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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the City Commission of the City of Yankton, South Dakota, at 416 Walnut Street Yankton, South Dakota, at the office of the City Finance Officer of said City until 3:00 P.M. or may be hand delivered to the place of opening at 3:00 P. M. on the 28th day of August, 2014, at which time they will be publicly opened and read in the Second Floor Meeting Room of City Hall, Yankton, South Dakota. Disposition of said bid will be held on the 8th day of September, 2014, at 7:00 P.M. in the City of Yankton Community Meeting Room located in the Technical Education Center at 1200 W. 21st Street, Yankton, South Dakota.

Bids will be received on the following:

ANNUAL SUPPLY OF BULK DE-ICING SALT FOR THE 2014-2015 SEASON

The work to be done under this contract consists of the supplying and delivery of bulk street de-icing salt FOB City of Yankton's salt storage facility.

Copies of the specifications may be obtained at the office of the Department of Public Services, Street Division, 700 East Levee Street, Yankton, South Dakota or by phoning (605) 668-5211.

All bids must be submitted on forms provided by the City of Yankton.

The City of Yankton, South Dakota reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities therein to determine which is the best and most advantageous bid to the City.

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 Kevin Kuhl, PE
 Director of Public Services
 City of Yankton, South Dakota

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Gray. "It is also possible that we could contact someone from other countries."

After the club makes contact with a person, the club will send them a QSL card. This card is about the size of a postcard and is a written form of confirmation between two amateur radio stations. For the event, the club specialized their QSL card up by putting a picture of the Meridian Bridge on the front along with some information about Yankton.

PDARC members are hoping this event will help educate people about amateur radio and perhaps get individuals interested in becoming an operator. PDARC offers ham radio classes upon request. The club is also hoping to get people interested on the air.

"If people want to make contact with someone else, they should definitely stop by," said member Edith Gray. "If someone's listening, we will be able to help you talk to them."

For more information about the Prairie Dog Ametur Radio Club go to pdarc.org.

To follow Jordynne Hart on Twitter go to twitter.com/hartjordynne. To discuss this article go to yankton.net.

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their year. "State fair is really what they work toward," she said. "They enjoy Achievement Days, but state fair is what it all leads up to. The kids love going to see their projects and get ideas for next year and just spending the week with all their 4-H friends."

During the week of the state fair, there will be about 75 Yankton County 4-Hers competing in livestock shows, Special Foods, public presentations and fashion revue.

"It'll be fun to go down and see all the kids competing," Siebrandt said. "I'm helping with various activities all week, but I'm hoping to be able to spend time with the Yankton families at their campers and just enjoy the fair."

The South Dakota State Fair is Aug. 28-Sept. 1 at the South Dakota State Fairgrounds in Huron.

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Nebraska

Iraqi Religious Persecution Hits Home

BY GRANT SCHULTE
 Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — Lekhan Safar moved from Iraq to Lincoln for the same reason that hundreds of Yazidis, a Kurdish religious minority, came to Nebraska's capital city: to live near family, far from the dangers they've long faced as a persecuted group.

Lincoln has the largest concentration of Yazidis in the United States, and many of them brought their families to the U.S. after receiving visas for serving as translators during the first Gulf War. Now, the city is at the center of a frantic effort to draw attention to the group's plight in northern Iraq, where Yazidis are fleeing from Islamic State militants to escape violence and attempts to convert them to Islam.

Thousands of homeless Yazidi families are packed into a refugee camp on a remote desert Sinjar mountain range near the country's northern border, where there is little access to food, water or shelter. Safar, a mother of three, says her sisters and their children face an uncertain future there. One sister called this week in tears: Her 3-year-old daughter fell off a cliff and died in the rush to escape the extremists.

"I just hope they bring them here. At least they'd be safe," Safar said through tears in her Lincoln apartment. "They

don't want (government) help — no Medicaid, food stamps, nothing like that. They'll work hard. They just want their kids to be safe."

Yazidis in Lincoln say they're grateful for the humanitarian airdrops and airstrikes against militants that President Barack Obama ordered last week, but fearful that their loved ones can no longer live peacefully in Iraq.

Uncertain of what to do, Yazidis staged a hastily organized rally at the Nebraska Capitol and the governor's residence this month and reached out to U.S. Rep. Jeff Fortenberry, who along with four other congressmen sent a letter to Obama calling for immediate humanitarian assistance. They also sent five vans of people to Washington to appeal to the State Department, asking for food, water and protection for their relatives.

Yazidis — also spelled "Yezidis" — have suffered religious persecution for generations because of their beliefs, which include some elements similar to Christianity, Judaism and other ancient religions. Many Muslims consider them devil worshippers, an accusation that Yazidis strongly dispute.

Those who didn't flee into the mountains are still in their homes in the town of Sinjar, making whispered phone calls to relatives in Lincoln as extremists roam the streets outside. Relatives have received reports of women in northern Iraq

being raped or having body parts cut off, and Yazidis being threatened with death if they don't convert to Islam, said Laila Khoudeida, a spokeswoman for the Lincoln community.

Khoudeida said Yazidis in the U.S. are asking for continued military protection and possible asylum for those left homeless. If granted, many would likely join relatives in Lincoln, where roughly half the nation's Yazidi population — about 200 families — lives.

The first families came over to the United States in two waves — after the first Gulf War and then the U.S. invasion in 2003 — under a special visa for military translators and congregated in Buffalo, New York, and Atlanta. Church groups in Lincoln and volunteer families heard about the Yazidis' situation and offered to help, said Gulie Khalaf, Safar's sister-in-law and a sixth-grade teacher in Lincoln. The population slowly grew in the city about 40 miles southwest of Omaha, which was quieter and offered less poverty and crime than the bigger cities.

"Once a small group of relatives establishes a home base somewhere, it serves as a magnet for other families," said Sebastian Maisel, a professor of Middle East Studies at Grand Valley State University in Michigan who has extensively researched Yazidis. "It's the way that many communities from the Middle East like to live. They rely on a support network in the larger community."

Tuition

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president for finance administration.

"That's why the number is higher this year," Kramer said. "I asked for everything in this request."

The regents likely will ask for an increase of \$102,501 in base funding to cover more

students qualifying for the state's Opportunity scholarship program.

But regents didn't appear ready to pursue a much larger amount that would restore some of the scholarships' buying power.

When it was started 10 years ago, the scholarship covered 26 percent of a student's tuition and fees over four years, but that has faded to 16 percent.

The scholarship pays \$1,000 for years one, two and

three and \$2,000 in year four. Getting back to 20 percent would require more than \$1.5 million in additional funding.

Regents executive director Jack Warner said it would be "a mistake" to ask for the automatic inflation in the 2016 budget request. Warner said there will be the opportunity to talk with legislators about the lost buying power.

Regent Harvey Jewett of Aberdeen said he was "really not happy" about moving

ahead so soon on the budget request.

"It's a steamroller deal," Jewett said.

Kramer said there was nothing on the list that hadn't been discussed by the regents at their June meeting.

Regent Terry Baloun of Highmore said the board should decide on the budget request today.

"It's kind of the last time we've got to put it in order without a special meeting," Baloun said.

River

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In terms of further precipitation, the National Weather Service has forecast thunderstorms to move into the region starting tonight (Thursday).

The forecast for precipitation stands at 20 percent tonight, rising to 40 percent Friday and 50 percent Friday night. The chance drops to 30 percent Saturday and 20 percent Sunday, rising to 40 percent Sunday night.

Daytime temperatures should remain in the 80s for the next week.

In terms of managing the Missouri River reservoirs, the Corps previously announced it will support full-service navigation as well as a full eight-month navigation season.

Full service flow support generally provides a navigation channel 9 feet deep and 300 feet wide.

"Gavins Point Dam releases (at Yankton) will be adjusted as necessary to meet full service navigation targets and prepare the reservoir system for next spring's runoff," Farhat said.

Corps officials say they will continue updating their information to monitor basin conditions and adjust their regulation of the reservoir system.

The Corps also released Wednesday its reservoir forecast.

• Gavins Point Dam releases averaged 26,100 cubic feet per second (cfs) in July. Releases are currently 28,000 cfs and will be adjusted to meet downstream targets.

The reservoir behind Gavins Point Dam ended July at elevation 1,206.4 feet. The reservoir elevation will remain near that level during August, according to the Corps forecast.

Gavins Point Dam had 336,000 acre feet of water in storage at the end of July, a 9,000 acre-feet drop during the month.

The 336,000 acre-foot figure

comes to 84 percent of average compared to 1967-2013.

• Fort Randall Dam releases at Pickstown averaged 25,800 cfs during July. Fort Randall releases will be adjusted as necessary to maintain the desired elevation at Gavins Point.

The reservoir ended July at elevation 1,356.1 feet, down 0.8 feet during the month. The Corps forecast calls for the reservoir to drop slightly during August, ending the month near elevation 1,355 feet.

Fort Randall Dam had 3,501,000 acre feet of water in storage at the end of July, a

73,000 acre-feet drop during the month.

The 3,501,000 acre feet figure represents 92 percent of average compared to 1967-2013.

To view the detailed three-week release forecast for the mainstem dams, go to: <http://www.nwd-mrusace.army.mil/rcc/reports/twregfcst.pdf>.

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