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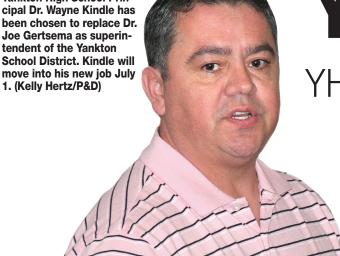




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Yankton High School Principal Dr. Wayne Kindle has been chosen to replace Dr. Joe Gertsema as superintendent of the Yankton School District. Kindle will move into his new job July 1. (Kelly Hertz/P&D)



**YSD Goes With Kindle** 

YHS Principal Tabbed To Succeed Gertsema As Supt.

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After searching for a superintendent for the past several months, the Yankton School District (YSD) school board has decided to fill the position by promoting from within.

Dr. Wayne Kindle, who has been serving as principal of the Yankton High School since 2007, will take the reins as YSD superintendent July 1.

Kindle told the *Press & Dakotan* he is honored and humbled to be chosen as the superintendent

"Our students, staff and administrators have worked hard to continue the strong tradition of academics, fine arts and athletics in the district. he said. "Most important has been the success of students when they leave YSD. I also look forward to creating short and long terms goals, which benefit the quality of education that we

Kindle has been with YSD since 1991, when he began his career in the district as a sixth grade teacher. While at YSD, he pursued advancing degrees at the University of South Dakota. By 1994, Kindle moved to the Yankton Middle School to become an associate principal, and was promoted to YMS principal in 1995.

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## **Niobrara River Named Among Most Endangered**

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NIOBRARA, Neb. — The Niobrara River has been named among America's Most Endangered Rivers of 2013, the American Rivers organization announced today (Wednesday).

The designation shines a national spotlight on dam-related sediment buildup and flooding that threaten communities, recreation, and critical wildlife habitat, said American Rivers spokeswoman Eileen Fretz.

"Every year, we list the 10 Most Endangered Rivers. They have to be nominated by a local government or local partner," she said. "These aren't the 10 worst rivers, because we don't have an analysis of all rivers. But these 10 are nominated by local partners who have made the decision that, within the next year, they will address the issue through our Most Endangered River listing.

"We can draw more attention to it, educate the public and engage more citizens in the process," she added.

The Niobrara River isn't new to the list, Fretz said.

"The list changes every year with 10 new rivers. A river can be nominated more than once and can make the list more than once," she said. "The Niobrara has been listed in the past, but it has never been listed for this issue. It the past, it was listed due to proposed dams and water diversion.

The listing will hopefully spur solutions, Fretz said.

"The America's Most Endangered Rivers report is a call to action to save rivers that are facing a critical tipping point," she said.

At its confluence with the Missouri, the Niobrara is increasingly threatened by sediment backing up in the Niobrara delta behind the Missouri River's Gavins

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#### **DOORS STAYING OPEN**



Pat Breen, executive director of the Boys & Girls Club of the Missouri Valley Area, has vowed to maintain youth programs at the Wagner and Marty units even with any funding loss because of the federal sequester.

# Tightening The Belt

B&G Club Takes Steps To Address Sequestration Cuts

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WAGNER — School was out for the day, and teenager Tevin Primeaux and his friends were enjoying games, talking and even homework at the Wagner Boys & Girls

Primeaux considered it time well spent at the center, operated by the Boys & Girls Club of the Missouri River Area. The organization also operates a unit in Marty, and the two sites have a combined membership of more than 1.000 youths.

"I'm 15, and I have been a member since I was 5 or 6," Primeaux said. "With the Boys & Girls Club, it's fun here.

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I like hanging out with my friends. The kids get to better, and we have fun."

As Boys & Girls Club executive director, Pat Breen

leads the Wagner and Marty units. A key part of the job means raising funds to meet the \$470,000 budget for the

The federal sequester has added one more challenge to fund-raising.

Even with a loss of some federal funds, the Boys &Girls Club can fall back on other sources, Breen told the Press & Dakotan. He describes the organization's budget

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## County Aims To Address Leaky Government Center

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The Yankton County Commission agreed Tuesday that it is time to address the issue of water leaking into the Yankton County Government Center basement.

According to Commissioner Donna Freng, water entered the building during last week's storm through skylights on the basement level.

'We can't keep dragging our feet and say, 'Well, let's get the architect. Let's discuss this," she told the other commissioners. "They're not going to do anything. We have to decide what we're going to do and do it. We have to either get those skylights replaced or remove them completely. We have to do something."

The repair work is necessary because the county could put the space to use, according to Freng.

We have to start thinking about finishing our basement," she said. "It's ridiculous. We have wasted space down there. We have books lying on the floor. The Contact Center does great work down there, and they need some more

Commission Chairman Bruce Jensen added that the moisture could lead to mold if it isn't addressed.

The Government Center has been plagued by various water leakage issues since it opened in 2003. While some have been resolved, others have not.

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#### **HISTORY TOUR**



Yankton Middle School's sixth grade chorus took a tour through ancient history (in the case of this photo, the empires of the Far East) during the spring chorus concert Tuesday night at the YMS Old Gym. While the sixth graders presented the archeological journey entitled 'Dig It," the grades 7-8 chorus offered tunes ranging from "Hakuna Matat" from the "The Lion King" to "We Go Together" from "Grease." To see or purchase images from this event, visit spotted.yankton.net.

# **Boston:** 'An Act Of Terrorism'

### FBI: Pressure-Cooker Bombs Used In Attack

BY JAY LINDSAY AND EILEEN SULLIVAN

**Associated Press** 

BOSTON — Federal agents zeroed in Tuesday on how the Boston Marathon bombing was carried out — with kitchen pressure cookers packed with explosives, nails and other lethal shrapnel — but said they still didn't know who did it and why.

The FBI and other law enforcement agencies repeatedly pleaded for members of the public to come forward with photos, videos or anything suspicious they might have seen or heard.

"The range of suspects and motives remains wide open," Richard DesLauriers, FBI agent in charge in Boston, said at a news conference. He vowed to "go to the ends of the Earth to identify the subject or subjects who are responsible for this despicable crime.

President Barack Obama branded the attack an act of terrorism but said officials don't know "whether it was planned and executed by a terrorist organization, foreign or domestic, or was the act of a malevolent individual."

Scores of victims of the Boston bombing remained in hospitals, many with grievous injuries, a day after the twin explosions near the marathon's finish line killed three people. wounded more than 170 and reawakened fears of terrorism. A 9-year-old girl and 10-year-old boy were among 17 victims listed in critical condition.

Heightening jitters in Washington, where security already had been tightened after the bombing, a letter addressed to a senator and

Martin Richard, 8 years old, seen in this Facebook photo, died in the **Boston Marathon bombing. Richard** was waiting to give his runner father a hug at finish line is named as one of three Boston Marathon bombing victims.

poisoned with ricin or a similarly toxic substance was intercepted at a mail facility outside the capital, lawmakers said. There was no immediate indication the episode was related to the Boston attack. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid said the let-

ter was sent to Republican Sen. Roger Wicker of Mississippi. Officials found that the bombs in Boston consisted of explosives put in ordinary, 1.6-gallon pressure cookers, one with shards of metal and ball bearings, the other with nails, according to a person close to the investigation who spoke on condition of anonymity because the probe was still going on.

Both bombs were stuffed into black duffel bags and left on the ground, the person said.

DesLauriers confirmed that investigators had found pieces of black nylon from a bag or backpack and fragments of BBs and nails, possibly contained in a pressure cooker. He said the items were sent to the FBI laboratory at Quantico, Va., for analysis.

Investigators said they have not yet determined what was used to set off the explosives.

Pressure-cooker explosives have been used in international terrorism, and have been recommended for lone-wolf operatives by Al-Qaida's branch in Yemen.

But information on how to make the bombs is readily found online, and U.S. officials said Americans should not rush to judgment in linking the attack to overseas terrorists. DesLauriers said there had been no claim of responsibility for

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