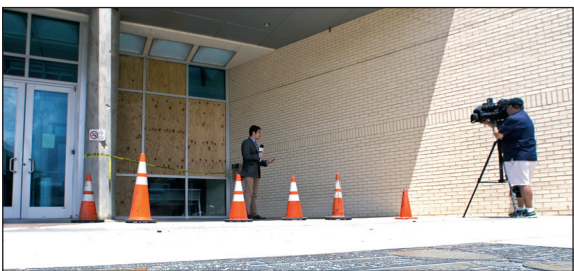




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Ruling Could Raise Costs For 57,000 Nebraskans

BY GRANT SCHULTE
Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — Nearly 57,000 Nebraskans who bought subsidized health insurance could see their premiums soar and many would likely have to drop their coverage if the new federal health care law succeeds.

The U.S. Supreme Court is expected to rule this month on a lawsuit that could wipe out federal tax credits in 34 states, including Nebraska, which chose not to create their own health insurance markets.

Nebraskans who lose the credits would see an average premium increase of 265 percent, according to a report from the nonpartisan Kaiser Family Foundation. The credits are intended to reduce the cost of insurance for low- and middle-income people.

The state receives a combined \$14.6 million in tax credits each month, for an average of \$257 per enrollee, the group said.

"If the Supreme Court does strike the insurance subsidies, it's a significant loss for Nebraska families," said state Sen. Jeremy Nordquist of Omaha, who has followed the law's implementation in Nebraska. "For a vast majority, it would mean the loss of coverage. They simply would not be able to



A busy week of practice and competition culminated this past weekend at Yankton's NFAA Easton Archery Center as the medal rounds of the 2015 World Archery Youth Championships (WAYC) were held on a special range set up in front of the archery center. A large crowd, made up of locals and international guests, was on hand for the action. ABOVE: These fans cheer for Mexico during Sunday's Recurve Junior Women Team gold medal match against Korea. LEFT: South Dakota native Cole Feterl lines up his shot during Saturday morning's Compound Cadet Team gold medal match against Great Britain at the World Archery Youth Championships in Yankton. After Sunday's champions were crowned, a farewell party was held Sunday night and the teams are leaving for home today (Monday). For details, see page 7. (Jeremy Hoeck/P&D)



Blue Ribbon Effort

Education Task Force Seeks Public Input June 17 In Yankton

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The public can offer ideas on improving education in South Dakota this week when the Blue Ribbon Task Force comes to Yankton.

The 26-member task force — which includes Beth Pietila of Yankton — will meet Wednesday at the Yankton High School commons. The forum will offer sessions at 2 p.m. for educators, 4 p.m. for the business community and 6:30 p.m. for the general public. However, the sessions are not limited to those groups.

Gov. Dennis Daugaard and legislative leaders

announced the task force earlier this year. The task force will re-evaluate the current funding formula and make recommendations to the 2016 Legislature.

"My hope is that the Blue Ribbon task force will focus on three goals," the governor said. "First, we want a quality system of schools focused on student success. Second, we want a workforce of great teachers. Finally, we want an efficient, effective funding system that supports those goals."

The Blue Ribbon Task Force is co-chaired by Sen. Deb Soholt (R-Sioux Falls) and Rep. Jacques



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line Sly (R-Rapid City). The two legislators chair the education committees in their respective chambers.

The task force includes 10 state legislators, state officials, teachers, administrators and parents. Six meetings are scheduled across the state this month.

The public is encouraged to attend Wednesday's session in Yankton, said Daugaard chief of staff Tony Venhuizen, who also serves on the task force.

"The task force's goal is to reach as many South Dakotans as possible and to get their feedback on school funding," he said. "Beginning in July, the task force will meet in Pierre to discuss what was learned, to analyze data and to eventually make recommendations to the governor and the Legislature."

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Tribute To Late Friend Takes Flight Saturday

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David Shulburg loved the Fourth of July, according to those who knew him well.

So when Pat Zachariasen wanted to honor her late boyfriend, she knew the moment needed plenty of red, white and blue.

Zachariasen hosted about a dozen persons for a balloon release Saturday afternoon in Shulburg's honor. Her mobile home at 1102 Meadow View Road stands along Highway 50 east of Yankton.

Saturday's date — June 13 — was chosen because it marked the fifth anniversary of Shulburg's death from emphysema, believed caused by smoking.

"We wanted to get together for a memorial or remembrance," Zachariasen said. "We bought balloons that had red hearts and blue stars. David loved the Fourth of July, but we didn't want to wait until then to do (the balloon release). We thought today would be better."



RANDY DOCKENDORF/P&D
Friends of the late David Shulburg release balloons in his memory Saturday afternoon outside the home of his girlfriend, Pat Zachariasen.

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