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Open: Recycling Trailer in Groton
The recycling trailer is located at 10 East Railroad Ave. It takes cardboard, papers and aluminum cans.

Midwest Masonry & concrete Pumping

Greg Heilman, owner

405 E 1st Ave., Groton

Greg: 253/929-9137

Mike: 605/492-7041

midwestmasonry1@yahoo.com



Help Wanted

Dairy Queen in Groton has openings for part-time team members – day hours during the school year and can be year round, if desired. Flexible scheduling. Stop in to apply. 11 East Hwy 12, Groton, SD.

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Groton Junior Legion takes third at state

Groton's Junior Legion team defeated Warner-Ipswich-Northville for third place in the state tournament, 11-1, in five innings.



Austin Jones pitching

Austin Jones was the starting pitcher. Alex Morris had a double to score two runs, Wyatt Locke had a double to score one and a run scored on a fielder's choice as Groton took a 4-0 lead after one inning. WIN had one run in the top of the second before Jones struck out three batters. Darien Shabazz started the bottom of the second inning with a double. Groton had the bases loaded before WIN changed pitchers. Groton would score two more runs to take a 6-1 lead after two innings. Groton had three errors in the top of the third, but there were no hits and no runs as Groton continued to lead, 6-1. Groton's pitching put three batters up and three down in the top of the fifth. Peyton Johnson had a triple, Austin Jones a double and Groton scored four five runs to end the game, 11-1.

Groton had 11 runs on 12 hits with three WIN errors. WIN had one run on one hit with four Groton errors.

Photos by Mendy Jones



Anthony Schinkel



Chandler Larson on third with Coach Dalton Locke



Grady O'Neill

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SDSU Mens' 4x100 Team Wins First & Beats SDSU School Record

Landon Larson, 2015, Groton Area High School graduate, participated in the Summit League Track and Field Championship Meet, in Tulsa Oklahoma. Landon was part of the conference winning, 4x100 relay team, with team members Sam Zenner, Colby Hilton and Daniel Clarke. They won the event with a time of 40.40, which set a new SDSU school record, beating the old record by .44 seconds. Their time also ranked them the top spot, on the Summit League Championship Meet, beating the old record by .01 of a second. Landon and his 4x400 team, placed 2nd, with a time of 3.13.98.

His individual events were, the open 100m dash, finishing 10th, with a time of 10.64 and the 200m dash, finishing 5th, with a time of 21.38

The SDSU Men's Team finished 2nd, behind NDSU.



Hotshots Donation

Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation recently held a fundraiser with the Hub City Hotshots on Wednesday, August 1. Foundation board members, Matt Locke, Travis Antonsen and Jarrod Flihs were presented a check for \$308 from Hotshots General Manager, Tyson Paulson. Eighty-eight tickets were sold for the game using the "Groton" promo code, with half of the ticket sales going to Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation. (Photo by Joni Groeblichhoff)

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The Tough Challenge of Diabetes

By Richard P. Holm, MD

Hardly any clinical problem demands more from a patient AND a physician than diabetes. The condition demands a special diet, significant exercise, lots of monitoring, expensive oral and injectable medicine, and a rescue plan when things get out of control.

Regarding the need for a special diet, there are different ideas about what is the correct for a diabetic to eat. There are low carbohydrate plans, low fat plans, low meat plans, high fiber plans, and the list goes on. Whatever the plan may be, the biggest challenge, and probably the most important one, is to eat less and to do that forever. However, asking someone to always eat less seems almost too much to expect.

Regarding the need for a special exercise plan, there are different ideas about what is the correct way to exercise and often the capacity of the individual to exercise is limited. Whatever that plan may be, the biggest challenge is in the doing. People with (and without) diabetes need to get enough exercise and to do it regularly (daily), but that also seems almost too much to expect.

When exercise and a special diet are not enough, various diabetic medicines or non-insulin injections can be prescribed. When these fail, various types of insulin are added. Some are long-acting, and some are short-acting. Another challenge to this condition is that medicinal treatment options seem more expensive over time, not less, even though the patent for these pills should have run out.

Regarding the need for monitoring, people with diabetes and their doctors are asked to keep track, not only of blood sugars, but also of cholesterol, blood pressure and the condition of their feet, eyes, and kidneys. Physicians and other care providers are under the gun by insurance companies and the government to meticulously monitor diabetics and are even being graded on how well they do this monitoring. Therefore, care providers are bugging the person with diabetes to carefully monitor themselves too. It almost seems too much to expect.

People with diabetes sometimes have out-of-control blood sugars despite doing everything right. It's been my experience, especially when insulin is being used, that sometimes there is no rhyme or reason for a person's blood sugar to be too high or too low, but it still happens. Rescue plans must be made and practiced.

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CONSIGNMENT AUCTION

Sat. Aug. 18, 2018 10:00 am

Location: Trucks-N-Tractors, 14069 434th Ave., Webster, SD 57274

Now taking Consignments – Watch Website & Next Week's Forum for Sale Bill. Tractors, Combines/Heads, Payloaders/Skidsteers, Semis/Trailers, Vehicles/ATVs, Planting/Haying/Spraying/Augers, Construction Equipment, Fencing.

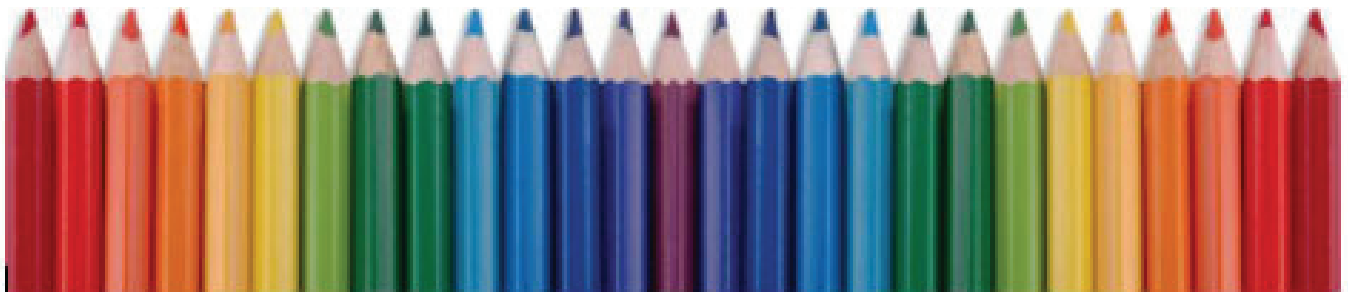
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SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE



**GROTON CARE AND REHABILITATION CENTER
HAS BACK TO SCHOOL SPIRIT! STARTING
AUGUST 1ST THRU AUGUST 20TH WE WILL BE
COLLECTING SCHOOL SUPPLIES AT THE
FACILITY TO GIVE TO THE GROTON AREA
SCHOOL DISTRICT.**



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Weekly Vikings Roundup By Jordan Wright

Football is back! Last Thursday was the Hall of Fame game, which is the first preseason game played every season. The offseason might have seemed like it lasted forever, but from this point on, we won't have a weekend without football for the rest of the year!

Speaking of the Hall of Fame, did you watch the induction ceremony this past weekend? There were many great NFL players who received a bust and will forever be enshrined in the Hall of Fame, but as a Vikings fan the only speech I really cared about was Randy Moss. From the first game he played in a Vikings jersey, it was easy to tell this player was a cut above the rest. Not only did Moss break the mold when it came to receivers, but he was a part of the 1998 Vikings and 2007 New England Patriots, two most prolific offenses in NFL history. He is one of the greatest players in NFL history, and it's great knowing he will always represent the Vikings in the Hall of Fame.

Before we get into the game preview for the Vikings' first preseason game, let's get to some news and notes to come out of training camp.

Just days after my last column was written, news broke that the Minnesota Vikings have signed receiver Stefon Diggs to a contract extension worth \$81 million. Diggs is now signed for the next six seasons. A former fifth-round pick, Diggs has earned every penny he got in his extension. Although he has missed eight games over the past three seasons, when healthy Diggs is a difference maker. For proof, look no further than the playoff game against New Orleans when he caught a 61-yard walk-off touchdown to seal the game.

With Diggs' extension taken care of the Vikings can turn their attention to Anthony Barr, who has missed some practice time recently. The rumors are that the two sides are close on an extension, and Barr has been missing practice to avoid getting injured before the contract is signed. There are also rumors that the Vikings are trying to trade Barr, but I wouldn't worry because head coach Mike Zimmer loves Barr and I don't see him going anywhere.

Game Preview

The Minnesota Vikings will travel to Denver to take on the Broncos this Saturday, August 11. The game will start at 8pm Central time and will air on both ABC and NFL Network (although NFL Network will likely be blacked out and ABC will be the network if you are planning to DVR the game).

The Denver Broncos are very similar to the Vikings, as both teams have great defenses and are undergoing some change on the offensive side of the ball, particularly at quarterback. With Kirk Cousins electing to sign with the Vikings, the Broncos didn't waste any time signing Case Keenum. Cousins is certainly the more proven of the two quarterbacks, which is why he got \$10 million more per season, but if Keenum can recapture his 2017 form the Broncos will be a team to be feared in 2018.

Since this will be the first preseason game, I would expect the starters to play the first quarter at most. With a new quarterback and offensive coordinator, preseason will be huge for the Vikings to iron out any wrinkles to ensure they are ready to go once the regular season gets here. Some positions to keep an eye on are the offensive line, wide receiver, and cornerback. I don't know about you, but I can't wait to see the Vikings back in action! Skol!

If you have any questions or comments, reach out to me on Twitter (@JordanWrightNFL)

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What's going on in state government this week

Gov. Dennis Daugaard's Public Commitments; Public Meetings:

Monday, Aug. 6, 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. CDT, Sioux Falls – Gov. Dennis Daugaard will be speaking at the Sioux Falls Downtown Rotary Meeting at the Holiday Inn City Center, Sioux Falls.

Monday, August 6, 7 a.m. CDT, Pierre –The South Dakota Soybean Research & Promotion Council will be holding a meeting via conference call. A full agenda can be found at <https://boardsandcommissions.sd.gov/Meetings.aspx?BoardID=175>. For more information, please contact the SD Soybean Council at 605-330-0278.

Monday, August 6, 1 p.m. CDT, Pierre – The REDI (Revolving Economic Development and Initiative) credit committee will meet on Monday, August 6 at 1 p.m. CDT at 711 E. Wells Ave. Please contact Cassie Stoeser, GOED Finance Director, at 605-773-GOED (4633) for more information. <https://boardsandcommissions.sd.gov/Meetings.aspx?BoardID=31>.

Tuesday, Aug. 7, to Thursday, Aug. 9, Pierre – The South Dakota Board of Regents meets at River Rock Lodge for its annual planning session and regular business meeting. The regents' planning session begins at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug 7, at River Rock Lodge, located east of Pierre at 20940 296th Ave. An executive session is scheduled Tuesday, Aug. 7, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. CDT and Wednesday from 2:45-4 p.m. CDT. The planning session continues on Wednesday and concludes Thursday morning. The business meeting convenes immediately after the planning session ends Thursday morning, also at River Rock Lodge. The agenda includes adoption of a budget request for Fiscal Year 2020. The board's agenda and supporting documents may be accessed online at <https://www.sdbor.edu/the-board/agendaitems/Pages/default.aspx>. For more information, contact Tracy Mercer, 605-773-3455.

You Might Also Be Interested To Know:

Saturday, Aug. 4 – The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks' (GFP) Outdoor Campus in Sioux Falls will host its eighth annual Outdoor University from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. CDT in Sertoma Park. Individuals and families can try canoeing, archery, fishing, kayaking and outdoor cooking. For more information, call 605-362-2777 or visit gfp.sd.gov/toc-east/.

Monday, August 6, to Thursday, August 9: The South Dakota Department of Veterans Affairs Field Service Officers will be at the following County and Tribal Veterans Service Offices to assist with veteran related claims, issues, and questions.

Monday, August 6:

- 12 p.m. – 3 p.m. CDT, Faulkton – 110 9th Ave. N. 605-280-4308
- 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. MDT, Sturgis (VFW Claims Booth) 605-280-4307

Tuesday, August 7:

- 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. MDT, Eagle Butte – Tribal Office 605-280-4308
- 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. MDT, Hot Springs (Vets Home) – 2500 Minnekahta Ave. 605-280-4306
- 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. CDT, Parker – 400 S. Main St. 605-360-7819
- 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. MDT, Sturgis (VFW Claims Booth) 605-280-4307

Wednesday, August 8:

- 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. MDT, Hot Springs (Vets Home) – 2500 Minnekahta Ave. 605-280-4306
- 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. CDT, Roscoe – 210 S. Mitchell St. 605-280-4308
- 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. MDT, Sturgis (VFW Claims Booth) 605-280-4307

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Thursday, August 9:

- 10:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. CDT, Leola – 421 Grant St. 605-280-4308
- 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. CDT, Madison – 200 E. Center St. 605-360-7819
- 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. CDT, Redfield – 210 E. 7th Ave. 605-280-4306
- 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. MDT, Sturgis (VFW Claims Booth) 65-280-4307

Monday, August 6 – Thursday, August 9 – The South Dakota Department of Agriculture will be collecting pesticide containers at the following locations. For a full schedule of container pick up times and locations, please visit http://sdda.sd.gov/ag-services/pesticide-program/container-recycling-waste-pesticide-collection-program/Gallery/2018collections_Final.pdf. For more information on these collections, please contact SDDA at 605-773-4432.

Monday, August 6- Chamberlain, Agtegra Cooperative, 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. CDT

Tuesday, August 7- Tyndall, Bon Homme Co Highway Dept., 9 a.m.- 12 p.m. CDT

Tuesday, August 7- Menno, Mettler's, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. CDT

Wednesday, August 8- Wagner, Country Pride Coop Fertilizer Plant, 9 a.m.- 12 p.m. CDT

Thursday, August 9- Platte, Turnis Farm Services, 1:30 p.m.-4 p.m. CDT

Thursday, August 9- Kimball, Agtegra Cooperative, 8 a.m.- 11 a.m. CDT

Monday, Aug. 6, to Tuesday, Aug. 7 – Bring Your 'A' Game to Work encompasses seven different skills including Appreciation, Attitude, Attendance, Appearance, Ambition, Accountability and Acceptance. These soft skills and a willingness to take direction are generally more desired by employers than the specific skills a particular job requires. Bring Your 'A' Game is being offered at no cost to businesses and individuals. For more information or to register online, visit http://dlr.sd.gov/workforce_services/individuals/training_opportunities/soft_skills_training.aspx. The workshop will be offered at the following location(s):

Monday, Aug. 6, and Tuesday, Aug. 7, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CDT, Sioux Falls – at 811 E. 10th St. This is a two-day workshop. Registration required. For more information or to register, call 605-367-5300 or register online at the link above.

Tuesday, Aug. 7, to Wednesday, Aug. 8 – The South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation will hold itinerant office hours. Both job seekers and employers interested in receiving employment and career services at no cost may visit or call during these office hours. More information on programs and services is available at www.sdjobs.org. Itinerant office hours will be held at the following locations:

· Tuesday, Aug. 7, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. CDT, DeSmet – Kingsbury County Courthouse, 101 2nd St. SE. For more information during these hours, call 605-854-3309 or 605-688-4350 at any other time. Additional information at www.sdjobs.org.

· Tuesday, Aug. 7, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. CDT, Wagner – At the Bureau of Indian Affairs, 29775 Main Ave. For more information, call 605-487-7607 Ext. 207 or 212 or visit www.sdjobs.org.

Wednesday, Aug. 8, 1 – 4:30 p.m. CDT, Wagner – At the City Hall, 60 S. Main. For more information, call 605-487-7607 Ext. 207 or 212 or visit www.sdjobs.org.

· Wednesday, Aug. 8, 1 – 3 p.m. CDT, Webster – At the Day County Court House basement, or call 605-345-4781 during these hours and 605-626-2340 at any other time. Additional information at www.sdjobs.org.

Tuesday, Aug. 7, to Thursday, Aug. 9 – The South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation will host Job Search Assistance Programs (JSAP). JSAP is a workshop for people recovering from job loss or enhancing their job search skills. Trained instructors speak on modern-day techniques used to successfully find employment. Topics covered include resume and cover letter writing, interviewing etiquette, networking effectively, using social media and much more. JSAP will be offered at the following locations:

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· Tuesday, Aug. 7, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. MDT, Rapid City – at 2330 N. Maple Ave. For more information, call 605-394-2296 or visit www.sdjobs.org.

· Thursday, Aug. 9, 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. CDT, Aberdeen – at 420 S. Roosevelt St. Parties interested in attending should register by calling 605-626-2340 prior to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 8. For more information, visit www.sdjobs.org.

Thursday, Aug. 9, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. CDT, Huron – at 333 9th St. SW, in the Huron Campus Center, Hohm Conference Room. The Financial Literacy class is in the morning and the Job Search Assistance class is in the afternoon. For more information or to register to attend, call 605-353-7155 or visit www.sdjobs.org.

· Thursday, Aug. 9, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. CDT, Watertown – at 2001 9th Ave. SW, Suite 200. For more information, call 605-882-5131 or visit www.sdjobs.org.

Monday, August 6, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. MDT, Phillip – Benefits Specialists from the Department of Social Services' Division of Economic Assistance will be available in Phillip. For more information, contact Tia Kafka, 605-773-3165.

Tuesday, August 7 – Benefits specialists from the Department of Social Services' Division of Economic Assistance will be available at the following itinerant office locations. For more information, contact Tia Kafka, 605-773-3165.

Kyle, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. MDT

Canton, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. CDT Flandreau, 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. CDT

Webster, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. CDT Timber Lake, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. MDT

DeSmet, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. CDT Miller, 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. CDT

Wagner, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. CDT

Wednesday, August 8 – Benefits specialists from the Department of Social Services' Division of Economic Assistance will be available at the following itinerant office locations. For more information, contact Tia Kafka, 605-773-3165.

Wanblee, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. MDT Salem, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. CDT Dupree, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. MDT

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Canton, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. CDT Kyle, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. MDT

Flandreau, 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. CDT Lemmon, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. MDT

Armour, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. CDT

Monday, Aug. 6, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. CDT, Sioux Falls – Smithfield will conduct walk-in interviews at the Sioux Falls Job Service, 811 E. 10th St. Positions include production workers. For more information, call 605-367-5300 or visit www.sdjobs.org.

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Tuesday, Aug. 7, 2 – 6 p.m. CDT, Yankton – Manitou will hold a Job Fair at 900 Ferdig Ave. Positions available include welders, assemblers, painters, and maintenance technicians. DLR Yankton Job Service can help you prepare. For more information, call 605-668-2900 or visit www.sdjobs.org.

Thursday, Aug. 9, 12:30 – 2 p.m. CDT, Brookings – Aramark will conduct walk-in interviews at Brookings Job Service, 1310 Main Ave. S., Suite 103, every Thursday through Aug. 30. For more information call 605-688-4350.

Thursday, Aug. 9, 10 – 11 a.m. CDT, Vermillion – The South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation is hosting an informational session and networking opportunity for agencies in and around Vermillion at the Edith B. Siegrist Library, 18 Church St. The goal is to bring partners together to share information about services provided and learn about resources in the area. Please call the DLR Vermillion Job Service office at 605-677-6900 if interested in attending or for more information.

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Today in Weather History

August 6, 1962: Wind damaged farm buildings and hail damaged crops over a large area. The area affected was northern Faulk, portions of Spink, Northern Clark, Codington, and Grant, along with Day County.

August 6, 1969: During the day and evening hours, two relatively large storms brought destructive weather to much of Minnesota. The northern storm area moved in from North Dakota between Fargo and Grand Forks. The southern storm rapidly developed north of Wedena. These two storms combined to cause twelve tornadoes, two vast areas of wind and hail damage, and one waterspout. The storms killed 15 people, injured 106, and caused 4.8 million dollars in property and public utility damage.

August 6, 1969: The first report of high winds was southeast of Piedmont with gusts of 65 to 70 mph estimated by a National Weather Service employee. Damage in that area included several downed trees and leveled gardens. As the storm moved east, large hail was reported. The first wind gust at Ellsworth AFB was 89 mph at 1918 MST on the northwest end of the runway. By 1925 MST, sustained winds were over 50 mph for nearly 10 minutes, and the peak gust was 114 mph. The sensor on the southeast end of the runway, 2.5 miles away, recorded a wind gust of 114 mph at 1929 MST. The damage on the base included several large trees blown over and snapped in half and roof damage to base housing units. A few tents set up on the taxiways for an air show were blown around, but not significantly damaged. A survey by base meteorologists indicated the main downburst winds hit over open prairie surrounding the runway, where there are no trees or structures. Also between 1920 and 1930 MST, a meteorology student estimated winds between 70 and 80 mph at Box Elder, where gardens were leveled, and wooden fences and roofs were damaged.

1993: Virginia experienced its worst tornado outbreak ever as 18 tornadoes ripped through the state in 5 hours. The most devastating tornado caused severe damage in the historic part of Petersburg. The storm then moved on to Pocahontas Island and into Colonial Heights. There, the storm ripped apart a WalMart store, killing three people and injuring nearly 200. The F4 twister was the first known violent tornado in Virginia history. It killed a total of 4 people and injured 246 along its 12-mile path. Total damages were near \$50 million.

1890 - Thunderstorms left four inches of hail covering the ground in Adair County and Union County in Iowa. The hail drifted into six foot mounds, and in some places remained on the ground for twenty- six days. (The Weather Channel)

1918 - Unusually hot weather began to overspread the Atlantic Coast States, from the Carolinas to southern New England. The temperature soared to an all-time record high of 106 degrees at Washington D.C., and Cumberland and Keedysville hit 109 degrees to establish a state record for Maryland. Temperatures were above normal east of the Rockies that month, with readings much above normal in the Lower Missouri Valley. Omaha NE reached 110 degrees. (David Ludlum)

1959 - A bucket survey showed that thunderstorms dropped 16.70 inches of rain on parts of Decatur County IA. The total was accepted as Iowa's 24 hour rainfall record. (The Weather Channel)

1986 - Evening thunderstorms produced wind gusts to 100 mph at Winner SD damaging two hundred homes. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1987 - Afternoon thunderstorms deluged Milwaukee, WI, with 6.84 inches of rain, including more than five inches in two hours, breaking all previous rainfall records for the city. Floodwaters were four feet deep at the Milwaukee County Stadium, and floodwaters filled the basement of the main terminal at the airport. Flooding caused 5.9 million dollars damage, and claimed the life of one person. Death Valley, CA, reported a morning low of 97 degrees. A midday thunderstorm deluged Birmingham AL with nearly six inches of rain in one hour. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Severe thunderstorms produced large hail and damaging winds in Pennsylvania and New York State. A cold front crossing the northwestern U.S. produced wind gusts to 66 mph at Livingston MT. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1989 - Thunderstorms developing ahead of a cold front produced severe weather from northwestern Texas to the Southern Appalachians, and in the northeastern U.S. There were 136 reports of large hail or damaging winds during the day and evening. Thunderstorms in the Southern Plains Region produced tennis ball size hail northwest of Buffalo OK, and wind gusts to 100 mph at Pampa TX. (Storm Data) (The National Weather Summary)

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Monday



Chance Showers then
Slight Chance T-storms

High: 79 °F

Monday Night



Chance T-storms

Low: 59 °F

Tuesday



Sunny

High: 86 °F

Tuesday Night



Mostly Clear

Low: 61 °F

Wednesday



Hot

High: 92 °F

Scattered Storms Today/Heat Returns Mid-Week

Today



Highs: 78-86 F

Tuesday



Highs: 81-92 F

Wednesday



Very Warm

Highs: 88-96 F

Thursday



Highs: 84-94 F

 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE
OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

Updated: 8/6/2018 5:25 AM Central

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Scattered showers and thunderstorms are possible this afternoon. Severe storms are not expected. Dry conditions, along with above normal temperatures are expected for the rest of the work week.

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Yesterday's Weather

High Outside Temp: 80.7 F at 2:43 PM

Heat Index:

Low Outside Temp: 56.4 F at 6:40 AM

High Gust: 21.0 Mph at 2:30 AM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info

Record High: 108° in 1941

Record Low: 44° in 1902

Average High: 84°F

Average Low: 58°F

Average Precip in July: 3.41

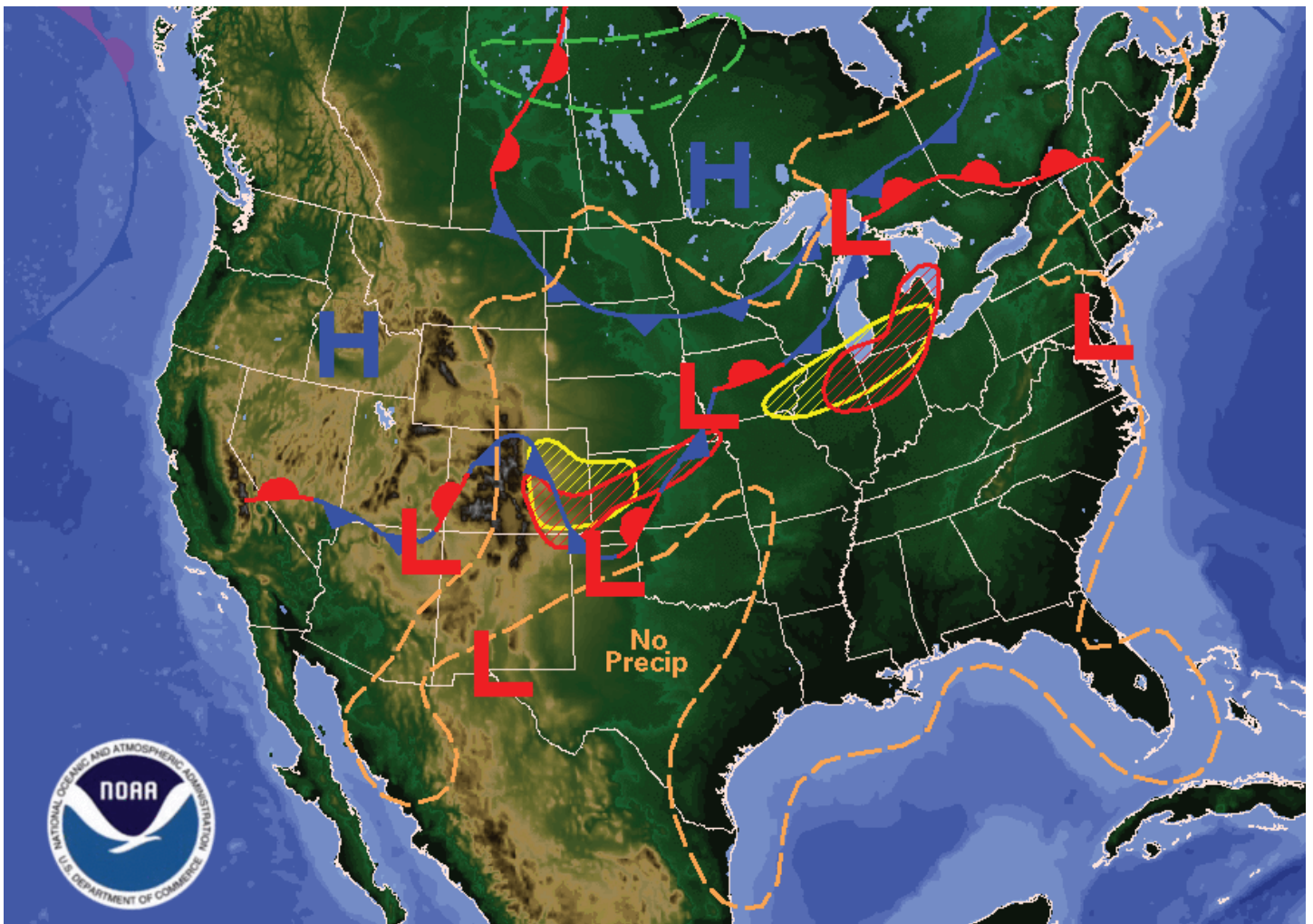
Precip to date in July: 3.99

Average Precip to date: 14.25

Precip Year to Date: 9.89

Sunset Tonight: 8:55 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:25 a.m.



Day 1 National Forecast Chart

Valid Mon, Aug 06, 2018, issued 4:45 AM EDT
DOC/NOAA/NWS/NCEP/Weather Prediction Center
Prepared by McCreynolds 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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WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT?

One day John Wesley was strolling with one of his dear friends through the farmlands of England. He was deeply troubled and having a difficult time talking about his problem.

Stopping in front of a cow that had separated herself from the herd, Wesley asked, "Do you know why that cow is looking over the fence?"

"No," said his friend.

"Because she can't look through it," he replied.

The Psalmist encourages us to "look over the fence." He wrote, "I will lift up my eyes to the mountains - where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heavens and earth." As long as we look at our problem, it will look right back at us. But if we look over the problem and look to our Lord, the Psalmist promises us that He will come and help us.

Focusing on a problem, any problem, even a problem larger than life, gets us no place. Often we treat our problems as a cow treats her cud - we "roll" it up into the "worry area" of our mind and chew on it until there is nothing left in our minds but the problem. It consumes us because we refuse to "look over" it and ask the Person who brought it into our lives to solve it.

The Psalmist reminds us that God, Who wants to be our problem-solver is the same God who "is the Maker of heaven and earth." Imagine, if you will, the brilliance of God: Everywhere we look in His universe we are reminded of this fact. We must "look over" and "look to" Him.

Prayer: Help us, Lord, to look to You whenever we need answers, solutions or decisions for things that threaten our faith. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Psalm 121:1 I lift up my eyes to the mountains—where does my help come from?

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- Groton Lion's Club Bingo- Wednesday Nights 6:30pm at the Groton Legion (Year Round)
- 11/18/2017-3/31/2018 Groton Lion's Club Wheel of Meat- Saturday Nights 7pm at the Groton Legion (Fall/Winter Months)
- 1/27/2019 Carnival of Silver Skates 2pm & 6:30pm
- 4/13/2019 Easter Egg Hunt (Saturday a week before Easter Weekend)
- 5/4/2019 Spring City-Wide Rummage Sales (1st Saturday in May)
- 5/27/2019 Groton American Legion Post #39 Memorial Day Program at the Cemetery, Lunch to follow at the American Legion (Memorial Day)
- 6/14/2018 Transit Fundraiser (Middle Thursday in June)
- 6/15/2018 SDSU Golf at Olive Grove
- 6/16/2018 Triathlon (Saturday before Father's Day)
- 7/4/2018 Firecracker Golf Tourney (4th of July)
- 7/22/2018 Summer Fest (4th Sunday in July)
- 9/8/2018 Fall City-Wide Rummage Sales (1st Saturday after Labor Day)
- 10/6/2018 Pumpkin Fest (Saturday before Columbus Day)
- 10/12/2018 Band Festival (2nd Friday in October)
- 10/31/2018 Trunk or Treat (Halloween)
- 11/10/2018 Groton American Legion Post #39 Turkey Shoot (Saturday closest to Veteran's Day)
- 12/01/2018 Olive Grove Golf Course 2018 Holiday Party

- Best Ball Golf Tourney
- SDSU Golf Tourney
- Sunflower Golf Tourney
- Santa Claus Day
- Fireman's Stag
- Tour of Homes
- Crazy Dayz/Open Houses
- School Events

News from the Associated Press

Dollar General expands stores in South Dakota

By PATRICK ANDERSON, Argus Leader

HOWARD, S.D. (AP) — Rick Hiltunen recognized a shopper as he popped out of the back offices into the store.

The man was already chatting with Hiltunen's dad, about an old card game from years past.

Hiltunen, 60, grew up in aisles of Rusty's Food Store, named for his father. When Rusty ran the store, Hiltunen stocked shelves, carried food out to cars and learned to always respect and cherish the relationship with customers — the people of Howard and surrounding towns and farms who would come, order meat at its butcher counter, pull milk from its coolers and bag fresh veggies at its produce section.

Customer service. It's Rusty's biggest advantage in a new kind of marketplace, Hiltunen said. And it's one of the first things Hiltunen discusses when he talks about competing with the newly opened Dollar General, just down Hwy. 34 from Howard's only grocery store.

"I'll be honest, I was very concerned about it," Rick said.

Rural South Dakota is experiencing the rise of Dollar General as the company opens stores in some of the state's smallest communities. The proliferation of stores in South Dakota is part of an aggressive growth plan from the top executives of the Tennessee-based corporation, the Argus Leader reported.

The company's leadership is targeting rural America, hoping to reach more customers who earn less than the median income.

Dollar General representatives did not respond to an interview request for this story.

A slide from a 2016 presentation by Dollar General CEO Todd Vasos about the company's 2020 Vision strategy. (Photo: Screen capture / Dollar General)

The number of Dollar Generals in South Dakota has tripled in recent years and will likely continue to climb as the publicly traded corporation follows its aggressive growth plan.

Dollar General is no longer a dollar store. Most of its products, while affordable, cost more than \$1. The company's rural South Dakota locations feel more like mini-department stores. They sell nonperishable food items — including candy, soda and canned goods — and dairy products next to aisles filled with clothes, cleaning supplies, DVDs and CDs, lawn care products and hardware.

The corporation added more than 1,000 locations nationally last year. Included in its recent conquests are newly opened or planned locations in Howard, Wessington Springs, Custer, Garretson, Colton, Wagner, Lake Norden, Sisseton, Eureka and Summerset.

Behind most of the newly opened Dollar Generals in South Dakota is Colby Capital.

The Nebraska-based developer scouts out small towns, then helps with land acquisition and development. Colby representatives map out each town, pick possible locations for a store and then file the necessary paperwork with local officials.

Tyler Oliver, Colby's founder, did not respond to an interview request for this story.

Dollar General doesn't own the property. It goes to investors, and the retail giant only leases the space.

Once Dollar General picks a town for its next location, local business owners and city officials can do little to stop the chain from becoming a neighbor.

If Dollar General can't find a spot in city limits, Colby picks a location nearby on county land.

A store still opens, except it doesn't contribute any sales tax back to the community it serves until the land is annexed.

Before Dollar General opened in Wessington Springs in the fall, mayor Melissa Mebius called for an open forum to give the public a chance to share their concerns about the new arrival.

Mebius hosted the event with one caveat: Dollar General was coming no matter what. The company filed the permits it needed to file and it fell to the city to either take or lose the potential revenue from sales tax.

"Once they say they're coming to your town, they're either going to find a location in your town or right

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outside your city limits," Mebius said.

Discussion lasted for more than an hour. Wessington Springs residents voiced warnings about Dollar General and how the new store would draw dollars away from local business owners, including the town's grocery and hardware stores.

The biggest concern for smaller retailers who compete with Dollar General is lost business because of an inability to compete with the national chain's prices.

Running an independent grocery store means paying for high overhead costs and trying to keep the door open with low-margins. Tony Bosch co-owns several Sunshine Food stores in and around the Sioux Falls area.

A good number of Sunshine locations in the area are competing with national discount chains, Bosch said. Commuters used to stop by the Sunshine in Brandon to pick up groceries on their way home, but some of that business has slowed since Dollar General opened a Garretson location last year, Bosch said.

"It's a dog fight out there," Bosch said.

Before Dollar General arrived, Hiltunen expected his grocery store in Howard to lose between 5 and 20 percent in gross sales. That's what happened to other stores he called in the region while trying to prepare for the chain's arrival.

He knew some of his shoppers would check out the new store.

"The new kid comes into town and everybody wants to go and talk to him," Rick said. "I understand that that's the way it is."

For stores that serve as many as 14,000 people a week, each dollar lost adds up, Bosch said.

"That seems to be what they're going after is the independent grocer," Bosch said.

Dollar General executives laid out plans in 2016 that would set the stage for the company's fast growth across rural South Dakota.

At the time, the chain had already amassed more than 12,000 locations across the United States. Executives outlined more than 13,000 locations for additional stores. A map showing Dollar General's long-term growth plan shows a cluster of dots in South Dakota, especially in the southeastern corner of the state.

In South Dakota, Dollar General has favored some of the state's smallest communities for its most recent growth spurt. Expansion in small towns and farming communities is part of an effort to capitalize on what Dollar General executives describe as the company's core shoppers.

Executive Vice President Jim Thorpe divided Dollar General's core shoppers into two buckets.

The first group, which is fading, includes thrifty shoppers making close to the median income.

Company executives recognized an opportunity to shift focus to a second group of core shoppers: People who live closer to the poverty line and shopped at Dollar General stores out of necessity. Thorpe called these shoppers the company's "best friends forever" in a 2016 presentation. By his description, Dollar General's most important customers were living paycheck-to-paycheck and relied on government assistance.

About one in three Dollar General shoppers is a so-called "BFF," but these same customers are responsible for two-thirds of total sales, according to the report.

A slide from a presentation by Jim Thorpe, Dollar General's executive vice president. (Photo: Screen capture / Dollar General)

Howard Mayor Don Arens shops at the new Dollar General. It's convenient, he said, and it prevents Howard residents from having to drive to Mitchell or Madison for items otherwise not available in town.

"If you need something, you run out there and grab it," he said.

Howard officials were quick to annex in the site of the Dollar General after it opened just outside city limits.

Massive discount retailers such as Dollar General compete with locally owned businesses, but they can also come with a number of economic benefits for a community.

Dollar General stores bring with them jobs, a more diverse tax base and the potential for future growth, said Nick Fosheim, executive director of the Minnehaha and Lincoln counties' Economic Development Associations.

Fosheim works with 14 communities in Sioux Falls area, supporting economic development and job growth.

"Maybe the other way to think about it too is they really are sort of planting the flag," Fosheim said.

Not all South Dakota towns have a local grocer. Colton's last grocery store closed four years ago. City officials celebrated the arrival of Dollar General in December.

Even if there is an independent grocery store, big discount chains often have a broader scope of products for sale.

And Dollar General is open for longer hours than many small-town businesses. The lights beyond its windowed entryway stay on into the evening on weekdays and on Sunday.

Since Dollar Generals opened in Howard and Wessington Spring, both municipalities are also benefiting from another economic ripple effect: A boost in sales tax.

That tax was the main reason why Mebius knew she would approve the Dollar General's plans to build in Wessington Springs. It was either that or risk the chain opening a store right next to town, just outside of city limits.

When it came time to finalize the building permit, Mebius signed the document herself.

"I wanted to be very transparent with the community," she said. "This is their community and I just wanted to let them know what was going on and this is going to be proceeding."

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

South Dakota artist brings art to advertising

By ALEX PORTAL, Black Hills Pioneer

SPEARFISH, S.D. (AP) — Local artist Tim Peterson has been handcrafting signs in the Black Hills since he opened his shop in Spearfish in 1994.

Though he's become well known throughout the Black Hills and even the world as visitors from far and wide have expressed appreciation for his signage, Peterson never set out to become a master signman.

Peterson graduated from Northern State University in Aberdeen with a fine arts degree in the late 70s. As he traversed the uncertainty of postgraduate life, the young artist happened into a small sign shop not far from his home.

"I was unemployed, and I needed them to sign my unemployment benefits card so I could continue drawing unemployment benefits. I was single, having a good time, I wasn't looking for a job, I didn't want a job," Peterson said with a laugh. "And they hired me! They knew full well of my art background, so they put me on a truck, climbing ladders, changing lamps and ballasts, this was a commercial sign shop, digging holes and putting up structures."

Peterson told the Black Hills Pioneer that it was the best thing that could have happened to him at the time as it familiarized him with aspects of the business he never had any experience with.

"I learned how to use power tools and how to do engineering," he said. "And how to make something that's going to last and not blow down."

After a year of grunt work, the company Peterson worked for gave him paint and brushes and set him to task painting signs.

Peterson put his skills to work for a couple different sign companies before moving to Spearfish and opening Flat Earth Art Co., located at 3123 E. Fairgrounds Loop. He built his brand name from the ground up.

"There was another shop in town at the same time, Grizzly Sign Studio, and he has since retired," Peterson said. "And he was doing world-class work, and I was frankly quite intimidated to think that I could compete with this guy in his town was a challenge for me. Especially not knowing anyone."

Not being a man afraid of good old-fashioned hard work, Peterson took to the streets and started knocking on doors.

"The hardest thing I've ever done, I've got such respect for people that come in my door trying to sell me something cold."

From those humble beginnings, word spread through the Black Hills of Peterson and his timelessly handcrafted signs.

For the most part Peterson works by himself, with the exception of help from his children when a par-

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ticular insulation job requires. Everything Peterson does is done to scale by hand.

"I don't have a computer in my shop that I use for production purposes," he said. "I use my computer for communication only. Sending artwork back and fourth and estimates and that sort of thing."

While most modern day sign shops use digital equipment to produce crisp clean lines, Peterson employs tried and true methods that have stood the test of time.

"Just about every technique I use other than the use of electrical power tools is centuries old," Peterson said. "I could walk into a shop in the 1800s and be just fine."

Once Peterson has come up with a design that the client likes, and fits the aesthetic of the business as well as the building itself, he creates a full scale mock up with pencil and paper. After he has the design and dimensions just right, Peterson uses a tool called a pouncing needle, which creates a perforated outline of the design without cutting the image completely out. Then he rubs a charcoal pad over the design, and the charcoal is able to pass through the perforation and create a stencil of each letter or element of the sign which Peterson can use to cut the pieces out of what ever material that's required. It's the same technique used to paint the Sistine Chapel.

"This is kickin' it really old school," Peterson said.

Peterson is currently in the process of refocusing his talents back to the fine arts degree he started out with.

"After having a bunch of kids, who are now out of the house, I've been able to return to that pursuit," he said

"I travel quite a lot doing plein air artist events in the west, Colorado, Utah, places like that. I've made a pretty good living doing it the old way, I bought a house and raised four kids, I've got all the toys a man could want. Life is good."

Information from: Black Hills Pioneer, <http://www.bhpioneer.com>

Authorities ID 2 killed in motorcycle crash with semi in SD

BOX ELDER, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota authorities have released the names of two people from Arizona killed in a motorcycle crash with a semi-truck in Box Elder.

The South Dakota Department of Public Safety on Sunday identified the two killed as 54-year-old James Bradley, who was driving a 2005 Harley-Davidson motorcycle, and passenger 45-year-old Deanna Bradley, both of Parker, Arizona. Both were wearing helmets.

Two people from San Diego on another Harley-Davidson were injured. The driver and passenger on that cycle suffered minor injuries. Neither was wearing a helmet.

Authorities say the two motorcycles were westbound on Highway 1416 Thursday when they failed to stop at a stop sign at an intersection and collided with a semi that was turning onto the highway.

The truck driver was not hurt.

The South Dakota Highway Patrol is investigating.

South Dakota triage center could cost \$3M a year to operate

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A proposed triage center in Minnehaha County that would better serve people with mental health and substance abuse issues could cost up to \$3 million annually to operate.

County Commission program development officer Erin Srstka shared the costs with the county commission and Sioux Falls City Council at a meeting last month, the Argus Leader reported .

Community leaders are using focused programming and data collection to determine the needs of the community and create the triage center pilot program.

A location for the facility and potential construction costs haven't yet been confirmed. Identifying funding sources is the most pressing step in the process, Srstka said.

"What we have decided is that the triage is to act as a pivot point for those with a mental health need . having that target population of mental health and substance abuse people," Srstka said.

City and county officials approved a grant application two years ago to begin planning for the triage center. The \$50,000 MacArthur Foundation grant was used to study other triage centers across the country and learn the role they play in the community.

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

Mitchell to consider \$19M lake cleanup project

MITCHELL, S.D. (AP) — A committee plans to present a \$19 million proposal to clean up Lake Mitchell, which has had water quality issues for decades.

The Lake Mitchell Advisory Committee will present the plan to the Mitchell City Council on Monday, The Daily Republic reported. The committee evaluated consultant Fyra Engineering's recommendations to get the lake's phosphorus levels back to a healthy state.

The committee agreed that two steps must be implemented in order to maintain healthy levels. The lake will need to be dredged up to remove the current sediment. The second phase involves building engineering structures in and near the lake to keep the phosphorus at healthy levels.

Both actions are necessary in order to have lasting effects, said Committee President Joe Kippes.

"Even if we did dredge the lake and kept the numbers down, what's coming into the lake would carry enough phosphorus that (would) still give us the problem we have," Kippes said. "That's why, I guess, we felt that if we're going to do it, we probably have to pursue both of those."

The next step will be to determine how to pay for the cleanup project, he said.

The first step of dredging is estimated to cost about \$11 million, Fyra representatives told committee members. The second step of engineering structures is projected at about \$4.8 million. The committee also budgeted for costs of implementing regulatory measures and a 10 percent engineering fee.

Fyra officials said the city wouldn't have to pay for the entire cleanup, which could be supported through grants.

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

Hiroshima remembers atomic bombing on 73rd anniversary

By MARI YAMAGUCHI, Associated Press

TOKYO (AP) — Hiroshima marked the anniversary of the Aug. 6, 1945, atomic bombing of the city with a somber ceremony Monday to remember those killed and injured and a call to eliminate nuclear weapons amid hopes of denuclearizing North Korea.

Hiroshima Mayor Kazumi Matsui opened his speech by describing the hellish scene of the blast that morning 73 years ago and the agony of the victims, telling the audience to listen "as if you and your loved ones were there." Then he raised concerns about the global rise of egocentrism and tensions, and urged Japan's government to take more leadership toward achieving a truly nuclear-free world.

"Certain countries are blatantly proclaiming self-centered nationalism and modernizing their nuclear arsenals, rekindling tensions that had eased with the end of the Cold War," Matsui said, without identifying the nations. Nuclear deterrence and nuclear umbrellas are "inherently unstable and extremely dangerous" approaches that seek to maintain international order by only generating fear in rival countries, he said, urging world leaders to negotiate in good faith to eliminate nuclear arsenals instead.

The U.S. attack on Hiroshima killed 140,000 people, and the bombing of Nagasaki killed more than 70,000 three days later, leading to Japan's surrender and ending World War II.

Matsui said in his speech that Japan's government should do more to achieve a nuclear-free world by helping the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons take effect. Japan, which hosts U.S. troops and is covered by the U.S. nuclear umbrella protecting it from attack, has not signed the treaty.

Japan should live up to the spirit of its pacifist constitution to lead the international community "toward

dialogue and cooperation for a world without nuclear weapons," Matsui said.

About 50,000 people, including Hiroshima residents and representatives from 58 countries, including U.S. Ambassador William Hagerty, attended this year's ceremony.

Survivors, their relatives and other participants marked the 8:15 a.m. blast with a minute of silence.

The anniversary comes amid hopes to denuclearize North Korea after President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un made vague aspirational statements of denuclearizing the peninsula when they met in Singapore in June. "We in civil society fervently hope that the easing of tensions on the Korean Peninsula will proceed through peaceable dialogue," Matsui said.

Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe, who also was at the ceremony, said differences between the nuclear and non-nuclear states are widening. But he pledged to do more to bridge their gap. In order to gain cooperation from both sides, it is important for everyone to understand "the reality of the tragedy of nuclear attacks," he said, reiterating Japan's pledge to maintain its pacifist and non-nuclear principles.

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Venezuela detains 6, hunts more in drone attack on Maduro

By **SCOTT SMITH** and **CHRISTINE ARMARIO**, Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Investigators hunting for assailants behind a failed attempt to assassinate President Nicolas Maduro with explosives-laden drones have raided hotels and seized vehicles while grilling six suspects for details of the plot.

Venezuela's socialist government alleged Sunday that the detained suspects conspired with others in Miami and the capital of neighboring Colombia, though they offered no specific evidence. Opposition leaders criticized Maduro for broadly singling out his political opponents, and they warned that he might use the attack to further suppress his critics.

The attack came as Venezuela is reeling from an economic and humanitarian crisis and Maduro has grown increasingly isolated. Foreign nations, including the United States, are slapping economic sanctions on a growing list of high-ranking Venezuelan officials and decrying his government as an autocratic regime.

Maduro and his allies called the attack direct proof that an international plot to overthrow his socialist administration exists, while also saying that the military's response shows he still has the loyalty of Venezuela's soldiers.

But analysts said the images broadcast live on television when the attack struck during a Maduro speech Saturday evening made him appear vulnerable.

"Seeing trained soldiers fleeing in apparent panic and disarray before an explosion strongly contrasts with the idea of monolithic control and loyalty of security forces that Maduro prides himself on," the New York-based Torino Capital investment firm said.

Defense Minister Vladimir Padrino Lopez, appearing on state television Sunday, said the attackers were trying to wipe out Venezuela's entire top leadership along with Maduro.

Interior Minister Nestor Reverol said two drones, each packed with a kilogram (2.2 pounds) of C-4 plastic explosive, were flown toward Maduro, his wife and other top leaders as the president spoke to hundreds of troops during an event celebrating the 81st anniversary of the National Guard. One of the drones was intended to explode above Maduro and the other was to detonate directly in front of him, Reverol said.

The military managed to knock one of the drones off course electronically and the other craft crashed into an apartment building two blocks away, Reverol said.

"We have six terrorists and assassins detained," he said. "In the next hours there could be more arrests."

Reverol said two of those arrested had previous run-ins with the government, although he did not give their names. He said one took part in 2014 anti-government protests that rocked Venezuela's as it descended deeper into an economic crisis that is now worse than the Great Depression. The other had a warrant out for his arrest for participating in an attack on a military barracks, the interior minister said.

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Investigators continued searching the blackened apartment building near the speech site, and authorities said officers also raided six hotels, where some of the suspects were arrested and "film" evidence was collected. Officials gave no details.

Two witnesses who live in nearby apartment buildings said they saw a drone hovering over a residential street Saturday evening and then heard an explosion.

One witness showed The Associated Press cellphone video of a drone crashing into a building. He said the drone fell to the ground and exploded, igniting a fire in an apartment.

Another witness, Mairum Gonzalez, described running in panic to her fifth-floor balcony, where she heard the second explosion and saw smoke rising.

"It was so strong the building shook," she said. "It terrified me."

In an address to the nation later Saturday night, a visibly shaken Maduro blamed the attack on the "far right," and he called on U.S. President Donald Trump to hold the "terrorist group" accountable.

Appearing on "Fox News Sunday," Trump's national security adviser, John Bolton, said: "If the government of Venezuela has hard information that they want to present to us that would show a potential violation of U.S. criminal law, we'll take a serious look at it."

The Broad Front, a coalition of opposition groups in Venezuela, accused the government of making an allegation without proof.

"It's evident that the initial reaction of the government isn't aimed at attempting to clarify what happened but rather to take advantage of the situation and irresponsibly and sweepingly attack the 'opposition,'" the group said in a statement.

A little-known group calling itself Soldiers in T-shirts claimed responsibility for the attack, saying it planned to fly two drones loaded with explosives at the president but soldiers shot them down. The authenticity of the message could not be independently verified, and the organization did not respond to a message from the AP.

"It was not successful today, but it is just a matter of time," the group said in a tweet.

Venezuela's government routinely accuses opposition activists of plotting to attack and overthrow Maduro. The former bus driver has moved steadily to consolidate power as the nation struggles to reverse hyperinflation that the International Monetary Fund projects could top 1 million percent by year's end.

Last year, amid deadly, near-daily protests, rogue police officer Oscar Perez flew a stolen helicopter over the capital and launched grenades at several government buildings. Perez and several comrades were killed in a gunbattle with police after more than six months at large.

Maduro said the attack left him convinced of the military's support and undeterred in carrying forward the socialist revolution begun by the late Hugo Chavez.

"Venezuela will continue on the democratic, independent and socialist path," Maduro said.

Analysts believe Maduro still holds the military's support, but also said the attack was an embarrassment for a government that prides itself on control and invincibility.

"We continue to hold as our scenario one in which Maduro remains in power for coming years," Torino Capital said in its analysis. "However, given the regime's unpopularity and the depth of the country's economic crisis, we believe it is important to monitor events that can become catalysts for broader protest movements leading to regime change."

Associated Press writer Scott Smith reported this story in Caracas and AP writer Christine Armario reported from Miami.

Testimony by 'right-hand man' critical in Manafort trial

By CHAD DAY and ERIC TUCKER, Associated Press

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) — The most critical moment in the financial fraud trial of former Trump campaign chairman Paul Manafort will likely arrive this week with the testimony of his "right-hand man" — the person defense attorneys blame for any crimes.

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Rick Gates, who also served in a senior role in President Donald Trump's campaign, has been a key cooperator for special counsel Robert Mueller's team after he cut a plea deal earlier this year. During that process, Gates admitted to two felony charges, but when he testifies it will be the first time he'll detail those crimes face-to-face with his former boss and mentor.

The trial, set to resume Monday afternoon in federal court in Alexandria, Virginia, is the first of Mueller's prosecutions to reach a jury. But lawyers have made no mention of Trump or possible campaign coordination with the Kremlin, the central question behind the special counsel's investigation.

Still, Trump has made clear his interest in the case, suggesting in a tweet that Manafort was being treated worse than gangster Al Capone. And Manafort's decision to stand trial instead of cooperate has raised speculation that he may be looking for a pardon.

The trial opened last week with a display of Manafort's opulent lifestyle, then progressed into testimony about what prosecutors say were years of financial deception. In calling Gates, the government will present jurors with the first-hand account of a co-conspirator expected to say Manafort was knee-deep in an alleged scheme to hide millions of dollars from the IRS and defraud several banks.

Manafort's defense team has already signaled that it will paint Gates as an embezzler and liar who took advantage of Manafort and flouted the law without his boss's knowledge. Gates is expected to face bruising cross-examination, and his credibility is likely to be an important test of the prosecution's case.

During the questioning, U.S. District Judge T.S. Ellis III will be both referee and wild card. He has played those roles throughout the trial, repeatedly scolding prosecutors to rein in their depictions of Manafort's lavish lifestyle and demanding that they "move it along." It is not a crime, he has said several times, to be rich and to spend ostentatiously.

Nonetheless, jurors were told of more than \$900,000 in expensive suits, a \$15,000 ostrich jacket and lavish properties replete with expensive audio and video systems, a tennis court encircled by hundreds of flowers and, as one witness put it, "one of the bigger ponds in the Hamptons."

One by one, a retired carpenter, a natty clothier and a high-end landscaper detailed how Manafort paid them in international wire transfers from offshore companies.

Prosecutors say Manafort used those companies to stash millions of dollars from his Ukrainian consulting work, proceeds he omitted year-after-year from his income tax returns. Later, they say, when that income dwindled, Manafort launched a different scheme, shoring up his struggling finances by using doctored documents to obtain millions more in bank loans.

On Friday, one of Manafort's tax preparers admitted that she helped disguise \$900,000 in foreign income as a loan in order to reduce his tax burden. Cindy Laporta, who testified under an immunity deal with the government, acknowledged that she agreed under pressure from Gates to alter a tax document for one of Manafort's businesses.

All told, prosecutors allege that Manafort failed to report a "significant percentage" of the more than \$60 million they say he received from Ukrainian oligarchs. They sought to show jurors how that money flowed from more than a dozen shell companies used to stash the income in Cyprus.

Though the names of those companies appeared on wire transfers and at times on his bookkeeper's ledger, both Manafort's accountants and his bookkeeper say they never knew the companies — and corresponding offshore bank accounts — were controlled by Manafort.

When they appeared, the bookkeeper and accountants said, they thought the companies were clients or, in some cases, lenders.

But defense lawyers are trying to convince the jury that Manafort was consumed by his consulting business and left the particulars of his finances to professionals and, in particular, to Gates.

"Money's coming in fast," Manafort's lawyer, Thomas Zehnle, told jurors at the trial's beginning. "It's a lot, and Paul Manafort trusted that Rick Gates was keeping track of it."

Associated Press writers Matthew Barakat and Stephen Braun contributed to this report.

At least 91 dead after quake rocks Indonesian tourist island

By ROS IDIN and NINIEK KARMINI, Associated Press

MATARAM, Indonesia (AP) — Rescuers still haven't reached some devastated parts of the Indonesian tourist island of Lombok after a powerful earthquake flattened houses and toppled bridges, killing at least 91 people and shaking neighboring Bali, authorities said Monday. The death toll is expected to rise.

It was the second deadly quake in a week to hit Lombok. A July 29 quake killed 16 people and damaged hundreds of houses, some of which collapsed in Sunday evening's magnitude 7.0 temblor, killing those inside.

National Disaster Mitigation Agency spokesman Sutopo Purwo Nugroho told a news conference that damage was "massive" in northern Lombok. In several districts, more than half the homes were destroyed or severely damaged.

Some areas still hadn't been reached, with rescuers battling against collapsed bridges, electricity black-outs and damaged roads blocked with debris. Lack of heavy equipment was hampering attempts to find victims beneath the rubble of a mosque that collapsed in northern Lombok while villagers prayed inside, Nugroho said.

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"We were sitting there having dinner at about 7 o'clock last night, we just felt really big sort of shaking and the lights went off and everyone just ran," said Australian tourist Kim Liebelt as he waited with other travelers for a flight out at Lombok's international airport.

"And then the roof started falling down on us, rocks and rubble and then just everyone running to get away," he said.

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Australian Home Affairs Minister Peter Dutton, in Lombok for a regional security meeting, said he and his delegation were eating dinner in their hotel's 12th floor restaurant when the quake struck, plunging the building into darkness and throwing people to the floor.

"Mate, we were knocked certainly to the floor. It was the violence of the shaking of the building — was pretty dramatic," he said in a radio interview. "Everyone's a bit shaken, but all well, but people out in the villages or elsewhere haven't been so lucky, unfortunately."

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Pompeo says sanctions a pillar of US policy toward Iran

By MATTHEW LEE, AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said renewed U.S. sanctions on Iran will be rigorously enforced and remain in place until the Iranian government radically changes course.

Speaking to reporters aboard his plane on his way home from a three-nation trip to Southeast Asia, Pompeo said Monday's re-imposition of sanctions is an important pillar in U.S. policy toward Iran. He said the Trump administration is open to looking beyond sanctions but that would "require enormous change" from Tehran.

"We're hopeful that we can find a way to move forward but it's going to require enormous change on the part of the Iranian regime," he said Sunday. "They've got to behave like a normal country. That's the ask. It's pretty simple."

Pompeo called the Iranian leadership "bad actors" and said President Donald Trump is intent on getting them to "behave like a normal country."

A first set of U.S. sanctions that had been eased by the Obama administration under the terms of the landmark 2015 Iran nuclear deal will take effect again on Monday, following Trump's May decision to withdraw from the accord. Those sanctions target Iran's automotive sector as well as gold and other metals.

A second batch of U.S. sanctions targeting Iran's oil sector and central bank will be re-imposed in early November.

Pompeo noted that the U.S. has long designated Iran as the world's foremost state sponsor of terrorism and said it cannot expect to be treated as an equal in the international community until it halts such activities.

"Perhaps that will be the path the Iranians choose to go down," he said. "But there's no evidence today of a change in their behavior."

In the meantime, he said, "we're going to enforce the sanctions."

5 killed when small plane crashes in California parking lot

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) — Ella Pham said it was a painful thing to see.

Pham, 20, and her boyfriend were walking in a parking lot Sunday when they saw a twin-engine Cessna crash, she told the Los Angeles Times.

"We looked up to see the plane falling nose first," she told the Times. "It was so heartbreaking just seeing the plane crumbled into pieces."

Five people on board the small airplane were killed but nobody on the ground was hurt when the plane crashed in the Southern California parking lot, authorities said.

The pilot of the Cessna 414 declared an emergency before crashing about a mile (1.6 kilometers) from John Wayne Airport, Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Arlene Salac said.

The plane was heading to the airport southeast of Los Angeles when it came down and struck an unoccupied parked car in the lot of a Staples store and a CVS pharmacy, Orange County Fire Authority Captain Steve Concialdi said. There was no fire and nobody on the ground was hurt, he said.

Photos from the scene showed the plane upright but on its belly and the car damaged. Several roads surrounding the shopping center and the South Coast Plaza mall across the street were closed.

The plane is registered to the San Francisco-based real estate company Category III, according to an FAA database. A phone call to the company was not immediately returned Sunday.

The FAA and the National Transportation Safety Board will investigate the cause of the crash, Salac said.

Saudi Arabia orders Canadian envoy to leave over criticism

By JON GAMBRELL, Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Saudi Arabia on Monday ordered the Canadian ambassador to leave the ultraconservative kingdom within 24 hours after his nation criticized the recent arrest of women's rights activists.

The Saudi Foreign Ministry also said it would freeze "all new business" between the kingdom and Canada. Some 10 percent of Canadian crude oil imports come from Saudi Arabia.

"Any further step from the Canadian side in that direction will be considered as acknowledgment of our right to interfere in the Canadian domestic affairs," the Saudi Foreign Ministry said in an extraordinarily aggressive statement. "Canada and all other nations need to know that they can't claim to be more concerned than the kingdom over its own citizens."

It wasn't immediately clear if Ambassador Dennis Horak was in the kingdom. Saudi Arabia said it would recall its ambassador to Canada as well.

Marie-Pier Baril, a spokeswoman for Canadian Foreign Minister Chrystia Freeland, said Canada was "seriously concerned" by Saudi Arabia's actions.

"Canada will always stand up for the protection of human rights, very much including women's rights, and freedom of expression around the world," she said in a statement. "Our government will never hesitate to promote these values and believes that this dialogue is critical to international diplomacy."

The dispute appears centered around tweets by Canadian diplomats calling on the kingdom to "immediately release" women's rights activists recently detained by the kingdom.

Among those recently arrested is Samar Badawi, whose brother Raif Badawi was arrested in Saudi Arabia in 2012 and later sentenced to 1,000 lashes and 10 years in jail for criticizing clerics. His wife, Ensaf Haidar, is now living in Canada.

Freeland tweeted about the arrests on Thursday.

"Very alarmed to learn that Samar Badawi, Raif Badawi's sister, has been imprisoned in Saudi Arabia," she wrote. "Canada stands together with the Badawi family in this difficult time, and we continue to strongly call for the release of both Raif and Samar Badawi."

Saudi Arabia ended in June its long practice of not allowing women to drive automobiles in the Sunni kingdom. However, supporters of women's rights were arrested just weeks before the ban was lifted,

signaling that only King Salman and his powerful son, Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, will decide the pace of change.

Saudi women still need permission from male guardians to travel abroad or marry.

The diplomatic dispute with Canada may be part of that assertive foreign policy pushed by Crown Prince Mohammed under his father. Germany similarly has found itself targeted by the kingdom in recent months over comments by its officials on the Saudi-led war in Yemen.

It isn't immediately clear what new business could be affected between the two countries. Bilateral trade between the two nations reached \$3 billion in 2016, with tanks and fighting vehicles among the top Canadian exports to the kingdom, according to government statistics.

Saudi Arabia in recent years has expelled Iran's ambassador over attacks on its diplomatic posts following its 2016 execution of a prominent Shiite cleric.

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Trump appears to change story on meeting with Russian lawyer

By JONATHAN LEMIRE, Associated Press

BRIDGEWATER, N.J. (AP) — President Donald Trump appears to have changed his story about a 2016 meeting at Trump Tower that is pivotal to the special counsel's investigation, tweeting that his son met with a Kremlin-connected lawyer to collect information about his political opponent.

"Fake News reporting, a complete fabrication, that I am concerned about the meeting my wonderful son, Donald, had in Trump Tower," Trump wrote in a Sunday tweet. "This was a meeting to get information on an opponent, totally legal and done all the time in politics - and it went nowhere. I did not know about it!"

That is a far different explanation than Trump gave 13 months ago, when a statement dictated by the president but released under the name of Donald Trump Jr., read: "We primarily discussed a program about the adoption of Russian children that was active and popular with American families years ago."

The misdirection came amid a series of searing tweets sent from his New Jersey golf club, in which he tore into two of his favorite targets, the news media and Robert Mueller's ongoing investigation into possible links between the president's campaign and Russia. Trump unleashed particular fury at reports that he was anxious about the Trump Tower meeting attended by Donald Trump Jr. and other senior campaign officials.

Trump's critics immediately pounced on the new story, the latest of several versions of events about a meeting for which emails were discovered between the president's eldest son and an intermediary from the Russian government offering damaging information about Trump's opponent, Hillary Clinton. Betraying no surprise or misgivings about the offer from a hostile foreign power, Trump Jr. replied: "If it's what you say I love it especially later in the summer."

Sunday's tweet was Trump's clearest statement yet on the purpose of the meeting, which has become a focal point of Mueller's investigation even as the president and his lawyers try to downplay its significance and pummel the Mueller probe with attacks. On Sunday, Trump again suggested without evidence that Mueller was biased against him, declaring, "This is the most one sided Witch Hunt in the history of our country."

And as Trump and his allies have tried to discredit the probe, a new talking point has emerged: that even if that meeting was held to collect damaging information, none was provided and "collusion" — Trump's go-to description of what Mueller is investigating — never occurred.

"The question is what law, statute or rule or regulation has been violated, and nobody has pointed to one," said Jay Sekulow, one of Trump's attorneys, on ABC's "This Week."

But legal experts have pointed out several possible criminal charges, including conspiracy against the

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United States and aiding and abetting a conspiracy. And despite Trump's public Twitter denial, the president has expressed worry that his son may face legal exposure even as he believes he did nothing wrong, according to three people close to the White House familiar with the president's thinking but not authorized to speak publicly about private conversations.

Sekulow acknowledged that the public explanation for the meeting has changed but insisted that the White House has been very clear with the special counsel's office. He said he was not aware of Trump Jr. facing any legal exposure.

"I don't represent Don Jr.," Sekulow said, "but I will tell you I have no knowledge at all of Don Jr. being told that he's a target of any investigation, and I have no knowledge of him being interviewed by the special counsel."

Democrats hammered away at the president's admission.

"The Russians offered damaging info on your opponent. Your campaign accepted. And the Russians delivered," tweeted Rep. Adam Schiff, top Democrat on the House Intelligence Committee. "You then misled the country about the purpose of the Trump Tower meeting when it became public. Now you say you didn't know in advance. None of this is normal or credible."

Trump's days of private anger spilled out into public with the Twitter outburst, which comes at a perilous time for the president.

A decision about whether he sits for an interview with Mueller may also occur in the coming weeks, according to another one of his attorneys, Rudy Giuliani. Trump has seethed against what he feels are trumped-up charges against his former campaign chairman, Paul Manafort, whose trial began last week and provided a visible reminder of Mueller's work.

And he raged against the media's obsession with his links to Russia and the status of Michael Cohen, his former fixer, who is under federal investigation in New York. Cohen has indicated that he would tell prosecutors that Trump knew about the Trump Tower meeting ahead of time.

Despite a show of force from his national security team this week as a warning against future Russian election meddling, Trump again deemed the matter a "hoax" this week. And at a trio of rallies, he escalated his already vitriolic rhetoric toward the media, savaging the press for unflattering coverage and, he feels, bias.

"The Fake News hates me saying that they are the Enemy of the People only because they know it's TRUE," Trump tweeted Sunday. "I am providing a great service by explaining this to the American People. They purposely cause great division & distrust. They can also cause War! They are very dangerous & sick!"

The fusillade of tweets came from Bedminster, Trump's golf course, where he is ensconced in a property that bears his name at every turn and is less checked in by staffers. It was at the New Jersey golf club where a brooding Trump has unleashed other inflammatory attacks and where, in spring 2017, he made the final decision to fire FBI Director James Comey, the move that triggered the Russia probe.

Trump was joined for his Saturday rally in Ohio by former White House communications director Hope Hicks, who departed the administration earlier this year. Her unannounced presence raised some eyebrows as Hicks has been interviewed by Mueller and was part of the team of staffers that helped draft the original statement on the Trump Tower meeting.

Multiple White House officials have been interviewed while still working at the White House and have remained in contact with the president.

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Police: Baby's body pulled from water near Brooklyn Bridge

NEW YORK (AP) — Authorities are investigating the death of a baby who was found floating in the water near the Brooklyn Bridge on Sunday.

A family visiting from Stillwater, Oklahoma, spotted the approximately 8-month-old boy wearing only diapers in the shallow water near the Manhattan shoreline at about 4 p.m.

Chiropractor Monte Campbell said his wife, Diana Campbell, first noticed the baby.

"She just called me over and said there was a baby in the water. I called 911. At that point I thought it was a doll," Campbell said.

Campbell said he "walked out mid-thigh level" in the East River and retrieved the baby and started CPR. He said the baby had no respiration and showed no pulse.

Police officers arrived minutes later and brought the baby onto the pedestrian walkway where they continued CPR before the baby was taken to a hospital and pronounced dead, police said.

No parent or guardian was present at the scene and the child showed no signs of trauma, police said.

The location near the South Street Seaport on the heavily-trafficked East River, a tidal estuary subject to strong currents, divides Manhattan from Brooklyn. Both park-lined shorelines are usually teeming with tourists this time of year.

It wasn't clear how long the baby had been in the water. The medical examiner will determine the exact cause of death.

Powerful quake rocks Indonesian tourist island; 91 dead

By ROS IDIN and NINIEK KARMINI, Associated Press

MATARAM, Indonesia (AP) — A powerful earthquake struck the Indonesian tourist island of Lombok, killing at least 91 people and shaking neighboring Bali, as authorities said Monday that rescuers still hadn't reached some hard-hit areas and the death toll could climb.

It was the second deadly quake in a week to hit Lombok. A July 29 quake killed 16 people and damaged hundreds of houses, some of which collapsed in Sunday evening's magnitude 7.0 temblor, killing those inside.

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Australia's home affairs minister tweeted that he and his delegation were safely evacuated in darkness from a Lombok hotel where they have been staying during a regional security conference.

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Red Sox stun Yankees 5-4 in 10 for 4-game sweep

By KEN POWTAK, Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — Andrew Benintendi's hit bounced a handful of times before finding its way into center field for the winning run and a big four-game sweep over the rival Yankees.

The Red Sox now find themselves in firm control of the AL East.

Benintendi's RBI single with two outs in the 10th capped Boston's rally from three runs down in the ninth against New York closer Aroldis Chapman, and the Red Sox completed a four-game sweep with a 5-4 victory Sunday night.

"Any 10 hopper that goes through for a hit feels pretty good," the usually quiet Benintendi said, breaking into a grin. "Everybody knew how big the series was. We came in and did what we wanted to do. We kind of stole this one."

Boston opened a 9 1/2-game lead atop the division over the Yankees, who lost their season-high fifth straight.

"It feels like another great win, obviously it was against our rivals," Boston's J.D. Martinez said.

Mookie Betts hit his 26th homer for Boston (79-34), which has won eight of nine games and owns the majors' best record.

The Yankees hadn't been swept in a four-game series by the Red Sox when they entered a series 30 or more games over .500 since Hall of Famer Ted Williams' rookie season in 1939, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

"A tough way to obviously end a tough weekend, but we can't let this define what's been a great season," manager Aaron Boone said.

Sandy Leon looped a two-out single off Jonathan Holder (1-3) in the 10th and advanced on a wild pitch. Tony Renda pinch-ran before Benintendi's single up the middle to the right of the second-base bag into center field.

Matt Barnes (4-3) worked a perfect inning in the top of the 10th.

For the Yankees, it was a stunning reversal of the Boston Massacre in 1978 when the Yankees came to

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town and swept the Red Sox en route to erasing a large lead and capturing the AL East.

"We lost these four games here, but what I can tell you is that we're gonna keep battling. We're gonna keep playing ball," Chapman said through a translator. "There's no looking back."

It snapped his streak of converting 22 straight opportunities since his last blown save on May 4.

With New York leading 4-1 in the ninth, Chapman loaded the bases on walks before Martinez's two-out, two-run single pulled Boston within one. Third baseman Miguel Andujar then bounced a throw to first on Xander Bogaerts' grounder, with pinch-runner Jackie Bradley Jr. racing home with the tying run.

Red Sox starter David Price took a shutout into the seventh, giving up two runs and four hits with five strikeouts and three walks.

Playing on a beautiful mid-summer night with a sellout crowd amped from the opening pitch, Price and Masahiro Tanaka were locked in a scoreless duel before Betts hit a hanging cutter completely out of Fenway Park over the Green Monster in the fifth.

Price, tagged for 12 runs over 4 1/3 innings in his other two starts against the Yankees this season, left to a rousing ovation with two on and nobody out in the seventh.

Heath Hembree walked Shane Robinson before Bogaerts booted what looked like a sure double-play grounder, allowing two runs. Stanton followed with an RBI single and Gleyber Torres had a sacrifice fly.

Tanaka gave up one run and six hits, striking out nine and walking one in 4 2/3 innings.

NOT FOR SALE

Red Sox ace Chris Sale, on the 10-day disabled list with mild left shoulder inflammation, will miss his second straight start.

Manager Alex Cora had been saying the hope was for him to start Wednesday in Toronto. However, when the team listed its probable starters for the next series, it was RHP Rick Porcello.

A-ROD SPEAKS

Working the ESPN Sunday Night Baseball telecast for his first time in Fenway, color analyst and former Yankee Alex Rodriguez discussed his fight with former Red Sox catcher Jason Varitek in 2004 during the broadcast, saying the current Yankees need a spark.

"The fans here, they took that as a pivotal moment on winning a championship," he said. "And I'm not saying the Yankees need to start a fight by any means, but I'd love to see more fight, more action, more Paul O'Neill attitude and sometimes you want a guy in the room to stand up and not necessarily throw a chair, but get in somebody's face and show some emotion, some passion."

Boston rallied from a 0-3 series deficit in the 2004 ALCS en route to winning its first World Series since 1918.

TRAINER'S ROOM

Yankees: OF Aaron Judge (fractured right wrist) played catch, but still hasn't swung a bat. Boone said: "They hope it's a pain-free situation. There is a chip in there, a broken wrist, you've got to get it right." ... Boone also said he hopes C Gary Sanchez (strained right groin) will be running at full speed by the end of the week and LHP J.A. Happ (hand, foot and mouth disease) could start Thursday.

Red Sox: LHP Eduardo Rodriguez (sprained right ankle) threw a bullpen that Cora called "impressive." ... 3B Rafael Devers (strained left hamstring) is slated to play for Single-A Lowell in a rehab assignment Monday.

UP NEXT

Yankees: RHP Lance Lynn (7-8, 4.89 ERA) is in line to make his first start for the Yankees on Monday against the White Sox. He was acquired from Minnesota on July 30.

Red Sox: LHP Drew Pomeranz (1-5, 6.56) is slated to start the opener of a nine-game road trip Tuesday in Toronto.

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'Facts of Life' star Charlotte Rae dies at 92

By LYNN ELBER, AP Television Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Charlotte Rae, who played a wise and patient housemother to a brood of teen-age girls on the long-running sitcom "The Facts of Life" during a career that encompassed many other TV roles as well as stage and film appearances, has died. She was 92.

Rae died at her Los Angeles home Sunday with her family at her side, said her publicist, Harlan Boll. A cause of death was not immediately available, but Rae was diagnosed last year with bone cancer after beating pancreatic cancer, Boll said.

She originated the character of Mrs. Garrett in 1978 during the first season of NBC's comedy "Diff'rent Strokes," then took Mrs. Garrett with her for the spinoff "Facts," which premiered the following season.

Initially set at a girls' boarding school, that NBC series ran for nine seasons. Rae left after its seventh year, however, explaining later, "I needed some time for the rest of my life."

The "Facts" role came to Rae after years of theater and television performances. She earned an Emmy nomination for the part, and she was a two-time Tony nominee for her work on Broadway.

Her last feature film credit was "Ricki and the Flash" with Meryl Streep in 2015. That same year she released her autobiography "The Facts of My Life," co-written by her son Larry Strauss.

Mindy Cohn and Kim Fields, who played members of Mrs. Garrett's brood, recalled her lovingly.

"She was my champion, a teacher, a proud example of the tenacity and perseverance needed to live as a creative, along with your talent and gifts. i love you char," Cohn, who played Natalie, posted on Instagram.

"Sorry, no words at the moment just love and tears... and yeah, smiles," tweeted Fields, who portrayed Tootie.

Tony Award-winning actress Audra McDonald tweeted: "She was so sweet, funny, wise, lovely, and brilliant. She will be so missed. Rest In Peace Sweet Charlotte Rae."

Todd Bridges, who was on "Diff'rent Strokes," said on Twitter that she was beloved by all her colleagues and that the show "would not have been the same without you."

Edna Garrett provided kind if sometimes wry counsel to her "Facts of Life" charges (which, besides Cohn and Fields, included Lisa Whelchel, Nancy McKeon and Molly Ringwald) on a series that was praised for dealing with such sensitive issues of teenhood as sex, drug use, eating disorders and peer pressure.

"I wanted to bring in as much humanity as possible, as well as the humor," Rae told The Associated Press early in the show's run. "I don't want her to be Polly Perfect, because she must have human failings and make mistakes."

Her own life was marked by tragedy, Rae told the AP in a 2015 interview. She said the "most devastating thing" she faced was her son Andy Strauss' diagnosis of autism at a time when there was far less understanding of or attention to the disorder. Andy died in his mid-40s of a heart attack in 1999.

Born Charlotte Rae Lubotsky in Milwaukee, on April 22, 1926, she had studied drama at Northwestern University, then moved to New York where, despite early plans to be a "serious" actress, she quickly found work doing satirical sketches in Greenwich Village clubs.

It was there that Broadway producers, who frequented such bistros, discovered her, leading to her first Broadway musical, called "Three Wishes for Jamie," in 1952. A few years later, she originated the role of Mammy Yokum in the Broadway musical "Li'l Abner."

Rae made numerous TV appearances in 1950s drama anthologies including "The U.S. Steel Hour," "Playhouse 90" and "Armstrong Circle Theater," sharing the black-and-white screen with such actors as Zero Mostel, Art Carney and Gertrude Berg.

In 1961 she became a semi-regular on the New York-based cop sitcom "Car 54, Where Are You?" as the wife of the NYPD officer played by future "Munsters" grandpa Al Lewis.

She received Tony nominations in 1966 for "Pickwick" and in 1969 for "Morning, Noon and Night."

In the early 1970s, Rae moved to Los Angeles with her then-husband, composer and music editor John Strauss, and their sons Andy and Larry. There she was cast in the short-lived Norman Lear sitcom "Hot L Baltimore" and a similarly unsuccessful variety show hosted by Rich Little before scoring "Diff'rent Strokes,"

on which Mrs. Garrett was the family's housekeeper.

Rae stayed busy with film and stage appearances, including 1971's "Bananas" from Woody Allen and 1979's "Hair." Other credits included the 2008 comedy "You Don't Mess with the Zohan" and the 2012 thriller "Love Sick Love."

In 2005, at age 79, she appeared in a new comedy, "Leading Ladies," at Ford's Theater in Washington.

In 2013, Rae went public with an account of why her marriage to Strauss had ended in the mid-1970s after a quarter-century. She said he disclosed to her he was bisexual and wanted an open marriage. Strauss died in 2011.

In addition to son Larry, she is survived by sister Miriam Guten and three grandchildren.

Services were pending, Boll said.

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Oregon police chief orders review of use of force at protest

By **ANDREW SELSKY, Associated Press**

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — Portland police were accused Sunday of being heavy-handed against people protesting a rally by extreme-right demonstrators, reportedly injuring some counter-protesters and prompting the city's new police chief to order a review of officers' use of force.

Police in riot gear tried to keep the two groups apart, many of whom had come on Saturday dressed for battle in helmets and protective clothing. Dozens of the extreme-right protesters were bussed to Portland, one of America's most liberal cities, from nearby Vancouver, Washington.

Saturday's clashes were the most recent of several this year in the city as right-wing militants converged, met by counter-protesters, including members of anti-fascist, or "antifa," groups. City officials have struggled with striking a balance between free speech and keeping events from spiraling out of control.

But on Saturday, some said police seemed to act mostly against those protesting the presence of the extreme-right demonstrators, using stun grenades and what appeared to be rubber bullets against them.

Police "targeted Portland residents peacefully counter-protesting against racist far-right groups, including white supremacists, white nationalists, and neo-Nazi gangs," the Oregon chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations and the Portland chapter of the Democratic Socialists of America said in a statement. It called on officials to investigate.

The head of the Oregon branch of the American Civil Liberties Union also criticized the way the Portland Police Bureau handled the demonstrations.

"The Portland Police Bureau's response to protest is completely unacceptable in a free society," David Rogers said in a statement issued Sunday night. "The repeated use of excessive force, and the targeting of demonstrators based on political beliefs are a danger to the First Amendment rights of all people. We call on the Portland Police Bureau, Mayor Wheeler, and Chief Outlaw to immediately end the use of weapons, munitions, and explosives against protesters."

Police ordered the counter-protesters to disperse, then moved in behind a volley of stun grenades. One of the rounds reportedly hit a counter-protester in the head, becoming embedded in his helmet and injuring him. One woman was taken to a hospital after being hit in the arm and chest with a "flash-bang" grenade, local media reported. The blasts echoed through downtown Portland.

Four people were arrested.

Police Chief Danielle Outlaw, who assumed command less than a year ago as Portland's first African-American female police chief, said in a statement Sunday she takes all use-of-force cases seriously.

Outlaw directed the professional standards division to begin gathering evidence to determine if the force used was within policy and training guidelines. The Office of Independent Police Review will be provided with the information for review and investigation.

Saturday's incidents started with demonstrators aligned with Patriot Prayer and an affiliated group, the

Proud Boys, gathering in a riverfront park. The Proud Boys has been characterized as a hate group by the Southern Poverty Law Center, which is "dedicated to fighting hate and bigotry and to seeking justice for the most vulnerable members of society."

Hundreds of counter-demonstrators faced them from across the street, holding banners and signs with messages such as "Alt right scum not welcome in Portland." Some chanted "Nazis go home."

Officers stood in the middle of a four-lane boulevard, essentially forming a wall to keep the two sides separated.

The counter-protesters were made up of a coalition of labor unions, immigrant rights advocates, democratic socialists and other groups.

Patriot Prayer also has held rallies in many other cities around the U.S. West, including Berkeley, California, that have drawn violent reactions.

Saturday's rally, organized by Patriot Prayer leader Joey Gibson, was the third to roil Portland this summer. Two previous events ended in bloody fistfights and riots.

Gibson disputed the group's classification as a hate group.

"We're here to promote freedom and God. That's it," Gibson told Portland TV station KGW. "Our country is getting soft."

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Venezuela detains 6 in failed drone attack aimed at Maduro

By SCOTT SMITH, Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Authorities detained six people suspected of using explosives-laden drones in a failed bid to assassinate Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro, officials said Sunday, in what one witness described as a terrifying attack that shook her apartment building.

The government alleged that opposition factions conspired with assailants in Miami and Bogota, although they offered no specific evidence. Opposition leaders decried Maduro for broadly singling out his political opponents, and they warned he may use it to further suppress his critics.

The thwarted attack comes as Venezuela is reeling from a worsening economic and humanitarian crisis and Maduro has grown increasingly isolated. Foreign nations, including the United States, are slapping economic sanctions against a growing list of high-ranking officials and decrying his government as an autocratic regime.

The assailants flew two drones each packed with 1 kilogram (2.2 pounds) of C-4 plastic explosive toward Maduro, his wife and other top leaders as he spoke Saturday evening at an event celebrating the 81st anniversary of the National Guard, said Interior Minister Nestor Reverol. One of the drones was to explode above the president while the other was to detonate directly in front of him, he added.

But the military managed to knock one of the drones off-course electronically and the other crashed into apartment building two blocks away from where Maduro was speaking to the hundreds of troops, Reverol said.

"We have six terrorists and assassins detained," Reverol said. "In the next hours there could be more arrests."

Of those arrested, Reverol said two had previous run-ins with the government, although he did not give their names or say what charges they faced. One took part in 2014 protests that rocked the nation as it descended into an economic crisis that is now worse than the Great Depression. The other had a warrant out for his arrest for participating in an attack on a military barracks.

Defense Minister Vladimir Padrino Lopez, appearing on state television Sunday, said the attackers were aiming to decapitate Venezuela's entire top leadership along with Maduro.

Investigators continued searching a blackened apartment building near the site while also seizing vehicles

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and raiding more than one hotel where they said they had found "film evidence."

Two witnesses who live in nearby apartment buildings said they saw a drone hovering over a residential street Saturday evening and then heard an explosion.

One witness showed The Associated Press cellphone video of a drone crashing into a building. He said the drone fell to the ground and exploded, igniting a fire in an apartment.

Another witness, Mairum Gonzalez, described running in panic to her fifth-floor balcony, where she heard the second explosion and saw smoke rising.

"It was so strong the building shook," she said. "It terrified me."

In an address to the nation Saturday night, a visibly shaken Maduro recalled seeing a "flying device" that exploded. He at first thought it might be a pyrotechnics display.

Within seconds, Maduro said he heard a second blast and pandemonium broke out. Bodyguards escorted him from the event, covering him in black shields, and TV footage showed uniformed soldiers break formation and scatter.

"This was an attempt to kill me," he said.

Maduro said the "far right," working in coordination with others in Bogota and Miami, including Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos, were responsible. Colombia's government has vehemently denied Santos had any role in the drone attack.

Maduro, who also says that Washington supports his political opponents, called on U.S. President Donald Trump to hold the "terrorist group" accountable.

Trump's national security adviser John Bolton told "Fox News Sunday" that, "If the government of Venezuela has hard information that they want to present to us that would show a potential violation of U.S. criminal law, we'll take a serious look at it."

The Broad Front, a coalition of opposition groups in Venezuela, accused the government of making an allegation without proof.

"It's evident that the initial reaction of the government isn't aimed at attempting to clarify what happened but rather to take advantage of the situation and irresponsibly and sweepingly attack the 'opposition,'" the group said in a statement.

A little-known group calling itself Soldiers in T-shirts claimed responsibility for the attack, saying it planned to fly two drones loaded with explosives at the president but soldiers shot them down. The authenticity of the message could not be independently verified, and the organization did not respond to a message from the AP.

"It was not successful today, but it is just a matter of time," the group said in a tweet.

Venezuela's government routinely accuses opposition activists of plotting to attack and overthrow Maduro. The former bus driver has moved steadily to consolidate power as the nation struggles to reverse hyperinflation that the International Monetary Fund projects could top 1 million percent by year's end.

The firebrand leader sees his mission as carrying out the late Hugo Chavez's socialist revolution. He recently won a new term in office in a widely condemned election. The opposition's most popular candidates were barred from running.

Maduro said the incident had left him convinced of the military's support and undeterred in carrying forward the torch of Chavez's revolution.

"Venezuela will continue on the democratic, independent and socialist path," he said.

Analysts believe Maduro still holds the military's support, but said the images broadcast live on television Saturday nonetheless made him appear vulnerable.

"Seeing trained soldiers fleeing in apparent panic and disarray before an explosion strongly contrasts with the idea of monolithic control and loyalty of security forces that Maduro prides himself on," New York-based Torino Capital investment firm noted.

It was not the first time Maduro's government has come under attack.

Amid deadly, near-daily protests last year, a rogue police officer flew a stolen helicopter over the capital and launched grenades at several government buildings. Oscar Perez and several comrades were later

killed in a gun battle after over six months at large.

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In a change, Trump says meeting's purpose was Clinton info

By JONATHAN LEMIRE, Associated Press

BRIDGEWATER, N.J. (AP) — President Donald Trump on Sunday appeared to change his story about a 2016 meeting at Trump Tower that is pivotal to the special counsel's investigation, tweeting that his son met with a Kremlin-connected lawyer to collect information about his political opponent.

"Fake News reporting, a complete fabrication, that I am concerned about the meeting my wonderful son, Donald, had in Trump Tower," Trump wrote. "This was a meeting to get information on an opponent, totally legal and done all the time in politics - and it went nowhere. I did not know about it!"

That is a far different explanation than Trump gave 13 months ago, when a statement dictated by the president but released under the name of Donald Trump Jr., read: "We primarily discussed a program about the adoption of Russian children that was active and popular with American families years ago."

The misdirection came amid a series of searing tweets sent from his New Jersey golf club, in which he tore into two of his favorite targets, the news media and Robert Mueller's ongoing investigation into possible links between the president's campaign and Russia. Trump unleashed particular fury at reports that he was anxious about the Trump Tower meeting attended by Donald Trump Jr. and other senior campaign officials.

Trump's critics immediately pounced on the new story, the latest of several versions of events about a meeting for which emails were discovered between the president's eldest son and an intermediary from the Russian government offering damaging information about Trump's opponent, Hillary Clinton. Betraying no surprise or misgivings about the offer from a hostile foreign power, Trump Jr. replied: "If it's what you say I love it especially later in the summer."

Sunday's tweet was Trump's clearest statement yet on the purpose of the meeting, which has become a focal point of Mueller's investigation even as the president and his lawyers try to downplay its significance and pummel the Mueller probe with attacks. On Sunday, Trump again suggested without evidence that Mueller was biased against him, declaring, "This is the most one sided Witch Hunt in the history of our country."

And as Trump and his allies have tried to discredit the probe, a new talking point has emerged: that even if that meeting was held to collect damaging information, none was provided and "collusion" — Trump's go-to description of what Mueller is investigating — never occurred.

"The question is what law, statute or rule or regulation has been violated, and nobody has pointed to one," said Jay Sekulow, one of Trump's attorneys, on ABC's "This Week."

But legal experts have pointed out several possible criminal charges, including conspiracy against the United States and aiding and abetting a conspiracy. And despite Trump's public Twitter denial, the president has expressed worry that his son may face legal exposure even as he believes he did nothing wrong, according to three people close to the White House familiar with the president's thinking but not authorized to speak publicly about private conversations.

Sekulow acknowledged that the public explanation for the meeting has changed but insisted that the White House has been very clear with the special counsel's office. He said he was not aware of Trump Jr. facing any legal exposure.

"I don't represent Don Jr.," Sekulow said, "but I will tell you I have no knowledge at all of Don Jr. being told that he's a target of any investigation, and I have no knowledge of him being interviewed by the special counsel."

Democrats hammered away at the president's admission.

"The Russians offered damaging info on your opponent. Your campaign accepted. And the Russians delivered," tweeted Rep. Adam Schiff of California, top Democrat on the House Intelligence Committee.

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"You then misled the country about the purpose of the Trump Tower meeting when it became public. Now you say you didn't know in advance. None of this is normal or credible."

Trump's days of private anger spilled out into public with the Twitter outburst, which comes at a perilous time for the president.

A decision about whether he sits for an interview with Mueller may also occur in the coming weeks, according to another one of his attorneys, Rudy Giuliani. Trump has seethed against what he feels are trumped-up charges against his former campaign chairman, Paul Manafort, whose trial began last week and provided a visible reminder of Mueller's work.

And he raged against the media's obsession with his links to Russia and the status of Michael Cohen, his former fixer, who is under federal investigation in New York. Cohen has indicated that he would tell prosecutors that Trump knew about the Trump Tower meeting ahead of time.

Despite a show of force from his national security team this week as a warning against future Russian election meddling, Trump again deemed the matter a "hoax" this week. And at a trio of rallies, he escalated his already vitriolic rhetoric toward the media, savaging the press for unflattering coverage and, he feels, bias.

"The Fake News hates me saying that they are the Enemy of the People only because they know it's TRUE," Trump tweeted Sunday. "I am providing a great service by explaining this to the American People. They purposely cause great division & distrust. They can also cause War! They are very dangerous & sick!"

The fusillade of tweets came from Bedminster, Trump's golf course, where he is ensconced in a property that bears his name at every turn and is less checked in by staffers. It was at the New Jersey golf club where a brooding Trump has unleashed other inflammatory attacks and where, in spring 2017, he made the final decision to fire FBI Director James Comey, the move that triggered the Russia probe.

Trump was joined for his Saturday rally in Ohio by former White House communications director Hope Hicks, who departed the administration earlier this year. Her unannounced presence raised some eyebrows as Hicks has been interviewed by Mueller and was part of the team of staffers that helped draft the original statement on the Trump Tower meeting.

Multiple White House officials have been interviewed while still working at the White House and have remained in contact with the president.

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'60 Minutes' exec named in misconduct article delays return

By MAE ANDERSON and LYNN ELBER, Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — The executive producer of the CBS news show "60 Minutes" is delaying his return from vacation until an investigation into sexual misconduct claims at the network wraps up.

Meanwhile, CBS Entertainment President Kelly Kahl told reporters on Sunday that CBS isn't saying it's perfect and that there's room for improvement in any large company.

The executives are dealing with fallout from a scandal after allegations against the executive producer, Jeff Fager, and CBS CEO Les Moonves appeared in a New Yorker article last month.

CBS hired two outside law firms to investigate claims of sexual misconduct from several women spanning three decades at the company. While most of the article focused on Moonves, the article also contained allegations of inappropriate behavior by Fager.

Fager has denied any wrongdoing.

CBS is keeping Moonves in place during the investigation. CBS has not said whether the investigation involves Fager, but on Sunday it said he will not return from his scheduled vacation on Monday as planned.

"Having heard the investigation will be wrapping up soon, Jeff has decided to stay on vacation," CBS News said in a statement.

The company declined to comment on when the investigation might end.

Against that backdrop, Kahl appeared Sunday at the Television Critics Association's summer meeting

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in Beverly Hills, California. He was there to promote the network's fall season lineup, including its much-anticipated reboot of "Murphy Brown." Instead, he fielded a barrage of questions about Moonves and the effectiveness of CBS policies involving misbehavior.

"I've had many female colleagues come to me this week who've been saddened about what they're read about our company. They said it does not represent their experience at CBS," Kahl said. "I'm not saying we're perfect. No large company is, and there's always room for improvement."

Calling Moonves an "excellent boss and mentor," Kahl said it's been difficult at CBS since the allegations emerged, adding that everyone at the network and its producers are working hard to air the "best shows we can."

When reporters questioned the effectiveness of CBS' policies given the Moonves and other allegations, Kahl defended them as sound.

The New Yorker article, published July 28, said six women who had professional dealings with Moonves say he sexually harassed them between the 1980s and the late 2000s. Four of the women described forcible touching or kissing during business meetings, it says, while two said Moonves physically intimidated them or threatened to derail their careers.

Moonves has acknowledged he may have made some women uncomfortable by making advances years ago but says he never misused his position to hinder anyone's career.

The article also described a culture of misconduct that extended from Moonves to other parts of the corporation, including CBS News. It said men in that division who were accused of sexual misconduct were promoted, even as the company paid settlements to women with complaints.

In November, CBS fired veteran news host Charlie Rose over allegations he had groped women, walked naked in front of them and made lewd phone calls. Rose has apologized for his behavior but questioned the accuracy of some of the claims.

Diane English, executive producer of the original "Murphy Brown" sitcom and its upcoming revival, said during a critics' association panel on Sunday that all those involved with the show "support the investigation fully."

"None of us have had any negative experience in that regard at CBS," English said. "I have never experienced any kind of sexual misconduct personally, or misogyny, and as far as I know no one on my crew has."

The sitcom developed an episode about the #MeToo movement months ago, an indication of how seriously she and others with "Murphy Brown" take allegations of sexual misconduct, she said.

Elber reported from Beverly Hills, California.

Vintage plane crashes in Swiss Alps, killing 20 on board

By GEIR MOULSON, Associated Press

BERLIN (AP) — Determining why a vintage plane crashed in the Swiss Alps will be challenging since the 79-year-old aircraft did not have black boxes and was traveling in an area without frequent radar readings when it plunged into a mountain, killing all 20 of the people on board, investigators said Sunday.

The Junkers Ju-52 plane, operated by Swiss company Ju-Air, moved at a near-vertical angle before it hit the Piz Segnas mountain while carrying 17 passengers and three crew members, police and the head of the country's transportation safety agency said.

The victims were 11 men and nine women between the ages of 42 and 84— seven couples from various parts of Switzerland, a couple from neighboring Austria and their son, and the three crew members. Their names were not released.

The fully booked propeller plane, built in 1939 and retired by Switzerland's air force in 1981, was flying the passengers back to its base at Duebendorf, near Zurich, from a two-day trip to the Italian-speaking Ticino region. It crashed shortly before 5 p.m. Saturday, less than 50 minutes after taking off from Lombrico's Magadino airfield.

The plane had two pilots. Police said they have not found any evidence a distress call was made before

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it crashed.

Photos released by Graubuenden canton (state) police showed the crumpled wreckage of the plane lying on the mountain located above the Alpine resort of Flims. Only its upside-down tail appeared more or less intact.

"We can assume that the aircraft hit the ground near-vertically and at relatively high speed," Daniel Knecht of the Swiss Transportation Safety Investigation Board said Sunday at a news conference in Flims.

He and senior police official Andreas Tobler said the Ju-52, an early passenger plane that was enlisted for military transport duty during World War II, lacked "black boxes," the crash-resistant cockpit voice and data recorders that more modern aircraft have.

Officials expect the investigation of the cause to be "relatively complex, because we have to compare various indications, information and evidence and evaluate them," Knecht said.

There also are typically few radar recordings in mountainous areas such as the one where the crash site is located, he added.

Officials can essentially rule out a collision with another aircraft or an obstacle such as a wire, Knecht said. There also was no indication of any "external influence," he said, indicating that authorities don't suspect foul play.

The plane did not catch on fire before or after it hit the mountain, and investigators have not found any signs the aircraft lost parts or broke up in the air before the crash, Knecht said.

The area around the crash site, which is popular with hikers and skiers and includes a glacier, was closed to the public. Knecht said authorities would probably need "a few days" to complete recovery work.

Officials appeared dubious about suggestions that unusually hot weather in Switzerland, like other parts of Europe, might have been a main cause of the crash. Knecht said that while heat can affect an aircraft's performance, experienced pilots could deal with that.

Knecht also dismissed the idea that the plane's age was necessarily a problem.

"Older planes, if they are correctly maintained, can be operated safely," he said.

Nearly 5,000 Ju-52 planes, a product of Germany's Junkers, were manufactured between 1932 and 1952.

Ju-Air started operating flights with the vintage prop planes in 1983, and the plane that crashed — with the registration HB-HOT — had been in service with the company since 1985.

The company offers "adventure flights" for people wanting to experience Switzerland's landscape from vintage planes. A brochure on its website listed the cost of the 2-day Locarno trip as 1,130 francs (\$1,136), including meals and a night in a hotel.

Ju-Air chief executive and co-founder Kurt Waldmeier said the planes "are flown exclusively by very experienced professional pilots, and strictly checked and maintained by our own technicians."

The one that crashed had logged 10,187 hours of flying time, he said, adding that it underwent maintenance after every 35 hours of flight — most recently at the end of July. He said it had its full annual service during the winter, and "we know of no technical problems with this aircraft."

The pilots, who were 62 and 63-years-old, both had extensive experience with the Ju-52 and had long worked as airline and Swiss air force pilots, Waldmeier said.

The aircraft have three engines, one on the nose and one on each wing. Waldmeier said the pilots fly by sight along pre-planned routes.

"We cannot yet explain what led to the tragic accident on Piz Segnas," he said.

The company, which operates two other Ju-52s, suspended flights until further notice after the crash.

Message led to discovery of 11 kids in New Mexico compound

TAOS, N.M. (AP) — A message that people were starving, believed to come from someone inside a makeshift compound in rural northern New Mexico, led to the discovery of 11 children living in filthy conditions.

Taos County Sheriff's officials said Saturday the children ranging in age from 1 to 15 were removed from the compound in the small community of Amalia — 145 miles (233 kilometers) northeast of Albuquerque and in an isolated high-desert area near the New Mexico-Colorado border. They were then turned over to state child-welfare workers.

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Two men were arrested during the search. Siraj Wahhaj was detained on an outstanding warrant in Georgia alleging child abduction. Lucas Morten was jailed on suspicion of harboring a fugitive, Sheriff Jerry Hogrefe said.

It was not immediately clear Sunday if either had retained an attorney.

A 3-year-old boy reported missing from Georgia's Clayton County since December 2017 was not among the 11 children found at the compound.

Three women, believed to be the mothers of the children, were detained and later released.

"The children are in our custody and our number one priority right now is their health and safety," New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department Secretary Monique Jacobsons said in a statement. "We will continue to work closely with law enforcement on this investigation."

The search at the compound just a few miles from the Colorado border came amid a two-month investigation in collaboration with Clayton County authorities and the FBI, according to Hogrefe.

He said FBI agents had surveilled the area a few weeks ago but didn't find probable cause to search the property.

That changed when Georgia detectives forwarded a message to Hogrefe's office that initially had been sent to a third party, saying: "We are starving and need food and water."

The sheriff said there was reason to believe the message came from someone inside the compound.

"I absolutely knew that we couldn't wait on another agency to step up and we had to go check this out as soon as possible," Hogrefe said.

What authorities found was what Hogrefe called "the saddest living conditions and poverty" he has seen in 30 years on the job.

Other than a few potatoes and a box of rice, there was little food in the compound, which Hogrefe said consisted of a small travel trailer buried in the ground and covered by plastic with no water, plumbing and electricity.

Hogrefe said the adults and children were without shoes and wore basically dirty rags for clothing and "looked like Third World country refugees."

The group appeared to be living at the compound for a few months, but the sheriff said it remains unclear how or why they ended up in New Mexico.

'Mission: Impossible' bests Winnie-the-Pooh at box office

By JAKE COYLE, AP Film Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Tom Cruise sped past Winnie-the-Pooh at the box office to lead all films for the second straight week with an estimated \$35 million in ticket sales for "Mission Impossible -- Fallout."

The success of Paramount Pictures' sixth, stunt-filled "Mission: Impossible" installment, along with muted enthusiasm for the Walt Disney Co.'s "Christopher Robin," made for a seldom-seen result: A Disney movie debuting in second place.

In a year where the studio has already notched three \$1 billion films worldwide ("Black Panther," "Avengers: Infinity War" and, as of this week, "Incredibles 2"), the more modest Winnie-the-Pooh live-action revival opened with a relatively ho-hum \$25 million. As a reminder that "Christopher Robin" was a minor release for Disney, "Black Panther" on Sunday became the third film to ever cross \$700 million domestically, a feat only previously accomplished by "Avatar" and "Star Wars: The Force Awakens."

Made for an estimated \$75 million, Marc Forster's "Christopher Robin" stars Ewan McGregor as a grown-up Christopher Robin reunited with the beloved characters of the Hundred Acre Wood: Pooh, Tigger, Piglet and the rest (who are rendered digitally but convincingly felt-like). While reviews were mixed, audiences gave it an "A" CinemaScore.

Cathleen Taff, head of distribution for Disney, said there's room for non-tentpole releases in the Disney slate.

"It's one of our smaller films and it's really focused on character and emotion," said Taff. "We're happy with where it's at and we think it's got some runway being one of the only family options going forward."

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Taff confirmed that "Christopher Robin" has been denied a release in China, locking the release out from the world's second largest film market. While China provides no reason for the films it doesn't select for its theaters, government sensors have recently been blocking images of Winnie-the-Pooh after bloggers began using him to parody Chinese president Xi Jinping.

The late-summer success of "Mission: Impossible" — which has made \$124.5 million thus far along with \$205 million internationally — is helping solidify a comeback summer for Hollywood. The summer box office is up 10.6 percent from last year's record-low season, according to comScore, and year-to-date ticket sales are up 8 percent.

"As we head into what is almost always the slowest month at the summer box office, we have some nice momentum going," said Paul Dergarabedian, senior media analyst for comScore. "With a 10.6 percent increase over the summer last year, we're going to maintain a solid advantage when we get to the end of the month."

Not all the news was great. Comedy continues to struggle at the box office. The R-rated action-comedy "The Spy Who Dumped Me," starring Mila Kunis and Kate McKinnon, debuted in third with \$12.4 million for Lionsgate.

And a pair of poorly reviewed releases sputtered in nationwide release. Fox's young-adult dystopian thriller "The Darkest Minds" (19 percent "fresh" on Rotten Tomatoes) opened with \$5.7 million on 3,127 screens. And right-wing filmmaker Dinesh D'Souza's "Death of a Nation" (0 percent "fresh" on Rotten Tomatoes) debuted with \$2.3 million on 1,032 screens.

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

1. "Mission: Impossible -- Fallout," \$35 million (\$76 million international).
2. "Christopher Robin," \$25 million (\$4.8 million international).
3. "The Spy Who Dumped Me," \$12.4 million.
4. "Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again," \$9.1 million (\$19.3 million international).
5. "The Equalizer 2," \$8.8 million.
6. "Hotel Transylvania 3," \$8.8 million (\$18 million international).
7. "Ant-Man and the Wasp," \$6.2 million (\$11.2 million international).
8. "The Darkest Minds," \$5.8 million (\$4.1 million international).
9. "Incredibles 2," \$5 million (\$19 million international).
10. "Teen Titans Go! To the Movies," \$4.9 million.

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

1. "Mission: Impossible -- Fallout," \$76 million.
2. "Hello Mr. Billionaire," \$64.5 million.
3. "Along With the Gods: The Last 49 Days," \$37.3 million.
4. "Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again," \$19.3 million.
5. "Incredibles 2," \$19 million.
6. "Hotel Transylvania 3," \$18 million.
7. "Detective Dee: The Four Heavenly Kings," \$12.5 million.
8. "Ant-Man and the Wasp," \$11.2 million.
9. "The Wind Guardians," \$8.8 million.
10. "Skyscraper," \$8.2 million.

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China tightens controls to slow currency's fall

By JOE McDONALD, AP Business Writer

BEIJING (AP) — China has tightened controls on trading in its yuan to discourage speculators after a decline against the dollar amid a tariff dispute with Washington fueled fears of a damaging outflow of capital from the world's second-largest economy.

Traders must post a 20 percent deposit starting Monday for contracts to buy or sell yuan on a future date. That raises the cost of betting it will drop and might help to discourage speculative trading.

The tightly controlled yuan has been allowed to decline by about 8 percent against the dollar since early February.

That helps Chinese exporters that face U.S. tariff hikes by lowering their prices in dollar terms. But it also encourages investors to shift money out of China, which would have a broader impact by raising financing costs for other industries.

On Friday, the yuan slipped to a 13-month low of 6.91 to the dollar, close to the highly symbolic level of 7, before strengthening to 6.83 after the margin requirement was announced.

The deepening U.S.-Chinese tariff fight prompted suggestions Beijing might weaken the yuan to help exporters. But analysts say the decline has been driven mostly by China's slowing economic growth and the diverging direction of U.S. and Chinese interest rates.

Washington imposed 25 percent tariffs on \$34 billion of Chinese goods on July 6 and is considering an increase on an additional \$16 billion, with another \$200 billion list of goods threatened. Beijing matched Washington's first round of increases and on Friday threatened penalty charges on another \$60 billion of U.S. imports.

Communist leaders have tried to stick to long-term economic plans, resisting U.S. President Donald Trump's demands to change industry development strategies Washington and other governments say violate their market-opening commitments.

That business-as-usual approach has included the People's Bank of China allowing the yuan to fluctuate more widely. Beijing wants to make the exchange system more market-oriented and efficient.

The central bank "had been largely tolerant" of the yuan's decline, said Jingyi Pan in a report. But the latest changes "may have gathered concerns including capital flight."

The margin of decline against the dollar has been unusually wide because other currencies in the basket used by the Chinese central bank to set exchange rates have not risen along with the greenback.

Compared with the overall basket, the yuan has declined by a smaller margin of 4 percent, according to Carl B. Weinberg of High-Frequency Economics.

"These are trivial moves in the medium term, despite volatility recently," said Weinberg in a report.

Beijing imposed similar controls in October 2015 after a change in the exchange rate mechanism prompted markets to bet the yuan would fall, according to Philip Wee and Eugene Leow of DBS Group. The currency temporarily steadied but fell further the following year.

Making it harder to bet on the yuan "did not insulate it from the currency war," said Wee and Leow in a report.

The effectiveness of the latest controls will be limited, analysts said. The yuan still faces downward pressure as Chinese and U.S. interest rates head in opposite directions.

The Federal Reserve is raising U.S. rates while Beijing eases access to credit to pep up cooling economic growth. That encourages investors to convert money into dollars in search of higher returns.

Due to that, "the outlook of yuan remains weak," said Margaret Yang of CMC Markets in a report.

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Today is Monday, Aug. 6, the 218th day of 2018. There are 147 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 6, 1945, during World War II, the U.S. B-29 Superfortress Enola Gay dropped an atomic bomb code-named "Little Boy" on Hiroshima, Japan, resulting in an estimated 140,000 deaths. (Three days later, the United States exploded a nuclear device over Nagasaki; five days after that, Imperial Japan surrendered.)

On this date:

In 1914, Austria-Hungary declared war against Russia and Serbia declared war against Germany.

In 1926, Gertrude Ederle became the first woman to swim the English Channel, arriving in Kingsdown, England, from France in 14 1/2 hours.

In 1942, Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands became the first reigning queen to address a joint session of Congress, telling lawmakers that despite Nazi occupation, her people's motto remained, "No surrender."

In 1961, Soviet cosmonaut Gherman Titov became the second man to orbit Earth as he flew aboard Vostok 2; his call sign, "Eagle," prompted his famous declaration: "I am Eagle!"

In 1962, Jamaica, formerly ruled by Britain, became an independent dominion within the Commonwealth of Nations.

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act.

In 1973, former Cuban dictator Fulgencio Batista, 72, died in exile in Spain. Entertainer Stevie Wonder was seriously injured in a car accident in North Carolina.

In 1978, Pope Paul VI died at Castel Gandolfo at age 80.

In 1986, William J. Schroeder (SHRAY'-dur) died at Humana Hospital-Audubon in Louisville, Kentucky, after living 620 days with the Jarvik 7 artificial heart.

In 1997, Korean Air Flight 801 crashed into a hillside a short distance from Guam International Airport, killing 228 of the 254 aboard the Boeing 747.

In 1999, in Canton, Texas, a 36-year-old woman facing lifelong heart problems that she blamed on the diet drug combination fen-phen was awarded \$23.3 million in the first such lawsuit to reach a jury. (The case was settled for less than a tenth of that amount during an appeal.)

In 2003, actor Arnold Schwarzenegger used an appearance on NBC's "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno" to announce his successful bid to replace California Gov. Gray Davis.

In 2009, Sonia Sotomayor was confirmed as the first Hispanic Supreme Court justice by a Senate vote of 68-31.

Ten years ago: The government declared that Army scientist Bruce Ivins was solely responsible for the anthrax attacks that killed five and rattled the nation in 2001. (Ivins had committed suicide on July 29.) A U.S. military jury convicted Osama bin Laden's former driver, Salim Hamdan (sah-LEEM' hahm-DAH-N'), of supporting terrorism in the first war crimes trial at Guantanamo Bay (however, the jury imposed a surprisingly light 5 1/2-year sentence, making Hamdan eligible for parole in five months; the U.S. later transferred Hamdan to his home country of Yemen, which released him in January 2009.) President George W. Bush, on his Asia tour, met with South Korean President Lee Myung-bak; Bush then traveled to Thailand, where he met with Prime Minister Samak Sundaravej (sah-MAK' sun-TAH'-rah-ved).

Five years ago: President Barack Obama said during an appearance on NBC's "The Tonight Show" that he was "disappointed" that Russia had granted temporary asylum to National Security Agency leaker Edward Snowden, defying administration demands that the former government contractor be sent back to the U.S. to face espionage charges. U.S. Army Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan went on trial at Fort Hood, Texas, charged with killing 13 people and wounding 32 others in a 2009 attack. (Hasan, who admitted carrying out the attack, was convicted and sentenced to death.)

One year ago: Vice President Mike Pence, in a statement released by the White House, described as "disgraceful and offensive" a New York Times report suggesting that he was laying the groundwork for a

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possible presidential bid in 2020 if President Donald Trump does not run.

Today's Birthdays: Children's performer Ella Jenkins is 94. Actor-director Peter Bonerz is 80. Actress Louise Sorel is 78. Actor Michael Anderson Jr. is 75. Actor Ray Buktenica is 75. Actor Dorian Harewood is 68. Actress Catherine Hicks is 67. Rock singer Pat MacDonald (Timbuk 3) is 66. Country musician Mark DuFresne (Confederate Railroad) is 65. Actress Stepfanie Kramer is 62. Actress Faith Prince is 61. Rhythm-and-blues singer Randy DeBarge is 60. Actor Leland Orser is 58. Actress Michelle Yeoh (yoh) is 56. Country singers Patsy and Peggy Lynn are 54. Basketball Hall of Famer David Robinson is 53. Actor Jeremy Ratchford is 53. Actor Benito Martinez is 50. Country singer Lisa Stewart is 50. Movie writer-director M. Night Shyamalan (SHAH'-mah-lahn) is 48. Actress Merrin Dungey is 47. Singer Geri Halliwell Horner is 46. Actor Jason O'Mara is 46. Singer-actor David Campbell is 45. Actress Vera Farmiga is 45. Actress Ever (cq) Carradine is 44. Actress Soleil (soh-LAY') Moon Frye is 42. Actress Melissa George is 42. Rock singer Travis McCoy (Gym Class Heroes) is 37. Actor Leslie Odom Jr. is 37. Actress Romola Garai is 36. Rock musician Eric Roberts (Gym Class Heroes) is 34.

Thought for Today: "A successful lie is doubly a lie; an error which has to be corrected is a heavier burden than the truth." — Dag Hammarskjold, U.N. Secretary-General (1905-1961).