

Hartington Girl Wins Weather Poster Contest

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — A 10-year-old girl from northeast Nebraska has won first place in an annual state severe weather poster contest.

Brynn Wortmann, a fourth grade student from Holy Trinity in Hartington, earned first place with her poster: "Lightning is Frightening ... Respect It."

Blizzard Warning For Northeastern S.D.

ABERDEEN (AP) — A blizzard warning has been issued for several counties in northeastern South Dakota.

The National Weather Service says whiteout conditions are possible for Brown, McPherson, Edmunds, Faulk and Spink counties.

Weather service officials are not expecting a lot of snow with the storm, but winds are expected to pick up early Monday and gust as high as 45 to 50 mph.

The warning is in effect from 1 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday.

NU Officials Worry About Losing Federal Money

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — University of Nebraska officials worry their campuses may lose as much as \$15 million in federal funding because of the national budget woes.

And federal research awards already declined last fiscal year by 3 percent at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and by 2 percent at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Huron Hospital Lifts Visitor Restrictions

HURON (AP) — A Huron hospital has lifted visitor restrictions that were put into place more than six weeks ago because of widespread respiratory flu cases.

The Huron Regional Medical Center began limiting visitors on Jan. 30. The hospital had required guests to be over 12 years old, in good health and free of respiratory and stomach flu symptoms.

Hospital spokeswoman Janice Farrar tells the *Plainsman* newspaper that even though the restrictions are lifted, visitors should still consider that rest is important for patients.

Sioux Falls Drownings

Mom Says Son Was 'Biggest Hero'

By The Associated Press

SIoux FALLS — The mother of a man who died in an icy South Dakota river while trying to rescue a 6-year-old boy says her son made the ultimate sacrifice.

A search boat on Saturday discovered the body of 28-year-old Lyle Francis Eagletail in the Big Sioux River. Eagletail and 16-year-old Madison Leigh Wallace died when they tried to save Madison's brother, Garrett Martin Wallace, who later emerged from the river uninjured.

Eagletail's mother, Margaret, was among about two dozen family members and friends who watched the recovery effort Saturday at Falls Park.

"I think of my son as the biggest hero. He sacrificed himself for that little child and that's the way his grandmother brought him up, with much love and respect," Margaret Eagletail told KSFY-TV.

The incident happened Thursday afternoon. Witness accounts differ on whether someone pushed the boy out of the water or he popped up on a rock before being pulled ashore, Sioux Falls Fire Chief Jim Sideras has said.

The body of Madison Wallace, of Vermillion, was discovered Friday afternoon. Eagletail's body was discovered about 100 feet from her body in a part of the river that was about 12 feet deep, police said.

Margaret Eagletail thanked the rescue

workers after her son's body was recovered.

Jeff Helm, division chief for Sioux Falls Fire and Rescue, said the recovery of the body provided some closure for family members and searchers. Helm said he "can only imagine" what the family members of the two victims are going through.

"We are trying to keep them informed what the next steps are," Helm said.

The city of Sioux Falls is named after the Big Sioux River's cascading waterfalls in Falls Park, a tourist attraction where people often picnic or pose for wedding photos. The park draws about 525,000 visitors annually, according to the local visitors' bureau, and is an especially popular spot in the spring and summer.

Nebraska Lawmakers Will Initiate Gun Bill Debate

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Several conservative Nebraska lawmakers are initiating a new gun debate in the Legislature, with a series of measures modeled after proposals in other states.

Lawmakers will present the bills Wednesday to the Legislature's Judiciary Committee.

Sen. Bill Kintner of Papillion has introduced a bill that would prohibit the state from disclosing gun-permit information. He filed the measure in response to a New York

newspaper that published an interactive map of all gun permits in a two-county area. Kintner pointed to a similar measure in Maine, which passed last month with unusual bipartisan support.

Kintner said he plans to add an exception for the news media in cases where a gun owner has committed a crime. He has chosen the measure as his "priority bill" for the year, which increases the likelihood it will get debated. Kintner said the measure

builds on existing state law, which already shields concealed-carry permits from public disclosure.

"I want to make sure we protect not only permit-holders but non-permit holders," he said. "If you're a non-permit holder, and they print the permit-holder's name in the paper, that pretty much tells criminals where they can do a home invasion."

Sen. Charlie Janssen of Fremont has introduced a bill that would attempt to prevent the federal gov-

ernment from banning semi-automatic firearms, except for those already banned in Nebraska. Janssen is a Republican candidate for governor.

Nebraska lawmakers already have considered several proposed gun restrictions aimed at juveniles, introduced in the wake of the mass shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Connecticut. The 20-year-old shooter killed 20 students and six faculty members before committing suicide.

OBITUARIES

Delores (Dee) Horacek

Dolores (Dee) Jean (Almond) Horacek, 84, of Yankton, died peacefully in her home on March 15, 2013 after a year battle with cancer. She was surrounded by her loving family.

Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 20, 2013 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Yankton, with Rev. Mark Lichter officiating. Burial of her cremated remains will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Yankton, SD.

Visitations will begin at 5 p.m., Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a rosary at 7 p.m. followed by a Scripture service at 7:30 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

Dee was born in Miller, SD to Carl and Georgia Almond on April 28, 1928. She lived in Miller until graduating high school. After graduating she went east to be a nanny and attend art school. Shortly she returned home to South Dakota State University where she met the love of her life, Fran Horacek.



Horacek

They were married on November 11, 1950 in Miller, SD. They moved to Yankton where they began raising their family. After over 20 years in Yankton they moved to

Kadoka, SD where they opened up The Mercantile Store. They lived in Kadoka for 14 years where they made many friends and enjoyed western South Dakota life. Upon returning to Yankton they opened a men's clothing store, The Outrigger, where they both worked until deciding to retire.

For the remaining years of her life, Dee enjoyed watching and playing with her grandchildren and great grandchildren, playing bridge with all her friends, participating with the ladies of the Red Hat Society, sewing, painting, gardening, and making anyone she met laugh.

She was a strong and active person that lived life to the fullest. In her last year of life she gave the advice for everyone to

live and their family and to not sweat the small things.

Dee is survived by her husband Fran Horacek (Yankton), her children: Lynne(Doug)Nelson of Yankton; Matt Horacek of Hartford, SD; Luke Horacek of Yankton; Mary(Andy) Echtermeyer of Steamboat Springs, CO; Lisa Horacek of Steamboat Springs, CO; Margaret Stewart of Yankton; and Jamie Horacek of Browns Park, UT. Grandchildren: Jason(Jill Sternquist) Nelson, Heather (Justin) Olson, Sarah Horacek, Mason Horacek, Derrik Nelson, Jacob Stewart, Sam Stewart, Emma Stewart, and James Stewart all of Yankton. And great-grandchildren: Easton and Xavier Nelson; Burkley and Mathea Olson.

She was preceded in death by her mother, father, and infant brother and sister.

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Marvin 'Dick' Petzoldt

Mass of Christian Burial for Marvin L. "Dick" Petzoldt of Scotland will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2013 at St. George Catholic Church in Scotland with Fr. Matthew Vazhappilly as Celebrant. Organist is Georgianne Pravecek. Interment will follow on Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. in the Garden of Memories in Yankton. Casketbearers are Eric Huntimer, Mike Dummer, Steve Saylor, Brian Miller, Adam Huntimer, John Dummer, Mark Cookson and Chris Robinson. There will be military graveside rites by Paul Grosshuesch V.F.W. Post #2966, Joseph Verm American Legion Post #155 and the South Dakota Army National Guard Military Funeral Honor Guard.

Visitation will begin on Tuesday at 4 p.m. at the church and continue until a liturgical wake service at 7 p.m.

Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com

Marvin Lawrence "Dick" Petzoldt of Scotland was born on Tuesday, September 20, 1921 in Hubbard, Neb. to Herman and Gesine (Muddmeir) Petzoldt. He graduated from Scotland High School where he excelled in football and track. He worked in the CCC camps in Sturgis before attending Southern State Normal College in Springfield on a football scholarship. After the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Dick joined



Marvin "Dick" Petzoldt

the Navy on January 27, 1942. He served on the USS Savannah until it was bombed on September 11, 1943. He was honorably discharged on March 23, 1946. Dick was united in marriage to Rose Ann Freidel in Lesterville, South Dakota on September 23, 1948. To this union four children were born. They farmed near Scotland before purchasing their farm north of Yankton. In 1980, he retired to Scotland where he was actively involved in the DAV, Legion, and the VFW. He and Rose loved to travel and attended 23 reunions of the survivors of the USS Savannah. His favorite pastimes were playing cards and playing the harmonica. He shared his bountiful produce from his garden as well as the fish he caught with his friends and family. Dick passed away on Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at the Good

Samaritan Society of Scotland, having attained the age of 91 years, 5 months and 24 days.

Dick is lovingly remembered by his wife of 64 years, Rose; his four children: Darlene (Dan) Huntimer of Watertown, Richard Petzoldt of Utica, Duane Petzoldt of Scotland, and Debra (Paul) Dummer of Lesterville; nine grandchildren: Laura Huntimer, Eric Huntimer, Adam (Amy) Huntimer, Mary Huntimer (Chris Robinson), Sara (Mark) Cookson, Mike (Lindsay) Dummer, Katie (Steve) Saylor, Amy (Brian) Miller, and John Dummer; and five great-grandchildren: Allison, Matthew, and Ashley Dummer, Olivia Saylor, and Alexis Huntimer; and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Herman and Gesine Petzoldt, a grandson, thirteen brothers and sisters, and several nieces and nephews.

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Madison Wallace

Madison Wallace of Vermillion, passed away Thursday, March 14, 2013 in Sioux Falls.

We have all been so blessed to have Madison in our lives. Everyone who knew her was touched by her sweet spirit. Our precious Madison graduated way too soon for us but she graduated in life with high honors. She was 16 years old when she jumped into the frozen river to save her little brother. She lived her life on behalf of others, and she died doing the same

Madison was born December 13, 1996 in Orem, UT to Jay and Lara (Knaphus) Wallace. She was currently a sophomore at the Vermillion High School.

She is survived by her parents Jay and Lara of Vermillion, three brothers; Corbyn, Micah and Garrett, and two sisters; Annika and Jenevieve. She is also survived by her grandparents Don (Joan) Wallace and Martin (Margaret) Knaphus, all of Orem, UT.

Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at 20 Mickleson Dr. in Vermillion with visitation beginning at 5 p.m. at the church. Final funeral rites and burial will take place in Orem. Visit hansenfuneralhome.com.

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Georgia Spiess

Georgia C. Spiess, 68, of Yankton died Saturday, March 16, 2013, at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, Yankton.

Services are at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 20, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home, Yankton, with the Rev. Dani Jo Ninke officiating.

Visitation is from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

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

Zelena Weisz

Zelena Weisz, 92, of Vermillion, passed away Friday, March 15, 2013 at the Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls.

Zelena Fuerst was born on March 17, 1920 in Hutchinson County, SD to Herbert and Anna Fuerst. She married Carl Weisz on June 8, 1939 in Kaylor. She spent many years working as a nurse's aide at the Dakota Hospital in Vermillion and was a volunteer with the Vermillion Care Center where she earned volunteer of the year in 1999 and the Vermillion Hospice earning Volunteer of the year in 1995. She was also an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church and the

quilters group.

She is survived by her two sons; Dennis (Kathleen) of Dakota Dunes, and Duane (Shirley) of Garden City, KS, five grandchildren, two step grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Visit hansenfuneralhome.com.

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Ferdinand 'Ferd' Spenner

Ferd Spenner, 93, of Hartington, Neb., died Saturday, March 16, 2013, at the Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

His services are pending at the Wintz Funeral Home, Hartington.

Joan Oswald

Joan I. Oswald, 82, of Yankton died Friday morning, March 15, 2013, at her residence.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 21, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Yankton, with the Rev. John Rutten officiating. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Yankton.

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Sessions will be held in Yankton in the fall.

Monday Session Topics:

April 1	Expectations on the Journey
April 8	Embracing the Uniqueness of Your Grief
April 15	Exploring the Grief
April 22	Experiencing Life Beyond

Presenter: Sheila Kramer, Aftercare Coordinator
Sheila is the aftercare coordinator for the Wintz Funeral Homes. She received her Master's Degree in School Counseling with an emphasis in Community Counseling and has over 22 years of counseling experience.

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