

REGION DIGEST

Vermillion Recognized For Water Compliance

PIERRE — The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) announced that the City of Vermillion public water system and the system's certified operators have been awarded a Drinking Water Certificate of Achievement Award. The award is for outstanding water system operations and environmental compliance with state drinking water standards for the past year.

The system's certified operators are Randy Isaacson, Tom Kruse, Wade Mount, Fred Balleweg, Allen Clark, Curt Haakinson, Joshua Balleweg and Dale Husby.

To qualify for the Drinking Water Certificate of Achievement Award, public water systems, and their operators, had to meet all of the following requirements for 2009:

- Compliance monitoring.
- Drinking water standards.
- Distribute a Drinking Water Report.
- Lead/copper action levels.
- Comply with operator certification requirements.

Christian Home Educators To Host Conference

SIoux FALLS — Sioux Empire Christian Home Educators (SECHE) will host their Conference and Curriculum Fair in Sioux Falls on May 7-8.

This annual event is a resource for home educators and for those considering options other than public school. The two day conference has keynote speakers and 40 workshops that cover a multitude of issues. Speakers at this year's conference are Mark Hamby, James McDonald, Stacy McDonald, Vicki Tiede and Nancy Kelly.

The conference will be held at First Evangelical Free Church, 2601 W. 69th Street, Sioux Falls.

Visit www.seche.org (or phone Peggy at 605-582-7341) for information, fees and registration.

Czech Day Costume/Exchange Sale May 8

TABOR — The Czech Day costume exchange/sale will be held at 9-11 a.m. Saturday, May 8, at the Community Center in Tabor.

Unwanted or outgrown items are welcome to be brought to the Center for exchange or sale.

Advisory Board, Commission Seats Open

The Yankton City Commission is seeking residents to fill openings on the various City of Yankton Advisory Boards and Commissions.

The openings for 2010 include:

- Three vacancies on the Planning Commission;
- One vacancy on the Yankton Community Library Board;
- Two vacancies on the Park Advisory Board;
- Two vacancies on the Fox Run Golf Advisory Board;
- Three vacancies on the Airport Advisory Board.

Anyone who is interested in filling one of the openings should submit a letter of interest to the mayor and city commissioners including your reason for wanting to serve on the respective board or commission. Letters may be sent to: Mayor, c/o City Manager's Office, P.O. Box 176, Yankton, SD 57078.

The deadline for these inquiries is Friday, May 14.

Food For Fines At Yankton Library May 8-16

Participate in the Yankton Community Library's Food for Fines during May 8-16 by bringing in Mother's Helper, Tuna Helper or tuna.

Note that the library will take only the specific item, and donations will only be accepted during the designated week. All donations go to the Contact Center.

For further information, call the library at 605-668-5275.

AMA Wants Mothers To "Go Red For Women"

The American Heart Association and Go Red for Women have a suggestion for a Mother's Day gift that won't cost a dime and could save a mother's life: the gift of heart health.

Go Red for Women is asking daughters and sons across South Dakota to sit down with their mothers this Mother's Day and sign them up for the Go Red for Women movement.

Women who join the movement learn that small everyday choices like exercise, nutrition, and stress can make a big impact on health and life. To date, 96 percent of women who have joined the movement have made some sort of change to improve their cardiovascular health.

Participants receive all the tools they need to improve their cardiovascular health:

- free unlimited online resources
- a monthly e-mail newsletter
- a one-time mailing
- free recipes
- a free red dress pin

To sign up, log on to www.GoRedForWomen.org or call 1-800-AHA-USA1.

■ Get Updates At Yankton Online (www.yankton.net)

IN REMEMBRANCE

Maria P. Kirkendall
10:30 AM, Thursday
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Yankton College Creates Partnership With Eden Theological Seminary

At the Yankton College Board of Trustees meeting held April 16-17 in Yankton, it was agreed to accept a proposal from Eden Theological Seminary in St. Joseph, Mo., to create a partnership which would continue the YC ministry program in the South Dakota and Northern Plains Conferences.

The original campus-based Yankton College School of Theology was a five-year program which granted both a BA and BTh (Bachelor of Theology) degree to young men and women who felt the call to Christian ministry and who then became pastoral leaders in pulpits in every state of the United States.

In 1996 a program was inaugurated which paralleled that same intention, but which target-

ed lay people who wished to assume leadership in their home churches; that program was expanded geographically and academically so that by 2000 program participants could not only become licensed ministers but also an ATH (Associate of Theology) degree was being granted.

In the spring of 2009 the program was put on a one-year hiatus while inquiries and explorations were held in order to determine more efficient ways of delivering the curriculum to participants. Discussions with Eden Theological Seminary were begun, which resulted in the inking of the collaborative agreement, heralded by Board of Trustee members as "a way of bringing together two institutions with but one goal."

Eden's past roughly resembles YC's own as well as that of what was once known as the Congregational Christian Church. Established in 1850 in Marthasville Mo., the school was designed to prepare pastors with a European background to serve in the Evangelical churches just as YC prepared pastors with similar cultural backgrounds for the Congregational churches. Some mergers and relocations brought Eden to its present location in Webster Grove, Mo., and in 1957 Eden's President Samuel D. Press and the Rev. Truman Douglass spearheaded the merger of the Evangelical and Reformed denomination and the Congregational Christian denomination into the present United Church of Christ. Thus, the newest merger will

combine Yankton College's heritage and experience in serving the people of the Dakotas in face-to-face classes with the library, faculty and online resources of Eden Theological Seminary.

While details are still being discussed, it is certain that the new program will begin in the fall of 2010. Yankton College will implement the registration and record-keeping process while Eden will provide the initial faculty component.

Additional details will be provided as negotiations continue. It is expected that the program will be complete in time to be fully unveiled at the annual conferences of South Dakota and the Northern Plains, both of which will be held in June.

OBITUARIES

Patricia Bjorum

SCOTLAND — A graveside service for Patricia Ann Bjorum of Scotland will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 7 at Rosehill Cemetery in Scotland, followed by a luncheon at the Scotland VFW Hall.

Visitation will be held on Thursday from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., with a prayer service at 7:30 p.m., at the Goglin Funeral Home in Scotland. Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

Patricia Ann (Engel) Bjorum was born Thursday, August 24, 1944 at Springfield, South Dakota. Her parents were Fred and Gladys (Van Haltsma) Engel. Her mother married Elmer M. Johnson on January 28, 1948. They lived in Viborg for a while, then moved to Tyndall where she attended high school. She worked for several businesses in Tyndall until marrying Elden Bjorum on February 14, 1965. They made their home a half mile west of Scotland. They had five chil-

dren together and were married 45 years. She worked at home milking cows, managing a household, and her passion was gardening. Pat's first job outside the home was working as a cook at the Scotland Good Samaritan Center. She also worked various jobs around Scotland, including leasing the Frostie Shop and she owned and operated Pat's Café. She then worked for a number of years at the Scotland School doing janitorial work and as a library assistant. Patricia was known for being a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Patricia passed away on Tuesday, May 4 2010 at Landmann-Jungmann Memorial Hospital in Scotland, at the age of 65 years, 8 months, and 11 days after being afflicted with COPD.

Patricia's memory will be cherished by her husband, Elden Bjorum of Scotland; five children: Kristine (Tate) McCann of Vermillion, Brian (Brenda) Bjorum of Valley

Springs, Kerrie (Steve) Knakmuhs of Scotland, Jodi (David) Fischer of Menno, and Cory (Candy) Bjorum of Scotland; thirteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild; one sister, Darlene Slowey of Scotland; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Gladys Engel, her step-father, Elmer Johnson, a granddaughter, Brianna Bjorum, and two brothers, Jimmy Engel and Fred Engel.

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**Goglin
Funeral Home**
Tyndall - Scotland - Tripp



www.goglinfh.com

Darlene Cimpl

Darlene Rae Cimpl, age 84, of Yankton, passed away Saturday, May 1, 2010 at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton, SD.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 9:30 a.m. Friday, May 7, 2010 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Yankton, with Rev. Mark Lichter and Rev. Charles Cimpl concele-

brating. Burial will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Yankton, SD.

Visitations will be 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, with a rosary at 7:00 p.m. followed by a video tribute and 7:30 p.m. Scripture service at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, SD.

Pallbearers will be John Bottini, Alexander Bottini,

Colette Bottini, Eben Peck, Michael Chase, and Mark Chase.

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Online condolences at:
www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome.com

Lyle Davis

TRIPP — Lyle M. Davis, 74 of Tripp died Saturday, March 6, 2010, at the Good Samaritan Society, Tripp.

Memorial services are at 11

a.m. Saturday, May 8, 2010, at Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home, Wagner. Inurnment is in the ZCJB Cemetery, rural Wagner, with military honors.

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Hazel Nelson

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Steckler Eye Care Center,
508 W. 23rd, Yankton.

Johnson Staffer To Hold Economic Development Day In Clay County

SIoux FALLS — Sen. Tim Johnson has announced that Erik Nelson of his Sioux Falls office will hold an Economic Development Outreach Day in Clay County on Wednesday, May 12.

Nelson will visit Wakonda and Vermillion, including the University of South Dakota.

South Dakotans may call Johnson's office toll-free by dialing 1-800-537-0025 or also on his Web site at <http://johnson.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?p=ContactForm>.

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