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Immigration Now Roiling Presidential Contest

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — No longer a backburner issue, immigration is roiling the presidential contest as President Barack Obama and Republican Mitt Romney seek to court the nation's swelling Hispanic population. The outcome could influence political battle lines and shape American politics for generations.

By week's end, both candidates will address the same Latino political convention in Florida, showcasing contrasting political ideologies at a pivotal time. The Supreme Court is about to render judgment on a get-tough Arizona law, and just last week the Democratic president announced plans to ease deportation rules for some children of illegal immigrants.

With Election Day less than five months away, Hispanic voters are energized and paying close attention, said Arturo Vargas, executive director of the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials, which hosts this week's convention.

There's a lot at stake. We're talking about a significant share of the American electorate that could well decide this election," Vargas said. "It's only now that both candidates are turning their attention to the Latino vote."

Defense Rests In Sandusky Case

BELLEFONTE, Pa. (AP) — Jerry Sandusky's lawyers finished putting on their case Wednesday without calling the former Penn State assistant football coach to the stand to rebut child sex abuse allegations that could put him in prison for the rest of his life.

The sudden end to the defense's presentation came on the seventh day of the trial, during which the jury heard from eight men now 18 to 28 — who said the former coach sexually assaulted them after they met him through the charity he founded.

Sandusky is charged with 51 criminal counts for alleged abuse of 10 boys over 15 years. He has denied the allegations but acknowledged in interviews following his arrest that he had show-

The accusers described for jurors a range of sexual abuse at his hands, from allegations of grooming and fondling to oral sex and forced anal sex that one young man said left him injured. The identities of two other alleged victims are unknown to investigators.

Uruguay Gov't Reportedly Plans To Sell Pot

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay (AP) — Uruguay's government apparently plans to take a step beyond legalizing marijuana: It wants to

Local news media cited unnamed ruling-party lawmakers saying that the government planned to send a bill to Congress on Wednesday that would legalize marijuana sales as a crime-fighting measure. Only the government would be allowed to sell the marijuana cigarettes, and only to adults registered as users.

Uruguay's presidency did not immediately confirm the report, but told The Associated Press in an email statement that an official announcement later could include "the marijuana issue."

Uruguayan newspaper reports about the bill said that people who use more than a limited number of marijuana cigarettes would have to undergo drug rehabilitation and that money from taxes on the cigarettes would go to rehabilitating addicts.

The idea is weaken crime by removing profits from drug dealers and diverting users from harder drugs.

Associated Press

CAIRO — Officials postponed declaring a winner in Egypt's disputed election on Wednesday, sending political tensions soaring as the country awaited its first new president in three decades.

Adding to the confusion and uncertainty were reports about the health of Hosni Mubarak, who is serving a life sentence for failing to stop the killing of protesters in the uprising that ousted him last year. At one point Tuesday, he was said to be near death, while some believed the report was a pretext by sympathetic allies of Mubarak to transfer him out of prison to a more comfortable facility.

Last weekend's runoff election was long touted as a landmark moment - the choice of Egypt's first civilian president to take over the generals who have ruled since Mubarak's removal on Feb. 11, 2011. Instead, it has turned into a confrontation between the Islamists of the Muslim Brotherhood and the entrenched elements of Mubarak's old regime, including the military.

Thousands of Muslim Brotherhood supporters along with some secular youth revolutionary groups camped out Wednesday night in Cairo's Tahrir Square, the birthplace of last year's uprising, and denounced the military, trying to push back against a series of power grabs by the generals last week.

Officials Delay Announcing Egypt Election Winner

The Election Commission did not say when it would announce the winner of the runoff between the Muslim Brotherhood's candidate, Mohammed Morsi, and Mubarak's former prime minister, Ahmed Shafiq. Both candidates claim they won, and the commission was supposed to declare the top vote-getter

But its secretary-general, Hatem Begato, told the state newspaper Al-Ahram that the winner would be announced Saturday or

The commission said the announcement was postponed because a panel of judges must look into about 400 complaints of voting fraud submitted by both campaigns, including lawyers for Shafiq claiming fraud in 14 of Egypt's 27 provinces where they said ballots

sent to polling centers were already marked for Morsi, the Muslim Brotherhood's candidate. Morsi's lawyers accused Shafiq of buying votes and being involved in forging lists of registered voters to include soldiers, who are

barred from voting, and names of the dead. The Brotherhood says it is being targeted by an organized campaign to keep it out of the presidency, and that even if Morsi is declared the victor, he will face deep resistance that will

make it impossible for him to govern. After two days of voting that ended Sunday, the group declared Morsi won 52 percent of the vote. Shafiq's camp on Monday announced he had won 51.5 precent of the vote.

A group of independent jurists known as the Judges For Egypt said Morsi was the winner, with a similar proportion to the Brotherhood's count. Shafiq's campaign accused the group of being affiliated with the Brotherhood.

Foreign and local election monitors say the runoff was not marked by enough serious or large-scale irregularities to question its validity.

Fed Extends 'Twist' Program To Drive Rates Lower

BY MARTIN CRUTSINGER

AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve is trying again to jolt the American economy out of its stalled recovery. It's extending a program that aims to encourage borrowing and spending by reducing long-term interest rates.

Wednesday's decision followed months of concern that the economy is being held back by a weakened job market.

At the end of a two-day policy meeting, the Fed also sharply reduced its forecast for U.S. growth and said it's prepared to take more action if necessary. It reiterated plans to keep short-term interest rates at record lows until at least late 2014.

"If we're not seeing a sustained improvement in the labor market, that would require additional action," Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke said later in the Wall Street wasn't impressed by the Fed's limited

response. Stock

budged. And ana-

prices barely

Bernanke

lysts questioned how much benefit the Fed's latest economy-boosting effort would have, in part because interest rates are already near record

If the Fed's more pessimistic outlook proves accurate, President Barack Obama's chances in an election that will turn on the economy would also likely suffer.

Bernanke noted that the economy is under threat from Europe's debt crisis and the prospect of sharp spending cuts and tax increases that would take effect at the end of the year unless Congress acts.

European leaders will be seeking a breakthrough at a summit next week in Brussels. Bernanke said he's in regular touch with the head of the European Central

The Fed said it will continue a program called Operation Twist through year's end. Under the program, the Fed has been selling \$400 billion in short-term Treasurys since September and buying longer-term Treasurys. Operation Twist was to expire at the end of June. The Fed said it will extend it using \$267 billion in securities.

But extending Operation Twist might not provide much benefit. Businesses and consumers who aren't borrowing now aren't that likely to change their minds just because rates

dropped a little more.

This move is largely symbolic," said David Jones, chief economist at DMJ Advisors.

Jones estimates Operation Twist will lower long-term rates by only about one-tenth of a percentage point.

At his quarterly news conference later Wednesday. Bernanke said the Fed would consider more aggressive action, such as another bond-buying program. The Fed has completed two such programs. It bought more than \$2 trillion in Treasurys and mortgage-backed securities, expanding its portfolio above \$2.8 trillion.

The yields on Treasury bonds finished the day slightly below where they were before the announcement. The Dow Jones industrial average finished down about 13 points.

OBITUARIES

Jeffrey Potts

CROFTON, Neb. — Jeffrey Leo Potts age 47 of Crofton, NE was pronounced dead on Saturday, June 16, 2012.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Friday, June 22, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Fordyce, NE with the Rev. David Fulton officiating. Burial will be at St. John the Baptist cemetery in Fordyce.

Visitation will be on Thursday at church from 5-8:00 p.m. with a vigil service at 7:00 p.m. Visitation will continue at the church on Friday one hour prior to services.

Arrangements are under the



Potts

April 19, 1965 in Yankton, SD to Roman Theodore and Joan (Bunge) Potts. He grew up in Fordyce and graduated from Crofton High School in 1983. Jeff married Connie Boecker on July 29th, 1989. They have been blessed with three wonderful chil-

Jeffrey Leo

Potts was born on

Home in dren, and three grandchildren. In March 2010, they walked separate Pallbearers will paths and were divorced. He had be Matt Potts, Bill worked for the Crofton Elevator, the Tabor Coop, and for Honey Do Potts, Frank Potts, Brady Potts, Bill Builders with his cousin Bill Potts. Sage, EJ Escamilla, Jeff enjoyed playing cards, fishing, Jordan Escamilla, playing pool, and being with his Adam Dorfman.

grandchildren. He has flown to the angels and is survived by his three children, daughter Sarah and husband Casey Reifenrath of Yankton; sons Tyler and Travis Potts of Yankton; three grandchildren Avery, Kade, and Karter Reifenrath: mother Joan of Fordyce, NE; two sisters Renee Escamilla of Torrington, WY; Julie Potts of Glendale, AZ;

one brother Mike Potts of Norfolk, NE; nieces and nephews.

Jeffrey was preceded in death by his father, Roman Potts on November 7, 2011.

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Leone Haar

PARKSTON — Leone "Onie" Haar, 96, died Monday, June 18 at Avera St. Benedict Hospital in

Funeral service will be Saturday, June 23 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Freeman.

Visitation will be Friday, June 22 from 5 to 7 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Freeman.

Arrangements by Koehn Bros. Funeral Home in Parkston.

She is survived by her daughter, June (Ken) Roth of Bridgewater, SD; 12 grandchildren: Shelly

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(Keith) Brown of Lamars, IA; Shannon (Debra) Haar of Parkway, WY; Cody (Brittany) Haar of Sheridan, WY; Brett Jorgensen of Sioux Falls, SD; Nicki Dvorak of Sioux Falls; Bryan (Pam) Roth of Salem; Craig (Heidi) Roth of Freeman; Suzette (Mike) Oolman of Avondale, AZ; Michelle (Scott) Rooney of Omaha, NE; Jacob (Paula) Haar of Lennox, SD; Ìoshua Haar of Sioux Falls and Jared (Katie) Haar of Sioux Falls; 20 great-grandchildren; and a daughter-in-law, Nancy (Curt) Matzen of Sioux Falls.

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Evone Petersen

Evone Mae (Flynn) Petersen, 90, of Centerville, SD died Tuesday, June 19, 2012 at Avera Sunset Manor in Irene. SD.

Evone was born May 1, 1922 in rural Irene to Timothy and Dora (Olsen) Flynn.

She attended Daneville School #49 and graduated from Centerville High School in 1939. She later attended Springfield



Normal School, Yankton College and the University of South Dakota to attain her teaching degree. She taught in rural schools in Yankton and Turner Counties for 14 years. She was employed at Dakota Cooperative Telephone Co. in Irene from 1955 until her retirement in December of 1984.

Evone married Rueben T. Petersen on November 20, 1957 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Wakonda, SD. They lived in Irene until 1973 at which time they moved to Yankton. They later moved to Sioux Falls. Her husband Rueben passed away on November 1, 2004. Evone moved to Centerville in 2007.

She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary in Irene and received her 50 year pin in 2008. She was also a member of the Catholic Daughters of America

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Church in Centerville. She is survived by nephews; Larry (Kave) Johnke of Irene. Howard Mann of Oak Grove, MO. niece Carol Elaine Mann of Belton, MO, sister-in-law Helen (Arnie) Sorensen of Viborg, SD and several great nieces and nephews.

Funeral Mass will be 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 26, 2012 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Wakonda with Fr. Scott Traynor officiating. Burial will follow in St. Columkill Cemetery rural Wakonda.

Visitation will be Monday, June 25, 2012 from 4 to 8 p.m. with scripture services beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Hansen Funeral Home in Irene.

For obituary and online condolences visit

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Keith Jensen

Keith L. Jensen was born August 8, 1934, near Viborg, South Dakota to Grant and Anna (Johnson). He

died on June 18, 2012 at the age of 77. He was the brother of Ray (Julie) Jensen of Àquila, Texas; Norma Skogen of Sioux City, Iowa; Grace (Harold) Holm of Racine, Wisconsin, and Marilyn (Bill)

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Greulich of Ápple Valley, California. He married Audrey Jane Petersen on November 25, 1954. They are parents of six sons. Kaj (Elizabeth) Katrina and Jared of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Lee of Sioux Falls; Jay (Angela) Dayton, Ashton, Elizabeth and Nikolas of Sioux Falls; Mitchell (Jodie) Jillian and Rachel of Lennox; Stuart (Jeanne) Merissa and Lindsey

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of Brandon; and Chad (Teresa) Taylor and Katelyn of Cedar Rapids.

Keith was in education for 43 years as a teacher or administrator at Yankton, Irene, and Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Worthington, Minnesota and LeMars, Iowa. He also worked for the Iowa State and National Education Association, living in Mt. Vernon, Iowa. One of his recent accomplishments after retiring was being editor for the book "Follow the Piper" which was published in 2011. This book was a compilation of short stories contributed by the residents of Prairie Creek Lodge in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Burial of Cremains will be held at 2:00 on Saturday June 23 at Spring Valley Lutheran Cemetery, rural Viborg, South Dakota. Register online at www.viborgfuneralhome.com.

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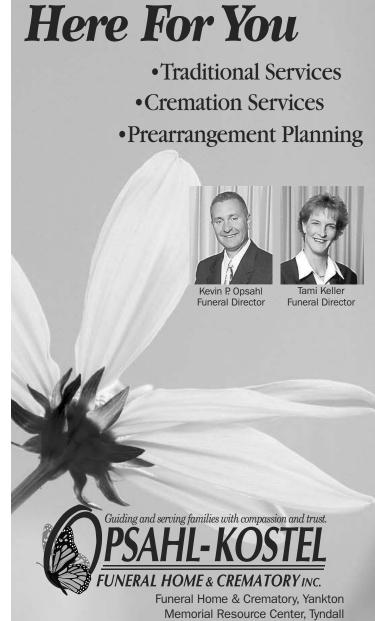




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