Buses

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the event, according to WAYC tournament manager Nancy Wenande.

"They'll have some of the best experiences out of anybody in town," she said Monday. "The drivers are all fun people, and once the kids get comfortable with them, it'll make those drives even more fun."

Part of the challenge of preparing for such an event like the WAYC — which is held in the United States every six years — is setting up transportation for the visitors, Wenande said. Unlike previous adult archery tournaments held in Yankton, the local WAYC staff is 100 percent responsible for the archers from the second they fly into the area until the second they leave.

That also means ensuring that the archers are welcomed at the airport.

Carmen Schramm, the executive director of the Yankton Area Chamber of Commerce, has organized a staff that will be on site at the Sioux Falls Regional Airport for a welcome ceremony — the first archers will fly in on Wednesday night, while the majority of the delegations arrive this weekend.

"With these types of visitors, you want that first impression to be a lasting impression," Schramm said. "You want them to go back home and be excited by what they experienced here."

To transport the archers from the airport to Yankton, the WAYC committee has chartered buses from SBI Charters in Sioux Falls. For smaller groups that arrive such as the Estonian group, with three people — vans and other borrowed vehicles will be used.

"Every step of the way, we want them to feel comfortable and welcomed," Schramm said.

A handful of the countries

Land

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"The city's got a conceptual rendering of development on the site that we continually market to developers," he said. "We have had some calls about some of the smaller possible tracts of land that would be created. But on a development that size, it would most likely have to move forward in a similar fashion to how the Menards property moved forward, where you have to

will fly into Eppley Airfield
in Omaha, Nebraska, which
meant buses had to be
arranged to make that trip,
Schramm said.

Yet, the biggest task for the WAYC committee was organizing the transportation for within Yankton.

A request for bus use to the Yankton School District was taken to the Yankton School Board, according to YSD superintendent Wayne Kindle. After a presentation by the committee, a contract was then written to finalize the busing agreement. The contract stipulates that the National Field Archery Association will provide the insurance and fuel (on a per mile per diem) for the buses.

"Ŵe're really happy to be part of this," Kindle said Monday.

Presented with an opportunity to get involved in an event that has required community-wide support was a no-brainer for the school district, he added.

"It's really an opportunity for us to get involved as much as we can, and we're happy we can," Kindle said. "It involves a lot of kids, and that's what we're all about. ... It's a good experience for the community and for the school district."

While asking to use school buses was the logical move for the WAYC committee, the co-operation with the school district was invaluable to putting on the tournament, Wenande said.

"That partnership with the district has made everything so much easier," she said.

Not only will such a partnership be the first of its kind for an event of this magnitude in Yankton, it'll also be an experience for the international visitors.

"We've been told the kids coming here are excited to ride the yellow buses," Kindle said. "I'm sure it's something they've only read about or seen on TV."

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developer right now for that

property. ... We're continu-

ing to work with soccer to

help them identify a future

location. We'll continue to

Even if a developer

there'd still be time to

programs, she added.

relocate the city's soccer

size — should that come

were to materialize quickly,

"A development of that

along — we would still have

time," she said. "There's a

into finalizing any develop-

one to two years for planning

long period of time that goes

without a developer.'

look for long-term plans even



counted multiple times," she said.

But the city waste department provides an indicator based on garbage collections, and advance reservations at campgrounds were already running higher last year for 2015 than for 2014. The Interstate 90 off-ramp

at exit 30 is being extended 1,000 feet by using an expanded shoulder.

There are emergency plans to keep traffic flowing on Lazelle Street and Junction Avenue. Another emergency route will be Horse Soldier Road (aka BLM Road) between exit 34 on I-90 and SD 34. The road is receiving dust-suppression treatment.

Speed trailers will be placed at high crash locations such as Fort Meade, Sturgis Brown High School, Broken Spoke, Pactola and Strawberry Hill. There will be three new temporary traffic signals and 32 message boards spread throughout the area.

One major emphasis is alerting motorists to traffic that is stopped or moving slowly ahead on main highways.

There is additional lighting on SD 34 at the city's east entrance and plans for gravel sweeping on 245 miles of roadways.



get something more substantial to be the first occupant of the site, then the smaller lots would fill out thereafter."

Within the full tract of land primed for development is the Lewis & Clark Soccer Complex which is used by the Yankton Youth Soccer Association and Yankton High School.

City Manager Amy Nelson told the *Press & Dakotan* that the complex isn't in any immediate danger.

"Right now, we don't have any development planned for the soccer fields," Nelson said. "The plan right now is to let the soccer group to continue to use the fields for soccer games and tournaments."

Nelson said the city plans to continue to work on a long-term solution for soccer use before any development takes place.

"The long-range plan for soccer is to continue to look for a future space," she said. "That is less immediate because we don't have a

ment." The 11.27 acre L-shaped

quadrant of land cost the city \$395,000. Mingo said the city would use funds acquired from the sale of nearly two acres of land along West City Limits Road — totaling around \$75,000 — to help pay for the land, with internal borrowing used to pay the remainder. Nelson added that which mechanisms they use will be discussed during budget meetings this summer.

Mingo said it's a boost for the city to have finally squared out the large portion of city lands on the former HSC campus.

"From a community perspective, having the Commission take action to acquire it is in the best interest of the community as a whole," he said. "It enhances the opportunity for a more uniform planned build-out of the site."

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Heroes

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ambulance, seeing what we do and explaining some of the equipment, it becomes a little easier for them to understand it's not a scary profession. They can trust us and we're there to help."

A father of four, South Dakota Highway Patrol Trooper Mike Boyd was grateful to be a part of an opportunity to educate and influence the generation of his children.

"Look for the uniform. We're here and have always been here," he said. "When (kids) see us, they know they can count on us."

Before or after engaging with hometown heroes, kids could also register to take part in any of the library's free superhero-themed summer activities that run throughout June and July.

Activities are divided into two age groups. Elementary aged students will participate in "Every Hero has a Story" and middle/high school young adults will take part in "Unmask the Reader in You."

Among the daily activities includes: superhero training camp, Lego club, reading club, movies, crafts, board games and puppet and magic shows. A detailed calendar of events is provided with registration.

Moore says the summer program is about more than just capes and masks.

"Our main goal is to keep kids reading all summer long," she said. "There's a lot of information and statistics out there about summer slide. Kids lose their reading skills during the summer if they're not continuing to read. We feel that it's an important service to the community and families to make it interesting and fun so kids will come into the library."

Youth can register throughout the duration of the summer program by filling out a registration form at the Yankton Community Library circulation desk.

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Bake Sale Wednesday ONLY!

Kitchen and household items, furniture, linens, books, small furnishings, appliances, shop supplies, office supplies, knick knacks, toys, lawn & garden items and clothing (men's, women's, children's, maternity, and babies, all sizes.)



Start with a summer cocktail: Cucumber Collins • Raspberry Vodka Lemonade Enjoy an appetizer or fresh salad: Pear & Prosciutto Bruschetta • Berry Chicken Salad • Watermelon & Shrimp Salad Choose a sandwich or seasonal entrée: Strawberry & Brie Turkey Melt Maui Fish Tacos • Coconut Curry Chicken or Chimichurri Steak Tips And don't forget dessert:

Grilled Pound Cake with Honey Glazed Fruit!



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