

## MIDWEST DIGEST

### 14 Arrested In Kearney Drug Busts

KEARNEY, Neb. (AP) — Authorities have arrested 14 people accused of dealing drugs in Buffalo County.

The suspects, ranging in age from 18 to 48, were arrested Friday on various charges of possessing and distributing drugs. Arrest warrants were issued for six others.

Kearney Police Chief Dan Lynch says the arrests aren't related. The suspects were being held in the county jail until court appearances on Monday. Court documents detailing the cases have been sealed.

### Candidates In S.D. Gov. Race To Be In Forum

SIoux FALLS (AP) — Gubernatorial candidates will take part in a forum this week focused on agriculture and energy issues in South Dakota.

The question-and-answer forum sponsored by the South Dakota Corn Growers Association and the American Coalition for Ethanol is scheduled for 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Holiday Inn in downtown Sioux Falls.

So far, five candidates have agreed to participate: Republicans Dennis Daugaard, Dave Knudson, Ken Knappe and Scott Munsterman, and Democrat Scott Heidepriem.

Gov. Mike Rounds cannot seek re-election because of term limits.

### Neb. Astronaut To Launch Into Space Monday

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Nebraska astronaut Clayton Anderson is set to launch into space on Monday aboard the shuttle Discovery.

The Ashland native is among seven NASA astronauts scheduled to lift off at 5:21 a.m. CDT from the Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

NASA says the 13-day mission will carry logistics modules filled with science racks to the International Space Station in what will be one of NASA's last shuttle missions. The 51-year-old Anderson is scheduled for three space walks.

Anderson has made several flights into space and, in 2007, spent five months aboard the space station.

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# Conflict Between Two Nebraska Abortion Bills?

BY NATE JENKINS  
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LINCOLN, Neb. — Abortion-rights advocates see hypocrisy where foes see a fair and logical distinction between two landmark bills likely to get final approval in the Nebraska Legislature within the next two weeks.

One measure would require women seeking abortions to first be screened to determine whether they're at risk of having mental or physical problems after the procedure. The other would ban abortions at 20 weeks and not allow mental health problems to be used as a reason to have an abortion after that time.

If passed, Nebraska would be the first state to have either law. "Their whole sell (on the first bill) is women needing to be more aware of the mental impacts of having an abortion," said Sen. Amanda McGill of Lincoln, one of just a handful of abortion-rights supporters in the 49-member Legislature. "Then, under the other bill, a woman's mental health, even if she's suicidal, doesn't matter."

The compatibility of the two measures hasn't been explored much during formal debate on the bills because, with over-

whelming support, backers haven't been forced to engage in such talk.

But when asked about it, those senators said they don't see a conflict.

Sen. Cap Dierks' bill "puts the necessary emphasis on mental health of the patient during the pregnancy," said Speaker of the Legislature Mike Flood of Norfolk, who introduced the fetal-pain measure. "My bill sets standards at 20 weeks to protect an innocent, unborn child. They're so different in scope, I don't think you can draw a connection between the two of them."

Flood's legislation would overhaul the legal underpinnings of abortion restrictions by asserting that fetuses feel pain at 20 weeks of pregnancy. The current criteria for restricting abortions is viability of the fetus, which is determined on a case-by-case basis, but generally considered to be around 22 or 24 weeks.

Exceptions to the ban after 20 weeks would be allowed only if women were near death or at risk of irreversible physical harm.

A national abortion-rights group closely watching the two bills and is considered a likely participant in legal action should they pass says the lack of a mental-health exception in Flood's bill is a major reason

why it is legally vulnerable.

"The court has been clear you have to have an exception for mental health," said Nancy Northup, president of the Center for Reproductive Rights. "This bill treats mental health as if it's not a health issue."

She said differences in how mental health is regarded in the legislation creates a clear conflict, and that the intent of each is really to limit access to abortions.

Julie Schmit-Albin of Nebraska Right to Life said there is court precedent that suggests exceptions for mental health aren't required and argued such exceptions are based on a false premise: "Here, kill your child and that will make all your problems go away."

Flood relies heavily on the argument that women can be treated for mental health problems, so once an unborn child reaches 20 weeks and can experience pain, the state has a greater interest in protecting the unborn.

He said that prevents any inconsistencies with Dierks' bill. "You're weighing the unborn life differently at 20 weeks and beyond because... the child can feel pain after 20 weeks," he said.

Northup, with the Center for reproductive rights, said "science is indeterminate" about whether fetuses feel pain at that point.

## 'Tea' Towels Go To Space

BY DIRK LAMMERS  
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TEA — Oversized moist towels that have been helping overseas soldiers freshen up in battlefields devoid of showers are about to embark on a more celestial mission.

A shipment of specially compressed and dehydrated Klenz towels is scheduled to hitch a ride aboard Space Shuttle Discovery on Monday for use by U.S. astronauts aboard the International Space Station.

NASA found the South Dakota company while searching the Internet for U.S. hygiene towels similar to what the Russians were sending up to their cosmonauts, said Jessica Fichuk, a NASA project manager.

Astronauts can rip open the foil packages, pour four ounces of water onto the 2-foot-by-3-foot cloths and be ready to clean up within seconds.

"Just like when you are camping, these are what you use when you don't have access to a shower," Fichuk said.

The idea for the "Klenz XXL Shower in a Towel" came to Hartford, S.D.-native Troy Edberg in 1993 while he was a U.S. Marine on patrol in Somalia, where soldiers were struggling to find any available baby wipes to keep clean.

"We'd be out for 10 days without a shower," Edberg said. "We'd have like a wet wipe or something, a little one."

Edberg figured it'd make more sense to have one big towel instead of having to burn through 80 smaller ones, but he didn't pursue the idea until 2004 when he pitched it to Vince McCormick, owner of the Hartford health and fitness center where he worked out.

## OBITUARIES

### Colt Lee Schramm

Colt Lee Schramm of Yankton, South Dakota, was born March 28, 2010, and went to be with the Lord on Thursday, April 1, 2010.

A private family mass will be held under the direction of the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home and Cremation Service.

Survivors include his parents, Chad and Jenifer Schramm of Yankton; maternal grandparents, Larry and Norma Reining of Tabor, South Dakota; paternal grandparents, Terry and Joanne

Schramm of Yankton; great grandmother, Mabel Reining of Sioux Falls; two uncles, Tim (Shawna Hatch) Caba of Yankton and Jeremy (Amy) Schramm of Mission Hill; three aunts, Lisa (Randy) Weier of Tyndall, South Dakota, Kristi (Dave) Saxlund of Sioux Falls, and Lynn (Mike) Bowers of Renner, South Dakota; and many numerous cousins.

He was preceded in death by his great grandparents, Edward and Frances Schramm, Gerald and Ann Keeley, John and Violet Machacek, George Reining, and Emil and Clara Caba; one uncle,

Scott VanWinkle; and Eugene Caba

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[www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com)

### Clara Sedlacek

TYNDALL — Mass of Christian Burial for Clara Sedlacek of Tyndall will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 6 at St. Leo Catholic Church in Tyndall with Fr. Gerald Thury as Celebrant. Interment will follow in Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Cemetery, rural Vodnany.

Honorary casketbearers will be the staff of the Good Samaritan Society of Tyndall, and active casketbearers will be James Sedlacek, Joe Sedlacek, Jr., Jesse Binder, Rod McGill, Russell Reiner, Ryan Reiner, Jon Pietz and David Pietz.

Visitation will be held on Monday from 3:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. at the Goglin Funeral Home in Tyndall. There will be a Scriptural wake service Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the church. Online condolences may be sent at [www.goglinfh.com](http://www.goglinfh.com).

Clara (Sykora) Sedlacek was born on Thursday, July 24, 1913 at Tyndall, South Dakota. She was one of ten children born to Joseph and Mary (Piba) Sykora. She attended Tyndall High School. Following high school, she worked in Yankton as a housekeeper for several families.

Clara was united in marriage to Louis Sedlacek on June 26, 1934 at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church in Tabor. They farmed just west of Sts. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church at Vodnany. Clara always had a large garden, raised chickens, ducks and geese, and milked cows by hand. Clara enjoyed crocheting, and she will be remembered for her homemade kolaches. She loved to play cards, especially "Swick" and poker, and also bingo. Louis and Clara retired and moved into Tyndall in 1977, and Clara got her first driver's license shortly after moving to town. She was a member of the Vodnany Altar Society, Catholic Workmen, and the VFW Auxiliary. Clara lived in the Lidi Apartments for a short time, then became a resident of the Good Samaritan Society of Tyndall on October 31 of 2003. It is there that Clara passed away on Friday, April 2, 2010 at the age of 96 years, 8 months and 8 days.

Clara is survived by seven children and their families; son Robert (Arlene) Sedlacek of Tyndall and grandchildren Nancy Brewer, Gary Sedlacek, Shelley Humpal, Jim Sedlacek and Julie Machese, son Louis (Joan) Sedlacek, Jr. of Tripp and grandchildren Karen Bittner, Therese Binder, Barbara Bohaboj and Craig Sedlacek, daughter Emily (Donald) Mudloff of Tabor and grandchildren Sharon Myers,



Clara Sedlacek

Vicki McGill, Don Mudloff, Linda Schwab, Jackie Wyatt and Sandy Mudloff, son Richard (Karen) Sedlacek of Hermosa and grandchildren Dan Sedlacek, Kim Jones, Christy Stumpf and Cindy Cable, son Joseph (Jane) Sedlacek of Scotland and grandchildren Joni Weber, Joe Sedlacek, Jr., Jason Sedlacek and Jeni Richmond, daughter Irene (Dennis) Reiner of Sioux Falls and grandchildren Sherry Bartels, Ryan Reiner, Lisa McCuen and Russell Reiner, and daughter Charlene (Ken) Pietz of Mitchell and grandchildren Stephanie Weber, Jon Pietz and David Pietz; 64 great-grandchildren and 11 great-great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Luverne Sykora of Tyndall, and many nieces and nephews.

Clara was preceded in death by her husband, Louis Sedlacek, Sr.; five brothers: Frank, George, Joseph, Jim, and Tom; four sisters: Mamie, Albina, Hattie and Helen; and three great-grandchildren: Haley Geisinger, Isaak Sedlacek and Jordan Sedlacek.

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## SDSU To Host Jazz Competition

BROOKINGS (AP) — Jazz bands from South Dakota, Minnesota, Nebraska and Iowa will be competing in Brookings this week.

The fifth annual South Dakota State University-Brookings Optimist Jazz Festival is planned for 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Performing Arts Center.

Two bands selected from the

competition will perform with SDSU Jazz Ensemble I, trumpeter Bobby Shew and woodwind player Gary Foster.

Foster has played on more than 200 motion picture soundtracks, and his work can be heard on TV in episodes of "Family Guy" and "The Simpsons."

## Gay Marriage Supporters Call For Action In Nebraska

OMAHA (AP) — Supporters of gay marriage have called for Nebraska to join the few states that have legalized the unions.

A rally was held Saturday at the midpoint of a pedestrian bridge over the Missouri River linking Iowa and Nebraska. Participants celebrated last April's Iowa Supreme Court decision that legalized same-sex mar-

riage in that state and called for Nebraska to follow suit.

Susie Brenner and Linda Beckstead of Omaha were among 101 gay couples married in Iowa last year. Brenner says it's time for Nebraska to recognize their marriage and give them the same benefits of other married couples.

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*who passed away on*  
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*who passed away on*  
**April 10, 2009**

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*who passed away on*  
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### Rose Moskowitz

VERMILLION — Rose Althea Moskowitz, 90, of Vermillion, formerly of Pittsburgh, died Friday (April 2, 2010) at Sanford Vermillion Care Center.

Upon Rose and her family wishes, there will be no service being planned.

Iverson-Siecke-Kober Funeral Home, Vermillion, is in charge of arrangements.

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