

REGION DIGEST

Yankton Library Trustees To Meet Wed.

The Yankton Community Library Board of Trustees will have its regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 10, in the library meeting room, 515 Walnut.

For further information, call 668-5275.

Budgeting Education Class To Be Held

Consumer Credit Counseling Service (CCCS) of Lutheran Social Services will sponsor a financial education class on Thursday, March 11, at the CCCS office, 610 W. 23rd St. in the Marne Creek Professional Center in Yankton.

Janette Ellis, Certified Credit Counselor, will present "Make the Most of Your Dollars," one of a three-part financial education series featuring information about budgeting, savings and credit.

The class is free and open to the public. Seating is limited, so reservations are required. For more information, call 888-258-2227.

Local Questers Program Slated For March 11

Laura Ingalls Wilder Questers invite the public to a free Chautauqua on "Life and Times of Gov. Arthur Calvin Mellette" presented by John Timm of Sioux Falls, at Dakota Territorial Museum, 610 Summit Street, Yankton, at 9:30 a.m. March 11.

This event is funded by the South Dakota Humanities Council, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

'Roses Just Because' Order Deadline Set

Roses Just Because! is a project to benefit Avera Sacred Heart Hospice Program, which helps provide the best possible care to people in their last stages of a terminal illness, allowing their lives to be lived as fully and comfortably as possible in the time that is left. Hospice is open to people of all ages and diagnoses, regardless of ability to pay.

Order a dozen roses for someone special in your life for no reason, or order a dozen roses to donate to a hospice patient, cancer patient or a Care Center resident.

You can do a dozen long-stemmed roses to be picked up on Tuesday, April 6, between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., in the lobby of the Benedictine Center, 1000 West Fourth St. There will be a wide variety of colors available on a first come/first choice basis.

The ordering deadline is March 11.

For more information, prices or to order a dozen roses, contact the Benedictine Health Foundation at 668-8310 or Avera Sacred Heart Hospice at 668-8309.

Free Online AP Classes Offered To Students

The Learning Power program helps South Dakota high school students who want to challenge themselves academically and get a leg up on college.

Learning Power Director Dr. Jim Parry, said, "It's exciting to offer a learning opportunity to all students, but in particular to students in small, rural high schools, who have this opportunity for the very first time. It is equally significant that students may earn college credit if they score well on the AP exam." In 2009, 54 percent of all AP exams taken by Learning Power students received a score of 3 or higher enabling students to receive college credit.

Learning Power makes online Advanced Placement classes in math, science, and English available to all South Dakota high school students, including home-school and private school students. The program also has a cash incentive for students who score a 3 or higher on the College Board end-of-course exams. The South Dakota Virtual School, in collaboration with Northern State University's E-learning Center and the S.D. Department of Education, provides these online AP courses to students.

Learning Power is funded by the National Math and Science Initiative.

Registration for the fall 2010 semester for AP Classes through Learning Power begins on March 15 and closes on May 21. Contact your student's high school counselor or principal. Find information on the South Dakota Virtual School Web site, <http://sdvs.k12.sd.us/>.

SAC To Offer Demonstrations March 17

The Summit Activities Center will be offering free demonstrations on weight and fitness equipment from 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 17. This event is open to the public.

For information, call (605) 668-5234 or visit the Summit Activities Center.

■ Get Updates At Yankton Online (www.yankton.net)

Vermillion Debate Team Gets Second Place

WATERTOWN — Vermillion took second place in the Class A division of the 2010 South Dakota State Debate Tournament, held Friday and Saturday in Watertown.

Lennox took home top honors in Class A, while Sioux Falls Lincoln won the sweepstakes title in Class AA.

Due to problems at the source, only partial results from the tournament were available as of Sunday night.

In the Class A U.S. Speaking competition, Sam Miller of Vermillion won top honors. Dylan Daniels of Vermillion was fifth.

In the Class A International Extemporaneous category, Tyler Gutzman of Vermillion was second and Jingyi Sun of Vermillion was fourth.

Other results will be published as they are made available.

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Minnesota and Iowa have already chipped in their shares, and 19 of the 20 member communities are paid up.

The rest of the money is coming from the federal government,

MONEY

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gaps of the budget? Yes. Should we? No. Those moneys are all invested and working for South Dakota. You must remember, when you take money that is a principle balance rather than interest, the future revenues will be smaller."

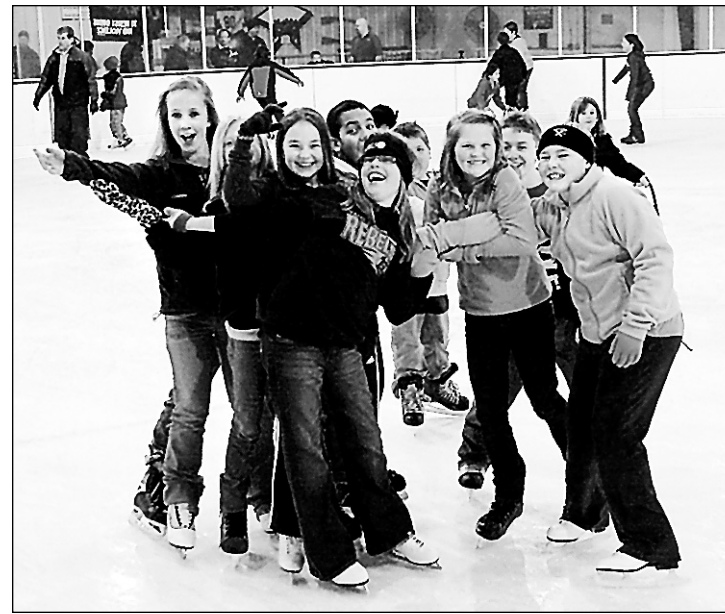
He also said many of the trust funds balances cannot be used because of state law.

"It would take 75 percent of both houses in addition to the governor signing on to be able to access those principle balances," Moser said. "That is just not going to happen."

The lawmakers stressed that the budget the state is looking at this year is nothing compared to what the state will be facing next year when money given to the state from the federal government is no longer available.

"All of the state accounts with money in them have a

D.A.R.E. ON I.C.E.



KELLY HERTZ/P&D

An estimated 500 people turned out at the Alcoa Ice Area Friday night for a free skating night to honor recent graduates of the Yankton D.A.R.E. program. Fifth graders from across the community recently completed the program, and they were treated of a night of fun on ice. To see or purchase images from this event, visit spotted.yankton.net.

so Congress' 2011 budget appropriation will be key for a project that's been held together with "baling wire and duct tape," Larson said.

"Lewis & Clark will now be a hand-to-mouth operation, in terms of we're only going to be able to award contracts based on the money we get from the federal funding," he said. "We no longer have supplemental sources to turn to when our

money runs short like we have in the past."

President Barack Obama's administration has proposed \$2 million for the system in the 2011 budget.

Obama recommended the same amount last year, but delegations in the three states got it bumped to \$10 million, and it was supplemented by \$56.5 million in stimulus funding.

rhyme or reason," Sen. Hunhoff said. "But we are looking at every available option to balance the budget."

Sen. Hunhoff, who is the chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee, said that for the most part, budget issues will be addressed after the current revenue projections are released today (Monday).

Because the budget is not set until the final week of the legislative session, it was suggested that the Legislature should take a one-week break from the date the revenue projections are released to give the legislators a chance to look over the budget.

While Sen. Hunhoff did not think it would help, both Reps. Hunhoff and Moser felt it was a viable idea.

"If the system were working as it should, it wouldn't be an issue," Rep. Hunhoff said. "Anytime there is more discussion, it is better. I believe the final budget would look much different if there was time for more discussion."

As the legislators head back to Pierre, they face a tough

week ahead.

Sen. Hunhoff said Monday morning the legislators will be presented with the projected revenues. Then the work really begins.

"The subcommittee in appropriations will then go over the two proposals and make a recommendation," she said. "We will then come out of recess and vote on what their recommendation should be."

From there the budget will be adjusted according to the revenue numbers are over the rest of Monday and Tuesday.

Wednesday they will begin working on the general bills.

Sen. Hunhoff expects the upcoming process to be a long one, but said that lawmakers will work through the bills and use as much time as needed to get to a balanced working budget that is best for South Dakota.

"We as legislators representing District 18 have a lot of pride that we get to represent Yankton," Moser said. "But we are working for you and doing the best job we can."

LINCOLN

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don't show up. That doesn't mean you have to run for office, but you do need to get involved."

Several of the candidates have not yet turned to full-time campaigning because they are currently in the South Dakota Legislature.

"We have one week left in the Legislature and I take my responsibilities very seriously as Senate majority leader," said Dave Knudson, who is one of four candidates seeking the Republican nomination for Governor that attended the event. "My focus is making sure we do the best possible job for the state of South Dakota. Once I am able to switch gears, it will be about getting my strengths out the public."

Other gubernatorial candidates present Saturday included Dennis Daugaard, the current lieutenant governor; Scott Munsterman, mayor of Brookings; and Gordon Howie, real estate broker and rancher from Rapid City.

"For personal reasons, I wish there were not so many strong candidates running," joked Daugaard. "But in terms of what is best for South Dakota and the Republican Party, this is a best-case scenario. The voters of South Dakota will have the opportunity to learn all of our platforms and what we stand for. From there, they will be able to make a decision on who they feel will best represent the state and will do the best for them personally."

Likewise Munsterman, said that he feels that an event like the Lincoln Day dinner gives the voters a chance to visit personally with candidates and make a choice based on personal interaction not just what they see on TV.

"It has been a great experience," he said. "My wife and I have put close to 55,000 miles in crossing the state and meeting people and hearing what they want from their next governor. I think that input is invaluable."

While the short time each of the candidates was given to introduce themselves to the Yankton voters did not allow them time to expound on their stances on issues, it did give them a chance to make positive first impressions, that each of the candidates stressed was invaluable.

The other candidates that spoke Saturday night were: Bruce Jensen, Tom Fiedler and Jim VanOsdel, running for the Yankton County Commission; Brian Hunhoff for Register of Deeds; Jim Blahakus for Sheriff; candidates for District 18 House of Representatives and Senate, included Jean Hunhoff, Nick Moser and Charlii Gilson; Marty Jackly for attorney general; Secretary of State candidates Jason Gant, Teresa Bray and Tom Deadrick; state auditor candidates Pat Miller and Steve Barnett; state treasurer candidates Mike Melhaff and Rich Sattigast; Public Utility Commissioner candidate Dusty Johnson; and U.S. House hopefuls Blake Curd, Kristi Noem and Chris Nelson.

OBITUARIES

Lyle Davis

TRIPP — Lyle Marshall Davis, 74 of Tripp, son of Scott and Alma (Noreen) Davis, was born August 31, 1935 on a farm north of Wagner, SD. He died Saturday, March 6, 2010 at the Good Samaritan Society in Tripp, SD. Lyle attained the age of 74 years, six months and four days.



Davis

Lyle graduated from Wagner High School and then served in the United States Army from September 1954 through September of 1956. Lyle moved to Concord, California in January of 1957 and was a printing press operator by trade. He returned to South Dakota in August of 2004, retiring in Tripp.

Lyle will be remembered for his enjoyment of hunting and fishing. He was a top competition bow shooting individual, winning numerous awards.

Thankful for having shared his life are two brothers: Earl W. Davis and wife Viola of Mitchell; and

Loren G. Davis and wife Marlis of Prior Lake, MN; three sisters: Fern L. Davis and husband William of Branson, MO; Arbutus McCormick of Council Bluffs, IA; and June Gentry of Concord, CA; and several nieces and nephews.

Lyle was preceded in death by his parents; a sister Frances Melech and husband Lawrence; a brother Wayne Davis and wife Marianne; and two brothers-in-law: Nelson McCormick and J.B. Gentry. Memorial services will be held at a later date under the direction of Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home of Wagner.

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Albert Milk

WAGNER — Albert R. Milk, 66, of Wagner died Friday (March 5, 2010) at the IHS Hospital in Wagner.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Bonesteel Community Center, west of Bonesteel. Burial is in the All Saint's Cemetery at Milk's Camp, with military honors.

Wake services continue today (Monday) at the Bonesteel Community Center.

Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home, Wagner, is in charge of arrangements.

William 'Bill' Bass

CROFTON, Neb. — William H. "Bill" Bass, 91, of Crofton, Neb., died Saturday (March 6, 2010) at the Golden Living Center, Hartington, Neb.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Wintz Funeral Home, Crofton, with the Rev. Bob Bryan officiating. Burial will be in the Crofton City Cemetery with military services provided by the Crofton American Legion Post 128.

Visitation will be one hour prior to services Wednesday at the funeral home.

Merlyn Weddingfeld

HARTINGTON, Neb. — Merlyn W. Weddingfeld, 83, of Hartington, Neb., died Friday (March 5, 2010) at the Golden Living Center, Hartington.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Hartington, with the Rev. Jeffery Loseke officiating. Burial will be in the St. Michael's

Cemetery, Hartington, with military services provided by the Hartington VFW Post 5283.

Visitation is 1-8 p.m. Tuesday with a rosary at 2 p.m. and a vigil service at 7 p.m. at Wintz Funeral Home, Hartington. Visitation will be one hour prior to services on Wednesday at the church.

To view the video tribute or to post a message on line, visit www.wintzfuneralhome.com.

Anita Nielsen

Anita O. Nielsen, 89, of Yankton died Sunday (March 7, 2010) at Golden Living Center, Norfolk, Neb.

Arrangements are pending

with Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton.

Eldon Jurens

AVON — Eldon G. Jurens, 81, of Avon died Sunday (March 7, 2010) at the Good Samaritan Society in Tyndall.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at First Baptist Church, Avon, with burial in the church cemetery with military honors.

Visitation is 4-6 p.m. Tuesday at the church with family present. Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Jimmy Jibben

TYNDALL — Jimmy D. Jibben, 72, of Tyndall died on Sunday, March 7, 2010 at Avera St. Michael's Hospital in Tyndall.

In accordance with Jimmy's wishes, no services are planned. Jimmy's family is being assisted by Goglin Funeral Home and Legacy Crematory of Tyndall. Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

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March 10, 2009

Hazel Hauck
who passed away on
March 12, 2009

Margaret Weiss
who passed away on
March 12, 2008

Melvin Sparks
who passed away on
March 12, 2007

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