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**Senior Menu:** Chicken Alfredo, lemon buttered broccoli, fruit dessert, whole wheat bread.

9 a.m.: Boys golf at Dell Rapids

**Emmanuel Lutheran:** Bible Study at 6:30 a.m.

**United Methodist:** Cub Scouts, 6:30 p.m.

**Pool Hours:** Open Swim 1-4:50; Lap Swim 5-5:45; Aerobics 5:45-6:30; Open Swim 6:40-8:00.

**City Council:** Meets at Groton Community Center, 7 p.m.

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**Senior Menu:** Hamburger 3-bean casserole, mixed salad greens with dressing, applesauce cake, whole wheat bread.

**United Methodist:** Bible Study at 10 a.m.

**Pool Hours:** Open Swim 1-4:50; Lap Swim 5-5:45; Aerobics 5:45-6:30; Open Swim 6:40-8:00.

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**Senior Menu:** Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetables, buttermilk biscuit, banana pudding with bananas.

**Olive Grove:** Men's League at 6 p.m.

**United Methodist:** Wednesday Coffee, 9 a.m.

**Pool Hours:** Open Swim 1-4:50; Lap Swim 5-5:45; Aerobics 5:45-6:30; Open Swim 6:40-8:00.

## Official Notices

**Brown County (updated 8-15)**

**Frederick Town (Updated 8-15)**

**Groton City (updated 8-8)**

**Other Notices (updated 8-8)**

**Groton Area School (updated 8-7)**

**Frederick Area School Book (updated 7-26)**

**Westport Town Book (updated 7-26)**

**Claremont Town Official Notices Book**

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

**The cardboard/paper**  
recycling trailer at the school is **Open**

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"From minor scratches to a complete rebuild... we can do it all"

**NOW OPEN**

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Auto Body ABDN

**225 Brown County Hwy 19 South**  
**Aberdeen: 605/725-4900**

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“Friends are kisses  
blown to us by angels.”

-Author Unknown



Chicken Soup  
for the Soul  
Hallway  
**HEROES**



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## Solar Eclipse Timeline

August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017



<u>Location</u>	<u>Eclipse Begins</u>	<u>Eclipse Peak</u>	<u>Eclipse Ends</u>
Aberdeen	11:35 AM	12:57 PM (87%)	2:20 PM
Watertown	11:37 AM	1:00 PM (87%)	2:23 PM
Pierre	11:32 AM	12:54 PM (92%)	2:19 PM
Miller	11:34 AM	12:57 PM (90%)	2:21 PM
Mobridge	11:32 AM	12:54 PM (88%)	2:17 PM
Kennebec	11:32 AM	12:55 PM (93%)	2:20 PM
Sisseton	11:38 AM	1:00 PM (85%)	2:22 PM
Ortonville	11:39 AM	1:01 PM (85%)	2:24 PM

National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

Created: 8/15/2017 11:05 AM

 US National Weather Service Aberdeen SD  
 @NWSAberdeen  
[www.weather.gov/abr](http://www.weather.gov/abr)

### Help Wanted

Full- or part-time for the following positions: Healthcare workers for Nurse's-RN or LPN, and Nursing Assistants, Dietary Cook and assistant, and Housekeeper. (12 hour shifts/rotating weekends for nurses and C.N.A.s)

Contact Jessica Lindskov or Nellie Peterson at 605-397-2365 or apply in person.

EOE/AA/M/F/V/D-Drug Free Workplace



1106 N. 2nd Street, Groton  
605-397-2365

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Here is the link to the  
**Livestream from NASA**  
[https://eclipse2017.  
nasa.gov/eclipse-live-  
stream](https://eclipse2017.nasa.gov/eclipse-live-stream)





Jordan Schwan handling the wheel barrel.

## Reopening Wednesday!

Groton Area Superintendent Joe Schwan and his family were working around the outside of the Groton Area Elementary School. He said that there is a lot of trash and weeds around the building. He had his two boys and wife assisting him Sunday in doing some of the cleanup. Schwan said that the elementary school will be reopened Wednesday to allow the teaching staff to start on their classrooms. The crew will begin moving stuff back into the school on Monday. There will still be workers on site Wednesday.



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## Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

Believe it or not, the Minnesota Vikings are halfway through the preseason after a 20-13 loss to the Seattle Seahawks Friday, August 18. The Vikings first-team defense gave up a touchdown on the Seahawks opening drive, which included four plays of at least nine yards. The Vikings responded with a field goal on their opening possession, but those were the only points the Vikings first-team offense could muster. The Vikings didn't find the end zone until there was less than three minutes left in the fourth quarter, which brought the game within one score, but the Seahawks were able to run out the clock on their next possession.

Three big questions after the preseason loss:

What was a positive to take away from the preseason loss? It's never fun watching your favorite team lose, even if it's in the preseason. However, there were some good things the team did that they will hopefully be able to carry over to the regular season. The biggest takeaway from the game was the offensive line. Going against one of the best defenses in the NFL, the Vikings offensive line kept the quarterbacks upright for the most part, only giving up one sack for the entire game. Playing without the starting left tackle (Riley Reiff) and left guard (Alex Boone) gave some of the younger guys a chance to shine, and they didn't disappoint.

Were there any position battles that have been settled yet? The Viking didn't have many position battles coming into the season, and after the second preseason game, there might not be any battles left to be settled. It was only a matter of time before Dalvin Cook became the starting running back, and after a couple good games, combined with an injury to Latavius Murray, Cook might be in line to start right away in week one. Similarly, the Vikings were hoping that third round pick Pat Elflein would eventually secure the starting center spot, and after two strong showings, he has essentially locked it down already.

The only positions that are truly still up for grabs is at defensive tackle and weakside linebacker. The Vikings are hoping they have two more rookies who will lock down those positions in Jaleel Johnson and Ben Gedeon. Johnson was drafted in the fourth round, and he has a very complimentary skill set to Linval Joseph, who will be one of the two starting defensive tackles. Jaleel Johnson was the Vikings highest graded player against the Seahawks according to Pro Football Focus, earning an 86.3 player grade. Ben Gedeon played well in the first preseason game against the Buffalo Bills, so the Vikings gave him the start against the Seahawks. Gedeon continued to play well, consistently being in the right place at the right time, especially against the run. He didn't get too many opportunities against the pass, which is where he needs to improve the most, but overall I liked what I saw from the fourth round pick.

What's up next for the Minnesota Vikings? The Minnesota Vikings will finally play a preseason game at home, as they welcome the San Francisco 49ers to town. The two teams will play Sunday, August 27 at 7 p.m. Central time. The third preseason game is the most important, since most of the starters will play into the second half. The Vikings should also get left tackle Riley Reiff and running back Latavius Murray back from injury, so we will finally get a chance to see why the team spent nearly \$74 million on the two players this past offseason.

Any questions or comments? Reach out to me on Facebook ([facebook.com/SkolJWright](https://www.facebook.com/SkolJWright)) or on Twitter (@SkolJWright).

Skol!

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## 2017-2018 Groton Area School District

### Back to School Information

#### Groton Area School District 06-6 – “Mission Statement”

Each school will foster a school climate conducive to learning by encouraging good behavior and citizenship, good attendance, a thirst for knowledge, and high academic standards. Teachers will employ strategies and approaches to instruction to meet the needs of all children assigned to them. With proper motivation and instruction, all children can learn!

#### Teacher Qualifications

All teachers of core academic subjects must hold at least a bachelor's degree, have full state certification, and demonstrate knowledge in the core academic subject they teach. For information regarding the qualifications of your child's teachers, you may contact the superintendent's office at 397-2351.

#### Certified Staff Changes

Certified staff new to the District include: Kiersten Sombke, MS/HS Principal; Tara Arntsen, HS Mathematics; Carrie Weisenberger, Elementary Special Education; Dustin Vogel, Elementary Special Education; Jodi Schwan, HS Opportunities Counselor

#### Registration

Anyone new to the District should contact the respective building principal(s) as soon as possible. Most kindergarten children were registered at pre-school screening in April; therefore, only those who did not register in April need to report for registration. Middle School and High School Schedule changes can be made on Monday, August 22nd from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

#### School Supply Lists

Students' school supply lists for the elementary school (preschool – grade 5) are posted on the District's web site at [www.grotonarea.com](http://www.grotonarea.com) under the District Info tab. Students in the middle school (grades 6-8) will be required to have the same color notebook, folder, and book cover for each class. Math will be green; English, blue; reading, red; science, purple; and social studies, black. The students can choose their own colors for PE, art, health, and computer classes.

#### Welcome Back Picnic & Open House – Thurs., September 7

All students enrolled in the district for the 2017-2018 school year, their parents, and all staff are invited to a “Welcome Back” picnic and Open House on Thursday, September 7. The picnic will run from 5:00PM – 6:30PM. A free meal will be served and door prizes will be given away.

Open House will run from 6:30PM – 8:00 PM at the elementary school. There will be no open house activities at the middle/high school building following the picnic. In lieu of the fall open house event for middle/high School students, we'd ask you to mark your calendars for a Fall Family Night from 4:00PM to 7:00PM on Monday, November 7.

#### 6th Grade Orientation – Thursday, September 7

Orientation for all 6th grade students and their parents will take place at 6:30PM in the GHS Arena following the “Welcome Back” picnic. This will be an opportunity for the 6th grade students and their parents to become familiar with the building and ask questions about their transition to Middle School.



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\*see [sdfu.org](http://sdfu.org)'s E30 tab for  
info, E30 prices\locations.

**\*Farmers Union's  
PSA: Courtesy Merle  
Anderson (Merle is 94  
year old founder of Ace  
and legendary ethanol  
supporter... “because it is  
the right thing to do”)**



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## Tablet PCs Issued to Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors

Prior to being issued their tablet PC, students and their parents must sign and return the following documents: Laptop Computer Protection Agreement, the Student Pledge, E-mail Acceptable Use Agreement, the Groton Area School District Network/Internet agreement, and the Parental Consent to Publish Student Photos/Work. Required forms can be picked up in the High School Office or will be sent home with students on the first day of classes.

## First Day of School – Tuesday, September 5

The first day of school is on Tuesday, September 5th. Students participating in band should bring their instruments. Buses will run and school lunch will be served. Each route driver will contact parents to confirm bus arrival times. Other bus route questions may be referred to transportation supervisor, Loren Bahr, at (605) 397-8117. The GRASP (OST) program at the elementary school will be available on the first day of school.

## Junior Kindergarten, Kindergarten, and First Grade

The District offers all-day, every day kindergarten classes. Children may enter kindergarten if they are 5 years of age on or before September 1 of the year in which they are to enter school. The District offers a junior kindergarten program each day from 12:30PM – 3:23PM for students that are eligible to attend kindergarten, but are not quite ready for kindergarten. Students enrolling in first grade must be 6 years of age on or before September 1 of that school year.

## Non-Resident Enrollment

For out-of-district students, applications to open enroll may be accepted throughout the school year. Applications are available from any school district administrative office. All open enrollment requests and related questions should be referred to school superintendent, Joe Schwan, at (605) 397-2351.

## 2017-2018 School Hours

Groton Area Elementary	8:15AM	Arrival Time (Supervision)
	8:25AM – 3:23PM	Classes in Session
Groton Area MS/HS	8:25 AM	First Bell
	8:30AM – 3:30PM	Classes in Session

## GRASP (OST) Program

The GRASP program services children in junior kindergarten through grade five with before and after-school homework help, supervised learning activities, and snacks. The GRASP program will be held in the Groton Area Elementary School from 7:00AM - 8:00AM and 3:25PM – 6:00PM each day that school is in session. Rates are \$2.50 per hour, per child. Any OST questions or registrations may be directed to elementary principal, Mr. Brett Schwan, at (605) 397-2317.

## K-12 Breakfast and Lunch Program

The school provides breakfast and lunch for all students each day school is in session. All meals are on a cash basis (i.e. pay as you go), while recognizing the provisions for free and reduced price meals. Guidelines for 2016-2017 applications for free and reduced priced meals were mailed out the week of August 1st. Parents are encouraged to apply for free and reduced priced meals if there is a possibility they may qualify. Prices are as follows:

### Groton Area Elementary:

Daily Breakfast	\$2.15
Daily Lunch	\$2.90
Prices for second servings at the elementary are \$0.50.	

### Groton Area Middle School/High School:

Daily Breakfast	\$2.65
Daily Lunch	\$3.40

Prices for second servings at the middle/high school are \$0.75.

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## Activity Tickets

Activity tickets are intended to admit all students to regularly scheduled home activities or events, with about the only exceptions being tournaments and the Pops Concert. Students in grades 1-5 may purchase an activity ticket, if they wish. All students who participate in activities for which an activity stipend is paid are required to purchase an activity ticket as a condition of participation since they are the primary beneficiaries of the activity programs. For example, staff activity stipends include: all sports, marching band, forensics, cheerleading, drama, oral interp, DI, FFA, FCCLA, FBLA etc.

Activity Ticket prices for 2017-2018 are as follows:

Grades 1-5	\$25.00
Grades 6-12	\$30.00
Adults	\$45 (10 events)
Adults – All Events	\$75.00

Admission Prices:

Adults = \$5.00; \$6.00 for double headers  
Students, Grades 1-12 = \$4.00

## Church Night

Wednesday nights during the school year are set aside for activities in the community's churches. No locally sponsored school activities or conflicting practices are to be held after 6:00PM on Wednesday.

## School Cancellations

All school cancellations or early dismissals due to inclement weather or emergencies will be sent out via the School Messenger System. Within minutes, School Messenger automatically sends a pre-recorded message to every recipient on a selected list. Parents will be asked to provide phone numbers and e-mail addresses (when available) to the school so that a selected calling list can be created. Emergency cancellations will be broadcast over TV stations KSFY, KDLT, and KELO, on the Groton Daily Website at [www.397news.com](http://www.397news.com), theGDI facebook page as well as the District Facebook page and website, [www.grotonarea.com](http://www.grotonarea.com).

## Immunization Requirements (SDCL 13-28-7.1)

State law requires that any pupil entering school or an early childhood program in the state shall, prior to admission, be required to present the appropriate school authorities certification from a licensed physician that the new child has received or is in the process of receiving adequate immunization against poliomyelitis, diphtheria, pertussis, rubeola, rubella, mumps, tetanus, and varicella, according to recommendations provided by the Department of Health. The Department of Health may modify or delete any of the required immunizations. As an alternative to the requirement for a physician's certification, the pupil may present:

- 1) Certificate from a licensed physician stating the physical condition of the child would be such that immunization would endanger the child's life or health; or
- 2) A written statement signed by one parent or guardian that the child is adherent to a religious doctrine whose teachings are opposed to such immunization; or
- 3) A written statement signed by one parent or guardian requesting that the local health department give the immunization because the parents or guardians lack the means to pay for such immunization.

Students enrolling in 6th grade are required to get one dose of Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (Tdap) vaccine and one dose of Meningococcal vaccine on or after their 11th birthday.

## Harassment and Bullying Policies

The district has harassment & bullying policies in place in both buildings. Bullying among students can be defined as intentional, repeated hurtful acts, words or other behavior, such as name-calling, threatening and/or shunning committed by one or more students against another. This definition also includes "cyber-bullying" which is the sending or posting of cruel or harmful texts or images using the Internet or other digital media such as cell phones, etc. For a complete copy of the district's harassment or bullying policy, please contact the building principal.



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## Grievance Procedure

In an effort to maintain effective communications, if you have a particular concern about your child's progress or about what is happening on the bus, at school, in a class or activity, first discuss it with the driver, teacher, or director of the activity. If your concern or grievance remains unresolved at that level, or if there is a need to share your concern, contact the principal in charge of the school in which your child attends. If the concern/grievance remains unresolved at that level, contact the superintendent. If school policy is at issue or if the concern/grievance remains unresolved, you may request that the superintendent include the subject on the school board meeting agenda. To maintain confidentiality, student matters may be confined to an "executive session" with the Board and administration.

## Complaint Policy for Federal Programs and Homelessness Policy

A parent, student, employee, or district stakeholder who has a complaint regarding the use of federal funds and is unable to solve the issue, may address the complaint in writing to the district's superintendent. Disputes addressing the enrollment, transportation, and other barriers to the education of children and youth experiencing homelessness are also addressed under this procedure. For a copy of the complete policy, contact the school superintendent or refer to the District web site.

## Child Find

Parents or guardians are to be informed that the Groton Area School District 06-6 continuously conducts a "Child Find" search to identify and evaluate District children ages 0-21, with special education needs. Persons who know of a child with un-served education needs may refer the child, by name, to the appropriate building principal. With the parent or guardian's consent, an evaluation will be made. After the evaluation has been completed, a placement committee will meet with the parent or guardian to determine if special assistance is needed.

## Title I

The federal government provides funding to states each year for Title I services. The goal of Title I is to provide extra help in math and reading for eligible students. Students are selected for the program based on information provided by classroom teachers, parents, and achievement test results. Title I services in our district are provided to students in grades K-5, with a strong emphasis on students in grades K-3.

## Federal Compliance Notice

Students, their parents, and employees of the Groton Area School District #06-6 are hereby notified that this school district does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, national origin, color, age, disability or religion in employment practices and educational activities. To ensure compliance with Section 427 of GEPA, effective steps shall be taken to remove potential barriers so as to ensure equity of access and participation in grant programs and to achieve high standards. Any person having inquiries concerning compliance or application of Title VI, Affirmative Action, Title IX, Section 504, and the Americans with Disabilities Act is directed to contact Federal Program compliance coordinator, Joe Schwan, Superintendent, Groton Area School District 06-6, Phone 397-2351 or, Department of Education, Civil Rights Office, 8930 Ward Parkway, Suite 2037, Kansas City, MO 64114; Phone: (816) 268-0550; TTD (800) 4370-0833; FAX: (816) 823-1404; Web link: <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/index.html?src=mr>

## FERPA Notification of Rights

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students who are 18 years of age or older ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. These rights are:

1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days after the day the Groton Area School District receives a request for access.

Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal a written request that identifies the records they wish to inspect. The school official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.

2. The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under

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FERPA.

Parents or eligible students who wish to ask the Groton Area School District to amend a record should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it should be changed. If the school decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the school will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

3. The right to provide written consent before the school discloses personally identifiable information (PII) from the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the school as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel) or a person serving on the school board. A school official also may include a volunteer or contractor outside of the school who performs an institutional service of function for which the school would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the school with respect to the use and maintenance of PII from education records, such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist; a parent or student volunteering to serve on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee; or a parent, student, or other volunteer assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

Upon request, the school discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll, or is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes of the student's enrollment or transfer.

4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the Groton Area School District to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA are:

Family Policy Compliance Office  
U.S. Department of Education  
400 Maryland Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20202  
Notice of Nondiscrimination

Applicants for admission and employment, students, parents, employees, and all professional organizations holding negotiated agreements or professional agreements with the school district are hereby notified that this district does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, age, gender, disability, national origin, or ancestry in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities.

## **Section 504**

Section 504 is the part of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 that applies to persons with disabilities. Section 504 is a civil rights act that protects the civil and constitutional rights of persons with disabilities. It states that no person with a disability can be excluded from or denied benefits of any program receiving federal financial assistance. Section 504 and special education are two separate services.

## **Notification of Asbestos in School Building(s)**

In compliance with the Asbestos-Containing Materials in Schools Rule, the Groton Area School District had its school buildings inspected on 04/18/16 by an asbestos inspector, accredited by the state of South Dakota. During that inspection, areas of suspected asbestos (ACBM) were identified and inspected. The Groton Area School District has an Asbestos Management Plan which provides information on the periodic monitoring of the condition of asbestos (ACBM) remaining in the school buildings. Anyone that would like to see the Asbestos Management Plan can contact a building principal or superintendent.



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## Coming up this week on

### GDILIVE.COM

(Click on images below)

### City Council Meeting

Monday, Aug. 21, 2017

7 p.m.

Groton Community Center

### Webster Scale Weekly Meeting with the S.D. D.O.T.

Thurs., Aug. 24, 2017, 1 p.m.

Groton Community Center

It's Volleyball Action on GDILIVE.COM



**Groton Area Tigers**

**VS**



**Deuel Cardinals**

Thursday, Aug. 24, 2017, 7 p.m.  
Groton Area High School Arena

It's Football Action on GDILIVE.COM



**Groton Area Tigers**

**VS**



**Ellendale/Edgley/Kulm**

Friday, Aug. 25, 2017, 7 p.m.  
Kulm, N.D.

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Kaylin Kucker and Allyssa Locke



Devan Howard



Erika Herr

Belle Fourche 1,  
Groton 0

St Thomas  
More 6,  
Groton 0

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Allyssa Locke



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Lee Williams



Marshall Lane

No scores available.

Photos by  
Julianna Kosel



Isaiah Williams, Anthony Schinkel, Hunter Schaller



Hunter Schaller





## Customer Appreciation Days

Aug. 22 through Aug. 24

**Specials All Week! Daily Drawings!**

Tuesday is Coffee, cookies and cheese samples

Wednesday is bring your pet in for a treat

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

Ritchie Waterer rep Curt Weyh available  
to speak with on Thursday

Come let us show you **OUR**  
appreciation for your business



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## Today in Weather History

August 20, 1904: A destructive, estimated F4 tornado moved ESE from 7 miles WNW of Willow Lake, through the town, and on into Bryant. Most of the damaged occurred in those two towns. All buildings on at least three farms were blown away. One woman died in Bryant, Hamlin County, as the tornado swept across the residential west side of town. Another man was killed just west of Willow Lake, as his farm house was scattered for miles.

1883 - A tornado hit Rochester, MN, killing 31 persons and wrecking 1351 dwellings. (David Ludlum)

1886: The 1886 Indianola Hurricane destroyed the town of Indianola, Texas and as such had a significant impact on the history and economic development of Texas. The storm ended the rivalry between Galveston and Indianola as the chief port of Texas. With the abandonment of Indianola and the unwillingness of the former residents to rebuild close to shore, Galveston became the most important Texan port until the 1900 Galveston Hurricane led to the rise of Houston as a major port. It was the fifth hurricane of the 1886 Atlantic hurricane season and one of the most intense hurricanes ever to hit the United States.

1888 - A tornado swarm occurred in Maryland and Delaware. Many waterspouts were seen over Chesapeake Bay. (Sandra and TI Richard Sanders - 1987)

1910: The Great Fire of 1910 finally came to an end in Idaho. A record dry August fueled 1736 fires that burned three million acres destroying six billion board feet of timber. The fires claimed the lives of 85 persons, 78 of which were firefighters, and consumed the entire town of Wallace. The smoke spread a third of the way around the world producing some dark days in the U.S. and Canada. The forest fires prompted federal fire protection laws.

1918 - A tornado struck Tyler, MN, killing 36 persons and destroying most of the business section of the town resulting in a million dollars damage. (David Ludlum)

1928: A tornado estimated at F4 intensity initially touched down in Winnebago County, Iowa, moved to Freeborn County, Minnesota, and hit the south side of Austin, MN. Five of the six deaths were in Austin with 60 injuries.

1983 - The temperature at Fayetteville, NC, soared to 110 degrees to establish a state record. (The Weather Channel)








1987 - Early morning thunderstorms produced severe weather in eastern Iowa and west central Illinois. Thunderstorms produced wind gusts to 82 mph at Moline IL, and tennis ball size hail at Independence IA. Rock Island IL was drenched with 3.70 inches of rain. Total damage for the seven county area of west central Illinois was estimated at twelve million dollars. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Thunderstorms spawned several tornadoes in Iowa, produced wind gusts to 63 mph in the Council Bluffs area, and drenched Sioux Center IA with up to 6.61 inches of rain. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

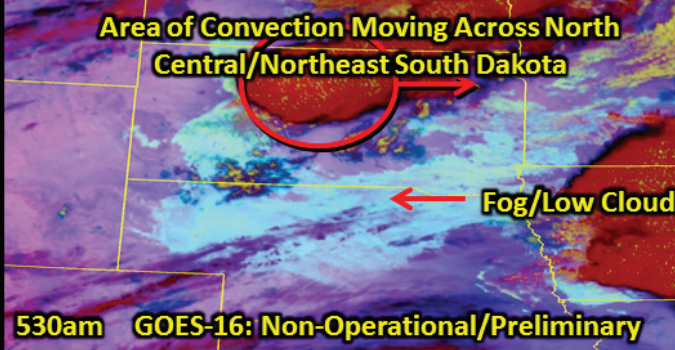
1989 - Afternoon and evening thunderstorms produced severe weather from Kansas to Minnesota and North Dakota. Thunderstorms in Minnesota produced baseball size hail from Correll to north of Appleton. Thunderstorms in north central Kansas produced wind gusts higher than 100 mph at Wilson Dam. Thunderstorms around Lincoln NE produced baseball size hail and up to five inches of rain, and Boone NE was deluged with five inches of rain in an hour and a half. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

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Today	Tonight	Tuesday	Tuesday Night	Wednesday	Wednesday Night	Thursday
						
T-storms Likely	Mostly Clear	Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny
High: 77 °F	Low: 49 °F	High: 77 °F	Low: 50 °F	High: 78 °F	Low: 54 °F	High: 78 °F

**Showers This Morning & Lingering Clouds Possible For Eclipse**

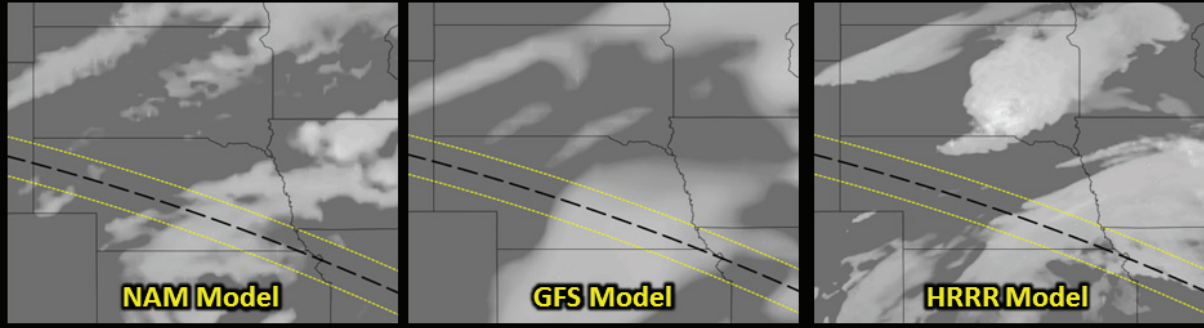


Area of Convection Moving Across North Central/Northeast South Dakota

Fog/Low Clouds




530am GOES-16: Non-Operational/Preliminary

Adjusting travel plans to avoid clouds?  
<https://www.weather.gov/source/crh/eclipse.html>



NAM Model      GFS Model      HRRR Model

National Weather Service – Aberdeen, SD

 weather.gov/Aberdeen  National Weather Service Aberdeen  @NWSAberdeen Updated: 8/21/2017 5:38 AM Central

Published on: 08/21/2017 at 5:42AM

\*Update\* We are watching an area of convection across north central South Dakota this morning. This feature will continue east through the morning hours. Clouds may linger - extending towards western Minnesota during the late morning hours - possibly into eclipse time. This doesn't mean the whole area will be cloud covered, however you may need to make a short road trip to get to better viewing conditions today. \*Update\* we are seeing more expansive low clouds and fog in the area - though there are still a few gaps across SD/NE that will provide for favorable viewing conditions.

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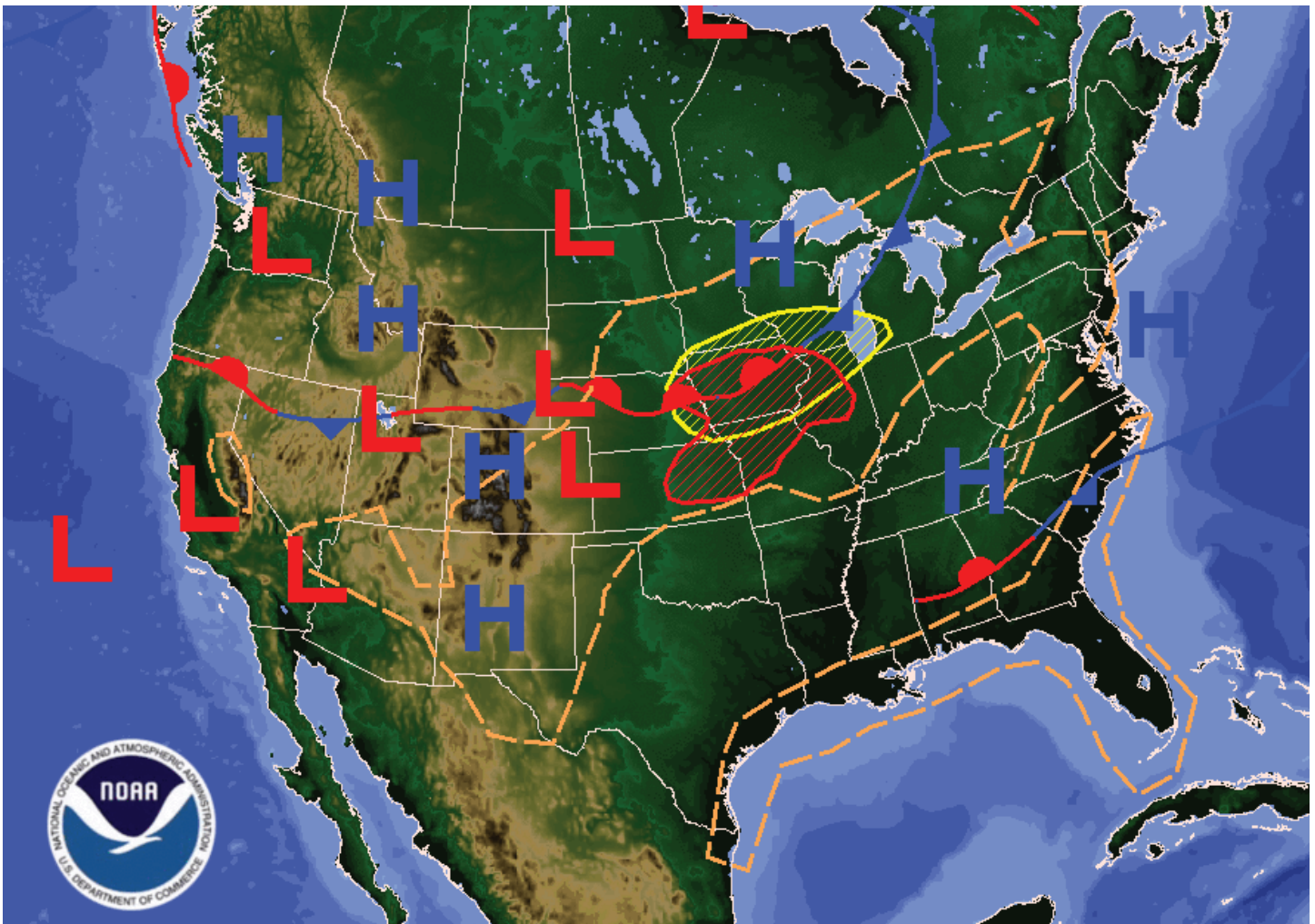
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## Yesterday's Weather

**High Outside Temp: 71.4 at 5:51 PM**  
**Low Outside Temp: 59.7 F at 11:59 PM**  
**High Gust: 19 mph at 12:03 PM**  
**Precip: 0.00**

## Today's Info

**Record High: 105° in 1947**  
**Record Low: 37° in 2004**  
**Average High: 81°F**  
**Average Low: 55°F**  
**Average Precip in Aug: 1.64**  
**Precip to date in Aug: 1.80**  
**Average Precip to date: 15.50**  
**Precip Year to Date: 9.15**  
**Sunset Tonight: 8:30 p.m.**  
**Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:43 a.m.**



### Day 1 National Forecast Chart

Valid Mon, Aug 21, 2017, issued 4:34 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by Krekeler with WPC/SPC/NHC forecasts

**Rain**  
**Rain and T'Storms**  
**Rain and Snow**  
**Snow**  
**Flash Flooding Possible (hatched)**  
**Severe T'Storms Possible (hatched)**  
**Freezing Rain Possible (hatched)**  
**Heavy Snow Possible (hatched)**



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## NO FEAR!

"Hear ye! Hear ye!" were the words of the "Town Crier" in many English towns years ago. His job was to stand in public places where people gathered and shout or "cry out" official announcements. When there was an important event he would often ring a bell to get people to gather quickly to listen to what he was sent to say.

David received an important message from the Lord. It was so important that he "cried out" for the people to listen to him. "An oracle is within my heart concerning the sinfulness of the wicked," he shouted. An oracle is an utterance – or a message – linked to God or coming from Him. These were serious words and as always reflected the love and concern that God has for people to know Him, come to Him and worship Him.

His message was simple, clear and direct, "Your ears are not open to God, you flatter yourselves so much that you cannot recognize your sins or hate them."

But he does not stop there. He continues, "The words that come out of your mouths are deceitful, you are no longer wise or do good." Quite an indictment.

David's words were true then and are equally true today. He paints a vivid picture of human darkness that includes the mind, heart and will. When we do not fear God's judgment, our egos become inflated, we flatter ourselves falsely and wicked thoughts come out of our minds that deceive ourselves and others. When we no longer fear God we are in serious trouble. We must fear Him, remain in His Word and rely on His strength.

Prayer: We pray, Father, that Your Spirit will convict us of any sin that would deceive us and destroy us. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Psalm 36:1 I have a message from God in my heart concerning the sinfulness of the wicked: There is no fear of God before their eyes.

## News from the Associated Press

### **South Dakota man dies in weekend crash in North Dakota**

FLASHER, N.D. (AP) — A South Dakota man is dead after a crash in southwestern North Dakota. The Highway Patrol says 24-year-old Blake Huber, of McIntosh, South Dakota, was driving a car that collided with a bull on state Highway 31 and then crashed into a bridge rail. The crash happened shortly before 11:30 p.m. Saturday. Huber died at the scene about 35 miles south of Flasher.

### **Artist program in South Dakota aims to form mentorships**

**By ERIN ANDERSEN, Rapid City Journal**

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Andrew Huot vividly remembers the first time he sat at a piano. It was just after Christmas 2009, and Huot was only 8. The digital synthesizer had 63 keys, and a definite electronic twang.

The sound was pretty bad, recalled Huot, now 16.

But the magic was there.

The next year, following a move to Colorado and much begging on Huot's part, his mother agreed to pay for piano lessons.

Like most youngsters, Huot's interest waned when piano practice went from fun to work.

Unlike many others, however, Huot persevered.

Now, after just eight years of instruction, Rapid City resident and patrons of the arts Deanna Lien, calls Huot a piano prodigy — an emerging artist with the potential for a big musical future.

Huot is exactly the kind of child Lien had in mind when she created and funded the Emerging Artist Program with the Dahl Arts Center about five years ago.

Today, the program is fully endowed and funded through the Rapid City Arts Council.

Among its many aspects is a mentorship program that pairs accomplished artists with emerging artists. "Connecting those with more experience to those with less experience" is the idea, program coordinator Stephen Branch told the Rapid City Journal.

The program is what brought Huot and his mother to hear a performance in December by 2006 Stevens High School graduate and professional New Orleans jazz trumpeter Alex Massa. Following the show — and with some motherly nudging — Huot approached Massa to ask about music career advice.

Let's hear you play, was Massa's challenge to Huot.

Massa's direct nature caught Huot off guard. He didn't really have a jazz repertoire. Pop music was his forte.

Take a pop song and make it jazzy, Massa told the teen.

Andrew played "Some Day My Prince Will Come."

The music led to a connection between the two artists, and three months later, Huot and Massa played their first gig together at Blind Lion Speakeasy in Rapid City.

From there, a mentoring friendship was forged.

Now, whenever Massa returns to the Black Hills, he and Huot get together and jam — both onstage and off.

Recently, Massa and Huot gathered in Deanna Lien's living room to "practice." But Lien confides it was her concert hall grand piano that drew them to her acoustically balanced home.

Sitting at the piano, Huot poised his fingers just above the keys. Massa flipped his long hair over his shoulders, picked up his trumpet and let loose. What followed was a tremendous musical interplay of notes, crescendos and RITS.

Afterward, Massa spills a secret: The performance was entirely impromptu.

It takes incredible skill to listen to what someone else is playing and compose your musical response on the spot, Massa said.

But that is what make jazz playing so magical.

"It's easy to learn how to play notes on a page," Massa said.

But to experience it; to feel something outside of yourself and push the limits beyond — that is an undefinable form of magic.

Massa didn't know such an experience was possible until he met trumpet professor Grant Manhart at Northern State University in Aberdeen.

"He had this unique approach to playing music and learning how to be a better person through learning the trumpet," Massa said. "He really planted the seeds . and it was important to my growth."

"I am stubborn. I was a rebel child," Massa said. "In school I didn't do things the way people told me to do them."

But Manhart sparked a fire deep within Massa's soul.

"I didn't just learn music. I learned to create and visualize," Massa said.

His stubborn streak pushed him beyond just learning the music to really living the music.

That, Massa now knows, is exactly what Manhart wanted to teach his students.

And what Massa hopes to pass on to Huot, his pianist protege.

"Musical outreach," Massa said. "That's my goal in life. That's what I enjoy doing."

And that's exactly what Lien wanted when she started the Emerging Artists program more than a decade ago.

"It isn't what I expected to accomplish," Lien admitted. "But it's gone much further than I ever imagined."

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

## South Dakota builder receives historic preservation award

By **PATRICK ANDERSON, Argus Leader**

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — No one else seems to see these homes.

Or maybe they don't care to look past a rough exterior.

John Koch feels lucky each time he buys a house near the core, discovering a forgotten vestige of Sioux Falls' history.

Lucky, because he's the one who gets to restore them to their former glory.

"They're hidden behind trees and bushes," Koch told the Argus Leader .

Koch, 38, has made a living of looking beyond those trees and bushes for a project. As a result, he's helped reshape Sioux Falls' core by preserving some of the city's oldest, most unique housing stock.

John Koch Construction was one of two companies recently honored by City Hall for their mindfulness of Sioux Falls' historic places. He received the 2017 Mayor's Historic Preservation Award for restoring a house on Spring Avenue.

The home, now an eight-unit rental, is just one of Koch's passion projects. They dot the neighborhoods around downtown, including rentals and single family homes in the All Saints, McKennan Park and Cathedral neighborhoods.

"I just appreciate the fact that he does a really nice job," said Diane deKoeyer, a city planner who serves as liaison to the city's historic preservation board. "He's doing it because he's really proud of Sioux Falls and wants to be able to give back."

Many date back to Sioux Falls earliest days, built and lived-in by men and women pivotal to the city's history. His company has renovated about 100 homes and is currently working on six projects including a house designed by Wallace L. Dow, the architect who designed the state penitentiary and the Old Courthouse Museum.

An affable man with a natural sense of curiosity, Koch was at the museum enough to become friends with one of its researchers.



"There was so much pride in these old houses when they were built," Koch said.

At the Spring Avenue house, he took out all the original door knobs, soaked them and cleaned them with a wire brush. Materials just aren't the same in new construction, Koch said. In the older homes he buys, even after years of disrepair, there are oak floors, glass-tile bathrooms and massive fireplaces.

Attention to detail and a love of history are family traits.

Growing up in central Sioux Falls, Koch did maintenance work for his father at some of his rental properties. Dan Koch worked in real estate and started investing in multi-family housing in the 1970s. He started bringing his son to jobs when he reached middle school age.

Dan remembers something his son told him, about a year before he decided to stay home and start renovating homes instead of returning to Montana for college.

"He said I just can't picture myself with a little necktie on," Dan said. "Wanted to work for himself."

The mayor's award is offered each year to companies or individuals as a way to recognize preservation work. Perspective Architects will also receive the award this week for its work on the former Illinois Central Roundhouse building downtown.

Both Koch and Perspective were honored Wednesday at City Hall, before the regular meeting of the city's historic preservation board.

"The board works hard to make sure we are retaining some of that history," deKoeper said. "By showing the community that a home like this one can be preserved."

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

## Most American Indian tribes opt out of federal death penalty

By **FELICIA FONSECA** and **RUSSELL CONTRERAS**, Associated Press

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. (AP) — In a heinous case on the Navajo Nation, an 11-year-old girl was lured into a van, sexually assaulted and killed. The tribe did not seek to have the man who recently admitted to killing her put to death.

American Indian tribes for decades have been able to tell federal prosecutors if they want a death sentence considered for certain crimes on their land. Nearly all have rejected that option.

Tribes and legal experts say the decision goes back to culture and tradition, past treatment of American Indians and fairness in the justice system.

"Most Indian tribes were mistreated by the United States under past federal policies, and there can be historical trauma in cases associated with the execution of Native people," said Robert Anderson, a University of Washington law professor and a member of the Bois Forte Band of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe. "This allows tribes to at least decide in those narrow circumstances when there should be a federal death penalty or not."

In the Navajo case, Ashlynn Mike's body wasn't found until the next day. Her death in May 2016 renewed discussions there about capital punishment.

Ashlynn's mother has urged the tribe to opt into the death penalty, particularly for crimes that involve children. The tribe long has objected to putting people to death, saying the culture teaches against taking a human life for vengeance.

For years, Theda New Breast has seen the effects of domestic violence, drug addiction and poverty on her Blackfeet Reservation in Montana. The healer helps those who suffer from the associated trauma. But regardless of the nature of the crime, the 61-year-old is staunchly against capital punishment.

"Our beliefs, that I was raised with, say that no one has a right to take away a life except the Creator. Period," New Breast said. "End of story."

Congress expanded the list of death-penalty eligible crimes in the mid-1990s, allowing tribes to decide if they wanted their citizens subject to the death penalty. Legal experts say they are aware of only one tribe, the Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma, that has opted in.

Tribal leaders there hoped the decision would deter serious, violent crimes on the reservation in east-

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central Oklahoma, said Truman Carter, a Sac and Fox member, attorney and tribal prosecutor. "The tribal leaders have said yes over the years, and they left it alone," he said.

No American Indian has been executed in any case from the Sac and Fox reservation.

Still, the ability of tribes to decide on the death penalty doesn't completely exempt Native Americans from federal death row. According to the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc., 16 Native Americans have been executed since capital punishment was reinstated in 1976. The executions were for crimes occurring off tribal land or in the handful of states where the federal government does not have jurisdiction over major crimes on reservations.

That was the case earlier this year when a California jury imposed the death penalty for Cherie Rhoades. The former leader of the Cedarville Rancheria Tribe was convicted of fatally shooting four people and trying to kill two others.

Modac County District Attorney Jordan Funk said he didn't consult with the tribe and wasn't required to before deciding to pursue the death penalty. He said Rhoades expressed no remorse for the killings at a tribal meeting where officials were considering her eviction from the tribe.

"If they would have told me they don't want us to execute her, I would have done it anyway," Funk said.

Tribes also don't have a say over the death penalty when certain federal crimes like carjacking or kidnapping resulting in death, or killing a federal officer occurs on reservation land. Those carry a possible death sentence no matter where they happen.

That's how Lezmond Mitchell, a Navajo man, became the only American Indian now on federal death row. He was convicted in a 2001 case of killing a fellow Navajo tribal member and her 9-year-old granddaughter who were driving to see a medicine man. Their beheaded, mutilated bodies were found in a shallow grave on the reservation. Mitchell stole the woman's car and later robbed a trading post in Red Valley, Arizona.

The Navajo Nation government objected to the death penalty on the murder charges. It had no choice on the charge of carjacking resulting in death.

Tamera Begay, a Navajo woman, has studied the Mitchell case and agrees the tribe should steer clear of the death penalty. "There's so much federal jurisdiction, that's worrisome," she said.

Laura Harris, executive director of Americans for Indian Opportunity and member of the Comanche Nation, said her tribe sees banishment as a much worse punishment than death because it cuts off a person's ability to be part of the community.

She said tribes also recall how the death penalty has been used against them. In December 1862, for example, 38 Dakota men who were at war with settlers in Minnesota were hanged in the largest mass execution in U.S. history. An annual horseback ride is held to commemorate the men, ending at the site of the hangings in what's now Reconciliation Park.

Today, the death penalty is more likely to be carried out in the case of a white victim than a victim of color. Native Americans make up less than one-quarter of 1 percent of victims in cases that result in executions, according to the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund. For whites, it's 75 percent, for blacks 15 percent and nearly 7 percent for Latinos.

"It's not surprising you'd see a distrust of the judicial process similar to the distrust you see in the African American community," said Robert Dunham, executive director of the Death Penalty Information Center. "When you look at who is executed, you see that there are a class a favored victims and a class of disfavored defendants."

Melissa Tatum, a research professor at the University of Arizona in Tucson, said most tribes believe the criminal justice system in Indian Country doesn't work, "not in a sufficient way that they would opt into the death penalty, and the statistics bear that out."

Pursuing the death penalty in a federal case isn't taken likely, said Kevin Washburn, a University of New Mexico law professor and member of the Chickasaw Nation. A U.S. Department of Justice panel has to review the case.

Tribes also can't decide on a case-by-case basis, Washburn said.

"You can't have a murder that happens today and have the Navajo Nation authorize the death penalty tomorrow and have it apply to the murder that happened today," he said.

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Ashlynn's family is looking toward future change. The Navajo man who recently admitted to killing her, Tom Begaye Jr., cannot get the death penalty at his upcoming sentencing. He faces life in prison without the possibility of release under a plea agreement with federal prosecutors.

After Ashlynn's death, Navajo leaders met with medicine people and talked for at least two hours about the tribe's general position on the death penalty and decided to maintain a position against it, Tribal Council Speaker LoRenzo Bates said.

"Navajos see life as precious, good or bad, and so we don't pick and choose," he said. "All life is precious."

Pamela Foster, Ashlynn's mother, has been gathering signatures online to convince the tribe to change its mind.

"If traditional teachings are squarely against the taking of human life, WHY are we allowing it to happen?" Foster wrote in an online post.

Felicia Fonseca and Russell Contreras are members of The Associated Press' race and ethnicity team. Contreras reported from Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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## **\$30 million gift boosts Dakota State's cybersecurity program**

MADISON, S.D. (AP) — A South Dakota public university that bills itself as a national leader in cybersecurity announced Sunday it has received \$30 million in private donations and \$30 million in public commitments to help build the cyber program.

Dakota State University President Jose-Marie Griffiths said the money will allow the Madison college to increase scholarships, hire more faculty and staff, and launch "new, relevant" academic programs.

"This gift will lift Dakota State University to the next level," she said.

The \$30 million gift from T. Denny Sanford and Miles and Lisa Beacom was announced during a celebration for the new \$11.4 Beacom Institute of Technology. South Dakota Gov. Dennis Daugaard added that the state is giving an additional \$10 million to the project and he expects the federal government to kick in an additional \$20 million.

"Sixty million dollars. Holy cow," Miles Beacom said during the event on the Dakota State campus. "This is truly a historic moment for Dakota State."

Some of the money will be used for new buildings, including one that should be outfitted in technology to allow work to be done on classified information. U.S. Sen. Mike Rounds of South Dakota said the new facility should help keep people in the state.

"Young people who earn degrees will be able to work directly on national security and cybersecurity issues without have to leave home," Rounds said.

Richard Hanson, dean of the former College of Computing, which on Sunday was renamed the Beacom College of Computer and Cyber Sciences, said before the announcement that the college has acquired the recognition of security agencies in the country as a "quality institution."

Dakota State said it's one of a few schools in the nation with National Security Agency and Department of Homeland Security's "Center of Academic Excellence" recognitions in cyberdefense education, research and operations. It's also the only university nationwide that's partnered with the NSA National Cryptologic School, allowing the agency's civilian and military employees to finish degrees in cyber operations.

Hanson said cybersecurity enrollments are increasing rapidly. Students learn sophisticated programming skills, and when they leave, they're skilled at detecting weaknesses in electronic and digital systems and fixing them, Hanson said.

"In our business, we talk about the white hats and the black hats," he said. "There certainly are plenty of black hats, and we try to prepare the white hats."



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## Minot community leader, father of US Sen. John Hoeven dies

MINOT, N.D. (AP) — A longtime Minot banker and father of U.S. Sen. John Hoeven is being remembered as a community supporter who served in numerous organizations and help develop low-income housing for elderly residents.

John "Jack" Hoeven died Saturday at age 87. His funeral is scheduled for Aug. 29 in Minot.

The Minot Daily News reports that Hoeven helped build Minot's First Western Bank & Trust from a local start-up in 1964 to a full-service financial center. His avid support of golf and baseball are shown in two complexes named for him, the Jack Hoeven Wee Links and Jack Hoeven Baseball Complex

Hoeven also was active in the Republican Party.

A native of Aberdeen, South Dakota, Hoeven graduated from Dartmouth College and served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1952 to 1955.

Information from: Minot Daily News, <http://www.minotdailynews.com>

## Early-morning crash on highway south of Watertown kills 2

WATERTOWN, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Highway Patrol says two people died after a two-vehicle crash near Watertown.

The accident was reported about 4 a.m. Sunday on U.S. Highway 81 about 10 miles south of Watertown. Authorities say a 16-year-old girl driving a 2002 Toyota Corolla crossed the center line and collided with a 2003 Chrysler Concorde driven by a 64-year-old man.

Both of them were pronounced dead at the scene.

## Authorities identify victim who died after vehicle hit deer

BIG STONE CITY, S.D. (AP) — Authorities have released the name of a man who died after a vehicle he was driving struck a deer in northeastern South Dakota.

The Highway Patrol says 77-year-old Dale Rieck, of Big Stone City, was killed as a result of the Tuesday night crash west of Big Stone City. Rieck died Wednesday in a Fargo, North Dakota hospital.

The patrol says Rieck's 1999 Dodge Caravan was eastbound on U.S. Highway 12 when it struck the deer. The vehicle went off the road and rolled.

The victim was not wearing a seatbelt.

## 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. US DESTROYER COLLIDES WITH TANKER, 10 SAILORS MISSING

The USS John S. McCain suffers damage to its port side in the second accident involving a ship from the Navy's 7th Fleet in the Pacific in two months.

### 2. MILLIONS IN US PREPARE TO WATCH MOON BLOT OUT SUN

Monday's total eclipse will cast a shadow that will race through 14 states, starting near Lincoln City, Oregon, at 1:16 p.m. EDT

### 3. WHO CRIED AS HARD AS HE LAUGHED

Jerry Lewis — the manic performer whose pratfalls led him to stardom, and who later found new fame as the tireless, teary host of the annual muscular dystrophy telethons — dies at 91.

### 4. VEHICLE RAMS BUS STOPS IN FRANCE

A motive for the attack is not known yet, but it comes just days after van attacks in Spain killed 14.

### 5. US, SOUTH KOREA START DRILLS AMID NKOREA TENSIONS

Pyongyang decries the largely computer simulated war games as an invasion rehearsal.

### 6. MANHUNT EXPANDS FOR LAST SUSPECTED CELL MEMBER IN SPAIN ATTACKS

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Police search northeastern region bordering France for the man suspected of driving the van that ran over and killed 13 people and injured 120.

## 7. WHAT FAILS TO SLOW DOWN MCCAIN

The GOP senator, undergoing brain cancer treatments, has meanwhile discussed a development project with local mayors, given a radio interview and outlined a military strategy for Afghanistan.

## 8. PROSECUTORS: FATAL STABBING WAS PART OF SEXUAL FANTASY

The killing of a Chicago hairstylist was linked to a sexual fantasy hatched online between a Northwestern University professor and an Oxford University employee, an assistant state attorney says.

## 9. CHINA TO RELAUNCH WORLD'S FASTEST BULLET TRAINS

China first ran trains at 350 kilometers (217 miles) per hour in August 2008, but later cut speeds back after a two-train wreck.

## 10. WHY LONDON'S BIG BEN WILL FALL SILENT

After 12 deep bongs Monday, repair work will keep the bell from ringing until 2021.

## Spanish authorities hunting just 1 person in vehicle attacks

By JOSEPH WILSON, Associated Press

BARCELONA, Spain (AP) — Spanish authorities on Monday said they were looking for just one person after the deadly vehicle attacks last week in Barcelona and a seaside town south of the city by a 12-man jihadi cell.

Moroccan suspect Younes Abouyaaqoub, 22, is the final target of a manhunt that has been ongoing since the attacks, Catalan interior minister Joaquim Forn told Catalunya Radio. Forn said that "everything indicates" that Abouyaaqoub was the driver of the van that plowed down Barcelona's emblematic Las Ramblas promenade on Thursday, killing 13 pedestrians and injuring more than 120 others.

Another attack hours later by other members of the cell killed one person and injured several more in the coastal town of Cambrils.

Regional authorities said 50 people were still hospitalized from both attacks, nine in critical condition.

Abouyaaqoub was believed to be the lone attacker on the run by Sunday, but authorities hadn't confirmed his identity because they were having difficulty identifying the remains of at least one extremist who died in an explosion Wednesday at a house where explosives were being prepared.

"It's evident that the person who committed the van attack can't be dead because the explosion happened before the attack in Las Ramblas," Forn said.

Police killed five suspected extremists in the Cambrils attack in a shootout. Four others have been arrested.

Spanish newspaper El Pais published images Monday of what it says is Abouyaaqoub supposedly making a getaway on foot after the Barcelona van attack. The three images show a slim man wearing sunglasses seemingly walking through what El Pais says is traditional La Boqueria market just off Las Ramblas.

Catalonia's regional president, meanwhile, said that regional and local authorities rejected the Spanish government's suggestion to place traffic barriers to protect the Las Ramblas promenade because they deemed them "inefficient."

Carles Puigdemont told La Sexta television that regional and municipal authorities discarded the suggestion because the barriers wouldn't have prevented vehicles from entering the promenade at other points. Besides that, Puigdemont said closing off Las Ramblas was impractical because emergency vehicles still would need to be able to access the area.

Reports say the suggestion was made after other big vehicle attacks in Europe, but the precise timing wasn't clear.

On Monday, mourners could be seen weeping and hugging each other as they visited the main memorial site of the Barcelona attack as the city tried to get back to normal with the beginning of a new working week. Crowds of people continued to lay flowers, candles and heart-shaped balloons at the top of Las Ramblas and other, smaller tributes located at different points where the van drove.

Meanwhile, the promenade regained some of its normal appearance, with throngs of people walking up

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and down, tourists arriving and people going about their daily business.

"We have to stand strong in front of these betrayers, assassins, terrorists," said resident Monserrat Mora. "Because Barcelona is strong and they will not be able to prevail with us."

Associated Press writer Ciaran Giles in Madrid contributed to this report.

## Nations search for 10 missing after US destroyer collision

By ANNABELLE LIANG and STEPHEN WRIGHT, Associated Press

SINGAPORE (AP) — Vessels from several nations are searching Southeast Asian waters for 10 missing U.S. sailors after an early morning collision Monday between the USS John S. McCain and an oil tanker ripped a gaping hole in the destroyer's hull.

The collision east of Singapore between the guided missile destroyer and the 183-meter (600-foot) Alnic MC was the second involving a ship from the U.S. Navy's 7th Fleet in the Pacific in two months.

Vessels and aircraft from the U.S., Indonesia, Singapore and Malaysia are searching for the missing sailors. Four other sailors were evacuated by a Singaporean navy helicopter to a hospital in the city-state for treatment of non-life threatening injuries, the Navy said. A fifth injured sailor did not require further medical attention.

The McCain had been heading to Singapore on a routine port visit after conducting a sensitive freedom-of-navigation operation last week by sailing near one of China's man-made islands in the South China Sea.

The Navy's 7th Fleet said "significant damage" to the McCain's hull resulted in the flooding of adjacent compartments including crew berths, machinery and communications rooms. A damage control response prevented further flooding, it said.

The destroyer was damaged on its port side aft, or left rear, in the 5:24 a.m. collision about 4.5 nautical miles (8.3 kilometers) from Malaysia's coast but sailed on to Singapore's naval base under its own power. Malaysia's Maritime Enforcement Agency said the area is at the start of a designated sea lane for ships sailing into the Singapore Strait, one of the world's busiest shipping lanes.

A photo tweeted by Malaysian navy chief Ahmad Kamarulzaman Ahmad Badaruddin showed a large rupture in the McCain's side near the waterline. Janes, a defense industry publication, estimated the hull breach was 3 meters (10 feet) wide.

One of the injured sailors, Operations Specialist 2nd Class Navin Ramdhun, posted a Facebook message telling family and friends he was OK and awaiting surgery for an arm injury.

He told The Associated Press in a message that he couldn't say what happened. "I was actually sleeping at that time. Not entirely sure."

The Singapore government said no crew were injured on the Liberian-flagged Alnic, which sustained damage to a compartment at the front of the ship some 7 meters (23 feet) above its waterline. There were no reports of a chemical or oil spill.

Several safety violations were recorded for the tanker at its last port inspection in July.

Singapore sent tugboats and naval and coast guard vessels to search for the missing sailors and Indonesia said it sent two warships. Malaysia said three ships and five boats as well as aircraft from its navy and air force were helping with the search, and the USS America deployed Osprey aircraft and Seahawk helicopters.

There was no immediate explanation for the collision, and the Navy said an investigation would be conducted. Singapore, at the southernmost tip of the Malay Peninsula, is one of the world's busiest ports and a U.S. ally, with its naval base regularly visited by American warships.

The collision was the second involving a ship from the Navy's 7th Fleet in the Pacific in two months. Seven sailors died in June when the USS Fitzgerald and a container ship collided in waters off Japan.

The Fitzgerald's captain was relieved of his command and other sailors were being punished after the Navy found poor seamanship and flaws in keeping watch contributed to the collision, the Navy announced last week. An investigation into how and why the Fitzgerald collided with the other ship was not finished,



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but enough details were known to take those actions, the Navy said.

The Greek owner of the tanker, Stealth Maritime Corp. S.A., replaced its website with a notice that says it is cooperating with the Maritime Port Authority of Singapore's investigation and with "other responding agencies." It says "thoughts and prayers are with the families of the missing U.S. Navy sailors."

An official database for ports in Asia shows the Alnic was last inspected in the Chinese port of Dongying on July 29 and had one document deficiency, one fire safety deficiency and two safety of navigation problems.

The database doesn't go into details and the problems were apparently not serious enough for the Liberian-flagged vessel to be detained by the port authority.

U.S. President Donald Trump expressed concern for the McCain's crew.

Trump returned to Washington on Sunday night from his New Jersey golf club. When reporters shouted questions to him about the McCain, he responded, "That's too bad."

About two hours later, Trump tweeted that "thoughts and prayers" are with the McCain's sailors as search and rescue efforts continue.

The 154-meter (505-foot) destroyer is named after U.S. Sen. John McCain's father and grandfather, who were both U.S. admirals. It's based at the 7th Fleet's homeport of Yokosuka, Japan. It was commissioned in 1994 and has a crew of 23 officers, 24 chief petty officers and 291 enlisted sailors, according to the Navy's website.

McCain said on Twitter that he and his wife, Cindy, are "keeping America's sailors aboard the USS John S McCain in our prayers tonight — appreciate the work of search & rescue crews."

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## Trump to outline Afghan strategy in national TV address

By DARLENE SUPERVILLE, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump will use a nationally televised address to outline for a war-weary nation the strategy he believes will best position the U.S. to eventually declare victory in Afghanistan after 16 years of combat and lives lost.

The speech Monday night will also give Trump a chance for a reset after one of the most difficult weeks of his short presidency.

Trump tweeted Saturday that he had reached a decision on the way forward in Afghanistan, a day after he reviewed war options with his national security team at a meeting at Camp David, Maryland. The president offered no clues about whether he would send thousands more U.S. troops into Afghanistan or exercise his authority as commander in chief to order that they be withdrawn from America's longest war.

But signs pointed in the direction of Trump continuing the U.S. commitment there.

The top U.S. commander in Afghanistan on Sunday hailed the launch of the Afghan Army's new special operations corps and declared that "we are with you and we will stay with you."

Trump scheduled a 9 p.m. EDT Monday address to the nation and U.S. troops stationed at the Army's Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall. Next door to the base is Arlington National Cemetery, the final resting place for many of the U.S. troops who died fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan.

It will be Trump's first formal address to the nation outside of his late February speech to a joint session of Congress. And it follows one of the most trying weeks for the president, who generated a firestorm of criticism after he appeared to equate neo-Nazis and white supremacists with the counter-protesters who opposed them during a deadly clash, with racial overtones, two weekends ago in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Trump blamed "very fine people, on both sides" for the confrontation in which a woman was killed and more than a dozen people were injured. The comments triggered rebukes from elected and former elected leaders in both political parties, and corporate leaders signaled a lack of confidence in Trump by resign-

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ing from a pair of White House advisory boards, among other expressions of dissent over his comments.

In Afghanistan, Gen. John Nicholson's comments suggested the Pentagon may have won its argument that U.S. military must remain engaged in order to ensure that terrorists aren't again able to threaten the U.S. from havens inside of Afghanistan.

Nicholson, who spoke before the announcement about Trump's speech, said the commandos and a plan to double the size of the Afghan special operations forces are critical to winning the war.

"I assure you we are with you in this fight. We are with you and we will stay with you," Nicholson said during a ceremony at Camp Morehead, a training base for Afghan commandoes southeast of Kabul.

The Pentagon was awaiting a final announcement by Trump on a proposal to send in nearly 4,000 more U.S. troops. The added forces would increase training and advising of the Afghan forces and bolster counterterrorism operations against the Taliban and an Islamic State group affiliate trying to gain a foothold in the country.

The administration had been at odds for months over how to craft a new Afghan war strategy amid frustrations that the conflict had stalemated some 16 years after the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

The Afghan government controls just half of the country and is beset by endemic corruption and infighting.

The Islamic State group has been hit hard but continues to attempt major attacks, insurgents still find safe harbor in Pakistan, and Russia, Iran and others are increasingly trying to shape the outcome. At this point, everything the U.S. military has proposed points to keeping the Afghan government in place and struggling to turn a dismal quagmire around.

Defense Secretary Jim Mattis, who visited Afghanistan over the weekend, declared himself satisfied with how the administration had formulated its new strategy. But he refused to discuss details before Trump's announcement.

Afghan military commanders have been clear that they want and expect continued U.S. military help.

Among elected leaders in the U.S., opinions were mixed about America's future role in Afghanistan.

Ohio Gov. John Kasich, who last year challenged Trump for the Republican presidential nomination, favors withdrawing the approximately 8,400 U.S. troops currently in Afghanistan — not sending in more.

"I think we should begin to leave and then I think we should reserve the opportunity and the right, with proper basing of our forces in the region, to be able to strike, if we think that there is an effort being made to create another launching pad," Kasich said Sunday on CNN's "State of the Union." "But just to stay there after 16 years, I want our people to be able to come home."

Sen. Tim Kaine, a Virginia Democrat and member of the Foreign Relations Committee, said he was more interested at this point in hearing Trump's overall plan before any talk about troop levels.

"The troop strength question is sort of the cart before the horse. The real question is what is our strategy?" Kaine said on CBS' "Face the Nation." "And then when you lay out the strategy, then the troop strength question can kind of answer itself."

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## Americans stake out prime viewing spots to see sun go dark

By **MARCIA DUNN, AP Aerospace Writer**

Americans with telescopes, cameras and protective glasses staked out viewing spots along a narrow corridor from Oregon to South Carolina to watch the moon blot out the midday sun Monday in what promised to be the most observed and photographed eclipse in history.

Eclipse-watchers everywhere — and millions were expected to peer at the sun — fretted about the weather and hoped for clear skies for the first total solar eclipse to sweep coast-to-coast across the U.S. in practically a century.

As he set up telescopes, Ray Cooper, a volunteer with the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry in Salem, worried offshore clouds might roll in and spoil the less than two-minute show.

"If it stays like this, it will be perfect," Cooper said on the eve of the big day. He has seen full solar

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eclipses before, but never so close to home, making this one extra special.

With 200 million people within a day's drive of Monday's path of totality, towns and parks braced for monumental crowds.

In Salem, a field outside the state fairgrounds was transformed into a campground in advance of an eclipse-watching party for 8,500, courtesy of the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry.

"It's one of those 'check the box' kind of things in life," said Hilary O'Hollaren, who drove 30 miles from Portland with her two teenagers and a tent, plus a couple friends.

Astronomers consider a full solar eclipse the grandest of cosmic spectacles.

The Earth, moon and sun line up perfectly every one to three years, briefly turning day into night for a sliver of the planet. But these sights normally are in no man's land, like the vast Pacific or Earth's poles. This will be the first eclipse of the social media era to pass through such a heavily populated area.

In a case of near-perfect celestial symmetry, the sun is 400 times the breadth of our moon and also 400 times farther away, so the two heavenly bodies look more or less the same size from our vantage point, and the moon can neatly cover up the sun.

The moon hasn't thrown this much shade at the U.S. since 1918. That was the country's last coast-to-coast total eclipse.

In fact, the U.S. mainland hasn't seen a total solar eclipse since 1979 — and even then, only five states in the Northwest experienced total darkness.

Monday's total eclipse will cast a shadow that will race through 14 states, entering near Lincoln City, Oregon, at 1:16 p.m. EDT, moving diagonally across the heartland over Casper, Wyoming, Carbondale, Illinois, and Nashville, Tennessee, and then exiting near Charleston, South Carolina, at 2:47 p.m. EDT.

The path will cut 2,600 miles (4,200 kilometers) across the land and will be just 60 to 70 miles (96 kilometers to 113 kilometers) wide. Shawnee National Forest in southern Illinois will see the longest stretch of darkness: 2 minutes and 44 seconds.

Mostly clear skies beckoned along much of the route, according to the National Weather Service.

All of North America will get at least a partial eclipse. Central America and the top of South America will also see the moon cover part of the sun.

NASA and other scientists will be watching and analyzing from telescopes on the ground and in orbit, the International Space Station, airplanes and scores of high-altitude balloons, which will beam back live video. Citizen scientists will monitor animal and plant behavior as daylight turns into twilight and the temperature drops.

NASA's associate administrator for science missions, Thomas Zurbuchen, took to the skies for a dry run Sunday. He planned to usher in the eclipse over the Pacific Coast from a NASA plane.

"Can't wait for the cosmic moment MON morning," he tweeted.

Near Victoria, British Columbia, where 91 percent of the sun will be eclipsed, science and math teacher Clayton Uyeda was going to watch from a ferry along with his wife. He said he was "expecting to have a real sense of connection with the heavens."

He had similarly lofty hopes for his students if they could bring themselves to look up at the sky instead of down at their electronic devices.

Scientists everywhere agree with Uyeda: Put the phones and cameras down and enjoy the greatest natural show on Earth with your own (protected) eyes.

The only time it's safe to look directly without protective eyewear is during totality, when the sun is 100 percent covered. Otherwise, to avoid eye damage, keep the solar specs on or use pinhole projectors that can cast an image of the eclipse into a box.

The next total solar eclipse in the U.S. will be in 2024. The next coast-to-coast one will not be until 2045.

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## US and S. Korean troops start drills amid N. Korea standoff

By **HYUNG-JIN KIM, Associated Press**

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — U.S. and South Korean troops kicked off their annual drills Monday that come after President Donald Trump and North Korea exchanged warlike rhetoric in the wake of the North's two intercontinental ballistic missile tests last month.

The Ulchi Freedom Guardian drills are largely computer-simulated war games held every summer and have drawn furious responses from North Korea, which views them as an invasion rehearsal. Pyongyang's state media on Sunday called this year's drills a "reckless" move that could trigger the "uncontrollable phase of a nuclear war."

Despite the threat, U.S. and South Korean militaries launched this year's 11-day training on Monday morning as scheduled. The exercise involves 17,500 American troops and 50,000 South Korean soldiers, according to the U.S. military command in South Korea and Seoul's Defense Ministry.

No field training like live-fire exercises or tank maneuvering is involved in the Ulchi drills, in which alliance officers sit at computers to practice how they engage in battles and hone their decision-making capabilities. The allies have said the drills are defensive in nature.

South Korea's President Moon Jae-in said Monday that North Korea must not use the drills as a pretext to launch fresh provocation, saying the training is held regularly because of repeated provocations by North Korea.

North Korea typically responds to South Korea-U.S. military exercises with weapons tests and a string of belligerent rhetoric. During last year's Ulchi drills, North Korea test-fired a submarine-launched ballistic missile that flew about 500 kilometers (310 miles) in the longest flight by that type of weapon. Days after the drills, the North carried out its fifth and biggest nuclear test to date.

Last month North Korea test-launched two ICBMs at highly lofted angles, and outside experts say those missiles can reach some U.S. parts like Alaska, Los Angeles or Chicago if fired at normal, flattened trajectories. Analysts say it would be only a matter of time for the North to achieve its long-stated goal of acquiring a nuclear missile that can strike anywhere in the United States.

Earlier this month, President Donald Trump pledged to answer North Korean aggression with "fire and fury." North Korea, for its part, threatened to launch missiles toward the American territory of Guam before its leader Kim Jong Un backed off saying he would first watch how Washington acts before going ahead with the missile launch plans.

## Jerry Lewis, comedy icon and telethon host dies, at 91

By **LINDSEY BAHR, Associated Press**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jerry Lewis, the manic, rubber-faced showman who jumped and hollered to fame in a lucrative partnership with Dean Martin, settled down to become a self-conscious screen auteur and found an even greater following as the tireless, teary host of the annual muscular dystrophy telethons, has died. He was 91.

Lewis died Sunday of natural causes in Las Vegas with his family by his side, publicist Candi Cazau said.

Tributes from friends, co-stars and disciples poured in immediately.

"That fool was no dummy. Jerry Lewis was an undeniable genius an unfathomable blessing, comedy's absolute!" Jim Carrey wrote Sunday on Twitter. "I am because he was!"

"The world has lost a true innovator & icon," comedian Dane Cook wrote.

In Las Vegas, a message honoring the comedian is being featured on a marquee at Caesars Palace, where Lewis was once a headliner and had also hosted telethons. In Los Angeles fans and admirers gathered at Lewis' two Hollywood Walk of Fame stars — one for television and one for film.

Lewis' career spanned the history of show business in the 20th century, beginning in his parents' vaudeville act at the age of 5. He was just 20 when his pairing with Martin made them international stars. He went on to make such favorites as "The Bellboy" and "The Nutty Professor," was featured in Martin Scorsese's

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"The King of Comedy" and appeared as himself in Billy Crystal's "Mr. Saturday Night."

"Jerry was a pioneer in comedy and film. And he was a friend. I was fortunate to have seen him a few times over the past couple of years. Even at 91, he didn't miss a beat. Or a punchline," Lewis' "The King of Comedy" co-star Robert De Niro said in a statement.

In the 1990s, he scored a stage comeback as the devil in the Broadway revival of "Damn Yankees." And after a 20-year break from making movies, Lewis returned as the star of the independent drama "Max Rose," released in 2016.

In his 80s, he was still traveling the world, working on a stage version of "The Nutty Professor." He was so active he would sometimes forget the basics, like eating, his associates would recall. In 2012, Lewis missed an awards ceremony thrown by his beloved Friars Club because his blood sugar dropped from lack of food and he had to spend the night in the hospital.

A major influence on Carrey and other slapstick performers, Lewis also was known as the ringmaster of the Labor Day Muscular Dystrophy Association, joking and reminiscing and introducing guests, sharing stories about ailing kids and concluding with his personal anthem, the ballad "You'll Never Walk Alone." From the 1960s onward, the telethons raised some \$1.5 billion, including more than \$60 million in 2009. He announced in 2011 that he would step down as host, but would remain chairman of the association he joined some 60 years ago.

"Though we will miss him beyond measure, we suspect that somewhere in heaven, he's already urging the angels to give 'just one dollar more for my kids,'" said MDA Chairman of the Board R. Rodney Howell on Sunday.

In a statement Sunday, the White House praised Lewis for his charity work.

White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said Lewis "lived the American dream" and that "he truly loved his country, and his country loved him back."

Sanders added: "Our thoughts are with his family today as we remember the extraordinary life of one of our greatest entertainers and humanitarians."

Lewis' fundraising efforts won him the Jean Hersholt Humanitarian Award at the 2009 Oscar telecast. But the telethon was also criticized for being mawkish and exploitative of children, known as "Jerry's Kids." A 1960s muscular dystrophy poster boy, Mike Ervin, later made a documentary called "The Kids Are All Alright," in which he alleged that Lewis and the Muscular Dystrophy Association had treated him and others as objects of pity rather than real people.

"He and his telethon symbolize an antiquated and destructive 1950s charity mentality," Ervin wrote in 2009.

Responded Lewis: "You don't want to be pitied because you're a cripple in a wheelchair, stay in your house!"

Lewis also sassed and snarled at critics and interviewers who displeased him. He pontificated on talk shows, lectured to college students and compiled his thoughts in the 1971 book "The Total Film-Maker."

"I am not ashamed or embarrassed at how seemingly trite or saccharine something in my films will sound," he wrote. "I really do make films for my great-great-grandchildren and not for my fellows at the Screen Directors Guild or for the critics."

In his early movies, Lewis played loose-limbed, buck-toothed, overgrown adolescents, trouble-prone and inclined to wail when beset by enemies. American critics recognized the comedian's popular appeal but not his aspirations to higher art; the French did. Writing in Paris' Le Monde newspaper, Jacques Siclier praised Lewis' "apish allure, his conduct of a child, his grimaces, his contortions, his maladjustment to the world, his morbid fear of women, his way of disturbing order everywhere he appeared."

The French government awarded Lewis the Chevalier of the Legion of Honor in 1983 and Commander of Arts and Letters the following year.

Lewis had teamed up with Martin after World War II, and their radio and stage antics delighted audiences, although not immediately. Their debut, in 1946 at Atlantic City's 500 Club, was a bust. Warned by owner "Skinny" D'Amato that they might be fired, Martin and Lewis tossed the script and improvised their

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way into history. New York columnists Walter Winchell and Ed Sullivan came to the club and raved over the sexy singer and the berserk clown.

Lewis described their fledgling act in his 1982 autobiography, "Jerry Lewis in Person": "We juggle and drop a few dishes and try a few handstands. I conduct the three-piece band with one of my shoes, burn their music, jump offstage, run around the tables, sit down with the customers and spill things while Dean keeps singing."

Hollywood producer Hal Wallis saw them at New York's Copacabana and signed them to a film contract. Martin and Lewis first appeared in supporting roles in "My Friend Irma" and "My Friend Irma Goes West." Then they began a hit series of starring vehicles, including "At War With the Army," "That's My Boy" and "Artists and Models."

But in the mid-1950s, their partnership began to wear. Lewis longed for more than laughs. Martin had tired of playing straight man and of Lewis' attempts to add Chaplinesque pathos. He also wearied of the pace of films, television, nightclub and theater appearances, benefits and publicity junkets on which Lewis thrived. The rift became increasingly public as the two camps sparred verbally.

"I knew we were in trouble the day someone gave Jerry a book about Charlie Chaplin," Martin cracked.

On July 24, 1956, Martin and Lewis closed shop, at the Copa, and remained estranged for years. Martin, who died in 1995, did make a dramatic, surprise appearance on Lewis' telethon in 1976 (a reunion brokered by mutual pal Frank Sinatra), and director Peter Bogdonavich nearly persuaded them to appear in a film together as former colleagues who no longer speak to each other. After Martin's death, Lewis said the two had again become friendly during his former partner's final years and he would repeatedly express his admiration for Martin above all others.

The entertainment trade at first considered Martin the casualty of the split, since his talents, except as a singer, were unexplored. He fooled his detractors by cultivating a comic, drunken persona, becoming star of a long-running TV variety show and a respected actor in such films as "Some Came Running," "The Young Lions" and "Rio Bravo."

Lewis also distinguished himself after the break, revealing a serious side as unexpected as Martin's gift for comedy.

He brought in comedy director Frank Tashlin for "Rock-a-bye Baby," "Cinderfella," "The Disorderly Orderly," "The Geisha Boy" and "Who's Minding the Store?"; in which he did a pantomime of a typist trying to keep up with Leroy Anderson's speedy song "The Typewriter."

With "The Bellboy," though, Lewis assumed the posts of producer, director, writer and star, like his idol Chaplin. Among his hits under his own direction was the 1963 "The Nutty Professor," playing a dual Jekyll and Hyde role, transforming himself from a nerdy college teacher to a sexy (and conceited) lounge singer, Buddy Love, regarded as a spoof of his old partner Martin.

Lewis was born Joseph Levitch in Newark, New Jersey, on March 16, 1926. His father, billed as Danny Lewis, was a singer on the borscht and burlesque circuits. His mother played piano for Danny's act. Their only child was often left alone in hotel rooms, or lived in Brooklyn with his paternal grandparents, Russian Jewish immigrants, or his aunts in New Jersey.

"All my life I've been afraid of being alone," Lewis once said. In his later years the solitude haunted him, and he surrounded himself with an entourage.

Joey Levitch made his professional debut at age 5, singing the Depression tearjerker "Brother, Can You Spare a Dime?" to great applause. He recalled that he eventually lost all interest in school and "began to clown around to attract people's attention."

By 16, Jerry Lewis (as his billing read) had dropped out of school and was earning as much as \$150 a week as a solo performer. He appeared in a "record act," mouthing crazily to the records of Danny Kaye, Spike Jones and other artists. Rejected by the Army because of a heart murmur and punctured eardrum, Lewis entertained troops in World War II and continued touring with his lip-sync act. In 1944 he married Patti Palmer, a band vocalist.

The following year he met Martin, on a March day in 1945 in Manhattan, Broadway and 54th to be ex-



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act. Lewis was on his way to see an agent, walking with a friend, when his friend spotted an "incredibly handsome" man wearing a camel's hair coat. Lewis and Martin were introduced and Lewis knew right off that this new acquaintance, nine years older than him, was "the real deal."

"Harry Horses, I thought," Lewis wrote in the memoir "Dean and Me," published in 2005. "That was what we used to call a guy who thought he was smooth with the ladies. Anybody who wore a camel's-hair overcoat, with a camel's-hair belt and fake diamond cuff links, was automatically Harry Horses."

Lewis couldn't escape from small-time bookings. The same was true of Martin, who sang romantic songs in nightclubs. In 1946, Lewis was playing the 500 Club, and the seats were empty. Lewis suggested hiring Martin to bolster the bill, promising he could do comedy as well as sing.

Fame brought him women and Lewis wrote openly of his many partners. After 36 years of marriage and six sons, Patti Lewis sued her husband for divorce in 1982. She later wrote a book claiming that he was an adulterer and drug addict who abused their children. Son Gary became a pop singer whose group, Gary Lewis & the Playboys, had a string of hits in 1965-66.

In his late 50s, Lewis married Sandra Pitnick, 32, a former airline stewardess. They had a daughter, Dani, named for Jerry's father.

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## Prosecutors: Prof killed boyfriend as part of sexual fantasy

By MICHAEL TARM, Associated Press

CHICAGO (AP) — The fatal stabbing of a hairstylist in Chicago was part of a sexual fantasy hatched in an online chatroom between a Northwestern University professor and an Oxford University employee, whose plan included killing someone and then themselves, prosecutors told a Cook County judge Sunday at a bond hearing for the men.

An Illinois prosecutor shared disturbing new details about the July 27 slaying, describing to the court how Trenton James Cornell-Duranleau, the 26-year-old boyfriend of since-fired microbiology professor Wyndham Lathem, was stabbed 70 times at Lathem's Chicago condo and with such brutality that he was nearly decapitated. His throat was slit and pulmonary artery torn.

Lathem, 46, had communicated for months before with Andrew Warren, 56, about "carrying out their sexual fantasies of killing others and then themselves," Natosha Toller, an assistant Cook County state's Attorney, told the court. While the prosecutor used the plural in talking about the alleged fantasy to kill, she did not say there were other victims.

Judge Adam Bourgeois Jr. at one point shook his head in apparent disgust as he listened to the prosecutor offer a chilling narrative of the slaying. He later deemed both men potentially dangerous and flight risks, ordering them to remain in jail pending trial on first-degree murder charges.

"The heinous facts speak for themselves," he said.

Lathem and Warren — a British citizen employed as a financial official at the Oxford, England, university — were dressed in their own clothes Sunday at their first court appearance in Chicago. They stood calmly, their hands behind their backs, as the prosecutor and judge spoke.

Lathem paid for Warren's ticket to travel to the United States and he picked Warren up at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport a few days before the killing, the prosecutor said. On July 26, one day before the killing, Lathem booked a room for Warren near the condo, Toller said.

Cornell-Duranleau, a Michigan native, had been asleep in Lathem's high-rise Chicago condo when Lathem let Warren into the 10th-floor unit around 4:30 a.m. on July 27 — treading carefully so as not to wake the victim. As Warren stood in a doorway, Lathem crept up to Cornell-Duranleau and began plunging a 6-inch drywall saw knife into his chest and neck, Toller said.

Lathem had told Warren to take video of the killing using his cellphone, but Warren did not end up recording it, the prosecutor said.

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When Cornell-Duranleau awoke, he began screaming and fought back; Lathem yelled at Warren, asking him to help subdue Cornell-Duranleau, the prosecutor said.

Warren ran over to cover the victim's mouth, then struck him in the head with a heavy lamp in an attempt to silence him, Toller said. As Lathem continued to stab the victim, Warren left the room and returned with two kitchen knives, she said.

Warren bent over Cornell-Duranleau and joined Lathem in stabbing him, the prosecutor said. At one point, the victim bit Warren's hand as he struggled to fight off the attack.

She said the victim's last words were to Lathem: "Wyndham, what are you doing?"

While prosecutors said Lathem and Warren had concocted a plan to kill themselves after the stabbing, Toller did not say why they never followed through with it.

After showering, Lathem and Warren left the apartment an hour after the stabbing began, the prosecutor said. They surrendered to California authorities on Aug. 4 after an eight-day manhunt and were recently returned to Illinois.

The stab wounds to Cornell-Duranleau included 21 to the chest and abdomen, and 26 in the back, as well as multiple cuts on his hands. Cornell-Duranleau's lungs were also both punctured, and there were wounds to his colon, spleen and liver.

After leaving the apartment and renting a car, Lathem on the same day left an anonymous \$5,610 donation — in cash — at the Howard Brown Health Center in Chicago in the name 'Cornell-Duranleau.' They then drove to Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and, 13 hours after the first payment, Lathem went to its public library and wrote a \$1,000 check as a donation, also in the victim's name, the prosecutor said.

Toller said Lathem, while on the run, sent a video message to his parents and friends, admitting to the killing and telling them "he is not the person people thought he was."

Lathem's lawyer, Barry Sheppard, said in a brief statement to reporters after the hearing that people shouldn't "engage in a rush to judgment." He said his client had led "a life of unblemished ... citizenship," which included academic work on the bubonic-plague virus.

Warren spoke briefly when the judge asked if he wanted a British diplomatic office to be in contact. "No," Warren said. For the bond hearing, Warren relied on a public defender, who did not comment later.

The judge set a Tuesday hearing for the men, when another judge will be assigned to oversee the criminal case. Both would have a chance to enter pleas at a later arraignment.

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## Spanish town struggles to reconcile locals as extremist cell

By **LORI HINNANT, ALEX OLLER and JOSEPH WILSON, Associated Press**

RIPOLL, Spain (AP) — They were brothers and boyhood friends from a town with no unfamiliar faces. They were linked by Moroccan roots and equally tied by their upbringings in Ripoll, an ancient hub in the Catalan foothills known for its monastery and passageways dotted with cafes and kebab shops.

But most recently, police believe, the young men were drawn together by an imam and an alleged plot to murder on a massive scale — an extraordinary secret for 12 people to keep for months on end.

In the suspected extremist cell's final days, the group accumulated more than 100 gas canisters, blew up a house in a botched effort to make bombs, drove a van through Barcelona's storied Las Ramblas promenade, and attacked beachside tourists, Spanish authorities said.

The Islamic State group claimed responsibility for the attacks that killed at least 14 people and left scores wounded. Five of the dozen were shot dead by police.

Now, Ripoll is cut off by police roadblocks as the search for an alleged cell member thought to still be on the run continues. Families and friends in the town are torn between horror at the bloodshed and grief for the children they thought they knew.

"We don't know whether to cry and mourn them or what to do," said Wafa Marsi, who knew the attackers and stood with their weeping mothers as they clustered in small groups in the town square. "They

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have killed 13 or 14 people and wounded a hundred, and we don't know what to do."

What the families finally did, after fiercely debating the issue, was denounce the attack, some holding up homemade signs reading "Not in our name."

Police have identified 12 members of the cell, but three remained unaccounted for Sunday. Two are believed to have been killed when the house where the plot was hatched exploded Wednesday, Catalan police official Josep Lluís Trapero told reporters Sunday.

Complicating the manhunt for the suspected fugitive and any other possible accomplices, though, was the fact that police so far have been unable to pinpoint who remained at large. The explosion in Alcanar, 300 kilometers (186 miles) south of Ripoll, nearly obliterated the bomb makers along with the house. A police official has said the imam, Abdelbaki Es Satty, is thought to be one of them.

Trapero declined to confirm that Younes Abouyaaquoub, a 22-year-old Moroccan, was the one at large and the suspected driver of the van that plowed down the Las Ramblas promenade Thursday, killing 13 people and injuring 120. Another attack hours later killed one person and injured others in Cambrils, a seaside town south of the city.

"We are working in that line," Trapero said. But he added: "We don't know where he is."

Another police official did confirm that three vans tied to the investigation were rented with Abouyaaquoub's credit card: The one used in the Las Ramblas carnage, another found in Ripoll, where all the main attack suspects lived, and a third found in Vic, on the road between the two.

Police are investigating whether a man found stabbed to death inside a car in Barcelona may have been killed by an attacker as well.

Police believe the cell members had planned to fill the vans with explosives and create a massive attack in the Catalan capital. Trapero confirmed that more than 100 tanks of butane gas were found at the Alcanar house that exploded, as well as ingredients of the explosive TATP, which was used by the Islamic State group in attacks in Paris and Brussels.

"Our thesis is that the group had planned one or more attacks with explosives in the city of Barcelona," he said. The plot was foiled when the house in Alcanar blew up Wednesday night.

None of the 12 had any known history of violent extremism, Spanish police have said.

Trapero confirmed the imam was part of the investigation, but said police had no solid evidence that he was responsible for radicalizing the young men in the cell. Es Satty in June abruptly quit working at a mosque in Ripoll and has not been seen since.

"Don't criminalize the mosques because the overwhelming majority of them are places of worship. They are places where people pray," Trapero said. "In fact, even though there is an imam implicated in the group, it doesn't mean that the mosque is where they were radicalized."

One woman who was close to multiple attackers and who heard Es Satty's sermons said the imam repeatedly preached about jihad and killing infidels. She spoke on condition of anonymity, fearing she would be attacked for speaking out.

"I feel like I could have done something. I feel a little bit guilty now," she said. "Everybody knew it. It was an open secret. But I can't say it because these people are dangerous and they could come after me. I don't trust anybody now."

Es Satty's former mosque denounced the deadly attacks, but denied Es Satty was anything other than "a normal imam."

Hammou Minaj, secretary of the mosque who knew the attackers as well, described Es Satty as an easygoing preacher.

"It's hard to get an imam. When you get one, you're always happy," Minaj said.

The mosque is on a main artery in Ripoll named Progress, occupying an unmarked corner storefront. The Muslim community took the space when it outgrew the town's other mosque, which held just 40 worshippers. Es Satty preached first at the smaller space and eventually lost his job in late 2015 for reasons that the president, Ali Yassine, did not specify.

Es Satty then left to look for work as an imam in Belgium from January to March 2016, according to Hans Bonte, mayor of the Belgian city of Vilvoorde.



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Vilvoorde is known for Islamic State recruiting and jihadi activity. Police there contacted the Catalan department of justice and were told Es Satty had no links to extremist violence.

"With what we know today, this is remarkable and an eye-opener for everybody," Bonte told De Morgen newspaper.

But Catalonia itself has become increasingly known as a center of extremism and for tensions within the Muslim community on how to handle it. Nearly one-third of the arrests in Spain for alleged links to the Islamic State group were made in Catalonia, according to an analysis last year by Fernano Reinares of the Royal Institute Elcano, a Spanish think tank founded by the king.

When Es Satty returned to Ripoll, he again landed a job as imam — this time at the new mosque. But at the beginning of the summer, Es Satty announced he wanted a three-month vacation in Morocco and the mosque let him go. His apartment was empty on Saturday.

Ripoll resident Marsi, as well others who spoke with the AP on condition of anonymity, admitted tensions brewed at times between the two mosques, although Marsi pointed out that the differences were not over religious content.

"I can't vouch for anybody else, but I can guarantee 100 percent that there was zero radicalization in either mosque. If the imam had said something about jihad, the people of Ripoll would have ousted him. The women, in particular, are raging right now," Marsi emphasized.

The size of the cell and the close family connections among the attack suspects recalled the November 2015 attacks in Paris, where Islamic State adherents struck the national stadium, a concert hall and bars and restaurants nearly simultaneously, leaving 130 people dead.

Catalan authorities have not released the names of those killed, but Spanish media have reported widely that at least three sets of brothers were among the cell's alleged members.

Brothers radicalizing together are a common theme among extremists. They share unbreakable bonds, an ability to keep secrets, and an airtight communication channel. A pair of brothers carried out suicide bombings in March 2016 in Brussels. Two brothers gunned down the staff members of satirical newspaper Charlie Hebdo in Paris in January 2015. Dzhokhar and Tamerlan Tsarnaev, who bombed the Boston Marathon in 2013, were brothers originally from Chechnya.

On Sunday, many in Ripoll said they didn't see themselves in either the young men who had once seemed familiar or the imam now implicated in the investigation

"Those people that heard him talk about jihad and didn't say anything, are they happy now? Why didn't they stop him?" Hassan Azzidi, who was holding a sign that read "Not in the name of Islam," said.

He added: "We are taught not to kill animals for sport, let alone humans."

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Associated Press writers Lori Hinnant and Alex Oller reported this story in Ripoll and AP writer Joseph Wilson contributed from Barcelona. AP writers Angela Charlton in Paris, Nicole Winfield in Rome, Mystyslav Chernov in Ripoll and Oleg Cetinic in Alcanar, Spain, contributed to this report.

## 1979 Klan-Nazi attack survivor hopes for a 'justice river'

By **MARTHA WAGGONER, Associated Press**

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — The Rev. Nelson Johnson needs no reminders of the massacre of five of his labor-activist friends almost 40 years ago — he still has the faded scar on his left arm, left by a Nazi who stabbed him as white supremacists descended on a march for workers through black neighborhoods in Greensboro.

But the violence surrounding the Aug. 12 march by Ku Klux Klansmen and Nazis in Charlottesville, Virginia, and the death of a young woman hit by a car there, brought the events of Nov. 3, 1979, in sharper focus for him.

"I was horrified," he said.

Johnson, now 74, was a member of the Workers Viewpoint Organization, which planned a march through a public housing project in Greensboro before a labor conference on Nov. 3, 1979. While the focus was on

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workers, textile mill wages and brown lung disease, it was also billed as a "Death to the Klan" rally. Both the rally title and the organization's decision to rename itself the Communist Workers Party were mistakes, Johnson now acknowledges.

Nazis and Ku Klux Klansmen drove into the march and then fired at demonstrators, and a report found that some demonstrators also were armed and fired in response. Five marchers were killed and at least 10 people were wounded, including Johnson. All-white juries at two trials acquitted the Klan and Nazi members, who claimed self-defense. Testimony showed both the police and the then-Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms had been warned by informants about the Klan-Nazi plans.

Members of the Greensboro Police Department, along with Klan and Nazi members, were found liable at a civil trial for the death of one victim, and the city paid \$351,000 to his family. The details were outlined in a report, completed in 2006 by the Greensboro Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

A Nazi knifed Johnson's left arm, which Johnson had used defensively to prevent a more serious wound to his abdomen. A light scar, faded over 38 years, is barely visible, and Johnson can't move one finger because of where the knife sliced a muscle.

Early reports described the attack as an ambush, but the narrative changed quickly from that to one of equivalent blame for the marchers and the killers — similar to what President Donald Trump said this week about Charlottesville.

"To hear our president frame the issue this way was frighteningly familiar," Johnson said.

Still, he's optimistic about the public response and that of local and state leaders to the Charlottesville protest and death, compared to the way officials reacted in Greensboro in 1979.

"The response was much different," he said. "The mayor, the governor, the leaders of Charlottesville all quickly came to the defense of those who were brutalized and abused. Nothing approximating that happened in Greensboro. And we were quickly isolated and alone."

Death threats led Johnson and his family to move from their house in the woods on the edge of the city to a home with several other families. He couldn't find a job. About 20 pro-labor protesters who had jobs in the Greensboro area were fired and left town, he said.

The attack came at a time when the WVO was "building the strongest black unity in the history of Greensboro," Johnson said. It destroyed the CWP, which changed its name once again before folding.

"If somebody could have told me that I would have become a pariah in this city, I just wouldn't have believed it," he said. While listening to a radio show, he heard callers say that his death would have been the best outcome of the Greensboro massacre.

It has taken four decades, but attitudes in Greensboro are changing. In 2015, the state placed a highway marker near the site of the march and titled it "Greensboro Massacre," a word that even the truth and reconciliation report had avoided. And last week, spurred by the Charlottesville violence, the Greensboro City Council officially apologized.

Change can be painful, Johnson said, but he's convinced it is coming.

"There are going to be, in the process of social transformation, suffering and tragedies," Johnson said, standing underneath the marker. "I do think, though, that when you can transform tragedy into triumph, it forms a justice stream. And as those justice streams begin to merge, it forms a justice river."

Rivers, Johnson said, have power to alter the landscape.

"And that's what I think this period is calling us to," he said. "There are a lot of rivers in the last few years. The Dallas river. The Charlotte river. And you could go on for a while. How do we take those struggles, where that unearned suffering becomes redemptive and becomes part of a stream building a mighty river of transformation? I see this sign here as a symbol of that."

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## 'The Hitman's Bodyguard' outdoes 'Logan Lucky' at box office

By LINDSEY BAHR, AP Film Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Critics loved "Logan Lucky" and gave a big collective shrug to "The Hitman's Bodyguard," but when it came to the test of the marketplace, audiences went their own way.

The two action flicks faced off this weekend, and "The Hitman's Bodyguard" emerged the victor with a chart-topping \$21.6 million, according to studio estimates Sunday, while "Logan Lucky" sputtered on arrival with \$8.1 million.

Both had notable stars, "Logan Lucky" has Channing Tatum and Daniel Craig, while "The Hitman's Bodyguard" boasts Ryan Reynolds and Samuel L. Jackson, both were opening in over 3,000 theaters and both cost around \$30 million to produce. Also, both were targeted toward adults, although one was R-rated ("Hitman's Bodyguard") and one PG-13 ("Logan Lucky").

But when it came to reviews, critics vastly preferred "Logan Lucky," which boasts a "fresh" 93 percent Rotten Tomatoes score, while "The Hitman's Bodyguard" rests at a "rotten" 39 percent. And yet, when presented with the choice, audiences on the whole put their dollars toward "The Hitman's Bodyguard." Even the CinemaScore was flipped with "The Hitman's Bodyguard" earning a B+ and "Logan Lucky" a B — neither of which, it should be noted, is particularly promising for future word of mouth.

"It was a battle of the action ensemble cast movies. Audiences looked at these two action movies in the marketplace and made a decision," said Paul Dergarabedian, a senior media analyst for comScore. "I think for audiences they're just looking for the fun of it ... ("The Hitman's Bodyguard") was critic proof. It provided a perfect escape."

Lionsgate, which distributed "The Hitman's Bodyguard," expects the film to play well into September.

While it's not an all-out flop, the stakes were a little higher for "Logan Lucky." The NASCAR heist pic was not only director Steven Soderbergh's big return to movies after a four-year retirement, but meant to also upend the traditional distribution model with crafty filmmaker-driven know how, independent financing, foreign and streaming service sales and a more concentrated and cheaper marketing push.

An \$8.1 million debut from over 3,000 screens, however, isn't enough to make a game-changing splash. In fact, it's Soderbergh's lowest wide-opening since his "Solaris" remake, which opened to \$6.8 million in 2002. "Solaris" did have a higher production budget than "Logan Lucky's" though.

Prior to the film's release, Soderbergh told The Associated Press that he was prepared for any scenario. "At least we got to do it the way we wanted to do it," he said.

Dergarabedian posited that the limited exposure for Soderbergh and the producers means that "Logan Lucky" could still be a winning endeavor, despite coming in behind the horror holdover "Annabelle: Creation," which earned \$15.5 million in its second weekend.

In fourth place was Christopher Nolan's "Dunkirk," one of the summer's bigger successes, with \$6.7 million, which bumped its domestic total to \$165.5 million. And there were a few milestones too: The buddy comedy "Girls Trip" sailed past the \$100 million mark domestically, and "Wonder Woman" crossed \$800 million worldwide.

But overall the box office is still losing. As of this weekend, comScore estimates that the summer season is down 13 percent from last year, and the year as a whole is down 5 percent.

"The deficit keeps going up. We're limping towards the finish line with one leg dragging behind," Dergarabedian said. "It's not a great place to be."

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to comScore. Where available, the latest international numbers for Friday through Sunday are also included. Final domestic figures will be released Monday.

1. "The Hitman's Bodyguard," \$21.6 million (\$6.6 million international).
2. "Annabelle: Creation," \$15.5 million (\$42 million international).
3. "Logan Lucky," \$8.1 million (\$825,000 international).
4. "Dunkirk," \$6.7 million (\$8.4 million international).
5. "Nut Job 2: Nutty by Nature," \$5.1 million (\$950,000 international).



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6. "The Emoji Movie," \$4.4 million (\$11.5 million international).
7. "Spider-Man: Homecoming," \$4.3 million (\$5 million international).
8. "Girls Trip," \$3.8 million (\$1 million international).
9. "The Dark Tower," \$3.7 million (\$7.5 million international).
10. "Wind River," \$3 million.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at international theaters (excluding the U.S. and Canada), according to comScore:

1. "Annabelle: Creation," \$42 million.
2. "Wolf Warrior 2," \$36 million.
3. "Paradox," \$31 million.
4. "War for the Planet of the Apes," \$20.5 million.
5. "The Emoji Movie," \$11.5 million.
6. "Twenty Two," \$9 million.
7. "Despicable Me 3" and "Dunkirk," \$8.4 million.
8. "One Hundred Thousand Bad Jokes II," \$8.1 million.
9. "Valerian and the City of a Thousand Planets," \$8 million.
10. "A Taxi Driver," \$7.8 million.

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## Today in History By The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Monday, Aug. 21, the 233rd day of 2017. There are 132 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 21, 1858, the first of seven debates between Illinois senatorial contenders Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas took place.

On this date:

In 1831, Nat Turner launched a violent slave rebellion in Virginia resulting in the deaths of at least 55 whites. (Turner was later executed.)

In 1911, Leonardo da Vinci's "Mona Lisa" was stolen from the Louvre Museum in Paris. (The painting was recovered two years later in Italy.)

In 1940, exiled Communist revolutionary Leon Trotsky died in a Mexican hospital from wounds inflicted by an assassin the day before.

In 1945, President Harry S. Truman ended the Lend-Lease program that had shipped some \$50 billion in aid supplies to America's allies during World War II.

In 1959, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed an executive order making Hawaii the 50th state.

In 1963, martial law was declared in South Vietnam as police and army troops began a violent crackdown on Buddhist anti-government protesters.

In 1972, the Republican National Convention opened in Miami Beach.

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In 1983, Philippine opposition leader Benigno S. Aquino Jr., ending a self-imposed exile in the United States, was shot dead moments after stepping off a plane at Manila International Airport. The musical play "La Cage Aux Folles" opened on Broadway.

In 1987, Sgt. Clayton Lonetree, the first Marine court-martialed for spying, was convicted in Quantico, Virginia, of passing secrets to the KGB. (Lonetree ended up serving eight years in a military prison.)

In 1991, the hard-line coup against Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev collapsed in the face of a popular uprising led by Russian Federation President Boris N. Yeltsin.

In 1992, an 11-day siege began at the cabin of white separatist Randy Weaver in Ruby Ridge, Idaho, as government agents tried to arrest Weaver for failing to appear in court on charges of selling two illegal sawed-off shotguns; on the first day of the siege, Weaver's teenage son, Samuel, and Deputy U.S. Marshal William Degan were killed.

In 2015, a trio of Americans, U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Spencer Stone, National Guardsman Alek Skarlatos and college student Anthony Sadler, and a British businessman, Chris Norman, tackled and disarmed a Moroccan gunman on a high-speed train between Amsterdam and Paris.

Ten years ago: Hurricane Dean swept across Mexico's Yucatan peninsula as a Category 5 storm. The postwar Iraqi tribunal trying former Saddam Hussein aides opened its third proceeding, putting former Defense Minister Ali Hassan al-Majid (ah-LEE' hah-SAHN' ahl mah-ZHEED'), known as "Chemical Ali," and 14 other men on trial for the regime's brutal crushing of a 1991 rebellion by Shiite Muslims. Space shuttle Endeavour, with teacher-astronaut Barbara Morgan aboard, safely returned to Cape Canaveral, Florida.

Five years ago: An insurgent rocket attack damaged the plane of the top U.S. general as it sat parked at a coalition base in Afghanistan; U.S. Army Gen. Martin Dempsey, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was unhurt. Missouri Rep. Todd Akin defied the nation's top Republicans and refused to abandon a Senate bid hobbled by fallout over his comments that women's bodies could prevent pregnancies in cases of "legitimate rape." (Akin went on to lose the fall election to Democratic incumbent Claire McCaskill.)

One year ago: Shaking to samba and sharing reflections in uniquely Brazilian words, Olympians and fans said goodbye to the Rio Games with one last big bash inside Maracana Stadium. Earlier in the day, Kevin Durant scored 30 points and helped the Americans rout Serbia 96-66 for their third straight gold medal, capping an Olympics in which the U.S. dominated the medal tables, both the gold (46) and overall totals (121).

Today's Birthdays: Former NFL player and general manager Pete Retzlaff is 86. Actor-director Melvin Van Peebles is 85. Playwright Mart Crowley is 82. Singer Kenny Rogers is 79. Actor Clarence Williams III is 78. Rock-and-roll musician James Burton is 78. Singer Harold Reid (The Statler Brothers) is 78. Singer Jackie DeShannon is 76. College and Pro Football Hall of Famer Willie Lanier is 72. Actress Patty McCormack is 72. Pop singer-musician Carl Giammarese (jee-ah mah-REE'-see) is 70. Actress Loretta Devine is 68. NBC newsman Harry Smith is 66. Singer Glenn Hughes is 65. Country musician Nick Kane is 63. Actress Kim Cattrall is 61. College Football Hall of Famer and former NFL quarterback Jim McMahon is 58. Actress Cleo King is 55. Retired MLB All-Star player John Wetteland is 51. Rock singer Serj Tankian (TAN'-kee-ahn) (System of a Down) is 50. Figure skater Josee Chouinard is 48. Actress Carrie-Anne Moss is 47. MLB player-turned-manager Craig Counsell is 47. Rock musician Liam Howlett (Prodigy) is 46. Actress Alicia Witt is 42. Singer Kelis (kuh-LEES') is 38. Actor Diego Klattenhoff is 38. TV personality Brody Jenner is 34. Singer Melissa Schuman is 33. Olympic gold medal sprinter Usain (yoo-SAYN') Bolt is 31. Actor Carlos Pratts is 31. Actor-comedian Brooks Wheelan is 31. Actor Cody Kasch is 30. Country singer Kacey Musgraves is 29. Actress Hayden Panettiere (pan'-uh-tee-EHR') is 28. Actor RJ Mitte is 25. Actor Maxim Knight is 18.

Thought for Today: "To know a little less and to understand a little more: that, it seems to me, is our greatest need." — James Ramsey Ullman, American author (1907-1971).