

2010 Legal and Public Notices

ing applicable zoning, subdivision and erosion and sediment control and the same is hereby approved. The County Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to endorse on such the proper resolution and certify the same. All present voted aye; motion carried.

A motion was made by Sinclair to adjourn.

The next regular meeting of the Board will be on Tuesday, May 7, 2013 at 3:30 PM in the Commission Chambers at the County Government Center.

Bruce Jensen, Chairman
Yankton County Commission

ATTEST:
Lois Eli, Deputy Auditor
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Vermillion Museum Adds Elvis' Guitar To Collection

BY DIRK LAMMERS
Associated Press

VERMILLION — A 16th-century Amati violoncello displayed in the National Music Museum has long been nicknamed "The King," but the ghost of a legendary rock 'n' roller has arrived in South Dakota to reclaim his regal moniker.

A slightly smashed acoustic guitar played by Elvis Presley on his final tour in 1977 now greets visitors in front of the museum's main galleries. The Martin D-35 was tossed aside by "The King" during a St. Petersburg, Fla., concert after suffering a broken strap and string, said Robert Johnson, a Memphis-based guitarist who donated the item.

"He broke the strap and at the same time he broke a string," said Johnson, noting Presley's frustration. "He tosses it straight up in the air and it just comes down."

Johnson, who played with singer Isaac Hayes and the band John Entwistle's Ox in the

1970s, donated the Elvis guitar and four other celebrity items to the National Music Museum, which is tucked away in an old Carnegie library building on the University of South Dakota campus. The museum's trustees also purchased Johnson's 1967 Gibson Explorer Korina wood guitar, formerly owned by Entwistle, who's best known as a member of The Who. Johnson, a longtime collector, also donated a Chet Atkins hollow body guitar given to country pianist Floyd Cramer and later played by Jerry Lee Lewis and Mickey Gilley, a 1966 custom Grammer guitar made for Johnny Cash, a 1961 Kay Value Leader guitar signed by blues legend Muddy Waters and one of Bob Dylan's Hohner Marine Band harmonicas.

"These instruments probably make the biggest splash of any celebrity things that we've had before," said museum director Cleveland Johnson. "We have some nice things, but this is a degree of magnitude higher."

Cleveland Johnson, who is not related to Robert Johnson, took over as director in November after the retirement of Andre Larson,

who'd been at the helm since it was established in 1973. The museum's holdings grew out of a private collection owned by Larson's father, Arne B. Larson, who continually added items while serving as a public school music director.

Robert Johnson said he owns some 600 guitars and another 2,000 to 3,000 artifacts, so he began discussions with Andre Larson in 2010 to get involved with the museum.

"I was trying to find a place to hoard the rest of my stuff so it could be in place," said Johnson, 61. "It gets to be an overwhelming, oppressive burden to keep up with all this stuff."

The museum's 800 or so instruments on public display are the superstars of a broader collection of more than 15,000 pianos, harpsichords, guitars, horns, drums and other musical items. It includes a rare Stradivarius violin with its original neck, saxophones built by inventor Adolphe Sax, and the earliest French grand piano known to survive, an ornate green and gold instrument built by Louis Bas in Vil-

leneuve les Avignon in 1781.

Cleveland Johnson said it has always been easy to drop names like Stradivari and Amati (whose centuries-old violins are considered the finest ever made) when he talks to people in classical music circles, but the new items will help the museum reach a different demographic.

"The motorcycle guys rolling across the state on their way to Sturgis, this would be a nice detour," he said. "Or a bus tour going from Sioux Falls to Memphis or down to Branson, this would be a perfect stop off on the way."

A \$15 million expansion plan calls for tripling its 23,000 square feet of gallery space, improving the entrance and revamping the vast archives where music scholars can peruse the thousands of instruments and documents not on public display. The limited space has not only prevented instruments from getting their proper display, but also has hampered curators' efforts to find creative and hands-on ways to program and teach visitors and school groups.

Northern Beef Plant Laying Off 108 Employees

ABERDEEN (AP) — A northern South Dakota beef processing plant says it's laying off 108 of its 420 employees until it can raise enough money to buy more cattle.

Northern Beef Packers president David Palmer says the plant has raised more than \$150 million, but it's putting a planned ramp up on hold until it can raise about \$20 million more.

Palmer says the plant is working with additional foreign investors, international trading companies, established food companies and financial investors.

He says it's an unfortunate setback, but he's confident that it's a temporary one.

The plant is currently processing about 200 cattle a day from the Dakotas, Nebraska, Iowa and Minnesota. Plans call for the laid-off employees to come back by late July so the plant can eventually process 1,500 cattle a day.

Sioux City School District Sends Layoff Notices

SIoux CITY, Iowa (AP) — Sioux City's school district sent layoff notices this week to 30 educators amid a push for state and federal funding cuts, and it remains unclear if some of those jobs can be saved.

The Sioux City Community School District previously had announced plans to eliminate 37 positions, but retirements and attrition kept the total lower, the *Sioux City Journal* reported Thursday.

Up to 15 kindergarten teaching positions set to be eliminated this summer could be spared. But the state must keep funding a \$1.1 million early intervention grant, and Superintendent Paul Gausman said there is no guarantee.

"We expect about half of these positions will continue to be funded, but there is no guarantee," he said. "This is the greatest number of layoff notices I have seen in my time here."

The newspaper reported the grant could be added to the Legislature's end-of-the-year standings bill if it does not pass under an education reform bill.

The notices were sent to 28 teachers and two counselors. That was aided by retirements and attrition; about 28 district employees retired or announced their retirement this past year.

The school board passed its \$149 million budget earlier this month. On the federal level, \$286,000 has already been reduced, affecting of the several teaching positions on the chopping block.

School Of Mines Names New President

RAPID CITY (AP) — Businesswoman and former New Mexico congresswoman Heather Wilson has been named president of the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, the state Board of Regents announced Thursday.

Wilson, 51, succeeds Robert Wharton, who died in September. She'll begin her duties on the Rapid City campus in June.

Wilson represented New Mexico in the U.S. Congress from 1998 to 2009, serving on the House Energy and Commerce Committee and as chairwoman of the House Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence.

Wilson, who comes from a family of pilots, is an Air Force Academy graduate and Rhodes scholar who has been a defense consultant since leaving the House. Through her Albuquerque business, Wilson has worked as a senior adviser to top-tier national laboratories such as Sandia, Los Alamos, Oak Ridge, the Nevada Test Site and the Battelle Memorial Institute.

She turned down a top management post at Sandia National Laboratories to make a second unsuccessful run for the U.S. Senate last year.

Wilson won a special election in 1998 to replace the late GOP Rep. Steve Schiff. She developed a reputation as a tough campaigner by repeatedly winning re-election in a swing district targeted by national Democrats.

Lawmakers Advance Neb. School Funding Bill

BY GRANT SCHULTE
Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — A new funding bill for Nebraska's K-12 public schools won early approval Thursday from lawmakers, who reached an agreement after a bitter debate over how districts should split the money.

The compromise measure sailed through the first of three required votes, 42-0, after days of arduous negotiations.

"Who's won in this process? Well, I sincerely hope our kids have won," said Sen. Kate Sullivan of Cedar Rapids, chairwoman of the Legislature's Education Committee. "That's what we're trying to do with TEEOSA and state aid to schools — to provide our kids with appropriate education opportunities."

Almost half of Nebraska's public-school funding comes from local property taxes, and roughly one-third comes from state government. The rest comes from the federal government and other sources.

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tains key components of the school-funding formula that were initially cut: A provision that allows smaller, rural districts to qualify for aid if they have longer school years and more teachers with advanced degrees. Schools will receive the aid even if they don't otherwise qualify for school aid.

The compromise also retains an "averaging adjustment," for schools, which sends more state aid to larger districts with below-average spending.

The bill is still subject to change.

"Is everyone happy with the outcome? I hope not," Sullivan said. "I've decided that this will always be a work in progress. ... There is no perfect formula."

The proposal sets an average 5

percent annual increase in state aid for schools in the next two-year budget, to restore aid that was cut in previous years. It would cost the state \$908 million in the first year, and \$940 million in the second.

It also would increase the local effort rate, which lets school districts offset state aid losses through local tax dollars.

The proposal initially divided lawmakers who represent smaller, rural schools with shrinking enrollments, and state senators from faster-growing districts in Omaha, Lincoln and Grand Island.

At stake is nearly \$1 billion per year in "equalization aid" from the state, which helps public school districts fill the gap between their needs and what they can cover through local property-tax revenue. School funding is the single largest budget item that lawmakers are debating this session.

Increasing money for larger school districts would either drain money away from smaller schools or require lawmakers to pump more money into school aid. At the same time, a growing number of small schools have lost equalized

state aid altogether because of soaring farmland values that school districts can tax.

Of the 249 public districts in Nebraska, 114 will receive no aid through the formula this year. Those districts account for about 13 percent of all students statewide.

Sen. Jim Scheer of Norfolk said state officials have placed a burden on school-district budgets in recent years. School districts with tight budgets were given no room to grow and less in state aid.

"This is trying to find a way to fund education throughout Nebraska," said Sen. Jim Scheer, of Norfolk. "Anytime you move any of the dials in the state aid formula there will be changes in funds and how they are distributed. That's inevitable."

Current state law would require a 10.4 percent increase in school aid for the coming academic year. Sullivan said the school-funding bill would keep the increase to 6.3 percent in that year. The average funding increase from the state's two-year budget would be 5.1 percent.

S. Dakota Work Release Inmate Found Not Guilty Of Rape

SIoux FALLS (AP) — A jury has cleared a South Dakota man accused of raping a woman while out of prison on work release.

Jurors on Wednesday night acquitted Henry Anfinson, 29, on rape and burglary charges after more than eight hours of deliberations, the *Argus Leader* reported.

His father, Ricky Anfinson, said after the verdict that he had been concerned about the outcome of the trial but never doubtful of the truth.

"Henry's a lot of things, but he's not a rapist," Ricky Anfinson said.

Henry Anfinson was accused of raping the ex-girlfriend of a former cellmate in the bathroom of her home while her 1- and 4-year-old children were in another room. Anfinson said the woman had invited him to her home, and that the two had consensual sex after he injected her with methamphetamine.

Anfinson, of Sioux Falls, had been in and out of prison for about eight years on drug, theft and forgery convictions when he was approved for work release in April 2012. He was allowed to start looking for a job the next month. Au-

thorities said he went to the 31-year-old woman's home when he was released from prison for three hours to visit potential employers and forced his way in.

Prosecutors said Anfinson committed a brutal rape, taking advantage of a woman he had met through prison acquaintances because "he thought he could get away with it."

"A person in our community has suffered a crime at the hands of Henry Anfinson," Minnehaha County Deputy State's Attorney Tom Hensley said during closing arguments to the jury. "Her station

should not matter."

Defense attorney Michelle Thomas told jurors that if reasonable doubt exists, they should set Anfinson free.

"In a case like this, alleging violent sexual assault, we ought to err on the side of caution," she said.

Anfinson testified in his own defense, saying the woman had reported a rape because she was upset with him for hiding her drugs, which he said he did to stop her from doing more damage to herself. He also described how he injected methamphetamine into the woman, even after Judge Patri-

cia Riepel stopped him, sent the jury out of the courtroom and explained to him and his lawyers that he was opening himself up to new charges.

Hensley told jurors to discount Anfinson's talk of drugs, saying the investigating officers found no evidence of drug use on the day of the incident. He also questioned Anfinson's character, saying Anfinson had frequent rule violations in prison and routinely had lied to prison officials. Thomas said the facts of the case did not back up the woman's description of a violent rape.



With Fondest Memories

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