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can use when advertising whatever they're doing for the 150th," said committee member Pam Meylor.

Johnson was more than qualified for the job, Meylor said. He has earned numerous awards for his work, including two Grammy Awards, a Grammy, the Canadian Country Music Award, a National Addy, nine Diamond Addy's and the Music Row Industry Summit Award.

Johnson also worked on the recent redesign of the trophy distributed by the Academy of Country Music.

In connection with the Yankton project, Johnson came up with 54 potential designs.

"Anybody that had any idea for me, I would try it. And it took that many for me to be comfortable in sending them to the committee," he said.

The committee then narrowed these down to six or seven designs for further development.

"One of the things that I personally feel makes great art is collaboration, rather than isolation," Johnson said. "I know Shane Miner, and I'm familiar with that graphic design program that they've got up there at Mount Marty, so I pitched the idea to Pam to get these students involved in this."

Miner, an assistant professor of graphic design and media arts at Mount Marty, then worked with a group of students to digitize these designs and "alter them in different ways to give them variations on a theme," he said.

These designs were eventually whittled down to three, which residents will have a chance to vote on from April 12-23.

"I think it's really important for the community to get involved and select it and have it be something that they want to represent the area," Meylor said.

Residents will be able to vote for one of three logos at www.yanktonareaarts.org, or by visiting the Yankton Area Arts building at 508 Douglas Ave.

Miner said his students have never worked on a project of this scale before.

"They've done a number of small projects," he said.

"They've worked with the nursing department to develop some posters for them, and they've done some smaller things like that, but this will be our first larger, community-oriented project, which is kind of exciting."

"They're doing a great job, too," Johnson said.

"They've really gone to a lot of effort and worked to meet the deadlines," Meylor added.

"They've been very gracious about reworking them. They've been very terrific to work with." This kind of experience is "absolutely invaluable" for the students, Miner said.

"This is kind of the best experience they can get while they're in college, particularly to work with someone as well-respected and with such a prolific career as Bill," he said. "It's just totally wonderful for them to have that hands-on experience, to have someone else really looking and talking about their work, and then hopefully to see their work around the community over the next year. It's just a great way to finish off a project."

Meylor thanked Johnson for his involvement.

"Bill is donating all of his time and effort for this, and that was an amazing gift for him to give to the community," she said.

Johnson said he's happy to do it.

"I love Yankton. I have a lot of family still in Yankton, and so it was really a great thing for me to have the feeling that I could give something back to Yankton," he said.

The project has brought him full circle in that there is a connection to Yankton designer Clayton Christopherson, who encouraged Johnson when he was a teenager.

"Fifty years ago, when Yankton was celebrating their 100th anniversary, Clayton Christopherson designed the graphics. Fifty years later, I got to work on it," Johnson said. "I feel like I'm following in his footsteps once again. Something just puffs me up and makes me glad I'm from Yankton and glad I'm able to work on this project. It means everything to me."

STEVENS

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Democrats control 59 seats, would follow the same pattern as last year, when Sotomayor was confirmed as the 111th justice in early August. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, appealed for civility. "I hope that senators on both sides of the aisle will make this process a thoughtful and civil discourse," he said.

Looking toward those hearings, Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky said, "Americans can expect Senate Republicans to make a sustained and vigorous case for judicial restraint and the fundamental importance of an evenhanded reading of the law."

Republicans have not ruled out efforts to delay confirmation, and GOP Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah said Obama would face a "whale of a fight" if he nominated an activist judge.

At the very least, the high court nomination could rev up both Democratic and Republican fundraising machines for the November election, even though Stevens' replacement by a liberal-leaning justice would not alter the court's ideological balance. Ideologies of both sides were ready for a conflict.

Jay Sekulow, chief counsel at the conservative American Center for Law and Justice, said, "President Obama is likely to name a nominee who will embrace an extremely liberal judicial philosophy."

Michael Keegan, president of the liberal People for the American Way said, "In recent years, the court has given extraordinary preference to powerful interests at the expense of ordinary Americans. Justice Stevens was a bulwark against that trend. Our country's next Justice must

play a similar role."

How much of a fight Republicans put up probably will turn on whom Obama chooses.

"If it's Diane Wood, I think you'll see a very strong pitched battle," said Michael Carvin, a partner with the Jones Day law firm who served in the Reagan administration Justice Department and is active in Republican politics.

Beyond the political back-and-forth, a new justice is unlikely to exert the same influence for which Stevens has been known over the past 15 years. He has repeatedly demonstrated an ability to attract the support of the court's swing votes, now-retired Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and Justice Anthony Kennedy, to preserve abortion rights, to limit application of the death penalty and to restrain Bush administration policies on the detention of suspected terrorists following the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

However, after the arrival of Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Samuel Alito, President George W. Bush's appointees, Stevens more often was among the four liberal justices in dissent. He was on the losing end of a major case involving campaign finance laws in January.

That dissent showed both the eloquence of Stevens' writing and, in his stumbling reading of his opinion in the courtroom, signs that his age might at long last be affecting him, though he remains an active tennis player and swimmer.

Roberts said in a written statement Friday that Stevens "has enriched the lives of everyone at the court through his intellect, independence, and warm grace."

After Justice Stephen Breyer joined the court in 1994, 11 years passed without a change in membership until O'Connor announced her retirement and Chief Justice William Rehnquist died in 2005. By October, assuming Obama's nominee is confirmed, there will have been four new justices in five years.

Potential Obama Nominees

By The Associated Press

MERRICK B. GARLAND

Garland was born in Chicago in 1952. Then-President Bill Clinton nominated him in 1997 to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. A Harvard law graduate, Garland clerked for Supreme Court Justice William Brennan in 1978-79 before entering government service as a special assistant U.S. attorney general. Garland left the Justice Department in 1981 and worked in private practice in Washington until 1993. He took a three-year break during that time to work as an assistant U.S. attorney for the District of Columbia.

JENNIFER GRANHOLM

Granholm was born in 1959 in Vancouver, British Columbia. She earned her law degree from Harvard University in 1987 and broke into the political world as a full-time aide for the Michigan campaign of Democratic presidential candidate Michael Dukakis in 1988. She entered the legal world in 1988 through her job as an executive assistant for criminal justice issues in the Wayne County executive office. Granholm started work as a prosecutor in the U.S. attorney's office in Detroit in 1990, where she stayed until her appointment as Wayne County, Mich., corporation counsel in 1995. She became Michigan's attorney general in 1999 and governor in January 2003.

ELENA KAGAN

Kagan was born in 1960 in New York City. She received a law degree from Harvard Law School in 1986, then worked as a law clerk to Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall. Kagan went into private practice in Washington from 1989 until 1991, when she became a professor at the University of Chicago law school. She became associate counsel to Clinton in 1995 and climbed the ladder to deputy assistant to Clinton for domestic policy and deputy director of the Domestic Policy Council in 1997. Clinton nominated her to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit in 1999, but she never received a confirmation hearing from the Senate Judiciary Committee. She became a professor at Harvard Law School since 1999 and the school's dean in 2003.

HAROLD HONGJU KOH

Koh was born in Boston in 1954. He earned his law degree from Harvard, then served as law clerk for Justice Harry Blackmun in 1981-82. He worked in private practice in Washington for a year before being hired on at the Office of Legal Counsel at the Justice Department. He left

government to become a law professor in 1985 at Yale University, where he stayed until he became assistant secretary of state for democracy, human rights and labor in 1998. He became Yale's law school dean in 2001. He left Yale to work for the State Department after Obama was elected.

JANET NAPOLITANO

Napolitano was born in 1957 in New York City and got her law degree at the University of Virginia in 1983. She then clerked for Mary Schroeder at 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco for a year before going into private practice in Phoenix. Napolitano was named U.S. attorney for Arizona in 1993 and stayed in that position until she returned to private practice in 1997. In 1999, she became Arizona's attorney general, a position she held until she became governor in 2003. Obama tapped her to head the Homeland Security Department last year.

DEVAL PATRICK

Patrick was born in 1956 in Chicago. He earned a law degree from Harvard in 1982. He was a lawyer for the NAACP Legal Defense Fund from 1983 to 1986 before entering private practice. He stayed in the private sector except for a Justice Department stint in 1994-97. As the Clinton administration's assistant attorney general for civil rights, he led a federal investigation of church burnings throughout the South. Patrick left government to become chairman of Texaco Inc.'s Equality and Fairness Task Force, then was named vice president and general counsel for Texaco Inc. in 1999. He was executive vice president and general counsel for The Coca-Cola Co. from 2001 to 2004 before winning the Massachusetts governorship as a Democrat in 2006.

DIANE PAMELA WOOD

Wood was born in 1950 in Plainfield, N.J. Clinton nominated her to the 7th Circuit in 1995. She earned her law degree from the University of Texas School of Law before clerking for Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun from 1976-1977. She went to work as a lawyer-adviser in the State Department's Office of the Legal Adviser from 1977-1978 before working in private practice in Washington in 1978-1980. She became a professor at Georgetown University during 1980-1981, then a professor at the University of Chicago from 1981-1995, where she also served as associate dean from 1989-1992. She re-entered government service at the Justice Department as special assistant to the associate attorney general during 1985-1987, and as the Antitrust Division's deputy assistant attorney general for international, appellate and policy matters from 1993-1995 before becoming a federal judge.

RACES

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MENNO: The city has two races this spring.

The mayor's race features Darrell Mehlfah and Roger Simonsen running for a two-year term.

In Ward I, voters will choose between incumbent Jerry Fischer and challenger Aaron Matthaei for a two-year term as alderman.

Those running unopposed are incumbents Ronald Diede in Ward II for a one-year term, Galen Guthmiller in Ward II for a two-year term and Jerome Hoff in Ward III for a two-year term.

MISSION HILL: In the municipal election, voters will decide between Edison Jared and D.W. Duhacek for a three-year term as trustee. Duhacek is the incumbent trustee and a former mayor. Jared formerly served on the town board.

SPRINGFIELD: This year's election has three contests, all for two-year terms.

In the mayor's race, incumbent Norman Schelske faces challenger Kenneth Yule.

In Ward I, incumbent Brian Jones is challenged by Greg Stockholm for alderman.

In Ward III, a new alderman is assured with Bruce Waage and Gregory Walpole running for the position.

In Ward II, Harold (Jappy) Gosser filed unopposed for a two-year term as alderman.

TABOR: Voters will choose two trustees for three-year terms from among Teresa Holland, Joe Carda, Tony Souhrada and Linda Spencer. The positions are currently held by Holland and Larry Reining.

TRIPP: The city election features two races.

In the mayor's race, voters will choose from among Edward Rembold, Rich English and Timothy Scott for the open seat. In Ward III, voters will choose between incumbent Glen Batterman and challenger Gerald Schoenfelder. Both the mayor's seat and Ward III council seat are for two-year terms.

WAGNER: In the city race, Roger Schroeder, Dale A. Petrik and Randy Meiers are running for a two-year term as Ward III alderman. Incumbent Roger Wiltz is not running for re-election.

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