

Friends Of Education Award



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Members of the WOW committee (Tim Caba, Shawna Hatch, Kristy Welker and Ashley Dimmer) along with Federal Prison Camp employees (Mrs. Sternhagen and Mr. Edwards) received the Friends of Education Award. They, along with Dr. Kindle, made the new playground equipment a reality! Both groups worked overtime on nights, weekends and in poor weather conditions to install the beautiful, new playground set prior to school starting. The students at Webster School, neighborhood kids and families appreciate the fun and have logged many hours on the slides, stairs and bridges! HOOT HOOT to these wonderful volunteers and their dedication!

American Life In Poetry

Watching The Sky

BY TED KOOSER
U.S. Poet Laureate

I'm well into my seventies, and I warm to simple, peaceful scenes. Here's a fine love poem by Patricia Traxler, a Kansas poet, whose newest book, Naming the Fires, will be out in early 2016.

WEATHER MAN

When it snows, he stands at the back door or wanders around the house to each window in turn and watches the weather like a lover. O farm boy, I waited years for you to look at me that way. Now we're old enough to stop waiting for random looks or touches or words, so I find myself watching you watching the weather, and we wait together to discover whatever the sky might bring.

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Programs Encouraged To Apply For Farmers Grow MyPlate Curriculum To Teach Students About Healthy Eating

BROOKINGS — SDSU Extension and the S.D. Department of Education Team Nutrition Program are cooperating to provide an interactive curriculum to teach South Dakota's Kindergarten through fourth-grade students about the five food groups which make up the USDA's Choose MyPlate food guide.

"We're also using this opportunity to explain how the foods from each group are produced," said Karlys Wells, SDSU Extension Family Nutrition Program/Team Nutrition.

Developed by SDSU Extension with Team Nutrition funds, Wells explains that the Farmers Grow MyPlate Curriculum provides school and outside of school time programs with an interactive and unique opportunity to teach students how to eat a healthy, balanced diet while exploring the steps of how those foods are produced.

"For example, in the vegetable lesson, children learn about vegetable sub-groups and how to properly read the nutrition label facts located on frozen and canned vegetable packages. But this lesson also provides children with an opportunity to help prepare 'Cowboy Salad,' a salsa-like salad that contains a variety of different colorful and nutritious vegetables that the children will get to chop and prepare themselves with the help of a supervisor," Wells said.

A grant from USDA's Team Nutrition, through the

S.D. Department of Education Child & Adult Nutrition Services, funded the development and supported the materials needed for implementation of the Farmers Grow MyPlate Curriculum.

Those qualifying agencies who wish to implement the Farmers Grow MyPlate Curriculum can apply for a \$600 sub-grant from South Dakota Team Nutrition.

"The sub-grant will pay for field trip transportation, food for lessons and staff time beyond the normal work day," Wells said.

The program also provides print copies of the curriculum, all appropriate visuals, and a toolkit of supplies for food preparation and crafts.

Applications can be completed now for the implementation period, beginning Jan. 1, 2016 through Aug. 30, 2016 and will be accepted until all available funds are committed.

The application and details can be found on following website: <http://doe.sd.gov/cans/teamnutrition.aspx>.

For more information about the Farmers Grow MyPlate Curriculum or how to apply for a sub grant, contact Wells at karlys.wells@sdstate.edu.



Tuesday, December 1
7:40 am Yankton Library (Kathy Wibbels)
8:20 am Best Christmas Pageant (Tara Gill)
8:45 am Mead Building (Laura Bell)
Wednesday, December 2
7:40 am MVCA (Students & Teachers)
8:20 am Hy-Vee Foods (Chef Staci)
8:45 am Mount Marty (Education Majors)

Local News!
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Car Talk

Snow Tires Are A Must In Certain Climates

BY RAY MAGLIOZZI
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Dear Car Talk:
I wanted to follow up on a call I heard recently on your NPR radio show. A caller getting ready to replace a Honda Civic wanted to know if she needed all-wheel drive for driving in the snow. You guys suggested a Subaru. I had a Honda Civic (that I loved!), but just sold it and purchased a Subaru Forester because my husband and I just moved to Montana and are afraid to drive in the snow. My question is this: Do we also need to buy snow tires? And do you have a recommendation in terms of the type (e.g., studded)? My last question is this: My husband is trying to convince me that it is worth the financial investment to purchase an extra set of wheels so he can change the snow tires himself each year. Thoughts?

—Kelly
Yes, Kelly, in Montana you will need snow tires. And you'll need four of them. Actually, you might want to put six of them on your Subaru, just to further appease the snow gods.

And it does make sense to buy four inexpensive steel wheels for the snow



Ray MAGLIOZZI

quickly, and you mostly drive around town, you might not need studs.

Studs have a couple of disadvantages: They chew up roadways, so they're not even allowed on a lot of highways outside of emergency conditions. And they make your traction worse on wet roads, because the metal studs that stick out of the tires have less traction than the rubber does. And we're not even addressing the constant thrumming noise. So you don't want those unless you absolutely need them.

I'd suggest that you talk to some

tires. Otherwise, you have to mount and balance a different set of tires every fall and spring, which runs into money.

Whether you need studs is a trickier question. It depends on exactly where you live and what kind of driving you'll be doing. If you live in a city or suburban area where streets are cleared pretty

neighbors and ask them what they do in the winter. A better option, for peace of mind, might be to buy a set of temporary chains. You can leave those in the trunk, and if you ever find yourself in a dire situation and your snow tires aren't cutting it, you can put on the chains by the side of the road, and at least get home. That's assuming they don't find you the next day, frozen in the "chain-affixing position."

And most importantly, remember this: If you know there's a blizzard coming, you always have the option of staying home — unless you provide an essential service, like making doughnuts.

What is the most cost-effective way to buy a car? Car Talk hashes it all out in the pamphlet "Should I Buy, Lease, or Steal My Next Car?" Send \$4.75 (check or money order) to Car Talk/Next 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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FCSA Contest Winners



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Farm Credit Services of America in Yankton and Hot Country Radio Station in Yankton teamed up in 2015 for an Agricultural Youth Contest for those students involved in Future Farmers of America (FFA) and 4-H sponsored projects. Students were able to submit their project logs and records books to their FFA Advisor/4-H Leaders during the contest period which began July 1, 2015 and ended October 15, 2015. Contest winners were those entrants determined to have the best kept logs or records books. Two IPAD Minis were given to students in Clay County, SD; Yankton County, SD; Knox County, NE; Cedar County, NE; and Dixon County, NE. The two winners for Yankton County were Jacyn Paji of Yankton and Grace Adam of Mission Hill, SD. (Pictured: left to right: Farm Credit Services of America employee Dennis Burbach and Jacyn Paji and Dennis Burbach and Grace Adam).

SCHOLARSHIPS

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Yankton area high school seniors who plan to further their education after graduation should be aware that Elks National Foundation scholarship applications are now available at <http://www.elks.org/ent/scholars>.

Each year \$3.74 million in college and vocational education scholarships are awarded through three scholarship programs made available through the Elks National Foundation. Only the federal government provides more money for college and vocational educational scholarships than does the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

These three options available on the website:

- Most Valuable Student — for any high school seniors who are U. S. citizens;
- Legacy Awards — for children and grandchildren of Elks members; and

- Emergency Educational Grants — for children of deceased or totally disabled Elks.

The Most Valuable Student Scholarship application will be found on the Internet at www.elks.org. The application must be printed out and submitted to the Elks Lodge nearest to the applicant's home by Dec. 4, 2015.

Each year Yankton Elks Lodge awards six scholarships, three male and three female, from among local applications submitted to the local lodge from throughout the Yankton area. These winners each receive \$300. Their applications are then submitted to the South Dakota Elks Association scholarship committee for further review for possible state and national scholarship awards.

Last year a student from Verdigre, Nebraska, was selected a local winner

and subsequently earned a \$4,000 scholarship from the Elks National Foundation as a result of the state judging process.

Funds for the scholarships, \$3.7 million, are provided through the Elks National Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Members of the Elks donate to the foundation which never spends the donations but rather invests all donated funds and only the interest earned on the endowment is used to fund activities including scholarships, Hoop Shoot contests for boys and girls 8-13 years of age (as many as 1.3 million participants in 2013) and Veterans Service projects among others.

To learn more about the scholarship opportunities or the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, contact Steven Pietila, 605-760-4916.

USDA Announces Funding For High Energy Cost Grants

WASHINGTON — Agriculture Under Secretary Lisa Mensah has announced the availability of up to \$10 million in competitive grants to assist communities with extremely high energy costs.

Grants in the High Energy Cost program are available to communities with annual residential energy costs exceeding 275 percent of the

national average. The grants may be used to acquire, construct, extend, upgrade or otherwise improve energy generation, transmission or distribution facilities serving eligible communities. They may also be used to install on- and off-grid renewable energy systems and to make energy efficiency improvements.

For details on eligibility and application requirements and how to obtain application materials, see page 61336 of

the Oct. 13, 2015, Federal Register.

The application deadline is Dec. 14, 2015.

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