

Water Usage Up In Yankton

From P&D Staff Reports

Water usage in Yankton is up significantly this year compared to 2011, according to the city finance office.

Sales through May are up 10.4 percent compared to the same time period in 2011.

In May alone, the volume of water sold was 58,696,000 gallons. That is a 40.7 percent increase compared to May 2011, when 41,695,000 gallons were sold.

According to the city water department, its plant has experienced a peak day of 5 million gallons used this year.

Czech Days Celebration Begins Tonight

TABOR — Military vehicles, including a Blackhawk helicopter, will be featured in Tabor tonight (Thursday) as part of the opening of the annual Czech Days celebration.

The vehicles will be on hand as part of the Rich Schild Memorial Fireworks Display, which be held tonight following the Tabor-Avon amateur baseball game, which starts at 7:30 p.m.

The Blackhawk helicopter is coming in from Rapid City and will be on display from 4-8:30 p.m. just west of the ballfield. Also on display will be a Humvee and a HEMMIT military vehicle. There will also be a 60-foot obstacle course set up. This display is sponsored by the Rich Schild Memorial Fireworks Display committee.

Also, the Tabor Legion will present the nation's colors prior to the start of tonight's baseball game.

Crofton Tour Of Lawns, Gardens Event Sat.

CROFTON, Neb. — The annual Tour of Lawn and Gardens in Crofton will be held this Saturday, June 16, running from 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Hosted by the Crofton Senior Citizens as a fundraiser for the local senior center, the tour offers a collection of inspiring and creative landscapes around Crofton.

The Crofton Senior Center depends on several fundraisers throughout the year to keep the facility successful. The members invite all gardening lovers to enjoy the work of fellow enthusiasts and also help keep the Senior Center open.

The fee for the tour includes a luncheon in the South Park. With the fee and registration at the Senior Center, a map booklet will give directions to the lawn and garden sites. The Crofton City Transit bus will also be available to give a tour if desired. Door prizes will be handed out at that time.

Memorial Day Decorations To Be Removed

All Memorial Day decorations at the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Yankton will be removed on Monday, June 18 and immediately discarded. Only flowers in a permanent vase and one iron decoration will be allowed to remain.

Golf Advisory Board To Meet Monday

The City of Yankton Golf Advisory Board will hold a meeting at the Fox Run Golf Course at noon on Monday, June 18. This meeting is open to the public.

Work To Begin On Platte-Winner Bridge

PLATTE — Work is scheduled to begin on structure rehabilitation on the Platte — Winner Bridge near Platte the week of June 18.

During this construction, traffic will be reduced to one lane and controlled with temporary traffic signals. A 10-foot width restriction will also be in place. Over-width traffic will be provided with an over-width detour.

The project was awarded for \$878,819.40 to Prime Contractor Corr Construction Services Inc., Hermosa.

Vatican International Exhibition Now On Display

The Vatican International Exhibition of the Eucharistic Miracles of the World is on display in Yankton through Sunday, June 17.

The exhibition is available for viewing from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Gathering Center, 509 Capital Street.

Everyone is welcome to view this exhibit to experience Eucharistic Miracles for a free will offering.

For more information, call the Sacred Heart Parish Office at 605-665-3655.

Agricultural Advisory Task Force to Meet

PIERRE — The Agricultural Land Assessment Implementation and Oversight Advisory Task Force will meet at 10:30 a.m. June 18, in Pierre. The meeting will be held in Room 413 of the State Capitol. The public is invited to attend.

The task force will hear presentations from the S.D. Department of Revenue, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Office and National Resources Conservation Services. These presentations will focus on easements. In the afternoon, the public is invited to provide testimony regarding property easements.

The task force members include Sen. Larry Rhoden (R-Union Center), Chair; Rep. Justin Cronin (R-Gettysburg), Vice Chair; Sens. Jason Frerichs (D-Wilmot), Tom Hansen (R-Huron), and Billie Sutton (D-Burke); Reps. H. Paul Dennert (D-Columbia), James Schaefer (R-Kennebec), and Steve Street (D-Revillo); and Public Members Kirk Chaffee, Curt Everson, Larry Gabriel, Dave Knudson, Ron Olinger and Jim Peterson.

Father's Day Event Set For The Center

The Center, 900 Whiting Drive, Yankton, will be hosting a Father's Day event on Tuesday, June 19.

All men will receive a free caramel roll with their lunch. After lunch, plan on sticking around for a 15-minute movie. Alfred Catalfo's film "Bighorn" ties the New England Patriots' 2002 Super Bowl win to General George Armstrong Custer's decision not to bring along his band on what became his last stand. Bandleader Felix Vinatieri was New England Patriots Adam Vinatieri's great-great grandfather. Catalfo's film opens up with a staged and dramatically different outcome to the 2002 Super Bowl. The Battle of Little Bighorn was the first time Custer's band did not accompany the 7th Calvary into battle, largely because the regiment had lost so many horses in battle that the band's mounts were needed for the soldiers. That was the only thing that saved Felix Vinatieri.

Lunch is served from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. This event is open to the public.



KELLY HERTZ/P&D

Mount Marty College's mascot made the rounds in downtown Yankton recently to promote the school's upcoming All-Schools Reunion and 75th Anniversary Celebration. The events are set for June 29-July 1.

MMC Set To Hold All Schools Reunion, 75th-Year Celebration

The Mount Marty College All Schools Reunion and 75th Anniversary Celebration will be held on the MMC campus in Yankton June 29-July 1.

There is much in store as we celebrate the gift that the Sisters of Sacred Heart Monastery have given to the community through the schools they established in the Benedictine tradition in Yankton. Sign the new "Heart of Mount Marty" Hallway, come out for a dance and drinks in the

Bistro, enjoy the beauty of the campus during the fun run/walk on the Mount Marty Mile, help us paint headstones in the Monastery cemetery, and make sure you are a part of Saturday evening's "Hog on the Hill," a hog roast to celebrate the occasion.

For more information, contact Wyatt Yager at (605) 668-1542 or alumni@mtmc.edu, or visit <http://www.mtmc.edu/alumni/events/reunion.aspx>.

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response to reports of a robbery. At that point, Gonzalez shot one police officer, Kirk Feller, 43, who was in stable condition, Collins said.

Around 10:30 a.m., Gonzalez again exchanged gunfire with officers, wounding 37-year-old state trooper Tim Flick. Alliance Police Officer Matt Shannon, 35, suffered a shrapnel wound, Collins said.

Gonzalez kept the pharmacy owner hostage for hours. Charles Lierk, 62, fled from the pharmacy around 4:30 p.m., although he was shot in the back and arm as

he ran to safety. Lierk was in stable condition. Collins did not explain how he managed to escape.

People who work in downtown Alliance spent Tuesday locked inside their offices watching the scene while elsewhere in the city people listened to radio reports on the standoff.

Thiele Pharmacy employee Connie Seidler said she was on her way into work Tuesday when she heard about the standoff and turned around. All day she fielded calls from friends checking if she was safe.

"Our little hometown community was buzzing," Seidler said.

Another pharmacy employee who wasn't working, Jo Vehraska, said the standoff shook up everyone in Alliance.

"It just affects the whole town," Vehraska said.

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Meeteren said. "It's a really great opportunity, it's a lot of fun and it's really insightful."

Political Science professor Mary Pat Bierle has had VanMeeteren in class, and said her character is what makes VanMeeteren such a great leader.

"(VanMeeteren) is a very ambitious young woman and a very talented young woman," Bierle said. "She is very quick to understand the opportunities that are available to her, both inside the classroom and outside the classroom, and she's taken advantage of those opportunities."

VanMeeteren said she knew she wanted to run for student body president in early November, when she was co-chairing the homecoming celebration USD hosts every year.

"Through that experience, I got to meet a ton of people," VanMeeteren said. "It was a huge undertaking and a lot of fun. Once it was done, I knew that I wanted to stay in that representative role on campus."

VanMeeteren said she enjoyed working with the students, faculty

and staff. Because of the event, knew she would be able to commit to being student body president and wanted it to be her top priority.

VanMeeteren said that while she was deciding whether or not to run for student body president, she sought out District 18 Rep. Nick Moser for advice.

Moser said VanMeeteren already has the dedication it takes, but told her not to be afraid to take on the challenge.

"It's so important for young people to step up and take on the challenge of being involved," Moser said. "I told (VanMeeteren) not to be afraid to lose the election. There are so many great people out there who haven't won an election and she is already a great leader."

Bierle said VanMeeteren uses her time management skills to the best of her ability in order to keep her commitment as student body president.

"From day one as a freshman, (VanMeeteren) was extremely good at keeping track of her responsibilities and setting her priorities," Bierle said. "She handled all of the pressure to run for student body president and keep up with her coursework with grace. I really am very impressed with her ability to perform so well."

VanMeeteren has two major

USD Student Bar Association To Present 2012 McKusick Award

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota Student Bar Association (SBA) will present Third Circuit Court Judge David R. Gienapp of Madison and Pierre attorney Charles M. Thompson with the 2012 Marshall M. McKusick Award. SBA President Kristi Jones will present the awards on Friday, June 22 during the annual meeting of the State Bar of South Dakota in Rapid City.

Thompson graduated from Colorado State University in 1965 with a Bachelor's Degree in animal nutrition. He received a Juris Doctor degree in 1969 from the University of South Dakota School of Law. While at USD, he was a member of the Delta Theta Phi legal fraternity and a member of the Board of Editors of the South Dakota Law Review. He is admitted to practice before the federal courts at all levels, including the United States Court of Claims and the United States Supreme Court. In 1995, Thompson received an honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from USD.

Additionally, Thompson has pursued bar improvement activities through active membership in the ABA. He has been active in the American Bar Association, serving from 1978 to 2002 as a Member of the House of Delegates and was a member of the Board of Governors from 1983-1986. Thompson also has been an active member of the State Bar of South Dakota having served as president of the Young Lawyers Section in 1974-1975 and as President of the State Bar in 1986-1987. He is also a member of the South Dakota Trial Lawyers Association (president 1981-1982), the American Judicature Society (Board of Directors 1981-1985), and the American Board of Trial Advocates. Thompson is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, a Fellow of the College of Law Practice Management, and served on the Board of Directors and as Treasurer (1982-1990) of the National Judicial College. He is also a member and vice chair of the Board of Directors of BankWest, Inc., in Pierre, and serves on the Board of Directors of the South Dakota Community Foundation. Thompson was born in Childress, Texas, and was raised

on a ranch in the Pierre-Fort Pierre area.

Gienapp joined the Third Judicial Circuit in 2002 when he was appointed as a circuit court judge by Gov. Bill Janklow. He became presiding judge of the circuit Jan. 1, 2007 succeeding Rodney J. Steele. Gienapp received a B.A. degree from the University of South Dakota and a J.D. degree from the University of Wyoming. His broad background includes serving as a clerk for the South Dakota Supreme Court, assistant South Dakota Attorney General and assistant U.S. attorney. He has chaired the state's Judicial Qualifications Commission, served as president of the South Dakota Trial Lawyers Association and was president of the State Bar of South Dakota. He has also been on the South Dakota State Board of Education and South Dakota Board of Regents. Nationally and beyond, Gienapp's service and memberships include the American Bar Association, American Board of Criminal Lawyers, American Board of Trial Advocates, American College of Trial Lawyers, International Academy of Trial Lawyers and International Society of Barristers. He was in private practice at Arneson, Issenhuth and Gienapp. He and his wife, Nancy, have two grown children, Ryan Gienapp and Tracy Crum.

Jones said nomination letters praised Gienapp and Thompson as mentors devoted to giving to the profession and serving society as well as their contributions to the South Dakota Bar. Jones, who is from Columbus, Neb., will begin her third year this fall at the University of South Dakota School of Law as the newly-elected SBA president.

The McKusick Award is presented annually to an outstanding member of the South Dakota Bar for contributions to the legal profession. The SBA selects the recipient from nominations by members of the South Dakota Bar. Marshall M. McKusick (1879-1950) was a professor at the USD School of Law beginning in 1902. He was named dean of the Law School in 1911 where he served for nearly five decades.

goals for her term, she said. She said she wants to bring the students closer together, especially for USD's 150th anniversary, and focus on student's concerns about education.

"We want to bring back a little stronger sense of school pride and keep students at athletic events," VanMeeteren said. "I also want to work toward giving students a stronger voice as far as academics — the freshman especially — because it's a big transition for them. We all just have to remember that ultimately, we're going to college for academics."

Growing up in Yankton has contributed to VanMeeteren's success, she said.

"The teachers that work at Yankton High School are absolutely fantastic," VanMeeteren said. "High school is definitely a learning experience in more ways than just educational experience. I really attribute the person I am now to the experiences I had growing up."

VanMeeteren said her parents and siblings have always been supportive, which has helped her more than anything.

"My parents (Jeff and Pam VanMeeteren) have always worked for

government so watching them and what they do and how they relate with people throughout the state definitely turned me onto the idea," VanMeeteren said. "I really grew up knowing there was nothing I couldn't do if I didn't want it enough and if I didn't really put my mind to it."

Moser, a USD alumn, said during his time at the school, he heard from several professors that the students from Yankton High school have a higher level of achievement than anywhere else.

"They work harder and I still believe that Yankton High School produces some of the best students from all across South Dakota, and they have been consistently," he said.

VanMeeteren is currently working at an internship in Washington and said working there is what she is passionate about.

Bierle said the internship is prestigious, especially for an undergraduate, and that VanMeeteren is on her way to becoming an even better leader.

"(VanMeeteren) is one of my favorite people," Bierle said. "She's a great leader now and she's going to continue to be a great leader."

Dads Eat FREE!

FREE Buffet for Dad on Father's Day
with the purchase of a buffet at regular menu price.
Valid only on 6/17/12.

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OBITUARIES

Marvin Iverson

BROOKINGS — Marvin W. Iverson, 86, of Brookings went to be with his Lord on Wednesday, June 13, 2012, at Dougherty Hospice House, Sioux Falls.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Brookings Wesleyan Church, Brookings.

Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Friday at Rude's Funeral Home, Brookings.

Condolences may be sent to the family through www.rudesfuneralhome.com.

Carol Weatherwax

Carol Weatherwax, 63, of Yankton died unexpectedly Tuesday, June 12, 2012, at her home.

Funeral services are pending with Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Doris E. Blakey-Ivory
11:00 AM, Thursday
Yankton City Cemetery
Yankton

Alva O. Ewing
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