

## Freeman Ribs Event is June 27

FREEMAN — The eighth annual Ribs at the Ranch barbecue cook-off contest is set for Saturday, June 27, in the Freeman Academy parking lot.

Baby back ribs, pulled pork sandwiches, root beer floats, sno cones and other side dishes will be served from 4:30-8:30 p.m. All items are sold ala carte and a limited number of sampler tickets will be available.

The event goes on rain or shine. Bring lawn chairs to relax and enjoy a summer evening of food and fun in Freeman. Watch for more details about music groups and the "Pig Plop."

Proceeds from Ribs at the Ranch will go to the Sterling Hall Building Fund. Entries are still open for interested BBQ Chefs. Contact Vernetta Waltner at [vwaltner@freemanacademy.org](mailto:vwaltner@freemanacademy.org) or 605-321-7351.

All information is also found on the FA website at <http://www.freeman-academy.org/events-calendar/campus-events/>

## Slip Sliding Away



KELLY HERTZ/P&D

Yankton High School teacher Amy Miner gets some help sliding across a sheet of ice cream and assorted gooey toppings during the Riverview Reformed Church Youth Group's "Slip and Slide" fundraiser, held Wednesday night at the church in Yankton. The event raised funds to help the youth group travel to an Urban Plunge project, in which the members will stay at a shelter or urban church setting to work in an environment like a soup kitchen, homeless shelter or domestic violence center.

## Bike

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thankful for opportunities to engage with the community on bikes," Homstad said.

Following the blessing, the 10-mile community ride will begin at 6:30 p.m. and highlight some of Yankton's parks and historic landmarks. The ride will loop back to Riverside Park, and cyclists are encouraged to stay for the 8 p.m. concert.

In addition to the "Pedal to the Parks" event, every Tuesday evening at 6 p.m. from May-September, Ace Bike and Fitness hosts a community bike ride. Two routes are taken each week (a 10-mile and a 15-mile) and begin at the Ace Bike and Fitness location.

Other activities include:  
• Bike to Yoga – Rebecca Johnson will lead yoga classes at 6 p.m. every Monday in June at Riverside Park.

The Summit Activities Center is sponsoring free yoga community classes the second Saturday of each month this summer, beginning June 13 at 9:15 a.m.

• Habitat Hoedown - Habitat 500 Bike Team will sponsor their Habitat Hoedown on 7:30 p.m. June 11 at Riverside Park. The hoedown will include live bluegrass music. Bikers are encouraged to wear a helmet to receive a half-priced root beer float.

• Kid's Duathlon – The City of Yankton will host its Kids Duathlon at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 7 at Riverside Park. Kids between the ages of 6-15 can participate in this biking and running event that will utilize the Meridian Bridge and trails within the park.

### SNAP AND GO

In addition to encouraging Yankton citizens to bike more often, organizers hope bikers will participate in the Yankton photo campaign. The campaign aims for bikers

to use a camera or electronic device to photograph bikers with unique or serene backgrounds on their bicycle excursions.

"Encouraging people to get out and start photographing the places they bike to the landmarks and start highlighting Yankton as a cycling city could hopefully be the starting point toward establishing us as a cycling community," Homstad said.

### SAFETY FIRST

With an increase in biking activity in the community, motorists should be more cautious and considerate, Larson said.

Bicyclists and other pedestrians will be making use of sidewalks, so cars in driveways should not block them.

He encourages bikers to wear helmets and put extra emphasis on following all traffic laws.

Though pedestrians have the right of way, they should

remain cognitive of their surroundings and do not assume motorists will see them.

"Bike Yankton is hoping this (effort) is a beginning point to promoting Yankton as a cycling city," Homstad said. "It's not a culture that is really engrained in Yankton right now, but we have (attractions) that no other city our size can hold a candle to and we want to capitalize on that in a bigger way than we have up to this point."

"We're trying to build community," Larson said. "We hope to bring people together to create new friendships and even reacquaint old friendships."

Share photos to and follow the Yankton Parks and Recreation and Bike Yankton Facebook pages for additional events to be added for the month of June and year-round.

Follow @alyssasobotka on Twitter.

## Yankton Parks Board Meeting June 1

The City of Yankton Parks Advisory Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. Monday, June 1, at the Technical Education Center, 1200 West 21st St. This is an open meeting.

## 'Local Heroes' Kick-Off Party Slated

VERMILLION — The "Local Heroes" Kick-Off Party for the 2015 Summer Reading Program at the Edith B. Siegrist Vermillion Public Library is 1-3 p.m. Monday, June 1.

Local heroes such as Vermillion Police, Fire Department and EMTs will be on hand in the parking lot from 1-2 p.m., and the party will commence inside from 2-3 p.m.. Super-hero games, crafts, photo booth, snacks and more. While you're here, you can pick up your program calendar and reading log.

The Summer Reading Program, which takes place during the months of June and July, includes things like costume creation, group games, physical challenges, LEGO robotics, creative projects, science and engineering challenges, and much, much more.

The 2015 Summer Reading Program is open to young people, preschool through young-adult, with programs, prize drawings, storytimes, reading clubs, and more.

Families are invited to join the Read-to-Me program; adults are encouraged to register for the "Escape the Ordinary" adult reading program, with prize drawings available. All programs are free of charge.

Registration can be accessed via the "Summer Reading Program" link on our website, [www.vermillionpubliclibrary.org](http://www.vermillionpubliclibrary.org).

## Caller Impersonates BBB Representative

OMAHA, Neb. — Better Business Bureau (BBB), serving Nebraska, South Dakota, The Kansas Plains and Southwest Iowa is warning businesses that someone impersonating a BBB representative may contact your company with threats of prosecution. Business owners should be aware that these phone calls are not legitimate.

Recently, a man using the name "Drew Aldridge" called a business located in Rapid City, South Dakota. He claimed that he was from the local BBB and informed the business that there were "several" cases filed against their business that they had neglected to take care of over the past three years." He proceeded to say that they now have an "F" rating and claimed there is a local attorney who is interested in prosecuting them. The caller stated, "I am letting you know that formal charges may be coming against your business. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us and have a good day."

"There is nobody employed at BBB with the name Drew Aldridge" and this company does not have unanswered complaints," stated BBB President and CEO Jim Hegarty. "This appears to be a pretty common scam that occurs all across the country. The callers will claim to be from well-established organizations such as the IRS, FBI and BBB, and they anticipate their message will scare the business enough to call back. Callers reportedly ask for detailed personal and business information. It is likely a phishing scam, designed to get information that can be used for illicit purposes or a means of gathering a list of leads that can be sold to other companies. The business owner may also be told that they can pay a fee to avoid prosecution."

Representatives from BBB may contact businesses periodically by phone to handle complaints, update BBB Business Reviews or invite select businesses to apply for BBB Accreditation, but they do not threaten legal action.

Businesses are encouraged to verify the legitimacy of a BBB representative by calling 800-649-6814. Additionally, any business that believes it has been contacted by someone who may be impersonating someone from BBB is urged to contact BBB with information that may aid in the investigation of this call.

## Farm, Ranch Nominees Sought

HURON — Applications are currently being accepted for the South Dakota Farm & Ranch Recognition program. Farm and ranch families who have enjoyed ownership of their South Dakota farm or ranch for 100 or 125 years have the opportunity to apply and be honored on Thursday, Sept. 3, during the South Dakota State Fair in Huron.

Agriculture has long been the foundation of South Dakota history. The South Dakota Farm Bureau (SDFB) and the South Dakota Department of Agriculture (SDDA) would like to recognize and honor these South Dakota families.

To qualify as a South Dakota Century Farm or Ranch, a family must have retained continuous ownership of at least 80 acres of original farmland for 100 years or more. Quasiquicentennial Farms and Ranches, those that have been continually owned for 125 years or more, will also be recognized.

Application forms are available online at [www.sdfbf.org](http://www.sdfbf.org) by clicking "All About Ag" and then "Century-Quasiquicentennial Farm & Ranch Program" or call the SDFB at (605) 353-8052. The deadline to apply is Thursday, Aug. 13. Documentation of the original date of purchase must be included with the application.

The South Dakota Farm & Ranch Recognition program was initiated in 1984 by the SDFB. Since then, the SDDA has joined in recognizing these South Dakota families. The program has recognized 2,770 century farms and ranches and 250 quasiquicentennial farms and ranches thus far.

## OBITUARIES

### Carolyn Simonsen

Carolyn Kay Simonsen, 67, of Irene, SD passed away Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at Sunset Manor Nursing Home in Irene.

Memorial services will be 11:00 a.m., Saturday, May 30, 2015 at the Hansen Funeral Home in Irene.

Visitation will be Friday, May 29, 2015 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Carolyn Kay Lilley was born August 26, 1947 in Sioux City, IA to Jess A. and Betty D. (Julius) Lilley. She grew up in the Sioux City area and attended Central High School in Sioux City graduating in 1965.

She married Dexter Simonsen on June 14, 1974. Carolyn was a stay at home mom and raised five children. She later worked as a Med Aid at Sunset Manor Nursing Home for 7 years. Carolyn also worked as a cook at JoDean's Steakhouse in Yankton, SD for 15 years.

Survivors include her husband Dexter of Irene, four sons; Kirk T. (Elena Anufrieva) Jonas, Thomas K. (Michael Kusek) Jonas, Clayton, P. Simonsen and Shane S. (Brandie) Simonsen all of Yankton, one daughter



Simonsen

Melissa A. (Allan) Taggart, Gayville, SD, two brothers; Glen (Sherry) Mills, Battle Lake, MN, Joseph (Teri) Mills, Sioux City, IA, two sisters; Becky Mills, Fargo, ND, Dawn Mills, Sioux City, IA and eight grandchildren.

For obituary and online condolences visit [hansenfuneralhome.com](http://hansenfuneralhome.com).

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### Arnie Sorensen

Arnie Sorensen, 90, died May 25, 2015 at Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home in Viborg.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at Bethany Lutheran Church in Viborg.

Visitation is Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. with a Prayer service at 7 p.m. at the church.

Arnie was born June 19, 1924 in rural Viborg to Chris L. and Bertha (Westergaard) Sorensen. He worked full-time for his father on the family farm. On September 3, 1942 at the age of 18 he enlisted in the Army Air Corp. He served in the European Theater of Operations in Italy until his discharge on October 20, 1945. He married Helen Faye Petersen on February 10, 1946. He was engaged in farming, mechanics and trucking

which took him to Alaska for the pipeline. In 1988, he and Helen returned to Viborg to enjoy retirement. At the age of 8 he learned to play the accordion. His love of music lead him to volunteer at the surrounding nursing homes. He continued to volunteer until shortly before his 90th birthday.

Preceding him in death were his parents, 3 sisters Lillie Anderson, Verna Stuen, Evelyn Brown and their husbands and a son-in-law Doug Van Hull.

Arnie is survived by his wife Helen of Viborg; children Gerald (Alynn) of Waxahachi, TX, Kris (Mary) of Tipton, IN, Katherine Van Hull of Viborg, Arnita (Robert) Lynch of Sioux Falls, Rebecca (Cleve) Steadman of Valdez, AK, and Daniel (Cyndy) of Tipton, IN; a sister Shirley (Alvin) Diede of Lesterville; 17 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

Register online at [www.viborgfuneralhome.com](http://www.viborgfuneralhome.com)  
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### Ann (Hoesing) Rooney

Ann (Hoesing) Rooney, 51, of Coleridge, Nebraska died on Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at her residence. She

is the daughter of Bonnie Hoesing.

Funeral Services are pending at the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington, Nebraska.

To send an online message to the family, visit [www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com).

### Virginia (Tooty) Rudd

Virginia M. (Tooty) Rudd of Viborg passed away Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home in Viborg.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Monday, June 1, at the Viborg Community Center with Pastor Steven Unzicker officiating. Burial will follow in Turkey Valley Baptist Cemetery, rural Viborg.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Sunday, May 31, with a prayer service beginning at 7 p.m. at the Hansen Funeral Home in Irene.

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## South Dakota Kite Day Set For Pierre

PIERRE — The Pierre Elks Lodge No. 1953 is sponsoring the fourth annual South Dakota Kite Day on June 19 at Hilger's Gulch in Pierre South Dakota from 1-4 p.m.

This free event is possible from a grant from the National Elks Foundation and the Pierre Elks Lodge #1953.

This event is open to all children up to 14 years of age. The first 400 children will receive a free kite and a lesson on how to fly the kite properly.

Pierre Elks Lodge members will be on hand to assist with handing out the kites, offering assistance in putting them together and getting them into flight. Parents are encouraged to get involved as well.

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