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Suspect Arrested In Shooting Near UNL

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — A shooting near the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's main campus prompted a brief alert to students, but police quickly arrested a suspect

Police say a 26-year-old homeless man shot a relative in the leg outside an apartment that's near UNL's city campus on

Police say the homeless man was arguing over money with his 45-year-old relative before the shooting around 8:30 a.m. University officials sent a campus alert about the shooting after the suspect fled in a white SŪV.

Police arrested the man around 11 a.m. The shooting victim is expected to recover from his in-

Neb. Power Utility To Keep Rates Steady

COLUMBUS, Neb. (AP) — Nebraska's largest public power utility will not raise electricity rates next year.

The Nebraska Public Power District voted Friday to keep

rates steady going into 2014. Earlier this year, the utility had said it would likely need a 3.5 percent rate increase. But cost-cutting measures were able

to reduce that proposed increase to 2 percent. NPPD President and CEO Pat Pope said continued efficiencies and a strong financial summer eliminated the need for a

NPPD helps serve an estimated 600,000 Nebraskans in 86 counties with retail or wholesale electric power.

Scams Related To Blizzard Popping Up

PIERRE (AP) — State Attorney General Marty Jackley says people should remain cautious of scams that seek to exploit victims of the early October blizzard in western South Dakota.

Jackley says his office continues to receive complaints about fraudulent organizations that claim to seek donations to help blizzard victims. He says people should verify the legitimacy of charity organizations, ask specifically how a donation will be used, and beware of operations that use names that sound like those of legitimate organizations.

The attorney general says people should consider giving to charitable organizations that have strong records of providing disaster relief

Jackley encourages people to donate to the Ranchers Relief Fund set up by agricultural groups to help ranchers who lost cattle in the storm. Information on that effort is available online at http://www.ranchersrelief.org/

Police: Man Attacks Relative Who's Gay

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Lincoln police say a 20-year-old man attacked a relative with a crowbar because she's gay, and investigators are treating the attack as a hate crime.

The Lincoln Journal Star reports that police on Friday arrested Ahmed Mohammed Tuma on suspicion of attempted assault, criminal mischief and making terroristic threats.

Police say Tuma and a friend decided to confront the woman about being engaged to another woman. Police say Tuma tried to hit the woman with a crowbar as she got out of

She retreated to the car and locked the door, and police say Tuma smashed her window and windshield, then rammed her car with his pickup.

Police say Tuma indicated that he believes the woman disgraced his family.

Henry Weidenbach

Funeral services for

Henry Weidenbach, 90, of Scotland will be held at

10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, No-

vember 12 at the United

Church of Christ in Scot-

land with Rev. Ron Shifley

officiating. Interment will

Visitation will be held

Henry passed away on

on Monday from 3:00 p.m.

until a 7:00 p.m. prayer

service at the Goglin Fu-

neral Home in Scotland.

follow in Rosehill Ceme-

tery, Scotland.

OBITUARIES

Eileen Skelton, 93, of Avon

died Saturday, Nov. 9, 2013, at

the Good Samaritan Society in

Funeral services are at

10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13,

at the First Baptist Church,

Avon. Burial is in the Trinity

Presbyterian Cemetery, rural

to services at the church.

Crosby-Jaeger Funeral

John T. Malloy, 85, of Elk Point died Saturday, Nov. 9, 2013, at Prairie Estates Care

Funeral arrangements are

pending with Kober Funeral Home, Elk Point.

E. Arthur Blaalid

E. Arthur Blaalid, 80, of

Yankton died Saturday, Nov. 9,

ity Lutheran Church, Yankton,

with the Rev. David Lund offici-

ating. A private family burial

will take place at a later time.

family will be from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home,

and video tribute at 6 p.m.

neralhome.com.

A gathering of friends and

Yankton, with a prayer service

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thy message, visit wintzrayfu-

À memorial service is at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, at Trin-

2013, at Avera Sacred Heart

Hospital, Yankton.

Home, Avon, is in charge of

arrangements.

John Malloy

Center, Elk Point.

Visitation is one hour prior

Eileen Skelton

Nebraska

ACA Signup Has Been Slow

BY MARGERY A. BECK Associated Press

OMAHA. Neb. — Nebraskans have been slow to sign up for health insurance on the new online marketplaces, even as a new report estimates that 239,000 in the state are potential customers and more than half those are eligible for tax credits that would help cover the cost of the insurance.

A report last week by the nonpartisan Kaiser Family Foundation estimates 122,000 Nebraskans are eligible for the tax credits. To receive the subsidies, which vary by income, people must have incomes between 100 and 400 percent of the federal poverty level — or between \$23,550 and \$94,200 annually for a family of four.

Preliminary data indicates about 500 Nebraskans have enrolled, said Roger Furrer, executive director of Community Action of Nebraska, a nonprofit that is helping enroll residents. The data also shows information about signup has been provided to about 4,900 though in-person visits, phone contacts and community events, he said.

"This is not where we expected to be at this point, but the message from Washington has been consistent: Have patience, and give us some time to work the bugs out of the system."

ROGER FURRER

Nebraska is one of 36 states where the federal government is running the online health care exchange. That federal website has faced technical problems since the Oct. 1 rollout. The Kaiser report noted that the actual takeup of credits may vary by state based on how well the exchange is working.

"Sign-up has been slowed by technical issues and system crashes," Furrer acknowledged. "Overall, the difficulties with the website and the storm of 'I told you so' speeches have done more to disincentivize enrollment than any campaign opposed to the ACA could have."

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the bugs out of the system," he said.

The Kaiser Family Foundation report says about 17 million people nationally will be eligible for tax credits to purchase insurance on the exchanges, out of about 29 million who may use the exchanges to purchase a plan. The states with the highest number of eligible residents are California, Texas and Florida.

Furrer noted that Nebraska officials have not opted to seek a federal waiver to implement a low-income health care plan using federal Medicaid expansion dollars. That expansion would cover people with incomes up to 138 percent of poverty who don't qualify for Medi-

Without the expansion, according to another report last month by the foundation, more than 32,500 Nebraska residents are estimated to fall into a health insurance "coverage gap," where incomes are too high to qualify for the current Medicaid program, but too low to receive premium subsidies.

GFP Responds To External Review

BY BOB MERCER

PIERRE — Secretary Jeff Vonk said he met with Gov. Dennis Daugaard to discuss of the outside review of big-

order. Vonk said he didn't discuss the specific responses to the recommendations made in the review but provided a general overview of the approaches

Consultants from the based in Pennsylvania per-

ered their report in person to the Game, Fish and Parks Commission last month.

Vonk told the commissioners Friday that he and his staff "by and large" agree with most of the recommendations. Communications improvement was one focus. Another was establishing a formal management plan for each major species of big game and keeping the

The department's response lists specific projects with set timetables and per-

Vonk told the commissioners that such level of public detail is intended to increase transparency and accountability, so anyone from the governor to citizen can see what's supposed to be done by when He promised he would

keep the commission and the governor "in the loop" as the projects move ahead. Wildlife Division director

Tony Leif said the review was gratifying in its praise for the staff's dedication and effort. He said the department will be better as a result.

'They did say we're on the right path. I think they used the terminology 'the right trajectory'," Leif said.

Communications within departments and with the public must be a challenge throughout state government, commissioner Barry Jensen of

White River said.

"Communications was really gigantic in there," Jensen said about the review. "It's just another way of saying, 'How do we get everybody on the same page or the same line?" That's the key to moving for-

Replied Vonk: "We would agree with you."

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SIOUX FALLS (AP) — Boardings at the Sioux Falls Regional Airport were up 4.6 percent in October from the

same month a year earlier. The Argus Leader reports that 42,202 people flew out of Sioux Falls last month. October is a high-traffic month

with the start of South Dakota's pheasant hunting

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