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No School - Native American Day Senior Menu: Meatballs, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots, fruit cocktail, whole wheat bread. 6:30 am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study

Tuesday, Oct. 11

Senior Menu: BBQ Chicken, baked potato with sour cream, peas, chocolate cake, whole wheat bread.

School Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk. School Lunch: Tomato soup, grilled cheese, carrots and dip, fruit.

Oral Interp at Milbank

4:30 p.m.: Volleyball hosts Hitchcock-Tulare (7th and

8th at 4:30 p.m., JV at 6 p.m. with varsity to follow)

7:00 pm: School Board Meeting

7:00 pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Council

Wednesday, Oct. 12

Senior Menu: Turkey and dressing, gravy, mixed vegetables, cranberry sauce, pumpkin bar.

School Breakfast: French toast sticks, links, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Meatballs, mashed potatoes, corn, tea bun, fruit.

8:30 am: Elementary Life Touch Pictures

6:30 pm: Emmanuel Lutheran League

7:00 p.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Confirmation



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

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Bus Drivers Wanted

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

Bates Township Mowing Notice

BATES TOWNSHIP WEED NOTICE

OWNERS & TENANTS of Bates Township are hereby notified and required, according to law, to cut all weeds and grass in road ditches adjacent to their property or tenanted by them within Bates township on or before October 1, 2016 or same will be hired done by the township board and assessed property taxes at the rate of \$300 per half mile.

Bates Township Board of Supervisors Betty Geist Township Clerk

Bates Township Right-Of-Way Notice

Bates Township Board of Supervisors reminds all landowners and tenants that the road right-of-way extends 33 feet from the center of the township road. This ditch is to be maintained and mowed. Any crops planted in the road right-of-way will be mowed and charged to the landowner, effective with the 2017 growing season.

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Netters go 2-2 at Redfield Tournament

Groton Area's volleyball team went to the Redfield/Doland tournmanet held Saturday in Redfield. The Lady Tigers defeated Eureka/Bowdle and Miller and lost to Redfield/Doland and Belle Fourche.

Next action for the team is Tuesday night when the Tigers will host Hitchcock/Tulare. The seventh and eighth graders will play at 4:30 p.m. with the junior varsity at 6 p.m. and the varsity to follow around 7:15 p.m.

Groton Area 2, Eureka/Bowdle 0

Game Scores: 25-7 and 25-22

Serving: 45-49 5 aces (Jennie Doeden 11-11 2, Payton Maine, Paityn Bonn and Miranda Hanson each had 1 ace serve)

Attacks: 52-56 27 kills (Taylor Holm 10-11 7 kills, Jessica Bjerke 12-12 6 kills) **Sets:** 42-43 17 assists (Kaylin Kucker 23-24 10 assists, Katie Koehler 17-17 7) **Digs:** 13 (Jessica Bjerke 5, Paityn Bonn 5) **Blocks:** 0

Redfield/Doland 2, Groton Area 1

Game Scores: 19-25, 25-19, 19-25 Serving: 53-57 4 aces (Payton Maine 2 aces, Katie Koehler 1, Paityn Bonn 1) Attacks: 96-110 29 (Audrey Wanner 33-36 10, Katie Koehler 14-14 6) Sets: 80-82 21 (Koehler 74-76 21 assists) Digs: 36 (Payton Maine 9, Jessica Bjerke 8) Blocks: 5 (Gia Gengerke 4, Taylor Holm 1)

Groton Area 2, Miller 0

Game Scores: 25-20, 11-25, 25-22 Serving: 45-51 4 aces (Tadyn Glover 14-14 2, Jessica Bjerke 14-14 1) Attacks: 111-124 36 kills (Audrey Wanner 36-39 15 kills, Gia Gengerke 17-21 6 kills, Taylor Holm 14-16 6 kills) Sets: 99-100 30 assists (Katie Koehler 89-90 28, Paityn Bonn 7-7 2) Digs: 51 (Payton Maine 16, Jessica Bjerke 14) Blocks: 5 (Taylor Holm 3. Gia Gengerke 2)

Belle Fourche 2, Groton Area 0

Game Scores: 22-25, 14-25 Serving: 34-36 1 ace (Katie Koehler 6-7 1 ace) Attacks: 57-68 19 kills (Gengerke 14-18 6 kills, Audrey Wanner 13-16 5 kills) Sets: 57-58 16 assists (Katie Koehler 15, Jennie Doeden 1) Digs: 33 (Payton Maine 13, Katie Koehler 10) Blocks: 2 (Taylor Holm 2)

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Make Sure Every Dollar You Give to Charity Counts By Nathaniel Sillin

Deciding to make a charitable contribution can arise from a desire to help others, a passionate commitment to a cause or the aim to give back to a group that once helped you or a loved one. Choosing which organizations you want to support can be difficult. There are over a million public charities in the United States according to the National Center for Charitable Statistics, and every dollar you give to Charity A is a dollar you might not be able to match for Charity B.

Whether it's a friend's charity run or supporting an animal rescue, often the decision to give comes down to a mix of internal and external factors. You have to determine which causes are most important to you, and with outside help you can compare how effective various charities are at using their funding.

Many non-profits do incredible work, but it's always smart to verify their claims. You can start your due diligence by double checking an organization's tax-exempt status using the Internal Revenue Service's (IRS) Exempt Organizations Select Check Tool. Once you verify its non-profit status, you want to make sure it's well run and makes a significant impact. There are several non-profits that evaluate and rate charities. You can find their guidance online and use it compare charities and inform your gifting.

Sometimes a specific event rather than a general cause can spur you into action. When this happens, if you want to be sure that your money goes to support that particular cause you might want to narrow your search to charities that let you specify how your donation will be used. Otherwise, your money might not directly support those affected by the crisis.

Donating to a non-profit with effective programs and processes is the way to go if you're trying to help as many people as possible, but you can also make contributions to individuals or families through a crowdfunding website. There's something special about knowing exactly who and how you're helping, and they'll appreciate the aid from a stranger. Similarly, you can help entrepreneurs by making a microfinance loan through a non-profit. You can relend the money you're paid back to continue supporting small businesses.

If you're looking for ways to increase your contribution, ask your employer if it has a matching program. Some companies will double, or even triple, your gift to select nonprofits. If your company doesn't offer such a program, you could speak to your human resources department or boss about establishing one.

Third-parties also fund matching campaigns for charities. You can ask a charity if there's a campaign running and make sure your donation qualifies. Unless there's a pressing reason to make a donation today, you may want to put your money aside and wait until a matching campaign starts.

You might be able to increase your financial impact without outside help if you can claim a tax deduction for your donation. Calculate your tax savings each year and put the money back into your charity fund. Donated-related deductions can sometimes be confusing, and you may want to check with a tax professional or look online for tips from the IRS.

Your charitable gift could be the start of a legacy of giving among your family. By making donations a regular event during your children's formative years, you're establishing charitable giving as a family value that they can take into their adult lives. To engage children, make a donation to support a child's favorite cause and show them how the money makes a difference. For example, you could follow up a donation to a non-profit animal rescue with a visit to the shelter to see how the money helps the staff take care of the animals.

Bottom line. Making a donation is one way to support a cause you believe in and ensure your gift has a meaningful impact. You can do this by having money available when it's needed, donating to worthwhile charities, looking for ways to increase your financial impact and passing on a legacy of giving.

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Weekly Vikings Roundup By Jordan Wright

The Minnesota Vikings defeated the Houston Texans on Sunday 31-13. The Vikings were firing on all cylinders, scoring three touchdowns on offense to go along with a special teams score. This game could have been a "trap" game, in which the Vikings overlooked their opponent, but head coach Mike Zimmer had his team in the right mindset.

The Texans came into the game leading the league in pass defense. Sam Bradford had his work cut out for him, especially with star wide receiver Stefon Diggs out with injury. Bradford came through, however, completing 22 of 30 passes for 271 yards and two touchdowns. Jerick McKinnon and Matt Asiata split the carries pretty evenly, even though neither could really get anything going against a stingy Texans run defense. Asiata had the better day of the two, running the ball 14 times for 55 yards and a touchdown.

The Vikings defense once again dominated throughout the game, limiting the Texans to their lowest yardage output of the season (214 yards). The Vikings' defensive line was particularly impressive, sacking Brock Osweiler four



times and adding 11 quarterback hits. Osweiler was under pressure on nearly half of his pass attempts, which greatly changed how the Texans wanted to operate on offense.

The player of the game has got to be Adam Thielen, who got the start because Diggs was out. Thielen had the best game of his career against a tough Texans defense. Adam caught seven passes for 127 yards and a touchdown, which was the first time in his career he went over 100 yards. Thielen has improved every week, and it should only be a matter of time before he gets the start over Charles Johnson, who hasn't played well this year.

The player who needs the most improvement is T.J. Clemmings. Clemmings has gotten the start at left tackle with Matt Kalil out, and has not performed well. Entering the game, Clemmings was the worst tackle in the NFL according to Pro Football Focus, and his player grade will likely only go down after this game. With the Vikings on a bye this week, I would expect them to look at different combinations along the offensive line. It wouldn't surprise me to see Clemmings relegated to the bench once more.

Looking ahead, the Vikings will get a week of rest before facing off against the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday, October 23. This will be Sam Bradford's chance to return to Philadelphia and prove to them they made a mistake by trading him. Carson Wentz, the rookie from NDSU, leads a Philadelphia team that gives up less than 13 points per game. This will be a big game for the quarterbacks on both teams, but it will likely end up being a defensive struggle. If the Vikings can play like they have been, the Eagles will be hard pressed to end their reign as the only undefeated team left in the NFL.

For next week's article, I will be taking a look at the other teams in the NFC North, as well as answering some reader submitted questions. If you'd like to submit a question, or if you have any general questions or comments, reach out to me on Facebook: facebook.com/SkolJWright or on Twitter: @SkolJWright

Jordan Wright has been a fan of the Minnesota Vikings since he was 4 years old. After graduating from Groton H.S., Jordan attended NDSU before moving to Portland OR. After recently moving back to South Dakota, he left his job in finance to pursue his dream of covering the Vikings and bringing his passion for the team to his readers.

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By Richard P. Holm M.D.

Haute Cuisine

Last night I walked in on my wife and daughter watching an old movie about the famous cook Julia Child and, from 50 years later, a young American woman trying to cook recipes from Child's cookbook. The movie contrasted two wonderful characters struggling to master the art of French cooking, but I thought too little was presented about the food itself.

If we were to contrast the difference between fine French cooking and typical American food, in general we could say it is mostly about quality versus quantity. The classic French haute cuisine, is pronounced "oat" like the grain you give to horses and "kwi-zeen" which rhymes with Holstein. Think haute cuisine and you envision small, almost dainty, courses of the freshest ingredients, with an emphasis on natural flavors, inventive pairings, a light sauce, a small glass of wine, and a tiny scoop of sorbet for dessert.

Think classic American food and you see a large plate piled high with fried chicken, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn on the cob slathered in butter, a tall beer, and a large piece of apple pie with a scoop of ice cream for dessert. Or perhaps more typically you'd see a fast food double burger with bacon, large fries, a chocolate shake, and a deep fat fried apple fritter for dessert.

You get the point. It's not about French versus American, it's about quality versus quantity... taste versus calories. To that end, many nutritional experts make the following recommendations: understand the calories in the food you eat, and aim for 1500 to 1800 for an average sized active woman and 2000 to 2400 for an average sized active man. Reduce those numbers by 300 to 500 if inactive or elderly. (College age athletes are in a category all by themselves.)

Eat more non-starchy vegetables, all rich with vitamins, minerals, fiber, and almost-no-calories. A few examples: asparagus, cauliflower, lettuce, broccoli, onions, peppers, and tomatoes.

Build muscles by eating the right proteins with the essential nine amino acids, like eggs, lean meats, fish, or combining peanut butter on whole wheat bread or rice with beans.

Relegate to small defined quantities, or avoid altogether, the carbohydrates that drive us to eat more, like pasta, chips, white bread, desserts, and, dare I say, French-fried potatoes.

Finally, eat enough fruit daily. Experts warn not to drink your fruit. Rather, eat it whole.

Let's make a new American haute cuisine that's about quality and not quantity.

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Dignity rises as a symbol of unity and the power of art By Jim Speirs, Executive Director, Arts South Dakota

On September 17, South Dakotans of all cultures from across the state gathered in Chamberlain with Governor Daugaard, sculptor Dale Lamphere and the family of Norm and Eunabel McKie to dedicate our state's newest monumental sculpture, the 50 foot tall image of a Native American woman. Called Dignity by her creator, South Dakota Artist Laureate Lamphere, the stainless steel work of art towers above I-90 on the Missouri River bluff that is home to the Chamberlain traveler's information center.

A representation of a Lakota woman wrapping a star quilt around her, Dignity speaks to the heart of Native traditions. The sculpture is a symbol of South Dakota's cultural hearthstone and links past and present in its subject matter and its 21st century engineering and materials. More importantly, the work links our vastly diverse ethnic cultures here on the prairie. Dignity gives us the opportunity to honor the Native heritage of our state, while recognizing all of those who built a new life between the vast sea of grass and the soaring Black Hills.

The dedication ceremony also told another story. I saw Lakota youth in their powwow regalia staring up at Dignity with pride and a

sense of awe. Veterans saw the values they fought to protect in the towering strength of Dignity. Governor Daugaard spoke for all South Dakotans, including Dignity with Mount Rushmore and Crazy Horse as icons of our state. These epic artworks are destinations for visitors and sources of pride for South Dakota residents.

That is the power of the arts. People of all ages from all cultures can see something vital, something important, something South Dakotan, in this soaring sculpture on its bluff near Chamberlain. As a work of art, Dignity has both strength and grace. As a symbol of our united heritage, it has the ability to move each of us. And that is what creativity is all about.

To learn more about Dignity, go to www.lampherestudio.com/dignity. For more about the arts in South Dakota, visit www.ArtsSouthDakota.org.

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STATE FFA OFFICERS TO VISIT GROTON FFA CHAPTER

The Groton FFA Chapter will welcome Jaclynn Knutson – State FFA Reporter – and Alison Simon, State FFA President to Groton High School on Friday, October 14th. While at the school, Knutson and Simon will present workshops to agriculture education classes about team development, personal growth, advocating for agriculture, and the benefits of agricultural education and being an FFA member.

During a year of service to the organization, state FFA officers travel to FFA chapters across the state to talk about opportunities available to students enrolled in agricultural education. State officers develop interactive workshops that encourage students to develop leadership skills and take advantage of opportunities available to FFA members.

Agricultural education incorporates three aspects of learning. The classroom provides basic knowledge; FFA develops leadership and personal skills; and a Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) provides hands-on career-related learning while working on the job or in an agricultural business.



FFA is an integral part of agricultural education. Agricultural instructors encourage students to take the knowledge and skills they have acquired in class and apply it to FFA events, such as career development events, which help students explore career interests.

The South Dakota FFA Association is comprised of 83 local chapters preparing over 4,000 students for their future careers. FFA activities and award programs complement instruction in agriculture education by giving students practical experiences to apply what they have learned. FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.

GROTON KIWANIS CLUB

Lee Schinkel was program leader for Wednesday's weekly Kiwanis dinner meeting. Lee introduced Austin Fordham, new bandman at GHS. Austin, in turn, introduced five GHS band students, who all played solos on their instruments.

Tom Paepke, led the business session, and Lee was substitute secretary.

Roger Rix, new treasurer; gave his report, as well as good results from the annual homecoming tailgate supper. Lori Giedt was chairman of this project.

Roger also announced that the annual Kiwanis sponsored Snow Queen and talent contest will be Nov. 28. This week's program leader will be Mike Ehresmann, followed by Lori Giedt.

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Honoring Native American Day

I have had the honor of receiving a Star Quilt from tribes in South Dakota on a few occasions. Each time one has been presented, I'm humbled by the gesture and yet reminded of all there is to do in Indian Country.

To me, one of the greatest things we have to offer is more opportunity. That's one of the reasons I helped champion the NATIVE Act, which was signed into law this September and aims to create more tourism opportunities in tribal areas. The tribes we worked with on this legislation are hopeful these new provisions will help boost struggling economies.

As part of the 2014 Farm Bill, we were also able to create a permanent Office of Tribal Relations within the U.S. Department of Agriculture. I'm hopeful this will help ensure tribal communities always have a seat at the table when it comes to identifying ag-related opportunities in Indian Country.

To make sure the help offered to tribal families creates as much opportunity as possible, I also helped advance the Tribal General Welfare Exclusion Act, which became law in 2014. This legislation ensures those who receive support, like school supplies, from tribal governments are treated the same as those receiving similar state and federal benefits. In many cases, this would exempt struggling families from paying extra taxes on these much-needed benefits.

But more must be done. Work continues on legislation I've long supported to protect tribal sovereignty by keeping an onerous federal regulatory agency from imposing its authority on tribal businesses. As is true in all communities, the last thing needed when trying to improve economic opportunities is a federal bureaucracy meddling with local efforts. This proposal would hold at least one agency back.

We also continue our work to address the tribal healthcare crisis. The level of care being delivered to these communities is equivalent to that of a third-world country. It's not enough to say it needs to change, because our success or failure is a matter of life or death. That's why I've written and introduced extensive legislation to address this crisis. We're now in the process of collecting input from the medical and tribal communities to be sure this legislation has its intended effect. I'm hopeful we'll see further action before the end of the year.

Additionally, with suicide impacting so many Native American families in recent years, we've been able to reinstate the Sweetgrass Initiative (a suicide prevention program on Pine Ridge) and pressure the Indian Health Service to reprogram \$1.8 million in funding for suicide prevention. New resources for Indian Country were also included in a House-passed mental health bill after I brought the legislation's author West River to see the challenges we face. But this legislation still needs the Senate's approval and the president's signature.

All of this is just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to creating new opportunities in Indian Country. Every October in South Dakota, we celebrate Native American Day. I like to use the day to consider the journey that's laid before us. The challenges ahead are undeniable, but I'm confident even the most daunting hurdles will be overcome.

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Envisioning Spearfish Canyon State Park

Earlier this month I had the opportunity to enjoy a few quiet days in the Black Hills. After the Buffalo Roundup my family and I spent the weekend in Custer State Park, soaking up the beautiful weather and experiencing the leaves changing into their remarkable fall colors.

Our family has spent a great deal of time in Custer State Park, with our kids and grandkids experiencing the wonder and beauty of one of the most incredible natural areas in the country. I'm proud that our state park system has preserved natural wonders like Sylvan Lake and the Needles for nearly a century. We've been to many of South Dakota's 63 other state parks and recreation areas. I have firsthand knowledge of how the Department of Game, Fish and Parks preserves our natural areas while making them accessible to the public.

Spearfish Canyon is another jewel of the Black Hills – a natural wonder that rivals those of Custer State Park. That's why I'm excited about the possibility of establishing Spearfish Canyon State Park in the upper portion of the canyon.

South Dakota already has significant holdings in the area, thanks in part to the generosity of the Spearfish Canyon Foundation. Over the last few years, South Dakota has acquired parcels of land in and around Little Spearfish Canyon, including Roughlock Falls and Spearfish Falls. These areas can form the nucleus of a great state park, and now we are hoping that a land swap with the federal government will better enhance the Spearfish Canyon experience.

The land swap will create larger, contiguous land tracts for both the U.S. Forest Service and the state, allowing South Dakota to establish a state park and enabling the Forest Service to more efficiently manage its holdings.

The proposed Spearfish Canyon State Park would be 1,600 acres and include the Roughlock and Spearfish falls, parts of Spearfish and Little Spearfish creeks, Savoy fishing pond, and land from Spearfish Falls to the Little Spearfish trailhead. It would not include the bulk of Spearfish Canyon north of Savoy.

Visitors passing through Spearfish Canyon on US Highway 14 will continue to do so at no cost. South Dakotans can expect to see improved camping, hiking, fishing and sightseeing opportunities there, as well as upgraded restrooms, shower facilities and roads. Improved access would also be attentive to protecting the ecology and plants in these areas.

We've had numerous conversations with citizens, business leaders, elected officials and the Forest Service about this proposal, and if Congress approves the proposed land swap, we will continue to seek public input through a comprehensive master planning process. I especially appreciate the efforts of our congressional delegation – Sen. Thune, Sen. Rounds and Rep. Noem – to make this a reality.

Many South Dakotans have enjoyed our unrivaled state park system and experienced the thrill of our state's majestic natural areas. Spearfish Canyon State Park would offer another opportunity for our citizens to experience this beauty and grandeur. I hope establishing this park ensures that my grandkids and their grandkids can share that authentic experience.

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RECOGNITION FOR COMMITMENT TO LONG TERM CARE

The South Dakota Health Care Association (SDHCA), which represents Long Term Care Centers across South Dakota, held its Annual Fall Convention September 27-29, 2016 in Sioux Falls.

SDHCA takes pride in awarding the following individuals for their exceptional service and dedicated commitment to the long term care profession. The following South Dakota individuals were recognized and honored at the SDHCA 65th Annual Fall Convention Awards Breakfast.

Assisted Living Administrator of the Year Award - Deborah Herrboldt, Bethany Home Assisted Living, Sioux Falls

Administrator of the Year Award- Tim Yeaton, Riverview Healthcare Community, Flandreau

Adult Volunteer - Linda Fogel, Aberdeen Health & Rehab, Aberdeen

Group Volunteer - Bryant Parkview Care Center Auxiliary, Bryant

Activity Coordinator Award - Shelly Baer, Sun Dial Manor, Bristol

Dietary Award- Michelle Kunkel, Good Samaritan Society, Lennox

Nursing Award - Shawn Gilman, Jenkins Living Center, Watertown

Social Service Award - Susan Franck, Westhills Village, Rapid City

Scholarship Recipient - Mallory Wagner, Sun Dial Manor, Bristol

Millie of the Year Award - Buffy Neuberger, Jenkins Living Center, Watertown

Bronze Commitment to Quality Awards - Diamond Care Center & Grandview AL, Bridgewater; Faulkton Senior Living & The Meadows, Faulkton

Silver Achievement in Quality Award - Prairie Estates Healthcare Community, Elk Point

Past President Award - Daryl Reinicke, Westhills Village, Rapid City

Service Award - Nell Rust, Lake Norden; Danny Van Gerpen, Tripp

2016 National Young Adult Volunteer - Zach Severson, Good Samaritan Society, Canton

Mark B. Deak, SDHCA Executive Director stated, "Congratulations to all our award recipients who continue to strive every day to provide the quality of care that our elderly and disabled South Dakotans expect and deserve."

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Weed Control & Soil Health Go Hand-in-Hand

BROOKINGS, S.D. - Although many landowners may not give much thought to weed control as a soil health measure, Gared Shaffer, SDSU Extension Weeds Field Specialist said the two go hand-in-hand.

"The same management practices which increase soil health, like planting cover crops or a diverse cash crop rotation, also can be deterrent to weeds," Shaffer explained. With the rise of herbicide resistant weeds not just on the horizon but in your fields, farmers want answers. Most have turned to a new herbicide in the past.

He referenced a quote from Dr. Dwayne Beck, manager of the Dakota Lakes Research Farm. Beck presented during a recent soil health workshop hosted by South Dakota Soil Health Coalition.

"Anytime producers do the same thing year after year the Earth's ecosystem finds a way around it to make it more diverse" said Beck during the September meeting attended by farmers, ranchers and area agronomy professionals.

Without this diversity, Beck further explained that monoculture farming will give way to a possible proliferation of curtain weed species.

"This means a potential increase in weed species anytime monoculture crops are planted," Shaffer explained.

Shaffer said many options are still within the hands of producers to control weeds with herbicides however, he explained that 100% herbicide dependence is not sustainable in the long term. Particularly with the products available in the market today.

"Herbicides were meant to be just a tool for weed control not the answer to weed control," he said.

More Weed Control Options

Some of the weed control options discussed during the soil health school which did not include spraying herbicides or tillage included; crop rotation, cover crops and livestock integration.

"These options help build soil health by increasing organic matter, soil biology and water infiltration," Shaffer said.

He outlined the principals of soil health:

- Armor on soil surface;
- Very limited soil disturbance;
- Livestock integration;
- Plant diversity; and

Soil covers.

Below Shaffer explains each option.

Armor on soil surface: If there is armor on the soil surface, such as organic matter or a cover crop, then weed seed germination and competition will be limited.

Very limited soil disturbance: With increased soil disturbance (including any tillage) Shaffer explained, comes more weeds, colder soils and dryer soils than in long term no-till fields.

Livestock integration: Livestock integration can elevate the need for pasture, but can increase soil health and decrease weeds in your operation through grazing at the proper time in your rotation.

Plant diversity: Crop rotation of many monoculture crops with integration of cover crops can be the best way to deal with weeds, especially herbicide resistant weeds.

"Finding the right crop or cover crop to compete with a curtain weed is the best option available instead of always reaching for that herbicide in your barn," Shaffer said. "Each producer must customize their rotation to fit their local ecosystem."

Crop rotations change, but the principles do not, Shaffer said. The top principles of crop rotation include:

1. Proper water utilization;

2. Proper Intensity throughout year; and

3. Adequate diversity.

Shaffer encouraged landowners to attend the 2017 soil health workshop hosted by South Dakota Soil Health Coalition. For more information visit, www.sdsoilhealthcoalition.org.

For more information about crop rotation benefits visit the Dakota Lakes Research Farm website www. dakotalakes.com and under the publication tab read the article: Managing Agricultural Ecosystems by Dwayne Beck Ph.D.

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National Newspaper Week

Local newspapers are the beating heart of our communities. Along with the local coffee shop, they're often the best way to learn about the local news or receive an update on the latest sporting events. Today, there are more than 120 newspapers throughout South Dakota, with circulations running from just a few hundred to tens of thousands for the Sunday edition. The 76th Annual National Newspaper Week was celebrated October 2nd through the 8th to recognize the impact of newspapers big and small, and the vital role they play in keeping citizens informed.

For hundreds of years, newspapers and journalists have played an important role in educating the American public. When we read a newspaper article, we may learn something we didn't know before, or we may be able to look at certain issues in a different light. At a time when the internet and social media feeds are full of personal opinions rather than researched facts, it can be refreshing to read a well-written, factual newspaper article.

Additionally, newspapers are often better equipped than other news sources to provide in-depth analysis and devote extra time to local, concentrated issues. While television, online and national news publications provide important information on a macro level, often they have little time or resources to report deeper, more intricate stories on some of the most pressing issues of the day. Newspapers become a de-facto historical document to be kept and read over and over.

In South Dakota, the vast majority of our newspapers are weekly publications that focus solely on one specific community or region. While print media as a whole has seen a decline in recent years, our newspapers continue to thrive because they focus on what is important: the people, news and events in their towns. No birthday or celebration is too small to get coverage. It keeps us connected to our neighbors and our friends. It also keeps those who have moved away connected to their hometowns. Even though we live in Fort Pierre now, Jean still enjoys reading her hometown paper, the Lake Preston Times, which allows her to stay in touch with friends and family in the town where she grew up and where her parents still live. Such interconnectivity cannot be overstated.

As we celebrate National Newspaper Week, I'd like to thank everyone who works in the newspaper industry in South Dakota. You know, care and understand the communities you serve better than anyone else out there. By sharing that information with the public, you provide an invaluable service to our citizens, which helps keep our communities vibrant and strong.

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Celebrating Time-Honored Traditions and Cultures

South Dakotans celebrate Native American Day every second Monday in October as a way to recognize and pay tribute to the unique and traditional cultures of the Lakota, Dakota, and Nakota nations. It is an honor to live in a state that is home to some of the greatest warriors of all time: Chief Sitting Bull and Chief Crazy Horse, just to name a few. People from around the world are familiar with these great warriors and travel thousands of miles to visit their homelands. This is why I'm glad my bill, the NATIVE Act, was recently signed into law. This common-sense bill creates an opportunity for tribes to drive their own tourism efforts and share their culture, traditions, and history.

While South Dakota is home to many of the great Lakota, Dakota, and Nakota chiefs and other Native American leaders, it's also home to the one of the greatest leaders on the track: Olympian Billy Mills. Mills, who is a member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, grew up on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, and life was not easy for him. Growing up, Mills faced adversities and was orphaned by age 12. Motivated by the wisdom and teachings of his Lakota people, he became one of the greatest long distance runners of all time.

During the 1964 Tokyo Olympic Games, Mills made his name and his heritage known to the world when he became the first South Dakotan to win an Olympic gold medal. To date, he's the only American to ever win gold in the 10,000 meter run. I'm amazed every time I see the clip of Mills sprinting into that final stretch, speeding past one runner after another to capture the medal. It's one of those iconic athletic moments you never forget.

Like Mills, Chief Sitting Bull, and Chief Crazy Horse, countless Native Americans have been making contributions to South Dakota's history and identity for centuries. Whether it's the food we eat or the names of cities and towns we drive through, the Native American footprint continues to leave a positive and longlasting impression throughout the state.

So, as South Dakotans prepare to celebrate this year, I want to recognize all of our tribal citizens who have made and will continue to make a difference in communities across the state. To the staff at tribal schools who encourage students to rise above and fight adversity, to the tribal leaders who advocate on behalf of their people, and to the first responders and medical professionals who work tirelessly to provide safety to their communities, thank you. You are all warriors to the people you serve and for the way of life that you protect. I'm humbled and blessed to live in a state where we benefit from the culture, traditions, achievements, and contributions of Native American people every day of the year.

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Today in Weather History

October 10, 1928: The temperature reached 90 degrees at Minneapolis, Minnesota their latest such reading on record.

October 10, 1982: October 8th through October 10th, 1982 record amounts of snow piled up in the northern Black Hills. Not only was the storm an unprecedented breaker because it came so early in the season, but it was also a record snowfall producer for any time of year. Amounts of three to six feet were common across the northern hills. On October 9th, 1982 thirty-two inches of snow buried Lead. The thirty-two inches that day is the most on record for a 24 hour period in South Dakota.

1804 - A famous snow hurricane occurred. The unusual coastal storm caused northerly gales from Maine to New Jersey. Heavy snow fell across New England, with three feet reported at the crest of the Green Mountains. A foot of snow was reported in the Berkshires of southern New England, at Goshen CT. (David Ludlum)

1928 - The temperature at Minneapolis, MN, reached 90 degrees, their latest such reading of record. (The Weather Channel)

1973 - Fifteen to 20 inch rains deluged north central Oklahoma in thirteen hours producing record flooding. Enid was drenched with 15.68 inches of rain from the nearly stationary thunderstorms, which established a state 24 hour rainfall record. Dover OK reported 125 of 150 homes damaged by flooding. (David Ludlum) (The Weather Channel)

1979 - A storm blanketed Worcester, MA, with 7.5 inches of snow, a record snowfall total for so early in the season for that location. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Eleven cities in the north central U.S. reported record low temperatures for the date, including Colorado Springs CO with a reading of 23 degrees, and Havre MT with a low of 11 degrees above zero. Light snow was reported as far south as Kansas. Omaha NE reported their third earliest snow of record. (The National Weather Summary)

1988 - Sunny and mild weather prevailed across the nation for Columbus Day. The afternoon high of 77 degrees at Kalispell MT was the warmest reading of record for so late in the autumn season.

Thunderstorms developing along a cold front produced wind gusts to 56 mph at Lorain OH. Snowflakes were observed at Milwaukee WI around Noon, but quickly changed to rain as temperature readings were in the lower 60s. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Thunderstorms produced torrential rains along the northeast coast of Florida. Augustine was deluged with 16.08 inches of rain. The heavy rain caused extensive flooding of homes and businesses, and left some roads under three feet of water. Ten cities from South Carolina to New England reported record low temperatures for the date, including Concord NH with a reading of 23 degrees. Temperatures dipped into the 30s in the Carolinas. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)





Temperatures 20 - 30 degrees cooler for Tuesday!



Mild conditions are expected today but temperatures will be much colder for Tuesday. We will see some moisture move across the area but generally light amounts, which may mix with snow at times.

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Yesterday's Weather High Outside Temp: 69.1 F at 5:17 PM

Low Outside Temp: 31.0 F at 7:35 AM High Gust: 33.0 Mph at 4:32 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info Record High: 93° in 2015

Record Low: 10° in 1919 Average High: 61°F Average Low: 35°F Average Precip in Oct.: 0.74 Precip to date in Oct.: 0.63 Average Precip to date: 19.22 Precip Year to Date: 13.83 Sunset Tonight: 6:56 p.m. Sunrise Tomorrow: 7:45 a.m.



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HOW STRONG IS YOUR BELIEF?

Watching a person walking across a deep crevice on a wire is nerve-racking for most of us. As they carefully make their way from one side to the other with their long pole becomes frightening at times.

There was a "walker" who decided that he was going to walk from one side of Niagara Falls to the other using a wheelbarrow that contained 200 pounds of rocks. When he accomplished his goal flawlessly, the reporters in the crowd thronged him. After answering a few of their questions he looked one of them in the eye and asked, "Do you think I can take my wheelbarrow back to the other side?"

Quickly he responded, "Yes, I certainly do!"

"Good," he said. "Then, you believe that I can do it?"

"Of course I believe you can," said the reporter.

Dumping the bricks on the ground in front of him he said, "If you really believe it - get in the wheelbarrow and let's go to the other side."

Accepting Christ as Savior is the start of our faith-walk "believe and be saved!" However, when we commit our lives to Jesus as Lord it means that we will trust Him to get us safely from where we are at that moment until we will be with Him in glory.

Our journey will be difficult but not if we "get in His wheelbarrow".

Prayer: Give us courage, Father, to trust You for safe passage through those times in our lives when we are faced with disaster and doubt, knowing we are safe in Your arms. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Acts 16:31 They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved – you and your household."



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News from the Associated Press

Laborers union applauds Dakota Access pipeline ruling

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — North Dakota's congressional delegation and a laborers union are applauding a federal appeals court ruling allowing construction to continue on a small stretch of the four-state Dakota Access pipeline.

The ruling Sunday clears the way for pipeline work to resume within 20 miles of Lake Oahe in North Dakota. The pipeline is otherwise nearly complete.

The Laborers International Union says the ruling affirms that the pipeline is a lawfully permitted project. Earthjustice attorney Jan Hasselman tells The Bismarck Tribune that continuing construction would be "a tragedy."

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe is still appealing a court ruling that let work on the entire pipeline go forward. And federal agencies have prohibited construction on a section right at Lake Oahe where land is owned by the Army Corps of Engineers.

11-year-old invents innovative way to carry her binder By Megan Raposa, Argus Leader

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Allie Weber solves her problems with inventions.

So when the sixth-grader learned that Edison Middle School doesn't allow backpacks in classrooms, she didn't panic. She went to work.

Weber carries herself with poise beyond her 11 years. She's used to media attention — her inventions have earned her national awards and international renown — and she tosses around the thought of becoming a patent lawyer, that is, if she doesn't get a job at NASA.

"Making things is really fun," Weber said. "And if you solve a problem at the same time, it's a win-win." The Argus Leader reported (http://argusne.ws/2cUHeJQ) that Weber knew that in lieu of backpacks, most middle school students carry their classwork in large three-ring binders that zip shut. The binders have one strap, but she said it's flimsy and bad for posture. Some online research taught her that hauling a bag on one shoulder is particularly bad for a young spine that's still developing.

She repurposed straps from an old backpack to create a two-shoulder removable strap she calls the "Got Your Back Binder Strap."

She hopes her friends and classmates will see its value, but she's also thinking broadly and researching patents.

"I always imagined I'd be on 'Shark Tank,' " Weber said.

The middle of the strap — the part that rests on the back of the wearer's neck — attaches to the center of the binder's spine with two carabiners. Carabiners at the bottom of each strap attach to the sides of the binder using the hooks already in place for the "flimsy" strap.

When Weber puts on the strap, the binder rests comfortably against her back.

"I just figured out how to make a binder into a backpack without breaking school rules," Weber said.

Allie Weber, a sixth grader at Edison Middle School, invented a strap to attach to her binder for easier carrying to and from class.

It's not a rebellion against school rules, Weber's mother, Kara Weber, insists. She just doesn't like binders and wants to make sure her posture remains straight.

It's solving an important issue, said chiropractor Trent Gusso. Weber showed Gusso her prototype, which he said correctly distributes the binder's weight on both shoulders.

Heavy backpacks with unevenly distributed weight causes problems for many children and teens, Gusso said. It's such a widely known problem that each year South Dakota's chiropractic association promotes the correct way to wear backpacks and awareness that they shouldn't be heavier than needed.

Allie Weber, a sixth grader at Edison Elementary School, invented a strap to carry her binder. The strap

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helps evenly distribute the weight of her books for easier carrying.

This year, Weber's strap will bring awareness to the damage a heavy binder can do.

"I think she's identified a challenge that these kids are experiencing," Gusso said. "Instead of waiting for a more long-term problem to arrive, she's coming up with a solution to it."

Kara Weber has always supported her daughter's desire to create. She's no stranger to Walmart trips to pick up grommets or breaking out the hot-glue gun in the afternoon.

"When we see her get an idea, we always just encourage her to follow through," Kara Weber said. So far, that follow-through has paid off.

That robot also earned her first place in the school science fair.

Weber doesn't know what the future holds, but she hopes her inventions will keep solving problems. "I like fixing things."

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

Beloved South Dakota summer camp awaits fate By Geoff Preston and Chris Huber, Rapid City Journal

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — For more than 50 years, the pine-studded grounds of Camp Bob Marshall have served as a summertime destination for thousands of South Dakota children.

Canoes, campfires and crafts have filled the days for two generations at the 4-H summer camp located near Custer.

But despite assurances the camp is safe; recently proposed federal legislation has brought the camp's future into question.

The Rapid City Journal reported (http://bit.ly/2dxeNQj) that in July, a bill was introduced in Congress asking for a federal and state land swap to potentially create a new state park in Spearfish Canyon.

A piece of that legislation also calls for a federal and state land swap to take place at Bismarck Lake, which is home to Camp Bob Marshall.

The swap would take the lake out of the control of the U.S. Forest Service and put it inside Custer State Park boundaries and under management of the state. The 524-acre piece of land at Bismarck Lake is adjacent to Custer State Park's current boundaries, and roads leading to the lake pass through Custer State Park's land, forcing visitors to pay an entrance fee to use the lake.

So far, the message from Al Nedved, South Dakota Game, Fish & Parks assistant parks director, has been clear: That as of now, there are no plans to change anything about Camp Bob Marshall if the land swap passes.

"It's our intent to work with that camp and honor any contracts and anything with the Forest Service," he said. "Right now, there's no proposal to alter or change anything."

The camp was issued a special use permit by the National Forest Service to allow it to serve as a 4-H camp until Dec. 31, 2028. Even with that long of a time frame, Nedved said he doesn't see GF&P moving on proposing a new function for the camp.

"We would take a look at that and be willing to honor that," he said. "If we can renegotiate we might, but we haven't had any discussions."

Camp manager Gary Holst walked the grounds in August, pointing out cabins and recreation buildings that were built by Civilian Conservation Corps crews in the late 1930s. Holst has been working at the camp for 23 years and his love for the site and its history is evident. He says he does the work, "because it is worth doing."

Holst said the same families and groups and have been coming to the camp for generations. One group, the South Dakota Wildlife Federation Youth Conservation Camp, has been holding camp there every summer for 53 straight years. The fear that the camp could be changed after the state takes control weighs heavily on members of the organization.

One group at the camp told Holst in August that if the bulldozers ever came, to let them know because

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they plan on lying down in front of them. Holst then added, "I think I will probably join them."

U.S. Sen. John Thune introduced the land swap bill in the Senate with co-sponsorship by U.S. Sen. Mike Rounds. U.S. Rep. Kristi Noem introduced a companion bill in the House.

But it was Gov. Dennis Daugaard who actually presented the land package to the delegation to be introduced. The governor was unable to speak about the issue, but the Journal spoke to a member of his staff.

"Our plans for Camp Bob Marshall is to run it exactly the same way it is run now," Hunter Roberts, the policy adviser for Daugaard said in a phone interview.

Roberts said the main reason Bismark Lake and Camp Bob Marshall were included in the land package sent to Congress is because visitors to the lake have to enter through Custer State Park. He says that has created confusion among campers as to which land they are really on, and caused some Forest Service campers to use facilities on state land.

Roberts reiterated that the state will honor contracts that are already in place with the camp.

"It's not like we are going to change things overnight," Roberts said. "We don't want to pull the rug out from anyone, but we do think we can come in, make some improvements and make it a seamless part of Custer State Park."

One improvement Roberts pointed to was upgrading the sewer system at Camp Bob Marshall and the facilities at the Bismarck Lake Campground.

Nedved said the next step is for the state to hire a consultant who will develop a master plan for Bismarck Lake, including Camp Bob Marshall, next month.

"We have not had any direct discussions or proposals that would do anything different," Nedved said. "We want to do some master planning and give people a chance for public comment."

Western Dakota 4-H Camp Association Board Member Brad Kiezer said he trusts the state will stand by its word and honor any deals currently in place with the Forest Service and the camp.

"I have absolutely no reason to not believe in them," he said. "They've always been good to work with."

Information from: Rapid City Journal, http://www.rapidcityjournal.com

Court: Construction can resume on small stretch of pipeline

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — A federal appeals court on Sunday opened the door for construction to resume on a small stretch of the four-state Dakota Access pipeline while it considers an appeal by the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

The ruling removed a temporary injunction that halted work on the project.

The tribe had asked the U.S Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit to continue work stoppage on the pipeline within 20 miles of Lake Oahe in North Dakota. The court earlier ordered work to stop while it considered the motion.

In a statement, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Chairman Dave Archambault II said that the tribe "is not backing down from this fight."

"We will not rest until our lands, people, waters and sacred places are permanently protected from this destructive pipeline," Archambault said.

Owned by Dallas-based Energy Transfer Partners, the \$3.8 billion, 1,172-mile project would carry nearly a half-million barrels of crude oil daily from North Dakota's oil fields through South Dakota and Iowa to an existing pipeline in Patoka, Illinois, where shippers can access Midwest and Gulf Coast markets.

The company did not immediately return an email Sunday seeking comment on the court's decision.

The pipeline passes near Standing Rock Sioux reservation land that straddles the North Dakota-South Dakota border. The tribe's protest encampment near the confluence of the Missouri and Cannonball rivers has swelled to thousands at times as demonstrators from around the country joined their cause.

Tribal and state officials also are at odds over whether sacred sites were destroyed while digging the pipeline corridor. The state archaeologist has said an inspection found no sign that the area contained human remains or cultural artifacts.

Congressman Kevin Cramer applauded the ruling. "I look forward to the workers getting back to work,

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doing the jobs they need to do Monday morning," the North Dakota Republican said in a statement. The court hasn't decided on the tribe's appeal of a September ruling by U.S. District Judge James Boasberg, who declined to shut down work on the entire pipeline. He said the Sioux hadn't demonstrated that an injunction was warranted.

Though work may resume, three federal agencies — Interior, Justice and Army — immediately ordered that construction stop on land owned by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers next to and underneath Lake Oahe as it reviews its permitting decisions.

No timetable has been set for the federal review.

AP FACT CHECK: Trump, Clinton and their debate claims By CALVIN WOODWARD and STEPHEN BRAUN, Associated Press



Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton listens to Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump during the second presidential debate at Washington University in St. Louis, Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016. (Rick T. Wilking/Pool via AP)

WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump mischaracterized the record on Hillary Clinton's defense of her husband and her own treatment of women when he brought up Bill Clinton's sexual history and other episodes of the past. Clinton didn't give a square account of the fallout from her email practices.

A look at some of the claims in the second presidential debate:

TRUMP, asked whether the predatory behavior with women that he described in a 2005 video amounted to sexual assault: "No, I didn't say that at all."

THE FACTS: He certainly didn't own up to sexual assault in his boastful remarks in 2005. But he clearly described groping and kissing women without their permission, using his celebrity to impose himself on them.

"I don't even wait," he bragged in the video. "And when you're a star, they let you do it. You can do

anything." He went on: "Grab them by the p----. You can do anything."

He described a specific sexual advance toward a married woman. "I moved on her like a bitch. But I couldn't get there."

TRUMP on Hillary Clinton's behavior when, as a young public defender, she was assigned to represent an accused child rapist: "She's seen on two separate occasions, laughing at the girl who was raped. Kathy Shelton, that young woman, is here with us tonight."

THE FACTS: At no point was Clinton seen laughing at the victim.

In 1975, at the age of 12, Shelton was sexually assaulted in Northwest Arkansas. Clinton was asked by a judge overseeing the case to represent her alleged attacker. After the prosecution lost key evidence,

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Clinton's client entered a plea to a lesser charge.

In an interview a decade later, Clinton expressed horror at the crime, but was recorded on tape laughing about procedural details of the case. The audio has been seized on by conservative groups looking to attack Clinton's presidential candidacy but does not convey mirth at the girl's fate.

TRUMP on women linked to Bill Clinton sexually: "Hillary Clinton attacked those same women and attacked them viciously."

THE FACTS: There is no clear, independent evidence that Hillary Clinton "viciously" attacked women who alleged or confirmed sexual contact with her husband.

To be sure, in the 1992 Democratic primaries, she was deeply involved in the Clinton campaign's effort to discredit one accuser, actress Gennifer Flowers, who alleged she had a long-running affair with Bill Clinton. Both Clintons acknowledged past troubles in their marriage but sought to undermine Flowers' claims. Bill Clinton later acknowledged in a 1998 court deposition that he had a sexual encounter with Flowers.

Hillary Clinton was also quoted over the years making disparaging comments about other women linked with her husband.

What is lacking is proof that she engineered efforts to smear their reputation. Diane Blair, a political science professor and long-time Hillary Clinton friend who died in 2000, left behind an account of private interviews with Hillary Clinton in which she told her during the Monica Lewinsky affair that she considered the former White House intern a "narcissistic loony toon."

CLINTON: "After a yearlong investigation, there is no evidence that anyone hacked the server I was using, and there is no evidence that anyone can point to, at all ... that any classified material ended up in the wrong hands."

THE FACTS: Maybe, maybe not. While there's indeed no direct, explicit evidence that classified information was leaked or that her server was breached, it was nevertheless connected to the internet in ways that made it more vulnerable to hackers — and the public may never know who saw them. FBI Director James Comey has said: "We assess it is possible that hostile actors gained access to Secretary Clinton's personal e-mail account."

The Associated Press previously discovered that her private server, which has been a major campaign issue for Clinton and the focus of U.S. investigations, appeared to allow users to connect to it openly over the internet and control it remotely. That practice, experts said, wasn't intended to be used without additional protective measures, and was the subject of U.S. government warnings at the time over attacks from even amateur hackers.

Since the AP in early 2015 traced her server to her home in Chappaqua, New York, Clinton hasn't fully explained who administered her server, if it received software updates to plug security holes or if it was monitored for unauthorized access. It's also unclear what, if any, encryption software Clinton's server may have used to communicate with official U.S. government email accounts.

Comey has said Clinton and her staff "were extremely careless in their handling of very sensitive, highly classified information." But he said the FBI won't recommend criminal charges against Clinton for use of the server while she was secretary of state and closed the investigation.

TRUMP: "We have to be sure that Muslims come in and report when they see something going on... As an example, in San Bernardino, many people saw the bombs all over the apartment of the two people that killed 14 and wounded many, many people... Muslims have to report the problems when they see them."

THE FACTS: There's no evidence that Muslims failed to report suspicious activity.

The FBI works closely with the Muslim community and encourages people to report possible criminal activity.

In San Bernardino, California, a Muslim couple shot and killed 14 people at an office party in December 2015. The couple was killed in a police shootout. But the FBI has never suggested that people from the Muslim community — or anyone else — failed to alert authorities of bombs in the couple's home.

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TRUMP on Bill Clinton: "He lost his license. He had to pay an \$850,000 fine."

THE FACTS: Trump's facts are, at best, jumbled. In 1998, lawyers for Bill Clinton settled with former Arkansas state employee Paula Jones for \$850,000 in her four-year lawsuit alleging sexual harassment. It was not a fine, and there was no finding or admission of wrongdoing.

Trump erred in describing the legal consequences of that case. In a related case before the Arkansas State Supreme Court, Clinton was fined \$25,000 and his Arkansas law license was suspended for five years. Clinton also faced disbarment before the U.S. Supreme Court but he opted to resign from the court's practice instead of facing any penalties.

CLINTON: "We are now, for the first time ever, energy independent."

THE FACTS: Clinton inaccurately overstates the case. For the first time in decades the United States gets more energy domestically than it imports, but it is not yet energy independent as the country continues to rely on oil imports, from the Mideast and elsewhere. Estimates vary as to when the U.S. might achieve energy independence.

Domestic oil production has greatly increased in recent years. And at the same time oil imports as a percentage of consumption have dropped, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration. Oil imports have dropped from 3.58 billion barrels in 2008 to 2.68 billion barrels in 2015.

TRUMP: "She (Clinton) wants to go to a single-payer plan, which would be a disaster...she wants to go to single-payer, which means the government basically rules everything."

THE FACTS: It's Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders — not Clinton — who supports a Canada-style governmentrun health care system.

While Clinton's health care proposals would expand the government's role in the health care system, she's not talking about dismantling the current system, which is a hybrid of employer-sponsored coverage, government programs like Medicare and Medicaid, and individually purchased insurance.

As president, Clinton would push for a government-sponsored insurance plan in the health care markets created by President Barack Obama's health care law, as an alternative to private insurance. But those markets currently cover about 11 million people, while about 155 million have job-based coverage.

In excerpts from Clinton's paid speeches she gave behind closed doors, though, she did praise Canada's universal coverage and said that single-payer systems were "as good or better" when it came to basic medical care. But she also noted drawbacks of such health care systems, such as longer wait times for procedures.

TRUMP: "I would not have had our troops in Iraq."

THE FACTS: Trump actually offered lukewarm support for invading Iraq before the war began. He's repeatedly and erroneously claimed to have come out against the war before it started, telling Howard Stern in September 2002: "Yeah I guess so," when asked if he would back an invasion.

This time, his claim was slightly different — that if he had been president at the time, he would not have invaded. It's conceivable, at least, that he would have taken a position in office at odds with his stance as a private citizen. A few months before the March 2003 invasion, he did tell Fox News that the economy and threats from North Korea posed greater problems than Iraq.

TRUMP: "I don't like Assad at all. But Assad is killing ISIS. Russia is killing ISIS."

THE FACTS: Only partially true. Syria's President Bashar Assad considers the Islamic State group to be among numerous "terrorist" groups that threaten his government. His overstretched military is mainly focused on combating Syrian opposition groups, some of which are supported by the United States. Assad does use air power against IS-held areas and his ground forces are engaged in fighting with the extremists in Deir el-Zour in the east.

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TRUMP, asked whether he had ever sexually assaulted a woman: "No, I have not."

THE FACTS: He's been accused of it but a case has not been proved.

Trump's first wife, Ivana Trump, accused him of rape in a deposition in the early 1990s. She later said she didn't mean it literally, but rather that she felt violated. Trump was also sued for sexual harassment in 1997 by Jill Harth, a woman who, along with her romantic partner, was pitching Trump to get involved in a pin-up competition in the early 1990s.

In a recent interview with The New York Times, Harth said Trump ran his hands up her skirt during dinner in 1992, and on another occasion, she said Trump tried to force himself on her in his daughter Ivanka's bedroom. "Next thing I know he's pushing me against a wall and has his hands all over me," Harth told the newspaper. Harth dropped her harassment lawsuit against Trump after he settled a separate breach of contract lawsuit. Trump has denied Harth's allegations.

TRUMP: "She is raising your taxes and I am lowering your taxes. ...She's raising everybody's taxes massively."

CLÍNTON: "He would end up raising taxes on middle-class families"

THE FACTS: Clinton is not raising taxes on "everybody." Nearly all of Hillary Clinton's proposed tax increases would affect the wealthiest 5 percent of Americans, according to the nonpartisan Tax Policy Center.

Trump is proposing massive tax cuts for both individuals and businesses. Yet it's not clear that all Americans would benefit. The conservative Tax Foundation estimates that the bottom 80 percent of taxpayers would see their after-tax income rise from 0.8 percent to 1.9 percent. The wealthiest 1 percent would see their after-tax incomes rise at least 10.2 percent to 16 percent.

Yet Clinton may be right that Trump's proposals would increase taxes on many middle- and lower-income families. Trump's plan eliminates the personal exemption, which currently allows households to reduce their taxable income by \$4,050 for each member of the household, including children. He would replace that with higher deductions, but for many single parents and families with three or more children, the standard deduction wouldn't be large enough to offset the loss of personal exemptions.

TRUMP, asked whether his tweets directing people to check out a sex tape showed discipline: "It wasn't 'check out a sex tape."

THE FACTS: Yes it was. Trump tweeted "check out sex tape and past" of former 1996 Miss Universe Alicia Machado, a woman whom Clinton discussed in the first presidential debate as an example of Trump's derogatory comments about women.

Machado has publicly supported Clinton and criticized Trump for body-shaming her by calling her "Miss Piggy" and threatening to take away her crown for gaining weight.

The video Trump appeared to be referring to was from a Spanish reality show. In 2005, Machado, who was a contestant on the show, was filmed in bed, under the covers with a male contestant and speaking sexually about his body parts. The grainy footage doesn't show nudity, though Machado has said that she was having sex in the footage.

CLINTON: "If we repeal (Obama's health care law) as Donald has proposed, all of those benefits I have mentioned are lost to everybody...and then we will have to start all over again."

THE FACTS: Clinton is essentially correct. Congressional Republicans have promised their replacement plan for Obama's health care law would provide coverage for the uninsured, but they have not provided enough detail to allow a rigorous comparison. A complete repeal of the health care law would wipe the slate clean and lawmakers would have to start over.

Republicans have expressed support for some goals of the health care law, such as assuring that people with health problems can get coverage, but whether a GOP replacement plan would work as well remains to be seen. Trump's own plan was recently evaluated by the Commonwealth Fund and the RAND Corporation, and the analysis found would increase the number of uninsured people by about 20 million.

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Trump aide dismisses as 'quip' his threat to jail Clinton By JULIE BYKOWICZ, Associated Press



Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump speaks during the second presidential debate with Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton at Washington University in St. Louis, Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016. (AP Photo/Patrick Semansky)

Clinton deleted when she was secretary of state.

After saying people across the country were "furious" with Clinton, Trump said, "So we're going to get a special prosecutor, and we're going to look into it." He added: "It's a disgrace. And honestly, you ought to be ashamed of yourself."

On Monday, Trump's campaign manager backed off Trump's threat to throw Clinton in jail.

"That was a quip," Kellyanne Conway said on MSNBC's "Morning Joe." And on Trump's threat to appoint a special prosecutor, Conway said only that the candidate was "channeling the frustration" of voters.

Trump's remarks drew widespread and bipartisan condemnation as un-American.

Former Attorney General Eric Holder, who served under President Barack Obama, wrote on Twitter: "In the USA we do not threaten to jail political opponents. @realDonaldTrump said he would. He is promising to abuse the power of the office."

Ari Fleischer, White House press secretary under George W. Bush and a supporter of Trump, wrote: "Winning candidates don't threaten to put opponents in jail. Presidents don't threaten prosecution of individuals. Trump is wrong on this."

Trump's "jail" line was one of the most-discussed debate moments on social media during the debate. Trump's campaign seemed proud of the moment, tweeting a video clip of the exchange shortly afterward with the message, "@HillaryClinton is NOT above the law!" Tens of thousands of his followers retweeted

WASHINGTON (AP) — Donald Trump's campaign manager is dismissing as "a quip" Trump's threat to jail Hillary Clinton if he wins the presidency.

The Republican presidential nominee made the threat — an unprecedented break with U.S. political decorum — in the middle of the second presidential debate, held Sunday in St. Louis.

It came as Clinton, the Democratic nominee, said it is "awfully good that someone with the temperament of Donald Trump is not in charge of the law in our country."

Trump blasted back, "Because you'd be in jail."

That drew applause in a town hall-style debate that was supposed to be free of audience participation.

A few moments earlier, Trump had said he'd instruct his attorney general to appoint a special prosecutor who would investigate the tens of thousands of emails that

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and "liked" the tweet, with some calling it a "mic-drop" moment and the best line of the debate. The FBI and the Justice Department have closed their investigations into Clinton's use of a private email server when she was secretary of state.

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WHY IT MATTERS: Homegrown Extremism By DEB RIECHMANN and ERIC TUCKER, Associated Press



FILE - In this June 12, 2016, file photo, emergency personnel wait with stretchers at the emergency entrance to Orlando Regional Medical Center hospital for the arrival of patients from the scene of a fatal shooting at Pulse Orlando nightclub in Orlando, Fla. Radical Islamic militancy that has sustained itself for decades overseas has inspired a series of attacks on U.S. soil in the last year and a half. The culprits typically have no ties to foreign terrorist organizations, no explicit directions from overseas and no formal training, unlike the operatives of 9/11. Instead, they've blended into American society and skated beneath the radar of federal investigators grappling with a frenetic threat landscape and hundreds of investigations across the country. (AP Photo/Phelan M. Ebenhack, file)

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The bombing in Manhattan in September that injured more than two-dozen people crystallized the concerns: A handwritten journal found with Ahmad Khan Rahami, the Afghan-born U.S. citizen accused in the explosion, praised terrorists like Osama bin Laden and warned the sounds of bombs would be heard in the streets, prosecutors allege.

Before that was the Pulse nightclub massacre in Orlando, the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. history, with 49 killed. In De-

cember 2015, a husband-wife duo killed 14 people in San Bernardino, California. A July 2015 shooting at military sites in Chattanooga, Tennessee, killed four Marines and one Navy sailor.

Death counts mount. While more people die in traffic accidents, the fear of seemingly random attacks has shaken the American psyche.

Some Americans have turned inward. They think twice about attending large events. They view others suspiciously on public transit.

How can the U.S. defend itself from these jihadi-inspired homegrown attacks?

WHERE THEY STAND

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Hillary Clinton says Muslim-Americans may be the best defense against extremism in their communities. She says they can prevent young people from joining jihadis and notify law enforcement when they hear of planned attacks or suspected radicalization. Clinton would prohibit people on terrorist watch lists from being able to purchase weapons. She also wants wider use of programs to identify signs of radicalization and counter jihadi ideology, though the success of such initiatives isn't established.

Donald Trump had proposed a freeze on foreign Muslims entering the U.S., though that would have done little to stop radicalized American citizens. Now, instead, he's proposed a hold on immigration from areas of the world with a history of extremist violence against the U.S. and allies.

WHY IT MATTERS

The threat is real.

The FBI has said counterterrorism agents have open investigations across the country. Director James Comey said in May there are "north of 1,000" cases in which agents are trying to evaluate a subject's level of radicalization and potential for violence. Since late 2013, more than 110 people in about 35 judicial districts have been charged with attempting to join militants in the Middle East or with otherwise supporting the Islamic State group, according to John Carlin, head of the Justice Department's National Security Division.

The number of Americans seeking to travel to Syria to fight alongside IS has slowed to a near trickle, through that's not necessarily comforting. The Islamic State has been using social media to exhort supporters already in the U.S. to commit violence locally with guns, bombs or any easily accessible arms.

Tracking would-be jihadis is especially challenging. Even as investigators express confidence in their ability to detect and thwart a spectacular 9/11-style plot, there's simply no way to identify the untold number of Americans inspired by IS.

Its supporters need not receive training or vetting to be adopted by IS. A simple public pledge of support, as attackers in San Bernardino and Orlando did, is often sufficient.

Law enforcement has a difficult job tracking would-be militants and stopping them before they attack. But it also is tasked with taking down the network of people promoting radical Islam who quietly inspire others to violence.

The debate over how to respond is framed by those calling for more investigative powers for law enforcement and the intelligence community, on the one hand, and those trying to protect citizens' right to privacy.

This story is part of AP's "Why It Matters" series, which will examine three dozen issues at stake in the presidential election between now and Election Day. You can find them at http://apne.ws/2bBG85a

Roger Waters puts his politics center stage at Desert Trip By SANDY COHEN, AP Entertainment Writer

INDIO, Calif. (AP) — Roger Waters made his feelings about Donald Trump and Israel abundantly clear during a politically-charged performance at the Desert Trip music festival Sunday night.

The 73-year-old singer-songwriter also denounced war and addressed the Black Lives Matter movement in his 2 ¹/₂-hour set that closed out the three-day classic rock concert in Indio, California.

Waters blasted the Republican presidential candidate in music and images. Trump's face appeared on the massive video screen above the stage with the word "Charade" across it as Waters performed the Pink Floyd song "Pigs (Three Different Ones)." Subsequent images showed Trump wearing a Ku Klux Klan hood.

Meanwhile, a parade-sized balloon shaped like a pig floated above the audience. It had Trump's face painted on the side with the words "Ignorant, lying, racist, sexist pig." And in case that wasn't straightforward enough, giant letters flashed across the big screen reading "Trump is a pig."

Waters followed up with "Another Brick in the Wall (Part II)," during which 15 school-age children came onstage wearing T-shirts that read, "Derriba el muro" — Spanish for "Take down the wall."

While other Desert Trip performers mentioned the presidential election, Waters was the only one who brought up the Black Lives Matter movement in front of the overwhelmingly white audience. As he per-

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Roger Waters is joined onstage by children as he performs his song "Another Brick in the Wall" during his closing performance on day 3 of the 2016 Desert Trip music festival at Empire Polo Field on Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016, in Indio, Calif. (Photo by Chris Pizzello/Invision/AP)

formed "Us and Them," the big screen showed pictures of protest signs. "White silence is violence," read one. "I cannot believe I still have to protest this (expletive)," another said.

Waters told the crowd that he's been working with wounded warriors in Washington, D.C., and brought a young American veteran who lost his legs onstage to play lead guitar with the band on "Shine on You Crazy Diamond."

"Working with these men has been one of the most rewarding things I've ever done in my life," Waters said. He dedicated the song to all victims of war and violence.

His set also included "Time," "Money," "Wish You Were Here" and "Dark Side of the Moon."

The former Pink Floyd frontman waited until near the end of his

performance to voice his support for the Palestinian-led BDS movement, which calls for boycotts and sanctions against the Israeli government.

"I'm going to send out all of my most heartfelt love and support to all those young people on the campuses of the universities of California who are standing up for their brothers and sisters in Palestine and supporting the BDS movement," he said, "in the hope that we may encourage the government of Israel to end the occupation."

Before closing with "Vera" and "Comfortably Numb," Waters told the audience, "It's been a huge honor and a huge pleasure to be here to play for you tonight."

The Who took the stage earlier Sunday and rocked through hits from their discography for just over two hours. Frontman Roger Daltrey grinned and danced with guitarist Pete Townsend, who bantered with the audience.

"We love you for coming to see us," he said, dedicating "The Kids Are Alright" to "the young ones" in the crowd.

The Who's set also included "My Generation," with Daltrey stuttering the vocals just right, "You Better You Bet," 'Eminence Front," 'The Acid Queen" and "Pinball Wizard."

Townsend said "I Can See for Miles" was the band's first hit in the United States, back in 1967.

"Such a long (expletive) time ago," he said with a laugh. "We were 1967's version of Adele or Lady Gaga or Rihanna or Bieber."

It's been 49 years since then, but the rockers maintained their classic sound and trademark moves: Daltrey swung his microphone cord around anytime he wasn't singing, and Townsend exaggerated his windmill move as he strummed.

"Roger and I are so glad to be out here at our age," Townsend said. "And I couldn't do it without Roger."

After seeing Bob Dylan and the Rolling Stones on Friday, Neil Young and Paul McCartney on Saturday, concertgoers deemed the event a success. While there were some traffic snarls and shuttle-bus issues on Friday, things smoothed out by Sunday, and many attendees said they'd come to Desert Trip again if they liked the lineup.

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Held at the same venue where Coachella takes place each spring, Desert Trip aimed at an older and more moneyed crowd than other music festivals, earning it the nickname "Oldchella." The event repeats next weekend.

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Analysis: Backed in a corner, Trump clawed through debate By KATHLEEN HENNESSEY, Associated Press



Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump points at Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton as he speaks during the second presidential debate at Washington University in St. Louis, Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016. (Saul Loeb/Pool via AP)

declaring that, if elected, he would put her in jail.

His maneuvering spared no one— not even his Republican vice presidential nominee or his own party. "I am so disappointed in congressmen, including Republicans, for allowing this to happen," he said, criticizing GOP lawmakers for their handling of the investigation into Clinton's handling of classified email.

The performance was a vivid display of what has made Trump an unstoppable force in American politics for 15 months. The New York businessman gave voice to long marginalized complaints about Clinton and her husband. He showed he would not be cowed by the crisis or restrained by the conventional norms of civility.

Republicans hoping their badly damaged nominee might take himself out of the race were reminded they should not hold their breath.

Clinton met Trump's wrath with dismissive smiles and eye rolls. She began the debate in St. Louis quoting first lady Michelle Obama: "When they go low, you go high." When Trump repeatedly interrupted her, Clinton chose not to protest — hoping to let her opponent hang himself with his words.

But her strategy was arguably less effective than in their first outing. When the conversation turned to

WASHINGTON (AP) — It was a presidential debate, wounded animal edition.

Bleeding supporters and running out of time, Donald Trump fought and clawed his way through his second debate with Democrat Hillary Clinton. In the process, he gave his base of die-hard supporters the performance they've long wanted, but offered little for the broader audience of Americans still resistant to a Trump presidency.

In a 90-minute encounter filled with insult and interruption, Trump employed every tactic available to try to move past the campaignrocking video that had sent his bid into freefall 48 hours earlier. He showed little contrition and no restraint. He diverted attention to the sex scandals in Bill Clinton's past. He went stunningly personal, claiming to see "tremendous hate" in his opponent's heart, referring to her as "the devil" and a liar and

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taxes, Washington politics culture or Clinton's handling of classified email as secretary of state, Trump was able to land some punches and build some momentum.

"I say it all the time. She talks about health care. Why didn't she do something about it? She talks about taxes. Why didn't she do something about it?" he said. "With her, it's all talk and no action."

Trump was unapologetic about his own tax record. He acknowledged for the first time that he had avoided paying personal federal income taxes for years. Asked if he would say how many years he had avoided paying taxes, he replied, "No."

For debate watchers not primed for the battle by conservative radio and media, it was hard to see what new — on either policy or personal trust — Trump presented. His campaign was already trailing badly with women voters before the video in which he can be heard describing his predatory groping of women. Winning over those voters likely begins with a moment of uncharacteristic humility or candor.

But Trump's dismissive remarks on the episode on Sunday — "Certainly I'm not proud of it. But this is locker room talk." — changed little from the statement he gave Friday night, even though several Republican leaders deemed it insufficient then and publicly abandoned his campaign.

And, although Republican leaders have urged him not to, the candidate could not be deterred from raising the Clinton sex scandals of the 90s in his defense. With typical showmanship, he gathered three women who have accused Bill Clinton of unwanted sexual advances and sat them in the front of the town-hall style forum.

Trump offered no new policy proposals, or new fluency with issues such as health care or national security. Confronted with contradictions in his position and Indiana Gov. Mike Pence's comments on whether the U.S. should be ready to use force to protect civilians in the war in Syria, Trump bluntly rebuked his running mate.

"He and I haven't spoken, and I disagree. I disagree," Trump said.

In some respects, Trump's target audience was not average voters but Republican Party leaders, who are in the remarkable position of deliberating whether to continue spending money and time trying to elect their own nominee. It's unclear whether Trump's performance helped on that front — although no more GOP officials publicly disavowed him in the immediate aftermath of the debate.

GOP leaders weighing that decision — including calculations about Trump's impact on their prospects for holding the Senate — can be sure he won't go quietly.

Asked to name something they admire about each other as ended their sparring, Trump declared he respected Clinton perseverance. "She doesn't quit," he said.

Neither does he.

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Voters call debate 'cringe worthy,' some won't cast ballot By MICHELLE RINDELS and DAKE KANG, Associated Press

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Days after explosive revelations about Donald Trump's predatory comments about women and Hillary Clinton's closed-door speeches to banking executives, some people who watched the U.S. presidential debate Sunday night were so disgusted they said they wouldn't vote or were weighing a third-party candidate or write-in option.

"I feel that it is wrong that these are the two choices I have," said Patrick Trombetta, a Bernie Sanders supporter trying to decide between Clinton, Green Party candidate Jill Stein or writing Sanders in on the ballot.

Here are stories of voters watching the debate around the country:

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Andy Fox, 24, of Lansing, Mich., poses for a photo after watching parts of the second presidential debate while working as a server on Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016, at the Lansing Brewing Co. in Lansing. Fox said he is unlikely to vote for Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump. (AP Photo/David Eggert)

LOOKING FOR A CONSERVATIVE IN NEVADA

John Burns, 42, is a registered Republican and self-described conservative upset with his choices because he said both seem like Democrats. He took in the debate from a Las Vegas restaurant at a watch party organized by the Clark County Republican Party, where attendees howled with laughter as Trump attacked Hillary Clinton.

Raised Mormon, Burns works at a casino and uses a wheelchair after being paralyzed in a motorcycle accident. He said his disability can make it hard to get jobs, and the thought of people taking welfare benefits or abusing the system bothers him.

Burns said the 2005 video in which Trump bragged about women letting him kiss and grope them was off-the-record "locker-room banter" and thinks women can be just as bad in private.

"I think it shows a human side. I think it's the politicians who are

trying to make a political point," he said.

Burns pumped his fist as Trump described a plan to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act. His deductible went from \$500 to \$3,000, and his boss told him it was a result of the law.

But he also said he doesn't "believe Trump's conservatism. I think it's what he's saying to get himself elected."

THE VERDICT: Burns said he's "almost ready to just sit this vote out because I'm so fed up with both sides."

CRINGING IN ARIZONA

Sarah Parsons Fein, 38, of Tempe, Arizona, had one word for Sunday night's debate: "cringe-worthy." "The whole thing is just terrible for me; it's like a car accident you can't look away but you want to," said

the 38-year-old stay-at-home mom.

Fein wasn't swayed by Trump brushing off his vulgar talk about women as "locker room comments." "I think that just perpetuates rape culture," she said.

THE VERDICT: Fein plans to vote for Clinton after supporting Sanders in the Democratic primary. BACKING A DIFFERENT WOMAN IN PENNSYLVANIA

Cheyanne Dawson, 22, of West Chester, Pennsylvania, watched the debate with co-workers at a restaurant and said it didn't change her disdain for both candidates.

"They're not good representations of what we want them to be," Dawson said. Clinton "just says what people want to hear, and so does Donald Trump, but you want someone to be genuine, authentic, and I don't think either of the candidates are like that."

She is especially disappointed with Clinton because she has high expectations for the first female president — "someone you can look up to" — and thinks Clinton lies and lacks passion.

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But Dawson dismissed Trump immediately as a "social media" phenomenon with bizarre policies that "wouldn't benefit us."

THE VERDICT: She plans to vote for Stein.

DISILLUSIONED IN PENNSYLVANIA

Matthew Forsythe, 26, a freelance digital marketer and website designer, is torn between voting for what he sees as a "sad," unhinged reality TV star and a "mechanical," secretive political insider.

He watched the debate with his friend Zack Rodgers in a bar in West Chester. Rodgers, a Democrat who supported Barack Obama in 2008, is voting for Trump because he says he just can't trust Clinton. Forsythe defended her, saying fact-checkers said her statements were truthful.

Still, "there just seems like a lot of unanswered questions," Forsythe said of Clinton, particularly her email servers.

Though Forsythe thinks Trump would do better with the economy, he's worried that Trump is "lacking empathy" with other cultures.

The 2005 video in which Trump bragged about women letting him kiss and grope them because he is famous didn't faze Forsythe, who's more worried about his lack of experience.

"He's said derogatory things about people throughout his entire campaign, so one more derogatory statement that comes out is like — 'OK.' I feel desensitized to the type of rhetoric I keep hearing," Forsythe said.

THE VERDICT: Forsythe left disappointed and no closer to deciding whom to vote for.

RELUCTANT VOTER IN MICHIGAN

Andy Fox, 24, a server at Lansing Brewing Co., said he supported Sanders "to try something new" and is reluctant to vote for Clinton or Trump because "they're both criminals."

Fox watched parts of the debate during his shift in Lansing. He said it did not assuage his fear that regardless of who is elected, "something really terrible is going to happen" in the next four years.

With Clinton, he said, there will be "more wars" and with Trump, a "racial divide."

Fox credited Clinton for talking about health care, but otherwise "it's just like high school banter" between the candidates — much too personal criticism and not nearly enough policy discussion, he said.

THE VERDICT: Fox said he probably will not vote.

LISTLESS LIBERTARIAN IN COLORADO

Elliot Fladen, 36, a lawyer in suburban Denver, doesn't know if he can bring himself to choose Clinton but he says he can't vote for fellow Libertarian Gary Johnson because he's scared Trump may win.

"I've never voted for a Democrat in my life," Fladen said before the debate. "But can I sit by and let this delusional con-man Donald Trump become president? I don't think I can."

Fladen, whose wife was born in Mexico, started reviling Trump's approach to international affairs after he insulted Mexican immigrants.

Fladen frequently shook his head during the debate, laughing when Trump said he respects women. But he didn't warm to Clinton, either.

"Every time Hillary Clinton opens her mouth, half of me wants to gag and say, 'I could never vote for this person," Fladen said. "But then Trump opens his mouth, and it's like, 'Well, I guess she is the lesser of two evils."

THE VERDICT: Fladen prefers Johnson but is leaning toward Clinton to stop Trump.

BERNIE BACKER IN NORTH CAROLINA

Patrick Trombetta, 53, of Cary, is an independent who would never vote for Trump but also has trouble with Clinton.

"I just disagree with her on a lot of issues," he said. "She says a lot of the right things — I just don't know that I believe her."

Sitting in his living room, the former medical device sales manager and twin brother, Steve, were visibly disgusted by Trump's comments on several topics, including allegations of sexual misconduct against Bill Clinton.

As for Hillary Clinton, Trombetta said he was impressed with some of her answers and how she apologized

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for putting classified State Department emails on her private server. But he also felt she was hypocritical and disingenuous in other responses.

THE VERDICT: Still undecided.

WORRIED ABOUT ISLAMAPHOBIA IN WASHINGTON STATE

Irkan Abdullahi, 26, a university student, watched the debate at a civic center in Seattle where most of the crowd of around 100 people appeared to support Clinton, often cheering after her lines and laughing at Trump's claims. She said Trump doesn't respect women.

"It's ridiculous. I mean he's just saying things that he shouldn't," she said.

Abdullahi, who is Muslim, said she liked that Clinton talked about her religion.

"The things that she said really made feel good about this country and being here. When it came to Donald Trump, the things he said were very hurtful," she said.

THE VERDICT: Abdullahi will vote for Clinton.

CLINTON VOTER IN NEVADA

Jasmine Santana, 29, of Las Vegas watched the debate with her 7-year-old son. She's already decided she's going to vote for Clinton but wanted to see how Trump responded to the release of the 2005 recording.

She said it was hard to listen to, and it hit home that her son would be hearing about it and she would have to explain it to him.

She said Trump embarrassed himself in Sunday's debate.

"He wanted the heat off of him. He tried to redirect everything," said Santana, who's a medical assistant. "I think he looked like a bully."

She said she was blown away by her son's reaction and took to Facebook to share it.

"He said, 'I think Donald Trump is rude and a liar. He says he cares about Americans but he only cares himself," Santana said.

THE VERDICT: She will vote for Clinton.

THIRD-PARTY SUPPORTER LEANING TRUMP IN FLORIDA

William Martin, 21, from Tallahassee, was a Johnson supporter and was not happy about the libertarian's exclusion.

Martin watched with a group of mostly Republican supporters at a restaurant, where some chuckled when Trump said he had "great respect for women."

The crowd responded favorably when Trump said he would put Clinton "in jail" over classified State Department emails on her private server.

"I did feel like Clinton was more professional than Trump was, but some comments he made held merit. I think both had very balanced stances," Martin said.

Martin liked Trump's point about going after the Islamic State group and was interested in hearing how both candidates would handle health care and any alterations to the Affordable Care Act.

THE VERDICT: Martin is leaning toward Trump, though many of his views favor Johnson.

LOOKING FOR A LEADER IN INDIANA

Kimberly Bradford, 42, a compliance analyst in Indianapolis and a Clinton supporter, took issue with Trump's fingerpointing.

"The problem with that is when you're constantly blaming someone for something and never offering any type of solution, it makes me feel like you're not qualified," she said.

Bradford said it was "deplorable" that after Trump dismissed his crude comments about women as locker room behavior, he would "pull a stunt" of appearing with women who accused former President Bill Clinton of sexual assault or unwanted advances.

She said she wants a president who is levelheaded, and Clinton looked like a leader at the debate.

"She answered as best she could, I felt like he was taking those personal digs, and she didn't really succumb to that," Bradford said.

THE VERDICT: Bradford is voting for Clinton.

Kang reported from West Chester, Pennsylvania. Also contributing were Gary Robertson in Cary, North

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Carolina; Joe Reedy in Tallahassee, Florida; David Eggert in Royal Oak, Michigan; Michelle Rindels in Las Vegas; Kristen Wyatt in Denver; Manuel Valdes in Seattle; and Alina Hartounian and Courtney Bonnell in Phoenix.

90 minutes of fire: Trump, Clinton trade charges, insults By JULIE PACE and LISA LERER, Associated Press

ST. LOUIS (AP) — In a bitter debate filled with tension and insult, Hillary Clinton declared that Donald Trump's vulgar comments about women reveal "exactly who he is" and prove his unsuitability to be president. Firing back, he accused her of attacking women involved in Bill Clinton's extramarital affairs and promised she would "be in jail" if he were president.

Trump, who entered Sunday night's debate desperate to steady his floundering campaign, unleashed a barrage of attacks and continually interrupted Clinton. He repeatedly called her a "liar," labeled her the "devil" and contended she had "tremendous hate in her heart."

On one substantive matter, he acknowledged for the first time that he had paid no federal income taxes for many years.

The debate was the culmination of a stunning stretch in the race for the White House, which began with the release of a new video in which Trump is heard bragging about how his fame allowed him to "do anything" to women. Many Republicans rushed to revoke their support, with some calling for him to drop out of the race.



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Answering for his words for the first time, Trump denied he had ever kissed and grabbed women without their consent. He said repeatedly that his words in 2005 were merely "locker room talk" and paled in comparison to what he called Bill Clinton's abuse of women.

"She should be ashamed of herself," Trump declared. Ahead of the debate, the businessman met with three women who accused the former president of sexual harassment and even rape, then invited them to sit in the debate hall.

Bill Clinton never faced any criminal charges in relation to the allegations, and a lawsuit over an alleged rape was dismissed. He did settle a lawsuit with one of the women who claimed harassment.

On the debate stage, Clinton did not respond directly to Trump's accusations about her husband or her own role, but was blistering in her condemnation of his predatory comments about women in the tape
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released Friday.

"I think it's clear to anyone who heard him that it represents exactly who he is," she said, adding that she did not believe Trump had the "fitness to serve" as commander in chief.

The second debate was a town hall format, with several undecided voters sitting on stage with the candidates. The voters, all from the St. Louis area, were selected by Gallup.

The tension between Trump and Clinton was palpable from the start of their 90-minute debate, the second time they have faced off in the presidential campaign. They did not shake hands as they met at center stage.

Trump, who is several inches taller than Clinton, stood close behind her as she answered questions from the voters. At other times, he paced the stage, repeatedly interrupting her and criticizing the moderators.

Trump struggled at times to articulate detailed policy proposals, repeatedly dancing around questions about how he would replace President Barack Obama's health care law, a measure he has vowed to repeal. But he leveled several charges against Clinton that will likely energize his supporters, including saying she should have been criminally charged for her controversial email practices at the State Department.

In a rare public break with his running mate, Trump made clear he did not agree with Mike Pence on how to deal with war-torn Syria. Last week, Pence said the U.S. military should be ready to strike Syrian military targets that are under the command of President Bashar Assad. The threat of military action against the Russia-backed Assad government marks a departure from Trump's preference for a focus on Islamic State targets.

Said Trump, "He and I haven't spoken and I disagree."

Trump's campaign was already struggling before the new video was released, due in part to his uneven performance in the first presidential debate. Many Republicans saw Sunday's showdown as his last best chance to salvage his campaign.

It was unclear whether Trump's performance did anything to expand his support beyond his core backers. He did repeatedly cast Clinton as a career politician who had accomplished little during her years in Washington and would be incapable of bringing about change, one of his strongest arguments in a campaign that has highlighted American's deep frustration.

"With her, it's all talk and no action," Trump said.

The new revelations about Trump overshadowed potentially damaging revelations about Clinton's paid speeches to Wall Street firms. Emails released by WikiLeaks last week showed Clinton told a group that it's acceptable for a president to project differing positions in public and private.

Asked in the debate whether that's "two-faced," Clinton pointed to Abraham Lincoln, saying he did whatever he could to get the 13th Amendment passed, allowing emancipation of the slaves, by lawmakers who did not support African-American equality.

"I was making the point it is hard sometimes to get the Congress to do what you want them to do. That was a great display of presidential leadership."

Rolling his eyes, Trump said, "Now she's blaming the late, great Abraham Lincoln."

The political firestorm that preceded the debate was sparked by a video obtained and released Friday by The Washington Post and NBC News. In the video, Trump, who was married to his current wife at the time, is heard describing attempts to have sex with a married woman. He also brags to Billy Bush of "Access Hollywood" about women letting him kiss them and grab their genitals because he is famous.

Trump used the revelations as an opening to make good on his repeated promises to throw Bill Clinton's sexual history into the center of his campaign against his wife. Less than two hours before the debate, he brazenly met publicly in a hotel conference room with three women — Paula Jones, Juanita Broaddrick and Kathleen Willey — who have accused Bill Clinton of unwanted sexual advances and even rape. Kathy Shelton, a fourth woman who appeared with Trump, was a 12-year-old Arkansas sexual assault victim whose alleged assailant was defended by Hillary Clinton.

Trump refused to answer questions from reporters about his own aggressive sexual remarks about women during the meeting.

In the heated debate's final moments, the candidates briefly put aside their animosity when asked by a

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voter if they respected anything about each other.

Clinton said she respected Trump's children, calling them "incredibly able and devoted."

Trump, as if pulling a line directly from the Clinton campaign, called his Democratic opponent a "fighter." "She doesn't quit, she doesn't give up," he said. "I respect that."

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NBC suspends Billy Bush for role on Trump tape By DAVID BAUDER, AP Television Writer



In this Sept. 26, 2016 photo released by NBC, co-host Billy Bush appears on the "Today" show in New York. Bush says he's "embarrassed and ashamed" by a 2005 conversation he had with Donald Trump in which Trump made lewd comments about women. Bush, then a host of the entertainment news show "Access Hollywood," was chatting with Trump as the businessman waited to make a cameo appearance on a soap opera. In a statement Friday, Oct. 7, Bush says he was younger and less mature when the incident occurred, adding that he "acted foolishly in playing along." (Peter Kramer/NBC via AP)

hug Trump.

Bush, 44, has been brutalized on his own Facebook page since the tape surfaced. Hundreds of hostile comments were attached to Bush's last posting Friday — of him distributing a plate of bacon to "Today" viewers outside of the show's studio. "You are sickening!" one woman wrote, in a comment that nearly

NEW YORK (AP) — NBC on Sunday suspended "Today" show personality Billy Bush indefinitely after he was caught on a videotape from 2005 in a crude conversation about women with Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump.

"Today" Executive Producer Noah Oppenheim said in a memo Sunday that "there is simply no excuse for Billy's language and behavior on that tape." Bush, who hosts the third hour of the "Today" show, has been suspended "pending further review of the matter," Oppenheim said.

NBC announced its decision two days after the videotape from the "Access Hollywood" archives surfaced. Bush was a host for that show in 2005, and he was taped in a hot-mic discussion with Trump when the future presidential nominee was on a Hollywood set to make an appearance on a soap opera.

On the tape, Trump brags about kissing, groping and trying to have sex with women who were not his wife. Bush joins in, laughing at some of Trump's comments and later encouraging an actress to

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5,000 had "liked" through Sunday afternoon.

Angering women viewers of a show as important to NBC's bottom line as "Today" is no small matter. Many viewers upset by 2012's messy dumping of Ann Curry as "Today" host took it out on colleague Matt Lauer; the show's ratings still haven't recovered. Women make up the majority of "Today" viewers, particularly in the last two hours.

Bush has only been at "Today" for two months, where he's had a rocky start. He was the reporter to whom American swimmer Ryan Lochte lied about being robbed at the Olympics. When Bush later tried to defend Lochte on "Today," he was dressed down by colleague Al Roker.

The "Access Hollywood" tape was an embarrassment on multiple levels for NBC News. The news division for days had been aware of the tape from the NBC-owned entertainment show, but was scooped by The Washington Post on Friday when the newspaper was tipped off about its existence and got a story out within hours.

Bush issued a statement Friday apologizing for his actions.

The tape showed Bush and Trump speaking as the Republican was about to appear on the daytime drama "Days of Our Lives." From the bus they had ridden to the set, Bush pointed out to Trump an actress, Arianne Zucker, who was there to greet them.

Bush called the actress "hot," adding an expletive.

"I've gotta use some Tic Tacs, just in case I start kissing her," Trump said. "You know, I'm automatically attracted to beautiful ... I just start kissing them. It's like a magnet. Just kiss. I don't even wait. And when you're a star, they let you do it. You can do anything."

"Grab them by the p----. You can do anything," Trump added.

After getting off the bus, Bush asks the actress to hug Trump, then adds, "How about a little hug for the Bushy?"

The married father of three is the nephew of former President George H.W. Bush.

Matthew's punch still delivers pain to North Carolina By MARTHA WAGGONER and ALLEN BREED, Associated Press

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. (AP) — Hurricane Matthew is gone, but the disaster its rains unleashed will slowly unfold all this week as rivers across eastern North Carolina rise to levels unseen since many of the same areas were destroyed by a similar deluge from Hurricane Floyd in 1999.

Emergency planners are now using models that can pinpoint exactly how high the rivers can get and which buildings will be flooded days in advance. But they can't predict dams and levees breaking from the stress of more than a foot of rain in some places.

In Lumberton, a levee broke overnight and crews were scrambling to rescue 1,500 people. Most of them were in knee deep water, but there were people on rooftops waiting for boats or helicopters, North Carolina Gov. Pat McCrory said.

Evacuations were being ordered in cities along three different rivers. Some rivers were expected to be at record levels Friday — six days after Matthew's rains ended.

State resources are being stretched to their limit, and McCrory told the thousands of people being told to leave as rivers rise to heed the warnings.

"If you've been told to evacuate, then evacuate. If you don't we have to divert resources to the area to save you," the governor said Monday.

Immediately after Saturday's rains, thousands of people found themselves suddenly trapped in homes and cars during the torrential rains. Rescuers in Coast Guard helicopters plucked some of them from rooftops and used military vehicles to reach others, including a woman who held on to a tree for three hours after her car was overrun by flood waters.

The storm killed more than 500 people in Haiti and at least 21 in the U.S. — nearly half of them in North Carolina. Most were swept away by flood waters.

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McCrory and others fear the death toll may rise as impatient people drive around road barricades into swiftly moving floodwaters.

The National Hurricane Center issued its last advisory on Matthew at 5 p.m. Sunday when the storm was about 200 miles off the North Carolina coast.

Princeville, a town of 2,000 that disappeared in the waters of the Tar River during Floyd, was evacuated Sunday. The river was expected to rise to 17 feet above flood stage by late Monday — a level not seen since Floyd, which was another storm whose eve brushed by North Carolina's coast but poured 15 to 20 inches of rain inland.

McCrory expected more evacuations as some rivers were predicted to crest next Friday.

David Bullock's sister called him



Abandoned cars sit in flood waters on Atlantic Avenue near Crabtree Creek in Raleigh, N.C., after Hurricane Matthew caused downed trees and flooding Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016. Hurricane Matthew's torrential rains triggered severe flooding in North Carolina on Sunday as the deteriorating storm made its exit to the sea, and thousands of people had to be rescued from their homes and cars. (Travis Long/The News & Observer via AP)

as he bought lottery tickets to tell him police were knocking on doors in Princeville saying they had to go. He rebuilt his home after the 1999 flood.

"If I get flooded again, I can't take it. I can't go back and take the expense. If I get flooded again I'm going to say, 'It's yours, I'm gone,''' Bullock said. Several sections of Interstate 95 — the main artery linking the East Coast from Florida to Maine — were

closed in North Carolina.

The levee break in Lumberton County poured even more water on the interstate and McCrory said it is impossible to determine when the highway might reopen.

The Lumber River in Lumberton crested 4 feet above its record level Sunday afternoon and was forecast to remain above its previous record until at least next Saturday.

In addition to the 10 deaths in North Carolina, there were four in Florida and three each in Georgia and South Carolina. One death was reported in Virginia on Monday.

Some were killed by falling trees, others by carbon monoxide fumes from a generator. One 66-yearold man near Columbia, South Carolina, died at a nursing facility when he got pinned under his electric wheelchair in water.

Nearly 1 million homes and businesses still did not have power Monday morning in North Carolina and South Carolina. Authorities in coastal Georgia and South Carolina warned residents it may take days or even weeks to restore electricity and clean up all the debris left behind by the winds and ocean flooding.

Matthew killed more than 500 people in Haiti last week, plowing into the desperately poor country at 145 mph. The fearsome storm then sideswiped hundreds of miles of the U.S. coastline from Florida through Georgia and the Carolinas, its eye staying far enough offshore that the damage in many places along the coast was relatively modest, consisting mostly of flooded streets, flattened trees and blown-down signs and awnings. A shift of just 20 or 30 miles could have meant widespread devastation nearer the ocean.

An estimated 2 million people in the Southeast were ordered to evacuate their homes as Matthew closed in.

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Waggoner reported from Raleigh, North Carolina. Associated Press writers Jonathan Drew in Raleigh; Jeffrey Collins and Jack Jones in Columbia, South Carolina; Russ Bynum in Savannah, Georgia; and Terrance Harris in Daytona Beach, Florida; contributed to this report.

Hart, Holmstrom share economics Nobel for contract theory By KARL RITTER, Associated Press



FILE - In this Nov. 2, 2015 file photo, Finnish Professor Bengt Holmstrom of Massachusetts Institute of Technology attends a business seminar in Helsinki, Finland. Bengt Holmstrom and Oliver Hart on Monday Oct. 10, 2016, win the Nobel Memorial Prize in economic sciences. (Jussi Nukari/Lehtikuva via AP, File) FINLAND OUT

STOCKHOLM (AP) — Two U.S.based professors won the Nobel prize in economics on Monday for studying how to best design contracts, work that sheds light on when it makes sense to give a CEO a bonus or privatize public services like schools, hospitals and prisons.

British-born Oliver Hart of Harvard University and Finnish economist Bengt Holmstrom of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Finland will share the 8 million kronor (\$930,000) award for their contributions to contract theory.

That's a field of research that deals with incentives and risks involved in contracts drawn up between companies and employees, banks and lenders or insurance agents and their customers.

In research in the 1970s, '80s and '90s, Hart and Holmstrom created "new theoretical tools" that shed light on how contracts help people and companies deal with conflicting interests and the "po-

tential pitfalls" that occur when contracts are poorly designed, the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences said. "These kinds of insights into how we should design contracts are very important because we don't want to give the wrong incentives to people," said Nobel committee member Tomas Sjostrom. "We don't want to reward them for things that they were not responsible for. We want to reward the right thing."

Hart, 68, is a London-born U.S. citizen who has taught at Harvard since 1993. Holmstrom, 67, is an academic from Finland who used to serve on the board of the country's mobile phone company Nokia. Speaking to reporters in Stockholm by telephone, Holmstrom said he felt very lucky and grateful.

"I certainly did not expect it, at least at this time, so I was very surprised and very happy, of course," he said.

In the 1970s Holmstrom showed how a principal, for example a company's shareholders, should design an optimal contract for an agent, like the CEO. His "informativeness principle" showed how the contract should link the agent's pay to information relevant to his or her performance, carefully weighing risks against incentives, the academy said.

Pay packages, for example, should avoid holding CEOs responsible — or rewarding them — for events beyond their control.

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"You don't want to reward the CEO because the S&P 500 (stock index) has gone up 20 percent," said Patrick Bolton of Columbia University's School of Business, who studied under Hart and has written a textbook on the economics of contracts. "You want to reward the CEO when his company outperforms the S&P."

Bolton described Hart has a rigorous but open-minded thinker who challenges his students' ideas: "He's very determined to think for himself. He will not let go until he is persuaded, but he can be persuaded."

Holmstrom said his incentive to study contract theory came before he was an academic, when he was working for a company in the 1970s that tried to use computers to figure how to make strategic plans.

"That's when I realized that the issue wasn't really about the difficulty of coming up with the best plans," he said. "The bigger issue was also to create incentives for people to give the right information that is needed for these plans and incentivize them in general."

Hart made fundamental contributions to a new branch of contract theory in the mid-1980s. His findings on "incomplete contracts" shed new light on the ownership and control of businesses, the academy said.

"His research provides us with theoretical tools for studying questions such as which kinds of companies should merge, the proper mix of debt and equity financing, and which institutions such as schools or prisons ought to be privately or publicly owned," the academy said.

It cited a 1997 article co-authored by Hart which highlighted how private contractors have stronger incentives for investing in both quality and cost reduction. The authors argued that the incentives for cost reduction sometimes is too strong, and expressed particular concern about privately-run prisons, the academy said.

The U.S. Department of Justice recently decided to stop using private prisons after a report showed the conditions are worse than in government-run prisons.

Pennsylvania State University economist Ran Shorrer, who taught contract theory as a graduate student at Harvard, said Hart and Holmstrom have had a huge influence on the way corporations decide to pay executives.

"Any modern compensation scheme is informed by their work," he said.

The economics prize is not an original Nobel Prize. Formally called the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences, it was added to the others in 1968 by Sweden's central bank.

The Nobel Prizes in medicine, physics, chemistry and the Nobel Peace Prize were announced last week. This year's Nobel announcements will finish Thursday with the literature award.

Each award is worth 8 million kronor, or about \$930,000. The laureates will collect them on Dec. 10, the anniversary of prize founder Alfred Nobel's death in 1896.

Associated Press writers Keith Moore in Stockholm and Paul Wiseman in Washington contributed to this report.

Amid attacks on Syria's Aleppo, medics plead for access By PHILIP ISSA, Associated Press

BEIRUT (AP) — Doctors Without Borders pleaded on Monday for access to treat the wounded in the rebel-held part of Syria's Aleppo as government forces pressed on with an offensive to retake the eastern part of the embattled city.

The international charity, which supports eight hospitals in Aleppo's besieged eastern quarters, said that only 35 doctors remain in the area, serving an estimated population of 275,000.

The organization, also known by its French acronym MSF, said in a statement that the medical workers in Aleppo are exhausted and that the overstretched facilities face an impending fuel shortage.

Eastern Aleppo's Health Directorate said the wounded were sleeping outside overcrowded hospitals, waiting for care.

Syrian government forces and their allies have kept eastern Aleppo under siege since July. The U.N. has warned that the Aleppo bombardment by Syrian and Russian warplanes could leave thousands dead by

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the year's end, and aid officials are demanding an immediate pause to the violence.

"Russia and Syria must stop the indiscriminate bombing now and abide by the rules of war to avoid the extreme suffering of the unprotected civilian population," said Pablo Marco, MSF's operations manager for the Middle East.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, an activist network which monitors the conflict through local contacts, reported heavy fighting between Syrian rebels and pro-government forces along the east-west Aleppo front lines. Another activist-run group, the Local Coordination Committees, said rebels were fighting to push government forces away from the city's largest water facility, which serves over a million people.

The U.N. Security Council is deadlocked over how to respond to the Aleppo crisis, with Russia Saturday vetoing a French-drafted resolution demanding an immediate halt to Russian and Syrian airstrikes and the rest of the council voting down a Russian resolution calling on the evacuation of opposition fighters.

It was Russia's fifth veto of a Western-backed resolution aimed at ending the 5-1/2 year long Syria conflict. Moscow has been a key backer of Syrian President Bashar Assad.

Russia and Syria's government have both endorsed a proposal by U.N. envoy Staffan de Mistura to evacuate Al-Qaida-linked militants from east Aleppo while skirting around the reciprocal part of the proposal, to abide by a cease-fire for the besieged area.

An official at Syria's Foreign Ministry said the government would ensure the safety of any civilians or militants who desire to evacuate, saying gunmen could take their personal weapons and relocate to other rebel areas. The official spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity in line with ministry regulations.

The Czech Republic meanwhile dispatched a plane with medical aid to the Syrian Arab Red Crescent. The Czech Republic has coordinated aid deliveries directly with the Syrian government, while other Western nations have worked through third parties. The Czechs pledged earlier this year to provide aid worth some \$8 million to Syria until 2019.

Elsewhere in Syria, the Observatory said Monday that Syrian pro-government forces recaptured two towns north of the central city of Hama in a counteroffensive aimed at reversing a string of losses to ultraconservative rebels in the region.

After weeks of rebel advances outside the central city, which appeared aimed at severing the government's supply lines between Damascus and Aleppo, the rebel coalition dissolved into infighting over the fate of the extremist Jund al-Aqsa group, paving the way for the government advance.

Jund al-Aqsa is considered by rebels and the opposition as more extreme than even the al-Qaida-linked rebel faction in Syria, the Fatah al-Sham Front, which was previously known as the Nusra Front. On Sunday, Jund al-Aqsa agreed to merge itself into Fatah al-Sham as a way to defuse the conflict.

Associated Press writers Albert Aji in Damascus, Syria, and Karen Janicek in Prague, Czech Republic contributed to this report.

Missiles fired from rebel-held Yemen land near US destroyer By JON GAMBRELL, Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Two missiles fired from rebel-held territory in Yemen landed near an American destroyer in the Red Sea, the U.S. Navy said Monday, the second such launch targeting ships in the crucial international waterway in recent days.

The missile launches Sunday came as a ballistic missile fired from Yemen apparently targeted a Saudi air base near the Muslim holy city of Mecca, the deepest strike yet into the kingdom by Shiite rebels and their allies.

Yemen's Shiite rebels known as Houthis and their allies offered no reason for the launches, though they came after a Saudi-led airstrike targeting a funeral in Yemen's capital killed over 140 people and wounded 525 on Saturday.

In a statement, the Navy said no American sailors were injured and no damage was done to the USS Mason, an Arleigh Burke class of guided missile destroyer whose home port is Norfolk, Virginia. Lt. Ian Mc-

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Connaughey, a spokesman for U.S. Navy Forces Central Command, said that it's unclear if the USS Mason was specifically targeted, though the missiles were fired in its direction over an hour's time period, starting at around 7 p.m.

An American defense official said the USS Mason used onboard defensive measures after the first missile was fired, but it wasn't clear if that caused the missile to splash harmlessly into the sea. The destroyer at the time of the missile fire was north of the Bab el-Mandeb Strait, which serves as a gateway for oil tankers headed to Europe through the Suez Canal, the official said.

The official spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss details of the incident that haven't been made public.

However, the Houthi-controlled

SABA news agency of Yemen guoted an anonymous army official denying its forces fired on the USS Mason, without elaborating.

Last week, an Emirati-leased Swift boat came under rocket fire near the same area and sustained serious damage. The United Arab Emirates described the vessel as carrying humanitarian aid and having a crew of civilians, while the Houthis called the boat a warship.

U.S. Navy officials declined to immediately discuss what kind of rockets were used in the USS Mason incident.

Analysts with the Washington Institute for Near East Policy suggested in a report that the Houthis may have targeted the Emirati ship with an Iranian anti-shipping cruise missile, based on purported video of the attack.

Shiite power Iran has supported the Houthis, but denied supplying them with weapons. Any Iranian involvement could stoke tension between the Islamic Republic and the U.S., which already have had a series of tense naval encounters since the nuclear deal with world powers.

Meanwhile, Saudi state television aired a brief clip of what appeared to be a projectile that was said to have landed in Taif in the ballistic missile attack. The video shows the flash of an explosion, followed by images of emergency vehicles. Taif is home to Saudi Arabia's King Fahd Air Base, which hosts U.S. military personnel training the kingdom's armed forces.

The Saudi military said the missile fired late Saturday night was intercepted and caused no damage. The U.S. military's Central Command, which oversees troops in the Middle East, did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Al-Masirah, a satellite news channel run by Yemen's Shiite rebels known as the Houthis, identified the missile as a local variant of a Soviet-era Scud missile. It said the Volcano-1 missile targeted the air base.

The Houthis have fired a series of ballistic missiles in Saudi Arabia since a kingdom-led coalition of Arab countries has launched an offensive against them in Yemen in March 2015. Most of those ballistic missiles have hit areas far closer to Saudi Arabia's border with Yemen, like an attack Friday night that targeted the southwestern city of Khamis Mushait.

FILE- In this Saturday, March 12, 2011 file photo, U.S. destroyer USS Mason sails in the Suez canal in Ismailia, Egypt.

Two missiles fired from rebel-held territory in Yemen landed near an American destroyer passing by in the Red Sea, the U.S. Navy said on Monday, Oct. 10, 2016. (AP Photo/File)



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In the Taif attack, however, the missile struck a target more than 520 kilometers (325 miles) from the border. Taif also is just outside of Mecca, which is home to the cube-shaped Kaaba that all of the world's Muslims pray toward.

The Saudi military also said it earlier intercepted another ballistic missile fired Sunday on the Yemeni city of Marib.

The Houthis gave no reason for their targeting of Taif, but it comes after a Saudi-led airstrike Saturday targeting a funeral in Yemen's capital, Sanaa. On Sunday, thousands marched through the streets of Sanaa to protest the strike, one of the deadliest single attacks in the impoverished Arab country's relentless civil war.

The Saudi Foreign Ministry said its U.N. mission sent a letter on Sunday to the Security Council, expressing the kingdom's "deep regret of the reported attack" on the funeral. Saudi officials have promised to investigate the bombing.

Yemen's war is largely overshadowed by the conflict against the Islamic State group elsewhere in the Middle East, though rights groups have mounted increased criticism of the Saudi-led airstrikes in recent months for killing civilians. The U.N. and rights groups estimate the conflict has killed at least 9,000 people and displaced nearly 3 million more.

Associated Press writers Maggie Michael in Sanaa, Yemen, and Lolita C. Baldor in Washington contributed to this report.

This story has been corrected to show that the missile fire happened in the Red Sea, not the Persian Gulf.

Brady ready to take out "Deflategate" frustrations on league By BARRY WILNER, AP Pro Football Writer



CLEVELAND (AP) — The NFL had its chance to damage the Patriots while Tom Brady sat out his "Deflategate" suspension. Now it's New England's turn to punish the rest of the league.

Sure, Brady's return — 406 yards passing, three touchdowns to Martellus Bennett, a 33-13 romp — came against the only winless team, the spiraling, injury-ravaged Browns. Still, you got the feeling had Brady thrown for five scores, a reasonable possibility Sunday, he would have been spelling out R-O-G-E-R for each of them.

You also get the feeling Brady might throw for multiple touchdowns every time out as he makes up for lost time.

Not that he will admit that Commissioner Roger Goodell provided extra motivation for the four-time Super Bowl champion and twotime league MVP with the four-game ban.

"This isn't a time for me to reflect," Brady said. "There's no point at looking back at anything. Whether we won Super Bowls or lost championship games or the last four weeks, none of it matters. I've just moved on, man."

He moves on to Cincinnati, another reeling team with a suspect

New England Patriots' Tom Brady warms up before an NFL football game against the Cleveland Browns Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016, in Cleveland. (AP Photo/David Richard)

defense after being plundered by Dallas. In Brady's mind, he'll get even sharper than he was at Cleveland. It's a fair point because after a dominant first half, there was some slippage in the final

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period and a half he played.

"I think there was plenty of rust out there," Brady said. "I could do better in a lot of areas. I think it was a good win today. It was one game, and like I said, 4-1 is a good point to be at for us. We have a long road ahead, so we have to stay focused."

The more Brady is focused and the healthier the Patriots (4-1) get, the more unenviable it will become taking on New England. On offense, he has as many weapons as ever in 2015 All-Pro tight end Rob Gronkowski and his sidekick at the position, Bennett; Julian Edelman, Brady's favorite target; and Danny Amendola, not a bad fourth option at all.

The running game isn't so formidable, but it isn't a debit if LaGarrette Blount can stay healthy, allowing James White to be a role player and third-down back.

Consider that the offensive line has been a jumble, yet New England leads an AFC East filled with mediocre or bad teams. Also consider that the defense, despite showing some leaks in the secondary, has been pretty effective.

It's certainly tiresome for the other 31 NFL locales to hear, but getting anywhere near the Lombardi Trophy will require knocking off New England. With a ticked-off Brady at the helm.

"It's super great. He's our leader. He's our guy," Gronkowski said. "He came out here on fire and we did what we had to do all week as an offense as a whole. It was awesome. He's our leader."

Then Gronk the wordsmith really put things in perspective: "Everyone was intense today. Everyone was amped up. Tom always brings the ampness to the table."

Even though he will never say it, Brady will bring that "ampness," an extra edge to each game this year. It might not even be needed against the likes of the Jets, Dolphins and Bengals in an AFC that looks weaker by the week. Or against San Francisco.

But there are some challenges ahead: at Pittsburgh, Buffalo and Denver, home for Seattle and Baltimore, a team that tends to play New England tough.

Brady, of course, insists that he not only isn't looking back, he's not interested in the future docket, other than the Bengals next Sunday. His coach's mantra registers when Brady speaks in public, even if it rings hollow when you see Brady in action on the field.

There's no question he was extra pumped for his return. There should be no question, despite the verbiage, that he will be equally revved up forever to overshadow the suspicions of cheating sparked by "Deflategate."

"I want to do the best job I can for the city, for all of New England and for my team base and my family," he said. "With all of these players, you put a lot into it, and there's a lot that goes in, you have to make certain choices in your life in order to play this game. You need a lot of support from your family and friends to do that.

"I love running out in front of 70,000 people that are cheering for us. I love running out to 20,000 fans that are cheering for us and 50,000 are against us. We're just going to run out and play. If I have a chance to run out and play, I'm going to do it."

AP NFL website: http://www.pro32.ap.org and AP NFL coverage on Twitter: http://www.twitter.com/AP_NFL

10 Things to Know for Monday By The Associated Press

Your daily look at late-breaking news, upcoming events and the stories that will be talked about Monday: 1. TRUMP MEETS PUBLICLY WITH BILL CLINTON ACCUSERS AHEAD OF DEBATE

The Trump pre-debate event was the clearest sign yet that he planned to use the former president's sexual history to try to distract from the swirling controversy over his own predatory remarks about women. 2. THOUSANDS TRAPPED AS HURRICANE MATTHEW HITS NORTH CAROLINA

Rescuers in Coast Guard helicopters plucked some of them from rooftops and used military vehicles to reach others, including a woman who held on to a tree for three hours after her car was overrun by flood

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Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump, left, listens as Kathy Shelton makes remarks before the second presidential debate with democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton at Washington University, Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016, in St. Louis. (AP Photo/ Evan Vucci)

waters.

3. HOW HAITIANS ARE COPING WITH HURRICANE DEVASTATION

With the dead numbering in the hundreds, survivors put on their Sunday finest and picked their way through downed power lines to sing praise and pray in ruined churches.

4. FATHER OF SUSPECT IN OFFI-CERS' SLAYING SAYS SON WAS 'ACT-ING CRAZY'

In the minutes before three Palm Springs officers were shot, A neighbor says John Felix's father said his son was armed, "acting crazy" and wanted to shoot police.

5. WHAT A POLL FOUND ABOUT YOUNG AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND DISCRIMINATION

Almost half of young African-Americans say they've experienced racial discrimination looking for a job and while on the job, according to a Gen-Forward survey.

6. US TROOPS INCREASE IRAQ PRESENCE AHEAD OF MOSUL ASSAULT

The assault on Iraq's second largest city is bringing American forces into their most significant role in the country in years, in terms of numbers and presence on the front lines.

7. POPE NAMES 17 NEW CARDINALS, SENDS US CHURCH A MESSAGE

Three of the cardinals were Americans in a clear signal to the conservative U.S. church hierarchy that Francis wants moderate pastors at the helm of the U.S. church.

8. PALESTINIAN MILITANT KILLS 2 IN DRIVE-BY SHOOTING AT ISRAELI POLICE HEADQUARTERS

The attack, carried out in broad daylight by a member of the Hamas militant group with a long police record, was one of the bloodiest during a yearlong spate of Palestinian assaults.

9. WHO WILL RECEIVE THE COLOMBIAN PRESIDENT'S NOBEL PEACE PRIZE MONEY

Juan Manuel Santos says he'll donate almost \$1 million in prize money to the victims of Colombia's halfcentury conflict.

10. TOM BRADY PASSES FOR 406 YARDS IN RETURN FOR PATRIOTS

New England's star quarterback waved and smiled before heading into the locker room and celebrating with his teammates after the victory over the Cleveland Browns.

18 killed in PKK car bomb in southeast Turkey; 27 wounded By CINAR KIPER, Associated Press

ISTANBUL (AP) — Kurdish militants detonated a car bomb Sunday outside a military checkpoint in southeast Turkey, killing ten soldiers and eight civilians, the prime minister said. Turkey immediately launched a military operation against the rebels in response.

Prime Minister Binali Yildirim gave the death toll during a press conference in Istanbul and condemned the attack.

"For the stability of our country, we will continue doing everything we can to save our homeland and our nation from the forces of terrorism," he said.

Cuneyit Orhan Toprak, governor of Hakkari province where the attack took place, told that private

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news channel NTV that 27 others wounded in the attack were rushed to nearby hospitals for treatment. Eleven of them were soldiers, the Turkish military said.

Turkey's state-run Anadolu Agency, citing a statement by the Turkish Armed Forces, said the attack occurred at 9:45 a.m. outside a Gendarmerie checkpoint on the Semdinli-Yuksekova highway and was the work of the Kurdistan Workers' Party, or PKK. The checkpoint is 20 kilometers (12 miles) from the town of Semdinli.

Toprak said the attackers first opened fire on the soldiers at the checkpoint to distract them before driving up a minivan containing about 5 tons of explosives and detonating it. The explosion produced a crater 15 meters (50 feet) wide and 7 meters (23 feet) deep. An infantry station located behind the checkpoint also suffered heavy damage.

Turkish authorities imposed a

temporary blackout on coverage of the attack, citing public order and national security reasons.

Energy Minister Berat Albayrak condemned the attack during a speech in Istanbul.

"I would like to remind all friendly countries that there is great need to take a common stance and display solidarity against terrorism," he said.

White House National Security Council spokesperson Ned Price condemned the attack on the military checkpoint, calling it "just the latest in a deeply concerning trend of increasing violence by the PKK."

"We remain steadfast in our support for our NATO ally, Turkey, and reaffirm our commitment to continue working together to defeat all forms of terrorism," Price said in a statement released Sunday night.

Turkey has been rocked by a wave of bomb attacks since last summer that have killed hundreds of people and been blamed on either the PKK or the Islamic State group.

Fighting between the PKK and the state security forces resumed last year after the collapse of a fragile 2 ¹/₂-year cease-fire. Since then, more than 600 Turkish security personnel and thousands of PKK militants have been killed in clashes, according to the Anadolu Agency.

Rights groups say hundreds of civilians have also been killed in the fighting.

Today in History By The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Monday, Oct. 10, the 284th day of 2016. There are 82 days left in the year. This is Columbus Day in the United States, as well as Thanksgiving Day in Canada.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 10, 1966, the Beach Boys' single "Good Vibrations" by Brian Wilson and Mike Love was released



Smokes rise after Kurdish militants detonated a car bomb outside a military station in Semdinli near the border with Iraq, Turkey, Sunday, Oct. 9, 2016. The Anadolu Agency, citing a statement by the Turkish Armed Forces, said the attack outside a Gendarmerie station on the Semdinli-Yuksekova highway was the work of the Kurdistan Workers' Party, or PKK. (IHA via AP)

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by Capitol Records.

On this date:

In A.D. 19, Roman general Germanicus Julius Caesar, 33, died in Antioch under mysterious circumstances, possibly from poisoning.

In 1845, the U.S. Naval Academy was established in Annapolis, Maryland.

In 1913, the Panama Canal was effectively completed as President Woodrow Wilson sent a signal from the White House by telegraph, setting off explosives that destroyed a section of the Gamboa dike.

In 1935, the George Gershwin opera "Porgy and Bess," featuring an all-black cast, opened on Broadway, where it ran for 124 performances.

In 1938, Nazi Germany completed its annexation of Czechoslovakia's Sudetenland (soo-DAYT'-uhn-land). In 1943, Chiang Kai-shek took the oath of office as president of China.

In 1956, the New York Yankees won the World Series, defeating the Brooklyn Dodgers, 9-0, in Game 7 at Ebbets Field.

In 1967, the Outer Space Treaty, prohibiting the placing of weapons of mass destruction on the moon or elsewhere in space, entered into force.

In 1973, Vice President Spiro T. Agnew, accused of accepting bribes, pleaded no contest to one count of federal income tax evasion, and resigned his office.

In 1985, U.S. fighter jets forced an Egyptian plane carrying the hijackers of the Italian cruise ship Achille Lauro (ah-KEE'-leh LOW'-roh) to land in Italy, where the gunmen were taken into custody. Actor-director Orson Welles died in Los Angeles at age 70; actor Yul Brynner died in New York at age 65.

In 1997, the International Campaign to Ban Landmines and its coordinator, Jody Williams, were named winners of the Nobel Peace Prize.

In 2005, Angela Merkel struck a power-sharing deal that made her the first woman and politician from the ex-communist east to serve as Germany's chancellor.

Ten years ago: The Bush administration rejected anew direct talks with North Korea in the wake of the communist country's nuclear test, and suggested it was possible the test was something less than it appeared.

Five years ago: Christopher Sims and Thomas Sargent of the United States won the Nobel Prize in economics. NBA Commissioner David Stern canceled the first two weeks of the season after owners and players were unable to reach a new labor deal and end a lockout. Albert Pujols had one of the biggest postseason nights of his career in Game 2 of the NL championship series, going 4 for 5 with a home run, three doubles and five RBIs as the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Milwaukee Brewers 12-3 to even the series at 1-1. Nelson Cruz hit the first game-ending grand slam in postseason history, lifting the Texas Rangers over the Detroit Tigers 7-3 in 11 innings for a 2-0 lead in the AL championship series.

One year ago: Twin bombings in Ankara killed 103 people at a peace rally in the worst terror attack in Turkey's modern history. Jerry Parr, the Secret Service agent credited with saving President Ronald Reagan's life on the day he was shot outside a Washington hotel, died at age 85.

Today's Birthdays: Former Illinois Sen. Adlai Stevenson III is 86. Actor Peter Coyote is 75. Entertainer Ben Vereen is 70. Singer John Prine is 70. Actor Charles Dance is 70. Rock singer-musician Cyril Neville (The Neville Brothers) is 68. Actress Jessica Harper is 67. Author Nora Roberts (aka "J.D. Robb") is 66. Singer-musician Midge Ure is 63. Rock singer David Lee Roth is 62. Actor J. Eddie Peck is 58. Country singer Tanya Tucker is 58. Actress Julia Sweeney is 57. Actor Bradley Whitford is 57. Musician Martin Kemp is 55. Actress Jodi Benson is 55. Rock musician Jim Glennie (James) is 53. Actress Rebecca Pidgeon is 51. Rock musician Mike Malinin (mah-LIHN'-ihn) (Goo Goo Dolls) is 49. Retired NFL quarterback Brett Favre is 47. Actor Manu Bennett is 47. Actress Joelle Carter is 47. Actress Wendi McLendon-Covey is 47. Actor/TV host Mario Lopez is 43. Race driver Dale Earnhardt Jr. is 42. Actress Jodi Lyn O'Keefe is 38. Singer Mya is 37. Actor Dan Stevens is 34. Singer Cherie is 32. Actress Rose McIver is 28. Actress Aimee Teegarden is 27.

Thought for Today: "I have a strong moral sense — by my standards." — Rex Stout, American writer (1886-1975).