

## REGION DIGEST

### Yankton Teen Driving Class Set For June 10

Twenty-five Yankton area teens will learn how to be Alive At 25 as they increase their knowledge on the Rules of the Road during a one-day driving safety class.

The class will be presented Thursday, June 10, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Regional Technical Education Center. Students will have a half-hour lunch break to leave the building, or they can bring a sack lunch.

The class is full, and only those who have pre-registered and pre-paid are allowed to participate. The class is limited to 25 students; walk-ins cannot be accepted. If there is sufficient interest, a second class could be offered later this summer.

The class is offered by the South Dakota Safety Council and is provided with support from Healthy Yankton, the Yankton Area Chamber of Commerce Community Health and Safety Committee, Yankton Area Mental Wellness, Inc., and the Regional Technical Education Center.

Anyone needing more information about possible future classes or having questions about the June 10 Yankton Alive at 25 and Rules of the Road class should contact the South Dakota Safety Council at (605) 361-7785, or toll free at (800) 952-5539.

### 'Sharing The Dream' Collecting Donations

Staff at Vermillion's Sharing the Dream plan to deliver food, clothing, tools and other essentials to Guatemala to help those suffering from the May 27th volcano eruption and May 29th tropical storm.

The combination of volcanic ash, water and mud, lead to mud-slides taking out homes, roads and bridges.

Donations of money for food, clothing, tools and other essentials can be made to Sharing the Dream, P.O. Box 220, Vermillion, SD 57069; [www.sharingthedream.org](http://www.sharingthedream.org).

Diane and Ed Nesselhuf, along with 6 others, will be traveling to Guatemala on June 17th.

### Flag Disposal Ceremony Planned For Irene

The Hall-Thompson American Legion Post will conduct a Flag Day disposal program at 7 p.m. Monday, June 14, in Irene's North Park shelter.

There will be a short program for the retirement of worn and unusable flags. Proper disposal will then follow of the flags collected.

Anyone having flags that need disposal can drop them off at the Derby Stop, or bring them to the park that evening. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### Young Eagles Event Set For Chan Gurney

The annual Young Eagles event will be held at the Chan Gurney Airport terminal building on Saturday, June 12, running from 9 a.m.-noon. The Yankton Chapter 1029 of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) and the Yankton Regional Aviation Association (YRAA) are hosting the 16th annual event.

The Young Eagles Program of the EAA has the goal of giving 100,000 kids age 8-17 a free airplane ride in 2010. The EAA achieved their previous goal of flying 1 million kids by Dec. 17, 2003, which was the 100th anniversary of powered flight first accomplished by the Wright Brothers. The YRAA has flown more than 2,100 kids in Young Eagle events at local airports including Yankton, Bloomfield, Gregory, Hartington, and Vermillion during the past 15 years.

A parent of guardian must sign a registration form that will be available at the registration desk in the airport terminal. Young Eagles receive a flight certificate and a poster, and their name is placed in the world's largest logbook at [www.young eagles.org](http://www.young eagles.org).

For more information, contact Steve Hamilton at 605-665-8448.

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## AREA

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with 311.

In the register of deeds race, Ray Hofman advanced to the general election with 412 votes. He was followed by Jane A. Olson with 345 and Holly Meins with 221.

• **DOUGLAS:** In Douglas County, the Republican primary found one incumbent losing office and another incumbent turning back challenges.

In the sheriff's race, deputy sheriff Troy Strid of Corsica finished first in the three-man field with 409 votes. He was followed by incumbent sheriff Tim Simonsen of Armour with 334 and Armour police officer Neal Moad with 152.

In the auditor's race, incumbent Diane Christensen of New Holland emerged form the four-candidate field with 345 votes. She was followed by Chareen Gerber of Armour with 304, Gary Denke of Delmont with 177 and Jeanette Smith of Armour with 66.

• **HUTCHINSON:** Challenger Jerome Hoff of Menno defeated incumbent Betty Bauer of Freeman 289-136, or 68-32 percent, for District 1 county commissioner.

• **TURNER:** Incumbents won both of the Republican primary races. All four candidates were from Parker.

In the sheriff's race, Byron Nogelmeier defeated challenger Matthew Wetterling 911-563 for a margin of 61.8 to 38.2 percent.

In the register of deeds race, Carol Viet defeated Lisa K. Carlson 818-621, a margin of 56.85 percent to 43.15 percent.

• **UNION:** Incumbents won all three Republican primary races by 2-to-1 margins.

In the sheriff's race, Dan Limoges of Elk Point defeated challenger James Heeren of North Sioux City 1,206-625, or 65.87 percent to 34.13 percent.

In the register of deeds race, Jana Foltz defeated challenger Bindt Trometer 1,127-525, or 68.22 percent to 31.78 percent. Both candidates are from Elk Point.

In the District 5 county commission race, Milt Ustad of Beresford defeated challenger Doug Mauststad of Alcester 249-116, or 68.22 percent to 31.78 percent.

## Powell Wins Vermillion Mayoral Race

From Yankton Media Inc. Reports

VERMILLION — Jack Powell, who has served as an alderman on the Vermillion City Council for the last 10 years, admitted Tuesday night that he was both happy and a bit nervous following his election as the city's next mayor.

Powell was elected by a wide majority to succeed current Mayor Dan Christopherson, who decided not to seek another term, in Tuesday's municipal election.

Powell easily defeated challenger Nick "Tick" Severson in the mayor's race receiving 76.65 percent of the vote. Powell received 1,093 votes, while Severson got 333.

The mayor-elect vowed to continue listening to Vermillion citizens.

"I try not to make snap decisions, ever. On the other side of that, at some point you have to make a decision, but I try, as best I can, to hear all sides of issues," Powell said. "If something comes along that I don't support, but the majority of the council does support, then I will support it."

"I lean on the people who work with me," he added. "I have no pride of ownership of success, and I feel that if the people who work with me do good, they are going to make me look good. I just think I'll be able to work the members of the upcoming city council very well."

The lop-sided loss didn't take away Severson's enthusiasm to run for political office again.

But Severson was disappointed he lost by such a wide margin.

"I thought the numbers would be closer," Severson said. "I thought people wanted to improve the city, and I thought wrong."

Even though Severson garnered only 23 percent of the vote, he said he still learned a lot from his campaign and what he can improve on it in the future.

"I learned how to reach out to the public, and I learned from my failures," Severson said. "I did slack off in how I got my information out to the public, so I learned from that."

This was Severson's second attempt to run for mayor of Vermillion, but in four years, his name won't be on the city ballot again as a mayoral candidate.

Instead, Severson will focus on running for the U.S. Senate against Republican incumbent John Thune.

"I'm not done with politics, and the next step is for Senate," Severson said. "No one stepped up to face (John) Thune this time, and I got my name out there. I see myself as a serious candidate."

In the meantime, Severson will turn his attention back to his education as he works to get a degree in political science from USD, and then he plans on getting his law degree as well.

In Vermillion's city council races, Kent Osborne was re-elected to a four-year term with 72 votes, or 62.61 percent. His opponent, James Hoefelmeyer received 43 votes, or 37.39 percent.

"It's great that we had people running in all of the wards. Nobody wants to run unopposed, because nobody wins then. When there is public discussion, when there are new ideas brought forth by new candidates, everybody wins," Osborne said.

Osborne, who is about to finish his sixth year on the Vermillion City Council, will soon begin a new four-year term. He plans to focus his attention on improvements to the city library.

"That's incredibly exciting. There are kids' programs down at the library that are exploding. They don't have enough rooms for all of the kids, and for all of the meetings that they want to schedule, and for all of the technology," he said.

Osborne said he believes the city will need to pay added attention to the Prentiss Park swimming pool in the very near future. "In so many communities around us, the discussion of a new pool has really been divisive because of infighting and frustration. I think Vermillion can learn from that and start off on the right foot with a lot of public input."

He hopes the city can form a group with goals similar to the committee that was formed several years ago whose work with the public eventually made the dream of a new city hall in Vermillion a reality.

The tightest city council race was in the Central Ward. Incumbent Mary Edelen received 96 votes, or 48.73 percent, losing her bid for re-election by just five votes against opponent John Grayson. Grayson took the race with 101 votes, or 51.27 percent.

According to the Secretary of State's office, the race faces a possible recount.

Past city alderman Tom Davies will represent the Northwest

Ward once again, winning election with 237 votes, or 72.48 percent of the vote. Running against Davies was Jim Wilson, who lost with 90 votes, or 27.52 percent.

Davies was on the city council from 2003 to 2005, but he didn't seek re-election because his son was entering high school, and he didn't want to miss what he felt was an important time in his son's life.

But Davies said he is once again ready to do his part for Vermillion and congratulated his opponent on a good race.

"I'm looking forward to being a part of the council again," he said. "Jim should be commended because he ran a good campaign, and it's not easy to run for office."

Davies will look to get right back in the swing of things as he plans to bring more economic development to Vermillion while also working to control the budget.

"We need to be more aggressive in attracting more businesses to Vermillion, and to encourage local businesses to expand," Davies said. "I am going to do my best to control the budget, and with the way the economy is, people are hurting, so we need to keep taxes and fees under control."

Dennis Zimmerman, a past member, won the Southeast Ward with 261 votes, or 35.95 percent.

"I'm just glad it's over with," Zimmerman said, "and I'm glad I won."

His opponent, John Erikson, received 232 votes, or 31.96 percent, and opponent Kenneth (Andy) Anderson received 233 votes, or 32.09 percent.

"I hope to see Vermillion grow and help the businesses do well, too," Zimmerman said.

Clay County Democrats also decided two primary races.

Ray Hofman was elected Clay County register of deeds with 412 votes, or 42.13 percent.

Opponents Jane Olson received 345 votes, or 35.28 percent, and Holly Meins received 221 votes, or 22.60 percent.

Incumbent Les Kephart and Phyllis Packard were the top two vote-getters to receive the Democratic county commissioner at large nomination. They received 543 votes, or 40.46 percent, and 488 votes, or 36.36 percent of the vote respectively. Alex Ufford came in third with 311 votes, or 23.17 percent.

## OBITUARIES

### Wilma Bugbee

VERMILLION — Wilma D. Bugbee, 91, of Vermillion, SD died Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at the Sanford Vermillion Care Center.

Wilma Wiley was born August 13, 1918 in Burns, KS to Opie and Ida (Brooks) Wiley. She graduated from Emporia High School in Kansas in 1936, and received her teaching certificate from Kansas State Teachers College in Emporia. She taught in rural schools for eight years, and taught as a substitute teacher and teachers' aide in the Shawnee Mission School district in Prairie Village, KS.

She married Clarence Bugbee on May 2, 1942 in Kentucky, and, together, they returned to eastern Kansas after WWII to rear their family. They retired to Vermillion in 1997.

She is survived by her husband Clarence of Vermillion, a son Darrel of Kansas City, MO, a daughter Jolynn Bugbee and her husband Ken Renner of Beresford, SD, a sister Verdene Henderson of Emporia, six grandchildren and many nieces, nephews and great-nieces and

great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a son Gary, and a brother Eldon Lou.

Funeral services will be 10:30 am Friday, June 11 at the United Church of Christ in Vermillion, with family burial in the Memorial Lawn Cemetery in Emporia on Sunday at 1 pm. Visitation will be from 5-7 pm Thursday at the Hansen Funeral Home in Vermillion. Online condolences and obituary: [hansenfuneralhome.com](http://hansenfuneralhome.com).

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### Ersey Ebsen

CROFTON, Neb. — Ersey D. Ebsen, age 79 of Crofton, Neb. died on Monday (June 7, 2010) at Hillcrest Care Center in Laurel, Neb.

Funeral Services will be on Thursday at 10:30 am at the Congregational United Church of Christ in Crofton with Rev. Les Parmenter officiating. Burial will be in the Crofton City Cemetery with military honors provided by the Crofton American Legion Post 128. Visitation will be on

Wednesday from 5-7 p.m. at the Wintz Funeral Home in Crofton. Visitation will begin one hour prior to services on Thursday at the church. To post on line condolences, please visit [www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com).

### Donald Lane

GAYVILLE — Donald J. Lane, age 89, of Gayville and Mission Hill died Monday (June 7, 2010) at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton, South Dakota.

Funeral services are 2p.m. on Friday at the Gayville-Volin United Methodist Church in Gayville with Tom Petersen officiating. Burial will be in the Gayville Cemetery with military honors provided by the Rudolph Christensen American Legion

Post No. 237. Visitation is from 5-8 p.m., on Thursday, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with a video tribute and time of sharing at 7 p.m. Visitation resumes one hour prior to the funeral at the church.

To post an online sympathy message, please visit [wintzrayfuneralhome.com](http://wintzrayfuneralhome.com).

### Delores Becker

WYNOT, Neb. — Delores Becker, age 79 of Wynot, Neb. died on Tuesday (June 08, 2010) at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Lincoln, Neb. She is the wife of Dewey Becker.

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

## IN REMEMBRANCE

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### Ersey D. Ebsen

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Located at the conservation district tree cooler just east of the National Guard Armory.

## Thank You

The family of **Ken Spence** would like to sincerely thank everyone for their prayers, comfort, cards, flowers, food and memorial gifts, given in memory of Ken. Everything is greatly appreciated and we're pleased to know Ken touched so many lives.

Thank you to the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home, Pastor Wildermuth, ladies of Trinity Lutheran, Jan Schiferl and Eugene Brinkmeyer for their guidance, the beautiful church service and visitation.

Thank you to the pallbearers and honorary pallbearers for their friendships with Ken and helping to assist and carry Ken on his journey to heaven.

Thank you to Hospice, Avera Sacred Heart 4th floor staff and the Yankton Medical Clinic staff for all their help through this difficult time.

Thank you to Ken's and Diana's brothers and sisters and families for their support, care and comfort and their close family ties.

Thank you to Tonya, Chris and the rest of the HyVee family for their care, understanding and working with me through Ken's illness.

Thanks to everyone for being a part of Ken's life. Ken will be dearly missed. May God Bless each and every one of you.

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