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USD School Of Education Honors 3 Faculty Members With 2014 Awards

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota School of Education announced that three faculty members have been honored with 2014 Faculty Excellence Awards. Hee-sook Choi, Ph.D., interim dean of the School of Education, announced the recipients at a School of Education faculty meeting May 8.

Loralee LaPointe, Ph.D., lecturer in the Division of Curriculum and Instruction, is the recipient of the Faculty Excellence Award in Teaching. This award recognizes faculty members for collegiality in teaching, outstanding instruction and mentoring (in and out of the classroom), and current content and methods that advance the mission of the School of Education. LaPointe teaches both graduate and undergraduate courses in Special Education. She received her B.S. in elementary education and her M.Ed. in special education from the University of North Dakota, and her Ph.D.in counseling and psychology in education/educational psy-







Jacobs

chology specialization from USD. Lisa Newland, Ph.D., professor in the Division of Counseling and Psychology in Education, was honored with the Faculty Excellence Award in Research for exemplary performance in creating and disseminating knowledge through research. Newland describes her research as focused on "contextual influences on children's development from infancy to adolescence in culturally and economically diverse populations (with a focus on family and school influences and interactions across those contexts)." She

Newland

tional research projects and has submitted a grant proposal for more than \$2 million. Newland received her B.A. in Scandinavian studies from Concordia College, her M.S. and Ph.D. in family and human development from Utah State University.

Gera Jacobs, Ed.D., professor in the Division of Curriculum and Instruction, received the Faculty Excellence Award in Service. She was nominated for high impact service to the School of Education, university, profession, and community. Jacobs is currently the president of the National Association for the Education of Young Children. She can also be seen in the community at the Center for Children and Families, South Dakota Voices for Children, and at Kindergarten Round-Up. Jacobs received her B.A. in elementary education at the University of Dayton, her M.A. in early childhood education and Ed.D. in curriculum and instruction/early childhood both from USD.

USDA Taking Applications For Rural Technology Funding

is currently directing three interna-

WASHINGTON — Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack has announced that USDA is accepting applications for grants to enhance telecommunications and broadcast services in rural areas.

"This funding will help small, rural communities across the country gain access to communications technologies to improve health, education and other services," Vilsack said. "It will help open doors to the global marketplace. It will deliver specialized medical care and educational services. It will ensure that public television stations can fully convert to digital signals and transmit public safety, health, educational and cultural programming in isolated areas.

The funding is available from the Community Connect Grant Program, the Distance Learning and Telemedicine Program, and

the Public Television Station Digital Transition Grant Pro-

gram. Through the Community Connect Grant Program, USDA plans to provide up to \$13 million to fund broadband in unserved areas to support economic growth and deliver enhanced educational, health care and public safety services. Awardees must serve an area where broadband does not exist, provide a community center with broadband access, and offer broadband service to all residential and business customers. Details are on page 29405 of the Federal Register

http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-05-22/pdf/2014- 11700.pdf>/.

Also in a notice in the Federal Register, USDA is making available up to \$19.3 million in Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT) program grants to fund access

to rural education, training and health care resources. The DLT program finances telecommunications-enabled equipment and advanced technologies for people who live and work in rural areas. Since 2009, USDA has invested almost \$150 million in the program. These investments compliment other USDA efforts to improve rural communications.

Details of Distance Learning funding being made available today are on page 29399 of the Federal Register.

In the Public Television Station Digital Transition Grant Program, USDA will provide up to \$2 million as part of the Department's continued support of rural telecommunications and broadcast services. Funds can be used to acquire, lease or install equipment or software to complete the transition to digital broadcast signals.

While rural stations broadcast their main transmitter signal digitally, many also have translators serving small communities or isolated areas, and these still need to transition from analog to digital. Some rural areas also need fill-in translators, in cases when the signal reception from a main transmitter is lost. These Public Television grants will support those stations to ensure all rural households and businesses receive public television station transmissions. Details are on page 29409 of the Federal Register http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2014-05-22/pdf/2014- 11703.pdf>

USDA will offer special consideration to Community Connect and Distance Learning and Telemedicine applications that contain at least one end-user site within a trust area or a Tribal jurisdictional area.

Sewage

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Meanwhile, the owner of the park is to inform the DENR today (Friday) what engineer has been hired to evaluate the septic system.

"The engineer has to submit a report by July 7 Woodmansey said.

Within 30 days of the notice of violation and order

being issued, the owner has the right to request a hearing with the DENR.

"It is possible some of these things could change if there is a hearing," Woodmansey stated.

A DENR representative will visit the park next week to investigate the immediate remediation efforts.

"We'll be checking in with them periodically as they go through this process," Woodmansey said.

He stated that the South Dakota Attorney General's

Office reviewed the procedure that has been put in place and agrees it is the

best approach. "(The notice of violation and order is) used for a variety of environmental programs in the department for non-compliance," Woodmansey said. "It isn't used very often for septic issues. We usually get voluntary compliance. When we don't, that's when we have to elevate to another level, which is what this is.

Garrity said he is pleased with the steps that have taken place. He originally contacted the DENR about the situation because it was not being resolved.

"I feel we've made some good head way and everyone is paying attention," he

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OBITUARIES

Donald Hamberger

Donald E. Hamberger, age 90, of Irene, formerly of Yankton, passed away Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at Sunset Manor, Irene, SD.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 31, 2014 at St. Benedict Catholic Church, Yankton with Rev. Ken Lulf officiating. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery.

Visitations will begin at 4 p.m. Friday, May 30, 2014 at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton with a 7 p.m. rosary followed by a 7:30 Scripture service. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

Donald was born to Adolph and Emma (Pesek) Hamberger on February 24, 1924 in Scotland, SD. As a young boy, his family moved to Springfield where he attended school. He married Luetta Wagner on June 22, 1949 at St. Agnes (Sigel) Catholic Church in rural Lesterville, SD. They moved to a farm near Lesterville where they lived until Donald retired,



Hamberger

into Yankton. Donald loved to dance and enjoyed making

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stained glass ornaments and wall hangings.

Donald's memory will be cherished by his wife, Luetta of Irene, SD; two brothers, Maynard Hamberger of Lesterville, SD and Verne (Gladys) of Arizona; two sisters, Lorraine Rehurek of Tyndall, SD and Marcella Kolda of Yankton, SD; many nieces and

nephews. Donald was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers: Elmer, Clarence, Emil, and Lawrence, a sister, Clara Waltz, and two brothers-in-law, Calvin Rehurek and Donald Kolda. Yankton Press & Dakotan

May 30, 2014 <u>'SAHL-KOSTEL</u> Online condolences at:

www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome

James Busch

Jim Busch, 70, Humble, Texas, formerly of Mission Hill, died May

26, 2014. Arrangements are being handled by Rosewood Funeral Home, Humble, Texas.

A full obituary is avail-

Busch able at Rosewood.cc.

Luverne Mayer

Luverne H. Mayer, 88, of Yankton, died Thursday, May 29, 2014 at the Wakonda Heritage Manor in Wakonda.

Arrangements are pending with the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Yankton.

Bernadine Matuska

Bernadine Matuska, 93, of Tabor died early Thursday, May 29, 2014, at the Good Samaritan Society, Tyndall.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 3,

and Cremation Service, Inc.

at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Tabor, with the Rev. Steven Jones officiating, Burial will be in the parish ceme-

Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Monday at the Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Tabor, with a scripture service followed by a rosary at 7 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the memorial chapel.

Connie Kiefer

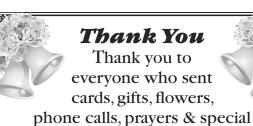
Connie Lee Kiefer, 74, of Wynot, Nebraska, died on Thursday, May 29, 2014, at the Golden Living Center in Hartington, Nebraska

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Monday, June 2, at 10:30 a.m. at the Holy Family (Sacred Heart) Catholic Church in Wynot with Rev. Eric Olsen officiating. Burial of her cremated remains will be in the Wynot Cemetery.

Visitation will begin one hour prior to services on Monday at the church.

The Wintz Funeral Home is handling the arrange-

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Crest Road Will Be Closed Next Week

Crest Road, the road that crosses the Gavins Point Dam, will be closed from 8 a.m. Monday, June 2, through noon Friday, June 6. This closure will include nighttime hours.

The public is asked to plan on an alternate route of travel during this time.

'Farming And Food' Presentation Mon.

How are farmers using science and technology to grow healthier food? What's the impact on our food, animal care and the environment?

Those questions will be answered on Monday, June 2, during the Yankton Morning Optimist Club meeting. Stacey Sorlien of the South Dakota Pork Producers Council will address the group at noon at the Fryn' Pan located at 502 W. 21st St. in

Titled "Farming and Food" the speech by Sorlien will highlight how ongoing advancements in agricultural science are helping farmers raise better food while using fewer natural resources than ever before. "Farmers who raise pigs have been able to make great progress in animal health, food safety and protecting the environment," said Sorlien. "And farmers know they must always keep learning and working to get better at what they do." Farmers now use 41-percent less water and 78 percent less land to raise pigs than they did 50 years ago.

"Modern barns, a focus on nutrition and animal care mean pigs live healthier lives than ever before," said Sorlien. "And, healthy pigs mean healthy food. For example, pork tenderloin today is as lean as a skinless chicken breast and is certified by the Ámerican Heart Association as a heart-healthy food. I'd like to thank the Yankton Morning Optimist Club for giving me an opportunity to share what farmers are doing to make sure safe and healthy food gets to the dinner table today and in the

There are 68,000 pork producers in the United States. South Dakota pork production contributes \$520 million to the state's economy.

Tot Time Child Center Begins New Hours

The Tot Time Child Center at the Summit Activities Center has new summer hours. Starting on Monday, June 2, the Tot Time Child Center will be available to all members and guests Monday through Thursday from 9-11 a.m.

The Summit Activities Center Tot Time Child Center offers our members and guests an opportunity to utilize the facility while their children have a safe and enjoyable place to play. Tot Time attendants will strive to provide a positive, fun environment for your children while you can enjoy all of the amenities the SAC has to offer.

Children ages 7 years and under are eligible to use the Tot Time Center. There is a small cost per child for this program. The Tot Time Child Center will operate on a first-come, firstserve basis with a maximum capacity of eight children at one

For additional information, call (605) 668-5234 or stop by the Summit Activities Center at 1801 Summit Street, Yankton. Remember to follow the Yankton Department of Parks and

Boys State Program Begins Next Week

ABERDEEN — The American Legion Department of South Dakota reports that high school boys from across the state of South Dakota will be arriving in Aberdeen on Monday, June 2, as the 72nd Session of the South Dakota American Legion Boys State convenes on the campus of Northern State University. The program will conclude Friday, June 6.

Approximately 350 high school students, who have just completed their junior year, will start with registration from noon-2:30 p.m. at the NSU Barnett Center and then move to the Opening Ceremonies to start the 2014 Boys State session. This weeklong session is a part of The American Legion's Americanism Program, is one of the most-respected and selective educational programs of government instruction for high school students in the nation. South Dakota American Legion Boys State started in Aberdeen in 1940 and continued through 1942. World War II made it necessary to drop the activity from 1943-1945, but in 1946, the South Dakota American Legion Boys State program resumed.

It is a participatory program where each boy becomes a part of the operation of his local, county and state government. The boys will be exposed to the rights and privileges, the duties and responsibilities of an American citizen. The training is objective and practical with city, county and state government operated by elected and appointed officials duly placed in office by the participants of the Boys State program. Activities include legislative sessions, court proceedings, law enforcement presentations, assemblies, bands, chorus, and recreational programs.

Local American Legion Posts following the recommendations by high school officials select the Boys State participants. In most cases, a sponsoring American Legion Post, a local business or other community-based organizations, pays the expenses associated with attendance to Boys State.

Approximately 60 volunteer staff members consisting of Legionnaires and educators, along with civic and government leaders participate as counselors and advisors during the weeklong program.

The South Dakota American Legion Boys State program is conducted under the direction of the South Dakota American Legion Boys State Director Gene Opbroek of Pierre.

YCL Slates 'Big Bang Theory' Fun Night

Calling all "Big Bang Theory" geeks to the Yankton Community Library, 515 Walnut, at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, to a night of fun and games as we test your knowledge about one of television's most popular shows

Teams of two persons will challenge one another to see who knows the most about our favorite television nerds. Registration is required but the evening is free. You are welcome to register as a team of two or individually and we'll

pair you with someone on the big night. Come in a "Big Bang"related costume and earn bonus points for your team. For more information, call the library at 668-5276 -"Bazinga!!"



Leise - Homolka Kendra Leise and Justin Homolka announce their engagement.

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Norfolk, NE, and James and Carol Homolka of Genoa, NE. Kendra graduated from Norfolk Senior High in Norfolk, NE, in 2009. Kendra works at Saint Joseph's Rehabilitation and Care in Norfolk, NE. Justin graduated from Twin

Parents of the couple are

Kenneth and Janice Leise of

River High School in Genoa, NE. Justin works at Platte Valley Equipment in Humphrey, NE. The couple is planning a June 28, 2014, wedding in Norfolk.



will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on June 1, 2014. Their children request a card shower. Greetings may be sent to:

304 James Place, Yankton, SD 57078.