

Memorial Day Flowers Must Be Removed Soon

Yankton Municipal Cemetery announces that all Memorial Day flowers, including artificial and those not in permanent planters must be removed by Monday, June 11, after which they may be removed by the cemetery staff.

All articles removed by the cemetery will not be accounted for after 10 days.

In accordance with cemetery policy, fresh cut flowers may be used and will remain until they become wilted and unsightly.

Reminder: Only one rod iron decoration is allowed per grave. If you have questions, call 668-5231.

River Programs Slated For This Weekend

Missouri National Recreational River, southeast South Dakota's and northeast Nebraska's hometown national park, will present the following programs this weekend:

On Saturday, June 9:

- 11 a.m.-1 p.m.: Lewis & Clark Visitor Center at Gavins Point Dam — "Tokens of Friendship?" For Junior Rangers; peace medals were an important part of negotiations and treaties with American Indians, including Lewis & Clark's contacts. A National Park Ranger reveals their mixed meanings while you make your own decorated peace medal.

- 7 p.m., Niobrara State Park, Nebraska, cookout shelter — "Not Just A River" The nearby stretches of America's longest river have more to offer than meets the eye. Discover the "Outstandingly Remarkable Values" that motivated Congress to include them under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

- 8 p.m., Chief White Crane Campground amphitheater — "Where's the Park?" Visitors can test and expand their knowledge of America's special places through a hands-on game and an engaging presentation.

On Sunday, June 10:

- 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Lewis & Clark Visitor Center at Gavins Point Dam — "Free Land!" Relive the days of Uncle Sam's greatest giveaway through this exhibit of replicas and building materials from the late 1800s. A new visitor center activity, developed through the cooperative efforts of the National Park Service and Corps of Engineers, and funded by Jefferson National Parks Association allows visitors to snap family photos in clothing styles of the era.

Ribs At The Ranch Event Set For June 30

FREEMAN — The fifth annual Ribs at the Ranch event will be held on the Freeman Academy campus in Freeman on Saturday, June 30, running from 4:30-9 p.m.

Area barbecue enthusiasts will be grilling up baby-back pork ribs. A car show, musical groups and other activities will keep the whole family entertained.

For more information, visit www.freemanacademy.org/ribsattheranch.html.

OBITUARIES

Rob Roy Williams

Rob Roy Williams of Yankton, SD died Sunday, June 3, 2012 at his residence in Dell Rapids, SD.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 8, 2012, at United Church of Christ Congregational with Rev. Dr. Rick Jensen officiating. Burial will be in the Yankton Cemetery, Yankton, SD with Military Graveside Rites by the Ernest-Bowyer VFW Post #791 and the SDARNG Honor Guard.

Visitations will begin at 5 p.m. Thursday, June 7, 2012, at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, SD and then one hour prior to the service at the church.

Rob Roy was born August 7, 1930 in Berwyn, NE to Glenn Charles and Vivian Vallie (Welch) Williams. He received his public school education in Hastings, NE and was a graduate of Hastings College and the Mayo Clinic School of Physical Therapy. Rob Roy received the Distinguished Service Award at the University of South Dakota in 1973, was inducted into the Halls of Fame of the South Dakota Physical Therapy Association, The South Dakota Athletic Trainers Association, the North Central Conference and the Coyote Hall of Fame. He was a member of the American Physical Therapy Association, The South Dakota Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association, the National



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Athletics Trainers Association and the South Dakota Chapter of the National Athletic Trainers Association. He was a member of the United Church of Christ of Yankton, SD. Roy Roy married Chelsea Lynn McGrew June 8, 1953 in Orleans, NE.

Rob Roy is survived by two daughters, Doe Lynn Anderson and Beth Ann Prasek, both of Dell Rapids, SD; son, Ladd Ryan Williams of Truckee, CA; five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, two sisters, Beverly Ann Adair of Visalia, CA and Muriel Jean Burge of Norfolk, NE.

He was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Chelsea Lynn Williams.

Memorials can be directed to Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation Dell Rapids Trailway Fund, 300 N. Phillips Avenue, Suite 102, Sioux Falls, SD 57104-6035.

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Carol Leben

MESA, Ariz. — Carol K. Leben, 69, of Mesa, AZ passed away June 3, 2012 in Gilbert, AZ.

Carol grew up in Hartington, NE with her 3 sisters and 2 brothers. Out of school, she married, moved to Yankton, SD and raised 2 boys. In 1990 she remarried and moved to Mesa, AZ where she purchased, with her husband, a mailing & shipping store and became her own boss. Carol's life continued to blossom with the addition of daughter-in-laws and grandchildren. One of Carol's favorite times of the year was the annual sister trip, where she and her 3 sisters would travel together and make lasting memories. She was an active and passionate member of her church and volunteered her time to act as God's hands and feet.

She is survived by her husband, Carl A. Leben, sons Robert Stratman (wife Janet) and Patrick Stratman (wife Carissa), and grandchildren Jonathan Stratman, Aubrey Stratman, and River Stratman.

A visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, June 8, 2012 at Falconer Funeral Home, 251 W. Juniper Ave. Gilbert, AZ.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 9, 2012 at the Praise and Worship Center, 2551 N. Arizona Ave. Chandler, AZ.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: Praise & Worship Center, 2551 N. Arizona Ave., Chandler, AZ 85225.

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David Schmadeke

CROFTON, Neb. — David L. Schmadeke, 57, of Crofton, Neb., died Monday, June 4, 2012, as a result of a one-vehicle accident two miles south

of Bloomfield, Neb.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Friday at St. John's Lutheran Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Steve Weispennig officiating.

Visitation is 3-8 p.m. Thursday at Wintz & Ray Funeral Home, Yankton with a prayer service, video tribute and time of sharing at 7 p.m. Visitation resumes one hour prior to the funeral at the church.

To send an online sympathy message, visit www.koberfuneralhome.com.

Edgar 'Ted' Pfeil III

Edgar "Ted" Thornton Pfeil III, 67, died Friday, June 1, 2012, in Volin.

A memorial service will be held at Kober Funeral Home in Vermillion at 7 p.m. Friday, June 8.

Condolences may be posted online at www.koberfuneralhome.com.

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David L. Schmadeke 10:30 AM, Friday St. John's Lutheran Church Yankton	

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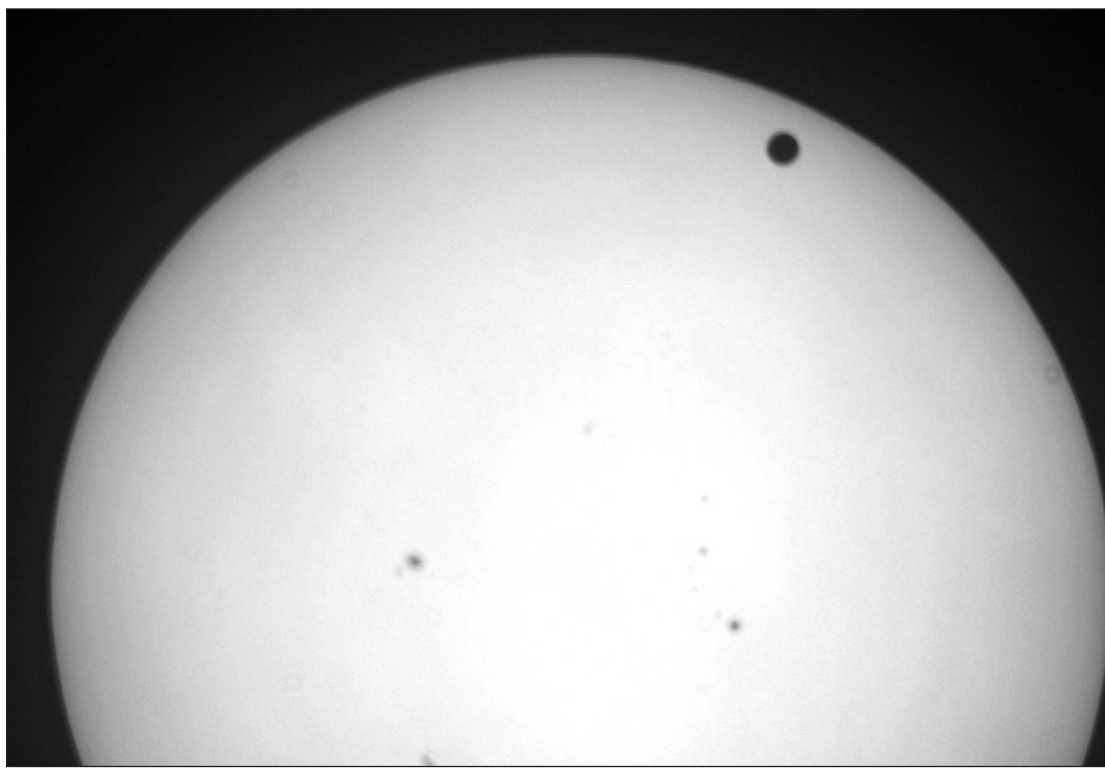


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It didn't cast a shadow over the earth, but it was still quite a celestial experience for astronomers Tuesday as planet Venus (upper right-hand corner) "moved" across the face of the sun — an event known as a transit. The six-hour transit began shortly after 6 p.m. central time and didn't conclude until after sunset in Yankton. Tom Cihak of Yankton captured this glimpse of the event, using a Celestron 8 telescope with the image shot at f/10 for 1/1,250 of a second using what Cihak described as "the appropriate filter." To see other images of the Venus transit, visit www.spaceweather.com.

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Budd said. "We don't know what it is. It could be a whole list of things that can possibly be wrong."

Budd also couldn't identify what could be creating the abnormalities or the full extent of them. "At this point, we're uncertain of the cause of the anomalies, whether they are by-products of the original construction, or are part of normal deterioration or changes in underlying materials," he added.

Budd declined to guess what is causing the anomalies. "We don't

know. It's pure speculation, and we don't want to speculate at this point," he said.

The contractors provided the Corps with its assessment findings about 1 1/2 weeks ago, Budd said. The Corps is conducting further research of the data and will also use a third party for outside analysis. The process may take two or more months.

The Corps will inform the media and the public about its findings surrounding the abnormalities, Budd said.

"Once we know what it is, or have a good idea of the anomalies, we will put out a press release," he said. "At this point, we have a huge mandate to be transparent and let the public know what is going on once we get the

facts. We just don't know what the facts are."

The Corps also provided information Tuesday on an estimated \$10.5 million in needed repairs for Gavins Point Dam. According to Corps spokeswoman Monique Farmer, the estimate includes:

- spillway gate and concrete slab repairs;
- new trash racks for the powerhouse intake;
- erosion protection of cultural resource sites;
- erosion repair along the shoreline downstream of the dam;
- recreation area repairs;
- project road repairs.

You can follow Randy Dockendorf on Twitter at twitter.com/RDockendorf

AAA Expects To Help Nearly 10,400 Stranded S. Dakota Motorists During Summer Travel Season

SIoux FALLS — Judging by the number of calls AAA received from South Dakota members last year, AAA South Dakota estimates it will come to the rescue of 10,400 stranded motorists between Memorial Day and Labor Day this year.

To avoid being one of those 10,400 marooned motorists, here are three easy maintenance tasks drivers can perform to reduce their chances of becoming stranded, improve safety on the road and even save a little money.

- Inspect all Five Tires — Including the Spare

Checking tires is simple. The only tools needed are a quarter and a tire pressure gauge.

Always check tire pressure when the tires are cold and the car has not been driven recently. Use a gauge to make sure all five tires are inflated to the pressures recommended by the vehicle manufacturer—which is probably not the maximum pressure molded into the sidewall of the tire. The carmaker's recommendation can be found on a sticker usually attached to the driver's door jam, in the owner's manual and sometimes on the gas cap door. Drivers should be aware that the recommended pressures for front and rear tires may differ, and the spare may require yet another pressure. Most space saver spares require much higher air pressures than normal vehicle tires.

Properly inflated tires can reduce fuel costs. The U.S. Department of Energy reports that correctly inflating all four tires can improve fuel economy by up to 3

percent, which is equivalent to as much as 12 cents per gallon.

Inspect the tread depth by inserting a quarter into a tire tread groove with George Washington's head upside down and facing outward. The tread should cover part of Washington's head. If any area above his head is visible, it might be wise to go tire shopping before you take a long road trip. Be sure to check the tread depth at several points around the tire and across its width, and use the lowest reading.

While checking the tire tread wear, also look for signs of uneven wear or abnormal bulges or other damage on the tire treads and sidewalls.

- Check and Clean Car Battery

Battery terminals. Both conditions can lead to insufficient electrical power being available, and leave a motorist stranded without warning.

Check the battery cables and ensure they are securely attached to the terminals. Clean the terminals if there are signs of corrosion. It is not enough to simply remove external corrosion; proper cleaning requires disconnecting the cables to clean the hidden areas where they contact the battery terminals.

Depending on local climate and

vehicle usage patterns, most car batteries have a three to five year service life. If a battery is nearing the end of its lifecycle, have it tested.

- Replace Wiper Blades and Refill Washer Fluid

afety, if the wipers cannot remove them. Check the windshield washer fluid reservoir monthly or more often if the washers are used frequently. Top it off with a solution formulated to aid in the removal of insects and other debris. Be sure to test the washer spray nozzles for proper operation and aim before leaving on a trip.

While topping off the washer fluid, also check the wiper blades. If blades are worn, cracked or rigid with age, they will not adequately remove rain, grime and other debris that can obscure driver vision. If the wiper blades are sufficiently deteriorated, the metal wiper blade frame could contact and per-

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to purchase beef without the filler for the coming 2012-2013 school year. The agency has continued to affirm that lean finely textured beef is a safe, affordable and nutritious product that reduces overall fat content.

But as of May 18, the agency says states ordered more than 20 million pounds of ground beef products that don't contain lean finely textured beef. Orders for beef that may contain the filler came to about 1 million pounds.

Because schools were not given a choice last year, all states may have previously received beef with the product mixed in. The USDA estimates that lean finely textured beef accounted for about 6.5 percent of ground beef orders.

The agency is still accepting orders for the upcoming school year; beef that does not contain the product is expected to cost 3 percent more than beef that contains it.

The USDA does not buy lean finely textured beef directly, but purchases finished products from beef vendors who must meet the agency's specifications for orders; products can consist of no more than 15 percent of the product.

About 60 percent of the ground beef acquired by schools was through the USDA's National School Lunch Program, according to the agency's latest survey; the rest is purchased by schools or school districts directly through private vendors.

Schools aren't the only ones rejecting the product. In the wake of the public outcry, fast food chains and supermarkets have also vowed to stop selling beef with the product.

Beef Products Inc., the South Dakota company that makes lean finely textured beef, has been reeling from the controversy. This month, the company announced that it will shutter three of its four plants.

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