

Candidates' Records Show Law Brushes

SIOUX FALLS (AP) — The brushes with the law that the nine South Dakota candidates vying for a spot in the U.S. Senate have had in the past 25 years range from none to being charged with more than 50 crimes.

The *Argus Leader* reports public records show independent candidate Clayton Walker has been charged with more than 50 crimes, while the records of former Gov. Mike Rounds and former U.S. Sen. Larry Pressler are spotless.

The newspaper reports Walker has pleaded guilty to seven misdemeanors and was found guilty of making threatening or harassing phone calls.

Walker told the newspaper the information on his background check was incorrect. He did not provide information regarding the alleged inaccuracies when given the opportunity.

The other candidates' records show traffic tickets, pet and hunting violations.

Business Savvy A Factor In GOP Race

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Nebraska gubernatorial contender Pete Ricketts campaigned aggressively on his business experience, and the message seems to have resonated with Republican primary voters.

In nearly two dozen Associated Press interviews, GOP voters repeatedly pointed to Ricketts' private-sector background as a deciding factor in their decision last week. Ricketts narrowly defeated Attorney General Jon Bruning and four other contenders in the primary race.

While many Republican voters welcome the idea of a governor with a business background, some political experts caution that overseeing state government differs greatly from running a company.

Ricketts served as a former executive at TD Ameritrade, the company his father founded. He now faces Democrat Chuck Hassebrook, a former University of Nebraska regent who has pitched himself as a champion of rural Nebraska and the middle class.

R.C. Police Arrest Man For Murder

RAPID CITY (AP) — Police say they've arrested a 28-year-old man for allegedly killing another man while they were drinking together at an apartment complex in Rapid City.

Police say the body of 59-year-old Lars Greeley was found in a common area of the complex at 603 Quincy St., shortly after 5 a.m. Friday morning by another resident.

Police spokeswoman Tarah Heupel said Saturday that Greeley and the suspect were drinking with two others Thursday night at the apartment complex when the younger man assaulted Greeley. She said it's unclear what provoked the alleged attack. The suspect also allegedly assaulted a second man when he tried to stop the beating.

Heupel said the man is facing charges of aggravated assault and second degree murder. He will have his initial appearance Monday.

South Dakota

Honey Producers Hopeful

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Associated Press

SIOUX FALLS — South Dakota honey producers are banking on a rebound in production this year after last summer's cool temperatures led to a 9 percent drop of the sweet stuff.

Bees prefer to collect nectar when temperatures range from the 70s to 90s degrees, and won't bring back as much to the hive in cooler weather. But the average high in Sioux Falls last June was 2.2 degrees cooler than normal and July was 1.4 degrees cooler, according to the National Weather Service.

In response, the state slid from second to third in U.S. honey production in 2013 as the crop fell to 14.84 million pounds, the U.S. Department of Agriculture says.

The production slowdown, which resulted in a \$1.4 million loss for South Dakota keepers, comes at a time of continuing bee loss from colony collapse disorder, a phenomenon scientists are still investigating but has caused as many as one-third of the nation's bees to disappear each winter since 2006.

Some early spring rains are encourag-

ing beekeepers, who Sturgis Honey owner John Stolle said tend to be optimistic by nature.

"There are no real guarantees because it might never rain again from here on in," Stolle said. "But we have ground moisture to start with, and that's been a rarity here lately."

Stolle said he's hoping for warmer temperatures this summer, but the spring moisture should help the alfalfa and clover to grow, giving his bees a source for the nectar they bring back to the hives.

"Hopefully if we get a couple of showers through the season, that should sure propel us into a decent season," he said.

Nationwide, honey production in 2013 climbed 5 percent to 149 million pounds, bringing with it record prices of \$2.12 cents per pound — up 6 percent from \$1.99 per pound in 2012.

Though South Dakota suffered, North Dakota remained queen bee in the nation, reporting a 33.12 million pound crop for the second straight year. Conditions in the western and northern parts of the state were prime for honey production, making up for the lack of warmth and

fewer nectar-producing plants in eastern North Dakota.

Montana passed South Dakota for second by nearly doubling its crop from 2012 to 14.95 million pounds.

During a typical summer, bees carry pollen back to their hives until the early part of September, and producers will extract honey from rectangular beehive frames through October. Bees are then shipped to California to pollinate almond crops and to Washington to pollinate apples.

The hives are just returning to South Dakota, state apiarist Bob Reiners said.

"Everybody's pretty excited right now," Reiners said. "Everybody I've talked to their bees look better than they did a year ago at this time."

Stolle said some warm weather in June would be a big help to this year's crop. The weather service shows August 2013 temperatures were normal and September in Sioux Falls was 5.4 degrees higher than normal.

"When you only have about a three-month window for gathering honey and you lose one of those months, that kind of puts a damper on things," Stolle said.

Nebraska Storm Cleanup Continues

BEAVER CROSSING, Neb. (AP) — Residents of the eastern Nebraska towns hit hard by tornadoes on May 11 are still cleaning up debris and beginning to make plans for rebuilding.

The Nebraska Emergency Management Agency said more than 700 volunteers were in Beaver Crossing Saturday to help the town's 400 residents pick up.

Officials encouraged the volunteers to stay home on Sunday because heavy equipment will be used to pick up piles of debris that have been

gathered since the storm, which caused a total of more than \$20 million damage in several eastern Nebraska towns.

But volunteers will be needed again Monday. Army National Guard soldiers from Nebraska's 92nd Troop Command will continue helping clean up the area through Tuesday.

Jackie LaPierre said she's grateful just to have a house after the storms tore up the area around her farm south of Beaver Crossing. The tornado crumpled up her new utility shed and damaged her trees.

"It's no big deal because we still have a house," she said. "I'd be selfish if I didn't realize how lucky we are."

Beaver Crossing sustained some of the worst damage from the tornadoes. Fortunately, no serious injuries were reported in the storms.

NEMA said 227 homes were damaged near Beaver Crossing, including 16 that were destroyed and 22 that sustained major damage. A number of businesses and churches were also damaged.

Beaver Crossing officials plan to hold a town hall meet-

ing on Monday to discuss the damage.

Sutton is another town that sustained heavy damage. Mark Brown said he was amazed by all the volunteer help as he worked to reopen his grocery store and clear debris from his yard.

"We had tree damage down in our yard and there were people cleaning whom I'd never seen before. They weren't even from Sutton; they were from surrounding communities but they came in and helped clean up," said Brown, who reopened his grocery store Saturday.

OBITUARIES

John (Jack) Worden

John (Jack) M. Worden, age 82, of Yankton, SD, and formerly of Gayville, SD, passed away May 15, 2014, while visiting at his daughter's home in Viborg, SD.



Worden

Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 20th, at the Hansen Funeral Home in Irene, SD. Prayer service will follow.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 21st, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Yankton with graveside services at the Meckling Cemetery. Military Honors will be provided by the Gayville American Legion Post No. 0237.

John (Jack) Mathew Worden was born January 26, 1932, to Lloyd and Alice (Mansfield) Worden in Sioux City, Iowa. He attended schools in Sioux City. After serving in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, he returned to Sioux City where he was employed at the Dressed Pork Packing Plant.

He married Rita Wood on April 6, 1963, in South Sioux City, Nebraska. They resided in Sioux City until 1968 when they moved to rural Gayville where he farmed until his death. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Yankton and the Gayville American Legion. Jack believed there was good in everyone and he believed life was good. He enjoyed every second of every day and never worried about what he didn't have or what the next day might bring. He accepted God's plan. He was very athletic and able to do most any sport better than average the first time he tried. During his lifetime, he raced motorcycles and snowmobiles.

Lynn Buechler

Funeral services for Lynn Buechler, 62, of Scotland, South Dakota will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 23 at the United Church of Christ in Scotland with Rev. Ron Shifley officiating. Burial will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery, Scotland.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 22, from 3:00 p.m. until a 7:00 p.m. prayer service all at the church.

Lynn died on Saturday,

He bowled, golfed, fished, boated, and camped. He played football, basketball, baseball, fast-pitch softball, and slow-pitch softball. One thing he didn't do well was hunt — he tried deer hunting once but couldn't pull the trigger. The activity he enjoyed most was babysitting his grandkids when they were, in his words, "little rug rats". When his first grandchild, Jenny Huether, first began to talk, she called him Grandpa Tissy and he forever remained Grandpa Tissy to her and grandkids yet to be born. He loved watching his grandsons play football, basketball, baseball, golf, soccer, participate in track and field, and play in the school orchestra. He also enjoyed watching his granddaughters play volleyball, basketball, softball, baseball, and soccer as well as participate in track and field, ballet and various other forms of dance.

Jack is survived by his wife, Rita; his two daughters and sons-in-law, Robin and Bill Huether, of Viborg and Regan and Matt Luken, of Yankton; his son, Russell of South Sioux City, Nebraska; two grandsons, Jack Huether, and Matt Luken; five granddaughters, Jenny Huether

May 17, 2014 at Scotland, South Dakota.

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



(Mike) Hanson of Meckling, Thea Luken, Brie Luken, Amanda Worden (Cody) Lackore and Katie Worden; three great granddaughters, Madelyn Hansen, Desirae Lackore and Addison Lackore; a great grandson, Jayme Lackore; two sisters, Dorothy Kozlow of Paso Robles, California; and Joann Kinsey of Effingham, Illinois; three brothers, Bob and Dick of Sioux City, Iowa, and Mike of Los Angeles, California and one special sister-in-law, Mary Worden; as well as many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; grandsons, Bryce Huether and Jarrod Worden; three sisters, Betty Winn and Lorraine White of Sioux City, Iowa, and Mary Laski of Torrance, California; and a brother, "Bugsy" Eugene Worden.

The family requests that memorials be directed to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and Sanford Children's Hospital.

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Dale Svatos

Dale Alan Svatos (born Dec. 8, 1949) of Omaha, NE; formerly of Yankton, SD., died May 15, 2014.

Preceded in death by father, Laddie Svatos, and infant nephew, Erik Svatos. Survived by wife, Liz Svatos; son, John Svatos; mother, Marcella Svatos; brother, Gary; sister-in-law, Marlene; brother, Dan Svatos; sister-in-law, Jeanne Svatos; sister, Judy Gallagher; nephews: Scott, Doug, Derek, Ryan, and Jacob; nieces Tina and Megan.

Dale was born and raised in Yankton, SD. He was blessed with long-lasting friendships from Yankton, UNMC co-workers and friends, Clarkson College friends, and wonderful neighbors. Dale was a US Navy Vietnam War Era Veteran and UNMC Maxilla Facial Prosthetist.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, May 21, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church in Omaha, with vigil service at 7:30 p.m. at the church.

Mass of Christian Burial with military honors Thursday, May 22, at 1 p.m. at St. Robert Bellarmine Church. Committal Service is at Friday, 11 a.m., at Resurrection Mausoleum in Omaha.

Memorials to Josie Harper Hospice House, Omaha or American Cancer Society. Arrangements by Heafey-Hoffmann-Dworak-Cutler, Omaha, Neb.

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Marilyn Rhymer

Marilyn M. Rhymer, 79, died May 18, 2014, at Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home in Viborg.

Services are at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at the United Methodist Church in Viborg.

Visitation is Tuesday from 5-8 p.m. with family present from 7-8 p.m. at the church.

Survivors are her children Donnie (Cindy) Schenkel of Canistota and Robin (Steve) Hansen of Centerville and 2 brothers Donald Mark of Centerville and Charles (Martha) Mark of Yankton.

Register online at www.viborgfuneralhome.com/.

Clarice Haar

Clarice Haar, 81, of Freeman died Sunday at the Freeman Hospital.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 21, at the St. Paul Lutheran Church, Freeman.

Further arrangements are pending with the Walter Funeral Home of Freeman.

James Hochstein

James W. Hochstein, 68, of Hartington, Nebraska, died on Saturday, May 17, 2014, in Hartington.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 21, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hartington with the Rev. Jeffery Loseke officiating. Burial will be at St. Michael's Cemetery in Hartington.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Tues-

day at church, with a vigil service at 7 p.m. Visitation will continue on Wednesday one hour prior to services.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington.

Betsy Brunick

Betsy Brunick, 59, of Kansas City, Kansas, formerly of Vermillion, died Friday, May 16, 2014, at her residence.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m. Wednesday May 21, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Vermillion with burial to follow at Bluff View Cemetery in Vermillion.

Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, May 20, at Kober Funeral Home, Vermillion.

Kenneth Lentz

Kenneth Eugene Lentz, 71 of Hartington, Nebraska, died on Saturday, May 17, 2014, at his residence.

His services are pending at the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington.

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