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## Today

### National Punch Day

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

**School Lunch:** Turkey gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, tea bun, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Roast pork, baked potato with sour cream, squash, apple sauce, Molasses cookie, whole wheat bread.

**Anniversaries:** • Chuck & Sheila Johnson

**Birthdays:** • Marjory Townsend • Jordan Flihs

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

10:00 am: Bridge Card Tourney@ OG

4:00pm: JH FB hosts Milbank Area (7th at 4 p.m., 8th at 5 pm)

4:30pm: VB: hosts Warner (7th/C at 4:30, 8th/JV at 6:00, varsity to follow)

## 21

### International Peace Day

### Miniature Golf Day

### World Gratitude Day

**School Breakfast:** French toast sticks, fruit, juice or milk.

**School Lunch:** Pepperoni pizza, mixed vegetable, carrots and dip, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** BBQ Chicken, rosemary red potatoes, old fashioned slaw, strawberry Jell-O dessert, whole wheat bread.

**Birthdays:** Julie Milbrandt • Joseph Groeblichhoff • Collin Gengerke • Larry Harry • Regan Lewandowski • Dillon Freeman • Rhonda Swanson

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

12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center

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6:30pm: Emmanuel Lutheran League meets at Doeden's



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## 2016 Brown County Fair 4-H Results

Part 3 - T through Z

### T

Taylor, Tage: Home Environment - Purple (3); Visual Arts - Purple (2); Market Sheep - Purple, Blue.  
Taylor, Taryn: Prospect Calf Show - Red; Wood Science - Purple, Blue.  
Tietz, Lane: Welding Science - Purple; Foods & Nutrition - Blue; Home Environment - Purple (3); Photography - Blue (2).  
Tobin, Lily: Showmanship - Blue.  
Townsend, Cassandra: Obedience - Purple (2); Showmanship - Purple; Rally - Purple, Blue; Meat Goat Showmanship - Senior Champion Showman, Purple; Market Goat - Blue; Agility - Purple (2); Breeding Meat Goat - Blue (2); Rabbit - Champion Senior Showman, Red; Photography - Purple (5), Blue (2); Home Environment - Blue; Visual Arts - Purple (3), Blue.  
Townsend, Travis: Visual Arts - Purple, Blue; Foods & Nutrition - Blue; Breeding Meat Goat - Champion Breeding Meat Goat, Purple; Market Goat - Purple (2); Plant Science, Crops & Weeds - Purple (2), Blue; Welding Science - Purple.

### V

Vanderlinde, Laurelyn: Visual Arts - Purple, Blue; Market Sheep - Blue (2); Photography - Blue.  
Vanderlinde, Lydia: Visual Arts - Purple (3); Photography - Blue; Market Sheep - Blue (2).  
Vanderlinde, Thomas: Visual Arts - Purple (2); Photography - Blue.  
Vetter, Samuel: Home Environment - Purple, Red; Breeding Meat Goat - Blue; Poultry - Purple; Market Goat - Blue; Prospect Calf Show - Red.

### W

Wagemann, Wade Jr: Visual Arts - Purple.  
Wagemann, Shanae: Visual Arts - Purple (2), Blue; Home Environment - Purple (2); Clothing & Textiles - Purple; Photography - Blue.  
Wagemann, Vanessa: Photography - Blue (2); Clothing & Textiles - Purple; Home Environment - Purple (2); Visual Arts - Purple (2), Blue.  
Wanous, Elizabeth: Poultry - Purple (2), Blue; Prospect Calf Show - Blue, Red; Market Sheep - Blue.  
Wanous, Katy: Market Sheep - Blue; Prospect Calf Show - Red (2); Poultry - Purple (3), Blue.  
Ward, Addison: Breeding Beef - Purple.  
Warrington, Axel: Home Environment - Purple; Hobbies & Collections - Purple (2); Foods & Nutrition - Purple (2); Electricity - Purple; Plant Science, Crops & Weeds - Purple, Blue; Wood Science - Purple.  
Warrington, Logan: Plant Science, Crops & Weeds - Purple; First Aid (Health) - Purple; Exploring the Treasures of 4-H Curriculum - Purple; Visual Arts - purple; Foods & Nutrition - Blue; Hobbies & Collections - Purple; Home Environment - Purple; Aerospace & Rocketry - Purple.  
Webb, Hannah: Visual Arts - Purple; Home Environment - Purple (2), Blue (2).  
Weis, Abigail: Horse & Pony - Purple; Photography - Blue (2); Breeding Sheep - Reserve Champion Breeding Ram, Purple (4); Aerospace & Rocketry - Purple; Clothing & Textiles - Purple; Market Sheep - Blue (2).  
Wheeting, Carly: Market Sheep - Purple (4); Market Goat - Reserve Champion Market Meat Goat, Purple; Market Swine - Purple (2).  
Wiedebush, Emily: Rally - Purple; Showmanship - Purple; Obedience - Purple; Market Goat - Reserve Champion Market Meat Goat, Purple (3); Visual Arts - Purple; Agility - Purple.  
Wiedebush, Levi: Visual Arts - Purple, Blue; Market Goat - Blue (3).  
Wiedebush, Teightum: Market Goat - Blue (2); Visual Arts - Blue (3).  
Wiedebush, Zanrick: Visual Arts - Purple (2); Market Goat - Blue.  
Wieland, Abraham: Computers & Technology - Purple.

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Wieland, Sophie: Foods & Nutrition - Purple; Visual Arts - Purple; Horticulture, Gardening & Landscaping - Purple (2).

Wright, Madilyn: Visual Arts - Blue (2); Prospect Calf Show - Purple, Red; Market Beef - Purple (2); Market Swine - Purple (3).

Wright, Trey: Welding Science - Blue; Wood Science - Purple; Home Environment - Purple (2); Visual Arts - Purple (3), Blue; Breeding Sheep - Champion Breeding Ewe, Champion Breeding Ram, Purple - (5), Blue - (4).

## Z

Zoellner, Jordan: Dairy Cattle - Champion Dairy Heifer, Purple (2); Dairy Cattle Showmanship - Junior Champion Showman, Purple; Plant Science, Crops & Weeds - Purple (2).

Roth, Breanna: Cat Showmanship - Purple; Cath - Purple.

## Rounds Accepting Spring 2017 Internship Applications

WASHINGTON— U.S. Sen. Mike Rounds (R-S.D.) today announced that he is currently accepting internship applications for spring 2017. The deadline to apply for internships in his Washington, D.C., Pierre, Rapid City and Sioux Falls offices is October 14, 2016. College credit is available.

Duties in the Washington, D.C., office may include tracking legislation, researching bills, attending committee hearings and briefings, leading tours of the U.S. Capitol, handling constituent phone calls, sorting mail and providing legislative support. Duties in the South Dakota offices include researching constituent inquiries and requests, participation in outreach activities, assisting staff on special projects, handling phone calls and constituent requests and sorting mail. In all offices, students will work closely with constituents and staff, polish their research and writing skills and gain an in-depth understanding of a Senate office.

Interested college students should complete the online internship application and submit a resume no later than October 14, 2016. Resumes should be submitted to intern coordinator Erin Budmayr at [erin\\_budmayr@rounds.senate.gov](mailto:erin_budmayr@rounds.senate.gov). Information about the internship program, along with the application, can be found online at [www.rounds.senate.gov/internships](http://www.rounds.senate.gov/internships).

Additional questions can be directed to Erin Budmayr at (605) 224-1450.

## Noem Accepting Applications for Spring Interns

WASHINGTON, DC – Rep. Kristi Noem is accepting applications for spring internships in her Washington, DC; Sioux Falls; Rapid City; and Watertown offices.

Student interns will work with staff on various constituent service and communications projects, as well as assist with legislative research. Both South Dakota and Washington, DC internships provide students with first-hand knowledge of the legislative process and the countless other functions of a congressional office.

College students who are interested in interning in any of Representative Noem's offices should submit a cover letter and resume to [Christiana.Fraze@mail.house.gov](mailto:Christiana.Fraze@mail.house.gov) by Tuesday, November 1.

For more information, contact Christiana Frazee at 202-225-2801.

## Governor Seeking Interns For Spring Term

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard is currently seeking applications for two spring 2017 Governor's Office Internships in Pierre. The positions will be paid and run from early January through May 2017.

Governor's Office interns have the opportunity to work at the highest level of state government. During the legislative session, interns will work with members of the Governor's staff to craft, amend and research a wide variety of legislative issues.

Interns' duties will depend on interests and strengths. Typical duties will include aiding the Governor's general counsel, conducting policy research, preparing policy briefings, assisting with communications, and staffing the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and First Lady.

The positions are open to all undergraduate or graduate-level students. Preference will be given to South Dakota residents attending South Dakota colleges or universities.

Students who are interested in receiving credit should also apply. The Governor's staff is open to working with individual universities and professors to secure credit for the internship program.

Interested students should submit a resume, cover letter and two letters of recommendation by Nov. 1, via email, to Patrick.Weber@state.sd.us.

For more information on duties or logistics, please visit <http://sd.gov/governor/Internship> or contact Patrick Weber at Patrick.Weber@state.sd.us or 605-773-5999.

## Learn About The "Nuclear Heartland"

Cactus Flat, South Dakota — Cactus Flat, SD – At the height of the Cold War the nuclear missiles in South Dakota and six other states presented a paradox; while Soviet satellites had pinpointed their locations, American citizens were scarcely aware of the arsenal in their midst. Thirty years ago, concerned activists undertook the task of mapping the missile fields with the intention of sparking a national conversation about the weapons stored there.

When first published by the Wisconsin-based organization Nukewatch in 1988, the book Nuclear Heartland provided the first publicly accessible maps and driving directions to each of the 1,000 Minuteman Missile silos located in six fields across the United States. This year, the group published a revised edition of the book, which includes information on the 1990s "Drawdown" of the missile fields in rural Missouri, North Dakota, and South Dakota.

At 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 28, 2016, John LaForge—activist and co-editor of the revised edition of Nuclear Heartland—will speak at the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site's visitor center about the work that he and others continue to do in fostering a dialogue about nuclear weapons.

"The original edition of Nuclear Heartland brought awareness of the nuclear arsenal to the American public during a critical time at the end of the Cold War; this new edition serves as a reminder that nuclear weapons are still keeping a constant watch on the high plains," said Superintendent Eric Leonard.

Minuteman Missile National Historic Site's headquarters and visitor center is located off of exit 131, Interstate 90. The park consists of three sites along a fifteen mile stretch of Interstate 90 in Western South Dakota. Authorized by Congress in 1999, Minuteman Missile National Historic Site preserves components of the Minuteman II intercontinental ballistic missile system, interpreting the deterrent value of the land-based portion of America's nuclear defense during the Cold War era and commemorating the people and events associated with this recent period of American history. The park is open daily 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. More information about the park can be found on the internet at [www.nps.gov/mimi](http://www.nps.gov/mimi) or by phone at: 605-433-5552. Visit us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/MinutemanMissileNHS](http://www.facebook.com/MinutemanMissileNHS) and Twitter at [https://twitter.com/mimi\\_ranger](https://twitter.com/mimi_ranger)

## What College Students Should Learn About Money

By Nathaniel Sillin

As you prepare for a new year at college, managing your money may be the last thing on your mind. But, college is the perfect time to instill strong and healthy financial habits, such as budgeting and living within your means.

By starting on the right foot with good saving and spending habits, you'll have a good chance to set yourself up for a life of financial success. Here are some ideas students – with the help of parents, relatives and the school's financial aid office – can consider while taking the leap into living away from home.

Create a financial plan early on. Create a general financial plan for your college years right away, and a more detailed budget for the upcoming semester. You can start with estimated costs for tuition, fees, room and board from your school's financial aid office and fill in the actual numbers once you know them.

Even with financial aid, most college students need to be frugal as they balance major expenses and a limited income from work or parental support. While you may need to take out student loans, the better you manage your personal and educational expenses the less you'll have to borrow now, and repay later.

Adjust your budget as you go. Your focus should be school, but you can also take time to track your money and stick to your budget. A budget can be a tool and a learning opportunity, and particularly during your first few semesters, you'll likely have to make adjustments as you learn to balance wants and needs. Try to stick with it and remember it's okay to make changes (and an occasional mistake) as you go.

Parents can discuss how they manage their personal or family budget and offer suggestions for cutting expenses or finding work. College students may face many financial firsts, such as signing a rental agreement, purchasing insurance or applying for a loan, and parents can share their experiences and advice.

Make your budget add up. Learning how to roll with the punches and live within your means are timeless skills. You'll have to balance academic obligations with a part- or full-time job to increase your income. But, there are often flexible on-campus jobs you can qualify for if you have a work-study grant as part of your financial aid package.

When it comes to saving, there are all sorts of ways to cut costs on necessities and indulgences. Consider the following three tactics almost any college student can use to spend less money.

Use student discounts. Dozens of stores offer students discounts, validated with an official ID, or a .edu email address, and you may be able to save 10 to 20 percent off your purchase. Ask store employees or check online before to see if a store offers a student discount before checking out.

Save on textbooks. Look for alternatives to buying new textbooks, such as renting textbooks, buying used books, purchasing or renting e-textbooks or using the library's reference copies.

Mobilize your savings. If saving money is just one more thing you don't want to think about, you can save your spare cash via your smartphone. Thinking about buying a car next summer or saving money for spring break? There are mobile apps that will calculate how much money you can afford to save at a given moment – whether that's \$20 or ten cents – and will save it for you. You could also set up an automatic weekly or monthly transfer to your savings account through your bank. Chances are you won't miss the money, and you won't spend it if you don't see it in your checking account.

Make a practice of saving for the future. You'll want to figure out the best way to use your savings. If you've taken out student loans, you could allocate some of the money to early loan payments.

Private and unsubsidized federal student loans accrue interest while you're in school. Making a payment can help you avoid increasing your debt load and save you money on interest. Plus, unlike with some other types of loans, there's no penalty for making early student loan payments.

Bottom line. College is an ideal time to instill healthy financial habits. Ask your parents or other relatives for guidance, discuss student loans and budgeting with your college's financial aid office, learn a new skill online or attend a local personal finance workshop or seminar. While you set off on a series of firsts, take advantage of these resources to learn how to manage, save and wisely spend your money.

Nathaniel Sillin directs Visa's financial education programs. To follow Practical Money Skills on Twitter: [www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney](http://www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney).

## 211 Proposal to Brown County

Eddy Opp, Mayor Scott Hanlon and Finance Officer Anita Lowary attended a 211 program meeting held recently in Aberdeen. The 211 program wants to get something started in Northeast South Dakota. The cost is \$1,000 for set-up and 75 cents per household per year. It is a family support helpline. It was formed in 1974 by the FCC and 38 states have some form of it. "It is a real basic number to call when you don't know who to call," Hanlon said. The council thought it would be a good idea for Brown County to get involved with the program. You can read more about 211 on the next page.

The council tabled the decision to make the finance officer an employee instead of being appointed by the mayor and approved by the council until everyone could be present. Councilmen David Blackmun and Burt Glover were absent.

The council discussed updating the airport lease at the request of Shawn Gengerke. The council agreed to have the mayor sign the agreement with 105 acres at \$205 good for two years. There was a reduction of land due FFA requiring more clear space on each side and the ends of the runway.

Prairie Northeast Region and Glacial Lakes Organization would like Groton to join again. It would be \$275 for an 1/8 of a page ad which would include membership for one year. The council agreed to join again.

The council approved to close off Main Street for the Festival of Bands to be held October 14, and for viewing stands to be placed downtown.

David McGannon talked about the Pumpkin Fest that will be held in Groton this year. Eddy Opp said this is really good for the kids and said, "I would be willing to challenge the council to throw in \$20 to help pay for expenses. "It's a worthy cause and April (Abeln) has done a good with this." He also challenged the public works employees for the \$20.

Tom Mahan from the Olive Grove Golf Course has asked the city to apply for a grant for a pumping station. In the past, a tractor has been used, but an update is needed. It is a 60:40 grant and the golf course would provide the matching funds. The council authorized the mayor to sign the grant.

Eddy Opp reported on the headstone repair project at the Groton Cemetery. There were three headstones that were repaired. He cleaned the face of those headstones so they are readable now. Mayor Scott Hanlon thanked Eddy for helping with the project.

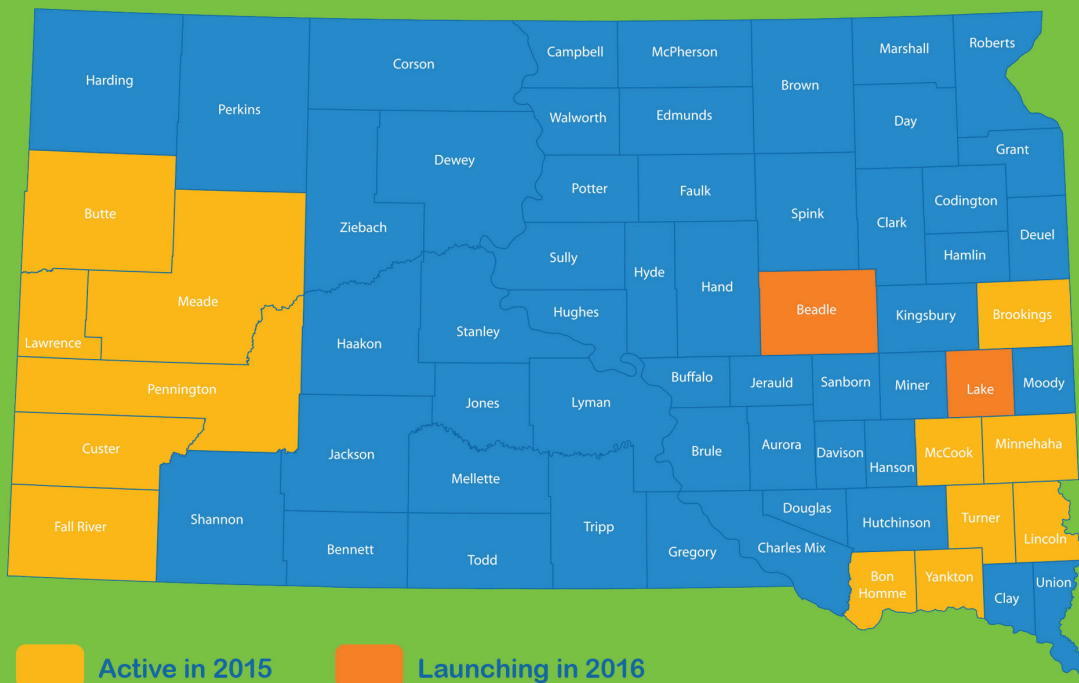
The tree project at the cemetery has stalled for a moments, as the city is waiting for information from Weber Landscaping for details.

There are 43 pages to the 2014-15 audit. Blackmun entered the meeting right at the end of the meeting as the council went into executive session.

## What is 211?

211 is an easy to remember three-digit telephone number assigned by the Federal Communications Commission for the purpose of providing quick and easy access to information about health and human services. Professional Information and Referral Specialists work with callers to assess their needs, determine their options and provide appropriate programs/services, give support, intervene in crisis situations and advocate for the caller as needed. 211 is currently available to 93.4% of residents in the United States. In South Dakota, 211 is available to residents in the Sioux Empire (Minnehaha, Lincoln, Turner, and McCook Counties), Black Hills (Pennington, Custer, Fall River, Lawrence, Meade, and Butte Counties), as well as Brookings, Beadle, Lake, Yankton and Bon Homme Counties.

## 211 Coverage Map



### 211 Can Help Callers Access the Following Types of Services:

- ◆ Basic Human Needs Resources: food banks, clothing, shelters, rent assistance, utility assistance
- ◆ Government information: City, County, State services and programs. Many people are not sure what government office to contact and so 211 helps point them in the right direction.
- ◆ Health and Mental Health Resources: health insurance programs, maternal health, medical informa-

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tion lines, crisis intervention services, support groups, counseling, drug and alcohol intervention and rehabilitation

- ◆ Employment Support: financial assistance, job training, transportation assistance, education programs
- ◆ Support for Older Americans and Persons with Disabilities: adult day care, congregate meals, Meals on Wheels, respite care, home health care, transportation, homemaker services
- ◆ Support for Children, Youth and Families: child care, after-school programs, Head Start, family resource centers, summer camps and recreation programs, mentoring, tutoring, protective services
- ◆ Volunteer Opportunities and Donations: community involvement, volunteer centers, disaster relief
- ◆ Military and Family Support: programs that serve veterans and their families, community resources, mental health resources, counseling
- ◆ Hobby groups and civic/service clubs: for people who have similar interests (gardening clubs, square dance groups, astronomy clubs, etc) or are united by a common cause (political groups, Lions, Rotary Clubs, Kiwanis, etc.)

## **Who Can Use 211?**

If you're looking for assistance with a problem and you don't know where to turn, or you simply want information on a particular human service issue, 211 is for you.

In South Dakota, 211 is available to residents in the Sioux Empire (Minnehaha, Lincoln, Turner, and McCook Counties), Black Hills (Pennington, Custer, Fall River, Lawrence, Meade, and Butte Counties), as well as Brookings, Beadle, Lake, Yankton and Bon Homme Counties.

## **When Can I Call?**

211 is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

## **Who Answers the 211 Calls?**

In South Dakota all the 211 calls are answered at the Helpline Center by trained specialists. The Helpline Center is the only organization in the state accredited by both AIRS (Alliance of Information & Referral Systems) and AAS (American Association of Suicidology).

## **How Does 211 Work?**

If you're in one of the communities covered by 211 service, just pick up your home phone, office phone, or cell phone and dial 211.

## **What if I have problems dialing 211?**

For organizations with in-house phone networks, or PBX telephone systems, calling parameters may need to be adjusted to enable three-digit dialing access to 211. Most systems will allow dialing access to 911, but modifications may be required to permit 211 calling. Typically, your telecommunications staff or a service provider can make this simple adjustment. In some cases, the issue can be resolved by dialing 9 or another access code needed to get an outside line before dialing 211.

And, unlike access to 411 calling, there is no surcharge to your organization for the use of 211.



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## South Dakota's Pump Price Still in \$2.21-\$2.32 Range

September 19, 2016 – Ever since mid-May, South Dakota's gasoline price average has languished in the \$2.21 to \$2.32 range. Today's average, according to GasPrices.AAA.com, is \$2.272, just two cents above the price recorded four weeks ago.

	Today	Last Week	Change	Aug. 15	Change	Last year
Aberdeen	\$2.273	\$2.301	-\$0.028	\$2.19	\$0.088	\$2.429
Brookings	\$2.199	\$2.246	-\$0.047	\$2.22	-\$0.025	\$2.356
Huron	\$2.428	\$2.340	\$0.088	\$2.33	\$0.096	\$2.582
Mitchell	\$2.229	\$2.260	-\$0.031	\$2.26	-\$0.026	\$2.415
Pierre	\$2.361	\$2.442	-\$0.081	\$2.36	-\$0.003	\$2.550
Rapid City	\$2.331	\$2.368	-\$0.037	\$2.36	-\$0.024	\$2.560
Sioux Falls	\$2.097	\$2.107	-\$0.010	\$2.11	-\$0.014	\$2.090
Vermillion	\$2.266	\$2.166	\$0.100	\$2.35	-\$0.086	\$2.326
Watertown	\$2.298	\$2.322	-\$0.024	\$2.29	\$0.008	\$2.324
Yankton	\$2.284	\$2.379	-\$0.095	\$2.23	\$0.056	\$2.347
South Dakota	\$2.272	\$2.281	-\$0.009	\$2.26	\$0.013	\$2.391

Today's national average price for regular unleaded gasoline is \$2.21 per gallon, which is 3 cents more than last week and 8 cents more expensive than last month. Today's price represents a year over year discount of 9 cents from Sept. 19, 2015.

Regional pump prices fluctuated dramatically this week due to pipeline repairs and localized supply disruptions. In early September, a leak on Line 1 of the Colonial Pipeline occurred in Alabama and pressured prices in Southeast states sharply higher, including week-over-week increases of 7 cents or more in Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee. The Line 1 of the pipeline runs from Houston, Texas to Greensboro, North Carolina and can carry 1.2 million barrels of gasoline per day. As a result of the leak and downtime for the repair, Colonial Pipeline announced over the weekend that it would construct a temporary pipeline to bypass the section of the line that is damaged. According to Colonial, the bypass would allow the pipeline to resume gasoline deliveries to impacted areas by the end of the week.

Until the pipeline bypass is completed, distribution issues will continue to put additional upward pressure on prices in the Southeast and possibly the Mid-Atlantic region. States that may continue to see tighter supply and higher gas prices include Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia. The Colonial Pipeline has said it anticipates reopening the line later this week with the bypass in use, but it remains unclear how quickly they will be able to repair Line 1.

### Quick Stats

The biggest weekly price increases are reflected in Georgia (+21 cents), South Carolina (+13 cents), Tennessee (+13 cents), North Carolina (+11 Cents), Ohio (+11 Cents), Indiana (+10 cents), Alabama (+7 cents), Delaware (+7 cents), Kentucky (+7 cents) and Hawaii (+6 cents).

### Central States

Drivers are enjoying some weekly price discounts due to sufficient supplies and limited disruption to production. This region includes five states registering some of the largest declines in the nation over the past week: Missouri (-6 cents), Illinois (-4 cents), Minnesota (-3 cents), Kansas (-2 cents) and Iowa (-2 cents). Midwestern declines are also featured in the top month-over-month comparisons, with four out of the five states posting a decline in this region: Michigan, Illinois, Missouri, and Ohio. On top of these weekly and monthly savings, drivers in two Central states continue to pay some of the cheapest gas prices in the country with Missouri (\$1.97) and Oklahoma (\$2.03) both featured in the top 10 cheapest state averages.

### Global Market Dynamics

West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude oil closed last week trading lower following the release of the International Energy Agency's crude oil report which forecast abundant supplies with diminishing demand. Meanwhile, the Colonial Pipeline announced Sunday evening that it was currently working to repair the leak on Line 1 and construct a bypass pipeline to reduce disruption of gasoline deliveries. Colonial said they are aiming to have the Line 1 bypass up and running this week, but many of those watching the market are skeptical of their ability to restart the line that quickly. Traders will continue to keep an eye on the Colonial Pipeline repairs, discussions surrounding the possibility of a Federal Reserve interest rate hike and the OPEC member meeting later this month. At the close of Friday's formal trading session on the NYMEX, WTI was down .88 cents to settle at \$43.03 per barrel, the lowest settlement since Aug. 11.



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Granary Website: [granaryfinearts.org](http://granaryfinearts.org)



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## Today in Weather History

September 20, 1970: During the late afternoon, golfball hail fell in and around Redfield with a tornado reported just north of Doland. No damage was reported with the hail or the tornado.

September 20, 1972: About 430 pm, in southeast South Dakota, a tornado caused an estimated \$95,000 damage to property and 50,000 damage to crops in Utica and nearby rural areas. Buildings were damaged; trees and power lines were downed.

1845 - A tornado traveled 275 miles across Lake Ontario, New York and Lake Champlain. (Sandra and TI Richard Sanders - 1987)

1909: A large and deadly Category 3 hurricane made landfall near Grand Isle, Louisiana during the late evening hours. The states of Louisiana and Mississippi showed catastrophic damage resulting in 371 deaths and \$265 million in damage (2010 USD).

1926 - A hurricane which hit Miami, FL, on the 18th, pounded Pensacola with wind gusts to 152 mph. Winds raged in excess of 100 mph for four hours, and above 75 mph for 20 hours. (The Weather Channel)

1961: On September 10th, the Television Infrared Observation Satellite observed an area of thunderstorms west-southwest of the Cape Verde Islands, suggesting a possible tropical cyclone. This storm is the first large tropical cyclone to be discovered on satellite imagery and would eventually become Hurricane Esther. On September 20th, Hurricane Esther, a Category 4 storm off of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina began to slow down as it moved north-northeast well off the Jersey shore. The storm continued to weaken as it made a five-day loop south of Cape Cod, Massachusetts, then moved to Cape Cod and into Maine on the 26th.

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1967 - Hurricane Beulah moved into South Texas, and torrential rains from the hurricane turned the rich agricultural areas of South Texas into a large lake. Hurricane Beulah also spawned a record 115 tornadoes. (David Ludlum)

1983 - The temperature at West Yellowstone MT plunged to six degrees below zero, while the temperature at San Francisco CA soared to 94 degrees. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Afternoon and evening thunderstorms produced severe weather in Oklahoma and west Texas. In Oklahoma, a thunderstorm at Seiling produced three inches of rain in one hour, golf ball size hail, and wind gusts to 60 mph which collapsed a tent at the state fair injuring nine persons. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Showers and thunderstorms produced locally heavy rains in central Wyoming, and snow in some of the higher elevations. Casper WY reported 1.75 inches of rain in 24 hours, and a thunderstorm north of the Wild Horse Reservoir produced 1.90 inches of rain in just forty minutes.

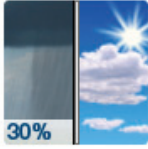




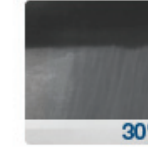
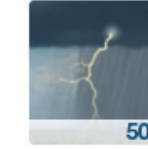
1989 - Hugo jilted Iris. Hurricane Hugo churned toward the South Atlantic Coast, gradually regaining strength along the way. Tropical Storm Iris got too close to Hugo, and began to weaken. A cold front brought strong and gusty winds to the Great Basin and the Southern Plateau Region, with wind gusts to 44 mph reported at Kingman AZ. (The National Weather Summary)

2002: A glacial avalanche buries the village of Karmadon in Russia, killing more than 100 people.

2005 - Hurricane Rita tracked through the Florida Straits and just south of the Florida Keys. Winds were sustained at tropical storm force at Key West, where peak winds gusted to 76 mph.

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Today	Tonight	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday	Thursday Night	Friday
						
Chance Showers then Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Slight Chance T-storms and Breezy	Slight Chance T-storms	Slight Chance T-storms	Chance Showers	Chance T-storms
High: 80 °F	Low: 57 °F	High: 68 °F	Low: 54 °F	High: 68 °F	Low: 54 °F	High: 68 °F

## Very Warm again Today

*Cooler and Breezy Wednesday*



Today

**Highs 77 to 87°**

**Becoming Mostly Sunny**

**Showers ending early**



Wednesday

**Highs 66 to 71°**

**Mostly Cloudy**

**— Breezy**

**Scattered showers and thunderstorms east**

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Updated: 9/20/2016 5:23 AM Central

Published on: 09/20/2016 at 5:28AM

Morning showers will end early this morning, with a clearing sky returning to the region. Temperatures will top out around 10 degrees above normal for this time of year, from 77 to 87 degrees. Expect breezy northeasterly winds on Wednesday, as temperatures fall back to near normal values.

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## Yesterday's Weather

**High Outside Temp: 80.8 F at 3:48 PM**

**Low Outside Temp: 54.2 F at 7:51 AM**

**High Gust: 17.0 Mph at 2:06 PM**

Precip: 0.00

## Today's Info

**Record High: 94° in 1937**

**Record Low: 20° in 1901**

**Average High: 70°F**

**Average Low: 44°F**

**Average Precip in Sept.: 1.48**

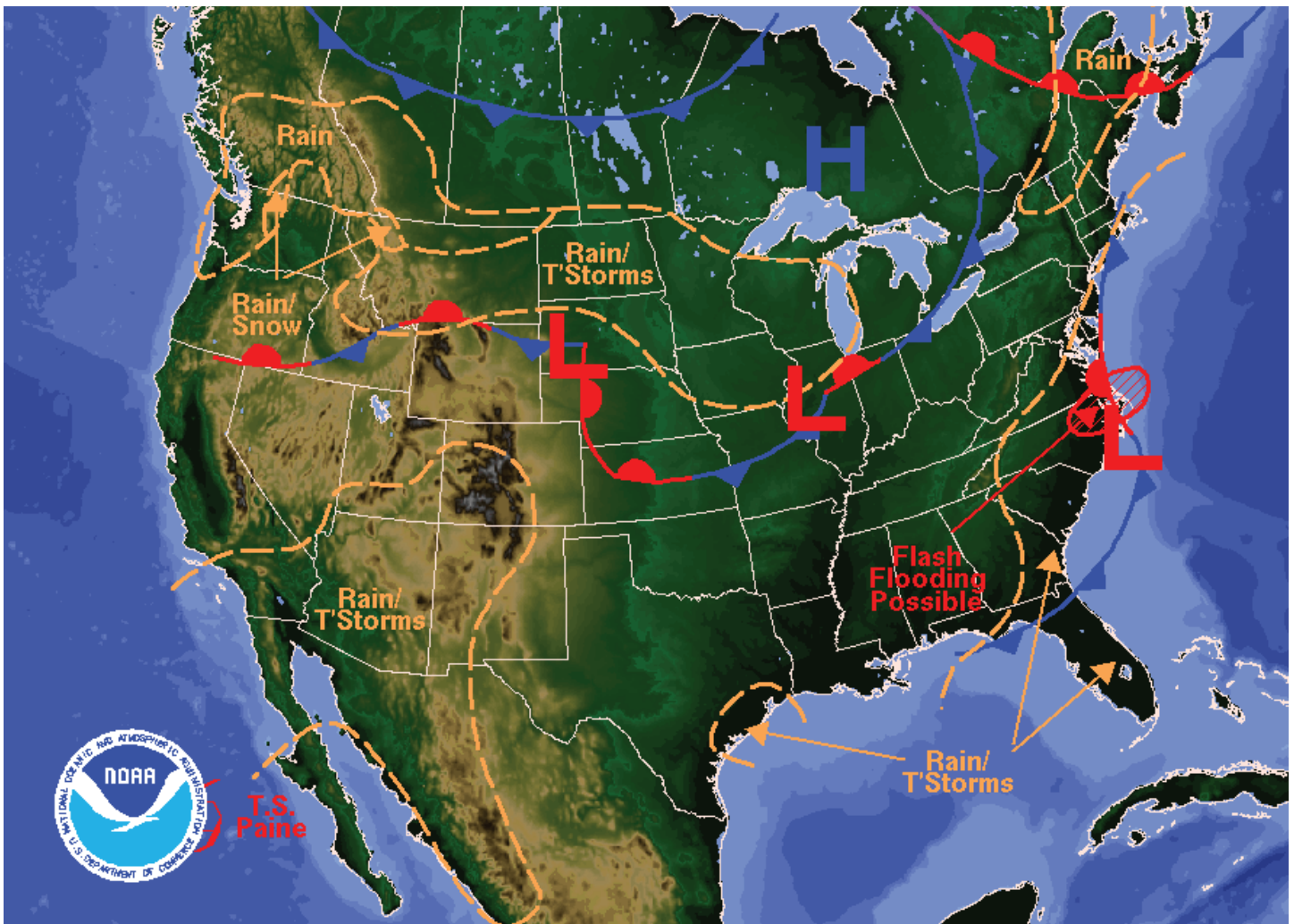
**Precip to date in Sept.: 0.50**

**Average Precip to date: 17.77**

**Precip Year to Date: 13.16**

**Sunset Tonight: 7:33 p.m.**

**Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:20 a.m.**



Weather Forecast for Tue, Sep 20, 2016, issued 4:49 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by McCreynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts



## THE VALUE OF HARD TIMES

My mother was a most wonderful Christian who always taught her children by example. She taught Sunday school, child evangelism classes, ladies Bible study groups and weekly prayer services for missionaries. Each Thursday was a day of fasting and prayer.

I remember overhearing her pray on one occasion. She was praying for her children: "Oh God," she cried, "don't ever let my children have an easy life. Let them experience sorrow and suffering, pain and problems."

That prayer shaped all of us children. It has given us a heart for those who are broken-in-heart. As a result of her prayers when we see the tears of others we want to dry their eyes because we can understand their pain. When others go through a time of grief we can identify with them because we've been there. When others are in need it motivates us to help them because we have been without. When we see the unsaved we are encouraged to pray: Lord what can I do to win them to Christ.

We must also remember that Jesus went through these very same experiences. He was beaten and spit upon, abandoned and betrayed, went through hours of excruciating pain – even death itself. Now, in heaven He remembers these feelings and through His ever sufficient grace will give us hope, help and healing.

Prayer: We are grateful, Father, that You know first-hand what we go through in the dark hours of pain and suffering which assures us of Your compassion and care. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Matthew 9:36-38 When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd...



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## News from the Associated Press

### Grand jury indicts man accusing of raping 12-year-old girl

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A grand jury in Minnehaha County has indicted an 18-year-old man accused of raping a 12-year-old girl.

The Argus Leader (<http://argusne.ws/2cEf6Zf>) reports the indictment charges Garretson resident Steven Michael Foshay with sexual contact with a child under the age of 16 and first-degree rape.

Court records show Foshay admitted to knowingly having sex with the girl. Court records also show the girl told authorities that Foshay forced himself on her two times.

Foshay had lived with the girl's family since June. He is in custody on a \$30,000 cash-only bond. It wasn't immediately clear Tuesday morning if Foshay has an attorney who could comment on his behalf.

If convicted, Foshay faces a maximum sentence of life in prison on the rape charge and 15 years in prison on the sexual contact charge.

Information from: Argus Leader, <http://www.argusleader.com>

### Monday's Scores By The Associated Press

#### Volleyball

Edgemont def. Crawford, Neb., 20-25, 25-22, 25-17, 25-16

Ethan def. Mitchell Christian, 25-9, 25-10, 25-11

Freeman Academy def. Alcester-Hudson, 18-25, 22-25, 25-17, 25-22, 15-12

Hamlin def. Estelline, 25-15, 25-15, 25-9

Kimball/White Lake def. Wessington Springs, 25-20, 25-14, 25-21

Lemmon def. McLaughlin, 20-25, 25-22, 25-12, 25-20

Lennox def. Irene-Wakonda, 25-19, 25-18, 21-25, 19-25, 15-11

Mt. Vernon/Plankinton def. James Valley Christian, 25-16, 25-19, 23-25, 25-12

Northwestern def. Aberdeen Roncalli, 25-13, 25-10, 25-9

Tea Area def. Parkston, 14-25, 25-11, 26-24

Tri-State, N.D. def. Florence/Henry, 25-23, 25-16, 25-18

Waubay/Summit def. Aberdeen Christian, 25-21, 15-25, 25-17, 25-21

Wilmot def. Langford, 25-13, 25-13, 25-14

### Annual state fair event honors 80 South Dakota farm families

HURON, S.D. (AP) — Farm and ranch families who have owned their land for a century of more have been honored by two South Dakota agriculture groups.

The South Dakota Farm Bureau and the South Dakota Department of Agriculture cited 51 families for at least 100 years of ownership and 29 families with at least 125 years of ownership. The awards were presented at the South Dakota State Fair.

South Dakota Farm Bureau president Scott VanderWal says the families are an example of dedication and perseverance and the event is a fitting way to kick off the fair.

About 3,000 families have been honored since the event began in 1976.

## **Naked intruder arrested in South Dakota woman's home**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Authorities say a 29-year-old Salem man has been arrested after he was found naked inside a woman's apartment.

The Minnehaha County Sheriff's Office says a woman called authorities from under her own bed saying she could hear an intruder in her apartment at about 3 a.m. Saturday.

Sgt. Jason Gearman says deputies arrived at the Humbolt residence and found the man naked and holding a bottle of hand lotion.

The man was arrested and faces charges of first-degree burglary and intentional damage to property. Gearman says the woman did not know the man. He says deputies believe the man may have been at a party in the area and was intoxicated or on drugs and entered the wrong residence.

## **State won't take part in next round of refugee resettlements**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota will not participate in the next round of refugee resettlements that the White House announced last week.

The only resettlement program in the state, Lutheran Social Service's Center for New Americans, won't take part due to the immigration debate, director Tim Jurgens told the Argus Leader (<http://argusne.ws/2cSUHB7>). Opposition has been strong in South Dakota since last fall, as Gov. Dennis Daugaard and other Republican governors across the country pushed back against federal efforts to relocate displaced Syrians to their states.

"There's people that fall on both sides of this particular issue," said Jurgens, whose organization has a yearly cap of about 420 refugees.

The United States will strive to take in 110,000 refugees from around the world in the coming year, the Obama administration said last week, in what would be a nearly 30 percent increase from the 85,000 allowed in over the previous year. The increase reflects continuing concern about the refugee crisis stemming from Syria's civil war and conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Daugaard was among those who signed a letter last year asking the White House to "suspend all plans to resettle Syrian refugees," citing gaps in the vetting process of refugees in the wake of November's Paris attacks. The suspects in the attack were primarily from France and Belgium; GOP leaders had noted that a Syrian passport, now believed to be fake, was found near one of the suicide bombers.

Lutheran Social Services also ignored the White House's first effort to spur resettlement, the newspaper reported, and plans to end a direct resettlement program in Huron by the end of September.

The number of refugees that have relocated to South Dakota has decreased steadily over the past few years. The state welcomed 646 refugees in 2012, but the number was 484 last year. So far in 2016, 381 refugees have been relocated to the state.

Wilson Kubwayo, a refugee from Africa, questioned the agency's reasons to keep the yearly cap. He said refugees depend on those programs to leave camps and achieve their personal goals.

"For me, the very lifestyle I cherish today is because of the people who chose to open their hands to my family," Kubwayo said.

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Information from: Argus Leader, <http://www.argusleader.com>

## **Man sentenced in Sioux Falls stabbing death case**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A Minnesota man has been sentenced to life in prison for an attack in a Sioux Falls apartment that left his former girlfriend dead and a man wounded.

The Argus Leader reports (<http://argusne.ws/2cX8vc1>) Janno Talla was sentenced Monday. He plead-



ed guilty earlier to first-degree attempted murder and first-degree manslaughter.

He was arrested in October 2015 near Worthington, Minnesota, after the stabbing death of Ammuna Gayya. A man also was stabbed in the attack but survived.

Court documents say Talla walked into the Sioux Falls apartment and attacked the male victim. Gayya attempted to flee, but was stabbed and later died from her injuries.

Information from: Argus Leader, <http://www.argusleader.com>

## **\$100K grant to help artisans in Whiteclay sell their work**

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Whiteclay, Nebraska is known for its beer sales on the border of South Dakota's Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, but a new federal grant could help it become a hub for Native American arts and crafts.

The group GROW Nebraska was recently awarded a \$100,000 federal grant to help artisans sell paintings, jewelry and other artwork in new markets. The nonprofit group is working with Lakota Hope, a faith ministry based in Whiteclay, and a University of Nebraska-Lincoln extension office employee based in Crawford.

GROW Nebraska CEO Janell Anderson Ehrke says the U.S. Small Business Administration grant will help artisans sell their work online or at events such as powwows. The groups have also recruited experienced artists from the reservation to provide guidance at training sessions in Whiteclay.

## **Man creates 'sort of tropical-esque' garden in Bowdle**

By SHANNON MARVEL, Aberdeen American News

BOWDLE, S.D. (AP) — Among the fields of soybeans and corn that surround Bowdle, an artistic, tropical garden provides an oasis for all.

With more than 100 species of vibrant, colorful plants strategically placed and cared for, the lot-sized garden is more of an artistic representation by MyRon Zimmer, local plant expert, than a traditional garden.

When he's not volunteering at church or training for a 5-kilometer run, Zimmer, 54, tends to the plants west of the school in roughly the center of town.

"It's just something I seem to know how to do," Zimmer said of his green thumb. "I do a handful of big gardens around town, so this was just one more big garden to do. I was one of those kids who read encyclopedias, then I took advanced botany, but never bought the book at college.

Northcentral South Dakota is an unlikely environment for plants that yield bananas, peaches or tobacco, but luckily Zimmer doesn't let those odds or a lack of funds to stand in the way of planting his garden.

"I couldn't afford to buy all these as potted plants," he said.

Almost all the plants were grown from seeds and cuttings, he said, and have two unique qualities in common: giant features and tropical coloration.

"I'm an artist. I see things in my head before they exist. So I saw this garden before it happened. I wanted it to be sort of tropical-esque so that it looks sort of tropical, but I knew from the street things had to be big or people wouldn't stop. So I grow the biggest, tallest things I can manage," Zimmer said, before plucking a small leaf near the front of the garden.

"Have you smelled catnip lately? I love that smell," Zimmer said, before offering the leaf for others to sample.

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No pesticides and minimal fertilizer are used to maintain the garden.

Zimmer designs the layout during the fall and winter, changing it up as he goes.

"My whole notion, even before I knew of the term biophilia, was that human beings have this instinct to interact with other living systems. That very much influences what I do in life — this interaction with living systems. We have pets because they make us feel good. We have plants because they do something for us. It's instinctual. It's not something that we learn, but we learn how to hate spiders and snakes. But if we wouldn't learn that, we would like them. Things sometimes move around. I try to listen to the plants and find where they're happy. It changes a bit, but essentially this is what I like it to look like," he said.

The lot is owned by Cathy and Norbert Thomas, who purchased it about four years ago.

"An individual had bought it, and he planted an orchard here, and he was leaving town and it was for sale," Norbert Thomas said.

"We talked to MyRon, and he said he would be more than happy to make it into a beautiful flower garden. And that's exactly what he's done. The work is all his, the success is all his. It's so funny because in the fall, he'll draw up a plan of what he's going to do next year and he'll even move the perennials," Thomas said.

When the seasons begin to change in late August, Zimmer must relocate the tropical plants indoors.

"If you have a plan for winter, all the tropicals have to either go to a basement or a home. There are about 50 pots of tropicals that I physically carry back to my house. I have no car, so I carry hundreds of pounds of plants and bulbs back to my home. If you have grow lights and a big old picture window, it works out. The neighbors think you're growing pot but, if they look closer it's really bananas," Zimmer said.

He hasn't yet started this year's plant migration up the hill to his home.

"The bananas should go in very soon. They can't take a frost, they can't take 40 degrees, and it's been 30 degrees already," he said.

If all goes well, the bananas should bear fruit within the next few years.

"I've never seen a real banana where it ought to be. We have all sorts of different bananas. We have eight different sorts of banana plant species," Zimmer said.

He has tasted the fruit of a peach tree in the garden.

"We had peaches on glorious, big trees. They died one winter, but we had the biggest harvest of about 60 peaches, and they were the drippiest things on earth," Zimmer said.

The centerpiece of the garden is a catalpa tree that towers over the other plants with long seed pods dangling from the branches.

"It's my favorite tree. I plant it all over town. It has clusters of white flowers every year, and it looks tropical. I've probably planted a dozen or so. I plant seeds and make cuttings — people want them. It'll be a good thing. Sort of a Johnny Appleseed kind of thing. When I'm gone — there will be catalpa trees when I'm gone," Zimmer said.

A new addition to the garden is a fig plant that has already grown at several feet all.

"I'm growing figs for the first time in my life. But I got cuttings on eBay last spring and they've rooted. But I think they're glorious. Who knew you could grow figs? I didn't, so I thought I'd do it. I'm sure there are things I can't grow, but I don't know what that would be right now," he said.

Many locals take guests to see what Zimmer created, while others visit alone to sit and think in peace, Zimmer said.

The garden attracts more than just humans.

Zimmer, an avid bird-watcher, said 70 different species have been spotted in the garden.

"We've had nearly 40 different species of butterfly, we've got a snake, we've got some frogs, we've

got some salamanders. The squirrels eat the pears," he said.

The purpose of the garden, Zimmer believes, is to connect on a deeper level with plants and other living organisms.

"It is abstract because it isn't what we ordinarily think we ought to be seeing in Edmunds County, South Dakota. It is a visual abstraction in the manner of a painting style. It just happens to be a planting style. It is abstract because it is a distraction. Hopefully people get a sense of being in an environment other than that to which we are accustomed, and if that sense lasts but a second, then I have done the work correctly," he said.

"People can appreciate it in any manner they wish. I am OK with that. But I will never forget the Sunday afternoon when an old man with Alzheimer's stood in my garden and was surrounded by hummingbirds literally zipping around and around his head. The look on that old man's face could only be described as beatific. That is the abstraction I have worked so hard to produce."

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Information from: Aberdeen American News, <http://www.aberdeennews.com>

## 50-foot-tall statue of Native woman formally unveiled

CHAMBERLAIN, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota's newest landmark has been formally unveiled in Chamberlain, along the banks of the Missouri River.

More than 200 people gathered at the Chamberlain rest stop on Interstate 90 Saturday to recognize the 50-foot-tall, stainless steel statue that depicts a young Native American woman with a star quilt, The Daily Republic (<http://bit.ly/2cC1Owu>) reported. The art piece, titled "Dignity," is the vision of Black Hills artist Dale Lamphere.

"My intent for this is to have the sculpture stand as an enduring symbol of our shared belief that we are in a sacred place and that we are all sacred," Lamphere said. "I'm humbled and so grateful to have this chance to contribute to the future landscape of South Dakota and the Great Plains."

Drivers on I-90 can see the statue day and night as it is backlit by LED lights. The statue stands atop a bluff and is susceptible to the state's occasional harsh winds, so, to avoid any potential issues, some of its pieces can shift, allowing the wind to flow freely.

Norm and Eunabel McKie commissioned the piece two years ago, donating \$1 million for the project.

South Dakota Gov. Dennis Daugaard attended the event Saturday and suggested that the statue could become the state's third most well-known landmark.

"This is very meaningful to our state," Daugaard said. "In addition to being the state of Mount Rushmore and the state of Crazy Horse, I believe the prominent location of 'Dignity' and the visibility that she offers to so many millions of travelers who will be moving up and down Interstate 90, I think we'll soon become not just the state of those two stone monuments, but also this beautiful metal sculpture as well."

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Information from: The Daily Republic, <http://www.mitchellrepublic.com>

## Authorities: 44 cited, 1 jailed in Iowa pipeline protest

SANDUSKY, Iowa (AP) — Authorities say 44 people were cited and one person was jailed during a weekend protest intended to block construction of a \$3.8 billion, four-state oil pipeline in southeast Iowa.

Lee County Chief Deputy Sheriff Scott Bonar said Monday that 38 adults were cited for trespassing and released from the county jail after authorities removed them from the work-site entrance of the

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Dakota Access pipeline in Sandusky.

Six juveniles also were cited and released, and one was held on charges of trespassing and interference with official acts.

About 200 people protested on Saturday, Bonar said, but were peaceful. Those cited were removed after walking through a line of private security and sheriff's deputies who stood in front of the driveway.

A larger protest over the pipeline, which would transport oil from North Dakota's Bakken formation to Illinois, was been taking place in North Dakota.

## South Dakota teens lead police in North Dakota on van chase

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — Two South Dakota teens were arrested over the weekend in North Dakota after leading officers from two police departments on a chase in a van that police say had been stolen.

Police in Bismarck tell the Bismarck Tribune (<http://bit.ly/2cJH6M1>) that the 15- and 16-year-old girls were arrested Sunday.

Police say the teenagers led officers on a chase that began in Mandan and crossed over into Bismarck. The crash ended when the teenagers crashed the van.

Details of the incident, including how the teenagers got a hold of the van, were not immediately clear. The teenagers are in custody at the Youth Correctional Center in Mandan.

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Information from: Bismarck Tribune, <http://www.bismarcktribune.com>

## For Obama, a swan song on global stage in final UN speech

By JOSH LEDERMAN, Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Standing before the United Nations for the last time as president, Barack Obama will reassure foreign leaders that the world is better equipped to tackle its challenges than at almost any point in history despite a cascade of harrowing crises that seem devoid of viable solutions.

Obama's speech is always a focal point of the annual U.N. General Assembly, but his address Tuesday marks Obama's swan song on the international stage. He stepped into his role eight years ago with sky-high expectations and has struggled to deliver when it comes to solving global problems partially beyond America's control.

Ben Rhodes, Obama's deputy national security adviser, said the president was cognizant of the fact that bright spots such as economic growth and climate change cooperation are offset by the "great deal of unease" in the world, including Syria's civil war and concerns about Russia's aggression toward Ukraine.

"The way the president will approach this is trying to apply what we have done that's worked in the last eight years as a template for how we deal with other crises," Rhodes said.

He cited diplomatic achievements on Iran and global warming and outreach to former U.S. adversaries Cuba and Myanmar as illustrative of the approach Obama hoped would continue after he leaves office.

Yet it will be hard for world leaders to look beyond the pressing problems that are shadowing this year's U.N. confab.

Just as Obama and fellow heads of state were gathering Monday, Syria's military declared the week-old cease-fire over following numerous breaches and airstrikes hitting an aid convoy to a distressed part of Syria, which the U.S. blamed on Syria or Russia. The setbacks were fresh indicators that even the most hard-fought diplomatic gambles have failed to lessen the violence in Syria for any lasting stretch of time.

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And hanging over the U.N. gathering was a weekend bombing a short subway ride away that New York's mayor has declared an act of terror. Security in Manhattan, already high in light of the U.N. summit, was further tightened.

Despite these concerns, the White House has cast Obama's address as one of his final opportunities to define how his leadership has made the planet safer and more prosperous. Obama's aides have focused on how the U.S. has a fraction of the troops in Iraq and Afghanistan than it had when Obama took office and how nations are finally poised to act in concert to reduce greenhouse gases blamed for global warming.

Obama's other major priority at the U.N. this year is to force more aggressive action to mitigate the worst refugee crisis since World War II, stemming in large part from the Syria war. In addition to his speech, Obama on Tuesday planned to host a summit on refugees. The idea is for nations to show up with concrete commitments to accept and support more refugees, and Obama's U.N. ambassador, Samantha Power, said the U.S. told several nations that their initial offers were insufficient.

As part of Obama's push, more than 50 U.S. companies were pledging to spend, raise or contribute more than \$650 million to support refugees' resettlement, education and employment, the White House said. The list includes prominent companies including Western Union, Twitter, Microsoft, Ikea and Google.

The Obama administration has emphasized that a half-dozen other countries including Germany and Jordan are co-hosting the refugee summit, but it's largely been a U.S.-driven endeavor.

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Associated Press writer Darlene Superville in New York contributed to this report.

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## Wealth of clues led to quick arrest of suspected bomber

By **JAKE PEARSON, JENNIFER PELTZ and DAKE KANG, Associated Press**

NEW YORK (AP) — The man suspected of planting bombs in a New York neighborhood and a New Jersey seaside town may have aimed to inflict carnage incognito, but he didn't succeed for long in concealing his identity.

Ahmad Khan Rahami provided investigators with a wealth of clues that led to his arrest about 50 hours after the first explosion, according to three law enforcement officials familiar with the investigation.

His fingerprints and DNA were found at the scene of the Manhattan bombing, they said. His uncovered face was clearly captured by surveillance cameras near the spot of the blast.

Electronic toll records showed a car to which he had access was driven from New Jersey to Manhattan and back to New Jersey the day of the bombing, according to the officials, who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to discuss an ongoing case.

Those and other clues spurred officials to publicize his name and photo Monday morning, asking for help finding Rahami, 28, a U.S. citizen born in Afghanistan, who lives with his Muslim family in Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Hours later, a police officer in Linden, New Jersey, recognized Rahami after finding him sleeping in a doorway, prompting a confrontation and shootout that led to his capture.

"A lot of technology involved in this, but a lot of good, old-fashioned police work, too," said New York Police Commissioner James O'Neill. He said now, investigators would "make sure that we get to the bottom of who's involved and why."

After surgery for a gunshot wound to his leg, Rahami was being held on \$5.2 million bail, charged with

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five counts of attempted murder of police officers. Federal prosecutors said they still were weighing charges over the bombings. Rahami remains hospitalized.

With Rahami's arrest, officials said they have no other suspects at large, but cautioned they are still investigating.

Messages left for family members were not immediately returned. It wasn't clear when Rahami would get an attorney.

The bombing spread fear across the New York area and revived anxiety about homegrown terrorism nationwide.

As the East Coast was rattled by the bombings, a man who authorities say referred to Allah wounded nine people in a stabbing rampage at a Minnesota mall Saturday before being shot to death by an off-duty police officer. Authorities are investigating the stabbings as a possible terrorist attack but have not drawn any connection between the bloodshed there and the bombings.

William Sweeney Jr., the FBI's assistant director in New York, said there was no indication so far that the bombings were the work of a larger terror cell.

Rahami wasn't on any terror or no-fly watch lists, though he had been interviewed for immigration purposes traveling between the U.S. and Afghanistan, one of the law enforcement officials said.

Rahami and his family live above their fried-chicken restaurant — called First American Fried Chicken — and the family has clashed with the city over closing times and noise complaints, which the Rahamis said in a lawsuit were tinged with anti-Muslim sentiment.

The lawsuit was terminated in 2012 because one of Rahami's brothers had pleaded guilty to blocking police from enforcing closing hours at the restaurant.

A childhood friend, Flee Jones, said Rahami had become more religious after returning from a trip to Afghanistan several years ago. Still, some of the family restaurant's customers said Rahami was more likely to talk about his interest in cars than to mention faith.

"He's a very friendly guy," patron Ryan McCann said. "That's what's so scary."

The investigation began when a pipe bomb blew up Saturday morning in Seaside Park, New Jersey, before a charity race to benefit Marines. No one was injured.

Then a shrapnel-packed pressure-cooker bomb exploded Saturday night in New York's Chelsea section, wounding 29 people, none seriously. An unexploded pressure-cooker bomb was found blocks away.

Late Sunday night, five explosive devices were discovered in a trash can at an Elizabeth train station, about 3 miles from where Rahami was later found asleep in the doorway of a bar.

Investigators are still gathering evidence and have not publicly tied Rahami to those devices, though Sweeney noted they aren't "ruling anything out."

The bombs discovered Saturday all used flip cellphones as a trigger and were all made with easily purchasable materials, a federal law enforcement official speaking on condition of anonymity said.

After zeroing in on Rahami and learning of the car that had traveled between New Jersey and New York, authorities pulled it over Sunday night after it headed in the direction of Kennedy airport. The law enforcement officials said at least one of Rahami's relatives was in the car.

All five were questioned and released, Sweeney said. He declined to say whether they might later face charges.

Linden Mayor Derek Armstead said the break in the case came Monday morning, when a bar owner reported someone asleep in his doorway.

An officer arrived and confronted Rahami, who pulled a gun and fired, authorities said. The officer was saved by his bulletproof vest. More officers joined in a battle that spilled into the street.

Another police officer was grazed by a bullet. The officers' injuries weren't life-threatening.

Around the time Rahami was captured, President Barack Obama was in New York on a previously scheduled visit for a meeting of the U.N. General Assembly. He called on Americans to show the world "we will never give in to fear."

Kang reported from Elizabeth, New Jersey. Associated Press writers Tom Hays in San Francisco, California; Michael Balsamo in New York; Michael Catalini in Elizabeth; and Eric Tucker, Alicia A. Caldwell and Kevin Freking in Washington contributed to this report.

## **UN suspends all convoys in Syria after attack on aid trucks**

**By BASSEM MROUE and JAMEY KEATEN, Associated Press**

BEIRUT (AP) — The U.N. humanitarian aid agency suspended all convoys in Syria on Tuesday following deadly airstrikes on aid trucks the previous night that activists said killed at least 12 people, mostly truck drivers and Red Crescent workers.

The attack plunged Syria's U.S.-Russia-brokered cease-fire further into doubt. The Syrian military, just hours earlier, had declared the week-long truce had failed. The United States said it was prepared to extend the truce deal and Russia — after blaming rebels for the violations — suggested it could still be salvaged.

In Geneva, spokesman Jens Laerke of OCHA said further aid delivery would hold pending a review of the security situation in Syria in the aftermath of the airstrike. Laerke called it "a very, very dark day... for humanitarians across the world."

The U.N. aid coordinator said the Syria government had granted needed authorizations in recent days to allow for aid convoys to proceed inside Syria. Humanitarian U.N. aid deliveries had stalled in recent weeks amid continued fighting, and the truce had not paved the way for expanded convoys as initially expected.

It was not clear who was behind the attack late on Monday, which sent a red fireball into the sky in the dead of night over a rural area in Aleppo province. Both Syrian and Russian aircraft operate over Syria, as well as the U.S.-led coalition that is targeting the Islamic State group.

Rami Abdurrahman of the Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, which tracks the civil war, and Aleppo-based activist Bahaa al-Halaby both said the attack killed 12 people.

Among the victims was Omar Barakat who headed the Red Crescent in the town where the attack occurred, they said. The Syrian Civil Defense, the volunteer first responder group also known as the White Helmets, confirmed that casualty figure.

The convoy, part of a routine interagency dispatch operated by the Syrian Red Crescent, was hit in rural western Aleppo province. The White Helmets first responder group posted images of a number of vehicles on fire and a video of the attack showed huge balls of fire in a pitch black area, as ambulances arrive on the scene.

U.N. officials said the U.N. and Red Crescent convoy was delivering assistance for 78,000 people in the town of Uram al-Kubra, west of the city of Aleppo. Initial estimates indicate that about 18 of the 31 trucks in the convoy were hit, as well as the Red Crescent warehouse in the area.

When asked who was behind the airstrikes, Abdurrahman said Syrian President Bashar Assad's "regime does not have the capabilities to carry out such airstrikes within two hours."

He said the airstrikes on Aleppo province, including the ones that hit the convoy, were part of some 40 air raids that lasted about two hours — starting at about 7:30 p.m. Monday — and that "it was mostly

Russian warplanes who carried out the air raid.”

Al-Halaby said that rebels in Aleppo province also claimed Russian aircraft were behind the attack.

The Local Coordination Committees, another activist group in Syria, said Russia’s air forces and government warplanes dropped 25 bombs damaging some 20 trucks and destroying the Red Crescent warehouse in Uram al-Kubra.

Abdurrahman said the convoy of about 30 trucks had crossed earlier from a government-controlled area and were hit from the air hours after they reached the Red Crescent warehouse. He said that some of the trucks were already emptied when the attack occurred and that in all, 20 trucks were destroyed or damaged.

A paramedic, speaking in a video released by Aleppo 24 News, a media collective, blamed Russian and government warplanes as well as Syrian army helicopter gunships that he said dropped barrel bombs.

Piles of white bags filled with flour were seen near one of the trucks.

Photos posted by Aleppo 24 News showed what appears to be an SUV riddled with shrapnel, its windshield blown out. Another one shows damaged trucks filled with bags parked in front what appeared to be a building. Others show three damaged trucks parked on the road.

Jan Egeland, humanitarian aid coordinator in the office of the U.N. envoy for Syria, told The Associated Press in a text message that the convoy was “bombarded.”

Egeland added, “It is outrageous that it was hit while offloading at warehouses.”

U. N. Humanitarian Chief Stephen O’Brien called on “all parties to the conflict, once again, to take all necessary measures to protect humanitarian actors, civilians, and civilian infrastructure as required by international humanitarian law.”

A Red Crescent official in Syria confirmed the attack, but said no further information was available.

Also Tuesday, the Observatory said government forces launched an offensive in the Handarat area, just north of the city of Aleppo, in what appears to be an attempt to tighten the siege on rebel-held parts of Syria’s largest city.

Apart from the 12 killed in the convoy attack, 22 civilians died in attacks Monday across the province, according to the Observatory and Aleppo 24 News.

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Keaten reported from Geneva. Associated Press writer Philip Issa in Beirut contributed to this report.

## **Jim Carrey calls lawsuit over ex’s death ‘heartless’**

**By ANTHONY McCARTNEY, AP Entertainment Writer**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jim Carrey says a wrongful death lawsuit filed by the estranged husband of his ex-girlfriend is a heartless attempt to exploit him and vowed to fight the case.

Mark Burton of Portland sued Carrey in Los Angeles Superior Court on Monday, accusing the actor of providing the prescription drugs his wife Cathriona White used to overdose in September 2015. The wrongful death lawsuit contends Carrey improperly obtained prescriptions for Ambien and the powerful opioid oxycodone under the alias Arthur King.

The suit accuses Carrey of giving White the medications days before she was found dead in one of Carrey’s homes. White and Carrey dated in 2012 and were photographed together in May 2015.

“What a terrible shame,” Carrey wrote in a statement. “It would be easy for me to get in a back room with this man’s lawyer and make this go away, but there are some moments in life when you have to stand up and defend your honor against the evil in this world.

“I will not tolerate this heartless attempt to exploit me or the woman I loved,” Carrey wrote. “I really hope that some day soon people will stop trying to profit from this and let her rest in peace.” Carrey



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is known for such movies as "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind," "The Truman Show," and "Ace Ventura: Pet Detective."

Coroner's officials ruled the 30-year-old makeup artist's death a suicide.

Burton and White married in 2013. A coroner's official told reporters that the pair were separated and planned to divorce, however Burton's attorney Michael Avenatti declined to characterize their relationship beyond saying they were legally married at the time of White's death.

Carrey's attorney Marty Singer wrote in a statement that White and Burton never lived together.

The lawsuit accuses Carrey of violating a section of California's Health and Safety Code against the use of aliases to obtain prescription medications.

"White's death was tragic and easily avoidable," the lawsuit states.

Carrey's prescriptions were legally obtained and his doctor and insurers were aware of his alias use, Singer wrote. He said many actors use aliases for prescriptions to protect their privacy.

The issue of prescriptions issued to a celebrity under aliases became an issue when Los Angeles prosecutors attempted unsuccessfully to obtain felony convictions against two of Anna Nicole Smith's doctors and her lawyer-boyfriend over prescription drugs she obtained before her accidental overdose in 2007.

Defense lawyers contended the aliases were used to protect Smith's privacy, and last year a judge who dismissed the final felony counts against Smith's confidante Howard K. Stern said it was a common practice.

"Everyone did it," Judge Robert J. Perry said in July 2015. "Everyone did it to protect her privacy from the prying eyes of the ever-present press representatives in Ms. Smith's life."

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## **Donald Trump Jr. likens Syrian refugees to poisoned Skittles**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump Jr. has posted a message on Twitter likening Syrian refugees to a bowl of poisoned Skittles.

Seeking to promote his father's presidential campaign, the younger Trump posted a tweet featuring a bowl of the candy Skittles with a warning.

"If I had a bowl of skittles and I told you just three would kill you, would you take a handful?" said the tweet on the verified @DonaldTrumpJr handle.

"That's our Syrian refugee problem," said the post, which caused a stir and negative tweets on the internet into Tuesday.

Young Trump's tweet said, "This image says it all. Let's end the politically correct agenda that doesn't put America first."

His father has advocated sharply restraining immigration and has accused opponent Hillary Clinton of advocating acceptance of tens of thousands of refugees.

Skittles parent company Wm. Wrigley Co. distanced itself from the tweet with a terse response opposing Trump Jr.'s premise.

"Skittles are candy. Refugees are people. We don't feel it's an appropriate analogy," Vice President of Corporate Affairs Denise Young said in the statement. "We will respectfully refrain from further commentary as anything we say could be misinterpreted as marketing."

The tweet came as world leaders meeting at the United Nations on Monday approved a declaration aimed at providing a more coordinated and humane response to the global refugee crisis, among which

Syrians are a major grouping.

During the campaign Trump has repeatedly called for a moratorium on accepting Syrian refugees. This is part of a more wide-ranging policy on immigrants that has ranged from an outright ban on foreign Muslim immigrants entering the United States "until we know what the hell is going on" to "extreme" vetting and an ideological test for would-be immigrants from countries and regions plagued by extremism.

Clinton has said she would expand President Barack Obama's refugee program to accept about 65,000 Syrian refugees. This would be in addition to the tens of thousands of refugees accepted from around the world every year. Clinton said she would continue with the vetting currently in place, an effort that can take multiple years to complete.

Hundreds of thousands of Syrians have sought refuge in Europe while many others wait in neighboring countries and refugee camps for the war to end or a chance to move away from the carnage. Obama pledged the U.S. would accept 10,000 Syrians this budget year, which ends Sept. 30, and achieved that number a month early. This is in addition to about 75,000 refugees from other parts of the world.

## Trump skips swing-state cities, opts for rural town instead

By JONATHAN DREW, Associated Press

KENANSVILLE, N.C. (AP) — Donald Trump is spending a good bit of time in this critical presidential swing state, but he's spending Tuesday evening far from cities like Charlotte and Raleigh where many candidates have courted moderate voters in recent years.

Instead, he's zeroing in on this tiny, rural town of about 850 people to make his pitch to the disaffected, working-class white voters who have propelled his campaign. The strategy appears to be less about swaying undecideds and more about making sure supporters don't stay home on Election Day.

Registered Democrats outnumber registered Republicans 2-1 in Duplin County, but voters here have chosen the GOP presidential candidate the past two elections by a wide margin. Among those lifelong Democrats is James Teachey, a 78-year-old retired farmer, who said this year was the first he donated to a presidential campaign: \$40 to Trump.

"People are sick and tired of the way things are going in Washington and the way people are running it," he said. "I was born coming out of the Depression. We know what a dollar means, what leaving your door unlocked means. And all those things are gone."

Trump's business background is a big draw for his supporters here in Kenansville, where beyond the small downtown area's handful of restaurants, gas stations and a couple of grocery stores lie farms that are the area's major economic driver. Pork and poultry growers and processing plants employ thousands in Duplin County and have drawn thousands of Latinos who now account for more than 20 percent of the county's population.

Trump's rally is scheduled for the Duplin County Events Center, a building that can hold 4,000 spectators on the outskirts of Kenansville. Earlier in the day, he'll make a stop through High Point, a hub of the declining furniture industry that was hit hard by the loss of manufacturing jobs but brings billions to the state each year by hosting a world-renowned furniture market and trade show.

Not many political candidates have come through over the years. Asked if he could remember any other presidential campaign visits, Teachey laughed and said he thought Eleanor Roosevelt came decades ago.

While Kenansville may seem like an unusual campaign stop, Trump's decision to veer farther away from population centers shows that North Carolina is a state he has to win, said Thomas Eamon, a

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political science professor at East Carolina University.

"Campaigns do generally go to bigger cities, and going to a rural area, there's a certain psychology in going to a small town like Kenansville. I think that symbolically could be good," Eamon said, adding that the site's location near an interstate highway can funnel in conservative spectators from nearby counties.

While North Carolina is dotted with left-leaning urban areas such as Raleigh and Charlotte, it also has one of the country's largest rural populations. A 2012 analysis by the Census found that North Carolina ranked second only to Texas with 3.2 million rural residents.

Duplin County's Latino farmworkers are upset by Trump's comments about Mexicans and his stance on immigration, but many can't vote because they are either guest workers or immigrants not legally in the U.S., said Justin Flores, a vice president of the Farm Labor Organizing Committee.

"The ironic thing is that Donald Trump is coming to talk to a county that owes its entire economy to the work of immigrant workers, some undocumented, almost entirely from Mexico and Central America — the countries that Trump has spoken about with so much disrespect," said Flores, who is based in neighboring Wayne County.

State voter registration figures show that the county has about 1,200 registered Hispanic voters; About 18,000 are white, while 9,000 are black.

Arthur Best, a black voter from Kenansville and U.S. Army veteran, is frustrated like many others by the lack of job opportunities, particularly for minorities. But for him, Trump is not the answer.

"I lost my father in Vietnam. He didn't die for the foolishness we're looking at today," said Best, a Democrat who has been offended by Trump's insults toward U.S. Sen. John McCain and the parents of a Muslim soldier killed while serving in Iraq.

Still, more than a quarter of Duplin County's roughly 60,000 residents live in poverty, and only a fraction have college degrees, according to 2014 Census estimate. For voters like Bill Link, a retired U.S. Marine officer from nearby Beulaville, Trump's promises to improve the economy are what really matter.

"The majority of people right now are leaning for Trump," said Link, who drives trucks and owns a carnival equipment rental business. "Because we're all working people. We all work for a living. We're blue-collar, and we believe that the country has gone the wrong way."

## US says Russia must step up if Syria truce is to be salvaged

By MATTHEW LEE, AP Diplomatic Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The United States is demanding that Russia live up to its commitments in Syria's fractured week-old truce, after the Syrian military announced it was over amid numerous violations including an attack on an aid convoy and apparent Russian unwillingness to press Damascus on the point.

The latest developments lent more urgency to a meeting Tuesday of the International Syria Support Group, or ISSG, which is comprised of countries with a stake in the conflict and endorsed the truce, to be led by Secretary of State John Kerry and Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov. Kerry called the convoy attack an "egregious violation" of the cease-fire and said the U.S. "will reassess the future prospects for cooperation with Russia."

"The destination of this convoy was known to the Syrian regime and the Russian federation and yet these aid workers were killed in their attempt to provide relief to the Syrian people," State Department spokesman John Kirby said in a statement Monday night.

Despite the setback, the State Department said it was prepared to extend the cease-fire window

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in the hopes that if it held, the U.S. and Russia could then turn to their planned military cooperation against the Islamic State militants and al-Qaida-linked groups in Syria.

"Well, the Syrians didn't make the deal," Kerry told reporters in New York. "The Russians made the agreement. So we need to see what the Russians say; but the point, the important thing is, the Russians need to control (Syrian President Bashar) Assad, who evidently is indiscriminately bombing, including of humanitarian convoys. So let's wait and see, collect the facts. We need to see where we are, and then we'll make a judgment. But we don't have all the facts at this point."

An official with the Syrian Red Crescent said aid trucks operated by the group and destined for a rebel-held area in Aleppo province had been hit by an airstrike, as warplanes resumed their bombings in Aleppo province.

Kirby said the U.S. is ready to work with Russia to strengthen the terms of the cease-fire agreement and expand deliveries of humanitarian aid. But he added that Russia must clarify its position on the status of the truce.

Russia took the side of the Syrian government, blaming the rebels for violating the truce. Russia's Foreign Ministry said the failure of Syrian rebels to adhere to the truce "threatens the cease-fire and U.S.-Russian agreements."

The ministry statement came after the Russian military said that continuing rebel violations made it "meaningless" for the Syrian army to respect the deal. The Syrian military said earlier Monday that the cease-fire had expired.

Kirby noted that the cease-fire arrangement was agreed to by the United States and Russia, which is responsible for the compliance of the Assad government.

"We are prepared to extend the cessation of hostilities, while working to strengthen it and expand deliveries of assistance," Kirby's statement said. "We will be consulting with our Russian counterparts to continue to urge them to use their influence on Assad to these ends."

While acknowledging numerous violations, Kirby said the truce, which took effect last Monday, had been responsible for "a measure of reduced violence." However, he also repeated calls for the sustained delivery of humanitarian aid to Aleppo and other besieged communities. Such deliveries began only on Monday and were available only in limited areas, he said.

France's foreign minister criticized both the United States and Russia for the cease-fire pact that excluded the international community, saying it must have wide support if it's going to be implemented. However, the U.S. officials said details of the agreement were shared on Monday.

Saudi Foreign Minister Adel al-Jubeir pledged his country's support for Syria's opposition forces, along with representatives of Qatar, Turkey and European nations, and stressed that Assad cannot remain in power, even though that issue has been delayed until the fighting wanes.

Kerry expressed frustration with the touch-and-go cease-fire. "We have not had seven days of calm and of delivery of humanitarian goods," Kerry said. Those seven days of calm and aid deliveries were required before the U.S. and Russia could embark on a plan to cooperate in targeting the Islamic State group and al-Qaida affiliates working in Syria.

The Syrian military said in a statement Monday that "armed terrorist groups" repeatedly violated the cease-fire and took advantage of the truce to mobilize and arm themselves while attacking government-held areas. The statement said the rebels wasted a "real chance" to stop the bloodshed.

A Syrian activist group said 92 people have been killed in Syria since the start of the cease-fire. The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said 29 children and teenagers were among those killed, as well as 17 women. The figure does not include dozens of Syrian soldiers and Islamic State militants killed in the eastern province of Deir el-Zour, the Observatory said Monday.

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A mistaken air raid by the U.S.-led coalition also killed 62 Syrian soldiers.

The opposition reported 254 violations by government forces and their allies since the truce started on Sept. 12, and a senior Syrian opposition official declared the cease-fire "clinically dead."

Syrian state media said there were 32 violations by rebels on Sunday alone.

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## Clinton says Trump gives 'aid, comfort' to ISIS recruiters

By CATHERINE LUCEY and JILL COLVIN, Associated Press

ESTERO, Fla. (AP) — Hillary Clinton is accusing Donald Trump of giving "aid and comfort" to Islamic terrorists, declaring his anti-Muslim rhetoric helps the Islamic State group and other militants recruit new fighters. Trump is insisting the U.S. should "use whatever lawful methods are available" to get information from the Afghan immigrant arrested in this weekend's bombings.

As Trump supporters at a packed rally in Florida shouted "Hang him!" the Republican presidential candidate mocked the fact that Ahmad Khan Rahami, a 28-year-old U.S. citizen originally from Afghanistan, would receive quality medical care and legal representation.

"We must deliver a just and very harsh punishment to these people," he said. "These are enemies, these are combatants and we have to be tough, we have to be strong."

Both candidates moved swiftly to capitalize on investigations into a weekend of violent attacks — bombings in New York and New Jersey and stabbings at a Minnesota mall — casting themselves as most qualified to combat terrorism at home and abroad.

Clinton touted her national security credentials at a hastily arranged news conference outside her campaign plane, accusing Trump of using the incidents to make "some kind of demagogic point."

Clinton and her team see her experience and what they say is her steady judgment as key selling points for her candidacy. On the campaign trail, she frequently invokes her role in the 2011 raid that killed Osama bin Laden, describing to voters the tense atmosphere in the White House alongside President Barack Obama at that moment.

But while much of the foreign policy establishment has rallied around Clinton, Trump's anti-immigrant rhetoric, promises to close U.S. borders and vows to aggressively profile potential terrorists have fueled his presidential bid.

On Monday, he called for tougher policing, including profiling foreigners who look like they could have connections to terrorism or certain Middle Eastern nations.

"This isn't just a matter of terrorism, this is also really a question of quality of life," he said. "We want to make sure we're only admitting people into our country who love our country."

Pointing to her Monday morning comment that Trump's words give "aid and comfort" to Islamic extremists, his campaign said Clinton was accusing him of treason, going beyond the bounds of acceptable campaigning and trying to change the subject from her own failures.

She insinuated that Islamic militants, particularly those affiliated with ISIS, are rooting for Trump to win the White House. She said, "We're going after the bad guys and we're going to get them, but we're not going to go after an entire religion."

Trump agreed terrorists have a preference: They "want her so badly to be our president."

Clinton met late Monday with the leaders of Egypt, Ukraine and Japan in New York City, where they gathered for the United Nations General Assembly. Trump met with Egyptian President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi.

Trump has tried to appear more statesmanlike as the November election approaches. Still, he sug-

gested it's fine if some world leaders feel uneasy about him.

"Well, maybe that's a good thing, not a bad thing. Right now the world has no respect for our country, they have no respect for our president, whatsoever," he said in an interview on Fox News.

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Associated Press writers Lisa Lerer in Washington and Bill Barrow in Indianapolis contributed to this report.

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## **Alabama governor praises pipeline company's response to leak**

**By JEFF MARTIN, Associated Press**

ATLANTA (AP) — Alabama Gov. Robert Bentley said gas prices in parts of the state rose 20 cents over the weekend after a pipeline leak, but he didn't consider that price gouging.

"It changes overnight sometimes that much," he said.

Bentley toured Colonial Pipeline's emergency response center, in a luxury resort hotel about 12 miles (19 kilometers) from the pipeline breach, and spent much of a news conference Monday praising the company's response.

A disaster drill was held coincidentally last year near the scene of the spill, he said, and that helped the company plan and execute a response that included about 700 people so far.

Colonial said it was working "around the clock" to repair the break and supplies have been delivered or are on their way to locations in Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, South Carolina, and North Carolina.

Colonial said Monday evening in a statement that it expects the temporary pipeline to be running by the end of the week but gave no specific day.

In Georgia, AAA reported that the price of regular gas jumped more than 5 cents from Sunday's average of \$2.26 to just more than \$2.31. The average price a week ago was about \$2.10.

"Oh, yeah, I've noticed that the prices have just gone up — I mean, through the roof!" Tom Wargo said at a gas station northeast of Atlanta.

Wargo runs a nonprofit organization that supplies pet food to people in need and spends much of his time on the road. He just returned from a road trip to Louisiana, where he helped people after the floods there, he said.

"I tried getting gas yesterday and a lot of the stations had no gas at all, except diesel," Wargo said Monday.

AAA Carolinas said the average price for a gallon in North Carolina was \$2.16 — up from \$2.05 last week. In South Carolina, a gallon was selling for an average of \$2.04. That's an increase of 13 cents from last week.

In the Chattanooga, Tennessee, area, the price of regular gas jumped 6 cents in one day, AAA reported.

"We certainly expect the gas prices to increase, certainly while this line is under repair and not at full capacity," AAA spokesman Garrett Townsend said Monday.

Georgia Gov. Nathan Deal issued an executive order Monday aimed at preventing price gouging.

"There have been recent reports that wholesale and retail gas prices have substantially increased in some markets," he said.

The shortage is blamed on a pipeline rupture and leak of at least 252,000 gallons (954,000 liters) of gas in Alabama. The pipeline company has two main lines and said Monday that it is shipping "signifi-

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cant volumes" on the second of the two lines to limit the effect of the interruption on the other line.

Still, some motorists discovered bone-dry pumps.

Lindsey Paluka, 28, stopped at a Shell gas station in the East Atlanta neighborhood only to find a gas pump handle covered by a black garbage bag.

"I'm definitely on empty, so I'm going to have to figure something out," she said.

Alpharetta, Georgia-based Colonial has acknowledged that between 252,000 gallons (954,000 liters) and 336,000 gallons (1,272,000 liters) of gasoline leaked from a pipeline near Helena, Alabama, since the spill was first detected Sept. 9. It's unclear when the spill actually began.

According to a preliminary report, it wasn't possible to immediately pinpoint the leak, partly because highly flammable benzene and gasoline vapors hung in the air and prevented firefighters, company officials and anyone else from being near the site for more than three days.

State workers discovered the leak when they noticed a strong gasoline odor and sheen on a man-made retention pond, along with dead vegetation nearby, the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration said in the report.

The report does not identify the cause of the leak. The agency, part of the U.S. Department of Transportation, is investigating the leak in a section of the pipeline constructed in 1963, it said.

Governors across the South issued executive orders last week to suspend limitations on trucking hours, allowing drivers to stay on the road longer to bring fuel to gas stations.

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## Stunt? Even with jerseys and books to sell, Tebow says no

By TIM REYNOLDS, AP Sports Writer

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. (AP) — Mets fans can buy a few jerseys featuring names of players in the team's instructional league.

Cespedes jerseys, they're big sellers.

Cone jerseys, available as throwbacks.

Of course, those are for Yoenis Cespedes and David Cone, and not the instructional leaguers — Ricardo Cespedes and Gene Cone. No, the only of the 58 players getting a spotlight in this camp with the Mets is Tim Tebow, the quarterback-turned-baseball-hopeful whose No. 15 jersey is already a hot seller even though he has yet to take one professional at-bat.

The Mets are cashing in already, and Tebow has a book coming out next month. Yet both the team and its new star-of-sorts insist this is no publicity stunt, even though the odds seem stacked very high against a 29-year-old former football player finding his way to the major leagues.

"The good thing is that I don't have to say anything," Tebow said when asked what he would say to those who think it is a stunt. "I don't."

Day 2 of the Tebow experiment with the Mets comes Tuesday, when he returns to the minor league complex in Port St. Lucie for more running, throwing, catching and hitting.

Mets manager Terry Collins said the debut workout was well-received.

"I heard about it," Collins said Monday in New York. "I called down. I called down. I wanted to wait 'til the crowd had finally left before I called. But they said it was pretty interesting. He said he was in tremendous shape."

Tebow seemed to take the first workout very seriously. He was still mopping sweat off his brow with

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an orange towel more than a half-hour after leaving the field, acknowledged he still has a lot to learn and said he was hoping teammates would be comfortable having him around.

He was again playing the game he loved as a kid. Except back then, money wasn't an issue. It is this time, as is almost always the case in pro sports.

Tebow signed a deal with the Mets that included a \$100,000 signing bonus. Mets general manager Sandy Alderson defended it earlier this month, saying before a game in Atlanta the team wouldn't spend that kind of money "so we can sell a couple hundred dollars' worth of T-shirts in Kingsport," referring to the Tennessee city where New York has a rookie league team.

But merchandise isn't just on sale in Kingsport — it's everywhere. The Mets' web site listed the \$119.99 jerseys and \$29.99 T-shirts as top sellers Monday, and some of the hundreds of fans who turned out on a steamy day on Florida's Treasure Coast were asking where they could get their own items with Tebow's name and number on the back.

"I heard that was something that they might be selling. What do I think about it? It's cool," Tebow said.

Tebow has a book coming out next month called "Shaken: Discovering Your True Identity in the Midst of Life's Storms." He doesn't need baseball as a platform; he's an analyst for the SEC Network and his fans are devout, whether he's on TV or not.

But he did spend time Monday answering questions about the book, talking about how his playing days under Bill Belichick for the New England Patriots ended in 2013.

"The whole first chapter is about the last two days with the New England Patriots and getting cut from them and what it's like and that meeting, walking into coach Belichick's office and being told that you're not enough," Tebow said. "And so the goal with this and why it's title is 'Shaken' is every single person in this room and every single person probably in life goes through times when they get told they're not enough."

For Tebow, having a chance to play is enough.

He looks at baseball as a way to tell his story a new way. A few weeks ago he was in his native Philippines, saying he hiked into remote areas and helped care for children who faced serious medical problems.

"I'm always grateful for that platform to make a change in someone's life," Tebow said. "Hopefully for the better."

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AP Baseball Writer Ronald Blum in New York contributed to this report.

## Tyson Gay in the field for USA bobsled push championships

By TIM REYNOLDS, AP Sports Writer

Olympic sprinter Tyson Gay is entered in this week's USA Bobsled National Push Championships, making him the latest track star to give sledding a try.

The push championships start Wednesday in Calgary, Alberta and are the first step toward a potential spot on this season's national team.

Gay has competed in each of the last three Summer Olympics. He was part of a team that won a silver medal in the 4x100-meter relay at the London Games in 2012, though that medal was ultimately stripped after Gay tested positive for steroids at the U.S. championships in 2013 and served a one-year suspension. He also had all results annulled going back to July 15, 2012, a period that included that year's Olympic competition.



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One of the runners that lost his London silver medal because of Gay's positive test was Ryan Bailey, another bobsled rookie who is scheduled to compete in the push championships.

"I'm still not over it," Bailey said last month, referring to having his medal taken away.

And now it stands to reason that they could be teammates once again.

Bailey has impressed coaches so far, especially after winning the preliminary push championships on dry land in Lake Placid, New York last month. This competition takes place on ice and Gay has been practicing sled-pushing for only a few days, according to USA Bobsled and Skeleton.

But Gay's speed figures to give him a chance to make a huge splash. His all-time best in the 100 meters is 9.69 seconds, a time bettered only by three-time reigning Olympic 100 champion and world-record-holder Usain Bolt of Jamaica.

Gay won world championship gold medals in 2007 in the 100- and 200-meter dashes, as well as part of the 4x100-meter relay.

But his 2008 Olympics were troubled by a bad hamstring that hurt his chances of medaling individually, and a bad handoff in the 4x100 knocked the U.S. out of the mix in that event. His 2012 Olympics were erased by the positive test, and what could have been a bronze medal in the relay at Rio last month was lost when the Americans were found to have made a bad handoff and were disqualified again.

The Rio relay debacle was the ninth time since 1995 that the U.S. men were disqualified or failed to get the baton around at the Olympics or world championships. And that doesn't even include the medal that was lost in London after Gay's doping ban.

"It has to be the worst luck for this country ever," Gay said in Rio. "It's always something weird, stupid, simple, mistakes that always cost us and I don't understand."

He might have a shot at joining a different sort of four-man team now, one that runs together for a few seconds and then hops into a sled for a thrill ride down an icy mountainside chute.

Gay follows a long line of speedsters who will try to push a sled, a list that includes Lauryn Williams — a medalist in both the summer and winter games — as well as longtime U.S. hurdles star Lolo Jones, Rio Games double gold medalist Tianna Bartoletta and former men's competitors Edwin Moses, Willie Davenport and Renaldo Nehemiah.

Jones, a 2014 Sochi Olympian, will be in the women's push competition, as will 2014 Olympic bronze medalist Aja Evans.

In all, 56 competitors are entered in the championships, which start with solo events Wednesday and combination events Friday and Saturday. Drivers will analyze results before selecting their team for national team trials, which begin in Lake Placid next month.

## World leaders at UN must tackle Syria, extremism, refugees

By EDITH M. LEDERER, Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — World leaders gather at the United Nations for their annual meeting Tuesday with an array of global crises that desperately need solutions, topped by the Syrian conflict, escalating attacks around the world by Islamic extremists, and millions of people fleeing fighting and poverty.

Whether the 135 heads of state and government and more than 50 ministers are able to make any progress before the high-level meeting of the General Assembly ends on Sept. 26 remains to be seen. While hopes are high, expectations are low.

The leaders are meeting against a backdrop of rising ethnic and religious tension, fighting elsewhere in the Mideast and Africa, a warming planet, and unfulfilled goals to give every child in the world a

primary school education and to achieve equality for women.

The global chaos facing the leaders was made even starker in the past two days with the attacks in New York City and the deadly attack on a U.N. humanitarian convoy in Syria and the near collapse of a cease-fire in the war-ravaged country that has been repeatedly broken.

The latest developments placed added importance on a meeting early Tuesday morning of the International Syria Support Group, comprised of about 20 countries supporting opposing sides in the conflict. It will be led by U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry and Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov, who hammered out the cease-fire agreement.

The spotlight is also certain to shine on three leaders scheduled to speak at the assembly's opening session Tuesday morning.

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon who steps down on Dec. 31, and U.S. President Barack Obama who will leave office in January, will be addressing the 193-member world body for the last time. And British Prime Minister Theresa May will be making her debut on the world stage less than three months after the country voted to leave the European Union.

Many leaders came a day early to attend Monday's first-ever U.N. summit on refugees and migrants, which approved a declaration aimed at providing a more coordinated and humane response to the world's 65.3 million displaced people.

It calls for separate Global Compacts for refugees and migrants to be adopted within two years. But human rights groups complained that it was watered down, eliminating Ban's proposal to resettle 10 percent of the world's refugees annually.

Obama has called a follow-up summit Tuesday afternoon to spur concrete pledges.

According to a U.S. official, speaking on condition of anonymity ahead of the summit, at least 45 countries are expected to make pledges that will meet or exceed U.S. goals of increasing humanitarian aid by \$3 billion, doubling resettlement and lawful admission spots, and increasing access to education for 1 million youngsters and access to employment by 1 million.

## **Victim: Mall attacker emotionless; leaders urge 'rise above'**

**By KYLE POTTER and AMY FORLITI, Associated Press**

ST. CLOUD, Minn. (AP) — One of the victims wounded in a stabbing at a central Minnesota mall says the man who carried out the attack showed no emotion and his eyes looked blank.

Ryan Schliep, one of 10 people who suffered wounds that were not life-threatening before the attacker was fatally shot, told WCCO-TV that the man "just walked right at me" before striking quickly and penetrating the skin of his scalp.

"He looked just blank in the eyes like he wasn't even there," Schliep said shortly before being released from a St. Cloud hospital.

Authorities are treating Saturday's stabbings at Crossroads Center Mall as a possible act of terrorism, in part because an Islamic State-run news agency claimed that the attacker was a "soldier of the Islamic State" who had heeded the group's calls for attacks in countries that are part of a U.S.-led anti-IS coalition.

But it wasn't immediately known whether the extremist group had planned the attack or knew about it beforehand. St. Cloud Police Chief Blair Anderson said Monday the attack appeared to be the work of a single individual and there was no sign that the attacker, identified as 20-year-old Dahir Adan, was radicalized or communicated with any terrorist group.

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President Barack Obama said the stabbings had no apparent connection to weekend bombings in New York and New Jersey.

Because Adan was Somali, leaders of the state's large Somali community acknowledged the prospect of a "long winter" for their people after the stabbings, but warned not to quickly accept the terrorism connection.

"We cannot give ISIS and other terrorist organizations more air time and propaganda without real facts," said Jaylani Hussein, executive director of the Council on American-Islamic Relations' Minnesota chapter.

Little is known about Adan, who was identified Sunday by his father, Ahmed Adan, and then by St. Cloud police Monday night. He had only a traffic ticket on his record, was apparently out of work after his job as a part-time security guard ended and hadn't enrolled in college since the spring semester. Adan was wearing a security guard's uniform during the attack.

A spokesman for the family, Abdi Wahid Osman, read from a statement expressing condolences for the injured and anyone else who was impacted.

"As we mourn the death of our son, Dahir Adan, who was very dear to us, we are in deep shock as everyone else is in the state of Minnesota," the statement said.

Federal officials released no new information Monday on the investigation into the stabbing, which was stopped by an off-duty police officer just minutes into it. FBI Special Agent in Charge Rick Thornton has said authorities were digging into Adan's background and possible motives, looking at social media accounts and electronic devices and talking to people he knew.

Minnesota has the nation's largest Somali population, an estimated 57,000 people. Both Anderson and Gov. Mark Dayton warned against a possible backlash due to the stabbings, especially in St. Cloud, where Somalis in the 65,000-resident city about 65 miles (104 km) northwest of Minneapolis have spoken about mistreatment in the past.

"I implore the citizens of St. Cloud and the citizens of Minnesota to rise above this incident and remember our common humanity," Dayton said.

"It's going to be tough times. We know it's going to be a long winter for this community," said Haji Yusuf, who is part of UniteCloud, a local group founded to tackle racial and ethnic tension in the city.

Last year, St. Cloud school officials met with Somali parents, community elders and students after Somali-American students walked out to protest their treatment. One student had said Somali-Americans were called Islamic State members and had their headscarves pulled off, and a photo posted on social media of a Somali-American student who was using a wheelchair after breaking her leg with a caption that said she was "disabled in ISIS."

Five years earlier, CAIR's Minnesota chapter asked for a federal civil rights investigation into allegations that Muslim students had been harassed at two St. Cloud high schools. A 2011 agreement resolved the case, but the U.S. Department of Education still was monitoring the case last year.

In 2013, CAIR called on police in nearby Waite Park to reject a training program about Somalis because a flier unfairly suggested the activities of al-Shabab — a militant group in east Africa that has had success in recruiting Somali-Americans in Minnesota — are supported by most Muslims.

If the stabbings are ultimately deemed a terrorist act, it would be the first carried out by a Somali on U.S. soil.

Adan was employed by the security firm Securitas, and was assigned for a few months to an Electrolux factory near the mall, Electrolux spokeswoman Eloise Hale said. His father, speaking through an interpreter, told the Minneapolis Star Tribune that he was 22, but court records and a driver's license database showed his age as 20. Police also said he was 20.

A spokesman for St. Cloud State University confirmed that Adan was a student majoring in informa-

tion systems, but hadn't enrolled since the spring semester.

Yusuf, who has spoken with Adan's parents, said Adan went to the mall to pick up an iPhone. Yusuf said Adan seemed happy when left the home, which was the last time his parents saw him.

A person at the T-Mobile store where Yusuf said Adan had gone declined to comment or take a message for his supervisor.

Five minutes after authorities received the first 911 call, Jason Falconer, a part-time officer in the city of Avon who was there shopping, began shooting the attacker as he was lunging at him with the knife, Anderson said, and continued to engage him as the attacker got up three times.

Avon Police Chief Corey Nellis said Monday that Falconer owns a firing range and is the city's firearms instructor. "If I was going to ask anybody to fire ... live rounds in a crowded mall, I would trust his abilities next to anybody's," Nellis said.

The mall reopened Monday after being closed Sunday.

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Forliti reported from Minneapolis. Associated Press writers Steve Karnowski and John Mone contributed to this report from St. Cloud, Minnesota, and Jeff Baenen contributed from Minneapolis.

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This story has been corrected to show that the Electrolux facility is near, but not in the Crossroads Center mall at St. Cloud. It also has been corrected to reflect that Adan's age to 20, rather than 22, and to reflect that Yusuf's group is UniteCloud, rather than OneCloud.

## **Suspect is shot and captured in New York-area bombings**

**By DEEPTI HAJELA and JAKE PEARSON, Associated Press**

LINDEN, N.J. (AP) — A New Jersey police officer responding to a call about a hoodied vagrant curled up asleep in a bar doorway roused him and quickly recognized the bearded face of perhaps the most wanted man in America.

Ahmad Khan Rahami — identified in an FBI bulletin just hours earlier as a man wanted in the weekend bombings in New York City and New Jersey — pulled a gun, shot the officer and triggered a running gun battle in the street that ended with Rahami wounded and in custody Monday, authorities said.

A bloodied Rahami was loaded into the back of an ambulance, just 50 hours after the first blast that started it all.

Rahami, 28, a naturalized U.S. citizen from Afghanistan who lived with his Muslim family in Elizabeth, New Jersey, underwent surgery for a gunshot wound to the leg as authorities began drawing up charges in a case that spread fear across the New York area and revived anxiety about homegrown terrorism.

New York Mayor Bill de Blasio said officials have every reason to believe the series of bombings "was an act of terror," though investigators said Rahami's exact motive isn't yet clear.

With Rahami's arrest, officials said they have no indication there are more bombs or suspects to find, though they cautioned that they are still investigating.

Still, after a whirlwind investigation that put Rahami in custody in just two days' time, "I'm a lot happier today than I was yesterday," New York City Police Commissioner James O'Neill said.

The probe started when a pipe bomb blew up Saturday morning in Seaside Park, New Jersey, before a charity race to benefit Marines. No one was injured.

Then a shrapnel-packed pressure-cooker bomb similar to those used in the Boston Marathon attack exploded Saturday night in New York's Chelsea section, wounding 29 people, none seriously. An unexploded pressure-cooker bomb was found blocks away.

Late Sunday night, five explosive devices were discovered in a trash can at an Elizabeth train station.

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Investigators said they are still gathering evidence and have not publicly tied Rahami to those devices.

Late Monday, a hospitalized Rahami was charged in New Jersey with five counts of attempted murder of police officers in connection with the shootout and was held on \$5.2 million bail. Federal prosecutors said they were still weighing charges over the bombings.

It wasn't known if Rahami had an attorney. Messages left for family members were not immediately returned.

Rahami lived with his family above their fried-chicken restaurant in Elizabeth, and his relatives have clashed with the city over closing times and noise complaints they said were tinged with anti-Muslim sentiment. A childhood friend, Flee Jones, said Rahami had become more religious after returning from a trip to Afghanistan several years ago. Still, some of the family restaurant's customers said that while Rahami was devout, he was more likely to talk about his interest in cars than to mention faith.

William Sweeney Jr., the FBI's assistant director in New York, said there were no indications Rahami was on law enforcement's radar at the time of the bombings.

Authorities zeroed in on him as the potential bomber after a fingerprint and DNA obtained from one of the New York sites and "clear as day" surveillance video from the bombing scene helped identify him, according to three law enforcement officials who spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the case.

Five people were pulled over Sunday night in a vehicle associated with Rahami but were questioned and released, Sweeney said, declining to say whether they might later face charges. The law enforcement officials said at least one of Rahami's relatives was in the car, which appeared headed toward Kennedy Airport in New York after coming from New Jersey.

Linden Mayor Derek Armstead said the break in the case came late Monday morning, when a bar owner reported someone asleep in his doorway.

Jack Mazza, co-manager of nearby V.C.M.R. Truck Services, said the bar owner came over exclaiming about the sleeping man, and Mazza walked over to see a man curled up with a sweatshirt hood pulled over his head in the rain.

"He looked like a bum," Mazza said.

After an officer arrived and recognized Rahami, Rahami shot the officer, who was saved by his bulletproof vest, authorities said. More officers joined in a gun battle that spilled into the street.

Another police officer was grazed by a bullet. Authorities said neither officers' injuries were life-threatening.

Peter Bilinkas said he was standing by his desk at his Linden bowling-supply shop when he heard what sounded like gunfire and saw a man walking down the street with a gun in his hand.

As a police car pulled up at the traffic light in front of the shop, the man fired about six shots at the cruiser, then continued down the street with police following him, Bilinkas said.

As the East Coast was rattled by the bombings, a man who authorities say referred to Allah wounded nine people in a stabbing rampage at a Minnesota mall Saturday before being shot to death by an off-duty police officer. Authorities are investigating it as a possible terrorist attack but have not drawn any connection between the bloodshed there and the bombings.

The Council on American-Islamic Relations, a national Muslim advocacy group, welcomed Rahami's arrest. The organization and the Afghan Embassy in Washington condemned the bombings.

Around the time Rahami was captured, President Barack Obama was in New York on a previously scheduled visit for a meeting of the U.N. General Assembly. He called on Americans to show the world "we will never give in to fear."

Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump called for using "whatever lawful methods are avail-

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able" to get information from Rahami, mocked the fact that he would receive quality medical care and legal representation, and called for profiling foreigners who look like they could have connections to terrorism or certain Mideastern countries.

Democratic hopeful Hillary Clinton said her rival's anti-Muslim rhetoric gives "aid and comfort" to Islamic terrorists by helping them recruit fighters.

Rahami's father, Mohammad, and two of Rahami's brothers sued the city of Elizabeth in 2011 after it passed an ordinance requiring their restaurant, First American Fried Chicken, to close early because of complaints from neighbors that it was a late-night nuisance.

The Rahamis charged in the lawsuit that they were targeted by neighbors because they are Muslims. The lawsuit was terminated in 2012 because one of Rahami's brothers had pleaded guilty to blocking police from enforcing the restrictions on the restaurant.

Ryan McCann, of Elizabeth, said that he often ate at the restaurant and recently began seeing Ahmad Rahami working there more.

"He's always in there. He's a very friendly guy, that's what's so scary. It's hard when it's home," McCann said.

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Pearson reported from New York. Associated Press writers Michael Balsamo and Jennifer Peltz in New York; Dake Kang and Michael Catalini in Elizabeth; Tom Hays in San Francisco; and Eric Tucker, Alicia A. Caldwell and Kevin Freking in Washington contributed to this report.

## **Scully heads into final week behind mic at Dodger Stadium**

**By BETH HARRIS, AP Sports Writer**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — As an 8-year-old in the Bronx, Vin Scully would grab a pillow, put it under his family's four-legged radio and lay his head directly under the speaker to hear whatever college football game was on the air in 1936.

With a snack of saltine crackers and a glass of milk nearby, the red-haired boy was transfixed by the crowd's roar that raised goosebumps. He thought about how much he'd like to be at the game. As time went on, he thought he'd like to call the action himself.

His youthful aspirations came true at 22 when he was hired by a CBS radio affiliate in Washington, D.C. The following year, he joined Red Barber and Connie Desmond in the Brooklyn Dodgers' radio and television booths. In 1953, at age 25, Scully became the youngest person to broadcast a World Series game, a mark that still stands.

Now 88, Scully is heading into his final week behind the mic at Dodger Stadium before concluding his career on Oct. 2 in San Francisco, where the Dodgers end the regular season against the rival Giants. His 67 years with the Dodgers make Scully the longest-tenured broadcaster with a single team in professional sports.

"I will miss it," he said Monday. "I know that dramatically."

Scully discovered his lifelong love of baseball walking home from grade school. He passed a Chinese laundromat and saw the score from Game 2 of the 1936 World Series: Yankees 18, Giants 4.

"My first reaction was, 'Poor Giants,'" he recalled, noting he lived near the team's home at the Polo Grounds and attended many games for free after school. "That's when I fell in love with baseball and became a true fan."

Fittingly, his last game will be 80 years to the day he saw that score in the window.

"It seems like the plan was laid out for me and all I had to do was follow the instructions," Scully said. Has he ever.

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Though the years, Scully has entranced generations of baseball fans with his dulcet tones as he spins stories about the game and its players while working alone on the air. He still relishes the crowd's cheers, a sound he says is "like water out of a showerhead."

Scully credits the birth of the transistor radio as "the greatest single break" of his career. In 1958, he accompanied the Dodgers when the franchise relocated to Los Angeles. Fans had trouble recognizing the lesser players during the team's first four years in the vast Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum.

"They were 70 or so odd rows away from the action," he said. "They brought the radio to find out about all the other players and to see what they were trying to see down on the field."

That habit carried over when the team moved to Dodger Stadium. Fans at the games held radios to their ears and those not present listened from home or the car, allowing Scully to connect generations of families with his words.

"God has been so good to me to allow me to do what I'm doing," said Scully, a devout Catholic who attends Mass on Sundays before heading to the ballpark. "A childhood dream that came to pass and then giving me 67 years to enjoy every minute of it. That's a pretty large thanksgiving day for me."

The Dodgers plan to honor their second-longest tenured employee (behind former manager Tom Lasorda) starting Tuesday night with a Scully bobblehead giveaway.

Friday is an appreciation day for Scully with a pregame ceremony featuring speakers from his career and a postgame fireworks show set to the top calls of his career.

The first 50,000 fans at Saturday's game against Colorado will receive a limited edition solid bronze coin. On the front is an image of Scully with his signature greeting of "It's time for Dodger baseball."

In San Francisco, the Giants will honor Scully at his final game. Two Bay Area TV stations will carry an inning of his broadcast as stations in other cities have done this season.

All the hoopla is "a little embarrassing" to Scully, who reluctantly allowed the Dodgers to rename the street leading to the stadium's main gate in his honor in April.

"I've never wanted to get out in front of the game," he said.

Scully was adamant about not having an extended farewell. To his surprise and delight, players and managers have come to him. Throughout the season, they've made the long trek from the visiting clubhouse in right field to his fifth-floor broadcast booth in the press box named for him, bringing gifts.

"He is just a different human being," Cubs manager Joe Maddon recently said. "That's like the window to the world up there, just sitting in his booth. He is really kind and gracious. You have to be all of that to survive that many years and you have to be good."

At the start of each series, the umpires turn to face Scully's booth and tip their caps to him.

"I'm deeply touched and overwhelmed with gratitude," he said.

For the last time at home on Sunday, Scully will open his broadcast with the same reassuring greeting: "Hi everybody, and a very pleasant good afternoon to you wherever you may be."

"I don't think I'm going to stress anything about me," he said. "I will concentrate on Denver as if they're challenging the Dodgers for first place. I think I'll be OK."

When he walks away next month, Scully will go home to his wife, Sandi, and delight in the company of his 16 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He'll still watch some baseball because a couple of his grandsons play.

"I'll try very hard to just stay back and be the very normal guy that I am," he said. "I just want to be remembered as a good man, an honest man, and one who lived up to his own beliefs."

## Aid convoy attacked as Syria says cease-fire failed

By SARAH EL DEEB and VLADIMIR ISACHENKOV, Associated Press

BEIRUT (AP) — A U.N. humanitarian aid convoy in Syria was hit by airstrikes Monday as the Syrian military declared that a U.S.-Russian brokered cease-fire had failed, and U.N. officials reported many dead and seriously wounded.

The U.S. initially brushed off Damascus' assertions and said it was prepared to extend the agreement, while Russia — after blaming rebels for the violations — suggested it could still be salvaged.

But late Monday, U.S. State Department spokesman John Kirby called the convoy attack an "egregious violation" of the week-long cease-fire and said the U.S. "will reassess the future prospects for cooperation with Russia."

U.N. humanitarian chief Stephen O'Brien said initial reports indicate that many were killed or seriously injured in the convoy attack, including Syrian Arab Red Crescent volunteers.

A Red Crescent warehouse was also hit and a Red Crescent health clinic was reported to be seriously damaged, he said.

O'Brien called the attacks "sickening" and said he was "disgusted and horrified." He stressed that all parties received notification of the convoy, which was carrying aid for about 78,000 people.

U.N. officials said the U.N. and Red Crescent convoy was delivering assistance to the town of Uram al-Kubra, west of Aleppo city. Initial estimates indicated that at least 18 of the 31 trucks in the convoy were hit.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said at least 12 were killed in the attack, mostly truck drivers and Red Crescent workers. The Syrian Civil Defense, the volunteer first responder group also known as the White Helmets, confirmed that casualty figure.

They posted images of a number of vehicles on fire in the dead of the night. A video of the attack showed huge balls of fire in a pitch black area, as ambulances arrived on the scene.

Jan Egeland, humanitarian aid coordinator in the office of the U.N. envoy for Syria, told The Associated Press in a text message that the convoy was "bombarded."

Egeland added, "It is outrageous that it was hit while offloading at warehouses."

O'Brien, the U.N. humanitarian chief, said there is no excuse "for waging war on brave and selfless humanitarian workers," and warned that if they were deliberately targeted "it would amount to a war crime."

Elsewhere at least 20 civilians, including a 1-year-old girl, were killed in fresh airstrikes on rebel-held parts of Aleppo city and surrounding areas, according to the Observatory. And Russia said government positions in southwestern Aleppo came under attack from militant groups, including a massive barrage of rockets.

The week-old cease-fire had brought a brief respite to at least some parts the war-torn country.

Its future will be at the top of the agenda of a meeting Tuesday morning of about 20 countries supporting opposing sides in the Syria conflict, including the U.S. and Russia, that belong to the International Syria Support Group.

In the wake of the Syrian military declaration, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry acknowledged that the first stage of the truce — which called for a week of calm and the delivery of humanitarian aid to several besieged communities — had never really come to fruition. Earlier in the day, Kerry told reporters on the sidelines of the U.N. General Assembly that the truce was "holding but fragile."

The State Department initially said it was ready to work with Russia to strengthen terms of the agreement and expand deliveries of humanitarian aid. Spokesman Kirby called on Russia, which is responsible for ensuring Syria's compliance, to clarify the Syrian position.



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A Russian Foreign Ministry statement late Monday night appeared to signal that the deal could still be salvaged, saying that the failure by the rebels in Syria to respect the cease-fire threatens to thwart the agreement.

The cease-fire came into effect on Sept. 12. Under terms of the agreement, the successful completion of seven days of calm and humanitarian aid deliveries would be followed by an ambitious second-stage plan to set up a joint U.S.-Russian coordination center to plan military strikes against the Islamic State group and a powerful al-Qaida-linked militant faction.

But from the start, the truce has been beset by difficulties and mutual accusations of violations.

Aid deliveries to the besieged eastern districts of Aleppo have not reached their destination. The U.N. accused the government of obstructing the delivery while Russian officials said rebels opened fire at the delivery roads.

Rebel forces and activists say government planes have bombed areas that are under the truce agreement, including rebel-held parts of Aleppo.

At least 22 civilians were killed in government bombings over the last week, according to the Syrian Observatory, and four civilians were killed in government-held areas. There were no independent reports of civilian deaths on the government side since the cease-fire came into effect.

By Monday, both the Syrian government and prominent opposition activists were speaking of the truce as if it had already failed.

George Sabra, of the opposition High Negotiations Committee, told The Associated Press on Monday that the truce has been repeatedly violated and did not succeed in its main objective of opening roads for aid.

"Hundreds of thousands of people in Aleppo are waiting for this truce to allow aid to enter the city," he said, adding that aid trucks are still waiting on the Turkey-Syria border. "I believe that the truce is clinically dead."

The Syrian military statement placed the blame on the rebel groups. Damascus refers to all armed opposition groups as terrorists.

"This step (cease-fire) was to constitute a real chance to stop the bloodshed. But the armed terrorist groups didn't take it seriously and didn't commit to any of its articles," the military command statement said. "The armed terrorist groups took advantage of the declared truce system and mobilized terrorists and weapons and regrouped to continue its attacks on civilian and military areas."

A major rebel groups in Syria, Nour el-Din el-Zinki, said soon after the Syrian military declaration that the government, Russia and Iran, another major ally of President Bashar Assad, are responsible for the truce's failure.

"The regime of Bashar Assad had no real intention to commit to the truce. Instead it worked to undermine it with organized violations during the week as well as preventing aid from reaching Aleppo," the group said in a statement sent to reporters.

Earlier Monday, Lt. Gen. Sergei Rudskoi of the Russian military's General Staff said in a briefing that Damascus had fulfilled its obligations.

"With the rebels failing to fulfill conditions the cease-fire agreement, we consider its unilateral observance by the Syrian government forces meaningless," Rudskoi said.

Rudskoi said the rebels violated the truce 302 times since it took effect a week ago, killing 63 civilians and 153 Syrian soldiers. The opposition reported on Monday 254 violations by government forces and their allies since the truce started.

The current tensions come on the heels of the weekend air strike by the U.S.-led coalition on Syrian army positions near Deir el-Zour. Syria and Russia blasted Washington over the attack.

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The Saturday airstrikes involved Australian, British and Danish warplanes on Syrian army positions. The U.S. military said it would not intentionally hit Syrian troops, and that it came as it was conducting a raid on IS positions.

Russia's military has said it was told by the Syrian army that at least 62 Syrian soldiers were killed in the Deir el-Zour air raid and more than 100 wounded. The Observatory gave a different death toll, saying 90 troops were killed in the strikes.

Assad said Monday the airstrikes by the U.S.-led coalition against his troops were meant to support the Islamic State group, calling the attack a "blatant American aggression."

Isachenkov reported from Moscow. Edith M. Lederer at the United Nations, Bassem Mroue and Philip Issa in Beirut, Albert Aji in Damascus, Syria and Jamey Keaten in Geneva contributed to this report.

## **10 Things to Know for Tuesday** **By The Associated Press**

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

### **1. SUSPECT IN NEW YORK AREA BOMBINGS IS CAPTURED**

Ahmad Khan Rahami has been charged with five counts of attempted murder of police officers after being wounded and captured in a shootout in New Jersey.

### **2. WHAT THOSE WHO KNOW HIM ARE SAYING ABOUT THE NY/NJ BOMBING SUSPECT**

To neighbors and customers of his family's storefront chicken takeout, Rahami was a friendly presence who liked talking about cars and was generous with free food.

### **3. VICTIM SAYS MINNESOTA MALL ATTACKER SHOWED NO EMOTION**

Ryan Schliep, one of 10 people wounded in the stabbing attack in St. Cloud, said the Somali man struck quickly and his eyes looked blank.

### **4. UN AID CONVOY HIT BY AIRSTRIKES IN SYRIA**

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights says at least 12 are killed in the attack, mostly truck drivers and Red Crescent workers.

### **5. STATUS OF SYRIA TRUCE**

The Syrian military announces it is over a day before a meeting at the U.N. of the International Syria Support Group, to be led by the U.S. and Russia.

### **6. WHO IS CAPITALIZING ON INVESTIGATIONS INTO NEW YORK AREA ATTACKS**

Hillary Clinton accuses Donald Trump of aiding Islamic extremists, while Trump insists the U.S. should "use whatever lawful methods are available" to get information from the suspect.

### **7. VIDEO SHOWS BLACK MAN HAD HANDS UP BEFORE FATALLY SHOT BY OKLAHOMA POLICE**

Local and federal investigations are underway to determine whether criminal charges are warranted, or if Terence Crutcher's civil rights were violated in Tulsa.

### **8. AUTHORITIES DECLARE MIAMI'S WYNWOOD DISTRICT CLEAR OF ZIKA**

The CDC credited aerial spraying of pesticides targeting the mosquitoes that transmit the virus.

### **9. WHO IS PREPARING TO APOLOGIZE TO CONGRESS**

Wells Fargo CEO John Stumpf will tell the Senate Banking Committee that he is "deeply sorry" following allegations that employees opened millions of unauthorized accounts to meet aggressive sales targets.

### **10. SCULLY HEADS INTO FINAL WEEK BEHIND MIC AT DODGER STADIUM**

Now 88, he will then conclude his career on Oct. 2 in San Francisco, where the Dodgers end the regu-

lar season against the rival Giants.

## After latest attacks, Americans plod forward in 'new normal'

By MATT SEDENSKY, AP National Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — After a round of frightening domestic attacks, Americans plodded on in the comfort of routine Monday, either resilient in the face of terror or numbed by their battle scars.

Fresh off a weekend in which blasts shook a New York neighborhood and a New Jersey shore town, pipe bombs were found in a suburban railroad station and a Minnesota mall became the scene of a string of stabbings, the country started the week wondering whether it was all part of a new normal.

"I think that this is part of life now," said Craig Filiberto, a 56-year-old accountant enjoying a pack of peanut M&Ms across from Penn Station in New York, where police and military vehicles were parked outside and officers stood guard.

He had an office with a view of the World Trade Center when it was leveled and finds himself more conscious of where exits are wherever he goes. But the latest attacks didn't make him fearful, because it just seems a part of life here.

"You know that we're always a target," he said.

On the other end of an outdoor plaza, 25-year-old Susan Rosello said she always feels a bit more on edge in midtown Manhattan versus her home in the Bronx. She has made minor adjustments to be sure she's aware of her surroundings, like lowering the music on her headphones. Still, events like the explosion Saturday that hurt 29 people make her feel somewhat uneasy but not scared, said the administrative assistant and costume designer.

"When you're inundated with this stuff all the time, you're sort of just desensitized to these things," she said. "Otherwise, you'd hide in a hole."

And so, life went on in this city and around the country. On an Amtrak train stalled for hours in New Jersey on Sunday night as police investigated five explosive devices in a train station garbage can, passengers stayed calm as they read news of the developments. Around New York early Monday, cellphones buzzed with an emergency alert to be on the lookout for a suspect, even as commuters emerged from subway tunnels with potential targets like the Freedom Tower looming against cloudy skies. President Barack Obama urged vigilance while insisting people shouldn't succumb to fear.

"If it's going to happen, it's going to happen," said Mike Mastrangelo, who was awaiting a train to New York from Point Pleasant Beach, New Jersey, on Monday.

Although it's clear the drumbeat of scary headlines has gotten people's attention, it's too soon to assess whether they are simply numb to it all or stricken with fear, said Charles Figley, who heads Tulane University's Traumatology Institute and is a founding editor of the Journal of Traumatic Stress.

"All these events send them such an overwhelming amount of data that they just want to duck their head," he said. "We're primed for it, but we're also adapting to it."

Sometimes, Figley said, these events can produce more anxiety among those farther removed from them. Those close to the action have a clearer sense of what happened. Those who aren't sometimes associate one traumatic event with another in their own life. The result can ripple across the country.

"The country is throbbing with anxiety," he said.

In Boston, where bombings at the city's marathon three years ago left three dead and scores injured, Mary Ellen Monico's first reaction when she heard of the explosion was: "Here we go again." On the day of the Boston Marathon bombing, Monico's daughter had attended a Red Sox game in Boston and planned to watch runners cross the finish line. Two bombs went off before she could get there and it

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was 30 minutes before a worried Monico learned her daughter was safe. Years earlier, Monico, 69, a retired preschool teacher from Meredith, New Hampshire, had a student whose father was killed in the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

Still, she refuses to consider terror attacks part of everyday life. Waiting at South Station to pick up friends, she said she feels uncomfortable in large crowds and is sure to look for exits. She maintains a sense of normalcy, though, and hopes her grandchildren won't live in a world as chaotic as this.

"I don't want to accept it as part of my life," she said.

Outside, on a platform awaiting a commuter train, Erin Murphy a 49-year-old accountant and data analyst from Marshfield, Massachusetts, said though life goes on as usual after terror attacks, she thinks that, taken together, they have an impact. The sense of safety she felt as a child has disappeared, and a new feeling of awareness has emerged.

"The new normal is not appealing," she said.

In Orlando, Florida, where an attack at a gay nightclub earlier this summer left 49 dead, Maureen Brown said the shooting had already made her wary of being in big crowds. Now, she's thinking twice about her annual trip to New York with her husband to see some shows and dine out at great restaurants.

"It's getting pretty scary as to whether or not we want to continue doing that," she said.

In St. Cloud, Minnesota, where a Saturday attack at Crossroads Center Mall left nine people recovering from stab wounds and authorities investigating the attacker's possible ties to the Islamic State group, a reinforced staff of private security guards maintained a notable presence, with walkie-talkies and handcuffs hanging from their belts.

Jaci Schindler, 53, of Sauk Rapids, Minnesota, had qualms about coming to the mall Monday but needed a new pair of shoes for a trip. She had her husband drop her off at J.C. Penney and planned to leave as soon as possible. She never expected to hear of such violence so close to home.

"It's scary," she said. "I just wanted to get the shoes and go."

Sitting in the food court with her husband, 51-year-old Jodi Gilbertson, of East Bethel, Minnesota, marveled at the mall's emptiness. Though the attacks were never far from her mind, she said she had no trepidation about going to the mall. Already, she said, terrorist threats have shifted what people view as normal when they go to concerts and sporting events. Maybe, her husband, Corey Gilbertson, thought, metal detectors might be part of a new normal at shopping malls too.

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This story has been corrected to show the husband, not the wife, thought about metal detectors at shopping malls.

## Congress struggles to finish Zika aid, prevent shutdown

By ANDREW TAYLOR, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional negotiators on Monday pressed to wrap up a must-do spending bill to prevent an election-season government shutdown and finally provide money to battle the Zika

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virus, but numerous sticking points remain and top Senate leaders again postponed a planned procedural vote.

The stopgap measure would keep the government running past the end of the budget year this month. It's the only measure that has to pass before Congress adjourns for Election Day. As such, the talks have been tricky, with Republicans controlling Congress battling Democrats and the Obama administration.

A controversy involving whether Planned Parenthood should be eligible for anti-Zika funding in Puerto Rico — which sparked a Democratic blockade of an earlier measure — was defused with little fanfare last week. Senate Republicans, who have taken the lead in the talks, have relented and would make affiliates of Planned Parenthood eligible for funds to fight the virus in Puerto Rico.

But unrelated controversies over pesticide regulations, spending cuts and limitations on how many hours long-haul truckers can drive remain unresolved. A request by Democrats to add money to help the city of Flint, Michigan, fix its lead-tainted water system is being opposed by Republicans who want it to advance on a separate water projects measure.

Senate Republicans, meanwhile, had pressed for a down payment on President Barack Obama's \$2.6 billion request for Louisiana flood aid.

Republican Sen. Ted Cruz is pushing for a provision in the bill to ensure that the U.S. government doesn't relinquish control of the internet's addressing system. The government is expected to take that step, and Cruz has been fighting it.

"It is my hope that Congress is going to act to maintain current law and to protect the internet, keep the internet free," Cruz told reporters. "It would be profoundly harmful to American interests and to the free-speech rights of Americans to give Russia and China and Iran greater control over the internet, and I hope we see a bipartisan consensus to protect free speech online."

After talks over the weekend failed to produce much progress, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., postponed a procedural vote that had been slated for Monday evening. The delay probably means Congress won't wrap up its pre-Election Day session this week. The move followed an earlier delay after talks slowed last week.

"I'm encouraged by the headway we've made," said Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev. "There's still work to be done." Republicans like Majority Whip John Cornyn of Texas, however, said Reid was showing little urgency to wrap up the talks. Republicans are generally more eager to adjourn for the campaign to defend their endangered Senate majority.

The \$1 billion-plus to fight the mosquito-borne Zika virus is months overdue. Republicans were slow to act on Obama's February request and then sparked an imbroglio with Democrats by restricting new health grants for Puerto Rico to entities like public health providers and hospitals, a step that Republicans acknowledge was aimed at ensuring Planned Parenthood was ineligible to receive any funds. A proposed solution would move the money to different accounts and make sure Planned Parenthood remains eligible to receive it.

Another proposal would temporarily ease pesticide spraying rules from Clean Water Act requirements for permits. Supporters say the permits are duplicative since pesticides are generally regulated by a different environmental law, but the idea is opposed by the administration, which says it's an assault on environmental laws.

Democrats also are opposed to pairing the Zika money with spending cuts intended to try to pay for it. Other disasters, like floods and emergency wildfire funds, haven't required such offsetting cuts, and Democrats don't want to set the precedent.

But House conservatives insist on cuts, known in Washington-speak as offsets, and Democrats are

willing to accept some — especially those that are painless, such as erasing money that wouldn't be spent anyway under arcane budget rules.

Associated Press writer Mary Clare Jalonick contributed to this report.

## World leaders at UN approve plan for refugee crisis

By MICHAEL ASTOR, Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — World leaders on Monday approved a declaration aimed at providing a more coordinated and humane response to the refugee crisis that has strained resources and sparked divisions from Africa to Europe.

The issue of what to do about the world's 65.3 million displaced people took center stage at the U.N. General Assembly with leaders from the 193 member states taking part in the first-ever summit on Addressing Large Movements of Refugees and Migrants.

Advocacy groups worried that the New York Declaration on Migrants and Refugees — an outcome document which contains no concrete commitments and is not legally binding — falls short of what is needed, while U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, himself a refugee during the Korean War, hailed it as historic.

"Today's summit represents a breakthrough in our collective efforts to address the challenges of human mobility," Ban said.

Around the world, there are currently about 21.3 million refugees, 3.2 million asylum seekers, and 40.8 million migrants, according to the U.N. Refugee Agency. The agency defines refugees as people forced to flee due to armed conflict or persecution, while migrants choose to move in search of a better life.

Philippe Bolopion, deputy director of global advocacy for Human Rights Watch, said the international community still had a long way to go in dealing with the crisis.

"I would say if you measure this document by what is at stake here, it certainly falls short of the mark. We're facing an historic crisis and the response is not historic," Bolopion said on the sidelines of the meeting. He added that in many areas refugee protections were backsliding with a growing number of countries trying to turn back refugees in violation of international law.

"Is the outcome document up to the challenge? No, unquestionably it's not. Does that mean the summit is pointless? No, because it's precisely at moments like this that you need to regroup," Bolopion added.

The declaration seeks to standardize responses to refugee situations and provide better education prospects for the children who make up over half of the world's refugees.

It also looks to improve working opportunities for refugees who are now spending nearly 20 years in exile on average.

There are also plans for a campaign to combat xenophobia.

All of this may prove an uphill struggle at a time when refugees and migrants have become a divisive issue in Europe and the United States.

"The overall climate is not very favorable to receiving refugees in many parts of the world but on the one hand, states committed to this so we can remind them of their obligations. On the other hand, states, just like us, need a more predictable way of responding to the refugee crisis that's what this New York declaration proposes," Filippo Grandi, the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, told The Associated Press.

Grandi said he disagreed with criticism that the declaration lacked concrete commitments. He said it expands the concept of refugee response beyond humanitarian aid — like food, medicine and tents — to include things like education and jobs.

Still, advocates for refugees expressed disappointment that the U.N.'s need for consensus meant that the stronger provisions in the declaration had been watered down.

Several countries shot down an earlier draft of the declaration that called on nations to resettle 10 percent of the refugee population each year, something that has led several human rights groups to criticize the document as a missed opportunity. The U.S. and a number of other countries also objected to language in the original draft that said children should never be detained, so the agreement now says children should seldom, if ever, be detained.

More concrete progress is expected at a follow-up summit on Tuesday called by President Barack Obama, where at least 45 countries are expected to make pledges that are in line with U.S. goals of increasing humanitarian aid by \$3 billion, doubling resettlement and increasing access to education for 1 million youngsters and access to employment for another million of the displaced.

"Both summits are crucial to raising awareness of refugee and migration concerns, and both events are designed to harness the political will of member states to address the global refugee and migration crises we are all facing," said U.S. State Department spokesman John Kirby, speaking in Washington.

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Associated Press Writer Josh Lederman in Washington contributed to this report.

## **Obama, Iraqi leader vow rapid offensive to retake Mosul**

**By JOSH LEDERMAN, Associated Press**

NEW YORK (AP) — President Barack Obama and Iraqi Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi put the Islamic State group on notice Monday that they plan to recapture the city of Mosul within months. If successful, the operation could mark a major turning point in the campaign to defeat the extremist group.

Neither leader glossed over the immense difficulty of the battle ahead as they met in New York on the sidelines of a U.N. summit. Still, Obama said he and Abadi were confident that Iraq's military and the U.S.-led coalition could make progress in Mosul "fairly rapidly," adding that he was hoping for progress by year-end.

"This is going to be hard. It's going to be challenging. It will require resources," Obama said. But he professed confidence that more territory can be wrested from the militants, in part because he said "the Iraqi forces are getting more confident."

Abadi, speaking in English, echoed Obama's timeline for retaking Mosul, Iraq's second-largest city and the extremist group's stronghold in the country. He called the group a "huge threat" to Iraq's stability.

"We hope within the next few months we're going to kick Daesh out of Mosul," Abadi said, using an Arabic acronym for the group. He added: "They must be crushed on the ground."

The aggressive timeline reflects Obama's hopes of notching another major victory against IS before he leaves office in January and hands the conflict off to his successor. Donald Trump and other Republicans have blamed Obama's decision to pull U.S. troops out of Iraq for fueling the extremist group's formation and its growth into the world's most serious terrorist threat.

Both leaders want to move quickly in Mosul to take advantage of recent momentum against IS in Iraq and the perception that the extremists' morale is waning. In neighboring Syria, the chaotic civil war continues to hamper the fight against IS, but in Iraq, the extremists have lost half the territory they once held, according to the U.S.

Capturing Mosul, the last major city IS controls in Iraq, would constitute both a symbolic and strategic defeat to the militants. The U.S. and its partners hope a successful Mosul offensive will set the stage for eventually ousting the group from Raqqa, the largest IS-held city in Syria and the de facto capital of the group's self-declared caliphate.

Yet military experts have warned that retaking Mosul is an incredible arduous task that plays to the extremist group's advantages, including its ability to embed among civilians. The battle will require huge numbers of troops and street-by-street combat. In preparation, Iraq's military has been amassing troops and retaking a string of towns in the vicinity of Mosul.

Equally daunting to military planners is the prospect that the battle could displace some 1 million people.

Washington considers the Iraqi government's handling of the displacement as a major test of reconciliation in Iraq, given the blend of sectarian groups with an interest in the northern city's future. To the Obama administration's relief, Abadi has proven to be a more inclusive leader than his predecessor, Nouri al-Maliki, whose sectarian approach led many Iraqi Sunnis to see IS as a more welcoming alternative.

Obama said he and Abadi had focused on ensuring that food, water and shelter are available for those displaced and that Mosul can be quickly rebuilt, so that desperate residents don't turn to "extremist ideologies" for relief and allow the Islamic State group to return.

"A lot of our work today has been focused on making sure that that happens," Obama said.

Obama's meeting with the Iraqi leader marked the start of a hectic week of diplomacy as he makes his final appearance as president at the annual U.N. gathering. Even as he and Abadi focused on recent progress in Iraq, the situation was growing grimmer in Syria, where President Bashar Assad's military on Monday declared the end to a week-old cease-fire and a U.N. humanitarian aid convoy was hit by airstrikes.

The president also held a meeting with Chinese Premier Li Keqiang in which both countries condemned North Korea's recent nuclear test and pledged closer coordination on addressing the nuclear threat from Pyongyang. Obama also discussed climate change, the global refugee crisis and terrorism during a phone call with Kenya's President Uhuru Kenyatta.

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## **Under 3 percent of US athletes in Rio had medical exemptions**

**By JIM LITKE, AP Sports Writer**

Fifteen of the 558 athletes in the U.S. delegation at the Rio Olympics — or slightly less than 3 percent — had therapeutic-use exemptions in force during the games.

The exemptions, known as TUEs, came under increased scrutiny last week after Russian hackers broke into the database of the World Anti-Doping Agency and posted confidential medical information online from some athletes.

TUEs let athletes use otherwise-banned substances to treat long-standing medical conditions, such as attention deficit disorder and asthma. Proponents argue those exemptions only level the playing field; critics say they can give competitors an edge.

The hackers largely targeted female U.S. Olympians, among them tennis stars Serena and Venus Williams and gold medal-winning gymnast Simone Biles. All three, as well as several other prominent



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athletes whose medical records were posted, said the data strongly supported their use of a TUE.

"I am one of the strongest supporters of maintaining the highest level of integrity in competitive sport and I have been highly disciplined in following the guidelines," Venus Williams said in a statement.

How the U.S. numbers compare with that of other Olympic delegations is difficult to say — let alone how they compare with the number of TUEs granted by the NFL, NBA, NHL and MLB because of differing standards and reporting practices.

Olympic athletes can request — and receive — a TUE from either their international sports federation or a national anti-doping agency. All exemptions are forwarded to WADA, which does not grant TUEs but can appeal them, and then provided to the International Olympic Committee ahead of the games.

Both WADA and the IOC declined several requests from The Associated Press for those numbers before, during and after the Olympics.

The U.S. delegation total was provided by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency. According to the agency's 2015 annual report, 136 of the 2,500 or so athletes in its elite Olympic programs — about 5 percent — were granted TUEs in 2015.

Travis Tygart, CEO of USADA, maintains there's little abuse of TUEs in sports that use WADA-accredited protocols. In addition to the documentation required, he said the doctors and scientists who review requests can distinguish between legitimate medical needs to treat chronic conditions (i.e., corticosteroids like prednisone for asthma) from performance-enhancers (often anabolic and androgenic steroids).

"The truth is, it would be foolish to try and cheat this way. If you're trying to cheat, the idea that you would self-disclose what you're already using, or want to use that is illegal, isn't very bright," Tygart said. "Most of the action by cheats now is focused on substances we haven't yet found, or had a chance to ban - like the meldonium situation."

Among the U.S. professional sports leagues, MLB adheres closest to WADA protocol, both in TUE application and review process. Unlike WADA, however, baseball also reports the number issued each year — 113 for the nearly 1,350 players who appeared in games during the 2015 season.

But that transparency has come with a cost: 111 of those TUEs were approved for Adderall, an amphetamine-based drug prescribed to treat ADD; critics note the number of baseball players being treated for ADD is more than double that of the U.S. adult population as a whole.

The NFL, NBA and NHL declined a request from the AP seeking the number of TUEs issued during the previous season. All three leagues devised their own application and review processes incorporating some aspects — but not all — of WADA's protocol, known as the International Standard for Therapeutic Use Exemptions, or ISTUE.

## More than 800 immigrants mistakenly granted citizenship

By ALICIA A. CALDWELL, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. government has mistakenly granted citizenship to at least 858 immigrants from countries of concern to national security or with high rates of immigration fraud who had pending deportation orders, according to an internal Homeland Security audit released Monday.

The Homeland Security Department's inspector general found that the immigrants used different names or birthdates to apply for citizenship with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and such discrepancies weren't caught because their fingerprints were missing from government databases.

DHS said in an emailed statement that an initial review of these cases suggest that some of the individuals may have ultimately qualified for citizenship, and that the lack of digital fingerprint records does

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not necessarily mean they committed fraud.

The report does not identify any of the immigrants by name, but Inspector General John Roth's auditors said they were all from "special interest countries" — those that present a national security concern for the United States — or neighboring countries with high rates of immigration fraud. The report did not identify those countries.

DHS said the findings reflect what has long been a problem for immigration officials — old paper-based records containing fingerprint information that can't be searched electronically. DHS says immigration officials are in the process of uploading these files and that officials will review "every file" identified as a case of possible fraud.

Roth's report said fingerprints are missing from federal databases for as many as 315,000 immigrants with final deportation orders or who are fugitive criminals. Immigration and Customs Enforcement has not reviewed about 148,000 of those immigrants' files to add fingerprints to the digital record.

The gap was created because older, paper records were never added to fingerprint databases created by both the now-defunct Immigration and Naturalization Service and the FBI in the 1990s. ICE, the DHS agency responsible for finding and deporting immigrants living in the country illegally, didn't consistently add digital fingerprint records of immigrants whom agents encountered until 2010.

The government has known about the information gap and its impact on naturalization decisions since at least 2008 when a Customs and Border Protection official identified 206 immigrants who used a different name or other biographical information to gain citizenship or other immigration benefits, though few cases have been investigated.

Roth's report said federal prosecutors have accepted two criminal cases that led to the immigrants being stripped of their citizenship. But prosecutors declined another 26 cases. ICE is investigating 32 other cases after closing 90 investigations.

ICE officials told auditors that the agency hadn't pursued many of these cases in the past because federal prosecutors "generally did not accept immigration benefits fraud cases." ICE said the Justice Department has now agreed to focus on cases involving people who have acquired security clearances, jobs of public trust or other security credentials.

Several members of Congress criticized the Obama administration Monday in the wake of Roth's report, though the report suggests that the gaps extend several years earlier than the Obama administration.

Chairman of the House Homeland Security Committee Michael McCaul said ICE should quickly investigate all of the cases at issue and ensure that all immigration fingerprint records are digitized in short order.

Mistakenly awarding citizenship to someone ordered deported can have serious consequences because U.S. citizens can typically apply for and receive security clearances or take security-sensitive jobs.

At least three of the immigrants-turned-citizens were able to acquire aviation or transportation worker credentials, granting them access to secure areas in airports or maritime facilities and vessels. Their credentials were revoked after they were identified as having been granted citizenship improperly, Roth said in his report.

A fourth person is now a law enforcement officer.

Roth recommended that all of the outstanding cases be reviewed and fingerprints in those cases be added to the government's database and that immigration enforcement officials create a system to evaluate each of the cases of immigrants who were improperly granted citizenship. DHS officials agreed with the recommendations and said the agency is working to implement the changes.

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## For apathetic Dems, Obama offers himself as motivation

By JULIE PACE, AP White House Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — For Democrats lulled into apathy by the uninspiring presidential election, President Barack Obama is offering himself as motivation.

He's not just validating Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton or holding up his record as a reason for voters to keep the White House in his party's hands. Obama wants his supporters to see anything less than a vote for Clinton as a sign of disrespect to the nation's first black president.

"I will consider it a personal insult, an insult to my legacy, if this community lets down its guard and fails to activate itself in this election," Obama said Saturday during an impassioned address to the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's annual dinner. "You want to give me a good send-off? Go vote."

The president was speaking specifically to an audience of African-American leaders, but his broader message is aimed at all corners of the young, diverse coalition that twice propelled him to the White House. While Clinton leads Republican Donald Trump by wide margins with young voters, blacks and Hispanics, party leaders are deeply concerned that turnout among those groups will fall short of what she needs to win.

"The president knows firsthand how important it is to not take a single vote for granted," said Jennifer Psaki, Obama's communications director. She said Obama would spend the coming weeks taking his message to "African-Americans, young people, old people and anyone who needs an extra boost to remember what is at stake."

Obama aides say the president has grown increasingly frustrated this year by the indifference to Clinton among some Democrats, especially given what he sees as an unacceptable alternative in Trump. That frustration has been particularly acute with black voters who tell Obama they're saddened by the end of his presidency but aren't enthusiastically rallying behind the candidate who would safeguard most of his work.

"He knows when he ran, it was a great source of inspiration," civil rights activist Rev. Jesse Jackson said. "People cannot just limit the inspiration to his presidency."

When Obama met with advisers in August to start planning his remarks for the Congressional Black Caucus event, he made clear he wanted to light a fire under that group of voters.

"My name may not be on the ballot, but our progress is on the ballot," Obama said in Saturday's address.

In the years following Obama's historic 2008 victory, Democrats have puzzled over how to turn out the president's coalition of supporters when he's not on the ballot. The party saw the consequences of failing to do so in 2010 and 2014, when Democrats suffered sweeping defeats in the midterm elections.

Clinton's campaign has banked in part on disdain for Trump being a strong motivator for Obama supporters, particularly given the Republican's role in questioning whether the president was born in the United States. Trump acknowledged for the first time last week that Obama was born in the U.S., but did not apologize for falsely suggesting otherwise.

While Trump may infuriate Obama supporters, Democrats say Clinton's struggle to give voters reasons to turn out for her is dampening party enthusiasm.

"It's really hard to motivate Democrats with a negative," said Celinda Lake, a Democratic pollster. She said young voters in particular are less likely to be motivated by the prospect of voting against a candidate they dislike than for one they support.

A recent Washington Post/ABC News poll showed that among likely voters age 18 to 39, Clinton has

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a 23-point lead over Trump - the same edge Obama had with younger voters over Republican Mitt Romney at this stage of the race four years ago. But Obama's lead amounted to 59 percent of young voters, while Clinton's is just 47 percent, suggesting she may not be to run up the score with these crucial voters.

Indeed, 25 percent of likely voters ages 18-39 say they will vote for either Libertarian Gary Johnson or Green Party nominee Jill Stein.

Clinton advisers contend they still have time to bolster Democrats' views of the former secretary of state. The campaign is paying particular attention to younger voters this week, with Clinton set to spotlight her plans for lowering education costs during a speech Monday at Temple University in Philadelphia.

The Clinton campaign has also deployed Michelle Obama, the popular first lady, to vouch for the Democratic nominee with young voters. During a campaign stop last week at George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia, Mrs. Obama shared her own frustration about voters who can't seem to muster the same enthusiasm for Clinton as they did for her husband.

"When I hear folks saying that they don't feel inspired in this election, well let me tell you, I disagree. I am inspired," Mrs. Obama said.

Both of the Obamas are expected to be active campaigners in October, with a particular focus on Florida, North Carolina, Ohio and Pennsylvania. The Clinton campaign is eager to dispatch them around crucial registration deadlines and during early voting windows.

But White House cautioned that the president, with a busy day job of his own, would not be a daily fixture on the campaign trail in October. The work of wooing his supporters this year still falls to the candidate whose name is on the ballot.

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## Today in History By The Associated Press

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Today is Tuesday, Sept. 20, the 264th day of 2016. There are 102 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 20, 1946, the first Cannes Film Festival, lasting 16 days, opened in France. Among the films honored with the Golden Palm were "The Lost Weekend," "Brief Encounter," "Rome, Open City" and "Pastoral Symphony"; "The Battle of the Rails" won the International Jury Prize.

On this date:

In 1519, Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan and his crew set out from Spain on five ships to find a western passage to the Spice Islands. (Magellan was killed en route, but one of his ships eventually circled the world.)

In 1870, Italian troops took control of the Papal States, leading to the unification of Italy.

In 1884, the National Equal Rights Party was formed during a convention of suffragists in San Francisco; the convention nominated Belva Ann Bennett Lockwood for president.

In 1911, the British liner RMS Olympic collided with the Royal Navy cruiser HMS Hawke off the Isle of Wight; although seriously damaged, the Olympic was able to return to Southampton under its own

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power.

In 1947, former New York City Mayor Fiorello La Guardia died.

In 1958, Martin Luther King Jr. was seriously wounded during a book signing at a New York City department store when he was stabbed in the chest by Izola Curry. (Curry was later found mentally incompetent; she died at a Queens, New York, nursing home in 2015 at age 98.)

In 1962, James Meredith, a black student, was blocked from enrolling at the University of Mississippi by Democratic Gov. Ross R. Barnett. (Meredith was later admitted.)

In 1973, in their so-called "battle of the sexes," tennis star Billie Jean King defeated Bobby Riggs in straight sets, 6-4, 6-3, 6-3, at the Houston Astrodome. Singer-songwriter Jim Croce, 30, died in a plane crash near Natchitoches, Louisiana.

In 1976, Playboy magazine released an interview in which Democratic presidential nominee Jimmy Carter admitted he'd "looked on a lot of women with lust." The historical drama series "I, Claudius," starring Derek Jacobi as the fourth emperor of Ancient Rome, began airing on BBC Television.

In 1984, a suicide car bomber attacked the U.S. Embassy annex in north Beirut, killing at least 14 people - two Americans and 12 Lebanese. The family sitcoms "The Cosby Show" and "Who's the Boss?" premiered on NBC and ABC, respectively.

In 1999, Lawrence Russell Brewer became the second white supremacist to be convicted in the dragging death of James Byrd Jr. in Jasper, Texas. (Brewer was executed on Sept. 21, 2011.) Raisa Gorbachev, wife of the last Soviet leader, Mikhail Gorbachev, died at a German hospital after a battle with leukemia; she was 67.

In 2000, Independent Counsel Robert Ray announced the end of the Whitewater investigation, saying there was insufficient evidence to warrant charges against President Bill Clinton and first lady Hillary Clinton. Former Soviet cosmonaut Gherman Titov died at age 65.

Ten years ago: Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez (OO'-goh CHAH'-vez) repeatedly referred to President George W. Bush as "the devil" during a speech to the United Nations. The African Union announced it would extend the mandate of a peacekeeping force in Darfur through the end of the year. Nationalist Shinzo Abe (shin-zoh ah-bay) became head of Japan's ruling party by a landslide. Oscar-winning cinematographer Sven Nykvist died in Stockholm, Sweden, at age 83.

Five years ago: Repeal of the U.S. military's 18-year-old "don't ask, don't tell" compromise took effect, allowing gay and lesbian service members to serve openly. A suicide bomber posing as a Taliban peace envoy assassinated former Afghan President Burhanuddin Rabbani (boor-HAHN'-uh-deen ruh-BAH'-nee).

One year ago: Pope Francis met with Fidel Castro after urging tens of thousands of Cubans to serve one another and not an ideology during a Mass in Havana's Plaza of the Revolution. The CEO of Volkswagen apologized and VW customers said they felt duped after the Environmental Protection Agency revealed that the German automaker had skirted clean air rules by rigging emissions tests for about 500,000 diesel cars. At the Emmys, the HBO series "Game of Thrones" won a record 12 awards; Viola Davis became the first black woman to win an Emmy for best drama series actress for "How to Get Away with Murder." Poet C.K. Williams, 78, died in Hopewell, New Jersey. Actor Jack Larson, 87, TV's Jimmy Olsen in "Adventures of Superman," died in Los Angeles.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Sophia Loren is 82. Pro Football Hall of Famer Jim Taylor is 81. Rock musician Chuck Panozzo is 68. Actor Tony Denison is 67. Hockey Hall of Famer Guy LaFleur is 65. Actress Debbi Morgan is 65. Jazz musician Peter White is 62. Actress Betsy Brantley is 61. Actor Gary Cole is 60. TV news correspondent Deborah Roberts is 56. Country-rock musician Joseph Shreve (Flynnville Train) is 55. Rock musician Randy Bradbury (Pennywise) is 52. Actress Kristen Johnston is 49. Rock

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singers Matthew Nelson and Gunnar Nelson are 49. Rock musician Ben Shepherd is 48. Actress Euka Okuma is 44. Actress-model Moon Bloodgood is 41. Actor Jon Bernthal is 40. Singer The Dream is 39. Actor Charlie Weber is 38. Rock musician Rick Woolstenhulme (WOOL'-sten-hyoolm) (Lifehouse) is 37. Actress Crystle Stewart is 35. Rapper Yung Joc is 34. Actor Aldis Hodge is 30. Actor Malachi (MAL'-ah-ky) Kirby (TV: "Roots") is 27.

Thought for Today: "A good film is when the price of the dinner, the theatre admission and the baby-sitter were worth it." — Alfred Hitchcock, British-born movie director (1899-1980).