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Missouri River Institute director Tim Cowman also welcomed the kayakers, inviting them to check out the signage along the way. "You can learn many places of interest," he said.

Friday's ribbon cutting was held during the safety briefing for the South Dakota Kayak Challenge, which departs today (Saturday) from Yankton. The kayaking event, which runs from Yankton to Sioux City, marks one of the first major events held on the water trail since its national designation.

The Kayak Challenge ties in well with tourism efforts, Hagen said.

"This is a fairly new event, and the organizers and volunteers have done a wonderful job. They can be proud of it," he said.

South Dakota is known for state and national events and attractions, but the regional events such as the kayak challenge are playing increas-

ingly important roles, Hagen said.

"They are drawing people who aren't normally coming to South Dakota," he said.

The kayak challenge is providing not only a fun event but also a showcase for area hospitality, Hagen said. In turn, visitors are learning much more about the Yankton region.

"They are getting a really good impression," he said. "They are also saying, 'We could do this in South Dakota? We didn't realize it. If we would have known, we would have made our three-day trip into a seven-day stay.'"

With the rapid success of the water trail and its national designation, the future only looks brighter, Hagen said.

"Right now, this is an unknown quantity," he said. "I look for it to get better every year."

Hagen pointed to the prospects for a banner tourism season, including Missouri River visits. He cited forecasts of a 6 percent increase in travel and a 20 percent increase in spending for Americans.

The AAA has forecast

travel numbers this year that have not been seen since 2000, Hagen said, adding that the long, brutal winter has added to the desire for getting out.

"I think there's such a pent-up demand," he said.

During Friday's program, Michels welcomed the out-of-state visitors, who comprised a major part of the audience when asked to stand.

South Dakota is celebrating its 125th anniversary, Michels said, noting the kayakers would explore many historic areas.

"You will see where (explorers) Lewis and Clark traveled, and the home of the Native Americans who were here before us," he said.

The Missouri River has seen dramatic changes in recent years, Michels told the kayakers.

"We had the (2011) flooding, and you will see how it has changed things and what has become of it," he said. "You will learn much more about this wild and scenic river."

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Ohio Schools Chief Accused Of Destroying Evidence

BY MARK GILLISPIE
Associated Press

CLEVELAND — The superintendent of the eastern Ohio district where two high school football players were found guilty of rape in a high-profile case last year wiped computer hard drives, erased emails and lied to investigators about his knowledge of the allegations against the boys, newly released court documents say.

The filing Thursday came in the case against Steubenville superintendent Michael McVey, 51, who has pleaded not guilty to felony counts of tampering with evidence and obstructing justice, and misdemeanor counts of falsification and obstructing official business.

The charges stem from an investigation of McVey's actions after he learned of the allegations in 2012 made by a 16-year-old West Virginia girl against the two members of the storied Steubenville High football team, one of whom was the team's quarterback.

The teens eventually were found guilty in juvenile court and were sent to youth detention centers and classified as sex offenders.

The case drew national attention in part because of the role of texting and social media in exposing the attack, which led to allegations that authorities were covering up the actions of football players.

McVey is accused of misleading authorities about the school's investigation into the rape allegations and concealing knowledge about rumors of sex and drinking at a teen party four months earlier.

The new filing alleges that he erased evidence that included emails and data on computer hard drives. McVey may have had someone wipe the hard drives for him, the document says.

McVey is on paid administrative leave. Calls seeking comment from his attorney Friday were not returned.

Three other people associated with the school and football team were charged along with McVey.

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they can have an opportunity to learn the music and play it together.

Kaylyn added this will be a dream come true for her.

"I think it's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity because I know it's something I more than likely wouldn't have a chance to do by myself," she said. "To go over to Europe — which has been one of my life goals — it's truly amazing."

Other students from across the area, including Yankton, Freeman and Scotland have also been asked to go on the trip.

For more information on Kaylyn's trip and fundraising opportunities including the virtual races, Girl Scout patches and handcraft items, visit <http://kay2euope.weebly.com/>.

For Kaylyn's Go Fund Me page, visit www.gofundme.com/kaylyn-europe

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*With
Fondest
Memories*

*We remember those who have passed
away and are especially dear to us.*

Mark J. Henry
March 14, 1952 - Dec. 31, 2007

Do not grieve for him. He lived his life as he chose. His spirit soars above on eagles wings. He is finally free.

Susan Miles

Nick LaCroix
Oct. 4, 1988 - Sept. 18, 2010

Life has changed. Although our love for you remains, one by one our family chain will link again.

*Love,
Dad, Mom &
family*

Willard R. Hovorka
Oct. 25, 1924 - March 21, 1997

Thank you for the wonderful days we shared together. My prayers will be with you until we meet again.

*Irene, Cheryl,
Ron, Gail, Heidi,
Dave, Chad,
Marc, Ashley*

Lyle W. Magorien, Sr.
Feb. 14, 1941 - May 8, 2010

Forever missed, never forgotten. May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Cheryl Hovorka

Sister Nancy Anderson
Jan. 19, 1931 - July 13, 2004

Though out of sight, you'll forever be in my heart and mind.

Steve, Sheila and Courtney

Leon K. Grimm
March 7, 1942 - July 20, 2013

You were a light in our life that burns forever in our hearts.


*Love,
Ruth Ann, Ginger & Jonathan*

Korry J. Kaiser
April 4, 1968 - Dec. 16, 1993

Forever missed, never forgotten. May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Steve, Sheila and Courtney

Stacey Lynn Myers
Sept. 30, 1988 - June 15, 2012



Today and every day, you are in our hearts to stay.

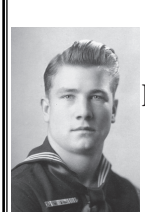
*Love,
Mom, Dad and Rachel*

Maynard V. Hofer
Oct. 8, 1936 - Jan. 11, 2010

May the light of peace shine on your face for eternity.

Mrs. H

Alvin P. Harm
March 28, 1924 - Nov. 7, 2008



Remembering missing you always.

Jeff, Kevin, Laurie & families

John Guenther
March 29, 1925 - Feb. 2, 2007

Ethel Guenther
Jan. 17, 1927 - Oct. 16, 2006

Thank you for leaving us a spiritual inheritance of faith and love. We miss you and love you.

Malicha, Gerri, Kevin, Larry, Marianne & families

Patrick C. Smith
March 17, 1934 - Sept. 18, 2013

Every day we have thoughts of you in our mind and love for you in our heart. Miss you.

JoAnn, Jill, Jay, Chad & families

Tracy McFarland
April 20, 1972 - Sept. 27, 2007

Though out of sight, you'll forever be in my heart and mind.

Danielle Pearman-Doering & Dan Gill

Stan Woods
Oct. 4, 1950 - March 12, 2013

Thank you for the wonderful days we shared together. My prayers will be with you until we meet again.

Shirley Woods

Therese Marie Olander
June 21, 1958 - June 6, 2005

Forever missed, never forgotten. May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Jim, Ryan, Travis, Mellissa, Molly & Myles Olander

Ruth Snay
March 16, 1919 - April 14, 2009

We hold you in our thoughts and memories forever.

Jim and Linda, Marv and Linda, Dan and Sharon

Tami Tweedy
June 15, 1959 - Oct. 2, 2002

Your courage and bravery still inspire us all, and the memory of your smile fills us with joy and laughter.

Dad, Linda, Marcie, Kristi, Brad, and Cindy

Hazel (Sally) Peterson
March 28, 1898 - March 26, 1996

Your knowledge, help and support still inspire us all. Your laughter and wisdom will always remain in our hearts and soul.

*Love always,
Warren, Marge and Pat*

Marge Turner
Nov. 10, 1932 - May 9, 2013

Your courage and bravery still inspire us all, and the memory of your smile fills us with joy and laughter.

Ron & Vicki

Betty Munkvold
May 26, 1936 - Aug. 18, 2008

Sisterly love, my Betty Boop, never leaves. Your kindness & loving heart is forever in my daily thoughts.

*Til we meet again,
Linda Kappel*

Jerome Sylliaasen
Feb. 17, 1937 - April 23, 2012

You were a light in our life that burns forever in our hearts.

Dorothy, Pamela, Raymon, Patricia, Tyler, Alexa, Jessica, Michael, Nathan, & Briana

Hannah Shea Kirchner
Jan. 9, 2007 - April 7, 2007

Our love for your remains deep in our hearts.

Grandma and Grandpa Ekeren

Sharon Freng
Dec. 20, 1939 - Feb. 15, 2012

Thank you for the wonderful days we shared together. My prayers will be with you until we meet again.

Tom Freng

Scott Robert Herrboldt
July 14, 1961 - Jan. 28, 1988

You were a light in our life that burns forever in our hearts.

Leroy Herrboldt & family

Lawrence Ray (Larry) Frazier
Dec. 31, 1960 - April 25, 2013

Forever missed, forever loved, and never forgotten. We send this message with a loving kiss for eternal rest and happiness. Our prayers will be with you until we meet again.


*All our love,
Jean and Ross*

Ross Elliot (Barney) Frazier
April 25, 1976 - Nov. 1, 2001

Time slips by and life goes on, I hold you close in my heart. There you will remain throughout my life until I see you again.

*All my love,
Dad*

Bryce William Huether
Sept. 30, 1990 - Jan. 29, 2012



May God hold you and take care of you until we see you again. We think and miss you everyday.

Dad, Mom, Jack, Jenny, Mike, Madelyn