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Station Pleads No Contest To Gas Mislabeling

 $\rm HURON\,(AP)$ — A Wolsey travel center has pleaded no contest to selling 85-octane fuel mislabeled with a higher rating in a case spurred by a

Kent Shelton, an attorney representing 281 Travel Center owner Robert McGillvrey, told a judge Wednesday that the company contracted with Rapid City-based M.G. Oil Co. for delivery of 87 octane fuel. Shelton said the company instead sent lower-grade 85 octane fuel that was placed in tanks attached to pumps labeled 87 octane, KOKK radio reported

As a part of the plea agreement, Beadle County prosecutors stipulated that the 85 octane fuel was delivered without McGillvrey's knowledge. The center was fined \$500 and given 15 hours of community service.

In November, M.G. Oil pleaded no contest to selling 85-octane fuel at its five Corner Pantry stations in Huron. The company was fined \$2,500 and given 100 hours of community service.

The charges were the first in South Dakota as the result of a state investigation that found 85-octane gasoline was being sold as 87-octane fuel in

During the investigation earlier this year, the South Dakota Public Safety Department also discovered that state law technically prohibits the sale of 85-octane gasoline. Most car manufacturers recommend that gasoline used in their vehicles have a minimum octane rating of 87

The department, with Gov. Dennis Daugaard's backing, passed an emergency rule making 85-octane gasoline legal anywhere in South Dakota until Oct. 7 to avoid a possible fuel shortage in western South Dakota, where the low-octane fuel meant for higher elevations has been sold for

A new rule allows the sale of 85-octane gasoline only in nine western counties and only until June 30. That means the 2013 South Dakota Legislature must decide whether to permit the sale of the lower octane fuel after

Police: Mother Beat Daughter Over Alcohol

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Police have arrested a Lincoln woman they say beat her 14-year-old daughter after the girl tried to take her mother's

The Lincoln Journal Star reports that the 31-year-old woman faces a child abuse charge.

Police say the girl returned home after school on Monday to find her mother drinking and tried to take the alcohol. Officers say the mother hit her daughter 30 times in the face, neck and chest. Arresting officers say the woman's blood alcohol level was more than three times the legal driv-

The woman's daughter and a 6-year-old child were taken into temporary protective custody.

Court documents say the mother has a history of alcoholism and leaving her children with others and not returning to pick them up.

S.D. Program Aims To Curb Fetal Alcohol Syndrome

Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS — South Dakota's largest medical facility and the Oglala Sioux Tribe have announced a partnership to expand a program aimed at preventing fetal alcohol syndrome and other alcohol-related problems affecting Native American children by intervening before their mothers become

The program is already working with women on the Pine Ridge reservation and in Rapid City, where counselors say it has been successful in decreasing binge drinking and reducing unintended pregnancies by encouraging contraception use.

Some of the women in the program once consumed an entire bottle of hard liquor, the equivalent of about 17 drinks, in one day. Others opted for a 40 oz. malt liquor, the equiva-lent of about five drinks. A few drank while previously pregnant.

"A lot of it when they're young, it's kind of the norm and when they're hanging around with their friends and that's what everybody is doing," said Florence Janis, a counselor in Rapid City with Project CHOICES. "When they get older, the issues that come outwhat we see is underneath is a lot of pain. There's been rape, been beatings, nobody available, abandonment, a lot of grief. And they don't realize when they're drinking what they're doing."

The Oglala Sioux Tribe estimates that one in four children born on its reservation suffers from fetal alcohol syndrome or fetal alcohol spectrum disorder. Children with fetal alcohol syndrome are often hyperactive and have difficulty paying attention. They also can have learning difficulties, abnormal facial features and suffer from a low body weight, among

Project CHOICES has been used among other high-risk populations of women, but the Oglala Sioux Tribe is the first Native American community to take part in the program, said Jessica Hanson, an assistant scientist for the Center for Health Outcomes and Prevention Research at Sanford Research.

Sanford is working with the Pine Ridge Tribal Health Administration and the Rosebud Tribal Health Administration on a study that

they hope will lead to an expansion of the pro gram to other communities with large Native American populations. They have received more than \$800,000 in funding from the National Institutes of Health for the effort.

In Rapid City, Janis works with Native American women from ages 18 to 44 to try to change their risky behaviors through a technique called motivational interviewing. Counselors talk to the women to identify reasons why they might want to change their behavior and allow them to come to decisions to change on their own.

The women also keep journals of their risky drinking behaviors. Looking back over the journals, they can see their at-risk behaviors, and those who aren't ready to stop drinking can get birth control, said Susan Pourier, coordinator for Project CHOICES on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

"It's more feasible to get our women educated on prevention whether than take care of an FAS baby. Education, prevention is the key, Pourier said. Each woman receives a \$25 gift card as an incentive to participate.

Nebraska Forecasting Methods Help Predict Water Shortages

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — New forecasting methods are helping Nebraska officials anticipate when they are at risk of a water shortage in the Republican River basin, a state regulator said Thursday.

The techniques used by the Nebraska Department of Natural Resources have evolved since 2007, when a state law was passed to require closer scrutiny of river flows and water storage in reservoirs. The agency began collecting data to make the forecasts in January

The computer models are crucial to helping Nebraska stay in compliance with the Republican River Compact, a legally binding water-sharing agreement with Colorado and Kansas. Without the model, state regulators were forced to be overly conservative with water usage in years when water was more abundant, said Nebraska Department of Natural Resources deputy director Jim

"It's hard to overstate the impact," Schneider said.

Schneider.

The model relies on river and stream flows and water stored in reservoirs to predict whether the state will face a shortage.

Nebraska officials are preparing for a likely water shortage next year that would require extra conservation along the river, which begins in extreme southwestern Nebraska at the fork of two Colorado rivers. The river cuts through the northwest corner of Kansas, snakes back into Nebraska and flows 200 miles east before dipping back into Kansas.

A preliminary state forecast shows Nebraska's natural resources districts might need to make up 20,000 acre-feet of water next year to comply with the water-sharing agreement, which dates to 1943.

The conditions set the stage for Nebraska to declare 2013 a "compact call" year, which likely means restrictions on surface and groundwater irrigators that will allow more water to flow downstream to Kansas.

OBITUARIES

Karen A. Nelson

Funeral services for Karen Ann Nelson of Scotland will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 15 at the First Presbyterian Church in Scotland with Rev. Mark Werner officiating. Organist is Emily Deutscher. Interment will follow in Ebenezer Cemetery, rural

Scotland. Casketbearers are Andy Berg, Tom Bainbridge, Mark Keeton, John Larson, Scot Larson and Mike Smidt.

Visitation will be held on Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., with family present to greet visitors from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., at the Goglin Funeral Home in Scotland.

Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com. In lieu of flowers, the family has established a memorial in Karen's name to benefit the

Scotland Library. Karen Ann (Mack) Nelson was born on Saturday, October 29, 1947 at Watertown, South Dakota to Ralph T. and Eileen (Alcorn) Mack. She spent her early years in Watertown, attended school in Clark through 2nd grade, Webster through the 10th grade and graduated from Yankton High School in 1965. During high school, she spent her summers at the family cottage at Blue Dog Lake and enjoyed fishing and swimming. As a girl, she enjoyed painting paint-by-number pictures and

was an avid reader. Karen attended Northern State College in Aberdeen and earned her bachelor's degree in elementary education and her master's degree in administration. She attended college during the summer with her mother, who was a teacher. Having grown up with this role model, Karen always wanted to be a teacher as well. She lived in Andover while going to Northern State College and was a certified teacher's aide for first grade in Milbank. Her first teaching job was in Yankton. She lived in Rapid City during the flood. She was later principal at Carthage and taught fifth and sixth grades at Scotland and Lesterville schools. Karen taught school for 29 years in Scotland, retiring in 2008, and enjoyed the time spent with her students over her many years as a teacher, reading specialist

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and administrator. Karen married Rick Pierce in December of 1970 in Huron and they had two children: Jeffrey Lee and Julie Ann. She was united in marriage with David Nelson on August 19, 1977 at Carthage and they had a son, Matthew David.

Karen had a deep love of family, especially children. She loved spending time with family and loved every moment spent with her grandchildren. Karen also loved spending time with her nieces and nephews and their children, who will always remember her as "Gram-Gram." Karen enjoyed reading, spending time with friends, bowling on Thursday evenings and watching movies. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Scotland and also the VFW Post #791 Auxiliary in Yankton.

Especially dear to her were her pets and her horses. She loved raising and watching her horses, going to horse sales and caring for her nets

Left to cherish Karen's memory are her three children: Jeffrey Pierce of Rapid City, Julie Pierce and fiancé Mike Erickson of Brookings and Matthew (Jenny) Nelson of Sioux Falls; six grandchildren: Jacob, Jacie, Justin, Matthew, Meredith and Evelyn (Evy); a sister, Donna (Don) Larson of Milbank; her mother-in-law, Kathleen Nelson of Scotland; a brother-in-law, Jerry (Mary) Nelson of Scotland; three sisters-in-law: Jeanette (John) Lisbeth of Viera, Florida, Marlys (Don) Wasmund of Worthington, Minnesota, and Mary (Rick) Lingberg of Sioux Falls; and numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Karen was preceded in death by her parents, Ralph and Eileen Mack, and her husband, David Nelson in 2003.

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Ann Weber

November 20, 1921-November 3, 2012 Ann Elizabeth (Livingston)

Weber was born November 20, 1921 to Everett Yarrington Livingston and Eda Folds Livingston, in Yankton, SD. She died after a brief illness on November 3, 2012, at St. Cloud Hospital, St. Cloud MN.



Mrs. Weber was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, the Rev. Dr. Robert Livingston and sister-in-law Anale Spiller Livingston; her husband, Kenneth Weber; her son, Kenneth Robert, and daughter, Barbara Jean. Survivors include daughters Joyce Weber, Eda (Brett) Bankie, and Betsy (John) Hoover; five grandchildren: Ámelia (Jarrod) Hoover Green, Heather (William) Taft, Ray Hoover, Jenny Bankie, Donny Hoover; and great-granddaughter, Rachel Taft.

Mrs. Weber grew up in Yankton, SD, and attended college at Iowa State University, where she earned a degree in Institutional Management. After college, she worked as a dietician at Knox College until joining the US Navy (Women's Reserve), also known as Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Services ("WAVES") in July 1944. She served at the Philadelphia Naval Yard.

She met Kenneth Weber, a retired Navy pilot, over the 1946 Christmas holiday; they remained happily married from June 1947 until Mr. Weber's death in 1992. Following their marriage at Christ Episcopal Church, Yankton, SD, the couple moved to Evanston, IL, where they raised five children. Mrs. Weber was known as an exceptionally devoted and loving mother, wife and daughter. She worked full time throughout her adult life and was the Food Service Manager at New Trier West High School for twelve years, beginning there when it opened in 1962. Subsequently she worked at Evanston Township High School.

Mrs. Weber's community work and friendships matched her commitment to family. She especially enjoyed the spiritual community of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church (Evanston, IL), where she attended church every Sunday and participated in many volunteer activities. She loved reading, bridge, and music, particularly piano. Friends

and family members admired her generosity, her consideration for others, her resilience and her grace in meeting life's challenges.

Most recently, Mrs. Weber had moved to St. Benedict's Senior Community in St. Cloud, where she lived for the last two years. Memorial services were held November 5, 2012 at St. Benedict's Senior Community Chapel, St. Cloud, MN. Interment will be in St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Courtyard, Evanston, IL at a later date. Funeral arrangements were made by Benson Funeral Home, St. Cloud, MN.

Memorials are preferred to Christ Episcopal Church of Yank-

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Connor Noteboom

Funeral services for Connor Noteboom, 19, of Pickstown, SD are 10:30 A.M., Monday, December 17, 2012 at the United Methodist

Church in Wagner. Visitation will be at the church on Sunday from 5 to 7 PM, followed by a 7 PM Prayer Service. Crosby-Jaeger Fu-

neral Home in Wagner is in charge of arrangements.

Connor John Noteboom was born on June 23, 1993 in Vermillion, SD and died on December 11, 2012 in Brookings,

Noteboom

Connor lived the first years of his life on the USD campus in Vermillion, then moved to Brookings, SD, where he attended First Lutheran Preschool and Medary Elementary. In second grade, he moved to Wagner, SD. He graduated from Wagner High School in 2011 and was loving his time as a student at SDSU in Brookings.

Connor loved the water, whether it was skim boarding, wake boarding, surfing, or sunset bonfires on the beach with his friends. He also loved snowboarding. Music, playing guitar and performing were his passions. He was rarely seen without his guitar slung over his shoulder. He also loved writing music and being part of Caving Banks.

He was passionate about life and was known for his huge smile.

Connor is survived by his parents, Craig and Jenny Noteboom and sister Chloe, from Pickstown; his adopted brothers, Anthony Anderson and Hawk Zephier; and his

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adopted nephew, Hendrix Zephier; grandparents: Gene and Phyllis Noteboom from Rapid City; Mark and Kathy Hegge and a great grandmother, Terry Hegge, all of Platte, SD. He is also survived by many uncles, aunts, cousins and

In lieu of flowers, donations will be accepted. All proceeds will go towards South Dakota Suicide Pre-

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Darlene Weisser

Funeral services for Darlene Weisser, 78, of Wagner are 1:30 PM, Saturday, December 15, 2012 at St. John Lutheran

Church in Wagner. Burial is in the ZCBJ Cemetery, rural Wagner. Visitation is at

the church on Friday from 4 to 7 p.m., followed by a 7 p.m. Prayer Service.

Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home in Wagner is in charge of arrangements.

Darlene Gladys Weisser was born August 30, 1934 on a farm south of Delmont, SD in Charles Mix County. She was the daughter of Emil and Katharina (Tesky) Permann. She died Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at the Good Samaritan Society in Wagner. Darlene attained the age of 78 years, three months and 12 days.

Darlene attended school through the eighth grade. She was baptized and confirmed at the New Salem Reformed Church in rural Delmont.

Darlene married Harvey

Weisser on November 17, 1957 at the Frieden's Reformed Church in Darlene was a wife, mom and

grandma. She was very good cook and specialized in German foods. Darlene was the "Avon Lady" for 35 years, achieving many awards and President's Club status.

Darlene was a member of St. John Lutheran Church, the Wagner Hospital Auxiliary and American Legion Auxiliary.

Darlene will be remembered for her love of Polka music.

Thankful for having shared her life are her five children: Gail (Alan "Cork") Livingston, Yankton; Brian (Tammy) Wiesser, Wagner; Gregg (Lisa) Weisser, Wagner; Melissa 'Missy" (Shane) Odens, Armour; Shane Wiesser and fiancee' Jeannie Loneman, Mitchell; seven grandchildren: Lindsay (Mark) Murphy, Jessica Livingston, Christopher Weisser, Danielle Weisser, Mason Weisser, Bryce Weisser, Bridget Weisser; one great grandchild, Irelyn Murphy; sister, Velda Peters of Wagner; and many nieces and

Darlene was preceded in death by her husband Harvey, on October 7, 2010; parents; four brothers: Gilbert, Arben, Willard and Harold; two sisters: Lorraine Schwaderer and Alice Stolz.

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Samantha Hammer

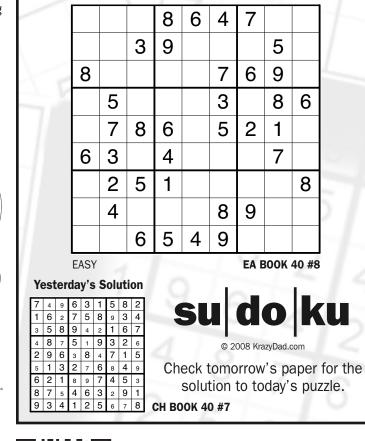
Samantha Ray Hammer, 4 of West Springfield, Pa., died Saturday, Dec 8, 2012, at UP Medical Center. She was the daughter of Jacob and Ashley (Cooper) Hammer, and grandaughter of Joe and Tammy Carda, Tabor.

Services were held Dec. 11 in West Springfield.



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