

REGION DIGEST

RiverWalk 'Toast To Sculptors' On Thursday

After two years of planning and fundraising, the RiverWalk committee members will assist the first group of RiverWalk artists install their sculptures on Thursday, May 13.

"A Toast to the Sculptors" event will follow from 5-8 p.m. at the 7 Beer & Wine Bar at 104 Capitol Street. The event is open to the public and will feature music by the Jazz Experiment.

Ten sculptures will be placed downtown and in Riverside Park, with the help of the City of Yankton, Scott Luken of Luken Memorials and Bow Creek Metal. The sculptures will be on display for one year, and then be auctioned at a celebration and gala in April 2011. New sculptures will then be installed.

"The Thursday night event will be our way of welcoming the RiverWalk artists to Yankton, and introducing them to the town. It is also a culmination of hard work by the RiverWalk board, committee members, and our local sponsors," said RiverWalk President Lisa Scheve. "This project is a celebration of Yankton's support of such a large public art project."

Using a map and brochure provided by local stores, people can stroll through the sculpture walk and read about each piece of art and the artist. A celebration and auction in April will mark the end of each RiverWalk season and throughout the year people will vote for a people's choice award. That winner will receive a \$500 cash prize. New sculptures will be installed on a yearly basis.

For more information contact, Lisa Scheve, RiverWalk, president, at (605) 665-3636 or (605) 660-6541; or Katie Hunhoff, RiverWalk, vice president and marketing director, at (605) 665-6655.

Center To Host 'Just For You (Really!)' Show

The Center, 900 Whiting Drive, Yankton, will host a Just for You (Really!) Show, featuring home business items and a craft show, on Saturday, May 15. The show runs from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Door prizes and lunch will be available. For more information, contact Jody Clarke at 605-260-0807 or e-mail FeltPassions@yahoo.com.

'Keep It Local' Card Not Endorsed By Chamber

Calls have been coming into the Yankton Area Chamber of Commerce concerning a service called Stoney Creek Advertising promoting a "Keep It Local" card. This is not part of the "Yankton First" Shop Local program and this card is not endorsed by the Yankton Area Chamber of Commerce.

"While we can't tell businesses not to participate in this effort, we find it highly suspect that an out-of-town company is using the "keep it local" idea on the heels of us launching this new program," stated Carmen Schramm, director of member services of the Chamber.

Local businesses have been contacted and told that they do not pay for the program, merely agree to offer a discount on the card.

The "Yankton First" program is intended to keep business local, and as the program matures, more elements will be added to the offering. Currently, consumers can go to www.yanktonfirst.com/marketplace to view and print money saving coupons from businesses in the Yankton area without having to pay for that service.

YSD Last Day Of School On May 21

The Yankton School District has announced that the final day of school for students will be Friday, May 21. Report cards will be mailed to the home of each student.

Baccalaureate, sponsored by the Yankton Ministerial Association, will be held on Wednesday, May 19, at 7 p.m. at the Yankton High School Theatre.

Graduation exercises will be held on Sunday, May 23, at 2 p.m. at the Yankton High School Gymnasium.

Class of 2010 information: Class Colors are Red and Black, Class Flower is the Gerber Daisy, Cap and Gown color is black and the Tassel color is silver.

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81 non-partisan.

Meanwhile, Cedar County voters picked two commissioners and a district court clerk in their primary races. And Randolph voters approved a special sales tax.

In the Republican primary for District 3 commissioner, incumbent David McGregor defeated Dick Donner 287-196. The district covers the middle one-third of the county, including Hartington.

The race presented a rematch from four years ago, when McGregor defeated then-incumbent Donner by six votes in the GOP primary.

In the other Republican primary, incumbent Janet Wiechelmann defeated challenger Sally Kneiff 628-348 for clerk of the district court.

On the Democratic ticket, Terry Pinkelman defeated Merle Tramp 164-71 for District 1 county commissioner. The district

covers the northern one-third of Cedar County.

A new commissioner is guaranteed, as incumbent Frederick Pinkelman of the Wynot area did not run for re-election.

The Cedar County ballot included a local measure, as Randolph voters approved a 1 percent sales tax. The first \$67,000 would go toward a downtown improvement paving project, with the remainder going toward property-tax relief.

Cedar and Knox county voters also helped decide the District 40 legislative race.

Both counties favored challenger Tyson Larson and incumbent Cap Dierks as 1-2 in the three-way race. Larson and Dierks won district-wide and advance to the general election.

In Knox County, Larson won 934 votes while Dierks had 671 and Adam Dea 86.

In Cedar County, Larson picked up 842 votes, followed by Dierks with 742 and Dea with 37.

Knox County voters favored the state constitutional amendment 804-679, while Cedar County voters opposed it 690-744.



Mr. & Mrs. Jim Black invite you to join them to honor their son **Dr. Samuel H. Herley**

on the occasion of completion of his PhD in History at an **OPEN HOUSE** Sunday, May 16, 2010 2PM-4PM G.A.R. Hall, Yankton, SD

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Frances Layne

SCOTLAND — Frances "Vera" Layne, age 77, of Scotland, South Dakota, died Monday, May 10, 2010, at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton, South Dakota.

Funeral services are 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 13, 2010 at Christ Episcopal Church in Yankton with Reverend Rita Powell officiating. Burial will be in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Yankton.

Visitation is from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m.

Pallbearers are Steve Broz, Mark Bush, Pat Mines, Jeff Sherman, Bob Waters and Craig Winkler. Honorary pallbearers are Mike Broz, Ron Broz, Bill Layne, Jim Layne, Marty Layne, Aaron Schneider, Mitch Schneider, Neil Shardlow and Paul Shardlow.

Vera was born in Loudwater, England on December 31, 1932 to

James S. and Frances May (Collett) Story. She grew up in the lush green landscape of the Thames valley. Vera matured quickly as a young girl due to the

advent of World War II and "The Blitz" on England during which her father served in the Homeguard. She attended school and upon graduation at 14 years old, began her career in a fine clothing store. Vera met her husband, Leonard, in England during his tour of duty in the Air Force, and they were united in marriage on April 27, 1957. After a tour in Germany, they returned to South Dakota to raise their family.

While in Yankton, Vera worked at Yankton College. She was often asked to speak to students regarding her experiences overseas and



Layne

with four children in the Scotland School District she often volunteered her time with school functions. She served on the Advisory Board of Directors for the Scotland Good Samaritan Society prior to becoming an employee in the Activities Department where she worked for 12 years and shared her love of knitting and craftwork with residents.

Vera's personal interests included reading, crossword puzzles, knitting, gardening and international foods. Her special interest was always her family that she loved with deep devotion. She was especially proud of her children for their military service and for obtaining their university degrees. Her children were very proud of their mother for becoming a U.S. Citizen in July of 2003.

Vera is survived by her husband, Leonard Layne Jr. of Scotland; three children: Clinton A. (Raelene) Layne of rural Tabor,

Leslie Genimatas of Scotland and Leo Scott Layne of Scotland; two sisters, Poppy M. (Charles) Cooper of Windmillgong, Australia and Diane Shardlow of Long Eaton, England; and many nieces and nephews.

Vera was preceded in death by her parents; son, Howard V. Layne, grandson, Clinton A. Layne II; and a brother, Brian Story.

To post an online sympathy message or to view her video tribute, please visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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Online condolences at:
www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com

Lacey Alsop

Lacey (Whalen) Alsop peacefully passed away at home on Sunday, May 2, 2010 after a courageous battle with cervical cancer. She was 28.

Lacey is survived by her loving husband, Jesse; parents, Robert and Peggy Whalen; brother, James; parents-in-law, John and Carol Alsop; grandparents, Shirley Christensen, Dex and Dolores Witt and Reba Alsop; uncles, Dan and Dean Christensen of Yankton; aunts, Dianne Brunken of Worthing, S.D. and Lori Jones of Fayetteville, AK; many other lov-



Alsop

ing family and friends who will miss her greatly; and her beloved pets, Magoo, Boscoe, Sasha and Saddle.

Memorial Services were held Friday, May 7, 2010 at New Covenant Fellowship Church, 77 Perry Park Ave., Larkspur, Colo.

Lacey's family would like to extend their deepest gratitude to Doctors Bumgarner and Linn for their continued caring and support.

To offer condolences, please visit www.olingrandrews.com

Teresa Heimes

HARTINGTON, Neb. — Teresa Heimes, 97, of Hartington, Neb., died at her residence Monday (May 10, 2010).

Funeral services are at 10:30

a.m. Friday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Hartington, with the Rev. Jeffery Loseke officiating. Burial will be in the St. Michael's Cemetery in Hartington.

Visitation is 3-8 p.m. Thursday, with a rosary at 4 p.m. and a vigil service at 7 p.m., at the church. Visitation will begin one hour prior to services on Friday at the church.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz Funeral Home, Hartington. To post on line condolences, visit www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Riverview Reformed Church, 1700 Burleigh, Yankton.

Paul Svartoién

FREEMAN — Paul O. Svartoién, 78, of Freeman died Monday (May 10, 2010) at his home.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Walter Funeral Home, Freeman.

John Thaler

WAGNER — John Thaler, 85 of Wagner died Tuesday (May 11, 2010) at the Community Memorial Hospital in Wagner. His funeral services are pending with Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home in Wagner.

CURD

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one-sixth of the U.S. economy. With its wealth, the U.S. is left to decide whether it has too much healthcare or not enough, he said.

The World Health Organization (WHO) ranks the U.S. 37th in the world for overall healthcare performance, but 50 percent of the score is tied to giving the same healthcare access to everyone, Curd said. The U.S. vehicular death rate, homicide rate and infant mortality rate also bring down the nation's ranking, he said.

"We maintain the best healthcare system and are the envy of the world," he said. "We have got to let the market drive the system. There is too much government interference."

Fraud and waste are bloating the U.S. health system, he said. "There isn't a single government program that doesn't escalate," he said. "There is more fraud in Medicare than the program was supposed to cost in 2009."

Consumers need more control over their health costs, Curd said. "People who write the checks are not the ones receiving the service. It all began when the employer provided health care. You removed the patient as the payer of the service," he said.

"It's fundamentally different if it's on someone else's nickel. If we are to control the cost of this behemoth, we have to put it in the hands of the customer."

Curd pointed to the high cost of prescription drugs, with one medicine costing \$500 in the U.S. but only \$35 in Canada.

"The dramatic difference is that prescriptions are paid out-of-pocket in Canada," he said. "If they agree to sell medicine in Canada at 1/10th of what they charge in the U.S., we've got a problem with it."

In addition, the U.S. is shouldering research and development costs for the rest of the world, Curd said.

He called for repealing the federal healthcare bill, or at least not

funding the most objectionable parts.

Curd told the *Press & Dakotan* that his medical background was an asset, not a conflict of interest, in dealing with health reform.

"People want the candidate who knows the most about it and who has talked about it," he said. "I have worked with patients. I have had experience with the law and providing access and quality. If not someone who knows what to expect, then who?"

During an afternoon interview at the *Press & Dakotan*, Curd said the primary has benefited the GOP. "We are getting the base energized not only for the gubernatorial but also the congressional race," he said.

Curd criticized Hershend Sandlin for following the party line. "She is a reliable piece of the Democratic Party in Washington, D.C., which has significant implications for South Dakota," Curd said. "She talks like a conservative here but votes 94 to 95 percent of the time with debt, spending and increasing the debt ceiling. If you talk the talk, you need to walk the walk."

Curd said he is not a career politician and will return to his orthopedic surgery practice in Sioux Falls. He did not list a length of time he would serve in Congress.

Curd also addressed a number of issues.

• People are upset with Washington spending and obligating future generations to "a debt straw man," Curd said. He said he represents "a different way of doing business," pointing to the financial crisis in Greece as the ultimate result of debt.

"In Greece, they have a country that is spending more than they are taking in for tax revenues. You have an upside down economy. We need to reject what is happening to Greece," he said.

"Our course is reversible (in the U.S.). I would end TARP (for bailing out financial institutions) and use the money to pay down the deficit. The stimulus has done

little except to grow government at the state and federal level."

Curd said he would also extend tax cuts and keep tax credits for business expansion. He called for ending the estate tax, even though it affects a small number of South Dakotans. He said the payment, commonly called "the death tax," harms farms and small businesses that would create more jobs.

• Arizona lawmakers were "at a breaking point" when they passed their controversial immigration bill out of frustration over lack of federal action, Curd said.

"We need to reform the immigration process. We have a lot of bureaucracy. If we cut through it, (immigrants) would be less anxious to jump the border," he said. "We also have employees with knowledge that they are hiring illegal aliens. We need substantial enforcement."

• The recent failed car bombing attempt in New York City shows the continued threat to homeland security, Curd said.

"Any crazy with a bomb is a difficult thing to stop. We have to continue trusting our intelligence agencies," he said. "The battle is just beginning. We tend to do a good job of solving problems we have already seen. We have to make sure that our professionals have the needed resources."

• Curd said his 14 years of military service will give him the perspective needed for defending the nation and sending troops in harm's way.

The soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan must receive the needed resources, he said. "Our troops have to be allowed to win their mission, and we need to support them until they have completed their mission. In the end, our men and women are the best in the world," he said.

Curd warned against a nuclear

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Frances "Vera" Layne

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- Pin up draperies and upholstery skirts to prevent water circles
- Turn on your heating and/or air conditioning system, provided water has not entered the ducts
- Remove all non-color fast items like rugs, pillows, etc. and place in a dry area
- Remove all loose items on the floor to a dry area

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- Go near contaminated (sewer) water
- Use electrical appliances and outlets in wet areas
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- Place wet items on any absorbent surface
- Turn on your heating and/or air conditioning system if water has traveled in or through the ducts
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