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StormTRACKER Forecast
Increasing clouds today and highs in the 70s. Light winds tonight, and a chance for patchy fog tomorrow AM.

Almanac Through 12 AM Sunday

Temperature	High	Low
Saturday	62°	38°
Normal	75°	50°
Record	107° in 1931	30° in 1929

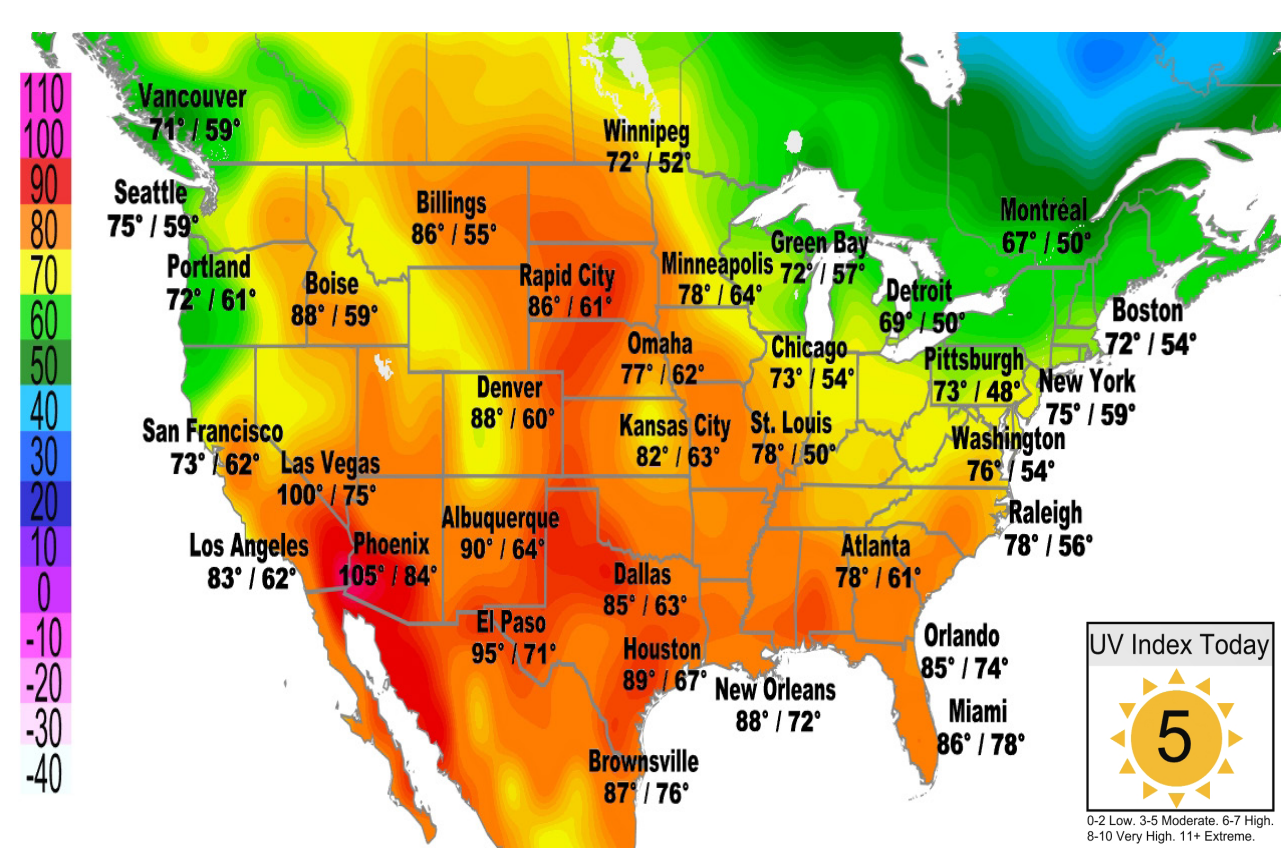
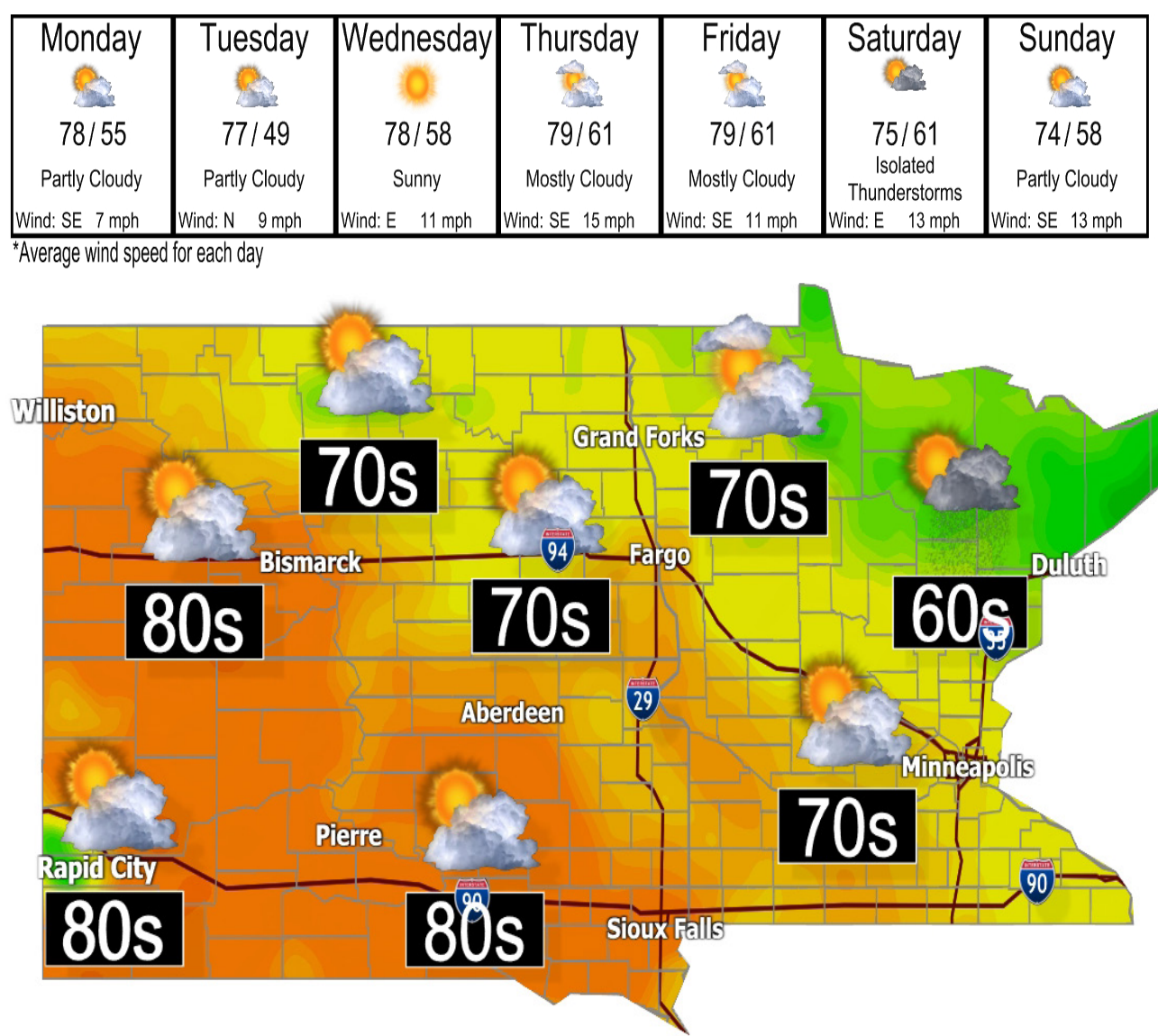
Precipitation In Inches

Saturday	0
Month To Date	.08"
Departure From Avg Month To Date	-0.38"
Year To Date	14.31"
Departure From Avg Year To Date	-1.39"

Sunrise: 7:03 a.m. Sunset: 7:59 p.m.

	Today		Tomorrow	
North Dakota	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Bismarck	83	54	80	56
Fargo	77	56	76	56
Medora	89	48	84	55
Minot	81	52	77	54
Williston	84	50	82	55

	Today		Tomorrow	
Minnesota	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo
Alexandria	78	62	74	56
Duluth	66	56	64	55
International Falls	70	51	72	48
Minneapolis	78	64	73	59
Rochester	76	60	72	58



Chris Flynn / The Forum
Michael Maher, left, and Franklin Moran talk outside the Salvation Army on Jan. 17 in downtown Fargo. They are currently homeless, but Maher said he has a place he can stay.

HOMELESS

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from the Fargo-Moorhead Coalition to End Homelessness, the Missouri Slope United Way Center for Opportunity, Burleigh County Public Health and Ministry on the Margins — all nonprofits advocating for more state and federal housing assistance. Every organization told lawmakers the need for safe and affordable housing is rising in North Dakota and at the same time, between both the state and the federal government, they noted they’ve seen fewer public dollars funneled into affordable housing and homelessness services

compared to recent years. Jena Gullo of the Missouri Slope Area United Way Center for Opportunity said in some areas, the issue might be easier to address than one might think. She said the fact that about 12% of her clients are chronically homeless, meaning they have been homeless for a year or more, is “a good thing.” “That means this (homelessness) is solvable,” she said. “With the right services and support coming together, we can actually exit people to permanent housing and reduce recidivism rates.” Readers can reach Forum reporter Peyton Haug at 608-397-6073.

Longtime Valley City lawmaker dies

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VALLEY CITY, N.D. — Former North Dakota lawmaker Larry Robinson died Wednesday, Sept. 3, according to a statement from Valley City State University, which Robinson worked to support for nearly 50 years. Robinson, 75, a Democrat, served in the North Dakota Senate from 1989 to 2020. Valley City State University President Alan LaFave called Robinson an “ardent supporter of higher education in North Dakota.” Robinson retired in 2024 as executive director of university

advancement at Valley City State. He began working for the university in 1975 as director of the Memorial Student Center and Student Activities and later became the first director of the university’s foundation. In the Legislature, Robinson served on the interim Higher Education Committee for several years. He was also a long-time member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, in addition to other committees. LaFave said Robinson was instrumental in securing state funding for the Rhoades Science Center renovation in 2013 and the Center for the Arts, which opened in 2022 and was recently renamed the Larry J. Robinson Center for the Arts. “His legacy will live on in the scholarships he helped create, the students whose lives he touched,

and the vibrant facilities that stand as a testament to his work,” LaFave said in a statement. Sen. Kyle Davison, R-Fargo, recognized Robinson at the start of a legislative committee meeting on Thursday. Sen. Kathy Hogan, D-Fargo, a member of the committee, said Robinson could also be known as “Mr. Valley City” for his contributions to the university and representing the area in the Legislature for more than three decades. “He was such a gentleman,” Hogan said. “He was classy, respectful, thoughtful, but also very, very compassionate and committed to education, all education, but particularly in Valley City.” He was nonpartisan, and lawmakers wanted him on their committees because they knew they would be better off with

his input, sahe said. Sen. Dick Dever, R-Bismarck, also a member of the committee, remembered that in the session after Robinson lost his reelection bid in 2020, he still showed up at the Capitol and brought donuts for his former colleagues. In a statement, Gov. Kelly Armstrong called Robinson a “true statesman of the Senate.” “His positive impact on VCSU and our higher education system will benefit students and our state for generations to come,” said Armstrong, who served in the state Senate with Robinson from 2013 to 2018. This story was originally published on NorthDakotaMonitor.com. North Dakota Monitor reporter Michael Achterling can be reached at machterling@northdakotamonitor.com.

Jamestown Fire Department extinguishes vehicle fire

JAMESTOWN — The Jamestown Fire Department responded to a vehicle fire Saturday morning,

Sept. 6, in southwest Jamestown, according to Capt. Sheldon Mohr. Two units and 11 firefighters responded to a report of a vehicle on fire at about 6:30 a.m. at 2nd Street and 17th Avenue

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Southwest. When firefighters arrived the vehicle was fully involved, Mohr said. Mohr said firefighters extinguished the fire. Mohr said the cause of the fire is unknown but

might have been caused by something mechanical. He said the vehicle is a total loss. Firefighters were on scene for about 35 minutes. No injuries were reported.