

Rollover Crash Kills Teen, Hurts 2 Others

GRAND ISLAND, Neb. (AP) — Authorities are investigating a rollover crash that killed a 15-year-old Grand Island teen and injured two others.

KOLN reports the one-vehicle crash happened in a rural area near Grand Island shortly before 11 p.m. Saturday.

The Hall County Sheriff's Department says two of the three boys in the car were thrown out when it rolled onto its roof.

Nicholas J Galvan of Grand Island was killed in the crash.

The other two people in the car were taken to a Grand Island hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

2 Arrested After Gunshots Go Off In Bar

BOX ELDER (AP) — Police in the Black Hills town of Box Elder say they arrested two bikers from Texas after gun shots went off in a bar.

No injuries were reported.

KELO television reports that police were called to the Belle Starr Gentlemen's Club at about 3 a.m. Saturday on a report of unwanted subjects who were possibly armed. Three responding officers took cover after hearing gunshots coming from the west side of the building.

Officers arrested two men, ages 25 and 34, from Texas. Both told police they were attending the Bandidos National Run in Rapid City and were members of a support club. The men were booked in the Pennington County Jail.

SF Police Investigating Casino Robbery

SIoux FALLS (AP) — Police in Sioux Falls are investigating an armed robbery at a casino.

Officers responded to the Easy Dough Casino on West 12th Street just before 10 a.m. Sunday on a report that a man entered the business displaying a handgun and demanded money from an employee.

The suspect left the business with an undisclosed amount of cash and ran off in an unknown direction. There were no shots fired or injuries.

The incident remains under investigation.

Motorcyclist Fatally Injured In Omaha

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Police say a 40-year-old man has died at a hospital after a motorcycle crash in southwest Omaha.

The accident was reported around 11 p.m. Sunday. Police say the speeding motorcycle crashed after it went out of control while approaching the intersection of South 156th and Valley streets.

Police say the motorcyclist died shortly after arriving at Creighton University Medical Center. He was identified as Adam Walker, of Omaha.

Flintstones Park To Get New Owners

CUSTER (AP) — A "Flintstones"-themed park in South Dakota is closing after the Labor Day weekend and being taken over by a new owner who will have to negotiate for the rights to keep using characters and scenes from the classic animated series.

Owner Joe Speckels said the Flintstones Bedrock City Theme Park and Camping Resort, which his family members helped build almost 50 years ago, was sold for \$1.5 million to hotel operator Custer Hospitality. The company will take over the 62-acre theme park, drive-in and campground from Speckels on Sept. 15.

"It's really been great. I've enjoyed it, but I'm tired," Speckels, 74, told KOTA-TV. "I'd like to get some rest."

The theme park in Custer was built by several men including Speckels' father, Eddie Speckels, and uncle, Woody Speckels.

Steve Olson, director of operations for Custer Hospitality, told the *Rapid City Journal* that the site will continue to be used as a campground. "And it's our intention to contact Warner Bros. to see if (the theme park) is something we can do," he said.

While the future of South Dakota's Flintstones theme park remains unclear, Joe Speckels said he's glad it will remain locally owned.

South Dakota | Gay Marriage

Couples Marry At Mt. Rushmore

By The Associated Press

MOUNT RUSHMORE NATIONAL MEMORIAL — Eight gay couples exchanged and renewed vows during a group wedding at Mount Rushmore National Memorial.

The celebration of this summer's U.S. Supreme Court ruling legalizing gay marriage took place Sunday in the amphitheater overlooked by the presidential mountain carving.

Nancy Rosenbrahn, who coordinated the event, renewed vows with her wife, Jennie. The couple had married in Minnesota in April 2014 because same-sex marriage was not legal in South Dakota. She said she's happy to finally exchange vows in her home state.

"It's almost impossible to put into

words," Nancy Rosenbrahn told the *Rapid City Journal*. "We did it in South Dakota. This means everything."

South Dakota's same-sex marriage ban was ruled unconstitutional in January, and a U.S. Supreme Court ruling legalized gay marriage in all 50 states this summer.

Kevin and Gary Oleson, who enjoy taking care of their garden at home and eventually want to purchase a motor home to travel the county with their dog, wore matching Hawaiian shirts as they exchanged vows for a second time. The two men, born and raised in the Black Hills, got married in Rapid City on July 9 but said Mount Rushmore was the perfect setting for another ceremony.

"What a place to do it," Gary Oleson

told the *Rapid City Journal*. "We're so thankful."

Tammy Gilbertson, of Keystone, came to support friends who were getting married. Gilbertson and her wife, Cine Hunsaker, got married on July 8. She said same-sex couples still suffer from discrimination despite the ruling, although there has been progress.

Annie Loyd, who officiated Sunday's marriage celebration, told KEVN television that it was an honor to be able to present the couples to the community. "You know, some of these folks have waited literally decades."

A wedding reception held the Adoba Hotel in downtown Rapid City also served as a fundraiser for the Black Hills Center for Equality.

Nebraska

Relatives Honor Sacrifice Of WWII Soldier

By The Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — Relatives of a Nebraska National Guardsman who died during World War II gathered in Lincoln to share memories and honor his service and sacrifice.

Staff Sgt. Floyd Whittaker died on July 15, 1944, during the battle for St. Lo in northern France, the *Lincoln Journal Star* reported. He was born in 1919, and grew up on a family farm in Wymore with his older sister and two other siblings.

Sunday's gathering at the historic Ferguson House in Lincoln was organized by Nebraska's chapter of the Honor and Remember Society, which recognizes soldiers who died in the service of their country.

Going through her brother's past during the 30-minute ceremony was emotional for his older sister, Mabel Stansbury. The 98-year-old Stansbury never forgot the experience of losing him during the war.

"It was really a blow to our family, as it was to so many others," Stansbury said.

Her sentiment was echoed by John Adams, a volunteer with the Honor and Remember Society. He said events like the one for Whittaker are important, because so many families across the nation can share similar stories.

"That's a lot of young men," Adams said. "That's a lot of sacrifice. That's a lot of pain."

Stansbury's daughter, Judy Haney, said the ceremony brought about 60 members of the family together. Together, they were able to go through a chest in which Stansbury had kept letters and other keepsakes from Whittaker. The items helped shape a connection with the young sergeant, Haney said.

"It made it more personal for all of us to see his handwriting and the kinds of things he kept," she said.

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