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electricity, which is enough to supply power to 118,000 customers. The utility currently serves about 350,000 customers in and around Omaha. Lawmakers approved a bill last year that extended new sales-tax exemptions to wind-energy companies, and shelved another bill that would have made it easier for firms to qualify through an existing state program. Hansen said the senators will talk about wind- and solar-energy bills in the Legislature, and how to advance both industries. The conference is expected to draw three gubernatorial candidates: Republican state Sen. Tom Carlson, Democratic state Sen. Annette Dubas and former University of Nebraska regent Chuck Hasselbrook, a Democrat.

It also will include representatives from public power districts, the University of Nebraska, the wind-production industry and rural electric providers.

"You've got the best and the brightest folks together to figure out what's going on, and who's ahead of us," Hansen said. "Whose approaches have worked or not worked? There are some things we've done fairly well, but it's an ongoing learning process."

Website

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Blackburn said she wanted to know much has been spent on the website, how much more it will cost to fix the problems, when everything will be ready and what people should expect to see on the site. Blackburn and Rep. Mike Rogers, R-Mich., raised questions of whether the website could guard the privacy of applicants.

"The way the system is designed it is not secure," said Rogers, who is chairman of the House Intelligence Committee.

The administration sought to reassure applicants about their personal information. HHS' Peters said when consumers fill out their applications, "they can trust that the information they're providing is protected by stringent security standards and that the technology underlying the application process has been tested and is secure."

Study

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found significant minorities of people reporting unwelcome comments at work about their age, being passed over for raises and promotions, and other negative incidents related to being older. But it was far more common to note the positive impact of their age.

Six in 10 said colleagues turned to them for advice more often and more than 4 in 10 said they felt they were receiving more respect at work.

Older workers generally have already climbed the career ladder, increased their salaries and reached positions where they have greater security, so more satisfaction makes sense, says Tom Smith, director of the General Social Survey, one of the most comprehensive polls of American attitudes.

"It increases with age," said Smith, whose biannual survey is conducted by NORC at the University of Chicago. "The older you are, the more of all these job-related benefits you're going to have."

OBITUARIES

Harold Reinschmidt

Harold W. Reinschmidt, age 89, of Yankton, South Dakota died Thursday, October 24, 2013 at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton.

Funeral services are 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 29, 2013 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Yankton with Reverend David Gunderson officiating. Burial will be in the ZCJ Cemetery in Wagner, South Dakota at approximately 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday. Military honors will be provided by the Wagner American Legion Post 11 and VFW Post 7319.

Visitation is one hour prior to the funeral at the church on Tuesday.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Yankton.

Pallbearers are James Eggers, Paul Eggers, David Reinschmidt, Jerome Radack, Charles Zacharias, Dennis Merkwan, Doug Ramsdell and Brett Newman.

Harold W. Reinschmidt (Dutch) was born March 16, 1924, on the farm south of Wagner. He was born to



Reinschmidt

Stock and two sisters, Darlene Newman and Florene Ehrisman.

Dutch attended country school south of Wagner through eighth grade. Due to the Great Depression of the 1930s, H.B. sent Dutch to Oklahoma to live with an uncle and aunt, Edward and Theresa Reinschmidt, of Custer, Oklahoma, to enable him to attend high school. He attended Custer High School through the eleventh grade, and then moved to Enid, Oklahoma, for his senior year to live with his aunt, Lydia. He graduated from Enid High School in 1942.

He briefly attended college at Phillips University in Enid until H.B. asked Dutch to return to the farm. Dutch therefore returned to Wagner and farmed until he enlisted

in the United States Army in March 1944 to fight in WWII. Subsequently, the Army sent him to the European Theater, and he saw action in France, Belgium, and Germany, earning him several commendations, including the Bronze Service Star for action in northern France and the World War II Victory Medal.

He was honorably discharged from the United States Army in April 1946. Instead of returning to the United States, he accepted a position as a civilian working for the American Occupation force in Germany. Amongst other events during this time, he participated in the Berlin Airlift of 1948. He lived throughout Germany from 1946 through 1953, living in Esslingen, Frankfurt, Mannheim and Feudenheim. He met and married Else Foght, a native Dane also working for the American Occupation force in Germany.

Dutch and Else were married on July 16, 1948 in Frankfurt, Germany, by the German mayor of Frankfurt. Dutch and Else were then married in Struer, Denmark, in a religious ceremony a few

days later. Ultimately, they decided to return to the United States to farm, arriving in Wagner, South Dakota in 1953. They farmed on the river bottom south of Wagner from 1953 until 1991. Dutch and Else worked extremely hard on the farm and ranch. Starting with land they purchased while still in Germany, they built a farm and ranch in southern Charles Mix County. In 1991, they retired and moved to Yankton.

During their many years as farmers and ranchers, Dutch was active in the community, and received conservation awards for his work on the farm/ranch.

Dutch had few hobbies, as his great passion was farming and ranching. While he was a modest person, he and Else built a farm and ranch of which they both were very proud. Their cow/calf operation was something he enjoyed in addition to farming. He always owned and loved horses, including Sox, which was his last horse. Given his desire for a better education, he and Else were fervent propo-

nents of college for their children.

Survivors include two children: Barbara (Dr. Charles) Yelverton of Vermillion, SD and David Reinschmidt of Burbank, SD; one granddaughter, Nikita Reinschmidt of Burbank, SD; brother, Doyle (Norma) Reinschmidt and sister, Florene (Jim) Ehrisman, both of Wagner; sisters-in-law, Colleen Wiechmann of Wagner and Yvonne Stock of Omaha. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Else; brothers, Curly and Junior; and sister, Darlene.

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LeRoy Styles

LeRoy James Styles, age 69, of Yankton, South Dakota, formerly of Vermillion, South Dakota, died Thursday, October 24, 2013, at Prairie Homes Assisted Living in Yankton.

Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29, 2013 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with Reverend David Wildermuth officiating.

Visitation will be from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday at the funeral home.

LeRoy James Styles was born into a large family on June 18, 1944, in Draper, South Dakota, to Harold and Mary (Robertson) Styles. His



Styles

family moved to Meckling, South Dakota when he was 16. He married Nancy Gray in July of 1963 in Yankton. They moved to California for a few years where LeRoy worked as a mechanic until moving to the Vermillion area. He started working for the Ford Dealership in Vermillion as a mechanic which he continued for over 20 years.

LeRoy enjoyed fishing and music. He was a self-taught guitar, harmonica, and piano player and loved playing with

his brothers on the week-ends. He was a man of few words but his family always knew how he felt about them. He was a very supportive father and loved his children, always making sure they had what they needed even if he had to sacrifice things for himself.

Survivors include his three children: Kim Turner of Vermillion, South Dakota; David (Lisa) Styles of Vermillion, and Jeff (Dawn) Styles of Yankton; six grandchildren; two great grandchildren; sister, Rosemary Orr of Yankton; three brothers: Eddie (Mary) Styles; Richard (Mary) Styles, and Danny (Pam) Styles, all of Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Dorothy Snow; and six brothers: Lester, Donald, Carl, Paul, Orville, and Gene Styles.

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Dorothy Gunderson

Dorothy L. Gunderson, age 88, of Mission Hill, SD passed away early Friday morning, October 25, 2013 at the Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton, SD.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, October 28, 2013 at Vangen Lutheran Church, Mission Hill, SD with Rev. Lance Lindgren officiating. Burial will be in the Vangen Lutheran Cemetery, Mission Hill, SD.

Visitations will begin at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, October 27, 2013 at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a Scripture service at 7:00 p.m. Visita-



Gunderson

tions will resume one hour prior to the service at the church. Dorothy was born April 28th, 1925 in Marion, SD to David and Betty (Schrottroff) Pankratz. She attended Marion elementary and graduated from Marion High School in 1943. She attended Sacred Heart School of Nursing and graduated in 1946.

On April 2nd, 1948 she married Donald J. Gunderson at Vangen Lutheran Church. They farmed in the Mission Hill area until 1957 after

which they moved to Sioux Falls, SD. Dorothy worked as nurse at the Veterans Hospital. In 1961, she accompanied the Augustana College choir on their European tour as the choir nurse. In 1963 they moved back to Mission Hill and she worked at SD Human Services center as a psychiatric nurse until her retirement. In retirement she enjoyed many church activities such as singing in the choir, ladies aid, church quilters and attending Bible study. She also enjoyed her flower gardening and neighborhood socializing. She will be remembered for her smile. She is survived by her son, Jim (Patty) Gunderson of

Mission Hill, SD; grandchildren, Matt (Mitch) Gunderson of Gretna, NE, and Jennifer (Tyler) Everson of Willmar, MN; her great-granddaughter, Maryn Gunderson of Gretna, NE; and numerous nephews and nieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Donald in 1981 and brother, Harold Pankratz in 1978.

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Allan Bjordal

Allan Bjordal was born December 19, 1923 on a farm in Turner County, South Dakota near Centerville, South Dakota to Hans and Elvira (Bervin) Bjordal. He died October 24, 2013 at Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home in Viborg, SD at the age of 89 years, 10 months and five days.

Allan was raised on the family farm south of Centerville and graduated from Centerville High School. He married Lorraine Hall on April 13, 1952. The couple lived in Yankton, Sioux Falls, Centerville and Viborg. Allan worked as a farmer and for various companies in the surrounding area. When he wasn't working, Allan enjoyed reading literature and poetry. He will be remembered as having a great sense of humor, listening to polka music and eagerly helping family with many projects. The couple moved to the Pioneer

Villa apartments in Viborg in 2007.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lorraine, in April of 2009, his parents and one granddaughter, Chelsey Bryant.

He is survived by his son, Dr. Gary Bjordal and wife Marilyn of Sioux Falls; daughter, Linda Attebury and husband Lee of Centerville; nine grandchildren: Nikolai Bjordal, Ilsa Bjordal and her fiancé, Tylor Harr, D.J. (April) Bryant, Derek (Gwen) Bryant, Darren (Staci) Bryant, Kyle Bryant, Sarah Bryant, Samantha Bryant, and Lee Bryant; eight great-grandchildren, Demetri, Cadence, Olivia, William, Logan, Pnina, Damnein and Lillianna; two brothers, Jon (Diane) Bjordal of Centerville and Ben Bjordal of Beresford; three sisters, Dorritt (Warren) Reeves of Brookings, SD, Helen (Vernon) Miller of Birmingham, AL and Marge (Leonard) Lind-

sey of Adel, GA; and many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Funeral services for Allan will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, October 30, 2013 at the United Church of Christ in Centerville with burial at Riverview Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday at Wass Funeral Home in Centerville with the family present from 6-8 p.m.

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Doris Peterson

Doris Mae Peterson, 89, of Yankton died Saturday, Oct. 26, 2013, at the Avera Yankton Care Center, Yankton.

Her obituary and services will be announced at a later date.

Doris is survived by her daughters, Pamela Lofton and Peggy Ellingson.

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How does one begin to express heartfelt gratitude? Is it as simple as saying "Thank You"? For me I feel it should be so much more. I cannot find the words that are eloquent enough to explain, but from our first meeting I felt truly blessed to have been in the caring hands of the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home. Throughout the process, your non-imposing way of handling difficult decisions with grace and understanding gave us all great comfort and we witnessed an unwavering respect given to our father. In fact, a cherished memory was Paul standing tall and dignified at the grave site holding only a single umbrella (in unbearable conditions) after the service, as we drove away he never wavered. A truly amazing, majestic and beautiful moment, one I will never forget.

My mom's brother from South Carolina served in the Air Force for over 30 years and he was admirably impressed, as was the rest of the family during what seemed like an outpouring of accolades given for the professionalism displayed by the Wintz family throughout the entire day.

Penny Fasbender
Daughter of DuWayne and Kay

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