

# Science Olympiad Champs!

## Yankton High School Wins 27th State Title In 30 Years

The Yankton High School Science Olympiad team won the 30th annual South Dakota Science Olympiad State Tournament held on the campus of the University of South Dakota in Vermillion on Saturday, March 22.

The 15-member team and two alternates competed in the 23 science events in the C division of the Olympiad and won first place in ten of the events, second place in seven events, third place in four and fourth place in two of the events.

YHS teams have won first place in 27 of the 30 Science Olympiads held in South Dakota. (The very first Olympiad was not open to the C division.)

Winning first place gold medals in the following events were:

- Garrett Adam and Cody Perakslis in Astronomy;
- Layne Droppers and Sam Gusso in Boomilever;
- Mikayla Trenhaile and Heather Hauer in Bungee Drop;
- Sam Gusso and Joseph Kelly in Compound Machines;
- Garrett Adam and Ted Anders in Dynamic Planet;
- Layne Droppers and Heather Hauer in Elastic Launched Glider;
- Alexa Bryan and Cody Perakslis in Forensics;
- Heather Hauer and Alexa Bryan in MagLev;
- Layne Droppers and Joseph Kelly in Mission Possible;
- Layne Droppers and Sam Gusso in Scrambler.

Winning second place sil-



Member of the 2014 South Dakota State Science Olympiad Division C Champion Yankton High School team are, front from left: Mikayla Trenhaile, Sam Gusso, Layne Droppers, Amber Livingston, Alyssa Schild, Joseph Kelly and Ted Anders; second Row: Garrett Adam, Kim Cap, Jon Barkl, Story Leshler, Kiera Schieffer and Sophie McKee; third Row: Alexa Bryan, Broc Mauch, Heather Hauer, Cody Perakslis and Coach Robert Medeck.

ver medals in the following events were:

- Ted Anders and Story Leshler in Circuit Lab;
- Amber Livingston and Alexa Bryan in Chemistry Lab;
- Alyssa Schild and Jon Barkl in Designer Genes;
- Alexa Bryan and Kim Cap in Disease Detectives;
- Broc Mauch and Mikayla Trenhaile in Entomology;
- Amber Livingston, Alyssa Schild, and Broc Mauch in Experimental Design;
- Kim Cap and Story Leshler in Rocks and Minerals.

Winning third place bronze

medals in the following events were:

- Garrett Adam and Mikayla Trenhaile in Anatomy & Physiology;
- Jon Barkl and Cody Perakslis in Materials Science;
- Joseph Kelly and Amber Livingston in Technical Problem Solving;
- Broc Mauch and Garrett Adam in Water Quality.

Winning fourth place was Alyssa Schild and Ted Anders in Geologic Mapping and Story Leshler and Kim Cap in Write It Do It.

The YHS team won with a low score of 44 points, followed by Brookings High

School with 49, and Dakota Valley High School with 70. A total of seven high schools participated in the Science Olympiad C Division. The team was coached by Robert Medeck and Brooks Schild. From last November through the Olympiad the team has been assisted by many parents, community mentors, and district staff.

Because of their outstanding performance at the State Science Olympiad, the team is invited to represent the State of South Dakota at the Science Olympiad National Tournament hosted by the University of Central Florida in Orlando, Fla., May 15-17.

### OBITUARIES

#### Martin Nielsen

Martin "Jack" Nielsen, 87, of South Sioux City, Nebraska, formerly of Vermillion, died Sunday, March 23, 2014 at his residence.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Kober Funeral Home, Vermillion.

#### Neva Lovejoy

Funeral services for Neva Lovejoy, 72, of Bloomfield, Neb., will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 26, 2014, at First Trinity Lutheran Church in Bloomfield. The Rev. Jacob Bobby will officiate, with burial in the Bloomfield City Cemetery.

Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Tuesday at First Trinity Lutheran Church in Bloomfield.

Brockhaus Funeral Home of Bloomfield is in charge of arrangements.

Neva died Saturday March 22, 2014, at her home.

#### Shawn Larson

Shawn Michael Larson, 40, of Yankton, died Saturday, March 22, 2014 at his residence.

Memorial services are at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 27, at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Chapel, Yankton, with the Rev. Steve Weispennig officiating. Burial of Shawn's cremated remains will be at a later date.

Visitations will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

#### LaVerne Brucklacher

LaVerne Brucklacher, 85, of Freeman died Sunday at the VA Hospital in Sioux Falls.

Funeral services are at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 26, at the Salem Free Lutheran Church of rural Freeman.

Visitation is 4-7 p.m. today (Tuesday), with the family present from 5-7 p.m., at the Walter Funeral Home in Freeman.

#### Ruth Wright

Ruth E. Wright, 92 of Yankton died Monday morning, March 24, 2014 at Avera Yankton Care Center, Yankton.

Funeral services are at 11 a.m. Friday, March 28, at St. John's Lutheran Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Dave Gunderson officiating. Burial will be in the Rosehill Cemetery, Scotland at approximately 1:15 p.m.

Visitations begin at 5 p.m. Thursday, March 27, at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton with a 7 p.m. Prayer service. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

#### Marvin Meyer

Marvin (Bruce) Meyer, 82, died Saturday, March 22, 2014 at Alegent Health Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Thursday, March 27 at 10 a.m. at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Tabor with Rev. Steven Jones officiating.

Burial will be in the church cemetery with military graveside rites by the Kortan-Hatwan American Legion Post #183, Tabor.

Visitations will be from 5-7 p.m., Wednesday, March 26 at the Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Tabor with a 7 p.m. Wake service. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service.

#### Bernatta Schuh

Bernatta M. Schuh, 85, of Yankton, died Sunday March 23, 2014 at the Good Samaritan Center in Tyndall.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m. Thursday, March 27, at First Assembly of God Church in Yankton with Pastor Jeff Mantz officiating. Burial will be in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Yankton.

Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton, with a prayer service, video tribute and time of sharing at 7 p.m.

Visitation will resume one hour prior to the funeral on Thursday.

To post an online sympathy message, visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

#### Deborah Sudbeck

Deborah E. Sudbeck, 51 of Crofton, Neb. and died on Sunday, March 23, 2014 at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 27, at Holy Family (Sts Peter & Paul) Catholic Church in Bow Valley, Neb., with the Rev. Eric Olsen officiating. Burial will be in the Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery in Bow Valley.

Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Wednesday, with a vigil service at 7 p.m., at the Wintz Funeral Home in Crofton. Visitation will begin one hour prior to services on Thursday at the church.

To send online condolences, or to view the video tribute, visit www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

#### Dennis Hacecky

Dennis E. Hacecky, 62, of Utica died unexpectedly Sunday evening, March 23, 2014 at the Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, Yankton.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 28, at St. Benedict Catholic Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Ken Luft officiating. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Yankton. Fellow bikers are asked to ride their motorcycle as honor guard on Friday in memory of Dennis.

Visitations begin at 5 p.m. Thursday, March 27, at St. Benedict Catholic Church, 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.

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

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## YMS Continues Dominance As It Claims State Crown

The Yankton Middle School Science Olympiad team won the 30th annual South Dakota Science Olympiad State Tournament held on the campus of the University of South Dakota in Vermillion on Saturday, March 22.

The 15-member team and three alternates competed in the 23 science events in the B division of the Olympiad and won first place in 12 of the events, second place in six events, third place in three and fourth in one and sixth in one of the events.

The YMS team has won first place for the 30 years that Science Olympiad has been in South Dakota.

Winning first place gold medals in the following events were:

- Cole Miller and Jacob Paulsen in Boomilever;
- Alex Palacek and Hunter Lippert in Dynamic Planet;
- Kelsey Westerman and Kyle Rowe in Meteorology;
- Hunter Lippert and Leah Waid in Road Scholar;
- Jacob Paulsen and Price Jensen in RoboCross;
- Lauren Schild and Price Jensen in Rotor Egg Drop;
- Cole Miller and Ben Rust in Shock Value;
- Sam Herrboldt and Ben Rust in Simple Machines;
- Lauryn Perk and Ben Rust in Solar System;
- Lean Waid and Katie Schaeffer in Sounds of Music;
- Kelsey Westerman and Javier Lopez in Water Quality;
- Cole Miller and Price Jensen in Wheeled Vehicle.

Winning second place silver medals in the following events were:

- Alex Palacek and Leah Waid in Crime Busters;
- Javier Lopez and Kyle Rowe in Disease Detectives;
- Kelsey Westerman, Lauryn Perk and Sam Herrboldt in Experimental Design;
- Price Jensen and Jacob Paulsen in Helicopters;
- Alex Palacek and Ryan Knight in Heredity;



The 2014 Division B State Champion Yankton Middle School team includes, front from left: Hunter Lippert, Leah Waid, Kelsey Westerman, Katie Schaeffer, Lauryn Perk, Lauren Schild and Allyson Trenhaile; second Row: Ben Rust, Jacob Paulsen, Price Jensen, Cole Miller, Ryan Knight, Sam Herrboldt and Katie Hammond; third Row: Coach Tom Merrill, Leola Felton, Alex Palacek, Javier Lopez, Kyle Rowe, Skylar Brockmueller, Coach Cheryl Schaeffer and Coach Brooks Schild.

• Lauren Schild and Javier Lopez in Rocks and Minerals.

Winning third place bronze medals in the following events were:

- Hunter Lippert and Katie Schaeffer in Anatomy;
- Ryan Knight and Katie Schaeffer in Entomology;
- Sam Herrboldt and Ryan Knight in Metric Mastery.

Winning fourth place was

Lauren Schild and Lauryn Perk in Can't Judge a Powder and in sixth place Kelsey Westerman and Hunter Lippert in Write It Do It.

The YMS team won with a low score of 43 points, followed by Sacred Heart Middle School Yankton with 73 points, and Vermillion Middle School with 80 points. A total of eight middle schools participated in the Science Olympiad B Division. The team was coached

by Brooks Schild, Cheryl Schaeffer and Tom Merrill. The YMS Science Olympiad Team has been preparing for competition since November.

The Yankton Middle School Science Olympiad team is invited to represent the State of South Dakota at the Science Olympiad National Tournament hosted by the University of Central Florida in Orlando, Fla., on May 15-17.

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#### Thank You

We thank all who assisted at our recent accident, Sunday, March 16th; for their prompt arrival of the emergency personnel and fire departments from Yankton County and Irene, the law enforcement officer, the ambulance crew, our nephew, and all the Good Samaritan people at the scene.

We appreciate the people in Yankton County and the Irene communities, friends who called, cared and visited, and are assisting us at this time.

*May God Bless You, Lyle & Jean Hauger*

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