

Traffic Deaths Lowest In Nearly Half A Century

PIERRE (AP) — The number of people who died on South Dakota roads last year was the lowest in nearly half a century. Preliminary reports show 109 highway fatalities in 2011, the Department of Public Safety said Friday. The figure is down from 140 in 2010, and compares with nearly 300 fatalities in 1969. Highway Safety Director Lee Axdahl said one year does not make a trend but last year's fatal count shows that educational and enforcement efforts to reduce deaths and injuries on the state's highways are paying off.

Rapid City Superintendent Proposes Cuts

RAPID CITY (AP) — Rapid City's school superintendent is proposing more than \$4.3 million in cuts to the local school budget to make up for lost state funding. Tim Mitchell tells South Dakota Public Broadcasting that the cuts include a reduction in the equivalent of about 50 full time employees. Mitchell says he hopes that most of that loss will come through retirement and attrition.

Rapid City Homeless Shelter seeing influx

RAPID CITY (AP) — Officials from a Rapid City homeless shelter say they're seeing an influx of people from South Dakota's three American Indian reservations. Cornerstone Rescue Mission executive director Lisa Swallow tells KOTA television that it's not just single men or a family of two. Swallow says she's seeing large family units. That's causing an overflow at both the men's shelter and the women and children's home. The increase has to do with the state's geography and the climate this time of year, but Swallow says the economy is the biggest factor.

Survey:

S.D. Lawmakers Back State Pay Raises

BY CHET BROKAW
Associated Press

PIERRE — South Dakota lawmakers who responded to a survey by The Associated Press lean toward approving Gov. Dennis Daugaard's plan to give state employees a pay raise after a three-year freeze on those salaries. While 60 percent of the lawmakers responding to the survey said they support the governor's plan to give state workers an on-going pay raise beginning next year and a one-time bonus this year, 10 percent oppose it and 30 percent are undecided. Seventy-three of the 105 members of the Legislature responded to the AP mail survey between Dec. 12 and Dec. 31, for a response rate of 70 percent. While 57 of the Legislature's 80 Republicans responded, 16 of the 24 Democrats returned the survey. One lawmaker is an independent and did not return the survey, which asked lawmakers for their opinions on issues facing them in the 35-day legislative session that opens Tuesday. State workers did not get a pay raise in

the past three years because of budget problems caused by the recession and slow recovery. But with state tax collections rebounding, Daugaard last month proposed giving state workers a 3 percent across-the-board salary increase in the budget year beginning in July and a one-time bonus equal to 5 percent of their annual salaries this spring. Under the Republican governor's plan, the 3-percent across-the-board raise would become part of state workers' base salaries. Daugaard said the 5 percent bonus would be a one-time payment intended to offset the employees' loss of purchasing power due to inflation in the years they received no raise. Legislative leaders said they believe lawmakers will give strong support to the on-going pay raise, but they expect a lot of debate on the proposed bonus. Salaries for legislators are set in a separate law, and they do not receive the annual increases given to state employees. House Democratic Leader Bernie Hunhoff of Yankton said many members of the Democratic minority favor giving each employee the same bonus of perhaps a couple of thousand dollars, rather than a percentage of

their annual salaries. "I don't think we need to give \$10,000 or \$15,000 bonuses to some at the top and a few hundred dollars to those at the bottom of the pay scales," Hunhoff said. A bonus of \$2,000 or so would mean a lot to people earning modest salaries, Hunhoff said. House Republican Leader David Lust of Rapid City agreed that the proposed bonus will spark lively debate. "That 5 percent, is that prudent and how should it be done?" Lust said. Senate Democratic Leader Jason Frerichs said he's pleased that the Legislature seems ready to support pay raises for state employees because those workers went through tough times during the years of tight state budgets. In the survey, 32 Republicans said they support the GOP governor's plan to give state workers a pay raise and bonus, while 5 said they oppose it and 20 are undecided. Twelve Democrats said they support Daugaard's pay proposal, while two oppose it and two are undecided.

OBITUARIES

Adeline Feilmeier

HARTINGTON, Neb. — Adeline C. Feilmeier, age 104 of Hartington, Nebraska died on Thursday, January 5, 2012 at the Golden Living Center in Hartington.



Feilmeier

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Monday, January 9, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hartington with the Rev. Jeffrey Loseke officiating. Burial will be at the St. Michael's Cemetery in Hartington.

Visitation will be on Sunday at church from 4-8:00 p.m. with a vigil service at 7:00 p.m. Visitation will continue at church one hour prior to services. Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington.

Pallbearers will be Adeline's grandsons, Dean Heine, Dale Heine, Bob Heine, Bill Trenhaile, Jason Trenhaile, and Matt Trenhaile.

Honorary Pallbearers will be her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Adeline Christine Feilmeier was born on August 28, 1907 in Menominee, NE to Louis and Matilda (Suing) Sudbeck. She grew up in the Fordyce area. Adeline married John F. Feilmeier on January 27, 1943 in Hartington, becoming the step mother of his 14 children. Adeline and John had two daughters. They farmed east of Hartington. She and John moved into Hartington in 1963. Adeline worked for 15 years in the Holy Trinity School cafeteria. She was proud that she could help John raise his children — keeping them together thru the years. She felt this was her calling in life.

Adeline was a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church and its Perpetual Adoration, Catholic Daughters of America, Christian Mothers, and the Ministry of Praise. She was also active in the Hartington Senior Citizens Center. She loved to garden, play cards, quilting and traveling. The joy and love that she has shared

with her family thru the years is her legacy. Adeline is survived by 2 children and their spouses, Ruth Ann Heine of Bow Valley, NE; Linda and Dale Trenhaile of Yankton, SD; step son-in-law Leonard Jansen of Hartington; 12 stepchildren and spouses that she loved like her own — Marcella and Jerome Promes of Wynot; George and Lorraine Feilmeier of Hartington; Leona (Potts) Petersen of Yankton, SD; Leonard and Mary Lou Feilmeier of Lakeview, MN; Wilhelmina and Herb Boecker of Bloomfield; Jerome and Eleanor Feilmeier of Hartington; Harold and Mary Gay Feilmeier of Hartington; Ann and Jay Walz of Hartington & Arizona; Agnes and Daryl Hochstein of St. Helena; Alice (Klug) Jaeger of Hartington; Charles and Bev Feilmeier of Hartington; Charleen and Dennis Meyer of Syracuse, MO; 105 grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren thru the 6th generation.

Preceded in death by her parents, husband John; son-in-law Richard Heine; stepson John Jr. and his wife Rosie; step-daughter Mary Jansen; step sons-in-law Don Klug, William Jaeger, Jim Potts, and Bob Petersen; four brothers Hugo, Ignatius, Ted and Leonard Sudbeck; two sisters Alma Feilmeier and Rosina Sudbeck.

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Aldna Ufford

ROCHESTER, Minn. — Aldna M. Ufford, 103, of Rochester, MN, formerly of Vermillion, SD passed away Wednesday, January 4, 2012, at Samaritan Bethany Home in Rochester, MN.



Ufford

Aldna was born February 7, 1908, to J. Alfred and Selma (Hoyer) Anderson in Clay County, SD. She attended Vermillion High School and the University of South Dakota in Vermillion, SD, and was a rural school teacher for 18 years until retiring in 1958. She married Fred W. Ufford on November 4, 1941 in Vermillion, South Dakota. Fred died October 29, 1985. Aldna was a member of the First Methodist Church in Vermillion and a member of the Eastern Star and Just-2-B Club. She loved doing puzzles, word search and jumble.

Aldna is survived by her daughter, Patricia (Paul Sott) Horlock, of Rochester, MN; her two sons, Wayne (Ally) Ufford of Tucson, AZ, and Keith (Judy) Ufford of Chisago City, MN; eight grandchildren, and thirteen great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her infant son; four brothers, Rudy, Irving, Cliff, and Sidney; and three sisters, Irene Burton, Austrid Smith and Olivia Peak.

Funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. at First Methodist Church in Vermillion, SD, on Saturday, January 7, 2012. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service with Rev. Paul Lint officiating. Burial will be in Bluff View Cemetery in Vermillion. A Public Memorial Service will be held on Monday, January 9, 2012 in the chapel at Samaritan Bethany Home on 8th in Rochester, MN.

The family would like to thank the wonderful, caring staff of Samaritan Bethany Nursing Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Al's memory to a charity of your choice.

Condolences may be posted online to www.koberfuneralhome.com. Kober Funeral Home, Vermillion is entrusted with the arrangements. Yankton Press & Dakotan
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Hazel Vennard

VERMILLION — Hazel G. (Peterson) Vennard, 92, of Vermillion, SD, passed away Wednesday, January 4, 2012 at the Sanford Vermillion Hospital in Vermillion, SD.



Vennard

Visitation with Video Tribute will be held at Kober Funeral Home in Vermillion, on Sunday, January 8, 2012, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with a prayer service to follow at 7:00 p.m. Funeral service will be held at the First United Methodist Church in Vermillion, on Monday, January 9, 2012, at 10:30 a.m. with Rev. Rick Pit-tenger officiating. Burial will be at Bluff View Cemetery in Vermillion.

Hazel was born on June 27, 1919, in rural Clay County, SD, to August and Emma (Carlson) Peterson. While growing up in Clay County she attended Newdale Country School.

Following school, Hazel met and married Lyman (Ted) Vennard. Their vows took place on September 18, 1939, and they shared many happy years together until his passing. Hazel is survived by her children, Donald (Yang) Vennard, Delmer (Karen) Vennard, Marilyn (Roger) Peterson, Nancy (Thomas) Scheinost, Larry (Carla) Vennard, Ruth (Paul) Bremer, Lois (John) Hazen, Dale Vennard, Susan (Michael) Welter, Dean (Sherill) Vennard, Wayne Vennard, and Willard (Barbara) Vennard; her sister, Verne Keller; her brother, Lloyd Peterson; 31 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lyman Vennard; her parents, August and Emma (Carlson) Peterson; her sons, Edward Vennard, and Lester Vennard; her grandchild, Steven Vennard; her brothers, Raymond Peterson, and Everett Peterson; and her sister, Signe Peterson. Kober Funeral Home of Vermillion is entrusted with the arrangements. Condolences may be posted online to www.koberfuneralhome.com. Yankton Press & Dakotan
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Betrece Davis

WAKONDA — Betrece Ruth Davis, 91 of Wakonda, SD passed away Wednesday, January 4, 2012 at Heritage Manor Nursing Home in Wakonda.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, January 9, 2012 at the United Methodist Church in Wakonda. Burial will follow in the Union Cemetery rural Wakonda. Visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, January 8, 2012 at the Hansen Funeral Home in Irene.

Betrece Ruth Montgomery was born on July 31, 1920 to Alva & Ruby (Turnbaugh) Montgomery on the Montgomery farm outside Wakonda. She graduated from Wakonda Consolidated School and went on to receive a teaching certificate from General Beadle State Teachers College in Madison, SD. She began her teaching career in a one room country school, the Ireland Country School. While teaching here she eloped with Junior Rockwell on Valentine's Day, 1941. From this union Gary Davis and Patricia Grimes were born. During World War II, this marriage was dissolved. Betrece continued teaching in neighboring small towns near Wakonda.

Betrece and Buzz (Harold) Davis were wed on December 26, 1946. Betrece and Buzz moved onto the Davis Homestead with Pat and Gary and farmed for over 35 years. A daughter, Joan Ruth was born on March 8, 1950.

Betrece was active in her church and continued to enjoy her music. She sang with Sweet Adeline's for many years. She enjoyed the community clubs; Cu He Lo Club, Extension Club, American Legion Auxiliary. As an accomplished seamstress she made many of her own

clothes as well as those of her daughters

Betrece as with many of the farm wives had a large garden and canned the vegetables and fruit for the following winter. After Buzz died, she became an avid traveler and took pride in presenting her photos to friends and residents at the Heritage Manor.

She was preceded in death by an infant son, Lloyd Harold and her husband Harold Ira Davis. She leaves Gary (Betty) Davis of Wakonda, Patricia (Don) Grimes of Manchester WA and Joan (Bill) Sees of Irene, as well as 17 grandchildren.

For obituary and online condolences visit hansenfuneralhome.com
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Jo-Ann Bohlmann

TOPOCK, Ariz. — Jo-Ann Bohlmann, 77, of Topock, Ariz., died at her residence Thursday, Jan. 5, 2012.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Jan. 14, 2012, at First United Methodist Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Ron Johnson officiating. Burial will be in the Yankton City Cemetery.

Visitations are 5-8 p.m. Friday at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

Donelda Vanderhule

Donelda M. Vanderhule, 94, of Yankton died Friday, Jan. 6, 2012, at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

Services are being handled by Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton.

Marvin Meyer

TYNDALL — Funeral services for Marvin H. Meyer, 91, of Tyndall will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, January 9 at St. John Lutheran Church in Tyndall with Rev. Dean Schroeder officiating. Interment will follow in the Tyndall Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Sunday at the Goglin Funeral Home in Tyndall. The family will be present to greet visitors from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m.

Marvin passed away on Thursday, January 5, 2012 at the

Good Samaritan Society of Tyndall.

Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

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