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**St. John's Lutheran:** Worship at 9 a.m.

**Emmanuel Lutheran:** worship at 9 a.m.

**United Methodist Church:** Conde worship, 9 a.m.; coffee fellowship time, 10 a.m., Groton worship, 11 a.m.

**Catholic Parish:** Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church at 9 a.m., then at St. Joseph in Turton at 11 a.m.

**First Presbyterian:** Bible Study at 9 a.m., Worship at 10 a.m.

**Heaven Bound Ministries:** Worship at Buffalo Lake Lutheran Church near Sisseston at 10:30 a.m.

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

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**Senior Menu:** Beef stew, buttermilk biscuits, Waldorf salad, sherbet.

Cancelled: School Board Meeting

**St. John's Lutheran:** Vacation Bible School at Story-book Land.

**Emmanuel Lutheran:** Bible Study at 6:30 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

**Westport Town (updated 8-21-17)**

**Other Notices (updated 8-21)**

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

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

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

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

**Frederick Area School 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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## Midwest Masonry & concrete Pumping

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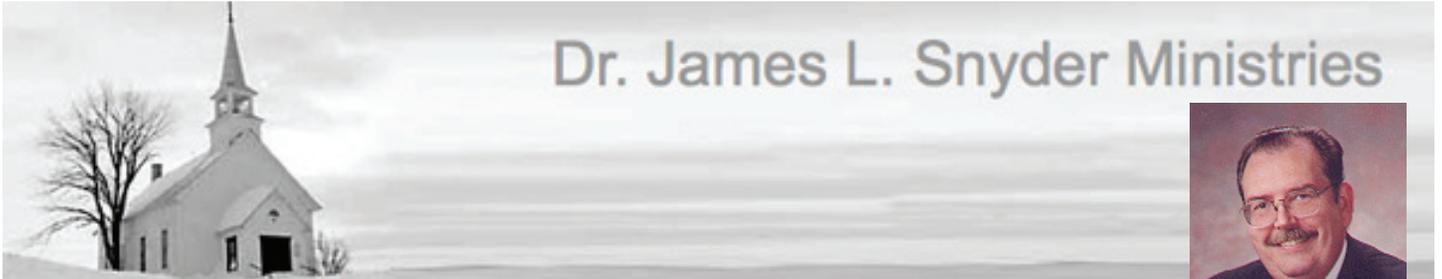
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Dr. James L. Snyder Ministries



## I Didn't Win \$750 Million

During a recent lottery shindig, everybody was watching to see who was going to win all that money. Even I got all caught up in the excitement and was on the edge of my seat too.

"Why," the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage said, "are you so interested in that lottery?"

"Well," I said as soberly as possible, "what if I win all that money? Wouldn't that be tremendous?" Then I flashed a gracious million-dollar smile at her.

She just stared at me, rolled her eyes and walked away. As she was walking away, she mumbled something like, "You gotta pay if you're gonna win."

Oh yeah, I thought to myself. I am sitting in my chair wondering what in the world I would do with all that money if I actually would win it when in reality I am not even playing the lottery. I just got all caught up with the idea of winning money.

Even if I did play, according to some statistics, only one person in 300 million had a chance of winning that lottery. I'm not sure how they come up with such statistics; I am rather suspicious of the whole thing.

I remember a favorite saying of the late Will Rogers, "All I know is what I read in the newspaper." That was long before all of this media electronic nonsense that we have today. I think he might change his saying something like this, "All I know is what I see on TV." Or, some of the younger group might include the Internet.

I am not a skeptic, mind you, I just do not believe everything I hear or see these days. I never guess how much change I have in my pocket, I always count it. I never want to guess at anything.

Some people believe everything they hear and see on TV these days. I think most of it is just entertainment. Entertainment has become such an obsession these days that it is hard to get away from it.

We watch programs that solve problems that don't even exist. We get all excited about somebody playing some role on some fictitious TV program. Don't get me started on those reality shows!

I can remember when the TV program Dallas was very popular. They ended one season with the mysterious killing of JR. All of the media went crazy, even across Europe, wondering, "Who killed JR?" I wonder how many people stopped to think that JR was not even a real person.

I am not against winning money, I want to win as much money as I can. However, I think it is a ruse to get people's attention. Even I was watching to see who was going to win all of that money. That is exactly what they wanted.

Again, I am not a skeptic, but I wonder if that person that won all that money was a real person? Or, was it some kind of ruse to get people to watch television at that point? From another angle, how much did they really pay that woman to say that she won all that money?

Okay, okay I admit it! I am a skeptic. But I'm a skeptic with good intentions. At least I believe they are good. I just do not want to be sold a bill of goods that somebody is trying to take advantage of me.

I do not believe everything I see and hear. I do not agree with everything I see or hear these days. How in the world could you? How in the world could anybody?

I try to be careful because I know not everybody has an agenda and not everybody is out to pick my pocket. It only takes one person to cause me to be very cautious about everything.

I think one of the great areas where I need to be very cautious is in religion. Religion has made many

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promises throughout the years that it has yet to make good on. I want something more solid than religion. Everybody is religious, one way or the other. Sometimes, I will not say always, religion is out to pick your pocket.

That is one of the reasons why I am a Christian. I do not have anything in my pocket that God would want to pick. There is nothing I have that would in any way enrich the heavenly coffers of God.

The other way around is where I am at. So much God has I desire and want in my life. I cannot enrich God, but God can enrich me beyond my wildest imagination. Believe me; my imagination can get pretty wild at times.

The only way I can really find out what God has for me is to commit myself to the systematic reading of God's word. I do not believe in that slogan, "A verse a day keeps the devil away." Read the story of the temptation of Jesus in the wilderness and you will see the devil used Scripture to attack Jesus.

I believe David in the Old Testament understood the riches that God had for his people. He wrote, "For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation" (Psalms 149:4).

It would be wonderful to win \$750 million, but after all, it is only money and eventually that money runs out. God's pleasure never runs out.



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**There were a lot of workers from Wright & Sudlow on Saturday working on the Safe Route to School sidewalk. There they are working on the stretch on First Street from Fifth Avenue to Fourth Avenue.**

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## Providing South Dakota Families with Tax Relief a Priority

Over the past few months, we've seen the U.S. economy improve. In July, employers added 209,000 jobs, bringing the unemployment rate down to 4.3 percent. However, wages remain stagnant and economic growth has hovered at 2 percent for the past 10 years, a full percentage point lower than the historic post-World War II average. According to the Joint Economic Committee (JEC), this has cost families an average of \$8,600 in income annually. Also according to the JEC, economic growth will remain at 2 percent under our current policies.

This underscores the need for a pro-growth tax policy that creates jobs, increases our competitiveness overseas and gives our economy a much-needed jolt. Our current tax code is far too complicated – it is more than 74,000 pages in length and takes Americans 8.1 billion hours annually to complete. I support the ongoing efforts by the tax-writing committees in Congress to take on comprehensive tax reform. When we return to Washington in September, we expect to ramp up these efforts. I look forward to working with my colleagues to lower the rates for South Dakota families, rein in the IRS and provide long-term certainty in our tax code.

It has been more than 30 years since our tax code was reformed. Since then, other countries have lowered their rates and become more competitive, while our tax code has barely changed. The average corporate tax rate in the U.S. is 39 percent, compared to an average of 25 percent by our foreign competitors. It is time to reform the tax code and lower the rates – a plan that we know will help our economy because we've seen it work in the past.

During both the Kennedy and Reagan presidencies, we saw a reduction in regulations and taxes. In turn, the economy prospered and flourished under their respective administrations. They knew that individual citizens know the best way to spend their own money, and they certainly don't need Washington telling them what to do with it.

While I continue to advocate for comprehensive tax reform, I recognize the complexity in passing comprehensive tax reform. Earlier this year, I introduced a tax relief plan that would reduce the average South Dakota family's tax burden by about 16 percent. My plan calls for a simple 2 point rate cut across-the-board for each tax bracket. By lowering the tax rate for all, we will be able to provide direct and immediate relief to hardworking families and shake up our economy. This will result in a more prosperous economy for all Americans.

We have our work cut out for us in the coming months, and I am ready to work with every senator, on either side of the aisle, to get it done. When Americans are free to spend their money as they see fit—whether that's sending kids to college, buying a new home, saving for retirement or starting a new business—our economy will benefit. And when our economy is healthy, every American will feel the positive effects.

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## Today in Weather History

August 27, 1983: High winds tore through Glenham and Wakpala, destroying several structures and damaging crops. The worst damage occurred in Glenham, in Walworth County, where two mobile homes were destroyed, the roof of a school torn off, and trees limbs down. A tall TV antenna was blown over, and a boat was blown off a trailer. High winds also tore through the Bowdle area, downing power lines and tree limbs. Numerous roofs were also damaged.

August 27, 2013: Numerous severe thunderstorms brought large hail along with wind gusts from 60 to 90 mph to parts of north central and northeast South Dakota. Numerous trees were downed along with many structures damaged. Eighty mph winds near Polo in Hand County snapped off two large cottonwood trees. Ninety mph winds snapped numerous trees off at their base along with destroying a garage and tipping several campers over onto their side at Cottonwood Lake near Redfield.

1854: A tornado struck downtown Louisville around noon on Sunday, August 27th, 1854. It first touched down near 25th Street, southwest of downtown and lifted at the intersection of 5th and Main Streets. Although the tornado was only on the ground for a little over two miles, the twister claimed at least 25 lives. Many of those who perished were killed in the Third Presbyterian Church, where 55 people were gathered for Sunday church services. Straight-line winds that accompanied the tornado did significant damage to the Ohio River, where at least one boat sunk. Click [HERE](#) for more information from the NWS Office in Louisville, Kentucky.

1881: A Category 2 Hurricane made landfall between St. Simons Island and Savannah, Georgia, on this day. Landfall coincided with high tide and proved very destructive. The hurricane killed 700 people, including 335 in Savannah, making it the 6th deadliest hurricane in the United States.

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

1893: An estimated Category 3 hurricane made landfall near Savannah, Georgia on this day. This hurricane produced a high storm surge of 16 to 30 feet which cost the lives of 1,000 to 2,000 people. As of now, this storm is one of the top 5, deadliest hurricanes on record for the USA. Click [HERE](#) for more information from Preservation Society of Charleston.

1964 - Hurricane Cleo battered Miami and the South Florida area. It was the first direct hit for Miami in fourteen years. Winds gusted to 135 mph, and the hurricane caused 125 million dollars damage. (David Ludlum)

1970 - Elko, NV, was deluged with 3.66 inches of rain in just one hour, establishing a state record. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Washington D.C. soared to a record hot 100 degrees, while clouds and rain to the north kept temperature readings in the 50s in central and southeastern New York State. (The National Weather Summary)

1988 - Afternoon thunderstorms produced locally heavy rains in the southwestern U.S. Thunderstorms in eastern New Mexico produced wind gusts to 75 mph near the White Sands Missile Range, and produced three inches of rain in two hours near the town of Belen. (National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Afternoon and evening thunderstorms produced severe weather in southeastern Nebraska, eastern Kansas and Missouri. Thunderstorms produced baseball size hail south of Belleville KS, and tennis ball size hail south of Lincoln NE. Thunderstorms produced golf ball size hail and wind gusts to 70 mph at Saint Joseph MO. Thunderstorms in North Dakota deluged the town of Linton with six inches of rain in one hour. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

2005: Hurricane Katrina reached Category 3 intensity in the Gulf of Mexico about 335 miles south-southeast of the mouth of the Mississippi River with maximum sustained winds of 115 mph.

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Today	Tonight	Monday	Monday Night	Tuesday	Tuesday Night	Wednesday
						
Patchy Fog then Sunny	Clear	Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny	Mostly Clear	Sunny
High: 79 °F	Low: 52 °F	High: 84 °F	Low: 55 °F	High: 83 °F	Low: 57 °F	High: 82 °F

Sunny, clear skies and  
seasonable temperatures  
today.



National Weather Service Aberdeen, SD



Updated: 8/27/2017 5:43 AM Central

Published on: 08/27/2017 at 5:44AM

Should be a nice day today with mostly sunny skies and seasonable temperatures. Temperatures will range from the mid 70s in eastern SD/west central MN to the low 80s in central South Dakota. Things look to be mostly dry through next week.

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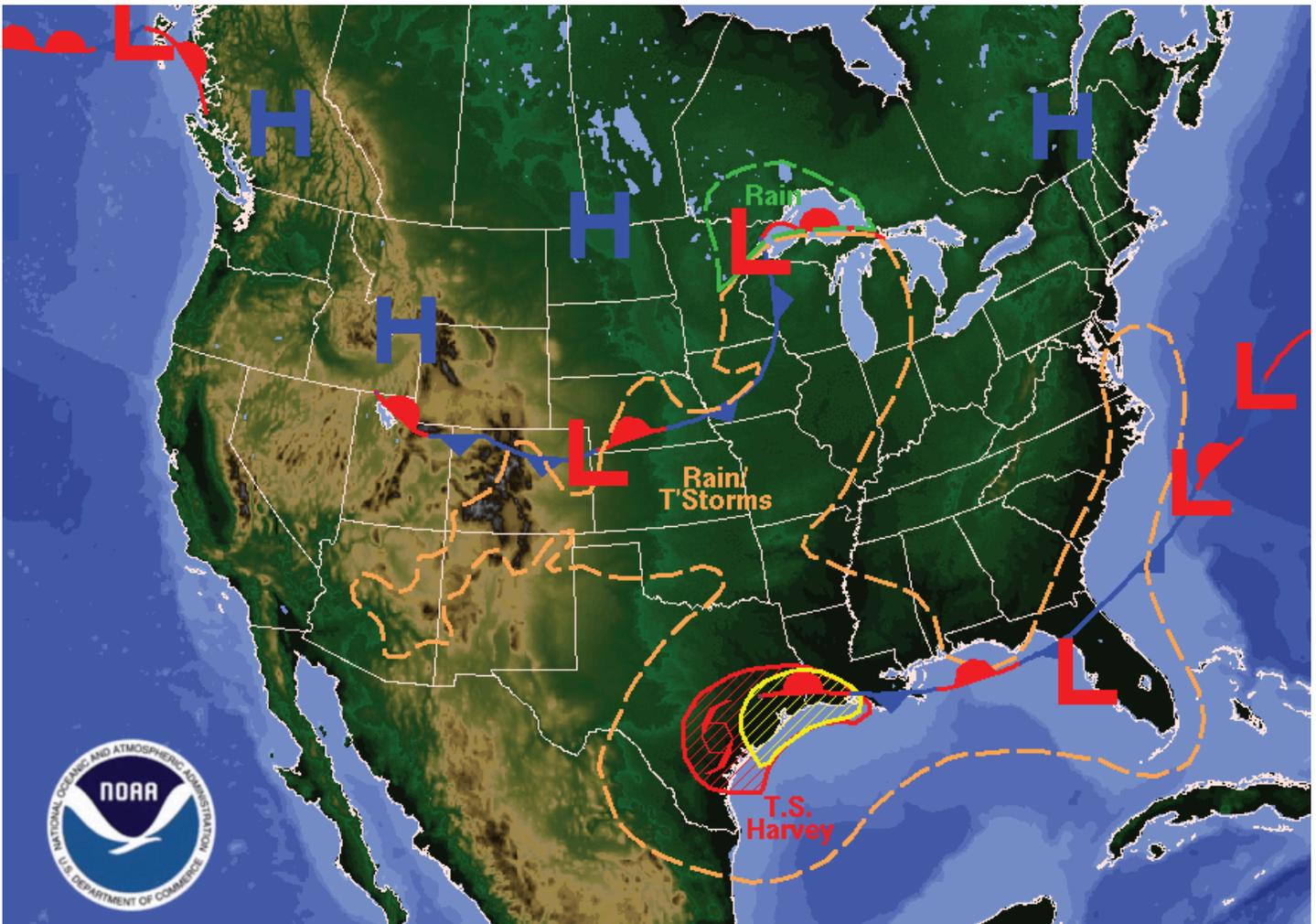
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## Yesterday's Weather

**High Outside Temp: 76.0 F at 3:48 PM**  
**Low Outside Temp: 61.3 F at 12:00 AM**  
**High Gust: 14.0 Mph at 2:55 PM**  
**Precip: 0.00**

## Today's Info

**Record High: 106° in 1973**  
**Record Low: 38° in 1967**  
**Average High: 80°F**  
**Average Low: 54°F**  
**Average Precip in Aug: 2.12**  
**Precip to date in Aug: 2.17**  
**Average Precip to date: 15.98**  
**Precip Year to Date: 9.52**  
**Sunset Tonight: 8:19 p.m.**  
**Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:50 a.m.**



### Day 1 National Forecast Chart

Valid Sun, Aug 27, 2017, issued 4:53 AM EDT  
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center  
Prepared by Santorelli 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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## WAITING ON GOD

"Waiting" on God to act visibly on our behalf does not mean we are to be idle and do nothing. In fact, Paul gave the Thessalonians a warning, "stay away from every brother who is idle and does not live according to his teachings." Waiting on God is critical for the Christian because we learn to hope only in Him, be loyal and obedient to Him and have faith that He is working in our best interest.

"I know the plans I have for you," said the Lord through Jeremiah. "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Since these "plans" originate with the Lord, we are to place our lives in His hands and with hope wait only on Him. It is unfortunate when we lose patience in Him and move forward on our own and not really know where we are going. His plans are good plans, well designed and carefully thought out. So, we must wait before Him in silent expectancy.

But we must also keep His way – be obedient and loyal to Him. While waiting we will surely be tempted to give up or give in and seek a "shortcut" that could lead to defeat and disaster. When we keep or walk in His way, we can be certain that we will end up where He wants us to be not where we think He wants us to be.

Finally, we must "keep the faith." Perhaps the greatest enemy of faith is false success. Waiting and keeping the faith assures us that we are growing into the likeness of Christ and fulfilling His plan for us. Live a life of faith and avoid being distracted by doubters.

Prayer: Lord, may we learn to wait on You, stay close by You, hope in You and enjoy a future with You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Psalm 37:34 Hope in the LORD and keep his way. He will exalt you to inherit the land; when the wicked are destroyed, you will see it.

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## News from the Associated Press

### SD Lottery

By The Associated Press

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) \_ These South Dakota lotteries were drawn Saturday:

Dakota Cash

07-14-27-28-32

(seven, fourteen, twenty-seven, twenty-eight, thirty-two)

Estimated jackpot: \$549,000

Hot Lotto

07-08-19-31-41, Hot Ball: 3

(seven, eight, nineteen, thirty-one, forty-one; Hot Ball: three)

Estimated jackpot: \$9.8 million

Mega Millions

Estimated jackpot: \$45 million

Powerball

07-15-32-38-66, Powerball: 15, Power Play: 2

(seven, fifteen, thirty-two, thirty-eight, sixty-six; Powerball: fifteen; Power Play: two)

Estimated jackpot: \$40 million

### Saturday's Scores

By The Associated Press

#### PREP FOOTBALL

Arlington/Lake Preston 38, DeSmet 14

Baltic 36, Chester 6

Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan 33, Woonsocket/Wessington Springs/Sanborn Central 0

Canton 40, Chamberlain 27

Castlewood 41, Deubrook 13

Elkton-Lake Benton 40, Oldham-Ramona/Rutland 28

Gregory 36, Parkston 8

Hamlin 54, Florence/Henry 0

Irene-Wakonda 62, Hanson 36

Mitchell 21, Watertown 7

Rapid City Central 14, Sioux Falls Lincoln 13

Sioux Falls Washington 45, Brandon Valley 6

St. Thomas More 21, Spearfish 11

Sturgis 40, Belle Fourche 21

Tea Area 35, West Central 14

Washington 45, Brandon Valley 6

Waverly-South Shore 36, Great Plains Lutheran 20

Webster 23, Deuel 20

POSTPONEMENTS AND CANCELLATIONS

Harrisburg vs. Pierre, ppd. to Sep 4th.

Madison vs. Milbank Area, ppd. to Aug 29th.

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## Volleyball

Aberdeen Central def. Rapid City Central, 25-15, 25-21, 25-8  
Burke/South Central def. Colome, 20-25, 25-19, 25-9, 25-18  
Chamberlain def. Mobridge-Pollock, 25-22, 23-25, 27-25, 25-21  
Dakota Valley def. Madison, 25-13, 25-10, 22-25, 25-13  
Faulkton def. Sunshine Bible Academy, 25-22, 25-16, 25-13  
Canton Tournament  
Pool Play  
Pool A  
Canton def. Vermillion, 25-11, 25-17  
Canton def. Sioux Falls Lincoln JV, 25-11, 24-26, 25-10  
Lennox def. Vermillion, 25-18, 25-22  
Lennox def. Sioux Falls Lincoln JV, 25-10, 26-24  
Lennox def. Canton, 25-16, 25-22  
Vermillion def. Sioux Falls Lincoln JV, 25-15, 25-15  
Pool B  
Dell Rapids def. West Sioux, Hawarden, Iowa, 25-23, 25-18  
Dell Rapids def. Garretson, 25-23, 25-17  
West Lyon, Inwood, Iowa def. Garretson, 25-12, 25-12  
West Lyon, Inwood, Iowa def. Dell Rapids, 25-21, 25-13  
West Sioux, Hawarden, Iowa def. Garretson, 24-26, 25-19, 25-18  
Third Place  
Dell Rapids def. Lennox, 25-20, 25-20  
Custer Tournament  
Semifinals  
Edgemont def. Moorcroft, Wyo., 26-24, 25-20  
Lead-Deadwood def. Custer, 25-22, 25-22  
Lead-Deadwood def. Edgemont, 21-25, 25-18, 25-21  
Pool Play  
Pool A  
Edgemont def. Red Cloud, 25-23, 25-20  
Edgemont def. Rapid City Christian, 25-20, 25-19  
Pool B  
Lead-Deadwood def. Newell, 25-13, 25-14  
Lead-Deadwood def. Moorcroft, Wyo., 25-15, 20-25, 29-27  
Championship  
Lead-Deadwood def. Moorcroft, Wyo., 21-25, 25-18, 25-21  
Estelline Tournament  
Pool Play  
Pool A  
Dell Rapids St. Mary def. Estelline, 25-20, 25-6  
Estelline def. Wilmot, 25-5, 25-14  
Wilmot def. Dell Rapids St. Mary, 25-12, 25-16  
Pool B  
Hamlin def. Viborg-Hurley, 25-11, 25-11  
Hamlin def. Summit, 25-13, 25-23  
Summit def. Viborg-Hurley, 27-25, 25-21, 17-25  
Pool C  
Colman-Egan def. Great Plains Lutheran, 20-25, 25-16, 25-23  
Great Plains Lutheran def. Waverly-South Shore, 25-11, 17-25, 25-20

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Waverly-South Shore def. Colman-Egan, 25-22, 25-17  
Huron Invitational  
Sioux Falls Roosevelt def. Spearfish, 25-20, 25-21  
Huron def. Sturgis, 25-10, 25-16  
Huron def. Sioux Falls Roosevelt, 25-13, 23-25, 25-20  
Mitchell def. Rapid City Stevens, 25-14, 25-18  
Mitchell def. Sioux Falls Roosevelt, 25-16, 25-17  
Mitchell def. Sioux Falls O'Gorman, 25-14, 25-18  
Mitchell def. Sioux Falls Washington, 25-13, 26-24  
Pierre def. Sioux Falls Roosevelt, 25-23, 21-25, 35-33  
Rapid City Stevens def. Pierre, 25-22, 26-28, 25-12  
Rapid City Stevens def. Sioux Falls Washington, 25-21, 25-14  
Rapid City Stevens def. Huron, 25-22, 25-15  
Sioux Falls Lincoln def. Pierre, 25-13, 26-24  
Sioux Falls Lincoln def. Huron, 11-25, 25-20, 25-23  
Sioux Falls Lincoln def. Sturgis, 25-7, 25-11  
Sioux Falls O'Gorman def. Sturgis, 25-9, 25-15  
Sioux Falls O'Gorman def. Pierre, 25-17, 25-16  
Sioux Falls O'Gorman def. Spearfish, 25-17, 25-14  
Sioux Falls Washington def. Sturgis, 25-12, 25-18  
Sioux Falls Washington def. Spearfish, 27-25, 25-11  
Parkston Tournament  
Arlington def. Wagner, 25-9, 25-17  
Arlington def. Parkston, 23-25, 27-25, 25-23  
McCook Central/Montrose def. Arlington, 25-15, 19-25, 25-16  
Northwestern def. Parkston, 25-7, 25-10  
Northwestern def. McCook Central/Montrose, 25-14, 25-10  
Northwestern def. Arlington, 25-17, 25-17  
Parkston def. McCook Central/Montrose, 12-25, 25-18, 25-18  
Wagner def. McCook Central/Montrose, 19-25, 25-21, 25-22  
Wagner def. Parkston, 25-22, 25-16  
Yellowstone Trail Conference Tournament  
Pool Play  
Pool A  
Sully Buttes def. Leola/Frederick, 25-17, 26-24  
Pool B  
Herreid/Selby Area def. Potter County, 22-25, 25-15, 25-17  
Potter County def. McLaughlin, 25-9, 25-6  
Potter County def. Edmunds Central, 25-14, 25-14  
Third Place  
Potter County def. Leola/Frederick, 25-18, 15-25, 25-18  
Championship  
Sully Buttes def. Herreid/Selby Area, 25-16, 23-25, 26-24

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## 1880 Train still chugging along after 60 years

By HANNAH HUNSINGER, Rapid City Journal

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Smiling ear to ear under his striped hat, Scott Harlan described what it's like to work on a steam engine.

"A steam engine is kind of like a breathing, living piece of equipment," said Harlan, 38, who is the assistant operations manager for the 1880 Train. "I've been around helicopters and cars and trucks, dirt bikes, and I've never seen anything that is so almost alive .... That's why people call it 'live steam.' They're almost like a dragon."

For 60 years men like Harlan have kept the Black Hills Central Railroad steam engines running smoothly along the track between Hill City and Keystone, the Rapid City Journal reported .

Jared Rittberger of Hermosa works as an engineer, fireman and mechanic on the engines. Although he loves the work, Rittberger said it's not always easy.

"(It takes) lots of manpower, constant maintenance and vigilance, just constantly checking things, watching things," he said while standing next to one of the steam engines as it hissed and chuffed. "Trying to catch problems before they catch you."

A crew of seven works year-round to keep the five engines in working order. In the winter they have time to make major repairs, but during the busy summer season they mostly focus on running the engines and keeping up with standard maintenance and minor fixes.

"During the operating season we're on the engine, on the cars, dealing with the public," Harlan said. "So many people go, 'Oh this has got to be the best job ever.' Well, it is. It's really neat, but like with any job there's the dark side that people don't see."

Between the morning and afternoon runs the steam engine undergoes its regular noon service. Crew members descend upon it like a NASCAR pit crew, refueling, lubricating and making a minor adjustment to secure a loose part. It's hot, dirty and noisy.

"You can't go within a mile of this place without getting grease on you," Harlan said.

After all the behind-the-scenes work is done two crew members shift from mechanic mode to operation mode, becoming the engineer and fireman who operate the train from the cab of the steam engine.

"When you're operating a steam engine you have to use all your senses," said Harlan. "The smells, the sounds, vibration and make adjustments — a lot of gut feeling. Are we going too fast, are we going too slow? It's kind of an art."

And for Harlan, seeing people relive parts of history, whether it's the nation's or their own personal history, is one of the best parts of the job.

"(I love) seeing the enjoyment from passengers, whether it's kids or adults. Or hearing someone say, 'I remember riding this train when I was a kid.' For them to remember riding this train and to come back and ride it again with their kids or grandkids — to see that cycle, or an interest in the Black Hills history, it's cool to be a part of that."

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

## Chaplain visits benefit several Sioux Falls-area businesses

By BRENDA WADE SCHMIDT, Argus Leader

CANTON, S.D. (AP) — When James Swanson works his way through Adams Thermal System Inc.'s plant, he greets employees and takes time to engage with anyone who wants to talk.

To the untrained eye, it looks like Swanson might be cutting down on the plant's productivity by distracting workers from doing their jobs, the Argus Leader reported . But to management at the Canton manufacturer of engine cooling systems, the time shared bringing Christ's message of care to those working the production lines benefits both the business and its employees.

Pastor James is a corporate chaplain.

For more than seven years, he has brought a listening ear and Bible studies to nine area businesses that

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see his quiet, unassuming approach as an important company benefit in workplaces that put faith at the forefront of company culture.

"We believe that without God at the center of our lives, life can be very difficult," said Mike Adams, owner of Adams Thermal. His goal is to offer an on-site benefit that allows people a chance to talk to someone about their faith in Christ and life's bumps in the road. "We want to really be able to treat people holistically and really see them flourish."

When employees struggle with financial, medical, marriage, parenting and family difficulties, it can show up in the workplace as a loss of focus, productivity and creativity. Knowing there is someone there to talk to confidentially helps people, Adams said.

Pastor James started meeting with workers at Adam's Thermal more than seven years ago after he talked with Adams at church. Swanson was the pastor at First Evangelical Free Church in Sioux Falls, and started working on his day off as a chaplain at the plant.

In October of 2013, he took the growing business full time calling it Corporate Care of the Sioux Empire. These days, he has help from one other part-time chaplain, and they serve up to 900 employees.

Swanson said he saw a need for spiritual care for people on their jobs, where they spend a third to half of their waking hours. "It's a huge blessing to be able to meet people where they're at. That's what fed my heart," he said.

The chaplain benefit for employees comes on top of other traditional benefits the company offers, including health care, vision care and in Adams Thermal's case, access to an outside counselor, if needed.

Click Rain, a Sioux Falls-based online marketing company with 35 employees, added Corporate Care as an employee benefit in June. Because the company focuses on balance with faith, family and work in that order, the chaplain program seemed like a natural next step, said Carissa Schoffelman, vice president of administration.

"He is much like an employee to us and an extension of our team," she said. Employees are getting to know the chaplain and using his services.

"Part of our heart and mission at Click Rain is to care for the employees God has entrusted to our organization. So, we are always looking for creative benefits and ways to make that happen," she said.

Click Rain also has devotionals and scripture readings at staff meetings, Bible studies, traditional wellness benefits and the opportunity for employees to go on an overseas mission trip with extra paid time off and part of the trip being covered.

At first Shannon Nordstrom with Nordstrom's Automotive, a family owned business near Garretson, wasn't sure he needed to offer a chaplain at work because workers and customers all know that Nordstrom's is run on Christian principles.

But he met with Swanson and invited him in the doors where about 75 people with various beliefs and cultures work. He saw Swanson's role as an extension of what the company is about and made a donation, effectively hiring on a chaplain.

"He's got free rein to talk to my people," Nordstrom said. "I don't tell him what he should say." Likewise, Swanson doesn't tell Nordstrom what employees talk about. He does share general categories of concerns in a weekly update.

"People who embraced it, loved it," Nordstrom said. Those who weren't interested tended to scatter when Swanson came around. But Nordstrom now sees his decision to bring Swanson to his business as a way to bring the church to work, an extension of the company's message of "Praise the Lord Always," or PTLA, which is on business cards and company pens.

"We've always been willing to proclaim our faith in our business place," Nordstrom said. "They look at it as an employee benefit. I look at it as taking the church beyond the walls."

Overall, workers at the companies Swanson serves have been open and receptive to talking with him. It's a no pressure, get-to-know you first approach that seems to work, he says. But the chaplain care also works because as humans, people have needs, and Swanson doesn't judge.

"These employees get used to having someone who says, 'How are you doing?'"

Rick McClung, an Adams Thermal welder from Canton, said when he found out his mother was dying,

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he worried about everything. It distracted his mind, and he found talking about it helped.

"James tried to explain that the lord is here for you. I didn't need to carry the weight," McClung said. And when his mom eventually died, there was a relationship in place that helped then, too. "I could talk to James."

Ronda Thompson, an administrative assistant from Canton who has worked 30 years at the company, said she faced similar grim news when her mother had cancer. She found comfort when people prayed with her at work, and in the process of having a chaplain in house, she started to learn more about the Bible. It's made a difference in her personal life and at work, she said.

"I think I'm a lot nicer. I have a lot more empathy. I'm a lot kinder," she said.

For Larry Bone, a supervisor in the tool and die area, and Katie Pauly, who sits at the front desk where people enter the company doors, being allowed to openly share faith at work makes a huge difference in their contentment.

Pauly, who has worked at Adams Thermal for a few months and commutes from Baltic, said she came from a Christian organization and was excited to find that focus at her new job. "It just made my transition into the workplace easier," she said. "We just hold each other accountable, know we're all here to do God's will."

In other workplaces, Bone from Brandon has felt that he has had to shy away from even mentioning religion. "A lot of places I've worked, you just don't go there," he said. He likes the open freedom at Adams Thermal. "You don't have to hide your faith and beliefs."

Both bosses and employees know that not all workers share the same faith, and some may not have a faith at all.

On any given day on the manufacturing floor or at other businesses that Pastor James works for, he hears joys and sorrows of life as he makes his way from employee to employee, helping to care for their hearts while they're on the clock.

"It's remarkable how open people are," he said. "I have opportunities to talk about some pretty significant things even as they work."

He never knows exactly what the day will bring or in what ways he will be needed. "There's a lot going on when you accumulate experiences and events of that many lives."

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

## 5 climbers die in Austrian Alps; rescue seeks 6th person

BERLIN (AP) — The Austrian Red Cross says five mountain climbers have died in the Austrian Alps.

The head of rescue services Anton Voithofer tells the Austrian news agency APA that the five died Sunday in an accident at Mount Gabler, east of Innsbruck.

APA reported the five mountain climbers were part of a group of six. Rescue efforts are still underway and it is not clear what happened to the sixth person. Five helicopters are involved in the rescue efforts.

APA said the nationalities of the climbers have not been identified yet. It also wasn't clear how exactly the five persons died.

## German woman dies, raises death toll to 16 in Spain attacks

MADRID (AP) — A 51-year-old German woman died Sunday from injuries suffered in the Aug. 17 vehicle attack in Barcelona, raising the overall death toll in Spain's recent attacks to 16, health officials in Catalonia said.

The woman died in the intensive care unit of Barcelona's Hospital del Mar, according to the regional health department.

The latest death raises the toll to 14 in the van attack in Barcelona's popular Las Ramblas boulevard. Another man was stabbed to death in a carjacking that night as the van driver made his getaway, and another woman died in an Aug. 18 vehicle-and-knife attack in the nearby coastal town of Cambrils.

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More than 120 people were wounded in the attacks. Authorities say 24 remain hospitalized, five of them in critical condition.

On Saturday, an estimated 500,000 peace marchers flooded the heart of Barcelona shouting "I'm not afraid" — a public rejection of violence following extremist attacks, Spain's deadliest in more than a decade.

Emergency workers, taxis drivers, police and ordinary citizens who helped immediately after the Las Ramblas attack led the march. They carried a street-wide banner with black capital letters reading "No Tinc Por," which means "I'm not afraid" in the local Catalan language.

The phrase has grown from a spontaneous civic answer to violence into a slogan that Spain's entire political class has unanimously embraced.

Spain's central, regional and local authorities tried to send an image of unity Saturday by walking behind the emergency workers, despite earlier criticism that national and regional authorities had not shared information about the attackers well enough with each other.

In a first for a Spanish monarch, King Felipe VI joined a public demonstration, walking in Barcelona along with Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy and other officials. A separate anti-violence rally was held in the northern town of Ripoll, home to many of the attackers.

Eight suspects in the attacks are dead, two are jailed under preliminary charges of terrorism and homicide and two more were freed by a judge but will remain under investigation.

A first: Drug lowers heart risks by curbing inflammation

By MARILYNN MARCHIONE, AP Chief Medical Writer

For the first time, a drug has helped prevent heart attacks by curbing inflammation, a new and very different approach than lowering cholesterol, the focus for many years.

People on the drug also had surprisingly lower cancer death rates, especially from lung cancer. An anti-tumor effect is an exciting possibility, but it needs much more study because the heart experiment wasn't intended to test that.

Doctors say the results on the drug, canakinumab (can-uh-KIN-yoo-mab), open a new frontier. Many heart attacks occur in people whose cholesterol is normal and whose main risk is chronic inflammation that can lead to clogged arteries.

"We suddenly know we can address the inflammation itself, the same way we learned almost 25 years ago that we could address cholesterol. It's very exciting," said the study's leader, Dr. Paul Ridker of Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Results were published Sunday by the New England Journal of Medicine and Lancet, and presented at the European Society of Cardiology conference in Barcelona, Spain. The drug's maker, Novartis, sponsored the study and Ridker consults for the company.

## WHY INFLAMMATION?

Statins such as Lipitor lower LDL or bad cholesterol and have been the cornerstone of preventing heart attacks along with not smoking, blood pressure control and a healthy lifestyle.

Yet one quarter of people who suffer a heart attack will have another one within five years, and inflammation is a culprit in half of those cases.

Inflammation happens after a joint is injured and swells, but similar chemical responses can occur over time throughout the body with unhealthy habits. That chronic, unseen inflammation can damage arteries and set the stage for clots.

Twenty years ago, Ridker helped clarify its role and patented a cheap blood test for a sign of inflammation called high-sensitivity C-reactive protein, or CRP.

## THE STUDY

Canakinumab lowers CRP and is sold now under the brand name Ilaris for some rare inherited diseases. The study tested it in 10,000 heart attack survivors with low cholesterol but high CRP. They got the

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usual heart medicines including statins and were given one of three different doses of canakinumab or a placebo as a shot every three months.

Those on the medium dose had a 15 percent lower chance of another heart attack, a stroke or a heart-related death over the next four years compared to people given dummy shots. About 33 people would have to be treated for five years to prevent one of these problems — a ratio that outside experts called very good.

The highest dose also lowered risk but not by enough to say the drug was the reason. The lowest dose had no effect.

## WHAT EXPERTS SAY

Canakinumab's benefit was comparable to Repatha, a powerful new type of cholesterol-lowering drug called a PCSK9 inhibitor. It came out two years ago and has had tepid sales, partly because many doctors hoped it would help more and due to its price — \$14,000 a year.

It's hard to get big reductions in risk by adding a new drug like canakinumab if people already are taking optimal medicines, said Dr. Mark Creager, director of the Dartmouth-Hitchcock heart and vascular center and past president of the American Heart Association.

But even a small improvement makes a huge difference considering how common heart attacks are, he said. "That's going to save a lot of people."

The best part is having a new way to help patients, said the Cleveland Clinic's heart chief, Dr. Steven Nissen, who has consulted for Novartis without fee.

"For the first time we have this new target — inflammation," Nissen said. "It's sort of the dawning of a new era. I really think it's that big."

## AN ANTI-CANCER EFFECT?

Inflammation also affects how cancers grow and spread. The cancer death rate was only half as large among those getting canakinumab, and death rates for lung cancer were lower in people getting the top two doses.

Doctors don't think the drug prevents new cancers from developing, but that it might slow the growth of any tumors that had already started, based on other research.

The cancer results were unexpected and intriguing, but not consistent across all types of tumors, said Dr. Barnett Kramer, prevention chief at the National Cancer Institute. He called the lower risk for lung cancer "a promising lead" for future research, but said it comes with concern about the drug's side effects.

## THE BAD NEWS

Canakinumab raised the risk of fatal infections — about 1 of every 1,000 patients treated. Older people and diabetics were most vulnerable.

The drug had no effect on death rates once cancer, infection and heart risks were balanced out.

"The fatal infections are something to be concerned about" but overall trends are in a good direction, said Dr. David Goff of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute.

The federal agency had no role in the heart attack study but sponsors one underway now testing methotrexate, a pill long used to treat cancer and rheumatoid arthritis. It may give a relatively cheap way to prevent heart attacks if it works, because canakinumab is a biotech drug that's likely to be expensive, Goff said.

Novartis said it's premature to discuss price for any use as a heart medicine. It costs as much as \$200,000 now for rare diseases, and would have to prove cost-effective to justify its relatively modest benefits and risks for heart disease prevention, Dr. Robert Harrington, chairman of the department of medicine at Stanford University, wrote in a commentary in the New England journal.

The company said it would discuss the new results with regulators and pursue further studies on the lung cancer possibilities.

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WHAT ABOUT OTHER INFLAMMATION DRUGS?

Drugs called NSAIDs, such as ibuprofen, fight inflammation and pain, but they can raise heart risks, which may seem confusing in light of this study. But they work in a different way, do not reduce CRP, and can affect blood clot formation.

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## Birthplace of free speech movement braces for possible fight

By JANIE HAR, Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The California city that birthed the American free speech movement is preparing for potential clashes even though the person behind a right-wing rally scheduled for Sunday has pleaded with supporters to stay away, saying that she fears violence.

The “No to Marxism in America” rally in downtown Berkeley comes a day after a controversial freedom rally planned by a right-wing group fizzled amid throngs of counter-protesters in San Francisco. San Francisco Mayor Ed Lee declared victory over a group he branded as inviting hate.

Both Amber Cummings and Patriot Prayer leader Joey Gibson have repeatedly denounced racism. Cummings canceled her Sunday event and Gibson called off his Saturday rally late Friday, saying that demonization by mayors in both cities and left-wing extremists made it impossible to speak out.

Cummings said she would be the sole attendee. In a message to the media Saturday she said she might be forced to cancel if she is not provided police protection.

It’s uncertain if supporters— or opponents— will show up. The left-wing group By Any Means Necessary, which has been involved in violent confrontations, had vowed to shut down the rally at Civic Center Park. Berkeley Mayor Jesse Arreguin has urged counter-protesters to stay away.

Berkeley police were planning for a number of contingencies, police spokeswoman Jenn Coats said in an email Saturday. The city has banned a long list of items from the park, including baseball bats, dogs and skateboards. People at the park are also not allowed to cover their faces with scarves or bandanas.

Cummings is a transgender woman and supporter of President Donald Trump who has said on social media and in media interviews that Marxism is the real evil and that members of the anti-fascist movement are terrorists.

“I’m not safe to walk down the road with an American flag in this county,” she said to reporters in Berkeley last week, her face covered with a bandana to make a point about masked anti-fascist members.

“We’ve had enough,” she said. “We have the right to speak patriotism, we have the right to speak about our country. We have the right to be proud of our country.”

Cummings called off her event in a lengthy statement issued via Facebook, saying that she had “grave concerns for the safety of the people attending my event.”

Asked Saturday whether he had any plans to go to Berkeley, Gibson, the leader of Patriot Prayer, said he would “analyze the situation.”

Gibson downgraded his Saturday rally into a news conference at a San Francisco park, but was thwarted when police swarmed the park and city workers erected a fence around it. He and several other people scheduled to speak at the rally were forced to travel to a suburb to hold their news conference.

Will Johnson, who is African American, said he is obviously not a white supremacist and was frustrated about the use of the term in connection with Patriot Prayer and the rally. “We’re here in the middle of nowhere because we don’t want the violence,” he said.

The pivots by the group didn’t deter more than 1,000 left-wing counter-protesters from descending on Alamo Square park, where they suspected right-wing supporters still might show up.

Student activism was born during the 1960s free-speech movement at Berkeley, when thousands of students at the university mobilized to demand that the school drop its ban on political activism.

However, the deadly confrontation in Charlottesville, Virginia, on Aug. 12 during a rally of white suprema-

cists led San Francisco police and civil leaders to rethink their response to protests.

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AP reporter Sudhin Thanawala contributed to this report.

## Mayweather dominates McGregor in late rounds to go 50-0

By TIM DAHLBERG, AP Boxing Writer

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Floyd Mayweather Jr. put on a show in the last fight of his spectacular career. Conor McGregor didn't do so badly, either.

Mayweather figured out a 50th opponent Saturday night, letting McGregor have the early rounds before stalking him late and leaving the mixed martial artist defenseless and exhausted on the ropes in the 10th round.

It was a smashing end to a career that earned Mayweather more money than any fighter before him — including an estimated \$200 million for his last bout.

"I think we gave the fans what they wanted to see," Mayweather said. "I owed them for the (Manny) Pacquiao fight."

Mayweather battered McGregor around the ring in the later rounds, finally stopping him at 1:05 of the 10th with a flurry of punches that forced referee Robert Byrd to stop the fight.

Before a pro-McGregor crowd that roared every time the UFC fighter landed a punch, Mayweather methodically broke him down after a slow start to score his first real stoppage in nearly a decade. He did it in what he said would be his final fight, against a man who had never been in a professional boxing match before.

McGregor boxed surprisingly well but after landing some shots in the early rounds, his punches seemed to lose their steam. Mayweather then went on the pursuit. McGregor backpedaled most of the way, stopping only to throw an occasional flurry as Mayweather wore him down.

"I turned him into a Mexican tonight," McGregor said. "He fought like a Mexican."

Though Byrd cautioned McGregor for hitting behind the head on two different occasions, there were no real fouls in the fight and McGregor never tried to revert to any MMA tactics

McGregor had vowed to knock Mayweather out within two rounds, and he won the early rounds with movement and punches to the head. But the tide of the fight turned in the fourth round as Mayweather seemed to figure out what he had to do and began aggressively stalking McGregor.

Mayweather was credited with landing more than half his punches, as he solved McGregor's defense after a few rounds. Ringside stats showed him landing 170 of 320 punches to 111 of 430 for McGregor.

In a fight so intriguing that it cost \$10,000 for ringside seats, McGregor turned in a respectable performance for someone in his first fight. He switched from southpaw to conventional at times and used his jab well, but Mayweather's experience and his ring savvy paid off as he executed his game plan to perfection.

"Our game plan was to take our time, go to him and take him out in the end," Mayweather said. "I guaranteed everybody this fight wouldn't go the distance.

McGregor was trailing badly on all three ringside scorecards through the ninth round, with scores of 89-81, 89-81 and 87-83. The Associated Press had it 87-84.

Mayweather was widely criticized for not going after Pacquiao in their megafight, and he didn't make the same mistake this time. In a fight that could make him \$200 million, he seemed to stagger McGregor with a series of punches in the ninth round, landing at will as McGregor desperately tried to clinch.

The end was near as the two fighters came out for the 10th round and Mayweather went right after McGregor again. He landed a punch that set McGregor reeling across the ring, then landed a combination that had McGregor defenseless as Byrd moved in to stop the bout. McGregor didn't complain when the fight was stopped and went over and hugged Mayweather.

"I was a little fatigued," he said. "He was composed in there, that's what 50 pro fights can give you."

He seemed almost happy in the ring afterward, secure that he had given a good performance even in losing.

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"I thought it was close though and I thought it was a bit of an early stoppage. I was just a little fatigued."

McGregor's challenge of Mayweather was fueled by social media and turned into a spectacle as the two fighters promoted the bout. It figured to make him \$100 million or so, and gave McGregor a name and brand outside of the UFC.

He also got some respect from a fighter who has been in the ring his entire life.

"He's a lot better than I thought he'd be," Mayweather said. "He's a tough competitor, but I was the better man tonight."

After all the talk and hype, the fight unfolded like most in boxing figured it would. Mayweather, a 5-1 favorite, took a few rounds to establish his dominance but once he did it was a one-sided fight.

Mayweather ran his record to 50-0, surpassing Rocky Marciano's 49-0 record and giving himself a great parting gift. He repeated afterward that he was not going to fight again.

"This is my last fight for sure. 50-0 sounds good, I'm looking forward to going into the Hall of Fame," Mayweather said. "I picked the best dance partner to do it with."

Irish fans arrived by the thousands in the days before the fight, filling the arena for the weigh-in and boisterously cheering for their man. They even went off in the middle of the night and spray painted an Irish flag and "49-1" on a billboard on Interstate 15 promoting Mayweather's businesses.

The capacity crowd of 14,623 cheered McGregor on, but they quieted as the fight progressed and Mayweather showed his dominance.

## Critics: Trump pardon his latest affront against judiciary

By DARLENE SUPERVILLE, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump's pardon of former Arizona sheriff Joe Arpaio shows a lack of regard for an independent judiciary, say critics who note Trump's past criticism of federal judges, including the chief justice of the United States. Supporters counter that the veteran law enforcement officer deserved America's gratitude, "not the injustice of a political witch hunt."

"I am pleased to inform you that I have just granted a full Pardon to 85 year old American patriot Sheriff Joe Arpaio. He kept Arizona safe!" Trump tweeted late Friday after the White House announced that he had used his pardon power for the first time, sparing a political ally the prospect of jail time for defying court orders to halt police patrols that focused on Latinos.

The announcement came as Trump hunkered down at the Camp David presidential retreat while millions along the Texas coast braced themselves for Hurricane Harvey's impact. Trump's decision also followed the uproar that ensued after he said "both sides" were responsible for deadly violence during race-fueled clashes this month in Charlottesville, Virginia.

There is no legal dispute over Trump's ability to pardon in a contempt of court case, as was Arpaio's. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1925 that a presidential pardon for a criminal contempt of court sentence was within the powers of the executive, and Trump had telegraphed his move for days. But the pardon was unusual given that Arpaio was awaiting sentencing. It also had not gone through the normal pardon process, which includes lengthy reviews by the Justice Department and the White House counsel's office.

The Washington Post reported Saturday that Trump had asked Attorney General Jeff Sessions last spring whether it would be possible for the government to drop the criminal case against Arpaio. After being advised that would be inappropriate, Trump decided to let the case go to trial and, if Arpaio were convicted, could grant clemency later, the Post reported. The newspaper said its sources, who were not identified, were three people with knowledge of the conversation.

The Post reported that when press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders was asked about the Trump-Sessions conversation about Arpaio's case, she responded: "It's only natural the president would have a discussion with administration lawyers about legal matters. This case would be no different."

Reaction to Trump's pardon was sharp and swift, including among some fellow Republicans with whom the president has been feuding openly.

House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., signaled his disagreement with the pardon through his spokesman.

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"Law-enforcement officials have a special responsibility to respect the rights of everyone in the United States," Ryan spokesman Doug Andres said in a statement. "We should not allow anyone to believe that responsibility is diminished by this pardon."

Republican Sen. John McCain of Arizona, who incurred Trump's wrath after voting against a Republican health care bill, said: "The president has the authority to make this pardon, but doing so at this time undermines his claim for the respect of rule of law as Mr. Arpaio has shown no remorse for his actions."

The state's junior senator, Republican Jeff Flake, also disagreed with the move.

"I would have preferred that the president honor the judicial process and let it take its course," tweeted Flake, a Trump critic who has come in for particularly harsh treatment from the president. Trump has called Flake, who is up for re-election next year, "toxic" and "WEAK" on border issues and crime. Trump has rooted openly for Flake's GOP challenger, state Sen. Kelli Ward, who supports Arpaio's pardon, which could become an issue in the race.

"We applaud the president for exercising his pardon authority to counter the assault on Sheriff Arpaio's heroic efforts to enforce the nation's immigration laws," she said.

Rep. Andy Biggs, R-Ariz., said, "America owes Sheriff Arpaio a debt of gratitude and not the injustice of a political witch hunt."

But while the pardon could in the short term energize Trump's conservative base, which includes many with strong anti-immigration views, the decision could further alienate voter groups, such as Latinos, whose support the Republican Party has said it needs to win future elections. Trump managed to defy those dynamics in 2016.

Jens David Ohlin, vice dean and professor at Cornell Law School, said he was disturbed by the pardon, given Trump's relationship with the judiciary.

"Ever since the campaign and the beginning of his administration he's had a very contentious relationship with the judiciary and hasn't shown much respect for either members of the judiciary or the proper role of the judiciary within our constitutional structure," Ohlin said Saturday.

During the campaign, Trump called Chief Justice John Roberts "an absolute disaster" and "disgraceful," mainly for two opinions Roberts wrote that left President Barack Obama's health care law intact. Trump also went after U.S. District Judge Gonzalo Curiel, who presided over fraud lawsuits against Trump University. Trump said Curiel was "a hater of Donald Trump" who couldn't be fair to Trump because of Curiel's "Mexican heritage" and because of Trump's campaign pledge to build a wall on the U.S.-Mexico border.

Trump also referred to U.S. District Judge James Robart as a "so-called judge" after Robart imposed a temporary halt on Trump's travel ban.

Arpaio earned a national profile by acting aggressively to arrest immigrants in the U.S. illegally, including tactics that Latino and immigrants' rights advocates said were akin to racial profiling.

His alliance with Trump centers heavily on immigration enforcement, such as getting local police officers to participate in immigration enforcement. Both men have also questioned the authenticity of Obama's birth certificate. They share a similar history of sparring with judges and even a birthday, June 14.

"Sheriff Joe Arpaio was the instigator of racial profiling and made official a policy of harassment and abuse based on the color of one's skin," said Janet Murguia, president of UnidosUS, a Hispanic civil rights and advocacy group. "Every person of color in this nation has been put in harm's way because of this action and that is unconscionable."

P.S. Ruckman Jr., who edits a blog about presidential pardons, said the pardon is not an indicator of any serious interest by Trump in the pardon power.

"It just looks like a political stunt, basically, as opposed to an act of policy," Ruckman said.

It is not unprecedented for a president to issue a pardon in his first year in office. President Gerald Ford pardoned Richard Nixon for his involvement in the Watergate scandal just four weeks after assuming office when Nixon stepped down. George H.W. Bush granted clemency after seven months in office.

Ruckman said that waiting until the end of a term to issue a pardon often gives the appearance that the president is trying to skirt accountability for it. President Bill Clinton ignited a major controversy on

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his final day in office with a last-minute pardon for fugitive financier Marc Rich, the ex-husband of a major Democratic fundraiser.

A year and a half before was to leave office, President George W. Bush set off a political backlash for commuting the prison sentence of I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby in a perjury and obstruction of justice case stemming from a CIA leak.

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## Harvey spins deeper inland; full scope of damage is unknown

By FRANK BAJAK, Associated Press

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Harvey spun deeper into Texas and unloaded extraordinary amounts of rain Saturday after the once-fearsome hurricane crashed into vulnerable homes and businesses along the coastline in a blow that killed at least two people and injured up to 14.

Throughout the region between Corpus Christi and Houston, many people feared that toll was only the beginning. Authorities did not know the full scope of damage because weather conditions prevented emergency crews from getting into the hardest-hit places. And they dreaded the destruction that was yet to come from a storm that could linger for days and unload more than 40 inches (100 centimeters) of rain on cities, including dangerously flood-prone Houston, the nation's fourth-largest.

In the island community of Port Aransas, population 3,800, officials were unable to fully survey the town because of "massive" damage. Police and heavy equipment had only made it into the northernmost street.

"I can tell you I have a very bad feeling and that's about it," said Mayor Charles Bujan, who had called for a mandatory evacuation but did not know how many heeded the order.

Some of the worst damage appeared to be in Rockport, a coastal city of about 10,000 that was directly in the storm's path. The mayor said his community took a blow "right on the nose" that left "widespread devastation," including homes, businesses and schools that were heavily damaged. Some structures were destroyed.

Rockport's roads were a mess of toppled power poles. A trailer blocked much of one major intersection. Wood framing from ripped-apart houses was strewn along Route 35 on the town's southern end.

Harvey's relentless wind tore the metal sides off the high school gym and twisted the steel door frame of its auditorium.

"We're still in the very infancy stage of getting this recovery started," said Aransas County spokesman Larry Sinclair.

Rockport Mayor Charles "C.J." Wax told The Weather Channel that the city's emergency response system had been hampered by the loss of cellphone service and other forms of communication.

A day earlier, Rockport Mayor Pro Tem Patrick Rios offered ominous advice, telling people who chose not to evacuate to mark their arms with Sharpie pens, implying that the marks would make it easier for rescuers to identify them.

One person was killed in Aransas County when in a fire at home during the storm, county Judge C.H. "Burt" Mills Jr. said. A second person died in flooding in Harris County, where Houston is located.

Gary Norman, a spokesman for the Houston emergency operations center, said late Saturday that the person was a woman appeared to have gotten out of her vehicle in high water, though authorities had not confirmed a cause of death. She was found by neighbors about 30 yards (27 meters) away from her vehicle, and Norman said she was pronounced dead at the scene by a doctor who was in the area.

Mills also said as many as 14 people suffered minor injuries in his county, including slips and falls, scrapes and a broken leg.

About 300,000 customers were without power statewide. Gov. Greg Abbott said it would probably be several days before electricity is restored.

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Meanwhile, the storm was barely moving. Rainfall totals varied across the region, with Corpus Christi and Galveston receiving around 3 inches (8 centimeters), Houston 7 (18 centimeters) and Aransas 10 (25 centimeters). Tiny Austwell got 15 inches (38 centimeters).

In Houston, authorities were pleading with people not to leave their homes as a flood emergency was declared.

"The streets are treacherous," Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner said.

Elsewhere in the storm's immediate aftermath, the Coast Guard had rescued 20 people from boats and barges in distress, said Capt. Tony Hahn, commander of the Corpus Christi sector.

The Corpus Christi port was closed with extensive damage. Because the city is the third-largest petrochemical port in the nation, the agency will be on the lookout for spills, Hahn said.

The fiercest hurricane to hit the U.S. in more than a decade came ashore late Friday about 30 miles (48 kilometers) northeast of Corpus Christi as a mammoth Category 4 storm with 130 mph (209 kph) winds.

Harvey weakened to a tropical storm by midday Saturday. At 10 p.m., its maximum sustained winds had fallen to about 40 mph (64 kph), the National Hurricane Center said. But the storm was moving at just 1 mph (1.6 kph) as it dumped torrential rain over an area that included Houston.

The hurricane posed the first major emergency management test of President Donald Trump's administration.

Trump met with his Cabinet and other senior administration officials to discuss the federal response to the damage and flooding, the White House said Saturday in a statement.

The president held a video conference from Camp David in which he instructed departments and agencies to "stay fully engaged and positioned to support his number one priority of saving lives," the statement said.

Trump, who on Friday signed a federal disaster declaration for coastal counties, also reminded department heads that the full impact of the storm will not be apparent for days. On Twitter, he commended the head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency for his handling of the disaster.

In Corpus Christi, the major city closest to the storm's center, wind whipped palm trees and stinging sheets of horizontal rain slapped against hotels and office buildings along the seawall as the storm made landfall.

Daybreak revealed downed lamp posts and tree limbs and roof tiles torn off buildings. Along Interstate 45 leaving Galveston, the rain was so intense that drivers stopped under bridges because they could not see in front of them.

Rain fell on Houston at nearly 3 inches (8 centimeters) an hour, leaving some streets and underpasses underwater. The many drainage channels known as bayous that carry excess water to the Gulf were flowing freely and rising.

"Flooding is a minor issue so far," Harris County Judge Ed Emmett, the chief administrator of the county that includes Houston, said. "Most of the watersheds are well within banks, but we're not out of this."

Francisco Sanchez, with the Harris County Emergency Management Office, said the storm would be around for a while.

"Someone is going to get those very high rainfall totals," he said. "Hopefully it's not us, but we're in that possibility area."

South of the city, about 4,500 inmates were evacuated from three state prisons in Brazoria County because the nearby Brazos River was rising.

The turbulent weather extended into southern Louisiana, where motorists were cautioned about the potential for high water, road hazards, high winds and tornadoes.

Harvey came ashore as the fiercest hurricane to hit the U.S. in 13 years and the strongest to strike Texas since 1961's Hurricane Carla, the most powerful Texas hurricane on record.

The storm's approach sent tens of thousands of people fleeing inland.

Just hours before landfall, the governor and Houston leaders issued conflicting statements on evacuation.

The governor urged more people to flee, but Houston officials recommended no widespread evacuations, citing greater danger in having people on roads that could flood and the fact that the hurricane was not

taking direct aim at the city.

The last Category 4 storm to hit the U.S. was Hurricane Charley in August 2004 in Florida.

Associated Press writers Michael Graczyk, Juan Lozano and Nomaan Merchant in Houston; Tammy Webber in Chicago; David Phillip in Dickinson, Texas; and Jamie Stengle, David Warren and Claudia Lauer and in Dallas contributed to this report.

## Hurricane Harvey closes key oil, gas operations in Texas

By DAVID KOENIG, AP Business Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Key oil and gas facilities along the Texas Gulf Coast have temporarily shut down as Harvey pounds the region with torrential rain and high winds, virtually assuring gasoline prices will rise in the storm's aftermath.

Even before the Harvey made landfall late Friday, dozens of oil and gas platforms had been evacuated, at least three refineries had closed and at least two petrochemical plants had suspended operations.

How soon they reopen depends on the severity of flooding and the resumption of power to the areas. Experts say it's still too early to say, with the storm still moving through the region Saturday evening. But they believe gas prices will increase 5 cents to 25 cents per gallon.

Harvey also continued to take a toll on U.S. air travel Saturday, with more than 1,000 flight cancellations as of the early evening, according to FlightAware. Nearly 850 of the canceled flights were scheduled to either depart from or land at Houston's two airports.

The shipping industry also is expected to be disrupted by the worst hurricane to hit the refinery-rich Texas coast in more than 50 years.

Here's how Harvey is likely to affect business and pocketbooks:

— REFINERIES: Nearly one-third of the nation's refining capacity sits in low-lying areas along the coast from Corpus Christi, Texas, to Lake Charles, Louisiana.

Several refineries at greatest risk of suffering a direct strike from high winds have already shut down, but it is the potential for flooding in the Houston and Beaumont areas that could really pinch gasoline supplies.

Flooding and power outages caused by a storm surge are considered the biggest risk.

"The biggest driver of how much this will increase gas prices is how much rain falls in Houston during the next three days," Andy Lipow, president of consultant Lipow Oil Associates, said Saturday. "We are in a wait-and-watch mode."

For now, Lipow is predicting gasoline prices will rise 10 cents per gallon east of the Rockies.

Tom Kloza, an analyst for the Oil Price Information Service, predicts that prices could rise by up to 25 cents a gallon, but that an increase of 5 cents to 15 cents is more likely, assuming that the hurricane doesn't cause lasting damage to refineries.

Flint Hills Resources announced that it would shutter a refinery before Harvey hit and Valero Energy Corp. said it was closing two facilities in Corpus Christi.

The prospect of supply interruptions sent gasoline futures to \$1.74 a gallon, their highest level since April, before they retreated to around \$1.67 by Friday afternoon.

In addition to the refinery closures, Formosa Plastics shut its petrochemical plant in Point Comfort, Texas, and OxyChem suspended operations at its petrochemical plant in Ingleside, Texas, according to Platts, an S&P Global division that tracks the commodities and energy industry.

— OIL AND GAS: Companies have been evacuating workers from oil platforms in the Gulf of Mexico, and that is crimping the flow of oil and gas.

As of Friday, the U.S. Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement said workers had been removed from 86 of the 737 manned platforms used to pump oil and gas from beneath the Gulf.

The agency estimated that platforms accounting for about 22 percent of oil production and 23 percent of natural gas output in the Gulf had been shut down.

"We could see more production be taken offline in the Gulf of Mexico" if the path of the storm wanders

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farther east, said Jenna Delaney, an oil analyst for PIRA Energy. But, she noted, oil companies announced fewer platform shutdowns on Friday than they had on Thursday, which is an encouraging sign.

Exxon Mobil closed two of its platforms and was evacuating all personnel in the expected path of the storm, said spokeswoman Suann Guthrie. Shell halted operations on a big floating oil-production platform, and Anadarko evacuated workers and shut down four facilities in the western Gulf while continuing to operate those east of the storm's predicted path.

On shore, ConocoPhillips stopped all operations in the Eagle Ford shale formation, which lies across a swath of South Texas inland from the Gulf. A company spokeswoman cited safety and potential disruptions in getting oil and gas from the wells to market during the storm.

— SHIPPING: Shipping terminals along the Texas coast shut down as the storm approached. Port operations in Corpus Christi and Galveston closed, and the port of Houston said container terminals and general cargo facilities closed around midday Friday.

Rates for carrying freight between the Gulf of Mexico and the U.S. East Coast rose.

— TRAVEL: After more than 1,200 flight cancellations Friday and Saturday, airlines already had canceled an additional 823 flights scheduled for Sunday, according to FlightAware's calculations on Saturday evening.

Airlines were offering customers the chance to reschedule trips that would take them to Houston, San Antonio or Austin from Friday through the weekend.

— UTILITIES: Researchers at Texas A&M University estimated that the storm would knock out power for at least 1.25 million people in Texas. They said the hardest-hit areas will include Corpus Christi, which is on the coast, and San Antonio, which is about 140 miles inland.

— INSURANCE: A firm that does forecasts for insurance companies said wind-damage claims could top \$6 billion, although it said losses in the low billions are more likely.

Risk Management Solutions Inc. said losses from storm surges and inland flooding could be a bigger source of losses. If the firm is correct, that would put homeowners and the government-backed National Flood Insurance Program at risk.

The flood program is run by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which owes the Treasury about \$23 billion in funds borrowed to cover the cost of past disasters, according to a recent report by the U.S. Government Accountability Office.

Homeowner policies with insurance companies don't typically cover flood damage, yet a relatively small percentage of homeowners have flood insurance through the federal program.

AP Business Writer Michael Liedtke in San Francisco contributed to this story.

## A timeline of Tropical Storm Harvey's development

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Harvey made landfall in Texas on Friday night as the strongest hurricane to hit the U.S. in more than a decade. By Saturday afternoon it had been downgraded into a tropical storm, but it had dumped 18 inches (half a meter) of rain on some areas and forecasters were warning that it could cause catastrophic flooding in the coming days.

Here is a timeline of key moments in the storm's development:

— Aug. 17, 4 p.m., Tropical Storm Harvey is named, six hours after the National Hurricane Center in Miami issues a potential tropical cyclone for several small Caribbean islands.

— Aug. 19, 4 p.m., Moving westward between the northern coast of South America and the larger Caribbean islands, Harvey is downgraded to a tropical depression, with maximum sustained winds of 35 mph (56 kph). Six hours later, it is further downgraded to a tropical wave.

— Wednesday, 10 a.m., Harvey regenerates into a tropical depression about 535 miles (860 kilometers) southeast of Port O'Connor, Texas, with maximum sustained winds of 35 mph (56 kph).

— Thursday, 1 p.m., After quickly strengthening over the course of a day, Harvey becomes a hurricane, with maximum sustained winds of 85 mph (140 kph). It is about 325 miles (525 kilometers) southeast of Port O'Connor, and Texas coastal communities in its path are urged to complete their preparations. By

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midnight, it is upgraded to a Category 2 hurricane and is 220 miles from Port O'Connor, with sustained maximum winds of 100 mph (160 kph).

— Friday, 2 p.m., Harvey is upgraded to a Category 3 hurricane, with sustained maximum winds of 120 mph (195 kph). It is centered about 75 miles (120 kilometers) southeast of Corpus Christi. By 6 p.m., Harvey is a Category 4 storm just 45 miles from the city, with maximum sustained winds of 130 mph (215 kph).

— Friday, 10 p.m., Harvey makes landfall as a Category 4 hurricane when the eye of the storm comes ashore between Port Aransas and Port O'Connor, two communities on a spit off the coast of mainland Texas near Corpus Christi.

— Saturday, 2 a.m., Harvey is centered about 15 miles inland and is weakening as it slowly passes over land. It has been downgraded to a Category 3, with maximum sustained winds of 115 mph (185 kph). Two hours later, it is downgraded further to a Category 2.

— Saturday, 5 a.m., With maximum sustained winds of 90 mph (150 kph), Harvey is downgraded to a Category 1 storm. Forecasters warn of potentially catastrophic flooding in the coming days. Hours later, it is downgraded yet again to a tropical storm and it is blamed for its first death — that of a person in Rockport, which sustained heavy damage.

## Thousands in Barcelona march shouting "I'm not afraid!"

By FRANCISCO SECO and HERNAN MUNOZ, Associated Press

BARCELONA, Spain (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of peace marchers flooded the heart of Barcelona on Saturday shouting "I'm not afraid" — a public rejection of violence following extremist attacks that killed 15 people, Spain's deadliest in more than a decade.

Emergency workers, taxis drivers, police and ordinary citizens who helped immediately after the attack on Aug. 17 in the city's famed Las Ramblas boulevard led the march. They carried a street-wide banner with black capital letters reading "No Tinc Por," which means "I'm not afraid" in the local Catalan language.

The phrase has grown from a spontaneous civic answer to violence into a slogan that Spain's entire political class has unanimously embraced.

Spain's central, regional and local authorities tried to send an image of unity Saturday by walking behind emergency workers, despite earlier criticism that national and regional authorities had not shared information about the attackers well enough with each other.

In a first for a Spanish monarch, King Felipe VI joined a public demonstration, along with Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy and other Spanish and Catalan regional officials.

Still, some citizens whistled their displeasure as authorities passed by and held banners criticizing the king's role in promoting military exports to Saudi Arabia.

Barcelona police said some 500,000 people showed up to the march Saturday.

The Islamic State group has claimed the vehicle attacks in Barcelona and hours later in the coastal town of Cambrils that left 15 dead and over 120 wounded. The investigation into the Islamic extremist cell behind the attacks has shown that the group planned even more deadly carnage but accidentally blew up a house in Alcanar where explosives were being built and gas tanks were being stored.

Eight suspects are dead, two are jailed under preliminary charges of terrorism and homicide and two more were freed by a judge but will remain under investigation.

Medical authorities said Saturday that 22 people wounded in the attacks are still being treated in hospitals. Six of them remain in critical condition.

In the northeastern town of Ripoll, home for many of the attackers, members of the local Muslim community and other residents gathered Saturday in a central square to condemn the deadly attacks. Located at the foothills of the Pyrenees, the town is where most suspects came under the influence of a radical imam, investigators say.

The sister of two of the alleged extremists gave an emotional speech thanking her neighbors for the support shown to Muslim families in Ripoll.

"We share the same grief and the (need) for an understanding of what happened," said Hafida Oukabir, whose younger brother Moussa was shot dead by police in Cambrils and whose elder brother Driss is under

custody facing terrorism charges. "We must all work together to stop this from ever happening again." Her sobbing speech was met with applause.

Munoz reported from Ripoll. AP reporter Aritz Parra in Madrid contributed to this report.

## Statue of rights leader rises as other icons fall in South

By KATHLEEN FOODY, Associated Press

ATLANTA (AP) — The sculpted clay was dry and the bronze would soon be cast, but artist Martin Dawe still found himself waking with a start before dawn, worried that he didn't get the details of the famous man's face exactly right.

On Monday, Dawe will find out if he succeeded when officials unveil his statue of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. on the Georgia state Capitol's grounds for the 54th anniversary of the March on Washington.

Getting to this point was a three-year struggle over multiple hurdles. Officials had to negotiate with King's family for the right to use his image. Then an artist was selected for the project, only to be killed in a motorcycle accident. After a lengthy screening, Dawe was chosen to replace him.

Then came the artistic challenge.

"It's the most difficult portrait I've ever done in my whole career," Dawe said this month at his Atlanta studio. "He has very elusive features. He has a very distinct profile but no over strong characteristic like some historical figures."

Dawe knew other tributes to King had been criticized and he set one goal: Make the 8-foot (2.44-meter) statue look like the man.

People have their own image of King, Dawe said, from a favorite photo perhaps or a personal glimpse caught in childhood. He said he's prepared for mixed reactions because of that history. But he's still hoping most will conclude: "That looks like him."

A reflection of epochal changes, the civil rights leader's statue is going up in his Southern hometown at a time when monuments honoring Civil War Confederates are coming down in many other places across the South.

Less than two miles from King's birthplace, Georgia's state Capitol has held only one representation of the civil rights icon and Nobel laureate since 1974 — a painting. Black lawmakers lobbied without success for years to install a statue on the grounds commemorating him.

Then, in late 2013, Republican Gov. Nathan Deal ordered the statue of white supremacist Tom Watson — a Georgia political leader in the late 1800s and early 1900s — removed from the Capitol lawn.

On the 2014 national holiday bearing King's name, Deal visited the historic Ebenezer Baptist Church where King preached and promised to "find an appropriate way" to honor him at the Capitol.

King's family is fiercely protective of his name, image, words and more. Within weeks, an attorney representing the estate warned the governor's chief of staff that permission for such a statue would be required.

Lawmakers approved a resolution proposing the statue and Deal appointed Rep. Calvin Smyre, a black Democrat from Columbus and longest-serving member of the House, as a liaison to the family. The state and the King estate ultimately came to an agreement for the statue, at no cost.

Smyre said the estate never asked for a financial commitment to use King's image and he thinks King's children deserved to be involved.

"I can understand them wanting to make sure the things that people do that represent their father would be done in good order," Smyre said this month.

Eric Tidwell, the estate representative, did not respond to several messages requesting comment from King's estate on the project.

Meanwhile, Smyre and Republican Rep. Joe Wilkinson began seeking donors to cover the estimated \$100,000 expense. By early July of 2015, King's estate signed off on a design proposal from artist Andy Davis, whose statue of Ray Charles for a south Georgia city convinced state officials that he was the right

pick.

But within days of getting the OK to start his work, Davis was fatally injured when an alleged drunk driver collided with his motorcycle. Officials had to start over.

It took almost a year to narrow down the hundreds of artist portfolios that poured in after Davis' death, interview four finalists and select a new artist. That delay ballooned the cost to \$300,000.

Last January, nearly three years after the statue was proposed, Dawe actually began crafting it.

For its stance, he already had a photo originally chosen by Davis. A fedora-wearing King is shown leaving a courthouse in Montgomery, Alabama, during the 1956 bus boycotts. He's mid-stride, adding curve to his body in a way that reminds Dawe of classic Greek sculptures. His shoulders are squared under a suit and his left arm holds a stack of paper and an overcoat.

King's face, though, took weeks of research. Dawe studied hundreds of photos and watched King's speeches and interviews, along with every educational DVD he could find. He still felt something was missing. Then, buried in the extras section on one of those DVDs, Dawe found a brief video clip.

King has just given his famous "I Have a Dream" speech from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in 1963. He stands, with the overcast sky lighting his face perfectly.

Dawe played the five or six seconds in a loop, examining the curves of King's face and chin, his bone structure and the overall shape of his neck and head. This, he felt, was the key.

In the finished piece, Dawe aimed for an expression just short of a smile but "hopeful" and "deep in thought." Once in place, the completed statue's head will be turned slightly, gazing toward Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. Dawe hopes the slight tilt inspires viewers to ask themselves: "What is he thinking?"

Smyre, at least, said the final result was "well worth the efforts."

"I'm ecstatic, I'm relieved," he said. "This is something that's overdue."

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## From teacher to tragic figure, the life of Princess Diana

LONDON (AP) — It has been 20 years since the death of Princess Diana in a car crash in Paris and the outpouring of grief that followed the death of the "people's princess."

Here is a timeline of the key moments in Princess Diana's life:

—July 1, 1961: Diana Frances Spencer is born into an aristocratic family.

—February 24, 1981: Lady Diana's engagement to Prince Charles, 32, is announced.

—July 29, 1981: Diana, 20, marries Prince Charles at St Paul's Cathedral in London. The wedding was broadcast around the world, watched by hundreds of millions on television.

—June 21, 1982: Princess Diana's first son, William Arthur Philip Louis, is born. He is known as Prince William.

—September 15, 1984: The royal couple's second son, Henry Charles Albert David, is born. He is known as Prince Harry.

—June 1992: Andrew Morton's book, "Diana, Her True Story," is published. It reveals she attempted suicide and suffered from an eating disorder.

—December 9, 1992: Charles and Diana's formal separation is announced to Parliament by Prime Minister John Major

—November 20, 1995: Diana speaks about her marital problems, affairs, postnatal depression, and tensions with the royal family in a widely-watched interview on the BBC.

—December 20, 1995: Buckingham Palace says the Queen wrote to the couple earlier that week calling on them to divorce.

—August 28, 1996: Diana and Charles divorce.

—August 31, 1997: Diana and her companion Dodi Fayed die in a high-speed car crash in Paris.

—September 6, 1997: Thousands attend Diana's funeral in London.

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## Today in History By The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Sunday, Aug. 27, the 239th day of 2017. There are 126 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 27, 1967, Brian Epstein, manager of the Beatles, was found dead in his London flat from an accidental overdose of sleeping pills; he was 32.

On this date:

In 1776, the Battle of Long Island began during the Revolutionary War as British troops attacked American forces who ended up being forced to retreat two days later.

In 1883, the island volcano Krakatoa erupted with a series of cataclysmic explosions; the resulting tidal waves in Indonesia's Sunda Strait claimed some 36,000 lives in Java and Sumatra.

In 1892, fire seriously damaged New York's original Metropolitan Opera House.

In 1908, Lyndon Baines Johnson, the 36th president of the United States, was born near Stonewall, Texas.

In 1928, the Kellogg-Briand Pact was signed in Paris, outlawing war and providing for the peaceful settlement of disputes.

In 1939, the first turbojet-powered aircraft, the Heinkel He 178, went on its first full-fledged test flight over Germany.

In 1949, a violent white mob prevented an outdoor concert headlined by Paul Robeson from taking place near Peekskill, New York. (The concert was held eight days later.)

In 1957, the USS Swordfish, the second Skate Class nuclear submarine, was launched from the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Maine.

In 1962, the United States launched the Mariner 2 space probe, which flew past Venus in December 1962.

In 1979, British war hero Lord Louis Mountbatten and three other people, including his 14-year-old grandson Nicholas, were killed off the coast of Ireland in a boat explosion claimed by the Irish Republican Army.

In 1989, the first U.S. commercial satellite rocket was launched from Cape Canaveral, Florida — a Delta booster carrying a British communications satellite, the Marcopolo 1.

In 2008, Barack Obama was nominated for president by the Democratic National Convention in Denver.

Ten years ago: Attorney General Alberto Gonzales announced his resignation after a controversy over the firings of nine U.S. attorneys. Atlanta Falcons quarterback Michael Vick apologized for "using bad judgment and making bad decisions" and vowed to redeem himself after pleading guilty in Richmond, Virginia, to a federal dogfighting charge (Vick ended up serving 19 months in federal prison).

Five years ago: Republicans opened their national convention in Tampa, Florida, a day late, then immediately recessed as Tropical Storm Isaac surged toward New Orleans and the northern Gulf Coast.

One year ago: Republican Donald Trump warned of a "war on the American farmer," telling a crowd in Iowa that rival Hillary Clinton wanted "to shut down family farms" and implement anti-agriculture policies; Trump's speech at the annual "Roast and Ride" fundraiser for GOP Sen. Joni Ernst came just hours after Clinton received her first national security briefing as the Democratic presidential nominee.

Today's Birthdays: Author Lady Antonia Fraser is 85. Actor Tommy Sands is 80. Bluegrass singer-musician J.D. Crowe is 80. Musician Daryl Dragon is 75. Actress Tuesday Weld is 74. Actor G.W. Bailey is 73. Rock singer-musician Tim Bogert is 73. Actress Marianne Sagebrecht is 72. Country musician Jeff Cook is 68. Actor Paul Reubens is 65. Rock musician Alex Lifeson (Rush) is 64. Actor Peter Stormare is 64. Actress Diana Scarwid is 62. Rock musician Glen Matlock (The Sex Pistols) is 61. Golfer Bernhard Langer is 60. Country singer Jeffrey Steele is 56. Gospel singer Yolanda Adams is 56. Movie director Tom Ford (Film: "Nocturnal Animals") is 56. Country musician Matthew Basford (Yankee Grey) is 55. Writer-producer Dean Devlin is 55. Rock musician Mike Johnson is 52. Rap musician Bobo (Cypress Hill) is 50. Country singer Colt Ford is 48. Actress Chandra Wilson is 48. Rock musician Tony Kanal (No Doubt) is 47. Actress Sarah Chalke is 41. Actor RonReaco (correct) Lee is 41. Rapper Mase is 40. Actress-singer Demetria McKinney is 39. Actor Aaron Paul is 38. Rock musician Jon Siebels (Eve 6) is 38. Actor Shaun Weiss is 38. Contemporary

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Christian musician Megan Garrett (Casting Crowns) is 37. Actor Kyle Lowder is 37. Actor Patrick J. Adams is 36. Actress Karla Mosley is 36. Actress Amanda Fuller is 33. Singer Mario is 31. Actress Alexa PenaVega is 29. Actor Ellar Coltrane is 23. Actress Savannah Paige Rae is 14.

Thought for Today: "In order to have wisdom we must have ignorance." — Theodore Dreiser, American author (born this date in 1871, died 1945).