

Summit home game

SDSU women welcome Omaha to Brookings

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Think spring

Now is the time for gardeners to think about their spring seed needs.

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Weather

A chance of flurries before noon. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 22. Northwest wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

▼ Jan. 10-12

Squirts Hockey Winter Classic Tournament

Squirt A,B,C Tournament - Brookings Winter Classic takes place Jan. 10-12 at the Larson Ice Center.

Winter Classic Girl's Soccer Weekend

Fri., Jan. 10 through Sun., Jan. 12

The Brookings Home Team C21 Winter Classic Girl's Weekend takes place Jan. 10-12 at the Fishback Indoor Training Facility. All Games on 50x30y Soccer Specific Artificial Turf Field. For info: <https://www.sodakspurs.com/brookings-hometeam-winter-classic-girls-weekend>

VisABILITY Craft

Fri., Jan. 10 at 1:00 p.m. The next VisABILITY Craft is Friday, Jan. 10 at 1 p.m. at Brookings Public Library. Enjoy disability and neurodivergent friendly activities that are accessible, adaptable, and welcoming. This month we will be making diamond painted stickers. No registration required. For info: <https://www.brookingslibrary.org>



BHS Bowling

Fri., Jan. 10 at 4 p.m. BHS Bowling @ Sioux Falls Christian School.

BHS Boys Varsity Basketball

Fri., Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. BHS Boys Varsity Basketball @ Brandon Valley

BHS Girls Varsity Basketball

Fri., Jan. 10 at 7 p.m. BHS Girls Varsity Basketball vs. Brandon Valley @ BHS

Sat. Jan. 11

BHS Debate - Doug Tschetter Novice State @ Milbank High School

BHS Girls Varsity Wrestling

Sat., Jan. 11 at 10 a.m. vs. Lyman High School @ TBA

BHS Gymnastics

Sat., Jan. 11 at 10 a.m. BHS Gymnastics, Girls Varsity Invitational @ BHS

BHS Varsity Wrestling

10:30 a.m. @ West Sioux



Mondell Keck/Brookings Register

A fire in a home near Brookings took the life of its occupant, Lyle Monsees, on Tuesday.

Man killed in Brookings fire

By MONDELL KECK
The Brookings Register

BROOKINGS — Authorities in Brookings County are investigating a Tuesday house fire near the "S" curve south of Brookings that took the life of a resident living there.

Family members confirmed the man was Lyle Monsees, 94, who resided at 21709 471st Ave. He was well-known in the area for his love of tractors — especially Oliver ones — that showed not only via the Oliver collection he kept, but also when he would drive them in area parades. Those parades included ones in Brookings, Prairie Village near Madison, Menno, Humboldt and more.

In a news release Thursday morning, Brookings County Assistant Sheriff Scott Sebring said the blaze was reported at 4:17 p.m. Tuesday, and that it brought a response from virtually every fire department in the county, including Volga, Sinai, Arlington, Bruce, White, Aurora and Elkton.

"When crews arrived, flames were already exiting the house from a window and the rest of the structure was filled with both smoke and flames," Sebring said. "Firefighters were quickly able to enter the structure, still on fire and locate a resident inside the house."

It was Monsees, Sebring said it was immediately determined that he was dead. Firefighters spent the next several hours battling the blaze and were able to save a "significant portion" of the structure, Sebring noted.

He added that the source of the fire, along with the cause of Monsees' death, is being investigated by the sheriff's office, the South Dakota State Fire Marshal's Office, the South Dakota Department of Criminal Investigation and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Eidsness Funeral and Cremation Services in Brookings is handling Monsees' arrangements.

— Contact Mondell Keck at mkeck@brookingsregister.com

▼ BOB HILL



HILL IS THE BROOKINGS COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGER

EYE ON THE SKY

Winter illnesses are here

It looks like we dodged a rather large snow event during the past week. I know the agricultural folks need snowfall to reenergize the soil for spring, I would like to see it come in moderation. Unfortunately, we have little say in that matter.

In the emergency management field, we often get accused of crying wolf with the announcements we make. I suppose it comes from being a glass half-full or half-empty type of person. Do you prepare for the minimal effect, or do you prepare for the worst-case?

With the fluctuating temperatures I felt that another look at cold weather injuries is warranted.

Cold-related illnesses

Key points

• Cold-related illnesses that may impact workers include hypothermia, frostbite, trench foot, and chilblains.

Hypothermia

When exposed to cold temperatures, your body begins to lose heat faster than it is produced. Prolonged exposure to cold will eventually use up your body's stored energy.

The result is hypothermia, or abnormally low body temperature. A body temperature that is too low affects the brain, making the victim unable to think clearly or move well.

Hypothermia is dangerous because a person may not know if it is happening or be able to do anything about it.

Symptoms

Symptoms of hypothermia can vary depending on how long you have been exposed to the cold temperatures.

Early symptoms

- Shivering
- Fatigue
- Loss of coordination
- Confusion and disorientation

Late symptoms

- No shivering
- Blue skin
- Dilated pupils
- Slowed pulse and breathing
- Loss of consciousness

First aid

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Dignataries honor Carter's memory

WASHINGTON (AP) — As they filed into the front pews at Washington National Cathedral, wearing dark suits and mostly solemn faces, five current and former presidents came together for Jimmy Carter's funeral. For a service that stretched more than an hour, the feuding, grievances and enmity that had marked their rival campaigns and divergent politics gave way to a reverential moment for one of their own.

Barack Obama and Donald Trump, the first two of the group to take their seats Thursday, shook hands and chatted at length. Trump, the former president who will retake the Oval Office in 11 days, leaned in and listened intently to his predecessor, notwithstanding the political chasm between them. At times, the two flashed smiles.

Obama, who attended without his wife, Michelle, shared a second-row pew with former presidents George W. Bush and Bill Clinton, along with their spouses. President Joe Biden and

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Associated Press

Front row, from left, President Joe Biden, first lady Jill Biden, Vice President Kamala Harris and second gentleman Doug Emhoff and second row from left, former President Bill Clinton, former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, former President George W. Bush, Laura Bush, former President Barack Obama, President-elect Donald Trump and Melania Trump, stand during the state funeral for former President Jimmy Carter at Washington National Cathedral.



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Tik Tok's fate arrives at Supreme Court

Decision could come as soon as a few days.

WASHINGTON (AP) — In one of the most important cases of the social media age, free speech and national security collide at the Supreme Court on Friday in arguments over the fate of TikTok, a wildly popular digital platform that roughly half the people in the United States use for entertainment and information.

TikTok says it plans to shut down the social media site in the U.S. by Jan. 19 unless the Supreme Court strikes down or otherwise delays the effective date of a law aimed at forcing TikTok's sale by its Chinese parent company.

Working on a tight deadline, the justices also have before them a plea from President-elect Donald Trump, who has dropped his earlier support for a ban, to give him and his new administration time to reach a "political resolution" and avoid deciding the case. It's unclear if the court will take the Republican president-elect's views — a highly unusual attempt to influence a case — into account.

TikTok and China-based ByteDance, as well as content creators and users, argue the law is a dramatic violation of the Constitution's free speech guarantee.

"Rarely if ever has the court confronted a free-speech case that matters to so many people," lawyers for the users and content creators wrote. Content creators are anxiously awaiting a decision that could upend their livelihoods and are eyeing other platforms.

The case represents another example of the court being asked to rule about a medium with which the justices have acknowledged they have little familiarity or expertise, though they often weigh in on meaty issues involving restrictions on speech.

The Biden administration, defending the law that President Joe Biden signed in April after it was approved by wide bipartisan majori-



A TikTok sign is displayed on top of their building in Culver City, California.

ties in Congress, contends that "no one can seriously dispute that (China's) control of TikTok through ByteDance represents a grave threat to national security."

Officials say Chinese authorities can compel ByteDance to hand over information on TikTok's U.S. patrons or use the platform to spread or suppress information.

But the government "concedes that it has no evidence China has ever attempted to do so," TikTok told the justices, adding that limits on speech should not be sustained when they stem from fears that are predicated on future risks.

In December, a panel of three appellate judges, two appointed by Republicans and one by a Democrat, unanimously upheld the law and rejected the First Amendment speech claims.

Adding to the tension, the court is hearing arguments just nine days before the law is supposed to take effect and 10 days before a new

administration takes office.

In language typically seen in a campaign ad rather than a legal brief, lawyers for Trump have called on the court to temporarily prevent the TikTok ban from going into effect but refrain from a definitive resolution.

"President Trump alone possesses the consummate dealmaking expertise, the electoral mandate, and the political will to negotiate a resolution to save the platform while addressing the national security concerns expressed by the Government — concerns which President Trump himself has acknowledged," D. John Sauer, Trump's choice to be his administration's top Supreme Court lawyer, wrote in a legal brief filed with the court.

Trump took no position on the underlying merits of the case, Sauer wrote. Trump's campaign team used TikTok to connect with younger voters, especially male voters, and Trump met with TikTok CEO Shou

Zi Chew at Trump's Mar-a-Lago club in Palm Beach, Florida, in December. He has 14.7 million followers on TikTok.

The justices have set aside two hours for arguments, and the session likely will extend well beyond that. Three highly experienced Supreme Court lawyers will be making arguments. Solicitor General Elizabeth Prelogar will present the Biden administration's defense of the law, while Trump's solicitor general in his first administration, Noel Francisco, will argue on behalf of TikTok and ByteDance. Stanford Law professor Jeffrey Fisher, representing content creators and users, will be making his 50th high court argument.

If the law takes effect, Trump's Justice Department will be charged with enforcing it. Lawyers for TikTok and ByteDance have argued that the new administration could seek to mitigate the law's most severe conse-

quences.

But they also said that a shutdown of just a month would cause TikTok to lose about one-third of its daily users in the U.S. and significant advertising revenue.

As it weighs the case, the court will have to decide what level of review it applies to the law. Under the most searching review, strict scrutiny, laws almost always fail. But two judges on the appellate court that upheld the law said it would be the rare exception that could withstand strict scrutiny.

TikTok, the app's users and many briefs supporting them urge the court to apply strict scrutiny to strike down the law.

But the Democratic administration and some of its supporters cite restrictions on foreign ownership of radio stations and other sectors of the economy to justify the effort to counter Chinese influence in the TikTok ban.

A decision could come within days.

SKY: Cold injuries

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Take the following steps to treat hypothermia:

- Request medical assistance.
- Move the victim into a warm room or shelter.
- Remove wet clothing.
- Warm them with an electric blanket or skin-to-skin contact.
- Provide warm beverages.
- Do not give the victim alcoholic beverages.
- After they have warmed up, keep the victim dry under a blanket.
- If victim has no pulse, begin CPR.

Frostbite

Frostbite is an injury to the body caused by freezing. Frostbite causes a loss of feeling and color in the affected areas. It most often affects the nose, ears, cheeks, chin, fingers, or toes.

Frostbite can permanently damage body tissues, and severe cases can lead to amputation. In extremely cold temperatures, the risk of frostbite is increased in:

- Those with reduced blood circulation.
 - Those who are not dressed properly.
- Symptoms**
- Reduced blood flow to hands and feet (fingers or toes can freeze)
 - Numbness
 - Tingling or stinging
 - Aching
 - Bluish or pail, waxy skin

First aid

- Get into a warm room as soon as possible.
- Avoid walking on frostbitten feet or toes.
- Immerse the affected area in warm (not hot) water.
- Warm the affected area using body heat.
- Do not rub or massage the frostbitten area.

• Do not use a heating pad, heat lamp, stove, fireplace, or radiator. Affected areas are numb and can be easily burned.

Chilblains

Chilblains are caused by the repeated exposure of skin to temperatures just above freezing to 60°F. The cold exposure damages the capillary beds (groups of small blood vessels) in the skin. This damage is permanent, and the redness and itching will return with additional exposure. The redness and itching typically occurs on cheeks, ears, fingers, and toes.

Symptoms

- Redness
- Itching
- Possible blistering
- Inflammation
- Possible ulceration in severe cases

First aid

- Workers suffering from chilblains should:
- Avoid scratching.
 - Slowly warm the skin.
 - Use corticosteroid creams to relieve itching and swelling.
 - Keep blisters and ulcers clean and covered.
- Stay safe and warm and of course, always Keep An Eye On the Sky.

CARTER: Historic assemblage of presidents

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first lady Jill Biden arrived last and sat in the pew just in front of them.

Members of the exclusive presidents' club were on their best behavior. Bonded by the presidency, they rarely criticize one another or the White House's current occupant — though Trump has flouted those rules frequently. He has both praised and criticized Carter in recent days, and he complained that flags will still be at half-staff to honor the deceased president during his inauguration.

In one seemingly chilly moment, Trump looked up when Vice President Kamala Harris — whom he defeated in November's hard-fought election — entered the cathedral, but he didn't move to greet her as she and husband Doug Emhoff took seats directly in front of him and Melania Trump. Nor did Harris acknowledge him.

After the service, Emhoff made a point to turn around and shake hands with Trump.

Obama, with Trump on his left, also turned to his right to chat with

Bush. Clinton, with wife Hillary, was the last of the ex-presidents to take a seat and got in some chatter with Bush as well.

The White House said the former presidents also met privately before taking their seats.

Funerals are among the few events that bring members of the presidents' club together. In a way, former President Gerald Ford was there, too: Ford's son Steven read a eulogy for Carter that Ford had written before he died in 2006.

Busy with personal pursuits, charitable endeavors and sometimes lucrative speaking gigs, the former leaders don't mingle often. They all know the protocol of state funerals well — each has been involved in planning his own.

During the 2018 funeral for George H.W. Bush, then-President Trump sat with his predecessors and their spouses, including the Carters, and the interactions were stiff and sometimes awkward.

This time, Trump also didn't appear to interact with Hillary Clinton, whom he defeated in the

2016 election.

Trump was seated in the pew in front of his former vice president, Mike Pence — one of the few times they have coincided at events since Pence refused to overturn the results of the 2020 election after Trump lost to Biden. The two shook hands but didn't speak much beyond that. Pence's wife, Karen, appeared to avoid engaging with the president-elect.

Trump, who largely avoided contact with the former presidents during his first term — and pointedly did not seek their advice — has been critical of Republican former presidents, particularly the Bush family, which made him an uneasy member of the former presidents' club. Carter himself didn't particularly relish being a member of the club, at times criticizing its staid traditions.

Many past presidents have built relationships with their predecessors, including Bill Clinton, who reached out to Richard Nixon for advice on Russian policy, and Harry S. Truman, who sought

counsel from Herbert Hoover.

One of the first calls Obama made after U.S. forces killed Osama bin Laden in 2011 was to George W. Bush to spread the word that the mission had been accomplished, said Kate Andersen Brower, author of "Team of Five: The Presidents Club in the Age of Trump."

"It's the loneliest job in the world, so usually they reach out and rely on each other," said Andersen Brower. "But Trump didn't have that the first term, so this will just be another four years where he doesn't depend on anyone who came before him."

She noted that Carter spent years as a proud Washington outsider and skipped the unveiling of his own portrait to avoid being in the same room with the man who beat him in 1980, President Ronald Reagan.

"Carter and Trump, even though they have the least in common about everything else, are similar," Andersen Brower said, "in just how they approach telling what they actually think."

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Save money on plants by starting seeds indoors with grow lights, containers and seed starting mix.

Maximize planting success with a seed starting chart

By MELINDA MYERS
For the Register

Now is the time when many of us are busy ordering seeds. We often end up with many seeds, some new ones we needed or wanted and perhaps a few duplicates of those we have left from past seasons. It is easy to overlook some of these as the indoor and outdoor planting season begins.

Save money by inventorying your current seed collection, reducing the risk of ordering seeds you don't need. Decide what seeds you want to keep and grow this season and those you want to pass along to or

swap with gardening friends. You may choose to make seed art with older or improperly stored seeds and invest in fresh seeds that are sure to germinate.

If in doubt, check the seed viability of older stored seeds with a simple germination test. Wrap ten seeds in a damp paper towel and place them inside a plastic bag. Check the seeds in a week or so to see how many sprout. If all the seeds sprout, follow the planting guidelines on the seed packets. When only half the seeds sprout, you will need to plant the seeds twice as thick and so on.

Check catalogs and your favorite garden center for any seeds you need to purchase. Place your order early for the best selection.

Once the seeds arrive, look at the back of the packet to determine when to start the seeds indoors or out. Many seed companies now provide this information on their website instead of the seed packet. Check with your local University Extension website for recommended planting dates in your area.

Record the start date on your calendar, garden chart, or spreadsheet to make the process easier. Consider organizing your seeds to make it easier to find and plant them at the proper time. You may want to organize the seeds in alphabetical order or by the month for planting. Design a system that works best for you.

You can create your own seed storage organizer or purchase one. Store the seeds in a cool dark location in an airtight container to help maintain their viability and keep them safe from mice.

Once your seed starting schedule is created and seeds are organized, prepare the space for starting seeds indoors if needed. Make sure your grow lights are in working order and you have sufficient containers, flats, and seed starting mix for planting.

Save money by repurposing yogurt, applesauce, and similar food containers into seed starting pots. Just clean and add drainage holes. Look for used cell packs, flats, and small pots that can be used again. Disinfect these by soaking them in a one-part bleach and nine-part water solution for ten minutes then rinse with clear water. Repurposing saves you money and helps reduce plastic waste and the risk of disease that could kill your seedlings.

Taking time to plan and organize now can save you money while helping you maximize the productivity and beauty of your gardens.

Melinda Myers has written over 20 gardening books, including "Midwest Gardener's Handbook, Revised Edition," and "Small Space Gardening." She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine. Myers' website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

From the garden

Keynote speakers announced for annual GOED conference

PIERRE — The 2025 Governor's Conference on Economic Development will be held Feb. 26-27, at the Ramkota Conference Center in Pierre.

The annual conference brings communities and businesses from across the state together to learn and grow through networking, keynote speakers, breakout sessions, and the presentation of annual economic development awards recognizing outstanding achievement in community and individual efforts.

GOED Commissioner Joe Fiala said, "Our team has prepared a great lineup of breakouts, speakers, and networking opportunities for this year's conference. South Dakota is making significant strides in economic development, and this conference will inspire and educate attendees. I encourage everyone to register today."

The conference, themed "Planting Seeds," will showcase two keynote speakers and offer attendees breakout sessions and networking opportunities.

Michael R. Strain, director of economic policy studies and Arthur F. Burns Scholar in Political Economy at the American Enterprise Institute, will discuss how the American Dream is alive and well.

Ernie Goss, the Jack MacAllister Chair in Economics at Creighton University and principal of the Goss Institute in Denver, will present on "The Perils of a Debtor Nation: The Regional Economic Outlook, Interest Rates, and Federal Debt."

View the agenda and register for the conference at: <https://sdgoed.com/partners/governors-conference-on-economic-development/>.

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Brookings weather

Friday Mostly cloudy, with a high near 23. Northwest wind 5 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 12. Light and variable wind becoming south 5 to 10 mph after midnight.

23/12

Saturday A 30 percent chance of snow after noon. Cloudy, with a high near 33. South wind around 10 mph becoming west in the afternoon.

Night: A 30 percent chance of snow. Cloudy, with a low around 14. West northwest wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

33/14

Sunday Mostly cloudy, with a high near 20.

Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around -4.

20/-4

Monday Mostly sunny, with a high near 9.

Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around -5.

9/-5

Tuesday Mostly sunny, with a high near 16.

Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 6.

16/6

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OPINION

Commentary

Noem's attempt to 'prioritize education' gets failing grade

Soon Gov. Kristi Noem could be installed as the next Secretary of Homeland Security. In one of her last official acts as governor, Noem managed to instill some uncertainty in South Dakota's public education system.

During her budget speech, Noem claimed she wanted to continue to "prioritize education." Notice that she didn't say "prioritize public education." In what was likely her final budget address to the Legislature, Noem proposed an ongoing \$4 million expenditure to help families pay for private school tuition and other forms of alternative instruction.

Her largesse toward families seeking to pay for a private school education came during a budget address in which she:

- Offered a paltry 1.25% funding increase for the "big three" of health care, public education and state employee salaries.
- Unveiled \$71.9 million in budget reductions and discretionary changes.
- Included in the budget cuts a \$2 million reduction

This commentary was written by Dana Hess of South Dakota Searchlight, an online news organization



for the Board of Regents and a \$3.6 million cut for South Dakota Public Broadcasting.

Noem proposed that the state would pay about \$3,000 per student annually for private school tuition or alternative instruction. Private schools, homeschoolers and other forms of alternative instruction operate under a different set of rules. It's a veritable wild west of schools that can be unaccredited or accredited by someone other than the state. In other words, good luck figuring out how your tax dollars are being spent.

It's probably possible to figure out how much money the state of South Dakota has invested in public education since statehood. Instead of doing the math, let's just assume it totals in the billions of dollars. It seems at cross purposes for the state to make that kind of long-term investment in public education only to turn around and start funding its competitors.

Instead of tackling the bigger issues in public education, Noem has revved up the Legislature for a fight over an idea that's trendy in conservative circles. It's also an idea that the state can't afford. Any state budget that proposes tens of millions in cuts isn't likely to have a spare \$4 million. If there is \$4 million extra

in the state budget, it should be funneled into teacher salaries.

Through neglect and short-sightedness lawmakers and the governor have let teachers' salaries sink back near the bottom of the barrel nationally. Noem's proposed 1.25% increase in education funding certainly isn't going to do much to get South Dakota's national teacher salary ranking out of the basement.

With its low teacher salary ranking, South Dakota's universities find themselves training the next generation of teachers for the surrounding states that make a greater attempt to pay teachers what they are worth. When qualified teachers become harder to attract because of South Dakota's low salaries, school districts will be forced to cut their offerings, hamstringing the very education that Noem says she has gone to such great lengths to "prioritize."

The last time South Dakota made any progress in this area was in 2016 when Gov. Dennis Daugaard led an effort to raise the state sales tax by half a percent with some of the funds dedicated to raising teachers' salaries. Since then, lawmakers have cut the state sales tax and mandated a \$45,000 minimum salary for public school teachers without offering any extra funding to help schools reach that goal.

Given the state of the budget Noem proposed, lawmakers would do well to put their efforts into protecting public education and finding a funding source that could ensure that the state's teacher salaries are no longer a national embarrassment.

Readers air their views in a longer format than a letter to the editor allows

Speakout

Let's get to work

On Jan. 3, the new Republican majorities in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives were sworn in and I officially took over as Senate majority leader, and in a few weeks President Trump will take the oath of office. We have our work cut out for us to get this country back on the right track, and we are not wasting any time getting to work.

Much of the work we have to do is addressing the damage that the Biden administration has done over the last four years. We will need to secure the border, and that means providing the funding needed to execute the strong border policies we can expect from President Trump on day one. We will also need to lift some of the burdensome and expensive government regulations that have held our economy back.

Then of course we need to extend the tax relief Republicans delivered during the first Trump administration and pass an overdue farm bill with updated

This Speakout was submitted by Sen. John Thune



programs for farmers and ranchers that reflect current agricultural needs. And we will need to invest in military readiness, a task that has only grown more important as the world has grown less stable in recent years.

There's a lot of important work to get done, and the Republican Congress and the Trump administration will work hard to deliver. I'm humbled by the trust that my colleagues have put in me to lead this Senate Republican majority, and I will work every day to be worthy of that trust.

Of course, I find myself in this position first and foremost because of the trust that the people of South Dakota have placed in me. Without that trust, I would not have had the opportunity to serve at all, let alone serve as majority leader of the United States Senate. And my first priority will always be to serve South Dakota.

I'm proud to be a son of small-town South Dakota.

Growing up in Murdo I learned the character of South Dakotans — the work ethic, the commitment to freedom coupled with a belief in personal responsibility, the sense of responsibility to the broader community. As a kid, I knew that if a roof collapsed under the weight of snow, or a windstorm came through and wiped out a barn, or we lost a friend or family member, the whole community would rally around to help. And that same attitude is reflected in towns across our state.

The South Dakota values I learned growing up helped shape my political philosophy: my belief that government should be limited, and that it is best when it's closest to the people; that freedom is a sacred gift and must be defended; that with freedom comes responsibility; and that while government is necessary, government is not where we should look for salvation.

I'm grateful for the opportunity to serve and for the South Dakota values that guide my service. I also owe a debt of gratitude to my family: to my parents Harold and Pat, to my wife Kimberley, and to my two daughters and their families. And I thank God, who has richly blessed me in every way. Now let's get to work.

Letter to the editor

Serving in the state Legislature — not the easiest job in Pierre

Jan. 14 marks the opening of the 100th session of the South Dakota Legislature.

Our elected officials are a popular target for chastisement. Certainly there are times they merit some verbal lashes, however, I think the majority are in office to serve. That is especially true in the state Legislature.

In exchange for their annual salary of \$16,348, they

will pay for their own phone and postage and get paid 5 cents per mile for their first and last trip to Pierre. (They do receive standard reimbursement for other commutes.) There is no paid staff and the days are long — often beginning with 7:45 a.m. committee meetings and extending to the evening to meet with constituent groups who visit Pierre.

While the Legislature is in session for 40 days, a legislator's term is two years. In the off-season there are interim committee hearings and time spent helping constituents and doing research to draft legislation for the following session. I am thankful we have a citizen's Legislature, but they pay a price.

Our legislators often must turn their vocation over to a colleague, miss their children's activities and put their life on hold for two-plus months.

On Jan. 4 the Brookings community laid to rest one

of the state's finest public servants — Arne Brown. He served in the House from 1993 to 1996 and in the Senate from 1997 to 2004, including service as president pro tempore of the Senate in 2001-2004. The Brookings Republican was widely respected on both sides of the aisle.

He was considered a man of principles and integrity who, after a long and successful career in health administration, turned his energy to public service, first on the Brookings City Commission and then the state Legislature.

So the next time you're tempted to curse your legislators, count to 10. Then go ahead and contact them. They want to hear from their constituents. But they also appreciate your prayers.

Dave Graves
Volga

Other views

The Washington Post on raises for Congress

As a new Congress was sworn in, this might seem like a bad time to talk about raising federal lawmakers' pay. A government funding package failed last month, throwing Washington into a frantic effort to keep the government open, in part because it included a small pay increase for members of Congress.

Elon Musk, the world's richest man, posted falsely that the provision meant members would get a 40 percent pay increase — more than 10 times the reality. His post has 34 million views. Following his lead, President-elect Donald Trump wrote that "this is not a good time for Congress to be asking for pay increases." Front-line members joined the chorus: Rep. Marie Gluesenkamp Perez (D-Washington) said a pay boost, "any way you slice it," would be "bananas."

Actually, it would be smart.

Members of the House and Senate haven't received any bump to their \$174,000 annual salary since 2009, and that's bad for the country. The 27th Amendment stipulates that lawmakers may not raise their own

pay — just that of future Congresses. Friday's new Congress should do so for the next.

The arguments against boosting Congress's pay seem overwhelming. Gallup's latest polling shows just 17 percent of Americans approve of the job the legislative branch is doing. Members already make far more than the median national income. "If members can't get by on our already generous salaries and benefits, they should find another line of work," said Rep. Jared Golden (D-Maine).

Actually, that's the danger. Writing the nation's laws is not an average job. Serving in Congress is a privilege — but one that should be attractive not only to politics fanatics, the independently wealthy, go-for-broke ideologues or those open to supplementing their official salaries by leveraging their positions for personal gain.

The majority of members, especially those with postgraduate degrees in medicine or law, could make vastly more in the private sector than they do now. Many highly qualified people — particularly talented young Americans — forgo public service for the same reason.

Moreover, everyday people don't need to maintain two residences, as most members do, including in D.C., one of the most expensive places in the country in which to live.

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NATION/LOCAL

Fires rage through LA

LOS ANGELES (AP) —Firefighters battled early Thursday to control a series of major fires in the Los Angeles area that have killed five people, ravaged communities from the Pacific Coast to Pasadena and sent thousands of people frantically fleeing their homes.

Ferocious winds that drove the flames and led to chaotic evacuations have calmed somewhat and were not expected to be as powerful during the day. That could allow firefighters to make progress reining in blazes that have hopped across the sprawling region, including massive ones in Pacific Palisades and Altadena.

Juan Perez, 54, returned to his destroyed home where he raised his kids in Altadena on Thursday, a day after seeing it still in flames as he drove by.

“Not just me, the whole neighborhood is gone,” he told an Associated Press reporter, his voice choked with emotion. “I don’t know how we’re going to come back from this. I don’t even know where to start.”

Perez, wearing two masks to protect his lungs from the smoky air, said he and his family didn’t wait for an evacuation order when they fled soon after 3 a.m. on Wednesday. He said he had some bags ready, but wished they had left even earlier.

Back outside on Thursday, Perez didn’t find much salvageable. His niece found two coffee mugs that were a gift to her from his mother, who passed away nearly four years ago.

“And they were there untouched,” he said. “That’s unbelievable.”

“There are firefighters on the grounds but the power is out at the Observatory so communication is limited,” the Mount Wilson Observatory said in a statement on social media Thursday afternoon.

Most of the staff at the mountain-top observatory had already evacuated, it said in an earlier post.

FEMA Administrator Deanne

Criswell is in Los Angeles on Thursday, at the direction of President Joe Biden, to hear from state and local officials and firefighting personnel to assess immediate and anticipated needs from the wildfires.

FEMA also has a team embedded at the California State Emergency Operations Center to help with the wild-fire response, the White House said.

There’s no way to quantify the extent of the destruction yet other than “total devastation and loss,” said Barbara Bruderlin, CEO of the Malibu Pacific Palisades Chamber of Commerce.

“I don’t know what’s still standing and I’m not allowed in,” Bruderlin said. She’s sent an email asking everyone to check in but doesn’t know where people have gone.

Bruderlin recalls the damage and what it took to rebuild after the Woolsey Fire in 2019 that burned in a different part of Malibu. But this time is different.

“There are areas where everything is gone, there isn’t even a stick of wood left — it’s just dirt,” Bruderlin said. “There’s nothing left in Pacific Palisades except for Caruso Village ... and there’s no gas stations, there’s no grocery stores, there’s no banks.”

Owners evacuating from the Altadena fire, left five horses locked in their stalls on Wednesday. They huddled in a small exterior pen attached to the stalls, but couldn’t entirely escape the flames.

By the time a neighbor called for help and firefighters used bolt cutters to free them, one of the horses was badly hurt, recalled Julia Bagan, who is part of a Facebook group called Southern California Equine Emergency Evacuation.

Bagan drove through the remnants of the fire Wednesday night to help, damaged power lines sparking overhead. She described it as “the most crazy, dangerous” evacuation yet.

The injured horse suffered burns to her legs. Her halter had been burned off,



AP Photo/Etienne Laurent

Firefighters work from a deck as the Palisades Fire burns a beachfront property on Wednesday in Malibu, California

along with her tail and mane. And the embers left her with ulcers in her eyes.

A vet said the mare’s best hope was an emergency equine hospital, which Bagan drove her to in her trailer.

The NBA postponed the Los Angeles Lakers’ home game against the Charlotte Hornets on Thursday because of the wildfires burning across the greater LA area.

It is the second straight day a game slated to be played in downtown Los Angeles has been postponed.

The NHL’s Los Angeles Kings were scheduled to host the Calgary Flames on Wednesday night. The date for the rescheduled games will be announced later.

Los Angeles is a town full of landmarks, thanks to its co-starring role in over a century of filmed entertainment. The fires have taken a toll on some familiar sites.

Here’s where you know them from:
1. Palisades Charter High School: Brian De Palma’s 1976 adaptation of “Carrie,” the 2003 remake of “Freaky

Friday,” the television series “Teen Wolf” and “American Vandal” and the music video for Olivia Rodrigo’s “good 4 u.”

2. Will Rogers’ Western Ranch House: The late actor’s former home, now a state park, was featured in the 1975 Barbra Streisand sequel “Funny Lady.”

3. Topanga Ranch Motel: The 1970s television series “Mannix” as well as an episode of “Remington Steele,” the 1986 Judd Nelson and Ally Sheedy movie “Blue City” and the 1991 Bridget Fonda movie “Leather Jackets.”

4. Reel Inn Malibu: It’s been featured on shows like “24,” “Man vs. Food” and “The Chew” and counted the likes of Cindy Crawford, Paris Hilton and Jerry Seinfeld as fans of its fried seafood fare.

5. The Bunny Museum: The Altadena oddity has made the Guinness Book of World Records, and been featured in Ripley’s Believe It Or Not!, the Smithsonian Magazine and an episode of “Visiting...With Huell Howser.”

Agendas

Flandreau School Board

The Flandreau School District Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m. Monday in the school elementary common. The meeting will also be livestreamed. Items on the agenda include:

- Approve agenda
- Open forum
- Recognition of visitors
- Superintendent’s report
- Conflict of interest disclosures
- Approve minutes
- Financial statements
- Bills
- School calendar for 2025-26
- High school gym roof bids
- Additional track coach
- Approve audit report
- Set date for school election
- Executive session

Sioux Valley School Board

The Sioux Valley School District Board of Education will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday in the school library media center. Items on the agenda include:

- Approve agenda
- Approve minutes
- District financial report

- Consideration of claims
- Conflict of interest disclosures
- Presentation from Marty Stanwick, Brookings County sheriff
- Public input on agenda or non-agenda items
- Northeast Educational Services Co-op report
- BASE report
- Activities director report
- Administrative reports
- Open enrollments
- Strategic planning survey for 2024
- Auditor’s report
- Appoint representative for joint planning commission with City of Volga
- Approve bus bid and payment for non-CDL 14-passenger mini-bus
- Establish school-board election date and authorize publishing board vacancy notices
- Set date for evaluations for superintendent and business manager
- Executive session
- Personnel issues

Elkton School Board

The Elkton School District Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m. Monday in the school telecom room. Items on the agenda include:

- Public comments
- Approve minutes
- Conflict of interest disclosures
- Approve minutes
- Financial reports
- Bill for December
- Co Op Architecture master plan update
- Update policy on “policy development and adoption”
- Update policy on “purchasing procedures”
- Update policy on “inventories”
- Elkton Lake Benton tuition agreement

- School voucher resolution
- Set school board election dates
- Discuss board policy on “library materials selection and adoption”
- Plan to livestream school board meetings
- Daktronics scoreboard meeting update
- PSEO classes GPA standards
- Boys & Girls Club report
- NESC report
- Library report
- Business manager report
- Elementary principal’s report
- High school principal’s report
- Superintendent’s report
- Executive session

BMU

The Brookings Municipal Utilities Board will meet at 1 p.m. Monday in the Utility Building at 525 Western Ave. The meeting will also be available through Microsoft Teams. Items on the agenda include:

- Approve agenda
- Approve minutes
- Approve bills and claims
- Invitation for citizen input
- Wastewater cost of service presentation
- Department highlights for 2024
- Executive session to consult with legal counsel and review communications from legal counsel about proposed or pending litigation or contractual matters and discuss marketing or pricing strategies
- Review mission statement
- Review 2025 meeting topics
- MRES federal legislation positions
- Surplus equipment for trade in
- Surplus equipment for destruction
- Awarding of bids for a WWTP digester pump replacement
- Department reports

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Obituaries

Beatrice Brandt Brookings

Jan. 4, 1929 - Jan. 7, 2025

Beatrice Thelma Brandt age 96, of Brookings and formerly of Elkton, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2025, at the Neighborhoods at Brookview in Brookings.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 11, 2025, at the United Parish in Elkton, SD, with burial to follow in the Elkton City Cemetery. Visitation will be one hour prior to the funeral. Eidsness Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

Beatrice was born on Jan. 4, 1929, near Bemis, SD, the daughter of Clarence and Bessie (Lammers) Prange.



Beatrice Brandt

Beatrice and her brother Floyd grew up on a farm near Castlewood, SD. She received her education through the eighth grade in rural school in Hamlin County. She was united in marriage to Lloyd Brandt on Oct. 7, 1954 at the Presbyterian Church in Brookings. Mrs. Lillian Bebensee (Lloyd's sister) was Thelma's matron of honor, Floyd Prange was Lloyd's best man. An open house reception was held at the bride's parents home near Castlewood, with 150 guests attending. The couple moved to the farm south of Elkton where they raised their family; Marlan and Alayna. Thelma had a large vegetable garden, grew beautiful flowers, raised chickens, sold eggs in Elkton at the Whistle Stop, and helped Lloyd with haying - haystacks.

Lloyd and Thelma moved to Elkton in 1980. Thelma sewed quilts, crocheted scarves and gloves, mended jeans and clothes for people. They traveled to Arizona various times to visit Alayna and her family. Lloyd died in 1995. In 2011, Thelma moved to Brookings. She enjoyed traveling, visiting family and friends, and going to dances.

Thelma was a member of the United Parish Church in Elkton. The Lord's Prayer wall hanging, which is in the sanctuary of the church, was made and donated to the church by Thelma.

In 2016, Thelma became a resident of the Neighborhoods in Brookings. Thank you to the staff at the Neighborhoods and Brookings Health Hospice who cared for Thelma with compassion.

Thelma enjoyed playing the accordion. She made the best potato salad. Thelma loved to go to the carnival rides at the Elkton Harvest Festival with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her children Marlon (Carolyn)

Brandt of Elkton, South Dakota and Alayna (Sam) Watson of Boise, Idaho as well as grandchildren; Allen Brandt, Janelle Brandt, Nathalie (Jason) Bumsted, Casey Hoskins, Cameron (Roni) Watson, Cody (Sarah) Watson, and Cassidy (Ozzy) Reorowicz.

Theresa 'Trese' Nerpel Brookings

Oct. 17, 1956 - Jan. 2, 2025

With profound sadness, we announce the passing of Theresa "Trese" Nerpel, 68, on Jan. 2, 2025. Trese was born on Oct. 17, 1956, and spent her life as a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister & friend who touched the lives of everyone she met.

Trese shared 49 years and 7 months of loving marriage with her husband, Gordie, a partnership rooted in unwavering commitment and deep faith. Together, they built a family filled with love, laughter and cherished memories.

As a mother to Raeanna and Justin, and grandmother to her four beloved grandchildren, Trese found immense joy and purpose in her family.

For nearly 40 years, Trese bravely battled multiple sclerosis, never allowing it to define her. She found joy in traveling, a deep love for animals and babies, and a generous heart that led her to help anyone in need.

Her unwavering faith in Jesus shaped her life and legacy and she would want to be remembered as a person of God who trusted in Him fully.

Trese cherished the simple pleasures — a cold Coors Light (bottled, of course) and good conversation among friends and family. Her kind spirit, selflessness, and humor leave an indelible mark on those she loved and who loved her in return.

She is survived by her husband Gordie, her children Raeanna and Justin and their significant others, her four grandchildren, 10 sisters, 2 brothers, many nieces and nephews, extended family and a wide circle of close and loving friends.

She is now at peace, reunited with her creator, and leaves behind a legacy of love, faith and kindness.

A Celebration of Trese's life will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 7, at Eidsness Funeral Home with a visitation being held one hour prior from 1 to 2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, a donation to the Brookings Food Pantry or Samaritan's Purse is appreciated by the family.

Trese will be forever missed and forever remem-

bered.

Condolences may be sent to the family through www.eidsnessfuneralhome.com.

Coralie Overby Hendricks, Minnesota

Coralie Overby, age 100, of Hendricks, Minnesota, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2025, at the Hendricks Nursing Home in Hendricks.

Funeral services will be 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 11, 2025 at Christ Lutheran Church in Hendricks, MN. Burial will follow in Woodlake Lutheran Cemetery, rural Astoria. Visitation will be on Saturday one hour prior to the service at the church. Houseman Funeral Home, Birk Chapel in Hendricks, is entrusted with the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family wishes donations be made to the Hendricks Hospital Hospice division.

She is lovingly remembered by her three children: Gail (Val) Johnson, Greg (Dianna) Overby and Noreen Overby; daughter-in-law: Carol Overby; 12 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; and her beloved Hendricks kids, Jan and Neil Nelson.

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Jan. 13-17

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Tuesday: Chicken cacciatore with tomatoes and peppers, baby baker potatoes, strawberry peach crisp, bread

Wednesday: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, warmed cinnamon pears, lettuce salad with tomatoes, bread

Thursday: Parmesan chicken, red and Yukon potatoes, carrots, fruit, bread

Friday: Ham rotini bake, peas, maple glazed apples, coleslaw, bread

For more information, call 605-692-1407.

Bruce

Jan. 13-17

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: Goulash with vegetables, lettuce salad with tomatoes, fruit, bread

Wednesday: Roast turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas, fruit, bread

Thursday: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots, fruit, bread

Friday: Sausage gravy over biscuit, diced potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit

Elkton

Jan. 14-18

Tuesday: Cook's choice

Wednesday: Mini-pan pizza, lettuce salad with tomatoes, fruit

Thursday: Broasted chicken, potato, coleslaw, fruit, toast

Friday: Crispy chicken sandwich, potato, peas, fruit

Saturday: Taco salad with meat, cheese and vegetables, chips, fruit

Market Report

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Corn (March) 4.21	Soybeans (Feb.) 9.57
Corn (Oct. 25) 3.92	Soybeans (March) 9.62
Soybeans (Jan.) 9.27	Soybeans (NC 25) 9.49
Soybeans (Feb.) 9.27	Meal Hi-Pro (Jan.) 272.40
Soybeans (Oct. 25) 9.44	Meal Hi-Pro (Feb.) 272.30

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Court Report

Court report 12-12 CLASS II MISDEMEANORS

John Adm Hoffman, 24, of 311 Sixth Ave. S., speeding on other roadways, fined \$117.50.

Marvin None Van Voorst, 68, Ireton, Iowa, seat belt violation, fined \$25.

Joseph Gregory Halbur, 23, Sioux City, Iowa, speeding on a state highway, fined \$117.50.

Roy Allen Miller, 29, Bancroft, speeding on a state highway, fined \$97.50.

Jocelyn Stulken, 47, of 312 Ninth Ave., use or possession of drug paraphernalia, fined \$282.50.

Jayne Leigh Van Beek, 19, Tea, purchase, receive, consume or possess tobacco by a person under 21, fined \$132.50.

Deysi Virgilia Lopez Ramirez, 24, Bruce, no driver's license, fined \$132.50.

Heidi Maurine Barber, 31, Castlewood, speeding on interstate highway, fined \$97.50.

Casey James Cadotte-Seward, 43, of 1211 Third St., open alcoholic beverage container in vehicle, fined \$132.50.

Calleigh Robin Chicoine, 19, of 216 South Meadows, SDSU, municipal speeding, fined \$91.50.

Madeline Rose Davis, 19, Grinnell, Iowa, speeding on other roadways, fined \$97.50.

Osbel Ivan Calderon Hidalgo, 32, Sioux City, Iowa, no driver's license,

fined \$132.50; speeding on other roadways, fined \$97.50.

Macaulley Israel Coble, 17, of 128 Craig Court, municipal speeding in school zone, fined \$186.50.

Wyatt Daniel Glessing, 19, Waverly, Minnesota, speeding on interstate highway, fined \$137.50.

Julio Cesar Maldonado Salazar, 34, of 2310 10th St. No. 8, failure to maintain financial responsibility, fined \$132.50 and sentenced to 10 days in BCDC, all jail time suspended upon conditions imposed by the court.

Avery Thomas Wittnebel, 20, Nassau, Minnesota, speeding on other roadways, fined \$97.50.

Jason Thomas Rhodes, 54, Plano, Texas, speeding on interstate highway, fined \$117.50.

Wayne Paul Julson, 67, Garretson, hunting in wrong unit, fined \$128.50.

Zoey Clanea Layne Brown, 19, of 1416 Student Union Lane, SDSU, use or possession of drug paraphernalia, fined \$282.50.

Kes Vivian Ling Jung, 18, of 1607 17th Ave. S., overdriving road conditions, fined \$132.50.

Paul Hansen, 40, Elkton, speeding on a state highway, fined \$97.50; seat belt violation, fined \$25.

Douglas Knutson, 76, Volga, speeding on a state highway, fined \$97.50.

Gus Kunze, 17, Bruce, failure to make proper stop at intersection, fined

\$132.50. Taylor Viessman, 20, Montevideo, Minnesota, speeding on other roadways, fined \$137.50.

Davonya Lee Hanson, 49, of 808 Medary Ave. S., speeding in a school zone, fined \$112.50.

Agner Espinoza Lopez, 28, of 820 17th Ave. S., no driver's license, fined \$132.50.

Susan Lorene Hedlund, 68, of 2104 Moriarty Drive, violation stopped vehicle with red, amber or yellow signals, fined \$348.50.

Briley Martin, 19, of 451 Hansen Hall, SDSU, speeding on other roadways, fined \$117.50.

Emily J. Oconnor, 34, Austin, Texas, license not in immediate possession, fined \$25.

Eric Peterson, 53, Aurora, speeding on other roadways, fined \$97.50.

Gianna Ramsay, 19, of 314 Hansen Hall, SDSU, seat belt violation, fined \$25.

Timothy Jon Riedel, 66, Ramona, seat belt violation, fined \$25.

Isaac J. Wilson, 20, Sioux Falls, speeding on other roadways, fined \$97.50.

Parker L. Witte, 16, of 7200 Valley View Circle, speeding on other roadways, fined \$97.50.

Amari Ward, 17, of 2319 Morning Glory Drive, speeding on a state highway, fined \$97.50.

Roberto Antonio Zamora Rivera, 52, of 218 38th Ave. S., no driver's license, fined \$132.50.

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CHURCH/LOCAL

Church Briefs

Happiness?

REFLECTIONS



THIS WEEK'S REFLECTIONS WAS WRITTEN BY THE REV. LARRY ORT, RETIRED EPISCOPAL PRIEST

Cemetery association, church to hold annual meetings

WHITE — The Pioneer Cemetery Association of White will hold its annual meeting on Sunday, Jan. 19. This meeting will take place at Pioneer Lutheran Church, 20180 474th Ave., White.

The meeting will follow the church annual meeting that begins at 11 a.m., following church services. There will be a potluck dinner following the meetings.

Election will be held for one new board member for a three-year term.

Coffeehouse tips go to McGeough Foundation

BROOKINGS — The Mission of the Month at the Mission Coffeehouse at First Lutheran Church for January is The Kelly McGeough Foundation.

Families request assistance from the Kelly McGeough Foundation for many different reasons. The foundation receives requests for travel costs associated with the treatment of a child at a specialized hospital, uninsured clinical treatments, food and lodging.

The Kelly McGeough Foundation is unique in that it serves families in the maximum amount of \$7,500 per child with catastrophic illnesses or circumstances.

It is also unique in the ability of the organization to negotiate with care providers (clinics and hospitals) to forgive part of the bill with the foundation paying the remainder. This has helped many families and has also helped the Kelly Foundation to be wise in money management.

The Kelly McGeough Foundation was established in 1983 in honor of 10-year-old Kelly McGeough who fought a valiant fight against leukemia. His memory lives on with a foundation established to assist other families whose children are undergoing catastrophic illness or situations.

Bible talks planned

VOLGA — Bible talks for the elderly, parents and children will be held every Wednesday in January and February.

The talks will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Volga Community Center at 109 Samara Ave. in Volga. No collection will be taken.

Woman named to major Vatican office

ROME (AP) — Pope Francis on Monday named the first woman to head a major Vatican office, appointing an Italian nun, Sister Simona Brambilla, to become prefect of the department responsible for all the Catholic Church's religious orders.

The appointment marks a major step in Francis' aim to give women more leadership roles in governing the church. While women have been named to No. 2 spots in some Vatican offices, never before has a woman been named prefect of a dicastery or congregation of the Holy See Curia, the central governing organ of the Catholic Church.

The historic nature of Brambilla's appointment was confirmed by Vatican Media, which headlined its report "Sister Simona Brambilla is the first woman prefect in the Vatican."

The office is one of the most important in the Vatican. Known officially as the Dicastery for the Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life, it is responsible for every religious order, from the Jesuits and Franciscans to the Mercy nuns and smaller newer movements.

The appointment means that a woman is now responsible for the women who do much of the church's work — the world's 600,000 Catholic nuns — as well as the 129,000 Catholic priests who belong to religious orders.

"It should be a woman. Long ago it should have been, but thank God," said Thomas Groome, a senior professor of theology and religious education at Boston College who has long called for the ordination of women priests.

While developing a recent sermon, I found myself thinking about some verses found in Psalm 84: "How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. ... Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you. Happy are the people whose strength is in you! Whose hearts are set on the pilgrim's way" (Vss. 1, 3).

I find myself wondering how many Christians would identify with these sentiments. I suspect many understand "dwell in your house" in a more literal sense as the house of God, i.e., the sanctuary. I like to spend time in the sanctuary, especially when with a worshipping

community, but I would not care to dwell there, to live there.

Might the psalmist have had something different in mind? What if we were to understand God's dwelling as life in faith relationship with God, whether Jewish (as was the psalmist), Christian, or Muslim? This would entail living out one's faith commitment in an active and consistent fashion. Understood in this manner, one could dwell in God's house whether one was at home, at work, at school, etc., whether one was a priest, a plumber, a carpenter, or a teacher, etc.

The psalmist assures us those who live their lives in God's dwelling are happy, are filled with praise, and are strengthened. As evidence for this interpretation, consider

Muslim women's outdoors group tackles snow tubing in Minnesota

MAPLE GROVE, Minn. (AP) — Ice crystals clung to the eyelashes, parka hood, beanie hat and headscarf of Ruqayah Nasser as she took a break after her first-ever snow tubing runs in a Minnesota park on a subzero (-18 Celsius) January morning.

She had joined two dozen other members of a group founded by a Somali-American mother in Minneapolis to promote all-seasons activities among Muslim women, who might otherwise feel singled out in the great outdoors, especially when wearing hijabs.

"They understand my lifestyle. I don't have to explain myself," said Nasser, who recently moved to the Twin Cities from Chicago and whose family hails from Yemen. "My religion is everything. It's my survival kit."

As one of the most visible signs of the Muslim faith, hijabs often attract controversy. Within Islam, some women want to wear the headscarves for piety and modesty, while others oppose them as a symbol of oppression. In the sports world, including in the last Olympics, devout athletes have often faced extra hurdles on and off the field in finding accommodations for religious practices.

Concerned about safety as a woman — particularly one wearing a head covering — but determined to get outdoors to beat seasonal depression, Nasrieen Habib put out a social media post about creating a hiking group three years ago.

From the nine women



AP Photo/Giovanna Dell'Orto

Nawal Hirsi, right, goes snow tubing with her family as part of a group promoting outdoors activities by Muslim women, at Elm Creek Park Reserve in Maple Grove, Minnesota.

who responded, her Amanah Rec Project has grown to more than 700 members. There's a core group for Muslim women only — for "more sisterhood and modesty," Habib says — as well as a group for families. In addition to weekly outings, they organize longer trips and education on everything from appropriate winter clothing — a challenge for many migrant communities — to health and environmental sustainability from the perspective of Islam.

"It's a way to live your whole life according to a set of beliefs and rules. And part of those beliefs and rules is taking care of creation," Habib said as her 4-year-old son took a break from tubing in a toasty chalet at Elm Creek Park Reserve near Minneapolis. "How can we be more sustainable in a time where we see the impact of climate change, especially impacting

people who look like us in the Global South?"

Two sisters, Ruun Mahamud and Nawal Hirsi, moved to the United States from Somalia as children about two decades ago.

They found a safe haven in Minnesota where, since the late 1990s, growing numbers of East African refugees have created an increasingly vocal Muslim community. Democratic Rep. Ilhan Omar was the first lawmaker to wear a hijab while on the U.S. House floor, and Minneapolis was the first large city in the United States to allow the Islamic call to prayer to be broadcast publicly by its two dozen mosques.

Even though she feels "safe and accepted" in her hijab, Hirsi joined the group for extra support.

"I love being outdoors and joining this group has made me more comfortable to participate," she said on the tubing hill,

where she had convinced Mahamud to come along for the first time.

"Oh my gosh, it's the most amazing thing I've ever done," Mahamud gushed after speeding downhill on a tube attached to her sister's as their daughters recorded the adventure on their phones.

The sisters said it's important to include love for the outdoors and physical activity in their children's religious upbringing.

"Taking care of one's health is part of our faith," Hirsi said.

Muslim women who wear hijabs can face multiple barriers to sports participation, said Umer Hussain, a Wilkes University professor who studies religion and sports. They range from activities where genders mix or head coverings pose logistical hurdles to conservative families who might frown on it.

Meetings

Saturday, Jan. 11

■ Brookings AA has meetings at 8:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. at 135 First Ave. S. For more information, call 605-692-6070.

Sunday, Jan. 12

■ Brookings AA has meetings at 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. at 135 First Ave. S. For more information, call 605-692-6070.

■ Margo's Place women's support group holds a Zoom meeting from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Sunday. For more information, call 692-SAFE (7233).

Monday, Jan. 13

■ The Brookings Toastmasters Club 3712 meets every Monday that is not a holiday from noon to 1 p.m. in the classroom at McCrory Gardens at 631 22nd Ave. The club provides an opportunity to develop or improve public speaking skills.

Visitors are welcome. The club also provides a Zoom option. For more information, send an email to brookingstoastmasters3712@gmail.com.

■ The Hybrid Postpartum Support Group meets at Brookings Health System. Find support for life after baby, bonding with your baby, coping with this major life change, mindfulness and relaxation, relationships, communication and self-care. To register, call 605-692-5447.

The meetings are every Monday from 10

to 11:30 a.m. both on Zoom and in person at Brookings Health System, Conference Room C. You will receive an email with Zoom details upon registration if you are joining virtually. The group is facilitated by licensed clinicians Elizabeth Milton, LPC-MH, and Curstie Konold, MSW.

■ Brookings AA has meetings at 12:15 and 7:30 p.m. at 135 First Ave. S. For more information, call 605-692-6070.

Tuesday, Jan. 14

■ The Optimist Club of Brookings meets every Tuesday at noon at Pizza Ranch, 1815 Sixth St.

■ The Brookings Rotary Club meets at noon each Tuesday in the Brookings Activity Center, 320 Fifth Ave. For more information, contact Club President Michael Gonda at michael.gonda@sdsta.edu.

■ Margo's Place hosts a weekly women's support group from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday. For more information, call 692-SAFE (7233).

■ The Brookings United Church of Christ hosts an ecumenical interfaith coffee and conversation on Tuesdays at Cottonwood Coffee on Main Avenue at 10:30 a.m. weekly.

■ New Beginnings Baby Café supports breastfeeding mothers in every aspect of nursing, from starting to weaning and every variation in between. It is facilitated by two registered nurses who are also IBCLC lactation consultants. New Beginnings Baby

Café occurs every Tuesday evening from 5 to 7 p.m. at The Prairie Perk-Up coffee shop on the first floor of Brookings Hospital.

■ New Day Al-Anon meets at 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays at First United Methodist Church, 625 Fifth St. Follow the signs inside the church for the exact location.

■ An AA Foxhall workshop speaker meeting is 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Peace Lutheran Church at 1104 22nd Ave. S. in Brookings.

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Wednesday, Jan. 15

■ Brookings AA has meetings at 12:15 and 7:30 p.m. at 135 First Ave. S. There is also a women's group meeting in the basement of the Newman Center at 1321 Eighth St. For more information, call 605-692-6070.

■ A men's big-book study session Alcoholics Anonymous meeting is 7 p.m. Wednesdays at Peace Lutheran Church at 1104 22nd Ave. S. in Brookings.

Thursday, Jan. 16

■ The Kiwanis Club of Brookings meets every Thursday at noon at the Mission Coffeehouse in First Lutheran Church at 337 Eighth St.

■ The Brookings Domestic Abuse Shelter women's support group holds a walk-in "in person" meeting from 6:30 to 8 p.m. every

Thursday. For more information, call 692-SAFE (7233).

■ Big Sioux Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol meets every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at 413 W. Second St. S., Brookings. For more information, contact Jacob Roth at jacob.roth@sdwg.cap.gov or 605-496-2890.

■ New Beginnings Baby Café supports breastfeeding mothers in every aspect of nursing, from starting to weaning and every variation in between. It is facilitated by two registered nurses who are also IBCLC lactation consultants.

All pregnant and breastfeeding moms are welcome to attend. A session will be Thursday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon at the Family Lounge inside New Beginnings Birth Center.

■ Al Anon meets at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at 135 First Ave. S.

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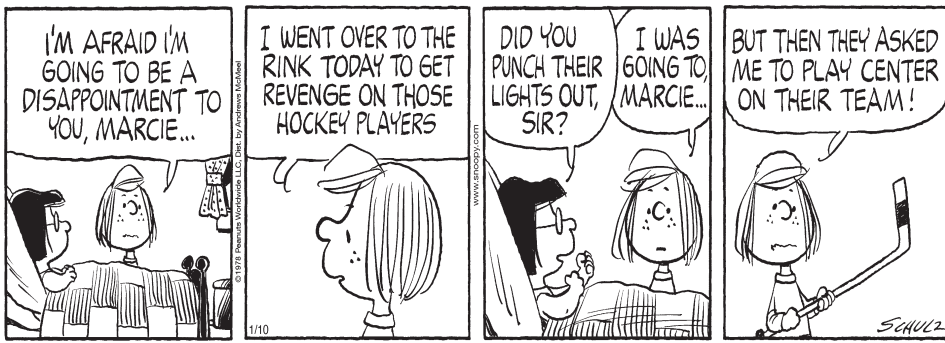
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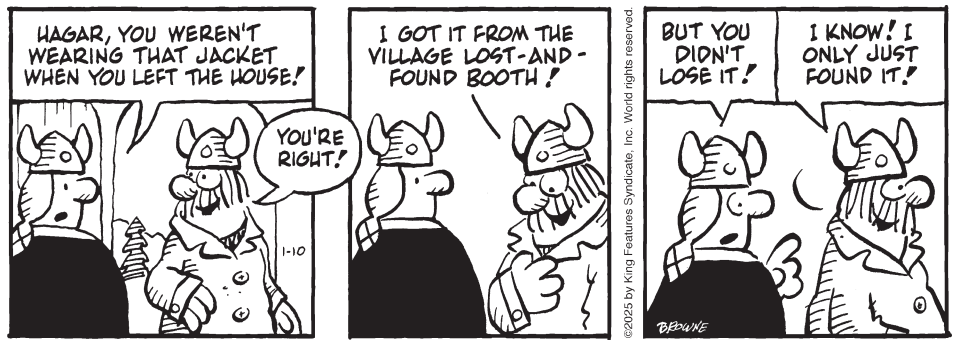
To have your organization's weekly or monthly meeting placed on the Meetings Calendar, email the location, time and contact information for the organization to dkott@brookingsregister.com.

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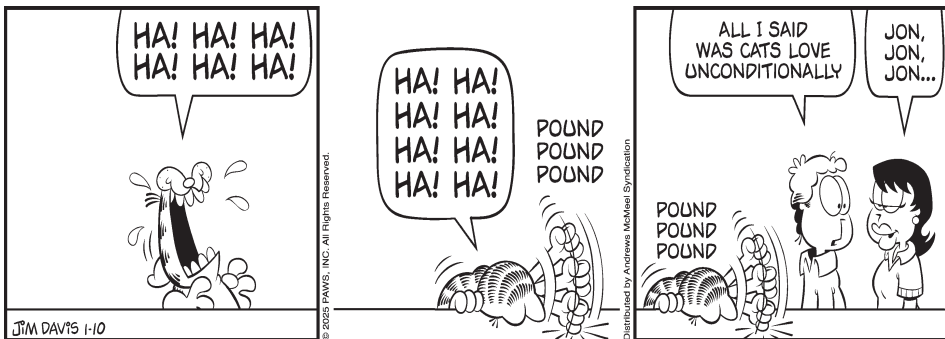
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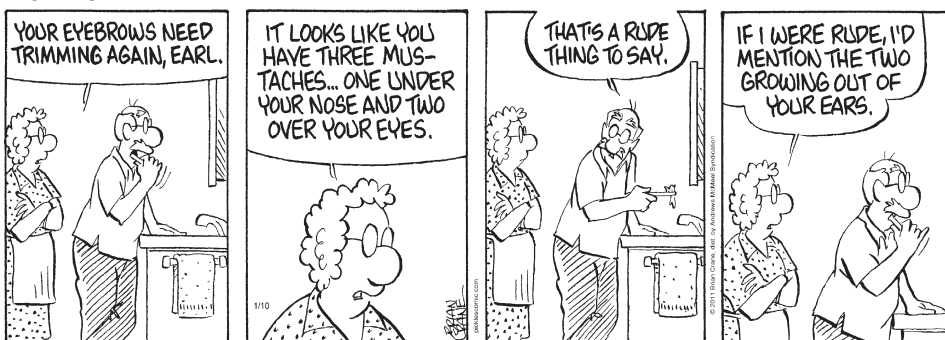
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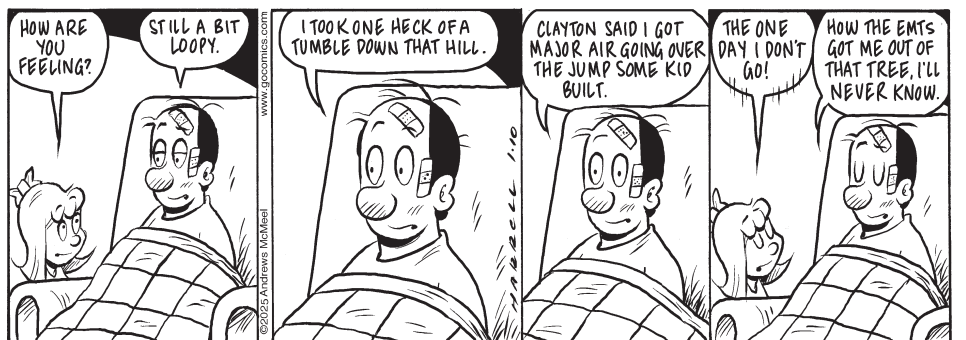
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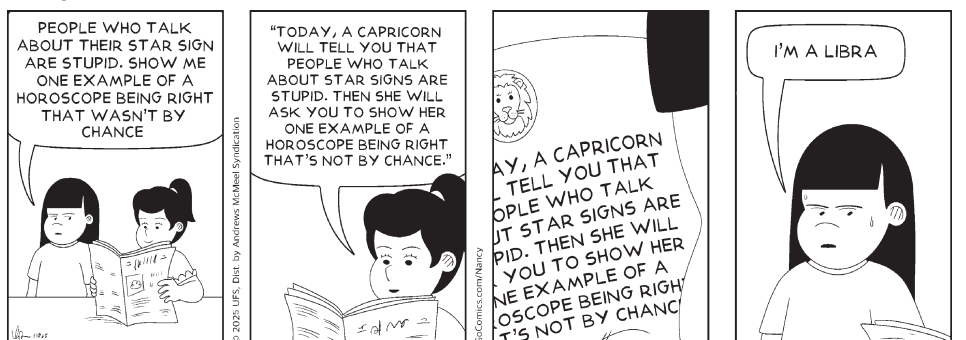
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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints.

PNI'L FWFO BJMF PFAHCHNIC
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 J I P Q N C C H V H Z H L K .

— BHAGFZZF NVJBJ
 Yesterday's Cryptoquote: WHEN A MAN STARTS OUT TO BUILD A WORLD. HE STARTS FIRST WITH HIMSELF. — LANGSTON HUGHES

Bridge

By PHILIP ALDER

Nowadays, competitive auctions are the norm, uncompetitive sequences a rarity. So you and your partner should be ready to handle the wild bids that your opponents will throw at you.

And you should be prepared to do your fair share of destructive interventions when you think the opponents have you outgunned.

A good analysis of the possibilities is "Getting Into the Bidding" by Bill Treble (Master Point Press). It is aimed at intermediate players.

Also, when there is more than one popular method — for example, in competing against an opening one no-trump — the author discusses their pluses and minuses.

In this deal, look at the West hand. With both sides vulnerable, your partner opens one club and righty overcalls one spade. What would you do?

If you use fit-showing jumps in competition (of which I am a big fan), you might bid three or four diamonds, showing length in that suit and good club support. But as Treble points out, this gives North room to describe his hand.

At the table, Treble jumped immediately to five clubs. Yes, that might have been — and was — only an eight-card fit, but it was likely to be better than that. And he pressured North.

Here, over five clubs, which can go down three, North bid five hearts, East doubled, North ran to five spades, and East doubled again.

North	01-10-25		
♠ K Q 6			
♥ A K J 8 7 4 2			
♦ 6 3			
♣ 7			
West	East		
♠ 9 3	♥ 8 4 2		
♥ —	♦ Q 10 9 5		
♦ K Q J 8 5 4	♠ A 10 9		
♣ 10 9 6 3 2	♣ A Q 8		
South			
♠ A J 10 7 5			
♥ 6 3			
♦ 7 2			
♣ K J 5 4			
Dealer: East			
Vulnerable: Both			
South	West	North	East
1♠	??		1♣
Opening lead: ♦K			

The defenders took one club, two diamonds and two heart ruffs for plus 800. Bridge is not a game for cowards; blast away with a big fit and a distributional hand.

Dear Abby

Dear Abby: My friend of 30 years passed away two years ago. Her husband, with whom I had a cordial relationship, has been calling me and other friends of his wife nonstop. He usually calls with irrelevant nonsense.

One time, I decided not to answer any of his many calls per day. When I finally felt guilty and answered, he was furious. He demanded to know where I was so that I was not able to answer the phone. I fabricated a story that I was out of state visiting family. Sometimes, I lie and say dinner is ready, someone is at my door or I'm just about to leave the house.

My initial reaction to his calls was that I am lucky I'm not so needy and lonely. I manage to cut the conversation to three to five minutes, and I'm never rude. This man is 80, lives by himself and has an adult child near his home. It is my unprofessional opinion that because of his many health issues and inability to drive and really care for himself, perhaps he should be in assisted living.

His constant calls are more than I can handle. Should I call his adult child or just not answer most of his calls? I think he may also be calling his children, and they may

be aware of his behavior, but I don't want to upset them more than they probably are. My friends and I have done our best to talk to him, but it has reached the point that these calls are invasive. — Overwhelmed In New Jersey

Dear Overwhelmed: You would be doing everyone a favor — yourself included — if you made that call to inform this poor man's grown children what has been going on. Loneliness and isolation after the death of a spouse can eventually cause serious health problems, particularly in the elderly. Assisted living may be the solution he needs, not only for physical care but also for socialization. I'm glad you wrote.

Dear Abby: Being the least favorite is hurtful, yet my mom makes sure to convey how much she hates me every chance she gets. Mind you, she would never say that in front of my dad

or my sisters. She says it standing behind me, rubbing it in. My sisters get text messages from her telling them how much she misses them. Me? I get comments like "I wish you were never born." I have tried hard to please her, but nothing has worked. Sadly, my youngest sister is rude and hates me, too. Please advise. — Unloved In Tennessee

Dear Unloved: Unfortunately, we cannot pick our parents. Your mother's behavior is more than a little toxic, and now it has rubbed off on your little sister. This is why I am suggesting you see as little of your mother and younger sister as possible.

If you must see them, spend as little time alone with either of them as possible. Start developing relationships with people who are caring and supportive. Many people form "chosen families" when they come from families that are as dysfunctional as yours.

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Dr. Roizen

Recombinant influenza vaccine may be best flu vaccine option

By MIKE ROIZEN, M.D. and MEHMET OZ, M.D.

During last year's flu season, around 40 million people came down with the virus, 18 million of them went to see their doctor or to the emergency room because of their symptoms, almost half a million were hospitalized and 28,000 folks died from influenza-related issues such as pneumonia and inflammation of the heart and brain, and sepsis. Unfortunately, vaccination coverage only hit 32% in 2023, but even so, it's estimated that vaccinations prevented almost 10 million influenza-related illnesses, around 5 million medical visits, 120,000 influenza-related hospitalizations, and nearly 8,000 influenza-related deaths.

To take advantage of the protection a flu shot provides, research indicates that the best choice may be to get a recombinant influenza vaccine. According to a study in Open Forum Infectious Diseases, the recombinant vaccine elicits a 29% stronger humoral immune response than the standard dose of an inactivated flu vaccine when given to folks ages 18 to 64. And, no, that isn't because it's funnier!

A humoral immune response means that your immune system's B cells marshal a defense against the invading flu virus and — with any luck — lay it to waste.

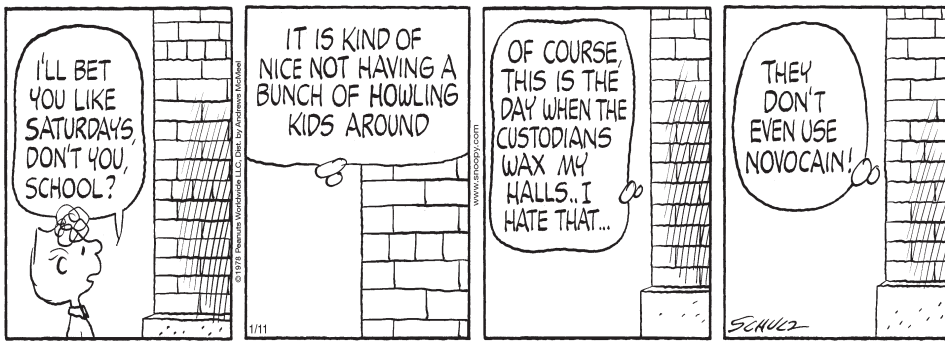
Other ways to strengthen your immune system include having a regular sleep schedule, eating at least seven servings of fruits and vegetables daily, eliminating added sugars and red meats from your diet and getting 300 minutes of exercise weekly.

For more tips on strengthening your immune system, check out the free newsletter at LongevityPlaybook.com and "5 Natural Ways to Strengthen Immunity for Cold and Flu Season" at iHerb.com/blog.

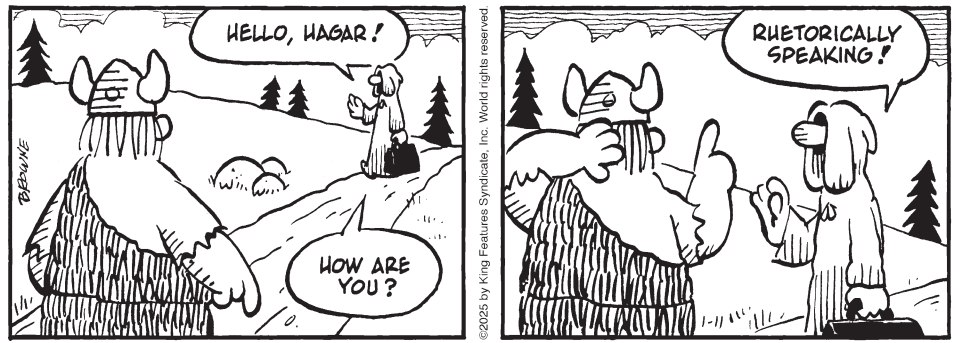
Dr. Mike Roizen is the founder of www.longevityplaybook.com, and Dr. Mehmet Oz is global advisor to www.iHerb.com.

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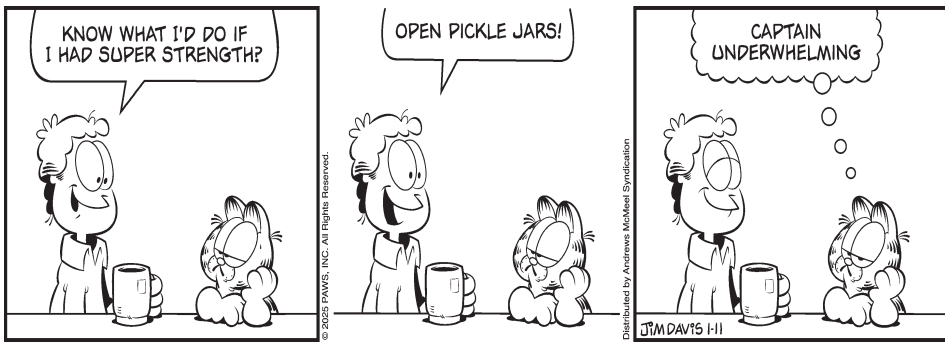
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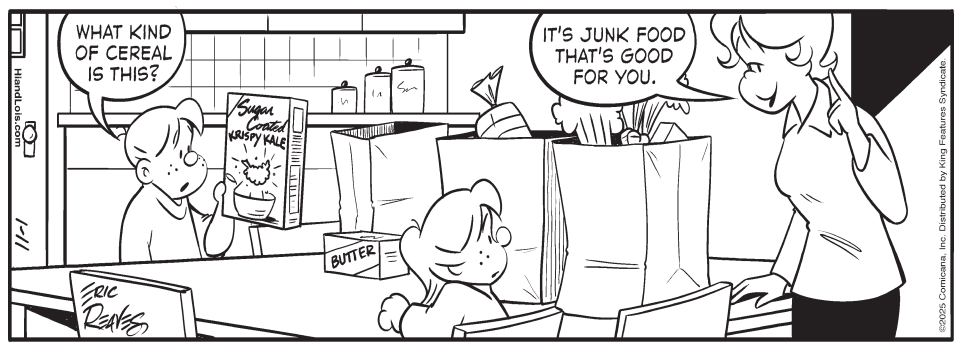
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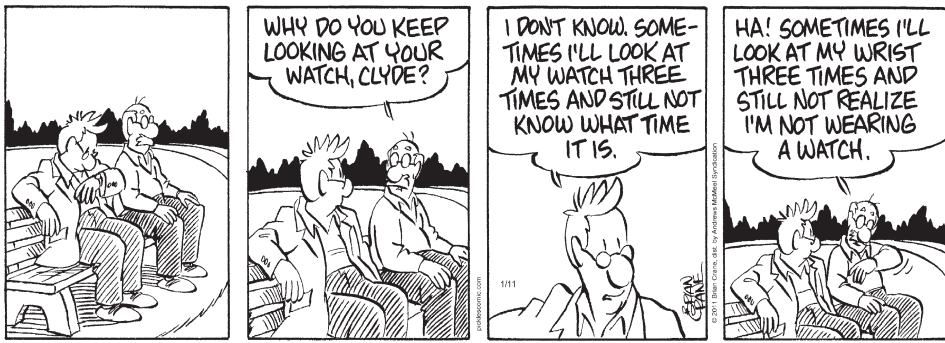
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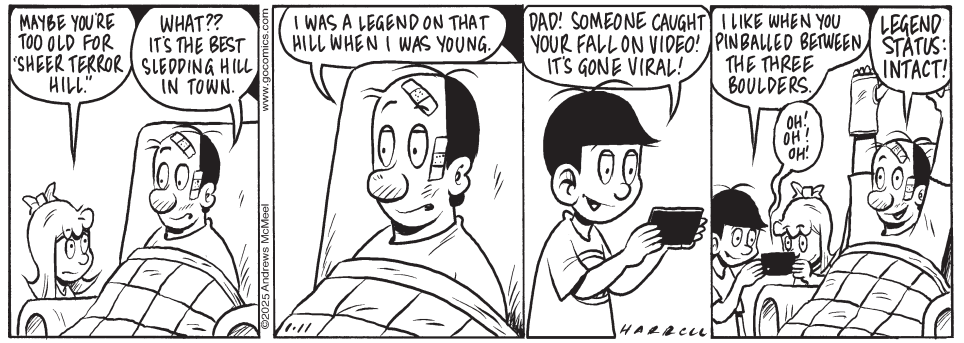
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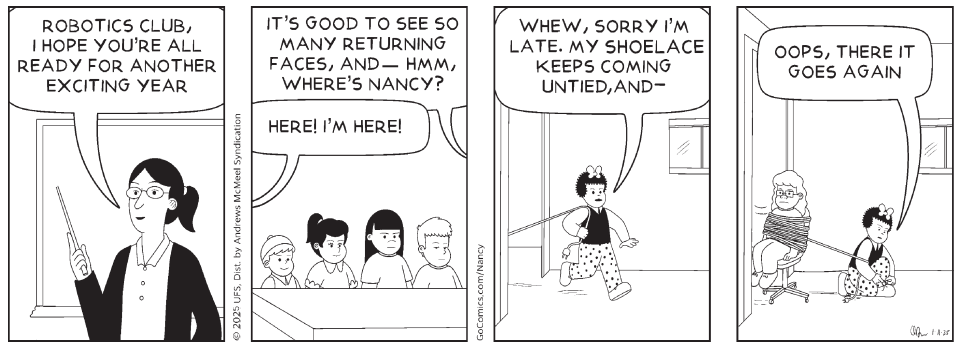
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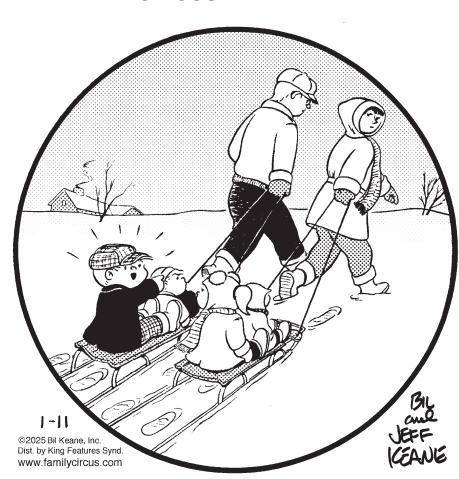
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 Y L V Y R P R D X L Y S D X R Q S C L
 A C L L I R D S C L Q Z P E. — M R C P

O L E E L Y
 Yesterday's Cryptoquote: DON'T EVER MAKE DECISIONS BASED ON FEAR. MAKE DECISIONS BASED ON HOPE AND POSSIBILITY. — MICHELLE OBAMA

Bridge

By PHILIP ALDER
 Bridge has its funny side, but often you had to be there. However, articles can bring out the entertaining side. "It's All in the Game" by Bob Ewen and Jeff Rubens (Bridge World Books) is an excellent example of that. All the articles appeared in the 1960s and '70s in The American Bridge Digest, The Bridge Journal or The Bridge World. The bridge level is quite high, but intermediates will also gain a lot from this book.

In this deal, South is in four spades. What happens after West leads either the spade two; or the club 10, South taking the first trick with dummy's queen?

Ewen found the best lead of a trump. Declarer could have made his contract by cashing his diamond ace and continuing with the queen to squash East's jack. Then he could have endplayed East in spades to reach dummy. But he did not do this, losing two spades, one diamond and one club.

After the club lead, almost everyone got home. They discarded the club nine on the heart ace, then played a diamond to the queen. The finesse lost, but when East's jack dropped under the ace, the declarers conceded only two spades and one diamond.

Peter Leventritt (West) still beat the contract, though.

When South led a diamond to his queen at trick three, Leventritt played low! South cashed the diamond ace. When East (an expert) dropped the jack, not the king, declarer should have smelled a rat and cashed his

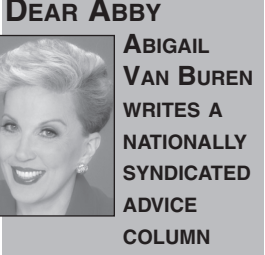
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South	West	North	East	
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass	
3 ♠	Pass	3 ♣	Pass	
4 ♣	Pass	Pass	Pass	
Opening lead: ♠ 2 or ♣ 10				

Dear Abby

Dear Abby: My 18-year-old daughter recently broke up with her boyfriend. She caught him on the phone talking with another female, and there were other signs of his cheating as well. She's devastated, and so am I. I really liked the guy, but he obviously didn't care for my daughter or her feelings.

I told my daughter everything will be OK in time. But there are many memories of him, so it's hard for her. He sent her a message to apologize, but afterward, he blocked her. He also blocked her on Instagram. She doesn't understand why. I said maybe the other girl told him to or he doesn't want anything to do with her anymore. How can I help my daughter through this crisis? — Love Hurts In New York

Dear Love Hurts: Suggest to your daughter that if she has mementoes of this romance, she should get rid of them or put them somewhere she won't see them. The same is true for music that reminds her of him. People get past these painful experiences by staying busy and not allowing themselves time to brood. Encourage her to socialize with friends and remain active. As to why this



DEAR ABBY
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young man apologized and then blocked her, I'm guessing he apologized because he felt guilty, and then blocked her because he wants to move on.

Dear Abby: Our daughter and son-in-law live with us. She's painting the interior to update our 27-year-old house and wants to update the cabinets at her expense. Every time she tries to make things look better, her daddy gets angry and accuses her of trying to take over "his" house before he's dead. (This is not true.) He says if you ask anyone, they would agree with him. I say he's wrong. What do we do? — Sprucing Up In Indiana

Dear Sprucing Up: If your daughter and her husband wish to paint and install new cabinets only in the area of the house they occupy, your husband should contain his anger. If your daughter is trying to do more than that with

the idea that at some point, she will inherit the place, your husband's anger may be justified. You are all adults. Find a way to discuss this and reach a compromise.

Dear Abby: My mom is starting to drive me crazy. She thinks that in order for me to consider myself a successful career woman, I need a job that has steady, consistent hours, offers health benefits and has a retirement plan.

I have a job, but because of the pandemic, my hours are temporarily staggered. I have no benefits, but I can manage that stuff (insurance and retirement) on my own. How do I make my mom understand that and stop treating me like a little kid with no plans for my future? — At Wits' End In Maryland

Dear At Wits' End: It's a mother's job to worry about her children, so be patient with her. If your reassurance isn't enough to stop her comments, show her the paperwork that supports your case.

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Ask The Doctors

The risk of developing dry eye syndrome increases as we age

By EVE GLAZER, M.D. AND ELIZABETH KO, M.D.

Dear Doctors: I am 72 years old and have started to have problems with dry eyes. It's not all the time, but at some point each day, my eyes will suddenly get very dry. It's even hard to blink. What causes that? Those lubricating drops help, but only for a little while.

Dear Reader: You are experiencing what is commonly known as dry eye syndrome, or dry eye disease. The medical term is (deep breath) keratoconjunctivitis sicca. It's a daunting name for a common condition that affects one-fifth of all adults. An estimated 3 million new cases occur each year. Although dry eye syndrome can happen to anyone and at any age, it becomes more common as people grow older. After age 40, the risk of developing dry eye syndrome increases with each passing decade. The condition is also seen more often in women who have entered menopause.

The exposed surface of the eye is covered by a triple layer of liquid known as the tear film. The components are secreted by various glands and tissues, and each plays a

role in lubricating, protecting and nourishing the tissues of the eye. The inner layer, made up of mucus, provides stability and lubrication. Mucus has antibacterial properties, so it also helps protect against infection. The middle layer, known as the aqueous layer, is made up primarily of water. It provides hydration and washes away contaminants. It also contains proteins that nourish the cornea and electrolytes that help manage surface tension. The topmost layer is made up of lipids that act as a seal to prevent evaporation.

If something goes wrong with any of the three layers of tear film, the ability to nourish, hydrate, lubricate and protect the eyeball can be compromised. This can occur due to changes that take place as we age, some autoimmune diseases, a side effect of some medications, and hormonal changes. Environmental factors such as a dry climate, dry air from a heat source, air pollution, wood smoke, allergens and too much screen time can also play a role.

The most common form of dry eye is a deficiency in the lipid layer of tear film. Known as evaporative dry eye, it allows the tears that keep the eyeball moist to dissipate more quickly than they can be replaced. Lubricating drops with lipid-based ingredients, which can thicken the outer layer of tear film, can ease symptoms of evaporative dry eye. When the watery layer of tear film is compromised, it is known as aqueous-deficient dry eye. This is less common than evaporative dry eye. In this case, drops labeled as "hypotonic" can improve tear volume and help restore moisture to the exposed surface of the eye. For more serious cases of dry eye, prescription medications may become necessary.

Redness is common in dry eye, but avoid drops that promise "redness relief." Most contain vasoconstrictors, which narrow blood vessels and can worsen dry eye symptoms. When the condition is severe, see your doctor. Complications can include chronic inflammation, damage to the surface of the eye, being susceptible to infection, and even vision loss.

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Sudoku

Complete the grid so every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

	2		9	4				1		
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		8	2	1	9					
	1				7	8				5

Previous puzzle solution

1	5	9	2	4	8	3	7	6		
4	3	8	1	7	6	5	9	2		
6	2	7	3	5	9	8	1	4		
5	1	6	8	3	2	7	4	9		
3	7	2	4	9	1	6	5	8		
9	8	4	7	6	5	1	2	3		
8	9	3	5	1	4	2	6	7		
2	4	5	6	8	7	9	3	1		
7	6	1	9	2	3	4	8	5		

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1/9 DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★
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Crosswords

ACROSS

- Insect secretion
- Alma —
- Books pro
- Fire result
- Cordial flavoring
- “The Eagle — Landed”
- Oolong is one
- “Bridget — Mad About the Boy”
- Naval letters
- Concord
- To the point
- Mongrel
- Bit of buckshot
- Excited
- Oodles
- Feather scarf
- “And —!”
- Like a missing GI
- Unfeeling

DOWN

- Wood strip
- On the Atlantic
- Cookout need

Answer to Previous Puzzle

D	O	T	B	A	B	A	F	I	R	S
N	T	H	A	M	E	N	A	T	O	P
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O	R	E	G	P	E	S	T	L	E	
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A	F	F	I	R	M	S	P	R	O	D
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B	E	N	E	E	L	S	E	R	A	P

- Chosen field of study
- Soon
- Wee
- Opposite of WNW
- Slept
- Boorish fellow
- Old-fashioned
- Plus
- Big cup
- Actress —
- Lanchester
- Handled roughly
- Alphabet starter
- Slimy stuff
- Tremble
- Composer — Porter
- The Rock, for one
- Away
- French article
- Platform in a hall
- Cooks a certain way — relief
- Quarrels
- Earlier
- Roundup
- Cousin to a croc
- Corn bread
- Racing sled
- Bronte's “Jane —”
- Peruse
- Scrooge's cry

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Legal 41259 4X
1/3,10,17,24
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BROOKINGS
SS
IN CIRCUIT COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN THE MATTER OF THE
PETITION OF JACOB
GARMAINE RANDLE,
FOR A CHANGE OF NAME
TO JACOB GARMAINE
RANDLE SAMPLE,
05CIV24-00042
NOTICE OF HEARING FOR
ADULT NAME CHANGE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN a Verified Petition for Adult Name Change has been filed by Jacob Garmaine Randle, the object and prayer of which is to change Petitioner's name from Jacob Garmaine Randle to Jacob Garmaine Randle Sample. The petition will be heard on the 18th day of February, 2025, at 9:00 am by the Honorable Judge Gregory Stoltenburg at the Brookings County Courthouse, in the City of Brookings, South Dakota. Anyone may appear at that time and place and show reasons, if any, why said name should not be changed as requested. Dated this 27th day of December, 2024.
/s/ Macy Roberts
Macy Roberts, Dep
Clerk of Court
ATTEST:
/s/ TeJay Kuechenmeister
TeJay Kuechenmeister
Clerk of Court
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The Brookings County Board of County Commissioners met in special session on Monday, December 30, 2024 with the following members present: Larry Jensen, Michael Bartley, Ryan Krogman and Shawn Hostler. Kelly VanderWal was absent.
CALL TO ORDER
Chairperson Jensen called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion by Bartley, seconded by Krogman to approve the agenda for the December 30, 2024 Commission Meeting. All members presented voted "aye." Motion carried.
CITIZEN INVITATION
No one signed in to speak to the board.
REGULAR BUSINESS
Motion by Krogman, seconded by Bartley to approve and authorize Chairperson Jensen to sign Resolution #24-60: FY2024 Contingency Transfers. Background information was provided by Commission Department Director Stacy Steffensen.
Roll call vote: Bartley "aye," Krogman "aye," Hostler "aye," Jensen "aye." Motion carried.
RESOLUTION #24-60
FY2024 CONTINGENCY
TRANSFERS
WHEREAS, the Brookings County Board of County Commissioners did approve a line for contingency transfers in the 2024 annual budget, and WHEREAS, the Brookings County Board of County Commissioners finds it necessary to transfer from said contingency line.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners for the County of Brookings, State of South Dakota, that the following amount(s) and item(s) be transferred:
FROM:
General Fund contingency line 101-4-112-4290
TO:
101-4-162-4110 (Salaries)

\$ 200
Equalization
FROM:
General Fund contingency line 101-4-112-4290
TO:
101-4-911-4294 (Highway) \$ 6,500
Transfers Out
FROM:
General Fund contingency line 101-4-112-4290
TO:
201-4-750-0000 (Wheel Tax) \$ 6,500
Highway Wheel Tax
Total Contingencies: \$ 6,500
Approved this 30th day of December 2024.
Larry Jensen, Chairperson
Brookings County Commission
ATTEST:
Lori Schultz, Finance Officer
Brookings County
Motion by Krogman, seconded by Bartley to approve a cash transfer from General Fund 101 to Highway Road & Bridge Fund 201 in the amount of \$6,500. Background information was provided by Commission Department Director Stacy Steffensen.
All members voted "aye." Motion carried.
ADJOURNMENT
Motion by Krogman, seconded by Bartley to adjourn the meeting. All members voted "aye." Motion carried. The next regular scheduled meeting is Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. It is the policy of Brookings County, South Dakota not to discriminate against the Handicapped of Employment or the Provision of Service. The County of Brookings is responsive to requests for communication aids and the need to provide appropriate access, and will provide alternative formats and accessible locations consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act.
Jenna Baker
Finance Specialist
Brookings County
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BROOKINGS COUNTY
COMMISSION SPECIAL
MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 30,
2024

Sudoku

Complete the grid so every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

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Previous puzzle solution

8	2	7	9	4	5	3	1	6
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1/10 DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★
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Crosswords

ACROSS

- 1 Checked item
- 4 One squat or lunge
- 7 Hurried
- 11 "All About —"
- 12 Prison room
- 13 Big sandwich
- 14 Can
- 15 Circle of light
- 16 First (Abbr.)
- 17 Of the stars
- 19 Highway haulers
- 21 Charitable donations
- 23 From — — Z
- 24 Practical joke
- 27 Folder projection
- 29 Toss
- 32 Took off
- 33 Use a kitchen gadget
- 34 Honest —

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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A	G	O	G	S	C	A	D	S		
B	O	A	H	O	W	A	W	O	L	
C	O	L	D	A	L	E	R	U	E	
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P	R	O	S	E	P	L	A	S	T	E
A	I	D	A	B	O	U	T	L	Y	E
T	O	E	M	A	N	G	O	E	R	A
S	R	O	S	H	E	E	R	R	E	D

DOWN

- 35 Magical creature
- 36 Unconscious state
- 37 Portico
- 38 Sailor's assent
- 39 "— to Joy"
- 40 Brilliance
- 41 Low fellow
- 43 Egyptian river
- 45 Earned as profit
- 48 Center
- 52 Mixture
- 53 Sandler or Brody
- 55 Scull
- 56 Black
- 57 Fury
- 58 Cookie fruit
- 59 Lois of "Superman"
- 60 Watch
- 61 To and —

1 Phi — Kappa

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MONDAY JANUARY 13, 2025				M = Mediacom S = Swiftel D = Dish Network DT = DirecTV																
M	S	D	DT	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	
		250	305	ION	Bull "Keep Your Friends Close"	Bull "Witness for the Prosecution"	Criminal Minds "Keeper"	Criminal Minds "The Anti-Terror Squad"	Criminal Minds "Elliott's Princes"	Criminal Minds "Mirror Image"	Criminal Minds "Scarecrow"	Criminal Minds "Profiling 202"								
4	4	17	17	KTTW	The 700 Club	A. Womack	Turning Point (N)	James Robison	Life Outreach International	Jentezen Franklin	Today with M	TCT Today	Joseph Prince	Rick Renner	Ask the Pastor	Les Feldick	Better Together			
5	5	46	46	KDLT	(7:00) Today (N)	Today 3rd Hour (N)	Today With Jenna & Friends (N) (P)	Tamron Hall (N)	NBC News Daily (N)	Hot Bench (N)	Hot Bench	Dateline "While He Was Sleeping"	Inside Edition	Jeopardy! (N)						
7				KESD	Daniel Tiger	Rosie's Rules	Sesame Street (N)	Work It Out Wombats!	Donkey Hodie	Alma's Way	Elinor	Nature Cat	Sesame Street (N)	Molly of Denali	Xavier "I Am Fred Rogers"	Cyberchase	Wild Kratts	Odd Squad	Antiques Roadshow (N) (SP)	
11	11	11	11	KELO	(7:00) CBS Mornings (N)	Let's Make a Deal (N)	The Price Is Right (N)	The Young and the Restless	News (N)	Bold/Beautiful (N)	The Price Is Right	KELOLAND Living	Family Feud	Family Feud						
w13	13	13	13	KSFY	(7:00) Good Morning America (N)	Dakota News Now at 9AM on KSFY (N)	The View (N)	Dakota News	Investigate-TV+ (N)	GMA3: What You Need to Know (N)	General Hospital (N)	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Judge Judy					
15				KCPO	Shepherd's Chapel	Shepherd's Chapel	Forensic "Live Wire"	Forensic "Shell Game"	One America News (N)	Scene of the Crime	Animal Rescue	Wild Dakota	Wild Dakota	Les Feldick	Les Feldick	Forensic Files	Forensic Files			
53	129	239	307	NWSNT	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live (N) (Live)	
24	60	140	206	ESPN	(7:00) Get Up (N) (Live)	First Take (N) (Live)	The Pat McAfee Show (N) (Live)	First World From Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. (N)	FIBA World Basketball	The Card Life Kansas	Foul Territory (N) (Live)	Up & Adams	Run It Back							
25	64	143	209	ESPN2	(6:00) You Again ★★	Sweet Home Alabama ★★ (02) Josh Lucas, Patrick Dempsey, Reese Witherspoon.	Spy ★★ (15) Jason Statham, Rose Byrne, Melissa McCarthy.	The Other Woman ★★ (14) Leslie Mann, Kate Upton, Cameron Diaz.												
26	75	436	668	BSN	(6:00) NHL Hockey	Wild Live Postgame	Run It Back (N) (Live)	Up & Adams (N) (Live)	FIBA World Basketball	The Card Life Kansas	Foul Territory (N) (Live)	Up & Adams	Run It Back							
27	121	136	248	FX	(6:00) You Again ★★	Sweet Home Alabama ★★ (02) Josh Lucas, Patrick Dempsey, Reese Witherspoon.	Spy ★★ (15) Jason Statham, Rose Byrne, Melissa McCarthy.	The Other Woman ★★ (14) Leslie Mann, Kate Upton, Cameron Diaz.												
28	117	180	311	FREE	The 700 Club (N)	700 Club Interactive	Boy Meets World	Boy Meets World	Boy Meets World	Boy Meets World	Boy/World "The Beard"	Boy/World "Turnaround"	Alvin and the Chipmunks: Chipwrecked ★ (11) David Cross, Jenny Slate, Jason Lee.	101 Dalmatians ★★ (96) Jeff Daniels, Joely Richardson, Glenn Close.						
29	134	108	252	LIFE	The Closer "The Other Woman"	The Closer "Borderline"	Major Crimes "Reloaded"	Major Crimes "Before and After"	Major Crimes "Medical Causes"	Major Crimes "Wrapped Up in Death"	Castle "The Late Shaft"	Castle "Den of Thieves"								
30	115	105	242	USA	Chicago P.D. "Center Mass"	Chicago P.D. "Burden of Truth"	Chicago P.D. "Intimate Violence"	Chicago P.D. "Before the Fall"	Chicago P.D. "Lines"	Chicago Fire "A Couple Hundred Degrees"	Chicago Fire "Natural Born Firefighter"	Chicago Fire "Don't Hang Up"								
31	118	122	244	SYFY	After Earth ★ (13) Will Smith, Sophie Okonedo, Jaden Smith. A boy traverses hostile terrain to recover a rescue beacon.	(15) Peppermint ★ (18) John Gallagher Jr., John Ortiz, Jennifer Garner.	Predator ★★ (87) Carl Weathers, Jesse Ventura, Arnold Schwarzenegger.	Wrath of Man ★★ (21) Holt McCallany, Jason Statham.												
32	116	139	247	TBS	Young Sheldon	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	
33	120	138	245	TNT	Charmed "Marry-Go-Round"	Supernatural "The Raid"	Supernatural "Somewhere Between Heaven and Hell"	Supernatural "Ladies Drink Free"	Supernatural "The British Invasion"	The Fate of the Furious ★★ (17) Dwayne Johnson, Charlize Theron, Vin Diesel. (P)	(45) Transformers									
34	265	131	254	AMC	Stooges (1:15)	(45) Blade II ★★ (2002, Horror) Kris Kristofferson, Ron Periman, Wesley Snipes. Blade (Wesley Snipes) forms an alliance to battle powerful vampires.	(15) Blade ★★ (1998, Horror) Wesley Snipes with vampire blood and a mortal (Kris Kristofferson) hunt the undead.	Independence Day ★★ (96) Bill Pullman, Jeff Goldblum, Will Smith.												
35	126	118	265	A&E	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars "The Monster Hash"	Storage Wars "Time to Kill"	Storage Wars "The French Job"	Storage Wars "Live PD: Police Patrol"	Storage Wars "Live PD: Police Patrol"	Storage Wars "Live PD: Police Patrol"	Storage Wars "Live PD: Police Patrol"	Storage Wars "Live PD: Police Patrol"	Storage Wars "Live PD: Police Patrol"	Storage Wars "Live PD: Police Patrol"	Storage Wars "Live PD: Police Patrol"	
36	206	120	269	HIST	(7:00) Ancient Aliens	Ancient Aliens: "Mystery of the Pyramids"	Ancient Aliens: "Origins" "Alien Observatories" Evidence suggests the Stonehenge was a solar observatory.	Ancient Aliens: "Origins" "Mysterious Underground Worlds" Exploring underground structures, like the Longyou Grottoes.	Ancient Aliens: "Extraterrestrial Devices (Alien Technology)" A look at the world's oldest known analog computer.	Ancient Aliens: "Origins" "Sky Gods and Star Beings"										
37	152	112	229	HGTV	No Demo Reno "Bachelor Pad"	Dream Home "Where Dream Homes Come True"	100 Day Dream Home "Home Sweet Home"	100 Day Dream Home "Nine Labs Under One Roof"	HGTV Dream Home 2025	Farmhouse Fixer "Farm to Stable"	Farmhouse Fixer "Old Home by the Sea"	Farmhouse Fixer "Farm to Stable"	Farmhouse Fixer "Clam Shack Chic"							
38	218	182	278	DISC	Caught!	Caught!	Caught!	Caught!	Louisiana Law "Monster Crabber"	Louisiana Law "Blind Rage"	Louisiana Law "Road Killer"	Louisiana Law "Deer in the Headlights"	Contraband: Seized "The Cocaine Preacher"							
39	213	183	280	TLC	Gypsy Wedding "The Greek Goddess and the Giant Gown"	Extreme Couponing	Extreme Couponing	Extreme Couponing	Extreme Couponing	Lottery Changed My Life "Millionaire Truckers"	Lottery Changed My Life "Janitor Millionaire"	Lottery Changed My Life "Sister Wives" "The Truth Will Set You Free"	Sister Wives "Faith Can Move Mountains"							
40	215	184	282	ANPL	Alaskan Bush People "Dock-a-Drama"	Alaskan Bush People "Dead in the Water"	Alaskan Bush People "Alarmed & Dangerous"	Alaskan Bush People "Bush Heart"	Alaskan Bush People "The Wolf Pack Returns"	Alaskan Bush People "Winter Driving Miss Rainy"	Alaskan Bush People "Winter Watch"	Alaskan Bush People "Growing the Wolfpack"								
41	112	170	299	NICK	PAW Patrol	PAW Patrol	PAW Patrol	PAW Patrol	PAW Patrol	PAW Patrol	PAW Patrol	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	(45) SpongeBob				
42	107	176	296	TOON	Gumball	Looney	Tom/Jerry	Scooby-Doo	Scooby-Doo	Scooby-Doo	Craig/Craig	UncleGra.	Teen(45) Teen	Teen(15) Teen	Gumball	Gumball	Gumball	Regular	Regular	
43	98	172	290	DISN	Bluey	Bluey	Ariel	Bluey	Kindergarten	Bluey	Mickey	Bluey	SuperKitties	Spidey	Bluey	Bluey(10) Kiff	(35) Phineas	Phineas	BigCity	
44	124	106	304	TVLD	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Bonanza	Gunsmoke	Bonanza	Gunsmoke	Gunsmoke	Gunsmoke	Gunsmoke	Gunsmoke	The Andy Griffith Show	The Andy Griffith Show		
45	147	114	236	E!	(7:30) Botched	Botched "Twin Terrors"	Botched "Man Boobs"	Botched "All Twerk and No Play"	Pitch Perfect 3	(17) Hallee Steinfeld, Rebel Wilson, Anna Kendrick.	The Holiday ★★ (06) Kate Winslet, Jude Law, Cameron Diaz.									
46	161	107	249	COM	Futurama	(35) Futurama	(10) South Park	(45) South Park	(15) South Park	(50) South Park "Quest for Ratings"	(25) South Park	Seinfeld "The Trip"	Seinfeld "The Trip"	Seinfeld "The Trip"	Seinfeld "The Trip"	Seinfeld "The Trip"	Seinfeld "The Trip"	The Office	The Office	
48	174	162	335	VH1	Living Single	Living Single	Living Single	Living Single	Living Single	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx	This Is the End	
50	165	241	241	PARMT	Bar Rescue "Jon Ain't Afraid of No Ghost"	Bar Rescue "Demolition Man"	Bar Rescue "Things That Go Pahrup in the Night"	Bar Rescue "Twerking 9 to 5"	Bar Rescue "Get Off Your Ass!"	Bar Rescue "A Bar to Take Pride In"	Bar Rescue "Horseshoe Bend It Like 'Bar Rescue'"	Bar Rescue "Two and a Half Men"	Bar Rescue "Two and a Half Men"							
62	155	110	231	FOOD	Girl Meets Farm	Girl Meets Farm	The Kitchen "Cook Once, Eat Twice"	Delicious Miss Brown	Delicious Miss Brown	Delicious Miss Brown	Delicious Miss Brown	Worst Cooks "Celeb Heroes vs. Villains: Real Worst Cooks of Boot Camp" The teams replicate an elegant seafood dish.	Worst Cooks in America "Celeb Heroes vs. Villains: Culinary Avengers"	Beat Bobby Flay						
67	167	129	237	BRAVO	Below Deck "12 Seconds in Heaven"	Below Deck "Everyone Hates Kate"	Below Deck "I'm Sorry You Feel That Way"	Below Deck "Yacht-Pocalypse Now"	Below Deck "Exodus"	Below Deck "Witch-hunt"	Below Deck "Public Displays of Affection"	Below Deck "The Scorpion Queen"								
68	140	128	260	WE	Bones "The Spark in the Park"	Bones "The Ghost in the Killer"	Bones "Big in the Philippines"	Bones "The Master in the Slop"	Bones "El Carnicero en el Coche"	Bones "The Sense in the Sacrifice"	Bones "The Lady on the List"	Bones "The Woman in White"								
70	240	196	277	TRAV	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	Mysteries at the Museum	
71	142	185	312	HALL	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	Golden Girls "Break In"	Hidden Gems (22, Rom) Beau Mirchoff, Eliza Hayes Maher, Hunter King. Sparks fly between a woman and a scuba diver.	You Had Me at Aloha (21) Kavan Smith, Jennifer Aspen, Pascale Hutton.	Heartland "Letting Go"	Heartland "Gift Horse"									
72	192	200	202	CNN	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN Newsroom (N) (Live)	CNN Newsroom (N) (Live)	Ins. Politics (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	Jake Tapper (N) (Live)							
74	193	205	360	FNC	Newsroom (N) (Live)	Newsroom (N) (Live)	The (N) (Live)	Outnumbered (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	The Story (N) (Live)	Your World (N) (Live)							
75	195	208	355	CNBC	Squawk on the Street (N) (Live)	Money Movers (N) (Live)	Halfprice Report (N) (Live)	The Exchange (N) (Live)	Power Lunch (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)								
301	400	300	501	HBO	(7:50) Dune: Part Two ★★ (24) Zendaya, Rebecca Ferguson, Timothee Chalamet.	(50) Ghost Dog: The Way of the Samurai ★★ (99) John Tormey, Cliff Gorman, Forest Whitaker.	(40) Desperately Seeking Susan ★★ (85) Madonna, Aidan Quinn, Rosanna Arquette.	(45) The Giver ★★ (14) Meryl Streep, Brenton Thwaites, Jeff Bridges.	(25) Ghosts of Girlfriends Past ★★ (09) Jennifer Garner, Matthew McConaughey.	(10) The Front Room ★★ (24) Andrew Burnap, Kathryn Hunter, Brandy Norwood.	(45) Gods of Egypt ★★ (16) Justin Timberlake.									
325	420	310	515	MAX	(7:30) The Color Purple ★★ (23) Taraji P. Henson, Danielle Brooks, Fantasia.	(50) Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom ★★ (84) Kate Capshaw, Ke Huy Quan, Harrison Ford.	Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade ★★ (89) Sean Connery, Denholm Elliott, Harrison Ford.	(40) Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull ★★ (08) Cate Blanchett, Shia LaBeouf, Harrison Ford.	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"									
351	375	318	545	PARSHO	(6:30) Indiana Jones & the Temple of Doom ★★ (84) Kate Capshaw, Ke Huy Quan, Harrison Ford.	Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade ★★ (89) Sean Connery, Denholm Elliott, Harrison Ford.	(40) Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull ★★ (08) Cate Blanchett, Shia LaBeouf, Harrison Ford.	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"	(45) The Agency "Truth Will Set You Free"
401	340	350	525	STARZ	(7:00) My Blind Brother	Cowboys (20) Jillian Bell, Ann Dowd, Steve Zahn.	Borderlands ★ (24) Kevin Hart, Jack Black, Cate Blanchett.	(45) Operation: Endgame ★★ (10) Rob Corddry, Ellen Barkin, Joe Anderson.	(10) Ticket to Paradise ★★ (22) Julia Roberts, Kaitlyn Dever, George Clooney.	(55) Fire With Fire (12) Josh Duhamel.										
420	352	340	535	STZEN	(6:45) Hunt to Kill ★★ (10)	(25) John Wick: Chapter 4 ★★ (23) Donnie Yen, Bill Skarsgård, Keanu Reeves.	(20) Casino ★★ (1995, Crime Story) Sharon Stone, Joe Pesci, Robert De Niro. A bookie (Robert De Niro) and his pal (Joe Pesci) make a Las Vegas casino an empire.	(20) About My Father ★★ (23) Robert De Niro, Leslie Bibb, Sebastian Maniscalco.												

MONDAY EVENING JANUARY 13, 2025				M = Mediacom S = Swiftel D = Dish Network DT = DirecTV															
M	S	D	DT	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
		250	305	ION	Criminal Minds "Seek & Destroy"	Criminal Minds "Surface Tension"	FBI "Short Squeeze"	FBI "Trigger Effect"	FBI "Straight Flush"	FBI "All That Glitters"	FBI "Hactivist"	FBI "Trauma"							
4	4	17	17	KTTW	Washington Watch With Tony Perkins	CBN NewsWatch!	Creflo Dollar Ministries	Joseph Prince	Turning Point	TCT Today	Joyce Meyer Ministries	Prophetic Connection	James Robison	Dr. Robert Jeffress	Jewish Jesus	Andrew Womack	Ask the Pastor	CrossTalk (P)	
5	5	46	46	KDLT	The Kelly Clarkson Show	Jeopardy! (N)	Dakota News (N)	NBC Nightly News (N)	Dakota News (N)	Deal or No Deal Island "The Banker Strikes Back" Bigger risks and more twists await 13 new players.	Antiques Roadshow (N)	Antiques Roadshow "Filoli Hour 2"	Independent Lens "Without Arrows" Delwin Fiddler Jr. returns to his ancestral home. (N)	Law & Order: SVU "Divide and Conquer"	Dakota News (N)	(35) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon (N)	(35) Seth Meyers (N)		
7				KESD	The Great American Recipe "A First Taste"	Context (N)	BBC News America (N)	PBS News Hour (N)	Antiques Roadshow (N)	Antiques Roadshow "Filoli Hour 2"	Independent Lens "Without Arrows" Delwin Fiddler Jr. returns to his ancestral home. (N)	Hope Street	BBC News (N)						
11	11	11	11	KELO	KELOLAND News First at Four (N)	News (N)	CBS Evening News (N)	News (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Neighbor	Poppa's House	NCIS "The Trouble With Hal"	NCIS: Origins "Sick as Our Secrets"	News (N)	(35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert (N)	(35) After Midnight (N)			
w13	13	13	13	KSFY	Dakota News Now at 4pm (N)	Dakota News (N)	ABC World News (N)	Dakota News (N)	Monday Night (N) (Live)	NFL Football Minnesota Vikings at Los Angeles Rams The No. 5 Vikings (14-3) pay a visit to the No. 4 Rams (10-7) for an NFC wild-card matchup. (N) (Live)	Designing Spaces	Ready, Set, Renovate	The First 48 "The Run Around; Night Cap"	Court Cam	Court Cam	Daily Flash	Crime Exposé	Forensic Justice	
15				KCPO	One America News (N)	Daily Flash	Crime Exposé	Top Secret Files	Designing Spaces	Ready, Set, Renovate	The First 48 "The Run Around; Night Cap"	Court Cam	Court Cam	Daily Flash	Crime Exposé	Forensic Justice			
53	129	239	307	NWSNT	Elizabeth Vargas Reports (N) (Live)	The Hill (N) (Live)	On Balance With Leland Vittert (N) (Live)	Cuomo (N) (Live)	Dan Abrams Live (N) (Live)	Banfield (N) (Live)	Cuomo	Dan Abrams Live							
24	60	140	206	ESPN	Around (N)	Pardon (N)	Monday Night Countdown (N) (Live)	NFL Football Minnesota Vikings at Los Angeles Rams (N) (Live)	Kickoff (N) (Live) (:15) NFL Football NFL Wild Card with Peyton and Eli: Minnesota Vikings at Los Angeles Rams From SoFi Stadium in Inglewood, Calif. (N) (Live)	(15) Postgame	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportCtr (N)							
25	64	143	209	ESPN2	NFL Live Guests Marcus Spears, Dan Orlovsky (N)	SportsCenter	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	NFL Football Minnesota Timberwolves at Washington Wizards From Capital One Arena in Washington, D.C. (N) (Live)	Wolves (N) (Live)	United Fight UFA 406: Bare Knuckle Boxing 38, Part 2	Dialed-In Angling	A Fishing Story	Due North NBA Basketball						
26	75	436	668	BSN	Dialed-In Angling	Sports Stars of Tomorrow	A-10 Hoops	Pregame (N) (Live)	NBA Basketball Minnesota Timberwolves at Washington Wizards From Capital One Arena in Washington, D.C. (N) (Live)	Wolves (N) (Live)	United Fight UFA 406: Bare Knuckle Boxing 38, Part 2	Dialed-In Angling	A Fishing Story	Due North NBA Basketball					
27	121	136																	

South Dakota State women handle Omaha, 93-55



Dave Eggen/Inertia

South Dakota State's Brooklyn Meyer scores her 1,000th-career point during a 93-55 victory over Omaha on Thursday night at First Bank & Trust Arena in Brookings.

By **ANDREW HOLTAN**
The Register

BROOKINGS – Another dominant second half led South Dakota State to another blow out victory on Thursday night as the Jackrabbits beat Omaha 93-55.

SDSU jumped out to a 10-0 lead. The Mavericks would cut the lead to 16-10 with 2:56 to play in the first quarter. SDSU then led 25-17 heading into the second. The Jacks extended their lead to 32-22 just over two minutes into the second quarter but Omaha went on an 8-2 run to close the gap to 34-28 with 4:13 left in the half. That would be the closest the Mavericks would get as SDSU led 43-35 heading into halftime.

The Jacks pulled away in the third. They opened the second half similarly to the first half with an 8-2 run. SDSU then went on a 7-0 run to push the lead to 61-39 at the midway point of the quarter. The Jacks took a 69-47 lead into the fourth.

"I just think we played harder [in the third quarter]," said SDSU head coach Aaron Johnston. "We just played harder. I think our team always plays hard, I don't want to say we didn't, but we competed and there's a difference there. I thought we were close to the right spot a lot in the first half, but we weren't as good as we could have been. We were kind of in a [defensive] stance but not really in a stance. I just thought we competed a lot harder defensively."

SDSU put an exclamation point on the win in the fourth. Omaha cut the lead to 79-50 15 seconds into the fourth quarter and the Jacks then went on a 22-2 run to go up 91-51 with 2:28 to play.

All 12 players that played for SDSU played four minutes or more. Johnston played 12 players in SDSU's 79-42

win over Denver this past Saturday as well and he said that the past two games have been a good opportunity for him to play some players that would likely have bigger roles if they were on different teams.

"I think we're always trying to be as good as we can now, which is in this game and moving forward, and then we want to continue to develop people. It's really important to us. You've seen over the years that players as they get further into their careers begin to take on bigger roles, and that's part of getting the chances with these kinds of minutes at some point. It's building confidence and learning what they can do and what they're capable of. ... We have a lot of players on the team that could be playing bigger roles and we want to try to honor that as much as we can. It's difficult, but they're handling it really well and it's fun to see them get these opportunities," Johnston said.

SDSU shot 50.7% from the field and was 8-of-25 from three. Brooklyn Meyer led the Jacks with 21 points and 10 rebounds. She put up the same numbers in the win over Denver. On Thursday night she scored her 1,000th-career point and Johnston said reaching that accomplishment midway through her junior year is special.

"1,000 points at this point in her career is pretty remarkable. I think she's probably contributed to another 400 or 500 points on our team, just because she always requires a double team and she's such a good passer. She's scoring a lot, but she creates so much for our team. For her to hit that milestone at home, I think that means even more to her," Johnston said.

Haleigh Timmer had 17 points and five rebounds. Madison Mathiowetz had 13 points and six rebounds. Mesa

Byom had 10 points and nine rebounds.

Meyer said the combination of her and Byom in the post has been successful because they're both unselfish and they have a good connection with the rest of the team.

"I feel like all of our post players, we spend a lot of time together and are super close, and I feel like we're a very unselfish group of players. We're always looking for each other, and even with the guards too, we just play well off of each other. It's just really fun," Meyer said.

Omaha shot 32.8% from the field and was 4-of-17 from three. The Mavericks were led by Harriet Ford who had 12 points. Katie Keitges and Cora Olsen each had nine points.

The Jacks held a 45-33 advantage in rebounds. SDSU had 10 turnovers and Omaha had 16. The Jacks were 17-of-21 at the free throw line and the Mavericks were 11-of-17.

SDSU is now 12-3 overall and 3-0 in conference play. The Jacks had a rough end to the non-conference portion of their schedule as they lost to No. 6 ranked Texas 103-57 on Dec. 22.

Timmer said the Jacks tried to reset heading into Summit League play and she thinks SDSU is starting to hit its stride.

"I think we tried to reset our focus heading into conference play and put our minds on that. I think we've done a good job of starting off conference play good and having a good start and just focusing on the conference season. We've gotten into a rhythm and are going to continue to push forward," Timmer said.

The Jacks will play the second game of a three-game homestand on Saturday as SDSU will take on Kansas City at 2 p.m. You can watch the game on the Summit League Network or Midco Sports Plus.

Late free throws lift Tommies over Jackrabbit men, 73-72

FROM REGISTER STAFF REPORTS

ST. PAUL, Minn. – Drake Dobbs' two free throws with 13 seconds left lifted St. Thomas to a 73-72 win over South Dakota State on Wednesday night at Schoenecker Arena in St. Paul.

Ryan Dufault and Matthew Mors each missed a pair of free throws with under two minutes to play and it was 69-69 with 1:27 left. Miles Barnstable then missed a three and Oscar Cluff turned the ball over and it remained tied with 55 seconds to play.

Nolan Minnessale then hit a turn around jumper in the paint to put the Tommies up 71-69 with 37 seconds left. However, Owen Larson answered on the other end with a 3-pointer to put SDSU up 72-71 with 23 seconds left. That's when Mors fouled Dobbs on the perimeter and he made the Jacks pay at the line. Mors made a 3-pointer at the buzzer but he did not get it off in time and the Tommies got the win.

SDSU jumped out to a 7-2 lead. The Tommies then

went on a 9-2 run to take an 11-9 lead with 15:20 to play in the first half. UST led 18-13 and the Jacks went on a 7-0 run to regain the lead. The two teams then traded the lead before SDSU had a 40-36 advantage heading into the locker room.

It looked as though the Jacks were ready to pull away from the Tommies as they led 54-45 with 13:29 to play. UST responded though and went on a 12-0 run to go up 57-54 with 9:14 left in the game. SDSU regained the lead with just under six minutes to play at 63-62 and then the teams traded leads until the finish.

There were 19 lead changes and seven ties in the game. It was the most lead changes in a game in the series history. SDSU dropped to 15-8 overall against UST and it was the second time since moving to Division I that the Tommies beat the Jacks.

SDSU shot 46.6% from the field and was 8-of-23 from three. Cluff had a near triple-double with 13 points, 19 rebounds and seven assists. Kalen Garry

had 19 points to lead the Jacks. Joe Saylor had 12 points and Mors had 10 points and seven rebounds. Larson had eight points.

UST shot 43.9% from the field and was 13-of-33 from three. Minnessale had 17 points and four rebounds to lead the Tommies. Dobbs had 12 points and five assists. Kendall Blue had 10 points and four assists. Rich Byre, Carter Bjerke and Ben Oosterban each had eight points. Miles Barnstable had seven points.

The Jackrabbits dominated on the glass, outbounding the Tommies 47-25. SDSU had 13 turnovers and UST had four. The Tommies scored 19 points off of those Jackrabbit turnovers. Each team was 10-of-16 at the free throw line.

SDSU dropped to 10-7 overall and 1-1 in the Summit League. The Tommies improved to 14-5 overall and 3-0 in conference play. The Jacks will travel to Omaha on Saturday and take on the Mavericks who are also 3-0 in the Summit League. Tip off is set for 1 p.m.

Area Basketball: Dolphins sweep DH against Sharks, Arlington girls win

FROM REGISTER STAFF REPORTS

The Deubrook basketball teams swept Iroquois/Lake Preston in a double-header on Thursday night. The girls won 56-16 and the boys beat the Sharks 65-53.

The Arlington girls fell to De Smet in other area action.

Girls

■ **Deubrook Area 56, Iroquois/Lake Preston 16**

LAKE PRESTON – It was a dominating second half for the Dolphins. They outscored the Sharks 10-3 in the first quarter and then took an 18-8 lead into halftime. In the second half Deubrook outscored ILP 38-8.

Matte Bauman led the Dolphins with 16 points. Kylee Johnson had 11 points and Mataya Gouws had eight points.

ILP was led by Hadlee Holt who had five points. Avah Newman and Skyla Harris each had four points.

The Dolphins improved to 6-2 and host James Valley Christian on Friday at 6:15 p.m. The Sharks dropped to 2-6 and play De Smet in Lake Preston on Monday at 7:30 p.m.

■ De Smet 66, Arlington

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ARLINGTON – The Lady Bulldogs got off to a strong start and didn't look back on Thursday night. De Smet led 19-7 heading into the second quarter and then took a 35-19 lead into halftime. The Cardinals outscored the Lady Bulldogs 11-10 in the third but were then outscored 21-17 in the final frame.

Arlington shot 25.5% from the field and were 5-of-24 from three. The Cardinals were led by Jaelyn Huntimer who had 15 points and six rebounds. Sony Johnson had 12 points and Ellisy Vincent had six points and five boards.

De Smet shot 48.9% from the field and was 8-of-16 from three. Hazel Luethmers had 19 points to lead the Lady Bulldogs. Audi Currier had 13 points and seven rebounds and Megan Dylla had eight points and seven rebounds.

The Lady Bulldogs had 39 rebounds and the Cardinals 33. De Smet had 14 turnovers and Arlington had 15. The Lady Bulldogs were 14-of-22 at the free throw line and the Cardinals were 14-of-20.

The Cardinals fell to 3-4 and host Deuel on Tuesday at 6:15 p.m.

Boys

■ **Deubrook Area 65, Iroquois/Lake Preston 53**

LAKE PRESTON – The Dolphins had to come back from a 15-point deficit to earn the victory. The Sharks jumped out to a 24-9 lead in the first quarter. Deubrook then outscored ILP 16-8 in the second quarter and trailed 32-25 at halftime. The Dolphins then had a strong third quarter and scored 23 points and led 48-41 heading into the fourth. They would then outscore the Sharks 17-12 in the final quarter.

Isaac Gaas led the Dolphins with 20 points. Braxton Bednarek had 15 points and Chase Schoenfeld had 13 points.

The Sharks were led by Lucas Peskey who had 20 points and six steals. Carter Arbeiter had 17 points and eight rebounds.

Deubrook improved to 4-4 and plays James Valley Christian in White on Friday at 7:45 p.m. ILP dropped to 4-4 and plays in a tournament at Wolsey-Wessington on Jan. 17.

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SDSU football fills four coaching roles

FROM SDSU SPORTS INFORMATION

South Dakota State head football coach Dan Jackson announced Wednesday the hiring of three assistant coaches on the offensive side of the ball.

Joining Jackson's first Jackrabbit coaching staff are:

- Eric Eidsness, offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach
- Brian Bergstrom, defensive coordinator/safeties coach
- Vince Benedetto, tight ends coach
- Deontae Cooper, running backs coach.

"The great thing about these guys from an offensive standpoint that they will bring a high level of creativity and some unique approaches while still keeping a lot of the same scheme and verbiage for our players," Jackson said. "We're not going to skip a beat."

The trio of hires mark the first for Jackson, who was named the 22nd head coach in program history on Dec. 31.

"We wouldn't have the progress that we've made these first few days without the tremendous support of the administration at all levels of the university, as well as the community," Jackson said. "The standards of success that we've had here in the past aren't

going to change and I'm grateful to have the opportunity to be able to continue to move this program forward."

ERIC EIDSNNESS

Eidsness served as the Jackrabbits' offensive coordinator on two previous occasions — from 1999 until 2003 while SDSU competed at the NCAA Division II level and again from 2010-18. The Jackrabbits made seven consecutive appearances in the Football Championship Subdivision playoffs to close out his second go-around, including back-to-back semifinal berths in 2017 and 2018. He also held the title of associate head coach under John Stiegelmeier from 2015-18.

"Eric brings a ton of experience on the offensive side of the ball and I'm really fired up to have a South Dakotan on staff who knows everything about the past, present and future of Jackrabbit football," Jackson said. "The offense that we've run at South Dakota State for the last 10-plus years really originated with Eric, and each offensive coordinator since has put his own twist and approach on it."

The Jackrabbits put up prolific numbers in Eidsness's previous stints, setting numerous school records both as a team and individually, including new standards for scoring (521

and 553 points) and total offense (6,141 and 6,247 yards) in both 2017 and 2018.

Individually, he worked with the top two rushers in program history (Josh Ranek, 6,744 yards from 1997-2001 and Zach Zenner, 6,548 yards from 2011-14), as well as two of the top three passers (career leader Taryn Christian, 11,535 yards from 2015-18 and Austin Sumner, 9,458 yards from 2011-14). Career receiving leader Jake Wieneke (288 receptions, 5,157 yards, 59 touchdowns from 2014-17) and All-America tight end Dallas Goedert (198-2,988-21) also flourished in Eidsness-led offenses.

Most recently, Eidsness worked in similar coaching roles for six seasons at Northern Illinois. The Huskies played in three bowl games, including posting wins in the Camilla Bowl in 2023 and the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl this past season.

A Sioux Falls native, Eidsness was head coach at Southwest Minnesota State from 2004-09.

Brian Bergstrom

Another coach with previous ties to South Dakota State football will return under new head coach Dan Jackson with the hiring of Brian Bergstrom as the Jackrabbits' defensive coordinator and safe-

ties coach.

"The things that I love about Bergy are that he is a high-level teacher, he is highly organized, and the defense is going to play extremely hard and be structured," Jackson said. "I also think he does a great job of coaching the coaches. As a coordinator, that's really important and I think Brian is the perfect man for the job."

Bergstrom first joined the SDSU coaching staff in 2017 as safeties coach and was promoted to co-defensive coordinator in 2019, positions he held through the 2021 season under John Stiegelmeier. SDSU qualified for the Football Championship Subdivision playoffs each of his five seasons in Brookings, including a national championship game appearance during the 2020-21 spring season and semifinal berths in 2017, 2018 and the 2021 fall campaign.

The 2021 Jackrabbit defense led the FCS ranks with 21 interceptions.

For the past three seasons, Bergstrom served as head coach at Winona State. He led the Warriors to an 18-16 overall record, highlighted by an appearance in the NCAA Division II playoffs his first season in 2022.

A native of Burnsville, Minnesota, Bergstrom has coached in the Upper

Midwest throughout his career, including stops as defensive coordinator at his alma mater, Gustavus Adolphus, from 2006-10, followed by Augustana from 2013-16. He also coached at Crown College in 2005 and mentored defensive backs at Minnetonka High School in the Twin Cities metro area in 2011 and 2012.

VINCE BENEDETTO

A former Jackrabbit tight end, Benedetto returns to Brookings after a successful tenure as a high school coach in South Dakota.

"Vince did a phenomenal job as a player and early in his coaching career as a graduate assistant before transitioning into leading one of the most dominant high school programs in the state," Jackson stated. "His experience in South Dakota and in the state of Illinois will be an asset for our program moving forward."

For the past four seasons, Benedetto led Sioux Falls Jefferson High School to a 29-14 record, highlighted by winning the 2022 Class 11AAA state championship in only the program's second year of existence. He also served as head coach for two seasons at West Central High School, leading the Trojans to a pair of state semifinal appearances.

A native of Crystal Lake, Illinois, Benedetto lettered for the Jackrabbits from

2010-13, then began his coaching career at SDSU as a graduate assistant/quality control coach in the spring of 2014.

DEONTAE COOPER

Cooper will work with the Jackrabbit running backs after serving in a similar role at Idaho during the 2024 season.

"Deontae is going to bring a high-energy coaching approach and I was extremely impressed with how he developed our running backs at Idaho last year," Jackson said. "He's also played at the highest levels, and I couldn't be more excited to have him bring those experiences to our staff."

From 2019-23, Cooper was head coach at Highline High School in Burien, Washington, where his squads went undefeated in league play three consecutive seasons and advanced to the Class 2A state semifinals in 2022 and quarterfinals in 2023.

Cooper overcame a series of injuries to rush for 555 yards and three touchdowns over two seasons at the University of Washington. He was selected as a team captain for one season and later earned a tryout with the Oakland Raiders before embarking on his coaching career as a recruiting assistant at Washington in 2017.

Jackrabbit soccer adds three

FROM SDSU SPORTS INFORMATION

BROOKINGS, S.D. - South Dakota State soccer head coach Brock Thompson announced Thursday that the program will have three incoming student-athletes, all of which with prior college playing experience, join the roster for the 2025 season.

Mallorie Benhart, Hannah Langstaff and Lauren Walter have all submitted paperwork and will begin their time in Yellow and Blue at the start of the spring semester. The trio brings significant versatility to the squad at different positions on the field.

Mallorie Benhart | Goalkeeper | Junior | Lakeville, Minn. | Lakeville North HS | Green Bay

Mallorie Benhart joins the Jackrabbits after spending two seasons at Green Bay. Benhart played in 25 games and was the Phoenix's primary starter totaling over 2,000 minutes at keeper.

Her freshman season saw Benhart record a career-high 11 saves in a match along with two other appearances with 10 saves apiece. She finished that year with one shutout and recorded a .739 save percentage.

This past 2024 slate saw Benhart finish the year with a 1.68 goals against average and .747 save percentage, while tallying four shutouts. She had an eight-save match to go along with making seven saves in a Sept. 1 meeting against South Dakota State in Green Bay.

Prior to her collegiate experience, Benhart was a standout at Lakeville North High School in Lakeville, Minn. She earned numerous team awards along with an all-conference selection as a

senior. Benhart helped lead the Panthers to a conference title and a state tournament appearance during her prep career.

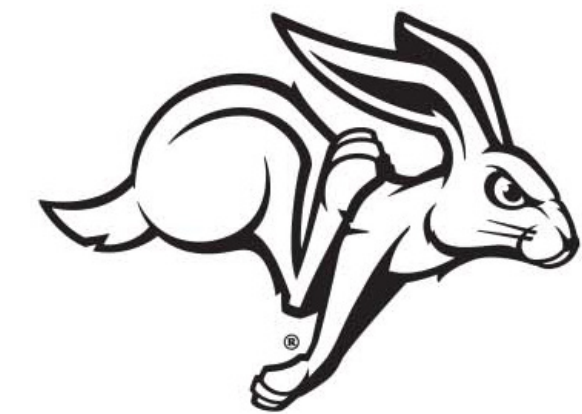
"Mallorie is a quality goalkeeper that brings a wealth of experience to our program," Thompson said. "She has great shot-stopping ability and has a tremendous kicking game. Most importantly, she is driven and we look forward to getting to work with her."

Hannah Langstaff | Defender | Junior | Washington, Ill. | James Madison HS | Akron

Hannah Langstaff spent her first two seasons of college soccer competing for Akron. Langstaff was a strong contributor on the defensive side of the pitch for the Zips. She played in 33 matches in her time in Akron and made 31 starts. She served as a part of the team's starting 11 in all of its matches in 2024.

This past season saw Langstaff play the full time in half the squad's matches, including in the final six of the campaign. She finished this past season competing for the second most amount of minutes among Akron's position players with 1,417 minutes appeared and closed out her career with over 2,400 minutes on the playing surface.

She's been handed just one yellow card in her college tenure. Langstaff has recorded 12 shots from the back line with three coming on goal. Prior to her time in the college ranks, Langstaff put together a lengthy resume of club soccer experience. That span includes earning a national championship in the summer of 2023 in the Girls Academy League with Sockers FC, a team based outside Chicago.



"Hannah is a great addition to our program because of her ability to play deeper on the field," Thompson said. "The versatility in her game will allow her to play as a center back, wide player or as a defensive center midfielder. We can't wait to see Hannah grow as a Jackrabbit."

Lauren Walter | Forward | Graduate Student | Centennial, Colo. | Arapahoe HS | John Brown

Lauren Walter brings a decorated career at the NAIA level to South Dakota State as a graduate student from John Brown University in Siloam Springs, Ark.

Walter appeared in 100 total matches and was a first team all-conference selection in every season she competed (2020-2024). She ended her career for the Eagles as the program record holder in career goals (67), assists (50), points (184), shots (352) and game-winners (19). Her senior campaign in 2024 included a game-winning goal that clinched the program's spot in the NAIA National Championship quarterfinals, the farthest the program has ever advanced.

The Centennial, Colo., native earned Second Team NAIA All-America acco-

lades in 2024, Third Team honors in 2023 and was an honorable mention in 2022. Walter led her conference in goals twice with 20 in 2022 and 18 in 2023. Her career-high 49 points totaled in 2023 earned her Sooner Athletic Conference Player of the Year award. Walter tallied a career-high 18 assists in 2024 which ranked fifth in the nation at the NAIA level.

Prior to her time at John Brown, Walter was a four-year letterwinner at Arapahoe High School in Colorado. She led the Warriors to a pair of 5A state runner-up finishes.

"It's amazing to be able to add a player like Lauren to our team," Thompson said. "Her college career appeared over, but based on the recent NCAA ruling, she's able to spend a year as a Jackrabbit. She's a strong, powerful forward that is committed to becoming the best she can be and helping her teammates do the same."

The South Dakota State soccer program completed the 2024 season with a 15-5-2 record. The Jackrabbits earned their ninth all-time conference tournament championship en route to their eighth NCAA Division I Tournament appearance.

Late pick, field goal lifts Notre Dame over Penn State

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. (AP)—A diving interception off an ill-advised pass set up Notre Dame's trip to play for the program's 12th national title after a thrill-a-minute 27-24 victory over Penn State on Thursday night in the Orange Bowl.

Defensive back Christian Gray snared Drew Allar's pass across the middle at the Nittany Lions 42 with 33 seconds left, then the Irish moved 19 yards to set up Mitch Jeter's 41-yard winner with 7 seconds left.

The game featured three ties, three lead changes and 31 points in the fourth quarter alone.

Notre Dame (14-1), seeded seventh in this, the first 12-team college playoff, will have a chance to bring its first title since 1988 back under the Golden Dome with a game Jan. 20 in Atlanta against the winner of Friday night's Texas-Ohio State semifinal in the Cotton Bowl.

In the final, Irish coach Marcus Freeman will try to become the first Black coach to win the title at college football's highest level.

"We've been right here in this position before, and they believed and got the job done, and I'm proud of them," Freeman said.

No. 6 seed Penn State (13-3) fell agonizingly short in a game it controlled while taking a 10-0 lead over the first 28 minutes. Coach James Franklin fell to 4-20 with the Nittany Lions against teams ranked in the AP Top 10.

Notre Dame quarterback Riley Leonard shook off a hit late in the second quarter that sent him to the medical tent to be checked for a concussion. He came back and led the Irish on four scoring drives in the second half, including the last one.

"He's a competitor and

competitors find a way to win, and that's what Riley does," Freeman said. "That's what this team does."

Leonard finished with 223 yards passing, including a key 10-yard dart to Jaden Greathouse to convert third-and-3 on the last drive. Leonard also had 35 yards rushing, and passed and ran for a score each. With 4:38 left in the game, Leonard hit Greathouse for a 54-yard score to tie the game at 24 after a Penn State defender slipped.

The game started slow (and boring), but Riley's injury injected life into things. He led Notre Dame on TD drives of 75 and 72 yards in the third quarter to take a 17-10 lead.

At that point, the game was just getting started.

Penn State had its chances, and Allar, along with all those Nittany Lions fans, will spend the offseason reliving that last throw — or trying to forget it.

Penn State forced a Notre Dame punt and looked assured of at least going to overtime when they took over at their 15 with 33 seconds left.

After a gain of 13, Allar dropped to pass and had pressure coming. He threw across his body to the middle of the field, where Gray dove for the pick.

"Just catch the ball. Just catch the ball," Gray said. "That was going through my mind and I knew I was going to make a play."

Allar said he looked at the first two options on the play and saw neither were open, then was trying to throw the ball into the ground.

Off target for much of the day, Allar finished 12 for 23 for 135 yards with the interception. Nick Singleton ran for 84 yards and all three Penn State touchdowns.

Sports Schedule

Local Slate FRIDAY, JANUARY 10 High School Girls Basketball Brandon Valley at Brookings, 7 p.m. James Valley Christian at Deubrook Area, 6:15 p.m. Tri-Valley at Flandreau, 6:15 p.m. Florence/Henry at Elkton-Lake Benton, 7:45 p.m. High School Boys Hockey Huron at Brookings, 8 p.m. High School Girls Hockey Brookings at Aberdeen, 7 p.m.	Lakota Tech at Sioux Valley, 7:30 p.m. Florence/Henry at Elkton-Lake Benton, 6:15 p.m. Tri-Valley at Flandreau, 6:15 p.m. Oldham-Ramona-Rutland at Colman-Egan, 7:15 p.m. De Smet at Arlington, 7:30 p.m.	College Wrestling SDSU at NWCA National Duals in Cedar Falls, Iowa, 10 a.m.	High School Boys Hockey Brookings at Aberdeen, 7:30 p.m.
	SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 Women's College Basketball Kansas City at SDSU, 2 p.m.	College Wrestling SDSU at NWCA National Duals in Cedar Falls, Iowa, 10 a.m.	High School Gymnastics Brookings Invitational, 10 a.m.
Men's College Basketball	High School Girls Hockey Brookings at Aberdeen, 1 p.m.	High School Wrestling Sioux Valley at Miller Tournament, 10 a.m. Brookings at West Sioux Tournament, 10:30 a.m.	

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