

### Gavins Pt. Ramp To Close For Dredging

The Gavins Point boat ramp dredging project will resume April 1 at Lewis & Clark Recreation Area. The area to be dredged is from the boat ramp to the end of Gavins Point.

The boat ramp will be closed until May 15. The Midway and marina ramps at Lewis & Clark Recreation Area will be open for use during the project.

### Church Offers Garden Plots To Public

Riverview Reformed Church is offering garden spots to the public. The fee is \$25 to help cover expenses and water.

The raised beds will contain 50 percent compost and 50 percent topsoil and will be ready to plant by the third week of April.

Sign up before April 15 by calling the church office at 605-665-9204. The church is located at 1700 Burleigh Street in Yankton. After signing up, someone will contact you with details.

### Forum To Discuss Crime Against Kids

As a kick-off for National Child Abuse Prevention Month, the public is invited to attend a FREE community forum, Fighting Crimes Against Children. Updates will be presented that evening regarding crimes committed in South Dakota against children and teens via the internet and by sex trafficking, and what is being done to stop them.

The forum will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 1, in the Yankton Middle School Theater, 2000 Mulberry Street in Yankton. The guest presenters that evening will be:

- Brett Spencer, Special Agent with the SD Dept. of Criminal Investigation, and a member of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force in South Dakota.
- Kevin Koliner, Deputy U.S. Attorney, who serves as Appellate Chief for the District of South Dakota, and as the designated civil rights prosecutor for the district.

The Fighting Crimes Against Children community forum is sponsored by the Southeast CASA Program, with co-sponsorship from the Yankton School District, Yankton Area Mental Wellness, Inc., Lewis & Clark Behavioral Health Services, the Yankton Morning Optimists Club and Healthy Yankton. CEU's will be available upon request.

For more information, contact Sherri Rodgers-Conti at the Southeast CASA Program, by email at contactus@southeastcasa.org/, or by phone at 760-4825.

### Noem's Office Seeking Summer Interns

WASHINGTON — Rep. Kristi Noem is now accepting applications for summer internships in her Sioux Falls, Rapid City, Watertown and Washington offices.

Interns will have the opportunity to work on a number of legislative, constituent service and communications projects that give them a window into the legislative process and the countless functions of a congressional office. Candidates applying for either full-time or part-time internship positions should be motivated, detail oriented and possess strong oral and written communication skills.

To apply, submit a resume, cover letter and references to Christiana.Fraze@mail.house.gov by April 11.

# Brookings Boy Wins SD Spelling Bee

## Yankton's Benoit Comes In Second

VERMILION — With the correct spelling of "reprehensible," eighth grade student Antonio Lansang of Brookings won the oral competition of the University of South Dakota Scripps Spelling Bee on Saturday, March 22.

Lansang, who qualified after participating in the Sioux Falls Regional Scripps Spelling Bee earlier this winter, outlasted eighth grader Adele Benoit of Yankton and his sister, Angela Lansang, a sixth grader from George S. Mickelson Middle School, after 30 rounds of the oral competition. His parents are Zoilo and Agnes Lansang of Brookings.

Benoit, from Sacred Heart Middle School, was the runner-up and Angela Lansang finished in third place.

Antonio Lansang, also a George S. Mickelson Middle Schooler, advances to the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C., May 25-30. In addition to transportation and accommodations for himself and one parent to participate in the National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C., he received a Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, 11th Edition, donated by Merriam-Webster. Fifteen students from five South Dakota regions (Rapid City, Mitchell, Sioux Falls, Vermillion and Castlewood) participated in the state spelling bee.

Antonio Lansang also finished first in the written test of the South Dakota State Spelling Bee, which was at Farber Hall inside Old Main on the USD campus. Kevin Baltzer, an eighth grade student at Huron Middle School, was second in the written competition while Benoit was third. Additional participants included Nana Addo of Dakota Dunes (Dakota Valley Middle



Lansang

School), Carolyn Blaha of Dante (Wagner Community School), Gabe Fendrich of Sioux Falls (Edison Middle School), Jordan Holthe of Sioux Falls (Sioux Falls Christian), Kadarkara Harshavardhan of Vermillion (Jolley Elementary School), Veronica Knipping of Gann Valley (Highmore-Harold Elementary), Noah Krull of Sturgis (Sturgis Elementary), Marilyn Larsen of Rosholt (Rosholt School), Ryan Light of Sturgis (Sturgis Elementary), Jace Oesterling of Custer (South Dakota Christian Home Education of Rapid City) and Lana Tintor of Sioux Falls (Whittier Middle School).

The Scripps National Spelling Bee is administered on a not-for-profit basis by the E.W. Scripps Company and local spelling bee sponsors in the United States, American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Department of Defense Schools in Europe; also, the Bahamas, Canada, China, Ghana, Jamaica, Japan, New Zealand and South Korea. The competition is open for students in first grade through the eighth grade.

## HFH Bike Team Seeks Donations For Rummage Sale

The Habitat for Humanity Bike Team is seeking donations for its annual rummage sale. Items will be accepted at First United Methodist Church, 207 W. 11th Street in Yankton beginning March 24; use the Cedar Street entrance. Habitat will also pick up donations if needed; call Tom and Jane Gilmore at (605) 665-8303 to schedule a time.

The Habitat Rummage is a popular two-day sales event with all proceeds benefitting Habitat for Humanity of Yankton County. The bike team hosts this rummage to help fulfill their requirement of raising at least \$900 per rider to be donated to the affiliate of their choice.

The current bike team members are Glen and Barb Mechtenberg, Tom and Jane Gilmore, Barb and Heidi Olson, Liza Larson and Julie Dykstra. Last year, the bike team raised \$20,955 for Habitat of Yankton County.

The sale will be Friday, April 4, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday, April 5, from 8 a.m.-noon.

## Yankton Fourth Grade Classes to Celebrate National Ag Week

American agriculture provides the necessities of everyday life: food, fiber, clothing and now fuel. That's the message that farmers will share with Yankton students to celebrate National Ag Week, which is March 24-28.

Dairy farmer Vicki Schultz, Freeman, will join pork producer Jim Petrik, Gayville, in visits with fourth graders at Webster Elementary. The dairy and hog farmer hope to educate students on how they care for their livestock and help them understand how South Dakota's number one industry affects nutrition and food supply, as well as agriculture's economic, social and environmental significance to all Americans.

The schedule for the classroom visits is as follows: Webster Elementary; Thursday, March 27, 2 p.m.

"The impact on South Dakota's economy alone from agriculture is over \$20 billion," Steve Rommereim, Ag United President and Alcester farmer, said. "And on a national scale, agriculture is America's number one export. But it's still easy to take agriculture for granted. We want to instill an appreciation for agriculture in our

local youth, advance an awareness of South Dakota's contribution and promote agricultural literacy."

Ag United will do more than talk; they're providing a pizza party too. During the visit, producers will help the students understand that the ingredients in the pizza are produced by farms, and also explain how those products are then processed and made into the pizzas that the students are enjoying.

In addition to the visit in Yankton, Ag United, along with its coalition members, Associated Milk Producers, Valley Queen Cheese and Land O'Lakes will sponsor Ag Day pizza party events for fourth and fifth graders at schools in Milbank, Sioux Falls, Watertown, Brandon, Mitchell and Harrisburg.

"Ag Day provides a great opportunity for South Dakota agricultural producers to share the story of where food comes from," added Rommereim. "And for many of these students, this is their first opportunity to learn about agriculture from actual producers."

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Supplemental funds provided by Lewis & Clark Chapter, Thrivent Financial