

### NAMI Educational Meeting Slated Tonight

The National Alliance on Mental Illness, NAMI Yankton will host an educational meeting with discussion at 7 p.m. tonight (Monday) at the Yankton Community Library. The meeting is open to the public.

Dr. Emily Becker will speak on Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, PTSD. This is a mental disorder affecting 1 in 30 people in the U.S. in any given year. War veterans are especially vulnerable. Roughly 10 percent of women and 5 percent of men are diagnosed with PTSD in their lifetime. They can feel stuck in a pattern that can include anxiety, anger, irritability, sleeplessness and substance abuse.

If you have any questions, call Steve at 665 1732.

### Vermillion Debaters Place At State Tourney

From P&D Staff Reports

ABERDEEN — Two Vermillion tandems shared state champion honors in the Class A Policy Debate division at the South Dakota State Debate Tournament in Aberdeen Friday and Saturday.

The Vermillion teams of Epiphany Knedler and Seth Miller, and Joe Miller and Philip Erickson were declared co-champions in the event.

Also for Vermillion:

- Seth Miller finished sixth in U.S. Speaking;
- In International Extemp, Jenny Sun placed second and Sowmya Ragothaman was sixth;
- Knedler was second in Original Oratory;
- Sun and Robert Erickson were semifinalists in Lincoln Douglas Debate.

### St. Rose Of Lima Fish Fry In Crofton Friday

CROFTON, Neb. — The St. Rose of Lima Fish Fry will be held at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Crofton, Neb., on Friday, March 9. The event runs from 5-8:30 p.m.

For more information, email djmcfarland01@gmail.com.

### SDDOT Announces New Service

PIERRE — The South Dakota Department of Transportation is offering a new service for travelers called ClearPath 511.

ClearPath 511 is a free alert service providing information on road closures, no-travel advisories, and highway flooding. Users can choose to receive alerts by e-mail or text messages for specific highway routes, days of the week, and times of day fitting their individual needs. Standard text messaging rates apply.

"ClearPath 511 is another tool the South Dakota Department of Transportation is using to provide travelers with the most complete and up-to-date information," says Kristi Sandal, Public Information Officer. "Keeping the public safe is our No. 1 priority".

To subscribe to ClearPath 511, go to [www.safetravelusa.com/sd](http://www.safetravelusa.com/sd) and click on the intertwined CP symbol in the upper right hand corner of the page.

ClearPath 511 presents a menu offering a variety of options, settings, preferences and locations to receive alerts.

Road-closure alerts are automatic, while No-Travel-Advised or Flooding are optional choices.

# USD Completes Transition Self-Study

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota received notification from the NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification that the school has successfully completed the self-study process pursuant to NCAA requirements for Division I membership.

"This is a significant accomplishment and I want to thank all of the faculty, staff and students as well as members of the community who participated in the self-study process," said James W. Abbott, USD President. "The self-study was very thorough and it afforded the university an opportunity to review athletics as a whole and to examine specific aspects of the department that both satisfies NCAA requirements and meets our own expectations."

The self-study process involved everything from educating the campus community about

the athletic department's goals to demonstrating how athletics fits into the school's overall mission. According to James Bandy, associate athletic director for internal operations for USD Athletics, the NCAA certification process included thorough reviews of all athletic department areas and featured interviews with university administrators, coaches and staff — athletic and non-athletic. He said broad-based participation was significant in the successful completion of the self-study.

"Participation in this comprehensive self-study assessment validates the commitment from the university as an institution and that we are moving forward in conducting our intercollegiate athletics program consistent with the operating principles and standards established by the NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Cer-

tification in the areas of governance and commitment to rules compliance, academic integrity and student-athlete well-being," added Bandy.

The NCAA establishes benchmarks for all programs to achieve throughout a university's transition to Division I and in year four, that process included a self-study and site visit from a peer-review team, which was conducted at USD last September. Now completing its fourth year of the Division I reclassification process, USD has taken the final steps in its transition to becoming a Division I athletic program. In 2011-12, Coyote Athletics — with the exception of football — participated as a member of the Summit League. In the fall of 2012, Coyote football will become a member of the Missouri Valley Football Conference.

## Session

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constituents to the Department of Education and the governor's staff, as we've done, I think, a good job of over the last two months. I do think they understand it. That doesn't mean they have it all right or they have it all figured out, but hopefully going forward we can make some lemonade."

When asked if it would be a good idea for education groups to work on getting HB1234 repealed, Moser said he would advise against it, citing more important issues and a reluctance to "cloud the ballot."

However, Rep. Hunhoff disagreed. "My suggestion is that they should do it," he said. "I think the one thing that 1234 has done in a positive way is that it has really united teachers.... So why not keep that unity and build on it, because that hasn't always been done in the past."

Another major piece of approved legislation discussed by the lawmakers was the revised version of Gov. Dugaard's plan to give a one-time pay increase to state workers.

Sen. Hunhoff explained the details of the measure, which will still provide a 5 percent bonus as origi-

nally planned but will also include a floor and a ceiling on the increase in pay.

Rep. Hunhoff said he was pleased to see the Legislature do something for the lower paid state employees, many of whom work in Yankton.

"I really felt the 5 percent bonus made no sense," he said. "We have some employees making \$200,000-\$300,000, and it made no sense to me to be giving \$15,000 bonuses to some people and \$1,500 or even \$1,000 bonuses to some people in Yankton, when the ones who needed it were at the bottom end and are working just as hard or harder than the ones at the top end. I think we reached a good compromise in the end."

Moser added that he was overjoyed to see the bill pass.

"I will honestly tell you, of all the votes I've taken in my legislative career, I was probably never prouder than the green vote on 1137," he said.

The lawmakers also discussed Senate Bill 23, which makes the sale, possession and use of synthetic drugs a felony in South Dakota.

"The k2 bill was a good one," Moser said. "Unfortunately, it doesn't solve the problems. Something will replace it and we'll have to just keep working through it."

Rep. Hunhoff said the legislature made strides in the effort against drugs by passing a bill that went be-

yond simply outlawing a single drug.

"It seems like all these synthetic drugs come along, and by the time the legislation catches up with it, the industry, if you want to call it that, is on to the next drug already, so it's hard for the legislation to keep up," he said. "This year we passed ... some broader legislation that allows the state to categorize the whole industry of synthetic drugs and get a hold of the process so we don't have to identify them specifically as we go along."

Rep. Hunhoff said the bill could create problems, as some synthetic drugs have viable uses for other purposes, but those issues are small compared to the need to control synthetic substances.

"The drug problem has to be dealt with," he said. "This is a serious issue right here in Yankton. I think most of us are oblivious to it, but I think it's a problem right here in our own community, and I promise you, it's a problem around the state. I think we made a great step in the right direction, and if we went to far, we'll fix it."

The legislators also commented on the budget bill that was approved late Friday night, which raised some concerns due to the fact that the bill left about \$4 million unspent — money that could have gone to schools and medical services.

Moser and Rep. Hunhoff both

said the extra \$4 million has garnered too much attention, as that amount represents such a minute percentage of the state's overall budget.

"It was really small potatoes in the end," Rep. Hunhoff said. "That's not the budget issue. Every day out there ... we have important decisions much bigger than the \$4 million either on the revenue side or the spending side. We made, I think, so many wrong decisions on revenue and spending all through the sessions that it's sad that the \$4 million right at the end was a point at all."

Sen. Hunhoff agreed that the \$4 million was not much when considering the entire budget, but she said with the economy and future funding in doubt, no amount is too small to add to the state's reserves.

"If the times do (get difficult) and federal dollars don't flow to the state, how do we make up that difference so we can continue to provide the services at the level?" she said.

Also during Saturday's session, Moser announced that he would not be running for re-election this fall. The Yankton Republican was first elected to the House in 2008 and was re-elected in 2010.

Sen. Hunhoff previously announced she would seek re-election, while Rep. Hunhoff said Saturday he remains undecided about his future plans.

## OBITUARIES

### Donna Criner

LE MARS, Iowa — Donna Kay Criner, 71, of Le Mars, Iowa passed away on Sunday, March 4, 2012 at Brentwood Good Samaritan Village in Le Mars.

A private graveside service will take place on Tuesday, March 6, 2012 followed by a time for family and friends at 2:30 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Wynot, Nebraska.



Criner

The Mauer-Johnson Funeral Home in Le Mars is assisting Donna's family with funeral arrangements. Memories and expressions of sympathy may be directed through [www.mauerjohnsonfh.com](http://www.mauerjohnsonfh.com).

Donna Kay Criner was born on May 21, 1940 in Wynot, Nebraska to Fritz and Zita (Kathol) Hochstein. She received her education in Wynot, graduating from Wynot High School. She furthered her education at business college in Sioux City, Iowa. Upon graduation, Donna moved to Phoenix, Arizona where she met Charles Criner.

In 1963, Donna and Charles were united in marriage. The couple made their home in Las Vegas, Nevada. Charles passed away on January 10, 1999.

Donna was employed as a status board operator at the Hilton Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. She retired on August 29, 2002. Donna moved to Le Mars, Iowa on April 25, 2005.

Donna will be lovingly remembered by her children, Michelle Criner of Las Vegas, NV, Lisa and Ren Eide of Le Mars, IA, Jackie and Grace Criner of Bullhead City, AZ and Charles W. Criner of Klamath Falls, OR; twelve grandchildren, Heather DeVine, Courtney Criner, Lauren Eide, Chelsea Kornbluh, Breanna Kornbluh, Edgar Criner, Ethan Criner, Steven Criner, Donnie Criner, Danny Criner, Amanda Criner and Aaron Criner; two great-grandchildren, Zachary DeVine and Angela Criner; a sister, Sharon and

Ervin Promes of Carroll, IA; a brother, Jim and Marilyn Hochstein of Des Plaines, IL; a sister-in-law, Arlyce Hochstein of Wynot, NE; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Charles; a son, Donnie; brothers, Larry and Randy.

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### Gladys Allen

LAKE ANDES — Gladys Elaine Allen, 79, died at her home in Lake Andes on Sunday, March 4, 2012.

Funeral service will be Wednesday, March 7, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at First Lutheran Church in Lake Andes with burial following in Lakeview Cemetery in Lake Andes.

Visitation will be Tuesday, March 4, 2012 from 5-7 p.m. at First Lutheran Church in Lake Andes with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m.

Arrangements by Koehn Bros. Funeral Home in Lake Andes.

Gladys Elaine Allen was born at home in Plankinton, SD on October 1, 1932 to Dwight and Josephine (Barton) Herrold and was baptized on February 11, 1940. She graduated from Plankinton High School in 1950 where she was employed by her father at Herrold Chevrolet in Plankinton. She and her family moved to Pickstown in June of 1950 to start a new business called Randall Motor Company and Gladys continued in her work as a bookkeeper. She met C. Red Allen and there were married on September 20, 1953. To this union, three great children were born, Bruce, Betty, and Chuck. Gladys and Red moved to Lake Andes in 1954 to work for Gladys father at a new business, Herrold Implement Co. in Lake Andes. Gladys continued her bookkeeping and worked part time for the of Lake Andes as city finance officer when her father was mayor. Gladys also kept books for a CAP program. Gladys and Red went into the custom harvesting business in 1964 until 1985. Gladys and Red moved to Yankton and Gladys managed and owned Allens Truck Plaza until closing in Novem-

ber of 1989. Gladys was one of the first employees of the new Wal-Mart in Yankton and stayed there for four years when they decided to come back to Lake Andes and help take of her parents. Gladys and Red had over 100 young people work for them over the years in the harvest business and she was a mom to all of them, she loved them all. Gladys was involved in all the church activities, she loved mission work — making blankets, dresses and all the other things for world relief, she was truly a "SERVANT OF GOD." Gladys wants every one to remember, "keep love of GOD in your heart." Gladys loved her family will all her heart and would drive many miles to watch her kids and grand kids play sports and any other activity they were involved in.

She is survived by her husband, C. Red Allen of Lake Andes, SD; three children: Bruce (Julie) Allen of Omaha, NE; Betty (Glenn) Matzke of Yankton, SD; and Chuck (Connie) Allen of Chandler, AZ; 16 grandchildren: Christopher Allen, Elizabeth Allen, Stephanie Lynch, Paige Allen, Nick Matzke, David Matzke, Sam Matzke, Matthew Matzke, Joseph Matzke, Jennifer Granflaten, Chipper Granflaten, Jeremy Granflaten, Chelsey Allen, Cassidy Allen, and Charlie Allen; 5 great-grandchildren: sister, Janice (George) Scott of Plankinton, SD; and two brothers, George (Karen) Herrold of Lake Andes, SD and Jim (Sally) Herrold of Pickstown, SD and Gold Canyon, AZ.

She was preceded in death by her parents, many aunts and uncles, and two nephews.

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### Raymond Mount

Raymond Earl Mount, 87, of Yankton died Saturday, March 3, 2012 at Avera Yankton Care Center in Yankton, SD.

Ray was born December 11, 1924 in California to James M. and Verna Alice (Steinpfad) Mount. He relocated to Yankton to be near relatives after the death of his wife.

He is survived by local relatives, one sister, Barbara Christensen, nieces and nephews; Tom Christensen, Jeff Christensen, Ellen Glidden and Diane Bohlman.

Memorial services and burial will be held in Oregon at a later date.

For obituary and online condolences, visit [hansenfuneralhome.com](http://hansenfuneralhome.com).

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### Isaac Thompson

Isaac N. Thompson, 4, of Freeman, son of Aaron and Jennifer Thompson, died Friday, March 2, 2012, at the Amplatz Children's Hospital on the University of Minnesota Campus, Minneapolis, Minn., after a valiant battle with JMML (Juvenile Myelomonocytic Leukemia).

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Calvary Baptist Church, Yankton, with the Rev. John Cooke and the Rev. Aaron Kilbourn officiating. Burial will be in the Rosehill Cemetery, Scotland.

There will be a prayer service at 6 p.m. Tuesday evening at the 1st Baptist Church, Parker with the Rev. Aaron Kilbourn officiating. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at Calvary Baptist Church, Yankton.

Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, is assisting with service details.

### Wilfred 'Bill' Hans

WYNOT, Neb. — Wilfred J. "Bill" Hans, 89 of Wynot, Neb., died Friday, March 2, 2012, at the Park View Haven Nursing Home, Coleridge.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Holy Family (Sacred Heart) Catholic Church, Wynot. Burial at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Wynot.

Visitation is 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at church with a vigil service at 7:30 p.m.

Arrangements are under the direction of Wintz Funeral Home, Hartington.

### Leonard Snook

HARTINGTON, Neb. — Leonard E. Snook, 82 of Hartington, Neb., died Thursday, March 1, 2012, at Park View Haven Nursing Home, Coleridge, Neb.

Memorial services are at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 10, at Wintz Funeral Home, Hartington, with the Rev. Gary Kimm officiating. Visitation will begin one hour prior to services on Saturday.

### Dale Ferwerda

SPRINGFIELD — Dale Ferwerda, 90, of Springfield died Saturday, March 3, 2012, at Avera St. Michael's Hospital, Tyndall.

His funeral service is at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Emmanuel Reformed Church, Springfield, with burial in the Springfield Cemetery with military honors.

Visitation is 2-7 p.m. Tuesday at Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home, Springfield, with the family present from 5-7 p.m.

### Linda Klaudt

Linda R. Klaudt, 63, of Yankton died Thursday, March 1, 2012, at a Yankton hospital.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 9, at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, Mound City.

Further arrangements are pending with Myers Funeral Home, Lincoln, N.D.

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