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America is pausing to honor its current and past soldiers with Veterans Day observances across the country. Because the holiday this year fell on a Sunday, some activities planned in conjunction with Veterans Day actually began Friday, with other events scheduled today (Monday). ABOVE: The Avenue of Flags was once again on colorful display at Yankton's Memorial Park, although cold temperatures and blustery winds held down the number of spectators. The flags formed a corridor from Douglas Avenue to the war memorial at the center of the park. RIGHT: Yankton veteran Corey Briest was presented with a football by a University of South Dakota ROTC member during USD's annual Military Appreciation Day festivities in the DakotaDome in Vermillion Saturday. Briest was lauded as an Honorary Captain for the Coyotes' football game against Northern lowa. ROTC members rapelled down from the rafters of the dome prior to the game to present the ball to Briest, who



# **Congress Seeks Answers On Petraeus Affair**

Lawmakers: Why Weren't We Told? FBI: Harassing Emails Investigated

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Members of Congress said Sunday they want to know more details about the FBI investigation that revealed an extramarital affair between ex-CIA Director David Petraeus and his biographer, questioning when the retired general popped up in the FBI inquiry, whether national security was compromised and why they weren't told sooner.

"We received no advanced notice. It was like a lightning bolt," said Democratic Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California, who heads the Senate Intelligence Committee.

The FBI was investigating harassing emails sent by Petraeus biographer and girlfriend Paula Broadwell to a second woman. That probe of Broadwell's emails revealed the affair between Broadwell and Petraeus. The FBI contacted Petraeus and other intelligence officials, and Director of National Intelligence James Clapper asked Petraeus to resign.

A senior U.S. military official identified the second woman as Jill Kelley, 37, who lives in Tampa, Fla., and serves as an unpaid social liaison to MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, where the military's Central Command and Special Operations Command are located.

Staffers for Petraeus said Kelley and her husband were regular guests at events he held at Central Command headquarters.



our three children.' A U.S. official said the coalition countries represented at Central Command gave Kelley an appreciation certificate on which she was referred to as an "honorary ambassador" to the coalition, but she has no offi-

evening, Kelley and her hus-band, Scott, said: "We and our

government. The official, speaking on condition of anonymity because he wasn't authorized to discuss the case publicly, said Kelley is known to drop the "honorary" part and refer to herself as an ambassador.

cial status and is not employed by the U.S.

The military official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to publicly discuss the investigation, said Kelley had received harassing emails from Broadwell, which led the FBI to examine her email account and eventually discover her re-

lationship with Petraeus. A former associate of Petraeus confirmed

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### awmakers Could Revisit Pay Increase

**BY GRANT SCHULTE Associated Press** 

LINCOLN, Neb. — Amanda McGill juggles three part-time jobs, counts a home mortgage as her only debt, and recently added a roommate to help stretch the \$12,000 she makes as a Nebraska state lawmaker.

The 32-year-old has no complaints about her workload. But as she prepares for her second-to-last year in the Legislature, McGill said the constant stress over bills creates a distraction from what she considers her No. 1 priority: representing her northeast Lincoln district.

Nebraska lawmakers are planning to revisit a proposed legislative salary increase that was overwhelmingly rejected by voters last week. The constitutional amendment would have increased Ne"Most of us aren't looking to get rich a result, will remain dominated by a few select off this job. We just want to make it practical to pay our bills, and to be able to give the Legislature the focus it needs."

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braska lawmaker salaries from \$12,000 to \$22,500 per year. Not one county voted in favor of the measure. and in many areas the "no" voters outnumbered supporters by more than 3-to-1, according to unofficial election results.

Supporters of the proposal said the Legislature, as

groups: Retirees, lawyers, business owners, and

those who are young and childless. 'Most of us aren't looking to get rich off this job," McGill said. "We just want to make it practical to pay our bills, and to be able to give the Legislature the focus it needs. I envy the retirees who can spend every day at the Capitol. That would be incredible, to be out in the community more, learning about the issues facing Lincoln and the state. I'd love to learn more about agriculture. But I can't do that, while having to work so many jobs to make ends meet."

Omaha Sen. Scott Lautenbaugh, who proposed the constitutional amendment, said Friday that he

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**PTSD: Seeking Answers** 

#### Groups Focus On Suicide, Mental Issues



Two men discuss issues during the eighth annual veterans' supper in Vermillion. The community program, held last week at the Eagles Club, provided veterans and current military members with camaraderie as

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second of a two-part series on how local groups are dealing with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and other challenges faced by veterans. The first part appeared in Saturday's edition of the Press & Dakotan (http://www.yankton.net/articles/2012/11/11/community/doc509dd9b35 430b664702581.txt)

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In 2011, a total of 283 U.S. soldiers took their own lives — and that figure was already nearly matched at the half-way mark of this year, a South Dakota National Guard official says.

As of Aug. 10, military statistics showed 191 active Army soldiers had taken their own lives during the calendar year, according to SDNG spokesman Maj. Tony Deiss. In addition, 54 Army National Guard soldiers

had committed suicide as of July 13.

"Suicides are occurring across every segment of the force — active, Guard and Reserve; officers and enlisted soldiers; deployed, non-deployed and those who have not deployed; as well as Army civilians and family members," Deiss said.

"There has been an effort by all branches of the military to address the recent issue of increased suicide rates in recent years, especially this year."

Deiss did not have specific statistics about Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). However, the SDNG and other military branches encourage their members to seek help if needed, he said.

"We reassure our service members that, by coming forward and admitting they are having issues with PTSD, that their career is not in jeopardy or will reflect negatively on them," he said.

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JEREMY HOECK/P&D

Local organizers for the Operation Christmas Child national toy drive say they are aiming this year to fill 1,700 shoeboxes like this with toys for children around the world.

#### **Local Toy Drive** Has Big Goals To Fill This Year

BY JEREMY HOECK jeremy.hoeck@yankton.net

Yankton's contribution to the world's largest children's Christmas toy drive has an ambitious goal that coordinators say could be broken Calvary Baptist Church in Yankton will un-

dertake its biggest week of the year during the Operation Christmas Child National Collection Week, which runs today (Monday) through next Sunday. The organization — a year-round project of

international Christian relief and a project of Samaritan's Purse — fills shoe boxes with gifts and toys for children in 130 different third world and impoverished countries. 'It started as us just providing Christmas

gifts to kids in orphanages or ones in poverty," said Dawn Herron, who is in her eighth year as Yankton's collection site coordinator.

"For a lot of them, these are their first gifts." Last year, the local branch of Operation

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well as a meal.

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