

REGION DIGEST

Highway 19A South Of Centerville Now Open

PIERRE — South Dakota Department of Transportation officials advise the water has receded on Highway 19A south of Centerville and is now open to through traffic.

For updated road condition information, visit <http://www.safetravelusa.com/sd> or call 511.

Union Co. Investigating Mailbox Vandalism

DAKOTA DUNES — The Union County Sheriff's Office is investigating the vandalism of several mailboxes.

The mailboxes were damaged sometime early Tuesday morning by exploding devices made from plastic pop bottles, according to a Sioux City television station.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Union County sheriff.

S.D. Spelling Bee March 27 In Yankton

The South Dakota State Spelling Bee will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 27, at the Yankton Community Library, 515 Walnut Street Yankton.

The winner will qualify for the National Spelling Bee in Washington in June.

The five spelling bee participants are winners from the South Dakota Regional Spelling Bees held at the *Madison Daily Leader*, *Mitchell Daily Republic*, *Pierre Capital Journal*, *Rapid City Journal* and *Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan*.

The public is invited to attend Saturday's event.

Yankton Lions Hosting Dance On March 27

The Yankton Lions Club will be hosting its 34th annual Law Enforcement Recognition Dance Saturday at 8 p.m.-midnight Saturday, March 27, at the Elks Lodge in Yankton. There is an admission charge, and music will be provided by the band Gate Cut.

"The event is both a fundraiser and an opportunity to recognize a Law Enforcement Officer of the Year from five different branches of law enforcement in the Yankton Area" said Lion President Katherine French. "This is one of our longest running projects and we are proud to continue to recognize these officers who do so much to keep our community a safe place to live."

Proceeds of the dance are all donated to local causes, including the Women's Center/Shelter, Yankton County Child Protection Team and DARE programs.

The community is invited to attend. Tickets may be purchased from any local Lion or at the door.

Yankton Carrier Annex Changes Hours

The Yankton Carrier Annex, located at 506 W 25th Street, has announced a change in lobby hours. Effective March 29, lobby services will be available 7:30-9 a.m. and 12:30-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 8:30 a.m.-noon on Saturday.

In addition, customers can buy stamps, address and post packages and perform many other postal services 24 hours a day, seven days a week at the Postal Service Web site: usps.com.

'One-Room School Legacy' On March 27

A social commemorating the "One-Room School Legacy" series will be held at Yankton's Dakota Territorial Museum at noon-4 p.m. Saturday, March 27. This social is open to all one-room school teachers, students and their children.

Tour the Gunderson Schoolhouse, take a walk down memory lane, and then share your favorite memories of your school days with fellow "one-room" alumni at the Dakota Territorial Museum Conference Room in Westside Park.

This event is free. For more information, call (605) 665-3898.

Church Hosting International Dinner March 28

The First United Methodist Church Senior High Youth is hosting an International Dinner on Sunday, March 28. Serving will be at the church, located at 207 West 11th Street, Yankton.

Tickets can be purchased at the church office. For more information call Gena Brandt at 665-4100 or Diane Kisch at 665-1500.

Flood-Related Information Is Available

PIERRE — South Dakotans looking for information about flood related road closures on state highways can find additional detail on the Safe Travel USA map at <http://www.safetravelusa.com/sd>. This information is located by clicking on the smaller map to the left of the legend, below the large state map. Impacted areas are shown as yellow "obstructions" diamonds.

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

Yankton Citywide Cleanup Starts April 10

The annual Yankton Citywide Cleanup is scheduled to begin on Saturday, April 10.

Residents on city garbage collection routes may dispose of those materials outlined below at no additional charge. Materials may be dropped off at the Solid Waste Transfer Station located at 23rd and Kellen Gross Drive from April 10-17 at the following hours:

- Saturday, April 10 — 8 a.m.-3:45 p.m.
- Monday, April 12, to Friday, April 16 — 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Saturday, April 17 — 8 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

The following type of materials may be disposed of at no additional charge for residents on the city garbage routes:

- Tree branches, wood products, metal items, and minimal concrete
- If you are on a city garbage collection route, city crews will pick up the materials if you follow these steps:
 1. Separate materials by type into piles.
 2. Piles must be placed at the street curb on the day that your regular garbage is picked up. These items will not be picked up in alleys.
 3. Piles must be placed directly in front of your property and not in front of adjacent neighboring property.
 4. Tree branches shall be no longer than 10' in length.
 5. Garbage cans set out for normal collection must be set away from piles and left in alleys.

City crews will pick up the materials listed

above that have been placed at the curb on April 12-16. This service is only available for residential customers on the regular city garbage collection routes.

The following materials CANNOT be picked up by city crews due to state regulations and other restrictions. Information for disposal of these items is provided below.

- Grass clippings and leaves: Grass and leaves may be disposed of at the transfer station free of charge throughout the summer. They will not be picked up by city crews during citywide cleanup. Grass clippings and leaves must be free of cans, paper and other debris.
- Old records, files, cans and clothing: These materials can be considered regular garbage and be disposed of or recycled with the routine garbage throughout the year.
- Newspapers, cardboard, plastics, tin and aluminum cans, and magazines: Recycle these items free of charge throughout the year. If you are on the city garbage collection route you may separate and set these items out with your routine garbage. Everyone in Yankton County, including businesses, may recycle these items free of charge by bringing the items to the transfer station.

For more information on using the River City Recycling Program go to www.cityofyankton.org.

- Tires, refrigerators, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, motor oils or automotive-type batteries:

1. Tires, refrigerators, air conditioners and dehumidifiers must be taken to the transfer station and a fee will be charged.

2. Motor oil may be taken to the transfer station and disposed of free of charge at any time.

3. Automotive-type batteries may be dropped off at the Battery Exchange on West Highway 50 or Yankton Metals at 1405 Bill Baggs Road.

• Paints, thinners, painting oils and other house hold hazardous waste.

It is best to use these materials up or give them to someone else that need them. Paints, thinners, and related items are considered hazardous waste and may not be disposed of at the transfer station. Any disposal procedures or plans will be advertised when developed.

• Construction, demolition debris, old buildings, etc.

1. Concrete or bricks from sidewalks, patios, and landscaping may be disposed of free of charge if kept separate from other waste and brought to the transfer station.

2. Construction debris and large amounts of rubble from building demolition of garages, storage sheds and houses, may be taken to the transfer station at any time and a fee will be charged.

The transfer stations regular hours other than during citywide cleanup are Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. The transfer station is not open on Sundays.

For further information, contact the City of Yankton Street Department at 668-5211.

Extension Master Gardener Training Set For Vermillion

VERMILLION — South Dakota Cooperative Extension Service will offer Master Gardener training in Vermillion.

The Master Gardener Program is designed for people interested in gardening, and most participants take part to both hone their gardening skills and find ways to contribute to their communities. Deadline for registration is April 1.

Participants attend nine class sessions encompassing more than 60 hours of study. Graduates must complete 50 hours of volunteer service to

their county Extension program in order to earn the title Master Gardener.

Vermillion training dates will be April 29; May 6, 13, 20, and 27; June 3, 10, 17, and 24. The training sessions will be held from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. For more information about the class including fees, requirements and class registration visit <http://horting.sdstate.edu> or visit any extension office.

Completed applications and deposit can be mailed to 901 Whiting Drive, Yankton, SD, 57078.

The South Dakota Master Gardener program covers lawn care, selection and care of ornamental trees and shrubs, insect, disease, and weed control. The course also addresses the safe use of pesticides, soils and plant nutrition, vegetable, fruit, and flower gardening, plant propagation, and herbaceous plants.

Training includes classroom instruction as well as outdoor learning. Trainees are encouraged to bring plant, insect, and disease samples to share with the class. Participants are encouraged to relate their own

gardening experiences with the group so everyone learns from individual experiences.

Participants complete 10 hours of volunteer work each year after graduating the basic course. Volunteer service ranges from answering telephone requests for information, hosting plant clinics, or speaking to groups. Other Master Gardeners assist with demonstration gardens, farmers markets, youth gardens, 4-H activities or write articles for local newspapers.

For more information, contact the Yankton County Extension office at (605) 665-3387.

Teacher-Ranger-Teacher Positions Still Available For Summer 2010

Have you ever dreamed of being a park ranger? Do you want to have your own ranger hat? If so, there are opportunities right here in Yankton! Keep reading to learn how to become part of our team.

The National Park Service at Missouri National Recreational River is still accepting applications for Summer 2010 Teacher-Ranger-Teacher positions. The new deadline for applications is April 2.

Teacher-Ranger-Teachers (TRTs) are just that and can have the best of both worlds. They continue their regular classroom teaching jobs during the school year and work as National Park Service Rangers for part of the summer.

Teacher-Ranger-Teachers will receive professional development hours plus \$300 per week. The park seeks and very much values the input of local teachers in the planning and design of the

new education program that will meet their professional development needs as well as the academic needs of their students.

The application and more information can be found on the park's Web site at <http://www.nps.gov/mnrr/forteachers/professionaldevelopment.htm>.

For questions or more information, visit the Web site or call Anne Doherty-Stephan, Chief of Interpretation and Education at 605-665-0209, ext. 29.

DHHS Receives Grant For Reproductive Health Services

LINCOLN, Neb. — The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services is seeking community-based providers from across the state to make family planning and reproductive health services available to low-income persons.

Approximately \$1.8 million for family planning and reproductive health services will be available for a 12-month period, thanks to a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Population Affairs.

Family planning/reproductive

health services include pregnancy testing, education, counseling and appropriate referral and follow-up. It also includes services such as STD testing and treatment, blood pressure screening, breast exams and pap smears.

Education to community groups, a requirement of the grant, will cover such topics as abstinence, birth control, sexual decision-making, drugs and alcohol, and sexually transmitted diseases.

The funding will be given to selected entities that demonstrate capacity and experience in providing family planning and other reproductive health services to low-income persons.

The request for applications, due May 17, can be found at: <http://www.dhhs.ne.gov/ReproductiveHealth>.

Questions about the application can be e-mailed to lifespan.health@dhhs.ne.gov.

Prairie Chicken Fance Tour Set For April 17

LAKE ANDES — The first Prairie Chicken Fance tour is shaping up to be a unique event just like the elusive prairie chicken itself is unique to the prairie.

The Buche bus is reserved and will leave early at 6:45 a.m. Saturday, April 17, to a location yet to be determined. Randall RC&D is sponsoring the event with the aim of educating people about our native bird and its habitat requirements. Sharp-tail Grouse may also be seen on this short one hour viewing tour. Many people, including locals, have never seen the strange dance or unique sound the males make when courting the females on the dancing grounds. South Dakota Game Fish and Parks will lead the technical part of the tour and give a short talk after the tour for those that are interested. More details to come but to reserve a seat on the bus, contact the RC&D office at 605-487-7077 ext. 4.

OBITUARIES

Mark Hanson

GARY, W.V. — Mark Allen Hanson, 53, son of Harlan and Mardell (Eliason) Hanson, was born in Sioux Falls, SD.

October 15, 1956 and passed away from complications from diabetes on March 12, 2010, in Gary, WV.

Services will be held Saturday, March 27, at Grand Valley Lutheran Church, Canton, SD at 10:30 AM. Interment will follow at the Grand Valley Lutheran Cemetery.

Mark was baptized and confirmed at Grand Valley Lutheran Church at Canton. He attended Grand Valley country school, and graduated from Canton High School. He attended baking school at Mitchell Vo-Tech and worked at various bakeries in the Sioux Falls area. He married Cindy Simonson on April 14, 1984. Mark later moved to Charleston, WV.

Mark enjoyed working on cars, reading and watching old movies. He is survived by his mother, Mardell Hanson Antes, Yankton;

step-sister Diane (Jerome) Goddard, Sioux Falls; aunts, Lois Reade, Yankton; Lillian Hanson, Harrisburg; and Mary Eliason, Canton; as well as several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Harlan Hanson; stepfather, Frank Antes; his grandparents and several aunts and uncles.

Anderson Funeral Home of Canton is in charge of arrangements. For an online registry please visit www.andersonandsonsh.com.

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Arlis Jorgensen

Arlis L. Jorgensen, 74, of Yankton died Monday (March 22, 2010) at her residence after a battle with cancer. Funeral service is 10 a.m. Friday at Christ the King Lutheran Church, Yankton, with Rev. Dani Jo Ninke officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery. Irene at approximately 12:30 p.m. Friday. Visitation is 4:30-8 p.m., with family present at 6 p.m. on Thursday at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a prayer service and video tribute at 7 p.m.

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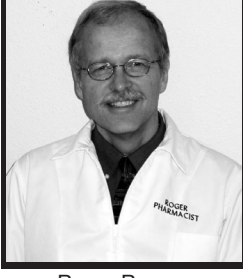
May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, Pray for Us: St. Jude, worker of miracles, Pray for Us: St. Jude, Helper of Hopeless, Pray for Us.

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