

## Shakopee Tribe Donates To Area Sioux

From P&D Staff Reports

A Minnesota tribe is donating a total of nearly \$1 million to the Santee Sioux Nation of Nebraska and the Yankton Sioux Tribe of South Dakota.

The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community (SMSC) announced the donations this week.

- The Santee Sioux will receive its \$550,000 for several projects, including \$250,000 for an outdoor pool, \$100,000 for a youth program, \$50,000 for a buffalo ranch, \$50,000 for energy assistance programs, \$25,000 for the fire department and \$25,000 for a day-care program.

- The Yankton Sioux will receive \$415,000 for several efforts, including \$180,000 to help purchase a modular unit to hold eight kidney dialysis chairs and nine dialysis machines.

With the latest round of grants, the SMSC is donating more than \$10 million to 18 American Indian tribes in eight states. This brings the SMSC's total donations to nearly \$272 million since 1992, including nearly \$190 million to other tribes, tribal organizations, and American Indian causes.

## State-Tribal Relations Committee To Meet

PIERRE — The South Dakota Legislature's State-Tribal Relations Committee will meet on Tuesday, June 11, in Pierre in Room 413 of the Capitol, beginning at 9 a.m.

The committee will hear informational presentations by Secretary JR LaPlante of the Department of Tribal Relations, Dr. Craig Howe of the Center for American Indian Research and Native Studies, and representatives of the departments of Revenue, Corrections, and Education. Public testimony will be taken and the public is invited to attend.

The State-Tribal Relations Committee was created by statute in 1993 (SDCL 2-6-20). The committee consists of ten state legislators appointed to two-year terms and is directed to make a continuing study of relations between state and local governments and the tribes and their tribal governments and to serve as a forum for the discussion of issues of mutual concern.

Committee members for the 2013-2014 term are Sens. Stan Adelstein (R-Rapid City), Jim Bradford (D-Pine Ridge), Russell Olson (R-Madison), Billie Sutton (D-Burke) and Craig Tieszen (R-Rapid City); and Reps. Troy Heintert (D-Mission), Kevin Killer (D-Pine Ridge), Elizabeth May (R-Kyle), Lee Qualm (R-Platte) and Mike Verchio (R-Hill City).

## 'Night For Nyle' Fundraiser Slated For Tyndall

TYNDALL — A "Night For Nyle" fundraiser to help the family of Nyle Petersen, infant son of Adrianna and Matthew Petersen, will be held on Monday, June 10, at Gibbys Corner Bar, 1721 Main St., Tyndall. Activities begin at 6 p.m.

Nyle Petersen was born May 14, 2013, but passed away shortly thereafter. This benefit will help the young couple with medical and funeral expenses. Food will be served and there will be live music by The Bumble Bees.

Free-will donations will be accepted.

For more information, contact Tricia Szathmary at (605) 661-8319 or szath@hcinet.net/.

## Reminder: Check For Weeds And Tall Grass

The City of Yankton reminds property owners to check their property for weeds and tall grass.

Overgrown grass and weeds aren't just unsightly; they're a violation of city ordinance.

Grass should be maintained at 8 inches or lower and yards free of noxious weeds. Weeds must be cut or chemically treated.

Properties with grass not maintained at 8 inches or lower or containing noxious weeds may be cut by the City of Yankton and the cost of maintenance assessed to the property.

For more information visit cityofyankton.org or call 605-668-5251.

## Elks Lodge To Hold Flag Day Ritual

Officers, trustees and members of Yankton Elks Lodge 994 will present their annual June 14 Flag Day ritual at 5 p.m. in their new lodge home west of Broadway (Highway 81) at 504 West 27th Street.

This most patriotic salute to our nation's banner is open to the public. Specially-invited guests will be members of Ernest Bowyer VFW Post 791 and Auxiliary members, as well as members of Roy Anderson Post 12 American Legion and Auxiliary members.

The veterans' service groups will also present the annual display of American flags in Memorial Park in observance of Flag Day.

Area families are encouraged to bring the youngsters to the Elks Flag Day program. They are sure to enjoy learning the history of the American flag and watching as each of the historic pennants, the fore bearers of the "Stars and Stripes", are introduced. Elks Lodge regular Friday evening menu and serving hours will be provided to members and their guests after the June 14 Flag Day service.

Exalted Ruler Ted P. Mickelson reminds Americans that it was a resolution submitted by the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in 1927 to Congress for their consideration that solidified the date of June 14 as Flag Day, a special day set aside to honor our flag each year.

## Young Eagles Event At Chan Gurney Airport

A Young Eagles event will be held at the Chan Gurney Airport terminal building on Saturday, June 15, from 9 a.m. to noon. The Yankton Chapter 1029 of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) are holding the 20th 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 2013. The EAA achieved their previous goal of flying 1 million kids by December 17, 2003, which was the 100th anniversary of powered flight first accomplished by the Wright Brothers. The current total is 1.7 million Young Eagles. The YRAA has flown over 2,500 kids in Young Eagle events at local airports including Yankton, Bloomfield, Gregory, Hartington, and Vermillion over the past 20 years.

A parent or guardian must sign a registration form that will be available at the registration desk in the airport terminal. Young Eagles receive a flight certificate, pilot logbook for free web-based ground school training (ages 13-17 years old), and their name is placed in the world's largest logbook at www.young eagles.org. For more information contact Steve Hamilton at 605-665-8448.

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*Answer in the June 11th edition of the Press & Dakotan*

# Police: Raccoon Shooting 'Irresponsible'

BY NATHAN JOHNSON

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A raccoon was shot at the Hillcrest Golf Course Wednesday morning, and the Yankton Police Department is calling the incident irresponsible.

"The witness heard five gunshots, and then the raccoon was found dead," said Animal Control Officer Lisa Brasel. "They shot it inside city limits right behind people's houses. The raccoon was hit once. Four other shots

went who knows where."

It is a misdemeanor to discharge a firearm within city limits.

A report was received at 7:41 a.m. of shots in the 2500 block of Burleigh Street. It is believed a .22-gauge shotgun was used.

"Whoever shot the raccoon stopped and told one of the groundskeepers at Hillcrest that he had shot a rabid raccoon and to have somebody pick it up. He then drove away," Brasel stated.

"We don't know who he was."

Upon examining the animal while disposing of it, the animal control officer said there were no signs that it was rabid.

"If the raccoon had rabies, it's very irresponsible to just tell someone to pick it up," Brasel added. "It needs to be handled properly."

She said there were clear signs that the raccoon had been nursing babies. They have not been located.

"The whole situation was very irresponsible," Brasel said. "People just need to leave the wildlife alone. Beyond that area is a corn field, and it's not unusual to have a raccoon on the golf course at 7:41 a.m."

Anyone with information on the incident should call the police department at (605) 668-5210.

*You can follow Nathan Johnson on Twitter at twitter.com/AnInlandVoyage*

# EIA Cases Confirmed In Nebraska Horses

LINCOLN — The Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA) has confirmed 12 cases of equine infectious anemia (EIA) in one horse herd located in Northwestern Nebraska. State Veterinarian Dr. Dennis Hughes said EIA affects only horses, mules and donkeys, and is usually fatal to these animals. No other animals or humans can be infected with this disease.

EIA is a blood borne disease and is typically transmitted by

biting insects (such as horseflies and deerflies), but also can be transmitted from horse to horse through infected needles. There are no treatment options for infected horses, Hughes said.

Horse owners are encouraged to take biosecurity precautions to reduce the risk of infection in their herds, including: implement control measures, including husbandry practices, that reduce biting insects, such as horseflies and deerflies; follow the rule of

one horse-one needle; and additions to herds should have a negative Coggins test before being allowed to intermingle with other equine. For more information related to actions to further protect horses visit: [www.nda.nebraska.gov](http://www.nda.nebraska.gov).

EIA symptoms include; fever, depression, weight loss, swelling and anemia. Producers with horses, donkeys or mules that exhibit these symptoms are urged to contact their veterinar-

ian immediately.

Dr. Hughes reminds those who are importing horses into Nebraska for show/exhibition or other reasons to follow Nebraska's horse import regulations, which includes the requirement of a negative Coggins test-the test utilized to determine the presence of EIA. Producers with questions about import regulations should contact NDA at (402)471-2351.

## OBITUARIES

### Lillian Williams

Lillian Nelson Williams, 91, passed away Monday, June 3, 2013, at the Sanford Vermillion Care Center.



Williams

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, June 7, 2013, at Grace Baptist Church of Vermillion with Rev. Buck Hill officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior.

A committal service will take place following the service at Danish Lutheran Cemetery in rural Gayville.

Lillian was born on November 15, 1921, in Meckling, to Anton and Sena Nelson. She grew up on a farm in the Meckling area, attending rural Lincoln country school.

In 1948 she moved to Vermillion, spending 22 years on the Sorensen farm helping Harry raise five children to adulthood. In the 1970's she moved to Missouri and later to Texas where she met and married C. Howard Williams, a retired railroad worker, on April 11, 1987. She lived in his home town until his death on September 9, 1996. She moved back to Vermillion in November of 1996 where she continued the art of crocheting, keeping everyone in doilies and encouraging the kids to stay the course in the journey of life. She was an excellent cook, making many meals at a local fraternity. The church was very important to her. She was a member of the Island Birthday Club and the Grace Baptist Church.

She is survived by her foster children, Arlis Johnson, Nels Sorensen and Karen Prusa, all of Vermillion, and Marilyn Trudeau of Sturgis; her step-son, Bill Waters of Council Bluffs, Iowa; her step-daughter-in-law, Cleo Eickhoff of Hartington, Neb.; her sister-in-law, Irene Nelson of Gregory; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Howard Williams; her infant son, Eugene; her sisters, Margaret Jensen, Metha Hanson, and Clara

Jensen; and her brothers, Randolph, Sabroe, Nels and Woodrow Nelson; her foster daughter, Norma Jean Mockler; her step-sons, Ray Waters and Jim Waters; and her step-daughter, Norma Jean McFate.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Grace Baptist Church or Vermillion Hospice.

Services have been entrusted to Kober Funeral Home of Vermillion. Condolences may be posted online at [www.koberfuneral-home.com](http://www.koberfuneral-home.com).

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### Jean (Perkins) Keeler

Jean Carolyn (Perkins) Keeler passed away on Friday, May 31, one week after suffering a stroke while at home in Pierre.



Keeler

She was born in Huron in 1932 where she lived until the family moved to Webster in 1943. Jean graduated from Webster High School in 1950 where she was senior class president. She then attended Northern State Teacher's College for two years, obtained her teachers certificate and taught in Sisseton, SD and Twin Falls, ID, before returning to Northern and graduating in 1958 with a Bachelor's degree in early childhood education. Jean also obtained her Master's degree in special education. She taught in Plainview, MN, Big Stone, MN, and Sioux Falls. She then taught in Yankton for a time before moving to Pierre in 1972 where she spent 25 wonderful years teaching at Washington Elementary.

In 1960 she married Charles Keeler, meeting him by borrowing a book on botany, just one of the loves they shared together through their 33 years of marriage. They raised their children, Colin and Erin, in Yankton and Pierre, with a great deal of time in the Black Hills sprinkled in, and provided them many opportunities to appreciate and learn from nature.

Jean taught school and educated children throughout her

adult life, and she followed the education of her students all the way through their high school graduation when she would make a special point to acknowledge them with pictures and papers saved from their grade school days. Jean's teaching abilities and love of the theatre gave her a wonderful skill set to enjoy involvement with children's theatre. She also traveled regularly around the United States to visit old classmates and friends. She particularly enjoyed traveling with family members on unique trips to different parts of the world, with her niece Misty Knight a favorite travel companion. She was an active member of the Philanthropic Educational Organization and the First United Methodist Church of Pierre, where she loved singing in the choir.

Jean was preceded in death by her husband, Charles, and her parents Roy and Fern (Rudloff) Perkins. She is survived by her son, Colin Keeler and his wife Mary of Pierre, daughter Erin Hufford and her husband David of Pierre, sister Dorothy Perkins of Custer, brother Leon Perkins and wife Karn of Roseville, MN, and grandchildren Madeline, Meredith, Jordan, Colin, and Carolyn, along with a number of cherished nieces and nephews with whom she was very close.

In lieu of flowers the family is requesting that donations be made to the Black Hills Playhouse. There will be a visitation at Isburg Funeral Chapel on Sunday, June 9, from 5-7 p.m. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, June 10, at the First United Methodist Church in Pierre, with lunch and fellowship at the church following burial at

Riverside Cemetery.

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### Alphie 'Toots' Peterson

Alphie "Toots" Peterson, 94, died June 3, 2013 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Viborg. Services will be held on Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Viborg. Visitation will be on Thursday starting at 4 p.m. with a Prayer Service at 7 p.m. all at the church.

Toots was born October 26, 1918 at Stockholm, SD to Lars and Katie (Thompson) Larson. She married J. Merle Peterson on July 10, 1949 in Viborg. They owned and operated the Spot Café and the City Café. Toots also was the bookkeeper at the Scandinavian Co-Op Creamery for 23 years. She loved helping in her church and was the organist for 47 years and was also a member of the United Methodist Women. In the last few years, Toots helped in establishing the Daneville Heritage Museum in Viborg. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, 4 brothers and 2 sisters. Toots is survived by a daughter Corinne (Marlyn) Christensen of Mitchell; 2 grandsons Eric and Carl; 2 great-grandsons Skyler and Shaye; brother-in-law Palmer Peterson; 2 sisters-in-law Gladys Paulson and Margaret Peterson; and special niece Becky Zirpel.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Daneville Heritage Museum, Box 372, Viborg, SD 57070. Register on line at [www.viborgfuneralhome.com](http://www.viborgfuneralhome.com).

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As a reminder, all Memorial Day decorations in the Garden of Memories Cemetery will be removed three weeks after Memorial Day on June 17 and immediately discarded. Only flowers in a permanent vase and one iron decoration may remain. Vases will then be turned down for the winter on November 1st. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

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