

REGION DIGEST

'Global Warming' Forum At USD Wednesday

VERMILLION — "The Global Warming Hoax" will be the topic of Wednesday's University of South Dakota Noon International Forum, to be held in Farber Hall (sponsored by the Beacom School of Business).

Panelists include Dr. Moses Ikiugu (School of Health Science & a native of Kenya), Dr. Dennis Johnson (Economics) and Dr. Mark Sweeney (Earth Sciences). The moderator is Dr. Benno Wymar (Economics).

Three years ago there was much concern about South Dakota's lack of moisture. Farmers had been forced to sell their herds of cattle and with little water in the Missouri there was fear that few tourists would come here. And would happen to the Lewis & Clark water pipe line? Now, after a long and hard winter (with much snow), there is considerable concern about spring flooding. What happened to the so-called "Global Warming"? Was it a hoax, as some people claim? The panelists will try to explain the situation, including how it has affected other parts of the world (like Eastern Africa) and possible solutions, as for example the proposed "Cap-And-Trade Bill" (would it be too costly and eliminate many U.S. jobs?) These and other issues will be taken up by the panelists.

As for the past 15 years, the event is open to the public and at no charge.

Crohn's, Colitis Support Group Tonight

There will be a Crohn's and Colitis support group meeting at 6:45 p.m. tonight (Tuesday) at the Avera Sacred Heart Campus Pavilion, 409 Summit, Yankton, SD 57078.

This meeting is for patient's with Crohn's or Colitis and their family and friends.

For information, call Kathy Ryken at 665-8667.

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we don't need the (federal) money?" she asked. "Or do you spend some of your reserves now?"

Even if the state receives the additional funding, it's not a long-term solution, Sen. Hunhoff said. "It's still just a one-time fix for the coming budget year," she said.

Sen. Hunhoff anticipates South Dakota will continue to see economic sluggishness. One estimate calls for the state's budget shortfall soaring to \$104 million in 2012, she said.

"I am working on the premise that we are in for the long haul," she said. "We are looking at the next two fiscal years. We may see some uptick, but beyond that, I believe we are going to be lagging."

The Christmas blizzard caused a slump in December revenues, as residents lost shopping days for holiday purchases, Hunhoff said. The state was then hit with ice storms in January, she said.

The arrival of flooding will also put a strain on state and local governments, Hunhoff said.

"Last year, when we had flooding, those counties saw a demand for additional social services,

because people were displaced from their homes," she said.

"Some of the farmers couldn't get their crops out (of the fields) last year. Now, will it dry up enough so they can continue farming? It could put a huge dent in their production."

Sen. Hunhoff said she opposes across-the-board cuts in the state budget.

"It rewards inefficient departments. If you cut 5 percent, one department can be wiped out versus another that sees little impact," she said. "You also need to use your general fund to match federal dollars. If you don't make the match, you lose those federal dollars."

Rep. Bernie Hunhoff (D-Yankton), the House Minority Leader, said he favors across-the-board cuts.

"I'm not totally opposed to using some reserves. We will likely need to use some to get the budget balanced," he said. "But it should accompany the tough cuts."

Rep. Hunhoff said he opposes proposed Republican budget cuts that would harm education and social services, including anti-drug programs. The result could result in higher unemployment and increased crime and prisoners.

"Those cuts are short-sighted," he said. "It would cost us more in the long run."

The Democrats recommend a 3

percent lid on annual state spending increases, bringing the state in line with the limits placed on local governments, he said.

Rep. Hunhoff said he opposes major tax breaks for large corporate projects, particularly those that don't need assistance and would likely come to South Dakota anyway. He pointed in particular to TransCanada that is running two pipelines across the state.

"(The tax incentives) will likely cost the state tens of millions of dollars," he said. "When the Republicans suggest we cut education and health care programs, it's hard to justify a tax break for a crude-oil pipeline."

Rep. Hunhoff said he doesn't fault TransCanada for taking advantage of the state's tax incentives. However, he would rather see more incentives for smaller South Dakota projects such as wind energy.

The state's budget process is broken and needs fixing, Rep. Hunhoff said.

"We can't continue as we are going," he said. "It could be a big issue in the governor's race and a lot of legislative races."

He noted the two parties have agreed on some cuts to legislative and executive branch travels.

"We have also found some common ground for expanding our existing scholarships and starting new needs-based scholarship programs," Rep. Hunhoff said.

The three big issues left on the table are increases for K-12 funding, Medicaid funding for local providers, and state employees' salaries, he said.

The state faces continued struggles with the recession, Rep. Hunhoff said.

"Even if we get out of the recession, we don't want to go back to the days of state government growing at twice the rate of inflation," he said. "What most of us want is a smaller, activist government that's lean and does a few things very well, and not do everything for everyone."

Rep. Nick Moser (R-Yankton) said he prefers cuts rather than using the state's reserves.

"We have shown how we can balance this year's budget without using reserves," he said. "We need to try to do the best we can without using the reserves."

The current budget talks need to look at future years, Moser said.

"It's a two-year process," he said. "As soon as this budget is finished, most of us legislators are looking forward to next year and how the economy will be."

The state's economy — including a growth in jobs — likely won't fully recover for 18 to 24 months, Moser said.

"I say, look at the next two budget cycles," he said. "In the grand scheme, I think we'll be without the kind of growth that maybe we had five years ago."

OBITUARIES

Walter Wollman

TRIPP — Funeral services for Walter R. Wollman, 82, of Tripp will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday at the Emmaus Lutheran Church in Tripp with Rev. Richard Weeman officiating.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday from 3-9 p.m. with a prayer service at 5:30 p.m. at the Goglin Funeral Home in Tripp.

Walter passed away on Sunday, March 14, 2010 at the Good Samaritan Society of Tripp.

Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

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Funeral Home
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Frances Flevares

EUREKA — Frances William Flevares passed away peacefully after a lengthy battle with heart disease Sunday, February 14, 2010. Fran spent the past three months at his home in Eureka surrounded by caring friends, family and the kind staff of Hospice.

Fran was born on September 22, 1937 to William and Josephine Flevares in Yankton, South Dakota. At seventeen, he joined the U.S. Navy and was eventually stationed in Southern California. It was here, that he re-discovered and married his childhood sweetheart and first love, Patricia Callesen. In 1966, Fran moved with his wife Patty to Eureka to begin work for the many names of Simpson Pulp and Paper until its closure. In 1998, Patty lost her battle with cancer. Fran remained busy in retirement spending time with friends, traveling and working with local Elks Lodge 652. Fran was blessed to spend the remainder of his life with his loving partner Joan Arnold. He always said that he was lucky to have found love with two special women.

Heart felt appreciation goes out to Joan Arnold, Marge Custis, Del McEnry, Bill and Sandy Lambo, Nyle Henderson, Bob Meng, Mike Larkin, Chuck Arnold and Debbie Hart, Chris Arnold, Bettie Albright, Lenore Dias, Jeanette Lord, Mary Needham, Lorraine Judice, Elaine Larson, Dennis Callesen, Lisa Backus, Ben Callesen and many other helping hands. The staff and services of Hospice are amazing. His Son and Daughter-in-Law Randy Flevares and Tracie Ahlberg, and his two Grandchildren Taylor and Hayden survive Fran.



Flevares

Fran requested not to hold services, and in lieu of flowers, donations can be dropped in an Elk's Purple Pig or provided to Hospice.

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Cletus Gran

Cletus L. Gran, 74, of Yankton died Sunday (March 14, 2010) at the Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Trinity Lutheran Church, Yankton, with the Rev. David Lund officiating. Burial will be in the Garden of Memories, Yankton.

Visitations will be 3-8 p.m. Thursday at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a prayer service and video tribute at 7 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

Bridget Rupiper

Bridget Rupiper, 85, of Yankton died Monday (March 15, 2010) at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at St. Benedict Catholic Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Paul Josten officiating. Burial will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Friday at Wintz & Ray Funeral Home, Yankton, with a rosary at 7 p.m. and vigil service at 7:30 p.m. Visitation will resume one hour prior to the service at church.

To send an online sympathy card, visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

Tami Hecht

LEXINGTON, Ala. — Tami M. Hecht, 44, of Lexington, Ala., died Monday (March 8, 2010).

A memorial and interment will be held in Yankton at a later date.

Charles Voigt

TYNDALL — Charles Edmond Voigt died Friday March 12, 2010 at the Good Samaritan Society in Tyndall, SD. Charles attained the age of 98 years and 17 days.

Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. Friday, March 19, 2010 at First Baptist Church in Avon, with burial in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be at the church from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, with the family present. Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home of Avon is in charge of the arrangements.

Charles Edmond Voigt was born near Avon, SD on February 24, 1912 to Gustav and Marie (Reder) Voigt.

At an early age, Charles accepted Christ as his Savior, upon confession of his faith, he was baptized by immersion February 26, 1933 by Rev. Benjamin Schlipf and became a member of the First Baptist Church.

Charles spent most of his young life in the eastern part of the United States. Following graduation from high school in Monongahela, PA, he returned to South Dakota, living and working with the Arthur Voigt family.

Charles married Mildred Hebrer on October 10, 1947, with Rev. Peter Geissler officiating. Together they farmed until retirement in 1984, when they moved into Avon. Mildred died January 25, 2008.

Besides farming, Charles enjoyed sports, music, history, gardening and church activities. He was a youth leader, Sunday School Superintendent, choir member, Deacon and a contributor to the Centennial History of the First Baptist Church.

Thankful for having shared his life are his son Philip and wife Louella of Luverne, MN; two grandchildren: Leah and husband Leland Potter of Madison,

WI; and Daniel and wife Blair of Pittsburg, PA; a half-sister Theresa Crookham and husband Norman; a step brother Thomas Leach; and nieces and nephews.

Charles was preceded in death by his wife; an infant son, Mark; his parents; a sister Marie; and two nephews.

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Voigt

Edith Korslund

LENNOX — Edith Korslund, 71, died Monday, March 8, 2010 at Arizona Regional Medical Center in Apache Junction, AZ from complications of a heart attack.

Edith Jensen was born January 26, 1939 in Irene, daughter of Carl and Esther Jensen. She graduated from Irene High School in 1957. She married Arthur Korslund in 1958. They lived in Irene and moved to Lennox in 1966. She enjoyed being a teachers aide at Lennox Elementary School, and since 2000 she enjoyed spending the winter months in Arizona.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, Art, in 2005, son, Keith, in 2000, siblings Jerry Jensen and Jeanette Wagner.

Survivors are two daughters: Karen (Paul) Bossman of Lennox and Wanda Korslund of Sioux Falls; one son, Jeff Korslund of Sioux Falls.

Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 16, at First English Lutheran Church. Visitation will begin at noon Monday at Dindot-Klusmann Funeral Home with the family present from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. to greet friends.

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Cecilia Huenemann

MENNO — Cecilia E. Huenemann, 93, of Menno died Monday (March 15, 2010) at Menno-Olivet Care Center, Menno.

Arrangements are pending under the direction of Aisenbrey-Opahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Menno.

Enos Weston Jr.

WAGNER — Enos Weston Jr., 48, of Wagner died Sunday (March 14, 2010) at his home in Wagner.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the YST Community Center, Wagner. Burial is in the Cedar Presbyterian Cemetery, rural Wagner.

Wake services began Monday at the Community Center.

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

Robert Bremer

VERMILLION — Robert Leslie Bremer, 90, of Vermillion, SD passed away Sunday, March 14, 2010 at Sanford Vermillion Hospital.

Robert was born December 22, 1919 in Salem, SD, the son of William J. & Gertrude (Lange) Bremer. He graduated from Vermillion High School in 1937.

He married Viola Hansen on August 19, 1945 in Meckling, SD. He was a life-long farmer in Vermillion area. He was a mem-

ber of United Methodist Church in Vermillion.

Survivors include his wife, Viola, of Vermillion; his son, Paul (Ruth) Bremer of Vermillion; his daughters, Patricia (James) Dooher of Sioux Falls, and Gayle (Dick) Johnson of Wakonda, SD; Nine grandchildren, and 7 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 17, 2010 at United Methodist Church with Rev. Brook McBride officiating. Burial will be in Bluff View Cemetery, Vermillion. Visitation will be 5 to 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at Iverson-Siecke-Kober Funeral Home, Vermillion with family present from 6 to 7. There will be a prayer service at 7 p.m.

Condolences may be sent online to www.koberfuneralhome.com.

Iverson-Siecke-Kober Funeral Home, Vermillion is in charge of arrangements.

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"TO BE WELL" FORUM

TIPS TO HELP YOU BREATHE EASIER

Tuesday,
March 23
12-1 p.m.

Avera Professional Office
Pavilion Conference Rooms

In honor of National Pulmonary Rehabilitation Week (March 15-21) Dr. Lori Hansen, Yankton Medical Clinic, P.C., will be presenting a "To Be Well..." education forum from 12-1 p.m. Tuesday, Mar. 23 in the Avera Sacred Heart Hospital Professional Office Pavilion Conference Rooms. Dr. Hansen will be reviewing current diagnosis and treatment, including oxygen therapy, for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).

This event is free and open to the public, but space is limited. Please make reservations by calling 605-668-8080. A light meal will be served.



Lori Hansen, MD
Board Certified Pulmonologist
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IN REMEMBRANCE

John A. Olson
11:00 AM, Tuesday
First United Methodist Church
Yankton

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Heartland Psychological Services Welcomes

Doreen Ronning, MA

Heartland Psychological Services (HPS) is pleased to announce the addition of Doreen Ronning, LPC to their clinical staff. Doreen received her MA in Educational Psychology and Counseling from the University of SD in Vermillion, SD in 1992. She worked as a clinical therapist at Woodfield Center prior to coming to Heartland. Doreen enjoys creativity, humor, and talking with people of all ages. Appointments to see Doreen can be scheduled by calling HPS at (605) 665-0841.

Doreen will be joining the following staff at our office in Yankton:

Joe Blackinton, PhD
Mary Sternhagen, LPC-MH
Tonja Koenigs, LCSW-PIP
Jerry Webber, LCSW
Danelle Koch, PsyD
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