BY NEDRA PICKLER

tary-run facility in Cuba.

indefinite detention.

WASHINGTON — The Obama adminis-

tration is planning to transfer two Guan-

tanamo Bay detainees to Algeria, the first

movement of terrorist suspects from the

prison since the president announced a re-

newed push to close the contentious mili-

The White House said Friday it was

starting the transfers as part of President

campaign promise that has eluded him

day waiting period. Administration offi-

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Barack Obama's goal to close the prison, a

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Closing Arguments Wrap Up In Bradley Manning Trial; Judge Weighs Evidence

FORT MEADE, Md. (AP) — Army Pfc. Bradley Manning's fate was in the hands of a military judge Friday after nearly two months of conflicting portrayals of the soldier: a traitor who gave WikiLeaks classified secrets for worldwide attention and a young, naive intelligence officer who wanted people to know about the atrocities of war.

Judge Col. Denise Lind said she will start deliberating Friday on the 21 charges Manning faces, but she did not say when she would rule, only that she will give the public a day's notice before her announcement. The most serious charge is aiding the enemy, which carries a potential life sentence in prison.

During closing arguments, defense attorney David Coombs said Manning was negligent in releasing classified material, but he did not know al-Qaida would see the material and did not have "evil intent," a key point prosecutors must prove to convict Manning of aiding the enemy.

Prosecutors contended Manning, 25, knew the material would be seen across the globe, even by Osama bin Laden, when he started the leaks in late 2009. Manning said the leaks didn't start until February the following year.

Worldwide distribution, that was his goal," said the military's lead prosecutor, Maj. Ashden Fein. "Pfc. Manning knew the entire world included the enemy, from his training. He knew he was giving it to the enemy, specifically

Spain Train Crash Investigation Turns To Driver, Who Was Responsible For Brakes

SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA, Spain (AP) — Investigations into Spain's deadliest train crash in decades have only begun, but already a key question has been answered: Experts said Friday that the driver, not a computer, was responsible for applying the brakes because no "fail-safe" system has been installed on the dangerous stretch of bending track.

The question of whether the brakes failed — or were never used — in the approach to Santiago de Compostela may remain open until police can question the injured driver and analyze the data on the train's just-recovered

Police announced they had arrested 52-year-old Francisco Jose Garzon Amo on suspicion of reckless driving because the train hit the turn Wednesday traveling far faster than its posted 80 kph (50 mph) limit. The train's eight carriages packed with 218 passengers tumbled off the tracks into a concrete wall, and diesel fuel powering the engine sent flames coursing through some cabins.

As the first funeral ceremonies began Friday night, authorities working from a sports arena-turned-morgue announced they had positively identified 75 of the 78 people killed in the crash.

They lowered the death toll from 80 after determining that some severed body parts had wrongly been attributed to different victims. They said five of the dead came from Algeria, the Dominican Republic, Italy, Mexico and the United States.

OBITUARIES

Tim Kostal

Timothy Lee "Tim" Kostal, age 44, of Sioux Falls, SD and formerly of Tyndall, SD, passed away unexpectedly from medical complications on Sunday, July 21, 2013 at his residence. Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 AM, Saturday, July 27, 2013 at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Tabor, SD with Rev. Dan Moris officiating. Burial of the cremated remains will be in the parish cemetery. Visitations will be one hour prior to the service at the church. The Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Tabor, is assisting with the service details.

Timothy was born on June 5, 1969 in Paso Robles, California to Margret Daniels and Richard Sebbo. Later Tim and his mother moved to Tyndall, South Dakota where he grew up and graduated from Bon Homme high school continuing his education at Mitchell Vo-tech. where he graduated with a degree in culinary.

He was a compassionate person who just wanted one thing out of life and that was to be loved. His compassionate nature shined thru in the relationships with his family and friends. During his journey,



to Mitchell then to Rapid City then finally to Sioux Falls where along the way met

life took him

from Tyndall

and made numerous

friends. Timothy interests were softball, golfing, bowling and a true die hard Dallas Cowboy fan. Tim's other interest are writing and traveling his recent traveling adventures with family and friends took him to many NFL games, professional wrestling events and to the ocean in Florida.

Tim is survived by his dad George Kostal of Tyndall, Brother Jim (Jolene) Kostal also of Tyndall, Two sisters Larinda Kostal (Lee Alder) of Mitchell and Jessié Fischer (Kevin Pike) of Sioux Falls and six nieces and nephews. He was proceed in death by his mom Margret (Daniels) Kostal and his biological father Richard Sebbo.

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Tim Knuth

Funeral services for Tim Knuth, age 60 of Brunswick, Nebraska, will be 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 30, 2013, at Zion Lutheran Church in Creighton, Nebraska. Reverend Milana Joseph will officiate, with burial in the Orchard Hill Cemetery at Orchard, Nebraska.

Visitation will be Monday, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., at

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since he took office. The move signaled a new push to reduce the population of 166 detainees at the prison, where dozens are on a hunger strike to draw attention to their The White House said the two detainees will not be identified until after the transfer, which can't come until after a 30-

government as part of the arrangement. An administration official said the de-

U.S. Seeks Transfer Of 2 Gitmo Detainees

tainees were chosen because Algeria is a close U.S. ally that has successfully managed detainees in the past — none of the previous 12 to be released have returned to terrorist activities, unlike some returned to other countries. The official, speaking on a condition of anonymity without authorization to publicly discuss the process, said it has been in the works since several months before Obama announced his intention this spring to push anew for closure.

Pentagon Press Secretary George Little said Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel signed off on the transfer based on the recommendation of an interagency team after a monthslong review. As part of the certification process that has been required by Congress for more than two years, Guantanamo detainees can be transferred if the defense secretary certifies that the individual is not at risk to engage in terrorist activities.

That's a high bar that had slowed the transfer process with 166 remaining at

Guantanamo, with the last transfer in September 2012.

Seven Algerian detainees remain at Guantanamo, including five who have been cleared for transfer. Attorney Cori Crider of the British human rights group Reprieve was on a previously scheduled phone call with one of them, 34-year-old Nabil Hadjarab, when the White House announced the certification. She said they were both sort of "shocked" about the prospect of movement. Crider said she did not know whether he or her other Algerian client, 43year-old Ahmed Bel Bacha, were among the two up for transfer.

The hunger strike, in which both her clients have taken part, and pressure from members of Congress have clearly forced the administration to take action, Crider said. "I think this month there has been more attention and more pressure on the administration in some years to make some progress and there is finally a response," she said in a phone interview from London.

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him or torture him. Those are

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ased," said Fein.

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Source: No Fed Chair Pick Until Fall

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House says President Barack Obama is not expected to name a new chairman of the Federal Reserve until the fall, lowering expectations for an imminent announcement.

A senior official says the president has not made a decision on who will replace current Fed chairman Ben Bernanke. His term expires early next year.

The president's pick is highly anticipated, given the Fed chairman's impact on economic policy.

Among the leading candidates for the job are former Obama economic adviser Larry Summers and Janet Yellen, the Fed's current vice chairwoman. Yellen would be the first woman to lead the Fed.

No Death Penalty For Snowden If Convicted

BY PETE YOST **Associated Press**

WASHINGTON — Striving to get Edward Snowden back to America, U.S., Attorney General Eric Holder has assured the Russian government the U.S. has no plans to seek the death penalty for the former National Security Agency systems analyst.

In a letter dated Tuesday, the attorney general said the criminal charges Snowden now faces in this country do not carry the death penalty and the U.S. will not seek his execution even if he is charged with additional serious crimes.

Holder's letter followed news reports that Snowden, wno leaked detalls of top se cret U.S. surveillance programs, has filed papers seeking temporary asylum in Russia on grounds that if he were returned to the United States he would be tortured and would face the death penalty.

Snowden has been charged with three offenses in the U.S., including espionage, and could face up to 30 years in prison if convicted.

The attorney general's letter was sent to Alexander Vladimirovich Konovalov, the Russian minister of justice.

Holder's letter is part of a campaign by the U.S. government to get Snowden back. When Snowden arrived at Moscow's international airport a month ago, he was believed to be planning simply to transfer to a flight to Cuba and then to Venezuela to seek asylum. But the U.S. canceled his passport, stranding him. Besides applying for temporary asylum in Russia, he has said he'd like to visit the countries that offered him permanent asylum Venezuela, Bolivia and Nicaragua.

Some Russian politicians, including parliament speaker

THE DAKOTAS' OLDEST NEWSPAPER (605) 665-7811 Sergei Naryshkin, have said Published by YANKTON MEDIA, INC. Snowden should be granted asylum to protect him from the death penalty. If Snowden PUBLISHED DAILY

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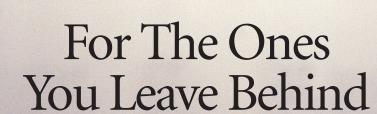
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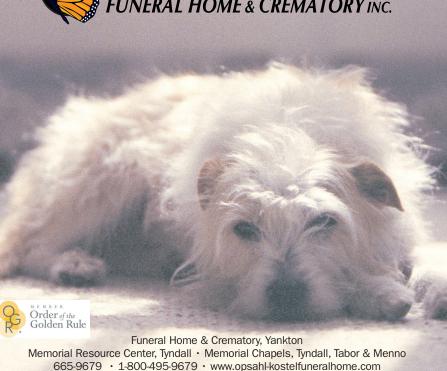
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