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OBITUARIES

Wayne Conn

CROFTON, Neb. — Wayne Conn, age 53, of Crofton, Nebraska, died Wednesday, June 2, 2010 at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Memorial services are 4:00 p.m. Saturday, June 5, 2010 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton, South Dakota with Pastor Bob Cappel officiating. There will be a gathering of family and friends one hour prior to the memorial service at the funeral home.

Wayne was born April 15, 1957 in Homestead, Pennsylvania to Don and June (Sweeney) Conn. He grew up in Peters Township, Pennsylvania where he attended high school and was a varsity member of the wrestling team. While attending high school, Wayne also attended vo-tech school and became a certified HVAC technician. After graduating high school in 1976, Wayne served in the United States Army. When he was honorably discharged, he lived in Florida where he met Judy Padgett. They were united in marriage on September 24, 1983 in Yankton. After their marriage, they lived at Kohles Acres just south of Lewis and Clark Lake. Wayne worked for Alcoa and also operated his own HVAC business on his days off. He worked hard so he could enjoy fun activities and vacations with his family and friends. He loved going camping and boating, riding dirt bikes and kayaks, and always loved playing



Conn

also a member of the Masonic Lodge. Above all, he loved being with his family and friends.

Wayne will be greatly missed by his wife, Judy Conn of Crofton; two sons, Garrett Conn (Emily Heine) of Yankton and Chase Conn (Toni Bovero) of Sioux Falls; a grandson, Gage Conn also of Sioux Falls; father, Don (Thelma) Conn; sister, Gail (John) Rodgers and their children, Heather and Jonathan Rodgers all of Peters Township, PA.

Wayne was preceded in death by his mother, June Conn.

Family prefers memorials in lieu of flowers.

To post an online sympathy message or to view the video tribute, please visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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Online condolences at:
www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com

Willard Anderson

WAKONDA — Willard G. Anderson was born April 30, 1921 in rural Wakonda, SD to parents John and Mary (Jacobson) Anderson. He died June 3, 2010 at Wakonda Heritage Manor at the age of 89 years, 1 month and 3 days.

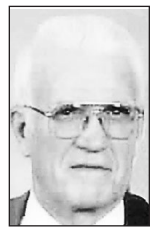
Willard attended Bethel rural school, graduated from Wakonda High School in 1939 and attended South Dakota State College Brookings. He married Marjorie Slattery on April 17, 1948. The couple resided on and operated a farm in rural Wakonda. He also worked for Johansen Lumber Yard and after retiring helped many farmers in the area. Marjorie passed away in 2004 and Willard moved to the Wakonda Heritage Manor in August of 2005 where he has lived until the present time.

Willard was a member of the United Church of Christ in Wakonda where he served as church treasurer for over 30 years. He enjoyed working with horses and belonged to the Wakonda and Centerville Saddle Clubs and served as a 4H leader. Willard's greatest joy in life was spending time with his family. He will be missed by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, one brother and two sisters.

His survivors include his daughter Jane Watkins and husband George of Omaha, NE; two sons, Jerry Anderson and wife Kathy of Vermillion and Bruce Anderson and wife Cheryl of Sioux Falls; 8 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren; his sister Katherine Norris and husband George of Nemaha, IA; and many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Monday, June 7, 2010 at



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the United Church of Christ in Wakonda with burial to follow at Union Cemetery, rural Wakonda.

Visitation will be Sunday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. with a prayer service at 5 p.m. at the church.

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Edna McVay

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Edna (Sathé) McVay North St. Paul, MN, originally from Yankton, SD passed away peacefully on May 28, 2010.

Preceded in death by husband, Hugh; 3 brothers and 4 sisters.

Survived by loving children, Stephen (Jane) and Margaret (Douglas Mitchell); grandchildren, Eva and James Mitchell; many nieces and nephews.

Private interment in Yankton. Arr. The Roseville Memorial Chapel 651-631-2727.

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Galen Jueden

Galen P. Jueden, age 48 of Hartington, Nebraska died accidentally on Friday, June 4, 2010 as a result of a collapsing trench while working at the Devil's Nest area in rural Crofton, NE. He is the husband of Gerri Jueden.

Funeral services are pending at the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington.

USD's B.S.N. Degree To Begin Summer 2011

VERMILLION — The South Dakota Board of Regents announced recently that The University of South Dakota has received degree authority for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.) to complement the University's long-standing and highly-regarded Associate of Science in Nursing (A.S.N.) program.

This new program will provide registered nurses with access to a B.S.N. by accepting all credits in the A.S.N. degree, and delivering nursing and support courses through several options, including distance education. Post-licensure A.S.N. graduates can join the workforce and practice as an RN, continue as a full-time student and immediately earn a B.S.N., pursue the online B.S.N. while working or return later to complete the B.S.N.

"The post licensure B.S.N. is a seamless continuation of USD's A.S.N. program," said Debra Leners, R.N., Ph.D., PNP, CNE, chair of the Department of Nursing at USD. "USD Nursing is responding to the national call for increased access to the B.S.N. and other advanced nursing degrees in nursing."

According to Leners, the call

for more baccalaureate-prepared registered nurses in professional nursing is based on research demonstrating that hiring more nurses with higher education in acute health care settings significantly decreases morbidity and mortality in patient care outcomes.

Additionally, Leners cited a key recommendation by the Carnegie Foundation that a B.S.N. become a basic requirement for entry to practice in the future of the nursing workforce.

"Shorter lengths of stay, higher patient acuity, and more complex technology and procedures increase the difficulty of planning and coordinating high quality patient care," added Leners, "which places greater demands for greater evidence-based nursing knowledge and critical problem-solving in practice."

USD is expected to begin accepting students into the B.S.N. program starting in summer 2011, following approval from the state Board of Nursing. No new state resources or additional student fees have been requested to implement the program. USD's associate degree in nursing, which produces the majority of the state's two-year degrees, will

Jorgenson Named Director Of USD's RN-BSN Program

VERMILLION — Beverly Jorgenson, RNC, MSN, CNP, CNE, has been named as the director of the new RN-BSN program within the Department of Nursing at The University of South Dakota. The baccalaureate degree in nursing is expected to be offered to students for the first time in fall 2011.



Jorgenson

Jorgenson served in leadership and management positions at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls as well as Denver Children's Hospital in Denver. She is currently a doctoral stu-

dent at South Dakota State University pursuing a Ph.D. in nursing.

"Nursing is delighted to recruit someone to the position that understands the South Dakota Health Care systems with strong leadership/ management experience in nursing," stated Dr. Debra Leners, chairperson of the department of nursing at USD. "The demand for the RN-BSN program is tremendous. We are getting several calls a day and the program was just approved by the Board of Regents on May 13."

USD will begin accepting students into the B.S.N. program beginning next summer, following approval from the state Board of Nursing.

also continue with no changes.

For more information about the Department of Nursing, which is part of The U's School of

Health Sciences, visit the department's Web site at www.usd.edu/nursing or call (605) 677-5006.

Yankton Children's Choir To Hold Summer Camp

The Yankton Children's Choir, through the City of Yankton Parks and Recreation Department, will hold its second annual Summer Day camp this month.

This year's program will be held on two mornings: Tuesday, June 29 (9 a.m.-noon) and Wednesday, June 30 (9 a.m.-1 p.m.). The last part of Wednesday's experience will be a lunch-time concert to which parents and friends are invited. They will hear the results of the two mornings of work.

The location will be Yankton College Alumni Hall, which is at the south end of the Summit Activities Center. There the young singers, grades 3-8, will learn to read two-part treble music with a professional director and accompanist, in preparation for the second day's performance.

A snack will be provided mid-morning. Only 30 participants will be accepted. Registration must be made online at www.cityofyankton.org using the link to "Recreation

Programs Online" which will take you to Yankton Children's Choir Day Camp. There is a fee, which must be paid at the time of the registration.

Auditions will be held that afternoon for the 2010-2011 singing season which parallels the school year. Information on the choir and auditions will be available both days of the day camp. There will be additional auditions on Aug. 16 at the United Church of Christ as well. More information will follow for that opportunity.

USD Physical Assistant Students Awarded Scholarships

VERMILLION — Three students from The University of South Dakota — Corey Anderson of Gayville, Jennifer Thielen of Rapid City and Amber Wolter of Wolsey — have been awarded national scholarships from the Physician Assistant Foundation. They were among 77 students across the country honored for their academic excellence, commitment to community service and delivery of quality health care.

Anderson, the son of Brian and Ruth Anderson, is a graduate of South Dakota State University where he obtained his undergradu-

ate and graduate degree in health promotion/exercise physiology with a minor in health science. He is a first-year physician assistant student in the didactic phase of The U's PA program, which consists of 14 months of classroom and lab experience. Anderson is scheduled to begin the clinical phase, 14 months of supervised clinical experience, in October. Corey is married to Christen Anderson.

Thielen, a graduate of Northern State University, obtained her undergraduate degrees in secondary education, biology and environ-

mental science. She is currently in the clinical phase of The U's PA program and is scheduled to graduate in December.

Wolter, the daughter of Randy and Valerie Brodersen, is a graduate of Black Hills State University where she obtained her undergraduate degree in chemistry with a minor in biology. She is currently in the didactic phase, 14 months of classroom and lab experience, of USD's Physician Assistant Program. She is scheduled to begin the clinical phase in October. Amber and her husband,

Steve, and her son, Jesse, will be re-locating to the area of Mitchell, where she will carry out her clinical rotations in surrounding hospitals and clinics.

USD's PA program selects students based upon their experience, academic standing and character. Part of the curriculum encourages a service learning component where students become engaged in helping the underserved and practice their newly-learned clinical skills. The Physician Assistant Foundation has provided more than \$2.4 million to more than 1,200 PA students.

S.D. Special Education Reports Now Available Online

PIERRE — Information regarding school districts' performance on improving the educational outcomes of students with disabilities is now available online. Results of early childhood services for infants and toddlers with developmental delays are also available.

Released annually, the State Performance Plan Report is divided into two parts. One part

addresses the federal special education program known as Part B. This report identifies school districts' ability to meet federal special education requirements on 14 indicators. The report is based mainly on data from the 2008-09 school year. Statewide data also is available.

To view the Part B report, visit <http://doe.sd.gov/oess/special/>

cialled/SPPData/0607/index.asp.

The other part of the State Performance Plan Report addresses the federal special education program known as Part C. This report identifies the ability of early childhood services to meet 14 federal special education requirements.

Statewide and regional data is available.

To view the Part C reports, visit <http://doe.sd.gov/oess/Birthto3/index.asp>. Click on "Part C Annual Performance Report FFY 2008" or "Regional Programs Data."

David Pederson

Jan. 1, 1950-Aug. 1, 2009

It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone. For part of us went with you on the day God called you home.

Ellen, Carey, Sarah, Ashley, Kristen & Pederson Family

Kenneth B. Sparks

April 15, 1963-July 23, 2009

Thank you for the wonderful days we shared together. My prayers will be with you until we meet again.

Mom, Mike & Pat and families

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Tuesday, June 8
7:40 The Center, 8:15 Todd Carr

Wednesday, June 9
7:40 Laurie Larsen, Shannon Trail 5K Walk
8:15 Chuck Lambertz