#### **Company: No Basis For Detox Center Claims**

SIOUX FALLS (AP) - Former and current staffers who complained to a newspaper of sub-standard patient care and hygiene at a detoxification center in South Dakota never mentioned their concerns to administrators, according to the company that operates

The Argus Leader reported Sunday that nurses and technicians said the Minnehaha County Detoxification Center does not maintain proper medical records, and is unclean and short-staffed. Correct Care Solutions told the newspaper the claims have no basis.

"We are working closely with the county to ensure services are meeting the county's expectations. Unfortunately, we cannot comment on current or past personnel issues but regret individuals would choose this avenue to make unsubstantiated claims," said in a statement to the newspaper.

"CCS takes all patient care issues seriously and works to investigate any allegations of inappropriate behavior," the Nashvillebased company said.

County commissioners were investigating the allegations. "I think the first thing we need to do is contact the company and

contact the Department of Social Services to do an inspection that's neutral," Commissioner Gerald Beninga said. Correct Care Solutions said the detox center has never failed an

inspection. Amy Iversen-Pollreisz, deputy secretary of social services, said the facility is subject to regular, scheduled site reviews and that the department has not been asked to make any additional inspections. Commission Chairman Dick Kelly said Correct Care Solutions

has a three-quarter-of-a-million-dollar contract to run the facility for Minnehaha County this year, and that he wants to meet with company officials.

"I think we have a right to talk with some people," Kelly said.

# U.S. Attorneys, Tribal Officials Talk Public Safety

**Associated Press** 

BISMARCK, N.D. — Criminal prosecutions have soared on American Indian reservations in the Dakotas in the past year, though tribal officials told federal prosecutors Thursday that more needs to be done to quell crime.

Fifteen U.S. attorneys from Alaska to New York, who make up the Department of Justice's Native American Issues Subcommittee, met in Bismarck to discuss public safety issues with tribal leaders. U.S. attorney Brendan Johnson of South Dakota is chairman of the group; Timothy Purdon of North Dakota is vice-chairman.

Tribal officials from the Dakotas told the federal prosecutors that law enforcement funding and resources continue to lack in Indian Country.

Robert Shepherd, chairman of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate tribe in northeastern South Dakota and southeastern North Dakota, said funding for public safety is an obligation the federal government has to the tribes.

We can't do anything until money is available," Shepherd said.

The top federal prosecutors in the Dakotas said they have made crime in Indian Country a priority among issues.

Johnson said criminal prosecutions have increased 20 percent in the past year in Indian Coun-

BY JIM SUHR

**Associated Press** 

ST. LOUIS — Hurricane Isaac's

remnants dumped heavy rain on

some key Midwest farming states,

drought there while corn-produc-

moisture and saw their conditions

drought report released Thursday.

The U.S. Drought Monitor's

that the worst drought in decades

could persist for months in a large

swath of the central and southern

"Most of these areas are mov-

ing toward a climatologically drier

time of year, and there is no com-

tially above-normal precipitation

tional Weather Service's Seasonal

That would be bad news for

pelling indication that substan-

will fall during the next three

months," according to the Na-

Nebraska, which paid an espe-

moved northward through the

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ending Tuesday, the latest

points, to 62 percent.

Isaac's rainfall as the storm

cially high price for losing out on

central U.S. The area of that state

drought — the highest classifica-

percent, in the seven-day period

Drought Monitor update showed.

In Iowa, the nation's biggest

deemed to be in exceptional or ex-

treme drought rose 4 percentage

When it comes to states get-

ting moisture during this worst

drought in two generations, "it's

there are the haves and the have-

nots," said Brian Fuchs, a National

Drought Mitigation Center clima-

tologist who authored Thursday's

Even in states that got rain

just like it's been all summer —

corn producer, the area of land

tion — ballooned 47 percent, to 71

Drought Outlook.

ing heavyweights Iowa and Ne-

worsen badly, according to a

weekly report came as federal

forecasters separately warned

Plains, portions of the Rockies

and much of California.

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Isaac's Remnants Relieves

Some Drought States

try in South Dakota, while Purdon said the increase in prosecutions in North Dakota is up about

They said the numbers do not necessarily reflect a jump in crime, but an increase in cases

taken up by federal prosecutors.
"We're spending more time in Indian Country than we ever have and we're spending more time with tribal leaders," Johnson told The Associated Press. "When you do that, you usually get results."

Purdon said he has assigned assistant U.S. attorneys to each of North Dakota's reservations and will have them visit their assigned reservations monthly to work with tribal prosecutors.

Charles Murphy, Standing Rock tribal chairman, said the reservation's police force is shortstaffed and sometimes only one officer is on duty to patrol the 2.3 million-acre reservation that straddles North Dakota and South Dakota.

"The reason why is funding," Murphy said. "We do not have enough men out there.

Murphy told the AP that a more than \$5 million jail facility for juvenile offenders has been completed for about a year but has not yet opened because of red tape. He said officers often have to transport juvenile offenders to other jails in the Dakotas, taking time away from patrols.

Darren Cruzan, director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs' Office of Justice Services, said the lockup would be open by year's end.

Standing Rock council member Sharon Two

Bears said tribes have to compete for public safety funding and the application process is confusing. Housing often isn't available on the reservations

for police officers. Merle St. Clair, chairman of North Dakota's Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, said the tribal court system on the reservation is in "chaos" and

backlogged with cases. Unlike some tribal courts, the judicial system on the Turtle Mountain reservation is run by its

own members. "I want the Justice Department to take over the court," St. Clair said. "You cannot have a tribal

judge hearing her own son's case.' Three Affiliated Tribes Chairman Tex Hall said crime has increased with an exploding population on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, located within western North Dakota's booming oil patch.

Hall estimated that about 10,000 people are working in the region, which has brought both prosperity and problems to the reservation. "Our restaurants are full, our hotels are full and

our jail is full," Hall said. "There is a downside to

Hall said the tribe lacks jurisdiction to prosecute non-Indians on the reservation, and that's

widely known and must change.

Non-tribal members are welcome on the reservation, he said. "But if you break a tribal law, or if you break a federal law, you will be arrested."

#### **Deer Disease Fueled By Drought In Neb. Cattle**

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — State agriculture officials say a disease fueled by the Midwest drought that's often fatal to deer is showing

State Veterinarian Dr. Dennis Hughes has confirmed nine cases. The disease, Epizootic Hemorrhagic Disease, or EHD, is spread by biting gnats and leads to internal bleeding. More than 700 deer are known to have been killed so far this summer in Illinois.

Hughes says EHD is transmitted from deer to cattle by the biting gnats. Symptoms in cattle include fever, swollen eyes, ulcers on the mouth, lameness and labored breathing.

Hughes says the cases aren't confined to a particular area. Producers are urged to contact their veterinarian if the suspect the

EHD outbreaks typically end with the first frost that's cold enough to kill insects.

#### **Hundreds Rally For Land Considered Sacred**

RAPID CITY (AP) — Hundreds of people rallied in support of an effort to buy land in the Black Hills that several Native American

Tribes of the Great Sioux Nation consider the nearly 2,000 acres of privately owned land key to their creation story, and members fear new owners would develop the land they call Pe' Sla (pay shlaw). The tribes have been raising money to try to buy the land.

The Rapid City Journal reports that nearly 250 people showed up at a rally on Wednesday in Rapid City to show support for the

Chase Iron Eyes has been leading an online campaign to raise money. He says people from as far away as Russia, France and Egypt have contributed money, mostly in \$5, \$10 or \$20 donations.

#### **OBITUARIES**

### **Glen Olson**

Glen Lewis Olson, age 85, of Yankton, South Dakota and formerly of Gayville, South Dakota, died Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at Avera Sister James Care Center in Yankton.

Funeral services are 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 8, 2012, at Gayville Lutheran Church in Gayville, South Dakota with Reverend Ralph Egbert officiating. Burial will be in the Yankton City Cemetery.

Visitation is from 5:00 to 8:00p.m. on Friday, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton, South Dakota with a prayer service, video tribute and time of sharing at 7:00 p.m. Visitation will resume one hour prior to the fu-

neral at the church. Pallbearers are his grandchildren: Ashli Maddox, Josh Olson, Jessica Olson, Brandon Olson, Adam Maddox, Kyle Olson and

Nathan Olson. Glen was born June 11, 1927, in Walshtown Township, South Dakota to Albin and Louise (Holtz) Olson. He attended West Prairie Country School in the Marindahl area and later, the family moved to Gayville where Glen attended school. He was a talented baseball pitcher who was feared for his fastball and strikeouts, receiving the nickname "Dead Eye". He played on the Gayville Junior Legion team that won a berth to the state tournament in 1944. Glen started his semi-pro career playing for the Sioux Falls Canaries, Bloomfield, NE, the Yankton Terrys, Kearney, NE, Watertown Elks and finally the Davenport Tigers in Iowa which was the Detroit Tigers minor league team. On March 15, 1954. Glen married Margaret Smit in Chamberlain, South Dakota.



years before moving to Gayville. Glen continued playing baseball for the Gayville town team until 1959. He spent 30 years working for Barnes and Hay Feed Company,

in the Marindahl

area for four

retiring in 1989. In 1994, he and Margaret moved to Yankton. Glen enjoyed hunting and fishing in his younger years and also enjoyed playing cards at the Senior Center. He loved the family dinners, playing and teasing his grandchildren and watching them in their activities.

Glen is survived by his wife of 58 years, Margaret Olson of Yankton; three sons: Roger (Lila) Olson of Volin, SD, Craig Olson of Brookings, SD and Doug (Vickie) Olson of Watertown, SD; one daughter, Linda (Kip) Maddox of Yankton; seven grandchildren; sister, Juanita Carlson of Yankton; and a sister-in-law, Janice Olson of Olathe, KS.

Glen was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers: Verlin, Lesley and Howard Olson; and a sister, Ione Ponxs.

To send an online sympathy message or view his video tribute, please visit wintzrayfuneral-

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Online condolences at: www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com

#### **Helen Benson**

After their marriage, they farmed

VIBORG — Helen Benson, 85, died September 3, 2012 at Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home in Viborg.

Services will be held on Friday at 10:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church in Viborg.

Visitation is Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. with family present from 6 to 8 pm at the Viborg Funeral Home.

Survivors are 3 children: Jerry (Geri) Benson of Lennox, Larry (Paula) Benson of Yankton and Ann Morck of Viborg; and a sister Donna Beeninga of Sioux Falls.

came far too late in the growing season to offer much help to withered corn crops, which already are being harvested. But there was reason to cheer, as other crops such as soybeans still are maturing. Southeast of St. Louis near

from Isaac — in some cases as

much as 10 inches — the relief

Coulterville, Ill., Dean Campbell concedes "Isaac blessed us with some water," by some accounts several inches. But that won't save his 900-acre corn crop bound for being a bust. With about 40 percent of his harvest done, Campbell says he's averaging a "very, very poor" 14 bushels per acre — a snippet of the 130 bushels he's normally get.

"We're not anticipating a bumper crop by any means," said Campbell, 60, who was more optimistic about his still-maturing 1,100 acres of soybeans, which can still make use of the rain. He won't know what that outcome will be until reaping that crop several weeks from now.

'We have potential in the bean field," he said. "We won't have a record crop, but we'll have a reasonable crop. That's the typical response from anyone in the Mid-

Missouri, which in some places got as much as 6 inches of rainfall from Isaac, saw the area of land in exceptional drought plummet from 35 percent last week, to just 3 percent of the state. The area in extreme or exceptional drought plunged a whopping 66 percentage points, to 32 percent of the

In neighboring Illinois, the extent of the two worst classifications of drought spiraled from roughly 70 percent to about 7 percent, with Isaac's rainfall erasing the exceptional drought that had gripped nearly 8 percent of the state. None of Indiana is now in exceptional or extreme drought, when 39 percent of the state was deemed as such the week before.

## S.D. Court Upholds Dismissal Of School Abuse Lawsuit

BY CHET BROKAW **Associated Press** 

PIERRE — The South Dakota Supreme Court ruled Thursday that nearly 20 former students who allege they were sexually abused decades ago at an American Indian boarding school cannot continue their lawsuits against the Catholic

school. In two rulings, the high court upheld a trial judge's decision to dismiss the lawsuits against the diocese and several groups that ran St. Paul's School in Marty at the

Diocese of Sioux Falls and the reli-

gious organizations that ran the

time of the alleged abuse more than 35 years ago. The Supreme Court said the students waited too long to sue Blue Cloud Abbey of northeastern South Dakota, Pennsylvania-based Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, and the

Oblate Sisters of the Blessed Sacra-

ment of Marty, which operated the school and provided priests, nuns and others to work there. The justices also said the students cannot sue the diocese because it did not operate or control the school and it was not acting as custodians of the school's stu-

Lawyers for the students and some of the religious organizations did not immediately return phone calls seeking comment Thursday.

Louise Behrendt, a lawyer for Blue Cloud Abbey, said Thuesday that the abbey is offering spiritual help to former students of the school.

"The monks at Blue Cloud Abbey are truly sorry if anyone was harmed and would like to reach out pastorally to anyone who claims to have been harmed at Marty,' Behrendt said.

The legal fight started in 2003, when former students at St. Paul's School and another Indian boarding school in South Dakota filed a federal lawsuit seeking \$25 billion in damages from the federal government for the alleged mental, physical and sexual abuse of students at the schools.

After the federal lawsuit was dismissed, the former students filed lawsuits in state court alleging that the religious organizations that ran the schools failed to protect students and were negligent in hiring, retaining and supervising staff.

St. Paul's School was founded in 1922 by religious organizations, but ownership and control were transferred to the Yankton Sioux Tribe in At issue in the case was a state

law that requires a lawsuit seeking damages for childhood sexual abuse to be filed within three years of the alleged abuse or within three years of the time the victim discovered or should have discovered that an injury was caused by the abuse. The students argued that they should get an extended time to file their lawsuits because they did not discover until much later that their injuries were caused by the alleged abuse.

However, the Supreme Court said the law giving extra time to file such lawsuits only applies in lawsuits against those who engaged in intentional conduct or actually committed the abuse. The former students' lawsuits do not claim any intentional conduct by the religious organizations that ran the school, and there is no evidence that the organizations engaged in criminal conduct, the justices said.

Another law gives victims of childhood sexual abuse until they turn 19 to file such lawsuits, but none of the lawsuits was filed in state court until 2004, long after the youngest former student turned 19 in 1981, Justice Steven Zinter wrote for the court.

"Therefore, none of the students commenced his or cause of action until more than twenty years after the time for filing suit had expired," Zinter wrote.

#### Thank You....

to family and friends for the cards, gifts and best wishes that I received for my 80th birthday. Please know how much I appreciate your love and friendship.

- Luther Nielson

update.

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Weidner-Jordan said.

The celebration also included the dedication of a light sculpture in memory of Karen Shindler, the late wife of Dr. Scott Shindler. She passed away in December 2010 from cancer.

The multi-colored sculpture created by Matthew Placzek hangs in the entryway of the Medical Plaza. His work can also be seen in Omaha at the CenturyLink Center, the Joslyn Art Museum and the Henry Doorly Zoo, among other

"When I began to think about a way to honor my mom, I could almost hear her telling me to do this project," said Ryan Shindler, the son of Scott and Karen. He joined the ceremony via an Internet video link from Arizona State University, where he is studying architecture.

"My father's involvement with the Lewis and Clark Specialty Hospital has been an inspiration to

me, as well," Ryan continued. "The goal of the campus here at Lewis and Clark is to provide patients a welcoming, healing environment.'

Ryan also described his mother as a welcoming, as well as caring, individual.

"In essence, this light sculpture truly captures who my mom was," he said. "She loved fashion and design. She broke the mold and made everyone around her feel special and cared for."

The sculpture was paid for by money donated to the Shindler family after Karen's death, the partners at the Specialty Hospital and the hospital itself, Dr. Shindler said. He also has two other children, Brianna and Jason.

Dr. Shindler became emotional while reading a plaque that will be displayed in his wife's honor.

"I will just say one final thing in tribute to my lovely wife as she shines down on us today," Dr. Shindler added. "I will tell you this building serves the medical community of Yankton, and I hope everyone has an opportunity to walk through this building if they need health care. My vision was, as people come into this magnificent

office building for care, that they will know that this shining light (sculpture) will give them inspiration and help them get through their medical illness. I think that is a great tribute to (Karen) and to our family."

You can follow Nathan Johnson on Twitter at twitter.com/AnInland-Voyage

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