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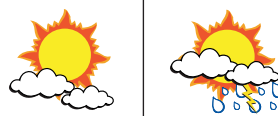
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## WEATHER

9 a.m. 3 p.m.



76° 84°

Breezy to windy, a few late thunderstorms

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## RECYCLING

River City Recycling This Week NORTH of 15th St.



## TOMORROW

■ MARTY: Flooding Forces Late Start To School Year.

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KELLY HERTZ/P&D

Yankton turned into a reasonable facsimile of Hawaii during the weekend for the 27th annual Riverboat Days celebration. This year's theme was "Hawaiian Style," which brought out an explosion of colors and Hawaiian dress for Saturday's annual parade, as was seen on this float from the Yankton Lions Club.

# Hawaiian Heat

## Riverboat Days Thrives On Hot, Humid Weekend

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Last weekend's Riverboat Days theme was "Hawaiian Style," and for three days visitors enjoyed a little paradise in Yankton. The annual festival draws an estimated 100,000 people, and this year again drew large numbers despite the heat and humidity.

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This year's RBD festival enjoyed a number of highly successful events, Johnson said. Friday's concert with the Judd Hoos band drew a large crowd of all ages, and the inaugural lawnmower races were a

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Colors were everywhere during the Riverboat Days parade Saturday in Yankton. The weekend's hot, humid conditions lent some realism to the festival's tropical theme.

# Supplier In Egg Recall Has History Of Violations

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WASHINGTON — Two Iowa farms that together recalled more than half a billion potentially tainted eggs this month share close ties, including suppliers of chickens and feed.

Both farms are linked to businessman Austin "Jack" DeCoster, who has been cited for numerous health, safety and employment violations over the years. DeCoster owns Wright County Egg, the original farm that recalled 380 million eggs Aug. 13 after they were linked to more than 1,000 reported cases of salmonella poisoning.

Another of his companies, Quality Egg, supplies young chickens and feed to both Wright County Egg and Hillandale Farms, the second farm that recalled another 170 million eggs a week later.

Jewanna Porter, a spokeswoman for the egg industry, said the two companies share other suppliers as well, but she did not name them.

The cause of the outbreaks is so far unknown, as Food and Drug Administration investigators are still on the ground at the farms trying to figure it out. The federal Centers for Disease Control has said the number of illnesses, estimated as high as 1,300, would likely grow.

DeCoster is no stranger to controversy in his food and farm operations:

— In 1997, DeCoster Egg Farms agreed to pay \$2 million in fines to settle citations brought in 1996 for health and safety violations at DeCoster's farm in Turner, Maine. Then-Labor Secretary Robert Reich said conditions were "as dangerous and oppressive as any sweatshop." He cited unguarded machinery, electrical hazards, exposure to harmful bacteria and other unsanitary conditions.

— In 2000, Iowa designated DeCoster a "habitual violator" of environmental regulations for problems

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# 460,000 Vehicles In Sturgis During Rally

RAPID CITY (AP) — The South Dakota Department of Transportation estimates 460,000 vehicles entered Sturgis during its 70th annual motorcycle rally.

The Transportation Department monitored traffic at eight locations in Sturgis to come up with the estimate, which is 17 percent higher than last year. That figure covers Aug. 9-15, the official days of the event.

Adding in traffic counts from the days leading up to the rally brings the total to 600,000 vehicles, which is what local officials had expected.

# International Anti-Bullying Expert Visits Yankton

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Lost in the shuffle last week of getting students ready to return to school this year was the fact that the Yankton School District teachers returned to classes of their own.

One such class which was offered was "The Bully, The Bullied and The Bystander," taught by Barbara Coloroso for every teacher in the district.

"This is something I do on a regular basis," Coloroso said. "I was invited to visit by the district office to come in and set the tone for the school year. One of the big areas of concern nationally and internationally is bullying. I have had the opportunity to go around the world helping students and

teachers alike learn how to deal with bullying."

Coloroso — who is an internationally recognized speaker and author in the areas of parenting, teaching, school discipline, non-violent conflict resolution and reconciliatory justice — is an educational consultant for school districts, the medical and business community, the criminal justice system and other educational associations around the world.

"School districts are struggling to come up with ways to handle the issues related to bullying," she said. "The first thing I always tell people is that it takes three participants to be bullied. It takes a bully, someone to be bullied and the bystander — someone watching it all go on.

And, here is a key point: There is no such thing as an innocent bystander. Once that is recognized, districts must come up with a comprehensive plan that includes the three 'P's: an anti-bullying policy, anti-bullying procedures and programs to reinforce the policy."

Coloroso said that the Yankton School District has one of the better anti-bullying policies she has seen. She did suggest that local officials work on some of the verbiage to make sure that everyone — most importantly the students — easily understand what is and is not acceptable behavior.

"I dealt with districts who have had policies in place but no proce-

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SHAUNA MARLETTE/P&D

As part of last week's back-to-school preparation, teachers visited with international bullying expert Barbara Coloroso, who gave them the tools they need to identify bullying, and how best to deal with bullies and the persons being bullied.

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