

MENUS

Menus listed below are for the week of Aug. 31-Sept. 4, 2015. Menus are subject to change without notice. All meals are served with milk.

**YANKTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**Monday:** Corndog  
**Tuesday:** Chicken Burger  
**Wednesday:** Cheese Pizza  
**Thursday:** Penne Pasta  
**Friday:** Ham And Cheese

**YANKTON MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**Monday:** Hamburger  
**Tuesday:** Italian Dunker Pizza  
**Wednesday:** Nachos  
**Thursday:** BBQ Rib  
**Friday:** Beef Sticks

**YHS R LINE MENU**

**Monday:** Toasted Club Sandwich  
**Tuesday:** Chicken Tenders  
**Wednesday:** Stuffed Crust Pizza  
**Thursday:** Penne Pasta  
**Friday:** Burrito

**YHS W LINE MENU**

**Monday:** Cheese Pizza  
**Tuesday:** Goulash Casserole  
**Wednesday:** Baked Potato Bar  
**Thursday:** Potato Soup  
**Friday:** Egg/Cheese Biscuit

**YHS B LINE MENU**

**Monday:** Hamburger  
**Tuesday:** Walking Taco  
**Wednesday:** BBQ Rib  
**Thursday:** Stuffed Crust Pizza  
**Friday:** Cold Sub

**SACRED HEART SCHOOLS**

**Monday:** Chicken Nuggets  
**Tuesday:** Super Nachos  
**Wednesday:** Pepperoni Pizza  
**Thursday:** Sweet-N-Sour Chicken  
**Friday:** Turkey Or Chef Salad

**THE CENTER/ YANKTON**

**Monday:** N/A  
**Tuesday:** French Dip  
**Wednesday:** BBQ Chicken Breast  
**Thursday:** Roast Beef  
**Friday:** Potato Crunch Fish

**TABOR SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER**

**Monday:** N/A  
**Tuesday:** Baked Steak/Mushrooms  
**Wednesday:** Turkey & Dressing  
**Thursday:** Liver & Onions  
**Friday:** N/A

## Two Brian Meyer Scholarships Available For Spring Semester

PIERRE — The South Dakota Telecommunications Association (SDTA) is now accepting applications for the Brian Meyer Memorial Scholarship. Two scholarships in the amounts of \$1,250 and \$500 will be awarded for the 2016 spring semester.

The scholarship is available to applicants who have completed at least two semesters of course work at an accredited post-secondary school in South Dakota and reside in an SDTA member company service area. The scholarship can be used at any post-secondary educational institution in South Dakota including public and private universities as well as technical schools.

Applicants must complete an application, write a short outline of their career plans following completion of their post-secondary education, and submit a brief essay on the future of small town South Dakota and what can be done to enhance the quality of life in rural areas through the use of technology. Also needed are a copy of the applicant's most recent transcript and at least two letters of recommendation. The deadline to submit an application for the Brian Meyer Memorial Scholarship is October 31.

For more information on the Brian Meyer Memorial Scholarship, contact any post-secondary institution

financial aid office, the South Dakota Telecommunications Association at 605-224-7629 or admin@sdtaonline.com. The application is also available online at www.sdtaonline.com/resources/scholarships.

SDTA membership is composed of the state's member-owned cooperatives, privately-owned, municipal and tribal telecommunications companies which collectively serve almost 80% of the state. Members of the South Dakota Telecommunications Association are: Alliance Communications (Garretson); Beresford Municipal Telephone (Beresford); Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Telephone Authority (Eagle Butte); Faith Municipal Telephone; Fort Randall Telephone (Wagner); Golden West Telecommunications Companies (Wall); Interstate Telecommunications (Clear Lake); James Valley Telecommunications (Grotton); Kennebec Telephone Company (Kennebec); Long Lines (Jefferson); Midstate Communications (Kimball); RC Telecommunications (New Effington); Santel Communications (Woonsocket); Swiftel Communications (Brookings); TrioTel Communications (Salem); Valley Telecommunications (Herreid); Venture Communications (Highmore); West River Cooperative Telephone (Bison); and West River Telecommunications Cooperative (Hazen, ND).

REUNIONS

**YHS CLASS OF 1951**

Yankton High School Class of '51 will meet Sept. 8-10 for their annual birthday celebrations. This year they will note their 82nd birthdays.

The group will gather Sept. 8-9 in the community room of the Hillcrest Apartments, 2205 Burleigh Street from 1-4 p.m. Snacks will be provided by local classmates and class pictures will be taken Tuesday, Sept. 8, at 3 p.m. in the community room.

Gini Voigt, Sioux Falls, editor of the biannual class newsletter, asks all classmates, local and from other points, to be present in the community room during Tuesday's hours, for a "Surprise!"

Classmates will have a no-host buffet Sept. 8, at 5 p.m. at the Fryn' Pan Restaurant. September 9, the no-host luncheon will be at the Old

Light House Restaurant (Tucker's Taverns) at 11:30 a.m. Yesterday's Cafe is the site for the Reunion's evening meal, no-host, Sept. 9, at 5 p.m. On Wednesday morning the classmates will have a no-host breakfast at Yesterday's Cafe at 9 a.m. at that time the reunion committee will decide on the time, peace and possibly, activities for the ensuing year.

Classmates of 1951 meet the priest Tuesday of each month at Yesterday's Cafe, thankful for the space provided at 10 a.m.

Spouses of deceased members are always welcome at any of the "Reunion Events," free afternoon, or "pay as you go" meals.

Local classmates are encouraged to be present to greet and socialize with those from out of town for the three-day event.

Car Talk

# When A Car Is A Danger On The Road, It's Time To Say Goodbye

BY RAY MAGLIOZZI

King Features Syndicate, Inc.

**Dear Car Talk:**

I have a 1990 Ford Ranger with 110,000 miles on it. The chassis is thoroughly rusted – in fact, the charcoal canister tube rusted through and fell off. It leaks oil, burns oil and smells like coolant, which probably means it has a cracked head. The shocks are almost rusted through, and it makes noises when going over bumps (maybe the suspension is rusted through?). I do change the oil every 5,000 miles, but I add oil more often than that. I use it only to haul mulch, coal and wood, but it is my second vehicle, so it is important. It costs only \$300 a year to insure, and I drive it fewer than 5,000 miles a year, so I do not need to have it emissions tested (thank goodness, because it stinks). I also do not drive any farther from my home than my insurance's towing package covers. I plan to drive it until it just gives up the ghost. What should I do to increase the life of it? Are there any recommended things I should be doing besides praying? Should I be concerned about it catching on fire, since it leaks oil and really stinks? What about the gas lines, since they are rusted, too? Thanks.

—Phil

You should pray that this thing



Ray  
**MAGLIOZZI**

the answer's going to be.

At the very least, you need to make sure the brakes are not about to fail, the wheels aren't about to fall off, the frame isn't held together by dust and the engine isn't about to do its impersonation of the Burning Man finale.

Seriously, it's not just that the truck could disintegrate around you if you hit something, leaving your face as the bumper. You also could be – and probably are – a danger to all the other drivers on the road, because if your brakes fail or a wheel falls off, you could take other people with you.

So my suggestion is that you thank this truck for its many years of service, say a Hail Mary over it, and drop it off at the junkyard. And instead, buy a used trailer. You say you have another

catches fire, Phil.

I know you're afraid to take it to a bona fide mechanic, because you know the news is going to be awful. But if you want to keep this truck, that's what you really need to do. You have to find out if this is still a viable, roadworthy vehicle. And I think we both know what

vehicle; if it's got any kind of decent towing capacity at all, you can put a trailer hitch on it, buy an old trailer and use it to haul your wood, coal and mulch. Or rent or borrow a truck for the times you actually need to haul stuff.

But this truck sounds like a danger to you and others. Rather than haul mulch, I think it's ready to become mulch.

Of course, I know you're going to ignore my advice, Phil. I've known determined cheapskates like you – Exhibit A was my late brother. So when you do ignore my advice, at least wear sneakers when you drive so that when it catches fire, you can run.

You want to buy a used car, but how do you find a good one? Car Talk can help! Order "How to Buy a Great Used Car: Secrets Only Your Mechanic Knows." Send \$4.75 (check or money order) to Car Talk/Used Car, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

*Got a question about cars? Write to Car Talk in care of this newspaper, or email by visiting the Car Talk website at www.cartalk.com.*

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## Managing A River Dam Is Challenging

BY EILEEN WILLIAMSON

Public Affairs Specialist Omaha District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

It's fall and you're in charge of scheduling water releases from two dams along an inland waterway. Along the river and in the reservoirs upstream from the dams, you have communities depending on the water for everyday life. The river and reservoirs are a source for drinking water, irrigation, fishing, boating, camping, and attracting and sustaining wildlife. Communities grew with farmers who found rich fertile soil and access to commerce through the rivers. Dams generate power for the communities along the river and the river supplies water for various industries. Dams help these communities by minimizing the damages caused by frequent flooding during spring thaws.

The job is challenging. The river begins in the mountains where snowfall and snowmelt can be affected by warm or cool spring temperatures. If temperatures are warm, early spring rainfall can accelerate snowmelt and if temperatures are cool, snowmelt may be delayed or if snow accumulates into early summer, runoff could be delayed and extend later into the summer.

In 2013, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Omaha District Leadership Development Class developed a video game that invites players to plan and make releases from two inland waterway dams.

The Omaha District, with class members as project managers, awarded a contract to the U.S. Army Game Design studio to design



SUBMITTED PHOTO

**The River Basin Balancer Game offers insight into an inland waterway and a system of reservoirs, which are operated with a goal for serving each of the benefits, flood control, navigation, hydropower, irrigation, water supply, recreation, fish and wildlife, and water quality, for which many USACE reservoirs are authorized and constructed. Users can take charge of river operations and experience the unique challenges presented when managing reservoir operations in a variety of weather conditions across a geographically diverse basin.**

the game.

The game was beta tested by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers employees across the country as well as in fourth and fifth grade classrooms in Bellevue and La Vista, Nebraska.

"The hardest ones to keep green are ones where water is needed," said a student beta tester. "If it's too high, you can let water out. But you can't control the weather or make more water."

Another student said "I just tried to keep things green and hope they were red from too much water instead of not enough."

"Watching the students play the game, hearing their frustration when weather doesn't cooperate with their goals, and seeing them learn the challenge of balancing the authorized purposes was the grand finale for develop-

ing the game," said Michelle Schultz, the game's project manager.

The game allows players to take charge of river operations and experience the unique challenges presented when managing reservoir operations in a variety of weather conditions across a geographically diverse basin. Like the real world, the weather forecast isn't always accurate, presenting an additional challenge.

"The game's features were created just for the game and don't replicate any places, conditions, or events but hopefully will give the public a glimpse of the challenges

water managers face," said Schultz.

The game is based on the authorized purposes for which the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers operates its many dams. Although navigation is a purpose in the game, these dams do not have locks to support barge traffic along the length of the river. The game features 14 items that are affected by release decisions. The items include: flood control with two towns, one with a levee surrounding it that can be affected by high water levels; navigation with a barge on the lower reach of the river; water quality, supply and irrigation with two intake structures, a water treatment plant and a farm; hydropower at each dam; fish and wildlife with a bird nesting location; and recreation including boat ramps, campgrounds, and playgrounds.

Like all USACE water managers, the goal for players is to achieve the maximum multi-purpose benefits for which the reservoirs are operated.

"The game doesn't just teach about water or the river management," said one of the teachers who hosted the game's beta test in her classroom. "It includes history, relationships, cause and effect, and even social studies because of the laws that determine how the dams are operated. We hope to include it in our classroom activities," she added.

It was very humbling to receive the large number of anniversary greeting cards. It made celebrating our 45th anniversary very special. Time flies when you are having fun - and in our case 5 years passed in a keystroke! In appreciation of your kindness, we will be making a contribution to the St. Rose Legacy Fund. Thank you so very much and may God's blessing return to all of you. Special thanks to our kids, their spouses and grandkids for arranging the card shower and the Mass offered on our anniversary day. You are our greatest blessing.

**Tom and Donna Steffen**

### 50th Anniversary Celebration



**Mr. & Mrs. Jim Filips**

The family of Jim and Cindy Filips recently helped them celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary along with a 95th birthday party for her mother, Cordelia Meyer of Wagner. They have two sons, Steven and David, as well as a granddaughter, Isabella - all of them live in Omaha, NE. They were married on April 24, 1965, at St. Rose in Crofton, NE. At that time, Cindy was completing her senior year at Yankton College and Jim was processing out to Kadena Air Force Base in Okinawa for duty as a missile crew commander. There was no time for a honeymoon then, so this past April, they finally took that "honeymoon" trip to Niagara Falls.



### Thank You!!

Thank you to my son, Bill Brown & daughter-in-law, Cheryl for hosting a very special 80th birthday party for me. It was great to be remembered by all my family and so many friends. Also, thank you for the card shower. So fun to be remembered by so many.

**Doris Brown**

### 60th Anniversary Celebration



**Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Kisch**

Eugene and Esther Kisch of Fridley, MN will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on September 16, 2015. Eugene and Esther Kisch were married on September 16, 1955 in Avon, SD. They farmed near Wagner until 1985. Their children are Jackie (Lynna) Meisenheimer, Brandon, SD; Ron (Norma) Kisch, Salem, OR; Dennis (Diane) Kisch, Yankton, SD; and Dale Kisch (Leeann Berry), Elk Grove, CA. The couple has 15 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. The family is requesting a card shower in their honor. Greetings may be sent to: 1620 Onondaga St. NE, Fridley, MN 55432. The couple requests no gifts.

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At 665-7811

The family of **Brant Blaha** would like to thank all of the rescue personnel and volunteers for helping find, Brant, especially those of you that kept us up to date. I will not name names but you know who you are. Each and every one of you is a hero to our family. We would also like to thank USD and Hy-Vee for everything they have done for us. Most of all, we would like to thank all the friends and families for the prayers and kind words said for Brant. He was truly remarkable and will be greatly missed by all. Please remember Brant on your darkest days because he will bring a smile to your face.

Thank you and God Bless.

*Frank, Evie,  
Kainen and Ila Blaha*

