

Jessica Albers Named Miss South Dakota USA

From P&D Staff Reports

BRANDON — A Yankton woman was crowned Miss South Dakota USA 2013 Sunday in Brandon.

According to a Sioux Falls television station, Jessica Albers won the crown Sunday night at the Brandon Valley Performing Arts Center.

Also, Alexis Rupp of Sioux Falls was crowned Miss South Dakota Teen USA 2013.

Albers and Rupp will receive thousands of dollars in prizes and awards. They both advance to the national competitions next summer.

Voters Reminded Of Polling Station Changes

On Election Day, Yankton County voters will no longer be restricted to casting a ballot at the polling place within their precinct. With the new voting center system in place, a ballot can be cast at any of seven polling stations across the county.

The voting centers will be at:

- Yankton City Hall, 416 Walnut St.;
- Yankton Middle School, 2000 Mulberry St.;
- JoDean's Steakhouse and Lounge, 2809 Broadway Ave., Yankton;
- the Rock House, 31120 Quarry Drive, Yankton;
- Gayville Community Center, 404 Washington St., Gayville;
- Broomtree Retreat and Conference Center, 29827 446th Ave., Irene; and
- the Lesterville Fire Hall, Lesterville.

The other old polling stations will no longer be open on Election Day.

Yankton 4-H Soup Kitchen Set For Election Day

Everyone is welcome to attend the annual 4-H Soup Kitchen on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 6. The Soup Kitchen will be held from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. at the Yankton County 4-H Building, 709 Whiting Drive, Yankton.

Menu choices include bean & ham soup, chili, chicken noodle, and chicken & wild rice soup, egg salad sandwich, hot dog and tavern, pie and desserts. Beverage choices include coffee, lemonade, milk, iced tea, and bottled water.

Proceeds support the Yankton County 4-H program.

USD To Host S.D. Vocal Arts Festival Thursday

VERMILLION — Area high school singers will showcase their musical talent at the 2012 South Dakota Vocal Arts Festival on Thursday, Nov. 8, at the University of South Dakota.

A day-long event for hundreds of high school students from South Dakota, Iowa, Minnesota and Nebraska, the South Dakota Vocal Arts Festival is an opportunity for participants to attend workshops for solo and choral singers, and listen to performances by USD Opera, Chamber Singers, voice and piano faculty, and student soloists. Workshop presenters include Tracelyn Gesteland, D.M.A., assistant professor in voice/opera at USD; Brandon Hendrickson, D.M.A., assistant professor in voice/opera at USD; David Holdhusen, Ph.D., director of choral activities at USD; and Susan Keith Gray, D.M.A., professor of music at USD.

More than 140 students are registered to attend the festival, which concludes with a concert at 4 p.m. at Colton Recital Hall on the USD campus. The concert, free and open to the public.

For more information about the South Dakota Vocal Arts Festival, contact Gesteland through the USD Department of Music via email at Tracelyn.Gesteland@usd.edu, by phone at (605) 677-5274 or visit www.usd.edu/music.

Please Pick Up Your Submitted Photos

The *Press & Dakotan* has in its files dozens of photos that have been submitted to us during the past several months for publication. If you have not come in to pick up your photo(s), we ask that you do so soon. We will keep the photos on file until Jan. 31, 2013, after which time we will dispose of them.

USD School Of Law Team Wins Chicago Moot Court Competition

VERMILLION — Two students from the University of South Dakota School of Law took top honors at the 31st annual International Moot Court Competition in Information Technology & Privacy Law at The John Marshall School of Law in Chicago.

Christopher Dabney, a second-year student from Huron, and Kara Frankman, a third-year student from Sioux Falls, prevailed against teams from the Chicago-Kent College of Law in the final round and from the Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law in the semifinal round. The duo also received an award for the best respondent's brief at the competition hosted by the Center for Information Technology & Privacy Law. Frankman received a B.B.A. degree in marketing from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee while Dabney received a B.S. degree in physics at USD and a master's degree in Liberal Arts at the University of Baltimore.

"Chris and Kara won this com-

petition the way most lawyers win appellate cases — by writing an outstanding brief," stated Professor Barry R. Vickrey, USD Law Moot Court faculty adviser. "The hard work preparing the brief not only gave them a good brief score throughout the competition but also provided the foundation for six rounds of thoughtful and persuasive oral argument."

Established in 1981, the Moot Court Competition in Information Technology & Privacy Law has become one of the largest and most highly respected of all international moot courts. Students from law schools throughout the country and from outside the U.S. participate each year at John Marshall to brief and argue challenging and unresolved issues of technology law. The panel of judges for the final round included a justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, a justice of the Court of Appeals for Ontario, Canada, and two judges of the Illinois Appellate Court.

MUSICAL SENSATIONS



SUBMITTED PHOTO:

Sixteen Yankton High School choir members participated in all-state choir — four tenors, four bass, four altos and four sopranos. YHS is allowed four quartets based on the school's enrollment. Pictured are, front from left: Joseph Kelly, Austin Saraceni, Grant Cammock, Noah Vetter and Garrett Adam. Back row: Jase Likness, Mikayla Trenhaile, Erica Westerman, Maddy Logue, Sophie Drotzmann and Johanna Lippert. Front row: Angela Larson, Paden Schmidt, Brianna Kelly, Lexi Fokken, Sarah Santos, Hailey Baugh and Matt Watt. The students auditioned in September. Choir director is Angela Larson. All-State choir and orchestra took place Oct. 26-27, with a concert on the Oct. 27 at the Rushmore Plaza Event Center in Rapid City. It was broadcasted live on PBS and will air again over Thanksgiving weekend. Two YHS students made the all-state orchestra: Garrett Adam on flute and Sophie Drotzmann on bassoon. The YHS orchestra director is Kim Evander.

Organic Certification Cost-Share Program Available

PIERRE — Organic agriculture producers and processors in South Dakota may be eligible to receive up to 75 percent reimbursement for their organic certification costs.

"The annual cost of certification is a major expense for both new and established organic producers," said Ty Eschenbaum, value-added marketing specialist with the South Dakota Department of Agriculture.

To help minimize organic certification costs, SDDA is offering a 75 percent cost-share reimbursement program. Any organic producer or handler may receive up to \$750 per qualified scope per year.

Reimbursement applications and supporting documents must be sent to SDDA for eligible certification or re-certification expenses incurred after Oct. 1, 2011, and before

Sept. 30, 2012. All applications will be reviewed and processed on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline for submissions is Nov. 15, 2012.

Program guidelines and applications are available online at www.sdda.sd.gov/AgDevelopment or will be sent upon request.

Funding for the program

provided through a cooperative agreement between SDDA and the Agricultural Marketing Service branch of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

For more information or to receive an application form, contact SDDA at 605-773-5146 or email ty.eschenbaum@state.sd.us.

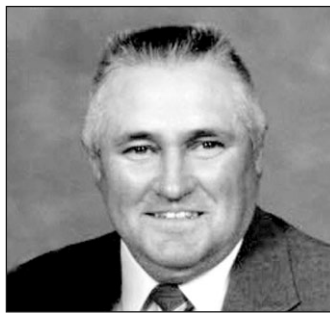
OBITUARIES

Allen Cuka

TYNDALL — Mass of Christian Burial for Allen Cuka of Tyndall was held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 3 at St. Leo Catholic Church in Tyndall with Fr. Joe Forcelle and Fr. Gerald Thury officiating. Organist was Marcene Kniffen and soloist was Linda Keszler. Lector was Dr. Scott Weber and altar servers were Bitzy, Andrew and Garrett Mitzel. Interment was held in the St. Leo Cemetery, Tyndall. Casket-bearers were Don Hauck, Kevin Cuka, Gary Cuka, Brian Cuka, Tom Bares, Bob Bares, Ken Becvar and Jim Becvar.

Graveside music was provided by the women's choir of the Bon Homme Colony. There was a rosary led by the Knights of Columbus at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, also at the church. Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

Allen Cuka was born on Friday, September 13, 1940 at Yankton, South Dakota to Emil and Rose (Paul) Cuka. He graduated from Tyndall High School in 1958. Allen was united in marriage to MaryAnn Bares on June 26, 1965 at St. Leo Catholic Church in Tyndall. The four touchstones in Allen's life were faith, family, farming, and friends. He was a faithful member of St. Leo Catholic Church and also served as a member of the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Workmen. Allen was a devoted family man. He served as a 4-H leader when his children were young, and enjoyed



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watching his children and later his grandchildren participate in 4-H and sports. Farming was a part of Allen's entire life and he farmed five and a half miles east of Tyndall for over fifty years. He liked traveling the farm on his 4-wheeler to check on things and was a proud John Deere machinery owner. He enjoyed going to cattle sales and proudly served on the Co-op board for over 20 years. Allen's animals were important to him and he especially enjoyed his dog, Penny, and his cat, Julius. Sports provided much entertainment in Allen's life. In his younger years, he played high school football and softball for the Tabor Jets. He was a fan of the Tabor Bluebirds, Minnesota Vikings, Twins, and Yankees. His passion, however, was high school football, having missed only three home games since 1954. He was proud of his Czech heritage and enjoyed speaking Czech with his friends. He never missed a Czech Days celebration in Tabor. Allen savored the simple things that brought richness to

his life: a good tomato beer from a quart jar, the many Sunday afternoon drives that ended with ice cream, hunting and fishing in the outdoors, and sharing coffee with his friends at the Corral. Allen passed away on Wednesday, October 31, 2012 at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in Yankton at the age of 72 years, 1 month and 18 days.

Allen's memory will be cherished by his wife, MaryAnn of Tyndall; three children: Ann (Dana) Brentlinger of Rapid City, John (Nancy) Cuka of Tyndall and Jill (Ben) Kotalik of Tabor; eleven grandchildren: Noah, Josh, Aubrie, Zachary, Hannah, Jacob, Caleb, Baby Cuka, ReAnna, Brock, and Joslyn; a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Charles and Margaret Bares and two sisters-in-law, Dorothy Cuka and Mildred (Becvar) Herman, all of Tyndall.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Emil and Rose Cuka, and his brother, Romaine Cuka.

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Marvin 'Mike' Dale

Marvin "Mike" Dale, 76, of Gayville died Saturday, Nov. 3, 2012, at the Wakonda Heritage Manor Avera, Wakonda.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

The Hansen Funeral Home, Irene, is handling the arrangements.

HONORING THEIR MEMORY
Our Thoughts And Prayers Are With Them

Our care and concern does not end with the funeral service. This week we remember with family and friends the anniversary of the deaths of:

Elaine Guthmiller

who passed away on
November 6, 2011

Dennis Johanneson

who passed away on
November 7, 2011

Ellen Kessler

who passed away on
November 8, 2011

Alvin Schaeffer

who passed away on
November 9, 2011

Kaye Lynn Ellis

who passed away on
November 7, 2009

James Nedved

who passed away on
November 6, 2007

Annabel Lea White

who passed away on
November 1, 2006

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A meaningful funeral allows you to grieve and say goodbye, as well as remember and laugh. It's a significant celebration that honors Dad. One that in many ways, is also for you.

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