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Search Continues For Local Escapee

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Authorities were still searching Monday for a 32-year-old male who escaped from the Yankton County jail the previous night.

Yankton County Sheriff Jim Vlahakis said Kai Conrad Hansen escaped from the car port area of the jail facility at 7:02 p.m. Sunday. He is described as 6 feet tall, 225 pounds with brown hair and blue eyes. He was last seen wearing a Yankton County jail jumpsuit with the word "Trustee" on the back.



PHOTO: YANKTON COUNTY
Kai Conrad Hansen, 32, is being sought by law enforcement after escaping from the Yankton County jail Sunday night. He is described as 6 feet tall, 225 pounds with brown hair and blue eyes.

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Super Storm Bears Down On East Coast

Powerful Storm Hits Shore At New Jersey

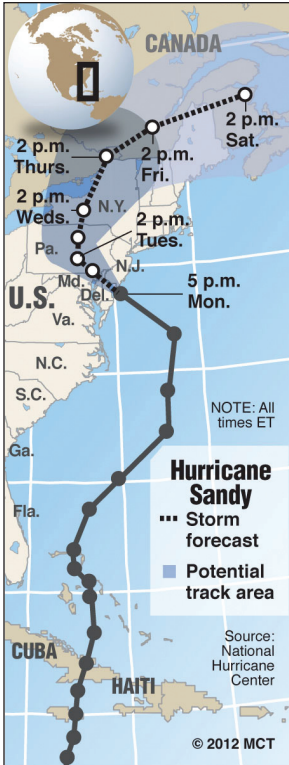
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Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — Superstorm Sandy slammed into the New Jersey coastline with 80 mph winds Monday night and hurled an unprecedented 13-foot surge of seawater at New York City, threatening its subways and the electrical system that powers Wall Street. At least 10 U.S. deaths were blamed on the storm, which brought the presidential campaign to a halt a week before Election Day.

Sandy knocked out power to at least 3.1 million people across the East, and New York City's main utility said large sections of Manhattan were plunged into darkness. Water pressed into the island from three sides.

Just before the storm center reached land, forecasters stripped it of hurricane status, but the distinction was purely technical, based on its shape and internal temperature. It still packed hurricane-force wind, and forecasters were careful to say it remained every bit as dangerous to the 50 million people in its path.

As the storm closed in, it smacked the boarded-up big cities of the Northeast corridor — Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Boston — with stinging rain and gusts of more than 85 mph. It also converged with a cold-weather system that turned it into a superstorm, a monstrous hybrid consisting not only of



Hartington Set For A Double Feature

Both Football Teams Host Nebraska Playoff Games Wednesday

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HARTINGTON, Neb. — While many towns will be watching to see if their teams advance Wednesday during the second round of the Nebraska high school football playoffs, fans in Hartington (Neb.) will be seeing double.

Both the town's teams will host playoff games that day at the field they share, with Hartington Public (9-0) coming off its first state playoff win to take on High Plains Community (8-1) at 3 p.m. in Class D1 action, followed by the Class C2 matchup of Hartington Cedar Catholic (5-4) vs. Ponca (5-4) at 6:30 p.m.

"There's two teams from the same town playing on the same field in the same day," said Blair Kalin, Hartington athletic director and head football coach. "That's pretty unique for our town, and it's a good thing for our town."

Kalin and Hartington Cedar Catholic athletic director and head football coach Chad Cattau both said that while unsure, they believe this to be the first time both teams have hosted a playoff game on the same day.

"The community is pretty excited about it, and all the kids are excited about it," Cattau said. "It's definitely something unique, and hopefully both teams can go out and play well having home-field advantage."

While both schools and the community are excited about the positives of the double-header, the situation requires more planning and work than normal. As they have done before, Kalin and Cattau have teamed up to make sure things run smoothly.

"We work really well together," Cattau said. "We've never had anything come up where we couldn't come to an agreement on something like this. We'll handle it professionally and we understand that it's for the benefit of the kids on all four teams, not just the teams here in town."

He added that despite this likely being the first time the town has hosted a double-

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WATCH THIS KICK!



JAMES D. CIMBUREK/P&D
Yankton's Brady Hale watches as his 51-yard field goal attempt just before half sails through the uprights, giving the Bucks a 17-7 halftime lead against Sioux Falls O'Gorman in their Class 11AA football playoff game Monday night in Sioux Falls. O'Gorman rallied for a 21-17 victory. For more results from Monday's second round of South Dakota playoff action, see page 8.

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County Hopefuls State Their Cases



KELLY HERTZ/P&D
Yankton County Commission candidate Jim Van Osdel, left, answers a question while fellow candidates Mark Johnson and Donna Freng look on during Monday's Interchange, Inc., forum at Minerva's.

D18 Candidates Eye Economy

BY RANDY DOCKENDORF
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How should the state encourage economic development?

District 18 legislative candidates tackled the issue during Monday night's forum at Mount Marty College. The debate included whether the state should set up a Large Project Development Fund that will appear on the ballot as Referred Law 14.

The Senate candidates are Republican incumbent Jean Hunhoff and Democratic challenger Dave Allen. The House candidates are Democrats Bernie Hunhoff — an

incumbent — and Charlie Gross and Republicans Mike Stevens and Dr. Tom Stotz.

At Monday's forum, sponsored by the Yankton media including the Press & Dakotan, the candidates approached — and even defined — economic development in different ways.

In the Senate race, Jean Hunhoff pointed to agriculture as a growth industry that accounts for \$825 million in annual exports out of South Dakota. She noted the role of South Dakota State University in ag research and in partnerships between higher educa-

BY NATHAN JOHNSON
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With just more than a week to go until Election Day, candidates for two Yankton County positions fielded a forum question Monday about what distinguishes them from their opponents.

The inquiry directed toward Yankton County Commission and Yankton County coroner hopefuls came during a forum sponsored by Yankton Interchange and the Yankton Area Chamber of Commerce held at Minervas Grill & Bar.

The three candidates for the two open seats on the commission include Donna Freng, an independent who has served on the commission for six years; Mark Johnson, a Republican who has eight years of experience on the commission; and James Van Osdel, a Republican who is a retired car salesman and journalist.

Freng said she brings a common-sense approach to issues.

"I listen to what everybody has to say. I don't generally make up my mind until I have all the facts," she stated. "But when I make up my mind and feel I'm right, I'm not going to back down."

"I work hard at trying to get those things accomplished in the county that I wanted to have accomplished when I was living out

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Hunhoff: Two-Party System Needed To Cultivate Balance

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is part of our series of profiles on Yankton County candidates in the November election. Today, we present the second of our profiles on the candidates for the District 18 House race.



Hunhoff

NAME: Bernie Hunhoff
FAMILY: My wife, Myrna, and I have two adult children, Chris and Katie, plus a daughter-in-law Betsy and three grandchildren, Laura, Maiya and Steven. My mom, Margaret, is the head of the Hunhoff family, however.

OCCUPATION/EDUCATION: I have been the editor and publisher of *South Dakota Magazine* for the past 27 years. I'm a graduate of Yankton High School and Mount Marty College.

POLITICAL EXPERIENCE: Six years as a state senator (1993-1998) and four years as a state representative (2009-current). Currently the House Minority Leader.

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1. Why do you want to be a state representative?
A strong two-party system will make a better South

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