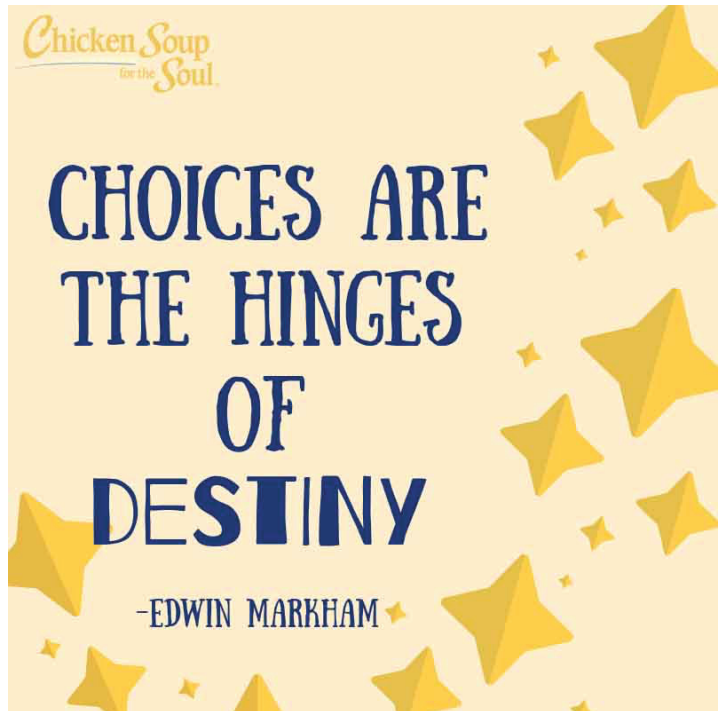


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➤ Update assessments and plans as needed and required by state or federal regulations

➤ Develop monthly recreation program calendars that reflect and meet the needs of facility residents

➤ Communicate facility programs to residents, staff, family and volunteers

➤ Manage facility Volunteer Program

➤ Maintain departmental documentation that reflects services provided and resident progress towards goals

➤ In coordination with social services facilitate the residents in the organization and continued development of a Resident's Council

➤ Make job assignments and set priorities

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Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

Monday, May 13, 2019

10:00am: Girls Varsity Northeast Conference Golf Meet at the Olive Grove Golf Course, Groton. (Aberdeen Roncalli, Milbank, Redfield-Doland, Sisseton)

10:00am: Northeast Conference Junior High Track Meet at Webster

7:00pm- 10:00pm: School Board Meeting at Groton Area High School

Thursday, May 16, 2019

10:00am: Golf: Girls Varsity Meet@ Sisseton Golf Course

12:00pm: Track: Varsity Regions @ Redfield High School

Friday, May 17, 2019

12:30pm- 3:00pm: Elementary Track and Field Day at Doney Field

Sunday, May 19, 2019

2:00pm: Graduation at Groton Area High School

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

2:00pm: DARE Graduation at GHS Gymnasium

7 p.m.: City Council Meeting at the Groton Community Center

Wednesday, May 22, 2019

End of 4th Quarter - Final Day of School

12:00pm: Golf: Girls Varsity Meet @ Milbank Golf Course

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Faculty Inservice

10:00am: Golf: Girls Varsity Regions @ Milbank Golf Course

Friday, May 24, 2019

Faculty Inservice

STATE TRACK MEET @ TEA AREA

Saturday, May 25, 2019

STATE TRACK MEET @ SIOUX FALLS

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**AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
BROWN COUNTY COMMISSION
COMMISSIONER'S CHAMBERS, COURTHOUSE ANNEX
25 MARKET STREET, ABERDEEN SD**

**TUESDAY
MAY 14, 2019**

8:45 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. – Ord. 136 – Kirchgessler Rezone, 1st Reading
8:50 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. – Patrick Gallagher, Grow SD – Update and Funding Request
9:00 a.m. - 9:10 a.m. – Scott Neuendorf, BC Speedway – Demo Derby
9:10 a.m. - 9:20 a.m. – Dirk Rogers, Highway Superintendent – Discuss Surplus Sale, Department Update
& Summer Help
9:20 a.m. – 9:30a.m. - Legal Discussion

- Approve General Meeting Minutes from May 7, 2019
- Claims/Payroll
- HR Report
- Fair Contracts
- Leases
- Claim Assignment
- Authorize publication for Stutsman HD Malt Beverage License

Any other matters to come before the Commission for discussion

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SOUTH DAKOTA GOVERNOR **KRISTI NOEM**



Reclaiming Hope

The lone graduate stood in front of the audience and tried to hold back tears as she told her story of addiction and her plans to stay clean – for her daughter. She wants to sing with her and teach her about her Native American culture. She wants to have a strong family and be a good, sober mom.

As I listened to Mary speak at the Drug Court graduation ceremony earlier this month, I was reminded of the pain and difficulty of overcoming addiction.

As governor, I often see the impact of drugs and alcohol on individuals and families. I've seen people get out of jail, only to land back in the courts. Sometimes, it seems like an endless cycle of arrests, hearings, and releases – one in three people who are in South Dakota's state prison right now are serving time for drug offenses. Nationally, half of all inmates are clinically addicted to drugs or alcohol.

I want to get aggressive on confronting South Dakota's drug epidemic and breaking our cycles of addiction. To do this, I'm focusing on prevention, enforcement, and rehabilitation.

We need to educate kids about the dangers of drugs. At the beginning of this year, I worked with legislators to build a life skills training program to implement in our middle schools. This program consists of 15 sessions per year over the three years where students learn practical skills. Programs like this have been proven to reduce the risk of alcohol, tobacco, violence and drug abuse through the teaching of drug resistance, life-management, and general social skills. I'm hopeful a program like this will show kids an alternative to drugs and give them hope for a brighter future.

I also want to reach out to people who are already caught in the cycles of addiction. We need to expand treatment options for people who need help. Sometimes, that will require jail time, but many times, I think there is a better way to help people than to make them sit in jail for five or ten or 15 years.

The most recent study put out in South Dakota shows that 45 percent of people who serve a prison sentence will end up committing another crime. More than four in ten people serving time right now will return to prison within three years. Ninety-five percent of people who are incarcerated due to substance abuse will relapse. Yet many of those incarcerated cannot get treatment within those walls.

We can't keep doing the same things and expect different results. In this regard, our criminal justice system is broken. It's outdated.

Programs like the Drug Court show different results. Drug courts reduce crime by 45 percent more than other sentencing options. They show that people are more likely to stay clean than those who only serve jail time. They incorporate families into the recovery process and teach people life skills.

It's also cost-effective. In South Dakota, it costs about \$21,000 per person per year to incarcerate a drug-using offender. The cost of a year in the Drug Court program is about \$9,000.

The drug court program is strict, but it produces results. Seventy people have graduated from the 6th Circuit's problem-solving courts alone. I want to expand options like this in our state. I'm committed to doing that.

Because I want to hear more stories like Mary's. Her story is a testimony of reclaiming hope – proof that perseverance produces progress, and that addiction can be beat.

If you or someone you love is battling an addiction, I encourage you to get help. You are stronger than this. Your story is not over. Reach out and reclaim hope.

Gov. Noem Requests FEMA Preliminary Damage Assessment For Damages In South Dakota Counties, On Tribal Reservations

PIERRE, S.D – Gov. Kristi Noem has requested that FEMA join state and local teams for a preliminary assessment of damages to public property as a result of the severe winter storms, snowmelt, rains, and subsequent flooding that occurred throughout South Dakota.

The Preliminary Damage Assessment (PDA) process allows for these teams to assess the extent and severity of damages to public infrastructure in 58 counties and seven tribal reservations impacted.

“We know there was public property damage in many counties and on tribal reservations,” said Gov. Noem. “This assessment will provide a more detailed and accurate picture of the extent of the damage and where it is located.”

Assessments start Monday, May 13, 2019, and are expected to continue throughout the week and include the following counties and tribal reservations:

Aurora, Beadle, Bennett, Bon Homme, Brookings, Brown, Brule, Buffalo, Campbell, Charles Mix, Clark, Clay, Codington, Davison, Day, Deuel, Dewey, Douglas, Edmunds, Fall River, Faulk, Grant, Gregory, Hamlin, Hand, Hanson, Hughes, Hutchinson, Hyde, Jackson, Jerauld, Jones, Kingsbury, Lake, Lincoln, Lyman, Marshall, McCook, McPherson, Mellette, Miner, Minnehaha, Moody, Oglala Lakota, Pennington, Perkins, Potter, Roberts, Sanborn, Spink, Sully, Todd, Tripp, Turner, Union, Walworth, Yankton, Ziebach which also includes the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe; Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, Lower Brule Sioux Tribe, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Rosebud Sioux Tribe, Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate, and the Yankton Sioux Tribe.

Eligible applicants include state, county and local governments as well as township and road districts; private non-profit organizations such as fire departments, rural electric cooperatives, libraries and community centers; and tribal governments within the areas being assessed.

Gov. Noem says the information gathered during the PDA process will help determine whether federal assistance should be requested and will form the basis for any disaster declaration.

A preliminary damage assessment of individual property was done May 6-10, 2019.

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South Dakota

GAME, FISH AND PARKS



May GFP Commission Proposals and Finalizations

- New Special Buck Any Whitetail License Finalized
- License Increase for Black Hills Deer Hunting Season
- Changes to Custer State Park Deer Hunting Season
- GFP Commission Approves Criteria for Resident and Nonresident Future Allocations
- 2019 and 2020 East River Deer Hunting Seasons Set
- 2019 and 2020 West River Deer Hunting Seasons Set
- 2019 and 2020 Refuge Deer Hunting Seasons Set
- More Counties Now Open for Antlerless Archery & Muzzleloader Hunting
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- GFP Commission Proposes Spearing Restrictions on Pactola Reservoir
- GFP Commission Proposes Lifting No Wake Zone on Deerfield Reservoir

New Special Buck Any Whitetail License Finalized

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission added special buck any whitetail licenses for residents and nonresidents to the choices hunters could choose from for future West River deer hunting seasons.

The Commission added the Special Buck any whitetail deer licenses to be allocated at the greater of four percent of the total resident West River deer licenses that include an any whitetail deer tag from the previous year or a minimum 500 each for resident and nonresident hunters.

The licenses will cost \$169 for residents and \$554 for nonresidents.

If a person successfully drew a special buck any whitetail deer license, they will not be able to apply for a West River deer license in the initial and second deer drawings.

If a person successfully drew a West River deer license they are not eligible for a leftover special buck any whitetail deer license.

Special Buck licenses are only valid on private land. An applicant must have permission from an owner or lessee of private land before applying and include the name and telephone number of the owner or lessee providing permission.

License Increases for Black Hills Deer Hunting Season

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission finalized the 2019 and 2020 Black Hills fire-arms deer hunting seasons.

The season will run Nov. 1-30 for both 2019 and 2020 and have a maximum of:

200 resident and 16 nonresident any deer licenses.

3,500 resident and 280 nonresident any whitetail deer licenses.

1,100 resident and 88 nonresident antlerless whitetail deer licenses.

These changes represent an increase of antlerless whitetail licenses by 540 tags; 500 resident and 40 for nonresident hunters.

Changes to Custer State Park Deer Hunting Season

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission increased Custer State Park deer licenses up to 24 more for the 2019 and 2020 deer hunting seasons.

In addition, the Commission changed the Dec. 1-15 season (Unit CUD-2), from a muzzleloader only to an any weapon season.

Season unit dates:

- CUD-1: November 1-30 (only archery equipment allowed from November 1-15)
- CUD-2: December 1-15

2019 and 2020 Licenses available:

- 5 any deer licenses
- 33 any whitetail deer licenses
- 50 antlerless whitetail deer licenses

GFP Commission Approves Criteria for Resident and Nonresident Future Allocations

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission finalized a list of criteria they will use when considering options for outdoor opportunities for resident and nonresidents.

These criteria were initially discussed and created by a citizen work group, consisting of commission representatives, hunters, anglers, sportsmen/women groups, outfitters, tourism and retail representatives. The criteria will be used to consider future license allocations; however, when using the criteria it is understood that not all items would need to be addressed.

The five areas of criteria the Commission will now consider include:

1. The Issue

- Why make the change, what are the change alternatives, how will public/stakeholder input be solicited, and how will the change be evaluated if implemented?

2. Historical Considerations

- What are the current and projected trends in resident and nonresident license sales, documented and/or perceived hunter densities and the ramifications of these densities?
- How do neighboring states address the identified issue?

3. Biological Considerations

- What is the current and projected status of the population and habitat conditions for these populations?

4. Social Considerations

- How would the change affect resident and nonresident: current and future generations of families, opportunities to expand outdoor recreation participation and patterns of land ownership.

5. Financial considerations

- What are the financial implications of the change for current and future: revenue for GFP and the ability of GFP to support species and habitat management programs, program income for landowners to manage habitat, sales tax collections in SD, and personal income of business owners and their employees.

For more information, visit: <https://gfp.sd.gov/pages/resident-nonresident/>

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2019 and 2020 East River Deer Hunting Seasons Set

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission made a slight increase in buck tags for the 2019 and 2020 East River deer hunting seasons.

Season dates include:

- November 23 – December 8, 2019
- December 14-22, 2019 – for antlerless deer tags only
- November 21 – December 6, 2020
- December 12-20, 2020 – for antlerless deer tags only

The Commission adjusted resident license numbers from no more than 21,075 one-tag and 5,250 two-tag deer licenses to no more than 24,510 one-tag and 2,800 two-tag tag deer licenses, increasing licenses available to harvest any deer by five percent and decrease antlerless licenses by up to 13 percent.

The Commission also established Units 13P (Brule County), 33P (Hand County), 36P (Hughes County), and 38P (Hyde County). These units are for antlerless whitetail deer licenses and would be valid on private land only; all public lands would be closed to license holders within these respective units, including Walk-in Areas.

2019 and 2020 West River Deer Hunting Seasons Set

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission increased antlerless tags for the West River deer hunting season nearly 40 percent for 2019 and 2020.

Season dates include:

2019

- All units excluding Gregory County: November 16 – December 1, 2019
- Gregory County (Unit 30A): Nov. 9-12 and Nov. 25 – Dec. 1, 2019
- Gregory County (Unit 30B): November 16 – December 1, 2019
- Antlerless deer tags only: December 14-22, 2019

2020

- All units excluding Gregory County: November 14-29, 2020
- Gregory County (Unit 30A): Nov. 7-10 and Nov. 23-29, 2020
- Gregory County (Unit 30B): November 14-29, 2020
- Antlerless deer tags only: December 12-20, 2020

The Commission adjusted resident license numbers from no more than 15,340 one-tag and 3,320 two-tag deer licenses to 12,308 one-tag, 5,220 two-tag deer licenses and 400 three-tag deer licenses.

The Commission also established Units 15P (includes that portion valid within Unit 15A of Butte County), 27P (includes that portion valid within Unit 27B of Fall River County), and 45P (includes that portion valid within Unit 45B of Lyman County). These units are for antlerless whitetail deer licenses and will be private land only; all public lands are closed to license holders within these respective units, including Walk-in Areas.

2019 and 2020 Refuge Deer Hunting Seasons Set

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission set the 2019 and 2020 National Wildlife Refuge deer hunting seasons.

Season dates include:

2019

Sand Lake NWR

- November 9-13
- November 14-18
- November 19-24
- November 25 – December 1

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- December 2-8
- December 9-17 (unfilled antlerless licenses only)

Lacreek NWR

- October 16-22
- November 27 – December 3

Waubay NWR - includes Waubay State Game Refuge

- November 16-24
- November 30 – December 8

2020

Sand Lake NWR

- November 14-18
- November 19-23
- November 24-29
- November 30 – December 6
- December 7-13,
- December 14-22 (unfilled antlerless licenses only)

Lacreek NWR

- October 21-27
- November 25 – December 1

Waubay NWR - includes Waubay State Game Refuge

- November 14-22
- November 28 – December 6

Number of licenses available include:

Sand Lake NWR

- Resident: 80 any deer and 25 any antlerless deer licenses
- Nonresident: 8 any deer and 2 any antlerless deer licenses

Lacreek NWR

- Residents: 20 any deer licenses
- Nonresidents: 2 any deer licenses

Waubay NWR

- Residents: 20 any deer licenses
- Nonresidents: 2 any deer licenses

The Commission also modified the season dates for the Waubay National Wildlife Refuge as follows: WA1 will be open for nine consecutive days beginning seven days before the beginning of the East River deer season; WA2 will be open for five consecutive days beginning on the day following the end of WA1; and WA3 will be open for nine consecutive days beginning on the day following the end of WA2.

The Commission proposed to make an allowance for antlerless archery deer licenses to be valid for the Sand Lake National Wildlife Refuge and for unfilled antlerless deer licenses for the Sand Lake National Wildlife Refuge, change current rule from nine consecutive days beginning on the Saturday following December 25 to nine consecutive days beginning on the day following the end of the Unit RFD-SL5 season.

More Counties Now Open for Antlerless Archery and Muzzleloader Hunting

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission set the 2019 and 2020 muzzleloader deer hunting season to run Dec. 1 – Jan. 1.

There will be 1,000 any deer licenses and an unlimited amount of antlerless whitetail deer licenses. Antlerless whitetail deer licenses are valid in a larger part of the state as the Commission closed Unit

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59A for that license, and opened Units 05A, 11A, 11B, 17A, 18A, 22A, 23A, 25A, 32A, 39B, 45B, 48A, 55A for antlerless whitetail hunting.

The archery deer hunting season dates are Sept. 1 – Jan. 1 for 2019 and 2020.

Similar to the muzzleloader season, archery any antlerless whitetail licenses (ARD-LM1) will be closed for unit 59A and opened in units 05A, 11A, 11B, 17A, 18A, 22A, 23A, 25A, 32A, 39B, 45B, 48A, 55A for antlerless whitetail hunting.

The Commission also increased the number of Adams Homestead and Nature Preserve access permits for antlerless whitetail deer from 25 to 30.

GFP Commission Rezones Parts of Three Waterbodies

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission rezoned parts of three waterbodies.

The Commission created a “no wake zone” at Compton’s Cove in Stanley County. This area is just north of Marion’s Gardens, in Fort Pierre, on the Missouri River.

The Commission also modified the “no boating zone” dates on the Putney Slough Game Production Area from Oct.15 – Dec.31 to Oct. 20 – Dec. 31. This will give boaters and waterfowl hunters more opportunity and simplify regulations.

Finally, the Commission removed the “no boating zone” on the north half of Long Lake in Codington County. Long Lake has become a popular fishery and the department is planning to develop a modern boat ramp on the lake to provide better public access.

GFP Commission Proposes Adjustments for Bighorn Sheep Auction Tag License

The South Dakota Game, Fish, and Parks (GFP) Commission proposed to remove the November 1 deadline for nonprofit groups to submit an application letter for the opportunity to auction the bighorn sheep auction tag license.

The Commission proposal would allow the Commission to establish a new date to allow flexibility in conjunction with the bighorn sheep auction.

The Commission also proposed to allow the bighorn sheep auction license to be valid in both Custer County and the Badlands hunting units.

To comment in person, the public hearing will be held June 6 at 2 p.m. CDT in Pierre. Individuals can comment online at <https://gfp.sd.gov/forms/positions/> or mail them to 523 E. Capitol Ave., Pierre, SD 57501. To be included in the public record and to be considered by the Commission, comments must include a full name and city of residence.

GFP Commission Proposes Modifications to Use Firearms, Archery Equipment in Parks

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission proposed to ease and revise some restrictions regarding hunting and target shooting equipment in state park areas that allow those activities.

The Commission proposal includes:

- Allow uncased weapons in motor vehicles, trailers, campers or boats and when being carried from parking areas to and from firearm and archery target ranges and boat ramps within state park areas.
- Allow airguns on designated shooting ranges year around and for hunting as allowed by rule.
- Expand the period when hunting, is allowed in lakeside use areas and Shadehill Recreation Area from October 1 to April 30 exclusively to September 1 to May 31 exclusive.
- Allow crossbows as legal hunting weapons in those state parks that allow hunting.

- Expand the restriction of discharging firearms and bows on the George S. Mickelson Trail to include crossbows and air guns.

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GFP Commission Proposes Spearing Restrictions on Pactola Reservoir

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission proposed to prohibit the spearing of small-mouth and largemouth bass on Pactola Reservoir, year round. Currently, all game fish species except trout and salmon may be taken with legal spears, spear guns, bow and arrow, and crossbows from May 1 through March 31.

The proposal originated through the public petition process.

To comment in person, the public hearing will be held June 6 at 2 p.m. CDT in Pierre. Individuals can comment online at <https://gfp.sd.gov/forms/positions/> or mail them to 523 E. Capitol Ave., Pierre, SD 57501. To be included in the public record and to be considered by the Commission, comments must include a full name and city of residence.

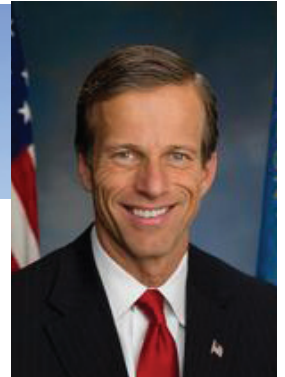
GFP Commission Proposes Lifting No Wake Zone on Deerfield Reservoir

The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) Commission proposed to remove the "No Wake Zone" restriction on Deerfield Reservoir and replace it with a 25 mph restriction. Currently, at no time may boats on Deerfield Reservoir be operated at a speed greater than five miles per hour.

The proposal originated through the public petition process.

To comment in person, the public hearing will be held June 6 at 2 p.m. CDT in Pierre. Individuals can comment online at <https://gfp.sd.gov/forms/positions/> or mail them to 523 E. Capitol Ave., Pierre, SD 57501. To be included in the public record and to be considered by the Commission, comments must include a full name and city of residence.

John Thune
U.S. SENATOR - SOUTH DAKOTA



What a Difference a Few Pro-Growth Policies Can Make

There's only one way to describe today's economy: hot. Wages are growing at the fastest pace in a decade. Economic growth crushed expectations in the first four months of the year. Productivity reached its highest level since 2010. Business investment is up. Personal income is up. Median household income is at an all-time high. And in April alone, the economy added an impressive 263,000 jobs, dropping the unemployment rate to its lowest level in half of a century.

In fact, the unemployment rate is so low, the last time we've seen anything like it was the same year Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin walked on the moon; the same year the Beatles released Abbey Road; and the same year Woodstock became a household name. To put it in even greater perspective, in 1969, the last time the unemployment rate hit this level, a gallon of gasoline would have cost you a whopping \$0.35. All that to say, it's been a while.

Just as important as knowing where we are is understanding how we got here in the first place. For nearly a decade, the policies of the previous administration hadn't worked. The economy stalled out, wages were flat, and folks were struggling. The situation appeared so dire that many economists were preparing people to accept slow economic growth as the new normal, but I, like many of my colleagues, was unwilling to accept that America couldn't do better.

Thankfully, in 2017, the Trump administration and the Republican-led Congress went in a new direction. We slashed government red tape and gave small and medium-sized businesses, farms, and ranches more room to do what they do best. We knew individual Americans were better positioned than the government to make decisions for themselves, so we acted and passed once-in-a-generation reforms to our tax code, allowing taxpayers to keep more of what they earn.

Talking about a strong economy is one thing, but realizing what it actually means is another. For many Americans, it means bigger paychecks, more opportunities, and greater peace of mind. For people looking for work, it means more job openings and less competition to land a new gig. And for business owners and job-creators, it means expanding their operations, hiring more people, and selling more goods or services.

While the broader national economy is strong, just imagine how much stronger it could be if agriculture – the lifeblood of the heartland – was on the same track. Unfortunately, it's been bogged down by protracted trade disputes that have left farmers and ranchers in their wake. Folks in the agriculture community are growing more frustrated, and I relay their concerns to the president and members of his administration nearly every time I see them. Like many South Dakota farmers and ranchers, I too support the president's goal of addressing trade imbalances, but I believe it's time to wrap up negotiations, open up markets, and give these family-run operations the certainty and security they deserve.

As we've already seen, it's amazing what a few pro-growth policies can do for the economy, and with a little bipartisan support, we can continue down this road. Let's continue to prioritize American workers and families and help ensure they have access to a secure, prosperous, and hopeful future. That's my commitment to South Dakotans and the rest of the American people.

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CONGRESSMAN
DUSTY JOHNSON
Representing **SOUTH DAKOTA** at large



Dear Addison

Dear Addison,

I got your letter and I wanted to thank you for the invite to your high school grad party. I'm going to try my best to make it.

I really appreciated what you had to say – and I'm encouraged that kids like you are the future of our country. Graduating from high school is a huge step and you should feel proud. As you embark on adulthood, you'll have the freedom to pursue your dreams, whether that's going to a four-year university or a technical trade school, starting your own business or working random jobs until you figure out what you want to do – you have that freedom.

You mentioned in your letter that you want to run for office one day. I hope you do. We need young people like you to bring fresh ideas to Congress. Now I'm only forty-two so I wouldn't consider myself old, but I'm sure I have a lot to learn from you. We may not agree on everything, but you've experienced things I never will – social media did not exist when I was in high school, dating did not involve swiping right, and self-driving cars were something we saw in the movies, not in real life.

My point is, our world is changing rapidly and many of these new changes bring extra challenges. A lot of folks think that throwing more money at our problems will fix them, I don't agree with that. It's going to take new ideas and new thinking to break the status quo we've seen in Washington for decades. That's why I ran for office and if you ever run, hopefully you'll keep that in mind.

We're living in a viral world where substance and sound ideas are set aside for appearance and popularity. I want to offer you some big brotherly advice as you enter this new stage of life post-grad. First, doing the easy thing will always be just that, easy. So, choose the road less traveled. People will respect you for it. Second, be kind. People will tell you that bringing down others or acting tough will get you ahead, but it doesn't have to be that way. Collaborate with others instead. Working together will get you much further. And third, work hard and be persistent. You'll hear no a lot more than you hear yes throughout life. Don't let it stop you. There is always a solution to a problem, you just have to be willing to find it.

I'm looking forward to seeing your name on the ballot one day. Until then, congratulations on your graduation.

Best,

Dusty

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Focusing on Lowering Healthcare Costs

Since I've been in the Senate, I have been focused on reversing the negative impacts Obamacare has had on South Dakota families. I was working as governor when Obamacare was signed into law and began to be implemented, and I saw firsthand how destructive the law was. For example, before it was enacted, South Dakota had more than a dozen insurers providing individual insurance. Today, there are just two. Additionally, South Dakota's plans addressed those with pre-existing conditions before Obamacare's one-size-fits-all mandates drove companies out of the market.

Costs for families continue to skyrocket because Obamacare—the so-called Affordable Care Act—is simply unaffordable for most South Dakotans. I am working in the Senate to find a solution to our country's healthcare needs. I recently invited Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-Tenn.), chairman of the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions, to join me in Sioux Falls where we spoke with members of the South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations about how we can minimize healthcare costs and lower premiums for South Dakota families. We also discussed ways we can reduce healthcare costs that both Republicans and Democrats can agree on, including addressing the rising costs of prescription drugs, incentivizing primary care and preventative care, and increasing transparency.

Chairman Alexander has years of experience working on healthcare issues, and I appreciated having him in South Dakota with me to talk about how we can work with providers to improve delivery of care while reducing costs for consumers. Last year, we worked closely together on legislation known as Alexander/Murray, a bipartisan proposal that would have lowered health insurance premiums by up to 40 percent over three years. I also supported bipartisan legislation that would have stabilized the individual market through new risk mitigation programs. Election-year politics got in the way of both of these bills making it across the finish line.

We continue to support the full repeal and replacement of Obamacare, but we are also leading efforts to chip away at it piece-by-piece. We're focusing on undoing the law's most unpopular provisions, like the Cadillac Tax, that would impose a 40 percent tax on certain employer-sponsored health care plans. I introduced a bipartisan bill this year to repeal the Cadillac Tax provision in Obamacare with Sen. Martin Heinrich from New Mexico. We already have more than 20 cosponsors of our legislation, and we continue to work hard to move it forward.

We were successful in getting rid of Obamacare's individual mandate in last year's tax reform package, as well as the Independent Payment Advisory Board, which was often called a "death panel." While there is more work to do, we have made progress undoing some of Obamacare's worst provisions.

When we're talking about how to reduce healthcare costs, prescription drug prices are an important part of the discussion. We all know costs are way too high for prescription drugs. Patient demand for prescription drugs continues to grow, especially as the baby-boomer generation ages and their health care needs increase. I'm working to find legislative approaches that incentivize companies to lower their prices and produce safe, effective products while at the same time allow the U.S. to continue leading the way in research and development for new life-saving medicines.

I cosponsored the CREATES Act again this Congress, bipartisan legislation that seeks to enhance competition in the prescription drug market by fast-tracking the approval process for generic drugs. I also support President Trump's initiatives to lower drug prices. His plan would end the gaming of regulatory and patent processes by drug makers to unfairly protect monopolies and would streamline and accelerate the approval process for over-the-counter drugs.

I will continue working to provide relief to South Dakota families, who deserve quality, affordable healthcare. We'll continue to focus on reforms that are patient-centered and market-based, while also working to protect individuals with pre-existing conditions who have purchased insurance, children remaining on their parents' plans until the age of 26, guaranteed renewal of coverage and portability of coverage. These principles will give all South Dakotans the opportunity to access affordable health care coverage and give them a choice when it comes to making healthcare decisions that are best for themselves and their families.

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Questions & Answers About Our Environment

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From the Editors of E - The Environmental Magazine

Dear EarthTalk: I am in the market for a small motor boat to putter around in lakes near my home in Michigan but I don't want to contribute to water pollution. What are my options?

-- Marlene Y., Merritt, MI

No doubt, boating can be an environmental nightmare given the spewing of petrochemicals and other pollutants into the waterways we love, and the toll it takes on marine wildlife and ecosystems. Spilling even a small amount of oil, diesel or gas can contaminate acres of water and poison shellfish beds.

Meanwhile, hull paints leach copper and other toxins into the water, while soaps and other cleaning solutions—not to mention the improper discharge of on-board sewage holding tanks—can be toxic to aquatic life as well.

But if you take proper precautions, boating doesn't have to be so bad. According to the non-profit Oceana, being careful not to spill during refueling seems trivial but could save the life of marine wildlife nearby. And if your boat has a two-stroke outboard engine, you can do a lot better for the environment by upgrading to a newer four-stroke engine. Due to the way they're designed, two-strokes lose up to 30 percent of their fuel right into the water, and are about a third less fuel efficient overall than newer, four-stroke counterparts.

Even better, get an emissions-free electric motor (inboard or outboard) from a company like Ray Electric, Aquawatt, Torqeedo, Elco or Pure Watercraft. The last few years have seen lots of innovation in the industry—including the development of high-capacity marine-grade lithium-ion or absorbed glass mat (AGM) batteries which in some cases can be charged up by on-board solar panels.

If you want to buy a new all-electric boat, Ray Electric and Aquawatt have several options—from fiberglass speedsters to pontoon party boats to wooden fishing boats. Another option is Duffy Boats, which makes 18- and 22-foot all-electric cruisers perfect for puttering around a harbor or lake at cocktail hour and entertaining friends. The company brags that its boats "do 5 mph better than anyone else!"

If you're just trying to be greener on an existing boat, take care to only use non-toxic cleaning products inside and out, and avoid conventional hull paint containing toxic heavy metals. Always hose off your boat right after you take it out of the water so you don't transport any marine species, invasive or otherwise, to your driveway or your next launch spot. Also, if your boat has a "head," make sure to get it pumped out properly so you don't release bacteria-laden human waste—often containing traces of antibiotics and medications that aren't good for marine wildlife—into the water column.

Of course, you could always just forego the worry, environmental footprint and expense of a motor boat and go green in a kayak or canoe. Self-powered boats don't emit any pollutants whatsoever and allow you to get closer to wildlife which would otherwise be scared off by engine noise—and you can get a good workout as well. Likewise, you could get a small sailboat that doesn't need a motor—and pray for wind (or download a wind prediction app and time your outings accordingly).



Some newer boats, like this harbor cruiser from Seattle-based Duffy, are greener by virtue of the fact that they are powered by emissions-free all-electric motors. Credit: Duffy

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Jaeden and Kaelee Morehouse escorted by Justin Morehouse

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Calli Wilkinson escorted by Trent Kurtz.

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Aryanna Cutler escorted by Greyson Cutler.

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Sophia and Shaelee Gilchrist escorted by Grant Gilchrist.

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Hazel Hill escorted by Jason Hill.



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Railey Mulder escorted by Terry Thompson

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Rosalyn Block escorted by Jayson Brenner.



Ruby Dosch escorted by Jeremy Dosch.

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Kendyll and Kyleigh Kroll escorted by John Kroll.

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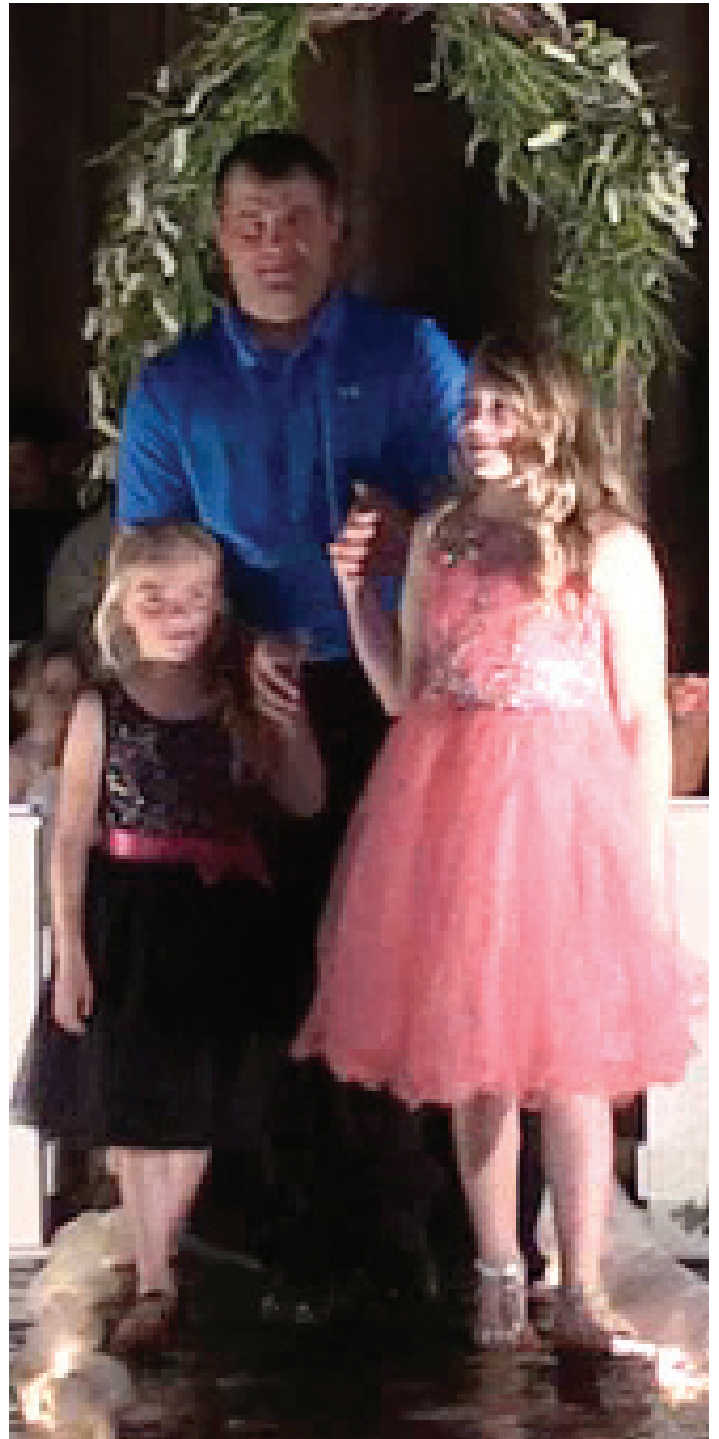
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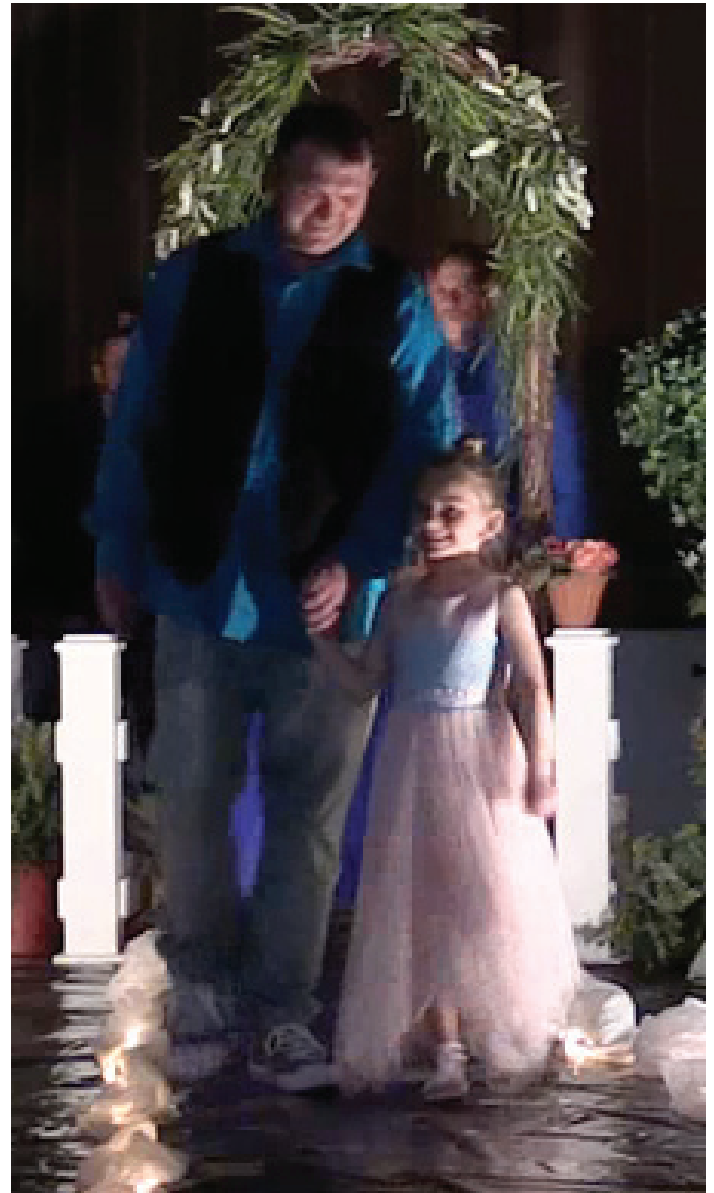
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Aryanna Lilly escorted by Derek Pfitzer.

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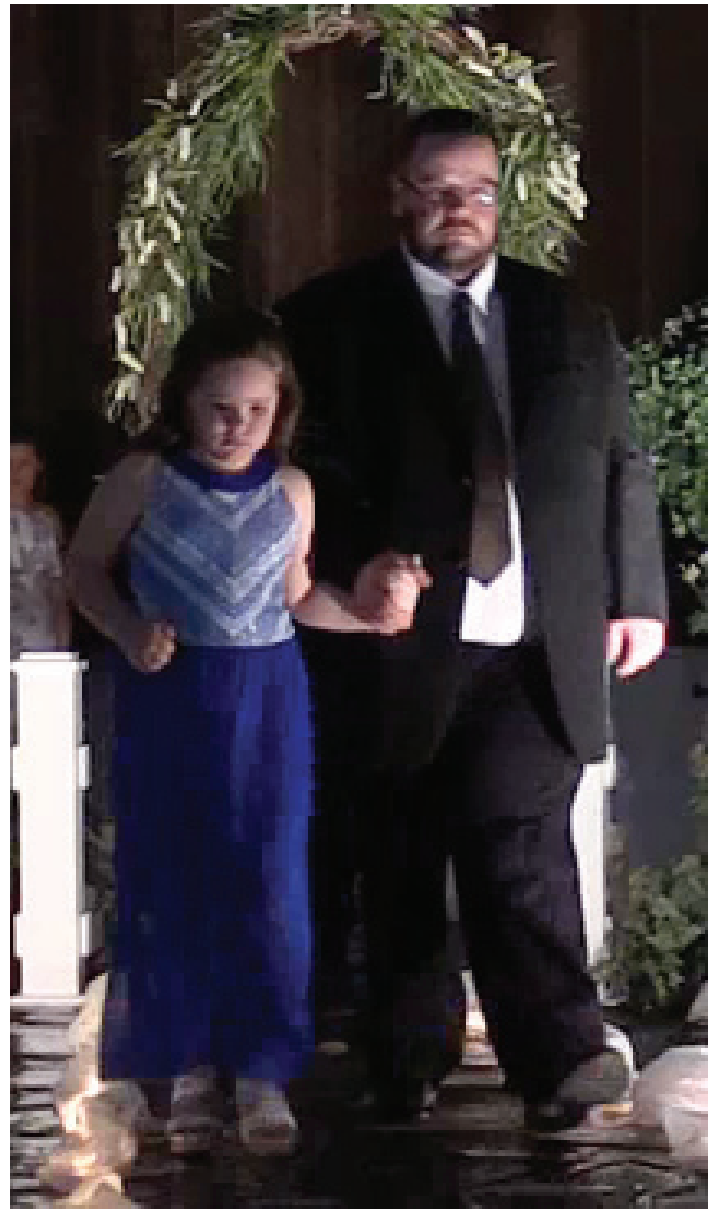
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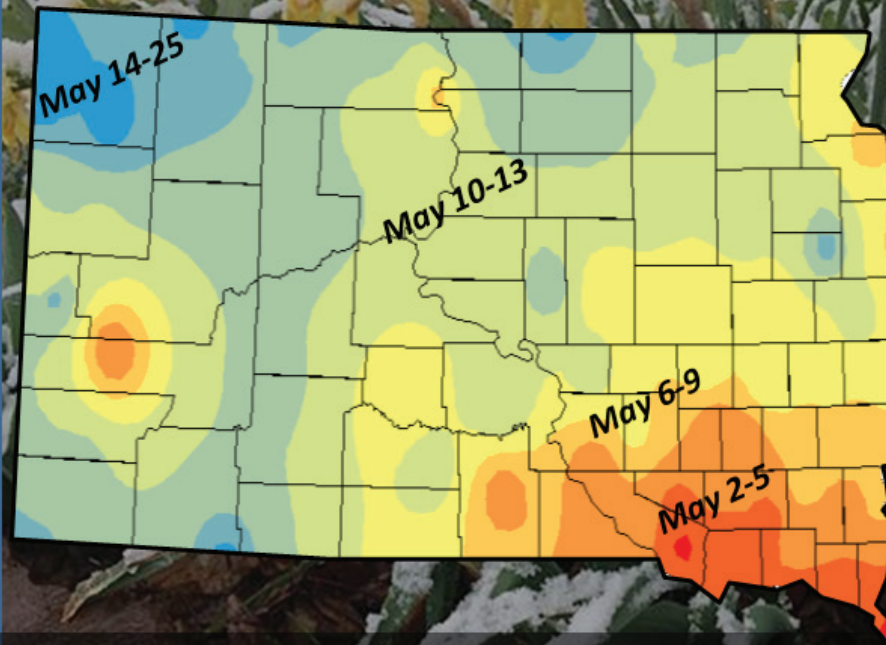
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Growing Season - Frost/Freeze Headline Definitions

Date of last probable killing freeze



Freeze Watch:
Conditions favorable
for temperatures
below 32 during the
next 12 to 48 hours

Freeze Warning:
Temperatures below
32 within the next 24
hours: significant
damage to vegetation

Frost Advisory:
Temperatures
between 33 and 36:
vegetation may see
some frost damage



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With the last bit of cold temperatures this morning - conditions over the next several days appear much more seasonal. In anticipation of everyone moving out into the gardens soon, and plant development catching up to what would be considered normal (usually most trees have leaves by now!!!) we are going to be a lot more cognizant of the potential for damaging cold. As such, if conditions warrant - expect a mention of frost in the forecast and an alert (Frost Advisory or Freeze Warning - definitions above). We will continue to do so through the growing season until the first hard freeze in the fall.

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Today in Weather History

May 12, 1984: An F3 tornado wiped out seven farms, crippled fifteen others, killed livestock and scattered several cars and machinery in its path. The tornado first touched down seven miles north and one mile east of Clark and moved southeast through the southwestern sections of Henry until it dissipated at Grover in Codrington County. The path of destruction began on a farm where two barns, a steel grain bin, and a pole barn were demolished, and machinery was damaged. As the tornado moved further southeast, it struck the southwest sections of Henry and split into two tornadoes that moved in two different directions. One went to the northeast that inflicted no damaged and dissipated while the other went southeast that continued its destruction path to Grover. Small hail, accumulation to fifteen inches deep, was experienced at Henry and tornado damage included broken windows, numerous homes, and three trailer homes were demolished. Along the path, 80 power poles and several miles of power lines were lost, affecting the power to over 1,000 people. A small plane, southwest of Garden City, was wrapped around a pole.

1760: Ben Franklin was the first person to identify nor'easters. In a letter on this date to Alexander Small of London, Franklin described an experience that happened to him in November 1743 when storm clouds in Philadelphia blocked his view of an eclipse. Franklin assumed that the storm had blown in from the northeast because the surface winds at his location were from that direction. He was puzzled to find out later that his brother had viewed the eclipse with no problems and that the storm had arrived in Boston four hours later. The information caused Franklin to surmise correctly that the storm had moved from southwest to northeast. Click [HERE](#) to read the letter to Alexander Small.

1886: An estimated F4 tornado touched down in Vermilion County near Armstrong, Illinois, and passed between Alvin and Rossville before moving into Indiana. At least five houses were destroyed, two of which were entirely swept away. Three people were killed. Five other strong tornadoes occurred across Illinois that day: two near Mt. Carroll, one near Odell, one near Jacksonville, and one in Iroquois County.

1997: A towering F1 tornado ripped its way through the middle of Miami, Biscayne Bay, and Miami Beach right after lunch Monday, smashing cars and windows, tossing trees skyward and scaring the dickens out of thousands of people.

1934 - A dust storm darkened skies from Oklahoma to the Atlantic coast. (David Ludlum)

1971 - Duststorms suddenly reduced visibilities to near zero on Interstate Highway 10 near Casa Grande AZ. Chain reaction accidents involving cars and trucks resulted, killing seven persons. (The Weather Channel)

1972 - In Texas, A cloudburst dumped sixteen inches of rain north of New Braunfels sending a thirty foot wall of water down Blueders Creek into the Comal and Guadalupe Rivers washing away people, houses and automobiles. The flood claimed 18 lives and caused more than twenty million dollars damage. (The Weather Channel)

1982 - A late season snowstorm struck the Front Range of the Colorado Rockies. The storm produced 46 inches of snow at Coal Creek Canyon, located near Boulder. (David Ludlum)

1987 - A heat wave persisted in central California. Afternoon highs of 100 degrees at Fresno CA and 102 degrees at Sacramento CA were records for the date. (The National Weather Summary)






1988 - Unseasonably warm weather prevailed in the western U.S. Eight cities reported record high temperatures for the date, including Pendleton OR with a high of 92 degrees and Phoenix AZ with a reading of 106 degrees. (The National Weather Summary)

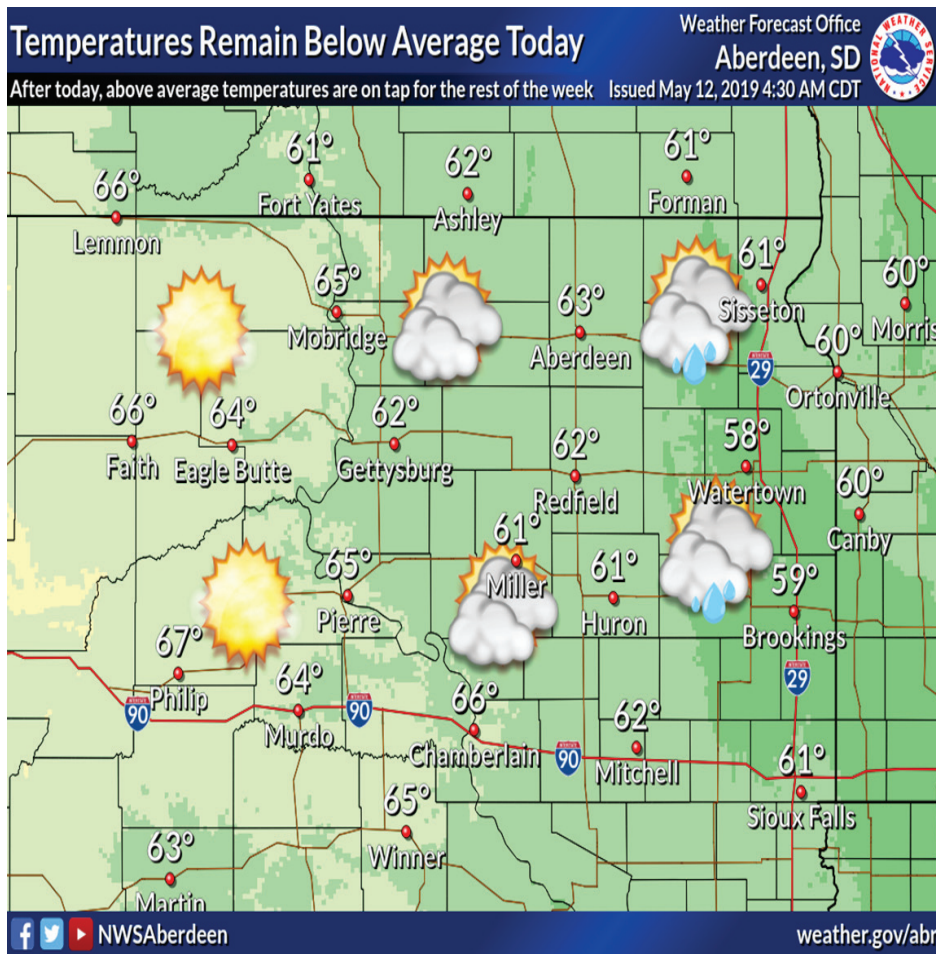
1989 - Showers and thunderstorms associated with a low pressure system stalled over New York State drenched Portland ME with 4.50 inches of rain in 24 hours. Rains of 5 to 7 inches soaked the state of Maine over a four day period causing 1.3 million dollars damage. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1990 - Thunderstorms produced severe weather from eastern Texas and the Central Gulf Coast States into Missouri and Illinois. Thunderstorms spawned six tornadoes, including one which injured four persons at Doloroso MS. Thunderstorms also produced hail three inches in diameter west of Vicksburg MS, and wind gusts to 83 mph in southern Illinois, north of Vevay Park and at the Coles County Airport. High winds and heavy rain caused 1.6 million dollars crop damage in Calhoun County IL, and in southeastern Louisiana, Saint Joseph was deluged with eight inches of rain. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

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Today	Tonight	Monday	Monday Night	Tuesday
				
Mostly Cloudy then Isolated Showers	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Sunny
High: 63 °F	Low: 42 °F	High: 73 °F	Low: 50 °F	High: 78 °F



Temperatures will remain cool today as low pressure over northeast South Dakota slides off to the southeast. Some light rain showers are possible this afternoon in far eastern South Dakota and west central Minnesota. Beyond today, temperatures look to be above average through this week and multiple chances of showers and thunderstorms are possible. The best chances of precipitation come towards the very end of the work week.

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Yesterday's Groton Weather

High Temp: 56 °F at 10:30 AM

Low Temp: 47 °F at 6:22 AM

Day Rain: 0.04 in

Today's Info

Record High: 90° in 1900

Record Low: 17° in 1946

Average High: 68°F

Average Low: 43°F

Average Precip in May.: 1.13

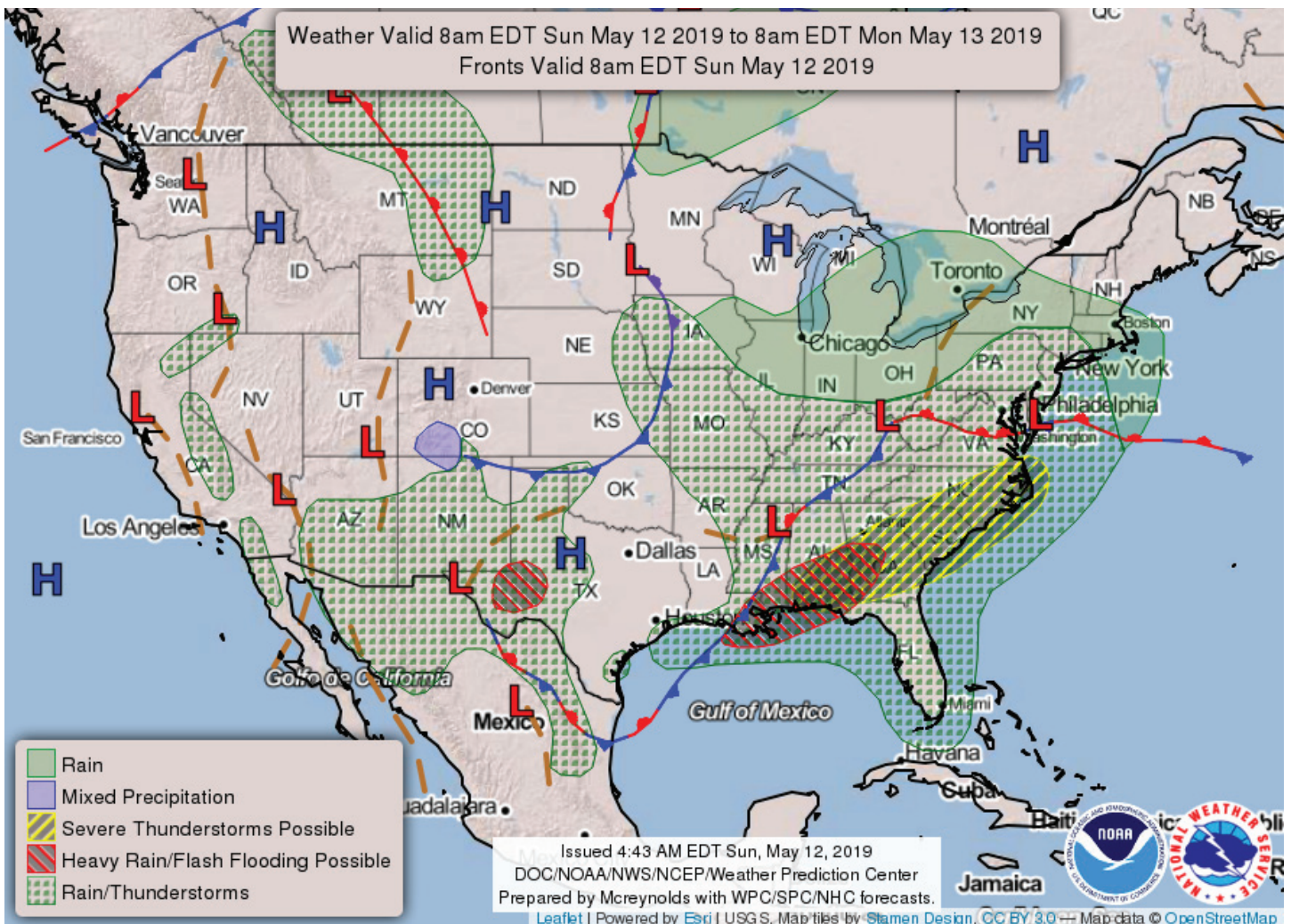
Precip to date in May.: 0.49

Average Precip to date: 5.16

Precip Year to Date: 5.18

Sunset Tonight: 8:54 p.m.

Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:06 a.m.



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WISE WORDS PREVENT PROBLEMS

"Loose Lips Sink Ships" was a widely quoted slogan during World War II. It was part of the US Office of Informations attempt to limit the possibility of people inadvertently giving useful information to enemy spies. It was one of the several slogans that came under the campaigns basic message "Careless Talk Costs Lives. While our talk may not cost lives careless words are costly, often harmful, and can cause serious problems.

Years ago, Solomon realized this and said, Those who guard their lips guard their lives. It is like placing a boundary around what we want people to know or think about us. Being careful is wise because we will not have to try to explain what we mean if we express an unclear thought or idea. We will not have to apologize or make amends or be fearful for things we might have said that could stain someones reputation if we speak unkindly. In fact, later in Proverbs, Solomon said that our tongues have the power of life and death.

There is also the person who speaks rashly. This person speaks without taking time to think or makes statements that are untrue, intending to hurt, harm, destroy, or take advantage of others. Many of us have endured - even struggled to survive - false stories or outright lies about us as others intended to damage or destroy us. We have been left fearful and unable to trust others because of their unfair words.

But we are to take heart. Our God is a fair and just God and He will, in His own time, make all things right. Those who speak rashly will come to ruin.

Prayer: Father, we are grateful that You love us, understand us, and know who we are. May we never harm others. May we bring them Your healing and hope, in Jesus Name, Amen.

Scripture For Today: Proverbs 13:3 Those who control their tongue will have a long life; opening your mouth can ruin everything.

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2019 Groton SD Community Events

- 01/27/2019 Carnival of Silver Skates 2pm & 6:30pm (Last Sunday of January)
- 03/17/2019 Legion Post #39 Spring Fundraiser (Sunday closest to St. Patrick's Day, every other year)
- 04/13/2019 Easter Egg Hunt (Saturday a week before Easter Weekend)
- 04/27/2019 Fireman's Stag (Same Saturday as GHS Prom)
- 05/04/2019 Spring City-Wide Rummage Sales (1st Saturday in May)
- 05/27/2019 Legion Post #39 Memorial Day Program (Memorial Day)
- 06/13/2019 Transit Fundraiser (Thursday Mid-June)
- 06/14/2019 SDSU Golf Tournament at Olive Grove Golf Course
- 06/15/2019 Triathlon (Saturday before Father's Day)
- 06/21/2019 Best Ball Golf Tourney
- 06/22-23/2019 Groton Junior Legion Tournament
- 06/29/2019 Groton U10/U12 Round Robin Tournament
- 07/04/2019 Firecracker Golf Tourney (4th of July)
- 07/14/2019 Summer Fest/Car Show (Sunday Mid-July)
- 07/18/2019 Olive Grove Golf Course Pro Am Tournament
- 07/21/2019 Granary Ice Cream Social & Family Music Fest
- 08/02/2019 Olive Grove Golf Course Wine on Nine
- 08/09-11/2019 State Junior Legion Tournament in Groton
- 08/22/2019 First Day of School
- 09/07/2019 Fall City-Wide Rummage Sales (1st Saturday after Labor Day)
- 09/08/2019 Sunflower Classic at Olive Grove Golf Course
- 09/08/2019 Granary Living History Fall Festival
- 10/12/2019 Pumpkin Fest (Saturday before Columbus Day)
- 10/11/2019 Lake Region Marching Band Festival (2nd Friday in October)
- 10/31/2019 Trunk or Treat/Halloween on Main (Halloween)
- 11/09/2019 Legion Post #39 Turkey Shoot (Saturday closest to Veteran's Day)
- 12/07/2019 Olive Grove Golf Course Holiday Party
- 12/07/2019 Santa Claus Day at Professional Management Services
- Bingo: every Wednesday at the Legion Post #39

2020 Groton SD Community Events

- 4/4/2020 Easter Egg Hunt (Saturday a week before Easter Weekend)
- 4/25/2020 Fireman's Stag (Same Saturday as GHS Prom)
- 5/2/2020 Spring City-Wide Rummage Sales (1st Saturday in May)

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News from the  Associated Press

SD Lottery

By The Associated Press

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

Dakota Cash

10-11-26-28-32

(ten, eleven, twenty-six, twenty-eight, thirty-two)

Estimated jackpot: \$370,000

Lotto America

30-35-37-47-49, Star Ball: 3, ASB: 2

(thirty, thirty-five, thirty-seven, forty-seven, forty-nine; Star Ball: three; ASB: two)

Estimated jackpot: \$19.69 million

Mega Millions

Estimated jackpot: \$316 million

Powerball

06-08-09-37-40, Powerball: 26, Power Play: 2

(six, eight, nine, thirty-seven, forty; Powerball: twenty-six; Power Play: two)

Estimated jackpot: \$235 million

South Dakota man accused of biting Minnesota jailer's finger

WORTHINGTON, Minn. (AP) — Authorities say a man jailed in Worthington bit the finger of a corrections officer after the two of them scuffled inside his cell.

The Globe reports that 38-year-old Nicholas Bryson, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, is charged with felony fourth-degree assault of a corrections officer.

The complaint says corrections staff entered Bryson's cell Wednesday after he was uncooperative about moving to another jail pod. Authorities say Bryson pushed one of the corrections officers to the floor, where the two of them wrestled. The jailer was getting up when Bryson allegedly bit through the officer's glove.

The officer was treated for a bite wound and knee pain from the altercation.

Court documents do not list an attorney for Bryson.

Information from: The Daily Globe, <http://www.dglobe.com>

Former priest with Rapid City Diocese accused of theft

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A former priest with the Rapid City Diocese is accused of stealing about \$150,000 in donations between 2012 and 2018.

The Rapid City Journal reports that Marcin Garbacz was arrested Friday at the Seattle airport by a special agent with the IRS. He's charged in federal court with wire fraud.

His arrest affidavit was sealed after a federal prosecutor said it contains information about an ongoing investigation and could lead to witness intimidation.

It's the second time Garbacz has been accused of stealing from the diocese. He was suspended from his ministry duties in May 2018 after church officials caught him stealing and sent him to a six-month treatment program in St. Louis.

Garbacz pleaded guilty in state court to first-degree petty theft and received a suspended imposition of sentence.

Garbacz's attorney could not be reached for comment Saturday.

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

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Commission OKs controversial mining project near Rapid City

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — The Pennington County Commission has approved the expansion of a limestone mine south of Rapid City, over the objections of about a dozen people who testified against granting the permits.

The commission approved the request by Croell Inc. Friday at the end of a seven-hour public meeting that grew heated at times, the Rapid City Journal reported. The vote in favor of each of the three permits was 4-1, although lone dissenter Lloyd LaCroix said he just didn't want "a unanimous vote."

Croell Inc. sells redi-mix concrete and other associated products and services. The company plans to expand the Perli Pit Quarry, which is off a highway that leads to the Mount Rushmore National Memorial. Some residents worry about increased truck traffic, potential releases of harmful chemicals and gases, and harm to the area scenery.

The project would expand the 34-acre site by another 70 acres over the next several decades. A lawsuit over the legality of mining ordinances that the county amended last year is under consideration by the state Supreme Court.

The meeting increased in intensity when audience member Sylvia Cox said the county commissioners sounded like advocates for Croell Inc. and said the group was in a hurry to approve the permits before the Supreme Court rules.

Several commission members said they were offended by Cox's testimony, and sharp words were exchanged between them and Cox until the commission called a five-minute recess.

Commission member Mark DiSanto said the concerns by citizens were considered by the group.

"We hear you," DiSanto said. "We're going to monitor this."

The city's planning commission voted in favor of the permits earlier in the week after a hearing that lasted five hours. The project needed final approval by the county commission.

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

South Dakota suing BNSF to get land for Sioux Falls project

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — The South Dakota Department of Transportation is suing BNSF Railway to acquire land for a massive road construction project in Sioux Falls.

The Argus Leader reports that the complaint asks for a jury to determine a fair value for the land, which would be acquired through eminent domain. The state says the land is needed for a \$37 million Interstate 229 interchange reconstruction project. The state has bought out several privately-owned properties in the area.

Court documents say an independent appraiser values the chunk of land at about \$50,000.

BNSF spokeswoman Amy McBeth tells The Associated Press that the company has been working on the agreement and the sale of the property. She says BNSF is prepared to sell it and expects the deal to move forward.

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

Winter wheat crop expected to rise 23 percent from last year

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Agriculture officials say South Dakota's 2019 winter wheat crop is forecast to be up 23 percent from last year.

The National Agricultural Statistics Service says in its crop production report that 38.9 million bushels of winter wheat should be produced this year, based upon May 1 conditions. The average yield is predicted to be 54 bushels per acres, up 6 bushels from last year.

The service says acreage to be harvested for grain is estimated at 720,000 acres, up 60,000 acres from last year. That would be 83 percent of the planted acres, above last year's 80 percent that was harvested.

Hay stocks of 1.20 million tons are down 3 percent from last year.

Channeling maybe-yes, maybe-no Mueller: Speak, Bob, Speak!

By NANCY BENAC Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — See Bob investigate. Read Bob's report. Wait, Bob, what?

For nearly two years, the nation watched and waited as special counsel Robert Mueller investigated President Donald Trump and his campaign for potential collusion with Russia and obstruction of justice.

The release of a redacted version of Mueller's 448-page report last month offered a long-awaited moment of closure for many — and an utterly unsatisfying cliffhanger for plenty of others.

Three weeks of public parsing and analysis have left them wondering just what Mueller was trying to say and what he really thinks, particularly on the question of obstruction, where the document drew no conclusion. That uncertainty has given partisans on both sides an opening to frame Mueller's findings to their liking and left many Americans, unlikely to read the full report, scratching their heads about what to believe and whom to trust.

Enough with the printed page, they say, enough with the punditry: Speak, Bob, speak!

Melissa Garcia, a 29-year-old health counselor, pauses outside a restaurant in Quakertown, Pennsylvania, to compare the two-volume Mueller report to the kind of "terms and conditions" legalese that most consumers skip right over. She'd love a "CliffsNotes version" from Mueller himself.

"I would just ask him to sum it up because he knows it the best. I'd want the shorthand version but the most important details," says Garcia, an independent who supported Hillary Clinton in 2016.

Republican Becky McBreen, a 58-year-old Trump voter from Schuylkill Haven, Pennsylvania, who works at an aluminum company, says she'd like to ask Mueller: "Leaving out the political bias, do you, in your heart of hearts, truly think that Trump colluded with Russia to sabotage Hillary?" (The report did not find a criminal conspiracy between Russia and the Trump campaign.)

Democrat Adam Singer, a 52-year-old e-commerce worker who was running errands in Miami Beach, Florida, says he's eager for Mueller to "get up publicly on television and give his take on the report."

"I don't believe we have been told the whole story," Singer says.

It's not just ordinary Americans who are craving clarity.

Having pored over the report once, Rep. Debbie Dingell, D-Mich., is now on her second reading of it. And she still has questions.

"That's why we need him to testify," she said. "I think he owes it to us."

Richard Ben-Veniste, who served as one of the lead prosecutors on the Watergate investigation, says Mueller "probably could have been clearer."

"It would certainly be in the public interest for Robert Mueller to answer questions, clarify and expound upon his investigation and his report," says Ben-Veniste.

David Kendall represented President Bill Clinton during the Monica Lewinsky investigation and currently represents the Clintons. He goes further in a Washington Post opinion piece and says Mueller made a "massive flinch" in declining to draw a conclusion on obstruction.

Absent a firm answer from the special counsel himself, plenty of others — including Trump — have stepped forward to act as interpreters of the oracle.

In a letter summarizing the report before its release, Attorney General William Barr declared he did not believe the evidence was sufficient to prove that Trump had obstructed justice.

Trump, no fan of the special counsel, this past week called Mueller's report "the Bible" and inaccurately claimed it was "totally exonerating."

Hundreds of former federal prosecutors, on the other hand, signed on to an open letter concluding that Mueller's report shows Trump would have been charged with obstruction if he were anyone other than the president.

Jacob Frenkel, a former federal prosecutor, sees a case for impeachment in what he describes as Mueller's "clear and comprehensive report." He puts the blame for any confusion on those engaged in "politics and prejudgment."

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Likewise, Democratic Rep. Adam Schiff of California, chairman of the House Intelligence Committee, blames Barr for creating "deliberate confusion" about Mueller's findings by misrepresenting his "very precise" report. Even so, Schiff says he, too, would like to hear directly from Mueller.

So far, Mueller has largely let the report speak for itself and left the chattering class to provide the commentary.

He did send Barr a letter in March complaining about how Barr had summarized the report's key findings, writing that he had left "public confusion about critical aspects of the results of our investigation."

Beyond that, though, all the public has gotten of Mueller in the past few weeks is fleeting glimpses of him exiting a Georgetown tavern, walking into church on Easter Sunday, driving to his office.

Democrats on Capitol Hill are pushing for Mueller, who is still an employee of the Justice Department, to testify before the House Judiciary Committee but that's up in the air. Trump has both said that Mueller shouldn't testify and that it's up to Barr to decide. Barr himself has said he wouldn't object. But hopes that Mueller would testify this coming week appear to have faded as behind-the-scenes talks drag on.

If the Justice Department tries to block Mueller's testimony, Democrats could issue a subpoena to try to compel his appearance.

In the meantime, plenty of people are itching to get a firsthand fill from Mueller.

Without that, "it's almost like going off of hearsay," says Michelle Martin, a 48-year-old physician's assistant from Round Rock, Texas. "You have to have the facts to make an educated opinion."

Attorney Frenkel, though, warns people shouldn't get their hopes up too high even if Mueller does testify.

"The speechmaking and agenda-driven questioning on both sides, unfortunately, will leave few satisfied if the special counsel testifies before Congress," he wrote in an email. "Mr. Mueller testifying may wrap up a few issues but will do little to curtail the debate."

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India's marathon election reaches next-to-last phase

By ASHOK SHARMA Associated Press

NEW DELHI (AP) — Indians voted Sunday in the next-to-last round of a six-week-long national election marked by a highly acrimonious campaign that has seen Prime Minister Narendra Modi blame opposition party chief Rahul Gandhi's family for the country's ills.

Sunday's voting in 59 constituencies, including seven in New Delhi, the capital, completes polling for 483 of 543 seats in the lower house of Parliament. The voting for the remaining 60 seats will be held on May 19, and vote counting begins four days later.

India has 900 million voters. Turnout in the first five phases averaged 67%, nearly the same as in 2014 elections that brought Modi to power.

Gandhi, who is president of the Congress party, cast his ballot Sunday in the capital, where he is registered as a voter. Gandhi, however, is contesting from two constituencies — family bastion Amethi in the north and Wayanad in the south — to project an all-India image. He will have to give up one seat if he wins in both places.

Saying it has been a good fight against Modi's Bharatiya Janata Party, Gandhi told reporters, "Prime Minister Narendra Modi used hatred, we used love. It seems that love is going to win."

Gandhi's mother, Sonia Gandhi, a former Congress party president, and his sister, Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, a party general secretary, also cast their votes in the capital.

The voting was largely peaceful but for stray incidents of violence in West Bengal state, where Modi's BJP is trying to wrest seats from Trinamool Congress, a powerful regional party that is currently govern-

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ing the state.

Dilip Ghosh, a BJP leader, told reporters that a party candidate, Bharati Ghosh, was prevented by rival groups from entering a voting station in the Keshpur area near Kolkata, the capital of West Bengal. She took refuge in a temple and later in a police station.

The Press Trust of India news agency said some people threw crude bombs and rocks at her motorcade when she tried to visit another polling station in the region. One of her security guards was injured and one vehicle was damaged. Security forces dispersed the attackers using wooden sticks, PTI said.

Opinion polls say that Modi's BJP continues to be the front-runner in the election, but that it is likely to return with a lesser total of 282 seats. The BJP captured 31% of the votes in 2014, but it won more than half the seats to wrest power from the Congress party in a first-past-the-post electoral system in which a candidate who receives the most votes wins.

Modi is running his campaign like a presidential race, a referendum on his five years of rule with claims of helping the poorest with doles, free health care, providing toilets in their homes and helping women get free or cheap cooking gas cylinders.

At the same time, he is banking on stirring Hindu nationalism by accusing the Congress party of being soft on archrival Pakistan and terrorism, pandering to minority Muslims for votes and pampering Kashmiri separatists.

Opposition parties accuse Modi of digressing from the main issues affecting nearly 70% of the population living in villages and small towns. The opposition is challenging him over India's 6.1% unemployment rate — the highest in decades — and the economic difficulties of farmers hurt by low crop prices that led many to take their own lives. Opposition officials have also alleged corruption in a deal for India to purchase French fighter jets.

"Modi personally has been the most visible prime minister," said Nilanjan Mukhopadhyay, a political commentator and biographer of Modi. But he added, "There could be an element of fatigue also. People at the end of it are looking at their bottom line. I think the issues of employment and rural distress are very important."

Throughout the campaign, Modi has projected himself as a "chowkidar," or watchman, guarding the country's interests.

Gandhi, the 48-year-old scion of the Nehru-Gandhi family, has accused Modi of buying 36 French Rafale fighter jets at an exorbitant price, and helping a private industrialist by promoting him as an offset partner of Dassault, the aircraft manufacturer.

Gandhi adopted a rallying cry of "Chowkidar Chor Hai," or "the watchman is a thief."

Stung by the accusation, Modi accused Rajiv Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi's late father and a former prime minister, of corruption — an apparent reference to the purchase by India of Swedish Bofors artillery guns in the 1980s. Rajiv Gandhi was accused of receiving kickbacks for the deal, but the allegation was never proved in court.

Modi also is unsparing in his criticism of Rahul Gandhi's great-grandfather and India's first prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, blaming him for the country's border disputes with China and Pakistan and a lack of development while he was at the helm from 1947 to 1964.

Rahul Gandhi reacted with a tweet: "Dear Mr Modi, Your recent statements, interviews & videos are giving India the distinct feeling that you're cracking under pressure."

He has challenged Modi to a public debate over the Rafale aircraft deal, but Modi has ignored the challenge.

Gandhi's biggest political triumph since he joined politics 15 years ago was easily his party's win in assembly elections in December, wrangling power away from Modi's BJP in the states of Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.

The opposition has also accused Modi of following a pattern of antagonism against Muslims since his government came to power in 2014.

Modi has adopted a nationalist pitch in trying to win votes from the country's Hindu majority by project-

ing a tough stance against Pakistan, India's Muslim-majority neighbor.

Human Rights Watch reported an increase in attacks by so-called cow vigilantes against Muslims and lower-caste Hindus suspected of illegally transporting cattle or eating beef in recent years. Hindus comprise more than 80% of India's 1.3 billion people and Muslims nearly 16%.

More 'heartbeat' abortion bans advancing in South, Midwest

By RUSS BYNUM Associated Press

If a new Mississippi law survives a court challenge, it will be nearly impossible for most pregnant women to get an abortion there.

Or, potentially, in neighboring Louisiana. Or Alabama. Or Georgia.

The Louisiana legislature is halfway toward passing a law — like the ones enacted in Mississippi and Georgia — that will ban abortions after a fetal heartbeat is detected, about six weeks into a pregnancy and before many women know they're pregnant. Alabama is on the cusp of approving an even more restrictive bill.

State governments are on a course to virtually eliminate abortion access in large chunks of the Deep South and Midwest. Ohio and Kentucky also have passed heartbeat laws; Missouri's Republican-controlled legislature is considering one.

Their hope is that a more conservative U.S. Supreme Court will approve, spelling the end of the constitutional right to abortion.

"For pro-life folks, these are huge victories," said Sue Liebel, state director for the Susan B. Anthony List, an anti-abortion advocacy group. "And I think they're indicative of the momentum and excitement and the hope that's happening with changes in the Supreme Court and having such a pro-life president."

For abortion rights supporters, meanwhile, the trend is ominous. Said Diane Derzis, owner of Mississippi's sole abortion clinic, the Jackson Women's Health Organization: "I think it's certainly more dire than it ever has been. They smell blood and that's why they're doing this."

Already, Mississippi mandates a 24-hour wait between an in-person consultation. That means women must make at least two trips to her clinic, often traveling long distances.

Other states have passed similar, incremental laws restricting abortion in recent years, and aside from Mississippi, five states have just one clinic — Kentucky, Missouri, North and South Dakota, and West Virginia. But the latest efforts to bar the procedure represent the largest assault on abortion rights in decades.

Lawmakers sponsoring the bans have made it clear their goal is to spark court challenges in hopes of ultimately overturning the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision legalizing abortion.

Those challenges have begun. Derzis' attorneys are scheduled to go before a judge on May 21, seeking to prevent Mississippi's heartbeat law from taking effect July 1.

A judge in Kentucky blocked enforcement of that state's heartbeat ban after the American Civil Liberties Union filed suit on behalf of the clinic in Louisville.

Similar legal action is expected before bans can take effect in Ohio and Georgia, where Republican Gov. Brian Kemp signed the latest heartbeat bill into law Tuesday. Kemp said he welcomed the fight, vowing: "We will not back down."

Georgia's ban doesn't take effect until Jan. 1. But the impact was immediate.

An abortion clinic operated by The Women's Centers in Atlanta began receiving anxious calls from patients soon after Kemp signed the law. Many callers had plans to travel from outside the state for abortions. Georgia's heartbeat ban would have a wider impact because the state has 17 abortion clinics — more than the combined total in the other four Southern states that have passed or are considering bans.

"On a typical day we will see people from North Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, South Carolina — all over the region," said Dr. Lisa Haddad, the Atlanta clinic's medical director. "And my thought is we're not going to see those people coming here because they assume it's already illegal in Georgia."

Dr. Ernest Marshall, co-founder of Kentucky's last remaining abortion clinic in Louisville, said in an email that banning abortions before most women know they're pregnant would "have a disproportionate impact

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on poor women and communities of color throughout the South.”

Advocates for abortion rights expect judges to halt enforcement of any new bans while lawsuits work their way through the courts. That could take years.

“These laws are blatantly unconstitutional,” said Elisabeth Smith, chief counsel for state policy and advocacy for the Center for Reproductive Rights, which also has filed suit over Mississippi’s ban. “But if they were allowed to go into force, they would have devastating consequences for the residents of all of these states.”

If heartbeat bans are upheld, many women who are poor and have limited means to travel would have few options other than to try to terminate their own pregnancies, Haddad said, possibly using abortion drugs purchased online.

Others would have to drive or fly across multiple states, said Elizabeth Nash, a state policy analyst for the Guttmacher Institute, a research group that supports abortion rights.

“People would go to Florida, people would continue to go to Memphis,” Nash said. “How many states do you have to cross before you can access abortion services? It exacerbates all the issues we’ve already seen around taking time off from work and having the money to travel.”

Proposed heartbeat bans failed to pass this year in several Republican-led states, including Texas. There, GOP lawmakers lost ground to Democrats in the 2018 elections, and some abortion foes were wary after courts struck down prior abortion restrictions in the state. Such efforts also fell short in Florida, South Carolina, Tennessee and West Virginia.

Alabama lawmakers postponed until next week a vote on a proposal that would make performing nearly all abortions a felony. The measure has passed the state House, and the Senate suspended debate Thursday amid a heated dispute over whether exemptions for rape and incest should be stripped from the bill.

“You can’t put a price on unborn life,” Eric Johnston, president of the Alabama Pro-Life Coalition, said Wednesday, as a legislative committee heard testimony on the state’s proposed ban. “What you have to do is protect the people that live in this state and that includes unborn children.”

But Jenna King-Shepherd told Alabama lawmakers she believed the abortion she had at age 17 allowed her to finish college. She said her father, a part-time Baptist preacher furious about her pregnancy, drove her to the abortion clinic because he trusted her to make the right choice.

“I’m not asking you to support access to abortion,” King-Shepherd said. “I’m only asking you to let women, their families, their physicians and their God make this decision on how they want to start their families in private and trust them to do that.”

Associated Press writers Kim Chandler in Montgomery, Alabama; and Bruce Schreiner in Frankfort, Kentucky; contributed to this report.

Venezuela’s Guaidó asks for relations with US military

By SCOTT SMITH Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Venezuelan opposition leader Juan Guaidó on Saturday said he’s instructed his political envoy in Washington to immediately open relations with the U.S. military in a bid to bring more pressure on President Nicolás Maduro to resign.

The leader said he’s asked Carlos Vecchio, who the U.S. recognizes as Venezuela’s ambassador, to open “direct communications” toward possible military “coordination.”

The remarks, at the end of a rally Saturday, mark one of his strongest public pleas yet for greater U.S. involvement in the country’s fast-escalating crisis. While Guaidó has repeatedly echoed comments from the Trump administration that “all options” are on the table for removing Maduro, few in the U.S. or Venezuelan opposition view military action as likely nor has the White House indicated it’s seriously considering such a move.

But with tensions between the U.S. and Maduro running high, the saber rattling is getting louder.

On Saturday, Venezuelan Defense Minister Vladimir Padrino condemned what he said was an illegal in-

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cursion by a U.S. Coast Guard cutter into Venezuelan territorial waters. He provided no evidence to back the claim but said that the Venezuelan Navy vessels forced it to withdraw..

"I don't know if other republics will accept actions like this in their jurisdiction, but we will not," he said.

Army Col. Amanda Azubuike, a South Command spokeswoman, said a U.S. Coast Guard vessel was conducting a drug interdiction mission in the international waters of the Caribbean Sea. She declined to provide further comment.

In past days, Padrino also denounced what he said were attempts by the U.S. military to sow discord inside Venezuela's barracks, inviting an angry response from U.S. Navy Adm. Craig Faller, the head of South Command, who said he "stands ready" to assist Guaidó.

"I look forward to discussing how we can support the future role of those (leaders of Venezuelan armed forces) who make the right decision, put the Venezuela people first & restore constitutional order," Faller said.

As head of the embattled National Assembly, Guaidó launched a campaign in January to oust Maduro, gaining the support of the U.S. and more than 50 nations.

He announced Saturday a forthcoming meeting with U.S. military officials and said that new actions taken by the opposition will seek to "achieve the necessary pressure" to put an end to the Bolivarian revolution launched 20 years ago by the late socialist President Hugo Chávez.

Guaidó has said that as Venezuela's rightful leader he reserves the right to invite foreign military actions in the same way independence hero Simon Bolivar hired 5,000 British mercenaries to liberate South America from Spain. He says any such help should be considered "cooperation," instead of intervention, something he has accused Maduro of allowing in the form of military and intelligence support from allies Cuba and Russia.

In recent days, the government has sought to ramp up its own pressure on the opposition with the arrest of the No. 2 leader of the opposition-controlled National Assembly, Edgar Zambrano. Several other anti-Maduro lawmakers have sought refuge in the embassies of foreign nations as the country's top court announced investigations of Zambrano and nine other members of congress.

Meanwhile, noticeably diminished crowds at opposition protests reflected a growing fear and demoralization that has permeated Guaidó's ranks of supporters after he led a failed military uprising on April 30. In previous months, thousands of demonstrators heeded his calls to protest.

On Saturday, a modest crowd of several hundred Venezuelans gathered in the capital of Caracas.

"We live in dictatorship," Guaidó said, urging his supporters to press forward in their campaign to oust his foe. "We don't have the option to stay at home waiting, but to keep demanding our rights in the streets."

Guaidó argues that Maduro illegitimately won a second term in rigged elections and has boldly declared himself interim president of Venezuela.

Maduro has maintained control of the military by securing the loyalty of top commanders. He calls Guaidó a "puppet" of the Trump administration and says that the U.S. is supporting a coup to oust him to exploit the country's vast oil wealth.

"The U.S. Empire aims to end the Bolivarian Revolution," Maduro tweeted early Saturday, boasting of the country's education and social security systems. "We show the world that we can do social justice."

A once-wealthy oil nation, Venezuela has sunk into economic and social collapse marked by soaring inflation and a scarcity of basic goods that has sent an estimated 3.7 million of its citizens to emigrate.

Trump's tariffs on China: What are they? How do they work?

By PAUL WISEMAN AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump has heightened tensions with China by escalating his tariffs on \$200 billion in Chinese goods from 10% to 25%.

As a tool of national policy, tariffs had long been fading into history, a relic of the 19th and early 20th centuries that most experts came to see as harmful to all nations involved. Yet more than any other modern president, Trump has embraced tariffs as a punitive tool — against Europe, Canada and other key trading

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partners but especially against China, the second-largest economy after the U.S.

The Trump administration asserts, and many independent analysts agree, that Beijing has deployed predatory tactics to try to give Chinese companies an edge in such advanced technologies as artificial intelligence, robotics and electric vehicles. Beijing's tactics, the U.S. contends, include hacking into U.S. companies' computers to steal trade secrets, forcing foreign companies to turn over sensitive technology in exchange for access to China's markets and unfairly subsidizing Chinese companies.

Trump has also complained angrily about America's gaping trade deficit with China for which he blames weak and naive negotiating by previous U.S. administrations.

Last July, Trump began gradually imposing tariffs on Chinese imports. After Friday's increase, the administration is now imposing 25% tariffs on \$250 billion in Chinese goods. Beijing has counterpunched by taxing \$110 billion of American products, focusing on agricultural goods, notably soybeans, in a calculated effort to inflict pain on Trump supporters in the farm belt.

A look at what tariffs are and how they work:

WHAT EXACTLY ARE TARIFFS?

Tariffs are a tax on imports. They are typically charged as a percentage of the transaction price that a buyer pays a foreign seller. To use a simplistic example (ignoring real-world minimum amounts subject to tariffs): Say an American retailer buys 100 garden umbrellas from China for \$5 apiece — \$500 total. And suppose the U.S. tariff rate for the umbrellas is 6.5 percent. The retailer would have to pay a \$32.50 tariff on the shipment, thereby raising the total price from \$500 to \$532.50.

In the United States, tariffs — sometimes also called duties or levies — are collected by Customs and Border Protection agents at 328 ports of entry across the country. Proceeds go to the Treasury. The tariff rates are published by the U.S. International Trade Commission in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule, which lists U.S. tariffs on everything from dried plantains (1.4 percent) to parachutes (3 percent).

Sometimes, the U.S. will impose additional tariffs on imports that it determines are being sold at unfairly low prices or are being supported by foreign government subsidies.

WHAT ARE TARIFFS SUPPOSED TO ACHIEVE?

Two things: Increase government revenue. And protect domestic industries from foreign competition. Before the federal income tax was established in 1913, tariffs were a big money raiser for Washington. From 1790 to 1860, tariffs produced 90 percent of federal revenue, according to Douglas Irwin, an economist at Dartmouth College. By contrast, tariffs in recent years have accounted for only about 1 percent of federal revenue.

Tariffs are meant to raise the price of imports or punish foreign countries for unfair trade practices, like subsidizing their exporters and dumping their goods at unfairly low prices. They discourage imports by making them costlier. They also reduce pressure from foreign competition and make it easier for home-grown companies to raise prices.

As global trade grew after World War II, tariffs fell out of favor. The formation of the World Trade Organization and the forging of trade deals like the North American Free Trade Agreement reduced or eliminated tariffs. The average U.S. tariff is now one of the lowest in the world: 1.6 percent, the same as the European Union's, the Pew Research Center reports.

ARE TARIFFS A WISE POLICY?

Most economists say no. Tariffs raise the cost of imports for people and companies that need to buy them. And by reducing competitive pressure, they give U.S. producers leeway to raise prices, too. That's good for those producers but bad for almost everyone else.

Rising costs especially hurt consumers and companies that rely on imported parts. Some U.S. companies that buy steel, for example, complain that Trump's tariffs on imported steel leave them at a competitive disadvantage. Their foreign rivals can buy steel more cheaply and offer lower-priced goods.

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In 2002, President George W. Bush's administration placed tariffs on imported steel. A study financed by steel-consuming businesses found that the tariffs cost 200,000 American jobs that year.

More broadly, trade restrictions make an economy less efficient. With lesser competition from abroad, domestic companies lose the incentive to increase efficiency or to focus on what they do best.

Animated explainer on trade disputes:
https://youtu.be/qWF5DF_XQYk

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Today in History By The Associated Press undefined

Today in History

Today is Sunday, May 12, the 132nd day of 2019. There are 233 days left in the year.

Today's Highlights in History:

On May 12, 1949, the Soviet Union lifted the Berlin Blockade, which the Western powers had succeeded in circumventing with their Berlin Airlift.

On this date:

In 1780, during the Revolutionary War, the besieged city of Charleston, South Carolina, surrendered to British forces.

In 1932, the body of Charles Lindbergh Jr., the 20-month-old kidnapped son of Charles and Anne Lindbergh, was found in a wooded area near Hopewell, New Jersey.

In 1937, Britain's King George VI was crowned at Westminster Abbey; his wife, Elizabeth, was crowned as queen consort.

In 1943, during World War II, Axis forces in North Africa surrendered. The two-week Trident Conference, headed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill, opened in Washington.

In 1955, Manhattan's last elevated rail line, the Third Avenue El, ceased operation.

In 1958, the United States and Canada signed an agreement to create the North American Air Defense Command (later the North American Aerospace Defense Command, or NORAD).

In 1978, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said that hurricanes would no longer be given only female names.

In 1982, in Fatima, Portugal, security guards overpowered a Spanish priest armed with a bayonet who attacked Pope John Paul II. (In 2008, the pope's longtime private secretary revealed that the pontiff was slightly wounded in the assault.)

In 2002, Jimmy Carter arrived in Cuba, becoming the first U.S. president in or out of office to visit since the 1959 revolution that put Fidel Castro in power.

In 2003, the Texas House ground to a standstill after 51 Democratic lawmakers left the state in a dispute over a Republican congressional redistricting plan. (The Democrats returned four days later from Oklahoma, having succeeded in killing the bill.)

In 2008, a devastating 7.9 magnitude earthquake in China's Sichuan province left more than 87,000 people dead or missing.

In 2017, dozens of countries were hit with a huge cyberextortion attack that locked up computers and held users' files for ransom at a multitude of hospitals, companies and government agencies.

Ten years ago: Five Miami men were convicted in a plot to blow up FBI buildings and Chicago's Sears Tower; one man was acquitted. Suspected Nazi death camp guard John Demjanjuk was deported from the United States to Germany. On the second day of his Holy Land tour, Pope Benedict XVI took his message of peace to the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem.

Five years ago: Scientists expressed concern during a NASA news conference over a pair of studies

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which said the huge West Antarctic ice sheet was starting a glacially slow collapse in an unstoppable way, a melt that could eventually add 4 to 12 feet to current sea levels.

One year ago: North Korea said it would dismantle its nuclear test site later in the month, in what analysts described as a mostly symbolic event that wouldn't represent a material step toward denuclearization. Iraq held its first elections since the collapse of the Islamic State group; there was a record-low turnout for balloting that saw the political coalition of Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr win the most seats in parliament without capturing a majority.

Today's Birthdays: Critic John Simon is 94. Composer Burt Bacharach is 91. Actress Millie Perkins is 83. Rhythm-and-blues singer Jayotis Washington is 78. Country singer Billy Swan is 77. Actress Linda Dano is 76. Actress Lindsay Crouse is 71. Singer-musician Steve Winwood is 71. Actor Gabriel Byrne is 69. Actor Bruce Boxleitner is 69. Singer Billy Squier is 69. Blues singer-musician Guy Davis is 67. Country singer Kix Brooks is 64. Actress Kim Greist is 61. Rock musician Eric Singer (KISS) is 61. Actor Ving Rhames is 60. Rock musician Billy Duffy is 58. Actor Emilio Estevez is 57. Actress April Grace is 57. Actress Vanessa A. Williams is 56. TV personality/chef Carla Hall is 55. Country musician Eddie Kilgallon is 54. Actor Stephen Baldwin is 53. Actor Scott Schwartz is 51. Actress Kim Fields is 50. Actress Samantha Mathis is 49. Actress Jamie Luner is 48. Actor Christian Campbell is 47. Actress Rhea Seehorn is 47. Actor Mackenzie Astin is 46. Country musician Matt Mangano (The Zac Brown Band) is 43. Actress Rebecca Herbst is 42. Actress Malin (MAH'-lin) Akerman is 41. Actor Jason Biggs is 41. Actor Rami Malek (RAH'-mee MA'-lihk) is 38. Actress-singer Clare Bowen is 35. Actress Emily VanCamp is 33. Actor Malcolm David Kelley is 27. Actor Sullivan Sweeten is 24.

Thought for Today: "We are taught you must blame your father, your sisters, your brothers, the school, the teachers — but never blame yourself. It's never your fault. But it's always your fault, because if you wanted to change you're the one who has got to change." — Katharine Hepburn, American actress (born this date in 1907, died 2003).

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