

Author To Share Adoption Experience

What would you do if you were adopting a child and, during the adoption process, the biological family wanted the child back? How would you cope? What legal rights would you have?

This is the situation that Jason and Angela Vesely of Verdigre, Nebraska, faced.

Come to the Yankton Community Library, 515 Walnut Street, on Thursday, April 16, at 6:30 p.m. to hear the Vesely's story as Angela shares from her book "Not What We Were Expecting: A Memoir." Books will be available for purchase that evening.

For more information, contact the library at 668-5276.

Responsive Parenting Classes Coming

Yankton County Parents as Teachers will be offering Bright Start Responsive Parenting classes this spring. Classes will be held on April 18 and 25 from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Avera Pavilion Conference Room 1, located at 409 Summit St. Yankton.

Participants should attend both sessions in order to receive a certificate.

This class is designed for parents with children from Birth to age 3.

Key topics being discussed will include: "The Parent and Child Dance," "Your Unique Child," "Responding to Your Child's Needs," "What and How my Child Learns," "Parenting is Stressful and So is Growing up" and "Encouraging Your Child."

The classes are free and pre-registration is required as class size is limited. To register, call Yankton County Parents as Teachers at 605-661-4833.

Parents as Teachers are a home visitation program that provides information, support and encouragement to families through home visits and classes in order to promote child development during the first three years of life.

Upcoming Shred Days Announced

Identity theft continues to be one of the fastest growing crimes in the United States. It is ranked as one of the top consumer concerns for the past several years. First Dakota National Bank wants to help by giving you the opportunity to shred any personal information free of charge.

Come to the Shred Days at any of the following First Dakota locations and times:

- Tuesday, May 5 — Vermillion: Shred on site truck 9-11:45 a.m., 111 Court Street
- Tuesday, May 5 — Elk Point: Shred on site truck 12:30-2 p.m., 117 W Main Street
- Tuesday, May 5 — Beresford: Shred on site truck 3-4:30 p.m., 101 S 3rd Street
- Thursday, May 7 — Yankton: Shred on site truck 11 a.m.-3 p.m., 1800 Summit Ave (across the street from Yankton High School)
- Thursday, May 21 — Mitchell: Shred on site truck 12:30-3 p.m., 1712 N Main St

- through May 11 — Parkston: Shred containers available until May 11, 109 Main Street
- through May 29 — Wagner: Shred containers available until May 29, 10 High Ave SW
- April 16-May 26 — Salem: Shred containers available until May 26, 301 N Main St

- April 22-May 22 — Chamberlain: Shred containers available until May 22, 201 N Courtland St
- April 22-May 22 — Kimball: Shred containers available until May 22, 200 S Main St

Dakota Data Shred from Sioux Falls will take care of the shredding.

Remember, when you throw something in the trash, it is available to anyone willing to overlook the disgusting smells and textures of your trash. So a good rule of thumb is anything that has a signature, account number, Social Security number or medical and legal information should be shredded.

Here are a few more suggestions: address labels from junk mail and magazines, ATM receipts, bank statements, copies of birth certificates, canceled and voided checks, credit card bills, investment documents, employee pay stubs, employment records, college ID's, pre-approved credit card applications, receipts with checking account numbers, report cards, resume's, tax forms, used airline tickets and utility bills.

Noodle Making Workshop In Tabor

TABOR — Interested in learning about making homemade noodles? Join the Czech Heritage Preservation Society members at the Tabor Legion Hall on Monday, April 20. The noodle making process will start at 9 a.m.

If you prefer not using the old fashioned method of everything done by hand, bring your heavy duty mixers and noodle making machines. Donations of flour, vegetable oil or eggs are appreciated.

Bring a food item for pot-luck lunch and enjoy the day.

Helm To Visit Area Legion Posts

National American Legion Commander Mike Helm from the Department of Nebraska will visit South Dakota April 19-22.

Helm plans on touring American Legion Posts in South Dakota during his visit. Events are being planned in the area posts listed below in the itinerary:

- April 20 — 9 a.m.: Menno Post; 10 a.m. — Tripp Post
- Mike Helm was elected National Commander of the 2.4 million-member American Legion last August in Charlotte, North Carolina, during the 96th National Convention of the nation's largest veteran's organization.



SAPA Celebrates Easter

On March 28, Sapa of Yankton invited the children and grandchildren of their employees to partake in an Easter Egg Hunt. Seventy-seven children ranging in ages 1-11 came out to the plant to partake in the festivities, which included games, drawings and, of course, visiting with the Easter Bunny and hunting for eggs. (Submitted photos)



'Small Business' Virtual Conference Set

BROOKINGS — SDSU Extension will host the "Small Business is Everybody's Business" Virtual Conference April 24, at eight locations across the state.

"Rural communities have real advantages when it comes to attracting new entrepreneurs and retaining small businesses," said Peggy Schlechter, SDSU Extension Community Development Field Specialist. "This virtual conference will provide communities an opportunity to hear nationally-known speakers share information about how rural places can support small businesses."

Site locations for this virtual conference include: DeSmet, Faith, Gregory, Irene, Newell, Sisseton, Tri-Valley School, and Wall. For registration and location details, visit <http://igrow.org/store>. Seating is limited.

Dell Gines, Senior Community Development Advisor, Federal Reserve Bank

of Kansas City is the keynote speaker. Gines has spoken to audiences across the nation on entrepreneurship based economic development, entrepreneurship ecosystems and developing local rural and urban economies through developing entrepreneurship growth strategies. He is the author of the "Grow Your Own Guide to Entrepreneurship Based Economic Development."

Craig Schroeder, is the afternoon keynote speaker. Schroeder is with the Center for Rural Entrepreneurship in Lincoln, Neb. Schroeder has committed his career to helping rural communities create more prosperous futures. Schroeder's work extends across 47 states involving well over 40,000 youth.

Closer to home, Schroeder created the Youth Attraction Formula© to help rural communities in the Great Plains set attainable goals for addressing chronic youth out-migration and population loss.

In addition to keynote speakers, each site will host a panel of local leaders and businesspeople sharing information on local outlook and support for entrepreneurs. Participants from the same community and region will also have time to strategize about ways they can promote small business growth and retention.

Who should attend? Community leaders, business owners, prospective business owners, young people, school board members, economic development board members, city council, county commissioners and anyone who is interested in the vitality of his/her community.

This conference is sponsored by SDSU Extension, USDA Rural Development, West River Electric and the REED (Rural Electric Economic Development, Inc.) Fund.

For more information, contact Schlechter at 605-394-1722 or peggy.schlechter@sdstate.edu.

OBITUARIES

Evelyn Wolf

Evelyn M. (Pistulka) Wolf, 84, of Atkinson passed away peacefully on Thursday, April 9 at the Golden Living Center in O'Neill with family members present.

Her funeral services will be held on Tuesday, April 14 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Atkinson. Interment will be in St. Anthony's Cemetery in rural Fairfax, SD.

Visitation will be on Monday, April 13 beginning at 4:00 p.m. at Seger Funeral Home in Atkinson. A prayer service and rosary will be held at 7:00 p.m. The St. Joseph's Altar Society will have an afternoon Rosary at 4 p.m.

Evelyn Marie (Pistulka) Wolf was born on the Ides of March (15th), 1931 in Fairfax, SD as the youngest daughter to George and Rosie (Ziska) Pistulka Sr. She was raised on the family farm north of Fairfax during the difficult thirties and wartime forties. She graduated from Fairfax High School in 1949 and worked at the Burke State Bank in Bonesteel, SD for a short while following



Wolf

Fairfax. The new couple lived briefly in Fairfax before moving to Butte, NE for about a year. Their first child Jesse Warren was born during this year. They moved back to Fairfax where they farmed for the next 14 years. During this time Joseph Paul, Jack Jeffrey, and Sherry Jean were born.

In the fall of 1966 they moved to Atkinson, NE where they ran the Round Up Bar until Dick's death in 1975. During their time in Atkinson children Julian and Jay Raymond were born. She spent the next few years raising Jay and eventually became the school secretary at St. Joseph's Elementary School until her retirement at age 75. Evelyn had two great pastimes, bowling and attending her children's school activities. She was

the first woman bowler in Atkinson to ever bowl a 600 series. She and her team attended state bowling tournaments almost annually.

Family was very important to her and she loved when all of her family could be around for holiday, birthdays, and other family events. While she occasionally noted how much work it all was, she was proudest when everyone was there.

Evelyn was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and Altar Society of Atkinson and a past member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Fairfax.

Surviving Evelyn are sons Jess and Loxi Wolf of Hartington, Jack and Linda Wolf of Atkinson, and Jay Wolf of Lincoln; grandchildren and great grandchildren Jim and Erin Wolf, Presley, Gavin, and Rowan of Battle Creek, Jared and Amy Wolf, Addison, Karlee, and Jase of Stuart,



and Jon and Hannah Wolf of O'Neill; older sister Irene and Paul Donovan of Omaha; sisters in law Diane Williams of Vermillion, SD and Dorothy Pistulka of Fairfax, SD and brother in law Don Hausmann of Bonesteel, SD, and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding Evelyn in death were her husband Dick, parents George and Rosie Pistulka, children Joseph, Sherry, and Julian (all preemies), brother George Pistulka, Jr. sister Berniece Hausmann, brothers and sisters in law Ray and Vervil Wolf, Duane and Jeannie Ertz, and John Williams.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.segerfuneralhome.net/.

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Solitaires

A social group of ladies who have lost their spouse which meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Hospitality Center on the grounds of Wintz & Ray Funeral Home.

Please join us for our next social on
**Wednesday,
April 15th
6:00pm Potluck
6:45pm Guest Speaker**

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Calendars for These
Solitaires Dates:
May 20, June 17,
July 15, August 19

*Honoring
Their Memory*

Our Thoughts And
Prayers Are With Them

Our care and concern does not end with the funeral service. This week we remember with family and friends the anniversary of the deaths of:

Peggy Mann
who passed away
April 13, 2014

Gerald Suing
who passed away
April 14, 2014

Avis Cox
who passed away
April 6, 2011

Edward Kronaizl
who passed away
April 14, 2000

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