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WNV Buzzes Back

State Official: West Nile Positives, Human Cases On The Rise

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Numbers of the primary carrier of the West Nile virus (WNV) are increasing across South Dakota, and more of the mosquitoes are testing positive for the virus, the S.D. Department of Health announced Monday.

"From the first week of July to the second, we saw a substantial increase in Culex

(tarsalis) mosquitoes and also a rise in the number of West Nile positives," said Lon Kightlinger, state epidemiologist for the Department of Health, in a news release. "Those higher numbers mean an increased risk of disease transmission, so it's important that people protect themselves with appropriate repellent."

So far in 2013, South Dakota has reported four human cases of WNV (in Brookings, Buffalo, Jones and Spink counties) and 23 positive

mosquito pools, according to the state health department.

Avera Sacred Heart Hospital infection prevention nurse Jan Johnson told the *Press & Dakotan* that while those numbers are low, the state is just now entering the peak period of disease transmission.

"We've kind of been quiet with it, but

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Preview

Cedar Co. Fair Gears For Family Tradition

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HARTINGTON, Neb. — From outstanding grandstand acts — including award-winning country band Restless Heart — to 4-H and other exhibits, this week's Cedar County Fair is living up to its billing as "A Family Tradition."

This year marks a milestone for Restless Heart, making Saturday's appearance even more special, according to Larry Dybdal, co-president of the Cedar County Ag Society. He and Greg Heine lead the organization, which oversees the fair outside of 4-H and other youth events.

"This is the 30th anniversary of Restless Heart (since its start as a band). We have had a lot of good entertainment come to the fair, and it's a privilege to have Restless Heart," Dybdal said. "It's good entertainment, and we're really excited about being able to bring them to Hartington."

The band Them Other Dudes from Lincoln, Neb., will perform from 7-8 p.m. and from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday as an opening and closing act, Dybdal said.

"We have had them in the past, and they are a good country band," he said. "They will get the crowd fired up for Restless Heart and then keep playing afterwards."

The fair officially runs from Wednesday through Sunday. However, activities actually kick off today (Tuesday) with the entry of exhibits at the fairgrounds on the east side of Hartington.

Wednesday features the team sorting at the rodeo arena and the talent show at the Open Class building. Thursday features the 14th annual MSRA/IRA/MRA championship rodeo at the rodeo arena.

The grandstand features the Dweebs band, followed by the Omaha band 3D In Your Face, on Friday; Restless Heart and Them Other Dudes on Saturday; and the Ultimate Demolition Derby and fireworks on Sunday.

The Dweebs truly have become a family affair, as the Wisconsin-based band consists of a father, daughter, two sons and a nephew.

The band will bring both

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In The Garden



COURTESY PHOTO

The House of Mary Shrine, located off Highway 52 across from the Lewis and Clark Recreation Area west of Yankton, has expanded its offerings and now includes a Holy Innocents Garden, dedicated to the memory of all children lost to miscarriage, abortion or other childhood death. The expansion also features a "Rachel Weeping For Her Children" statue, which is a symbol of a Bible verse from Jeremiah 31:15.

Yankton's House Of Mary Shrine Expands Its Offerings

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The House of Mary Shrine, located off Highway 52 across from Lewis and Clark Recreation Area, has expanded its offerings with several new additions which were completed earlier this year.

One of the major additions is a Holy Innocents Garden, which was completed this spring.

The Innocents Garden is dedicated to

the memory of all children lost to miscarriage, abortion or other childhood death, and consists of a bronze statue of "Jesus and the Children" and a new "Rachel Weeping for Her Children" statue.

Another section of the garden has also been reserved for an addition in the future.

"We have this area so people can remember their lost children," said Larry Hames, volunteer at the shrine. "Once a

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S.F. Physician Enters GOP Senate Field

Bosworth Becomes Third SD Republican To Declare For Seat

BY KRISTI EATON

Associated Press

SIoux FALLS — A Sioux Falls physician with no political experience said Monday she is joining the race for the Republican nomination for U.S. Senate because the people of South Dakota want to elect someone who is not a career politician.

Annette Bosworth, 41, said she decided to run for the nomination after visiting people in 23 counties in South Dakota during the past 1 1/2 months. Bosworth joins former South Dakota Gov. Mike Rounds and State Sen. Larry Rhoden in the race for the GOP nomination. The seat is now held by Democratic Sen. Tim Johnson, who is not seeking re-election after three terms.

"I've spent time asking South Dakota what is the possibility of having a non-legislator, a physician, a female, a mother run for United States Senate, and I was overwhelmed with the positive approach for change," Bosworth said.

South Dakota residents have a "palpable" frustration for politicians who have been groomed and made empty promises, she said.

"Having a career politician is never what the United State Senate was de-



Bosworth

signed for," she said. "They are to be people who are citizens who pledge to serve the country for a chapter of their life

using the skillsets from their trade in the community, making the nation a better place and then returning home having done a job that did improve the industry of the time."

To that end, Bosworth said she has a self-imposed term limit and will only seek re-election one time. She said that urgency and finite deadline is the key difference between her and her competitors. She's also pledged not to raise taxes on the state's residents, which she said was a point repeatedly made to her during her visits with communities.

Bosworth, who operates a private practice called Meaningful Medicine, has battled with the South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners in the past. She's criticized the board's licensing and disclosure forms for doctors, con-

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Vermillion Musical To Feature A Local Feel

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VERMILLION — A local theater production in Vermillion will truly be local in every sense of the word.

The Vermillion Community Theatre (VCT) begins its four-day run of "Robin Hood: Spirit of the Greene" on Friday, July 19. The VCT is dusting off a production first crafted 10 years ago by four Vermillion men who learned something in the process.

When it comes to writing scripts, music and lyrics, they've found a way to be successful.

"This was our first effort at writing a full-blown summer musical back in 2003," said Steve Miller, during a break in rehearsal Thursday at the Vermillion High School Performing Arts Center. "We've actually written

"We've worked on a couple new songs, a little bit of the script was changed, and we've rewritten all of the orchestrations."

STEVE MILLER

three since then."

Steve Miller, David L. Miller, who no longer resides in Vermillion, Anthony Burbach, and George Schlenker pooled their talents, time and considerable creativity to craft the musical.

"The four of us decided a year early (in 2002) that we were going to write a show, and one of my jobs was to choose a story that

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