

COMMUNITY NOTEBOOK

The Community Notebook appears each Monday and Thursday. Contributions to this list of upcoming events are welcome and should be submitted two weeks before the event. Submissions must be typewritten or legibly printed and include the name and phone number of a contact person. Send items to P&D Calendar, PO Box 56, Yankton, SD 57078, or e-mail to newsroom@yankton.net.

MONDAY

Line Dancing, 9:30 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Quilting, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Cardio Exercise, 11 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Daily Reprieve, noon, open meeting non-smoking, 1019 W 9th St.
 Interchange, noon, open meeting, Minerva's Bar and Grill, 605-660-8849.
 Cribbage, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Pinochle, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Whist, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 River City Harmony Sweet Adelines, 6:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 11th and Cedar, 605-661-7162
 DivorceCare, 7 p.m., Calvary Baptist Church Chapel, 2407 Broadway, Yankton, 605-665-5594
 DivorceCare4Kids, 7 p.m., Calvary Baptist Church Youth Theater, 2407 Broadway, Yankton, 605-665-5594
 Daily Reprieve, 7 p.m., closed meeting non-smoking, 1019 W 9th St.
 Men's Fraternity, "The Quest for Authentic Manhood," 7 p.m. Calvary Baptist Church, 2407 Broadway, Yankton, West Conference Room

FIRST MONDAY

Yankton Republican Party Executive Meeting, 5:30 p.m., 401 Capitol, 605-260-1605
 Yankton Lions Club, 6 p.m. dinner, 6:30 p.m. meeting, Bonanza, 605-665-4694
 Heartland Humane Society Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m., 601 1/2 Burleigh
 Yankton Parks Advisory Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., RTEC, 1200 W. 21st Street

TUESDAY

Table Tennis, 8:30 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Yankton Community Forum, 8:30 a.m. coffee, 9 a.m. meeting at Hillcrest 605-664-5832
 Ladies Pool, 10 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Weight Watchers, 10:30 a.m., 413 W. 15th Street. Weigh in 1/2 hour before.
 Yankton Alanon, noon, non-smoking session, 1019 W 9th Street
 Nurse, 12:30-3:30 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Open Cards, 12:45 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Connections Support Group 7-8:30 p.m. 301 Capitol Street, basement conference room, 605-661-4434.
 Bingo, 7-9 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Open Billiards, 7-9 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Yankton Alcoholics Anonymous STEP Sessions, 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., 1019 W. 9th St.
 Vermillion Unity Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., closed session, Trinity Lutheran Church at 816 E Clark St. Vermillion.
 Vermillion Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., non-smoking closed session, 16 1/2 Court St. Vermillion

FIRST TUESDAY

Yankton Area Banquet, 6 p.m., United Church of Christ, Fifth and Walnut

WEDNESDAY

Line Dancing, 9:30 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Quilting, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Nurse, 10 a.m.-noon, The Center, 605-665-4685
 Cardio Exercise, 11 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Daily Reprieve, noon, non-smoking open session, 1019 W. 9th St.
 Whist, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
 Yankton Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., non-smoking session, 1019 W. 9th St.
 Springfield Footprints, 7:30 p.m., non-smoking open session, Catholic church, Springfield

FIRST WEDNESDAY

Partnership Bridge, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685

BIRTHS

ISAAC STEFFEN

Ronnie and Karyn Steffen are pleased to announce the arrival of their newly adopted son, Isaac Joseph. Isaac was born February 2, 2011 weighing 7 pounds, 7 ounces and was welcomed into our hearts and our home on March 2.

He is welcomed into the family by big sister, Ellyse Shaffer, 23, of Creighton.

Grandparents are Gerald and Mary Jean Steffen of Crofton, Neb.; Robert Vogt of Creighton, Neb.; and, Marlene and Gelvin Stevens of Creighton, Neb.

ETHAN HAAS

Andy and Carrie Haas of Yankton announce the birth of their son named Ethan Andrew Haas, born Feb. 13, 2011 at 5:48 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds 8 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long.

Ethan joins siblings Alex, 5 and Brenna, 2.

Grandparents are Dave and Jeanne Haas of Yankton and Doug and Dee Kauffman of Estherville, Iowa.

Great-grandmother is Lorita Gubbels of Randolph, Neb.

MIA KOLLER

Eric Koller and Lydia Wentworth of Yankton announce the birth of their daughter named Mia Diane Koller, born March 10, 2011 at 8:26 a.m. She weighed 8 pounds 5 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Mia joins a sister Elise, 3. Grandparents are Sharon Koller and Steve and Joyce Wentworth all of Yankton.

Great-grandmother is Thelma Lunt of Yankton.

AVYN PESICKA

Kate (Heine) and David Pesicka of Sioux Falls announce the birth of their daughter Avyn Kate. Avyn was born March 23, 2011. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces at birth.

Avyn joins sisters Quinn (5) and Kinsley (3).

Grandparents are Dennis and Judy Heine of Yankton, and Craig and Myra Honomichl of Elk Point.

Great-grandparent is Alvina Morse of Elk Point.

OLIVIA BRIM

Melissa and Jared Brim of Yankton announce the birth of their daughter named Olivia Mae, born March 18, 2011 at 1:48 a.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Ron and Karen Laible of Marion, S.D. and Mike and Arlyne Brim of Yankton. Great-grandparents are Carol Laible of Howard, S.D. and Marge Brim of Bellevue, Neb.

AKRYN SCHMIDT

Andrew and Kyna(Nelson) Schmidt of Sioux Falls announce the birth of their son Akryn James. Akryn was born March 23, 2011 at 8:11 a.m. at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls. He weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Akryn joins big brother Krayton (3).

Grandparents are Dennis and Bev Schmidt of Yankton; Kay Nelson of O'Neill, Neb.; and, James and Sara Nelson of Verdigre, Neb.

Great-grandparents are Dave and Barb Bauer of Verdigre Neb.; Jim and Kate Schrage of Orchard, Neb.; Lavonne and the late Harvey Nelson of Orchard, Neb.; Bruce Knapp of Minto, ND; the late Milton and Carolyn Goddard of South Sioux City, Neb.; and, the late Anthony and Lorraine Schmidt of St. Helena, Neb.

SAWYER LEE

Kim and Travis Lee of Vermillion announce the birth of their son Sawyer Easton, born March 30, 2011 at 2:38 a.m. Sawyer weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces and was 21 inches long.

He joins big sister Reagan (4 years).

Grandparents are Ron and Mary Alberts of Parkston; and, Robert and Mariann Lee of Viborg.

Great-grandparent is Marie Hartman of Canistota.

MENUS

Menus listed below are for the week of April 4-8. Menus are subject to change without notice. All meals are served with milk. YHS Combo Line meals are served with choice of milk or shake.

Yankton Elementary Schools

Monday — Chicken O's
 Tuesday — Tavern
 Wednesday — Soft Shell Taco
 Thursday — Hotdog Wrap
 Friday — Cheese Pizza

Yankton Middle School

Monday — Spaghetti/Meat Balls
 Tuesday — Bacon Cheese Burger
 Wednesday — Chicken Sticks
 Thursday — Hotdog
 Friday — Grilled Cheese Sandwich

Yankton High School 'A' Line

Monday — Hot Turkey Sandwich
 Tuesday — Spaghetti
 Wednesday — Club Sandwich
 Thursday — Chili
 Friday — Shrimp Poppers

Yankton High School Combo Line

Monday — Ham-n-Cheese Croissant
 Tuesday — Flat Bread Pizza
 Wednesday — Chicken Fajita
 Thursday — Footlong
 Friday — Chicken Littles

Yankton High School Salad Bar

Monday — Chef Toppings
 Tuesday — Casserole
 Wednesday — Breakfast Bar
 Thursday — Soup
 Friday — Sandwich

Sacred Heart Schools

Monday — Chicken Nuggets
 Tuesday — French Toast Sticks
 Wednesday — Chicken Sandwich
 Thursday — Cheeseburger
 Friday — Fish Sticks

The Center — Yankton

Monday — Beef Stew
 Tuesday — Meatloaf
 Wednesday — lasagna
 Thursday — Swiss Steak
 Friday — Fish Sandwich

Tabor Senior Citizens Center

Tuesday — Oven Baked Shrimp
 Wednesday — Hot Hamburger
 Thursday — Oven Fried Chicken

BIRTHDAYS

LEONA CWACH

Leona Cwach of Yankton will celebrate her 80th birthday on April 9th with an open house from 2 to 5 at The Center, 900 Whiting Drive, Yankton. The event will be hosted by family.

She requests no gifts. A card shower will be held. Cards may be sent to her at 30741 435th Avenue, Yankton, SD 57078.

ART BECKER

Art Becker of Yankton will celebrate his 80th birthday on April 9 with an open house from 2-5 at The Center in Yankton.

Greetings may be sent to 501 W Riverside Drive, Yankton, SD 57078.

IRENE CURRIER

Irene Currier of Yankton will celebrate her 100th birthday with an open house from 2-4 p.m., Saturday, April 9 at Trondhjem Lutheran Church, 30060 448th Ave., Volin.

Cards may be sent to 2905 Douglas Ave. Apt. 24, Yankton, SD, 57078. No gifts please.

RENNIE BOTCHELLER

Rennie (Garvey) Botcheller, formerly of Gayville, will celebrate her 95th birthday on Sunday, April 10.

Greetings may be sent to her at 500 46th Street, Apt. B1, Sioux City, Iowa, 51104-4159.



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Currier



Botcheller

Swollen N. Platte River Is Diverted To Canals

BY TIMBERLY ROSS

Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — Water is being diverted from the swollen North Platte River into irrigation canals in west-central Nebraska earlier than usual this year to reduce the risk of flooding, officials said.

The river is high because the Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District is allowing more water to be released from Lake McConaughy to make room for snow melt flowing from Wyoming. State officials have warned of possible flooding along the river this spring.

The Twin Platte Natural Resources District announced last week that it is working with the state Department of Natural Resources and four local irrigation districts — Suburban, Keith-Lincoln, Platte Valley and Paxton-Hershey — to divert excess river water to the irrigation canals earlier than usual.

Some of the diverted water will end up seeping into the groundwater supply, making its way into the Ogallala Aquifer and eventually flowing back into the river, according to the NRD. The aquifer covers parts of eight states, but about two-thirds of its water is under Nebraska.

"It's similar to putting water into an above-ground lake, but it's an aquifer," said Kent Miller, general project manager for the Twin Platte NRD.

Miller said those irrigation districts usually divert water to irrigation canals in early or mid-May but the higher river level provided an opportunity to do earlier and bank the water. The NRD is required to offset water into the river to alleviate drought conditions, he said.

"This is a great opportunity ... to benefit stream flow during times of shortages and reduce the risks and impacts in the district from the current potential flood water," Miller said.

Lake McConaughy, the state's largest reservoir, is nearly full for the first time since 1999, and the Natural Resources Conservation Service estimated in March that the snowpack that feeds into the upper North Platte River basin is at 134 percent of average. Snowpack in the lower North Platte River area is at 114 percent of average.

Manager: S.D. Fair Can Handle Funding Cut

HURON (AP) — State Fair Manager Jerome Hertel says the fair will have about \$364,000 in the bank at the end of the budget year and will survive its share of state budget cuts next year.

The *Daily Plainsman* reported that the fair will get about \$32,000 less in state money in the budget year starting July 1.

Hertel said some improvements will have to wait, but others will go on as planned. He told the Fair Advisory Commission that the list of improvements needed on the fairgrounds in Huron includes new camping facilities.

The South Dakota State Fair this year is Sept. 1-5.

MIDWEST DIGEST

Woman Dies In House Fire In Fremont

FREMONT, Neb. (AP) — One woman has died in a house fire in Fremont.

Fremont fire captain Todd Bernt told the *Tribune* that four people lived in the home but three were out of town when the fire broke out Sunday morning. Firefighters called to the blaze about 7 a.m. made multiple searches of the home to make sure everyone was out.

Authorities have not released the victim's name. Family members told WOWT-TV that the victim was a 29-year-old woman. Her dog also died in the fire.

A neighbor saw the fire and called 911. She says she tried to get inside to warn the residents but she turned back because of the smoke.

The Nebraska fire marshal is investigating. An autopsy has been ordered for the victim.

Leadership Changes Made In S.D. Guard

RAPID CITY (AP) — The South Dakota National Guard made some leadership changes on Saturday.

Brig. Gen. Timothy Reisch was installed as state adjutant general in charge of the Army National Guard and Air National Guard. He replaces the retiring Maj. Gen. Steven Doothen in the top spot.

Col. Jeffrey Marlette replaces Reisch as assistant state adjutant general.

Both change-of-command ceremonies were in Rapid City.

Police: Omaha Man Dies After Shooting Self

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — An Omaha man is dead after a shooting at his home.

Police say officers were called to the home of 30-year-old Andrew Stoltenberg just after midnight Saturday morning. He died at the scene.

Police say the gunshot wound was self-inflicted but accidental.

Trucker Suspected Of DWI In Neb. Crash

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — The driver of a semi involved in a multi-vehicle crash on Interstate 80 in Lincoln has been arrested on suspicion of driving while intoxicated.

Nebraska State Patrol spokeswoman Deb Collins told KOLN-TV that the rig rear-ended a pickup about 8 p.m. Saturday, sending both vehicles into a concrete barrier in the middle of the highway and taking down a light pole. Several other vehicles crashed as a result, with five people taken to hospitals.

Collins says the driver of the semi, 46-year-old man from Elk Grove, Calif., was taken to the Lancaster County jail. He was released Sunday.

Online court records available Sunday didn't reflect a charge against him.

A hospital spokesperson says one of the crash victims remained hospitalized Sunday in serious condition.

Couple Sues School District Over Assaults

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — An Omaha couple says Millard Public Schools officials did nothing to protect their son from repeated sexual assaults by another student.

The couple filed a lawsuit against the district Friday in Douglas County District Court seeking unspecified monetary compensation.

The lawsuit says the son was sexually assaulted during the 2008-09 school year, when he was a sixth-grader at Beadle Middle School. The filing says the assaults happened in school classrooms, bathrooms, locker rooms and elsewhere during normal school hours.

A message left Saturday at the district's office wasn't immediately returned.

The couple filed a claim against the district in 2009 but the district did not respond and it was withdrawn.

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

Thousands Watch Online As Eagles Hatch In Iowa

By The Associated Press

A live video feed from northeast Iowa with a bird's eye view of eagle eggs hatching has attracted more than 100,000 followers — so many that the site crashed briefly Saturday after the first eaglet emerged.

The camera sponsored by the Raptor Resource Project shows a nest 80 feet up in a tree overlooking a trout stream at the Decorah Fish Hatchery, where a pair of eagles is welcoming their brood.

Three eggs were laid in late February, and the first eaglet started to emerge from its shell Friday. Bob Anderson, the project's executive director, said the second hatched about 5:30 a.m. Sunday and the third is expected in about three days.

"The world loves it," said Anderson, who controls with the camera angle with a joystick from a nearby shed.

Viewers can watch the adult eagles feed the hatchlings and trade

shifts sitting on the nest. Anderson recently took on two volunteers to help man the camera so he could get some sleep and respond to hundreds of e-mails from eagle fans around the world. He said he got more than 500 e-mails from Saturday night to Sunday morning.

The video feed reports more than 100,000 people are watching at any given time. Anderson said a spike in traffic overloaded the site Saturday, and it was down for about two hours.

"I have had bird cams for 20 years ... I'm in shock, I'm in awe," Anderson said of its popularity.

The camera is about the size of grapefruit and camouflaged with leaves. It's equipped with an infrared light — which the eagles can't detect — for nighttime viewing.

Online:
 Raptor Resource Project Decorah Eagle Cam: <http://www.raptorresource.org/falcon-cams/index.html>

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55th Wedding Anniversary

Iro and Suzanne Mogen of Yankton, SD are celebrating their 55th wedding anniversary with a card shower and numerous family gatherings. The couple was married December 27, 1955. Greetings may be sent to 2813 Mary St., Yankton, SD 57078.

The couple has 4 children: Lynn and Frank Mason, Hot Springs, SD; Jay and Naela Mogen, Peoria, AZ; Bruce and Bonnie Mogen, Dell Rapids, SD; and Anne and Scott Palmeri, Hackensack, NJ. They have 6 grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Iro Mogen

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