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P&D Seeking Memories For 150th

Yankton is celebrating its 150th birthday this year.

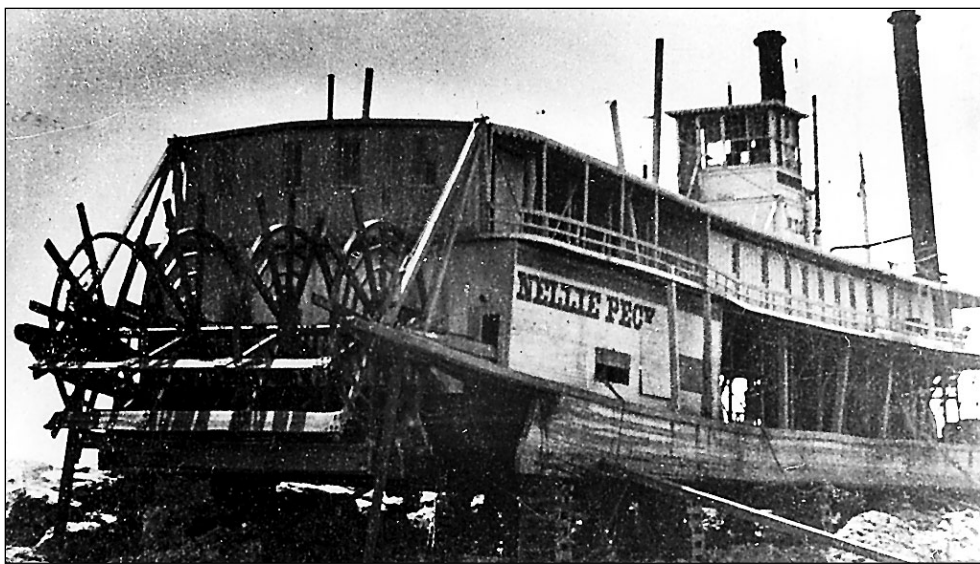
The *Press & Dakotan* believes this is an opportune time to reflect upon the past, as well as look into the future.

In past editions of the *Press & Dakotan* celebrating historic landmarks, the paper would mark the occasions by publishing the memories and/or thoughts of people who had a place in Yankton's past.

We are inviting our readers to do just that. Share with us your favorite memory about living in Yankton, or tell us about a significant event in the city's history that you were involved with and about which future generations may want to know. Or, if you prefer, tell us about what you predict for Yankton's future.

Historic photos are also welcome. Take a serious or whimsical tone, whatever you think is appropriate. We want you to pay tribute to the Mother City of the Dakotas in your own special way.

Keep your response limited to 400 words, and we'll publish as many of your entries as we can fit into a forthcoming special edition of the *Press & Dakotan* that will mark this 150th anniversary. Responses should be mailed to the *Press & Dakotan* c/o 150th Anniversary Reflections, PO Box 56, Yankton,



The "Nellie Peck" was one of the steamboats damaged during the Flood of 1881, which wreaked considerable havoc in the Yankton area. The flood still stands as one of the defining events in the community's first 150 years.

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SD 57078. Or, preferably, e-mail them to yankton150@yankton.net with the subject "150th Anniversary Reflections." Please include your name, address and a phone number

with all entries. The deadline for submission is Friday, May 20.

REGION DIGEST

City To Consider Occupancy Request

From P&D Staff Reports

The Yankton City Commission will consider a request Monday from Dakota Trailer Manufacturing to occupy its new building before the road to the structure is complete.

The facility is located along Gehl Drive, and the manufacturing portion of it is expected to be done by May 9. However, there have been delays in completing the extension of Gehl Drive.

Also Monday, the commission will consider a request from the city's Public Services Department to proceed with plans to pave an alley a half-block west of Walnut Street between Second Street and Riverside Drive. The project will give vehicles paved access to houses along Walnut Street once that roadway is closed for pedestrian use at the foot of the Meridian Bridge.

Additionally, the commission will consider a request for \$10,000 from the Lewis & Clark Theatre Company for a facade restoration at its downtown facility.

The meeting gets under way at 7 p.m. in the City of Yankton Meeting Room, located at the Technical Education Center, 1200 W. 21st St.

Water Department To Flush Fire Hydrants

The City of Yankton Water Department will be flushing fire hydrants for a two week period from April 25-May 9.

Flushing will begin at the west edge of the city and move to the east. Water users should use care during this time as there may be some temporary discoloration of the water.

Families Encouraged To Make Weather Plans

The Yankton County Office of Emergency Management is encouraging local families, businesses and organizations to take time during South Dakota Severe Weather Awareness Week, April 25-29, to make plans — and exercise those plans — for when severe weather hits.

A mock tornado drill will be held Wednesday, April 27. A tornado watch will be issued at 10 a.m., followed by a tornado warning, including the sounding of tornado sirens, at 10:15 a.m. The public is encouraged to take the time during the drill to review severe weather response plans at home, at work or while out in the community.

Tornados have already killed more than three dozen people in the United States this year. In an average year, 800 tornados are reported nationwide, resulting in 80 deaths and over 1,500 injuries. Preparing to respond may reduce the likelihood that you or a family member is included in those numbers.

To learn more about severe weather preparedness, and about tornados, go to the Sioux Falls National Weather Service website at www.weather.gov/sfd.

Boys State, Girls State Orientation On May 1

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 1:

- Boys State and Girls State from Bon Homme, Clay, and Yankton counties will meet in Springfield, at the United Church of Christ, at 1002 Collage Street.
- Boys State and Girls State from Charles Mix, Douglas, and Hutchinson counties will meet in Geddes, at the Community Center, at 420 S. Main Street.

At both locations, registration is at 1:30 p.m. with the sessions starting at 2 p.m.

Boys State and Girls State are expected to attend an orientation session, where they will 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 know what is going on and if they have any questions about the programs.

The 69th session of South Dakota American Legion Boys State is held in Aberdeen on the campus of Northern State University from May 30-June 3.

The 65th session of South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary Girls State is held in Vermillion on the campus of University of South Dakota from May 30-June 4.

For more information contact James Hornstra, District 7 Americanism, or Kathy Hornstra, District 7 Auxiliary president, at 605-369-5555 or email hornstrajk@yahoo.com.

Businesses Should Beware of Poster Scams

PIERRE — The South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation (DLR) has labor law compliance posters available at no charge from any local DLR office. This poster includes the six federal posting requirements. Various federal agencies such as the U.S. Labor Department, OSHA and EEOC have posting requirements.

Businesses should beware of companies soliciting unsuspecting individuals and attempting to sell compliance posters. They often use scare tactics about potential fines and penalties. The company's solicitations use an official-looking seal to create the impression the advertisement is actually an official communication from a government entity. Victims of poster scams should contact the Consumer Protection Unit at 1-800-300-1986 with information or to file a complaint.

There are two state posting requirements. The Division of Unemployment Insurance requires a posting, which can be downloaded from www.sdjobs.org. State workers' compensation law also requires a posting encouraging workplace safety; there is no required format.

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

Publication: USD One Of Nation's 'Greenest' Campuses

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota is one of the nation's "greenest" academic institutions, according to The Princeton Review. USD was featured in The Princeton Review's 2011 "Guide to 311 Green Colleges," a downloadable resource published in partnership with the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC). USD was selected based on its "green" rating, which was calculated using data submitted during the 2009-10 academic year.

The Princeton Review, the New York-based education services company, lauds USD's com-

mitment to sustainability as well as The U's pledge to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 7 percent from 2009 to 2011. USD formalized its commitment to sustainability in 2009 with the formation of a Sustainability Task Force, a committee devoted to ensuring that sustainability initiatives are monitored within the campus community. Additionally, retro-commissioned studies have been completed for several campus buildings and energy-saving technologies, including lighting sensors and water conserving plumbing fixtures, were installed. The 2011 edition of "Guide to

311 Green Colleges" lists USD's LEED (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design) silver-certified buildings, which include the Andrew E. Lee Memorial Medicine and Science Building, the Akeley-Lawrence Science Center and Coyote Village. LEED is an internationally-recognized green building certification system that was developed by the USGBC and provides third-party verification that a building or community was designed and built using strategies aimed at improving performance in energy savings, water efficiency, CO2 emissions reduction, improved

indoor environmental quality, and stewardship of resources and sensitivity to their impacts.

Additional criteria used to compile the "Guide to 311 Green Colleges" include institutional responses to The Princeton Review's Green Campus survey, which was administered during the 2009-10 academic year, and from online resources designated or referred to by participating institutions. The 2011 "Guide to 311 Green Colleges" is viewable online at www.princetonreview.com/green-guide.aspx.

2011-2012 Junior Kindergarten, Kindergarten Registration Held

2011-2012 Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten Registration Junior Kindergarten (Jr. K.) and Kindergarten registration for the 2011-2012 school year was held on Feb. 10. Parents who were unable to register their children at that time should contact their respective attendance centers as soon as possible.

Parents who are interested in Jr. K. should register at Webster School. Parents who live within the city limits are to register their Kindergarten children at the school that serves their area. Parents who live outside Yankton city limits or in an unassigned area are to register their Kindergarten children at Webster School or at the attendance center that presently serves their school aged children. A map indicating attendance center boundaries can be found at the school district website, www.yisd.k12.sd.us, under "About Us".

Any child who will be five years of age on or before Sept. 1, 2011, is eligible to attend Jr. K. or Kindergarten next fall. State law

requires that a certified birth certificate be presented to verify the child's age. The hospital certificate cannot be used as the birth certificate for school registration. The birth certificate will be photocopied and filed in the child's school record. Children who were born in South Dakota may obtain certified birth certificates at the Yankton County Register of Deeds' Office. The cost is \$15. The person requesting the birth certificate must provide state-issued photo identification.

A screening for 5-year-olds will be held on Tuesday, May 3, from 8 a.m.-5:15 p.m. and on Wednesday, May 4, from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Yankton Community Library. Make an appointment to have your child screened by calling the office in your designated elementary school building or as outlined above.

School numbers are: Beadle School — 665-2282; Lincoln School — 665-7392; Stewart School — 665-5765; Webster School — 665-2484.

OBITUARIES

Sherrie Nedved

WAGNER — Sherrie Nedved, 50, of Wagner died peacefully at her home in rural Wagner Friday (April 22, 2011).

Funeral services are pending with Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home, Wagner.

Edward Hunhoff

UTICA — Edward Joseph Hunhoff, 83, of rural Utica died Thursday (April 21, 2011) at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at St. Agnes Catholic Church (Sigel), rural Utica, with the Rev. Lawrence Marbach officiating. Burial will be in the parish cemetery. Visitations begins at 4 p.m.

Monday at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a rosary at 7 p.m. followed by a Scripture Service at 7:30 p.m. Visitations will resume Tuesday morning from 8-9:30 a.m. at the funeral home.

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May 1 Deadline for Property Tax Homestead Exemptions

PIERRE — Applications for the Property Tax Homestead Exemption Program are now available to eligible property owners who wish to delay payment of their property taxes in South Dakota.

May 1 is the deadline to apply for the program.

Under the state Homestead Exemption, qualified applicants can delay payment of property taxes until their property is sold. Taxes then become a lien on the property and must be paid along with interest before the property can be transferred.

To qualify for the exemption, an applicant must be at least 70 years old or a surviving spouse; have owned a single-family dwelling for at least three years or been a South Dakota resident for at least five years; have resided at least eight months of the past calendar year in a single-family dwelling; and meet the program's income limits.

The maximum amount of income to be eligible is \$16,000 for a single-member household and \$20,000 for a multiple-member household.

The program defines property as the house, garage, and the lot upon which it sits, or one acre, whichever is less.

Applicants should be aware that application and qualification for the Homestead Exemption Program make them ineligible for the Senior and Disabled Citizens Sales and Property Tax Refund Program.

Interested individuals must apply annually to their county treasurers for the Property Tax Homestead Exemption Program. Applications are available at county courthouses, the Department of Revenue and Regulation's Property and Special Taxes Division, or in downloads from the department's Web site at: http://www.state.sd.us/drr2/for ms/propertytaxforms.htm (see form PT-38C).

For more information, call the department's toll-free helpline at 1-800-829-9188 and ask for the Division of Property and Special Taxes.

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May God Bless You All.
 The Family of Benjamin Cap
 Myla Gautreaux, Carla Cap, and Shane Wynia