

Saunders Co. Won't Ask Attorney To Take Leave

WAHOO, Neb. (AP) — Saunders County supervisors have rejected a move for the county attorney to take a leave of absence following a state audit that showed he received nearly \$5,000 in improper expense payments.

The *Fremont Tribune* says supervisors on Tuesday rejected a motion requesting that Scott Tingelhoff step aside while he's investigated for 15 alleged accounting violations.

Supervisor James Fauver made the motion, saying Tingelhoff's ability to carry out his duties is "impaired and compromised" until the issues are resolved.

Neb. Lawmakers Advance Abortion Bill

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — A bill that would ban so-called telemedicine abortion procedures in Nebraska has advanced through a legislative vote.

Lawmakers granted the measure second-round approval Wednesday, 36-9. Opponents warned that the bill (LB521) could threaten the future of other forms of telemedicine in Nebraska.

The bill by Lincoln Sen. Tony Fulton would require doctors to administer abortion drugs in person. It's an attempt to block a similar practice under way in Iowa. Planned Parenthood of the Heartland runs remote sites in Iowa designed to serve women in rural areas.

Jury Hears Testimony From Firearms Experts

HURON (AP) — Testimony about firearms testing was presented Wednesday in the murder retrial of Ken Huber, a former Highmore police chief charged in the shooting death of his wife.

KOKK radio reported that a forensic scientist from Texas testified about gunshot residue tests she conducted. Prosecutors also called a firearms expert from the State Crime Lab who testified about tests done in the Huber home and in the lab.

Huber is standing trial a second time on murder and manslaughter charges in the shooting death of Pam Huber in 2007. The state Supreme Court overturned his 2008 murder conviction and ordered a new trial.

Wind Developer Accuses Utility Of Breaking Law

SIoux FALLS (AP) — A South Dakota wind developer says in a complaint filed with state regulators that a utility company is unlawfully refusing to buy power from a wind farm it plans to build in Clark County.

The *Argus Leader* reported Wednesday that the case is only the third such dispute to come before the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

Oak Tree Energy plans to build a 19.5-megawatt wind farm and had applied for a federal interconnection agreement last April with the aim of selling the power to Sioux Falls-based NorthWestern Energy.

Federal law requires regulated utilities to buy power generated by independent operators and pay at minimum the avoided cost, which is the cost it would incur to generate

the power rather than buy it.

Enforcing the law falls to state agencies, but South Dakota does not require its regulated utilities to calculate the avoided cost for interconnection projects above 100 kilowatts, PUC commissioner Chris Nelson told the *Argus Leader*.

Documents filed with the PUC indicate Oak Tree and NorthWestern could not agree on a purchase price for the electricity.

NorthWestern spokesman Tom Glanzer declined to comment on the case.

"We have received the complaint, and we will respond later this week," he told the newspaper.

In a July 2010 letter to Oak Tree's lawyers, NorthWestern said it didn't need additional

generation to help meet the state's nonbinding goal of 10 percent renewable generation by 2015, and that an arrangement to buy Oak Tree power would mean a rate increase for customers.

Oak Tree owner and Clark County farmer Leonard "Bill" Makens said he filed the complaint in hopes of resolving the issue before the end of the year, when a federal grant for renewable energy projects is set to expire.

"We've negotiated in good faith, in our opinion, with the utility company," Makens said. "They just haven't given us a very timely response."

NorthWestern Energy provides electricity and natural gas to 665,000 customers in Montana, South Dakota and Nebraska.

Former S.D. State Senator Finds Buyer For Ranch Land

RAPID CITY (AP) — A former South Dakota state lawmaker and governor candidate who received public scrutiny for back taxes and mortgage debt has found a buyer for his Pennington County ranch.

A single buyer agreed Tuesday to purchase the nearly 2,500 acres near Rapid City owned by Gordon Howie, who served one term in the state Senate and two terms in the state House of Representatives.

Howie plans to use proceeds from the sale to pay his mortgage

debt on the land, \$17,000 in back property taxes, and \$27,000 of current property taxes on other property in the Rapid City area.

"It has always been our intention to pay our debt to the bank on the property," Howie said in a statement. "We are thankful that our sale provided us an opportunity to satisfy that debt."

Howie said earlier that reports made him out to be "some sort of tax-evading derelict" and that he wanted to "paint a different picture." He has cited the poor economy as the reason for

his financial woes.

Auctioneer Murray Wise said the buyer signed a "definitive purchase agreement." The deal came after it was announced that bids from 14 prospective buyers didn't meet a minimum price set by Howie.

"It simply was not an amount of money adequate to satisfy the Howies' goals and objectives," Wise said in a *Rapid City Journal* story published Wednesday.

The buyer asked that his identity and sale price remain confidential. The buyer was not a

member of the Howie family and plans to use the land for agricultural purposes and not commercial or residential development, Wise said.

Howie has worked in the real estate and investment fields and has owned a variety of businesses.

He served two terms in the state House from 2005 to 2008 and the state Senate from 2009 to 2010. He gave up his spot as president of the tea party group when he ran for governor in 2010.

OBITUARIES

John Suing

HARTINGTON, Neb. — John B. Suing, age 80 of Hartington, Nebraska, died on Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at the Park View Haven Nursing Home in Coleridge, Nebraska.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Friday, May 20, 2011 at 10:30 am at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hartington with Rev. Jeffery Loseke officiating. Burial will be in St. Michael's Cemetery in Hartington with military honors provided by the Hartington VFW Post 5283.



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Nebraska Department of Roads for about 20 years. He married Alice Thoene Schaefer on May 13, 1983 at Coleridge. John was a member of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church and the Hartington VFW Post 5283. He loved to read, garden, fish, play cards and spend time with his family and grandkids.

John is survived by his wife, Alice of Hartington; 4 step children that he treated as his own, Gerald and Jim Reeves of Madison, Nebraska; Galen and Lori Schaefer of Bloomfield, Nebraska; Rich and Loyla Schaefer of Norfolk, Nebraska; Renee and Ted Sheil of Lincoln, Nebraska; 13 grandchildren, a great grandson, 2 brothers, Jerome and Viola Suing of Hartington; Daniel and Lena Suing of Hartington; 4 sisters, Lorine Miller of Sioux City, Iowa; Catherine and Lawrel Koch of Des Moines, Iowa; Clare Yeaton of Dover, New Hampshire and Tilla Suing of Hartington.

John was preceded in death by his parents, 1 brother, James Suing, 5 sisters, Helen Suing, Madeline Cisney, Gertrude Laux, Elizabeth Suing and Mary Smith.

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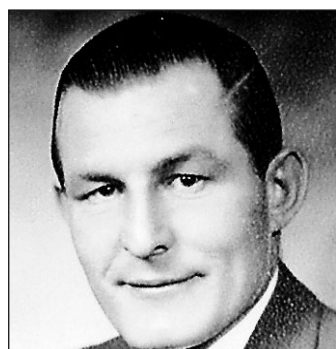


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Leroy Rehurek

A memorial service for Leroy F. Rehurek will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, 2011 at the Goglin Funeral Home in Tyndall.

Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Inurnment will follow in Country Presbyterian Cemetery, rural Tyndall, with military graveside rites by the Tabor American Legion.



Leroy Rehurek

Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

Leroy Frank Rehurek was born on Monday, November 7, 1932 to Joseph R. and Anna (Dvoracek) Rehurek. He graduated from Tyndall High School in 1950. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in January of 1953 and served actively until December of 1956, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. His duties in the Air Force included being an instructor in Basic Electronics and Radar Maintenance courses at Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, Mississippi. After serving four years in the inactive reserve, he obtained his Honorable Discharge in January of 1961.

He began studies at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado in January of 1957 and graduated in June of 1961 with a Bachelor of Science degree, majoring in Business Administration - General Business. During his career, he worked for such companies as Union Bank, Collins Radio Company, and Control Data Corporation. In 1975, he began employment with the City of Los Angeles, California as an accountant and retired in July of 1993 as a Senior Accountant at the age of 60. A notable achievement during his working years was the design, testing and implementation of a new, integrated accounting system (FMS), Financial Management Information System for the City of Los Angeles in 1986.

Leroy never married, but lived a very fulfilling life. He was an avid follower of popular music from the 1950's through the 1990's. He enjoyed the arts and attended many concerts, plays and theatrical performances. He took an active interest in the world around him and had a keen knowledge of current events. He became a resident of California in June of 1961, and enjoyed the wonderful climate and scenic coastline, especially that of Santa Monica, where he lived for many years. Leroy passed away on Wednesday, March 9, 2011 at Cypress Court Assisted Living in Escondido, having attained the age of 78 years, 4 months, 2 days.

He is survived by four sisters: Irene Kreber of Springfield, Marcella Kortan of Tyndall, Ruth Vellek of Tyndall and Dorothy Sattler of

Mitchell; a brother, Lawrence (Joyce) Rehurek of Sparks, Nevada; a sister-in-law, Lorraine Rehurek, of Tyndall; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Anna Rehurek; his sister, Viola Kostlan; three brothers: Alvin Rehurek, Calvin Rehurek and Raymond Rehurek; five brothers-in-law Wallace Kreber, Edward Kostlan, Dorance Kortan, Charles Vellek, and Wesley Sattler; and a sister-in-law Dorothy (Rehurek) Sanders.

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Jason Thompson

AVON — Funeral services for Jason Thompson, 34, of Avon will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 20, 2011 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Avon. Burial is in the Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery, rural Avon.

Visitation will be at the church on Thursday from noon until 7 p.m., with a 7 p.m. Prayer Service.

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

Jason John Thompson was born November 12, 1976 at Yankton, South Dakota, the son of Kenneth and Arlys (Johnson) Thompson. He died unexpectedly

at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton on Monday, May 16, 2011. Jason attained the age of 34 years, six months and four days.

Jason graduated from Avon High School in 1995 and attended the SD School of Mines and Technology. He had worked as a manager at Sam's Club in Rapid City, Idaho Falls, ID and Casper, WY. He worked as an assistant manager at Walmart in Mitchell for the past three years.

Jason will be remembered for his big smile. He enjoyed sports TV, especially baseball, history and keeping up with current events. He loved working with his co-workers.

Thankful for having shared his life are his mother, Arlys Thompson of Avon; siblings: Nanette (Brian) Renstrom, Wyoming, MN; Eric (Dana) Thompson, Brandon; and Gayle (Bryan) Cushenberry,

Missouri City, TX; and his nieces and nephews: Emily, Morgan, Ethan and Brady Thompson; Katie Renstrom; and Carley Cushenberry; and many relatives and friends.

Jason was preceded in death by his father, Kenneth Thompson and grandparents: Albert and Edna Thompson, John Johnson and Anna Johnson Siewert.

Philomena (Philly) Elizabeth Koenig, 90, of Bonesteel died Tuesday, May 17, 2011, at the Burke Hospital, Burke.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Bonesteel. Burial will be in the St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Bonesteel.

To send a message of sympathy, visit www.clausenfuneralhome.com.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Clarice A. Helgerson
10:30 AM, Friday
Vangen Lutheran Church
Mission Hill

John B. Suing
10:30 AM, Friday
Holy Trinity Catholic Church
Hartington



Clarice Helgerson

Clarice A. Helgerson, age 86, of Yankton, South Dakota, died Tuesday, May 17, 2011, at Avera Sister James Care Center in Yankton.

Funeral Services will be 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 20, 2011, at Vangen Lutheran Church in Mission Hill, South Dakota, with Reverend Lance Lindgren officiating. Burial will be in Vangen Lutheran Cemetery in Mission Hill.

Visitation is from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with a prayer service and video tribute at 7:00 p.m. Visitation will resume one hour prior to the funeral on Friday at the church.

Pallbearers are Bryan Rinehart, Scott Rinehart, Dave Rinehart, Frank Zavadil, Justin Lindquist, Ben Lindquist, and Ross Lindquist.

Clarice A. Helgerson was born October 14, 1924, in Bonesteel, South Dakota, to Roy and Bertha (Salmen) Gilbronsen. She grew up on the family farm in rural Bonesteel and attended school in Bonesteel graduating from Bonesteel High School in 1942. She attended Southern State College in Springfield, South Dakota, graduating with a Teacher's Certificate in



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1944. She taught in Hot Springs, South Dakota and Beresford, South Dakota. She married Dale Helgerson on September 9, 1951 in Bonesteel. After their marriage they moved to the family farm in rural Mission Hill, South Dakota where Clarice raised her family. After Dale's death, Clarice moved to Yankton in 1985 where she started providing home health care, which she continued for over 20 years.

Clarice was a member of Vangen Lutheran Church where she was very active teaching Sunday School and Bible School. She was also active in the WELCA and crocheted crosses for Baptismal towels. She was also a member of the Christian Women's Club in Yankton and the Mission Hill Birthday Group which she participated in for 50 years. She loved flowers, gardening, crocheting, crafts, baking, cooking, poetry and entertaining friends and family.

Survivors include her four children: Deb (Dave) Rinehart of Chamberlain, South Dakota; Dawn

(Frank) Zavadil of Yankton; Darla Helgerson of Yankton; and David Helgerson of Mission Hill, South Dakota; five grandchildren: Bryan (Melissa) Rinehart; Scott (Rachel) Rinehart; Justin Lindquist; Ben (Jen) Lindquist; and Ross Lindquist; two great grandchildren: Michaela and Keiner Rinehart; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Dale on December 30, 1981; grandson, Todd Rinehart; two brothers: Lee Gilbronsen and Chester Gilbronsen; and sister, Vivian Green.

The family request memorial be directed to Vangen Lutheran Church.

To post an online sympathy message, please visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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Online condolences at:
www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com

Nebraska Police Arrest Two On Grease Theft

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Lincoln police say they've nabbed a pair of suspected grease thieves, thanks in part to the smell of old french fries.

Christy Harris, of Everton, Mo., and Jesse Moore, of Springfield, Mo., are charged with larceny. They're suspected of siphoning used cooking oil from a bin outside a Lincoln restaurant. Police think

they may be involved in several other grease thefts.

Some business buy used grease for biodiesel fuel.

Harris and Moore were arrested early Wednesday after police stopped a pickup truck hauling a big tank. Officers say the tank smelled like "old, stale French fries."

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