

Vermillion

School Board Ups Opt-Out Level

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For the Vermillion Plain Talk

VERMILLION — The Vermillion school board approved Monday to raise the opt-out from \$800,000 to \$880,000.

"An opt-out is a determination by the school board that it cannot operate under the tax limitation measure currently in state statute," Superintendent Mark Froke said.

"We have had opt-out for 10 years," school board member Chris Esping said. "As we know, we've had to make a lot of cuts over the years. Funding has been a continual issue. Inflation has increased 10

percent over those 10 years so we did discuss increasing the opt-out to \$880,000 so it would be \$80,000 increase reflecting that 10 percent increase."

Esping presented the numbers on how the increase would affect levies.

"If you have a house that was assessed at \$200,000, at the \$800,000 opt-out, it would cost you \$227 in taxes," Esping explained. "If we bump it up to \$880,000 it would cost \$250, so it's a \$23 increase per year. That would greatly benefit our budget."

The school board members felt confident that the Vermillion community will understand.

"It is going to be another expense to taxpayers but I hope that the citizens of Vermillion School District can understand that we have increased cost just to maintain what we have," school board member Dave Stammer said. "I'm OK to ask the \$880,000 and I hope that the taxpayers will understand. We haven't raised it for 10 years. We've been trying to be as frugal as we could."

This sentiment seemed to be unanimously shared between the board members.

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OBITUARIES

Agnes Nooney

Agnes M. Nooney, age 99, of Yankton, SD passed away Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at the Sanford Vermillion Care Center, Vermillion, SD.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m., Monday, January 19, 2015 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Yankton with Rev. Robert Wullweber officiating. Burial will be approximately 1:00 p.m. at St. Columba Catholic Cemetery in Mayfield.

Visitations will begin at 6 p.m. Sunday January 18, 2015 at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton with a 7 p.m. rosary followed by a 7:30 p.m. Scripture service.

Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.



Nooney

Nooney and Joe Bruyer. Agnes was born on November 14, 1915 to John Patrick and Catherine Loretta (Slowey) Nooney near Mayfield, SD. She attended Whittier country School in rural Irene and remained on the family farm with her parents. They then moved to Scotland, SD and farmed for the next seven years. While residing in the Scotland area, Agnes became a member of the VFW Auxiliary. After the

Pallbearers will be her nephews: John Nooney, Jeff Nooney, Jay Nooney, Joel Nooney, Lawrence Nooney and Joe Bruyer. Agnes was born on November 14, 1915 to John Patrick and Catherine Loretta (Slowey) Nooney near Mayfield, SD. She attended Whittier country School in rural Irene and remained on the family farm with her parents. They then moved to Scotland, SD and farmed for the next seven years. While residing in the Scotland area, Agnes became a member of the VFW Auxiliary. After the

passing of her father, Agnes, her mother Catherine and brother James moved to Lanark, IL for a short time helping out on her brother-in-law's cattle feedlot. They moved back to Yankton where she began her employment with Cimpl Meats working for over 20 years in the kitchen stuffing sausages. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and the Altar Society in Yankton. She enjoyed baking, cooking, crocheting many afghans and especially loved her flower garden.

Her memory will always be cherished by her sister, Catherine Bruyer of Vermillion, SD and numerous nieces and nephews.

Those who preceded Agnes in death are her parents, John and Catherine, two

brothers and their wives, William and Irene Nooney and James and Eleanor Nooney, two sisters and their husbands, Mary and Richard Peterson and Theresa and Robert Brennan and her brother-in-law, George Bruyer.

The family of Agnes wishes for memorials to be directed to: Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Capital Campaign, 509 Capitol Street, Yankton, SD 57078 or Sunday TV Mass, Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls, 523 North Duluth Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57104-2714.

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Larry Sutton

Larry B. Sutton, age 76, of Yankton, South Dakota, died Thursday, January 15, 2015 at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton.

Inurnment will take place at the Fort Logan National Cemetery in Denver, Colorado at a later date.

Larry was born on January 16, 1938 in Tyertown, Mississippi to Joe and Katie (Dampeer) Sutton. He graduated from Tyertown High School and then joined the United States Air Force in August of 1955. He served as an Electrical Computer Maintenance Technician. On November 24, 1964, Larry



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married Janet Curl in Sioux City, Iowa. Throughout his 24 year career in the Air Force, Larry was stationed at many bases around the country and world. He was honorably discharged in 1979 as a Master Sergeant. After his discharge, Larry continued working in civil service at the Air Force Academy, Peterson Air Force Base and NORAD in Colorado Springs. He then worked for El Paso County Clerk and Recorder

in Colorado Springs until his retirement. In 2003, Larry and Janet moved to Yankton. He enjoyed woodworking, gardening and "putzing" around the house. Larry also enjoyed watching football, especially the Denver Broncos. He was a very gentle, caring man who was devoted to his Bible, wife and children.

Larry is survived by his daughter, Camie Sutton (Alysa Miller) of Denver; two sisters, Katherine Fortenberry of Florida and Sharon Fox of Mississippi; two brothers, George and Charles Sutton of Louisiana; and a sister-in-law, Mary Lou (Beto) Gengler of Sioux City, Iowa. Larry was preceded in

death by his parents; wife, Janet on August 8, 2011; son, Shannon Sutton; and two brothers: Joe Ray and James Sutton.

To send an online message to the family, please visit www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com.
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Henry Peters

DELMONT — Henry John Peters, 90, died Thursday, January 15 at Avera St. Benedict Hospital in Parkston.

Funeral service will be Tuesday, January 20 at 10:00 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church in Delmont.

Visitation will be Monday, January 19 from 5 to 7 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service at Zion Lutheran Church in Delmont.

Arrangements by Koehn Bros. Funeral Home in Parkston.

Henry John Peters was born November 14, 1924, the first son of Carl and Emelia (Fauth) Peters, on the family farm in Charles Mix County, SD. He was baptized on December 21, 1924 and confirmed on June 5, 1938 at St. Paul Lutheran Church south of Delmont, SD. He was united in marriage to Lorraine Fischer on May 8, 1947 and were blessed with 67 anniversaries together. To this union, four children were born, Sandra, Sylvia, Sonia and Steven. Henry farmed in Charles Mix and Douglas Counties until he retired. During his farming years, he was always very proud of his red tractors. His faith was a very important part of his life. While belonging to St. Paul's, he was janitor, treasurer and sang in the choir. After moving into Delmont, he became an active member of Zion Lutheran Church. He entered the United States Air Force in 1945 and served until he was honorably

discharged. He was a life member of the American Legion Post #249 in Delmont. He was an avid baseball player, enjoyed hunting, fishing and bowling and has many bowling trophies to show for it. His greatest joy was spending time with his family and everyone enjoyed celebrating his 90th birthday in November. He will truly be missed by them all. Henry left his earthly life to be with his Lord on Thursday, January 15, 2015 at Avera St. Benedict Hospital in Parkston, SD at the age of 90 after a brief illness.

He is survived by his wife, Lorraine of Delmont; 4 children: Sandra (Dennis) Williams of Yankton, SD; Sylvia Eitrem of Sioux Falls, SD; Sonia (Clark) Will of Delmont; and Steven (Carolyn) Peters of Delmont; 12 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; 3 sisters: Berniece Stoenber of Bettendorf, IA; Elaine Stoenber of Tripp, SD; and Lois (Dennis) Batterman of Delmont.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Norma Struck; and 2 brothers, Norbert and Eldon.

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Delice Gleysteen

Delice Gleysteen, 93, of Watertown, SD passed away peacefully in her sleep at Jenkins Living Center, on Friday, January 16, 2015.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. Monday, January 19, 2015 at the First Presbyterian Church in Castlewood, SD. Interment will be at Castlewood Cemetery.

Visitation will be Sunday, January 18 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. at Wight, Comes & Sogn Funeral Chapel with the family present.

Delice Aileen Aronson was born June 10, 1921, to Albert C. and Hannah (Diebert) Aronson on the family homestead near Lake Poinsett in Hamlin County, South Dakota. After graduation from high school in Lake Norden, she attended Madison Normal where she received a teaching certificate and went on to teach country school. She married John M. Gleysteen on June 8, 1943 at Covenant Church in Lake Norden and moved to the family farm at Castlewood until their retirement in 1975 when they moved to Watertown. They had three children and were involved in their lives; encouraging and teaching them to do their best. Delice was an ac-

complished seamstress as well as an excellent cook. She enjoyed playing pinocle, bridge and attending Red Hat events. After John passed away in 2004, she moved to Prairie Commons and has been a resident at Jenkins for the past year.

She was a member of the First Congregational Church in Watertown.

Delice is survived by her children, Jane (Bill) Bobzin of Yankton, SD, Arlys Nelson Sikorski (Steve) of Sioux Falls, SD, and Ronald (Mona) Gleysteen of Castlewood; 11 grandchildren; Jason Bobzin, Julie (Casey) Chadwick, Mike (Lisa) Rath, Jeff (Laurie) Rath, Nicole Misner, Alison (Kristian) Bloomquist, Jessica (Craig) Horn, Veronica (Michael) Paulson and Zach Gleysteen; 16 great grandchildren; one brother, Herb (Charmain) Aronson of Chamberlain, SD; one brother-in-law, Cecil Wiarda of Castlewood; and a host of other



Gleysteen

relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and her husband, John; her brother, Arlyn Aronson; her sisters, and their spouses; Harriet (Lawrence) Julin, Edna (Willard) Isaacson, Fern (Leonard) Nielson; and her sister-in-law, Bee Wiarda.

Arrangements by Wight, Comes & Sogn Funeral Chapel, www.wcsfc.com.

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Velma Nordby

Velma I. Nordby, 90, of Coleridge, Nebraska, died Thursday, Jan. 15, 2015, at the Park

View Haven Nursing Home in Coleridge.

Funeral services will be on Monday, Jan. 19, at 10:30 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Coleridge with the Rev. Debra Valentine officiating. Burial will be at Lawn Ridge Cemetery, Coleridge, Nebraska.

Visitation will be on Sunday from 3-5 p.m. at the Church with a prayer service at 4 p.m. Visitation will continue on Monday at church one hour prior to services.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz Funeral Home in Coleridge.

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