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# Corps Ups Reservoir Releases

OMAHA, Neb. — Releases from the Missouri River mainstem reservoirs are being increased to speed the evacuation of stored flood waters.

"Based on the current forecast, 2011 has the potential to be the second highest runoff season in our 113 years of record keeping," said Jody Farhat Chief of the Water Management Division here. "As a result of the volume of water we have already seen come into the system, as well as the much above normal runoff anticipated from the mountain snowpack, releases out of Gavins Point Dam will be increased to 57,500 cfs in May."

The Corps expects to maintain those higher releases out of Gavins Point through December to allow for the continued evacuation of stored floodwater through the end of the year. Releases from the upstream reservoirs will also be increased as water is moved through the entire system. These higher releases will necessitate use of the regulating tunnels or spillways at five of the six main stem dams. Only Big Bend Dam in South Dakota has sufficient powerplant capacity to meet the release requirement.

Since the start of the runoff season more than 8.5 million acre feet of flood water has been stored in the reservoir system. "To put that into perspective, the total amount of flood water stored in 2010 was 9 million acre feet", said Farhat. Runoff into the mainstem reservoir system during April was 5.6 MAF, more than twice the monthly normal rate for this time of year.

Normally, the mountain snowpack peaks in mid-April, however this year it continued to accumulate into early May. Although it appears to have peaked recently at 141 percent of normal in the reach above Fort Peck and 136 percent of normal in the reach between Fort Peck and Garrison, cool weather coupled with additional snow could push those figures even higher.

"With so much water coming into the system, our flexibility to reduce releases for downstream runoff events will be somewhat limited between now and December," Farhat said. "Our goal is to evacuate the water as quickly and safely as possible so that we are ready for the next flood event. Public safety is our number one concern."

Runoff for 2011 is forecast to total 44 MAF, 178 percent of normal. The 2010 total was 38.8 MAF, 156 percent of normal. The highest runoff season on record occurred in 1997 with 49.0 MAF, 198 percent of normal.

During any flood response activities throughout the basin, the Corps will provide regular updates directly to the public via its Facebook (www.facebook.com/OmahaUSACE) and Twitter accounts (www.twitter.com/OmahaUSACE).

Gavins Point releases averaged 30,300 cfs during the month of April. The long-term average for Gavins during this time of year is 24,800 cfs. Releases will be increased from 45,000 cfs to 57,500 cfs in early May. The reservoir will rise slightly to elevation 1206 feet during the month.

Fort Randall reservoir rose 1.2 feet in April, ending the month near elevation 1359 feet. It is expected to remain essentially level in May. It is currently 3 feet higher than it was last year at this time. Releases from Fort Randall will increase to near 55,000 cfs in early May to correspond with the Gavins Point flow increases.

## OBITUARIES

### Doris Novak

SCOTLAND — Funeral services for Doris Novak 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. Organist will be Jan Kocer. Interment will follow in Rosehill Cemetery, Scotland, with committal rites by the Paul Grosshuesch V.F.W. Post #2966 Auxiliary of Scotland.

Honorary casketbearers will be Doris' co-workers and friends from the Good Samaritan Society of Scotland. Active casketbearers are James Gunn, Bryan Nohava, Jeff Nohava, Paul Stevenson, Russell Stevenson and Keith Thranum.

Arrangements are under the direction of Goglin Funeral Home of Scotland and online expressions of sympathy may be sent at www.goglinfh.com. Memorials may be directed to the Good Samaritan Society of Scotland or the Zion Lutheran Church of Scotland.

Doris Novak was born on



Doris Novak

Monday, October 22, 1928 at Scotland, South Dakota to Frank and Emma (Grosz) Gunn. She graduated from Scotland High School in 1946. Doris was united in marriage to George Novak on March 29, 1948 at the Lutheran parsonage in Scotland. Together they owned and operated the Scotland Café and later she cooked for her brother, Don, at the new Scotland Café. After Doris' children were born she stayed home to care for them. Doris and George moved to Menno in 1964. After George retired from the Postal Service in

1989, they moved back to Scotland. Later, she began working at the Scotland Good Samaritan Society and was a dedicated employee there for nineteen years. Doris also provided child care for several families in the Menno area. She enjoyed flower gardening, doing embroidery, and working on puzzle books. She loved to cook and hosted many family gatherings. She was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church and the Scotland VFW Auxiliary. Doris passed away on Sunday, May 1, 2011 at the Good Samaritan Society of Scotland, having attained the age of 82 years, 6 months and 9 days.

Grateful for having shared Doris' life are her husband, George, of Scotland; two daughters: Linda (Guy) Wold of Cass Lake, Minnesota and Sharon (Brian) Maas of Salem; three grandchildren: Kendra Detweiler, Tonia Karbowski and Ben Brown; one great-granddaughter, Leah Karbowski; three brothers: Maynard Gunn, Gerald Gunn and Donald Gunn, all of Scotland; and

two sisters: Violet Sabatka of Daytona Beach, Florida and Eileen Bardahl of Titusville, Florida.

In addition to her parents, Doris was preceded in death by an infant son in 1949; two brothers: Howard and Finley; two sisters: Marilyn Dutcher and Marguerite Stevenson; four sisters-in-law: Marilyn, Dawn, Mary and Beulah; and four brothers-in-law: Harold Bardahl, Gerald Dutcher, Glen Stevenson and John Sabatka.

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### Wilma Bruget

Wilma Bruget, age 96 of Yankton and formerly of Mission Hill, SD passed away Thursday, May 05, 2011 at the Avera Yankton Care Center, Yankton, SD.

Funeral service will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, May 9, 2011 at Vangen Lutheran Church, Mission Hill, with Rev. Lance Lindgren officiating. Burial will be in the parish cemetery. Visitations will be one hour prior to the service at the church.

The Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, is in charge of arrangements.

Wilma was born on April 13, 1915 to William Inch and Minnie Brandt Inch in Gayville, SD. Wilma graduated from Gayville High School in 1931. She worked at McElwain Grocery, Yankton Wholesale Grocery and taught Sunday School for many years. She served on the Bruget School Board and was a member of Vangen Church's WALC and retired citizens in Yankton. She married Leo Bruget on September 4, 1944 at Vangen Lutheran Church. She lived in



Bruget

Gayville, Mission Hill and Yankton, SD area all of her life.

She is survived by her sister, Mildred Eggers of Sunnyvale, CA and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1983, daughter, Karen in 2008, her parents, sister, Harriet Metz; brother, William "Bud" Inch, two brothers-in-law, Buell Eggers and Vern Metz.

Please direct memorials to Vangen Lutheran Church Memorial Committee, 300 W. 3rd Street, Mission Hill, SD 57046 or Benedictine Health Foundation, 1000 West Fourth Street, Suite 14, Yankton, SD 57078.

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Online condolences at:  
www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome.com

### Raymond Gerard Heimes

SPRINGFIELD, Neb. — Raymond Gerard Heimes, Age 53 (Nov 10, 1957 - May 5, 2011), of Springfield, NE. Born in Randolph, NE. Loving husband, father, brother and son passed away peacefully at home during the rosary.



Heimes

Preceded in death by father, Edwin; sister, Jane; niece, Nicole. Survived by wife, Sigrid; sons, Alex and Adam; stepdaughter, Marijke Thompson; mother, Catherine Heimes; brothers and sisters: Mike and Ceil Heimes, Patricia and Jim Bisigano, Sr., Phil and Joan Heimes, Ruth and John Bergmann, Laura and Dave Brown, Gail and Patrick Davis, Jackie Heimes, Tom and Michelle Heimes; nieces and nephews: Jason, Jenea, Julie, Kendra, Megan, Andrew, Nanette, Nick, Christian, Kennedy and William. In 1991 Ray established Heimes Excavating, now Heimes Corp. Ray believed the dedicated employees of Heimes Corp. were part of his extended family.

The family will receive friends Tuesday, 4 p.m.-7 p.m. at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Omaha, with vigil service at 7 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial is Wednesday, 10:30 a.m., St. Thomas More Catholic Church. Interment, Resurrection Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to St. Joseph Catholic Church in Springfield, NE, or St. Thomas More Catholic Church.

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### Donald Dickes

FORDYCE, Neb. — Donald Dickes, age 82 of Fordyce, Nebraska, died on Wednesday, May 4, 2011 at the Golden Living Center in Hartington, Nebraska.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Monday, May 9, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Fordyce with the Rev. David Fulton officiating. Burial will be in the parish cemetery in Fordyce. Visitation will be on Sunday at church from 5-8:00 p.m. with a Vigil Service at 7:00 p.m. Visitation will continue on Monday at church one hour prior to services.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington. To send an online sympathy card go to www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

Pallbearers will be John Dickes, Justin Dickes, Craig Dickes, Eric Dickes, Tony Vcelik, and Jimmy Dickes.

Honorary Pallbearers will be the Catholic Order of Foresters.

Donald John Dickes was a twin son born to John and Agnes (Hansdorf) Dickes on June 17, 1928 in Fordyce, NE. He grew up in Fordyce and attended Country School prior to attending St.



Dickes

back to Fordyce to help his father on the farm. Don married Beatrice Rose Wieseler on January 29, 1953 in St. Helena, NE. He farmed after his marriage and then he and Beatrice moved into Fordyce in 1988.

Donald was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, he was a choir member, on the school board and church council, member of the COOP board, the Men of Note choral group, and the Harmony of Note choral group. Don loved to sing and also found time to do some fishing after he retired.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Beatrice of Fordyce; six children and their spouses, Jeff and Steph Dickes of Bow Valley, NE; Jenny and Jerry Promes of Hartington, NE; Greg and Diane Dickes of Fordyce, NE; Gene and

Sue Dickes of Fordyce, NE; Judy and Mike Vcelik of Omaha, NE; Gary and Amy Dickes of Fordyce, NE; 29 grandchildren; 20 great grandchildren; five brothers and sisters, Delores and Rollie Healy of California, twin brother Don-avon and DelRae Dickes of Yankton, SD, JoAnn and Bob Healy of Omaha, NE, Sr. Rosaleen Dickes of Yankton, SD, and MaryLou Noecker of Hartington, NE.

Don was preceded in death by his parents; grandson Aaron Dickes; 5 sisters, Lucille Huss, Leone Leise, Irene Callahan, Adeline Feilmeier, Esther Dickes; 5 brothers Ray & Ralph Dickes, Rev. Jerome Dickes, Gerald Dickes, baby brother Robert Dickes; and brother-in-law Loren Noecker.

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203 W. Franklin, PO Box 505  
Hartington, Nebraska 68739

### Darlene Kludt

TRIPP — Funeral services for Darlene R. Kludt, 73, of Tripp will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, May 9 at the First American Lutheran Church in Tripp. Interment will follow in Gracehill Cemetery, Tripp.

Visitation will be held on Sunday from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service, at the Goglin Funeral Home in Tripp. Visitation will resume on Monday one hour prior to the service at the church.

Darlene passed away on

Thursday, May 5, 2011 at the Avera St. Benedict Health Center in Tripp.

Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

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