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High Wind Blamed For Power Outage

From P&D Staff Reports

Strong winds Friday night were blamed for a power outage that impacted more than 3,000 customers in the Yankton area.

According to a press release from East River Electric Power Cooperative, windy conditions blew a tree onto high-voltage power lines just west of Yankton at 10:30 p.m. Friday. More than 1,000 customers in the area were without power for four hours, while another 2,000 consumers lost power for about 15 minutes.

Crews from East River Electric and Bon Homme-Yankton Electric responded to the outage and discovered the downed tree. They were able to repair the damages and restore power by 2:30 a.m. Saturday.

Yankton firefighters were summoned to the scene when sparks lit a brush fire in the vicinity. However, the fire was quickly contained.

Winds also led to a power outage in rural Huron Saturday morning and damaged an East River Electric substation. Less than 300 consumers were without power for about an hour and 45 minutes. Crews repaired the damaged substation Saturday morning and power has been restored.

Vermillion Chamber Suing IT Company

By The Associated Press

VERMILLION — Vermillion's chamber of commerce is suing a Minnesota-based company, saying it breached a contract by not moving into a \$4.2 million technology center that the organization built for the company.

The move was part of a contract that Eagle Creek Software Services Inc. signed with the Vermillion Chamber of Commerce and Development Corporation and the Governor's Office of Economic Development, according to the lawsuit. The chamber is seeking about \$3.1 million in future rent and about \$144,000 in past rent, the Equalizer newspaper reported.

Eagle Creek, a software development company, has been housing its Vermillion operations at the Beacom School of Business at the University of South Dakota and is in the process of moving to another building in Vermillion that once housed Gateway, another software company.

Eagle Creek spokesman Jeff Brusseau said the company has no problems with the technology center built by the chamber, but that it won't move there until the company resolves some "agreement issues." Brusseau didn't elaborate on the issues or specify with whom the company has them. The chamber's complaint also doesn't reveal why Eagle Creek is reluctant to move into the center.

The chamber says it agreed to build a technology center to Eagle Creek's specifications in exchange for the company entering into a long-term agreement to lease and occupy the building. The company agreed to move into the building once it was finished, and the building was "substantially complete" in May 2014, according to the complaint.

The lawsuit also says the chamber and GOED proposed to make "substantial monetary payments" to Eagle Creek if the company expanded its business to Vermillion and provided employment training to the local work force.

Eagle Creek agreed to the conditions on Jan. 13, 2013, and a lease was signed on June 30, 2013, according to the lawsuit.



A Tropical Freeze

Polar Air To Plunge Across US, Thanks To Typhoon

From P&D and AP Reports

If you're a fan of winter, you're probably going to like the next several days — and you can thank a tropical storm for that.

The mild autumn the region has been enjoying the last several weeks is forecast to nosedive today (Monday) as Arctic air is expected to sweep down from Canada and cover a large swath of the United States. According to Accuweather.com, the blast could chill all or parts of 42 states.

Parts of the country could see temperatures between 20 and 40 degrees below average, the National Weather Service said Sunday.

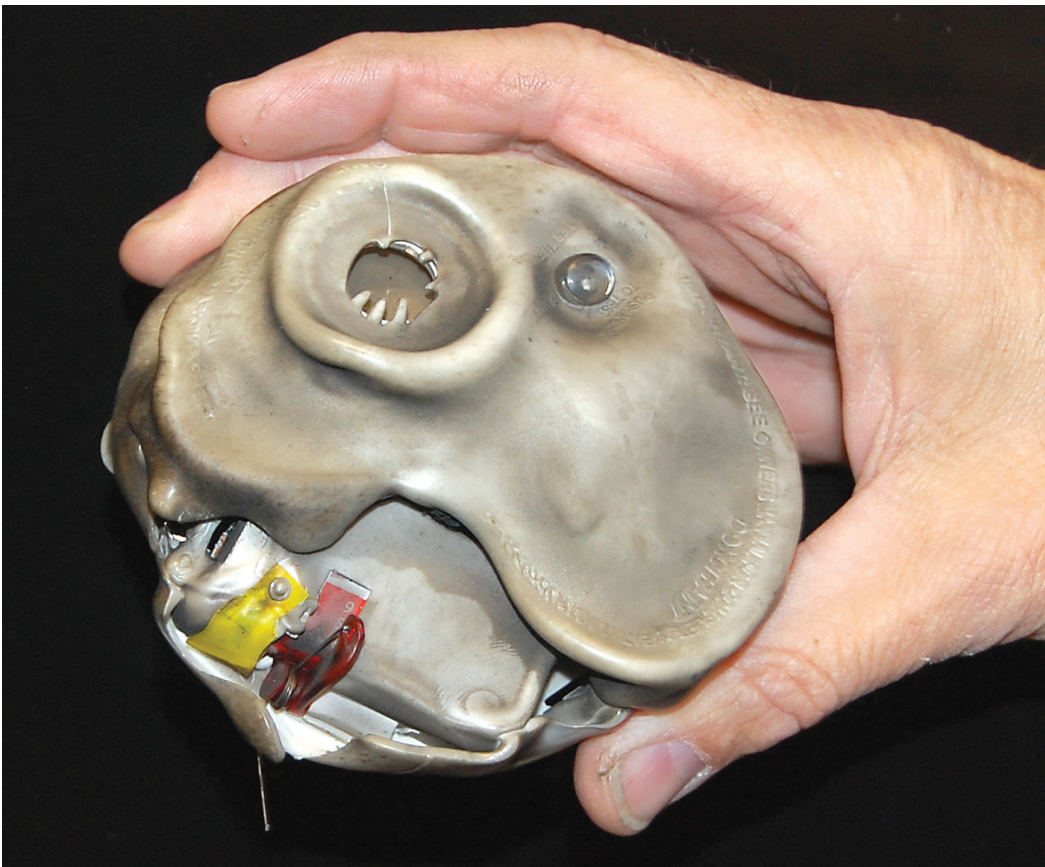
The culprit can be found in the Pacific.

The Arctic air is being pushed down thanks to the effects of Typhoon Nuri. The powerful storm lashed the Aleutian Islands in Alaska, and it helped change the jet stream flow, anchoring a cold pattern that will send a surge of arctic air from the northern high Plains into the central Plains, said Bob Oravec, lead forecaster with the College Park, Maryland, weather service office.

The effects were already arriving late Sunday. A winter storm warning went in effect Sunday night and is expected to last through today (Monday) for north-central and northeast South Dakota and west-central Minnesota. Winds are expected to gust

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Time For A Test



JORDYNNE HART/P&D

Larry Nickles, Yankton deputy fire chief and fire marshal, holds a melted smoke detector from a cooking fire that started at a Yankton apartment last week. The resident in the apartment did not wake up because the alarm did not go off. Nickles believes that the batteries were dead in the alarm. The man had some smoke inhalation and was taken to the hospital, treated and released.

Incident Illustrates Importance Of Checking Smoke Detectors

BY JORDYNNE HART

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On Sunday, Nov. 1, a report was received of smoke filling a Yankton apartment. Local firefighters where on scene in less than three minutes.

"We had to search all the apartments in this fire," said Larry Nickles, Yankton deputy fire chief and fire marshal. "We found the source on the second floor with a man sleeping inside."

The man was awakened by the team. Nickles said that the fire started in the kitchen because of cooking and that the fire was hot enough to melt the ionization detector.

The resident did not awake due to a detector fail-

ure. The man had some smoke inhalation and was taken to the hospital, treated and released.

Nickles said that he believes the batteries in the detector where dead.

"The battery did not test. Had this fire had the fuel to keep burning, I'm pretty sure we would have had a fire fatality," Nickles said. "This fire happened a day after people were suppose to change their batteries. This guy had a close call."

The timing of the incident emphasizes the importance of the "Change Your Clocks — Change Your Batteries" campaign, created by Energizer and the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC). It is a ef-

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YSD

Board To Address Boiler Issue

BY SHAUNA MARLETTE

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The failure of the main boiler at Lincoln Elementary School will be one of the agenda items at the monthly meeting of the Yankton School Board scheduled for today (Monday) at 5:30 p.m. at the district's administration building located on West City Limits Road.

In consent agenda items, it has been reported by Chuck Turner, supervisor of buildings and grounds for the Yankton School District (YSD), that the primary boiler at Lincoln School has failed. In a letter addressed to business manager Jason Bietz, Turner states that the heat exchanger is leaking water from the heating system into the combustion chamber. In researching repair options, it was found that it would be more expensive to repair the boiler than to replace it.

The system functioned properly last winter and was not iden-

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Lincoln School To Celebrate SD's Birthday



JORDYNNE HART/P&D

Three Lincoln Elementary School students hold up their Mount Rushmore projects they made to celebrate South Dakota's 125th birthday. They hope to be future presidents and have their face carved into Mount Rushmore someday. There projects will be on display during a special program being held today (Monday) at the school.

BY JORDYNNE HART

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Students at Yankton's Lincoln Elementary School have been preparing to celebrate South Dakota's 125 years of statehood for months, and today (Monday) is the day students will get to show what they learned.

The school has invited the families of the students, board members, legislators, past teachers and all the community to visit the classrooms to view projects students will be displaying. Cupcakes and apple cider will be served.

Throughout the school

"We wanted the kids to learn more than past years about our state and about our history. We have a lot to be proud of."

PAUL STRUCK

year, Lincoln Elementary has invited many guest speakers to come teach students about the history of South Dakota.

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