

C O M M U N I T Y

CALENDAR

The **COMMUNITY CALENDAR** appears each Monday and Thursday. Contributions to this list of upcoming events are welcome and should be submitted two weeks before the event. Submissions **MUST** be typewritten or legibly printed and include the name and phone number of a contact person. Send items to P&D Calendar, 319 Walnut, Yankton, SD 57078, or email to news@yankton.net.

THURSDAY

Table Tennis, 8:30 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Wii Bowling, 9:30 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Billiards, 10 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Yankton Sertoma, noon, Pizza Ranch, 605-661-7159
Daily Reprieve, noon, non-smoking open meeting, 1019 W 9th street.
Avera Sacred Heart Hospital Toastmasters, noon, Benedictine Center; open session 605-665-6776
Pinochle, 12:45 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Dominos, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Weight Watchers, 4 p.m., 413 W. 15th Street. Weigh in 1/2 hour before.

Weight Watchers, 5:30 p.m., 413 W. 15th Street. Weigh in 1/2 hour before.
Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS #SD 45), Weigh-in 5:30-6:30 p.m., meeting 6:30-7:30. RTEC building, 1200 W. 21st St. For more information call 605-665-3738 or 667-9274.

Yankton Area Banquet, 6 p.m., United Church of Christ, Fifth and Walnut
Celebrate Recovery, 7 p.m., Calvary Baptist Church, Youth Room #4, 2407 Broadway, Yankton, 605-665-5594
Freeman Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., non-smoking closed meeting, City Hall, 3rd and Poplar, Freeman.
Yankton Alcoholics Anonymous, 8:30 p.m., open session, 1019 W 9th St.
Yankton Alanon, 8:30 p.m., 1019 W 9th Street

THIRD THURSDAY

HSC Friendship Club, 5 p.m., February: Fry'n Pan Restaurant, Yankton, 605-665-5956.
Catholic Daughters (Court Willard 967), 7:30 p.m., at Sacred Heart Catholic Church/Community Gathering Space, Yankton. (January through June)

FRIDAY

Line Dancing, 9:30 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Exercise, 11 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Daily Reprieve, noon, non-smoking open meeting, 1019 W 9th Street.
Partnership Bridge, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Bingo, 7-9 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Open Billiards, 7-9 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Vermillion Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., non-smoking closed session, 16 1/2 Court St, Vermillion
Porchlight, 8 p.m., non-smoking closed session, United Church of Christ, 210 W 5th Street

SATURDAY

Weight Watchers, 9 a.m., 413 W. 15th Street. Weigh in 1/2 hour before.
Each Day a New Beginning, 10 a.m., non-smoking closed session, 1019 W 9th Street
Daily Reprieve, noon, non-smoking closed session, 1019 W 9th Street.
Vermillion Unity Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. closed session, Trinity Lutheran Church, 816 E. Clark, Vermillion.

SUNDAY

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 a.m., closed meeting, 1019 W. 9th Street
Tyndall Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 a.m., non-smoking, 1609 Laurel St., Tyndall
Vermillion Unity Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., closed meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, 816 E. Clark, Vermillion

MONDAY

Line Dancing, 9:30 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Quilting, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Exercise, 11 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Daily Reprieve, noon, open meeting non-smoking, 1019 W 9th St.
Interchange, noon, Minerva's Bar and Grill, 605-660-8849.
Cribbage, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Pinochle, 12:45 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Whist, 12:45 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
Hand & Foot Cards, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685
River City Harmony Sweet Adelines, 6:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 11th and Cedar, 605-661-7162
Divorce Care, 7 p.m., Calvary Baptist Church
Divorce Care For Kids, 7 p.m., Calvary Baptist Church
Daily Reprieve, 7 p.m., closed meeting non-smoking, 1019 W 9th St.

FIRST MONDAY

Yankton Republican Party Executive Meeting, 5:30 p.m., 2507 Fox Run Parkway, 605-260-1605
Yankton Lions Club, 11:30 a.m. lunch, noon meeting, JoDeans, 605-665-4694
Heartland Humane Society Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m., 601 1/2 Burleigh
Yankton Parks Advisory Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., RTEC, 1200 W. 21st Street

HHS To Host 'Meet and Greet' Feb. 9

The Heartland Humane Society welcomes the community to meet their dogs for adoption on Saturday, Feb. 9, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Yankton Bomgaars, located at 2300 Broadway Ave.
"Meet and Greets allow our dogs waiting for adoption to get out into the public and make new friends," said Kerry Schmidt, executive director at Heartland Humane Society.
Schmidt encourages anyone interested in adopting an animal to fill out an application prior to the Meet and Greet. Applications must be reviewed and approved prior to adoption. You can pick up an application at the shelter or find it online at www.heartlandhumanesociety.net
For more information, contact Heartland Humane Society 605-664-4244 or email hhs@midconetwork.com. You can view all animals up for adoption on the shelter's website or on Petfinder.com.

Dave Says

The Role Of Government Assistance

BY DAVE RAMSEY

Dear Dave,
I'm a single mom with three young children. I quit my nursing job a few years ago to be a stay-at-home mom, and one year later my husband filed for divorce. The state isn't keeping him accountable for child support, but now I qualify for food stamps. Do you feel it's morally wrong to be on government assistance?

—Rebecca
Dear Rebecca,
There's nothing morally wrong with receiving food stamps, as long as you're not lying about your income or situation in order to receive them. The biggest problem with food stamps, and other forms of government assistance, is many times a person becomes dependent on someone else to take care of them. I don't want you and your kids to develop a victim mentality and become trapped in a cycle of substandard living.

You said you were a nurse before you came home to be with the kids, right? I'd suggest updating your nursing certification, if

necessary, and going back to work in your field—maybe even as an emergency room nurse. I know the hours can be weird, but the pay is great. It would really get your income rolling again, plus you could afford to pay someone to look after the kids when necessary.

You've been through a lot, Rebecca. Life has knocked you around lately, so it's okay if you need to take food stamps for a little while. But I'd encourage you to start thinking from a long-term perspective as to what it'll take to move forward and generate a good, livable income for you and your kids. Get into attack mode, take your nursing degree, intelligence and experience, and create a quality life for your family. I know you can do it! —Dave

Dear Dave,
I made a huge mistake and allowed my sister to use my credit



Dave
RAMSEY

card. She said she'd pay back what she charged, but now she won't pay the bill. The total was \$5,500. Do you have any advice?

—Marie
Dear Marie,
I'm afraid I don't have anything to give you that will make your sister grow some integrity and character. I used to tell my kids when they were younger not to bust the trust, because that kind of thing is very hard to put back together.

I'd be pretty upset about this too. Still, obsessing over it isn't going to solve anything. And really, when it comes right down to it, you opened the door for this to happen. You really have no one to blame but yourself.

If it were me, I'd do whatever it took to pay this off quickly. Put in additional hours at your job or find some part-time work at night and on weekends for a few months. Somewhere along the line I'd also leave my sister a

message saying I know she's not going to pay this, but that everything is forgiven.

I call something like this "paying your stupid tax," and it's something that all of us have had to pay at one time or another. Learn from the experience, Marie. Lending money to family or friends can damage the relationship. Keep in mind, too, that she's probably going to come back around wanting money at some point again. But I'm guessing you won't make the same mistake twice, will you? The First National Bank of Marie is closed!

—Dave
Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business. He's authored four New York Times best-selling books: Financial Peace, More Than Enough, The Total Money Makeover and EntreLeadership. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 6 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

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Water Resources Institute Provides Research, Education

BROOKINGS — Water tends to be a hot topic for just about every state. Some years there's too much water; or in years like 2012, there was not enough. As well, different interest groups can have different priorities for water use — from agricultural and industrial to urban, recreational and even oil and gas development.

To ensure the integrity and quality of this valued resource, the South Dakota Water Resources Institute (WRI) at South Dakota State University provides leadership on finding solutions to evolving water concerns through research, educational opportunities, and community outreach.

"There will always be issues that we need to find solutions for in the state related to water," said Jeppe Kjaersgaard, an Assistant Professor of Agricultural and Environmental Water Management at the Institute.

In the 1970s and 1980s, initial research by the South Dakota WRI focused on land suitability and management for irrigation of cropland using water from the Missouri River reservoirs. In subsequent years, the focus shifted to studying lake ecosystems and lake water quality, particularly because of the uniqueness of South Dakota's Prairie Pothole region. Today, agricultural and environmental water management research including tile drainage, hydrology, water quality assessments and water quality for livestock are among WRI's projects in the state, reports Kjaersgaard.

"We are using the newest technology including satellite imagery, advanced computer models and field monitoring equipment in our research and education activities," he said.

Kjaersgaard is one of the SDSU researchers who oversee the efforts of the Institute, along with director Van Kelley, assistant director Kevin Dalsted, program manager Mary O'Neill and program assistant Trista Koropatnicki.

But the efforts of WRI extend beyond these individuals. Kjaersgaard explains that collaboration — with other university researchers at SDSU and across the state, as well as industry and different government agencies — is integral to the process to find solutions to current and emerging water issues.

To this end, South Dakota WRI hosts a water conference in Brookings annually. At the conference, participants share information on the work they are doing through panel discussions, presentations, and research poster sessions.

In 2012, about 200 individuals representing universities and local, state and federal government entities and industry attended the conference, including the South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources, South Dakota Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service

and United States Geological Survey. Additionally, in collaboration with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) the South Dakota WRI annually awards research grants to researchers at different universities in the state. Kjaersgaard says about \$65,000 is awarded across three to five proposals each year.

"It's a modest amount of money, but it provides seed money to young faculty trying to build a program or fund a graduate student study. Many water-related research projects in the state started under the auspices of this grant program," Kjaersgaard said.

Looking to the future, Kjaersgaard anticipates WRI's role — and collaboration — will grow as new water issues emerge. He cites water for continued development of the state's economy, urban population growth, agricultural and industrial needs and possible oil and gas development in the state among those challenges to be addressed.

The South Dakota WRI is one of 54 water resources research institutes across the nation that were authorized by Congress and created after the Clean Water Act was passed in 1972. At SDSU, the institute is affiliated with the College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences, Department of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering and the South Dakota Agricultural Experiment Station. Funding for the institute comes from

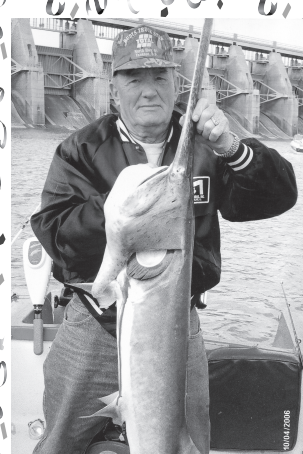
federal and state sources.

WATER AWARENESS FOR KIDS, TOO

In an effort to help young people learn more about protecting our precious water supply, the annual Big Sioux Water Festival is held each May on the SDSU campus. One thousand local fourth graders are bused in for the festival which teaches them about watersheds, their water footprint and protecting water quality.

The South Dakota Water Resources Institute is one of the host organizations for the event in partnership with the East Dakota Water Development District, Brookings County Conservation District and SDSU's Plant Science and Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering Departments.

Jeppe Kjaersgaard, SDSU assistant professor of agricultural and environmental water management, says it's a great event for sparking youth's interest in science and water. The 2012 water festival marked the 20th anniversary for the event.



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25th Anniversary Celebration



Mr. & Mrs. Richard Stotz

Mr. and Mrs. Richard and Lorna Stotz, Yankton, will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary January 30, 2013.

Their family requests a card shower. Greetings may be sent to 1412 Mulberry Street, Yankton, SD 57078.

Lorna Benedict and Richard Stotz were married January 30, 1988.

They have three children: Lindsay of Yankton; Abbey of Rusk, TX; and Connor of Yankton.

The couple has one grandchild, Austin Stotz.

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