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What A Waste

City Officials Want To Educate Public On The
Consequences Of What They Are Flushing Away

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Not everything that goes down the drain in Yankton is destined to make it back into the Missouri River.

That's where the Yankton waste water treatment facility on Levee St. comes in.

Through various forms of filtration, aeration, biological treatment and UV filtration, the plant sifts out up to 98 percent of the physical and biological matter that came in with the sewer water before it's deposited into the river.

But the facility, which has no ability to go totally offline for any length of time, faces one major threat

— un-flushable items. From wipes and paper towels to cooking grease and other items, they all have one thing in common — they can cause a lot of trouble.

Plant superintendent Tanner Hanson said it's easy for larger items to back up the system as soon as they come in contact with the plant's first line of defense — bar screens meant to catch the largest pieces of material.

"You can have high influent flows with your bar screens and it'll set off alarms because you have so much material that backs up in that first channel that it'll raise



ROB NIELSEN/P&D

Tanner Hanson, superintendent of Yankton's wastewater treatment plant, inspects a "clarification basin" on the treatment plant grounds. The city is making an effort to educate the public on what they should and should not introduce to the city's sewer system.

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Festival Set To Sail



KELLY HERTZ/P&D

Kayaking demonstrations will once again be featured at the Missouri River Watershed Education Festival, set for Friday at Riverside Park and part of two days of river-related activities.

Yankton Gearing Up For Expanded River Festival

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The Missouri River will be packed with activities at Yankton this weekend as three events and a kayak race will fill the river and shorelines.

The Missouri River Watershed Education Festival will both enlighten and entertain students Friday morning at Riverside Park. The participating schools come from a 100-mile radius of southeast South Dakota and northeast Nebraska.

"We have 426 students registered from 12 schools for the education festival," said Mary Robb with the City of Yankton.

On Saturday, the activities ramp up for the general public. The Missouri River Clean-Up runs from 8 a.m. to noon, running from approximately Gavins Point Dam to Riverside Park. A new event, the River Rendezvous, will fill Riverside Park from 1-5 p.m. with fun and educational exhibits about outdoor activities.

In addition, the "Dam 'N Back Trek" kayak race will run Saturday afternoon with competitors heading from Riverside Park to "the bubble" near Chief White Crane State Park and back. Those attending the River Rendezvous can witness the start and finish of the kayak

"The students will have a great time again this year, another wonderful group of presenters! They kind of think they have gotten out of class for the morning. But in the reviews we have gotten ... they are amazed at all they learned."

MARY ROBB

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COURTESY PHOTO

Kobus Brink, a 16-year-old archer from South Africa, will be one of five participants from that nation who will be traveling to Yankton for the World Archery Youth Championships in June

WAYC Profile

South African Archer Set For Yankton Return

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in a series of upcoming Q&As profiling archers who will be coming to Yankton for the World Archery Youth Championships from June 6-14.

BY JEREMY HOECK

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Kobus Brink is no stranger to Yankton.

The 16-year-old archer from South Africa has made two previous trips to South Dakota, for the 2013 International Field Archery Association (IFAA) World Indoor Championships and the 2014 IFAA World Field Championships.

Asked Tuesday during a phone interview with the *Press & Dakotan*, Brink joked that he most remembers the weather in Yankton. "The first time I was there, it was really cold, and we don't get that cold wind in South Africa."

Brink, a compound shooter from Pretoria (the capital of South Africa), will be one of five archers representing South Africa during the World Archery Youth Championships.

P&D: How long have you been shooting?

Brink: I've been shooting about six years. I like it a lot, because archery is fun. You get to socialize with other people, and get to compete against yourself. It gave me the opportunity to travel around the world, to China, France, America and Argentina. I've been in a few countries.

Which one stands out the most?

Argentina was my

favorite place. It's not a country that everyone goes to every day, and it's so beautiful.

What do you remember about Yankton?

The first time I was there, it was really cold, and we don't get that cold wind in South Africa. That was something new for me. The last time, it wasn't that cold, just normal weather, just like in South Africa. Every country you go to, there are different conditions you have to shoot in. I've learned from the conditions and built up experience.

What do you like most about archery?

I like it because I get to compete against myself. You get a certain score, then you can practice to get better. I'm a very competitive person.

How did you get started in archery?

My brother, he shot a few shots here, I talked to some of my friends, they had a bow, got it from them, I shot a few shots, I enjoyed it so much, started to do more and more, I found this archery shop and I bought myself, I started shooting, that's what happened.

What do you think about competing in the World Youth Championships?

I hope I can see the friends I made in China, and compete against the best juniors in the world. This is the highest competition for juniors that there are.

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Melon Mash

Dr. Dave Withrow of the Yankton Medical Clinic used a melon to give second-graders a blunt lesson Tuesday on what could happen if they don't wear a helmet while biking. It was part of the Yankton Rotary Club's annual helmet give-away event to all the second-graders in Yankton. The event took place at the YHS/Summit Activities Center theatre. (Kelly Hertz/P&D)

