

# Bender

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tually, we assembled the team, and everything went off without a hitch."

Jake had been involved in the search for Bender previously, and just that day, members of the Search and Rescue team had flown over Wolverine Bend in a plane. However, a low-hanging tree obstructed the aerial view.

"It was a beautiful day. It was Easter. And something like this makes you sit back and think," Dan said. "I know I would have

probably handled the situation properly, but having (Jake) there had a calming effect. He has been involved with situations like this before, and he knows the numbers and people to call."

Yankton Search and Rescue was able to collect Bender from the water within 20-30 minutes of arriving on the scene, according to Jake.

"I was glad I was able to be there to handle it," he said. "It's something that got in the blood of the Search and Rescue team for the last several months. Everyone wanted to help the Bender family find closure."

Authorities confirmed Monday that it was Bender's body

that had been recovered. An autopsy determined that the cause of death was drowning, with hypothermia playing a role. No trauma was found on the body.

Dan said he, too, was glad to be a part of bringing closure to the family.

"The image is in my mind, and it will be there for a while," he stated. "It doesn't just go away. You hate to see this kind of thing with a young guy."

Watching volunteer emergency responders deal with the situation, Dan added that he was impressed with their professionalism.

"You can't say enough for our volunteer services in this town,"

he said. "They deal with some pretty unpleasant things, and I think a lot of times we take them for granted."

Memorial services for Bender will be 2 p.m. Saturday at St. John's Lutheran Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Steve Weispennig officiating. A balloon release will take place at Riverside Park immediately following the services.

Visitations begin at 6 p.m. Friday, with a memory sharing service at 7 p.m., at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

# Neb. Tourism Bill Advances

BY GRANT SCHULTE  
Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — A legislative effort to boost tourism in Nebraska advanced Wednesday despite questions raised about the \$75,000 price tag for a consultant.

Lawmakers moved the measure by Ogallala Sen. Ken Schilz through a first-round vote, 42-0.

The bill would require an attraction that draws at least 2,000 out-of-state visitors per year and an existing state tourism committee, including members of the Nebraska Travel Association, the Nebraska Hotel and Motel Associ-

ation, the Nebraska Association of Convention and Visitors Bureaus and the Game and Parks Commission.

Committee members would seek new ways to generate visitor interest, review local tourism boards and study other state practices. The committee would have to develop a plan for the Legislature by Sept. 1, 2012.

Schilz said his bill was intended to attract new visitors and increase revenue. Tourism is Nebraska's third-largest industry, behind agriculture and manufacturing, and generates more than \$3 billion per year.



# Out On The Town

**Pancake Breakfast**  
or Biscuits & Gravy  
**\$6.00 All You Can Eat**  
Children 4-10 \$3.00 • Under 3 free  
**Sunday, May 1**  
**8AM-12:30PM**  
**VFW Post 791**  
209 Cedar, Yankton • 665-3562  
**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**APRIL 29, 30, 31**  
**HOP**  
Fri. 7:30 PM • Sat. 7:30 PM • Sun. 4 PM  
Students \$2.00 Adults \$5.00  
**Idle Hour Theatre**  
Tripp, SD

**Authentic Mexican Food**  
Plan to Enjoy  
**CINCO DE MAYO**  
Specials at  
**El Tapatio's**  
Next Week May 1st-6th

**EL TAPATIO**  
FAMILY MEXICAN RESTAURANT  
2502 Fox Run Parkway, Yankton  
Just North of Wendy's • (605) 260-1701  
**Buy 1 Dinner Combo**  
at regular price get  
**\$3.00 off**  
**2nd Dinner Combo Meal**  
Expires 5/31/11. One coupon per visit with purchase of 2 beverages. Not valid with any other offers.  
**El Tapatio**  
2502 Fox Run Parkway, Yankton

**WEEKLY SPECIALS**  
Friday: **Hot Beef or Chicken Dinner**  
5:30-8pm  
Saturday Anniversaries:  
**Steak Menu with Prime Rib 5:30-8pm**  
Sunday, May 1st: **Moose Legion Spring BBQ 5pm**  
**Moose Lodge**  
310 Walnut, Yankton

**American Red Cross**  
Yankton County  
**Dining For Disaster**  
Enjoy a meal at one of the following restaurants and you can support the Yankton County Red Cross.  
**Thursday, April 28**  
Arbys, Burger King, Casey's, Charlie's Pizza House, Godfather's Pizza, Hy-Vee Kitchen, Magilly's Broadway Eatery, McDonald's, Minervas' Grill & Bar, MoJo's, Murdos's Aten Resort, O'Malleys, Pizza Ranch, Quizno's, Starbucks, 7 Beer & Wine Bar or Yesterday's Cafe.  
**Celebrity Bartender Night**  
at 7 Bar & Wine  
**Thursday, April 28th**  
**5pm-10pm**  
Donations/Tips support the Yankton County Red Cross

**We Know You've Been Waiting...**  
**And We're Back, Starting May 3rd!**

**Kick Back With Good Friends, Good Food & Drink and a Great View of the Lake!**  
Hours Until Memorial Day:  
Tuesday-Friday 5pm-Close  
Saturday & Sunday 11am-Close  
**Keep Us In Mind for Mother's Day!**  
Hwy. 52 at the Marina!  
**Magilly's Lakeside Eatery**  
www.magillyslakesideeatery.com  
668-5181  
LEWIS & CLARK RECREATION AREA 605-668-2900  
RESORT 605-668-2686 • MARINA 605-668-3111  
www.lewisandclarkpark.com  
**NO PARK PASS NEEDED FOR MAGILLY'S**

**Attention Prom Attendees...**  
**Make Your Reservations Today!...**  
**We Have a Special Menu for Prom**  
**The Argo**  
Open Thurs.-Fri.-Sat. at 5:30  
1-402-388-2400  
www.theargohotel.com  
email: argo@gocom.net CROFTON, NE

**VFW Post 791**  
209 Cedar  
**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**  
**Thursday**  
5-7pm - Hamburger/Pizzaburger & Fries \$5.00  
6-7pm - Domestic Beers \$1.50  
**Friday**  
Beef Stroganoff or Menu  
Serving 5:30-8:00  
**Saturday**  
No Band  
Serving from Menu 5:30-8:00  
**Bingo Wed. at 7:00pm**  
**Sunday at 6:30pm**  
**Happy Hour M-F 4:30-7:30**  
Chislic Served Last Wednesday of Each Month

**Mothers Day Craft & Gift Show**  
Friday, April 29 • 10am-9pm  
Saturday, April 30 • 10am-5:30pm  
Sunday, May 1 • Noon-5pm  
**YANKTON MALL**  
Over 20 Crafters & Vendors North of Theater  
Contact Kathy at 402-669-6774 • http://members.cox.net/kdovel

**WANTED**  
**Area BBQ Enthusiasts**  
**Baby Back Rib Cookoff**  
Ribs at the Ranch, Freeman Academy Campus  
**Saturday, June 25th**  
Contact Vernetta Waltner, 605-321-7351 or vwaltner@freemanacademy.org, or www.freemanacademy.org/ribsattheranch.html for complete rules and information

**Joe's Substation**  
Rural Lesterville • 605-364-7414  
**Will Now Be CLOSED on Sundays**  
We will be featuring our **All-You-Can-Eat Broasted Chicken & Salad Bar**  
**Wednesdays 5 to 9pm**  
starting Wednesday, May 4th  
**Everyone Welcome!**

2011 Mount Marty College  
Choir & Jazz Band  
**Spring Tour**  
**Home Tour Concert**  
Friday, April 29  
Marian Auditorium  
7:30 p.m.  
Free and Open to the Public  
**MOUNT MARTY COLLEGE**  
1105 W. 8th Street | Yankton, SD  
www.mtmc.com | 855-686-2789

**Ohiya Casino**  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH**  
\$500 in Total Cash Drawings  
\$25 Drawn Every 15 Minutes 7:15 to Midnight  
**FRIDAY'S IN MAY**  
Pick a Wallet Drawings ~ Every 1/2 Hr. from 9-11PM  
Win \$200, \$150, \$100, \$75 or \$50  
**SATURDAY, MAY 7TH**  
\$2,000 in Total Cash Drawings  
\$100 Drawn Every 15 Minutes 7:15 to Midnight  
**MOTHER'S DAY, MAY 8TH**  
FREE GIFT To First 30 Mother's! Match Play Buy \$10 Get \$10 Free ~ Starting at 1PM  
**OHIYA RESTAURANT**  
Mother's Day, All Day Buffet \$10  
BBQ Ribs, Chicken & Roast Beef  
**OHIYA BINGO**  
May 6th, \$25 Pays \$150  
May 7th, \$30 Pays \$250  
\$500 Guaranteed Blackout  
(Reminder, No Bingo May 13th)  
Warm-Ups 6:00PM/Reg. Session 6:30PM

**Join us on Friday, May 13, 2011, and KAMP FOR FREE on Saturday, May 14.**  
Donations will be accepted during the weekend to benefit KOA Care Camps, a network of 43 independent specialized camps for children under treatment or in recovery from cancer.  
Call 1-800-562-7218 for reservations.  
For online reservations go to **www.koa.com**  
Yankton/Missouri River KOA  
807 Bill Baggs Road, Yankton, SD  
(605) 260-1010  
manager@yanktonkoa.com

**Spring PRICES**  
**PRICES**  
**\*Pronounced "FREEE"**  
Definition > a complete meal, of several courses, set at a fixed price  
1 **FIRST COURSE** enjoy a starter or a glass of house wine  
2 **SECOND COURSE** choose one entrée: **Cajun Chicken Linguine, 7oz Top Sirloin, Honey Pepper Pork Chop, Coriander Salmon, Chicken Oscar, Blackened Salmon Salad**  
3 **THIRD COURSE** choose one petite dessert  
**Minervas Restaurant & Bar**  
**\$15**  
1607 E Hwy 50 • Yankton, SD • 605/664-2244