

REGION DIGEST

Walkaway From Prison Camp Sought

From P&D Staff Reports

Officials are looking for a prisoner who walked away from the Yankton Federal Prison Camp late Saturday. According to a press release, it was discovered at approximately 9:50 p.m. Saturday that inmate Salvador Chacon Jr. had walked away from the prison camp. Chacon, a 31-year-old Hispanic male, was serving a 121-month sentence for conspiracy to import marijuana. He is described as 5 feet, 10 inches tall, weighs 200 pounds, has brown hair and green eyes. He is a resident of El Paso, Texas. Residents who have any information on Chacon are asked to contact law enforcement.

Highway 14 Association To Meet April 7

CENTRAL CITY, Neb. — Highway 14 Association Inc. will hold its annual meeting on Thursday, April 7, at the Central City Chamber office at 1515 17th Street, junction of Highway 14/30 at 10 a.m. The meeting should conclude at 2 p.m. Members and guests are asked to RSVP Kendra Jefferson by emailing her at cchamber@cablene.com or calling her at 308-946-3897 before Tuesday, April 5. Members are asked to bring community brochures of events to exchange. Anyone interested in regional tourism is invited to attend.

Bingo Night At Webster School Thursday

A Bingo Night will be held at the Webster Elementary School Gym, 317 E. 7th Street, Yankton, on Thursday, April 7. Activities begin at 5:45 p.m. with pizza and a silent auction. Bingo games begin at 6:30 p.m. Eight games of bingo will be played. All proceeds from the evening will be donated to the Leukemia Lymphoma Society in honor of Team Susan. For more information, call 660-6303 or email hsavey@ysd.k12.sd.us.

April Is Child Abuse Prevention Month

If you suspect abuse or neglect is occurring, report it and keep reporting it until something is done. Contact your local law enforcement agency or contact Child Protection Services Office. For Yankton, Bon Homme and Hutchinson counties, call 1-866-847-7338; in Yankton, call 668-3030.

'Stretching Your Food Dollars' Seminar Set

BROOKINGS — The South Dakota Cooperative Extension Service will host a seminar called "Stretching Your Food Dollars" on April 7. The program will be held from 6:30-9 p.m. at the Avera St. Benedict's Wellness Center education room in Parkston. Its focus is on methods individuals and families can use to save money on food. Pre-registration is encouraged so that organizers have adequate information for participants. Call the Hutchinson County Extension office with questions and to pre-register at 605-387-4205. Or call your county Extension office and they can relay your registration for this event.

Extension experts will explain approaches to growing your own food, buying meat from local farmers and ranchers who raise it, preserving and storing food, and ways to make gardening both rewarding and enjoyable. Extension Livestock Educator John Keimig said participants should take home knowledge that can really help them in the face of a tough economy.

"We will explain how much meat people can expect to take home when they have an animal processed in a local facility or meat locker," Keimig said. "Many people have never explored this method of saving money. We'll spell out the basics, and then compare costs between buying meat locally and buying retail meats."

Avera St. Benedict's Hospital and the South Dakota Cooperative Extension Service are sponsoring this free event.

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of our larger companies started small — i.e. Shurco, Applied Engineering, and Kolberg's — and have grown during good times and sustained during bad. Small concerns dedicated to Yankton will make it happen again and again.

Retail is also important. Yankton has competition from Mitchell, Norfolk, Sioux Falls, Sioux City and the Internet. It's important to make sure that people can find what they need and want right here in Yankton. Every penny of sales tax is a penny less in real estate tax.

Do you have any ideas for cost cuts or savings in the city budget? Are there areas where the city needs to prioritize and spend more money?

Yankton has traditionally had a fairly lean budget; however, I'm sure that there are ways to conserve. City employees (not just management) are the best source of knowing ways to save. Challenge them to submit savings ideas and when implemented reward them for doing so.

The city definitely needs to prioritize spending, not spend more money. Inflation is eating people alive. Keep the cost of city services as low as possible.

Renovation of the Meridian Bridge into a recreational trail is set to conclude this year. The city had done a lot of planning for the

downtown area to prepare for this eventuality. Once the renovation is complete, what steps do you think the city needs to take to capitalize on this unique project?

The Meridian Bridge is still controversial in Yankton; however, it is a done deal, so let's make it complement our present recreational facilities. I think the city's role should be to step back as far as they can to allow entrepreneurs to thrive. Encourage recreational concessions to locate in the area. Some possibilities might be fishing guides, kayak rentals, fun food concessions, an arcade, souvenir vendors, street musicians, street photographers and unique bicycles. Work with local groups to encourage themed festivals. Examples might include quilt or antique fairs, music festivals, ethnic cooking festivals, etc. Let people have fun while spending their dollar in Yankton.

Any closing thoughts?
My goal would be to provide the essential services at the least possible cost while staying current with the quality of life needs. We need water, sewer, fire, and police; but we also need to fund informational and recreational services to retain our quality of life.

Yankton has a rich history, great summer recreation, wonderful medical services, excellent educational opportunities and an outstanding work force. To prosper in the global community, we need to not be shy but rather use every media and networking source we can to "strut our stuff."

YHS Wins Science Olympiad Crown

From P&D Staff Reports

VERMILLION — The Yankton High School Science Olympiad team successfully defended their title by winning the 27th annual South Dakota Science Olympiad State Tournament, held on the campus of the University of South Dakota in Vermillion on Saturday.

The 15-member team and two alternates competed in the 23 science events in the C division of the Olympiad and won first place in 10 of the events, second place in six events, third place in three, fourth place in two, fifth place in one, and seventh place in one of the events.

The YHS teams have won first place in 25 of the 27 Science Olympiads held in South Dakota. The very first Olympiad was not open to the C division.

Winning first place gold medals in the following events were:

- Theresa Barnes and Matt Gubbels in Anatomy;
- Emily Andersen and Aaron Farver in Chemistry Lab;
- Stephanie Campbell and Leslie Henderson in Forensics;
- Andrew Adam and Clara Schild in Helicopters;
- Leslie Henderson and Katrina Vyborny in Microbe Mission;
- Aaron Farver, Paul Foss, and Perry Shafer in Mission Possible;
- Andrew Adam and Silas Schaeffer in Mousetrap Vehicle;
- Perry Shafer and Aaron Farver in Sumo Bots;
- Andrew Adam and Clara Schild in Towers;
- Andrew Adam and Silas Schaeffer in Wind Power.

Winning second place silver medals in the following events were:

- Stephanie Campbell and Emily Andersen in Disease Detectives;
- Marissa Hauger and Cassie Pospishil in Dynamic Planet;
- Stephanie Campbell and Paul Foss in Ornithology;
- Theresa Barnes, Cassie Pospishil, and Clara



COURTESY PHOTO

Yankton High School won the 2011 South Dakota Science Olympiad championship Saturday at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion. Team members included, front row from left: Leslie Henderson, Katrina Vyborny, Sarah Barkley, Theresa Barnes and Cassie Pospishil; middle row: Stephanie Campbell, Marissa Hauger, Emily Andersen, Nicole Westerman and Coach Bob Medeck; third row: Andrew Adam, Silas Schaeffer, Aaron Farver, Paul Foss, Perry Shafer, Clara Schild, Vanessa Rockne and Matt Gubbels.

Schild in Protein Modeling;

- Sarah Barkley and Leslie Henderson in Sounds of Music;
- Theresa Barnes and Cassie Pospishil in Write It Do It.

Winning third place bronze medals in the following events were:

- Emily Andersen, Matt Gubbels, and Marissa Hauger in Experimental Design;
- Paul Foss and Silas Schaeffer in Optics;
- Matt Gubbels and Katrina Vyborny in Technical Problem Solving.

Winning fourth place was Sarah Barkley and Katrina Vyborny in Fossils, Aaron Farver and Paul Foss in Remote Sensing; winning fifth place was Sarah Barkley and Marissa Hauger in Ecology; and

winning seventh place was Stephanie Campbell and Clara Schild in Astronomy.

The YHS team won with a low score of 51 points, followed by Great Planes Lutheran with 82, and Brookings with 91. Ten high schools participated in the Science Olympiad C Division. The team coached by Robert Medeck and Angie Hejl with the assistance of many parents and community mentors.

As state champion, the YHS team is now invited to represent South Dakota at the Science Olympiad National Tournament at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wis., May 19-21.

Meanwhile, Yankton Middle School won the state title in the Middle School Division. Other results were not available at press time.

OBITUARIES

Mildred Hansen

NORFOLK, Neb. — Mildred G. Hansen, 92, Norfolk, NE died April 1, 2011 at Madison House, Norfolk, NE.

She was born Sept. 3, 1918 in Tilden, NE to Leo and Anna (Schinck) Rutjens. She was baptized and confirmed at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic church in Tilden. She attended Bunker Hill schooling, and her last two years of school were studied at St. Ludger's Academy in Creighton, Nebraska. She graduated in 1935, qualified to teach at the age of 16. Sadly there were no teaching opportunities for such a young teacher, so she returned home and worked on the family farm.



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On April 26, 1938 Mildred married Edwin C. Hansen, a farmer in Tilden. They farmed for several years in the Tilden, Oakdale, and Newman Grove area. During this time Mildred was a stay at home mom raising their four children. In 1960, the family moved to Norfolk. Mildred worked at the Lutheran Community Hospital as a nurse's aid. During this time she also did some in home nursing. Later, Mildred joined the staff at the Norfolk Regional Center, and was certified as a Psychiatric Technician II. She worked in the men's admission until she retired in 1984. After retirement, Mildred kept busy with her family, grandchildren, cards, knitting, and crocheting. Her love of gardening made her yard a show piece of beauty. Her quilts were a welcome sight to those who received them. She was a frequent volunteer at the local soup kitchen.

She was a member of Sacred Heart Parish in Norfolk.

Survivors include four children: son James and wife Berniece Hansen of Sioux Falls, SD., daughter Janet and husband Marvin Carl of Manhattan, KS., son Larry and wife Barbara Hansen of Norfolk; one brother Leon and wife Henrietta Rutjens of Tilden; Sister-in-law Catherine Hansen of Ocala, FL., 5 Grandchildren: Margaret, Lynn, Jerry, Shawn, and Beth Ann; 8 Great-Grandchildren: Damien, Danielle, Spencer, Ian, Zach, Erika, Carson, Maddie, and Kristi; one Step-great-grandchild Bridget; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Edwin; daughter

Deborah Flemming

Deborah Jo "Debbie" Flemming, age 59 of Yankton passed away on Friday, April 1, 2011 at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

Memorial services will be 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 5, 2011 at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Chapel, Yankton, SD. Burial of the cremated remains will be at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Cemetery, Watertown, SD at a later date.

Visitations will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Debbie was born August 11, 1951 in Sisseton, SD to William and Delores Pirmantgen. She attended grade school in New Effington, SD



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and graduated from Yankton High School. Debbie married Leo Flemming in 1971 in Yankton, SD. They resided in Watertown, SD. Debbie and Leo had three children; Randy, Shawna, and Ricky. She moved back to Yankton after the death of her husband, Leo. Debbie enjoyed playing cards, her computer, and scrap booking for her grandchildren. She loved all pets and in particular horses.

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her daughter Shawna of Sioux Falls, SD. One brother Carroll (Mary) Pirmantgen of Milbank, SD and one sister Kathleen (Harvey) Youngberg of Yankton, SD and her grandchildren Joseph, Alex, Brianna, and Britton. Debbie was preceded in death by her parents; husband Leo, and son Ricky.

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www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome.com

Joyce Hansen-Vessels; Granddaughter Pamela Kay Hansen-Insinger; three half brothers: Henry, Anthony, and Leonard Zauner; three half sisters: Sr. Margaret Mary, Sr. Angela, and Eileen Brozek; son-in-law George Vessels; sister-in-law Marge Hansen, brother-in-law Elmer Hansen.

Funeral services are at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Norfolk, NE at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 5, 2011. Clergy is Father Dan Andrews. Interment is in Prospect Hill Cemetery, Norfolk, NE.

Visitation: 4:00-7:30 p.m. Monday at Stonacek Funeral Chapel, Norfolk, NE. There is a rosary at 7:30 p.m. Monday at Stonacek Funeral Chapel, Norfolk.

Pallbearers are Lynn Hansen, Jerry Hansen, Shawn Vessels, Margaret Parks, Beth Ann Broderson, Steve Rutjens. Honorary pallbearers are Damien Parks, Zach Hansen, Carson Becker, Don Rutjens, Tom

Rutjens, Jerry Rutjens, LeRoy Rahade, Wendell Reese, Robert Paulson, John Varner, nieces and nephews

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Dick is survived by his wife Robyn of Vermillion, two step sons: Mark Hunter of Vermillion and Scott (Stacey) Hunter and their children Rowden and Peyton all of Flandreau, SD, and a son Rob Bruscheaber of Ohio. He is also survived by two daughters: Vicki (Winston) Hughes of New Port Beach, CA and Becky Butler of Toledo, OH and several grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 5 at the Grace Baptist Church in Vermillion, with burial to follow at the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Sioux Falls. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church.

Online condolences and obituary, please visit hansenfuneralhome.com.

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Our care and concern does not end with the funeral service. This week we remember with family and friends the anniversary of the deaths of:

- Irene Marie Kolar who passed away on April 5, 2010
- Marie C. Christenson who passed away on April 9, 2010
- Vernet Vee Hein who passed away on April 9, 2010
- Joseph A. Hlavac who passed away on April 9, 2009

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The Jewelry Lady Is Another Decade Older!

Please help Judi celebrate her 70th birthday on April 5th by sending her a greeting to her at:
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