

OBITUARIES

Josephine Kutilek

TABOR — Josephine (Josie) F. Kutilek, age 93, of Tabor, SD passed away Sunday, May 1, 2011 surrounded by her family at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, Yankton, SD.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 4, 2011 at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Tabor, with Rev. Joe Puthenkulathil officiating with Msgr. Carlton Hermann con-celebrating. Burial will be in the parish cemetery.

Visitations will begin at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, at the Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Tabor, with a wake service at 7:00 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the memorial chapel.

Pallbearers will be Joe Syrovatka, Jerry Yule, Del Ray Edelman, Kevin Edelman, Gary Kuchta, Wayne Pibal, and Randy Boska. Honorary pallbearers will be all her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Josephine and her twin sister, Frances were born September 12, 1917 to Frank and Mary (Koupal) Hale on the family farm in Yankton County. At the age of five, her mother passed away leaving her father to raise five daughters. She attended St. Wenceslaus Catholic School in Tabor and remained on the family farm until she married Emil Kutilek January 4, 1937 at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church in Tabor. They moved to Utica, SD on a farm until 1947 and then moved to a farm near Tabor. In 1955, they purchased Lefty's Bar in Tabor changing the name



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Josie moved to the Tyndall Good Samaritan Center.

Josie loved gardening, embroidery, and baking kolaches. She was a member of St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Altar Society, Czech Heritage, and she was the Czech Day Parade Marshall in 1996.

Those who will cherish her memory are her daughters: Marlene Syrovatka of Lesterville, SD; LaVonne (Ken) Yule of Springfield, SD; Jo Ann Kutilek of Sioux Falls, SD; Jeanene (Darell) Edelman of Menno, SD; 15 grandchildren; 39 great grandchildren; 28 great-great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Emil, her parents, four sisters: Hattie Petrik, Marie Kuchta, Lillian Pibal, and her twin, Frances Boska, son-in-law, Ervin Syrovatka, two grand sons-in-law: Jack Robertson and Paul Hemiller.

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U Faculty Members To Be Honored

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota will honor two of its faculty for excellence in teaching at the 2011 Spring Commencement ceremony on May 7.

Joseph Vitt and Michael Allgrunn are the 2011 recipients of the Belbas-Larson Awards for Excellence in Teaching. They will be recognized at USD's 124th Spring Commencement and each will receive a \$5,000 tribute, a framed certificate commemorating their accomplishment and a commemorative medal. The Belbas-Larson Award for Excellence in Teaching is the highest honor USD bestows upon its educators.

Honored in the tenured category, Vitt is an associate professor in the department of chemistry. He received his bachelor's degree in chemistry from St. John's University (1987) and his Ph.D. in analytical chemistry from Iowa State University (1991). His teaching interests are in the areas of general and analytical chemistry, and he is also active in

promoting undergraduate chemical education research. Vitt came to USD straight from his graduate work at Iowa State.

Recognized in the tenure-track category, Michael Allgrunn is an assistant professor in economics at the Beacom School of Business. A faculty member of USD since 2006, Allgrunn received his bachelor's degree from Brigham Young University (2001), and his master's degree and Ph.D. from Michigan State University, all in economics. He teaches classes in subjects such as econometrics, labor economics, game theory and public finance. In addition, he is very involved with undergraduate research in economics. Allgrunn came to USD straight from Michigan State, where he researched labor economics and taught courses in both labor economics



Allgrunn



Vitt

and microeconomic theory. "One of the reasons I chose to come to USD was our strong focus on the student," Allgrunn said. "Our students, particularly our undergraduate students, get a far better education than students attending much larger schools because of our student-centered philosophy. We attract great students, they get a great education while they're here, and they go on to do great things. It's an honor to be a small part of that."

The Belbas-Larson Awards were established by a 1956 graduate of USD, Dean Belbas of Edina, Minn. and Sioux Falls, and his friends, Harold W. and Kathryn Larson of Bemidji, Minn. and Scottsdale, Ariz.

Bin Laden

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break in the 10 years following 9/11. Marlette said.

"I anticipate this is a major blow, if not operationally, at least purely symbolically, to that organization," Marlette said. "I don't believe that we can take pride in someone's death. That's a bad part of war. But we have to acknowledge that this is what is happening, and (bin Laden's) death is definitely making some difference."

Marlette doesn't believe bin Laden's death will affect the planned 10 to 12 deployments of SDNG units over the next 18 months.

"Those needs and those activities are still going on," he said. "You could compare it to Iraq, where Saddam was captured and put on trial, and we are still there years later."

Marlette, who served in Iraq, said he doesn't look for the clock to turn back on the National Guard's wartime duties. The SDNG, with a manpower of about 4,500 airmen and soldiers, will continue playing a major role in overseas missions, as well as fulfilling its domestic duties, he said.

"Between the Air and Army Guard, we have had roughly 6,000 people deployed," he said. "Every single day since 9/11, the South Dakota Army and Air National Guard has had somebody deployed in the war on terrorism." The 196th MEB represents the latest deployment, with some of them completing their second or third missions, Marlette said. Their welcome-home ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. today at the Elmen Center on the Augustana College campus in Sioux Falls.

"I welcomed the 196th when they got off the plane (last week in Wisconsin). They looked good and were thrilled to get home," he said. "They were tired from their long flight, but they had completed a

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great mission. It's really a burden lifted to have them back safely."

Today's return of the 200 soldiers greatly reduces the SDNG presence overseas, said Major General Tim Reisch, the South Dakota adjutant general.

However, Reisch told South Dakota Public Radio on Monday that two SDNG mobilizations are scheduled for May, one each in June and July, then two more in September.

"Our numbers will be back up higher than they had been," Reisch said.

Reisch had no predictions on who will fill the al-Qaida leadership role with bin Laden's departure. He also questions whether the new leader will exert the same impact.

"Will the next person who steps up be not as popular or as competent? Will they have (followers)?" he asked.

Members of Battery C, 1st Battalion, 147th Field Artillery, headquartered in Yankton were grateful to hear the news of bin Laden's death, according to Sgt. 1st Class Brooks Schild, who serves as the unit's public affairs representative. The local guard unit lost Staff Sgt. Daniel M. Cuka, Spec. Allen Kokesh Jr., Staff Sgt. Greg Wagner and Sgt. 1st Class Richard Schild — Brooks' brother — while deployed in Iraq.

It's possible the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq wouldn't have started without bin Laden and the actions he oversaw, Schild noted.

"I don't have joy (at hearing of bin Laden's death)," he said. "If you've been in situations where people have died, you don't ever wish for anybody to die. But I could say that justice has defi-

nately been served. It goes to show you how successful the United States armed forces have been (in reducing the threat from al-Qaida). That's a good feeling because, in the end, all my brothers and sisters who are still overseas serving will hopefully be able to come home."

Schild realizes that bin Laden's death won't bring an end to America's wars, but he believes it is significant.

"I think we had a strategic victory, and I think it will carry through on the morale side, too," he said. "Anytime someone like that, who is responsible for so many deaths, is given justice, I think we're grateful that is one less bad person in the world."

AREA RESIDENTS RESPOND

Bin Laden's death brought reaction on many fronts from area educators and residents.

The news of his death hit especially close to home for Maxine Hughes, whose niece's husband, Bill Mathesen, was killed during the 9/11 attacks on the World Trade Center.

Hughes, an office secretary at Yankton High School, said the news came as a complete surprise. "When I heard it, I was shocked. I was glued to the TV," she said. "I am pleased that justice has finally been done, and I think it might help bring closure to my family."

Hughes also voiced her appreciation for the those who made bin Laden's capture possible.

"I have a profound respect for the people in the military who carried this out," she said.

Dr. Tim Schorn, associate professor of political science at the

University of South Dakota, said the news came as a pleasant surprise.

"I wasn't real sure if we were ever going to locate him," he said. "Clearly those in the intelligence community were doing their homework and spending the necessary time and resources to track him down and make sure they had the right place and the right person."

Schorn said that, while he was pleased to hear that bin Laden had finally been found, he is anxious about what the future might hold.

"Kind of lost in the euphoria of having caught bin Laden is the fact that there are going to be revenge attacks, at the very least planned, and possibly successfully carried out, in the next few months," he said. "And more than likely, those attacks will come against American forces in Iraq and Afghanistan."

Schorn said he was also interested in learning the extent of Pakistan's involvement.

"Did they know he was there? Did they play any role with this at all?" he asked. "It leaves some very important questions unanswered as far as what Pakistan knew, when they knew it or why they didn't know it. I will be very curious to see what the results are in Pakistan and what effect that will have on our relations."

Dr. Rich Lofthus, a history professor at Mount Marty College, said the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks were recently the focus of one of his classes. "We spent about a week looking at the roots of the 9/11 attacks about three weeks ago," he said. "It was sort of interesting to have this footnote to those lessons appear last night on the news."

Lofthus said it brings a degree of closure to a big chapter in America's history, but it likely won't be the end of the story. "I think it's going to be a major event in the story, but I think the story is going to last a lot longer," he said. "It's because of the nature of al-Qaida and how difficult it is to eradicate something like that. I don't know if it's ever going to be totally eradicated."

Doris Novak

SCOTLAND — Funeral services for Doris Novak, 82, of Scotland will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 7, 2011 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Scotland with Rev. Jonathan Vehar officiating. Interment will follow in Rosehill Cemetery, Scotland.

Visitation will be held on Friday from 4-7 p.m., with a 7 p.m. prayer service at the Goglin Funeral Home in Scotland.

Doris died Sunday, May 1, 2011 at the Good Samaritan So-

ciety of Scotland. Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

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Olive Gran

SCOTLAND — Funeral services for Olive Gran, 88, of Scotland will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 5, 2011 at the United Methodist Church in Scotland with Rev. Tom Petersen officiating. Interment will follow in Rosehill Cemetery, Scotland.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service at the Goglin Funeral Home in Scotland.

Olive passed away on Mon-

day, May 2, 2011 at her residence in Scotland. Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

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Rita Stoller

GRETTA, Neb. — Rita Josephine Stoller, 87, of Gretna, Neb., and formerly of Yankton, died Sunday, May 1, 2011 at the Gretna Community Living Center, Gretna.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 1 p.m. Thursday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Mark Lichter officiating. Burial will be in the St. Rose of Lima Catholic Cemetery, Crofton, Neb.

Visitations begins at 5 p.m. Wednesday, at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a rosary at 7 p.m. followed by a 7:30 p.m. Scripture service.

Louise Sherman

CRETE, Ill. — Louise Sherman, 94, of Crete, Ill., died Sunday, May 1, 2011.

Service are pending under the direction of Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton.

Aviation Day Events Scheduled For Gettysburg May 7

The Dakota Sunset Museum and the South Dakota Pilots Association (SDPA) are holding "Aviation Day" at the museum in Gettysburg on Saturday, May 7. The SDPA will hold a meeting at 11 a.m.

A photo display of the "First Century of Flight in South Dakota" by Norma Kraemer will be on display all day. Kraemer will be available for a book signing all day. Programs will be provided by Kraemer on the "First Century of Flight in South Dakota" at 1 p.m., and by

Steve Hamilton on "Wings Over Yankton: 1943-44" at 2 p.m. Two recently restored early aviation films will be shown: one is an emergency hay drop during winter by low-flying National Guard planes and flooding in the Pierre area in 1952, and the second film is a practice Emergency Response conducted by the SD Aviation Trade Association using small planes in 1955.

The SDPA business meeting will include: District reports, SD Aeronautics Commission activities,

status of historical marker for First Flight in SD, the Fly-SD Passport program, airport projects needed in SD, AOPA Air Safety Foundation Safety Seminars, display for Ellsworth AFB Open House on June 4, and implementation of Facebook

page for SDPA. All persons interested in South Dakota aviation are invited. Contact Steve Hamilton, Executive Director SDPA, for more information: 605-665-8448 or skyhawk@iw.net.

LOTTERIES

MONDAY RESULTS

2 BY 2: Red Balls: 5-11, White Balls: 13-20  
MYDAY: Month: 6, Day: 30, Year: 65  
PICK 3: 2-3-9  
PICK 5: 08-24-30-31-36. Estimated jackpot: \$74,000

In observance of National Teacher Appreciation Week

May 2-6, 2011

the YMS PTSA would like to thank the Yankton Middle School Teachers for serving as positive role models for our children. Dedicated teachers positively impact, not only the academic needs of our children, but the emotional and social needs as well. Thank you! You are appreciated!

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all who contributed memorials in honor of **Jim Van Gerpen**. We were honored Jim's family thought of us during this difficult time.  
**Lesterville Fire & Rescue**

Thanks to my family and friends for making my birthday filled with memories. It was a day I will always remember.  
*God Bless All Of You, Mary Albrecht*

8th Annual Saturday, May 7 8:00am to Noon (Volunteer sign-up starts at 8 a.m.) Location: Yankton's Riverside Park Boat Ramp Volunteer t-shirts & refreshments provided (Donuts, Coffee and Brats & Chips for Lunch) Yankton, SD For More Information Contact: Dugan Smith, Park Ranger, 605-665-0209 or email dugan\_smith@nps.gov

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