

Police Suspend Search For Colo. Woman

BELLE FOURCHE (AP) — Authorities in western South Dakota say they have suspended their organized search and rescue efforts for a 24-year-old Colorado woman that was caught in flood waters while driving earlier this month near Highway 85 in northern Butte County.

Man Selling So. Dakota Town Of Swett

RAPID CITY — The owner of a travelling concession business is selling his small South Dakota town. Lance Benson is the sole owner of Swett, an unincorporated hamlet in Bennett County about two hours southeast of Rapid City.

Police: Man Robbed Sioux Falls Casino

SIoux FALLS (AP) — Police are investigating a robbery at a Sioux Falls casino that took place shortly after midnight Sunday morning. KELO-TV reports that a man with a handgun and a blue towel covering his face took money from a clerk at the Crown II Casino just after 12:30 a.m.

Injured Officer Released From Hospital

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — The Omaha police officer who was stabbed by a man at a convenience store last week has been released from the hospital. The Omaha Police Department tells KETV that 51-year-old Sophia Jordan is recovering at home.

Pilger

Recovery May Cost Tens Of Millions

BY GRANT SCHULTE
Associated Press
LINCOLN, Neb. — Nebraska officials are still tallying the cost of the tornadoes that destroyed most of the town of Pilger, but it's expected to climb into the tens of millions.

"We're still in the stage of gathering information," Fawl said. Pilger was hit by one of two twisters, which roared for miles through northeast Nebraska.

other state agencies are still providing assistance to the area. A regional representative from FEMA's Kansas City-based regional office was also in town.

The Nebraska Emergency Management Agency will send teams to the northeast Nebraska town this week to assess damage to roads, bridges and public buildings, such as the school and local fire department.

Between 45 and 50 homes in Pilger were demolished, and roughly a dozen others were damaged beyond repair in Dixon County. The storm severely damaged a local middle school in Pilger, the fire station, grain bins and most of the south end of Main Street.

Stanton County Sheriff Mike Unger said the cleanup effort has moved faster than expected because of volunteers who poured into the area, including some from Iowa.

Teacher Who Dragged Student To Keep Job

NORTH PLATTE, Neb. (AP) — A North Platte physical education teacher who dragged an 8-year-old student by his ankles can keep his job. The North Platte Public Schools Board decided late Friday not to terminate the contract of Mark Woodhead, a longtime teacher and coach at Jefferson Elementary School.

Woodhead's physical education class on Feb. 13. The student left the class and went to an office. Woodhead followed the boy and dragged him back to a timeout room, a distance of about 90 feet.

"There are no winners here," board member Julie Nielsen said after the board announced its decision. North Platte Superintendent Marty Bassett said he was unaware of the incident until April 25.

OBITUARIES

Allen Namminga

Funeral services for Allen Namminga, 66 of Avon will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, June 30, 2014 at the Emmanuel Reformed Church in Springfield, with burial in the church cemetery, rural Springfield.



Namminga

Visitation was Sunday from 4 to 7 at the church, followed by a 7:00 p.m. prayer service. Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Allen Norman Namminga, the third son of Andrew and Hattie (Wieten) Namminga, was born June 27, 1947 at Scotland. He passed away unexpectedly Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at Avera St. Michael's Hospital in Tyndall.

Allen received his elementary education at Rueb Country School and graduated from Avon High School in 1965. He then went to Northwestern College in Orange City, IA and earned a B.S. Degree in Biology and Chemistry in 1969.

Allen married June Bosgraaf on June 28, 1969. They moved to Denver, CO for seven years where Al was a Mine Inspector for the Colorado Bureau of Mines. In 1976, their first child, Dawn was born in Denver and they moved to South Dakota where Allen started farming with his brother Don.

Allen made his confession of faith on June 8, 1964 at the Emmanuel Reformed Church. He was an active member all of his life, serving as deacon, catechism teacher and elder.

Allen also was a member of the Tractor Club, B-Y Water Board, where he served as president, and heavily involved in Gideons. Allen enjoyed gardening, working on Volkswagens and his Model-A truck.

Ann Stevens

Ann Elizabeth Stevens, age 91 of Hartington, Nebraska died on Thursday, June 26, 2014.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Wednesday, July 2, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hartington with the Rev. Jeffery Loseke officiating. Burial will be at St. Michael's Cemetery in Hartington.

Visitation will be on Tuesday from 4:00 p.m. with a vigil service at 7:00 p.m. at the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington. Visitation will continue on Wednesday one hour prior to services at church.

Pallbearers will be Chris Berggren, Savio Camara, Ben Hochstein, Tyler Baker, Nathan Kalin, Mark Shaneyfelt, Michael Shaneyfelt, Edward Stevens, Henry Stevens, and Charles



Stevens

Stevens. Honorary pallbearers will be Ann's grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Ann Elizabeth Stevens was born on October 12, 1922 in Wayne, Nebraska to John Francis and Nelle Augusta (Thorndike) Ahern. She grew up in Wayne, attended Wayne State College, and in 1943 completed her degree at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln.

ways spoke fondly of the Red Cross volunteer work she did in Philly during those years. Ann then returned to Nebraska to become the Director of Cedar County's welfare office in Hartington.

Ann was instrumental in growing the Girl Scout program in Eastern Nebraska. She took an active role with the Hartington Community Foundation, the Library Board, and the Holy Trinity Guild.

reader of Architectural Digest, the New Yorker, and the Wall Street Journal, Ann lived an internationally minded life from Hartington and loved to travel to New York and beyond with her siblings.

Ann is survived by her five children and their spouses, Jane and Steven Shaneyfelt of Bozeman, Montana; Judy and Michael Berggren of Lincoln, NE; Nancy and Michael Hochstein of Hartington, NE; John Stevens of Broomfield, CO; Patrick and Jennifer Stevens of Colorado Springs, CO; 13 grandchildren; four great grandchildren; three

sisters and spouses: Josephine and John Bressler of New York, City, NY; Frances Ahern of New York City, NY; Joan and Clifford Dektar of North Hollywood, CA; sister-in-law Norma Stevens; several nieces and nephews of the Petsche, Stevens, Spratt, and Dektar families.

Ann was preceded in death by her parents and husband Edward S. Stevens on November 24, 1987 at the age of 80 years.

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four grandchildren — they were a special blessing from the LORD.

Thankful for having shared his life are his wife June of Avon; four children: Dawn and husband Barnell Rogers of Beach Park, IL; Drew and wife Tami of Lynden, WA and their three sons: Mason, Kase, Asher; Darin and wife Jaimee of Tempe, AZ and their daughter Sophia; and Dwight of Brookings; two brothers Lambert and wife Mary of Muskegon, MI and Donald and wife Beth of Avon; several nieces and nephews; and many relatives and friends.

Allen was preceded in death by his parents, his parents-in-law Robert and Mildred Bosgraaf, and a niece

Susan Namminga. Memorials will be directed to the Yankton Chapter of the Gideons.

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Gordon Friesen

Funeral services for Gordon D. Friesen, 83, of Forsyth, Missouri, are at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 1, 2014, at the Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church in Forsyth.

Visitation in Missouri is 6-8 p.m. today (Monday) at the Forsyth Wheelchapel Funeral Chapel in Forsyth.

Funeral services will then be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 3, at Christ Lutheran Church in Forsyth, Nebraska, with burial in the

Greenwood Cemetery at Creighton, Nebraska, with Pastor Terry Huber officiating.

Visitation will be one hour prior to services at the Church in Bazile Mills.

Brockhaus Funeral Home of Creighton and Forsyth Wheelchapel of Forsyth, Missouri, are in charge of arrangements.

Gordon died Thursday, June 26, 2014, at the Forsyth Nursing and Rehab in Forsyth.

Robert Pieper

Robert H. Pieper, 88, of Yankton died Friday, June 27, 2014, at the Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton. Funeral services are pend-

ing with the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton.

Cheryl Wamberg

Funeral services for Cheryl Wamberg, 53, of Wausa, Nebraska, are pending at Brockhaus Funeral Home in Wausa.

Cheryl died Friday, June 27, 2014, at St. Elizabeth's

Hospital in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Joe Schaefer

Joe T. Schaefer, 87, of Hartington, Nebraska, died Sunday, June 29, 2014, at the Golden Living Center in Hartington.

Arrangements are pending with the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington.

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