

OBITUARIES

Edward Kokesh

WAGNER — Edward Kokesh, 76 of Wagner died Tuesday, April 27, 2010 at his home after a long battle with cancer, surrounded by his family. Ed had been under hospice care. He attained the age of 76 years, eight months and 27 days.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 1, 2010 at St. Mark's Catholic Church in Lake Andes. Burial will be in St. John's Catholic Cemetery, rural Wagner, with military honors.

Visitation will be 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Friday at Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home in Wagner, followed by a 7 p.m. rosary/wake service at the church.

Edward Kokesh, son of Mike J.



Edward Kokesh

and Caroline (Trantina) Kokesh, was born July 31, 1933 on a farm near Scotland, SD.

Ed attended country school near Scotland through the eighth grade. He enlisted in the US Army and served as a SP3 Sergeant in the Korean War from 1954 to 1957.

Ed married Agnes Stastny on April 29, 1957 at Wagner. Six children were blessed to their union. They farmed south of Wagner.

Ed was a life member of VFW and the American Legion. He was named the District Legionnaire of the Year in 2008. Ed drove the D.A.V. Van for over 10 years.

Ed enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, playing cards, fishing, building windmills, and raising "Grandpa's Pumpkin Patch."

Thankful for having shared his life are his wife Agnes of Wagner; five children: Deborah and husband Michael Fredrich of Rapid City; Daniel and wife Andrea of Wagner; Donna Livingston and fiancé Ray Wagner of Yankton; Dale and wife Tanya of Rapid City; and Dorothy and husband Brian

Welbig of Sioux Falls; 18 grandchildren: Amy (Steve) Thomas, Stacie, Scott and Jason Fredrich; Curtis Kokesh; Jessica and Brittany Livingston; Samantha, Cameron and Jordyn Kokesh; and Amanda, Brandon, Drew, Alex, Jacob, Derek, Nathan and Tyler Welbig; one great grandson, Preston Thomas; one sister, Sylvia Dvorak of Scotland; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Ed was preceded in death by his daughter, Doris in November of 1974; parents; six brothers: Ernest, Raymond, Donald, Mike, Joe and Clayton; and three sisters: Elsie Cap, Grace Hacecky and Frances Thurker.

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Lorenz Fox

Lorenz M. Fox, age 83, of Yankton, South Dakota, died Tuesday, April 27, 2010 at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton.

Mass of Christian Burial is 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 1, 2010 at St. Benedict Catholic Church in Yankton with Reverend Paul Josten officiating. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery in Yankton with military honors provided by the Ernest-Bowyer VFW Post No. 791.

Visitation is from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, at St. Benedict Catholic Church with a rosary at 7:00 p.m. followed by a Scripture service at 7:30 p.m. Visitation resumes one hour prior to the funeral at church.

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

Pallbearers are his grandchildren: Jeremy Heine, Derek Fox, Ross, Erin, Alex and Adam Heine. Honorary pallbearers are the Knights of Columbus.

Lorenz was born June 7, 1926 in Watertown, South

Dakota to Aloysius and Susie (Lorentz) Fox. He attended Immaculate Conception Catholic School in Watertown and graduated from Watertown Senior High School in 1944. In 1946, Lorenz joined the United States Army and served during the occupation of Japan. After his honorable discharge in 1948, he attended South Dakota State University in Brookings, South Dakota, graduating with a Bachelor's Degree in Soil Science in 1952. On June 17, 1953, Lorenz married Fran Mrnak in Watertown. He worked in the Soil Conservation Service for the US Department of Agriculture, first in Watertown, then Britton, South Dakota and finally settling in Yankton in March of 1962. In December of 1966, Lorenz worked for the US Army Corps of Engineers at Gavins Point Dam. He served as the park manager and supervisor of the



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Visitor Center, retiring on July 2, 1989.

Lorenz truly believed in service to others. He was a very active volunteer for many organizations, including the Knights of Columbus and Avera Sacred Heart Hospital as a TEAM member. He was very active in the Yankton Catholic Community, helping on many different committees and building projects. He was also a member of numerous clubs including the Yankton Quarterback Club. As a result of his service, the Fox family was named the State of South Dakota Knights of Columbus Family of the Year in 1995. In 2000, Lorenz and Fran were named the Captain and Belle of Yankton Riverboat Days. Lorenz enjoyed hunting and golfing, but of all his interests and activities, his greatest joy in life was the time spent with his wife, children and grandchildren.

Lorenz is survived by his wife, Fran Fox of Yankton; two children: Dan (Wanda) Fox and Ann (Ron) Heine both of Yankton; six grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Delores Fox of

Monroe, LA and Mercedes Fox of Watertown; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Lorenz was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Susie Marie Hanson and Catherine Hrabec; and five brothers: Alois, Peter, Donald, Eugene and Fr. Robert Fox.

The family request that memorials be directed to the One Spirit In Christ Yankton Catholic Community Campaign or the Lorenz Fox Memorial Endowment for Sacred Heart School, both at 200 E. 6th St., Yankton, SD 57078.

To post an online sympathy message or to view the video tribute, please visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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Online condolences at:
www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com

Leona Olofson

Leona K. Olofson, age 100, of Yankton, South Dakota, died Wednesday, April 28, 2010, at Avera Yankton Care Center in Yankton.

Funeral Services will be 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 1, 2010, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with Reverend Joe Schulte officiating. Burial will be in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Yankton.

Visitation is Friday from 5:00 to 8:00 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home. Visitation will resume one hour prior to the funeral on Saturday.

Pallbearers will be her grandchildren; William Kutilek, Robert Kutilek, David Kuehn, Dan Kuehn, Jennifer Ondell, and Jason Ondell.

Leona was born September 7,

1909, to Christian and Clara (Cook) Nelson in Mission Hill, South Dakota. She attended Yankton County Schools and graduated from Nettleton Business College in Sioux Falls. She worked for a law office in Yankton until her marriage to Howard Olofson on August 9, 1934, in Yankton. They farmed in the Yankton area until 1953, when they moved into Yankton. Leona was the secretary for the Yankton Superintendent of Schools in Yankton for 15 years.

She was a member of United Church of Christ Congregational, a 50-year member of Pershing Extension Club and was co-



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leader of the Busy Bees 4-H club for many years. She volunteered at the church and delivered Meals on Wheels until her health failed. She always had a smile and was always willing to help anyone in need. She will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

Survivors include her two daughters, Marilyn (John) Kutilek of Grand Rapids, Michigan and Linda (Ray) Ondell of Pierre, South Dakota; eight grandchildren, William (Joan) Kutilek, Robert (Katie) Kutilek, Joan (Robert) Mervenne, David (Kelly) Kuehn, John (Meredith) Kutilek, Dan (Karla) Kuehn, Jennifer Ondell, and Jason (Amy) Ondell; eight great grandchildren; four step-great grandchildren; three great-great grandchildren, brother, Morris (Ella)

Nelson of Yankton; three sisters-in-law, Adelle, Mildred, and Delores Nelson all of Yankton; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Howard on July 14, 1985; and three brothers Harold, Floyd, and Luverne Nelson.

To post an online sympathy message to the family, please visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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REGION DIGEST

Happy Tails Pet Photo Fundraiser Today

Heartland Humane Society will benefit from the upcoming Happy Tails Pet Photo Fundraiser today (Friday) at Slumberland in Yankton, running from 4-7 p.m.

Slumberland teamed up with Harold's in Yankton and will provide a free pet photo with each \$5 donation. Each photo will be entered in a pet photo contest for a chance to win a Weber grill from Larry's Appliance and a gift certificate from Schwann's.

For more information about the Happy Tails Pet Photo Contest, contact Tasha Anderson at 605-664-4244 or e-mail hhs@midconet-work.com or call Slumberland at 605-665-3719.

All-School Visual Arts Exhibit Starts Today

The 16th annual All-School Visual Arts Exhibit starts today (Friday) and runs through Saturday at the Yankton Middle School Old Gym. Hours are 11 a.m.-8 p.m. today and 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday.

Sponsored by Yankton School District 63-3, Yankton Area Arts and local PTAs, the exhibit showcases artwork from students in grades preschool-12.

The student exhibit is the largest of its kind in the area and includes a wide range of techniques and media. This year the exhibit will feature Raku-fired pottery created by the Yankton High School pottery classes.

The public is invited. Admission is free.

I-W Rummage Sale To Take Place May 1

IRENE — The Irene-Wakonda Rummage Sale will take place at 8 a.m. Saturday, May 1, at the Irene Community Building on the main street of Irene.

This will be a community rummage. All proceeds will go towards the I-W Youth Baseball Association.

For more information, call 605-263-3294 or e-mail lilbear@iw.net.

Boys, Girls State Orientation Announced

District 7 South Dakota American Legion Boys State, and South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary Girls State, Orientation Sessions will be held in the following locations on May 2.

• Boys State and Girls State from Bon Homme, Clay, and Yankton Counties will meet in Scotland, at the Community Building on Main Street.

• Boys State and Girls State from Charles Mix, Douglas, and Hutchinson counties will meet in Armour, at the UCC Church, 910 Dobson St., North of the High School.

Registration at 1:30 p.m. with the sessions starting at 2 p.m. South Dakota American Legion Boys State is held in Aberdeen, South Dakota on the campus of Northern State University in Aberdeen from May 31-June 4. This is the 68th session of Boys State.

South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary Girls State is held in Vermillion, South Dakota on the campus of the University of South Dakota in Vermillion from May 31-June 5. This is the 64th session.

Boys State and Girls State are expected to attend an orientation session. To learn what is expected of them as they attend Boys State and Girls State. Their parents should come to the orientation sessions as well, so they now what is going on and if they have any questions about the programs.

For more information, contact James Hornstra Dist. 7 Commander or Kathy Hornstra District 7 Auxiliary president, at 605-369-5555 or e-mail ledjimdis7@yahoo.com.

■ Get Updates At Yankton Online (www.yankton.net)

Peninah Street To Be Closed For Construction Starting Monday

Peninah Street from Karen Drive to 21st Street will be closed due to construction on Monday, May 3.

The existing pavement will be replaced with concrete along with new storm sewer. Traffic on the street will not be allowed during the project.

The tentative completion date for the project is June 16.

Stop by my booth at the Yankton Mall Friday, April 30-May 2 and experience Healing Touch for Free. Healing Touch is an energy therapy that helps you Relax, Renew & Restore

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Ask About Gift Certificates for Mother's Day.

Dorothy Nelson

O'NEILL, Neb. — Dorothy J. Nelson passed away Tuesday, March 30, 2010 at the Golden Living Center in O'Neill, Neb.

She was born October 14, 1921 at Gayville, SD to Earl and Maude (Young) Stone. She grew up in the

area and graduated from Gayville High School. On October 28, 1967, she married Roy Nelson in Gayville. He passed away in 1992.

Survivors include on brother John Stone, Burnsville, MN.

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Friends Of The Yankton Community Library
Used Book Sale!
Saturday, May 1st
10am-1pm
at the Library
See You There!

Annual Title 1 Meeting May 3

There will be an annual public meeting of the Title 1 parents whose children participated in the Reading Recovery/Title 1 Program during the 2009-10 school year. The public meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. Monday, May 3, in the Stewart Elementary School Teachers Lounge. A light supper will be served.

The purpose of the annual public meeting is to involve parents in the development and implementation of their school's Title 1 Program. Beadle, Lincoln, Stewart and Webster schools are

the Title 1 attendance centers for the 2010-11 school year.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Rodney L. Hennings 10:30 AM, Friday St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church Crofton	Kenneth Spence 10:30 AM, Saturday Trinity Lutheran Church Yankton
Lorenz M. Fox 10:30 AM, Saturday St. Benedict Catholic Church Yankton	Leona K. Olofson 2:00 PM, Saturday Wintz & Ray Funeral Home Yankton

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Loyalty Day Program
Saturday, May 1, 2010
Social Hour: 6-7pm • Pot Luck Supper: 7pm
Program to Follow
M.C. - Chuck Stoddard
Flags 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. weather permitting
All Volunteers Welcome
We will be honoring Iraqi, Afghanistan and War On Terror Veterans.
Citations of Appreciation to law enforcement officers, fire department personnel and emergency rescue personnel will be presented.

Your Mom Deserves Flowers This Mother's Day

We have the package for you...

Package 1 The Special One
Nosegay of mixed flowers in a cube vase & balloon. **\$39.95**

Package 2 The Premiere
Mixed flowers in a frosted vase & 1 lb. box chocolates. **\$54.95**

Package 3 The Ultimate
Premiere mixed flowers vased with 1 lb. chocolates & balloon. **\$84.95**

OUTDOOR GARDENS
Lush Hanging Baskets **\$29.95** & up
Patio Planters **\$29.95** & up
Have a special pot? We can plant it for you!

Teleflora Special
Antique Lace Bouquet.....\$72.95

Pied Piper Specials
Pony Vase.....\$21.95
Sunny Smiles Vase.....\$34.95
The Dazzler Dozen Roses.....\$63.95

Corsages
Single Orchid.....\$13.95
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