate, who comes up out of the morass of our modern troubled society to stand for something that gives direction and meaning to our lives.

The modern hero is someone each of us could be. We can try, even in a flawed way, to live a life that is not selfish, but helpful to others; not dishonest, but truthful while considerate; not with cruel discrimination, but respectful of the rights of others who may be different.

There could be a hero within every one of us.



## Indian Taco Fundraiser



**Wednesday, Aug. 31**

**Starting at 11:30 a.m.**

**at the Golden Living Center**

**Fundraiser for the**

**Alzheimer's Association**

**1 taco is \$7**

**1 taco with a pop and a bar is \$10**

**Coke, Dt. Coke, Orange and Mt. Dew**

**Choice of toppings: Meat, Pinto**

**beans, onions, cheese, lettuce,**

**tomato, salas and sour cream.**

*Thanks for your support!*



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## Deadwood Gaming Drops in July Hotel Occupancy Remained Flat

DEADWOOD (08-25-2016) - According to statistics released yesterday by the South Dakota Commission on Gaming, the July 2016 gaming handle decreased 7.51% overall, with the slot machine handle falling 8.86% when compared to July 2015. The table game handle however, jumped by 14.35%, when compared to last July's numbers. Deadwood's craps, roulette and keno net win fell by 36.14% against last July's inaugural of those games. Deadwood Gaming operators rewarded players with \$1,332,162.01 in "free-play" for the month of July. This left \$8,835,375.44 in total gaming revenues for the month, when using the S.D. Supreme Court ruling on factoring gaming revenues. July 2016 stats also showed 117 less slot machines than July 2015.

Deadwood hotel occupancies fared better, according to information also released yesterday by the Deadwood City Finance Office. Overall hotel occupancy for Deadwood for July 2016 was 76.60%, up 0.15% from July 2015. This resulted in 121 additional room nights in July 2016 compared to the same month last year.

"This has been a yo-yo year for Deadwood gaming," said Mike Rodman, executive director of the Deadwood Gaming Association. "July's large drop in gaming action pushed the year to date gaming numbers further into the red. Obviously, this is not where we wanted to be at this point in 2016. However, table game revenue continued its strong performance in July, even when compared with peak play in July 2015 of the new table games. Gaming numbers so far for 2016 are down 1.93% and hotel occupancy trails last year YTD by 1.33%."

Deadwood hotel occupancy fared better than the national numbers, which fell one percent, and the national hotel average was 74.4%, compared to Deadwood's 76.60%.

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Strip pits were created when large amounts of ore and minerals were removed from the earth, resulting in open pits that now provide great fishing opportunities.

Many strip pits have been reclaimed for use as recreational areas and most have been stocked with many species of fish. Some are managed by state fisheries while others belong to corporations or individuals. Some are open to fishing and others are accessible if you just ask permission.

It may take a little work to find them. Check with your local Department of Natural Resources or conservation department. Do an Internet search to find these strip pits. A little work and a little courtesy can open up some of the most incredible fishing you have ever experienced.

*By Larry Whiteley, Host of the award-winning Outdoor World Radio*

*For more tips, go to [basspro.com](http://basspro.com) and click on ISource News & Tips*

## Sanders Opposes Dakota Access Pipeline

BURLINGTON, Vt.— U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) issued the following statement in support of grass-roots and legal efforts to stop the Dakota Access pipeline, which would run from North Dakota to Illinois:

“The major global crisis facing our planet today is climate change. The vast majority of scientists tell us that climate change is real, it is caused by humans and it is already causing devastating problems. They say that if we do not aggressively transition our energy system away from fossil fuels toward energy efficiency and sustainable energy, the planet we leave our children will be a much less habitable place.

“Like the Keystone XL pipeline, which I opposed since day one, the Dakota Access fracked oil pipeline, will transport some of the dirtiest fuel on the planet. Regardless of the court’s decision, the Dakota Access pipeline must be stopped. As a nation, our job is to break our addiction to fossil fuels, not increase our dependence on oil. I join with the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and the many tribal nations fighting this dangerous pipeline.”

## “Astonishing Ag Articles” Coloring and Art Contest at State Fair

PIERRE, S.D. – South Dakota Value Added Agriculture Development Center, South Dakota Ag in the Classroom and South Dakota Farm Bureau are holding a coloring and art contest in conjunction with the 2016 South Dakota State Fair.

The “Astonishing Ag Articles” contest is open to South Dakota students in two categories: first and second grades and third and fourth grades. Pictures for first and second graders to color can be downloaded from [www.agclassroom.org/sd](http://www.agclassroom.org/sd). Third and fourth grade posters must be drawn using crayons, markers, colored pencil, chalk or paint only. No name brands may be added or displayed anywhere on the pictures. No added art work, stickers, glitter or other materials may be added to the pictures. For complete rules for each division, visit [www.agclassroom.org/sd](http://www.agclassroom.org/sd).

To be eligible, entries must be dropped off at the Value Added Ag Tent next to the Women’s Building by 1 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2016. Entries may be scanned and emailed to South Dakota Ag in the Classroom before noon on Aug. 30 if students are unable to attend the fair.

Winning posters will be on display in the FFA Nursery throughout the fair. Classrooms that have 50 percent or more classroom participation will be included in a drawing to win one of three watermelon parties for both the coloring and art divisions, with arrangements to be made with the teacher to have the party before Sept. 30, 2016.

Entry forms and more information are available at [www.agclassroom.org/sd](http://www.agclassroom.org/sd). You can also call Ann Price at 605-853-6040 or Cheri Rath at 605-350-3128.



**GDILIVE.COM is ready for football!**

**The Voice of the Tigers, Justin Olson,  
returns to GDILIVE.COM for play-by-play.**

**The coverage of the football game, Friday, Aug. 26th, 7  
p.m., at Oakes is sponsored in part by:**

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## Today in Weather History

August 26, 1983: Heavy rainfall up to four and a half inches fell in the town of Mahto, Corson County, flooding basements. Hail, up to three inches in diameter, caused significant damage to roofs and broke numerous windows.

August 26, 1998: Massive rainfall of 3 to over 6 inches fell across far eastern Corson, most of Campbell and Walworth counties during the evening hours of the 26th. The heavy rain caused flooding on many roads along with some highways through the night and into the morning hours on the 27th. Near Selby, high winds, heavy rain, and some hail caused damage to sunflowers and moved a barn three feet off the foundation. In Selby, wind driven rain pushed water through some ceilings and into basements. An old barn near Glenham was also blown down by the strong winds. Some rainfall amounts include 3.50 inches at Herried, 3.80 inches at Java, 4.20 inches at Selby, 4.50 inches 3N of Selby and just southeast of Mclaughlin, 5 inches at Glenham, 5.75 inches 8N of Mobridge, and 6.35 inches 1.5 miles southeast of Glenham.

1864: A train running from Cincinnati to Chicago was derailed by a tornado in Dearborn County, Indiana, or 75 miles southeast of Indianapolis. Two passenger cars were lifted from the tracks and dropped in a ravine which injured 30 people.

1883 - Krakatoa Volcano exploded in the East Indies. The explosion was heard more than 2500 miles away, and every barograph around the world recorded the passage of the air wave, up to seven times. Giant waves, 125 feet high and traveling 300 mph, devastated everything in their path, hurling ashore coral blocks weighing up to 900 tons, and killing more than 36,000 persons. Volcanic ash was carried around the globe in thirteen days producing blue and green suns in the tropics, and then vivid red sunsets in higher latitudes. The temperature of the earth was lowered one degree for the next two years, finally recovering to normal by 1888. (David Ludlum)

1949 - A hurricane made landfall at Delray Beach. Winds reached 153 mph at the Jupiter Lighthouse before the anemometer failed. The hurricane caused 45 million dollars damage to crops, and also caught the Georgia and South Carolina coast resulting in another two million dollars damage. (David Ludlum)

1965 - Late night severe thunderstorms associated with an unusually strong late summer cold front produced 100 mph winds straight line winds in the Chicago area and northwest Indiana. In Lake County IND, high winds derailed a train near Crown Point, and left a canoe suspended among telephone lines. Two nights later the temperature at Midway Airport in Chicago dipped to 43 degrees, establishing a record for the month of August. (Storm Data) (Hugh Crowther)

1976: A weak tornado touched down briefly in the Hockley Hills near Kiana, AK, about 29 miles north of the Arctic Circle. This tornado is the most northerly report of a tornado on record. Kiana is 545 miles northwest of Anchorage, Alaska.

1992: Hurricane Andrew made a second landfall near Burns Point, LA as a Category 3 hurricane. Morgan City, LA recorded sustained winds of 92 mph with a peak gust of 108 mph. Hammond, LA was deluged with 11.92 inches of rain. As Andrew moved inland and weakened, it spawned 47 tornadoes from this date through the 28th from the South to the Mid-Atlantic States.








1987 - Showers and thunderstorms drenched northern Illinois during the morning and afternoon hours pushing August rainfall totals for Chicago, Moline and Peoria to new all-time highs for any month of the year. By the end of August, Chicago had received 17.10 inches of rain, which easily surpassed the previous record of 14.17 inches established in September 1961. (The National Weather Summary)

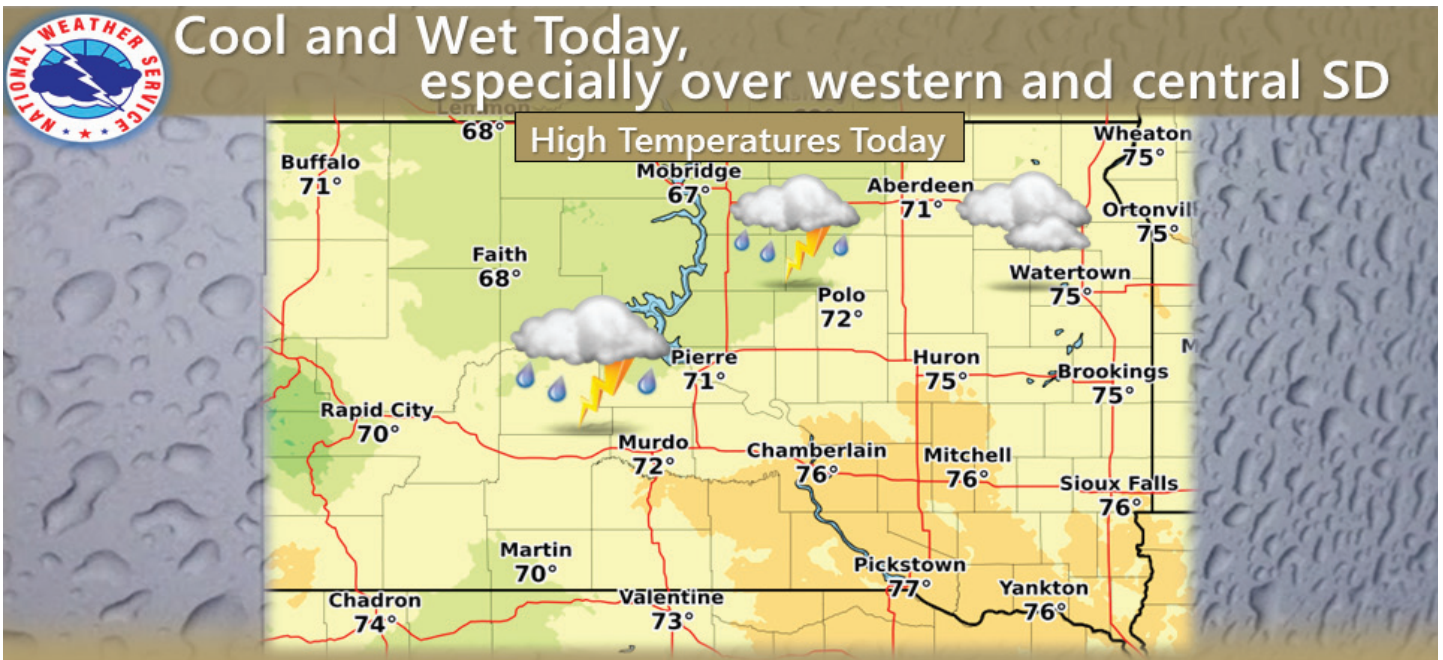
1988 - A dozen cities in Texas, Colorado and California reported record high temperatures for the date, including readings of 100 degrees at Pueblo CO, 106 degrees at Wichita Falls TX, and 109 degrees at Redding CA. Afternoon thunderstorms in Utah deluged the town of Beaver with more than an inch of rain in twenty minutes. (The National Weather Summary)



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Today	Tonight	Saturday	Saturday Night	Sunday	Sunday Night	Monday
						
Chance Showers	Chance Showers	Chance Showers then Slight Chance T-storms	Mostly Clear	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny
High: 71 °F	Low: 56 °F	High: 78 °F	Low: 60 °F	High: 88 °F	Low: 63 °F	High: 85 °F



## Warmer Days Ahead!



National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

Updated: 6/6/2016 3:50 AM Central

[weather.gov/Aberdeen](http://weather.gov/Aberdeen)



National Weather Service Aberdeen



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Published on: 08/26/2016 at 4:57AM

Wet weather will slide in from western South Dakota today, as an upper level disturbances nears the area. It will be another cool day, with highs in the mid 60s to mid 70s. Showers and possibly a few thunderstorms will linger over eastern South Dakota and western Minnesota Saturday afternoon. Look for warmer days ahead as we return to the mid 80s to mid 90s from at least Sunday through Tuesday.

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## Yesterday's Weather

**High Outside Temp: 65.6**

**Low Outside Temp: 46.9**

**High Gust: 17**

Precip: 0.00

## Today's Info

**Record High: 104° in 1976**

**Record Low: 34° in 1914**

**Average High: 80°F**

**Average Low: 54°F**

**Average Precip in Aug: 2.04**

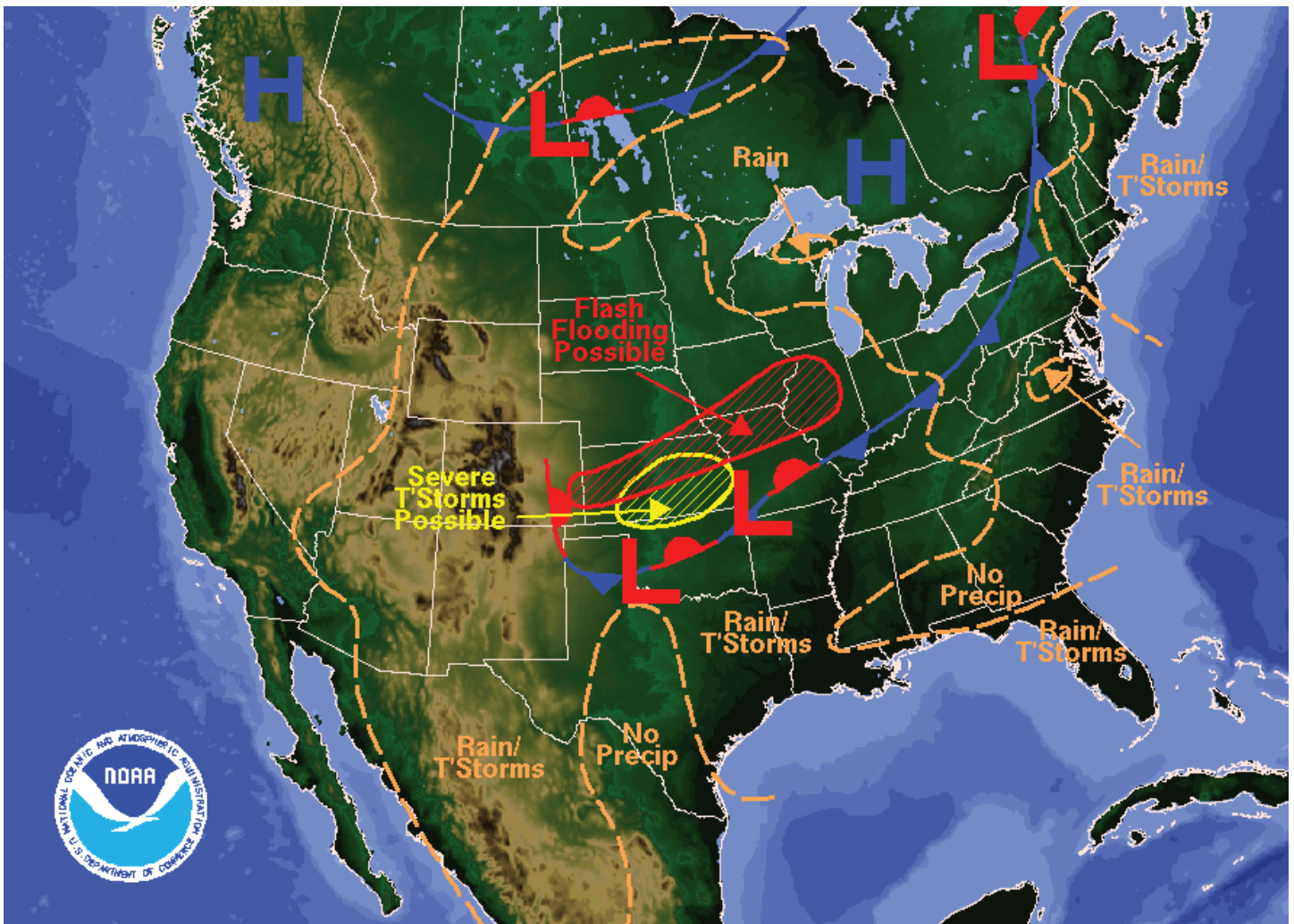
**Precip to date in Aug: 1.93**

**Average Precip to date: 15.90**

**Precip Year to Date: 12.66**

**Sunset Tonight: 8:21 p.m.**

**Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:49 a.m.**



Weather Forecast for Fri, Aug 26, 2016, issued 4:26 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by McReynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



## THE MIRACLE WORKER

Twelve ministers boarded a flight in Miami for New York. Shortly after takeoff the plane encountered a terrible unexpected storm. The people onboard became frightened as the aircraft bounced and seemed to shift from side to side with the currents.

One of the clergymen called to a flight attendant and said, "Tell the Captain that everything will be okay because twelve ministers from Miami are onboard."

Politely excusing herself she phoned the Captain with the news. A moment later she returned to the minister and said, "The Captain asked that I tell you that he was honored to have all of you onboard the flight. But he also asked that I tell you that he would rather have four dependable jet engines."

Jesus, our Savior, was a miracle worker. He specialized in accomplishing supernatural things for God with ordinary people and ordinary things. What He did then He can do now. He has not changed nor has His power changed.

When He fed the five thousand He used the lunch of a small boy to feed the hungry crowd. He took that small insignificant gift and accomplished one of His greatest miracles. The lesson: No one is ever too young or no gift ever too small for God to accept and use to accomplish great things that will honor Him.

Prayer: Father, help us to realize that it is not the gift we offer You but the need that will be met by our willingness to work with You to do Your work. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: John 6:1-14 ...Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish...Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks and distributed to those...as much as they wanted...

The logo for Golden Living, featuring the words "golden" in orange and "living" in blue, with a blue and orange swoosh underneath.

**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 it.

**for out patient therapy.**

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## News from the Associated Press

### **Rapid City man sentenced in alleged murder-for-hire case**

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A man who helped move the body of a Rapid City woman who was killed in what authorities allege is a murder-for-hire case has been sentenced to serve four years in prison.

Twenty-nine-year-old Garland Brown in July pleaded guilty to a being an accessory in the May 2015 stabbing death of 22-year-old Jessica Rehfeld. He was sentenced Thursday, and given credit for 100 days he's already spent behind bars.

Authorities say Rehfeld was stabbed to death in May 2015. Her body was found in a remote grave near Rockerville this past May.

Another man, 24-year-old Michael Frye, faces the same charge as Brown. He's pleaded not guilty.

Three other people face first-degree murder charges in the case, including Rehfeld's ex-boyfriend, Jonathan Klinetobe. They've all pleaded not guilty.

### **Tribe trucks totem pole 4,800 miles in fossil fuels protest**

**GILLIAN FLACCUS, Associated Press**

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A Pacific Northwest tribe is traveling nearly 5,000 miles across Canada and the United States with a 22-foot-tall totem pole on a flatbed truck in a symbolic journey meant to galvanize opposition to fossil fuel infrastructure projects they believe will imperil native lands.

This is the fourth year the Lummi Nation in northwest Washington has embarked on a "totem journey" to try to create a unified front among tribes across North America that are individually fighting plans for coal terminals and crude oil pipelines in their backyards.

The highly visible tours, which include tribal blessing ceremonies at each stop, fit into a trend of Native American tribes bringing their environmental activism to the masses as they see firsthand the effects of climate change, said Robin Saha, a University of Montana associate professor who specializes in tribal issues and environmental justice.

"I wouldn't go as far as to say there's an anti-development movement, but tribes are feeling the effects of climate change quite dramatically and are responding in a lot of different ways," Saha said. "Some of them feel as if they're not going to survive."

In North Dakota, for example, people from across the country and members of 60 tribes have gained international attention after gathering in opposition to the four-state Dakota Access oil pipeline. The totem pole heads to that site, near the Standing Rock Sioux's reservation, next week.

Tribes in the Pacific Northwest have engaged in public protests and taken legal action as West Coast ports have emerged as strategic locations for crude oil and coal companies to reach customers in energy-hungry Asia. Seven crude oil or coal export terminals are proposed for conversion, expansion or construction on the Oregon and Washington coast. Some have already led to increased freight train traffic along the scenic Columbia River Gorge, where local tribes fish salmon.

A coalition of tribes turned out in June after an oil train derailed in Mosier. The oil from the derailment mostly burned off in a huge fire, but a small amount entered the Columbia River where the tribes have federally guaranteed fishing rights.

"We're all trying to unite our voices to make sure we're all speaking out," said Jewell James, a Lummi tribal member and head carver at the House of Tears Carvers.

In recent years, cheap natural gas has prompted many domestic utilities to abandon coal, driving down production at major mines in the Powder River Basin of Montana and Wyoming, the nation's larg-

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est coal producing region. Asian coal markets have become a potential lifeline for the mining industry — and Pacific Northwest ports are seen as the anchor.

The Lummi Nation launched a savvy public relations campaign last year against what would have been the nation's largest coal export terminal proposed for Cherry Point, Washington, at the heart of their ancestral homeland.

In May, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers denied a needed permit for the Gateway Pacific terminal after finding it would damage tribal fishing rights.

This year's 19-day totem trek started Tuesday in Vancouver, British Columbia, and makes a stop Friday in Longview, Washington, where a similar shipping terminal would export 44 million tons of coal annually to Asian markets. With the Gateway Pacific project on ice, the Longview project would now be the nation's largest coal export terminal.

It would mean 16 coal trains a day, mostly from mines in Montana and Wyoming, and an additional 1,600 round-trip vessel calls a year in the lower Columbia River, said Jasmine Zimmer-Stucky, senior organizer with the Columbia Riverkeeper. There are concerns that wake from the ships could strand juvenile salmon and impact tribal fishing, she said.

Bill Chapman, president and CEO of Millennium Bulk Terminals in Longview, said in an emailed response to questions that a draft environmental review by Washington state and county officials found there would be no impacts to tribal fishing. Trains already run through the area on established tracks and have caused no issues, he added.

The terminal on the site of an old aluminum smelter plant would create hundreds of much-needed family wage jobs and is supported by labor unions, Chapman said.

"We're building on a location where industry has existed for over 70 years," he wrote. "Our export terminal is sited on a stretch of the Columbia River dotted with manufacturing plants and docks."

A third large coal terminal in Oregon was dealt a blow this month when a judge upheld the state's right to deny the project based on a similar threat to tribal fishing rights.

If proponents decide to appeal, the case will go to trial in November.

This year's brightly painted totem weighs 3,000 pounds and is carved of western red cedar. An eagle with a 12-foot wingspan sits on top, and the pole itself features a wolf and bear — symbols of leadership, cunning and courage — as well as white buffalo and tribal figures, said James, who has been carving totem poles for 44 years.

To the sounds of drums and a prayer song, the 22-foot-tall totem pole was blessed in a smudge ceremony at the entrance of Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Seattle Thursday. Lummi Nation member Linda Soriano fanned smoke from burning sage, covering the pole in a haze as sun rays beamed down. She then fanned the smoke through the crowd gathered outside the church.

"Mother Earth is hurting," said Lummi Nation member Randy Peters Sr. as he began his prayer song, "Mother Earth has been hurting from all of the abuse that has been going on. The unsafe practices of the coal, and the mining and the transportation of energy."

Tribes in Oregon, Montana, Idaho, North Dakota, South Dakota and Canada will host the Lummi until their end point in Winnipeg, Manitoba, where tribes are fighting oil pipelines bound for the East Coast.

"You can't put a price on the sacred. Our land and our water are sacred," said Reuben George, manager of the Tsleil-Waututh Nation Sacred Trust Initiative in Vancouver, British Columbia, where his tribe is opposed to a major oil pipeline. "This totem pole represents our laws, our culture and our spirituality."

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## Thursday's Scores The Associated Press

### Volleyball

Alcester-Hudson def. Dell Rapids St. Mary, 25-13, 25-11, 25-13  
Baltic def. Colman-Egan, 26-24, 25-13, 28-26  
Bon Homme def. Avon, 25-23, 25-15, 22-25, 25-4  
Chester def. Elkton-Lake Benton, 25-14, 25-19  
Clark/Willow Lake def. Sisseton, 25-22, 25-18, 14-25, 25-16  
Dakota Valley def. Sioux Falls Lincoln, 25-16, 25-21, 25-17  
Faulkton def. Sunshine Bible Academy, 25-8, 25-7, 25-5  
Florence/Henry def. Great Plains Lutheran, 23-25, 26-24, 25-19, 25-23  
Freeman def. Viborg-Hurley, 22-25, 25-21, 25-13, 25-16  
Groton Area def. Deuel, 25-16, 25-22, 25-13  
Hamlin def. Britton-Hecla, 25-16, 25-15, 25-18  
Harrisburg def. Mitchell, 25-21, 25-14, 23-25, 25-19  
Ipswich def. Aberdeen Christian, 25-15, 25-10, 25-17  
James Valley Christian def. Corsica/Stickney, 19-25, 25-22, 25-23, 25-19  
Kimball/White Lake def. Gregory, 25-20, 25-16, 25-20  
Lake Preston def. DeSmet, 22-25, 25-14, 25-19, 25-11  
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Northwestern def. Walsey-Wessington, 25-9, 25-9, 25-9  
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Scotland def. Irene-Wakonda, 18-25, 25-19, 25-15, 25-12  
Sioux Falls Christian def. Tea Area, 25-17, 25-10, 25-15  
Sioux Falls Roosevelt def. Brookings, 25-21, 25-20, 25-15  
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Webster def. Redfield/Doland, 26-24, 25-14, 25-20  
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Consolation Semifinal  
Canistota def. Wagner JV, 25-16, 25-16  
Sanborn Central/Woonsocket def. Andes Central/Dakota Christian, 25-18, 15-25, 25-15  
Seventh Place  
Andes Central/Dakota Christian def. Wagner JV, 25-23, 16-25, 25-18  
Fifth Place  
Canistota def. Sanborn Central/Woonsocket, 15-25, 25-18, 25-19  
Third Place  
Ethan def. Freeman Academy/Marion, 25-22, 25-18  
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## **Governor asks South Dakotans to honor veterans at state fair**

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — Gov. Dennis Daugaard is calling on state residents to honor veterans at the South Dakota State Fair.

Daugaard has proclaimed Sept. 1 to be Veterans Day at the fair at the request of the South Dakota Department of Veterans Affairs.

Veterans and active military personnel will get free gate admission that day.

Larry Zimmerman is secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs. He says the important role of veterans can't be denied.

The state fair runs Sept. 1-5 in Huron.

## **Kenny Hill named starting QB for No. 13 TCU over Sawyer**

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) Kenny Hill has been named the starting quarterback for No. 13 TCU.

Horned Frogs coach Gary Patterson said Thursday that Hill, the former Texas A&M transfer, will start his TCU debut Sept. 3 at home against South Dakota State after competing with sophomore Foster Sawyer for the starting job. Trevone Boykin was the starter the past three seasons.

Hill sat out last season after transferring from Texas A&M, where he succeeded Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Manziel as the Aggies starter.

As a sophomore in 2014, Hill threw for 2,649 yards with 23 touchdowns. He was 5-3 as A&M's starter before getting suspended for two games for violating team rules and athletic department policies. He set a single-game school record with 511 yards passing in his starting debut at South Carolina.

## **Iowa pipeline delay denied; 300 protest up north**

**DAVID PITT, Associated Press**

**JAMES MacPHERSON, Associated Press**

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — The Iowa Utilities Board denied Thursday a request by a group of landowners to halt construction of an oil pipeline beyond this week.

The three-member board voted in a brief afternoon meeting against a lengthy stay of construction of the Dakota Access pipeline on parcels of 14 landowners while a court considers a lawsuit they've filed. The suit challenges the board's authority to allow eminent domain for a privately owned pipeline project.

The board concluded landowners have little likelihood of success in their court case and that Dakota Access would be financially harmed by construction delays, Chairwoman Geri Huser said.

Also Thursday, construction on the pipeline at a site in southern North Dakota near the Standing Rock Sioux's reservation had not yet resumed. About 300 people are still camped out in opposition to the \$3.8 billion pipeline, which will pass through Iowa, Illinois, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Dakota Access, a subsidiary of Dallas-based operator Energy Transfer Partners, agreed last week to halt construction near the reservation until a hearing Wednesday in federal court. The judge said he'd rule by Sept. 9 on a request by the tribe to stop construction near their reservation, which straddles the North Dakota-South Dakota border. As of midday Thursday, construction had not resumed.

ETP didn't immediately respond to requests for comment from The Associated Press regarding when construction could restart.

The Iowa landowners plan to appeal the board's action to district court, and hope to delay construction until a court can hear their legal challenge to the project. An order the board issued Wednesday preventing Dakota Access from doing work on the 14 parcels until Monday remains in place.

Dakota Access attorney Bret Dublinske argued to the utilities board earlier Thursday that landowners have waited too late in the process to try to stop the project, which crosses 18 Iowa counties.

“What really is being asked for here is for this very small fraction of people who have been zealous objectors, many of them since the very beginning ... are being allowed to say were going to mess up the entire project,” Dublinske said.

But the landowners’ attorney, Bill Hannigan, said that the case is “a question of whether a private entity which provides no services whatsoever to Iowans may nonetheless use the state’s police power to take private property from private citizens for its private purposes and its private profits.”

## **The Latest: Iowa landowners denied pipeline work delay**

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — The Latest on the status of the construction oil pipeline owned by a Texas-based company (all times local):

5:10 p.m.

The Iowa Utilities Board has denied landowners’ request to halt construction of an oil pipeline beyond this week.

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Chairwoman Geri Huser says the board concluded landowners have little likelihood of success in their court case and that Dakota Access would be financially harmed by construction delays.

The landowners plan to appeal the board’s action to district court.

The board’s order preventing the Texas-based pipeline owners from doing work on the 14 parcels until Monday remains in place.

2:30 p.m.

Construction on a four-state oil pipeline at a site in southern North Dakota near a Native American reservation has not yet resumed.

About 300 people are at a campsite where protesters from across the country and members of 60 tribes have gathered in opposition to the \$3.8 billion pipeline that will pass through Iowa, Illinois, North Dakota and South Dakota. Six observers from Amnesty International are also present.

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Dallas-based operator Energy Transfer Partners didn’t immediately respond to requests for comment from The Associated Press regarding when construction could restart.

1:30 p.m.

The Iowa Utilities Board has declined to take immediate action on a request by 14 landowners to halt construction of a four-state oil pipeline.

There is temporary stop on construction until Monday but the board met Thursday to hear two hours of arguments from Texas-based Dakota Access and the landowners on whether to order a more permanent delay.

The landowners have filed a lawsuit that challenges the board’s authority to allow eminent domain of



their land for a privately owned pipeline project. That suit has not come before a court yet.

The \$3.8 billion pipeline has generated legal challenges and protests in North Dakota and Iowa.

The board adjourned until 4:30 p.m. Thursday, and will meet again Friday afternoon. It gave no indication when it would vote.

## State's wine lovers order about 14K bottles to South Dakota

**JAMES NORD, Associated Press**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Wine connoisseurs enjoying easier access to their favorite varieties during the first year of South Dakota's consumer-direct wine shipping law have had about 14,000 bottles sent to their doors since January, according to state regulators.

The law that went into effect in January allows South Dakotans to buy up to 12 cases of wine per year for personal use from wineries in the state and around the country. Now, 275 wine producers are licensed to offer their wines to consumers in the state, and 1,158 cases had been shipped by the end of June, according to the Department of Revenue.

The department reported on the law's rollout to a legislative oversight committee this week. Overall, implementation of direct wine shipping has gone pretty well, said Jason Evans, property and special taxes division deputy director.

He said the main issues that have arisen include problems with reporting from wineries for tax purposes and collecting the right information to determine if wine is coming from licensed or unlicensed wineries. There have also been concerns about shippers sending alcohol other than wine to consumers, wine going to retailers and infrequent instances of consumers exceeding the case limit, Evans said.

The agency is working to educate wine producers and wine drinkers about the law as it's implemented. The plan was pushed by the Sioux Falls-based group South Dakotans for Better Wine Laws.

Group president Donald Roesler said he's ordered five cases, including top picks from Napa Valley. South Dakota was the only state in the area that didn't allow direct wine shipping, so that "stirred the brew" enough for supporters to push for the new law, he said.

"The fact is, I still go to the local liquor store to pick up a bottle of wine here, a bottle of wine there, but I have favorites shipped to my home now," Roesler said.

## 8 arrested in Rapid City sex trafficking investigation

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A recent investigation into sex trafficking in Rapid City led to eight arrests.

The operation was conducted over seven days by local, state and federal authorities, during same time as the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally in western South Dakota. The South Dakota Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force was involved.

Six men from South Dakota, one from Indiana and one from Colorado were arrested. The suspects range in age from 24 to 61. They all face at least 10 years in prison if convicted, and could get a life term.

## Suspended Meade County commissioner on trial on felony count

DEADWOOD, S.D. (AP) — A suspended Meade County commissioner accused of damaging private property is on trial in Deadwood.

Wood home products businessman Alan Aker faces a felony charge of intentional damage to property and a misdemeanor count of trespassing.

Authorities allege he entered a client's property in Deadwood last summer, sawed off part of a deck

railing and took it with him because of a dispute over payment.

Aker on Wednesday admitted to sawing the railing but said he hadn't been fully paid for the job and that he had permission to be on the property.

Property owner William Hegg said Aker did shoddy work and that he did not have permission to be on the property.

The County Commission in May voted to suspend Aker, who later lost his bid for re-election.

## **Crash near Platte kills 10-year-old boy; 5 others injured**

PLATTE, S.D. (AP) — A 10-year-old Geddes boy is dead and five other people injured in a two-vehicle crash in Douglas County.

The Highway Patrol says Andrew Sybesma was a passenger in a pickup truck that collided with a sport utility vehicle at a state Highway 44 intersection about 12 miles east of Platte. The crash happened about 3:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Sybesma died in the crash. The 14-year-old driver of the pickup and an 11-year-old female passenger suffered minor injuries.

The three people in the SUV also suffered minor injuries. They included a 2-year-old girl and a 4-year-old boy.

## **Public input meeting held on proposed 100-turbine wind farm**

AVON, S.D. (AP) — A public meeting on a proposed 100-turbine wind farm in Bon Homme and Charles Mix counties drew both opponents and proponents.

The state Public Utilities Commission is deciding whether to grant a permit for the 36,000-acre wind farm proposed by Dell Rapids-based Prevailing Winds LLC.

Regulators held a public input meeting Wednesday in Avon. Opponents who spoke said the large farm would be an eyesore, while proponents said alternative energy is good for the environment.

People and groups have until Aug. 29 to file for party status, which would allow them to present witnesses and evidence during a formal public hearing.

## **Trump rebukes racism claims as Clinton warns of radicalism**

**JONATHAN LEMIRE, Associated Press**

**LISA LERER, Associated Press**

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — Hillary Clinton says Donald Trump has unleashed the "radical fringe" within the Republican Party, including anti-Semites and white supremacists, dubbing the billionaire businessman's campaign as one that will "make America hate again."

Trump is rejecting Clinton's allegations, defending his hard-line approach to immigration while trying to make the case to minority voters that Democrats have abandoned them.

The back-and-forth accusations came Thursday as the two candidates vie for minorities and any undecided voters with less than three months until Election Day. Weeks before the first early voting, Trump faces the urgent task of revamping his image to win over those skeptical of his candidacy.

In a tweet shortly after Clinton wrapped up her speech in the swing state of Nevada, Trump said she "is pandering to the worst instincts in our society. She should be ashamed of herself!"

Clinton is eager to capitalize on Trump's slipping poll numbers, particularly among moderate Republican women turned off by his controversial campaign. "Don't be fooled" by Trump's efforts to rebrand, she told voters at a speech in Reno, saying the country faced a "moment of reckoning."

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"He's taking hate groups mainstream and helping a radical fringe take over one of America's two major political parties," she said.

Trump tried to get ahead of the Democratic nominee, addressing a crowd in Manchester, New Hampshire just minutes before Clinton.

"Hillary Clinton is going to try to accuse this campaign, and the millions of decent Americans who support this campaign, of being racists," Trump predicted.

"To Hillary Clinton, and to her donors and advisers, pushing her to spread her smears and her lies about decent people, I have three words," he said. "I want you to hear these words, and remember these words: Shame on you."

Trump tried to turn the tables on Clinton, suggesting she was trying to distract from questions swirling around donations to The Clinton Foundation and her use of her private email servers.

"She lies, she smears, she paints decent Americans as racists," said Trump, who then defended some of the core — and to some people, divisive — ideas of his candidacy.

Clinton did not address any of the accusations about her family foundation in her remarks. Instead, she offered a strident denouncement of Trump's campaign and the so-called alt-right movement, which is often associated with efforts on the far right to preserve "white identity," oppose multiculturalism and defend "Western values."

Clinton's campaign also released an online video that compiles footage of prominent white supremacist leaders praising Trump.

Trump, who also met Thursday in New York with members of a new Republican Party initiative meant to train young — and largely minority — volunteers, has been working to win over blacks and Latinos in light of his past inflammatory comments and has been claiming that the Democrats have taken minority voters' support for granted. "They've been very disrespectful, as far as I'm concerned, to the African-American population in this country," Trump said.

Many black leaders and voters have dismissed Trump's message as condescending and intended more to reassure undecided white voters that he's not racist.

Cornell William Brooks, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, told C-SPAN's "Newsmakers" Thursday that Trump has not reached out to the organization for any reason. He added that Trump refused the group's invitation to speak at its convention.

"We're going to make it clear: You don't get to the White House unless you travel through the doors of the NAACP," Brooks said. "More importantly, you don't get to the White House without addressing the nation's civil rights agenda."

## **Slain nuns leave void in Mississippi community they served**

**JEFF AMY, Associated Press**

DURANT, Miss. (AP) — In the rural Mississippi community they served, two nuns found slain in their home "would do anything for anybody," friends said.

The women, both 68 and nurse practitioners, were found dead Thursday morning when they didn't report to work at the nearby clinic where they provided flu shots, insulin and other medical care for children and adults who couldn't afford it.

They were identified as Sister Margaret Held and Sister Paula Merrill.

Dr. Elias Abboud, who worked with the sisters for years and helped build the Lexington Medical Clinic, said he's not sure what will happen to the facility in light of their deaths.

"I think the community is going to be different after this. You need somebody with that passion to love the people and work in the underserved area," Abboud said.

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"For somebody to come and do this horrible act, we are all shocked," he added.

Authorities did not release a cause of death, but the Rev. Greg Plata said police told him the nuns were stabbed. Their bodies were taken to a state crime lab for autopsies.

"They were two of the sweetest, most gentle women you can imagine. Their vocation was helping the poor," said Plata, who oversees a 35-member Catholic church the sisters attended.

Maureen Smith, a spokeswoman for the Catholic Diocese of Jackson, said there were signs of a break-in at the home in Durant and the nuns' car was taken.

The abandoned Toyota Corolla was found undamaged late Thursday barely a mile from the home and was being towed to the state crime lab near Jackson, Mississippi's capital city, according to Mississippi Department of Public Safety spokesman Warren Strain. Durant is about 64 miles north of Jackson.

Abboud said the clinic provided about 25 percent of all the medical care in the county, which has a population of about 18,000, according to U.S. Census Bureau estimates for July 2015.

The two nuns provided almost all the care at the clinic and cultivated relationships with drug company representatives, who often left extra free samples, according to clinic manager Lisa Dew.

"I think their absence is going to be felt for a long, long time. Holmes County, it's one of the poorest in the state," Dew said. "There's a lot of people here who depended on them for their care and their medicines. It's going to be rough."

Authorities didn't release a motive and it wasn't clear if the nuns' religious work had anything to do with the slayings.

Police Chief John Haynes said officers were canvassing the area and trying to look at video from surveillance cameras in town to see if they spot anything unusual.

The Catholic community in Mississippi is relatively small. Of nearly 3 million people, the diocese said there are about 108,000 Catholics.

Held had been a member of the School Sisters of St. Francis in Milwaukee for 49 years "and lived her ministry caring for and healing the poor," a statement from the order said.

Milwaukee Archbishop Jerome ListECKI said whoever killed Held "robbed not only the School Sisters of St. Francis, but also the entire Church of a woman whose life was spent in service."

Merrill had worked in Mississippi for more than 30 years, according to the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth in Kentucky. She was from Massachusetts and joined the order in 1979.

Two years later, she moved to the South and found her calling in the Mississippi Delta community, according to a 2010 article in *The Journey*, a publication by the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.

During an early part of her career, she helped bring a tuberculosis outbreak under control in the region, Dew said.

Merrill saw children and adults, and helped in other ways.

"We do more social work than medicine sometimes," Merrill told *The Journey*. "Sometimes patients are looking for a counselor."

After Hurricane Katrina left much of the town without power for weeks in 2005, the sisters allowed people to come to their house to cook because they had a gas stove, neighbor Patricia Wyatt-Weatherly said.

They were skilled in stretching resources, and routinely produced amazing dishes out of what seemed like a very small garden at their home, said Sam Sample, lay leader of St. Thomas Catholic Church in Lexington, where the sisters were members. The small congregation called off its weekly Bible study and meal Thursday night.

"They would do anything for anybody. Folks in Holmes County don't realize the impact it will have without them being here," Sample said.

## **AP EXPLAINS: How shallow, deep earthquakes differ**

**ALICIA CHANG, AP Science Writer**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Italy's earthquake was a lot weaker than the one in Myanmar, but it did far more damage because it happened at a shallower depth. The Associated Press explains the difference between shallow and deep earthquakes.

### **EARTHQUAKE MAGNITUDE IS MORE THAN JUST A NUMBER**

A quake's destructive force depends not only on its strength, but also on location, distance from the epicenter and depth. Quakes can strike near the surface or deep within the Earth. Most quakes occur at shallow depths, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. Italy's quake was very shallow, originating between 2 1/2 miles (4 kilometers) and 6 miles (10 kilometers) underground, according to Italy's geological service and the USGS. The magnitude measurements also varied slightly — between magnitude 6 and 6.2. By contrast, the 6.8 quake in Myanmar was deeper — at 52 miles (84 kilometers), which is considered an intermediate depth.

### **SHALLOW QUAKES ARE LIKE 'A BOMB'**

Shallow quakes generally tend to be more damaging than deeper quakes. Seismic waves from deep quakes have to travel farther to the surface, losing energy along the way. Shaking is more intense from quakes that hit close to the surface like setting off "a bomb directly under a city," said Susan Hough, a USGS seismologist. The Italy quake devastated three towns, home to medieval structures built before there were building codes. Many buildings were made of brick or stone, which can fall apart during shaking. "They're very quaint, but they don't withstand earthquakes very well," Hough said.

### **DEEP QUAKES STRIKE FAR AND WIDE**

While deep quakes may be less damaging, they're usually more widely felt. Most of the destruction in the Myanmar quake was centered in the tourist town of Bagan where nearly 100 brick pagodas dating back centuries were damaged. At least four people were killed in the Myanmar temblor, which also shattered ancient Buddhist pagodas.

## **Strong aftershocks rattle devastated Italian earthquake zone**

**PAOLO SANTALUCIA, Associated Press**

**NICOLE WINFIELD, Associated Press**

AMATRICE, Italy (AP) — Strong aftershocks rattled central Italy and shut down a key route into the hard-hit town of Amatrice on Friday as hopes dimmed that firefighters would find any more survivors from the earthquake that killed at least 267 people.

The Italian government declared Saturday a day of national mourning and scheduled a state funeral to be attended by President Sergio Mattarella.

Some crumbled buildings in Amatrice cracked even further after the biggest aftershock of the morning struck at 6:28 a.m. The U.S. Geological Service said it had a magnitude of 4.7, while the Italian geophysics institute measured it at 4.8.

The shaking ground also damaged a key access bridge to Amatrice, forcing emergency crews to close it and making an already challenging traffic flow into the town worse. Civil protection officials were working to find alternate routes, since the bridge is crucial for emergency crews moving in and out of town.

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The aftershock was preceded by more than 50 overnight and was followed by another nine in the next hour — part of the nearly 1,000 aftershocks that have rocked Italy's central Apennine Mountains since the original 6.2-magnitude quake early Wednesday.

Premier Matteo Renzi has declared a state of emergency and authorized 50 million euros for immediate quake relief.

Rescue efforts continued through the night and into Friday, but more than a day and a half had passed since the last person was extracted alive from the rubble. While Renzi hailed the fact that 215 people had been rescued after the quake, authorities reported a steadily rising death toll that had hit 267 by Friday morning.

Civil protection operations chief Immacolata Postiglione still insisted Friday that the rescue effort hadn't yet switched to a recovery mission. Rescue workers have noted that a person was pulled out alive 72 hours (three days) after the 2009 earthquake in the Italian town of L'Aquila.

"I confirm, once again as we have from the start, that the units that are doing the searches and rescues, including with dogs looking for other people trapped in the rubble, are absolutely fully active," she said Friday.

On the ground, authorities were still struggling to account for all the missing, since that number is still uncertain given the large number of visitors for summer holidays and an annual food festival.

"There is still hope to find survivors under the rubble, even in these hours," Walter Milan, a mountain rescue worker, said Friday. But he conceded: "Certainly, it will be very unlikely."

The vast majority of the dead were found in Amatrice, the medieval hilltop town famous for its bacon and tomato pasta sauce that was leveled by the quake. The other dead hailed from nearby Accumoli and Arcquata del Tronto.

Flags will fly at half-staff Saturday on all public offices and a state funeral will be celebrated by a bishop in a gym in Ascoli Piceno for the victims of nearby Arquata del Tronto — to date, 49 of the dead have come from the tiny town and its hamlet Pescara del Tronto.

Across the area, thousands have been forced to abandon their homes, either because they were destroyed or they were determined to be too unsafe. Overnight some 2,100 slept in tent camps, nearly 1,000 more than the first night after Wednesday's quake, in a sign that a significant number had found nowhere else to go.

"I have no idea what I'm going to do now, because I had renovated the house two years ago," survivor Umberto Palaferri said, showing a photo of his collapsed home on his phone. "It was all new and now I don't know what to do. I'm 76 and don't know if I can rebuild it."

## **Car bomb attack in Turkey kills 11 police; 78 wounded**

**SUZAN FRASER, Associated Press**

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Kurdish militants on Friday attacked a police checkpoint in southeast Turkey with an explosives-laden truck, killing at least 11 police officers and wounding 78 other people, officials and the state-run news agency said.

The attack struck the checkpoint 50 meters (yards) from a main police station near the town of Cizre, in the mainly-Kurdish Sirnak province that borders Syria, the Anadolu Agency reported.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack, which was the latest in a string of bombings targeting police or military vehicles and facilities. Authorities have blamed the Kurdistan Workers' Party, or PKK, for those attacks.

Turkish Prime Minister Binali Yildirim confirmed the death toll, saying it was a suicide attack carried out with an explosives-laden truck. He vowed to "destroy the terrorists."

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"No terrorist organization can take the Turkish Republic hostage," he told reporters in Istanbul. "We will give these scoundrels every response they deserve."

Television footage showed black smoke rising from the mangled truck. The three-story police station was gutted from the powerful explosion.

According to Sirnak governor's office, three of the wounded were civilians. The Health Ministry sent 12 ambulances and two helicopters to the site.

Violence between the PKK and the security forces resumed last year, after the collapse of a fragile two-year peace process between the government and the militant group. Hundreds of security force members, militants and even civilians have been killed since.

Turkey has also seen a rise of deadly attacks that have been blamed on Islamic State militants, including a suicide bombing at a Kurdish wedding in southeast Turkey last week that killed 54 people and an attack on Istanbul's main airport in June that killed 44 people.

Turkey sent tanks across the Syrian border this week to help Syrian rebels retake a key IS-held town.

Since hostilities with the PKK resumed last summer, more than 600 Turkish security personnel and thousands of PKK militants have been killed, according to the Anadolu Agency. Human rights groups say hundreds of civilians have also been killed.

The PKK is considered a terror organization by Turkey and its allies.

The attacks on police come as the country is still reeling from a violent coup attempt on July 15 that killed at least 270 people. The government has blamed the failed coup on the supporters of U.S.-based Muslim cleric Fethullah Gulen and has embarked on a sweeping crackdown on his followers.

On Thursday, Kurdish rebels opened fire at security forces protecting a convoy carrying Turkey's main opposition party leader Kemal Kilicdaroglu in the northeast, killing a soldier and wounding two others, officials said.

## 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. WHAT TRUMP'S IMMIGRATION WAFLING REFLECTS

Polls show that majorities favor letting people illegally in the U.S. stay and also back tougher deportation laws. The GOP nominee is either caught up in, or trying to exploit, that contradiction.

### 2. STRONG AFTERSHOCK RATTLES ITALY'S QUAKE ZONE

The country's civil protection agency increases the death toll from the disaster to 267. The number of injured being treated at hospitals stands at 387.

### 3. FOR AFGHAN WOMEN 'GLASS IS HALF FULL'

As the war against the Taliban grinds on, they are still largely treated as property despite constitutional guarantees of equality.

### 4. WHY SENEGAL CLAMPS DOWN ON QURANIC SCHOOLS

The campaign is intended to stop some teachers from sending pupils out to beg for money and food. Dozens of children are beaten, chained, attacked or sexually abused while begging.

### 5. ELEVEN POLICE KILLED, DOZENS WOUNDED IN TURKEY CAR BOMB ATTACK

Authorities blame a powerful explosion that hit a checkpoint some 50 meters (yards) away from a police station in the southeastern town of Cizre, in Sirnak province, on Kurdish militants.

### 6. GOVERNMENTS RECAST ANTI-EXTREMISM EFFORTS

Officials in Minnesota, for example, brand their federally-funded program as Building Community Resilience, and Massachusetts renames its Countering Violent Extremism program as Promoting Engagement, Acceptance and Community Empowerment.

## 7. MURDER MYSTERY UNFOLDING IN MISSISSIPPI

Two nuns who worked as nurses and helped the poor in rural Mississippi are found slain in their home in a possible break-in and vehicle theft.

## 8. WHERE OBAMA PLANS TO CREATE WORLD'S LARGEST MARINE PROTECTED AREA

The White House says expanding a national monument off the coast of Hawaii will protect more than 7,000 species and improve the ecosystem's resiliency.

## 9. APPLE BOOSTS IPHONE SECURITY

The move follows a botched attempt to break into the phone of an Arab activist in the Mideast using hitherto unknown espionage software.

## 10. RYAN LOCHTE IN HOT WATER IN BRAZIL

Brazilian police charge the American swimmer with filing a false robbery report over an incident during the Rio Games.

## US, Russia renew push for elusive agreement on Syria

**MATTHEW LEE, Associated Press**

**JAMEY KEATEN, Associated Press**

GENEVA (AP) — The United States and Russia on Friday renewed efforts to secure a military and humanitarian cooperation agreement for war-torn Syria as conditions on the ground continued to deteriorate after months of hesitation, missed deadlines and failed attempts to forge a nationwide truce.

U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry and Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov were meeting in Geneva as part of a new U.S. bid to enlist Russia as a partner in Syria as the fighting becomes more volatile and complicated with the introduction of Turkish ground forces. Neither Washington nor Moscow has signaled that an agreement is imminent, although progress appears to have been made in one critical battleground: the besieged city of Aleppo, where the United Nations has been clamoring for a 48-hour cease-fire so humanitarian aid can be shipped into the city.

Asked to describe the main impediment to a nationwide ceasefire in Syria as he sat down with Kerry, Lavrov said: "I don't want to spoil the atmosphere for the negotiations." Kerry did not speak and it was not immediately clear if either man would address reporters after their talks, which are expected to last several hours and also include discussions about the crisis in Ukraine.

On Thursday, U.N. officials said Russia was on board for a plan to win a 48-hour pause in fighting in and around Aleppo so that aid can be delivered to its increasingly embattled population. However, the Russian Foreign Ministry simply reiterated its general support for a ceasefire to open an aid corridor, and was waiting for the U.N. to announce it is ready.

The three-point plan for Aleppo, which U.N. officials say now needs the approval of two rebel groups and the Syrian government, would involve road convoys both from Damascus and across the Turkish border through the critical Castello Road artery. Another mission would go to southern Aleppo to help revive a damaged electric plant that powers crucial pumping stations that supply water for 1.8 million people.

Kerry was to meet with the U.N. envoy for Syria, Staffan di Mistura, later Friday in Geneva.

Despite the apparent incremental progress on Aleppo, U.S. officials are keen to broaden the focus and hammer out a diplomatic initiative that would see greater military cooperation with Russia that could lead to a resumption of talks on a political transition. However, previous efforts to set target dates for



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the start of the transition process have failed, most recently when an early August timeline had to be abandoned.

Before those talks can begin, though, U.S. officials say it is imperative that Russia use its influence with Syrian President Bashar Assad to halt all attacks on moderate opposition forces, open humanitarian aid corridors, and concentrate any offensive action on the Islamic State group and other extremists not covered by what has become a largely ignored truce. For their part, U.S. officials say they are willing to press rebels groups they support harder on separating themselves from the Islamic State and al-Nusra, which despite a recent name change is still viewed as al-Qaida's affiliate in Syria.

Those goals are not new, but recent developments have made achieving them even more urgent and important, according to U.S. officials. Recent developments include military operations around the city of Aleppo, the entry of Turkey into the ground war, Turkish hostility toward U.S.-backed Kurdish rebel groups and the presence of American military advisers in widening conflict zones.

Meanwhile, in a blow to the opposition, rebel forces and civilians in the besieged Damascus suburb of Daraya were to be evacuated on Friday after agreeing to surrender the town late Thursday after four years of grueling bombardment and a crippling siege that left the sprawling area in ruins. The surrender of Daraya, which became an early symbol of the nascent uprising against President Bashar Assad, marks a success for his government, removing a persistent threat only a few miles from his seat of power.

## **Rebels, civilians to evacuate long-besieged Damascus suburb**

**ALBERT AJI, Associated Press**

DARAYA, Syria (AP) — Buses, ambulances and trucks lined up at the entrance of a blockaded Damascus suburb on Friday to evacuate rebels and civilians under a deal struck between the Syrian opposition forces and the government.

The surrender of the Daraya suburb, which became an early symbol of the nascent uprising against President Bashar Assad, marks a success for his government, removing a persistent threat only a few miles from his seat of power.

Daraya's rebels agreed to evacuate in a deal late Thursday, after four years of grueling bombardment and a crippling siege that left the sprawling suburb in ruins. The suburb has been besieged and blockaded by government forces, with only one food delivery by the United Nations allowed to reach the district during this time.

The development comes as U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry arrived in Geneva on Friday for talks with Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov. The talks center on proposals to share intelligence and coordinate militarily with Russia against the Islamic State group and al-Qaida in Syria and Iraq. Russia and Iran are strong backers of Assad and have been accused of targeting Western-backed rebel forces.

Located just southwest of Damascus, Daraya has been pummeled by government airstrikes, barrel bombs and fighting over the years.

The evacuations are to begin later Friday. At least 48 green and white buses, eight ambulances and several Red Crescent and U.N. vehicles were lined up at the entrance of Daraya, waiting for the green light.

An AP journalist who entered the suburb from its northern entrance saw a landscape of severely damaged and deserted buildings, some of them charred. Black smoke rose on the horizon — caused by the rebels burning their belongings before evacuating, according to Syrian army soldiers.

Under the deal, the government is to allow safe exit to 700 gunmen out of Daraya and let them head to the opposition-held northern province of Idlib. Around 4,000 civilians will be taken to shelters in and

around Damascus.

"Idlib will be their graveyard," said a Syrian army soldier. "This is a precious moment for every Syrian," he added. The soldiers spoke on condition of anonymity in line with regulations.

Daraya, which lies in the western Ghouta region, has suffered thousands of helicopter-dropped unguided barrel bombs over the years. It is the latest area to surrender to government troops following years of siege. Opposition activists and human rights groups accuse the government of using siege and starvation tactics to force surrender by the opposition.

The U.N.'s humanitarian chief Stephen O'Brien told the U.N. Security Council earlier this year that severe food shortages were forcing some people in Daraya to eat grass. Residents had described burning plastic material to make fuel.

"No one will remain" here, said Hussam Ayash, a Daraya activist.

"We are being forced to leave, but our condition has deteriorated to the point of being unbearable," he told The Associated Press from the town Thursday night, ahead of the evacuations. "We withstood for four years but we couldn't any longer," he said, choking on his words.

Ayash said the situation became unbearable after the town's remaining field hospital was bombed and destroyed last week. The government had in recent months also encroached on the town's agricultural farms — the only source of food for the local population, which he estimated at 8,000 people.

## Indonesia steps up fire response as haze blankets Singapore

**NINIEK KARMINI, Associated Press**

**STEPHEN WRIGHT, Associated Press**

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Six Indonesian provinces have declared states of emergency as forest fires blanketed a swath of Southeast Asia in a smoky haze.

Singapore's air quality deteriorated to unhealthy levels on Friday as winds blew smoke from fires on Sumatra, where millions of people are already affected by haze, across the city-state and into southern Malaysia.

The number of hotspots detected in Sumatra and Borneo by weather satellites has increased in the past month though they are below levels last year when massive fires in Indonesia caused a regional crisis.

Singapore's three-hour air pollution index was at 157 by late afternoon, after peaking at 215. Its environment agency doesn't give a health warning with the limited duration index, but on a 24-hour basis it says levels above 100 are unhealthy and above 200 very unhealthy.

"The smell of smoke woke me up. I thought something was burning outside," said Singaporean copywriter Lim Jia Ying, who put on a mask for her commute to work. "I'm having a cough and it's getting worse. Luckily, I found a face mask at home," she said.

Indonesia's Disaster Mitigation Agency said six provinces which have a combined population of more than 23 million people have declared emergencies, allowing firefighting measures to go into full effect including aerial water drops.

The haze is an annual problem for Southeast Asia, but last year's fires were the worst since 1997, straining relations between Indonesia and its neighbors. About 261,000 hectares (644,931 acres) burned, causing billions of dollars in economic losses for Indonesia.

Many of the fires are deliberately set by agricultural conglomerates and small-time farmers to clear forests and peatland for plantations.

National police chief Tito Karnavian said Friday that 85 people have been arrested this year for starting fires.

About 2,800 hectares (6,918 acres) have burned so far this year, according to Indonesia's Forestry Ministry.

Separately, Indonesia's Supreme Court has rejected an appeal by a palm oil company PT Kallista Alam that was ordered to pay compensation of 366 billion rupiah (\$28 million) for burning peatlands, according to a decision published this month on the court's website.

## Chicago Story: Trump sends GOP donors spinning

**JULIE BYKOWICZ, Associated Press**

CHICAGO (AP) — Ron Gidwitz, Dan Webb and William Kunkler are veteran Republicans — and friends — from Chicago's political money circuit. They raised buckets of cash for Mitt Romney four years ago. This time, however, their party's nominee has sent them spinning off in three directions.

Gidwitz is hosting fundraisers for Donald Trump. Webb wrote a big check for Hillary Clinton. And Kunkler won't do anything for either candidate, saying he prefers not to enable "stupid behavior."

"Everyone is trying to make the best of a bad situation," Kunkler said.

Illinois is especially ripe for this hodgepodge of political feelings. Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner pretends Trump doesn't exist, Republican Sen. Mark Kirk trashes him, and the state's top GOP donors, mostly moderate business leaders, squirm at his racially charged comments.

It's also a tale in miniature of the Republican fundraising scene across the country. Many top donors boycotted or sulked their way through the national convention last month. And nearly every day, it seems, a Republican endorses Clinton, some promising financial help. In a speech Thursday denouncing Trump as a bigot, Clinton said she is "honored" to have that kind of support.

While big crossover donors like Webb are rare so far, there's evidence that many Republicans are taking the Kunkler route of sitting on the sidelines, an Associated Press analysis of Federal Election Commission filings found.

Of the nearly 25,000 people who made the maximum contribution to GOP candidates other than Trump in the primary, about three dozen have since maxed out to Clinton. Trump has picked up only about 100 donors from that same universe.

### WEBB'S CONVERSION

Webb backed New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, a fellow former U.S. attorney, in the primaries. Even then, though, he was open enough to Clinton to write her campaign a \$2,700 check in May 2015 when one of his clients requested it.

Still, Webb planned to back the GOP nominee. He thought he'd be OK with Trump, liking the New Yorker's not-so-conservative social positions and taking note when Christie endorsed him.

Then came the nominee's Memorial Day weekend assertion that a Mexican judge's heritage made him ineligible to handle a case involving Trump. Webb started thinking — about Trump's remarks on the appearance of various women, the pronouncement that foreign Muslims should be temporarily barred from entering the country.

Webb concluded that Trump failed the "grandkids" test: Could he explain to children why he supports the GOP nominee? The answer was no.

Webb shared his views with friend Lanny Davis, a longtime Clinton backer and Washington attorney, who put him in touch with J.B. Pritzker, one of the Democrat's top Chicago financiers.

Pritzker didn't need to give him the tough sell. In mid-June, Webb wrote a \$75,000 check to Priorities USA, the pro-Clinton super political action committee that can accept unlimited donations.

Now Webb is helping to organize a fall "Lawyers for Hillary" fundraiser in Chicago and trying to win

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over other Republicans.

"My pitch is, 'You cannot sit on the sidelines,'" he said. "It has to be country over politics. We can stand up and just support her."

Still, he's not ready to turn in his GOP card. He said he hopes Trump will prompt the party to do some soul-searching that leads to a more inclusive posture.

"Sometimes you have to fail and destroy yourself before you can rebuild," he said.

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## GIDWITZ GOES TRUMP

Webb hasn't seen Ron Gidwitz in a while, but he knows what his friend is up to: Raising money for Trump.

A supporter of former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush in the primary, Gidwitz joined Trump's fundraising team after meeting with him about two months ago. Gidwitz said he found the nominee to be "personable, persuasive and quite engaged."

He's since hosted Trump at a July fundraiser and is organizing a September event.

Gidwitz said he is approaching his fundraising duties as a realist rather than a die-hard Trump backer. "Do I agree with everything he has said? No," Gidwitz said. "But it's not a question of how I feel; it's how the donor might feel."

His pitch: Picture Clinton in the White House. Do you want her naming Supreme Court justices? Do you want her to win in a landslide that sweeps away the Republican Senate majority?

"Those are the touchstones for me," Gidwitz said.

Despite the efforts of Gidwitz and others who have organized more than 50 fundraisers with Trump, the confused universe of large Republican donors limits how much Trump can raise to compete with Clinton.

In June and July, after the two nominees became clear, Trump landed about 1,300 contributors who hit \$2,700 or more, compared to 8,000 who did so for Clinton in those two months, the latest finance reports show. Donors can give a total of \$5,400 to each candidate for the primary and general.

Trump is stronger with small contributors. People giving \$200 or less made up well over half of his campaign's income last month.

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## KUNKLER FOR NO ONE

"Ron knows not to even ask me," Gidwitz's friend Kunkler said. "I think what I've said to him is, 'I respect your choice, but I sure have a hard time understanding your choice.'"

Like Gidwitz, Kunkler was a Jeb Bush fan. But Kunkler said he's ignoring this race.

At a bipartisan immigration reform panel earlier this month, Kunkler lashed out, saying he hopes Trump and his supporters are "humiliated" on Election Day.

"That may have been a little over the top," he said afterward. But he said he's distraught that Trump has taken over his party.

"I just want us to learn," he said. "I'd rather have us lose than have someone so bad that he keeps us out of the White House for three or four cycles."

## Trump immigration waffle reflects voter confusion on issue

**NICHOLAS RICCARDI, Associated Press**

**BILL BARROW, Associated Press**

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — Dean Green supports Donald Trump partly because of the GOP presidential nominee's tough, deport-them-all stance on illegal immigration. But the 57-year-old Republican paused

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as he complained about U.S. immigration policy and acknowledged that deporting all 11 million people in the U.S. illegally would separate families.

"I don't want to break up families," Green said.

It has been 30 years since the country embarked on an immigration overhaul, and the ambivalence of voters like Green is one reason why. Polls often show that majorities favor letting people illegally in the U.S. stay and also back tougher laws to deport them.

"The electorate is conflicted and that's a fundamental problem," said Whit Ayres, a Republican pollster. "This is such an emotional issue that reason and facts have very little to do with how people stand."

Trump is now either caught up in, or trying to exploit, that contradiction as he considers "softening" his controversial immigration stance. He won the GOP primaries on the strength of an aggressive immigration policy, calling for the immediate deportation of the estimated 11 million people in the U.S. illegally and construction of a Mexican border wall. But as he trails in the polls and struggles to overcome record lows with minority voters, he has sounded a softer tone.

"To take a person who's been here 15 or 20 years and throw them and their family out, it's so tough," Trump told a Fox News town hall, quoting what some "really strong" supporters had said to him. He even polled the audience on whether to allow some people in the country illegally to stay, a key part of President Barack Obama and Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton's agendas.

Todd Schulte, president of FWD.us, which advocates for an immigration overhaul that would let people in the country illegally remain here while increasing border security, said that Trump's words mean little until he commits to a real policy change. But just the fact that the candidate has to utter them is telling, he said.

"Opposition is not just toxic with Latinos and Asians and African-Americans, but with white voters," Schulte said.

A Pew survey released Thursday found 24 percent of the public favoring toughening border security first and 29 percent letting people stay in the country. Forty-five percent called for both. Trump's proposed wall is opposed by 61 percent of the country but backed by 78 percent of his supporters.

Views of immigrants have shifted over time, but remain conflicted, said Mark Lopez of Pew. In the early 1990s, two-thirds of Americans surveyed by Pew characterized immigrants as a burden on society, but now nearly two-thirds see them as a benefit. Lopez noted that happened as large numbers of immigrants settled in the U.S. and had children. However, a Pew survey last year found 50 percent of Americans believe immigrants make the economy worse compared to 28 percent who believe they make it better. (The survey did find majorities think immigrants improve food and music.)

Immigration has created complications for both parties. During the Democratic primary, as she courted groups that favor a softer stance on immigration, Clinton had to disavow her prior opposition to providing driver's licenses for people here illegally and also her support for deporting Central American children who flooded the border in 2014.

But the Democrat's contradictions are dwarfed by those in the GOP. During the GOP primary Trump slammed rivals like former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush and Ohio Gov. John Kasich for backing "amnesty" — letting people here illegally remain. But in exit polls in 20 primary states, 53 percent of Republican voters supported letting those immigrants stay, even as Trump won the primaries.

Ayres recalled a focus group in the Deep South during which conservative voters complained about illegal immigrants. One man said he wanted them to pay taxes, work and learn English. Ayres told the man that was precisely the bipartisan proposal that had passed the Senate in 2013 and was being held up in the Republican-controlled House. "But that's amnesty," the man responded. "I don't support that."

"That's when I turned around and cracked my head against the wall," Ayres said.

Roy Beck, president of Numbers USA, which pushes for less immigration, sees Trump's shift through

that prism. "Trump is much more like an average American than he is like a politician," said Beck, whose group still downgraded Trump in its voter guide this week. "He's thinking about these things, people are talking to him and he's reflecting that."

Mark Krikorian of the Center for Immigration Studies, which also advocates for less immigration, doesn't think the Republican nominee should be cut any slack. Trump has changed his position on many issues, but immigration is the one that launched his candidacy, he said.

"Without the immigration issue, the words 'President Trump' would still be a 'Simpsons' joke," Krikorian said.

## **UN official: For Afghan women 'glass is half full'**

**LYNNE O'DONNELL, Associated Press**

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — As the United States prepared to invade Taliban-ruled Afghanistan 15 years ago, then-First Lady Laura Bush took over her husband's weekly radio address to tell the American people that part of the reason for going to war after the attacks of September 11, 2001, was to liberate Afghan women from the brutality that had been forced on them by the extremists' regime.

As the war against the Taliban grinds on, Afghan women are still largely treated as property and barely a week goes by without news emerging of a woman or girl being stoned to death, burned with gasoline, beaten or tortured by her in-laws, traded to repay a debt, jailed for running away from a violent husband, or sold into marriage as a child.

Abuse of women in Afghanistan remains entrenched and endemic, despite constitutional guarantees of equality, protection from violence and age-old practices such as trading young women to pay debts.

Earlier this month, news emerged from remote central Ghor province of Zarah, a pregnant 14-year-old who was allegedly tortured and set on fire by her in-laws as they took revenge on her father over a failed deal to marry one of their relatives.

Mohammad Azam, 45, traveled to the capital, Kabul, to call for justice for the killing of his daughter. Yet he too had taken a young bride as payment for construction work.

The British government said in a report in early July that "documented cases of violence against women have risen" in the first half of 2016, with 5,132 cases reported to the Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission, "including 241 murders."

Attending a small rally in western Kabul to support Azam's call for justice, women's rights activist Veeda Saghari said violence against women is largely ignored by Afghanistan's judicial sector.

"That is why all kinds of violence against women such as acid throwing, beating, stoning, informal community tribunal verdicts, burning, forced divorces, forced marriages, forced pregnancies, forced abortions have reached a peak," she said.

In fairness, much has improved for Afghan women since the Taliban were ejected from power. During five years of Taliban rule, women were not permitted to attend school or work, were largely confined to their homes, and subject to public beatings for violations of strict rules on what they could wear in public. When it came to their health, very few had access to doctors, and benchmarks such as maternal mortality were among the worst in the world.

Now millions of girls go to school, compared to practically none in 2001, and access to health care is widespread. The constitution protects women from the worst excesses they suffered before 2001. Figures published by the World Bank show a drop in maternal mortality, for instance, from 1,340 per 100,000 live births in 1990 to 396 in 2015.

Many women work for the government and security services, run their own business, and are elected

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to parliament. Figures from President Ashraf Ghani's office show 33 percent of all teachers are women, and there are 240 women judges. He has nominated four women as Cabinet ministers, appointed seven as deputy ministers and four as ambassadors.

Yet for most Afghan women, the struggles of today are little different to those under the Taliban. Many working women are targeted and often killed by extremists. High-profile lawmaker Shukria Barakzai, who ran a secret school for girls during the Taliban era, survived a suicide bomb attack in 2014, and was appointed ambassador to Norway last year.

But in impoverished and rural areas, girls can often be of less value to their families than their animals. A burns unit in the western city of Herat has a ward dedicated to treating young women who set themselves on fire, as much a cry for help as a suicide attempt. Women's prisons in major cities, including Kabul, hold hundreds of women accused of adultery for having sex outside marriage, as well as young women who have run away from home to escape arranged marriages or abusive, often much older, husbands.

Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, the executive director of U.N. Women, has found that government officials, judges, clerics and educators are often receptive to the concepts of women's rights, as enshrined in the Afghan constitution. But, she said, "When we are dealing with extremism there is pushback, every step of the way there is pushback."

Following the fall of the Taliban, the Western push for women's rights led some Afghans to feel that Western values were being forced on them, she said, and that had led to problems of acceptance of women's rights as homegrown.

The situation is complicated by almost 40 years of conflict.

"We have a generation that has only known war, and at the same time you also have a generation that has been educated, that knows about the lives that are lived by people in other parts of the world. There has to be some confusion as people try to deal with all these issues," Mlambo-Ngcuka said, adding: "So the glass is half full."

That doesn't mean Afghanistan should be given special treatment, she said. "Rape is rape, physical violence is physical violence. So in our quest not to be overbearing and not to overshadow local efforts, I don't think that we should also move away and not talk about the universality of rights," she said.

As a member of the United Nations and signatory to the "same charters as all the other member states, we have to hold them to the same standards because the nation has actually signed on to the same value system as the other nations," she said.

"What is good for a child in Europe in terms of protection, in terms of making sure that they have a right to education, not to be married early, that is good for a child in Europe and it is good for a child in Afghanistan."

## Tribe trucks totem pole 4,800 miles in fossil fuels protest

**GILLIAN FLACCUS, Associated Press**

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A Pacific Northwest tribe is traveling nearly 5,000 miles across Canada and the United States with a 22-foot-tall totem pole on a flatbed truck in a symbolic journey meant to galvanize opposition to fossil fuel infrastructure projects they believe will imperil native lands.

This is the fourth year the Lummi Nation in northwest Washington has embarked on a "totem journey" to try to create a unified front among tribes across North America that are individually fighting plans for coal terminals and crude oil pipelines in their backyards.

The highly visible tours, which include tribal blessing ceremonies at each stop, fit into a trend of Na-

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tive American tribes bringing their environmental activism to the masses as they see firsthand the effects of climate change, said Robin Saha, a University of Montana associate professor who specializes in tribal issues and environmental justice.

"I wouldn't go as far as to say there's an anti-development movement, but tribes are feeling the effects of climate change quite dramatically and are responding in a lot of different ways," Saha said. "Some of them feel as if they're not going to survive."

In North Dakota, for example, people from across the country and members of 60 tribes have gained international attention after gathering in opposition to the four-state Dakota Access oil pipeline. The totem pole heads to that site, near the Standing Rock Sioux's reservation, next week.

Tribes in the Pacific Northwest have engaged in public protests and taken legal action as West Coast ports have emerged as strategic locations for crude oil and coal companies to reach customers in energy-hungry Asia. Seven crude oil or coal export terminals are proposed for conversion, expansion or construction on the Oregon and Washington coast. Some have already led to increased freight train traffic along the scenic Columbia River Gorge, where local tribes fish salmon.

A coalition of tribes turned out in June after an oil train derailed in Mosier. The oil from the derailment mostly burned off in a huge fire, but a small amount entered the Columbia River where the tribes have federally guaranteed fishing rights.

"We're all trying to unite our voices to make sure we're all speaking out," said Jewell James, a Lummi tribal member and head carver at the House of Tears Carvers.

In recent years, cheap natural gas has prompted many domestic utilities to abandon coal, driving down production at major mines in the Powder River Basin of Montana and Wyoming, the nation's largest coal producing region. Asian coal markets have become a potential lifeline for the mining industry — and Pacific Northwest ports are seen as the anchor.

The Lummi Nation launched a savvy public relations campaign last year against what would have been the nation's largest coal export terminal proposed for Cherry Point, Washington, at the heart of their ancestral homeland.

In May, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers denied a needed permit for the Gateway Pacific terminal after finding it would damage tribal fishing rights.

This year's 19-day totem trek started Tuesday in Vancouver, British Columbia, and makes a stop Friday in Longview, Washington, where a similar shipping terminal would export 44 million tons of coal annually to Asian markets. With the Gateway Pacific project on ice, the Longview project would now be the nation's largest coal export terminal.

It would mean 16 coal trains a day, mostly from mines in Montana and Wyoming, and an additional 1,600 round-trip vessel calls a year in the lower Columbia River, said Jasmine Zimmer-Stucky, senior organizer with the Columbia Riverkeeper. There are concerns that wake from the ships could strand juvenile salmon and impact tribal fishing, she said.

Bill Chapman, president and CEO of Millennium Bulk Terminals in Longview, said in an emailed response to questions that a draft environmental review by Washington state and county officials found there would be no impacts to tribal fishing. Trains already run through the area on established tracks and have caused no issues, he added.

The terminal on the site of an old aluminum smelter plant would create hundreds of much-needed family wage jobs and is supported by labor unions, Chapman said.

"We're building on a location where industry has existed for over 70 years," he wrote. "Our export terminal is sited on a stretch of the Columbia River dotted with manufacturing plants and docks."

A third large coal terminal in Oregon was dealt a blow this month when a judge upheld the state's right to deny the project based on a similar threat to tribal fishing rights.



If proponents decide to appeal, the case will go to trial in November.

This year's brightly painted totem weighs 3,000 pounds and is carved of western red cedar. An eagle with a 12-foot wingspan sits on top, and the pole itself features a wolf and bear — symbols of leadership, cunning and courage — as well as white buffalo and tribal figures, said James, who has been carving totem poles for 44 years.

To the sounds of drums and a prayer song, the 22-foot-tall totem pole was blessed in a smudge ceremony at the entrance of Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral in Seattle Thursday. Lummi Nation member Linda Soriano fanned smoke from burning sage, covering the pole in a haze as sun rays beamed down. She then fanned the smoke through the crowd gathered outside the church.

"Mother Earth is hurting," said Lummi Nation member Randy Peters Sr. as he began his prayer song, "Mother Earth has been hurting from all of the abuse that has been going on. The unsafe practices of the coal, and the mining and the transportation of energy."

Tribes in Oregon, Montana, Idaho, North Dakota, South Dakota and Canada will host the Lummi until their end point in Winnipeg, Manitoba, where tribes are fighting oil pipelines bound for the East Coast.

"You can't put a price on the sacred. Our land and our water are sacred," said Reuben George, manager of the Tsleil-Waututh Nation Sacred Trust Initiative in Vancouver, British Columbia, where his tribe is opposed to a major oil pipeline. "This totem pole represents our laws, our culture and our spirituality."

## **Activist discovers iPhone spyware, sparking security update**

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AJMAN, United Arab Emirates (AP) — The suspicious text message that appeared on Ahmed Mansoor's iPhone promised to reveal details about torture in the United Arab Emirates' prisons. All Mansoor had to do was click the link.

Mansoor, a human rights activist, didn't take the bait. Instead, he reported it to Citizen Lab, an internet watchdog, setting off a chain reaction that in two weeks exposed a secretive Israeli cyberespionage firm, defanged a powerful new piece of eavesdropping software and gave millions of iPhone users across the world an extra boost to their digital security.

"It feels really good," Mansoor said in an interview from his sand-colored apartment block in downtown Ajman, a small city-state in the United Arab Emirates.

Cradling his iPhone to show The Associated Press screenshots of the rogue text, Mansoor said he hoped the developments "could save hundreds of people from being targets."

Hidden behind the link in the text message was a highly targeted form of spyware crafted to take advantage of three previously undisclosed weaknesses in Apple's mobile operating system.

Two reports issued Thursday, one by Lookout, a San Francisco mobile security company, and another by Citizen Lab, based at the University of Toronto's Munk School of Global Affairs, outlined how the program could completely compromise a device at the tap of a finger. If Mansoor had touched the link, he would have given his hackers free reign to eavesdrop on calls, harvest messages, activate his camera and drain the phone's trove of personal data.

Apple Inc. issued a fix for the vulnerabilities Thursday, just ahead of the reports' release, working at a blistering pace for which the Cupertino, California-based company was widely praised.

Arie van Deursen, a professor of software engineering at Delft University of Technology in the Netherlands, said the reports were disturbing. Forensics expert Jonathan Zdziarski described the malicious program targeting Mansoor as a "serious piece of spyware."

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A soft-spoken man who dresses in traditional white robes, Mansoor has repeatedly drawn the ire of authorities in the United Arab Emirates, calling for a free press and democratic freedoms. He is one of the country's few human rights defenders with an international profile, close links to foreign media and a network of sources. Mansoor's work has, at various times, cost him his job, his passport and even his liberty.

Online, Mansoor repeatedly found himself in the crosshairs of electronic eavesdropping operations. Even before the first rogue text message pinged across his phone on Aug. 10, Mansoor already had weathered attacks from two separate brands of commercial spyware.

When he shared the suspicious text with Citizen Lab researcher Bill Marczak, they realized he'd been targeted by a third.

Citizen Lab and Lookout both fingered a secretive Israeli firm, NSO Group, as the author of the spyware. Citizen Lab said that past targeting of Mansoor by the United Arab Emirates' government suggested that it was likely behind the latest hacking attempt as well.

Executives at the company declined to comment, and a visit to NSO's address in Herzliya showed that the firm had recently vacated its old headquarters — a move recent enough that the building still bore its logo.

In a statement released Thursday, which stopped short of acknowledging that the spyware was its own, the NSO Group said its mission was to provide "authorized governments with technology that helps them combat terror and crime."

The company said it couldn't comment on specific cases.

Marczak said he and fellow-researcher John Scott-Railton turned to Lookout for help to pick apart the malicious program, a process which Murray compared to "defusing a bomb."

"It is amazing the level they've gone through to avoid detection," Murray said of the software's makers. "They have a hair-trigger self-destruct."

Working over a two-week period, the researchers found that Mansoor had been targeted by an unusually sophisticated piece of software which some have valued at \$1 million. He told AP he was amused by the idea that so much money was being poured into watching him.

"If you would give me probably 10 percent of that I would write the report about myself for you!"

The apparent discovery of Israeli-made spyware being used to target a dissident in the United Arab Emirates raises awkward questions for both countries. The use of Israeli technology to police its own citizens is an uncomfortable strategy for an Arab country with no formal diplomatic ties to the Jewish state. And Israeli complicity in a cyberattack on an Arab dissident would seem to run counter to the country's self-description as a bastion of democracy in the Middle East.

There are awkward questions, too, for Francisco Partners, the private equity firm which owns the NSO Group. Francisco is only an hour's drive from the headquarters of Apple, whose products the cybersecurity firm is accused of hacking.

Messages left with Francisco partners' offices in London and San Francisco went unreturned. Israeli and Emirati authorities did not return calls seeking comment.

Attorney Eitay Mack, who advocates for more transparency in Israeli arms exports, said his country's sales of surveillance software are not closely policed.

He also noted that Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has cultivated warmer ties with Arab Gulf states.

"Israel is looking for allies," Mack said. "And when Israel finds allies, it does not ask too many questions."

## **Tourist describes death, harrowing month in New Zealand bush**

**NICK PERRY, Associated Press**

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — Pavlina Pizova says she couldn't free her partner after he slipped down an icy bank and became wedged between rocks and branches. After he died, she stayed with him through the freezing night.

It would take almost another month before Pizova would be rescued from the New Zealand wilderness in an ordeal she described Friday as "harrowing."

The tourist from the Czech Republic, who was rescued Wednesday from a park warden's hut on the snowed-in Routeburn Track near Queenstown, broke down in tears as she read aloud her account in halting English. Czech Consul Vladka Kennett provided more details.

Pizova's comments came soon after rescuers retrieved the body of her partner, 27-year-old Ondrej Petr.

The couple set out on July 26 to hike the scenic track, a 32-kilometer (20-mile) route that typically takes three days in the summer, but which can become treacherous in the winter months from June to August.

Pizova said they made several mistakes: they didn't tell anybody of their specific plans, they didn't take a locator beacon, and they underestimated the winter conditions.

"All these aspects contributed to our tragedy," she said.

Midway through the hike, as they tried to reach the Lake Mackenzie Hut, things started to go wrong.

"The conditions were extreme. We encountered heavy snowfall and low cloud which contributed to our enforced overnighting in the open," Pizova said. "In our attempt to reach the hut, the tragic accident happened."

Kennett said Petr fell down the slope.

"Pavlina slipped behind him, and was unable to help him out, and that was it," Kennett said. "She stayed with him for the first night, beside him, because first of all she wanted to be with him, and she couldn't move any farther due to the weather conditions."

Kennett said Pizova spent another night outdoors as she remained lost in the deep snow. She rubbed her feet and tried to keep her blood circulating, and wore all the clothes and blankets she had with her.

Pizova says she finally found her way to the Lake Mackenzie Hut and broke into the warden's quarters through a window. She says she tried to hike out several times but her frost-bitten feet and the avalanches she was witnessing discouraged her.

Pizova would end up spending nearly a month at the hut. She used ash to fashion a letter "H" in the snow to signal for help. But other hikers were avoiding the route, and the planes and helicopters she waved at never saw her.

Kennett said Pizova also tried making snow shoes, crampons and walking sticks from items she found around the hut, attempts which would later impress rescuers. But Kennett said she never made it more than a few hundred meters (yards) before turning back.

"She wasn't confident to carry on but she didn't give up trying," Kennett said. "She tried everything she could, given the conditions."

Kennett said Pizova survived on food left behind by the wardens, who don't live there during the winter.

Police Inspector Olaf Jensen said it took weeks before friends and family realized the couple was missing and raised the alarm. He said the Czech Consulate informed police on Wednesday and they launched a search the same day.

He said police found the couple's car at the trailhead and sent a helicopter along the route. He said

Pizova was relieved to see her rescuers.

"It's very unusual for someone to be missing in the New Zealand bush for such a long period without it being reported," Jensen said.

Pizova, who was traveling around New Zealand on a working holiday with her partner, is eager to return home as soon as possible, Kennett said.

Pizova said she wanted to warn other travelers to seek good information and to be aware how quickly the New Zealand weather can change.

Kennett said she can barely understand how the hiker managed to survive her ordeal.

"I think she is a really tough woman," she said.

## Unknown gunmen kill 6 policemen in southwest Pakistan

QUETTA, Pakistan (AP) — A police spokesman says unidentified assailants killed at least six tribal police officers and wounded two others in an overnight rocket and gun attack in southwest Pakistan.

Abdullah Rind, spokesman for the Levies tribal police, said Friday that the attack took place Thursday night near the Iranian border.

He says the assailants first fired a rocket and then opened fire on a vehicle carrying the police, who were returning from a border town near Iran. He says the motive behind the attack was not clear.

No group has claimed responsibility for the attack, but separatist groups have waged a low-level insurgency in Baluchistan province for years.

Because of its closeness to Afghanistan, the province is also a hiding place for Taliban and al-Qaida militants.

## Judge over Stanford sex assault leaving criminal cases

**PAUL ELIAS, Associated Press**

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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A California court said Thursday that a judge who was harshly criticized and subjected to a recall campaign for the leniency of a six-month jail sentence for a former Stanford University swimmer who sexually assaulted an unconscious woman will no longer hear criminal cases, a move that came at his own request.

Santa Clara County Presiding Judge Rise Pichon said she has granted the request for reassignment of Judge Aaron Persky.

"While I firmly believe in Judge Persky's ability to serve in his current assignment, he has requested to be assigned to the civil division, in which he previously served," Pichon said in a statement. "Judge Persky believes the change will aid the public and the court by reducing the distractions that threaten to interfere with his ability to effectively discharge the duties of his current criminal assignment."

The move is not necessarily permanent. The assignment is subject to an annual review and takes effect Sept. 6.

Pichon said that another judge's desire to transfer to Palo Alto has made a quick swap with Persky possible. Normally such changes don't happen until a new year.

Persky ordered the six-month sentence for Brock Turner, a Dayton, Ohio, resident who had been attending Stanford on a swimming scholarship. The judge cited a probation department recommendation and the effect the conviction will have on Turner's life.

Authorities say Turner sexually assaulted the girl while she was passed out near a trash bin.

The case sparked a national debate on college drinking and sexual assault and led to a recall effort against the judge.

Michelle Dauber, the Stanford law professor behind the recall effort, said that while the move from Persky is welcome, the recall attempt will continue, in part because Persky "can still transfer back to hearing criminal cases any time he chooses."

"The issue of his judicial bias in favor of privileged defendants in sex crimes and domestic violence still needs to be addressed by the voters of Santa Clara County," Dauber said in an email. "In our opinion, Judge Persky is biased and should not be on the bench."

Dauber and other organizers have said they will begin collecting signatures in April to qualify the issue for the November 2017 ballot.

Persky had already departed from two sex-crimes cases since his June sentencing of the 20-year-old Turner exploded in national media.

On Monday he formally recused himself from deciding whether to reduce a San Jose plumber's felony child pornography charges to misdemeanors.

That came two months after the district attorney's office removed Persky from a different sexual assault case, saying "we lack confidence" in the judge's ability to decide it impartially.

In addition to his supervising judge, attorneys who have argued in front of Persky cite his abilities. Santa Clara County deputy public defender Gary Goodman in June called him a "solid and respected judge," while defense attorney Barbara Muller said he's "one of the fairest judges" in the county.

A jury convicted Turner, a former Olympic hopeful, of sexually assaulting the young woman he met at a campus fraternity party in January 2015 after she passed out behind a trash bin.

The sentence along with the long and much-shared statement the victim read in court made the case a national rallying cry for a reconsideration of how rape is handled by the law.

## **US swimmer Lochte's legal troubles mount in Brazil**

**MAURICIO SAVARESE, Associated Press**

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — Brazilian police charged American swimmer Ryan Lochte on Thursday with filing a false robbery report over an incident during the Olympics in Rio de Janeiro.

A police statement said Lochte would be informed in the United States so he could decide whether to introduce a defense in Brazil. The indictment will also be sent to the International Olympic Committee's ethics commission, it said.

"The investigation was concluded on Thursday and Olympic American swimmer Ryan Lochte was indicted for the crime of falsely reporting a crime," the statement said.

It said the case was turned over to a special Brazilian court that has jurisdiction over crimes related to major sporting events. The court, which was established before Brazil hosted soccer's 2014 World Cup, is authorized to receive cases straight from the police when lesser charges are involved, without a need for prosecutors.

The swimmer's spokeswoman, Melissa Nathan, said Lochte had no comment.

During the games, Lochte initially said that he and fellow swimmers Jack Conger, Gunnar Bentz and Jimmy Feigen were robbed at gunpoint in a taxi by men with a police badge as they returned to the Olympic Village from a party Aug. 15.

Video surveillance emerged showing the athletes getting into a confrontation with security guards at the gas station when their taxi pulled over to let them use the restroom. While there have been conflicting versions over whether the guards pulled their weapons on the swimmers, Lochte has since acknowledged he was highly intoxicated and that his behavior led to the confrontation.

Lochte left Brazil shortly after the incident. Three days later, local authorities took Conger and Bentz off an airliner heading to the United States so they could be questioned about the robbery claim. They

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were later allowed to leave Brazil, as was Feigen, after he also gave testimony. Feigen, who initially stood by Lochte's testimony, was not charged.

Under Brazilian law, the penalty for falsely filing a crime report carries a maximum penalty of 18 months in prison. Lochte could be tried in absentia if he didn't return to face the charge.

The United States and Brazil have an extradition treaty dating back to the 1960s, but Brazil has a long history of not extraditing its own citizens to other nations and U.S. authorities could take the same stance if Lochte is found guilty.

That is currently the case of the head of Brazil's football confederation, Marco Polo del Nero, who faces charges in the wide-ranging scandal entangling international soccer's ruling body, FIFA. He has not travelled outside Brazil for more than a year to avoid being arrested by U.S. authorities somewhere else.

The charges in Brazil raise questions about the future for Lochte, who is planning to take time off from swimming but wants to return to compete in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. He has 12 Olympic medals, second only to Michael Phelps among U.S. male Olympians.

Lochte lost four major sponsors early this week over the controversy, including Speedo USA and Ralph Lauren. But on Thursday he picked up a new sponsor — Pine Bros. Softish Throat Drops. Pine Bros. said people should be more understanding of the swimmer and said he will appear in ads that say the company's product is "Forgiving On Your Throat."

## Asian stock markets mixed as investors wait for Fed cue

**TERESA CEROJANO, Associated Press**

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Asian stock markets were mixed Friday, with investors preferring to sit on the sidelines ahead of U.S. Federal Reserve Chairwoman Janet Yellen's speech for cues on the timing of the next policy rate hike. Trading volumes and momentum also faded in the backdrop of slumping commodities, weak demand and overcapacity in emerging economies.

KEEPING SCORE: Japan's Nikkei 225 was down 0.7 percent at 16,448. Hong Kong's Hang Seng index rose 0.6 percent to 22,963.33. China's Shanghai Composite was up 0.4 percent at 3,080.15. Australia's S&P ASX 200 slid 0.1 percent to 5,534.20. South Korea's KOSPI fell 0.3 percent at 2,037.56. Southeast Asian markets were mixed.

WALL STREET: Stocks fell in light trading for a second day on Thursday as investors sifted through a mix of earnings reports. The major indexes wavered between small gains and losses in the morning then moved lower in the afternoon as investors dumped health care stocks. Disappointing earnings from a few retailers helped push down stocks of companies that rely on consumer spending. The losses were modest, and both the Standard & Poor's 500 index and Dow Jones industrial average remain close to their record highs hit last week. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 33.07 points, or 0.2 percent, to 18,448.41. The S&P 500 gave up 2.97 points, or 0.1 percent, to 2,172.47. The Nasdaq composite edged down 5.49 points, or 0.1 percent, to 5,212.20.

ANALYST TAKE: "(Yellen's speech) is the big event that the markets anticipated, and it has the potential to create waves within the calmness that has prevailed throughout this month," said Margaret Yang, market analyst at CMC Markets Singapore. She said that aside from less risk-taking ahead of the speech at the Jackson Hole meeting, momentum is fading along with trading volumes in the equities market. Sentiment was more fragile and susceptible to any form of shocks in the backdrop of slumping commodities, weak demand and overcapacity in emerging economies.

OIL: Benchmark U.S. crude oil shed 7 cents to \$47.29 a barrel from \$47.33. Brent crude, used to price

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oil internationally, slipped 12 cents to \$49.56 a barrel.

CURRENCIES: The dollar fell to 100.51 yen after closing at 100.58 the previous day. The euro rose to \$1.1289 from \$1.1285.

## Today in History The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Friday, Aug. 26, the 239th day of 2016. There are 127 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 26, 1968, the Democratic National Convention opened in Chicago; the four-day event was marked by a bloody police crackdown on anti-war protesters in the streets and a tumultuous nominating process that resulted in the choice of Hubert H. Humphrey for president.

On this date:

In 1789, France's National Assembly adopted its Declaration of the Rights of Man and of the Citizen.

In 1883, the island volcano Krakatoa began cataclysmic eruptions, leading to a massive explosion the following day.

In 1920, the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, guaranteeing American women's right to vote, was certified in effect by Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby.

In 1939, the first televised major league baseball games were shown on experimental station W2XBS: a double-header between the Cincinnati Reds and the Brooklyn Dodgers at Ebbets Field. (The Reds won the first game, 5-2, the Dodgers the second, 6-1.)

In 1944, French Gen. Charles de Gaulle braved the threat of German snipers as he led a victory march in Paris, which had just been liberated by the Allies from Nazi occupation.

In 1958, Alaskans went to the polls to overwhelmingly vote in favor of statehood.

In 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson was nominated for a term of office in his own right at the Democratic National Convention in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

In 1972, the summer Olympics games opened in Munich, West Germany.

In 1978, Cardinal Albino Luciani (al-BEE'-noh loo-CHYAH'-nee) of Venice was elected pope following the death of Paul VI; the new pontiff took the name Pope John Paul I. (However, he died just over a month later.)

In 1986, in the so-called "preppie murder case," 18-year-old Jennifer Levin was found strangled in New York's Central Park; Robert Chambers later pleaded guilty to manslaughter and served 15 years in prison.

In 1996, Democrats opened their 42nd national convention in Chicago.

In 2009, authorities in California solved the 18-year disappearance of Jaycee Lee Dugard after she appeared at a parole office with her children and the Antioch couple who'd kidnapped her when she was 11.

Ten years ago: Iran's hard-line president, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad (mahk-MOOD' ah-muh-DEE'-neh-zahd), inaugurated a heavy-water production plant, a facility the West feared would be used to develop a nuclear bomb. Chad's President Idriss Deby ordered California-based Chevron Corp. and Malaysian company Petronas to leave the country, saying neither had paid taxes. (The dispute over taxes was later resolved, with the two companies agreeing to pay \$289 million.)

Five years ago: More than 2 million people along the Eastern Seaboard were ordered to move to safer ground as Hurricane Irene approached the coast. A Boko Haram sect member detonated a car loaded with explosives at the United Nations headquarters in Nigeria's capital Abuja, killing 25 people and

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wounding more than 100 others.

One year ago: Alison Parker, a reporter for WDBJ-TV in Roanoke, Virginia, and her cameraman, Adam Ward, were shot to death during a live outdoor interview with Vicki Gardner, executive director of the Smith Mountain Lake Chamber of Commerce, by Vester Lee Flanagan, a disgruntled former station employee who then fatally shot himself while being pursued by police. (Gardner was seriously wounded in the attack.) Amelia Boynton Robinson, 104, who was widely considered the mother of the American civil rights movement, died in Montgomery, Alabama.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Francine York is 80. Former Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge is 71. Rhythm-and-blues singer Valerie Simpson is 71. Pop singer Bob Cowsill is 67. Broadcast journalist Bill Whitaker is 65. Actor Brett Cullen is 60. NBA coach Stan Van Gundy is 57. Jazz musician Branford Marsalis is 56. Country musician Jimmy Olander (Diamond Rio) is 55. Actor Chris Burke is 51. Actress-singer Shirley Manson (Garbage) is 50. Rock musician Dan Vickrey (Counting Crowes) is 50. TV writer-actress Riley Weston is 50. Rock musician Adrian Young (No Doubt) is 47. Actress Melissa McCarthy is 46. Latin pop singer Thalia is 45. Rock singer-musician Tyler Connolly (Theory of a Deadman) is 41. Actor Mike Colter is 40. Actor Macaulay Culkin is 36. Actor Chris Pine is 36. Country singer Brian Kelley (Florida Georgia Line) is 31. Rhythm-and-blues singer Cassie Ventura is 30. Actor Evan Ross is 28. Actor Dylan O'Brien is 25. Actress Keke Palmer is 23.

Thought for Today: "When the political columnists say 'Every thinking man' they mean themselves, and when candidates appeal to 'Every intelligent voter' they mean everybody who is going to vote for them." — Franklin P. Adams, American journalist-humorist (1881-1960).