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Monday, Oct. 31

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

School Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Chicken sandwich, baked chips, carrots and dip, fruit.
Senior Menu: Hamburger steak with braised onions, mashed potatoes and gravy, Prince Edward Island veg, Pumpkin bars, whole wheat bread.
6:30 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study
7:00 pm: 2nd Round Football Playoffs - Bennett County at Groton Area

Tuesday, Nov. 1

Senior Menu: Baked pork chop, baked potato, squash, Pineapple Strawberry ambrosia, whole wheat bread
School Breakfast: French toast sticks, links, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Turkey gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, tea bun, fruit.
4:30 pm: Groton Area vs. Tiospa Zina in volleyball region in Sisseton

Wednesday, Nov. 2

Senior Menu: Lasagna rotini, tossed salad with dressing, ambrosia fruit salad, oatmeal spice cookie, whole wheat bread
School Breakfast: Egg sandwich, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Chicken noodle soup, grilled cheese, carrots and dip, fruit.
Jr. REAL Experience at GHS
NCRC Test at GHS
8:30 a.m.: MathCounts at Aberdeen Middle School

Thursday, Nov. 3

Senior Menu: Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots, peaches, multi-grain dinner roll
School Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, yogurt, fruit, juice,



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Make a Difference: Become a Financial Educator

By Nathaniel Sillin

Teaching personal finance topics can be immensely rewarding because the lessons are often immediately applicable to many students' lives. Whether you're comparing financial products, creating a budget or evaluating the cost of a loan, financial literacy provides the foundation to make a well-informed decision. Even so, many people get little to no financial education.

According to a study from the Council for Economic Education, 45 states include personal finance in their K-12 standards, but only 17 states require high school students to take a personal finance class before graduating. After grade school, one might find financial education courses at colleges, universities or employers, but they're rarely required.

If you have a passion for financial literacy, consider passing on your knowledge and helping your community change for the better. Whether you're volunteering at a grade school or teaching a course at a local community center, teaching money management skills can help improve others' future financial prospects and encourages community connection and growth.

Decide what to teach and take advantage of free resources. There are a wide range of lessons that students of different ages and backgrounds will need, from informative presentations for older adults who are targets of scammers to lessons for high school students who need to learn how to handle finances in college.



Tuesday at 4:30 p.m.

Volleyball Regions

Groton Area vs. Tiospa Zina at Sisseton

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Prepare for your outreach by identifying the financial topics you want to teach. You can draw from your own strengths and experiences, which can be an effective way to help students relate to the lessons. However, there are also free educational materials you can use to design your personal finance course.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) has comprehensive free curricula for adults and young people in grades K–12, as well as a curriculum tailored to the needs of older people. Visa's Practical Money Skills also offers curricula, lesson plans and educational games for students from Pre-K to college, including those with special needs. A simple Internet search can also turn up results for any financial lesson imaginable.

Focus on practical and interactive lessons. Incorporating interactive elements into the mix can supplement financial literacy curriculum and help lessons come alive.

You want to give your lessons context and teach students how to apply what they learn to real life situations. For example, explaining the importance of investing for the future and the benefits of compound interest is a great start, but you could continue your lesson by running a stock market simulation that lets students practice investing with play money.

Games and apps can also make lessons memorable and engaging. Younger children might benefit from physical activities like dividing allowance into saving, spending and charity jars. Or, they can play fun online games that teach basic lessons like recognizing and counting the value of coins.

Whatever topic you're teaching, plan every lesson with your students in mind. Reinforcing the lessons with relevant activities or even consequences and rewards can be effective.

Explore volunteer opportunities. If you're unsure of how to get started, consider looking for a volunteer opportunity with an established nonprofit. Volunteering allows you to meet new people, give back to your community, make new connections and share knowledge that can have a lasting impact. Some organizations will train you and ask that you teach their own personal finance curricula. Others may set guidelines and let you work independently within them.

The Corporation for National & Community Service (CNCS) has a comprehensive guide to learning and teaching personal finance, as well as several helpful resources. Look for volunteering positions in

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your area with the CNCS government search engine (Serve.gov), which allows you to filter volunteering opportunities by keywords and location.

Bottom line: Whether you're training as a professional teacher or working as a volunteer, teaching financial literacy is an admirable way to provide essential knowledge to members of your community. Using quality resources and tools – and bringing your own experience, passion and perspective – can help elevate students' personal finance skills and make a positive impact in your community.

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



Monday at 7 p.m.

Football

**Groton Area hosts Bennett County
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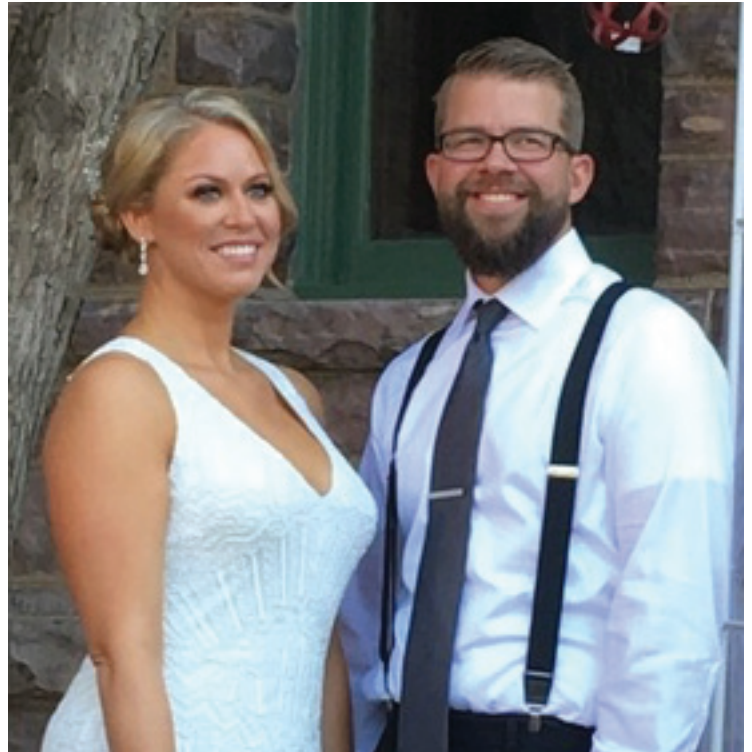
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Briggs, Davis married

Amanda Briggs and Jason Davis of Sioux Falls, were married October 21st in the courtyard at the Old Courthouse Museum in Sioux Falls. Amanda is the daughter of Shirlee Briggs, Groton.



Groton United Methodist Church Fall Dinner

Sunday, November 6, 2016

11 am to 1:30 pm

Roast Beef Dinner

Adults \$10 Children 6 - 10 \$5

Children age 5 and under Free



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Today in Weather History

October 29, 1925: Record cold occurred across the area on this date in 1925. The record lows were nine at Wheaton, Minnesota, 2 degrees below zero at Watertown, 5 degrees below zero at Aberdeen, 7 degrees below zero southeast of McInstosh, and a frigid late October 19 degrees below zero at Kennebec.

1693: From the Royal Society of London: "There happened a most violent storm in Virginia which stopped the course of ancient channels and made some where there never were any." Known as the Accomack Storm, this event likely caused changes to the Delmarva shoreline and coastal inlets.

1846 - Eighty-seven pioneers were trapped by early snows in the Sierra Nevada Mountains that piled five feet deep, with 30 to 40 foot drifts. Just 47 persons survived the "Donner Pass Tragedy". (The Weather Channel)

1950 - Unseasonably warm weather prevailed in the central U.S. for Halloween. The temperature soared to 83 degrees at Minneapolis MN, their warmest reading of record for so late in the season. (The Weather Channel)

1965 - Fort Lauderdale, FL, was deluged with 13.81 inches of rain, which brought their rainfall total for the month of October to an all-time record of 42.43 inches. (30th-31st) (David Ludlum) (The Weather Channel)








1987 - Halloween was a wet one in the southwestern U.S. Heavy rain in southern California resulted in numerous mudslides. Weather-related auto accidents resulted in three deaths and twenty-five injuries. Mount Wilson CA received 3.14 inches of rain in 24 hours. Yakima WA reported measurable rainfall for the first time since the 18th of July. The 103 day long dry spell was their longest of record. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Twenty-two cities in the northeastern U.S. reported record low temperatures for the date. The low of 19 degrees at Cleveland OH was a record for October, and morning lows of 21 degrees at Allentown PA and Bridgeport CT tied October records. Nine cities in the southwestern U.S. reported record high temperatures for the date, including Phoenix AZ with a reading of 96 degrees. Showers made Halloween a soggy one in the southeastern U.S. (The National Weather Summary)

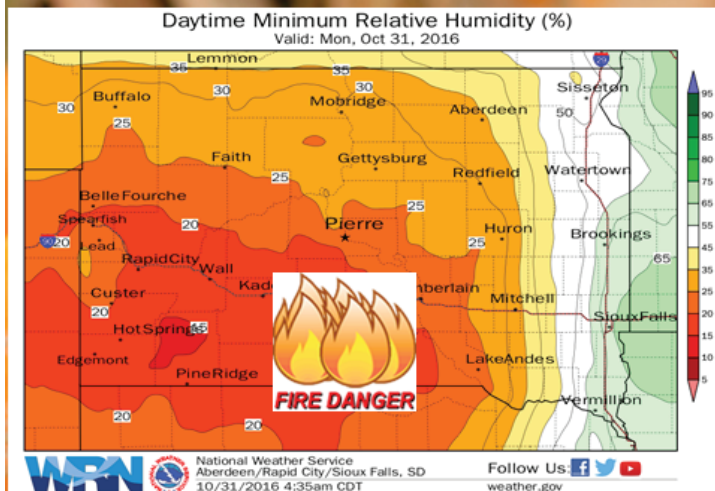
1989 - Halloween night was a soggy one in New England. Showers in the northeastern U.S. produced more than an inch and a half of rain in six hours at some locations. An invasion of cold arctic air brought an abrupt end to a week of "Indian Summer" type weather in the Great Lakes Region, and brought snow and subzero wind chill readings to the Northern Plains. In Colorado, Alamosa was the cold spot in the nation with a record low of two degrees above zero, and a Halloween night storm brought 3 to 6 inches of snow to the Front Range, and 5 to 10 inches to the nearby foothills. Icy streets around Denver the next morning made for a rather spooky commute. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

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Today	Tonight	Tuesday	Tuesday Night	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday
						
Breezy. Slight Chance Showers then Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny
High: 71 °F	Low: 40 °F	High: 62 °F	Low: 39 °F	High: 62 °F	Low: 39 °F	High: 63 °F

Mild & Windy Halloween



Wind Gusts of 35 to 50 mph.

Strongest winds along and west of the Missouri River.

Highs in the mid 60s, to the upper 70s.

Very dry, warm, and windy will create **Very High to Extreme Fire Danger.**

5-9pm: Winds Diminished - Temps upper 50s, dropping to the low 50s

National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD



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Updated: 10/31/2016 5:04 AM Central

Published on: 10/31/2016 at 5:10AM

An area of low pressure will cross North Dakota today bringing very warm temperatures and strong westerly winds to South Dakota. The strongest winds will occur along and west of the Missouri River where gusts will exceed 45 mph. The winds will combine with the warm temperatures and dry airmass to create very high to extreme fire danger in central South Dakota today.

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Yesterday's Weather

High Outside Temp: 43.1 F at 9:01 PM

Low Outside Temp: 37.6 F at 8:57 AM

High Gust: 19.0 Mph at 7:29 PM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 78° in 1933

Record Low: 8° in 2006

Average High: 49°F

Average Low: 27°F

Average Precip in Oct.: 1.99

Precip to date in Oct.: 1.80

Average Precip to date: 20.47

Precip Year to Date: 15.00

Sunset Tonight: 6:21 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 8:13 a.m.



Weather Forecast for Mon, Oct 31, 2016, issued 4:28 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McReynolds based on WPC, SPC and NHC forecasts

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ALL TOGETHER, NOW!

One morning on their way to school a group of young boys was walking past a home with a large iron gate. Michael thought he would provide a bit of humor for the group and decided to put his arms and head through the gate and said, "Look at me! My head and hands are on one side of the gate but my heart and body are on the other side."

Before he could get his head and hands out of the gate, one of his friends slammed the gate and Michael Faraday was badly hurt. He overcame his injuries and became one of the most influential scientists in history for his contributions in the field of electromagnetism.

Later in life he said, "That experience taught me one thing: My heart, head and hands should always be on the same side."

This great scientist explained an important truth: there is a path that flows from the heart to the head and from the head to the hands. Simply stated, what begins in our heart usually grows, and in one way or another, spreads outward and ends up dominating the way we live, what we live for and what we do.

God's Word reminds us that we must "not let any part of our body become a tool of wickedness." So, when our eyes are enticed to look at objects that may lead to temptation and sin, we must immediately look to Him to "deliver us from evil."

Prayer: Help us, Lord, to realize that sin has a way of beginning with an innocent glance that can lead to everlasting destruction. May we keep our eyes on You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Romans 6:12-14 ...Do not offer the parts of your body to sin, as instruments of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God, as those who have been brought from death to life," and offer the parts of your body to him as instruments of righteousness.

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

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News from the Associated Press

The Latest: Officials search river near protest for person

CANNON BALL, N.D. (AP) — The Latest on protesters trying to halt construction of the Dakota Access oil pipeline (all times local):

3:45 p.m.

A North Dakota sheriff says officials are searching for a missing person after a canoeing incident in the Cannonball River near a Dakota Access pipeline protest camp.

Morton County Sheriff Kyle Kirchmeier said Sunday afternoon that his office had activated its dive team and that the state Game and Fish Department is sending a boat.

Authorities didn't immediately release identifying details about the person.

The incident occurred near a Dakota Access protest camp where demonstrators have been protesting the nearly 1,200-mile, four-state pipeline.

Kirchmeier says he believes one person involved in the canoeing incident was able to make it out of the water.

3:25 p.m.

No injuries or damage have been reported following an early-morning fire on private land near a Dakota Access pipeline protest camp in North Dakota.

Morton County sheriff's officials released a statement saying local fire crews couldn't access the fire after it was reported early Sunday morning because of the terrain.

The statement says National Guard helicopters with 600-gallon water buckets were sent in to help and extinguished the fire in an area south of Mandan.

Sheriff's spokeswoman Donnell Preskey said earlier Sunday that a county commissioner estimated the fire burned about 400 acres. She said the fire was on private property but declined to say where.

She says the cause is being investigated and no arrests have been made.

2:45 p.m.

Eight people are facing trespassing charges after protesting in the path of the Dakota Access oil pipeline in northwest Iowa this weekend.

The Omaha World-Herald reports (<http://bit.ly/2ftzeAi>) the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office says the arrests happened Saturday on a farm near Rockwell City, Iowa.

Ed Fallon, with the Bold Iowa group, says people who oppose the pipeline are frustrated it is moving forward.

The \$3.8 billion pipeline is designed to carry oil 1,200 miles from western North Dakota through South Dakota and Iowa to a shipping point at Patoka, Illinois.

Hundreds of protesters have gathered in southern North Dakota near the Standing Rock Sioux tribe's reservation to object to the project. That has led to clashes with law enforcement and more than 140 arrests in the past week.

1 p.m.

When a few dozen people began camping in North Dakota to protest the Dakota Access oil pipeline, they set up a GoFundMe page with a \$5,000 goal. That account now tops \$1 million.

The fund is among several cash streams that have provided at least \$3 million to help with legal costs, food and other supplies to those opposing the nearly 1,200-mile pipeline.

The money also could help protesters prolong their months-long encampments that have attracted thousands of supporters as the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe pursues the fight in court.

But demonstrators note that the money is quickly spent. It's been used to purchase yurts, composting toilets and groceries at the camps. It also helps cover legal costs, including bail for some of the hundreds

of protesters who've been arrested.

12:30 p.m.

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Preskey says the cause is being investigated and no arrests have been made. She says two National Guard helicopters were sent to fight the blaze.

Protesters were evicted last week from property owned by the company building the pipeline. A company spokeswoman didn't immediately return a message seeking comment Sunday.

Demonstrators have been camping for months in an effort to block the nearly 1,200-mile, four-state pipeline

Money pours in for anti-pipeline protest, but will it last?

By REGINA GARCIA CANO, Associated Press

CANNON BALL, N.D. (AP) — The crowdsourcing goal was modest: \$5,000, enough to help a few dozen people camping in North Dakota to protest the nearby construction of the four-state Dakota Access oil pipeline. The fund has since topped a staggering \$1 million.

The fund is among several cash streams that have provided at least \$3 million to help with legal costs, food and other supplies to those opposing the nearly 1,200-mile pipeline. It may also give protesters the ability to prolong their months-long encampments that have attracted thousands of supporters, as the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe pursues the fight in court.

And as the number of protest-related arrests increased this week, so did contributions — the funds raked in more than \$200,000 between Thursday and Friday alone.

But demonstrators are quick to note that the amount of money raised and what they have left isn't the same.

"It still feels unreal sometimes because it is such an astronomical figure to me," said Ho Waste Wakiya Wicasa, the protester who set up the GoFundMe account that has raised more than \$1 million mostly for operating expenses at the camp, which took root in April.

"The money goes as quickly as it comes, but without it having been as much as it is, we certainly wouldn't have been able to be as productive as we have been in the fight," he said.

For months now, opponents of the \$3.8 billion pipeline — which is slated to move oil from North Dakota through South Dakota and Iowa to a shipping point in Illinois — have been camping near the confluence of the Missouri and Cannonball rivers. They worry the project will disrupt cultural artifacts and hurt drinking water sources on the Standing Rock Sioux's nearby reservation and farther downstream because the pipeline will cross the Missouri River.

The Texas-based company building the pipeline, Energy Transfer Partners, insists the project is safe. The tribe is fighting the pipeline's permitting process in federal court.

Since the number of protesters soared in August in North Dakota, donations started rolling in more frequently and more than 400 people have been arrested — including more than 140 on Thursday when officers evicted protesters camping on private land recently acquired by Energy Transfer Partners.

But running a camp — and readying it for North Dakota's brutal winter — isn't cheap. The account Wicasa set up has only about \$100,000 left as of Friday night, according to LaDonna Brave Bull Allard, a tribal historian and preservation employee. She provided family land for use in the original camp, Sacred Stone, in April and still houses demonstrators.

The money has been used for grocery store trips every two days that cost about \$2,000 each, 20 yurts

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purchased for \$160,000, and around \$7,000 for bail money. It has also paid for a storage area, composting toilets, tiny houses, tepees, a medical area and generators powered by solar panels and wind.

A bookkeeper and an accountant now keep track of the crowd-sourced money.

"I got people to take care of," Brave Bull Allard said. "I got to provide homes for people and blankets, thermal wear, socks, hats and gloves, and food. Right now, we are feeding 670 people."

One online legal defense fund has raised more than \$655,000 for "the legal defense of warriors protecting land, water and human rights."

Meanwhile, much of the money the tribe is using for the legal fight is from at least \$1.3 million in direct donations, tribal chairman Dave Archambault recently told The Associated Press. He declined to say how much tribal officials have spent so far, saying that could give their opponents an advantage in the legal case.

Energy Transfer Partners also has declined to provide an estimate of its legal expenses. The tribe is pursuing appeals after losing in lower courts.

The Standing Rock Sioux didn't solicit money, Archambault said, but asked other tribes for letters of support or formal resolutions. He said it was only after other tribes, including the Red Lake Nation and the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community in Minnesota, inquired about financial contributions that leaders decided to accept money for legal costs. And as the protests continued, the tribe decided to also use part of the money for waste-management services for protesters, he said.

"I know the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe is not alone; we have overwhelming support," Archambault said, adding that his tribe would in return help other tribes "in their fight against corporations."

Among the donors to online fundraisers is southern New Hampshire resident Carol DiPirro. She gave \$30, motivated in part because of a fight her community waged against a natural gas pipeline.

"They are saying the same thing: This is our water supply. You run a pipeline through it and it leaks, you are poisoning us. That's exactly what I spent two years of my life saying," DiPirro said. "This really, really struck a chord with me."

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Reports show Sioux Falls schools are becoming more diverse

SIoux FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Reports on demographics and enrollment in Sioux Falls school district show overall enrollment and ethnic diversity are on the rise.

Schools in Sioux Falls are becoming more diverse, with more than one-third of its students coming from different backgrounds, the Argus Leader reported (<http://argusne.ws/2dGSjtj>).

Twenty-five years ago nearly every student in Sioux Falls was Caucasian, now about one in five students in the district are either African American or Hispanic, with multi-racial students increased by about half of a percentage point, while the percentage of Asian, Native American and Pacific Islander students remained steady.

The district also identified 86 languages are spoken in thousands of students' homes across the district.

Superintendent Brian Maher says the district is now working to increase teacher diversity.

"We're asking, 'What should we be doing differently today because of our diversity?'" Maher said.

Maher said he would also like the district to address the issues of the number of students in poverty and special education students.

Currently students who qualify for free or reduced lunches are 44 percent and special education students make up 14 percent of the district's population.

"It's truly an opportunity, I think, that we have as a school system to serve that increasing population in our community," Maher told board members Monday.

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

Officials investigating fire near Dakota Access protest camp

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8 protesters arrested Saturday on oil pipeline route in Iowa

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Information from: Omaha World-Herald, <http://www.omaha.com>

Hoven's Main Street to open after months of construction

HOVEN, S.D. (AP) — State officials say construction on Hoven's Main Street is expected to be finished by the end of next week.

Pierre area engineer for the state Department of Transportation, Dean VanDeWiele, tells the Aberdeen American News (<http://bit.ly/2eYY7j1>) the majority of the work will be done late this week or early next with an expected completion date of Nov. 4.

The city began ripping open Main Street this spring to replace its water and sewer lines. The state then rebuilt the street, which is also state Highways 20 and 47.

"For us to get a new Main Street, and the process does take time and it's gonna be some work, but it will be nice when it's done," said Wendy Rausch, city finance officer.

The street runs north and south, essentially dividing Hoven in half, meaning that business and homes close by have become a drive around town.

"They're getting very, very close to giving folks their access back," VanDeWiele said. "It's getting exciting as folks may be able to get back to a normal way of life."

The city still needs to complete work on the sidewalks and side street paving, he said. Some light poles for the downtown area will also be added.

The project cost \$1 million from the city for the sewer and water line work and \$3.7 million from the state for the street rebuilding.

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

Authorities identify 60-year-old man dead in semi crash

GARDEN CITY, S.D. (AP) — Authorities have identified a 60-year-old man who died in a crash near Garden City involving two semi-trucks.

The South Dakota Highway Patrol says Delmer Stern of Garden City died Friday at the scene. Authorities say the truck he was driving failed to stop at a stop sign and collided with a semi in an intersection.

Officials say Stern's truck went into the ditch and became engulfed in flames. Authorities say the driver of the other vehicle wasn't injured.

The Highway Patrol is investigating the crash.

Massive Oklahoma manhunt ends with suspect in killings dead

LEEDEY, Okla. (AP) — A massive, weeklong manhunt for a suspect in a string of violent crimes, including the killing of two relatives, the shooting of three law enforcement officers and multiple carjackings, has ended in a police chase and shootout that left the man dead in western Oklahoma.

Authorities believe Michael Dale Vance Jr. posted two Facebook Live videos Oct. 24 documenting his run from police, although he had been silent since then. An Oklahoma state trooper shot and killed Vance late Sunday near Leedey, 130 miles northwest of Oklahoma City and 45 miles north of where he was last seen a week earlier.

Earlier Sunday, Vance shot and wounded a Dewey County officer and fled in a car, according to Dave Turk, spokesman for the U.S. Marshals Service in Washington, D.C., which participated in the manhunt.

Officers pursued Vance for about half an hour when he was approached by an Oklahoma state trooper. "There was an exchange of gunfire between the state trooper and the subject, and the subject was killed," Turk said.

Oklahoma Highway Patrol Chief Ricky Adams described the shootout as "pretty dramatic."

"We pinned him down," Adams told The Oklahoman newspaper. "He's dead ... It was an extremely good job of police work by every agency involved."

Vance was wanted on multiple charges, including two counts of first-degree murder. The hunt began after he shot and wounded two police officers on Oct. 23 in Wellston, 35 miles northeast of Oklahoma City, authorities said.

Vance, 38, was suspected of shooting a woman and stealing her vehicle at a mobile home park near Wellston, then driving about 8 miles to his relatives' mobile home in Luther and killing them.

Ronald Everett Wilkson, 55, had been shot and had stab wounds to his neck "consistent with an attempt to sever his head," an arrest affidavit said. Valerie Kay Wilkson, 54, had similar neck wounds along with defensive wounds on her arms, the affidavit stated.

Just days later, Oklahoma County Sheriff John Whetsel indicated to the AP that authorities were at a loss as to where Vance might be, saying he "could be anywhere from California to Mexico to Florida."

In dawn assault, Iraqi special forces near Mosul from east

By QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA, Associated Press

BAZWAYA, Iraq (AP) — Iraqi special forces advanced on the Islamic State-held city of Mosul from the east on Monday, taking heavy fire but entering the last village before the city limits and clearing a path that was followed by army units.

Armored vehicles, including Abrams tanks, drew mortar and small arms fire as they moved on the village of Bazwaya in the dawn assault, while allied artillery and airstrikes hit IS positions.

Car bombers are trying to stop the advance, but the troops, just 2 miles (3 kilometers) from Mosul's eastern outskirts, aim to enter it later in the day, said Brig. Gen. Haider Fadhil. The army said another unit, its ninth division, had moved up toward Mosul and was now approximately three miles from its eastern outskirts.

At one point, a Humvee packed with explosives raced ahead in an attempt to ram the forces, but Iraqi

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troops opened fire on it, setting off the charge and blowing up the vehicle. Plumes of smoke rose in the air from IS positions hit by artillery and airstrikes.

State television described the operation as a "battle of honor" to liberate the city, captured by IS from a superior yet neglected Iraqi force in 2014.

Some residents hung white flags on buildings and from windows in a sign they would not resist the government troops, said Maj. Salam al-Obeidi, a member of the special forces operation in Bazwaya. He said troops were requesting residents stay inside their homes as troops travelled on the streets, guarding against potential suicide bombers.

For two weeks, Iraqi forces and their Kurdish allies, Sunni tribesmen and Shiite militias have been converging on Mosul from all directions to drive IS from Iraq's second largest city. The operation is expected to take weeks, if not months.

Since the offensive began on Oct. 17, Iraqi forces moving toward the city have made uneven progress. Advances have been slower in the south, with government forces there still 20 miles (35 kilometers) from the city.

The U.S. military estimates IS has 3,000 to 5,000 fighters inside Mosul and another 1,500-2,500 in the city's outer defensive belt. The total number includes around 1,000 foreign fighters.

Iraqi Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi announced on his website Monday that he would be visiting troops near the frontline.

A day earlier, thousands of fighters flocked to join Iraq's state-sanctioned, Iran-backed Shiite militias who aim to cut off Mosul from the west. In a series of apparent retaliation attacks, bombers on Sunday struck in five of Baghdad's mostly Shiite neighborhoods, killing at least 17 people.

The deadliest of the explosions, a parked car bomb, hit a popular fruit and vegetable market near a school in the northwestern Hurriyah area, killing at least 10 and wounding 34. On Monday, IS issued a statement claiming responsibility for the attack.

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Woman in scandal roiling S. Korea says she 'deserves death'

By FOSTER KLUG, Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — Telling reporters Monday that she "deserves death," the woman at the center of a scandal roiling South Korea met prosecutors examining whether she used her close ties to President Park Geun-hye to pull government strings from the shadows and amass an illicit fortune.

"Please, forgive me," Choi Soon-sil, a cult leader's daughter with a decades-long connection to Park, said through tears inside the Seoul prosecutor's building, according to Yonhap news agency. Using a common expression of deep repentance, she added, "I committed a sin that deserves death."

Choi, wearing a hat and a scarf, her hand pressed to her mouth, was nearly knocked off her feet several times as she tried to walk through a massive crowd of 300 journalists, as well as protesters and security, surrounding the building's entrance. YTN TV station said that Choi, 60, lost her shoe as the throng converged on her, and a protester reportedly tried to enter the building with a bucket full of animal feces.

Other protesters screamed, "Arrest Choi Soon-sil" and "Park Geun-hye should resign."

The scandal exploded last week when, after weeks of speculation, Park acknowledged that Choi had edited some of her speeches and provided public relations help. Widespread media reports say that Choi, who has no official ties to the administration, may have had a major role in government affairs.

Choi has previously said she helped Park but didn't know if she was seeing confidential information.

Investigators are trying to determine the scope of access Choi had and whether she was given sensitive presidential documents. They have raided the homes of some officials in the presidential Blue House as part of the investigation.

Park has fired some of her closest aides to try to contain the fallout. Some lawmakers and the public have called for Park's resignation or impeachment, and thousands of people have protested in the streets.

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It's not clear how much influence Choi had. But many South Koreans believe there is much more to the story than Park has acknowledged, and the frenzy surrounding the scandal threatens her presidency.

Choi returned home Sunday from seclusion in Germany. It was unclear whether there would be any details revealed from her questioning, or how long she would be in the prosecutor's office. The questioning of Choi's former associates, including a purported former employee of a host bar, lasted two days.

Choi has been close to Park since Choi's father, the leader of a religious cult, gained Park's trust by reportedly convincing her that he could communicate with her assassinated mother. Choi's father denied this in a 1990 media interview.

The senior government official who later shot and killed Park's dictator father, President Park Chung-hee, is said to have claimed that he staged his attack in part because Park Chung-hee wouldn't keep Choi's father away from the young Park Geun-hye.

Elected in 2012, Park has long been criticized for an aloof manner and for relying on only a few longtime confidantes. Most South Koreans, however, assumed those confidantes were in the government. That she may have been outsourcing decisions to someone outside of government, and someone connected with a murky, lurid backstory, has incensed many.

Media reports said the younger Choi used her connections to Park to pressure businesses to give money to two nonprofit organizations Choi controlled; Choi then allegedly used some of the organizations' official funds for personal purposes. South Korean media speculated that the two foundations collected about 80 billion won (\$70 million) in donations from business groups in just a few months.

The president of Ewha Womans University has resigned amid protests over allegations that Choi used her connections to Park to get her daughter into the elite school and then secure special academic treatment.

Political and business corruption remains widespread in South Korea, which has had full democracy only since the late 1980s, when it shook off decades of military dictatorship. But the current scandal has struck a chord in a way that previous ones have not.

Part of it has to do with Park Geun-hye and her past, which is deeply entwined with South Korea's recent, tumultuous history. The legacy of her father is still divisive. Supporters see him as saving South Korea from poverty and irrelevance by building up the economy from the rubble of the Korean War. Opponents say that the economic development came at the expense of massive human rights abuse, including the torture and death of dissidents.

Associated Press writer Hyung-jin Kim contributed to this report.

10 Things to Know for Today

By The Associated Press

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

1. CLINTON SEEKS TO USE NEW FBI INQUIRY AS GALVANIZING FORCE

The campaign is pressing the agency to release more details about the new emails, hoping more information distances the Democrat from the discoveries.

2. WHERE THE ELECTION COULD BE WON

Florida's "Interstate 4 corridor" and its 6.5 million residents are considered the bellwether of the nation's largest swing state.

3. OKLAHOMA MANHUNT ENDS

Michael Dale Vance Jr., 38, wanted in a string of violent crimes, is killed in a shootout after a massive, weeklong search, authorities say.

4. WHY FRANCIS' VISIT TO SWEDEN IS REMARKABLE

The pontiff is marking the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, a bold gesture given his Jesuit order was founded to defend the faith against "heretical" reforms.

5. 'ZERO POVERTY' PROMISE A DISTANT GOAL FOR ARGENTINA

President Mauricio Macri campaigned on a promise to end destitution, though his market-friendly reforms

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so far have brought pain to the country's poor.

6. IRAQ TV CALL-IN SHOW GIVES GLIMPSE INSIDE IS-HELD MOSUL

But as Iraqi forces push closer to the besieged city and the militants enforce a ban on phones and the internet, voices from inside Mosul are falling silent.

7. TAKING 'HONOR' OUT OF KILLINGS

Two female Pakistani politicians become unlikely allies in the battle to pass a historic law to protect women from murder by members of their own families.

8. WHAT CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCIES ARE LEFT TO PONDER

After spending \$350 million to pay property owners to rip out water-slurping lawns, authorities are wondering if the drought-relieving experiment was worth it.

9. TWO BILLION KIDS WORLDWIDE BREATHE TOXIC AIR

UNICEF says about a third of those children live in northern India and neighboring countries and are at risk for lung and brain damage.

10. CUBS CUT WORLD SERIES DEFICIT TO 3-2

Closer Aroldis Chapman gets eight outs and the Cubs beat the Indians 3-2, winning their first Series game in Chicago in 71 years.

Warrant to search newly found emails obtained by FBI

By ERIC TUCKER, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI has obtained a warrant to begin reviewing newly discovered emails that may be relevant to the Hillary Clinton email server investigation, a law enforcement official told The Associated Press.

FBI investigators want to review emails of longtime Clinton aide Huma Abedin that were found on a device seized during an unrelated sexting investigation of Anthony Weiner, a former New York congressman and Abedin's estranged husband.

The official, who has knowledge of the examination, would not say when investigators might complete the review of Abedin's emails but said Sunday they would move expeditiously.

The Clinton email inquiry, which closed without charges in July, resurfaced on Friday when FBI Director James Comey alerted members of Congress to the existence of emails that he said could be pertinent to that investigation.

The FBI wants to review the emails to see if they contain classified information and were handled properly, the focus of the earlier Clinton inquiry.

Separately Sunday, another law enforcement official said FBI investigators in the Weiner sexting probe knew for weeks about the existence of the emails potentially related to the probe of Clinton's server. A third law enforcement official also said the FBI was aware for a period of time about the emails before Comey was briefed, but wasn't more specific.

In his letter that roiled the White House race, Comey said he'd been briefed on Thursday about the Abedin emails and had agreed that investigators should take steps to review them.

It was not immediately clear Sunday what steps investigators took once the emails were first found to fully advise FBI leaders that additional and potentially relevant messages had been discovered.

The officials were not authorized to discuss the matter by name and spoke on condition of anonymity.

The timing of Comey's letter less than two weeks before Election Day drew criticism from Democrats and some Republicans who cast it as unprecedented and as potentially tipping the scales in the presidential race in favor of Republican Donald Trump.

Energized by the news, the GOP presidential nominee has rallied his supporters, calling the latest developments worse than Watergate and arguing that his candidacy has the momentum in the final days of the race.

"We never thought we were going to say 'thank you' to Anthony Weiner," Trump said in Nevada.

Trump also highlighted reports that the Justice Department had discouraged the FBI from alerting Congress to the unexpected discovery of the emails, and said the department is trying "so hard" to protect

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Clinton.

Comey told FBI colleagues in a memo Friday that he was aware the letter to Congress was at risk of being misunderstood, but he said he felt obligated to notify lawmakers about the new emails after having told them that the matter was closed.

Dozens of former federal prosecutors, including former Attorney General Eric Holder, have signed a letter critical of Comey's decision. And Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., wrote to Comey saying the action may have violated the law.

In an op-ed written in Monday's editions of The Washington Post, Holder called Comey's decision to divulge the new inquiry "incorrect."

Holder said the Justice Department "has a policy of not taking unnecessary action close in time to Election Day that might influence an election's outcome."

He called Comey "a man of integrity" but said "good men make mistakes."

Earlier, Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid charged that Comey might have broken the law.

"Your actions in recent months have demonstrated a disturbing double standard for treatment of sensitive information, with what appears to be a clear intent to aid one political party over another," the Nevada Democrat wrote to Comey.

Clinton's use of a private email server while secretary of State has dogged her campaign since early last year. In July, Comey recommended against criminal prosecution after a months-long investigation, but rebuked Clinton and her aides for being careless with classified material.

Justice Department officials who were advised of the FBI's intention to notify Congress about the discovery expressed concern that the action would be inconsistent with department protocols designed to avoid the appearance of interference in an election. Comey acted independently when he sent several members of Congress a letter about the emails on Friday, said one of the officials.

It was not immediately clear what the Abedin emails were about or what significance, if any, they carried to the Clinton email server investigation.

A person familiar with the investigation, who lacked authority to discuss the matter publicly and insisted on anonymity, said the device that appears to be at the center of the new review was a computer that belonged only to Weiner and was not one he shared with Abedin.

As a result, it was not a device searched for work-related emails at the time of the initial investigation. The person said it is "news to (Abedin)" that her emails would be on a computer belonging to her husband.

Abedin told lawyers in June in a deposition that, like millions of internet users who don't manage their inboxes, she never deleted old emails on her devices, either at work with Clinton or at home with Weiner.

"I didn't have a practice of managing my mailbox other than leaving what was in there sitting in there," Abedin said. "They all stayed in whatever device I was using at the time or whatever desktop I was on at the time."

In February 2013, Abedin signed a routine State Department document under penalty of perjury in which she promised to "turn over all classified or administratively controlled documents and materials" before she left her government job, and promised that she was not retaining copies, "including any diaries, memorandums of conversation or other documents of a personal nature."

Abedin and Weiner separated this year after Weiner was caught in 2011, 2013 and again this year sending numerous woman sexually explicit text messages and photographs of himself undressed. Federal authorities in New York and North Carolina are investigating online communications between Weiner and a 15-year-old girl.

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Reformer pope arrives in Sweden to mark Luther's reforms

By JAN M. OLSEN and NICOLE WINFIELD, Associated Press

MALMO, Sweden (AP) — Pope Francis traveled to secular Sweden on Monday to mark the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, a remarkably bold gesture given his very own Jesuit religious order was founded to defend the faith against Martin Luther's "heretical" reforms five centuries ago.

While the visit initially raised eyebrows, the Vatican and Lutheran church both insist the event is no celebration of Luther's revolt. Rather, they say, it's a solemn commemoration to ask forgiveness for the schism in Western Christianity and rejoice that relations have improved in the last five decades.

Francis has prioritized these deeply symbolic encounters to show that even while divided on dogma, the Christian faithful can and must work together and pray together, especially in times of religious persecution.

"If we don't do it, we Christians hurt ourselves by division," Francis said in an interview this weekend with a Jesuit journal.

Francis arrived a few minutes ahead of schedule in Malmo, southern Sweden, and went immediately into an airport audience with Prime Minister Stefan Lofven, followed by a meeting with Sweden's royals.

The main event of the day is an ecumenical prayer service to commemorate the anniversary with the head of the Lutheran World Federation, Bishop Munib Younan, at the Lutheran cathedral in Lund.

The Vatican and Lutheran delegations were to ride together in a bus — itself an ecumenical voyage of sorts — to attend an event highlighting both churches' peace-making and humanitarian efforts. Testimony from refugees and the Catholic bishop of besieged Aleppo, Syria, top the list of speakers.

Francis continues his visit on Tuesday with a Catholic Mass in the Malmo sports stadium, added in at the last minute after Sweden's tiny Catholic community balked that Francis was ignoring them and coming only for the Protestant commemoration.

"I wanted to insist on an ecumenical witness," Francis said in the interview. "Then I thought about my role as pastor to a Catholic flock" and added in the Mass and an extra day.

The Protestant Reformation started in 1517 after Luther nailed 95 theses on the church door in the town of Wittenberg, denouncing what he saw as the abuses of the Catholic Church, especially the sale of indulgences.

Pope Leo X excommunicated him, but the church couldn't stop his teachings from spreading throughout northern Europe or the world. Catholics persecuted Protestants and vice versa for hundreds of years.

St. Ignatius Loyola founded the Jesuit order in 1537, 20 years after Luther's protest, in part as a response to the heresies being promoted, the Rev. Charles Connor, a church historian, wrote in "Defenders of the Faith in Word and Deed."

"The work of the Jesuits in defending the faith must be looked at in the context of the Counter-Reformation," he wrote. "The times called for a spirited defense of the faith. It was the time for Catholic renewal."

Years ago, Francis spoke harshly of the Protestant reformers. But in the run-up to the trip, he has had only words of praise for Luther. He recently called the German theologian a reformer of his time who rightly criticized a church that was "no model to imitate."

"There was corruption in the church, worldliness, attachment to money and power," Francis told reporters this summer.

They are the same abuses Francis has criticized in the 21st-century Catholic Church he now leads.

Nicole Winfield reported from Rome.

Cubs, Indians hope to celebrate championship in Cleveland

By ANDREW SELIGMAN, AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — One way or another, there will be a championship celebration in Cleveland.

Still to be determined? Whether the Indians or Cubs will be popping the champagne.

The Cubs won a World Series game at Wrigley Field for the first time since 1945 and at least delayed Cleveland's big party with a 3-2 victory Sunday night.

Aroldis Chapman got the final eight outs in the longest appearance of his career, Jon Lester pitched six

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strong innings and Kris Bryant homered as Chicago cut the Indians' lead to 3-2.

So a World Series between the teams with baseball's longest title droughts goes back to Cleveland, with 2015 NL Cy Young Award winner Jake Arrieta set to start for the Cubs and Josh Tomlin going on short rest for the Indians in Game 6 on Tuesday night.

"We're writing our own history," Chicago shortstop Addison Russell said. "We're making history. Why stop?"

His team rolled through the regular season with a major league-leading 103 wins, took out playoff-tested San Francisco in the NL Division Series and rallied to beat the Los Angeles Dodgers in the NL Championship Series. The Cubs were so dominant at times they had their long-downtrodden fans believing that, after decades of supposed curses and sincere heartbreak, this just might be the year.

It still could be — but it would take an historic effort. Only five teams have come back from a 3-1 deficit to win a best-of-seven World Series, most recently Kansas City in 1985.

Standing in the Cubs' way is a team and a city that knows a thing or two about title droughts.

Cleveland endured a 52-year championship dry spell before LeBron James brought one home with the NBA's Cavaliers last spring. The Indians last won it all in 1948, which pales in comparison to a Cubs wait that dates to 1908.

"We're in good position, still," Cleveland slugger Mike Napoli said. "We're up 3-2 going home. We did what we had to do here. We put ourselves in position to try and win it in a crazy atmosphere. We're happy with what we did here. We're going to get home and play in front of our fans."

The Cubs are banking on another big effort from Arrieta and hoping for a better result against Tomlin.

Arrieta took a no-hitter into the sixth inning and pitched the Cubs to a 5-1 victory in Game 2 at Progressive Field. Win on Tuesday and they'll send major league ERA leader Kyle Hendricks to the mound in Game 7.

Of course, the Indians are also feeling good about their chances.

After all, Tomlin tossed 4 2/3 scoreless innings in Game 3 before giving way to that nasty bullpen. And if it goes to Game 7, well, the Indians will have their ace in play, Corey Kluber.

He — like Tomlin — would be pitching on short rest, unlike Arrieta and Hendricks. But when it comes to beating Kluber, the Cubs are 0 for 2 in this Series.

"Yeah, we get to go over there with two rested starting pitchers," Chicago manager Joe Maddon said. "I like to believe we're going to catch or gain some momentum from this game going back over there. But momentum's always based on your starting pitcher, too. And again, with these guys you saw how good their bullpen was. Once again, it's really important to grab that lead and hold onto it."

There was plenty for Maddon to like about Game 5.

The pitching performances by Chapman and Lester and the home run by Bryant topped the list. But how about Jason Heyward and his highlight-reel catch on Trevor Bauer's foul fly down the right-field line in the third inning? Heyward planted his foot and grabbed the top of the wall, then reached back toward the field with his glove to snag the ball.

Or what about Anthony Rizzo at first base?

He had the crowd roaring in the second inning when he ran in and caught a foul pop by Carlos Santana that catcher David Ross deflected near the first base dugout.

Rizzo also made a diving stop on Rajai Davis' grounder down the line in the eighth. Chapman, however, said he fell toward third on his delivery and by the time he realized it was a fair ball, it was too late to cover first.

Something else to consider:

With the Series shifting back to Cleveland, the Cubs can use slugger Kyle Schwarber as their designated hitter again.

He's not permitted to play the field, but was cleared by doctors to hit. That was a neat October surprise for the Cubs after Schwarber missed almost the entire season because of a knee injury.

"We're always confident," Rizzo said. "We get to see Tomlin now a second time on short rest. I'm going to convince myself that ... he's not going to be as sharp. (Schwarber) is back and I'm sure he's chomping at the bit."

Clinton seeks to use new FBI inquiry as galvanizing force

By JULIE PACE, AP White House Correspondent

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — Even before FBI Director James Comey jolted the presidential campaign, Hillary Clinton and her advisers were on edge.

Never mind that preference polls had Clinton ahead of Republican Donald Trump nationally and in nearly every battleground state. Or that Democrats in Washington were starting to actively prepare for a Clinton presidency, speculating about top Cabinet nominees and next year's White House agenda.

"The polls are going to tighten," Clinton communications director Jennifer Palmieri warned as she talked with the campaign's traveling press corps on Friday. After swatting away a rumor about post-election planning — this one about Vice President Joe Biden being considered to lead the State Department — Palmieri predicted, "Next week you guys are going to come to us and say, 'the polls are tightening and you were focused on the transition.'"

"No," she added. "We are not."

Palmieri had barely made it back to the front of the campaign plane when news broke that the FBI had told Congress it had found new emails that may be related to Clinton's use of a private server while secretary of state. Speculation about a Clinton White House was quickly replaced by questions about whether a winnable race might slip from her grasp.

Clinton's team is now plunging into the final full week of campaigning before Election Day on two parallel tracks. The campaign has launched a vigorous, coordinated effort to press the FBI to release more details about the inquiry, hoping more information distances Clinton from the new discoveries. They're also wielding Comey's controversial decision to disclose the developments in the election's final days as a way to shake off Democratic complacency and give supporters a new reason to vote.

Trump, too, sees the FBI's actions as an opportunity to gain much-needed traction and revive questions about Clinton's trustworthiness. At a rally Sunday in Las Vegas, Trump said Clinton "has nobody but herself to blame for her mounting legal problems."

While Comey's actions have undoubtedly put more pressure on the Clinton campaign, they've also put the candidate in a position where she's at ease and often at her best: back against the wall, railing against what she sees as an unfair or even a partisan attempt to take her down.

"There is something to be said about Hillary Clinton as a fighter," said Mo Elleithee, who worked on Clinton's 2008 presidential campaign. Noting how Clinton's performance improved substantially after she slipped behind in the Democratic primary eight years ago, Elleithee said that when faced with a challenge, Clinton tends to "kick it into a different gear and she starts humming."

Of course, Clinton lost that primary. And another moral victory isn't what she's after this time around.

With that in mind, Clinton hit the campaign trail this weekend with gusto, blitzing across Florida, the biggest prize in the presidential race and a must-win state for Trump.

During an organizing event in Daytona Beach, she lashed out at Comey's "unprecedented" and "deeply troubling" actions. Speaking to energized gay and lesbian supporters at a Fort Lauderdale nightclub, she vowed she wouldn't be "knocked off course" by distractions late in the campaign.

"I'm not stopping now," Clinton declared as the crowd roared. "We're just getting warmed up."

Clinton's advisers were stunned by Comey's actions — both by the timing of his letter to Congress and the paucity of information the FBI has made public about the new material.

The investigation appears to center on a laptop belonging to Anthony Weiner, the disgraced former congressman and estranged husband of Clinton confidante Huma Abedin. It's unclear whether the material on the device was from Clinton, nor is it known if the emails in question are new or duplicates of the thousands the former secretary of state and her aides have already turned over.

Democrats have robustly rallied around Clinton, including black and Hispanic lawmakers. During a Congressional Black Caucus news conference on Saturday, Rep. Gregory Meeks suggested Comey might be

trying to impact the election results.

"Don't hide in silence," Meeks said. "Don't be the one that's trying to sway an election 10 days before-hand. The American people deserve and we want to know in its entirety what the emails are and what you are investigating."

If there's a silver lining for Clinton in the FBI's actions, it's that her campaign now has a way to convince Democrats who might have considered skipping voting that their nominee needs their support.

Before Comey's letter to Congress, Clinton's campaign had watched with mixed feelings as her standing in poll after poll improved and Trump faltered amid a string of sexual assault accusations.

"In the last week, I think the Clinton campaign was worried it was going to become too easy and that people would feel that," Elleithee said. "Now there's a reason for all of our supporters to believe it's going to be hard."

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Clinton lining up policy priorities for 2017, if she wins

By JULIE PACE, AP White House Correspondent

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — Hillary Clinton's advisers are crafting a domestic policy agenda for the opening months of a potential presidency that is centered on three issues with some level of Republican support: an infrastructure package that emphasizes job creation, criminal justice reform, and immigration legislation — with the promise of quick executive action if a bill fails in Congress.

Clinton's campaign aides and transition team have been emphasizing the trio of priorities in conversations with lawmakers and advocacy groups, according to several people involved in those discussions. While Clinton has spoken frequently about each subject in campaign appearances, her advisers' discussions provide new insight into how the Democrat might approach her first months in the White House, should she defeat Donald Trump on Nov. 8.

People with knowledge of Clinton's planning insisted on anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the private conversations publicly. Clinton campaign officials would not comment on the emerging agenda, saying Clinton is focused squarely on defeating Trump and helping Democrats take control of the Senate, which would improve her chances of securing passage of her policy priorities.

"Anyone who thinks that our candidate or the campaign is focused on the transition is mistaken," said Jennifer Palmieri, Clinton's communications director. "Hillary Clinton is superstitious."

Clinton has led national and battleground state polls in recent weeks, though Trump sees a new FBI email inquiry as an opening to overtake the Democrat in the election's closing days.

If Clinton wins, immigration is expected to be among the most complex domestic policy issues she hopes to tackle in 2017. Some Republican leaders, desperate to boost their party's appeal with Hispanics, have backed legislation, but the party's right wing keeps resisting, and may be more emboldened by the popularity of Trump's hardline immigration policies with some GOP voters.

Clinton's team has actively looked for ways to avoid the traps that have sunk President Barack Obama's bid for an immigration overhaul in 2013. Sweeping legislation that included a path to citizenship for millions of people illegally in the U.S. passed the Senate that year, but Republican leaders in the House refused to put the measure up for a vote.

Advocacy groups have discussed with Clinton aides the prospect of pushing the House to act on immigration first this time around, testing the will of a chamber that is expected to stay in Republican hands.

However, that approach is largely contingent on Paul Ryan remaining speaker of the House. The Wisconsin lawmaker has spoken favorably of the need to address the nation's fractured immigration laws. But he may face an internal revolt that forces him out of his leadership post, given the anger among some House Republicans over his lukewarm support for Trump during the general election.

Asked whether Ryan would be willing to work with Clinton on immigration legislation, spokeswoman AshLee Strong said: "Speaker Ryan is focused on beating Democrats in November, including Hillary Clinton."

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In another break from Obama's immigration strategy, Clinton aides have signaled plans to wield the threat of executive action more aggressively during the legislative process. Obama spent years insisting only Congress could change immigration laws, though he later took executive actions to keep millions of people in the U.S. illegally from deportation.

"We're long past time when a president can simply say, I really supported (immigration reform), but Congress didn't do it," said Clarissa Martinez De Castro of the National Council of La Raza, a group that advocates immigration reform.

Some of Obama's executive actions on immigration have been challenged in the courts. The Supreme Court, which is down one justice, deadlocked 4-4 on a decision about the legality of the executive actions. If Clinton is elected, she would presumably nominate a ninth justice inclined to uphold the measures.

Beyond the pitched battle potentially ahead on immigration, it's clear Clinton's team is looking for ways she could court bipartisan support for other policies.

Clinton aides have been telling Democrats that she plans to push swiftly for a package of criminal justice reforms, seizing on an issue with broad Republican backing. She could ask lawmakers to pick up a package of reforms that stalled in the Senate earlier this fall, legislation aimed at reducing mandatory minimum sentences for some non-violent offenders and reducing the money the U.S. spends on incarcerations.

"There's going to be a very important effort for bipartisan cooperation together on this," Clinton said of criminal justice reform in a radio interview Thursday.

Advisers say Clinton does not view gun control, a more politically risky issue even among some Democratic members of Congress, as part of a criminal justice package.

Clinton's other main priority should she win appears to be moving swiftly on a multibillion-dollar infrastructure package aimed at boosting economic growth and creating jobs. She's proposed spending \$275 billion on new road, sewer and other infrastructure projects.

Republicans are broadly supportive of infrastructure investments. But as with the numerous fiscal fights between Obama and congressional Republicans, paying for the spending bill could become a point of contention.

Clinton's plan states that "business tax reform" would finance her agenda, which would include \$250 billion in direct funding over five years and \$25 billion to seed an infrastructure bank. While the details of the tax reforms are unclear, New York Sen. Chuck Schumer has said the money could come from letting companies pay a lower tax rate on their overseas earnings.

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FBI email inquiry dominates as race enters final full week

By JULIE PACE and KEN THOMAS, Associated Press

WILTON MANORS, Fla. (AP) — Hillary Clinton enters the final full week of the presidential race on defense once again over her use of a private email system. Meanwhile, a newly emboldened Donald Trump is seizing on the discovery of a trove of new emails that may be pertinent to the FBI's investigation and trying to open new paths to victory by campaigning in traditionally Democratic states.

Clinton, who is set to campaign Monday across Ohio, vowed over the weekend that she would not be "knocked off course" in the election's final days by the discovery of new emails in an unrelated sexting investigation. It is unclear what is contained in the emails or if any of them was sent or received by Clinton herself.

"I'm not stopping now, we're just getting warmed up," Clinton declared during a packed rally with gay and lesbian supporters in battleground Florida Sunday. "We're not going to be distracted, no matter what our opponents throw at us."

Trump, who had been trailing Clinton nationally and across key battleground states, campaigned with new vigor over the weekend as he seized on the news in an effort to boost his struggling candidacy. Trump

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heads to Michigan for a pair of rallies Monday — a state that last voted for the Republican nominee for president in 1988.

“The polls have come out and they have been amazing, even before the big blow-up on Friday,” Trump told a crowd of thousands packed into an airport in Albuquerque, New Mexico — another traditionally Democratic state that Trump said on Sunday night he believes he can win.

“Traditionally, you understand, Republicans aren’t quite there, right?” Trump told the crowd. “But this is a Republican who is there and we’re going to win this thing.”

Clinton’s advisers and fellow Democrats, furious over the vague letter sent by FBI Director James Comey to Congress Friday, have been pressuring him to release more details about the emails, including whether Comey had even reviewed them himself. The emails were found on a computer that appears to belong to disgraced former New York Rep. Anthony Weiner, the estranged husband of Huma Abedin, one of Clinton’s closest advisers.

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Comey said he was briefed Thursday about that development and told Congress on Friday that investigators had found the emails. A second law enforcement official also said the FBI was aware for a period of time about the emails before Comey was briefed, but the second official wasn’t more specific.

Trump has praised Comey for his decision, declaring that he believes justice will finally be served.

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The 13 women who could show Bill Cosby had a pattern

By **MARYCLAIRE DALE**, Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Did Bill Cosby drug and molest young women as part of a “signature” crime spree spanning five decades? Prosecutors preparing for his sexual-assault trial hope to call 13 of about 60 accusers to show just that.

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The defense will question their relevance and attack their credibility in high-stakes pretrial hearings that start Tuesday in suburban Philadelphia.

The fallen superstar is charged over a single 2004 encounter with Andrea Constand, a former employee at Temple University. However, Pennsylvania law allows testimony about similar uncharged acts to show someone committed crimes in a distinctive, nearly identical, pattern.

Prosecutors say Cosby routinely used his fame and power to befriend impressionable young women, knocked them out with drugs or alcohol and then sexually assaulted them. Sometimes, they say, he even promised their mothers he'd look out for the show business ingenues.

The testimony of the 13 others — should Montgomery County Judge Steven T. O'Neill allow some or all of it — could bolster a case that turns on the question of consent. Cosby's lawyers will fight to keep the women off the stand at the June 5 trial, in courtroom showdowns that could amount to 13 mini-trials. Cosby, in a decade-old deposition, acknowledged some of the encounters but said they were consensual.

The Associated Press does not typically name people who say they are sexual-assault victims. However, Constand has given consent through her lawyer, while 10 other women named below have spoken out publicly. One has spoken out under a pseudonym, while the final two remain anonymous. The accounts below, listed chronologically, note ages for each woman and Cosby at the time, as described in a prosecution memo filed last month.

ANDREA CONSTAND

Ages then: She was 30; he was 66

Constand told police in 2005 that Cosby drugged and sexually assaulted her a year earlier at his suburban Philadelphia estate. She said he gave her three unlabeled blue pills to "relax" as the Temple University basketball team manager discussed a career change with Cosby, a high-profile Temple booster and trustee. She said she was semi-conscious on his couch when he digitally penetrated her. Cosby, 79, is charged with sexually assaulting a person unable to give consent, a felony that could bring 10 years in prison. He has pleaded not guilty and remains free on \$1 million bail.

JANE DOE 1

Ages then: She was 21; he was 30.

She was a flight attendant when she met Cosby in about 1964. He invited her to a taping of his show and cast her as an extra. After being friends for several months, she said, he offered her champagne at the Drake Hotel in Chicago, which left her unable to ward off his sexual advances before she passed out.

LINDA BROWN

Ages then: She was 21; he was 31.

Brown's agent sent the aspiring model to attend Cosby's show in Toronto and have dinner with him afterward in 1969. He invited her to his hotel room to give her a gift, and offered her a soda that caused her to black out, she said, before Cosby raped her.

CINDRA LADD

Ages then: She was 21; he was 31.

Ladd, a model, met Cosby in 1969 when he offered career advice. They were at his friend's house in New York one day when she complained about having a headache and he gave her a pill he called "a miracle cure" from his doctor. She became incapacitated, and Cosby raped her, she said.

JANE DOE 2

Ages then: She was in her early 20s; he was 32.

She met Cosby through her job at the Playboy Club in New York in the early 1970s. He offered her quaaludes in a limousine one day, which she said she declined. She then had three or four glasses of champagne but believes they contained an intoxicant that left her unconscious. She woke up naked in a

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hotel room feeling sore and said she had been sexually assaulted.

DONNA MOTSINGER

Ages then: She was 26; he was 33.

Motsinger was a waitress at the Trident restaurant in Sausalito, California, a favorite of Cosby's. He befriended Motsinger and her 9-year-old son. In 1972, Motsinger said, she accepted an invitation to Cosby's show and drank wine he gave her in the limousine on the way there. When a headache ensued, she took a pill he handed her. She recalls being fondled before waking up the next day, nearly naked, at her own home.

MARGIE SHAPIRO

Ages then: She was 19; he was 37.

Shapiro worked at Castle Donuts in Santa Monica, California, in 1975 when Cosby stopped by. He invited her to the set of "Mother, Jugs & Speed," and then to a dinner party, but instead took her to a house near the Playboy Mansion, where they played pinball fueled by Cosby's challenge that whoever lost would have to take a pill she believed to be a quaalude. She lost. She recalls waking up to find Cosby having sex with her.

THERESE SERIGNESE

Ages then: She was 18 or 19; he was 38 or 39.

Serignese, now a nurse, was in the gift shop of the Las Vegas Hilton in about 1975 when she met Cosby. He later invited her to his show, and to a room backstage afterward, where he gave her two pills that left her incapacitated before he raped her, she said. Cosby, in a 2006 deposition in Constand's civil lawsuit, testified that he gave Serignese quaaludes before what he called a consensual sexual encounter.

LINDA KIRKPATRICK

Ages then: She was 25; he was 43.

Kirkpatrick met Cosby while playing against him in a tennis tournament in 1981. He offered her tickets to his show at the Las Vegas Hilton, where he gave her a drink in his dressing room that left her incapacitated, she said. She next recalls him being on top of her, kissing her and rubbing against her.

JANICE BAKER-KINNEY

Ages then: She was 23 or 24; he was 45.

Baker-Kinney, then a Harrah's bartender in Reno, went to a pizza party at a nearby home where Cosby was staying in 1982. He insisted she take two pills, she said, before the backgammon game they were playing went blurry. She recalls seeing her blouse unbuttoned and his pants unzipped before she awoke naked with signs she had been sexually assaulted.

HEIDI THOMAS

Ages then: She was 24; he was 47.

Thomas' agent sent the aspiring young actress to meet Cosby for career advice at a Harrah's hotel in Reno in 1984, but the limousine he sent instead took her to a private house where she said he gave her a drink so she could play the intoxicated person in a script he gave her. During intermittent bouts of consciousness, she recalls being naked and Cosby forcing her to perform oral sex.

REBECCA NEAL

Ages then: She was about 28; he was 48.

Neal worked as a masseuse at a Las Vegas health club where Cosby played tennis in the mid-1980s. He befriended her mother and aunt there, leading Neal to accept an invitation to his show at the Las Vegas Hilton and dinner afterward. Cosby urged her to have a drink set before her while he ate. She said he later raped her in his room while she was too disoriented to give consent.

LISE-LOTTE LUBLIN

Ages then: She was 23; he was 50.

Lublin was a 23-year-old aspiring actress when she met Cosby in 1989. She and her mother went for a run with Cosby, and he gave them show tickets, before he invited her to the Elvis suite of the Las Vegas Hilton to practice acting improvisation. He prodded her to take two drinks to relax, which she ultimately did. She recalls seeing Cosby stroking her hair, and walking down a hall, before she woke up at home two days later. She believes she was sexually assaulted.

"KACEY"

Ages then: She was 29; he was 58.

The witness, who agreed to be photographed but not share her identity in the media, worked for one of Cosby's agents and had known the entertainer for six years when he invited her to lunch at his bungalow at the Bel Air Hotel in 1996 to discuss her acting ambitions. He was in a robe and slippers when she arrived, and offered her wine and a pill that she consumed after he reassured her it was safe. She then recalls being sexually assaulted by Cosby on his bed.

Top Senate Dem says FBI chief may have broken law on emails

By DONNA CASSATA and ERIC TUCKER, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The top Senate Democrat said Sunday that FBI Director James Comey may have broken the law when he disclosed 11 days before the election that investigators had newly discovered emails that may be relevant to the inquiry into Hillary Clinton's private email server.

In a scathing letter to Comey, Minority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada accused the FBI chief of a double standard, resisting Democratic calls to discuss possible ties between Donald Trump and the Russian government while informing Congress last Friday of the emails found in the sexting investigation of Anthony Weiner, the former New York congressman and estranged husband of Huma Abedin, a top aide to Clinton.

"Your actions in recent months have demonstrated a disturbing double standard for the treatment of sensitive information, with what appears to be a clear intent to aid one political party over another," Reid said. "I am writing to inform you that my office has determined that these actions may violate the Hatch Act, which bars FBI officials from using their official authority to influence an election. Through your partisan actions, you may have broken the law."

Comey jolted the White House race with his letter to Congress informing lawmakers of the newly found emails. Democrats fear the discovery creates fresh momentum for Republican Donald Trump in the final week of the presidential race as well as for down-ballot Republicans running for the Senate and the House.

With more than a half dozen toss-up or competitive Senate races, nearly all involving Republican-held seats, Democrats have a chance at reclaiming the majority. The one competitive Democratic seat is held by Reid, who is retiring at the end of the year.

Reid, never one to shy from a political fight in the heat of a campaign, said once Comey "came into possession of the slightest innuendo related to Secretary Clinton, you rushed to publicize it in the most negative light possible."

Reid underscored that he has been a supporter of the FBI director and fought for Comey's Senate confirmation when Republicans blocked the nomination.

"I led the fight to get you confirmed because I believed you to be a principled public servant," Reid wrote. "With the deepest regret, I now see that I was wrong."

Separately, former Attorney General Eric Holder and dozens of other former federal prosecutors signed a letter critical of Comey's recent actions in the Clinton email case.

The letter obtained Sunday by The Associated Press contends that Comey deviated from Justice Department policy when he alerted Congress to the new discovery of emails potentially related to the Clinton email investigation.

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Justice Department officials are instructed not to discuss ongoing investigations and to “exercise heightened restraint near the time of a primary or general election,” to avoid the appearance of prosecutorial influence in the electoral process, according to the letter.

“We cannot recall a prior instance where a senior Justice Department official — Republican or Democrat — has, on the eve of a major election, issued a public statement where the mere disclosure of information may impact the election’s outcome yet the official acknowledges the information to be examined may not be significant or new,” the letter states.

The emails were found on a device seized during an unrelated criminal sexting investigation of Weiner. Comey acknowledged in a letter to FBI colleagues on Friday that he knew the letter was at risk of being misunderstood so close to the election, but that he felt obliged to update Congress on the emails after having earlier told lawmakers that the email inquiry had been closed.

But the ex-prosecutors say Comey’s letter was so devoid of detail as to “invite considerable, uninformed public speculation” about the emails’ significance. They note that Comey did not reveal who had sent or received the emails, whether the emails include duplicates of messages that have already been reviewed or whether the emails contain any classified information.

The letter is signed by dozens of attorneys, including former Justice Department officials in Washington — among them, former deputy attorneys general Donald B. Ayer, James Cole, Jamie Gorelick, Larry Thompson and David Ogden — and a group of United States attorneys and assistant U.S. attorneys. Thompson, Ayer and Lourdes Baird, a former U.S. Attorney for the Central District of California, were appointed by Republican administrations.

If elected, Clinton faces awkward coexistence with Comey

By ERIC TUCKER, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The relationship between James Comey and Hillary Clinton was never going to be tension-free, not when Comey’s FBI had conducted an election-year criminal investigation into the Democratic presidential candidate’s email practices.

But Comey’s sudden announcement to Congress that FBI agents would review new emails that may be connected to that dormant investigation revives questions about how Clinton, if elected, would coexist with the independent-minded FBI director. Comey has shown a willingness to break with the White House and has been critical of her handling of sensitive information as secretary of state.

The FBI director is appointed to 10-year terms, to avoid any appearance of political influence. Comey took over in September 2013, meaning he still would be on the job if Clinton is sworn into office in January. That could raise the prospect of an unmistakably fragile dynamic, but it probably would not be any easier if Republican Donald Trump won, given his criticism of the FBI after Comey’s recommendation in July against prosecuting Clinton in the email matter.

“There needs to be a mutual trust between a president and an FBI director given the importance of that post,” said Jamie Gorelick, deputy attorney general during former President Bill Clinton’s administration.

Ron Hosko, a former assistant FBI director under Comey, said he envisioned a “very, very difficult relationship,” but Comey’s ability to compartmentalize his duties would enable him to keep doing his job.

“Could Jim Comey go over to the White House and brief on terrorism intelligence or a terrorism strike, and what the bureau is doing about it or has done about it, and keep that in a separate box? Yes,” Hosko said.

Clinton and her campaign have aggressively challenged the FBI to release more information about the emails, presumably because they believe a fuller portrait would prove exculpatory. Clinton on Saturday called it “pretty strange to put something like that out with such little information right before an election.” Her campaign chairman, John Podesta, called the letter an “unprecedented step” that cried out for more clarity.

Comey acknowledged in a memo Friday that his letter created the risk of being misunderstood so close to the Nov. 8 election. But he said he felt obliged to alert Congress to the new emails, which surfaced during an unrelated criminal sexting investigation involving former Rep. Anthony Weiner, D-N.Y., after having previously told lawmakers that the email investigation had been concluded. Keeping the emails secret

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until after the election carried its own political risks.

Late Sunday, a law enforcement official confirmed the FBI had obtained a warrant to begin reviewing the emails, which he said would be done expeditiously. The official had knowledge of the investigation, but was not authorized to speak of it publicly and requested anonymity to do so. It's not clear what the emails are about, whether they contain classified information or how they're connected to the Clinton investigation, which examined the mishandling of classified information on her private server. Comey could not guarantee that the review would be done by Election Day.

Conflict between a president and an FBI director is not without precedent.

Bill Clinton had a notoriously tense relationship with his FBI director, Louis Freeh. Clinton devoted multiple paragraphs in his 2004 memoir to castigating Freeh for various decisions. Freeh, for his part, resigned before his 10 years were up, and has said he wore Clinton's criticism as a "badge of honor."

When Comey was nominated for the job in 2013, President Barack Obama praised him for his "fierce independence and deep integrity." A former Republican who served as deputy attorney general under President George W. Bush, Comey has said he's no longer registered with a political party.

He famously split with the White House in 2004 over the authorization of a domestic surveillance program, leading to a remarkable confrontation in the hospital room of then-Attorney General John Ashcroft. Comey called the event "probably the most difficult night of my professional life."

As FBI director, he has floated the possibility that police concerns over being recorded on viral videos were causing officers to pull back and contributing to an uptick in homicides, a viewpoint the White House refused to endorse.

And in the Clinton matter, Comey testified before Congress for more than four hours after announcing his recommendation against prosecution at an FBI headquarters news conference, where he rebuked her and her aides as "extremely careless" in the handling of classified information.

On Friday, Comey sent Congress a vaguely worded, three-paragraph letter that went against the counsel of Justice Department leaders, who believed the action was inconsistent with longstanding department policy meant to avoid the appearance of prosecutorial interference in elections.

Now, the same independence that's earned Comey bipartisan praise has given way to intense criticism over the timing of his action from Democrats and some Republicans.

Hosko said the Clinton team may be tempted to seek Comey's departure out of concern that the FBI will be "on our back" in the future. But he said that would be a foolish decision.

"If I replace him, replace him with who?" he said. "Someone who's going to tank it? How's that going to play?"

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Clinton says she won't be 'knocked off course' in final week

By JULIE PACE and KEN THOMAS, Associated Press

WILTON MANORS, Fla. (AP) — Hillary Clinton vowed Sunday that she would not be "knocked off course" in the election's final days, as she sought to push past a new FBI email inquiry in a sexting probe that delivered a late jolt to her race against Republican Donald Trump.

"I'm not stopping now, we're just getting warmed up," Clinton declared during a packed rally with gay and lesbian supporters in battleground Florida. "We're not going to be distracted, no matter what our opponents throw at us."

Meanwhile, Trump continued to spread baseless doubts about the integrity of the American voting system, this time taking aim at Colorado's vote-by-mail system. Suggesting that mailed-in ballots might not be properly counted, Trump told supporters at a Greeley rally to vote in person instead of relying on the state's mail-in system — even if they've already submitted their ballots.

"They will give you a ballot, a new ballot," he said. "They'll void your old ballot and give you a new ballot

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and you can go ahead and make sure it gets in. Now in some places they probably do that four or five times. We don't do that. But that's great."

Clinton's advisers and fellow Democrats pressured FBI Director James Comey anew to release more details about the emails, including whether Comey had even reviewed them himself. The message was aimed at gathering more information about what the bureau is seeking from a computer that appears to belong to disgraced former New York Rep. Anthony Weiner, the estranged husband of Huma Abedin, one of Clinton's closest advisers.

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Clinton made unannounced stops Sunday in Florida at an early voting location, a Miami brunch spot and a soul food restaurant. She also addressed a predominantly black church, where she spoke of overcoming disappointments.

"Scripture tells us to rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance and endurance produces character," she said. "And character produces hope."

Clinton made no direct mention of the new FBI investigation, which has created anxiety among Democrats. During a campaign appearance on Saturday, she criticized the FBI for a lack of transparency, then tried to shift her attention back to Trump on Sunday, casting him as a selfish billionaire with a striking lack of empathy.

Speaking to LGBT supporters in Wilton Manors, she seized on a Washington Post report about Trump appearing at a fundraiser for children with HIV and pretending to be a donor, though he never gave money to the charity.

"It's always Donald Trump first and everyone else last," she said.

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Kaine appeared on ABC's "This Week," Podesta and Conway were on CNN's "State of the Union."

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This story has been corrected to reflect that Kaine was on ABC, not NBC.

Nearly 8,000 quake victims being helped by state agency

ROME (AP) — The Latest on the powerful earthquake that has rocked already stricken central and southern Italy (all times local):

12:30 a.m.

Almost 8,000 people have sought assistance from Italy's Civil Protection agency and are being housed in hotels and shelters following Sunday's quake and the one last week.

The agency said early Monday that it was expecting to assist about 3,000 more residents overnight.

The agency's figures do not include the many who are sleeping in their own tents, cars and campers, or who have found their own lodging elsewhere.

The Sunday morning quake with a magnitude of 6.6 was centered in the mountainous area in central Italy that straddles Marche and Umbria.

No one was killed or seriously injured, possibly because a pair of powerful jolts last week had prompted many people to leave their homes.

The Civil Protection agency also is still housing about 1,100 people who were left homeless after the Aug. 24 quake in the same area that killed nearly 300 people.

6:45 p.m.

An Italian seismologist says the recent quakes in central Italy were foreshocks to the powerful 6.6 temblor on Sunday, and that more significant quakes can be expected.

The president of Italy's National Institute for Geophysics and Vulcanology, Carlo Doglioni, told The Associated Press that the intense activity along a series of faults in the region weren't anomalous.

He said there was a similar sequence of three seismic events within a period of months in 1703, adding "it is normal for the Apennines," where there are a series of interdependent faults.

Doglioni said that natural law dictates that after such an event that there will be more quakes, "which means we can expect some 5 magnitude quakes and many of magnitude 4."

5:55 p.m.

A seismologist at the British Geological Survey says experts can't exclude the possibility that there will be more, or even stronger, aftershocks in the area near Norcia in central Italy.

Margarita Segou told The Associated Press that the important thing to realize is that while the number of temblors will decline over time, "we cannot exclude the possibility of larger magnitude aftershocks."

She cited other regions, such as a series of quakes in Japan earlier this year, which saw a similar pattern in which a quake is followed by a larger aftershock.

The quake Sunday that struck near Norcia in central Italy measured magnitude 6.6 and was the strongest to hit the country in 36 years.

2 p.m.

Prime Minister Matteo Renzi has vowed that Italy will rebuild the homes, churches and other structures destroyed in the country's latest earthquake.

Renzi spoke Sunday hours after central Italy was struck by an earthquake with an initial magnitude of

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6.6, which followed a deadly quake on August 24 and powerful aftershocks on Wednesday that left thousands homeless.

He said the financial resources will be found to restore essential elements of the national identity.

Among the structures that have been lost are churches, bell towers and other examples of Italy's cultural heritage.

Sunday's quake damaged historic churches in the town of Norcia, including the 14th century St. Benedict cathedral in one of the city's main piazza.

Renzi said at a news conference: "We will rebuild everything — the houses, the churches, the shops. We are dealing (with) marvelous territories, territories of beauty."

1 p.m.

Italian Premier Matteo Renzi says so far there appears to be no loss of human life from the strong earthquake that struck Italy on Sunday morning.

Renzi spoke more than five hours after a quake with a preliminary magnitude of 6.6 toppled buildings in central Italy, the strongest temblor to strike the earthquake-prone country since 1980.

Renzi says that despite the strength of the quake "at the moment there is no loss of human life."

12:40 a.m.

The powerful earthquake that shook central and southern Italy has forced the temporary closure of some of Rome's most important tourist sites.

The Vatican's St. Paul Outside the Walls basilica was closed for several hours on Sunday after some plaster fell, but was later reopened.

Vatican firefighters inspected St. Peter's Basilica and the Vatican's other basilicas but found no hazards.

The presidential palace also was closed so authorities could check for damage.

Rome Mayor Virginia Raggi canceled visits to City Hall as a precautionary measure.

12:30 p.m.

Pope Francis is praying for people affected by Italy's latest earthquake and the people who are offering help.

The crowds in St. Peter's Square interrupted Francis with applause when he mentioned the quake during his weekly Sunday blessing.

He said: "I'm praying for the injured and the families who have suffered the most damage, as well as for rescue and first-aid workers."

Francis travelled earlier this month to meet with survivors of an Aug. 24 quake that killed nearly 300 people in the same regions struck by Sunday's quake.

He stopped in all the hard-hit towns in an eight-hour road trip to offer his prayers and solidarity.

11:30 a.m.

A Catholic Church leader in one of the two regions where another earthquake has caused buildings to collapse is advising parish priests to avoid holding Mass inside churches.

Cardinal Gualtiero Bassetti told priests in the Umbria region to hold Mass outdoors following the Sunday morning earthquake as well as on All Saint's Day on Tuesday, a holiday on which Catholics remember the dead.

The news agency ANSA said Bassetti, head of the Catholic Bishops Conference of Umbria, made the decision after consulting with the head of the region.

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be the strongest quake to strike the country since 1980.

A 6.9-magnitude quake in southern Campania that year killed some 3,000 people and caused extensive damage.

The Apennine region of central Italy, located along a major fault line, has been the site of dozens of significant earthquakes since then.

A 6.1-magnitude earthquake on Aug. 24 quake killed nearly 300 people and flattened entire villages.

Officials have blamed shoddy construction for the comparatively high death toll from the August quake. The hilltop town of Amatrice, in particular, suffered significant damage, including in newly constructed buildings.

To date, Italy's deadliest quake in recent history remains the 1908 Messina quake that killed tens of thousands of people.

10:10 a.m.

The head of Italy's civil protection agency says there are no immediate reports of deaths after an earthquake with a preliminary magnitude of 6.6 struck regions already damaged by previous quakes.

Fabrizio Curcio said some people suffered injuries as numerous buildings that had resisted previous temblors in August and last week collapsed. He did not provide details on the nature or extent of the injuries.

Curcio says the agency is using helicopters to tend to the injured and to assess damage.

He says 1,300 people displaced on Wednesday by a pair of powerful aftershocks to an August quake that killed nearly 300 had been evacuated to the coast in recent days and that the operation would continue.

9:25 a.m.

The ancient city of Norcia, famed for its Benedictine monastery and its cured meats, is one of the locations hardest-hit by the latest earthquake to rock Italy.

Eyewitnesses said the St. Benedict cathedral, the 14th century cathedral in one of the city's main piazza, crumbled in the Sunday morning quake and only its facade remains standing. Priests prayed in the piazza amid the rubble.

Norcia city assessor Giuseppina Perla tells the ANSA news agency, "It's as if the whole city fell down."

The U.S. Geological Service says the earthquake with a preliminary magnitude of 6.6 was centered 6 kilometers (3 miles) north of Norcia.

The city's ancient walls suffered damage, as did another famous Norcia church, St. Mary Argentea, known for its 15th century frescoes.

9:15 a.m.

Emergency workers are racing to determine if any people have been killed or injured in the latest earthquake to rock central and southern Italy.

The Sunday morning quake with a preliminary magnitude of 6.6 was centered in a mountainous area straddling the central Italy regions of Umbria and Marche.

The head of the civil protection authority in the March region, Cesare Spuri, says there have been reports of buildings collapsing in many cities.

A pair of powerful quakes on Wednesday, technically aftershocks from an August earthquake that killed nearly 300 people, may have helped save lives on Sunday.

Many people still were sleeping in cars or had been evacuated to shelters or hotels in other areas following those strong jolts, leaving the most quake-prone historic centers largely empty of residents.

8 a.m.

A powerful earthquake with a preliminary magnitude of 6.6 has rocked central and southern Italy after a week of temblors that have left thousands homeless.

The European-Mediterranean Seismological Center put the magnitude at 6.6 or 6.5 with an epicenter 132 kilometers northeast of Rome and 67 kilometers east of Perugia, near the epicenter of last week's

temblors. It struck at 7:40 a.m.

Trapped: Deaths inside freezers can be prevented, but how?

By JEFF MARTIN, Associated Press

ATLANTA (AP) — Trapped in a walk-in hotel freezer with subzero temperatures, Carolyn Robinson Mangham knocked so desperately on the door that the skin on her knuckles had worn away, her husband said in a lawsuit.

When the door finally opened 13 hours later, the coroner said, the 61-year-old kitchen worker was lying on the metal floor, wearing her black shoes and pants, a white cook's shirt and a black apron. Her head and eyes were frozen solid.

Mangham, who died in March in Atlanta, was among a handful of workers who, in the last 15 years, were found dead in freezers, federal records show. Some were trapped by broken doors and either froze to death or were overcome by lethal fumes.

Experts say the deaths are preventable, but it's not likely the federal government will draw up any specific regulations dealing with freezers. One reason: They're more inclined to enforce broad rules for employers, such as making clear exits available.

"This should never happen. It's tragic, and the families are left with devastation," said Kim Bartels, whose brother Jay Luther died in a walk-in freezer in 2012.

Luther, a 47-year-old chef and co-owner of a cafe in Nashville, Tennessee, went into his restaurant's freezer and the door shut behind him. For reasons not explained, there was no release mechanism to open the door, the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration concluded in its report. Luther suffocated from breathing carbon dioxide vapors that came off dry ice inside the freezer, a medical examiner found.

"There's no question that technologies exist — old and new — that could address this issue," said David Ringholz, chairman of the industrial design department at Iowa State University.

Motion sensors, for instance, could disable doors anytime movement is detected inside a large walk-in freezer, he said. Other experts suggested alarms, a cellphone or even an axe kept inside to help someone get out.

Some safety upgrades would cost hundreds or thousands of dollars, and that expense can be a big obstacle to improvements.

Adam Finkel, a former OSHA regional administrator for the Rocky Mountain states, recalled when a 55-year-old woman died inside a freezer at a lodge in Colorado in 2002.

"That one really struck me as a terrible way to go," said Finkel, now executive director of the Penn Program on Regulation at the University of Pennsylvania.

There had been problems with the freezer door at the Westin Peachtree Plaza hotel in Atlanta, according to the lawsuit, which seeks unspecified damages. Several months before her death, an exit mechanism failed inside the 12-by-10 freezer, and a hotel employee "had to beat on a back wall in order for someone to let her out," the medical examiner's report states.

When Mangham died, the medical examiner, OSHA and a representative of an equipment servicing company performed more than 30 tests on the door's exit device, and it opened properly each time, hotel spokeswoman Sally McDonald said.

However, three weeks later, the exit button malfunctioned during a follow-up inspection, this time trapping two people, who had to beat on the door to alert others outside to free them, the autopsy report states.

OSHA found that the hotel exposed workers to hazards, and levied a fine of more than \$12,000 in Mangham's death. The hotel agreed to frequent and regular inspections of its freezers, including the door-release mechanisms, the agency said.

After Mangham's death, her co-workers and their union, UNITE HERE, demanded that emergency buttons be placed inside the freezers so that if someone becomes trapped, that person can alert building security or the fire department. So far, the hotel hasn't said whether they plan to have the buttons.

Such devices would be similar to those already in most elevators, said Lee Gray, an architectural historian

at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte who wrote a book about the passenger elevator.

Westin Peachtree Plaza workers are also pushing for a better way of tracking employees, so that if someone disappears as Mangham did, others will know to look for them. The hotel has agreed to develop a procedure for workers to check in and out with others when they enter remote areas, OSHA said.

The hotel and its parent company, Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide, have not said whether they are considering changes at any other hotels in the company. Starwood was acquired this year by Marriott International for \$13 billion, creating the world's largest hotel company.

In the wake of Mangham's death, the government could draft new rules and regulations or issue a bulletin or safety alert about the dangers of becoming trapped in freezers, which could raise awareness, said Celeste Monforton, a former OSHA official now with Texas State University.

But creating new, overly specific regulation is sometimes not helpful, said Wayne Li, director of the Innovation and Design Collaborative at the Georgia Institute of Technology. If regulations are too specific, they don't account for new technological advances and can become outdated and stifle innovative approaches, Li said.

Aaron Rabinowitz found his father dead inside the freezer of his family's San Diego cafe nine years ago. He said he thinks that some type of alarm would be a good idea, though it may not have helped his father because he was quickly overcome by the dry ice fumes.

"I'm in there myself daily," said Rabinowitz, who now runs the cafe. "There are safety latches. They can freeze up where you have to give it a really good kick. Somebody who is not strong enough might have trouble with it, so I think that (the alarms) would be a nice extra level of safety beyond a safety latch."

Iraq's Shiite militias join Mosul push; bombs rock Baghdad

By QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA and BRIAN ROHAN, Associated Press

IRBIL, Iraq (AP) — Thousands of fighters flocked to join Iraq's state-sanctioned, Iran-backed Shiite militias on Sunday, advancing to cut off Islamic State extremists holed up near Mosul in northern Iraq while bombers killed at least 17 people in Shiite neighborhoods of Baghdad.

Militia spokesmen said that some 5,000 fighters had joined their push to encircle from the west the country's second-largest city of Mosul, the IS militants' last bastion in Iraq, which is linked by road to territory it holds in Syria.

Karim al-Nuri of the militias' umbrella group, known as the Popular Mobilization Units, and Jaafar al-Husseini, a spokesman for unit member the Hezbollah Brigades, said that a total of some 15,000 Shiite fighters were now participating in the battle.

The Iraqi military confirmed the figures, which, including army units, militarized police, special forces and Kurdish fighters would bring the total number of anti-IS forces in the offensive to over 40,000.

The two-week-old offensive to drive IS from Mosul had been long-anticipated, since the Sunni extremists stormed into the city in 2014 and drove out a much larger Iraqi force, albeit one that was demoralized from neglect and corruption.

Troops are now converging on the city from all directions, although most fighting is still taking place in towns and villages on Mosul's outskirts. The operation is expected to take weeks, if not months.

The Popular Mobilization Units say they will not enter Mosul itself and will instead focus on retaking Tal Afar, a town to the west that had a Shiite majority before it fell to IS in 2014. They acknowledge having help from Iranian military advisers.

Iraqi forces moving toward the city have made uneven progress since the offensive began on Oct. 17. They are four miles (six kilometers) from the edge of Mosul on the eastern front, where Iraq's special forces are leading the charge. But advances have been slower in the south, with government forces still 20 miles (35 kilometers) from the city.

The U.S. military estimates IS has 3,000 to 5,000 fighters inside Mosul and another 1,500-2,500 in the city's outer defensive belt. The total number includes around 1,000 foreign fighters.

In the hours following the announcement of Shiite reinforcements, five explosions rocked predominantly

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Shiite neighborhoods of the capital, Baghdad, killing at least 17 people and wounding over 60, police said. Police officials said the deadliest of the bombings, a parked car bomb, hit a popular fruit and vegetable market near a school in the northwestern Hurriyah area, killing at least 10 and wounding 34. Other attacks hit the northern Shaab neighborhood, as well as traders' markets in the Topchi and Zataria areas as well as the poorer Sadr City district.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to brief reporters.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the blasts. But IS has stepped up its attacks in response to the offensive in Mosul, and it was possible the group was targeting Shiite areas in retaliation for the Mosul offensive.

Meanwhile, the Iraqi air force said it had landed a C-130 transport aircraft at Qayara air base, on the southern approach to Mosul, opening a key resupply route. IS forces had been leaving explosive booby-traps to slow the advance on Mosul, and the announcement suggested the airstrip was now cleared of such danger.

Earlier, Turkey's president warned that his government will be closely monitoring the Shiite militias' behavior in northern Iraq and seek to safeguard the rights of ethnic Turkmens there.

In statements carried by the state-run Anadolu agency, Recep Tayyip Erdogan told reporters that the militia group could prompt a Turkish response if it "terrorizes" the Iraqi-Turkmen town of Tal Afar, where it is headed in its push around Mosul.

"Tal Afar is an entirely Turkmen town. If Hashd al-Shaabi starts terrorizing it, then our response will certainly be different," Erdogan said, referring to the militia umbrella group in Arabic.

The involvement of the Iranian-backed Shiite militias has raised concerns that the battle for the Sunni-majority city could aggravate sectarian tensions. Rights groups have accused the militias of abuses against civilians in other Sunni areas retaken from IS, accusations the militia leaders deny.

At a camp on the outskirts of Kirkuk, some 100 miles (160 kilometers) from Mosul, around 600 displaced Sunni Turkmen families from Tal Afar were anxiously hoping IS will be driven from the city so they can head home soon.

"I escaped because of IS," said Hussna Abbas, 75, who was comforting her grandson as residents reported IS was firing intermittently toward their camp, known as Yahyawa. "They took one of my sons and they killed another one," she said. "God willing, God will return us to our homes."

Rohan reported from Baghdad; Cinar Kiper reported from Istanbul and Mstyslav Chernov from Kirkuk.

Today in History By The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Monday, Oct. 31, the 305th day of 2016. There are 61 days left in the year. This is Halloween.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 31, 1926, magician Harry Houdini died in Detroit of peritonitis resulting from a ruptured appendix.
On this date:

In 1517, Martin Luther posted his 95 Theses on the door of the Wittenberg Palace church, marking the start of the Protestant Reformation in Germany.

In 1795, English poet John Keats was born in London.

In 1864, Nevada became the 36th state as President Abraham Lincoln signed a proclamation.

In 1941, the Navy destroyer USS Reuben James was torpedoed by a German U-boat off Iceland with the loss of some 100 lives, even though the United States had not yet entered World War II. Work was completed on the Mount Rushmore National Memorial in South Dakota, begun in 1927.

In 1956, Navy Rear Adm. George J. Dufek and six others became the first air travelers to set foot at the South Pole.

In 1961, the body of Josef Stalin was removed from Lenin's Tomb as part of the Soviet Union's "de-

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Stalinization" drive.

In 1964, Theodore C. Freeman, 34, became the first member of NASA's astronaut corps to die when his T-38 jet crashed while approaching Ellington Air Force Base in Houston.

In 1968, President Lyndon B. Johnson ordered a halt to all U.S. bombing of North Vietnam, saying he hoped for fruitful peace negotiations.

In 1984, Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi was assassinated by two Sikh (seek) security guards.

In 1994, a Chicago-bound American Eagle ATR-72 crashed in northern Indiana, killing all 68 people aboard.

In 1996, a Brazilian Fokker-100 jetliner crashed in Sao Paulo, killing all 96 people on board and three on the ground.

In 1999, EgyptAir Flight 990, bound from New York to Cairo, crashed off the Massachusetts coast, killing all 217 people aboard.

Ten years ago: A fire at a residential hotel in Reno, Nev., killed 12 people. (A hotel resident who set the fire was sentenced to 12 consecutive life terms.) Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki (NOO'-ree ahl-MAHL'-ih-kee) ordered the lifting of joint U.S.-Iraqi military checkpoints around the Shiite militant stronghold of Sadr City and other parts of Baghdad. P.W. Botha, South Africa's apartheid-era president, died on the southern Cape coast at age 90.

Five years ago: Palestinians won their greatest international endorsement yet with full membership in UNESCO, but the move prompted the U.S. to cut off payments to the Paris-based cultural agency. The United Nations estimated that the world's population had surpassed 7 billion.

One year ago: A Russian passenger airliner crashed in a remote part of Egypt's Sinai Peninsula 23 minutes after taking off from a popular Red Sea resort, killing all 224 people on board. Four people were killed, including the gunman, following a shooting rampage in Colorado Springs that ended in a gunbattle between police and the shooter. The Kansas City Royals rallied for three runs in the eighth inning and beat the New York Mets 5-3 for a 3-1 lead in the World Series.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Lee Grant is 91. Former astronaut Michael Collins is 86. Former CBS anchorman Dan Rather is 85. Folk singer Tom Paxton is 79. Actor Ron Rifkin is 78. Actress Sally Kirkland is 75. Actor David Ogden Stiers is 74. Actor Brian Doyle-Murray is 71. Actor Stephen Rea is 70. Olympic gold medal long-distance runner Frank Shorter is 69. Actress Deidre Hall is 69. Talk show host Jane Pauley is 66. Actor Brian Stokes Mitchell is 59. Movie director Peter Jackson is 55. Rock musician Larry Mullen is 55. Actor Dermot Mulroney is 53. Rock musician Mikkey Dee (Motorhead) is 53. Rock singer-musician Johnny Marr is 53. Actor Rob Schneider is 52. Country singer Darryl Worley is 52. Actor-comedian Mike O'Malley is 51. Rap musician Adrock is 50. Songwriter Adam Schlesinger (SHLES'-in-ger) is 49. Rap performer Vanilla Ice (aka Rob Van Winkle) is 49. Rock singer Linn Berggren (Ace of Base) is 46. Reality TV host Troy Hartman is 45. Gospel singer Smokie Norful is 43. Actress Piper Perabo (PEER'-uh-boh) is 40. Actor Brian Hallisay is 38. Actress Samaira (SAH'-mee-rah) Armstrong is 36. Folk-rock musician Tay Strathairn (Dawes) is 36. Actor Eddie Kaye Thomas is 36. Rock musician Frank Iero (My Chemical Romance) is 35. Actor Justin Chatwin (TV: "American Gothic") is 34. Actor Scott Clifton is 32. Actress Vanessa Marano is 24. Actress Holly Taylor is 19. Actress-singer Willow Smith is 16.

Thought for Today: "Moral indignation is in most cases two percent moral, forty-eight percent indignation, and fifty percent envy." — Vittorio De Sica, Italian movie director (1901-1974).