

Regatta

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event organizers have made an effort over the years to make sure the competition isn't too serious. "That's the intention, to have a fun race," said Mike Grave, manager at the Lewis & Clark Resort, which sponsors the event. In the regatta's first year in 2007, the race was a "no donation" event that was sponsored by the Lewis & Clark Resort. From there, the event began to evolve. "It started as a sailboat race with some friends and it turned into a benefit for the Special Olympics," Grave said. "Since then it has grown from 10 to 15 sailboats to over 40 sailboats." Organizers began collecting donations for entries the second year, all of which were contributed to the Special Olympics. More than \$800 was raised. That amount increased to \$6,000 the following year and jumped to \$15,000 in 2010. Grave said he hoped this year's total would eclipse the \$20,000 mark. Along with the entries and donations, the celebration has increased in size as well. "It's grown considerably," Grave said. "This year we added a car show and a Power Boat Poker Bash to make the event even bigger." The Power Boat Poker Bash took place Saturday afternoon and was followed by music by Too Drunk To Fish. Sunday's activities included a corn hole tournament, a car show and more music. Grave said one of the best parts about the event has been the memories he has made. "The year where we didn't have any wind and the race turned into a water balloon contest on the lake was kind of fun. And last year there was quite a bit of wind and we had Matt Michels start the race for us, which was really fun," he said. "There have been a lot of good memories and good conversations with friends."

Flood

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cluding \$43 million in flood-protection measures. Omaha had spent more than \$8 million by the middle of August, while the city's national airport, Eppley Airfield, has estimated its flooding bill will be \$26 million. Missouri officials said the state has spent more than \$11 million for disaster response, including flooding on the Missouri and Mississippi rivers and tornadoes in Joplin, St. Louis and Sedalia. Holt County officials said an estimated \$2.5 million has been spent for flood preparation, and another \$2 million may be necessary to repairs roads and bridges. "This is the worst disaster that this county has ever experienced," said Holt County Clerk Kathy Kunkel. Residents originally feared the worst when the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announced in late May that a deep Rocky Mountain snowpack and unexpected heavy rains upstream would require record releases from the dams. Some envisioned a wall of water sweeping through their neighborhoods and destroying homes. That didn't happen. As people built sandbag walls around their homes and moved possessions to higher ground, the corps and cities worked furiously to build earthen levees that protected much of Pierre, Fort Pierre and the Dakota Dunes area in southeastern South Dakota. "It was a terrible challenge," Fort Pierre Mayor Sam Tidball said of the levee-building effort. "We just didn't have enough time to get done what we thought we should. But it was miraculous what we did get done." In some parts of Pierre and Fort Pierre, houses that could not be protected by levees were heavily damaged, some likely beyond repair. During the coming weeks, water levels are expected fall in Dakota Dunes and communities downstream in Iowa, Nebraska and Missouri.

"I'm glad we're seeing the beginning of the end," Daugaard said. But South Dakotans threatened by the flood have criticized the corps, which manages the river and its six dams, arguing the agency should have seen the problem coming earlier and gotten rid of more water in the winter and spring. Corps officials have said the reservoirs were in good shape to handle spring runoff until mid-May's torrential rains. May, June and July were three of the top five months for runoff in the 113 years of kept records, they said. South Dakota cities are organizing cleanup efforts to help residents haul away sandbags. And those hit by the flood are assessing the damage. Meanwhile, as water levels fall along with releases from nearby Oahe Dam, weary displaced residents from Pierre and Fort Pierre are returning home. The water that dropped off the levees last week was expected to fall back within the river's normal banks on Sunday. Merle Scheiber doesn't know if his home upstream from Fort Pierre can be saved. For nearly three months, water stood four feet deep in his house in an area that could not be protected by a levee. Water swept into his neighborhood just three days after people learned the flood was coming. He knows it will cost at least \$20,000 to gut the interior of the house and get rid of the mold clinging to the walls, but he's not sure if three months of water destroyed the floor joists that support the structure. "It's been a long summer, very frustrating, very trying," Scheiber said. "When you have lack of control and all this uncertainty that goes with it, you don't know what to do." And Curtis, who faces the task of repairing her basement, still finds a way to joke about how the flood has disrupted her life and left water standing in her garden. "All I need is an alligator to give it that special effect. But they're not as tasty as tomatoes in a salad," she said. Associated Press writers Mike Glover in Des Moines, Iowa, Margery Beck in Omaha, Neb., and Chris Blank in Jefferson City, Mo., contributed to this story.

Lake Andes Man Convicted Of Rape Charges

SIoux FALLS — A Lake Andes man was convicted last week in federal court of multiple rape charges. According to a press release from U.S. Attorney Brendan V. Johnson, James Bruguier, a/k/a James Bruguier, Jr., 25, was found guilty Thursday of aggravated sexual abuse, sexual abuse of a minor, and first degree burglary for separate sexual assaults on an adult and two teenagers from the Yankton reservation. The testimony at trial, held in Sioux Falls, revealed that two of the sexual attacks perpetrated by Bruguier occurred in the homes of the victims. Bruguier was originally indicted in February 2011 by a federal grand jury, and then re-indicted on two other occasions as more victims were discovered. The trial disclosed separate acts of sexual abuse on separate victims in 2004-2005, 2010, and 2011. The maximum penalty on the convictions for aggravated sexual abuse is life imprisonment and up to life on supervised release. The maximum penalty for the sexual abuse of a minor charge is 15 years of imprisonment, and the burglary charge carries a maximum penalty of 25 years of imprisonment. All charges carry a maximum fine of \$250,000. This case was investigated by the FBI and Yankton Sioux Tribal Police Department.

OBITUARIES

Jefferson 'Jeff' Bynum

Jefferson "Jeff" Bynum, age 84, of Yankton, South Dakota, died Friday, August 26, 2011 at his residence. Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 30, 2011, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Yankton with Reverend Mark Lichter officiating. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery in Yankton with military honors by the Ernest-Bowyer VFW Post No. 791. Visitation is from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with a rosary at 7:00 p.m. followed by a Scripture service at 7:30 p.m. Visitation resumes one hour prior to the funeral at the church. Pallbearers are Guy Bakker, Ken Guenther, Ken Wiedenfeld, Jerry Wiedenfeld, Jerry Sperry and Phillip Lorenson. Jeff was born December 9, 1926 in Purcell, Oklahoma to Ed-



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ward and Bettie (Howeth) Bynum. His mother died while giving birth to him, so he was raised by his aunt and uncle in Oklahoma. When he was 15 years old, he moved to California where he lived with one of his brothers. He would attend school for two hours in the morning and then go to work at the shipyards. In 1945, Jeff joined the United States Army and was stationed in Panama during World War II. In the early 1950's, he moved to the Hudson and Canton area where he drove truck for several different companies. In 1968, Jeff moved to Yankton and starting working for Morgen Manufacturing. On January 17, 1970, he married Elaine Wiedenfeld in Vermillion, South

Dakota. Jeff retired from Morgen's in January of 1989 and then drove the Yankton Senior Citizens bus for the next 12 years. Jeff was a member of the Yankton VFW and Sacred Heart Catholic Church. He was a great dancer and also enjoyed pheasant hunting, fishing, camping and bowling. Jeff was an avid sports fan and loved the Minnesota Twins, Vikings and Oklahoma Sooners. He also coached little league baseball when his kids were young. Jeff just enjoyed life. He loved being around his friends and loved his family. Jeff is survived by his wife, Elaine Bynum of Yankton; four children: Peggy Warden of Chugiak, AK, Sheila (Steve) Lambert of Alto, NM, Eric (Jennifer) Bynum of Canistota, SD and Jason Bynum of Yankton; nine grandchildren; four great grandchildren; a half sister, Mary Ellen Nottengel of Oklahoma; and many nieces and nephews.

Jeff was preceded his death by his parents; grandson, Todd Warden; seven brothers: Guy, Charlie, Oscar, Louis, Clifford, Herbert and Cleo Bynum; three sisters: Ellie Brown, Jesse Hicks and Annabelle McBride; half brother, E.J. Bynum; a half sister, Evelyn Bynum; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Robert and Jackie Wiedenfeld; and a nephew, William "Bill" Wiedenfeld. To send an online sympathy message or to view his video tribute, please visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com. Yankton Press & Dakotan August 29, 2011

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Fredrick Harnisch

MENNO — Fredrick Richard Harnisch age 85 of Menno passed away on Thursday August 25, 2011 at Oakview Terrace Freeman SD at 9:30 p.m. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday August 30, 2011 at Grace Lutheran Church Menno with Ken Dalke officiating. Burial will be in the Menno Cemetery. Visitations will be from 4-8 p.m. Monday August 29, at the Aisenbrey-Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel in Menno with family present from 6-8 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church. Pallbearers will be Jim Reinhart, John Carter, Bob Winter, Kevin Christensen, Wayne McMahon, and Harlan Neuharth. Fred was born September 16, 1925 to Chris and Bertha (Frasch) Harnisch and was the third generation to farm the Homestead in Hutchinson County. Fred attended Freeman Academy and graduated from Freeman High School in 1943. He was united in marriage to Dorothy Aisenbrey of Menno, SD in 1948. Fred (Fritz) and Dorothy had one son, David who was the fourth generation to farm the Harnisch Homestead. David and his wife, Shirley were grateful for the time they were able to spend with Fred during his brave battle with lymphoma. Fred and Dorothy would have celebrated their 63rd Wedding Anniversary on the 4th of July but Dorothy passed away suddenly on June 27th of this year. When friends speak of Fred they often recall how meticulous he was with the care of his machinery. One person commented that even his manure spreader would be spotless. He said Freddie may not have time for sup-



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per but always took time to carefully clean his equipment. Fred took excellent care of his animals and regarded his dogs as good and faithful friends. He often commented that the hay meadow was his favorite place on the farm because it was so peaceful. After retiring Fred and Dorothy made their home in Menno in the house his parents built. They enjoyed their visits with numerous friends and their kind and thoughtful neighbors. Those who will cherish his memory are his son, David and his wife Shirley of Sioux Falls, SD; one sister Lorine Peskey of Helena, MT; sister-in-law Darlene Aisenbrey of Menno; one granddaughter, and many nieces and nephews. Fred was preceded in death by his wife Dorothy, a sister Alvera McGraw and husband John, brother in law Walt Peskey, and brother-in-law Ellis Aisenbrey, brother in law and sister in law LeJue and Marion Wildermuth and niece, Debbie Talmage. We are grateful to the wonderful doctors, nurses, and staff of Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton, Menno Olivet Care Center and Freeman Regional Health Services especially Dr. Ken Kirton and the wonderful nurses and staff at Oakview Terrace in Freeman. Yankton Press & Dakotan August 29, 2011

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Sidney Brunick

VERMILLION — Sidney Brunick, 94, of Vermillion, SD formerly of Wakonda, passed away Friday, August 26, 2011 at the Sanford Vermillion Care Center. Sidney was born February 5, 1917 in Vermillion to Alfred and Inga (Paulsen) Brunick. He attended rural Clay Country Schools, and graduated from Meckling High School in 1934. Sid married Helen Welby on May 8, 1943 in Santa Anna, CA. Sid joined the Army Air Corps in 1942 serving during WWII as a Chin Gunner and a Toggelier on a B-17 Bomber crew flying 35 missions over Germany, occupied France and Poland. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal with 3 Oak Leaf Clusters. Sid started farming in the Wakonda area after the service, and worked as a rural Postal Carrier starting in 1962 retiring in 1984. He was a member of the Wakonda American Legion and the Vermillion VFW, the St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus, St. Agnes Catholic Church and a past member of the Rural Letter Carriers Association. Sid is survived by two sons, Mark (Norma) Brunick of Beresford, SD, William (Charla) Brunick



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of Vermillion, two daughters, Jeanne (David) Christensen of Grand Island, NE, and Mary Anne (Kerry) Cameron of Sisseton, SD. He is also survived by two sisters Ardis Hammerquist of Bend, OR and Natalie (Bob) Johnson of Vermillion, 14 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Helen and three brothers: Charles, Arnold and Ervin. Funeral mass will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 31 at the St. Agnes Catholic Church with burial to follow in Calvary Cemetery in Vermillion. Visitation will begin at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday with a Prayer Service at 7:00 p.m. at the Hansen Funeral Home, Vermillion. Online condolences and obituary: hansenfuneralhome.com. Yankton Press & Dakotan August 29, 2011

Delores Hebner

AVON — Delores J. Hebner, 88 of Avon died Saturday, Aug. 27, 2011, at the Good Samaritan Society, Tyndall. Her funeral service is at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Danzig Baptist Church, rural Avon, with burial in the church cemetery. Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Tuesday at the church with the family present. Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Dale Wynn

Dale A. Wynn, age 49 of Yankton passed away unexpectedly on Friday, August 26, 2011 at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, Yankton. Memorial Services will be at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 1, 2011 at the First Baptist Church in Vermillion, SD with Rev. Sandy Aakre officiating. Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton is in charge of the arrangements. Dale Allen Wynn was born on May 16, 1962 to Donald and LaDonna (Dean) Wynn in Vermillion, SD. He worked in California for Bryant Pump and Supply until he became disabled. Those who will cherish his

memory are his son: Donald Wynn of Yankton, SD; his two daughters: Heather Wynn of Yankton, SD and Stephanie Lowther of Sioux Falls, SD; his mother LaDonna Wynn of Vermillion, SD; siblings: Cheryl Ann (Bill) Brown of Vermillion, SD and Harvey (Sue) Wynn of Las Vegas, NV. He was preceded in death by his father, Donald. Yankton Press & Dakotan August 29, 2011

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David Sykes

ELK POINT — David Lawrence Sykes, 53, of Elk Point died Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2011, in Elk Point. Memorial services are at 11 a.m. today (Monday) at Kober Funeral Home, Elk Point. Burial of ashes will be at a later date.

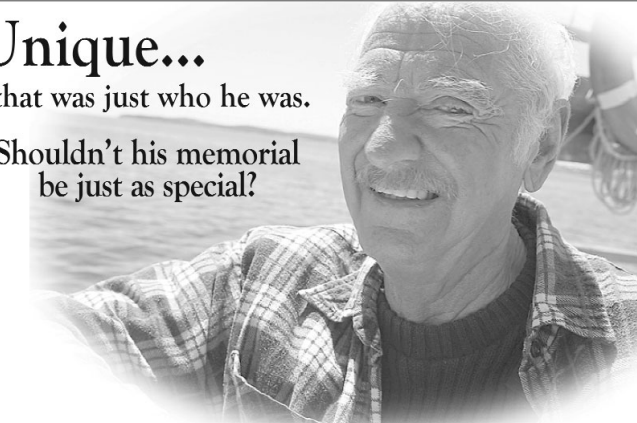
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