

Delmont Closing For Debris Removal

PIERRE — The use of heavy equipment and trailers to haul debris will mean closing parts of the city of Delmont to vehicle and foot traffic for two days this week.

Officials say the closure of some parts of Delmont is scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday. The equipment will be used so removal of large debris from the May 10 tornado can be done uninterrupted. The closure is for safety reasons.

Also to be closed today (Wednesday) and Thursday will be the Volunteer Reception Center. The center will reopen Friday 8 a.m.-7 p.m. and also be open 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday at the baseball field located at the south end of the community. Those volunteering are asked to come into Delmont on Highway 18.

The Donations Management Center, located at the Delmont American Legion Hall, remains open from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. every day.

For information about either center, call 605-212-9605.

Those people in Delmont today and Thursday are asked to watch for heavy equipment and vehicles in the tornado-damaged sites.

HHS Dogs In Vermillion Saturday

VERMILLION — Heartland Humane Society (HHS) welcomes the community to meet their dogs available for adoption on Saturday, May 30, from 10 a.m.-noon at Pump 'N Pak, located at 629 Stanford Street, Vermillion.

HHS will have different sizes, ages and breeds of dogs available for the general public to meet and possibly adopt. There will be a booth with information for those considering adopting or volunteering, along with other various activities, such as a free-will donation doggie wash, doggie treat bags and a merchandise table.

“This will be a great chance for everyone to meet our dogs in foster homes, but also come out and enjoy a fun gathering. We will have treat bags, merchandise and you can bathe your dog! Bring the whole family for a couple hours of fun!” says Christa Kranig, Shelter Coordinator at Heartland Humane Society.

Staff at HHS encourages anyone interested in adopting the day of the event to fill out an application prior. Applications must be reviewed and approved before adoption. You can pick up an application at the shelter or find one on the organization website (www.heartlandhumanesociety.net).

For more information on this event, contact Heartland Humane Society at 605-664-4244 or email hhs@midconet-work.com. You can view all animals available for adoption on the shelter’s website or on Petfinder.com.

Boys State Opens For Aberdeen June 1

WATERTOWN — High school boys from across South Dakota will be arriving in Aberdeen on Monday, June 1, as the 73rd annual session of the South Dakota American Legion Boys State will convene on the campus of Northern State University. The program will conclude Friday, June 5.

More than 300 high school students, who have just completed their junior year, will arrive on the NSU campus on June 1 for registration and the opening of the American Legion Boys State. The week-long session, 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 South Dakota American Legion Boys State was resumed.

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

Participants were selected by local American Legion Posts following recommendations by school officials. In most cases, the expenses associated with attendance were paid by a sponsoring American Legion Post, a local business or another community-based organization.

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

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

Bush Foundation Meeting Set For Pierre

BROOKINGS — Bush Foundation staff and SDSU Extension staff invite interested community members and leaders to attend the Community Conversations Powered by the Bush Foundation meeting June 15 at the Ramkota Conference Center in Pierre.

Participation in these conversations will provide an opportunity for community leaders to discuss their community successes and challenges, learn from one another, and develop a strong network for supporting community change work in South Dakota.

Online registration is required for this free event. Visit <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/community-conversations-powered-by-the-bush-foundation-tickets-16754469068> to register.

The Bush Foundation staff will also be offering face-to-face office hours on June 15 after the event and June 16. Register online for a face-to-face meeting at <https://www.slotted.co/bfofficehourspierre>.

“The opportunity to visit with Bush Foundation staff is amazing,” said Mary Emery, SDSU Sociology and Rural Studies Department Head. “I encourage the movers and shakers of these communities to take advantage of this great opportunity.”

Visit Bush Foundation website for more information about their grant and fellowship programs <http://www.bushfoundation.org/>.

Pipeline

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For example, Gough said, carbon dioxide emissions now are being regulated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. He said South Dakota was aligned with the losing side in what’s known as the Massachusetts decision reached by the U.S. Supreme Court.

One of the witnesses planned by Intertribal COUP was identified in commission filings as Dr. James Hansen, a former director for the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies and now a faculty member at Columbia University where he runs a program in climate science, awareness and solutions.

Commission chairman Chris Nelson expressed some hesitancy about banning all three witnesses altogether because they might have in-

formation to offer in rebuttal to other points brought up at the hearing.

But commissioner Hanson said the topics identified by Intertribal COUP focused on climate issues. That led to a 3-0 vote in favor of TransCanada.

TransCanada also succeeded Tuesday in fighting off a motion by various pipeline opponents that sought to severely penalize the company over its treatment of information discovery requests by opponents.

Commissioners voted 3-0 to deny a motion seeking to prohibit TransCanada from presenting any witnesses or evidence.

“It appears to me TransCanada has acted in good faith in compliance with our standards,” commissioner Kristie Fiegen said.

Hanson said the sanction request “is just far, far, reaching far beyond” the discovery disputes.

New YPC Warden Named

From P&D Staff Reports

Gregory Kizziah, the associate warden at FCC Beaumont, Texas, will assume warden duties at the Yankton Federal Prison Camp May 31.

In a press release Tuesday, the Federal Bureau of Prisons (FBP) said Kizziah began his career with the Federal Bureau of Prisons in 1995 as a correctional officer at FCI Beckley, West Virginia. He then served in various



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positions such as lieutenant, special investigative agent, captain and complex captain before he promoted to associate warden. He served as an associate warden at FCI Gilmer, West Virginia, and FCC Beaumont.

In addition to his FBP years of service, Kizziah served in

the U.S. Army from 1985-1992.

Kizziah will replace Scott Willis, who has been named warden at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) La Tuna, Texas. Willis has served as Warden of FPC Yankton since Dec. 2, 2012. According to the FBP, he has been instrumental in both enhancing existing security procedures and expanding inmate reentry programming opportunities.

Red Cross Assistance



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Melissa Christianson of the Yankton Area Community Foundation presents a donation to Red Cross volunteers Catherine Crandall, Commissioner/Red Cross volunteer Deb Bodenstedt and Tammy Matuska in support of the recent Home Fire Program in Yankton. Thanks for helping us build resilient communities!

OBITUARIES

Hazel Van Epps

Hazel Van Epps, 88, passed peacefully and joined her husband and heavenly family and friends on May 22, 2015. Born in Theresa, Florida in 1926, she was the youngest of eight children of Weldon and Gertrude Packham.



Van Epps

Hazel met the love of her life while working at the Western Union Office in Jacksonville, Florida in 1945. Leonard and Hazel raised their three daughters in Florida and South Dakota, moving to Merritt Island in Brevard County in 1971 where she taught Special Education until her retirement in 1987.

A devoted mother who centered her life around family and church, she also inspired the lives of many of her special needs students both in South Dakota and Florida. Hazel valued education and began working on her college degree at Yankton College graduating in 1971 with BA in Education and completed her MA in Special Education and Psychology at the University of South Dakota.

She leaves behind her three daughters: Rebecca Sario Reynolds (Harry Robnett) of Portland, Oregon; Pamela Mankowski (Mark) of W. Melbourne, Florida; and Susan Van Epps (Dr. Neil Benson) of Palatka, Florida. She is also survived by eleven grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren who reside throughout the United States in Oregon, Florida, Virginia, Nebraska, and Ohio.

Jon Augustin

Jon Marc Augustin, age 51 of Crofton, Nebraska died unexpectedly on Sunday, May 24, 2015 at his residence.

A Private family Memorial Service will be on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton, SD with the Rev. Dani Jo Ninke officiating. Burial of his cremated remains will be at a later date.

Visitation with the family present will be on Wednesday from 5-7:00 p.m. with a time of sharing at 6:30 p.m. at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton, SD.

Jon Marc was born on June 12, 1963 to Norris C. and Leora M. (Rippen) Augustin in Red Cloud, Nebraska.

He lived in Blue Hill, Nebraska until 1965, then moved with family to Columbus where he was graduated from Columbus High School in 1981. He attended Central Community College in Columbus earning a business degree. Jon was employed in Denver, later returning to Lohr Petroleum in Columbus and then to Kaneb Pipeline from



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1990 to 1999. He married Kiyvon D'Ette Saunders December 31, 1991 in Yankton, SD. Jon worked as a utility line foreman

for E.C.I. in Yankton and was currently employed as a broadband technician for Great Plains Communications.

Jon was a kind and caring man, loving husband and father. He was a rugged outdoorsman and sportsman with an amazing flair for and love of the shooting sports. Jon and Kiyvon worked hard to teach their boys the important things in life and he was fiercely proud of their remarkable academic achievements and careers. As an accomplished craftsman, engineer, fabricator and welder, Jon built many things that will last centuries! He and Kiyvon built a beautiful home together that is a testament to his talents and her skill and impeccable taste, as well as being the greatest place on earth to rear three boys. His wit and sense of humor brought

smiles to everyone around him, and his unmistakable laugh was contagious. If you were friends with Jon, you had a trusted friend for life.

Jon is survived by his wife Kiyvon of Crofton; three sons, Jesse Augustin of Ogallala, Tommy Augustin of Kearney, and Cory Augustin of Crofton; parents Norry and Lee Augustin of Columbus, sister Jaci Augustin of Ceresco, niece Jena Augustin of Columbus, brother-in-law Thaine and wife Peg Saunders of Duncan, father-in-law Tom Saunders of Omaha, NE.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Jay Augustin.

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

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FL 32912-0028 or visit them at PromiseinBrevard.com.

Arrangements by Ammen Family Cremation and Funeral Care, Melbourne, FL 321-724-2222. Share memories and sign the family guestbook at www.afcfcare.com.

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Archery

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events bring in 50 countries at one time,” Wenande said. “I think it’s highly unusual.”

In addition to the ongoing help from World Archery officials, the WAYC local staff has been planning something that is unlike any sporting event to ever come to South Dakota, Wenande said. Any help from the state’s Department of Tourism office or the Governor’s Office of Economic Development has been appreciated, but the

state doesn’t exactly have a template for an event like the WAYC.

“The state doesn’t have a place for events like this,” Wenande said. “They’re doing what they can to help us, but it’s not like we fit into a pre-designed mold for events.”

“With this being a national organization with its headquarters in South Dakota, there’s not a lot of other groups like this.”

With that unique aspect in mind, the WAYC staff is planning to take full advantage.

A number of outside activities are being scheduled to provide the youth

archers — ages 15-20 — with entertainment opportunities. A common theme, Wenande said, is to utilize the regional culture. A live buffalo will be brought in, as will a Native American dance group, teepees, and potentially a covered wagon.

“We’re trying to show what the USA is all about, what the Midwest is all about,” Wenande said. “I think it’s great for a lot of these kids, especially if they come from big cities, to see what it’s like for rural America.”

With the WAYC looming, there are still plenty of volunteer opportunities open to

the general public, according to Wenande.

“There’s still a job for everybody,” Wenande said. “We’re still looking.”

Those interested in helping out during the tournament can call out to the NFAA complex (605-260-9282) or register online (yankton-2015wayc.org)

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