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Notice is given that on the 13th day of May, 2015, Velma J. Larson, whose address is P.O. Box 235, Volin, South Dakota 57072, was appointed as personal representative of the estate of Helen M. Severson.

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River

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The group members discussed holding the rendezvous in June or July, keeping it in Riverside Park. They also talked about adding entertainment as an added attraction besides the presenters and demonstrations.

The organizers also discussed attractions such as a climbing wall, amusement rides, petting zoo, dunk tank, inflatables, horse rides and mini-trains.

In looking at a possible time frame, the organizers noted an early July date for the rendezvous wouldn't compete with Rockin' Ribfest in early June and Riverboat Days in mid-August.

The rendezvous has started slowly but holds great promise, Smith said. He noted the other Missouri River events have been held for about a decade.

"I've said, this will take five years (for the rendezvous) to get to the level of the other events," he said.

Tuesday's meeting also included volunteer Gene Bormann, executive director Paula Hallberg and vice president Cindy Filipis with Keep Yankton Beautiful and Pat Magorian with the Yankton Minimum Unit of the Department of Corrections.

The group talked about the success of the other Missouri River events this year and ways of improving them.

SCHOOL FESTIVAL

This year's Missouri River school festival featured 21 presentations at Riverside Park, with students able to visit seven of the available 15-minute demonstrations during the morning event. This year's festival drew 426 students from a dozen schools in southeast South Dakota and northeast Nebraska.

Robb surveyed this year's participating schools after the events to learn their thoughts. The survey found 71 percent of the outreach efforts were extremely satisfied with the event, with another 28 percent moderately satisfied.

The event drew strong marks across the board in terms of expectations, organization, ease in asking questions of the presenters and the quality of the presenters themselves. The one area where schools would like to see changes comes in the offering of more hands-on activities.

Bormann noted the challenge of cramming more activities into the short time allotted for presentations. "In 15 minutes, it's difficult to do hands-on demonstrations," he said.

The change to 25-minute presentations could be made by expanding the festival into an all-day affair with the schools split between morning and afternoon sessions. However, the organizers agreed the presenters would need to know up front of such a change.



RANDY DOCKENDORF/P&D
Cindy Filipis, vice president of Keep Yankton Beautiful (foreground), and Mary Robb with the City of Yankton listen to discussion during Tuesday's meeting for the annual Missouri River Events held in early May.

"Some presenters would do cart wheels to have more time," Lepisto said. "Others would say, 'What am I going to do with 10 more minutes?'"

The all-day event would create other major changes, Lepisto said.

"If you had two sessions, morning and afternoon, then you could go down in the size of each group. You have a much better student-presenter ratio," he said. "But you're asking the presenter to do twice as much work. You're also asking the volunteers to do twice as much work."

The group discussed 20-minute presentations as a compromise. However, they also took into account the long bus rides for some of the participating schools, affecting the time they arrive in Yankton for the festival and the need for getting buses back to their schools in time to take students home for the day.

"You have buses coming from as far away as Lake Andes and Lynch, Nebraska," Robb said. "It's a haul for them."

The organizers agreed on one thing — they flatly turned down any thought of a two-day event.

RIVER CLEANUP

This year's river clean-up drew a record 130 volunteers, Smith said. "We had enough boats (for transporting volunteers and debris), but we were tapped out. We could have used two more boats at the end," he said.

The situation represented a pleasant problem, Smith said. The clean-up hasn't seen such a number of volunteers since the event's early days. "This year flowed well," he said.

Robb noted this year's clean-up collected 2.17 tons of debris, compared to 2.80 tons last year and 3.33 tons in 2013.

Lepisto saw the declining tonnage as a good sign of making progress in river clean-up.

"I like seeing those numbers go down. When we started this (clean-up) in

2005, we collected 41.75 tons (of debris)," he said. "The fact that's were down in the amount (of debris) is a good thing. It shows the trend is going the right way."

The organizers joked that a group of boys found an entire car during the clean-up. However, Lepisto noted those kinds of items are becoming increasingly rare for the event. "Initially, we were picking up stuff that was decades old. You could tell that it had been rusted for decades," he said.

He credited the impact of the continued clean-up efforts, including the use of modern equipment and the exposure of previously hidden debris.

"I think it also makes a difference that people are more aware," he said. "They're not dumping and leaving stuff behind."

CLEAN BOAT EVENT

This year's Clean Boat Event, which educates the public about aquatic invasive species (AIS), made 360 boat contacts during eight days, Lepisto said.

"We only had one guy who said (the outreach effort) didn't matter," he said. "All the others (on the water) were thanking us for doing it, especially those recreating on the lake. They were really thankful."

Mike Smith, the AIS state-wide coordinator for Game, Fish and Parks, has also been giving presentations about the new GF&P boating regulations to battle the spread of AIS, Lepisto said.

The educational outreach has greatly built public awareness about the AIS issue, Lepisto said.

"Two or three years ago, people said, 'We don't have to worry — it's many states away.' And we had to tell them, 'No, the threat's here,'" he said. "Now, they know about it. The overall awareness has ramped up from three or four years ago."

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Gunman Says He Tried Calling Crisis Line Before Shootings

BY SADIE GURMAN
Associated Press

CENTENNIAL, Colo. — James Holmes lingered outside a suburban Denver movie theater for a moment or two, thinking someone at a mental health hotline might talk him out of killing people he didn't know, or that the FBI might swoop in and stop him, he told a psychiatrist last year.

But his phone call to the crisis line was disconnected after 9 seconds, before anyone answered, he says in the videotaped conversation with the psychiatrist, which was shown to jurors in his murder trial Tuesday. The FBI never showed up, despite Holmes' suspicions that agents were watching him.

So after hesitating a few seconds more, he walked inside, tossed a tear-gas canister and opened fire, he says on the video. He says he remembers hearing one scream and seeing one victim out of the 12 who were killed and 70 who were injured, but little else.

"At that point, I'm on autopilot," he says in an eerily flat and expressionless voice.

Jurors are watching nearly 22 hours of Holmes' videotaped conversations with Dr. William

Reid, who conducted a court-ordered evaluation of Holmes after he pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity in the July 20, 2012, massacre.

Defense attorneys say schizophrenia had distorted Holmes' sense of right and wrong, and that he should be committed indefinitely to the state mental hospital.

Prosecutors argue Holmes should be convicted and executed. They say he doesn't meet Colorado's definition of insanity: Unable to tell right from wrong or unable to form the intent necessary to commit a crime because of a mental disease or defect.

Reid has told jurors he believes Holmes was mentally ill but was legally sane at the time of the shootings.

Defense lawyers will begin making their case when prosecutors finish, in about three weeks.

In the video shown Tuesday, Holmes tells Reid that he called the hotline on his cellphone while he was outside the theater, halfway through, as he put it, "gearing up" for the attack — putting on body armor and gathering up his assault rifle, shotgun and handgun.

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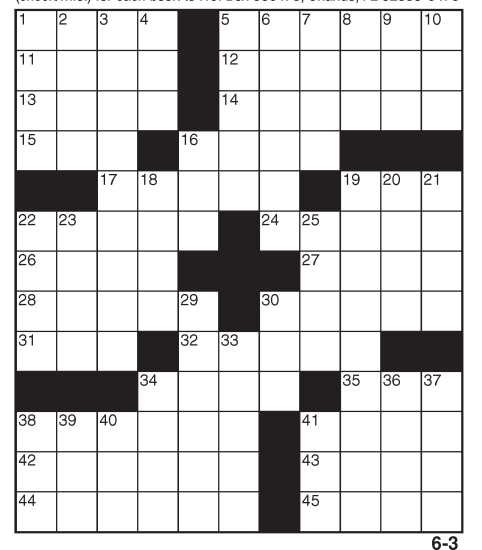
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2 Found Guilty Of Placing Bombs On Canada Day 2013

VANCOUVER, British Columbia (AP) — A jury found a Canadian couple guilty Tuesday of plotting to set off pressure-cooker bombs outside British Columbia's provincial legislature two years ago on Canada Day, when thousands of people were expected to be there.

The jury in Vancouver began deliberating on Sunday morning and returned their verdict late Tuesday against John Nuttall and Amanda Korody. They found the two recent converts to Islam guilty of conspiracy to

commit murder and making or possessing an explosive device. The judge last month had entered a ruling of not guilty to another charge of knowingly facilitating a terrorist activity, citing unspecified legal reasons.

The couple were arrested in July 2013 after police accused them of attempting to target the July 1 Canada Day celebrations in Victoria. Three home-made pressure-cooker bombs were placed outside the legislature before crowds gathered, but undercover police officers

had already ensured they were inert by using fake explosives.

Police said the two were inspired by al-Qaida ideology but were self-radicalized. Police called it a domestic threat.

It was not clear what maximum sentence the couple faces because in an unusual twist, the conviction won't be entered until next week, after the defense has a chance to argue that police entrapped the couple into the plot during an elaborate undercover sting operation.