Center To Host Rummage Sale Saturday

A rummage sale will be held at The Center, 900 Whiting Drive, Yankton on Saturday, April 21, running from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., with lunch served from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

the region

For more information, contact Tammy Matuska at 605-665-4685 or director@thecenteryankton.org.

Youth Fishing Derby Slated For Saturday

The Friends of Gavins Point National Fish Hatchery and the Missouri National Recreational River will host the annual Youth Fishing Derby and Junior Ranger Day event on Saturday, April 21, at the fish hatchery on Highway 52.

Activities will include a fishing derby (for kids 12 and under), fish casting clinic, Missouri River stream table demonstration and birding hikes. In addition, youth participants can earn an official National Park Service Junior Ranger Badge by completing three of the four outdoor activities.

The events begin at $10\ a.m.$ with the Fishing Derby lasting until $2\$ p.m., while remaining activities last until 4:00 p.m.

For questions or more information, call Dugan Smith, Interpretive Park Ranger, at 605-665-0209.

Earth Day Cleanup Set For Mulberry Bend

VERMILLION — The National Park Service at Missouri National Recreational River will lead its first-ever Earth Day cleanup at Mulberry Bend from 1-4 p.m. on Sunday, April 22. The cleanup will take place at both the overlook and boat ramp.

Park Staff will be on-site with volunteer sign-up sheets in addition to providing gloves and trash bags.

For questions or more information, call: Chris Wilkinson, Chief of Interpretation & Education at 605-665-0209 x29.

Yankton PFLAG Chapter To Meet Sunday

The Yankton chapter of PFLAG (Parents, Family and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) meets at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 22, in the Fellowship Hall at Peace Presbyterian Church, 206 E. 31st St., Yankton.

This month's meeting presentation is entitled, "We Don't Exactly Get the Welcome Wagon: LGBT Youth in Care." The program will discuss how care-providers can handle the concerns of gay youth who are cared for out of the home, such as in foster care, at a relative's home, or in a residential facility, with respect and sensitivity. These young people are at high risk of harassment, abuse and self-destructive behaviors, and too often suffer from misunderstanding or mistreatment by those who should protect them. Anyone interested in this topic is invited to attend.

PFLAG members either have a child or close relative who is gay, or are LGBT themselves. We learn from and support each other, and always require confidentiality of personal information shared at the

For more information about the group or about this month's meeting, contact pflag_yankton@hotmail.com.

Reminder: First-Half Taxes Are Due April 30

The Yankton County Treasurer's Office reminds the public that the first half of the 2011 (payable in 2012) Real Estate Taxes and the first half of the 2012 Mobile Home Taxes are due and payable on April 30, 2012.

You can use the silver drop box on the north side of the Government Center for payments or bring them in to the office; if you mail the payments, they MUST have an April postmark.

Interest will be charged as of May 1.

City Commission Seeks To Fill Board Openings

The Yankton City Commission is seeking Yankton residents to fill openings on the various City of Yankton Advisory Boards and Com-

missions. The openings for 2012 include:

- Three vacancies on the Planning Commission; • Two vacancies on the Yankton Community Library Board;
- Two vacancies on the Park Advisory Board;
- Two vacancies on the Fox Run Golf Advisory Board; • One vacancy on the Airport Advisory Board;
- One vacancy on Yankton Housing and Redevelopment Commis-

Anyone who is interested in filling one of the openings should submit a letter of interest to the mayor and board of city commissioners including your reason for wanting to serve on the respective board or commission. Letters may be sent to: Mayor, c/o City Manager's Office, P.O. Box 176, Yankton, SD 57078

The deadline for these inquires is May 18.

OBITUARIES

Gary Iverson

MECKLING - Gary Iverson of Meckling, South Dakota passed away on April 17th, 2012 at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls.

He was born June 16th, 1938. Gary graduated from Meckling High School in 1956. In 1958 he married Dorothy Blair. Gary farmed for many years and served as a Clay County Commissioner from 1991 to 2002. He was known for his friendly, social nature and will be missed by all that knew him. Gary was highly engaged in community activities and served on numerous boards and committees including Pleasant Valley and Bergen Lutheran Church, Clay County 4-H, the Soil Conservation Board and the Newcastle/Vermillion Bridge project.

Gary was preceded in death by his father and mother; George and Dora Iverson, his sisters, Dorothy, Avis, Phyllis and his brothers Les, Donald, Glenn, and Marlowe. He is survived by his twin brother Gene, his daughter Valerie Cashmere (Les) of McAlester OK, and sons Blaine

(Val) and Philip Iverson of Meckling and Mitchell (Roxy) Iverson of Spearfish and his grandchil-

A memorial service is planned at the Bergen Lutheran Church, Timber Road, (rural Meckling) on Saturday, April 21 at 10:00 a.m.

Bergen Lutheran Church. Yankton Press & Dakotan

April 19, 2012

Donations may be made to the

Jack O'Malley

Jack Patrick O'Malley, 57, of Yankton died Tuesday, April 17, 2012, at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

Memorial services are at 2 p.m. Friday at Wintz & Ray Funeral Home, Yankton, with Pastor Bob Cappel officiating. Inurnment will be in the Yankton

Cemetery. There is a gathering of family and friends one hour prior to memorial service at the funeral

To send an online sympathy message, visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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Birding Festival Slated May 18-20

Grab your binoculars, camera and birding guide and make plans to attend the second annual South Dakota Birding Festival. Outdoor birding enthusiasts will gather May 18-20 at Fort Randall to hopefully catch site of hundreds of migrating bird species returning to South Dakota or heading farther north. The communities of Wagner, Pickstown and Lake Andes stand ready to welcome all birders for a wonderful weekend.

One reason for interest in this festival is the unique birding opportunities that intersect this region. The Fort Randall location in Central South Dakota includes the Missouri River, Lake Andes National Wildlife Refuge and Karl Mundt National Wildlife Refuge, which are all a major flyways for migrating birds. Birders will experience seeing a wide variety of bird species in a short period of time. During the 2011 festival, birders sighted

136 different species, including Green Heron, Hooded Merganser, Stilt Sandpiper, Eastern Screech Owl, Red Bellied Woodpecker, Bell's Vireo, Palm Warbler and many more. One highlight of the 2011 festival was a Western Grebe paired with a Clark's Grebe.

With birding you never know what you'll find. Numerous Snowy Owls descended on the area this past winter and attracted hundreds of visitors. Who knows what could appear on this weekend.

The festival will offer a full schedule of birding activities beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday, May 18, at the Rainbow Room in Pickstown. Registration, a social and refreshments are on tap with a presentation at 7:15 p.m. by Dr. Dave Swanson (Department of Biology, USD) on Bird Identification.

Saturday, May 19, will begin at 6:30 a.m. at the Lake Andes National Wildlife Refuge with a Bird Banding Workshop. Continuing during the day will be Birding Field Trips, Basics of Photography workshop by Roger Dietrich (S.D. Nature Photographer), a program on Owls of South Dakota by Nancy Drilling (S.D. Projects Coordinator, Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory), children's program, banquet and an Owling Field Trip at 9:15 p.m.

Sunday will begin with a Bird Banding Workshop at the Lake Andes National Wildlife Refuge at 6:30 a.m. followed by a Birding Field Trip led by Mike Bryant (USF&WS) at the Karl Mundt National Wildlife Refuge at 7:45 a.m. The Karl Mundt Refuge is not open to the public except at this time which is an added bonus for festival attendees.

For an event schedule and registration form, go to www.sdgreatlakes.org/greatoutdoors/birdinginfo; or call 605-384-3741.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

From left to right: Lincoln Elementary School kindergartners Aurora, Jade and Landon sign their names to the "Three R's Pledge" posted on the classroom wall for Earth Day.

Kindergarten Celebrates Earth Day Every April 22, the United States and much of the world unites to think about our planet and find

ways to keep the environment healthy. During Kindergarten at Lincoln Elementary School, students celebrate Earth Day by participating in many fun hands-on activities. They recite the "Three Rs Pledge" every day to remind students of the importance of caring for our earth. The children paint blue or green handprints around the outside of the pledge. When the paint is dry, each child

signs his/her name on their handprint. By doing this, students are committed to caring for our earth and doing our part to reduce, reuse,

and recycle. Other activities include a "Toy Trade," a "Symbol Hunt" and an "Earth Day Walk," during which students walk around the neighborhood near Lincoln School and Morgan Park and pick up garbage. The children enjoy helping out and as a reward, they get to have recess at Morgan Park.

THE THREE RS PLEDGE

Because I love our earth, sky and stars. I take this pledge to practice the three Rs. I'll reduce the amount of water I need And recycle newspapers and books that I read. I'll reuse some items again and again Because the earth is my home and it's also my

South Dakota, but the first time

in Yankton. "It is just important that we offer our professionals the opportunity to continue to grow their ability to actively treat mental health issues," Hahn said. 'This conference will give them a chance to do that."

Cub Scout Sign-Up Set **For Next Week**

Sign-up nights for Yankton Cub Scout Pack 258 will be held on Mon-day, April 23, at Webster Elementary School from 6-7:30 p.m. and on Tuesday April 24, at Stewart Elementary School from 6-8 p.m.

Designed for boys ages 7-10, Cub Scouting combines outdoor activities, sports, academics, and more in a fun and exciting program that helps families teach ideals such as honesty, good citizenship and respect.

The Boy Scouts of America is comprised of more than 1 million volunteers working together for the sole purpose of helping its nearly 3 million youth succeed in life.

For more information, contact Randy Eichacker at 661-3486.

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Rhode Island. On Thursday, he plans to meet in Afghanistan with the 842nd Engineering Company, based in Spearfish and Sturgis. Daugaard said the South

Dakota troops are writing messages that he will forward to their relatives and friends in South Dakota.

"I'll be bringing them back and dispatching them from my office," Daugaard said. The South Dakota governor

said he has felt safe during the trip because of security precautions taken at the military bases. "Everyone is carrying a

weapon," Daugaard said.

The governor said the trip has given him a better understanding of how the National Guard troops were deployed in the area. He said he is impressed with the communication in the military's command

center in Kabul.

The U.S. and its NATO allies are working on plans to pull away from the front lines in Afghanistan next year and turn over the lead in combat operations to the Afghan

Arletta Tisher

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with the treatments that were available in the 1700s and then work our way forward to current treatments."

Issues that will be discussed with the 50 expected professionals on Friday will include recovery from mental health issues, suicide, treatment of psychosis, as well as a tour of the Mead

building on the HSC campus and a tour of the current HSC facili-

"On Saturday, we will focus on issues regarding our youth clients," Hahn said. "We will be looking more into the future and what treatments will be available for them.'

She said they will discuss the role genetics plays in the behaviors of youth, why some have impulse control issues, (as well as) eating disorders and anxiety be-

This is the eighth year the conference has been held in



60 years
The family of Clarence and

Angela (Schieffer) Mueller request a Card Shower for their 60th Anniversary on April 22, 2012. Send cards to: 89551 553rd Avenue, Crofton, NE 68730.

In Memory of Phyllis Schrempp 5-13-1941 to 4-19-2009

We wish she was here!

We had a wonderful mother, Her smile was made of Sunshine, And her heart made of gold, She will always be remembered. We wish she was here!

In the air we breathe, We know she is there However, we wish she was here!

We will be forever grateful For the mother we had We can only wish to be half of who she was We wish she was here!

Her memories are so strong Her presence we long We wish she was here!

We miss you and

love you always!

Scott, Jaci, Brad & Dad



IN REMEMBRANCE

Georgiann "Peggy" List 2:00 PM, Thursday

10:30 AM, Friday St. John's Lutheran Church First United Methodist Church Yankton **Jack Patrick O'Malley** 2:00 PM, Friday

Wintz & Ray Funeral Home Yankton









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