

CASA Fundraiser Slated March 14

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The Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children (CASA) is holding a fundraiser tonight (Saturday) at Minerva's in Yankton.

Ryan Cwach, South East CASA Board President, believes CASA's service to children in this community is invaluable.

"As an attorney that deals with the court system I can only imagine how terrifying those proceedings may be for a young child who likely struggles to understand the importance of these hearings," he said.

CASA provides free advocacy services for abused and neglected children who are involved in the foster care and family court systems.

He added that it's important that children in this area have a community representative appointed by the court tasked with looking out for the child's best interest.

"It's a great cause to see that the children's interest is



COURTESY PHOTO
 The Dueling Duo will be the featured entertainment at the Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children (CASA) "Reverse Your Luck" fundraiser in Yankton tonight.

advocated," he said.

This event, with a St. Patrick's Day theme, will open its doors at 5:30 p.m. for registration and social hour. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by the Dueling Duo at 8 p.m.

The Dueling Duo, Andy Gibson and Ryno, make a great pair and wows audiences everywhere they go.

than \$3,000. Anyone purchasing a ticket to the event will be entered into a "reverse raffle." The first place winner wins \$1,000 cash. The other awarded prizes are \$500, \$100, \$50. (You do not need to be present to win. The winner will have 30 days to claim the cash prize.) Tickets are \$50 per ticket. This includes dinner, reverse raffle cash prizes and the dueling pianos show.

Sherri Rodgers-Conti, South East CASA Director, said, "We all care about the well-being of abused and neglected children and want to see them grow up in safe, nurturing homes. Attending the Reverse Your Luck fundraiser is a way to support CASA's child advocacy work for these kids, giving them their best chance at a brighter future."

"Every dollar raised stays right here to help the kids served by our local program," she added.

For tickets, call or text Southeast CASA office 605-760-4825; Text 605-760-5133 or 605-616-0165; or Email — reverseyourluck@yahoo.com/.

Joining the duo is an amazing fiddle and saxophone player. The show is different each time because it's requests from the audience. For more information, visit www.andygibsonmusic.com/.

A few activities are planned during the dinner with a 7:30 p.m. grand prize drawing. Guests can win cash and prizes valued at more

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Yankton Fire Hydrants To Be Flushed

The City of Yankton Water Department will be flushing fire hydrants for a one-week period from March 16-20.

Flushing will begin at the west edge of the city and move to the east.

Water users should use care during this time as there may be some temporary discoloration of the water.

PETS AVAILABLE

The Heartland Humane Society has the following pet available:

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For more information, call (605) 664-4244 or e-mail hhs@midconetwork.com. Visit the Humane Society's website at www.heartlandhumane.com.

OBITUARIES

Kathy Hoebelheinrich

Kathy Ann Hoebelheinrich passed peacefully from her earthly life at the family home in rural Menominee, NE at age 49 on March 7, 2015.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:00 a.m., Monday, March 16, 2015 at St. Boniface Catholic Church, Menominee, NE with Rev. Jim Keiter officiating. Burial will be immediately afterwards at St. Boniface Cemetery.

Visitation with family will be 5-7 p.m., Sunday, March 15, 2015 at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton with a prayer service and rosary at 7:00 p.m. Visitation will resume at one hour prior to the service at the church.

All those attending services are encouraged to wear Husker red.

Kathy was born July 11, 1965 in Yankton. She was the youngest child of Johanna E. (Wesseln) and the late Albin J. Hoebelheinrich.

Kathy lived her entire life at the family home in rural Menominee. She was diagnosed at an early age with Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis. A catastrophic medical event at age 10 left her paralyzed from the neck down and unable to breathe on her own



Hoebelheinrich

without ventilator support. She relied on family and private in-home caregivers for on-going, extensive skilled care for the rest of her life. At least sixteen young women who have cared for Kathy over the years have gone on to pursue careers in health care.

Kathy survived multiple illnesses, surgeries/procedures and hospitalizations for nearly forty years, living well beyond her projected life expectancy. She recently told her parish priest, Father Jim Keiter that she had never thought of herself as suffering a single day of her life.

Kathy will be remembered for her tenacity and persistence. She made certain that she always had a milestone or planned event to look forward to. She was able to complete her studies at home and graduated from West Catholic, Fordyce and Cedar Catholic, Hartington with her classmates. She also completed two years of college studies.

She was a loving daughter and sister; a bridesmaid; a godmother; and, a doting

aunt and great-aunt, rarely missing a birthday or other occasion to present a card and gift. She enjoyed planning family gatherings and parties; avidly collected recipes and directed the kitchen testing at home; and, looked forward to getting out of the house to go shopping. She was a die-hard Nebraska Husker fan. She surrounded herself with animal pets on the farm as a young child and regarded, Max, a rescue dog and faithful bedside companion until his death a year ago as her best friend. She was faithful to daily rosary and prayer.

She is survived by her mother, Johanna; six siblings and their families: Jean (Reid) Holkesvik, Aberdeen, S.D.; Karen (Terrence) Flynn, Falls City, NE; Gary (Katherine Kabes), Lincoln, NE; Larry, Fordyce; Dennis (Lori Hoelsing), Fordyce; and, Janice (Doug) Goltz, Falls City, NE.

Kathy is preceded in death by her father, Albin J. Hoebelheinrich; paternal grandparents, Anton and Mary Hoebelheinrich; maternal grandparents, Rudolf and Maria Wesseln; Godmother, Rosie (Wesseln) Tyler and Godfather, Tony Hoebelheinrich.

The family wishes to acknowledge the following for their support and service

over the years: Fr. Jim Keiter, Menominee; Fr. David Fulton, South Sioux City, NE; Fr. Tim Lange, Yankton; Fr. Jim Zimmer, Sanford Medical Center, Sioux Falls, SD; and, Msgr. Robert Roh, Falls City, NE; Dr. Richard Howard and Sanford Medical Center Pulmonary Nursing and support staff, Sioux Falls; Avera Sacred Heart Home Health and Hospice, Yankton; all lift team members at Sanford Medical Center, Kathy's loving caregivers and regular visitors at home, and the Wynot Rescue Squad. We also wish to acknowledge our extended family, neighbors and friends for their unconditional kindness, thoughtfulness and generosity.

In lieu of plants and flowers, please direct memorials to the Hoebelheinrich Family, 89329 559th Avenue, Fordyce, NE, 68736 to be divided among Kathy's designated charities—St. Boniface Church, Menominee; Women's and Children's Center/Shelter, Yankton; and Heartland Humane Society, Yankton.

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National Poison Prevention Week Set

LINCOLN, Neb. — Since 1962, the president of the United States has proclaimed the third week of March as National Poison Prevention Week to raise awareness about the dangers of poisonings and how to prevent them. This year, it's March 16-22.

According to the CDC, poisoning is the No. 1 cause of injury death in the U.S. with most deaths due to drug and medicine misuse and abuse. More than 3.1 million calls were received by poison centers last year and the Nebraska Regional Poison Center managed nearly 44,000 of those calls.

Anyone can call. Approximately half of those calls involved children under the age of six but the majority of deaths and serious cases occurred in teens and adults involving medications. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, poisoning causes 35,000 deaths each year. Drug-related poisonings result in nearly 700,000 emergency room trips each year.

Call Anytime. Poison centers are open 24/7/365. The calls are managed by health professionals, including registered nurses, pharmacists and physicians. These health professionals all have special training in poison management. A majority of the calls to poison centers can be managed at home and will save money and time by avoiding unnecessary emergency department visits.

Anywhere in the country when people call 1-800-222-1222, they are connected immediately to their poison center. This number should be programmed in all phones and posted in homes, schools and businesses.

St. Patrick's Dinner Slated March 17

The public is invited to Fermenting Faith's annual St. Patrick's dinner on Tuesday, March 17, serving for this traditional Irish meal will be 5-7 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, Yankton.

Call 665-2456 to reserve your tickets.

Trinity Lutheran To Hold Soup Kitchen

The annual Trinity Lutheran Church soup kitchen will be held Thursday, March 19, in the church's new Heritage Hall. The event runs from 11 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

The menu includes taverns, soup, pie and coffee. You will be seated at round tables and surrounded by the former sanctuary's beautiful stained glass windows. Because all serving is on the ground floor, there are no steps to negotiate. Greeters will be on hand at the entrances to direct guests to the meal. Proceeds from this year's soup kitchen will be added to Trinity's Pipe Organ Transplant fund.

STEAM Open House Slated March 23

VERMILLION — A STEAM open house will be held at the Edith B. Siegrist Vermillion Public Library's Kozak Room on Monday, March 23, from 3:30-5:30 p.m.

STEAM stand for "Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics."

A special highlight of this open house will be the recent successes of the Vermillion Area Robotics Club, and their winning SDSU BEST robots/VEX VRC robots. The VARC junior high and high school teams just competed in the South Dakota State VRC VEX Robotics Competition last month and won, which qualifies them to compete in the U.S. Open Robotics Championship in April. The teams will showcase their winning robots, and even invite visitors to try the BEST robots out on an obstacle course!

Additionally, there will be information available regarding upcoming programs from the Clay County 4-H, public library summer science and LEGO clubs, South Dakota Code Club, SDSU BEST Robotics, and Vermillion Area Robotics Club. Each of these organizations and programs is aimed to inspire student interest in science, technology and mathematics, with a focus on coding and robotic technology.

Parents and youth of all ages are encouraged to attend.

Don McNeely

Don M. McNeely, age 69 of Tabor, SD passed away Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, Yankton, SD.

Memorial services will be 10:30 a.m., Monday, March 16, 2015 at the Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Tabor, SD with Rev. Cody Raak officiating. Burial of his cremated remains will be in the Czech National Cemetery, Tyndall, SD at a later date.

Visitations will be 4 to 7 p.m., Sunday, March 15, 2015 at the Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Tabor, SD and then one hour prior to the service at the chapel.



McNeely

Don was born on October 13, 1945 at Yankton to Hugh and Gloria (Ward) McNeely. He grew up in Springfield and graduated high school in 1964. He went to SDSU for 2 years for a printing degree. He worked at Winner Advocate for 2 years then moved to Mitchell to work for the Mitchell Daily Republic for 4 years. He then made his career at Boller Printing in Yankton where he retired after 40 years of service. Don

married Mary Zapletal on July 23, 1971 and two children were born to this union.

Don and Mary made their home near Tabor and lived there on the farm until his passing. His passions in life were old cars, playing cards and had a cat by his side at all times. His bubbly talkative nature drew anyone in to his conversation.

He is survived by his wife, Mary of Tabor; son, Randy of Tabor; daughter, Melinda (Jeremy) Bertrand and their children: Zakk, Mage and Mederise, all of Tyndall; brother, Arlon (Marilyn) McNeely of Springfield; sister, Jean Becker of Wag-

ner; sister-in-law, Lorraine McNeely of Yankton; mother-in-law, Ruth Zapletal of Tabor; very close friends, Duane and Deanna Hill of Custer and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, two infant brothers and one infant sister, brother, Wendall, brothers-in-law, James Zapletal and Waldo Becker, and father-in-law, Adolph Zapletal.

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Betty Hemmingson

Betty Joan "BJ" Hemmingson, 81, passed away on Thursday, March 12, 2015, at the Avera Yankton Care Center, Yankton.

Memorial services will be 7

p.m. Tuesday, March 17, at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Chapel, Yankton, with the Rev. Dani Jo Ninke officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home

Richard Anderson

Richard "Dick" Anderson, 90, of Vermillion, SD, passed away on Thursday, March 12, 2015 at his residence after a long illness. Funeral service will be at 2:00 p.m., Monday, March 16, 2015 at Kober Funeral Home

in Vermillion. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service on Monday. Burial will take place at Bluff View Cemetery with military honors conducted by V.F.W. Clay Co. Post #3061.

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