

## Services For Slain Rapid City Officer Held

RAPID CITY (AP) — People packed the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center on Sunday to say goodbye to slain Rapid City police officer James Ryan McCandless.

The 28-year-old McCandless was one of three officers shot while performing what authorities have described as a routine stop on Tuesday.

Police Chief Steve Allender told the crowd at the funeral Sunday that McCandless showed bravery and selflessness "in a way we can all be proud of." He also thanked everyone for their support, saying he had never seen anything like it in his life. Pastor Greg Blanc prayed for people to experience peace.

Twenty-seven-year-old Officer Nick Armstrong and 39-year-old Officer Tim Doyle remain hospitalized. The alleged shooter was shot by police and died Wednesday.

McCandless will be buried later at the Midland City Cemetery in Midland, Mich.

## Rollover Near Hartford Kills 18-Year-Old Man

HARTFORD (AP) — A rollover crash near Hartford has killed a man from the southeast South Dakota town.

The Highway Patrol says 18-year-old Kalvin Kolterman lost control of his vehicle sometime early Sunday on state Highway 38 and it went in the ditch and rolled. He died at the scene.

Kolterman was alone in the vehicle.

## Woman Killed In Crash Between Car, Semi

COLUMBUS, Neb. (AP) — A Norfolk woman has died in a collision between a car and a semi north of Columbus.

The Platte County sheriff's office told the Columbus Telegram that 62-year-old Linda Reinders was a passenger in the car involved in Saturday's crash. She died at the scene.

Reinders' daughter, 49-year-old Laurie Vaughan of Norfolk, was driving the car. The sheriff's office says it struck the rear of the semi, driven by 55-year-old Dennis Starman of Elgin, as it was making a turn.

Reinders was flown to an Omaha hospital. Details of her injuries weren't released. Her 12-year-old daughter, also a passenger, was treated at a hospital and released. Starman wasn't hurt.

The crash remains under investigation.

## Man Arrested In Evacuation At Omaha Airport

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — A passenger was arrested Saturday after screeners found a suspicious item in his luggage, prompting a second evacuation at the Omaha airport in days, authorities said.

Gabriel Copley, 20, of Mount Sterling, Ky., faces a charge of possession of a destructive device, Omaha police officer Michael Pecha said. Copley was being held Saturday in the Douglas County jail.

Pecha said Transportation Security Administration screeners found the item in Copley's luggage during a routine screening and evacuated Eppley Airfield's south terminal about 9:30 Saturday morning.

The police bomb squad was called in. Pecha said the team took the item, believed to be a homemade firework, outside and destroyed it. The terminal reopened about three hours later.

Pecha said investigators believe Copley forgot the item was in his bag and didn't plan to harm anyone.

The FBI joined police in investigating the incident. Sandy Breault, a spokeswoman for the FBI's Omaha office, said the incident was not linked to terrorism.

It wasn't immediately known whether Copley had an attorney.

The airport's north terminal was evacuated and shut down for about two hours Wednesday after screeners spotted a suspicious item in a carry-on bag.

Authorities determined the item was an Oregon college student's science project and was harmless. The student had been participating in a science fair at Creighton University in Omaha.

## Neb. Utilities Still Working To Restore Power

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Thousands of eastern Nebraskans remain without power after a storm toppled trees and power lines.

A Lincoln Electric System spokeswoman says crews will work into Monday to restore service, and other utilities have been sending staff to assist.

About 14,000 LES customers were without power at the height of Saturday night's storm. As of Sunday afternoon, about 2,700, most in south Lincoln, were still without service.

The Omaha Public Power District was also working to restore power to about 1,000 customers. It could take until Monday before service is back on.

OPPD says more than 24,000 customers lost power in the storm. Those affected stretched from Nebraska City north to Washington County, including the Omaha area.

## Open Meeting Board Reprimands Township

ABERDEEN (AP) — The state Open Meeting Commission has reprimanded a Brown County township for failing to give proper notice of meetings.

The *Aberdeen American News* reports that Lincoln Township did not provide public notice and post an agenda for three meetings in January and February.

This month's action from the Open Meeting Commission is a public admonishment and carries no penalty.

According to commission meeting minutes, Kelly Kenser testified that he had not received notice of township meetings, which were held in a private dwelling. He says he was not given access to the dwelling to see if notices were posted.

Commission member Glenn Brenner of Pennington County says although the locations of township meetings are not subject to review, Lincoln Township should look into having meetings in a public place.

## DECISION 2012

# Iowa Looms As Big Test For GOP

BY THOMAS BEAUMONT  
Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — A nationally televised debate, a test vote in Iowa and a candidacy by Texas Gov. Rick Perry — should he decide to seek the GOP nomination as many insiders, activists and party leaders expect — could shake up the Republican presidential race in the coming days.

The entire field of Republican candidates planned to participate in Thursday's debate in Iowa — the first that will include former Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman — and most were staying in the leadoff caucus state for a straw poll two days later when GOP activists will indicate their presidential preferences for the first time. Perry planned to be elsewhere, but his likely candidacy was looming large in Iowa and across the nation.

With the first votes of 2012 less than six months away, the week promises to refocus the political world, to a certain extent at least, on the Republican nomination fight after months of debate in Washington over the nation's debt having largely eclipsed it. That issue, coupled with a sour jobs outlook, last week's Wall Street sell-off and the nation's downgraded credit rating, is framing the 2012



Huntsman

campaign, with Republicans using fears of a double-dip recession to criticize President Barack Obama's handling of the economy.

"He's hiding on these issues. He's ducking on these issues. He should be leading," Tim Pawlenty, the former Minnesota governor, said in an interview on "Fox News Sunday" while campaigning in Iowa. "We can't find him. ... We shouldn't have to play 'come out, come out, wherever you are' with this president."

Obama, aware that he's been taking a beating for months in this important presidential battleground, planned to counter the criticism by holding a rural economic forum on Aug. 16, on the heels of the straw poll, as part of a Midwestern bus tour. It will mark a new chapter in his re-election efforts; until now, he's been focused on governing and has done little campaigning as Republicans compete for the chance to challenge him in November 2012.

For months, former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney has led the Republican field in polls and money while no less than a half-dozen — Minnesota Rep. Michele Bachmann, Pawlenty and Huntsman among them — have

fought to emerge as his main challenger. All the while, the GOP electorate has made clear in polls that it wants more choices, perhaps a conservative who is strong on both economic and social issues, leading Perry to consider a White House bid. Former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin also is keeping the door open and plans to headline a tea party rally in Iowa on Sept. 3, though many Republicans consider her far less likely than Perry to run.

"He has the potential to appeal to both the economic conservatives and social conservatives," Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad, a Republican who is unaligned in the race, said of Perry. "The economic conservatives are somewhat up for grabs. I really think it comes down to what does Perry do. I think there is the potential for him to change the race."

Romney, who is focusing on Iowa far less than he did during his 2008 campaign but is ready to ramp up if he sees an opportunity, returns to the state on Wednesday for a backyard event in Des Moines. He's certain to be the target of criticism during the debate a day later at Iowa State University, as his challengers look to derail him while boosting their fortunes before a national audience.

## Re-Enactor Says He's No Outlaw

RAPID CITY (AP) — A man charged in the shooting of three tourists in South Dakota during an Old West gun battle re-enactment says he's "not an outlaw."

Paul Doering, 49, of Summerset, is charged with being a felon in possession of a firearm because of his previous criminal record, which includes prison time in Minnesota for assault, burglary and escape. Doering told the *Rapid City Journal* that he long ago left his troubled past behind and has since devoted time to helping others.

"Just because I'm a felon and have made mistakes when I was younger doesn't make me a terrible person. I'm not an outlaw," said Doering, who now works as a truck driver.

The tourists were hit during a re-enactment staged by the Dakota Wild Bunch in Hill City. They use blanks in their guns, but authorities say live ammunition was fired in the June 17 mock gun battle.

Doering, who had performed two previous times with the re-enactors, said he borrowed guns that he thought were loaded with blanks and that he was shocked and terrified when he realized live rounds had been fired.

"I heard screaming and looked around and saw blood near where my daughter and girlfriend were

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PAUL DOERING

standing," he said. "I went into panic mode."

The bullets shattered a leg bone of Carrol Knutson, 65, of Birchwood, Minn.; hit the forearm and elbow of John Ellis, 48, of South Connelleville, Pa.; and caused minor injuries to Jose Pruneda, 53, of Alliance, Neb.

Doering said he turned himself into authorities, and his girlfriend provided a video of the shootout. "The only way I can deal with it is to think positive. I believe everything happens for a reason, but I haven't figured out God's reason for this one," said Doering, who faces as much as 10 years in federal prison if convicted of the charge. His past felonies could increase the term to life.

Doering is scheduled to enter a plea Thursday in federal court in Rapid City.

## Auction To Feature Neb. Politician's Items

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Furniture, household items and political memorabilia that belonged to late Nebraska politician George Norris will be auctioned this weekend at his summer cabin in Wisconsin.

Norris' estate put the items up for auction through Bennett & Roelofs Estate Sales. The auction began Saturday and continues Sunday at the cabin on Chain O' Lakes in Waupaca.

Norris, who died in 1944 at age 83, served 10 years in the U.S. House of Representative before winning a Senate seat, which he held from 1913 until 1943. Norris was the primary force behind the Rural Electrification Act, which brought electric service to rural areas across the country, and he is credited as the architect of Nebraska's unicameral legislature.

He was a Republican for most of his career.

The auction listing says the sale will include historical and political items, some bearing the signatures of Presidents Harry S. Truman, Lyndon Johnson and Richard Nixon. Original artwork by Pulitzer Prize-winning political cartoonist Clifford Berryman of the Washington Star, fishing gear, antiques and a restored mahogany canoe also are being auctioned.

Norris' four-bedroom cabin, which was built in the 1800s and has been in his family for the past century, also is for sale, as are all the furnishings.

The George W. Norris Foundation in McCook said in a news release that it has received \$2,500 from U.S.

Sen. Ben Nelson and \$5,000 from the Nelson Institute to buy Norris items at the auction. The foundation has authorized one of Norris' great-grandsons, David Norris Rath, to bid on its behalf.

Nelson, a Democrat who was once Nebraska's governor, has ties to Norris.

Norris was born in Sandusky County, Ohio, in 1861 and settled in Furnas County, Neb., in 1885. He died Sept. 2, 1944, in McCook, three years after Nelson was born there.

Nelson, in 1999, was given the first George W. Norris Award, which is presented to a Nebraska public servant who embodies the spirit of the late politician. In 2001, Nelson received the desk Norris used during his 30-year Senate tenure.

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than two weeks ago and arrived at Forward Operating Base Shank a few days ago.

"He didn't have to go and he wanted to go because his group was getting deployed. He wanted to be there for them — that's him for you," Hamburger said, adding that Patrick always looked out for his two younger brothers and friends.

"It doesn't come as a total surprise that he was trying to help people and that's how it all ended up happening," he said.

The U.S. Navy SEALs and other troops whose helicopter was shot down had rushed to the mountainous area to help a U.S. Army Ranger unit that was under

fire from insurgents, two U.S. officials said Sunday.

Chris Hamburger last spoke to his brother July 26, when he arrived in Afghanistan. He said his brother was joking around and didn't talk about his mission.

"He didn't want us to worry about it," he said.

Patrick Hamburger planned to propose to his girlfriend when he got home, his brother said. The couple has a 2-year-old daughter, and his girlfriend has a 13-year-old that Patrick has helped to raise for the past several years.

## Flooding Evacuation Order For Iowa Town Is Lifted

HAMBURG, Iowa (AP) — Residents of Hamburg who were ordered in June to flee their homes amid Missouri River flooding are now being allowed to return.

KMTV-TV reports local officials have lifted the mandatory evacuation.

The river rose to record levels because the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers increased releases from upstream reservoirs to make room for heavy rains and melting snowpack. The corps has started reducing the releases but the river is expected to remain high into fall.

Terry Cooper and his family spent Friday cleaning up their house.

Cooper says he's glad to be back but he's frustrated that the Federal Emergency Management denied financial help for displaced homeowners. The state is appealing.

Cooper says the government caused the flood, so they should help fix the problems it caused.

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## OBITUARIES

### Leota Hans

WYNOT, Neb. — Leota G. "Sim" Hans, 89, of Wynot, Neb., died Saturday, Aug. 6, 2011, at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, Yankton.

Mass of Christina Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Family (Sacred Heart) Catholic Church, Wynot, with the Rev. Eric Olsen officiating. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Wynot.

Visitation is 6-8 p.m. today (Monday), with a Vigil Service at 7:30 p.m., at the church and will begin one hour prior to services on Tuesday at the church.

Wintz Funeral Home, Hartington, is in charge of arrangements.

### Jean English

Jean M. English, 93, died Saturday, Aug. 6, 2011, at Creighton University Medical Center, Omaha, Neb.

Arrangements are pending under the care of Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton.

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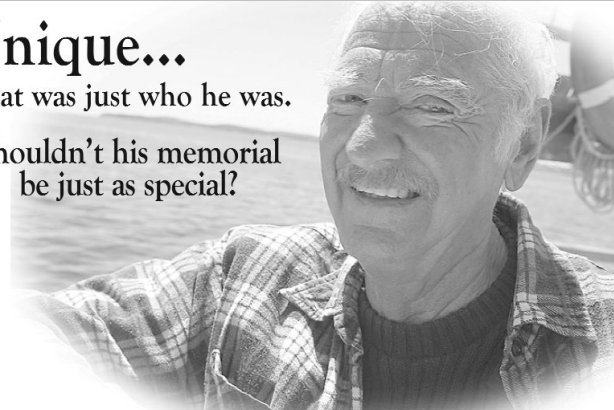
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