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# Irene Teen Dies In Saturday Farm Accident

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IRENE — An Irene teenager has been

killed in a weekend accident in rural Yankton County. Zavier Michael Larsen, 14, died in the

late Saturday afternoon accident at 438th Avenue and 293rd Street, according to the Yankton County sheriff's office. The location is approximately three miles north of SD Highway 46, near the Yankton-Hutchinson county line.

The boy was riding in the bucket of a skidloader and ended up underneath the bucket, according to the sheriff's office. Authorities received a call to the acci-

dent between 5-6 p.m. Saturday.

More information on the accident could be released today (Monday), according to the sheriff's office Funeral services are scheduled for

10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Calvary Lutheran Church, Irene, with the Rev. Mark Ostrem officiating. Burial will fol-

low in Hillcrest Cemetery, Irene.
Visitation is set for 5-7 p.m. Tuesday at the church.

Zavier was an eighth grader in the Irene-Wakonda school system. According to the district's website, no school will be held Wednesday to allow Irene-Wakonda students and staff to attend the

For obituary and online condolences, visit hansenfuneralhome.com.

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# **US Delavs Missile Test As Tensions** With NK Rise

BY LOLITA C. BALDOR **Associated Press** 

WASHINGTON — Amid mounting tensions with North Korea, the Pentagon has delayed an intercontinental ballistic missile test that had been planned for next week at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California, a senior defense official told The Associated Press on Saturday.

The official said Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel decided to put off the longplanned Minuteman 3 test until sometime next month because of concerns the launch could be misinterpreted and exacerbate the Korean crisis. Hagel made the decision Friday, the official said.

The test was not connected to the ongoing U.S.-South Korean military exercises that have been going on in that region and have stoked North Korean anger and fueled an escalation in threatening actions and rhetoric.

North Korea's military warned earlier this week that it was authorized to attack the U.S. using "smaller, lighter and diversified" nuclear weapons. And South Korean officials say North Korea has moved at least one missile with "considerable range" to its east coast — possibly the untested Musudan missile, believed to have a range of 1,800 miles. U.S. officials have said the missile move suggests a North Korean launch could be imminent and thus fuels worries in the region.

Pyongyang's moves come on the heels of the North's nuclear test in February, and the launch in December of a longrange North Korean rocket that could potentially hit the continental U.S. Added to that is the uncertainty surrounding the intentions of North Korea's new young leader, Kim Jong Un.

# **Transit Back To Normal**

## Clarification On Ruling Returns Regular Service For Time Being

**BY NATHAN JOHNSON** 

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Yankton Transit has announced that starting today (Monday) it will go back to providing the transportation service to students that was in place prior to a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) ruling.

The about-face is the result of some clarification on the February decision by FTA officials, according to Tony Erickson, president of the Yankton Transit board.

'It's how you interpret the ruling by the FTA," he said. "Their intention was not to disrupt service during the school year, but that wasn't quite clear." The FTA ordered that Yankton Transit cease and

desist from operating exclusive school bus routes. Yankton Transit was told to provide a transition plan within 60 days to accommodate the service through the end of the school year.

Yankton Transit implemented a plan last week that it believed was in compliance with FTA rules. However, problems with the agency's scheduling software led to serious delays in picking up and delivering students which left many parents angry and frustrated.

Velda Bentson, the director of Yankton Transit, said she had lost approximately 25 percent of the contracts the agency had with parents to transport more than 200 children to and from school at \$2 per

News of the ruling led District 18 Rep. Bernie Hunhoff to contact South Dakota's Washington delegation about the matter. Sen. Tim Johnson's staff provided Yankton Transit with some information on

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### A HOME ON THE HILL



Sandy Stockholm, executive director of the Missouri Sedimentation Action Coalition (MSAC), stands in front of the Corps of Discovery Welcome Center which now includes an MSAC office — the organization's first headquarters in

# **Sedimentation Group Finds** A New Home At CDWC

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CROFTON, Neb. — Sandy Stockholm never really knew what to tell people asking where they could find the Missouri Sedimentation Action Coalition (MSAC).

She and other MSAC officials handed out business cards, offering their cell phone numbers and email addresses. But the organization didn't have a headquarters during its 12 years of existence.

That's all changed, as MSAC now rents space in the Corps of Discovery Welcome Center. The facility is located on the bluff about two miles south of Yankton along U.S. Highway 81.

Stockholm spent last week setting up her office, and she vows to bring in a few more finishing touches. But the MSAC executive director likes the feel of the place.

"This finally gives us a home," she said. "When Howard Paul was our executive director, he was working out of his office in Canton. And first as public relations director, and now as executive director, I've been working out of my home in Springfield.'

Stockholm sees the potential for much greater visibility for the organization, which works to raise awareness about the sediment clogging the Missouri River's

"With this new office, we will be able to maintain some sort of office hours. We will also be able to store records," she said. "And we will benefit from the foot traffic and visibility of people who pass through the visitors center."

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#### **Decision 2013**

# Area Towns Set To Vote On Tuesday

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Voters in several area South Dakota communities will head to the polls Tuesday to decide town and school races.

Across the Nebraska border, Niobrara school voters will decide whether to pass a bond measure of nearly \$10 million over 25 years to repair and replace aging school buildings.

The following is a roundup of area South Dakota elections:
FREEMAN — Voters in the Freeman school

strict will choose two candidates from among incumbent Laverne Diede, who is seeking a third term on the board, and challengers Dan Waldhauser and Cory Schrag.

LESTERVILLE — Incumbent Muriel Pratt and challenger Karen Frangenberg are running for a seat on the board of trustees.

MISSION HILL — Voters in the town election will choose between incumbent D.W. Duhachek and challenger Thaddeus Utech for a three-year term on the board of trustees.
PICKSTOWN — Running for two three-year

terms on the town board of trustees are Craig Noteboom, Amy Hoilien, Diane M. Opbroek and Almon G. Adam.

SCOTLAND — City voters will decide the mayor's race for a two-year term between Curtis Hofer and Zachary Bakke.

SPRINGFIELD — The one contest in the city election features Jerrame Larson and Kent Hiemstra running for the Ward I alderman posi-

TABOR — The election for two three-year terms on the town board of trustees includes candidates Joseph Carda, Tony Souhrada and Richard Sutera.

#### **NIOBRARA SCHOOL BOND**

The voters in the Niobrara school district will decide whether to pass a bond measure not

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## Clinton Office Hostage Taker **Escapes From NH Unit**

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — A man who took hostages at a Hillary Rodham Clinton presidential campaign office in 2007 escaped from a minimum-security correctional facility on Sunday, au-

Leeland Eisenberg was discovered missing during an afternoon head count at the Calumet Transitional Housing Unit in Manchester, state Department of Corrections spokesman Jeff Lyons said.

Eisenberg was sentenced in May 2010 to 3 1/2 to 7 years for probation violations. The 52-year-old would have been eligible for parole in August.

Once he is found, he will be charged with escape, a felony punishable by 3 1/2 to 7 years in prison, Lyons said. Eisenberg isn't considered armed.



#### **HOME WORK** FOR THE HOME

The latest in home designs was on display this weekend at the Lewis & Clark Home Builders Association's eighth annual Home Show, held at the Kiwanis 4-H Ice Arena in Yankton. The show featured booths from approximately 50 businesses, most of which were from the Yankton/Vermillion areas. Officials from the South Dakota Housing Development Authority and the South Dakota Attorney General's Office were also on hand to answer questions. (Derek Bartos/P&D)



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