

MNRR Announces Weekend Programs

Missouri National Recreational River, the only national park in the northeast Nebraska-southeast South Dakota area, offers a variety of programs for the whole family this weekend.

THURSDAY, JULY 24

• 10 a.m., Lake Yankton east boat ramp: Canoeing 101 — Discover a new way to experience your Wild & Scenic Missouri River. National Park Rangers and South Dakota State Park naturalists talk about canoeing basics and safety and teach you the six basic paddle strokes you need to control a canoe. Then join the rangers on Lake Yankton to practice what you've learned. This two-hour program is for ages 12 to adult. For reservations, contact Lewis & Clark State Recreation Area at 605-668-2985

FRIDAY, JULY 25

• 2:30 p.m., Lake Yankton east boat ramp: Canoeing 101 — A repeat offering of Thursday's program.
• 7 p.m., Chief White Crane campground amphitheater: "The Lion, The Train, and the Texan: Stories of Theodore Roosevelt, Lyndon B. Johnson, and the Great Northern Railway" — From the tall tales of Teddy Roosevelt to the romance of train travel, the story of the Missouri National Recreational River is that of those who chose to protect it. Come indulge in the colorful chronicles of the Presidential enlightenments and river raft revivals that saved the Missouri.

SATURDAY, JULY 26

• 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Ponca State Park: "Characters and Culture: the Missouri River after Lewis & Clark" — Outlaws, presidents, steamboaters, dam builders and many more interesting and colorful characters made their contributions to the two centuries after the famous expedition. Rangers will be offering programs and activities introducing these historic characters to the whole family, including "Outlaws & Lawmen," "Presidential Paddles," the Missouri River stream table, and a quiz wheel with prizes. A steamboat officer from 1877 will tell stories of life on the Missouri.

SUNDAY, JULY 27

• 10 a.m.-noon, Lewis & Clark Visitor Center at Gavins Point Dam: "Native Plants, Native Uses" — The forest and prairie were the pantry and medicine cabinet for the Plains Indians and early settlers. National Park Rangers will bring samples and pictures of some of these plants and explain their uses and how they contributed to the lives of the prairie's early inhabitants.

Kaylor Appreciation Night Set For Friday

KAYLOR — The Kaylor 4-H Club will be sponsoring games and activities during Kaylor Appreciation Night on July 25 on Main Street Kaylor starting at 6:30 p.m. Kaylor 4-H Club has members from the Kaylor, Tripp, Parkston, Scotland, Olivet, Tyndall and Lesterville areas. As a community service project the Kaylor Club provides games and activities for people of all ages. Come and join in the fun.

Holy Spirit Led Ministries Event Is Sat.

There will be Holy Spirit Led Ministries events on Saturday, July 26, at 6 p.m. at Prentis Park Amphitheatre in Vermillion and on Sunday, July 27, at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. at Riverside Park Amphitheatre in Yankton. For more information, call Patty at 515-229-0111 or email holyspiritledministries.com.

Wagner Woman Named To SD Board

PIERRE — Gov. Dennis Daugaard has appointed Rev. Patricia White Horse-Carda of Wagner to the South Dakota Board of Pardons and Paroles.

"I want to thank Rev. White Horse-Carda for her willingness to serve on the Board of Pardons and Paroles," Gov. Daugaard said. "Her unique insight will be invaluable to the board which is tasked with making weighty recommendations."

White Horse-Carda has served the Diocese of South Dakota as an Episcopal priest since 2010. Previously, she spent 20 years working at the Wagner Community School as both a teacher and an administrator.

The governor, state Supreme Court and Attorney General each appoint three members to serve on the Board of Pardons and Paroles for four year terms.

White Horse-Carda fills a vacancy created by the resignation of Debra Flute earlier this year. Her term will expire January 2015.

Neb. Announces Surface Transportation Program

LINCOLN, Neb. — The Nebraska Department of Roads' Director Randy Peters recently released the fiscal year 2015 Surface Transportation Program. This publication details how the Department plans to use the taxpayer's highway user dollars to provide the best state highway system possible for all Nebraskans and the traveling public.

The 2015 State Highway System Program is published at \$457 million and is funded from state and federal highway user taxes and fees. The Local System Program for city streets and county roads totals \$303 million and is funded with state, federal and local highway user revenues.

A total of 153 projects will be let to contract on the State Highway System during fiscal year 2015 (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015). Projects

throughout the state will range in size and scope from small intersection improvements involving lighting and traffic signals to pavement and bridge preservation projects to large resurfacing and reconstruction projects.

Some of the larger projects include 7 miles of asphalt resurfacing and the replacement of five bridges east and west of Hendley in Furnas County; 8.8 miles of roadway widening, asphalt resurfacing and bridge repair on US-183 in Brown County; and 11.5 miles of roadway widening, asphalt resurfacing and bridge repair east of Newcastle on N-12 in Cedar and Dixon counties. In Johnson County, 11.3 miles of N-41 will be widened and resurfaced with asphalt east of Sterling; in North Platte, US-83 (Jeffers St.) will be reconstructed between 1st St. and 6th St., including re-

moval and rebuilding of the storm sewer system that was originally constructed in the 1920s.

Funds from The Build Nebraska Act will be put to use in completing the reconstruction of N-133 between Omaha and Blair with the Blair South project and constructing the third and final phase of the Kearney East Bypass project.

Major projects on Interstate 80 include replacing 7.5 miles of concrete pavement west of Sidney and replacing 11.5 miles between Big Springs and Brule.

The 2015-2020 Nebraska Surface Transportation Program is now available at www.transportation.nebraska.gov/hwy-pgm/.

YANKTON COURTS

CASES DISPOSED: JUNE 20-26, 2014

Greg G. Meier, Coleridge, Neb.; Speeding on other roadways, \$105
Mervin Johnson, Burwell, Neb.; Overweight on axle, \$170 plus \$10 penalty
Linda Hamilton, Hazel; Violations of safety requirements, \$170
Dudley Gulbrandson, Central City, Neb.; Limited exemption certain vehicles hauling ag products, \$170 plus \$7 penalty
James Raymond Norman, Somerville, Tenn.; Maximum weight per tire width, \$170
Javier Enriquez, Mission, Texas; No registration receipt in vehicle, \$25
Raynold Nedved, 604 Regal Dr., Yankton; Improper highway entry, \$120
Kevin John Kulla, Hartford; Expired annual inspection, \$170
Charles A. Nelson, Concord, Neb.; No registration receipt in vehicle, \$25; Expired annual inspection, \$170
Andrew Brakefield, Osage, Minn.; Overweight on axle, \$170 plus \$60 penalty
Brian Schmidt, Sauk City, Wis.; Failure to display commercial license, \$170
Samantha Renee Zoss, Beresford; Speeding on other roadways, \$165
Jessica Ann Roth, Mission Hill; Municipal speeding, \$79
Josh Roger Ketcham, Sioux Falls; Speeding on a state highway, \$105; Seat belt violation, \$25
Jacob Chandler Lee, Volin; Seat belt violation, \$25
Richard Allen Tellberg, Renner;

Speeding on a state highway, \$105
Stephanie Turner, Elk Point; Failure to make proper stop at stop intersection, \$120
Gregory D. Moser, Java; Expired annual inspection, \$170
James Ray Zimmerman, Meckling; Speed on four-lane in rural areas, \$220
Savannah Kay Flynn, Marion; Petty theft 2nd degree-\$400 or less, \$166 plus 5 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court
Jeffrey Duane Sudbeck, 108 Greenbriar, Yankton; Seat belt violation, \$25
Nick Ptak, 802 E. 13th St. #13, Yankton; Seat belt violation, \$25; No driver's license, \$120
Lesley Marie Stone, 364 Russell Rd., Yankton; Speeding on other roadways, \$85
Jeremy Miller, 104 Grove St., Yankton; Pet violations - animal at large dog/cat, \$114
Greg W. Schiferl, Fordyce, Neb.; Speeding on other roadways, \$85
Heathe Larry Hojem, 139 Par Lane, Yankton; Fail to maintain financial responsibility, \$130 plus license suspended for 30 days
Lori Salonen, 1203 W. 17th, Yankton; Speeding on other roadways, \$125
Roxanna Mae Louise Hansen, 109 Mulligan Dr., Yankton; Seat belt violation, \$25
Kailey Nelson, Sioux Falls; Speed on four-lane in rural areas, \$105
Alexander McNelis Crandall, 809 E. 19th St., Yankton; Seat belt violation, \$25

Christopher Jay Glowcheski, Dawsonville, Ga.; Speeding on other roadways, \$105
Patrick Leo Hauer, Mission Hill; Speeding on other roadways, \$85
Nicole Michelle Plueger, LeMars, Iowa; Speeding on other roadways, \$85
Daniel A. Shutt, 1616 College St., Yankton; Seat belt violation, \$25
Taylor Michael Portillo, 2912 Masters Ave., Yankton; Seat belt violation, \$25
Antonio Montoya, 1206 Whiting Dr., Yankton; Speeding on a state highway, \$165
Karson Fridley, Artesian; Fail to report accident to police officer, \$270
Calan A. List, 1305 Timberland Dr., Yankton; Seat belt violation, \$25
Joshua Kyte, 208 W. 8th St., Yankton; Allow dog to run at large, \$114
Jennifer Schurman, 910 W. Yankton; Speeding on other roadways, \$105
Allie Murphy, 701 E. 19th St., Yankton; Speeding on other roadways, \$125
Corey Andrew Meng, Mission Hill; Open alcoholic beverage container accessible in vehicle, \$120
Miguel A. Lopez-Munoz, Elk Point; Speed on four-lane in rural areas, \$105
Jimmy Ray Parks, Junior, Gayville; No driver's license, \$120
Jeremy Lynn Tjeerdsma, 406 Deer Blvd., Yankton; Speeding on other roadways, \$145
Iden Ickes Ramey, 31137 434th Ave., Yankton; Seat belt violation, \$25

Susan Carson, Wolsey; Speeding on other roadways, \$105
Mark Joseph Coleman, 1114 W. 9th St. #17, Yankton; Possession of controlled substance in schedules I or II, \$104 plus 5 years in jail suspended; Driving with revoked (not suspended) license, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Use or possession of drug paraphernalia, dismissed-motion by prosecutor
Trevor Rehurek, 308 Greenview Dr. #8, Yankton; Failure to make proper stop at stop intersection, \$120
Micah Stanley Crowe, 206 Green St., Yankton; Speeding on other roadways, \$85
Jodi Nicole Johnson, 415 W. 15th St. #28, Yankton; Driving under influence-1st of, \$528 plus license revoked for 30 days; Right-turning vehicle required to keep right, dismissed-motion by prosecutor
Brittany N. Dangel, Viborg; Illegal lane change, \$120
Scott Patrick Hartranft, 1014 Cedar St. #3, Yankton; Driving with revoked (not suspended) license, \$384
Daryl Devere Kirschenman, Menno; Driving under influence-1st of, \$528 plus license revoked for 30 days plus 5 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court; Careless driving, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Seat belt violation, dismissed-motion by prosecutor
Chelsey Arlene Kiyukan, Rapid City; Theft by insufficient funds check, \$140 plus \$126.12 restitution plus 5 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court

Israel

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Germany's Lufthansa, Air France, Air Canada, Alitalia, Dutch KLM, Britain's easyJet, Turkish Airlines and Greece's Aegean Airlines were among those carriers canceling flights to Tel Aviv over safety concerns amid the increasing violence.

Israeli Transportation Minister Yisrael Katz called on the U.S. aviation authority to reconsider, calling the flight ban "unnecessary" and saying Israel's Iron Dome missile defense system provided cover for civil aviation.

"Ben-Gurion Airport is safe and completely guarded and there is no reason whatsoever that American companies would stop their flights and hand terror a prize," his office said in a statement.

However, international airlines and passengers have

grown more anxious about safety since last week, when a Malaysia Airlines jet was shot down over Ukraine, killing all 298 people on board. While Hamas rockets aren't guided missiles, they still can cause massive damage to an aircraft. For instance, unguided mortar fire in Tripoli from a militia battling to control its international airport destroyed an Airbus A330 on the ground over the weekend.

The Tel Aviv airport is Israel's main gateway to the world and Hamas militants have said they hoped to target it to disrupt life in Israel.

Another Hamas objective was to abduct an Israeli soldier, and Israeli fears over such an occurrence were revisited Tuesday when the military announced that a soldier was missing following a deadly battle in Gaza, where the Israelis are fighting Hamas militants in the third such war in just over five years.

The military said Sgt. Oron Shaul was among seven soldiers in a vehicle that was hit

by an anti-tank missile in a battle in Gaza over the weekend. The other six have been confirmed as dead, but no remains have been identified as Shaul's.

Hamas claims to have abducted him and has flaunted his name and military ID number to try to back that claim. Military officials say the soldier is almost certainly dead, but it would be a nightmare scenario for the Jewish state if even his remains were in the hands of Hamas.

Past abductions of Israeli soldiers have turned into painful drawn-out affairs and Israel has paid a heavy price in lopsided prisoner swaps to retrieve captured soldiers or remains held by its enemies. The prolonged saga of Gilad Shalit, a soldier captured by Hamas-allied militants in 2006 and held for more than five years before he was swapped for more than 1,000 Palestinian prisoners, still weighs heavily in Israel.

"We understand the terror organization is looking for

some leverage and as cynical as it sounds, one type of leverage is bargaining over parts of bodies," said Lior Lotan, a reserve Israeli colonel and former head of its POW and MIA department.

Israeli airstrikes continued to pummel Gaza tunnels, rocket launchers and militants on the 15th day of the war Tuesday as diplomatic efforts intensified to end fighting that has killed at least 630 Palestinians and 29 Israelis — 27 soldiers and two civilians.

Israel says its troops have killed hundreds of Hamas gunmen, while Gaza officials say the vast majority have been civilians, many of them children.

Egypt, Israel and the U.S. back an unconditional ceasefire, to be followed by talks on a possible new border arrangement for Gaza. Israel and Egypt have severely restricted movement in and out of Gaza since Hamas seized the territory in 2007. But Hamas has rejected repeated Egyptian truce proposals.

OBITUARIES

Donald Hora

Donald Hora, 65, formerly of Tyndall, S.D. and retired Army Career personnel, passed away July 16, 2014, in Florida.

He was born to Veda (Schmid) and Vincent Hora on November 18, 1948.

Cremated remains will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date.

He was preceded in death by his wife, parents, and sister, Sandra Rueb.

He is survived by step children; one brother, Roger (Linda) Hora of Yankton and many nieces and nephews.

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Connie Brewer

Connie Lynne Brewer has been reunited with her soul mate and husband, Donald Joe Brewer in heaven July 16, 2014.

Connie was born to the late Robert Pearson and surviving mother Ruth Pearson on January 17, 1952.

For more information on Connie's life, please visit www.clarklegacycenter.com.

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Sharon Watkins

Sharon Faye Watkins, 50, of Volin died Sunday, July 20, 2014.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Friday, July 25, at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Chapel, Yankton, with Michael Stevens officiating. Burial will be in the Trondhjem Lutheran Cemetery, Volin.

Visitations are 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, with the family present. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Lillian Piihal

Graveside services for Lillian Rose Piihal, 98, of Rapid City, will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 24, at the Czech National Cemetery in Tyndall, South Dakota.

Lillian passed away on Friday, June 27 in Rapid City.

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Gerald Haas

Gerald Haas, 87, of Yankton died Tuesday morning, July 22, 2014, at the Avera Yankton Care Center, Yankton.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 10 a.m. Friday, July 25, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Mark Lichter officiating. Burial will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery with Military Graveside Rites by the Ernest-Bowyer VFW Post No. 791 Honor Guard, Yankton.

Visitations begin at 5 p.m. Thursday, July 24, 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.

Kratz

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Brothers, Kratz was lauded for his integrity, trustworthiness, care and flawless character.

"His service work and record stood on its own," the letter stated. "But the most important thing that was identified was the fact that he did not boast of his Masonic or personal accomplishments, didn't need credit for doing the right thing or going the extra mile, didn't need anyone patting him on the back or tooting his horn for him. He was humble, selfless, caring and was Brother to all. That is what makes a Freemason."

Kratz, whose father was a Mason, was first approached about joining the organization following his move to Yankton in 1959. After going through the steps to become a member, he's "been happy ever since," Kratz said.

During his time with the fraternity, Kratz has been actively involved in helping others complete the same process he underwent to become a member. This includes the pursuit of three degrees — Entered Apprentice, Fellowcraft and Master Mason.

"They're coached and led around by a member, and I really enjoy doing that," Kratz said. "It's great to see a young man come in and to teach him the ropes and see them become interested in it."

The longtime Freemason has also held every officer position at the St. John's lodge except for treasurer.

Kratz's service has

branched out into the community, as well. He has donated his time to numerous volunteer projects, and has also been involved with the United Church of Christ, including 34 years as treasurer.

Reflecting back on five decades with the Masons, Kratz said the brotherhood of the members is what he has enjoyed the most.

"The Brothers really make the lodge," he said. "I don't know where you could go to find a better class of people who are caring and concerned and want to do the right thing."

With that in mind, Kratz said he is disappointed that the local membership for the Masons has been declining in recent years.

"We're not as large as we once were," he said. "People have so many things they can do now without joining a fraternity. I had television by the time I graduated high school, but I didn't have all the technology you can use these days. You don't have to see anybody or talk to anybody or anything. That's the big change."

However, the Masons still have a promising future in Yankton, Kratz said.

"It's disturbing that it's gone downhill, but I think it will catch on again," he said. "The teachings and the lessons learned will induce men to come in, in larger numbers again. The core of the group is still there, and the ritual is what keeps you grounded."

You can follow Derek Bartos on Twitter at twitter.com/d_bartos. Discuss this story at yankton.net/.

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"I knew I wanted to work with the (agriculture) community, and this gave me an opportunity to meet with every farmer in one area each year," Charles said. "I grew up on a farm and knew I wanted to stay in the farm industry."

After a year of training in Owatonna, Charles accepted the director position there, a role he served for five years, before coming back to South Dakota.

The transition from Owatonna to Yankton has been a smooth one for Charles.

"It's the same job, so it's been a lateral transfer, which has made the transition easier," he said. "We still work with Congress on the same policies, it's just different people. So I'm slowly getting to know everyone."

Meeting every farmer in the county isn't an easy task, but it's one Charles is enjoying.

"We just got done reporting acres for the year, so

every farmer was in (and) I got to meet most of them then," Charles said. "Otherwise, as they come in with questions, I'm meeting them, and I hold meetings in the community for the farmers to come and discuss issues affecting them."

Charles said his immediate goal as the new director is to better know his clientele.

"I enjoy working with the people, the farmers," he said. "It's not every job you see 2,000 people per year. It takes a little time, but I enjoy getting to know the farming community."

His second goal is to make sure the farmers in the county know what Farm Service Agency has available for them.

"We're an outreach for the USDA to local farmers for anything that comes up," Charles said. "We're a 'boots on the ground' resource, and I want to make sure they know the resources we have."

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