

Neb. Transportation Program Fiscal Year

LINCOLN, Neb. — The Nebraska Department of Roads' (NDOR) Director, Kyle Schneewis, released the fiscal year 2016 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 2016 State Highway System Program is published at \$505 million and is funded from state and federal highway user taxes and fees. The Local System Program for city streets and county roads totals \$334 million and is funded with state, federal and local highway user revenues.

One hundred and ten projects will be let to contract on the State Highway System during fiscal year 2016 (July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016). 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 11.6 miles of roadway widening, asphalt resurfacing and bridge repair east of Farnam on N-23 in Frontier County and 10.6 miles of roadway widening, asphalt resurfacing and bridge repair on N-11 north of Burwell in Garfield County. In Keith County, 11.5 miles of US-30 will be resurfaced with concrete and in Merrick County, US-30 and N-14 in Central City will be reconstructed with concrete and 4.2 miles of N-14 south of the city will be resurfaced with asphalt.

Funds from The Build Nebraska Act will be put to use on reconstruction of a new interchange southeast of Nebraska City, completion of the 4-lane expressway between Plattsmouth and Bellevue, construction of a 4-lane expressway on US-30 between Schuyler and Rogers and 4-lane reconstruction of the Heartland Expressway south of Alliance.

Major projects on Interstate 80 include replacing 9.2 miles of concrete pavement between Lodgepole and Chapel in Cheyenne and Deuel counties and replacing another 7.8 miles west of the South Platte River in Deuel County.

The 2016-2021 Nebraska Surface Transportation Program is now available at www.transportation.nebraska.gov/hwy-pgm.

Nursing Chair Leading Statewide Group

VERMILLION — Carla Dieter, Ed.D., R.N., FNP-BC, chair of Nursing at the University of South Dakota, is serving as chair of the South Dakota Interprofessional Practice and Education Collaborative, a statewide group advancing the implementation of interprofessional health care practice and education.

Representatives from medical institutions, higher education and government agencies across South Dakota are participating in the ground-breaking collaborative. Interprofessional approaches to health care blend decision-making partnerships between teams of health and human service providers to better serve patients, families and communities. This concept is now viewed as the most effective approach to delivering health care services, and efforts to increase knowledge about and utilization of interprofessional applications are underway across the country.

Dieter's group works closely with the National Center for Interprofessional Practice and Education based at the University of Minnesota and is serving as the catalyst for interprofessional development in South Dakota.

Beacom School Of Business Ranked

VERMILLION — The online Master of Professional Accountancy (MPA) degree offered by the University of South Dakota's Beacom School of Business is ranked best nationally by OnlineU because of its affordability and the high proportion of graduates who pass the CPA exam.

OnlineU, a directory that ranks U.S. online colleges, put Beacom's MPA degree at No. 1 on its 2015 Top Online Accounting Degrees, which only includes schools that have a Certified Public Accountant exam pass rate of 50 percent or higher and are accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB-International).

"With its exceptionally high CPA pass rate of 86.96 percent, the University of South Dakota is a great place to earn an online accounting degree. USD's accounting programs are affordable, at less than \$7,000 for tuition," OnlineU wrote in its summary of USD's program: <http://bit.ly/1HhWHR9>.

Kathryn Birkeland, MPA coordinator, said that while the Master of Professional Accountancy program has been online for a few years, the on-campus program has been offered since 1975. Online students take courses with the same top-tier faculty that has mentored successful graduates for decades. The online courses include a high-level of interaction with faculty and classmates.

The online program requires 30 credits of graduate work and can be completed in as little as two calendar years depending on a student's background coursework. Each student has a dedicated academic advisor to create a customized timeline for completion. The program can be used to meet the 150 credit hour and coursework requirements for students to be eligible to sit for CPA exam in most jurisdictions.

Details of USD's MPA degree: <http://vote.us/1JYUHHt>.

Archery

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ees that the World Archery president and secretary general were overwhelmed and surprised with the number of volunteers the Yankton community was able to provide.

"Not only was it the number of volunteers, but the quality of volunteers," he said. "A lot of people said I was crazy, but I knew what it was going to take — and I knew it was you sitting here and the other 400 or 500 that could not make it tonight."

WAYC tournament manager Nancy Wenande also expressed her gratitude to the community.

"There are not words to say how humbling it is to be

a part of a community that gives so much back," she said. "The volunteers that came out from this community and the camaraderie and friendships that were established was just awesome. There aren't many events in this community where everybody can pull together for a common goal and really see the community benefits — and this tournament was exactly that."

Cull was equally grateful to have Wenande on his team of organizers, presenting her with a special award.

"(Wenande) helped me make this tournament a big success and I would like to recognize (her) for her exemplary leadership, selfless acts of dedication, attention to detail and outstanding work ethic" he said.

The tournament also

Yankton

Stockmen's Gets New Owner

BY BOB MERCER

State Capitol Bureau

PIERRE — The state Animal Industry Board agreed Tuesday to grant a livestock auction market license to Greg Ryken as new owner of Stockmen's Livestock Inc. at Yankton.

Greg Ryken said he is buying the business from Larry Ryken of Yankton.

Bruce Smith, the lawyer currently for Greg Ryken, said his client is a distant relative of Larry Ryken.

Smith represented Larry Ryken

before the board last August for his licensing.

"I think they're a positive influence in Yankton," Smith told the board.

Greg Ryken said he is one of the members in a holding company that owns the land where Stockmen's Livestock is located as well as other property in that immediate area.

He said he would become the sole shareholder of the auction market upon approval of the license and is leasing the business site from the holding company.

The board reviewed confidential financial documents for Greg Ryken and Stockmen's Livestock during the meeting.

Board member Cobbie Magness of Huron questioned Greg Ryken about the lease arrangement.

"The protections are in place," Smith told the board.

The board approved the license on a voice vote. No dissenting vote was heard.

"It's been successful," board member Bill Aeschlimann of Hurley said.

OBITUARIES

Lance Karstens

Lance A. Karstens, age 46, of Omaha, Nebraska, and formerly of Yankton, South Dakota, died Sunday, July 12, 2015, at Clarkson Hospital in Omaha.

Funeral services are 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 16, 2015, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with Reverend Steve Weisfennig officiating. Burial will be in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Yankton.

Visitation is from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., on Wednesday, July 15 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton. Visitation continues one hour prior to the funeral on Thursday.

Pallbearers are Cade Hansen, Brent Karstens,



Karstens

Justin Karstens, Kyle Karstens and Jay Stickley.

Lance was born on July 24, 1968, in Yankton,

South Dakota, to Duane and Lorelei (Hansen) Karstens. He grew up in Yankton and graduated from Yankton High School in 1986. Lance then managed Gippers for several years before attending Southeast Technical Institute in Sioux Falls. He graduated as a Biomedical Technician and moved to Omaha, Nebraska, where he worked for several different hospitals. Lance also

travelled throughout the Midwest training hospital personnel on Stealth System machines used for surgery. Lance devoted his life to his children. He loved watching them play baseball and softball and always loved going to the zoo with them. Lance also enjoyed fishing, boating and watching football, especially his favorite team, the Denver Broncos.

Lance is survived by his two children: Zachary and Kayleigh Karstens of Omaha; five brothers and sisters: Michelle (Fred) Stickley of Huron, SD, Mark (Gloria) Karstens of Howard, SD, Marlys (Gary) Wagner of Freeman, SD, Michael (Beverly) Karstens of Mission Hill, SD and Lisa

(Loren) Hansen of Waukegan, WI; many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews.

Lance was preceded in death by his parents, Duane and Lorelei Karstens; and a nephew, Travis Karstens.

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

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Online condolences at:
www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com

Ernest Aune

Ernest C. Aune, age 92 of Yankton and formerly of Irene, passed away July 13, 2015 at Avera Yankton Care Center, Yankton, SD.

A memorial service and burial of his cremated remains will take place in Irene, SD at a later date when all family can be together to celebrate his life.

Hansen Funeral Home in Irene, SD is assisting with service details. Online condolences can be left at hansenfuneralhome.com.

Ernest was born to Ernest Sr. and Alma (Mikkelsen) Aune at the Moe Hospital in Sioux Falls, SD on June 23, 1923. Ernest grew up on the family farm west of Irene. He graduated from the 8th grade at Clay Valley School. At the age of 14, he went to work for Chris Christensen in Irene, where he helped with corn shelling and driving truck. When he was 16 he went to work for Floyd Kjeldseth. It was there that he met LuVerne, which would become his wife. Ernest and LuVerne were married at the Irene Lutheran church on June 27, 1944. Ernest and LuVerne lived their entire married life in Irene, except for the two years that Ernest was station in Virginia while in the US Army. To their union, four children were born. Gloria arrived in 1946, followed by Mary, Nancy and David. The family enjoyed many camping trips and weekends at the lakes in South Dakota, Minnesota and Canada. Every summer Ernest took six weeks off from



Aune

his business so he could take his family on vacations. They traveled many times up and down the West Coast, visiting relatives

and friends and seeing many places of interest. Early in their marriage, Ernest and LuVerne started Aune Trucking, a water and livestock hauling business and later opened Zip Feeds in Irene. In later years Ernest purchased several trucks and began the business of trucking to the west coast. In 1986, Ernest and LuVerne sold their business to their daughter, Nancy and son-in-law, Charles Larsen. From this transaction ATI was born. After their retirement Ernest and LuVerne began a new chapter in their lives. They purchased a home in Donna, Texas, where they lived and enjoyed their winters for the next 15 years. They made many long lasting friendships with other snow birds from all over the United States and Canada. On November 11th, 1999, Ernest and LuVerne were returning from a trip to the Black Hills, where they had gone to see the Annual Buffalo Roundup. Four miles from their home in Irene, they were struck by a pickup truck. LuVerne died at the scene. Ernest spent weeks recovering from the injuries he sustained in the accident. In 2000, Ernest became friends with Dorothy Crosley. They spent the last

14 1/2 years together traveling and eventually moved from Irene to Yankton.

Dorothy continued to care for Ernie in their home until it became too much for her and him. On May 24th, 2015, Ernie moved to Avera Yankton Care Center. There was seldom a day that passed that he didn't say, "I'm ready to go be with Mom." On July 13, 2015, he got his wish, passing away peacefully in his sleep and being reunited with LuVerne.

Ernest is survived by his children, Gloria (Dean) Lippert, Mary (Jim) DeLozier, Nancy (Charles) Larsen all of Yankton, SD and David Aune, Mission Hill, SD. Six grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren, Dustin (Allison) DeLozier, Elia and Brody, Parker CO, Cody (Sara) DeLozier, Hailey and Draeton, Lone Tree, CO, Stacey (Chad) Renken, Lainey, Ashton and Tucker, Yankton, SD, Jason (Mindy) Larsen, Cadi, Cami and Bella, Sioux Falls, SD, Adam Aune, Yankton, SD and Eric Aune, Sioux City, IA. Three step-grandchildren and seven step-great grandchildren, Jessine (Kevin) Dutcher, Yankton, SD, Amy (Troy) Dinger, Kyler and Kennedy, Aberdeen, SD and Allen (Kristina) Lippert, Saylor, Wheeler, Apolo and Island, Chamberlin, SD, one brother, Dennis (Jan) Aune, Sioux Falls, SD and his very special friend and companion, Dorothy Crosley of Yankton, SD.

He was preceded in death by his wife, LuVerne of 55 years, his parents, his in laws, Floyd and Vera

Kjeldseth, two great grandsons, Matthew DeLozier and Nicholas Aune and daughter-in-law, Phyllis Aune.

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Ryan Nguyen

Ryan Nguyen, 39, of Yankton died Sunday, July 12, 2015, as the result of an automobile accident near Yankton.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be at 10 a.m. Friday, July 17, at Cathedral of the Epiphany in Sioux City.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. today (Wednesday) and from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Thursday at Nelson-Berger Northside Chapel in Sioux City.

Online condolences may be left at www.meyerbro-schapels.com.

Khuyen Nguyen

Khuyen Nguyen, 52, of Yankton died Sunday, July 12, 2015, as the result of an automobile accident near Yankton.

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Guilty

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Following a high-speed chase that took Hudson through Woodbury County, Iowa, Hudson was arrested near Jefferson.

Since his arrest, Hudson has been given four forensic psychiatric evaluations — two conducted by Dr. Melissa Spanggaard of Sioux Falls for the defense that concluded that Hudson was suffering from schizophrenia and would've been defined

Commission To Vote On Levy Today

From P&D Staff Reports

The Yankton County Commission is set to vote on a tax levy authorized by the passage of Senate Bill 1 in order to help pay for road and bridge repairs in Yankton

County during a special meeting today.

The meeting is set for 11:30 a.m. today in the commission chambers of the Yankton County Government Center.

National Park Service Weekend Events Set

Missouri National Recreational River offers a variety of programs for the whole family this weekend.

• Friday, July 17, 7 p.m., Chief White Crane Campground — "Let Me Go Home": Gather with others for the story of a Ponca Tribe leader and his fight against those who would oppress and exploit the natives of this land. He was just a Nebraska farmer who wanted to return to his homeland, but instead Chief Standing Bear found himself

in the middle of a precedent-setting federal court case. Driven by a desire to return his son's bones to the land of his ancestors, Chief Standing Bear along with his lawyers called upon the U.S. government to recognize him as a human being. In doing so, his pursuit for human rights set the standard for all civil rights leaders to follow. His words, "I am a man; God made us both" still resonate today for those who face injustice and persecution.

For more information call

the National Park Service office at 605-665-0209.

• Saturday, July 18, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Niobrara State Park — Mobile Ranger Station: The Missouri National Recreational River sports the National Park Service's only visitor center on wheels. The unit will be parked in the campground area for visitors to stop by and see with exhibits and activities for all ages. Learn about what makes the park unique and the characters and cultures that have known the marvels

of the Missouri River for centuries. Pick up a park brochure, a passport stamp or a Junior Ranger book to complete for a badge. Rangers staffing the unit will be available to answer questions and provide information about the only national park in the northeast Nebraska-southeast South Dakota area.

For more information, call the library at 668-5275.

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IN REMEMBRANCE

<p>James "Jim" Slade 11:00 AM, Wednesday First United Methodist Church Yankton</p>	<p>Lance A. Karstens 10:30 AM, Thursday Wintz & Ray Funeral Home Yankton</p>
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