

Meeting On Proposed Merger Tonight

From P&D Staff Reports

WAUSA, Neb. — The public can learn the progress on a proposed five-school merger in northeast Nebraska during a public meeting tonight (Wednesday).
The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in the Wausa school gymnasium. The five-school study includes Wausa, Bloomfield, Creighton, Plainview and Osmond.
Superintendent Bob Marks, who serves both the Wausa and Bloomfield school districts, will present information at the community meeting. The Wausa board may respond or answer questions at the end.
The five schools will work on curriculum June 17 at Northeast Community College in Norfolk, Neb., Marks said.

Scotland Receives \$309K For Fire Hall

From P&D Staff Reports

SCOTLAND — The City of Scotland has received a \$309,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to construct a new fire hall.
The fire hall will be used to house vehicles and firefighting equipment, according to a news release from the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED).
Gov. Dennis Daugaard awarded the Scotland grant as part of nearly \$3 million in CDBG funds to seven South Dakota communities. The money, awarded to Aberdeen, Canistota, Flandreau, Hot Springs, Kimball, Mobridge and Scotland, will assist with projects totaling more than \$18.4 million.

"South Dakota's CDBG program is designed to fund local infrastructure projects in small cities and rural communities," Daugaard said. "Whenever we can award funds for projects that continue to improve the vitality of our communities, I am pleased to do so."

The CDBG program provides local governments with funding to complete projects which improve living conditions. The CDBG program is funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and administered by the Governor's Office of Economic Development.

For more information about the CDBG program and other financing programs offered through the GOED, visit www.sready-towork.com.

Legion To Sell Poppies This Weekend

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 12, Yankton, will be selling poppies May 23-24 throughout Yankton. The poppies are worn to remind Americans of the price of war and the sacrifice of millions of lives. The Poppy Day distribution honors all of America's veterans of all wars and conflicts, past and present.

Larson To Head YCC

Yankton Children's Choir Board of Directors has announced that Angela Larson has been chosen as the new choral director for the 2014-15 season.

This position is part-time, allowing Larson to continue as a music educator in the high school. She is currently finishing up her seventh year of teaching voice/choir at Yankton High School. She directs five choirs and was also music director for the musical each spring her first six years.

Larson and her husband, Todd, reside in Yankton and have two daughters, Klaire (2 1/2 years) and Emery (6 months).

She said she is looking forward to the upcoming season with the choir and is excited to be involved with the group.

"I am thrilled to be part of such a wonderful group in the Yankton area and am prepared to take on the challenge," she said.

Executive director Dot Stoll indicates the choir has experienced a major increase in choir members over the past few years.

"Angela will be a great fit for the choir. She brings with her an impressive amount of experience in music education and a love for children," Stoll said. "I cannot wait for the season to begin!"



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Yankton High School voice/choir teacher Angela Larson has been hired to also direct the Yankton Children's Choir for its 2014-2015 season.

Yankton Children's Choir is a nonprofit organization that promotes arts education in Yankton by offering children with unchanged voices in grades 3-8 a place to shine and, in doing so, offers the Yankton community several

performances throughout the year.

For more information regarding the choir, contact Dot Stoll, Executive Director, at (605) 660-1819 or dotster700@hotmail.com.

Taxes

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Wisner wants to see what Congress does first. "It depends in large part on whether the federal government continues to give us more money that we pay in federal gas tax," she said.

Lowe said he supports increasing the taxes. He said 22 percent of major roads are in

poor or mediocre condition and 25 percent of bridges are structurally deficient or obsolete.

Wisner and Lowe each agreed with the 2011 legislation that raised license plate fees in two rounds of increases in 2011 and 2013.

Daugaard said during his 2010 campaign that he didn't favor tax increases of any kind.

He instead instituted austerity steps as governor in 2011. On roads and bridges

specifically, he tried but failed to block increases in state license-plate fees in 2011. The Legislature overrode his veto.

His administration steadily worked against other legislation in the past four years that attempted to generate additional road and bridge revenue for counties and townships.

"South Dakota's highway system is currently in good condition. However, the state has seen the purchasing power of the gas tax go down

over time, because we tax gasoline per gallon rather than per dollar. That means that, unlike the sales tax, gas tax revenue does not go up with inflation," Daugaard said.

"I also know that many county and township officials believe that local road funding is also an issue," he continued.

"When I ran for governor four years ago, I promised that I would not support tax increases, and I have kept that promise. I want to partici-

pate in a discussion about future transportation needs, however, without taking any options off the table, including proposals to restore the purchasing power of the gas tax," he said.

Daugaard said he vetoed the 2011 legislation because he "did not believe that we should raise taxes at a time when the state was recovering from the recession."

"I also believed that the state should undertake a comprehensive look at transporta-

Recycling Bins Now At City Street Shop

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The plastic recycling trailers that had been stationed in the Kmart parking lot up until last December now have a new home.

"We've determined that the most feasible location for them is outside the fenced area at the central garage for the Street Department just south of Second Street," Yankton City Manager Amy Nelson said. "Having those recycling trailers is something that has been really important to the community. We want to make sure we have them in a permanent place, so we don't have to move them as conditions change on someone else's property."

Kmart had requested that the trailers be removed for undisclosed reasons.

The address of the central garage is 700 East Levee Street.

You can follow Nathan Johnson on Twitter at twitter.com/AnInlandVoyage. Discuss this story at www.yankton.net/.

OBITUARIES

Colleen Odenbrett

Colleen K. Odenbrett, 76, of Vermillion, SD passed away Monday, May 19 at the Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls. She was surrounded by her family.

Colleen was born November 11, 1937 in George, Iowa to Richard and Mildred (Schroeder) Willemssen. She graduated from George High school as Val Victorian. She married Thomas Odenbrett in at May 9, 1959 in Fulda MN.

Colleen and Tom moved to Vermillion in 1966 where they owned and operated Tommy's Printing and Type-writer report. Colleen also worked for the Geological Survey for 43 years. She started at the Geological Survey when her daughter Shelley started kindergarten and she retired during Tom's illness to help in his care.

Colleen's hobbies included gardening, boating and motorcycling with her husband Tom. She was a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary and Eagles Organization.

Colleen is survived by her daughter Shelley (David) Brunick, grandchildren; Ashley, Michael and Ryan Brunick all of Vermillion, a brother Merle (Rosie) Willemssen of Westbrook, MN and a nephew Mark Willemssen of Sioux Falls. She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband Tom, two sons Timothy and Christopher, and two nephews Paul and Matthew Willemssen.

Funeral mass will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, May 23 at St. Agnes Catholic Church with burial to follow in the Calvary Cemetery in Vermillion.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the service at the church. Visit hansenfuneralhome.com.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Odenbrett Scholarship fund at the USD Foundation.

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Gertrude Dressler

Funeral services for Gertrude Mae Dressler, 83, of Wagner will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 23, 2014 at the United Methodist Church in Wagner.

Visitation will be Thursday from 4 to 7 p.m. with the family present from 6 to 7 at the Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home in Wagner.

Gertrude Mae (Stratton) Dressler passed away on Monday, May 19, 2014 at her home under hospice care, as a result of a long respiratory illness. She was born November 30, 1930 in Madison, SD to Howard and Bernice (Cline) Stratton. In 1941 she moved with her family to Marion, SD and graduated Salutatorian in 1949. Gertrude went to beauty school in 1951 and owned her own salon in Marion and in Wagner, SD and was recognized for her talents by winning several national hair styling awards and was the South Dakota Cosmetologist of the year in 1968. She married Gene Dressler on November 30, 1961 and moved to Wagner, SD where she has lived ever since.

Gertrude was very active in the South Dakota State Hairdressers and Cosmetology Association where she served as its president from 1966 until 1968 and was also the executive secretary for six years. She worked as a South Dakota State Board Inspector for 34 years in the southeastern part of SD where she inspected beauty salons. She was also very active in the Republican Party and enjoyed taking part in the national and local elections as an election official in Charles Mix County. She enjoyed her time with her sisters and daughters making crafts and attending craft fairs across South Dakota. Gert also enjoyed her many summers with Gene and her family at their cottage on Lake of the Woods, Canada where she loved to swim, water ski, fish and was a master at cooking "shore lunch."



Dressler

Gertrude is survived by her loving husband Dr. Eugene E. Dressler, who was lucky enough to spend almost 54 years with her. She is also survived by 5 children: Jodie and husband Rich Nedved of Wagner, SD; Kim and husband Ken Weisser of Brush, CO; Michelle and husband John Magera of Sioux Falls, SD; Michael and wife Laura Dressler of Harrisburg, SD; Todd and wife Cindy Dressler of Rapid City, SD. She comes from a large family and is survived by three sisters: Joyce (Bud) Yopp of Sioux Falls, SD; Katie (Marion) Nugteren of Paw Paw, MI; Dee Dalke of Mishawaka, IN; and two brothers: Charles (Grace) Stratton of Minneapolis, MN and Jerry (Germaine) Stratton of Marion, SD; and a sister-in-law, Virginia Klepper of Great Bend, KS.

She was preceded in death by her parents Bernice and Howard Stratton, a brother Roger (Ardis) Stratton and father/mother-in-law Ernest and Caroline Dressler. She lost part of her heart when her eldest child Douglas passed away nine years ago.

She has 20 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren who will miss her greatly. They were her love and joy. They will never forget their Grama Gertie.

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Russel Rosenbaum

Russel Rosenbaum, 75, of Elk Point died Monday, May 19, 2014, at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Sioux Falls, Iowa.

A visitation will be held from 6-7 p.m., with a prayer service to begin at 7 p.m., on Thursday, May 22, at Immanuel Lutheran Church of Elk Point.

A funeral service is at 10 a.m. Friday, May 23, at Immanuel Lutheran Church with Rev. Erik Olson officiating.

A committal ceremony will take place at the Elk Point Cemetery immediately following the service.

Lila James

Funeral services for Lila James, 65, of rural Center, Nebraska, are pending at Brockhaus Funeral Home in Creighton, Nebraska.

Lila died Monday, May 19, 2014, at her home.

Gerald 'Gundy' Gunderson

Funeral services for Gerald E. "Gundy" Gunderson, 86, of Wausa, Nebraska, are at 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 23, 2014, at Thabor Lutheran Church in Wausa. Pastor Michelle Oetken will officiate, with burial in the Lutheran Cemetery at Wausa. Military Honors will be conducted by VFW Post No. 5824 of Wausa, and the United States Navy Honor Guard.

Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Thursday at the church with a 7:30 p.m. Prayer Service.

Brockhaus Funeral Home of Wausa is in charge of arrangements.

Gundy died Monday, May 19, 2014, at the Golden Living Center in Wausa.

Janice Malcom

Funeral services for Janice Malcom, 72 of Spencer, Nebraska, are at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 22, 2014, at the Bristow Community Hall in Bristow, Nebraska. Pastor Glen Stahlecker will officiate, with burial in Union Cemetery at Spencer.

Visitation is 6-8 p.m. today (Wednesday) at the Brockhaus Funeral Home in Spencer.

Janice died Monday, May 19, 2014, at the Niobrara Valley Hospital in Lynch, Nebraska.

Sandra Swatek

Sandra J. Swatek, 70 of Wagner died unexpectedly Tuesday, May 20, 2014, at the Wagner Community Memorial Hospital.

Her funeral services are pending with Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home in Wagner.



Lynn Buechler

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Funeral services for Lynn Buechler, 62, of Scotland, South Dakota will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, May 23 at the United Church of Christ in Scotland with Rev. Ron Shifley officiating. Burial will follow in the Rosehill Cemetery, Scotland with military graveside rites by Paul Grosshuesch V.F.W. Post #2966, Joseph Vurm American Legion Post #155, and the South Dakota Army National Guard Military Funeral Honor Guard.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 22 from 3:00 p.m. until a 7:00 p.m. prayer service all at the church. Lynn died on Saturday, May 17, 2014 at Scotland, South Dakota.

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

Lynn Allen Buechler was born on Tuesday, May 6, 1952 in Yankton to Orville and Gladys (Stoebner) Buechler. He graduated from Scotland High School in 1970. Lynn was united in marriage to Roxanne in 1973 and was blessed with a daughter, Toni. Around that same time, Lynn began his 20 year career with Cargill in Scotland. Later, in 1990 he married Marjorey and that union was blessed with a son, Casey. In 1994, Lynn married Charlotte Kackley. That same year he retired from Cargill and began farming on the family farm with his father. At a young age, Lynn had helped his family with milking cows and continued to care for livestock throughout his life. Earlier this year, Lynn was united in marriage to Kathryn McKay Hubbell on April 12, 2014.

Lynn was a member of the Army National Guard for seven years and was a first

responder to the Rapid City Flood of 1972. He loved spending time outdoors, camping, hunting, fishing and visiting the Black Hills. He enjoyed collecting guns and had a very large Coca-Cola memorabilia collection. He was always very proud of his family.

Grateful for having shared Lynn's life is his wife, Kathryn of Scotland; daughter Toni (Chad) Haberman of Fordyce, NE; son Casey Sommer Buechler of Yankton; two stepdaughters: Kerri Hubbell of Grand Blanc, MI and Jaime Hubbell of Burton, MI; four grandchildren: Kaylee, Dylan, Ethane, and Seth Haberman; two step-grandchildren: Christian and Jayden Hubbell; and his mother, Gladys Buechler of Scotland.

Lynn was preceded in death by his father, Orville in 2013, his step mother Betty in 2001 and his wife Charlotte in 2012.

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Memorial Day Deadlines

The Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan will be closed Monday, May 26th, for the Memorial Day holiday.

The following deadlines will apply:

Out On The Town — 5 p.m., Wednesday, May 21

Tuesday, May 27 newspaper — 5 p.m., Wednesday, May 21

Wednesday, May 28 newspaper — 5 p.m., Thursday, May 22

Thursday, May 29 newspaper — 5 p.m., Friday, May 23

There will be no newspaper on Monday, May 26, 2014.

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