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Man Pleads Not Guilty To Homicide Charge

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A Yankton man pleaded not guilty Monday to charges stemming from an alleged domestic assault earlier this month that involved the discharge of a weapon.

Curtis Timothy Wilson, 22, has been indicted by a grand jury on two counts of first-degree attempted homicide as murder, aggravated assault (domestic), aggravated assault and second-degree kidnapping.

First-degree attempted homicide as murder is a Class 2 felony punishable by up to 25 years in the state penitentiary and/or a \$50,000 fine, as well as restitution.

The aggravated assault and kidnapping charges are each Class 3 felonies punishable by up to 15 years in the state penitentiary and/or a \$30,000 fine, as well as restitution.

Yankton Police say Wilson assaulted his girlfriend in the 900 block of East 15th Street during the early morning hours of April 5. The woman fled from her residence to a neighbor's home.

Wilson is alleged to have followed her and fired a bullet from a long rifle. However, the projectile went through a window in a door and did not hit the neighbor or the girlfriend.

The neighbor was transported to Avera Sacred Heart Hospital by Yankton County EMS for minor injuries from flying debris.

Circuit Judge Glen Eng scheduled a trial in the matter for 9 a.m. Aug. 12. Motions are to be filed by May 31. If a plea agreement is to be reached, Eng ordered it to be done by July 29.

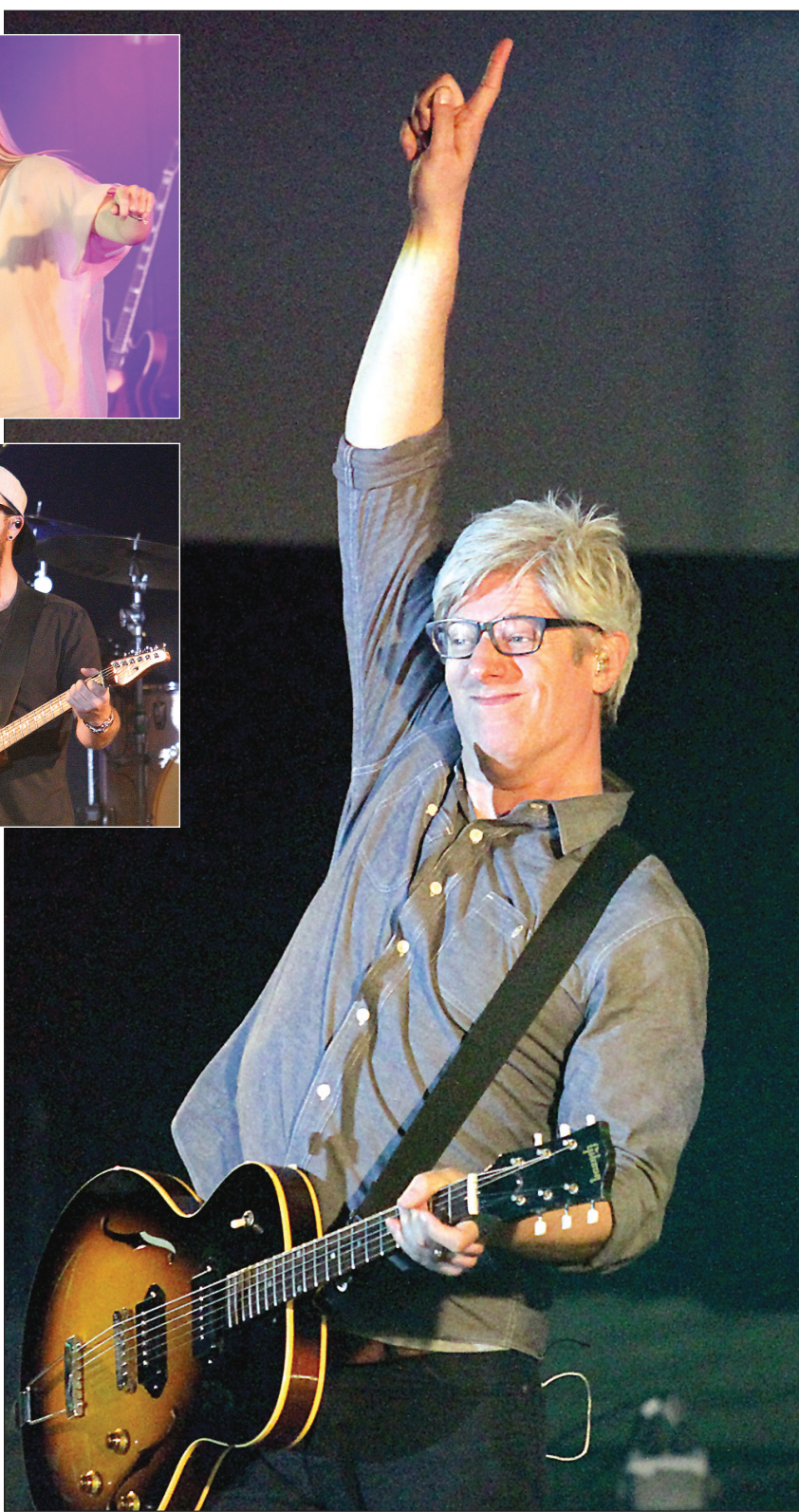
Wilson is being held in the Yankton County Jail on \$500,000 bond.

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ROCKIN' THE MOUNT MONDAY



Christian music artist Matt Maher, right, brought the "All the People" tour to Mount Marty College Monday night with a show that drew a large crowd to the Laddie E. Cimpl Arena. Maher is joined on stage at MMC by opening acts Bellarive (a Florida group which includes vocalist/percussionist Melissa Mage) and three-time Dove Award winner Chris August. Maher is now promoting the release of his new album, "All the People Say Amen," which was released last week. (Kelly Hertz/P&D)



2nd Review Is Ordered For Murder Suspect

Case Delayed As Judge OKs Psychiatric Evaluation For Jans

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An independent psychiatric evaluation will be sought for a man accused of murdering a Yankton resident last fall.

Darwin Abel Jans, 57, has been charged with second-degree murder and aggravated assault in connection with the death of Larry D. Goodman.

Circuit Judge Glen Eng noted Monday that a psychiatric evaluation done at the South Dakota Human Services Center had been provided to the court.

However, Luci Youngberg, the court-appointed attorney for Jans, said that based on the results of the report she would like to get a second doctor to evaluate her client.

Eng said the request will be granted.

Because the delay in proceeding with the case is due to a request from the defense, it was agreed that the time it takes to complete a second psychiatric evaluation will not count toward the 180-day rule. The rule requires that a case be disposed of within

180 days of a person first appearing before a judicial officer on an indictment, information or complaint.

Goodman and Jans were clients in Yankton's Individualized and Mobile Program of Assertive Community Treatment (IMPACT), which assists people with severe mental illness.

On Sept. 19, Yankton police officers responded to an incident at 120 East Third Street near the Sir Charles Apartments, where they found Goodman unresponsive as a result of an apparent assault by Jans.

Goodman, 59, received extensive medical treatment, but passed away Oct. 6 at the Avera Yankton Care Center in Yankton.

Jans is being held on a \$100,000 cash-only bond.

Second-degree murder is a Class B felony punishable by no less than life imprisonment in the state penitentiary. In addition, a \$50,000 fine may be imposed.

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Gayville-Volin Secures \$25K For New Track

School District Draws Closer To \$350,000 Goal

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GAYVILLE — The votes are in, and Gayville-Volin's dream of a new track in a big step closer to reality.

After receiving more than 51,000 votes in a three-week period, Gayville-Volin secured a \$25,000 grant from State Farm to help construct a new track.

Gayville-Volin was one of 3,000 cause submissions received through the State Farm Neighborhood Assist program. After going through the entries, a State Farm panel of students narrowed it down to 200 finalists. From

April 4-22, Facebook members could vote for their favorite cause.

The Gayville-Volin track came in third out of the 200 finalists.

"We applied for the grant last year, but were not one of the top 200 finalists to be chosen," said Amy Gustad, who helped promote the cause throughout the community. "With this grant, we are closer to reaching our fundraising goal and making the project a reality."

Gayville-Volin is still working towards its goal of \$350,000, and this grant gets them closer to that goal.

"We are hopeful to break ground this

spring, with the project being completed in the fall," Gustad said. "We have enough money to get started, and some future fundraising events we have planned should get us close to our fundraising goal."

Fundraising events planned include a golf tournament and fun run. Officials are also planning a "Track-A-Palooza" event in the fall, which is slated to be their biggest fundraising event remaining. The "Track-A-Palooza" event will feature raffle items, and a live and silent auction.

"We're also looking for donations from members of the community to help us reach our goal," Gustad said. "We have never had a track in Gayville, despite having strong cross country and track and field programs at the school. We're hoping building a track gets

more people excited about the program."

She added that the track will also help promote a healthy lifestyle within the community, and older residents can use it for exercise. The track will also be used by gym classes throughout the school day.

"Right now, kids are training on the streets surrounding Gayville, and the roads are torn up because crews have been doing work on them," Gustad said. "It's not a safe environment for kids to be training on. Oftentimes when middle school kids go to track meets, for some of them it's the first time they've ever stepped on a track."

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Consumers Up Spending In March

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans kept increasing their spending in March and their income grew, further indication that consumers are shaking off higher taxes.

The Commerce Department said Monday that consumer spending rose 0.2 percent in March from February. That followed a 0.7 percent jump in February and a 0.3 percent gain in January.

Income increased 0.2 percent last month, following a gain of 1.1 percent in February. After-tax income also rose 0.2 percent.

Higher income has helped offset an increase in Social Security taxes that took effect on Jan. 1. On Friday, the government said consumer spending rose from January through March at the fastest pace in more than two years.

"The consumer is doing reasonably well," Joseph LaVorgna, an economist at Deutsche Bank, said in a note to clients.

Spending on services drove the March increase. That was partly due to an unseasonably cold March, which required Americans to pay more to heat their homes.

River Education Festival Gets Funding Boost



Dr. Wayne Kindle of the Yankton Area Foundation presents a check for \$1,000 to Missouri River Watershed Education Festival committee members Mary Robb, City of Yankton and Amanda Johnson, Keep Yankton Beautiful for the annual festival, which will take place Friday in Yankton.

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How much do students love the annual Missouri River Watershed Education Festival?

One year, a curiosity-filled boy puckered up and kissed a fish that presenters were holding in a tank.

"The boy just leaned over and kissed the fish. It surprised everyone. But that's just it — there is something spontaneous every year," said Mary Robb, a Yankton city employee and one of the festival organizers.

This year's festival runs Friday morning at Riverside Park in Yankton. The fifth annual event will draw middle school and high school students from about a 100-mile radius of Yankton. The festival drew 125 students the initial year, but it should hit 400 students this year.

The festival may be a "green" event, but organizers are looking for another "green" — money, along with in-kind donations, to meet rising expenses. The cost has risen from \$1,200 the first year to \$2,500-3,500 this year.

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work," Robb said. "We do it all on donations. None of the agencies, committee members or volunteers receive anything."

The Yankton Area Foundation stepped forward last week, donating \$1,000. Dr. Wayne Kindle, the foundation's chairman, presented the check.

The foundation represents a new funding source, Robb said.

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