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# Battle

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ad on Sunday asking why the president had stopped talking about hope and change, his signature message during the 2008 campaign, and criticizing him for a barrage of negative ads against Romney.

The Romney release comes a day after Obama began running an ad mocking Romney singing “America the Beautiful” as image after image ties Romney to Bain and U.S. jobs lost overseas and to personal

# MMC

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Her biggest goal in her new job is making sure that students have good experiences in their residence hall. She added that she also wants to make sure students enjoy their whole experience on campus at Mount Marty.

Her role as residence hall director is similar to Kidney's. Both will supervise resident assistants and manage activities in the residence halls, among other responsibilities. Johnson will also assist students that have a disability and make sure they do well in their academics.

“I'm excited to be here,” Johnson said. “Yankton is a pretty cool town.”

She added that she is still getting accustomed to the area and all of the services that are available to students.

“I really want to maximize community resources, along with what's available for students on campus,” she said.

In addition to all of her job responsibilities, Johnson will also be living with her husband and son in the residence hall.

Kidney comes to MMC from USD, where he had served as a hall director, while finishing his master's degree in educational administration.

“It might be a little bit difficult at first, since I was withdrawn from students at USD, to now be on a first-name basis with them,” he said. “I'm excited to get to know students and the campus.”

In addition to the roles that he and Johnson share, Kidney will also head up the Student Diversity Club on campus. He will act as an adviser to the club, and also help students put on programming in the residence halls.

“I'm really looking forward to students coming on campus,” he said. “There is a lot of energy and excitement that they bring with them.”

Bennett comes to MMC after serving in similar roles at schools in Indiana and Florida. He is in charge of orientation, student government, homecoming, family weekend and putting on events for students throughout the year.

“Because I had worked at bigger schools, it should be easier to get to know students here, which will be fun,” he said. “I'm really going to try to help enhance students' experience outside of the classroom.”

One of Bennett's biggest goals is increasing student involvement in on-campus events, and also generating trips and other activities for students.

# Mexican President: Drug Murders Down 15-20 Percent

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexican President Felipe Calderon said homicides in Mexico dropped 15 percent to 20 percent in the first six months of this year compared to the same period of 2011, according to an interview published Sunday by the Spanish newspaper El Pais.

Calderon said 2011 had proved “a climactic point” in drug-related killings, though he did not cite specific figures.

“Today, violence related to rivalries between criminals is declining,” he said. “It is higher than when I assumed the presidency, yes, but I insist it is a phenomenon that comes from the brutality and conflicts between cartels, and not precisely from the government's actions.”

Calderon claimed in an interview with The Wall Street Journal last month that drug-related killings in Mexico had fallen by roughly 12 percent in the first five months of this year, although he and his administration have refused to release the actual figures of drug-linked homicides since last September.

The last set of official figures

showed such homicides rose 11 percent to 12,903 during the first nine months of 2011, up from 11,583 in the same period of 2010.

As of the report in September, drug violence had killed more than 47,500 people since Calderon launched an offensive against Mexico's cartels when he took office in December 2006.

Gruesome mass killings continue in parts of northern and western Mexico. In June, members of a drug cartel dumped 49 bodies without heads, hands or feet on a highway near the northern industrial city of Monterrey.

foreign investments.

The Obama campaign is questioning whether Romney was at the helm of the Boston-based private equity firm when it sent jobs overseas, allegations that “independent fact checkers have said are not true, they're indeed a lie,” Ed Gillespie, a campaign adviser to Romney, said on CNN's “State of the Union.”

Cutter said Romney can't have it both ways.

“Either you're the CEO, president, chairman of the board of Bain Capital as you attest to the SEC or he's telling the American people he bears no responsibility for that.

Both those things can't be true. Either you're in charge or you're not,” Cutter said Sunday.

The documents place Romney in charge of Bain from 1999 to 2001, a period in which the company outsourced jobs and ran companies that fell into bankruptcy. Romney has tried to distance himself from this period in Bain's history, saying on financial disclosure forms he had no active role in Bain as of February 1999.

But at least three times since then, Bain listed Romney as the company's “controlling person,” as well as its “sole shareholder, sole director, chief executive officer and

# CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

**ACROSS**

**40** Lackluster

**1** Not active

**41** Fraternal group

**5** Corrosive stuff

**9** Slow mover

**10** Band output

**12** Distinct flavors

**13** Higher than

**14** Utah national park

**16** Auction signal

**17** Winter treat for birds

**18** Fuel gas

**21** Elev. areas

**22** Town center

**23** Tennis setting

**24** Entice

**26** Comic bit

**29** Rum cocktail

**30** Succotash half

**31** Fitting

**32** Maine national park

**34** Theater worker

**37** Sailor's cry

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**39** Forest worries

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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

**7-16 CRYPTOQUOTE**

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