Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 1 of 35

- 2- Thune's Weekly Column
- 4- Noem's Weekly Column
- 5- Johnson's Weekly Column
- 6- Rounds' Weekly Column
- 7- Boys Soccer Game
- 9- Rev. Snyder's Column
- 11- Deep Root
- 12- NE Mental Health Ad
- 13- Gospel Solutions to Social Issues
- 14- Weather Pages
- 17- Daily Devotional
- 18- 2019 Groton Events
- 19- News from the Associated Press



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



# Upaning COMMUNITY EVENTS

Golf: Boys Varsity Meet vs Aberdeen Roncalli

(Away) on Aug 26 at 10:00 AM Aberdeen Roncalli High School

Type: nonconference Opponent: Aberdeen Roncalli

Comments: Moccasin Creek Country Club

Volleyball: Girls Varsity Match vs Redfield High

School (Away) on Aug 29 at 6:00 PM

Redfield-Doland High School

Type: nonconference Opponent: Redfield High

School Comments: C and JV matches @ 6pm

No School on Aug 30

Groton Area Elementary School, Groton Area High School

Football: Boys Varsity Game vs Ellendale/Edgeley-

Kulm (Away) on Aug 30 at 7:00 PM

Ellendale High School

Type: nonconference Opponent: Ellendale/Edge-ley-Kulm

© 2019 Groton Daily Independent

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 2 of 35

# John Thune U.S. SENATOR - SOUTH DAKOTA

**Hope For a Better Future** 

Being a parent to two beautiful daughters is the greatest gift in the entire world, although, as any parent can attest, it did come with its challenges. Sleepless nights, balancing siblings' needs and interactions, and helping them throughout school — you name it. Raising kids can be a tall task for any parent, but I'm forever grateful for these challenges and opportunities, and they remind me of the additional sacrifices

adoptive parents make each and every day to raise their children – initial costs, medical bills, and helping children adapt to a new lifestyle, to name just a few. Parents who choose adoption give the gift of family to children, and I'm so thankful for the sacrifices these families make to better the life of these deserving kids.





(From left to right) Back: Josiah, Mike, Kim, Kinsley, Amanuel. Middle: Mason, Justus, Malia. Front: Eva, Selena, Shakira.

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 3 of 35

I've been a proud member of the Congressional Coalition on Adoption throughout my time in Congress. Every year, I nominate a family for an Angels in Adoption award, which recognizes the outstanding contributions of the men and women – moms and dads – across the country who have chosen to adopt or foster children who are in need and who inspire others to do so, too.

This year, I nominated Mike and Kim Adams and their family from Sioux Falls. Mike and Kim have a heart for children, with five biological children and four adopted children. As they learned about the plight of kids in need, both here in our country and also around the world, their hearts were broken, and they wanted to do something about it. While Kim was pregnant with their youngest biological son, Josiah, she was making plans to adopt and was patiently waiting for the time to be right. At the same time, Mike was looking for ways to help address extreme poverty around the world. Through separate events and a lot of prayer, both of their hearts were drawn to Ethiopia.

In 2008, they brought their first adoptive child home – Eva. Seeing the poorest of the poor transformed them, and they sought to help children and communities stuck in poverty, as well as the children who were orphaned and had nowhere to turn. They also started using proceeds from their company, Adams Thermal, to not only fight poverty in South Dakota, but also on the other corner of the world in Ethiopia.

In 2009, they brought home another daughter, Selena, and three years later, Amanuel, both from Ethiopia. In 2014, they adopted Shakira from Uganda. A year before they completed their family with Shakira, they established the Adams Thermal Foundation whose mission is "to alleviate the suffering of the most vulnerable by confronting all forms of human poverty in our community, nation, and our world." The foundation now runs two schools in Ethiopia that serve 1,200 students. They also work with their community in Sioux Falls on various development projects – all of which they credit the generous help of families in South Dakota that give and serve sacrificially for these children and communities.

Mike said this on adoption, "So many children are in need of a loving home so it is critical to get the word out. There are so many loving and capable families – they just need to understand the need, and they will step forward and provide a loving home for these kids." Parents like Kim and Mike Adams are an inspiration to their community, and I appreciate everything that they, and all other adoptive families throughout our state, do to give children hope for a better future.

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 4 of 35



#### SOUTH DAKOTA GOVERNOR

### **KRISTI NOEM**



### USMCA: A Modernized Trade Agreement for South Dakota Producers

In 1994, no one would have imagined that you could search the Internet from a phone that you carry in your pocket. In 1994, people watching the original Lion King film wouldn't have thought of a live-action remake. In 1994, no one would have guessed that the denim-dominated fashion they enjoyed would make a comeback 25 years later.

A lot has changed since 1994, but one thing hasn't: our trade agreements with our closest international allies. For more than two decades, the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) has set the rules of trade between the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

These rules are incredibly important. Each year, South Dakota producers export \$536 million worth of goods to Canada and \$345 million to Mexico. They're our closest trading partners. Now more than ever, we need an agreement that rebalances and modernizes the old rules of the road into a 21st century, high-standard trade deal that better serves the interests of farmers, ranchers, and businesspeople.

The United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement, more commonly known as the USMCA, does just that. It would increase potential for global trade while giving producers the stability to grow, invest, and create more jobs in South Dakota. It would be an incredible shot in the arm for producers, especially in the midst of historically low commodity prices and the largest federally declared natural disaster South Dakota has ever seen.

Through the USMCA, Canada's unfair milk pricing will be eliminated so South Dakota dairy farmers gain more export opportunities. Poultry producers will have new access for chicken and egg exports and expanded access for turkey exports. Small businesses will benefit from new rules that make it easier to tap into foreign markets and participate in cross-border trade. There are big wins for the auto industry and new standards to improve wages and labor conditions.

I was proud to help negotiate this agreement when I served in Congress, and I'm grateful for the strong South Dakota support for the agreement through Senator Thune, Senator Rounds, and Congressman Johnson. But they can't do this alone. It's time for Democrat congressmen and congresswomen from agbased districts to put pressure on Congressional leadership and bring this agreement to the House floor.

With 95 percent of the world's consumers living outside our borders, it's imperative we have a framework where our farmers and ranchers can thrive. If we can't reach consumers on a level playing field, our growth is limited. South Dakota farmers and ranchers produce the world's best products; those goods ought to be sold in a marketplace that is fair, open, and competitive. Now is the time for Washington to put people over politics, support American agriculture, and ratify the USMCA.

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 5 of 35



#### **A Step Backwards**

South Dakota is leading the way in energy independence. I've always said the greatest improvements in our environment and conservation won't come in the form of a "green new deal" or the latest trend on the internet – it will come from U.S. innovation. The biofuels industry in South Dakota, along with the efforts of famers, has proven innovation can move the needle in the right direction.

According to a recent USDA report, greenhouse gas emissions from corn-based ethanol are about 39 percent lower than gasoline. The report goes on to say new technology at ethanol biorefineries and the on-farm conservation practices happening today could reduce greenhouse gas emissions even further. The study projects that with improvements, a reduction of over 70 percent in lifecycle emissions is possible by 2022.

To me, that equates to a win for those who care about conservation and a win for those who want the private sector driving change. However, recent policy changes in Washington threaten this continued success. This past month, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved 31 Small Refinery Exemption (SRE) waivers that will exempt certain oil refineries from blending the legally required amounts of ethanol in their gasoline. This is the same ethanol that provides all the benefits I just listed above – lower emissions, lower prices at the pump, and cleaner air.

These waivers are traditionally awarded to small U.S. refineries in financial strife. However, following the pattern of most government programs, this waiver has been abused by oil refineries throughout the country. Congress implemented the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) for a reason and oil refineries should follow the rules like others in the industry.

This action directly contradicts a decision by the D.C. Circuit Court which directed the EPA to reallocate 500 million gallons of ethanol that were lost in the blending process because of waivers in previous years. Because these waivers were granted, blending will slow, and demand in the ethanol industry is slated to decline by over 3 billion gallons. This demand destruction continues to cause pain for producers and Main Streets across South Dakota.

Rules and transparency matter, which is why I introduced the Renewable Fuel Standard Integrity Act with Ag Committee Chairman Peterson. Our legislation will ensure transparency in the RFS waiver process and allow the EPA to reallocate any lost ethanol gallons awarded through Small Refinery Exemptions. Congress and the Courts agree – the EPA is clearly circumventing the intent of the waiver program of the Renewable Fuel Standard. It's time we step in to close this loophole and preserve congressional intent.

Earlier this year, President Trump cut red tape to allow year-round E15 sales, but this past week's actions by the EPA are a step in the wrong direction and potentially negate benefits additional E15 market access offers. I believe we must do everything we can to honor our commitments to home-grown renewable energy, giving farmers and Rural America a much-needed boost.

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019  $\sim$  Vol. 28 - No. 056  $\sim$  6 of 35



#### **Great Faces, Great Places**

We are very fortunate to call South Dakota home. We live in a beautiful, diverse state with an interesting history. We welcome visitors from all over the U.S. and the world, but South Dakota also offers new experiences to those who have lived here their whole lives. Some of my favorite memories with my family include camping trips to the Black Hills and boating on the Missouri River.



Jean and I always try to take a few days each summer to drive through the Black Hills. With my busy schedule working in Washington, this trip lets us spend quality time together in a place we both love. When Jean was diagnosed with cancer earlier this year, she and I promised that we'd make our annual Black Hills trip a priority. It is something both of us looked forward to throughout her treatment, and I'm so glad we were able to do some of our favorite things like drive around Sylvan Lake and enjoy the view from the porch of the State Game Lodge in Custer, which used to serve as the "Summer White House" for President Calvin Coolidge in the 1920s.

Summer in the Black Hills is truly beautiful, and there is so much to do. Biking, hiking, golfing, and water sports are popular, but the most popular event in the Black Hills each year is the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. Last year, nearly half a million people from all over the world visited Sturgis for the rally to meet up with other bikers, go to concerts and cruise around western South Dakota. It's one of the only times of the year we have actual traffic jams in South Dakota!

With our long, cold winters, we really appreciate summer in South Dakota. But now that families are sending the kids back to school and we're gearing up for fall, we can look forward to another favorite South Dakota tradition: pheasant hunting. We are home to world-class pheasant habitat, especially in the central part of the state. Out-of-state hunters flock to South Dakota each fall to hunt, and when they do they stay in our hotels, visit our restaurants and support businesses in our communities.

Travel and tourism are a big source of income for South Dakota businesses. In fact, tourism is second only to agriculture as our state's top industry. Many businesses rely on major events like the Sturgis Rally or the opening weekend of pheasant season to get through the rest of the year. According to the South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks, hunters, anglers, boaters and state park visitors spend \$1.3 billion annually. This spending has a major impact on our state's economy by supporting around 18,000 full-and part-time jobs.

No matter where you go in South Dakota, you'll find friendly people and something new and exciting to see or do. The glacial lakes and prairies in the northeast, the busy and growing city of Sioux Falls in the southeast, the communities along the beautiful Missouri River and the towering pines and peaks of the Black Hills—and everywhere in between—provide something for everyone to explore in the land of Great Faces and Great Places. Thank you to all those who work in the tourism industry who make sure vacation-goers have a memorable time in our state.

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 7 of 35



**Austin Jones** 



**Tucker Carda** 



Cade Guthmiller & #27 Dragr Monson



Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 8 of 35



**Anthony Schinkel** 



**Battle at the Goal** 

Soccer Photos by Marjae Schinkel

### **Cavaliers hand Tigers first loss**Groton boys lost 2-1 to St. Thomas More. Austin

Groton boys lost 2-1 to St. Thomas More. Austin Jones scored the lone goal with an assist from Piet Solling. The Tigers are 2-1 on the season and will travel to Vermillion on Saturday.

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 9 of 35



### Dr. James L. Snyder Ministries



#### It's Hard For Me To Conceal A Giggle

Throughout life, I have discovered many challenges. Some I have handled fairly well and others have handled me pretty badly.

That is what makes life so interesting. Every day there is a challenge to face and every day there is a victory to win.

Recently, the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and I celebrated our 48th wedding anniversary. I would not be truthful if I did not admit that those 48 years have been rather challenging. Not so much in a negative way, but each challenge carried with it a life lesson.

At the end of these 48 years, I must confess my wife knows more about me then I know about myself, or her for that matter. How she has come to these conclusions, I do not know.

But, to be honest I do not know very much about myself compared to what she knows.

Not wasting those 48 years, I never contradict my wife on anything. Even, if I think she may be wrong about something.

There are spouses that try to correct their spouse when talking to other people. I am so thankful that while I am speaking to someone my wife will correct me so the person I am talking to has the facts.

After all, she knows more about me and my experiences than I do. I am not contesting that one iota. Why should I?

The biggest secret to a successful marriage is going along rather than being confrontational. It does not matter to me if she corrects me; I've come to appreciate that.

After all, I get so many things wrong these days. I cannot remember birthdays, anniversaries or special occasions. It's not because I'm getting older because when I was younger, I had the same problem.

If I were not married, I probably would not remember my own birthday.

Thinking about this the other day a thought danced into my mind. If I wanted to be right all the time, why in the world did I get married? A married couple is to work together and it seems that we have the ideal connection in this regard.

I remember when I wore a younger man's suit; I nonchalantly corrected my wife about a certain thing that happened when she got the day of the week wrong.

"Don't you remember, Honey," I interrupted her, "it was on a Wednesday not a Thursday."

She gave me one of "those looks" and said, "Maybe it was a Thursday."

That look alone was enough to graduate me from being the corrector of her conversation to being the quiet agreeable guy. Through the years, I discovered being agreeable is a great deal of blessings and I enjoyed each one of those blessings.

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 10 of 35

One thing I have a real difficulty and that is, not giggling.

I may be affected with giggle-itis, which as far as I know has no cure. Of course, when I start giggling it is very difficult for me to stop.

The only temporary cure I have found is when I start to giggle, I take a deep breath and then think of broccoli. If anything sobers me up and even makes me a little bit angry it is this vegetable.

Of course, when I begin thinking of broccoli, the giggle goes away, but a very deep sickness in my stomach begins to develop.

That sickness in my stomach is to be preferred over giggling aloud at a very inappropriate time. My giggles always seem to come out at an inappropriate time.

I remember my wife telling a story to some friends about one of our grandchildren. If she knows anything, she knows about the grandkids. She has a Masters degree in grandchildrenology. This time, however, she got the grandkids names mixed up. She had the one doing what another grandchild did.

Nobody knew the difference except me. As she continued developing this story, it got beyond my giggle control.

When my giggles start, my eyes begin lighting up like a laser beam. Following that, my lips start trembling out of which multiple giggles escape. Once my lips start trembling it is all over.

I knew the real story and the names and the way she told the story using the wrong name was so hilarious for anybody who knew the real story. I will not divulge the names now because it was too funny.

As she continued with the story, it got so bad I had to pinch my nose to stop any giggling.

At the time, I was beginning to smile and my wife happened to see me.

For me to keep from giggling, I had to think about something else. So, when she looked at me and said, "What are you thinking about?"

At this point, I was on automatic pilot. When I opened my mouth, I had a choice. Do I giggle or do I mention the word broccoli?

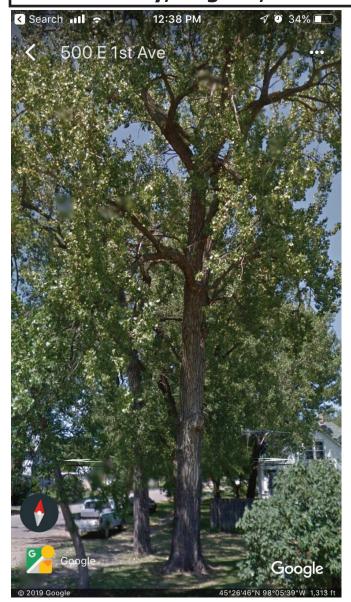
I had no control. I opened my mouth and said, "I was thinking about broccoli."

The people knew me very well and as soon as they heard that word, they started laughing hysterically. When they started laughing my giggle-itis exploded like I haven't seen it explode before.

I thought of what Sarah said after Isaac was born, "God has brought me laughter, and everyone who hears about this will laugh with me." (Genesis 21:6).

Laughter, or a giggle, is recognition of God's blessing in my life.

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 11 of 35





# If you have a strong root, you can't be kept down!

**Ephesian 3:17-19 New International Version (NIV)** 

<sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, <sup>18</sup> may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, <sup>19</sup> and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 12 of 35

### We need our farmers.

We need them physically strong. We need them mentally strong.

Northeastern Mental Health Center is now offering counseling services for farmers and their families-at no cost.

With the current state of the industry, we understand that farm families can feel overwhelmed in times of stress, instability, and uncertainty.

We're here to help.

#### Call 605-225-1010 for more information.

Northeastern Mental Health Center services the counties of Brown, Campbell, Day, Edmunds, Faulk, Marshall, McPherson, Potter, Spink and Walworth.



Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 13 of 35



Adults and Students . . . come learn what social issues are involving our youth in our community.

# Solutions to

### Social Issues

### SPONSORED BY LOCAL CHURCHES

Youth Groups Welcome ~ Large Groups please RSVP 605/377-0709 Seminars are:

September 11 at United Methodist Church:
Drugs & Alcohol

October 9 at Groton Christian & Missionary Alliance Church:
Sex Trafficing and Date Violence
November 6 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church:

Suicide and Bullying

Light Meal at 5:45 p.m. ~ Seminar begins at 6:30 p.m.

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 14 of 35

disc.

Today

# 1%

Slight Chance T-storms then Mostly Cloudy

High: 78 °F

Tonight



Severe Thunderstorms

Low: 61 °F

Monday



Partly Sunny then Chance T-storms and Breezy

High: 75 °F

Monday Night



Mostly Clear

Low: 55 °F

Tuesday

Mostly Sunny and Breezy

High: 69 °F

### Slight Risk

of severe thunderstorms

1



3

4

J 7

#### Hazards

T-storms with ~golf ball sized hail (central SD), 60+ mph wind gusts, heavy rain

#### **Timing**

Storms develop Sunday late afternoon and track east through the overnight. The highest risk period is from 5 pm (west of the Missouri) to midnight (east of the James River Valley).

#### At Greatest Risk:

Mobridge, Murdo, Pierre, Gettysburg, Miller, Aberdeen and Redfield.

#### Severe Weather Outlook for Today-Tonight





Severe Thunderstorm
Coverage
Widespread Expected
Widespread Likely
Numerous
Scattered
Isolated

ISSUED: 3:42 AM - Sunday, August 25, 2019

Published on: 08/24/2019 at 11:44PM

Light showers and a few thunderstorms over southeastern South Dakota this morning will exit into Minnesota this afternoon. Another round of showers and stronger storms will develop across central South Dakota later this afternoon, and track to eastern South Dakota and western Minnesota overnight. A few of these storms could become strong, or severe, with the highest risk for severe weather being from late this afternoon west of the Missouri River to around midnight east of the James River Valley.

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 15 of 35

#### **Today in Weather History**

August 25, 1990: Severe thunderstorms moved across central and northeastern South Dakota produce golf ball size hail and wind gusts exceeding 60 mph. One storm produced a weak F0 tornado between Bowdle and Roscoe in Edmunds County.

1814: In the early afternoon, a strong tornado struck northwest Washington D.C. and downtown. The severe tornadic storm arrived the day after the British Troops had set fire to the Capitol, the White House, and other public buildings. The storm's rains would douse those flames. The tornado did major structural damage to the residential section of the city. The tornado's flying debris killed more British soldiers than by the guns of the American resistance. The storm blew off roofs and carried them high up into the air, knocked down chimneys and fences and damaged numerous homes. Some homes were destroyed. It lifted two pieces of cannon and deposited them several yards away. At least 30 Americans were killed or injured in the heavily damaged buildings, and an unknown number of British killed and wounded.

1948: One of the worst tornadoes to strike New Zealand occurred at Hamilton on this day. This estimated F2tornado killed three people, injuring dozens, and destroying or severely damaging almost 150 houses and 50 business premises in Hamilton and Franklin. Click HERE for tornado damage pictures from the Hamilton Heritage.

1926 - A hurricane came inland near Daytona Beach, FL. The hurricane caused 2.5 million dollars damage in eastern Florida, including the Jacksonville area. (David Ludlum)

1939 - The temperature at Lewiston, ID, hit 117 degrees to establish an all-time record high for that location. (The Weather Channel)

1943 - On a whim, and flying a single engine AT-6, Lieutenant Ralph O'Hair and Colonel Duckworth were the first to fly into a hurricane. It started regular Air Force flights into hurricanes. (The Weather Channel)

1987 - Thunderstorms in Minnesota spawned a tornado which moved in a southwesterly direction for a distance of thirty miles across Rice County and Goodhue County. Trees were uprooted and tossed about like toys, and a horse lifted by the tornado was observed sailing horizontally through the air. Thunderstorms drenched La Crosse, WI, with 5.26 inches of rain, their second highest 24 hour total of record. (The National Weather Summary) (Storm Data)

1988 - Hot weather prevailed in the north central U.S. Williston, ND, reported a record high of 108 degrees. Thunderstorms produced severe weather in the eastern U.S., and in southeastern Texas. Richland County, SC, was soaked with up to 5.5 inches of rain. (The National Weather Summary)

1989 - Thunderstorms produced locally heavy rains in the southwestern U.S. Yuma, AZ, experienced their most severe thunderstorm of record. Strong thunderstorm winds, with unofficial gusts as high as 95 mph, reduced visibilities to near zero in blowing dust and sand. Yuma got nearly as much rain in one hour as is normally received in an entire year. The storm total of 2.55 inches of rain was a record 24 hour total for July. Property damage due to flash flooding and high winds was in the millions. (Storm Data)

1989 - Thunderstorms produced severe weather from Wisconsin and northern Illinois to New England, with 103 reports of large hail and damaging winds through the day. Thunderstorms in Wisconsin produced hail three inches in diameter near Oshkosh, and wind gusts to 65 mph at Germantown. (The National Weather Summary)

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 16 of 35

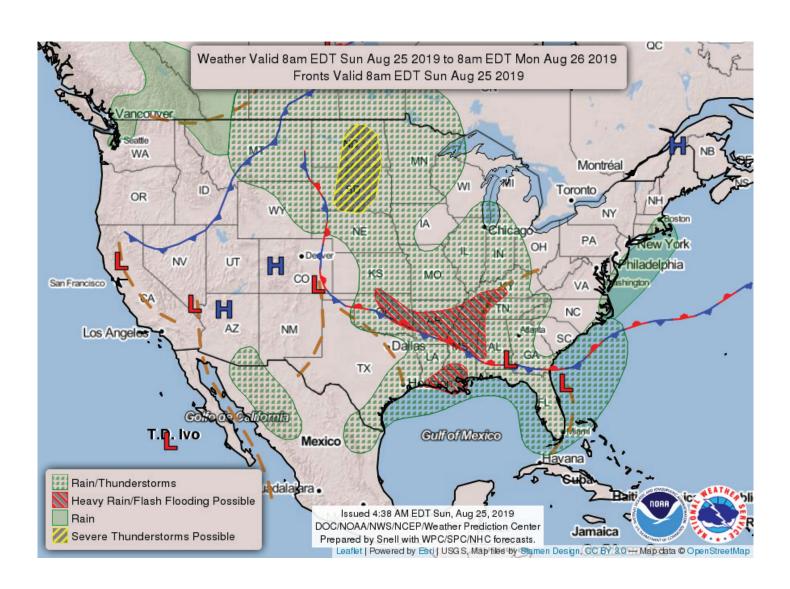
#### Yesterday's Groton Weather Today's Info High Temp: 80 °F at 2:26 PM Record High: 101° in 1026

High Temp: 80 °F at 2:26 PM Low Temp: 65 °F at 6:40 AM Wind: 27 mph at 2:26 PM

Day Rain: 0.00

Record High: 101° in 1926 Record Low: 38° in 1896 Average High: 80°F Average Low: 54°F

Average Precip in Aug.: 1.88
Precip to date in Aug.: 2.98
Average Precip to date: 15.74
Precip Year to Date: 19.57
Sunset Tonight: 8:24 p.m.
Sunrise Tomorrow: 6:48 a.m.



Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 17 of 35



#### PREPARED FOR THE FUTURE

While growing up, I remember an advertisement that was very popular: Clothing makes the man. Its a slogan from the past that has been overcome by ads that are much different. Each time I heard it, I would stop, look at what I was wearing, and wonder if it would be a help or a hindrance to what I wanted to accomplish.

Though the slogan is a thing of the past, clothes continue to contribute to the opinions others form about us. And we, also, do the same. More often than not we judge others by their clothing. We often do it without even thinking about what we are doing: stereotyping others.

She is clothed with strength and dignity, she can laugh at the days to come, are words that describe the woman of noble character. How do we identify the garments of strength and dignity and is it ever wise to laugh at the future?

Men, Gods Word reminds us, look at what people wear. God looks at the persons heart. Character and values are something that flows from the inside of a person. The essential qualities described here refer to God at work in the lives of those who surrender their lives to Him. Strength comes from His presence within, and dignity is the result of being who He wants us to be so we can walk in a just pride because we are His very own children.

When we walk in His strength and not our own and when we realize the benefits of being His child, there is no reason to fear the days to come. We are in good hands - His hands - and that is what matters most.

Prayer: Often, Father, we fail to recognize all that we can have through You. Open our heart to Your greatness. May we accept Your gifts with gratitude and humiity. In Jesus Name, Amen.

Scripture For Today: Proverbs 31:25 She is clothed with strength and dignity, she can laugh at the days to come.

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 18 of 35

#### **2019 Groton SD Community Events**

- 08/07/2019 Storybook Land Theatre Performace at Granary Rural Cultural Center
- 09/07/2019 Fall City-Wide Rummage Sales (1st Saturday after Labor Day)
- 09/08/2019 Sunflower Classic at Olive Grove Golf Course
- 09/12/2019 St. John's Lutheran Luncheon
- 09/20/2019 Presbyterian Luncheon
- 09/28/2019 Granary Living History Fall Festival
- 10/11/2019 Lake Region Marching Band Festival (2nd Friday in October)
- 10/12/2019 Pumpkin Fest (Saturday before Columbus Day)
- 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**

- 01/26/2020 Carnival of Silver Skates 2pm & 6:30pm (Last Sunday of January)
- 04/04/2020 Groton Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt (Saturday a week before Easter Weekend)
  - 04/25/2020 Fireman's Stag (Same Saturday as GHS Prom)
  - 05/02/2020 Spring City-Wide Rummage Sales (1st Saturday in May)
  - 06/8-10/2020 St. John's VBS
  - 07/04/2020 Firecracker Golf Tourney (4th of July)
     Groton Hosting State B American Legion Baseball Tournament
  - 07/12/2020 Summer Fest/Car Show
  - 09/12/2020 Fall City-Wide Rummage Sales (1st Saturday after Labor Day)
  - 10/10/2020 Pumpkin Fest

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 19 of 35

### News from the App Associated Press

#### **SD Lottery**

**By The Associated Pres** 

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

Dakota Cash 02-03-14-21-25

(two, three, fourteen, twenty-one, twenty-five)

Estimated jackpot: \$84,000

Lotto America

05-06-41-42-44, Star Ball: 8, ASB: 5

(five, six, forty-one, forty-two, forty-four; Star Ball: eight; ASB: five)

Estimated jackpot: \$2.6 million

Mega Millions

Estimated jackpot: \$103 million

**Powerball** 

05-12-20-21-47, Powerball: 1, Power Play: 2

(five, twelve, twenty, twenty-one, forty-seven; Powerball: one; Power Play: two)

Estimated jackpot: \$50 million

Saturday's Scores
By The Associated Press
PREP FOOTBALL=
Faulkton 44, Hitchcock-Tulare 0

Some high school football scores provided by Scorestream.com, https://scorestream.com/

#### Reports say stolen Hy-Vee account information being sold

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — An Iowa-based grocery chain says it's aware of reports that hacked customer account information is being sold online.

The Des Moines Register was the first to report that credit and debit card information of some Hy-Vee customers is being sold on an internet site for \$17 to \$35 apiece.

Hy-Vee issued a statement to station KCCI saying it is aware of reports of the stolen information being sold and is working with payment card networks to identify the cards and work with issuing banks.

Hy-Vee acknowledge earlier this month that it detected unauthorized activity on some of its payment processing systems linked to card payments at Hy-Vee restaurants, fuel pumps and drive-thru coffee shops. The company doesn't believe the breach extended to payments systems used inside its grocery stores, drugstores and convenience stores.

Hy-Vee operates more than 240 retail stores across Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

Information from: The Des Moines Register, http://www.desmoinesregister.com

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 20 of 35

#### Day care workers sentenced to prison for abusing children

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Two women accused of abusing children at a Sioux Falls day care have each been sentenced to five years in prison.

KSFY-TV reports Teresa Gallagher and Kenedi Wendt were sentenced Friday. The two women were indicted on 44 counts of abuse or cruelty to a minor.

They pleaded no contest to the charges.

Prosecutors say surveillance video taken in February shows dozens of instances of abuse at Little Blessings Learning Center. In one incident a child told his mother that Gallagher banged his head on a mat while he was sleeping.

Information from: KSFY-TV, http://www.ksfy.com

#### White House says Trump regrets not raising tariffs higher By DARLENE SUPERVILLE and ZEKE MILLER Associated Press

BIARRITZ, France (AP) — President Donald Trump's only regret in hiking tariffs on China is that he didn't raise them higher, his press secretary said Sunday after the president had earlier signaled some remorse for an escalating trade war with China.

Trump faced a tense reception from world leaders meeting amid mounting anxiety of a global economic slowdown at the Group of Seven summit in France. During a breakfast meeting with British Prime Minister Boris Johnson, Trump suggested he has qualms about the spiraling conflict. "Yeah. For sure," Trump told reporters when asked if he has second thoughts about escalating the conflict, adding he has "second thoughts about everything."

But hours later, White House press secretary Stephanie Grisham issued a statement saying Trump was "greatly misinterpreted," saying Trump only responded "in the affirmative - because he regrets not raising the tariffs higher."

Trump had been trying to use the conference to rally global leaders to do more to stimulate their economies, as fears rise of a potential slowdown in the U.S. ahead of his reelection. Trump's counterparts, including Johnson, are trying to convince him to back off his trade wars with China and other countries, which they see as contributing to the economic weakening.

The meetings come days after Trump escalated his trade war with China, following China's announcement Friday that it would slap new tariffs on \$75 billion in American goods. Trump responded with more tariffs of his own and issued an extraordinary threat to declare a national emergency in an attempt to force U.S. businesses to cut ties with China.

Johnson praised Trump for America's economic performance during the jovial breakfast, their first since his elevation to the prime minister post in July. But he chided Trump on his hardnosed China policy. "Just to register a faint sheep-like note of our view on the trade war," he told the American leader. "We're in favor of trade peace."

Trump told reporters he has "no plans right now" to follow through on his emergency declaration threat, but insisted he would be within his rights to use a 1977 law used to target rogue regimes, terrorists and drug traffickers as the newest weapon in the clash between the world's largest economies

"If I want, I could declare a national emergency," Trump said. He cited China's theft of intellectual property and the large U.S. trade deficit with China, saying "in many ways that's an emergency."

Trump then entered the first official summit meeting, initially set to be a discussion of foreign policy and security issues. But White House aides claimed he engineered a late change to the summit schedule, adding economic issues to the agenda.

Trump planned to press leaders about what can be done to spur growth in the U.S. and abroad, as well as to open European, Japanese and Canadian markets to American manufacturers and producers. Trump has imposed or threatened to impose tariffs on all three markets in his pursuit of free, fair and reciprocal trade.

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 21 of 35

The meeting of the Group of Seven nations — Britain, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and the U.S. — in the beach resort town of Biarritz comes at one of the most unpredictable moments in Trump's presidency, when his public comments and decision-making increasingly have seemed erratic and acerbic of late.

Only hours before his arrival in Biarritz Saturday, Trump threatened anew to place tariffs on French wine imports to the U.S. in a spat over France's digital services tax; the European Union promised to retaliate. That was the backdrop for a late addition to his summit schedule — a two-hour lunch with French President Emmanuel Macron outside the opulent Hotel du Palais.

The summit host said the two men were discussing "a lot of crisis" around the world, including Libya, Iran and Russia, as well as trade policy and climate change. But he also echoed Trump's calls for Europe to do more to address the global slowdown, including by cutting taxes. "When I look at Europe, especially, we need some new tools to relaunch our economy," Macron said.

Trump disputed reports Sunday of friction with other G7 leaders, saying that he has been "treated beautifully" since he arrived.

But moments later cracks emerged anew between Trump and his counterparts, after the French government said that it was agreed at Saturday's opening dinner that Macron would deliver a message to Iran on behalf of the group. But Trump disputed that he had signed off on any message. "No I haven't discussed that," he told reporters during a bilateral meeting with Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe. "No I haven't."

Macron, in recent months, has tried to play intermediary between the U.S. and Iran, as tensions flare over Iran's nuclear program and the Trump administration's increasingly restrictive sanctions on that country.

Many of the summit proceedings will take place largely behind closed doors, in intimate settings designed for the leaders to develop personal relationships with one another. Their first meeting Sunday was at a circular table in a conference room in the opulent Centre de Congrés Bellevue.

The annual G-7 summit has historically been used to highlight common ground among the world's leading democracies. But in a bid to work around Trump's impulsiveness, Macron has eschewed plans for a formal joint statement from this gathering.

Trump has scheduled individual meetings with several of his counterparts, including Macron, Trudeau, Merkel, Abe and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

AP writer Kevin Freking contributed from Washington.

### G-7 cracks emerge on Iran as Trump contests French role By SYLVIE CORBET, LORI HINNANT and DARLENE SUPERVILLE Associated Press

BIARRITZ, France (AP) — The first fissures emerged among G-7 leaders on Sunday over how to deal with Iran, as U.S. President Donald Trump denied he had signed on to an agreement on giving France a leading role as a go-between with the world's major democracies.

Trump had tried to play down tensions among Group of Seven leaders after an intimate dinner Saturday in the southwest French resort of Biarritz, but came out swiftly to dispute France's claim that they had agreed to let President Emmanuel Macron deliver a message to Iran on their behalf.

For several months, Macron has taken a lead role in trying to save the 2015 nuclear accord, which has been unraveling since Trump pulled the U.S. out of the agreement.

No details were provided on what the G-7 message to Iran would be but Macron said the goal is to prevent Iran from getting nuclear weapons and avoid a further escalation in tensions in the Middle East.

"I haven't discussed that," Trump said Sunday morning. He described the dinner as "very, very good" and blamed the media for anything that implied otherwise.

But it seemed from other accounts that the previous night's dinner had been tense and the divide between him and the rest of the G-7 were clear.

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson, greeting Macron for a morning meeting, congratulated the French president and shook his hand.

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 22 of 35

"You did very well last night. My God that was a difficult one. You did brilliant, you did brilliant," he said. Johnson himself was critical of the U.S. trade war with China, which has been casting shadows over the world economy.

The G-7 leaders regrouped on Sunday morning to focus on what they can do to boost growth at a time of heightened uncertainty. Manufacturers around the world are smarting from the trade dispute between the U.S. and China, which has led to new import taxes on hundreds of billions of dollars-worth of goods. Businesses don't know where tariffs will be imposed next.

The White House had said putting the economy on the agenda was Trump's idea, but the G-7 has for over four decades always included a focus on the economy: it was founded as a response to the Arab oil embargo in the 1970s and the recession that followed.

The backdrop is particularly worrying this year, with the U.S. economy slowing and Germany and Italy close to recession.

Meanwhile, Britain is due to leave the EU in October and there is no agreement on how it should happen, raising the possibility of a disorderly exit that could wreak havoc for business in Europe.

The G-7 summit includes the heads of Britain, France, Germany, Japan, Canada and Italy as well as a representative of the 28-country EU.

In the nearby town of Bayonne, protesters demanded Macron do more to protect French workers and the planet.

A mix of activists, some wearing yellow vests, carried portraits of the French president as they marched Sunday in solidarity with environmental activists who removed official portraits of Macron from town halls around France earlier this year to protest his climate change policies.

Internationally, Macron is a vocal champion of fighting climate change, and has challenged Trump on the issue. At home in France, however, activists accuse him of lagging on promises to wean France from fossil fuels.

Zeke Miller contributed.

### Powerful, obscure law is basis for Trump 'order' on trade By ZEKE MILLER Associated Press

BIARRITZ, France (AP) — President Donald Trump is threatening to use the emergency authority granted by a powerful but obscure federal law to make good on his tweeted "order" to U.S. businesses to cut ties in China amid a spiraling trade war between the two nations.

China's announcement Friday that it was raising tariffs on \$75 billion in U.S. imports sent Trump into a rage and White House aides scrambling for a response.

Trump fired off on Twitter, declaring American companies "are hereby ordered to immediately start looking for an alternative to China." He later clarified that he was threatening to make use of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act in the trade war, raising questions about the wisdom and propriety of making the 1977 act used to target rogue regimes, terrorists and drug traffickers the newest weapon in the clash between the world's largest economies.

It would mark the latest grasp of authority by Trump, who has claimed widespread powers not sought by his predecessors despite his own past criticism of their use of executive powers.

"For all of the Fake News Reporters that don't have a clue as to what the law is relative to Presidential powers, China, etc., try looking at the Emergency Economic Powers Act of 1977," Trump tweeted late Friday. "Case closed!"

The act gives presidents wide berth in regulating international commerce during times of declared national emergencies. Trump threatened to use those powers earlier this year to place tariffs on imports from Mexico in a bid to force the U.S. neighbor to do more to address illegal crossings at their shared border.

It was not immediately clear how Trump could use the act to force American businesses to move their manufacturing out of China and to the U.S, and Trump's threat appeared premature — as he has not

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 23 of 35

declared an emergency with respect to China.

"If I want, I could declare a national emergency," Trump told reporters Sunday during a breakfast meeting with British Prime Minister Boris Johnson. He cited China's theft of intellectual property and the large U.S. trade deficit with China, saying "in many ways that's an emergency." But he added, "I have no plans right now."

Even without the emergency threat, Trump's retaliatory action Friday — further raising tariffs on Chinese exports to the U.S. — had already sparked widespread outrage from the business community.

"It's impossible for businesses to plan for the future in this type of environment," David French, senior vice president for government relations at the National Retail Federation, said in a statement.

The Consumer Technology Association called the escalating tariffs "the worst economic mistake since the Smoot-Hawley Tariff Act of 1930 — a decision that catapulted our country into the Great Depression." And trade association CompTIA stressed the logistical strain that would follow if companies were forced to shift operations out of China, saying it would take months for most companies.

"Any forced immediate action would result in chaos," CEO Todd Thibodeaux said in emailed comments. The frequent tariff fluctuations are making it hard to plan and are casting uncertainty on some investments, said Peter Bragdon, executive vice president and chief administration officer of Columbia Sportswear. "There's no way for anyone to plan around chaos and incoherence," he said.

Columbia manufactures in more than 20 countries, including China. This diversification helps shield the company from some fluctuations, but China is an important base for serving Chinese customers as well as those in other countries, Bragdon said. The company plans to continue doing business there.

"We follow the rule of law, not the rule of Twitter," he said.

Presidents have often used the act to impose economic sanctions to further U.S. foreign policy and national security goals. Initially, the targets were foreign states or their governments, but over the years the act has been increasingly used to punish individuals, groups and non-state actors, such as terrorists.

Some of the sanctions have affected U.S. businesses by prohibiting Americans from doing business with those targeted. The act also was used to block new investment in Burma in 1997.

Congress has never attempted to end a national emergency invoking the law, which would require a joint resolution. Congressional lawmakers did vote earlier this year to disapprove of Trump's declared emergency along the U.S.-Mexico border, only to see Trump veto the resolution.

China's Commerce Ministry issued a statement Saturday condemning Trump's threat, saying, "This kind of unilateral, bullying trade protectionism and maximum pressure go against the consensus reached by the two countries' heads of state, violate the principles of mutual respect, equality and mutual benefit, and seriously damage the multilateral trading system and normal international trade order."

Associated Press Technology Writer Rachel Lerman in San Francisco and Darlene Superville contributed to this report.

### Johnson wins Trump's approval for tough approach to Brexit By DANICA KIRKA Associated Press

BIARRITZ, France (AP) — British Prime Minister Boris Johnson won U.S. President Donald Trump's approval Sunday for his plans to take a tough approach in talks to leave the European Union after a chummy meeting on the sidelines of the Group of Seven summit in France.

Johnson glowed as Trump said he gave him a vote of confidence in carrying out the Brexit talks. The British prime minister has vowed to bring his country out of the EU on Oct. 31 no matter what, an approach that has raised worries about a chaotic divorce that could cause chaos and hurt the economy.

Trump promised that he and Johnson would work out "a very big trade deal" between their nations once the United Kingdom leaves the EU.

"I'm very grateful for that," Johnson said. "And we're looking forward to having some pretty comprehensive talks about how to take forward the relationship in all sorts of ways, particularly on trade. We're

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 24 of 35

very excited about that."

But the pair were barely past the elegant winding staircase at the Hotel du Palais when it became clear that each had a different vision of what a trade deal might look like. The United States has said it is ready to negotiate a post-Brexit trade deal with the U.K. in pieces — rather than London's wish of a comprehensive pact.

Johnson pledged a "fantastic deal once we clear up some of the obstacles in our path." Trump interrupted promising "lots of fantastic mini-deals."

The British prime minister badly needs a trade deal with the United States. After taking power last month he vowed that Britain would leave the EU on time with or without a divorce deal, cutting the country off from the EU's single market of 500 million people. A no-deal Brexit would see new tariffs and border checks on trade between Britain and the EU, seriously disrupting business.

Supporters of Brexit say a free trade deal with the United States can help make up for any reduction in commerce with the EU after Britain leaves the bloc's single market for goods and services. In 2018, Britain did almost half its trade with the EU, while the U.S. accounted for 18% of U.K. exports and 11% of imports.

"We're working on a very big trade deal and I think it's going to work out," Trump said.

The meeting between the leaders came a day after Johnson warned that getting a trade deal with the United States won't be "plain sailing" as he bemoaned barriers to the United Kingdom's goods in American markets.

Speaking to reporters as he flew to France for the Group of Seven meeting, Johnson cited examples small and large of British goods that struggle in U.S. markets for bureaucratic reasons. He cited things like cauliflower, English wine, pillows, rail cars and even parts for showers.

It wasn't just goods on Johnson's radar, but professional services, which far and away make up most of Britain's economy.

"If you want to sell insurance in the U.K. you only need to speak to two regulators," Johnson fumed. "If you want to sell insurance in the U.S. you have to speak to 50 regulators. The same point can be made about architects and many other professions."

But even though he needs a deal, Johnson was at pains to say he wasn't giving away the store. Some sectors of the U.K. economy would remain off limits to any deal. Johnson has promised the National Health Service will be off-limits and that animal welfare standards would be safeguarded.

### Brazilian troops begin deploying to fight Amazon fires By MARCELO SILVA de SOUSA Associated Press

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — Backed by military aircraft, Brazilian troops on Saturday were deploying in the Amazon to fight fires that have swept the region and prompted anti-government protests as well as an international outcry.

President Jair Bolsonaro also tried to temper global concern, saying that previously deforested areas had burned and that intact rainforest was spared. Even so, the fires were likely to be urgently discussed at a summit of the Group of Seven leaders in France this weekend.

Some 44,000 troops will be available for "unprecedented" operations to put out the fires, and forces are heading to six Brazilian states that asked for federal help, Defense Minister Fernando Azevedo said. The states are Roraima, Rondonia, Tocantins, Para, Acre and Mato Grosso.

The military's first mission will be carried out by 700 troops around Porto Velho, capital of Rondonia, Azevedo said. The military will use two C-130 Hercules aircraft capable of dumping up to 12,000 liters (3,170 gallons) of water on fires, he said.

An Associated Press journalist flying over the Porto Velho region Saturday morning reported hazy conditions and low visibility. On Friday, the reporter saw many already deforested areas that were burned, apparently by people clearing farmland, as well as a large column of smoke billowing from one fire.

The municipality of Nova Santa Helena in Brazil's Mato Grosso state was also hard-hit. Trucks were seen driving along a highway Friday as fires blazed and embers smoldered in adjacent fields.

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 25 of 35

The Brazilian military operations came after widespread criticism of Bolsonaro's handling of the crisis. On Friday, the president authorized the armed forces to put out fires, saying he is committed to protecting the Amazon region.

Azevedo, the defense minister, noted U.S. President Donald Trump's offer in a tweet to help Brazil fight the fires, and said there had been no further contact on the matter.

Despite international concern, Bolsonaro told reporters on Saturday that the situation was returning to normal. He said he was "speaking to everyone" about the problem, including Trump, Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez and several Latin American leaders.

Bolsonaro had described rainforest protections as an obstacle to Brazil's economic development, sparring with critics who say the Amazon absorbs vast amounts of greenhouse gasses and is crucial for efforts to contain climate change.

The Amazon fires have become a global issue, escalating tensions between Brazil and European countries who believe Bolsonaro has neglected commitments to protect biodiversity. Protesters gathered outside Brazilian diplomatic missions in European and Latin American cities Friday, and demonstrators also marched in Brazil.

"The planet's lungs are on fire. Let's save them!" read a sign at a protest outside Brazil's embassy in Mexico City.

The dispute spilled into the economic arena when French leader Emmanuel Macron threatened to block a European Union trade deal with Brazil and several other South American countries.

"First we need to help Brazil and other countries put out these fires," Macron said Saturday.

The goal is to "preserve this forest that we all need because it is a treasure of our biodiversity and our climate thanks to the oxygen that it emits and thanks to the carbon it absorbs," he said.

In a weekly video message released Saturday, German Chancellor Angela Merkel said the Group of Seven leaders "cannot be silent" and should discuss how to help extinguish the fires.

Bolivia has also struggled to contain fires that swept through woods and fields. A U.S.-based aircraft, the B747-400 SuperTanker, is flying over devastated areas in Bolivia to help put out the blazes and protect forests.

On Saturday, several helicopters along with police, military troops, firefighters and volunteers on the ground worked to extinguish fires in Bolivia's Chiquitanía region, where the woods are dry at this time of year.

Farmers commonly set fires in this season to clear land for crops or livestock, but sometimes the blazes get out of control. The Bolivian government says 9,530 square kilometers (3680 square miles) have been burned this year.

The government of Bolivian President Evo Morales has backed the increased cultivation of crops for biofuel production, raising questions about whether the policy opened the way to increased burning.

Similarly, Bolsonaro had said he wants to convert land for cattle pastures and soybean farms. Brazilian prosecutors are investigating whether lax enforcement of environmental regulations may have contributed to the surge in the number of fires.

Brazil's justice ministry also said federal police will deploy in fire zones to assist other state agencies and combat "illegal deforestation."

Fires are common in Brazil in the annual dry season, but they are much more widespread this year. Brazilian state experts reported nearly 77,000 wildfires across the country so far this year, up 85% over the same period in 2018.

More than half of those fires occurred in the Amazon region.

Associated Press journalists Juan Karita in Robore, Bolivia; Victor Caivano in Porto Velho, Brazil; Christopher Torchia in Caracas, Venezuela, contributed to this report.

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 26 of 35

### Luck announces retirement following Colts loss to Bears By MICHAEL MAROT AP Sports Writer

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Andrew Luck watched one last game from the sideline Saturday.

Then he said goodbye to the NFL.

The Indianapolis Colts quarterback heard boos as he walked away from the field, then walked to the podium and made the surprise decision official. The oft-injured star is retiring at age 29.

"I'm in pain, I'm still in pain. It's been four years of this pain, rehab cycle," Luck said. "It's a myriad of issues — calf strain, posterior ankle impingement, high ankle sprain. Part of my journey going forward will be figuring out how to feel better."

Luck wasn't planning to make the announcement following Saturday's 27-17 loss to the Chicago Bears. But when ESPN first reported the news during the fourth quarter, Luck changed the plan for a Sunday afternoon announcement.

Instead, he held a 25-minute impromptu news conference.

At times he sounded wistful. At others, his voice cracked with emotion.

One thing was clear: The endless barrage of injuries stripped away his joy for the game and prompted him to walk away so he could enjoy the life he wants.

"There's no doubt when you hear him talk about the cycle of pain and injury and rehab, you can hear that," coach Frank Reich said. "There's a saying in football that everyone knows and everybody lives by, it's next man up and even though this situation is unique, no one is exempt."

That task now falls to Jacoby Brissett, a fourth-year player whom the Colts acquired in a cutdown weekend trade two years ago who has been practicing with the starters since April.

He went 4-11 as a starter in the 2017 season after taking over for opening day starter Scott Tolzien.

But the Colts had already been preparing for the possibility Luck might not be ready for the Sept. 8 season opener against the Los Angeles Chargers. Luck was diagnosed with a strained left calf in March and team officials kept him out of all of the team's offseason workouts.

He returned to limited action when training camp opened in late July. After three practices, though, the lingering pain near his ankle forced him back into rehab. He hadn't practiced with the team since, though he did throw passes in pregame warmups before last week's preseason game.

"I had a thought that it might be my last time throwing at Lucas Oil as a current member of the Colts team," Luck said. "And I wanted to make sure I could go out and enjoy it."

It wasn't just the leg, though.

He played with shoulder pain for most of 2015 and 2016, and his 2015 season ended when he suffered a lacerated kidney. He missed all of 2017 following shoulder surgery and then the happy-go-lucky former Stanford star dealt with more pain and more endless months of rehab.

The Colts bet big on Luck in 2012.

They cut an injured Peyton Manning to take Luck with the top overall pick, fully believing he would be their franchise guarterback for the next 10 to 15 years.

Team owner Jim Irsay called it a "no-brainer" because his aging team needed to rebuild.

"I never felt that he (Luck) owed me to play until he's 40 or until he's 36 or whatever," Irsay said. "I mean, this is an unusual situation."

Luck delivered quickly on his promise.

He led the Colts to the playoffs in each of his first three seasons and to the AFC championship game after the 2014 season — without missing a start. But a subpar offensive line struggled to keep Luck upright and in 2015, the shoulder and kidney injuries forced him to miss nine games. The Colts finished 8-8 and missed the playoffs.

In 2016, after Luck opted not to have shoulder surgery, then coach Chuck Pagano gave Luck extra days off to try and keep him healthy. Luck made 15 starts that season though the Colts again finished 8-8 and missed the playoffs.

While Luck had surgery for a partially torn labrum in January 2017, he never felt right and after throwing for two weeks in the fall was shut down for the rest of the season.

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 27 of 35

Last year, Luck looked like his old self. He established career highs in attempts (639), completions (430) and completion rate (67.3 percent), throwing for 4,593 yards with 39 touchdowns and 15 interceptions as he led the Colts back to the playoffs, earned his fourth Pro Bowl selection and was the runaway winner of the league's Comeback Player of the Year award.

Then came the mysterious calf-ankle injury that again never felt quite right.

So after marrying his longtime girlfriend this spring and now awaiting the birth of his first child, Luck called it quits.

"I am going to retire," he said. "This is not an easy decision. It's the hardest decision of my life. But it is the right decision for me."

Players around the league were just as stunned as the Colts.

"It was mind-blowing," Houston Texans quarterback Deshaun Watson said. "It's something that of course caught everyone off guard. He can control his own future. He's a great player. He's a great quarterback. One of the top five quarterbacks in the league. He's doing it for the right reasons for himself."

Kansas City quarterback Patrick Mahomes, the reigning MVP, said: "Knowing Andrew he's a great football player, of course, but he's also a great human being — I know that he's going to make the right decision for himself and his family."

Seattle quarterback Russell Wilson, who was in the same draft class as Luck, said he found out from offensive tackle Duane Brown before the Seahawks' game against the Los Angeles Chargers and was surprised, like everyone else.

"We all expect we're going to play this game forever. The reality is for most players, it's not very long," Wilson said. "I've always loved being around him, and the times we've gotten to be around each other. I know this has to be really hard on him. Just praying for him to stay encouraged."

Reich had said he hoped to have an answer about Luck's availability for the Sept. 8 season opener after the third preseason game. This might not have been the one he wanted — and certainly didn't expect.

"Teams win, don't write the end of the story yet," Colts general manager Chris Ballard said. "I'm telling you the story's not over yet."

Luck finishes his seven-year career with 2,000 completions, 3,290 attempts, 23,671 yards, 171 touch-downs and 83 interceptions and those stinging boos as he left the field.

"I'd be lying if I said I didn't hear the reaction," he said. "It hurt, I'll be honest with you, it hurt." BEARS DEFENSE

Chuck Pagano, Luck's first coach, returned to Lucas Oil Stadium for the first time since his firing shortly after the 2017 season.

The new Bears defensive coordinator made a splash.

Despite both teams sitting all of their starters including Brissett, the Bears used their second defensive touchdown to take the lead for good late in the third quarter.

Trailing 10-0 early in the second quarter, safety Deon Bush ripped the ball out of the air from rookie tight end Hale Hentges got up and scored on a 91-yard interception return. After two field goals from Eddy Pineiro made it 17-13, linebacker Joel Iyiegbuniwe returned a fumble 22 yards to give the Bears a 20-17 lead.

Chicago closed out the scoring with a 17-yard TD pass from Tyler Bray to Jesper Horsted.

Bray was 11 of 16 with 136 yards and Ryan Nall had two carries for 73 yards.

Chad Kelly led the Colts to all three of their scores and was 16 of 21 with 209 yards and one touchdown
— all in the first half. Deon Cain caught three passes for 74 yards, including a 46-yard TD catch.

PINEIRO STICKS IT

The Bears spent the whole offseason looking for a kicker. And it looks as if they found the right one. Less than a week after giving Pineiro the job, he made all three of his field goals, including a 58-yarder in the third quarter. His previous long during the preseason was 41 yards.

**UP NEXT** 

Bears: Host Tennessee on Thursday in the preseason finale. Colts: Begin the post-Luck era at Cincinnati on Thursday.

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 28 of 35

AP Sports Writers Dave Skretta in Kansas City, Missouri; Joe Reedy in Carson, California and AP Pro Football Writer Schuyler Dixon in Arlington, Texas, also contributed to this report.

More AP NFL: https://apnews.com/NFL and https://twitter.com/AP\_NFL

### Will the real Mr. No-Deal step forward please? By DANICA KIRKA Associated Press

BIARRITZ, France (AP) — Deal or No Deal?

One might think the issue would be on the minds of two leaders at the vortex of the question of whether the UK will leave the European Union without a deal in October.

But as Britain and the European Union hurtle toward a no-deal Brexit, the contest Saturday seemed to be who is going to go down in history with the blame and the label: Mr. No-Deal.

As world leaders touched down in the French seaside resort of Biarritz for the Group of Seven summit, the long-running tensions over Britain's departure from the EU got a tad personal. British Prime Minister Boris Johnson and EU Council president Donald Tusk each suggested that the other is bent on scuttling the chances that the UK will break away from the single market of 500 million with an agreement.

Tusk went first. In a comment that laid bare his exasperation, he told reporters at the summit that Johnson would be the third British prime minister with whom he'd discussed the issue. The EU cooperated with David Cameron who wanted to remain, and with Theresa May, who wanted to avoid a no-deal Brexit.

"One thing I will not co-operate on is no deal," Tusk said. "I still hope that Prime Minster Johnson will not like to go down in history as 'Mr. No Deal."

That didn't go down well at Downing Street. Johnson, who took power last month, is betting his political future on a promise to lead Britain out of the EU on Oct. 31, with or without an agreement. He says the threat of a no-deal Brexit is the only way to force the EU into making concessions.

So as he jetted to France, he offered a riposte to Tusk. Johnson said their fates were tied over the thorny issue of the Irish border. Everyone wants to keep the border open, but disagree bitterly on how it should be done.

"I say to our friends in the EU, if they don't want a no-deal Brexit then we have got to get rid of the backstop from the treaty," Johnson said. "If Donald Tusk doesn't want to go down as 'Mr. No-deal Brexit' then I hope that point will be borne in mind by him, too."

The main sticking point of the EU-UK deal was the so-called Irish backstop, designed to prevent the return of customs checks on the border between the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland, which is part of the United Kingdom. There are concerns the backstop would keep Britain tied to the EU indefinitely and threaten the integrity of the U.K. because it would treat Northern Ireland differently from the rest of the country.

No deal is troublesome because of the consequences. The fallout of leaving without a withdrawal agreement could include disruptions to the supply of medicines, a decrease in fresh food availability and potential fresh water shortages due to difficulties in importing water treatment chemicals — among many other issues that come from unraveling decades of free trade in goods and services.

#### Strip down, saddle up: Naked bikers hit Philadelphia streets

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Hundreds of bicyclists have been caught with their pants down — and their shirts and underwear off, too.

The cyclists gathered in a Philadelphia park on Saturday to disrobe before saddling up and setting off on the annual Philly Naked Bike Ride.

About 3,000 riders pedal a 10-mile (16-kilometer) course around the City of Brotherly Love while taking in sights including Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell, organizers say. Some riders wear their birthday suits while others flaunt their underwear or sport just a splash of body paint and glitter.

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 29 of 35

Melanie and James O'Connor, who painted each other's nude body in multiple colors, were riding for the seventh time.

"We run around naked a lot," he said.

The couple met at the 2012 ride and have been together since.

"I took a picture of him the moment we met, and seven years later we're still naked," she said.

The ride is to promote positive body image, advocate for the safety of cyclists and protest dependence on fossil fuels, a major issue for Oren Roth-Eisenberg, who participates every year.

"I call it my Christmas, the happiest day of the year," he said, while having a message advocating for less gas consumption painted on his torso by his wife. "It's the intersection of the happiest day and the most important thing."

The Philly Naked Bike Ride used to be held in September but was moved up to August because the nude and scantily clad participants complained about chilly weather.

### 'Red flag laws' offer tool for preventing some gun violence By RYAN J. FOLEY and JONATHAN MATTISE Associated Press

After a white supremacist discussed plans on Facebook for a mass shooting at a synagogue, police in Washington used a new law to quickly seize his 12 firearms, long before he was convicted of any crime.

But when a Tennessee father became alarmed about his son after receiving a suicidal text message, he said the police determined they could not take his son's guns away. A few months later, the man showed up at a church and shot seven worshippers one Sunday morning, killing one.

Family members and police routinely face agonizing decisions when otherwise lawful gun owners reveal an impulse to harm themselves or others, and more states are enacting laws that let authorities take away their weapons.

With bipartisan support in many cases, 17 states and Washington D.C. have now passed "red flag laws" that allow the court-ordered removal of guns from people who are considered to be dangerous. The back-to-back shootings that killed 31 people this month in Texas and Ohio have given new momentum to proposals pending in several other states and to a plan in Congress to provide grant money to states that adopt such measures.

In a rare victory for gun control advocates, the laws have spread since the February 2018 shooting that killed 17 students and staff members at a high school in Parkland, Florida. New York's new law took effect Saturday while New Jersey's begins Sept. 1. The proliferation of such laws comes despite opposition from gun rights activists and others who say the measures go too far.

Since most of the laws are new, research on their effectiveness is limited. A study published last year estimated that the two states with the longest-standing laws, Connecticut and Indiana, may have had 500 fewer gun suicides over a decade as a result of the measures. Another study estimated that Connecticut, which adopted its law in 1999 after a mass shooting at the state lottery office, prevented one suicide for every 10 to 20 people subjected to gun seizures.

A study published this week about California's law found 21 examples in which people who had threatened public shootings were successfully disarmed.

In jurisdictions where red flag laws have been aggressively enforced, officials say the measures have likely prevented some suicides, workplace shootings and domestic killings.

"I'm convinced that having this powerful tool gives our communities the ability to step in and prevent some tragedies from happening," said Mara Elliott, the city attorney in San Diego, where more than 300 gun violence restraining orders have been issued in less than two years. "Given the numbers that we are seeing, I think that's startling."

She said the orders have been used to protect people from "all walks of life," including students, employees, intimate partners, parents and children. Those disarmed by red flag orders include a man who made online threats of a mass shooting at a gay bar, a man who told a family member he was going to kill Muslims, and a man who made disturbing statements about guns and immigrants. To grant a final order

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 30 of 35

under California's law, a judge must find evidence that the person poses "significant danger."

In Florida, courts have granted more than 1,800 risk protection orders since its law passed in March 2018, data shows. Other states report anywhere from dozens to hundreds of cases per year.

The state laws vary greatly, particularly over which individuals can petition for orders and the standard of proof they must show to be granted. And their enforcement differs by local jurisdiction, with cities like San Diego and Seattle and pockets of Maryland and Florida using them more aggressively than others.

Proposals in several states, including New Hampshire, Nebraska and Tennessee, have stalled after opposition from gun rights activists and, in some cases, divisions among law enforcement over whether they go too far.

Critics of the laws say they can result in the seizure of guns from law-abiding citizens based on thin claims of danger or false and exaggerated allegations. While many police chiefs have publicly supported red flag laws, other law enforcement leaders contend that they infringe on constitutional rights and will create an expensive new mandate to store guns. And the death of an officer who was shot by a suspect while serving a warrant last year under Maryland's new law highlighted the danger to the police responsible for seizing firearms.

"It creates almost an instant situation of potentially deadly force, and you have to think, are we initiating that confrontation?" said Matt Barrall, vice president of the Nebraska chapter of the Fraternal Order of Police.

Barrall testified in February in favor of a red flag law in Nebraska. But he said his group has since revisited its position and may be less supportive in the future.

At the center of the debate are questions over whether the laws disarm truly dangerous people. Supporters say that the laws give people who are in mental distress time to cool off or get mental health treatment.

"It's not going to work in 100 percent of the situations but I feel like it gives you that extra time," said Marilyn Balcerak, who campaigned for the Washington law after her son killed his step-sister and himself in 2015. She had asked police whether she had any legal way to keep guns from her son after he had threatened suicide, but was told there wasn't.

The threat to the Washington state synagogue came from Dakota Reed, who came to the FBI's attention after the Anti-Defamation League reported a series of Facebook posts that threatened Jewish people last year. They included photos of Reed in his bedroom with firearms and Nazi salutes, posts that glorified other well-known shooters and repeated references to plans to carry out a mass shooting in the year 2025. "I'm shooting for 30 Jews," Reed wrote in one.

Reed told police that he was just venting anger and trying to get attention with his Facebook posts, which he said were intended as fiction. But he continued posting slurs and threats while free on bond, including one in which he mused about taking a "grenade launcher" to a courthouse. By then, police had seized his assault-style rifle and 11 other guns after a judge signed an extreme risk protection order. In June, he was sentenced to one year in jail.

There was no red flag law in Tennessee before the September 2017 shooting at the Burnette Chapel Church of Christ. Advocates argue it's the type of deadly event that the state could potentially prevent by passing the change.

Emanuel Samson's father, Vanansio Samson, testified in court that he received a suicidal text message from his son in June 2017. The father said he then tried to convince authorities to take away Samson's guns, but he said police responded by claiming they could not infringe on his civil rights. Police have said their report doesn't show that request being made, and that officers deemed Samson OK when they checked on him

Samson, who had a history of mental illness, killed a woman in the church parking lot before entering the building. Wearing a clown-design motorcycle mask, he struck six other worshippers in a spray of bullets and pistol-whipped another.

"If (police) had detained him and taken him for an evaluation that time, because I believe that sickness

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 31 of 35

was out there, we would have not been sitting here today, or this tragedy would have not happened," Vanansio Samson testified.

Emanuel Samson was convicted of murder and sentenced to life in prison without parole.

### Economic storm clouds hovering over Trump and global leaders By ZEKE MILLER and DARLENE SUPERVILLE Associated Press

BIARRITZ, France (AP) — Under the threatening clouds of a global economic slowdown, President Donald Trump is confronting the consequences of his preference to go it alone, with low expectations that the leaders of the richest democracies can make substantive progress on an array of issues at their summit in France.

The meeting of the Group of Seven nations — Britain, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and the U.S. — in the beach resort town of Biarritz comes at one of the most unpredictable moments in Trump's presidency, when his public comments and decision-making increasingly have seemed erratic and acerbic of late.

Trump, who arrived Saturday, and his counterparts are facing mounting anxiety over the state of the world economy and new tension on trade, Iran and Russia . Trump, growing more isolated in Washington, might find a tepid reception at the summit as calls increase for cooperation and a collective response to address the financial downturn. White House aides claimed he engineered a late change to the summit agenda, requesting a working session on economic issues.

The economic warning signs, along with Chinese's aggressive use of tariffs on U.S. goods, are raising the pressure on Trump and his reelection effort. He intends to push allies at the summit to act to promote growth.

But Trump's credibility as a cheerleader for multilateralism is in doubt, given that he has spent the first 2½ years in office promoting an "America First" foreign policy that relying on protectionist measures. Traditional American allies have come to expect the unexpected from this White House; increasingly they are looking elsewhere for leadership.

Only hours before his arrival in Biarritz, Trump had threatened anew to place tariffs on French wine imports to the U.S. in a spat over France's digital services tax; the European Union promised to retaliate. That was the backdrop for a late addition to his summit schedule — a two-hour lunch with French President Emmanuel Macron outside the opulent Hotel du Palais.

The summit host said the two men were discussing "a lot of crisis" around the world, including Libya, Iran and Russia, as well as trade policy and climate change. But he also echoed Trump's calls for Europe to do more to address the global slowdown, including by cutting taxes. "When I look at Europe, especially, we need some new tools to relaunch our economy," Macron said.

Trump insisted that despite tensions, he and Macron "actually have a lot in common" and a "special relationship." In a later tweet, he said: "Big weekend with other world leaders!

Macron outlined details of a French plan to ease tensions with Iran by allowing Iran to export oil for a limited amount of time, said a French diplomat, who spoke on condition of anonymity in accordance with the presidency's customary practices. In exchange, Iran would need to fully put in place the 2015 nuclear deal, reduce tensions in the Persian Gulf and open talks. The plan was met with a skeptical reception by Trump, and the White House paid only a cursory mention of the Gulf in its official readout of the lunch meeting.

Trade was clearly on Trump's mind when he left for France. Trump declared that U.S. businesses with dealings in China are "hereby ordered" to begin moving home. It was a threat to use the emergency authority granted by a powerful, but obscure federal law intended to target rogue governments, terrorists and drug traffickers, and giving presidents wide berth in regulating international commerce during times of declared national emergencies.

It was not immediately clear how Trump could use the act to force American businesses to move their manufacturing out of China and to the U.S, and Trump's threat appeared premature — as he has not

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 32 of 35

declared an emergency with respect to China.

In recent days, Trump has sent mixed signals on a number of policy fronts. At one point, he moved to simmer the trade conflict with China in order to ease the impact on American consumers during the holiday shopping season. At another, he flip-flopped on the need for tax cuts to stimulate an economy that Trump publicly insists is rocketing.

Feeding Trump's anxiety, aides say, is his realization that the economy — the one sturdy pillar undergirding his bid for a second term — is undeniably wobbly.

Trump planned to press leaders about what can be done to spur growth in the U.S. and abroad, as well as to open European, Japanese and Canadian markets to American manufacturers and producers. Trump has imposed or threatened to impose tariffs on all three markets in his pursuit of free, fair and reciprocal trade.

The annual G-7 summit has historically been used to highlight common ground among the world's leading democracies. But in a bid to work around Trump's impulsiveness, Macron has eschewed plans for a formal joint statement from this gathering.

Last year's summit, hosted by Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, ended in acrimony when Trump felt he had been slighted by Trudeau after the president left the meeting.

Trump tweeted insults at Trudeau from aboard Air Force One as he flew to a summit with North Korea's Kim Jong Un. Trump withdrew his signature from the statement of principles that all seven nations had agreed to.

Addressing the global slowdown isn't the only pressing challenge that Trump has discovered requires joint action.

For more than a year, his administration has struggled with persuading European leaders to repatriate captured fighters from the Islamic State group. So far his entreaties have fallen on deaf ears.

Many of the summit proceedings will take place behind closed doors, in intimate settings designed for the leaders to develop personal relationships with one another. On Saturday night they dined at the Biarritz lighthouse, with commanding views of the Bay of Biscay.

Trump, White House aides said, was looking forward to a Sunday morning meeting with new British Prime Minister Boris Johnson , the brash pro-Brexit leader whose election he'd backed. The two spoke by phone on Friday, and Johnson said Saturday he would use the meeting to push Trump to de-escalate the American trade war with China.

Trump has scheduled individual meetings with several of his counterparts, including Macron, Trudeau, Merkel, Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Other topics on the agenda will be the clashes between police and pro-democracy protesters in Hong Kong; Iran's renewed nuclear enrichment and interference with shipping in the Strait of Hormuz; and the Islamic State prisoners currently imprisoned by American-backed Kurdish forces in Syria.

Associated Press writer Jill Colvin in Washington contributed to this report.

Follow Miller on Twitter at http://www.twitter.com/ZekeJMiller and Superville at http://www.twitter.com/dsupervilleap

### Wags and weeds: Invasive plants meet match in detection dogs By MARY ESCH Associated Press

TUXEDO, N.Y. (AP) — In brushy terrain where a botanical interloper evades detection by the human eye, count on Dia to sniff it out.

Dia is a spunky Labrador retriever trained to track down a yellow-flowered shrub that's taking root in New York state parks. She's one of a new breed of detection dog assisting conservationists in the fight against invasive species.

With her handler, Joshua Beese, of the nonprofit New York-New Jersey Trail Conference, Dia began last

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 33 of 35

fall to hunt for Scotch broom in Bear Mountain and Harriman state parks about 50 miles (80 kilometers) north of New York City.

The shrub, which displaces native plants with thickets impenetrable to wildlife, is a widespread noxious weed in the Pacific Northwest but is fairly new to New York. Land managers hope to eradicate it before it becomes widespread.

"If we had to find all these plants ourselves, combing the grass for every tiny plant, it would take so much longer — and we'd still miss a lot," Beese said on a recent morning after Dia showed him hundreds of Scotch broom shoots hidden in a field of tall grass and sweetfern.

Beese later uprooted them. The plants had been overlooked by volunteers with the conference's Invasives Strike Force who had previously pulled 2,500 plants from the search area.

Detection dogs have long been used to sniff out drugs, explosives, cadavers and disaster survivors. In the mid '90s, handlers started training them for conservation tasks such as sniffing out scat from endangered species and detecting trafficked ivory. Now, the olfactory prowess of detection dogs is becoming an important tool in the fight against invasive plants and insects.

"Our field in the last 15 years has just exploded," said Pete Coppolillo, executive director of the nonprofit Working Dogs for Conservation in Bozeman, Montana. The organization partners with government agencies, researchers and nonprofits on five continents to provide trained dogs and handlers for conservation projects. One of its handlers mentored Beese on training Dia.

Working Dogs for Conservation has trained dogs to find spotted knapweed in Montana, Chinese bush clover in Iowa, yellow star thistle in Colorado, rosy wolf snails in Hawaii and brown tree snakes in Guam.

It's doing a feasibility study in Minnesota on using detection dogs to identify trees invaded by emerald ash borers. In five Western states, dogs have been employed to detect invasive zebra and quagga mussels on boats.

"We've trained over 200 dog and handler teams to help in global wildlife trafficking, and now we're doing a lot of invasive species work," Coppolillo said. "It's really exciting. As ecologists we've always talked of invasives as something we manage, but now we may actually be able to eradicate them in some places."

Dyer's woad, a knee-high weed from Russia that lights up roadsides with golden blossoms across the West, is a case study of how dogs can eradicate invasives that elude human crews.

Weed-pulling teams had tried for years to get rid of the weed at Mount Sentinel in Missoula, Montana, without making much headway. A border collie and a golden retriever from Working Dogs for Conservation were brought in to focus the teams' efforts. Within a few years the plants were almost gone.

The key is that the dogs can sniff out plants hidden among other species, and they don't need flowers to identify them like people do.

"That's a game-changer," Coppolillo said. "Each plant can set up to 15,000 seeds a year, and seeds can live seven years in the soil. Dogs find plants before they flower and reproduce."

Working Dogs for Conservation trains shelter dogs for detection work, screening 1,000 dogs for every one they put to work. To make the cut, the dogs have to be not only good sniffers and high-energy, but also seriously obsessed with toys so they'll stay motivated to work for a reward: the chance to chomp a ball.

In New York, Beese got Dia from a Wisconsin breeder specializing in field competition dogs.

He taught her to hunt Scotch broom last fall and trained her on an invasive nonnative grass called slender false brome this summer.

He plans to train his Belgian malinois, a certified search-and-rescue dog, to sniff out spotted lanternfly, a destructive forest and agricultural pest discovered in Pennsylvania in 2014.

In the field, Dia takes off sniffing the air when Beese says "Go find!"

She follows a targeted scent to its source and shows Beese each plant by touching it with her nose before sitting for a reward — a game of tug and fetch with her ball on a rope.

Beyond field work, Dia is bringing awareness to the trail conference's 8-year-old Invasives Strike Force program.

"The great thing about dogs is that they're charismatic and people love them," said Arden Blumenthal,

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 34 of 35

a conservation intern working with Beese. "It's a great way to draw attention to the invasives issue. Let's face it, plants aren't all that sexy."

### **Today in History**By The Associated Press

Today in History

Today is Sunday, Aug. 25, the 237th day of 2019. There are 128 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On August 25, 1718, hundreds of French colonists arrived in Louisiana, with some settling in present-day New Orleans.

On this date:

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson signed an act establishing the National Park Service within the Department of the Interior.

In 1921, the United States signed a peace treaty with Germany.

In 1944, during World War II, Paris was liberated by Allied forces after four years of Nazi occupation.

In 1965, former baseball player-turned-doctor Archibald "Moonlight" Graham, who'd briefly played in only one major league game (for the New York Giants), died in Chisholm, Minnesota, at age 87.

In 1967, George Lincoln Rockwell, founder of the American Nazi Party, was shot to death in the parking lot of a shopping center in Arlington, Virginia; former party member John Patler was later convicted of the killing.

In 1980, the Broadway musical "42nd Street" opened. (Producer David Merrick stunned the cast and audience during the curtain call by announcing that the show's director, Gower Champion, had died earlier that day.)

In 1981, the U.S. spacecraft Voyager 2 came within 63,000 miles of Saturn's cloud cover, sending back pictures of and data about the ringed planet.

In 1984, author Truman Capote (kuh-POH'-tee) was found dead in a Los Angeles mansion; he was 59.

In 1993, Amy Biehl (beel), a 26-year-old Fulbright scholar from Newport Beach, Calif., was slain by a mob near Cape Town, South Africa. (The four men convicted in Biehl's death claimed the attack was part of the war on apartheid; they were granted amnesty after confessing before the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.)

In 2001, rhythm-and-blues singer Aaliyah (ah-LEE'-yah) was killed with eight others in a plane crash in the Bahamas; she was 22.

In 2004, an Army investigation found that 27 people attached to an intelligence unit at Abu Ghraib (grayb) prison near Baghdad either approved or participated in the abuse of Iraqi prisoners.

In 2017, Hurricane Harvey, the fiercest hurricane to hit the U.S. in more than a decade, made landfall near Corpus Christi, Texas, with 130 mph sustained winds; the storm would deliver five days of rain totaling close to 52 inches, the heaviest tropical downpour ever recorded in the continental U.S. The hurricane left at least 68 people dead and caused an estimated \$125 billion in damage in Texas.

Ten years ago: Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, the liberal lion of the U.S. Senate, died at age 77 in Hyannis Port, Massachusetts, after a battle with a brain tumor. President Barack Obama announced he wanted to keep Ben Bernanke (bur-NANG'-kee) on as Fed chairman. South Korea's first rocket, the Naro-1, blasted off into space but ended up falling back to Earth. A judge in Los Angeles sentenced Chris Brown to five years' probation and six months' community labor for beating his girlfriend Rihanna (ree-AN'-nuh).

Five years ago: A funeral was held in St. Louis for Michael Brown, the unarmed 18-year-old shot to death by a police officer in suburban Ferguson on August 9th. At the Emmy Awards, ABC's "Modern Family" won best comedy series for the fifth time, while the final season of AMC's "Breaking Bad" captured the top drama award and a trio of acting honors for its stars, including Bryan Cranston.

One year ago: Republican Senator John McCain of Arizona, who had spent years as a prisoner of war in Vietnam before a 35-year political career that took him to the Republican presidential nomination, died

#### Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019 ~ Vol. 28 - No. 056 ~ 35 of 35

at the age of 81 after battling brain cancer for more than a year. After initially threatening Hawaii as a Category 5 hurricane, Tropical Storm Lane began to break apart as it veered west into the open Pacific; rainfall totals from the storm on Hawaii's Big Island approached four feet.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Sean Connery is 89. Actor Page Johnson is 89. TV personality Regis Philbin is 88. Actor Tom Skerritt is 86. Jazz musician Wayne Shorter is 86. Movie director Hugh Hudson is 83. Author Frederick Forsyth is 81. Movie director John Badham is 80. Filmmaker Marshall Brickman is 80. Georgia Govenor Nathan Deal is 77. Rhythm-and-blues singer Walter Williams (The O'Jays) is 76. Actor Anthony Heald (held) is 75. Rock singer-actor Gene Simmons is 70. Actor John Savage is 70. Author Martin Amis (AY'-mihs) is 70. Country singer-musician Henry Paul (Outlaws; Blackhawk) is 70. Rock singer Rob Halford is 68. Rock musician Geoff Downes (Asia) is 67. Rock singer Elvis Costello is 65. Movie director Tim Burton is 61. Actor Christian LeBlanc is 61. Actress Ashley Crow is 59. Actress Ally Walker is 58. Country singer Cyrus (AKA Billy Ray Cyrus) is 58. Actress Joanne Whalley is 58. Rock musician Vivian Campbell (Def Leppard) is 57. Actor Blair Underwood is 55. Actor Robert Maschio is 53. Rap DJ Terminator X (Public Enemy) is 53. Alternative country singer Jeff Tweedy (Wilco) is 52. Actor David Alan Basche (BAYSH) is 51. Television chef Rachael Ray is 51. Actor Cameron Mathison is 50. Country singer Jo Dee Messina is 49. Model Claudia Schiffer is 49. Country singer Brice Long is 48. Actor-writer-director Ben Falcone (fal-COHN') is 46. Actor Eric Millegan is 45. Actor Alexander Skarsgard is 43. Actor Jonathan Togo is 42. Actor Kel Mitchell is 41. Actress Rachel Bilson is 38. Actress Blake Lively is 32. Actor Josh Flitter is 25.

Thought for Today: "Failure is the condiment that gives success its flavor." — Truman Capote (1924-1984). Copyright 2019, The Associated Press. All rights reserved.