

DHS Work Group To Focus On Autism, Kids

PIERRE — In the second week of National Autism Awareness Month, the South Dakota Department of Human Services (DHS) announced it is taking nominations for a summer workgroup focusing on qualifications of applied behavior analysis therapy providers.

On March 30, Gov. Dennis Daugaard signed into law Senate Bill 190, an act to clarify health coverage for applied behavior analysis, and to establish the Applied Behavior Analysis Provider Workgroup. The bill passed with overwhelming majorities in both the Senate and House and calls for certain insurance coverage of applied behavior analysis to provide an annual maximum benefit based on age range. The workgroup called for in the

legislation is tasked with studying the certification and licensure of applied behavior analysis therapy providers and to advise and make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by Dec. 1.

Daugaard will appoint the following workgroup members by July 1: two Senate members; two House of Representatives members; two people with a family member with autism spectrum disorder; two behavior analysts certified by the National Behavior Analyst Certification Board, including one at a supervisory level; one licensed healthcare provider who provides other medical or therapy services to children with autism; one representative from DHS; one from the

Department of Social Services; one from the Department of Education; one from the Department of Labor and Regulation; two people representing health insurance carriers who offer coverage in South Dakota; and one person who serves as an executive director of a medical or therapy licensing board.

The group will meet three times in Pierre between July and November. Those interested in serving on or learning more about the Applied Behavior Analysis Provider Workgroup may contact DHS via email at infodhs@state.sd.us or by calling 800-265-9684. Nominations for workgroup members will be accepted until May 31.

YAA Set To Offer Adult Classes May 14-15

Yankton Area Arts is offering art classes for adults at GAR Hall. Zin & Zentangle is a meditative drawing class that will be on Thursday, May 14, from 1-3 p.m. There is a fee for this class.

There are two Paint & Sip options on Friday, May 15. Paint & Sip class registrants will be part of a social art experience in which each artist will receive professional instruction to ultimately create a 16 x 20 painting to take home. The first class is 1-3:30 p.m. and the second is 6:30-9 p.m. There is a fee for this class.

These adult classes are all being taught by area artist and

teacher Cheryl Peterson-Halsey and are BYOB events (no hard liquor). YAA will provide wine glasses, all art supplies including canvas/paper and aprons, fine edibles and non-alcoholic drinks, music and an upbeat atmosphere.

Plan a perfect evening for girls-night out, date nights, private parties, co-worker outings, bachelorette parties, civic clubs, church groups, individuals, etc. Space is limited and all are encouraged to register early by visiting www.YanktonAreaArts.org or by calling 665-9754 for more information.

OBITUARIES

Janet Lippert

Janet Mae (Tieszen) Lippert, age 81, of Yankton, South Dakota went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Saturday, May 9, 2015 as a result of Alzheimer's disease.

Funeral services are 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at First Assembly of God Church in Yankton with Reverend Jeff Mantz officiating. Burial will be in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Yankton.

Visitation is from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 12 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. Visitation continues one hour prior to the funeral at the church.

Pallbearers are Hayden Draewell-Barta, Kari Barta Amanda Barta, Justin Lippert, Shawna Riibe, Brad Riibe, Alex Fitz and Austen Noram. Honorary pallbearers are Nicole, Jeremy, Melissa and Timothy Carlson, Laurie and Taylor



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ion, South Dakota. She lost her mother at age 6 and was raised by her dad and Aunt Alvina Knutson. Janet learned how to cook at an early age and by the time she was 9 years old, she was cooking full meals for the farm workers. Life on the family farm was hard, but Janet didn't complain. She graduated from Yankton High School in 1957. She was married to Walter Peter Lewno and from that union two children were born, Lynette and Alvina. Walter died in 1961 and Janet was left a widow to two young girls. She met the love of her life, Elwood, at First Assembly of God Church in 1962 and they

Hohstadt, Joshua Porth, Seth, Chelsea and Jamie Brooks.

Janet was born March 29, 1934 on the family farm in Marion, South Dakota. She lost her mother at age 6 and was raised by her dad and Aunt Alvina Knutson. Janet learned how to cook at an early age and by the time she was 9 years old, she was cooking full meals for the farm workers. Life on the family farm was hard, but Janet didn't complain. She graduated from Yankton High School in 1957. She was married to Walter Peter Lewno and from that union two children were born, Lynette and Alvina. Walter died in 1961 and Janet was left a widow to two young girls. She met the love of her life, Elwood, at First Assembly of God Church in 1962 and they

were married May 10, 1963. They enjoyed raising four more children: Myrna, Wade, Shari and Lewlyn. Janet was a stay at home mom until it became necessary for her to go to work. She worked at the South Dakota Human Services Center, Sunshine Nursing Home and Sheraton Hotel. She was a faithful member of Yankton First Assembly of God and loved the Lord with all of her heart. Janet was incredible with a crochet hook and visitors to church were welcomed with one her crocheted bookmarks. She also created beautiful hand-crafted pieces with needle-point canvas mesh.

Our hearts are heavy with grief, but filled with hope, for Mom is now rejoicing in Heaven with the angels. Until we see you on the other side ... we love you.

Janet is survived by her husband, Elwood Lippert of Yankton; six children: Lynette Carlson (fiancé, John Lelonek) of Brainerd, MN, Alvina (Rob-

ert) Hohstadt of Salinas, CA, Myrna (Don) Barta of Sioux Falls, SD, Wade (Terri) Lippert of Yankton, Shari (John) Porth of Sioux Falls and Lewlyn "Lee" Lippert of Ft. Walton Beach, FL; 14 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Janet was preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Walter Lewno; baby sister, Mabel Ruth; sister, Norma Tieszen and grandson, Jeremy Carlson.

To send an online message to the family, please visit www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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Robert Jacobson

Robert D. Jacobson, 74, Parker, died May 5, 2015, in Sioux Falls.

A Memorial Service will be held on Thursday at 7 p.m. at Bethany Lutheran Church in Viborg.

Register at www.viborgfuneralhome.com/.

Gerald Osborn

Gerald Ignatious Osborn was born May 8, 2015, and passed away at his home on May 10, 2015.

Memorial services will be 7 p.m. Friday, May 15, at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Chapel, Yankton, with the Rev. Mark Lichter officiating.

Visitations will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be sent at www.opsahl-kostel-funeralhome.com.

Pearl Cubbage

Pearl (Barnhart) Cubbage, 33, of Lake Andes died Friday, May 8, 2015, west of Greenwood.

Funeral services are 1 p.m. Thursday, May 14, at the American Legion Hall in Wagner. Burial is in the Holy Fellowship Episcopal Cemetery, rural Greenwood.

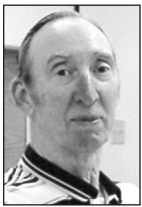
George Promes

George P. Promes, age 81 of Hartington, Nebraska died on Sunday, May 10, 2015 at Park View Haven Nursing Home in Coleridge, NE.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hartington with the Rev. Jeffery Loseke officiating. Burial will be at St. Michael's cemetery in Hartington. Visitation will be on Tuesday from 5-8:00 p.m. with a Vigil Service at 7:00 p.m. at the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington. Visitation will continue on Wednesday at church one hour prior to services.

Pallbearers will be Larry Leise, Keith Promes, Gary Brewer, Tanner Fischer, Mitchell Duhahek, and Matthew Leise.

George Paul Promes was born on February 22, 1934 in Hartington, Nebraska to Joseph and Josephine (Frigge) Promes. He graduated from Holy Trinity High School in Hartington. He married Wilma Darlene Timm on May 26, 1962 in Denver, Colorado. He worked for Gates Rubber Company in Colorado for 34 years. He lived in Colorado from 1956 to 2002 until moving to Hartington. George was a member of Holy Trin-



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ity Catholic Church in Hartington. He is survived by one brother, Richard Promes of Hartington; two sisters JoAnn Leise

of Hartington, and Geraldine Breinig of Littleton, CO; and many nieces and nephews.

George was preceded in death by his parents; his wife Wilma on January 17, 2009 at the age of 73 years; four brothers Norbert, Hugo, Ray, and Eugene Promes; and sister Rita Brewer.

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Percy Gunderson

Funeral services for Percy B. Gunderson, 93, of Chamberlain, SD

will be 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at the St. Olaf Free Lutheran Church in Ola with burial in the Union Cemetery at Bijou Hills, SD.

Visitation will be Tuesday, with family present beginning at 5:00 p.m. with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m., at the Hickey Funeral Chapel in Chamberlain.

Percy Blaine Gunderson was born January 8, 1922, in the bedroom of the family home where he lived in his entire life. He was the son of Sanford and Bertha (Carlson) Gunderson. Riding in a single buggy with his sisters and brother, he attended grade school at the Gunderson Country School. Percy, being the youngest, rode his horse Riley to school after his siblings all graduated.

Percy was baptized, confirmed, and was a charter member of St. Olaf Free Lutheran Church. He held several positions on the church board for many years. In 1946, Percy was united in marriage to Edna Kesseling, and to this union six children were born.

Percy worked as an assistant mailman for several years at Bijou Hills. He helped the farmers with the building of the telephone lines and con-

tinued to work as a lineman for the telephone company for about 15 years. He worked for the Statistical Reporting Service from 1971-1975. He was a crop adjuster for the ASCS for 29 years. He sold DeKalb Seed Corn for 25 years. He served on the America Township as a Clerk for 55 years. He had a passion for carpentry and upholstery. He and Edna worked side by side for many years doing upholstery.

In 1985, Percy and family started a pheasant business. They provided housing, food, hunting and guiding. Through the years they made oh so many friends. He loved playing horse shoes, baseball, cards, and hunting. Percy and Edna loved to square dance. It was the only dancing he would do!

Percy passed away on May 9, 2015 at the Sanford Care Center in Chamberlain at the age of 93 years.

Gratefully sharing his life are his wife Edna Gunderson of Chamberlain; six children Denny and Kay Gunderson of Chamberlain, Dave and Gail Gunderson of Chamberlain, Dee and Dan Conkling of Yankton, Dayle and Mike Chilson of Chamberlain, Donna and Donnie Dominick of Chamberlain, and Dori and Bart Krenke of Chamberlain; 15 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren plus great grandson Jude Lloyd Gunderson soon to arrive; and three great great grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents, two brothers Bernard and Pete (Geneva) Gunderson, and two sisters Doris (Hugh) Ellis and Berniece (Garfield) Johnson.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the St. Olaf Free Lutheran Church, 26098 349th Ave, Chamberlain, SD 57325.

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Earl Johnson

Earl G. Johnson, 78, of Yankton died unexpectedly and peacefully Saturday, May 9, 2015, at his home.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 14, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Yankton with the Rev. David Wildermuth officiating. Burial will be 1 p.m. Friday, May 15, at Mount Hope Cemetery in Watertown.

Visitation is from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton.

To post an online sympathy message visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

Gregg Stocking

Gregg Stocking, 60, of Yankton passed away unexpectedly Friday, May 8, 2015 at his home.

Arrangements are pending under the care of the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home and Crematory, Yankton.

POOL TIME!

Memorial Pool Hours:
12:30pm-8:00pm Daily
260-2005

Summit Activities Center
Pool Hours:
M/W/F 6:30pm-7:45pm
668-5234



SUMMER SEASON POOL PASS

Family (Immediate Family Only) \$90.00
Individuals \$45.00

SAC MEMBER SUMMER POOL PASS*

Family \$70.00
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MEMORIAL POOL OPENS MAY 29TH

Discount Season Pass Must Be Purchased At SAC

*Pass applies only to open swim times.
Summer Season Pool Pass is good at both the SAC & Memorial Pool from May 1 to Aug. 31. Pool passes can be purchased at SAC now and at Memorial Pool beginning May 29th.

DAILY PASSES

Family (Immediate Family Only) \$10.00
Adults (18 & over) \$6.00
Youth (17 & Under) \$5.00



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668-5234



Tuesday, May 12
7:40 am The Center (Christy Hauer)
8:20 am New City Commissioner (Nathan Johnson)
8:45 am Dakota Museum (Crystal Nelson)
Wednesday, May 13
7:40 am YC Observer (Kathy Church, Kristy Wyland)
8:20 am Hy-Vee Foods (Chef Staci)



Spring is here!

If it's time to replace your worn and tattered American flag, please remember to dispose of it properly.

We have a convenient drive-up drop box located at the front of our facility. We will dispose of them in a proper ceremony at a later date.



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