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New Events On The Agenda For Yankton Co. 4-H Achievement Days

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Festivities begin this Friday for Yankton's annual 4-H Achievement Days. With the oldest 4-H club in Yankton County being more than 50 years old, this organization gains newer generations every year. On, this one weekend a year, they get to showcase their talents to the community.

This year features old favorites like the Barn Yard Olympics and more recent additions such as the celebrity round

robin contest; the main events being the livestock shows.

4-H members learn by doing and these skills contribute to the livelihood of the Midwest, which usually involves getting their hands dirty and raising their own food. Knowledge is power, and these kids have a lot of it.

'We just want to show off what the kids have worked all year towards as far as their talents and projects," said live

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Yankton 4-H is set to hold its annual Achievement Days this weekend. This year's event will offer some of the old and some of the new traditions, such as robotics competitions.

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Man Gets Prison **For Spitting At Police Officer**

PIERRE (AP) — A central South Dakota man will be spending 11 months in prison for spitting at a law enforcement officer.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Mark Moreno has sentenced 27-yearold Anthony One Star for his conviction on one count assaulting, resisting or impeding a federal officer. The Rosebud man pleaded guilty to the charge in June.

Authorities say the charge against One Star stems from an incident on Nov. 25 in the community of Two Strike on the Rosebud Indian Reservation. Authorities say a law enforcement officer was summoned to a home after One Star refused to leave, acted disrespectfully

and spat on the kitchen area. Court records show One Star wrestled with the officer, and spat on him multiple times.

Moreno also ordered One Star to one year of supervised

That Holiday Feeling



ALISSA WOOCKMAN/P&D

It may be mid-summer, but the festive spirit of the winter Yuletide was in the air at the Chief White Crane Recreation Area west of Yankton Saturday during the annual "Christmas in July" event, sponsored by the park's naturalists. Park rangers judges each site and awarded prizes for the best decorated campsite. The event featured a Jingle Bell Bike Parade and caroling in a campground full of Christmas music.

PUC To Hear XL Arguments Again

Associated Press

PIERRE — State regulators this week will consider whether to approve for the second time in just over five years construction through South Dakota of the long-delayed Keystone XL oil pipeline, but it's unlikely a decision will come immediately.

The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission hearing process is set to begin Monday and is scheduled to stretch until Aug. 4. The state initially authorized TransCanada Corp.'s project in 2010, but permits must be revisited if construction doesn't start within four years. The commission is now considering the firm's guarantee that it can complete the project while meeting the conditions of the 2010 approval.

Native American tribes, some landowners and environmental groups are opposing the pipeline because critics fear it could contaminate groundwater and contribute to pollution.

Many state and local officials in Republicandominated South Dakota argue pipelines are safer for transporting oil than trains and tout potential economic benefits to the state such as



iobs and tax revenue. Public Utilities Commission Chairman Chris Nelson said it's unlikely the panel will come to a final decision at the hearing. TransCanada will present its case first, and then opponents will

offer their arguments and evidence, he said.
The panel's final decision can be appealed to the courts. Robin Martinez, an attorney with opposition group Dakota Rural Action, said the side that loses out "will certainly" file an appeal. He said the political realities in South Dakota lead him to think that the commission will allow the project to move forward.

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A group of local kids and their adult chaperones recently worked with an Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA)-sponsored mission event in

Helping Hands

Local Youth Group Takes Part In Mission Project Doing Volunteer Work In Detroit

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Involving youth in service projects is important to their mental growth and understanding. One of the many organizations that helps with that, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA), accomplishes this by having a national gathering every three years for the

youth in their churches' organization. This year's event was held in Detroit July 15-19, where approximately 30,000 Lutheran

youth attended.

"This year's theme for the gathering was about bridging racial harmony and unity," said Nick Moser, an adult chaperone for Yankton's local Trinity Lutheran Church group that attended the gathering. "Detroit has a very high impoverished population, particularly among the minorities. The city is basically bankrupt.

'The ELCA usually tries to find a big city to hold the gathering because of all the thou-

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