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Debate & Oral Interp at Aberdeen Central High School

Saturday, November 3, 2018

Debate & Oral Interp at Aberdeen Central High School

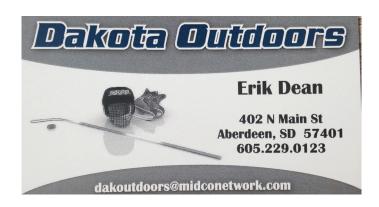
Robotics at Mitchell Technical Institute

Sunday, November 4, 2018

7:00pm: Snow Queen, GHS Gymnasium

OPEN: Recycling Trailer in Groton

The recycling trailer is located at 10 East Railroad Ave. It takes cardboard, papers and aluminum cans.



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Vote Michael Nehls

NOW is the Time!

ty has not had representation on the commission for 33



- → 30 year law enforcement veteran working with city and county governments.
- → Progressive thinker.
- → Conservative Spender
- → Common Sense Approach to Solving Issues.
- → Putting taxpayers first.

My pledge is that I will always
listen to the concerns of all
county residents and to represent
Brown County taxpayers as an
experienced and trust worthy
public servant.

Paid for by the committee to elect Mike Nehls for Brown County Commission

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Vote Lana Greenfield for District 2 House

A WISE CHOICE; A STRONG VOICE





Background:

★Raised on a farm near Bryant
 ★Received a Bachelor of Science in education from BHSU
 ★Married for 48 years, mother of three, grandmother

Experience:

★Owner of Greeny's, a restaurant-lodging facility in Doland ★Land owner ★Retired 37 year veteran teacher

Lana Supports:

♦Life

♦Gun Rights

- ◆Stable education curriculum
- ◆Small business and entrepreneurship
 ◆Veterans
 - ◆Elderly and homes for the disabled◆No new taxes
 - **◆**Common sense government
 - ◆A strict interpretation of the Constitution

Re-elect Lana Greenfield on November 6th, a fiscally conservative Republican, endorsed by the NRA.

Paid for by Lana Greenfield for House, Box 143, Doland, SD 57436

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IN LYNN HEUPEL



FOR BROWN COUNTY AUDITOR

I am running for Brown County Auditor because I want to continue my dedication by working for you the people of Brown County. I have worked in the Auditor's office for 7 years and have been the Chief Deputy Auditor for 6 years. As the Chief Deputy Auditor, I have knowledge of the overall duties of the Auditor's Office; my main responsibilities are Accounts Payable, Monthly & Annual Financial Reports, Assist Legislative Audits during the Counties Annual Audits, Apportion the Taxes collected, Liquor Licenses and assisting with Elections, County Liens and Inventory. This along with my years of experience in accounting, management and customer service, I am prepared to step into this role upon Maxine Fischer's retirement. I ask for your support by voting for me in the General Election. Election Day is Tuesday, November 6th but Absentee voting started Friday, Sept. 21st at the Auditor's Office between 8am to 5pm, Monday- Friday.

Committed to Community Experienced * Proven Performance

Facebook.com/lynn.m.heupelforbrcoauditor

Paid for by Heupel for Brown County Auditor

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2019 Duck Hunting Season Dates and Zones Finalized

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission finalized the 2019 duck hunting season at their November meeting.

Season Dates and Open Areas:

High Plains Zone: October 12, 2019 – January 16, 2020

Low Plains North & Low Plains Middle Zone: September 28 – December 10, 2019

Low Plains South Zone: October 26, 2019 – January 7, 2020

The daily bag limit will be six ducks; comprised of no more than five mallards (which may include no more than two hens), three wood ducks, three scaup, two redheads, two canvasbacks and one pintail.

Two bonus blue-winged teal would be available for the first sixteen days of the season.

Goose, Sandhill Crane, Spring Light Goose Seasons Finalized

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission finalized the 2019 goose, Sandhill crane and spring light goose hunting seasons at their November meeting.

Dates for these seasons include:

Canada Geese (and Brant)

Unit 1: October 1 – December 22, 2019

Unit 2: November 4, 2019 - February 16, 2020

Unit 3: January 11-19, 2020

Light Geese

Statewide: September 28, 2019 – January 10, 2020

White-fronted Geese

Statewide: September 28 – December 10, 2019.

Daily limits will be eight Canada geese for Unit 1 and four Canada geese for Units 2 and 3. Daily limit for light geese is 50 statewide.

The Commission increased the daily limit of white-fronted geese from two to three, but also shortened the season from 86 to 74 days.

The Commission expanded the area where hunters can hunt Sandhill cranes, modifying the open unit from that portion of the state lying west of U.S. Highway 281 to that portion of the state lying west of a line beginning at the South Dakota-North Dakota border and State Highway 25, south on State Highway 25 to its junction with State Highway 34, east on State Highway 34 to its junction with U.S. Highway 81, then south on U.S. Highway 81 to the South Dakota-Nebraska border.

The Sandhill crane season will run from Sept. 28 – Nov. 24, 2019, have a daily limit of three and a possession limit of nine.

The Commission made a slight change to the season dates for the Spring Light Goose Conservation Order, changing it from 79 days beginning the day after the Unit 2 dark goose season to the day after the Unit 2 dark goose season to May 15.

Camping Fee Changes Finalized

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission recently made three adjustments to park fees.

The Commission defined the new service of a modern cabin being a structure with beds, electricity, sewer and water and established a fee of \$150/night. The Commission also increased the per night fee for the lodge at Shadehill Recreation area from \$205 to \$280 due to expansion of the lodge. The last adjustment established fees for the use of the Good Earth State Park amphitheater of \$300 for four hours and \$600 for all day \$600 for all day \$600 for all day \$600 for all day \$600 for Box and \$600 for Box and \$600 for all day \$600 for Box and \$600 for B

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Spring Turkey Hunting Season Finalized

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission finalized the 2019 spring turkey hunting season which included the removal of rifles to hunt spring turkeys. A rifle is defined as rimfire, centerfire and muzzleloading rifles. This decision was made due to safety concerns with the increased use of life-like decoys and other techniques used by spring turkey hunters. This new regulation will take effect for the 2019 spring hunting season.

The Commission also decided to:

- 1. Offer residents 55 more one-tag male turkey licenses and 150 less two-tag male turkey licenses for the prairie units than 2018 for an overall decrease of 245 tags.
- 2. Offer nonresidents two more one-tag male turkey licenses and 12 less two-tag male turkey licenses for the prairie units than 2018 for an overall decrease of 22 tags.
- 3. Modify the season end date for turkey hunting on the prairies, in the Black Hills and during the archery season from the eighth day prior to Memorial Day weekend to May 31.
 - 4. Adjust the hunting season end date for Sica Hollow in unit 48A to end on May 31.

2019 season dates:

Archery: April 6 – May 31

Black Hills regular and single-season prairie units: April 13 – May 31

Split-season early prairie units: April 13 – April 30

Split-season late Prairie units; Black Hills late season: May 1 – May 31

Licenses available include:

Black Hills: Unlimited resident and nonresident one-tag male turkey licenses.

Prairie: 5,657 resident and 246 nonresident one-tag male turkey licenses.

600 resident and 48 nonresident two-tag male turkey licenses.

Archery: Unlimited resident and nonresident one-tag male turkey licenses.

Access permits are required to turkey hunt Good Earth State (five archery permits available) and Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve (20 archery permits available).

Additional Elk License Raffle Rejected by GFP Commission

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission rejected the proposal to make a second elk license available for raffle.

This raffle license was presented to the GFP Commission through a petition. The adoption of the petition resulted in the initiation of the public comment period to allow input from the public on this topic.

At this time, commissioners were not ready to implement a second raffle license due to the coveted opportunity of elk hunting in the state.

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My fellow taxpayers of Brown County:

I am seeking re-election to the Brown County Commission because I believe I can and have contributed to the greater good by spending our tax dollars wisely.

As a farmer I know how important it is to have good roads and to have a county government that works with the people of the area to protect their interests.

I would be honored to serve another 4 years as a commissioner and treat your tax dollars as my own because just like you, some of them are!

On November 6th, please cast your ballot for Doug Fjeldheim for Brown County Commission.

Doug Fjeldheim

Lieldheim
County Commission

Doug Fjeldheim is seeking to be re-elected to the Brown County Commission. Having over 32 years of management experience in business, 30 years of farming experience, and as the Westport Township Clerk since 2003, Doug is familiar with the challenges each township faces.

As your County Commissioner, Doug Fjeldheim pledges to continue being prudent with how the tax dollars of Brown County are spent.

Paid for by Fjeldheim for County Commission



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Lady Tigers beat Milbank to advance to the SoDak 16; and guess who they play?!

Groton Area's volleyball team dominated Milbank in the Region 1A game held Thursday evening in Groton. Groton won in three sets, 25-15, 25-14 and 25-21. In the last game, it was tied nine times and the lead changed hands five times before the Tigers scored three straight for the win. Groton Area had three serving errors in the final game while Milbank had seven serving errors in the first two games.

Jennie Doeden led the Tigers with 12 kills, three ace serves and two blocks while Nicole Marzahn had nine kills and a block, Eliza Wanner had four kills and two ace serves, Indigo Rogers added four kills and had one block. Payton Maine and Portia Kettering each had one kill. Miranda Hanson had two ace serves while Kaylin Kucker and Tadyn Glover each had one.

Makayla Johnson led Milbank with five kills and an ace serve while Jaden Hoeke and Jaecy Engebretson each had four kills, Tracy Pillatzki had a kill and two ace serves, Anna Mathews had a kill and a block and Katie Wollschlager had an ace.

Overall, Groton Area had 31 kills, four blocks and nine ace serves while Milbank had just 16 kills, four ace serves and one block.

In the other half of the region, Aberdeen Roncalli needed four sets to fend of Redfield/Doland.

So who will the Tigers play in the SoDak 16? Aberdeen Roncalli! Yes, the two cross county rivals will battle it out for the rite to advance to the state tournament Nov. 15-17 in Sioux Falls. The match will played on election day, Tuesday, Nov. 6. The SDHSAA will be trying to find sites for all of the SoDak 16 matches which are to be played at neutral sites. The pairings for the SoDak 16 are on the next page.

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Class A Volleyball SoDak 16

Print Bracket

The eight (8) winners of the SoDak 16 contests will be re-seeded for the State Tournament.

#1 Miller			#5 St. Thomas More
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Site:			Site:
Scores:			Scores:
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McCook #2 Central/Montrose			#6 Elk Point-Jefferson Scores:
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#4 Winner			#8 Groton Area
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Scores:			Scores:
#13 Pine Ridge			#9 Aberdeen Roncalli

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Work continues on historic Trinity church



Near quitting time Thursday, most of the North roof had been shingled, and may have been finished after this photo was taken. The resulting effect very closely resembles the original wooden shingles. The light brown color choice (called "Timberwood") imitates the varying shades of weathered wooden shingles. A random, offset pattern imitates the uneven manner in which wooden shingles age. The shingles come in four-foot sections, which can be cut to fit. Despite being steel, they are lightweight, weighing only 1.4 pounds per square foot. The steel shingles are coated with very small stones, increasing their durability and performance. They have a Class A Fire Rating, a Class 4 Hail Impact Resistance, and a 50-year limited Warranty, although GCHS President Topper Tastad thinks they will last a hundred years. (Photo by Betty Breck)

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The rotted ceiling and roofing boards on the SE corner of the South roof were completely removed. New freshly stained ceiling boards were nailed in place, then covered with half-inch plywood and moisture-proof underlayment. They are awaiting the placement of steel shingles. (Photo by Betty Breck)

The grant from the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission and the City of Deadwood which makes this project possible requires that the grantee (the Groton Community Historical Society - "GCHS") keep and submit a detailed report on the progress of the project. GCHS is compiling a list of its members, supporters, visitors and others who would like to receive these reports and other news of the church. Anyone who would like to be on this list is invited to email grotoncommunityhistoricalsociety@yahoo.com and ask to be placed on the list.

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A crew member on a lift paints the newly-installed soffitt boards on the West side of the church. The vertical board-and-batten siding seen here became the hallmark of Architect Richard Upjohn's Episcopal Churches, differentiating them from the similar form of other churches. Upjohn, who immigrated to the US from England in 1829, adapted the board-and-batten style of the fashionable English cottage to church architecture. In 1890, 153 of these little white jewels dotted the South Dakota landscape. Trinity is the lone survivor of these 153 churches. (Photo by Betty Breck)

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Around noon Thursday, four lifts were in use as work continued on the Trinity Church roof. On the left, one worker was flashing the chimney from the North entry roof. Two lifts supported two workers installing shingles on the North roof. A fourth lift is barely visible on the right, holding a crew member working on the West end of the church. (Photo by Betty Breck)

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Today in Weather History

November 2, 1961: A snowstorm began in western South Dakota and spread to the remainder of the state on November 2nd, ending late on the 2nd in the extreme east. Snowfall was relatively minimal, with 1 to 3 inches falling over most of the central and eastern parts of the state, but winds of 40 to 50 mph accompanied the storm in eastern South Dakota. Also, temperatures fell rapidly with the passage of a cold front with 24-hour changes of 40 to over 50 degrees. Huron dropped from 73 on the 1st to 21 only 24 hours later, a 52-degree drop.

November 2, 1972: Freezing rain caused up to 2 inches of ice to form on trees, bushes, wires, cars, and buildings. Many trees and utility lines were downed. Some of the most significant damage occurred from Tulare to Redfield and Doland and from Troy to Sisseton, in Spink, Brown, Day, Grant and Roberts Counties. Also, heavy snow up to 20 inches fell in south-central South Dakota. Some snowfall amounts include; 5.2 inches in Huron; 10 inches in Wessington Springs; 12 inches in Platte; 12.5 in Bonesteel and 19.5 inches in Gregory.

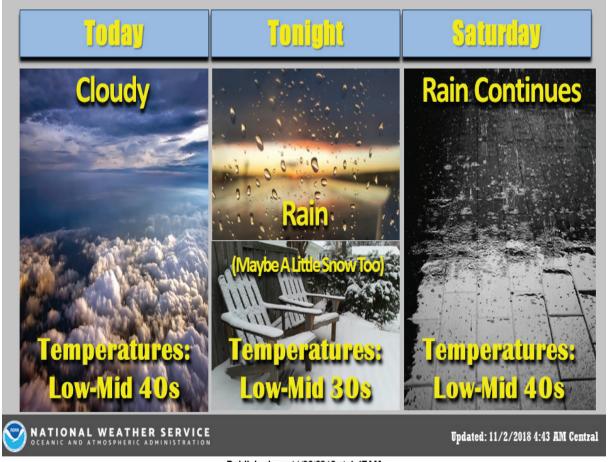
November 2, 1997: A low-pressure system over the Great Lakes produced winds of 50 to near 60 mph over much of northern and central South Dakota. The winds overturned half of an unsecured double-wide trailer in Fort Pierre. In McLaughlin, high winds damaged a catwalk at the McLaughlin livestock auction. Half of the 400-foot walkway was tipped over by the winds. The winds, along with six-foot waves, destroyed an 85-year old 40 x 75-foot dance hall located on Medicine Lake, 15 miles northwest of Watertown. In Aberdeen, brick from a top portion of an abandoned building collapsed. There were also widespread reports of tree limbs blown down.

1743: Benjamin Franklin's "eclipse hurricane" unlocked the key to storm movement. Ben Franklin, at Philadelphia, PA was prevented from viewing a lunar eclipse in a northeast rainstorm, but his brother, who was in Boston, saw it, though the rain began an hour later.

1992: Another infamous November Great Lakes Storm brought windy conditions to Minnesota's Lake Superior shoreline. 70 mph winds caused waves to crash over 130-foot walls along the shore.

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We'll see one more mild day across the region today. A frontal boundary will bring scattered rain showers to the area later this afternoon into tonight. Significant amounts are not expected.

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Yesterday's Weather High Outside Temp: 52 °F at 3:59 PM

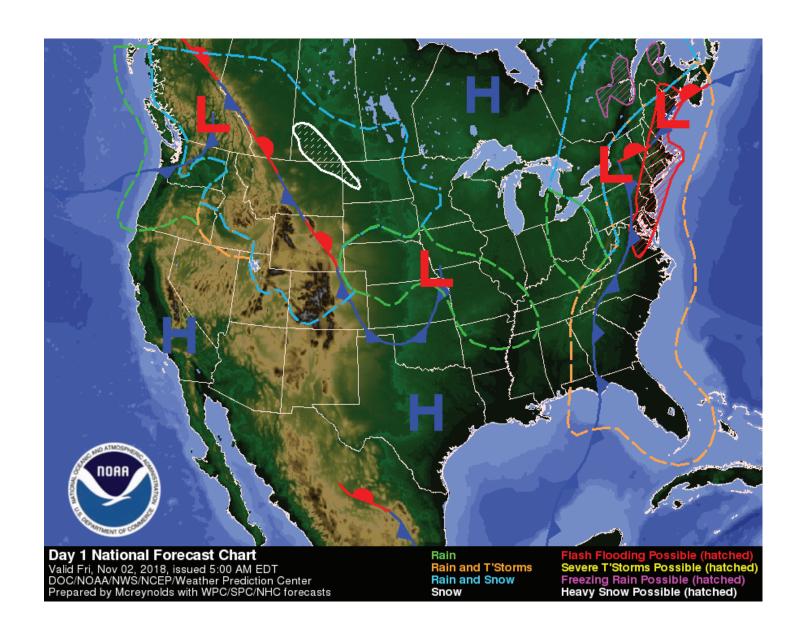
High Outside Temp: 52 °F at 3:59 PM Low Outside Temp: 32 °F at 1:06 AM High Gust: 11 mph at 8:31 AM

Precip: 0.00

Today's Info Record High: 78° in 1903

Record High: 78° in 1903 Record Low: 0 in 1911 Average High: 48°F Average Low: 26°F

Average Precip in Nov.: 0.03 Precip to date in Nov.: 1.44 Average Precip to date: 20.50 Precip Year to Date: 15.05 Sunset Tonight: 6:19 p.m. Sunrise Tomorrow: 8:16 a.m.



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HIS STRENGTH

Remember, dont BLT, said the surgeon. Of course, that got my attention immediately.

Then he explained, Do not bend, lift or twist. If you do, you will damage or destroy the work that I did on your spine. You must ask for help from others if you want to heal properly. If you are seated, get help to stand. Do not lift anything that weighs more than five pounds. And, turn your entire body rather than twist if you want to see something that is to your left or right.

As I was wheeled from the hospital to begin the trip home, I could not imagine how different my life was going to be. Being dependent on others has always been difficult for me. But thinking of his orders and my false pride forced me to admit how often I had failed at one thing or another because I refused to ask someone for help. Even God. Certainly, pride does come before a fall.

Look to the Lord and His strength, said the Psalmist. How easy it sounds but how difficult it is for many of us to do. God wants us to depend on Him and seek the help and counsel of others. If we dont, the likelihood of failure looms large. Our strength is limited, but He is not.

But there is something more to be learned here. When I come to the end of my strength and am unable to do what He has called me to do and ask others to help me, they share in my ministry. So, two things happen: I realize the blessings that can come from depending on others because they are able show His love by helping me. Also, I can share my calling with them. Its all good!

Prayer: Lord, Your ways and Your Word and Your wisdom are gifts we do not deserve but desperately need. In Jesus Name, Amen.

Scripture for Today: Psalm 105:4 Look to the Lord and His strength; continually seek Him.

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2018 Groton SD Community EventsGroton Lion's Club Bingo- Wednesday Nights 6:30pm at the Groton Legion (Year Round)

- Nov./Dec./Jan./Feb./Mar. 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)
 - Transit Fundraiser (Middle Thursday in June)
 - SDSU Golf at Olive Grove
 - 6/15/2019 Triathlon (Saturday before Father's Day)
 - 7/4/2019 Firecracker Golf Tourney (4th of July)
 - 7/14/2019 Summer Fest
 - 9/7/2019 Fall City-Wide Rummage Sales (1st Saturday after Labor Day)
 - 10/12/2019 Pumpkin Fest (Saturday before Columbus Day)
 - 10/11/2019 Lake Region Marching 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

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News from the App Associated Press

Federal \$1 million grant will help combat meth trafficking

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — The U.S. Department of Justice is giving South Dakota \$1 million to help law enforcement agencies combat methamphetamine trafficking.

Officials say the grant will fund more investigators, agents and forensic analysts in a number of agencies, including the state Division of Criminal Investigation and the departments the make up the Sioux Falls Area Drug Task Force, Rapid City Drug Task Force and the Northern Plains Safe Trails Task Force.

U.S. Attorney Ronald Parsons says meth dealers and users are connected in one way or another to a large percentage of crimes committed in South Dakota, including violent assaults and child neglect.

The federal grant is part of \$7.2 million given to law enforcement agencies across the Midwest.

Thursday's Scores By The Associated Press

Volleyball

Brandon Valley def. Sioux Falls Lincoln, 25-21, 21-25, 21-25, 25-15, 15-12

Mitchell def. Harrisburg, 25-22, 25-23, 25-18

Rapid City Central def. Sturgis, 25-17, 25-9, 25-16

Rapid City Stevens def. Spearfish, 25-10, 25-11, 25-14

Sioux Falls O'Gorman def. Yankton, 25-22, 25-19, 25-12

Sioux Falls Washington def. Brookings, 25-20, 20-25, 25-23, 25-12

Watertown def. Aberdeen Central, 25-17, 24-26, 25-18, 25-15

Region 1A

Finals

Aberdeen Roncalli def. Redfield/Doland, 23-25, 25-11, 25-18, 25-18

Groton Area def. Milbank, 25-15, 25-14, 25-21

Region 2A

Finals

Hamlin def. Flandreau, 28-26, 25-19, 25-18

Madison def. Sioux Valley, 25-19, 24-26, 27-25, 25-18

Region 3A

Finals

Dell Rapids def. Tri-Valley, 25-16, 25-7, 27-25

Sioux Falls Christian def. West Central, 25-6, 25-11, 25-11

Region 4A

Finals

Dakota Valley def. Beresford, 25-22, 25-23, 19-25, 18-25, 17-15

Elk Point-Jefferson def. Tea Area, 25-17, 25-21, 23-25, 25-23

Region 5A

Finals

McCook Central/Montrose def. Platte-Geddes, 25-22, 25-13, 25-17

Parker def. Wagner, 21-25, 27-25, 25-21, 25-15

Region 6A

Finals

Chamberlain def. Cheyenne-Eagle Butte, 25-22, 21-25, 25-18, 26-24

Miller def. Mobridge-Pollock, 25-10, 25-8, 25-13

Region 7A

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Finals

Winner def. Red Cloud, 25-12, 25-13, 25-15

Pine Ridge def. Bennett County, 25-15, 25-15, 22-25, 26-24

Region 8A

Finals

Rapid City Christian def. Hill City, 25-14, 25-21, 17-25, 25-21

St. Thomas More def. Belle Fourche, 25-23, 25-22, 25-12

Region 1B

Finals

Northwestern def. Langford, 25-15, 25-12, 25-19

Warner def. Waverly-South Shore, 25-21, 23-25, 25-16, 25-16

Region 2B

Finals

Faulkton def. Ipswich, 25-12, 25-15, 25-10

Sully Buttes def. Herreid/Selby Area, 15-25, 26-24, 25-20, 23-25, 15-11

Region 3B

Finals

Arlington def. Castlewood, 27-25, 25-16, 22-25, 25-16

Deubrook def. Estelline/Hendricks, 25-21, 25-20, 10-25, 25-21

Region 4B

Finals

Chester def. Hanson, 25-5, 25-8, 25-18

Ethan def. Colman-Egan, 25-11, 25-23, 25-20

Region 5B

Finals

Bridgewater-Emery def. Menno, 25-14, 23-25, 25-13, 25-16

Freeman def. Canistota, 27-25, 25-17, 25-23

Region 6B

Finals

Burke def. Andes Central/Dakota Christian, 25-12, 25-10, 25-4

Kimball/White Lake def. Corsica/Stickney, 25-17, 25-16, 25-13

Region 7B

Finals

Kadoka Area def. Wall, 25-15, 25-22, 25-13

Philip def. New Underwood, 25-21, 20-25, 25-19, 25-11

Region 8B

Finals

Faith def. Lemmon, 25-18, 25-21, 25-17

Harding County def. Timber Lake, 25-19, 25-14, 23-25, 26-24

Jury convicts South Dakota man of murdering ex-girlfriend

FORT PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — A jury has convicted a South Dakota man of killing his former girlfriend. A Stanley County jury on Thursday found 48-year-old Chance Harruff of Dallas, South Dakota, guilty of second-degree murder in the 2017 death of 38-year-old Kristi Olson. A second-degree murder conviction carries a mandatory life sentence.

Olson was found strangled in her Dallas home on June 1, 2017. She was the mother of seven children. Authorities say she had an on-and-off relationship with Harruff.

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Pence to rally for Noem in close South Dakota governor race By JAMES NORD, Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Vice President Mike Pence is heading to South Dakota to rally for Republican governor candidate Kristi Noem just in time for Election Day. Meanwhile, Democrat Billie Sutton has been crisscrossing the state meeting voters in the final days of South Dakota's surprisingly close governor's race.

The Monday rally in Rapid City that Pence is headlining for Noem comes after she embarks on her own statewide tour to close out the election. Sutton's 19-stop tour brought him Thursday to western South Dakota and is to continue over the weekend.

Sutton, a state senator and former professional rodeo rider, has spurred a rare competitive governor's race in South Dakota, which last elected a Democrat to the office in 1974. With a cowboy's appeal, Sutton has ridden a compelling life story — a 2007 rodeo accident left him unable to walk — and a moderate image to turn the contest close. Noem has fought back by reminding voters of Sutton's Democratic affiliation and trying to tie him to 2016 Democratic presidential candidates Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders.

The candidate's closing arguments to voters come as an Argus Leader and KELO-TV poll Thursday gave a small edge to Noem, after a survey published last week had the race even. In the new poll, Noem had 47 percent to Sutton's 44 percent, with 8 percent of respondents undecided.

"We're excited about the direction the campaign is headed," Noem said in a statement. "We know the momentum is building, but it's going to be a close race. I would just encourage everyone to get out and vote."

The 3-point difference is inside the poll's margin of error of plus or minus 4.5 percentage points. Floridabased Mason-Dixon Polling & Strategy's telephone poll of 500 likely South Dakota voters was conducted Oct. 29-31. It came after the news organizations' poll released last week showed Noem and Sutton each had support from 45 percent of respondents, with 9 percent undecided.

Sutton in a Thursday statement said the race is still neck-and-neck.

"As we say in the chutes, let 'er buck," Sutton said. "Taking on the status quo isn't easy, but Republicans, Democrats, and Independents are rallying behind me because they know they are betting on a fighter who will clean up state government and build a stronger South Dakota."

Noem, a four-term congresswoman, has some key strengths: a nearly 98,000-voter GOP advantage, experience running statewide campaigns and support from the state's dominant political party and its top officials. Noem has also significantly outraised Sutton, including in the final days of the race.

She earlier had a fundraiser featuring President Donald Trump, and her financial backing has included at least \$100,000 from Pence's Great America Committee.

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AP Explains: How the Native American vote evolved

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Native Americans are running for high-profile seats this year in New Mexico, Kansas, Minnesota and Idaho in what could bring historic gains for a population once excluded from electoral politics.

Indian voters also could swing important races in Montana, Arizona and North Dakota.

The midterm election Tuesday comes 70 years after Isleta Pueblo member Miguel Trujillo's landmark court challenge against a New Mexico law that had prevented Native Americans from voting.

And 50 years ago, Native American voters were credited with helping Robert F. Kennedy win a historic victory in South Dakota's Democratic presidential primary.

Here's a look at how the Native American vote has become a key bloc in the U.S. after decades of exclusion:

THE LONG FIGHT

Written into the original U.S. Constitution was a clause that said Indians who didn't pay taxes could not be

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counted in the voting population of states. That prevented Native Americans living in tribal communities — considered sovereign nations — from becoming U.S. citizens and voting members of the new democracy. Like African Americans, Native Americans were excluded from voting and public accommodations long after the Civil War and the Wounded Knee Massacre of 1890 in South Dakota.

The Indian Naturalization Act of 1890 finally granted citizenship to Native Americans by an application process, but many weren't allowed to vote until President Calvin Coolidge signed the Indian Citizenship Act in 1924.

Still, a number of states such as New Mexico and Arizona barred many Native Americans from voting. That changed after World War II veteran Marine Sgt. Miguel Trujillo Sr. sued New Mexico when a county clerk refused to allow him to register to vote because he lived on tribal land.

Trujillo won his case, clearing the way for Native Americans in New Mexico and elsewhere to vote.

REMAINING BARRIERS

In 1975 under President Gerald Ford, the Voting Rights Act was amended with changes that mentioned Alaska, Arizona and parts of South Dakota as places that discriminated against Native Americans through ballot language. The federal law required that polling locations offer information in Spanish and various Native languages.

As late as the 1990s, some New Mexico counties were subject to U.S. Justice Department consent decrees for violating the Voting Rights Act by not providing information in Native languages.

Meanwhile, voters began electing Native Americans to seats in state Legislatures. In 1992, Democrat Ben Nighthorse Campbell of Colorado became the first Native American elected to the U.S. Senate. He later switched to the Republican Party.

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A new Republican-backed ID law in North Dakota upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court prevents Native Americans without a residential address from voting.

Opponents say the law is intended to disenfranchise Native American voters who historically have used post office boxes as addresses.

Supporters of the law say it's meant to combat voter fraud.

Sen. Heidi Heitkamp, a Democrat, won a close race in 2012 in the state with the help of Native American voters. She is now facing a strong challenge from Republican Rep. Kevin Cramer.

Elsewhere, Democrats Debra Haaland in New Mexico and Sharice Davids in Kansas are vying to become the first Native American women elected to the U.S. House.

In Idaho, Paulette Jordan , a Democrat, is vying to become the nation's first elected Native American governor.

Voters in Minnesota will elect the state's first Native American lieutenant governor. Both candidates — Democrat state Rep. Peggy Flanagan and Republican Donna Bergstrom — are members of tribal nations that are bands of Ojibwe.

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Electrical company pushes South Dakota tobacco tax hikeMITCHELL, S.D. (AP) — A Mitchell-based electrical contracting company is leading a drive to lower the

MITCHELL, S.D. (AP) — A Mitchell-based electrical contracting company is leading a drive to lower the cost of attending South Dakota technical schools though a tobacco tax increase, donating more than \$80,000 to the ballot measure.

Muth Electric and other supporters of Initiated Measure 25 are facing off against large tobacco companies, which have contributed to the roughly \$6.5 million that has been raised to fight the measure, which would increase the state tobacco tax by \$1 per 20-cigarette pack and \$1.25 per 25-cigarette pack, the

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Daily Republic reported.

The added revenue would go toward lowering tuition for technical institutes and workforce training. South Dakota has four technical institutes that are located in Watertown, Sioux Falls, Rapid City and Mitchell. Muth Electric CEO Dick Muth said that tobacco companies' funding poses the biggest hurdle to the pas-

sage of Initiated Measure 25.

"Who else has spent \$6 million on a ballot initiative in state history?" Muth said. "It's unheard of, but they have the money to do it. They don't have South Dakota's people in their best interests. They're only about selling cigarettes."

Most of the opposition funding came from Altria Client Services, the parent company of Marlboro cigarettes maker Philip Morris USA.

Muth said that South Dakota's funding for technical education hasn't kept pace with four-year public colleges. He added that tuition and fees have gotten out of hand.

"We've funded upgrades on technical campuses, but we're not competitive in keeping tuition down and keeping South Dakota kids at home," he said.

Opponents have argued that the measure would hurt small businesses and eliminate jobs.

Muth Electric has 425 employees with locations in Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota. The majority of the company's employees work in South Dakota, said Terry Sabers, Muth Electric co-president.

"This summer, we could have used 100 more people," Sabers said. "In today's world, there's a ton of jobs that you need to have fairly sharp skills, health care, welding, agriculture, HVAC ... We need people with good technical skills."

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

Secretary of Corrections Denny Kaemingk to retire in January

PIERRE, S.D. (AP) — South Dakota Secretary of Corrections Denny Kaemingk is retiring in January. Gov. Dennis Daugaard's office said Thursday that Kaemingk will retire at the end of Daugaard's administration on Jan. 5. Kaemingk has been at the post since 2011 after a decades-long career in law enforcement. He started in 1976 at the Mitchell Police Department and later served from 2002-2011 on the state Board of Pardons and Paroles. Daugaard says Kaemingk has led with a "true commitment to rehabilitation" and has overseen efforts to address addiction and mental health in the corrections system.

Kaemingk says it's been an honor to serve under Daugaard and his staff.

Pennington County inmate died of methamphetamine toxicity

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A death certificate reveals the inmate found dead at the Pennington County Jail recently died of methamphetamine toxicity.

The Rapid City Journal reports 31-year-old Richard Zimmerman had swallowed a bag of meth that broke open in his stomach. He died at Regional Health Hospital on Sept. 15.

An autopsy report lists Zimmerman's death as accidental.

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

Report: Midwest economy expands despite tariff concerns

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — The economy expanded in nine Midwestern and Plains states last month despite mounting concerns about tariffs and trade skirmishes, according to a report released Thursday.

The Mid-America Business Conditions Index slumped to 54.9 in October, from 57.5 in September , the report said. The October reading was the lowest since January 2017, but it also was the 23rd month in a row that the index has remained above growth neutral 50.0.

"The regional economy continues to expand at a healthy pace," said Creighton University economist

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Ernie Goss, who oversees the survey. "However, as in recent months, shortages of skilled workers remain an impediment to even stronger growth. Furthermore, supply managers are reporting mounting negative impacts from tariffs and trade skirmishes," he said.

Trade restrictions, expanding tariffs and rising short-term interest rates are likely to slow regional growth in the months ahead, Goss said.

The survey results are compiled into a collection of indexes ranging from zero to 100. Survey organizers say any score above 50 suggests growth. A score below that suggests decline. The survey covers Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma and South Dakota.

Survey results cast a shadow on the October employment index, which dropped to 52.2 from 56.2 in September and 58.5 in August.

"Overall manufacturing employment growth in the region over the past 12 months has been very healthy at 2.4 percent, compared to a lower 2.2 percent for the U.S.," Goss said. "I expect this gap to close in the months ahead as regional job growth slows faster than national manufacturing job growth."

Economic optimism, as reflected by the October index, plummeted to a still strong 59.6 from September's 68.0.

"In terms of business confidence, rising trade tensions, tariffs, and interest rates have reduced economic optimism among supply managers in the region," Goss said.

Midwest economy: October state-by-state glance

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — The Institute for Supply Management, formerly the Purchasing Management Association, began formally surveying its membership in 1931 to gauge business conditions.

The Creighton Economic Forecasting Group uses the same methodology as the national survey to consult supply managers and business leaders. Creighton University economics professor Ernie Goss oversees the report.

The overall index ranges between 0 and 100. Growth neutral is 50, and a figure greater than 50 indicates growth in that factor over the next three to six months.

Here are the state-by-state results for October:

Arkansas: The overall Arkansas index rose to 52.9 last month from September's 52.5. Index components were new orders at 56.5, production or sales at 53.4, delivery lead time at 57.9, inventories at 44.6 and employment at 51.9. Arkansas' nondurable-goods manufacturers added 1,500 workers over the past 12 months for a 1.8 percent gain. Durable-goods producers boosted jobs by 800 for a 1.1 percent gain.

Iowa: Iowa's overall index tumbled to 51.8 in October from 59.4 in September. Index components were new orders at 57.8, production or sales at 51.0, delivery lead time at 55.3, employment at 52.4 and inventories at 42.6. Iowa's nondurable-goods manufacturers added 2,400 workers for a 2.6 percent gain over the past 12 months. Durable-goods producers boosted jobs by 6,000 for a 4.8 percent gain, Goss said.

Kansas: The state's overall index slumped to 51.4 last month from September's 56.9. Index components were new orders at 55.7, production or sales at 52.2 delivery lead time at 56.7, employment at 48.9 and inventories at 43.6. Kansas' nondurable-goods manufacturers added 1,400 workers for a 2.1 percent gain over the past 12 months. Durable-goods producers boosted jobs by 2,200 for a 2.3 percent gain, he said.

Minnesota: Minnesota's overall index declined to 54.9 in October from 60.0 in September. Index components were new orders at 58.5, production or sales at 56.1, delivery lead time at 60.9, inventories at 46.9 and employment at 52.2. The state's nondurable-goods manufacturers added 1,400 workers for a 1.2 percent gain over the past 12 months. Durable-goods producers boosted jobs by 4,400 for a 2.2 percent gain, Goss said.

Missouri: The state's overall index hit 52.5 last month, compared with 54.8 in September. Index components were new orders at 55.2, production or sales at 55.5, delivery lead time at 55.8, inventories at 47.8 and employment at 48.2. Missouri's nondurable-goods manufacturers lost 1,600 jobs for a minus 1.5 percent loss over the past 12 months. But durable-goods producers boosted jobs by 6,300 for a 4 percent gain, he said.

Nebraska: Nebraska's overall index sank to 51.5 in October from 55.1 in September. Index components

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were new orders at 55.8, production or sales at 52.3, delivery lead time at 56.7, inventories at 43.7 and employment at 49.0. Nondurable-goods manufacturers added 2,200 workers for a 4.1 percent gain in the past 12 months. Durable-goods producers boosted jobs by 2,700 for a 6.2 percent gain, Goss said.

North Dakota: The state's overall index fell to a very healthy 61.3 last month from 69.0 in September. Index components were new orders at 63.5, production or sales at 63.3, delivery lead time at 68.7, employment at 58.1 and inventories at 52.9. Nondurable-goods manufacturers added no workers over the past 12 months, but durable-goods producers boosted jobs by 500 for a 3 percent gain, he said.

Oklahoma: Oklahoma's overall index declined to 55.0 in October from 57.6 in September. Index components were new orders at 58.2, production or sales at 55.7, delivery lead time at 60.5, inventories at 46.6 and employment at 54.3. Nondurable-goods manufacturers shed 2,000 workers for a minus 4.9 percent loss over the past 12 months. But durable-goods producers in the state boosted jobs by 4,300 for a 4.9 percent gain, Goss said.

South Dakota: The state's overall index climbed to 52.6 last month from 50.4 in September. Index components were new orders at 53.8, production or sales at 54.3, delivery lead time at 53.6, inventories at 51.2 and employment at 49.9. Nondurable-goods manufacturers added 500 workers for a 3.2 percent gain in the past 12 months. Durable-goods producers boosted jobs by 1,000 for a 3.6 percent gain, he said.

Discipline possible after gun fires in campus dorm room

BROOKINGS, S.D. (AP) — A South Dakota State University student could face discipline after a gun accidentally fired in a campus dorm room.

University spokesman Mike Lockrem says the student was cleaning his gun after hunting and it discharged last week. No one was injured. Lockrem tells the Argus Leader that having a gun on campus is against the university's policy. However students can store firearms with the campus police department.

Lockrem says the incident will be reviewed by university officials and a hearing will likely be held.

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

In House battle, Democrats see hope in Trump territory By STEVE PEOPLES and THOMAS BEAUMONT, Associated Press

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa (AP) — White, working-class voters fueled President Donald Trump's rise to the White House. If his party loses the House majority on Tuesday, it will be, at least in part, because those same voters abandoned the GOP.

While Democrats' suburban offensive is well-known, an often-overlooked battle is underway across rural and working-class districts in states including Maine, Iowa and Minnesota. Trump's coalition of blue-collar voters here may offer Democrats an alternate route to the House majority.

Specifically, Democrats are targeting 21 House districts carried by former President Barack Obama in 2012 that shifted to Trump in 2016 — districts now testing the strength of a Trump-era political realignment shaped by education, race and gender.

With the election days away , Democrats have cause for optimism. Public and private polling suggest Democrats are poised to capture at least two-thirds of the Obama-Trump districts, according to operatives in both parties who spoke on the condition of anonymity to speak freely before Election Day.

While Republicans privately blame an underwhelming slate of GOP incumbents, the Democrats' prospective success is a reflection of a strong class of first-time candidates, extraordinary fundraising and a message focused on health care and the economy — not Trump.

In northeastern Iowa's 1st Congressional District, where the cornfields outnumber the Whole Foods supermarkets, 29-year-old Democratic upstart Abby Finkenauer reflected on her blue-collar roots at a rally this week alongside the Democratic Party's strongest liaison to working-class voters, former Vice President Joe Biden.

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"He shares the belief that every kid who grows up in a working-class family like mine has a right to a bright future," Finkenauer said as she introduced Biden.

Obama won the district by nearly 14 points in 2012. Trump scored a 3-point victory here four years later. The 29-year-old state representative, whose father and grandfather were union workers, has made her working-class roots central to the campaign in a district once dominated by union manufacturing and meatpacking jobs. She made a name for herself last year blasting a Republican-backed bill that dismantled public-employee unions, shouting against it near tears on the Iowa House floor in Des Moines.

"This is personal," she said at the time.

She is facing off against two-term Republican incumbent Rep. Rod Blum, a wealthy businessman.

In working-class southern New Jersey's 3rd Congressional District, Democrat Andy Kim is laser-focused on health care and the Republican tax cuts in his bid to defeat two-term incumbent Rep. Tom MacArthur. Obama twice won the district, which Trump carried by 6 points in 2016.

Kim, a national security official in the Obama administration, told The AP that he doesn't want to impeach Trump. He condemned the increasingly divisive tone in politics, which he said was a problem long before Trump's election.

The first-time Democratic candidate is eager to bring up MacArthur's votes for the Trump tax cuts and a GOP health care plan that would have replaced the nation's system with one that wouldn't guarantee coverage of pre-existing conditions.

"It isn't politics. It's personal," said Kim, the father of two young sons, noting that his father survived polio and his mother has other pre-existing conditions.

The Republican MacArthur said he was simply working to improve both bills for his constituents. He also recognizes his political challenge in a district that has swung from one party to the other in recent presidential elections.

"A member, to represent this district, can't just be a Trump opposition person," MacArthur said in an interview. "He'll offend half of his constituents. You have to work with the president when you can. You have to have the backbone to push back when you need to."

College-educated voters, particularly women, turned against the GOP long ago. But polling indicates that Democrats' comeback in the Obama-Trump districts, if there is one, will be born of a more subtle shift among non-college-educated white women, according to Jesse Ferguson, who previously led the House Democrats campaign arm.

"If we take the majority, it won't only be built on suburban, Clinton-voting districts alone," he said. "Democrats are winning congressional districts that voted for Donald Trump as people who work for a living see that the Republican majority sold them out."

It's not all good news for Democrats.

In the fight for the Senate majority, Trump's standing remains strong among rural voters in states like North Dakota, Indiana and Missouri where the GOP is on offense.

Republicans have far fewer pickup opportunities in their quest to preserve the House majority. The GOP is on offense, however, in Minnesota's 8th Congressional District, a 27,000 square mile-swath of northern Minnesota where Republican Pete Stauber, a retired policeman, is poised to win a seat left open by a Democratic retirement.

No current district swung more from Obama to Trump. Stauber said the 20-point shift between 2012 and 2016 reflected a political realignment a decade in the making.

"This congressional district is blue-collar common-sense conservative," he said in an interview, noting the presence of a strong mining industry, forestry jobs and the military.

Stauber said he opposed Republican efforts to repeal Obama's health care law and vowed to protect coverage for pre-existing conditions. He also railed against Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell's recent suggestion that Republicans would cut Medicare and Social Security to help balance the budget.

"Those are benefits that our seniors were promised and paid into their entire lives," the Republican congressional candidate said. "That's a promise our government made. That's a promise our government will keep."

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Polling suggests that Democrats are winning the fight over health care and the economy in other Obama-Trump districts.

They include Maine's 2nd, where Democratic-aligned outside groups have poured money into an advertising campaign railing against incumbent Republican Rep. Bruce Poliquin's health care positions since October 2017.

Trump won the rural Maine district by 10 points in 2016, while Obama carried it by more than 8 points four years earlier.

Democratic candidate Jared Golden, an Iraq war veteran, seized on health care in his closing message. "When I came home from Iraq, I was diagnosed with a pre-existing condition," the 36-year-old Democrat said in a recent ad. He charged that Poliquin voted with special interests "to allow insurance companies to deny health coverage to anyone with a pre-existing condition."

A Poliquin spokesman declined to respond.

Democrats' strong position has been built, in part, by a fundraising disparity that allowed them to set the terms of the debate.

In just eight Obama-Trump district across Iowa, Maine, Minnesota, New Jersey and Illinois, Democratic candidates have spent roughly \$24 million on TV ads compared to \$12 million from their Republican opponents, according to media buyers tracking ad spending.

The super PAC aligned with House Democrats has poured at least another \$7 million into the same races.

Peoples reported from New York.

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Trump pledges asylum crackdown, tent cities; is it legal? By JILL COLVIN and COLLEEN LONG, Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump says he plans to sign an order next week that could lead to the large-scale detention of migrants crossing the southern border and bar anyone caught crossing illegally from claiming asylum — two legally dubious proposals that mark his latest election-season barrage against illegal immigration.

Trump also said he had told the U.S. military mobilizing at the southwest border that if U.S. troops face rock-throwing migrants, they should react as though the rocks were "rifles."

"This is an invasion," Trump declared, as he has previously on a subject that has been shown to resonate strongly with his base of Republican supporters. He made his comments Thursday at the White House in a rambling, campaign-style speech that was billed as a response to caravans of migrants traveling slowly by foot toward the U.S. border. But Trump offered few details on how exactly he planned to overhaul an asylum system he claimed was plagued by "endemic abuse" that he said "makes a mockery of our immigration system."

U.S. immigration laws make clear that migrants seeking asylum may do so either at or between border crossings. But Trump said he would limit that to official crossing points. The U.S. also doesn't have space at the border to manage the large-scale detention of migrants, with most facilities at capacity. Trump said the government would erect "massive tents" instead.

His announcement marked Trump's latest attempt to keep the issue of immigration front-and-center in the final stretch before next Tuesday's elections. Trump has spent the waning days of the campaign hammering the issue at every occasion as he tries to energize Republican voters using the same playbook that helped him win in 2016. In addition to deploying the military to the southern border to stave off the caravan, Trump announced plans to try to end the constitutionally-protected right of birthright citizenship for all children born in the U.S.

He brought up immigration issues several times during a political rally Thursday night in Columbia, Mis-

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souri. He railed against "birth tourism," where mothers from abroad travel to America to have babies so they will automatically be U.S. citizens. And he denounced "chain migration," where these new citizens then bring in their extended families into the country.

"You come into the country — you're like two months old ... and you're gonna bring 'em all — your aunts and uncles and grandfathers and lots of people," he said.

The president announced Wednesday that he was considering deploying up to 15,000 troops to the U.S.-Mexican border in response to the caravans — roughly double the number the Pentagon said it currently plans for a mission that has been criticized as unnecessary, considering the caravans remain hundreds of miles away.

Trump said Thursday he was "not going to put up with" any sort of violence directed at those U.S. forces, warning the military would fight back. "When they throw rocks like they did at the Mexico military and police, I say consider it a rifle," he said.

The exact rules for the use of force by military police and other soldiers who will be operating near the border have not been disclosed, but in all cases troops have the right of self-defense.

Still, Mark Hertling, a retired Army general, wrote on Twitter after Trump's speech that no military officer would allow a soldier to shoot an individual throwing a rock. "It would be an unlawful order," he wrote, citing the Law of Land Warfare.

Trump said Thursday that, under his order, any migrants who do enter the country would be housed in "massive tent cities" he plans to build while their cases are processed.

"We're going to catch, we're not going to release," he said.

Under current protocol, many asylum seekers are released while their cases make their way through backlogged courts — a process that can take years.

Critics said the speech seemed mostly designed to scare, with no specifics on what mechanisms Trump intended to use to push through his desired changes. Administration officials have told The AP that Trump intends to invoke the same authority he used to push through his controversal travel ban, but it's not clear if that's what he was doing with Thursday's speech.

"He's really trying to scare the American public into thinking these are thousands of dangerous thugs," said Greg Chen, of the American Immigration Lawyers Association. "It's a classic strategy that goes back to 19th century nativist thinking."

Trump and other administration officials have long said those seeking asylum should come through legal ports of entry. But many migrants are unaware of that guidance, and official border crossings have grown increasingly clogged. Immigration officials have turned away asylum-seekers at border crossings because of overcrowding, telling them to return at a later date. Backlogs have become especially bad in recent months at crossings in California, Arizona and Texas, with people generally waiting five weeks to try to claim asylum at San Diego's main crossing and sleeping out in the open for days at a time.

Migrants who cross illegally are generally arrested and often seek asylum or some other form of protection. Claims have spiked in recent years, and there is currently a backlog of more than 800,000 cases pending in immigration court. Administration officials have railed against what they say are loopholes designed to encourage people, especially from Central America, to come to the U.S. and claim asylum. Generally, only about 20 percent of applicants are approved.

The U.S. fielded more than 330,000 asylum claims in 2017, nearly double the number two years earlier and surpassing Germany as highest in the world.

But it remains unclear how many people currently en route to the U.S. will even make it to the border. There are currently four caravans. The main group of about 4,000 migrants — down from its estimated peak of more than 7,000 — remains in southern Mexico, hundreds of miles from the border. A second, smaller group of 1,000 or so is more than 200 miles behind the first. A third band of about 500 from El Salvador has made it to Guatemala, and a fourth group of about 700 set out from the Salvadoran capital Wednesday.

Similar caravans have gathered regularly over the years and have generally dwindled by the time they reach the southern border. And most have passed largely unnoticed.

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Trump has nonetheless mounted an enormous show of force in response to their movement — coinciding with elections that will determine which party controls Congress.

The first 100 active duty troops arrived at the border in McAllen, Texas, on Thursday — part of the "more than 7,000" troops the Pentagon said were being sent to support Customs and Border Protection agents.

"These illegal caravans will not be allowed into the United States and they should turn back now because they're wasting their time," Trump said Thursday.

Notably, he said his executive order would come next week, which means it could be after Election Day. Trump has rejected the idea he has been "fearmongering" and using the issue for political purposes, but on Thursday he blamed Democrats for the "incompetent, very, very stupid laws that we have." He noted at one point, "Women want security."

Trump also tweeted a video Wednesday alleging, without evidence, that Democrats were responsible for allowing a homicidal immigrant into the U.S. The video was reminiscent of the infamous "Willie Horton" ad used against Democratic presidential candidate Michael Dukakis in 1988 and condemned as racist.

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Protests in Pakistan delay release of Christian woman By MUNIR AHMED and ASIM TANVEER, Associated Press

ISLAMABAD (AP) — The release of a Christian woman in Pakistan, acquitted eight years after being sentenced to death for blasphemy, was apparently delayed Friday after talks failed between the government and radical Islamists who want her publicly hanged.

Islamists held rallies Friday across Pakistan against freedom for Asia Bibi and to denounce Wednesday's Supreme Court ruling that overturned her 2010 conviction of insulting the Prophet Muhammad. Her family has always maintained her innocence and says she never insulted Islam's prophet.

Since the landmark ruling, radical Islamists have blocked highways and damaged or set fire to dozens of vehicles to pressure the government to stop Bibi's release from an undisclosed detention facility.

On Friday, over 2,000 demonstrators blocked a key road linking the capital, Islamabad, with the garrison city of Rawalpindi, causing traffic jams. Hundreds also blocked another key motorway, connecting Islamabad with other major cities. No violence was reported during the rallies.

On Thursday, a lawyer representing a local cleric who had raised the initial blasphemy charges against Bibi petitioned the Supreme Court to reverse its acquittal.

Pakistan shut down schools and colleges after radical cleric Khadim Hussain Rizvi, the leader of Tehreek-e-Labbaik party, announced that "talks" between his deputies and the government about Bibi's fate had failed.

Before dawn Friday, Rizvi told an emotionally-charged rally in the eastern city of Lahore that one of the government negotiators threatened his deputies during the talks that security forces will ruthlessly kill them if they did not disperse peacefully. He asked his supporters to continue sit-ins as authorities summoned paramilitary troops to restore order.

"We are ready to die to show our love for the prophet," he said.

Rizvi's envoys had demanded that Bibi be barred from leaving the country but Information Minister Fawad Chaudhry rejected the demand, saying the government will not accept any dictates.

Ghulam Mustafa, a lawyer representing a provincial cleric in Punjab who had filed the initial blasphemy charges against Bibi, petitioned the Supreme Court, requesting the judges review her acquittal. The court has set not dates to take up the petition, but Bibi's release could be further delayed by the process. Pakistan's Supreme Court has not been known to reverse its decisions but court reviews typically take years.

Interior Minister Sheharyar Afridi said Friday that officials were trying to persuade Islamists to disperse

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their rallies peacefully.

Authorities also stepped up security near an undisclosed detention facility where Bibi is being held for her safety. On Thursday, prison officials said two inmates were arrested last month for planning to kill Bibi by strangling her. They said the men were still being questioned.

Bibi's family had expected her release by Thursday night. Her husband, Ashiq Masih, returned from Britain with their children in mid-October and was waiting for her release so that they can fly out of Pakistan. Though the family has not disclosed the country of her destination, France and Spain have offered asylum.

Islamabad authorities suspended mobile phone services on Friday in the city, likely to prevent the crowds from swelling further in the Pakistan capital.

Bibi's acquittal has posed a challenge to the government of Pakistan's new Prime Minister Imran Khan, who came to power this summer partly by pursuing the Islamist agenda.

Khan condemned the Islamists on Wednesday after cleric Afzal Qadri urged supporters to kill the three judges who acquitted Bibi, revolt against army chief Gen. Qamar Javed Bajwa and overthrow Khan's government.

Military's spokesman Maj. Gen. Asif Ghafoor said Friday the army was exercising restraint, to give a chance for a peaceful resolution. He asked demonstrators to refrain from violence and await the outcome of the review petition to the Supreme Court.

"Let this legal process be completed first," he told state-run Pakistan Television.

Bibi was arrested in 2009 after she was accused of blasphemy following a quarrel with two fellow female farm workers who refused to drink from a water container used by a Christian. A few days later, a mob accused her of insulting Islam's prophet, leading to her 2010 conviction.

Bibi's case has drawn international attention and also put Pakistan's controversial blasphemy laws into focus again. The charge of blasphemy carried the death penalty in this majority Muslim nation and critics say it is often used to settle feuds and arguments.

Tanveer reported from Multan, Pakistan.

Woman fought with driver, causing bus to fall in China river

BEIJING (AP) — A fight between a bus driver and a passenger who missed her stop caused the bus to plunge off a high bridge into China's Yangtze River, police said Friday. All 15 people onboard are presumed dead.

An eight-second surveillance video released by Chongqing city police on its Weibo social media account shows the two arguing and grappling with each other in the moments before the bus suddenly veered across oncoming traffic and off the bridge Sunday morning.

Buses in China often have surveillance cameras.

A statement from Wanzhou district police said the 48-year-old female passenger asked the driver to pull over after she missed her stop, but he didn't. She walked up to the driver's seat and scolded him. The driver turned his head back several times arguing.

As the quarrel escalated, the statement said, the woman hit the driver on the head with her cellphone. The driver took his right arm off the steering wheel and fought back. He grabbed her arm when she attacked him again, then hastily steered to the left, sending the bus out of control.

The Chongqing police also posted dashcam video from a nearby car showing the bus colliding with an oncoming vehicle before smashing through a guardrail and falling into the Yangtze, a major river in southwestern China.

The Wanzhou police statement said the behavior of the driver and the passenger seriously endangered public safety and violated the law.

Rescuers lifted the wreck of the bus from the river Wednesday night. Thirteen bodies have been found and two remain missing, the official Xinhua News Agency said.

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10 Things to Know for Today

By The Associated Press

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

1. NEW ANTI-IMMIGRATION PLANS MAY SKIRT LEGALITY

President Trump plans to sign an order that could lead to the large-scale detention of migrants crossing the southern border and bar anyone caught crossing illegally from claiming asylum. The legally dubious proposals mark his latest election-season barrage against illegal immigration.

2. A DAY IN THE LIFE: HONDURAN FAMILY'S STRUGGLES IN CARAVAN

Seeing no future in their homeland, Joel Eduardo Espinar and his family still have Mexico to traverse before getting to the United States.

3. PITTSBURGH GRIEVES ONCE MORE

A 97-year-old woman who was the oldest victim of the synagogue massacre will be laid to rest at the end of a wrenching, weeklong series of funerals.

4. PIPE BOMB SUSPECT IN COURT FOR BAIL, REMOVAL HEARING

Cesar Sayoc, accused of sending explosive devices to prominent Democrats and critics of Trump, will appear in Miami, though he may be eventually moved to New York to be prosecuted.

5. IT'S NOT ALL DEMOCRATS AND REPUBLICANS

Third-party candidates could become "spoilers" in the mid-term elections by peeling off just enough support from one party's nominee to let the other major party win.

6. WHERE NEW PENALTIES COULD CAUSE UNREST

Already grappling with an economic crisis, Iran is bracing for the restoration of U.S. sanctions next week on its vital oil industry.

7. WOMAN IN PAKISTAN BLASPHEMY CASE NOT YET FREE

The release of a Christian woman acquitted eight years after being sentenced to death was apparently delayed, after talks failed between the government and radical Islamists who want her publicly hanged.

8. HIGH-TECH WORKERS EMERGE FROM THEIR BUBBLES

Elite technology employees have been stirring and in some cases organizing to champion a wide range of social and political causes.

9. YOU'D BÉTTER WATCH YOUR SKIN

The Pacific nation of Palau will soon ban many types of sunscreen in an attempt to protect its coral reefs 10. FOOTBALL ROOKIE MAKES GREAT FIRST IMPRESSION

Nick Mullens threw for 262 yards and three touchdowns and the San Francisco 49ers thoroughly dominated the Battle of the Bay, beating the Oakland Raiders 34-3.

Asia shares reap big gains following rebound on Wall Street By ELAINE KURTENBACH, AP Business Writer

BANGKOK (AP) — Asian shares advanced Friday after a strong finish on Wall Street, helped by news of possible progress on resolving trade tensions between China and the U.S.

KEEPING SCORE: Hong Kong's Hang Seng index jumped 2.4 percent to 26,026.18 and the Shanghai Composite index added 1.2 percent to 2,637.65. Japan's Nikkei 225 index climbed 0.7 percent to 21,842.77 while South Korea's Kospi climbed 2.2 percent to 2,069.00. The S&P ASX/200 in Australia slipped 0.5 percent to 5,813.90. Shares fell in Taiwan but fell in India and Southeast Asia.

WALL STREET: U.S. stocks continued their gradual rebound from a plunge that lasted almost the entire month of October, and many of the biggest gains Thursday came from stocks that struggled badly last month like chipmakers and other technology companies and smaller, domestically-focused companies. The S&P 500 index added 1.1 percent to 2,740.37. The Dow Jones Industrial Average also picked up 1.1 percent, to 25,380.74. The Nasdaq composite climbed 1.8 percent to 7,434.06 and the Russell 2000 index jumped 2.2 percent, to 1,544.98.

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CHINA-US TRADE: U.S. President Donald Trump tweeted that he spoke with Chinese President Xi Jinping and that the two countries were making some progress in trade negotiations. He didn't give details, but there have been few signs of movement in the trade dispute in recent months, and investors are getting nervous about the prospect of huge tariff increases. Meanwhile, Chinese state media said Xi has promised tax cuts and other help to China's entrepreneurs in a renewed effort to revive the cooling, state-dominated economy.

ANALYST'S VIEWPOINT: Liz Ann Sonders, chief investment strategist for Charles Schwab, said one reason for the recent market rout was that companies started to give more details about how much the tariffs could hurt them. "Companies are saying 'this is biting and here's how," she said. "They're starting to talk about profit margins and whether they're going to pass the expenses onto consumers."

CURRENCIES: The pound fell back after a rally based on a report that that Britain and the European Union had reached a deal to give U.K. financial services companies access to the bloc after Brexit. The article by The Times cited anonymous sources, and other reports suggested a deal had not yet been finalized. The British pound slipped to \$1.2990 from \$1.3004. The dollar edged up to 112.73 yen from 112.71 yen and the euro slipped to \$1.1402 from \$1.1408.

ENERGY: Oil prices continued to weaken after the Department of Energy said U.S. crude stockpiles increased for the sixth straight week. Benchmark U.S. crude slipped 24 cents to \$63.45 per barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. It slumped 2.5 percent to \$63.69 a barrel in New York. Brent crude, used to price international oils, lost 26 cents to \$72.63 per barrel. It shed 2.9 percent Thursday to \$72.89 a barrel in London.

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Today in HistoryBy The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Friday, Nov. 2, the 306th day of 2018. There are 59 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 2, 1976, former Georgia Gov. Jimmy Carter became the first candidate from the Deep South since the Civil War to be elected president as he defeated incumbent Gerald R. Ford.

On this date:

In 1783, General George Washington issued his Farewell Address to the Army near Princeton, New Jersey.

In 1889, North Dakota and South Dakota became the 39th and 40th states with the signing of proclamations by President Benjamin Harrison.

In 1917, British Foreign Secretary Arthur Balfour issued a declaration expressing support for a "national home" for the Jews in Palestine.

In 1930, Haile Selassie (HY'-lee sehl-AH'-see) was crowned emperor of Ethiopia.

In 1947, Howard Hughes piloted his huge wooden flying boat, the Hughes H-4 Hercules (derisively dubbed the "Spruce Goose" by detractors), on its only flight, which lasted about a minute over Long Beach Harbor in California.

In 1948, President Harry S. Truman surprised the experts by winning a narrow upset over Republican challenger Thomas E. Dewey.

In 1950, playwright George Bernard Shaw, 94, died in Ayot St. Lawrence, Hertfordshire, England.

In 1959, game show contestant Charles Van Doren admitted to a House subcommittee that he'd been given questions and answers in advance when he appeared on the N-B-C T-V program "Twenty-One."

In 1986, kidnappers in Lebanon released American hospital administrator David Jacobsen after holding him for 17 months.

In 1992, movie producer Hal Roach died in Los Angeles at age 100.

In 1994, a jury in Pensacola, Florida, convicted Paul Hill of murder for the shotgun slayings of an abor-

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tion provider and his bodyquard; Hill was executed in September 2003.

In 2000, American astronaut Bill Shepherd and two Russian cosmonauts, Yuri Gidzenko and Sergei Krikalev, became the first residents of the international space station.

Ten years ago: Barack Obama and John McCain uncorked massive get-out-the-vote operations in more than a dozen battleground states the Sunday before Election Day. Obama's grandmother, Madelyn Payne Dunham, died in Honolulu at age 86. Paula Radcliffe defended her title at the New York City Marathon to become the second woman to win the race three times; Marilson Gomes dos Santos of Brazil won the men's race for the second time in three years.

Five years ago: Gunmen abducted and killed French radio journalists Ghislaine Dupont and Claude Verlon in northern Mali, grabbing the pair as they left the home of a rebel leader.

One year ago: President Donald Trump tapped Jerome Powell to replace Janet Yellen as Federal Reserve chair at the end of her term in February. Authorities in Los Angeles and New York said they had opened new investigations prompted by sexual misconduct allegations against Harvey Weinstein. Twitter reported that a customer support worker who was on his or her last day on the job had deactivated President Donald Trump's Twitter account for a few minutes, resulting in an error message that the user "does not exist."

Today's Birthdays: Singer Jay Black (Jay and the Americans) is 80. Political commentator Patrick Buchanan is 80. Actress Stefanie Powers is 76. Author Shere (shehr) Hite is 76. Country-rock singer-songwriter J.D. Souther is 73. Actress Kate Linder is 71. Rock musician Carter Beauford (The Dave Matthews Band) is 61. Actor Peter Mullan is 59. Singer-songwriter k.d. lang is 57. Rock musician Bobby Dall (Poison) is 55. Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Lynn Nottage is 54. Actress Lauren Velez is 54. Actor Sean Kanan is 52. Actor David Schwimmer is 52. Christian/jazz singer Alvin Chea (Take 6) is 51. Jazz singer Kurt Elling is 51. Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker is 51. Rock singer-musician Neal Casal is 50. Rock musician Fieldy is 49. Actress Meta Golding is 47. Rock singer-musician John Hampson (Nine Days) is 47. Actress Marisol Nichols is 47. Rhythm-and-blues singer Timothy Christian Riley (Tony Toni Tone) is 44. Rapper Nelly is 44. Actor Danny Cooksey is 43. Rock musician Chris Walla is 43. Actress Reshma Shetty is 41. Country singer Erika Jo is 32. Actor-singer Kendall Schmidt is 28.

Thought for Today: "If I have any beliefs about immortality, it is that certain dogs I have known will go to heaven, and very, very few persons." — James Thurber (1894-1961).