

Crohn's, Colitis Meeting Is Tonight

There will be a Crohn's and Colitis support group meeting at 6:45 p.m. tonight (Tuesday) at the Avera Sacred Heart Campus Pavilion 409 Summit, Yankton.

This meeting is for patients with Crohn's or Colitis and their family and friends.

For information, call Kathy Ryken at 665-8667.

Rusher To Speak At 1 Million Cups

Ryan Rusher will be the featured presenter at this week's 1 Million Cups Yankton meeting set for 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Avera Professional Pavilion.

Rusher is a product designer with an extensive background in engineering, design and sourcing across different markets and manufacturing technologies. He is the owner and founder of a Yankton startup, Ceiling Connex.

Also, Think 29 founder Ben Hanten will share his thoughts on a new project that will be coming to Yankton in January 2015.

USD Gets Donation For Soccer Complex

VERMILLION (AP) — A South Dakota bank has donated \$500,000 toward a new University of South Dakota soccer complex.

School officials announced Monday that First Bank & Trust made the contribution for naming rights to the new complex. The facility is part of a shared track and soccer complex located north of the school's Wellness Center.

The women's soccer team will begin competition on the new field for the start of the 2016 season.

First Bank & Trust is an annual corporate sponsor of USD athletics.

NECC

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and board members about offering courses in the Cedar County community.

"You said, 'We want more of a presence for NECC,'" Chipps told the Hartington audience. "We brought (your request) to our senior staff and asked, 'How do we get this done from this point on?' We are here for all the right reasons."

NECC already operates branches in West Point, South Sioux City and O'Neill, Chipps said. However, the college didn't have a presence in Cedar and Knox counties.

"That leaves a big gap. But (coming to Hartington) isn't just a matter of completing a map," he said. "We are completing what community colleges are charged to do. We are bringing education to the masses without them having to travel long distances to get it done."

And now, post-secondary education is being offered in another part of northeast Nebraska, Chipps said.

"You in Hartington have worked hard and pushed hard to make it happen," he said.

The Hartington venture became reality earlier this year. NECC regional coordinator Russ Flamig works out of an office in the Hartington city hall. Flamig is no stranger to the region as he retired last spring after a 32-year career in education, most recently as a Hartington Public School principal.

The NECC branch offered dual credit courses this fall for the Hartington Public and Cedar Catholic schools, Flamig said. The initial offerings have been a success, he said.

"At Hartington Public, we offered courses in physical education, sociology and psychology. At Cedar Catholic, we offered a course for introduction to music," he said.

This semester's offerings weren't limited to dual credit courses, Flamig said. The Hartington branch will offer a wide variety of courses for all ages, he said. He pointed to the upcoming courses in psychology, sociology, iPad basics and basic sewing.

NECC will offer practically any course through in-person classrooms, online and distance learning, given sufficient demand, Chipps said. In turn, communities need to show their support by using the branch campus and through other means, he said.

However, Hartington has already shown its commitment by giving the college high visibility, Chipps said.

"Hartington let us use office space in its city hall. That makes a real statement for NECC," he said. "At Hartington, our sign as NECC regional office is prominently displayed. You are already setting the stage."

NECC looks to work hand in

hand with Hartington's emphasis on entrepreneurship and rural revitalization, Chipps said. He pointed to the community's string of economic successes, such as a new motel and a 19-unit housing development.

"The sign says you're a community of 1,640 residents, but it seems much bigger than that," he said. "Thank you for being a progressive community. You're different in a very positive way."

NECC is ready to build on the partnership, Chipps said.

"We believe in Hartington. We are here to celebrate with you," he said. "Russ (Flamig) is a go-getter. He will help move the needle in the right direction."

Hartington officials returned the praise, including an excitement about Flamig's familiarity with the community and surrounding region.

Attracting NECC has been in the works for some time, said Chris Miller, president of the Hartington economic development committee.

"We are very pleased to have NECC up here. We started looking at this (venture) three or four years ago as economic development. We wanted to move forward," he said.

"We wanted to bring a post-secondary influence into our area. It's helpful that we have Steve (Anderson) as a board member. We're very fortunate that this day arrived."

NECC's arrival signals just the beginning, according to Karma Schulte, president of the Hartington Chamber of Commerce.

She sees potential for setting up a building for NECC courses and the use of Hartington's telecommunications for delivery of courses.

Schulte foresees the satellite campus acting as a resource in itself. The college's presence can draw residents for courses and act as a magnet for economic development.

"There are opportunities here to create more jobs," she said. "There is a lot of potential for the future."

Those thoughts aren't lost on Carla Becker, the Hartington economic development coordinator. She has worked with local businesses in determining their needs.

"We have the opportunity to grow as a community by offering post-secondary education," she said. "We are offering programs we couldn't do before."

Becker sees the NECC campus exerting an impact throughout the area.

"We are looking at serving far beyond Hartington," she said. "We are looking to serve Cedar and Knox counties. This is a huge regional asset."

You can follow Randy Dockendorf on Twitter at twitter.com/rdockendorf. Discuss this story at www.yankton.net.

River Board Awards Grants

HURON — Chairman Randy Stanley of Groton announces that the James River Water Development District awarded \$197,705.85 in cost-sharing assistance at their recent Board of Directors meeting held in Huron on Thursday, Nov. 14.

The district:

- awarded \$22,593 to the United State Geological Survey for operation and maintenance of three stream flow gauging stations on the James River near Stratford, Redfield and Yankton. These funds will provide quality hydrologic data on the James River in a timely and professional manner. Current stream flow conditions can be found at <http://waterwatch.usgs.gov/>.
- awarded \$78,750 to the Conservation Districts within the James River Water Development District for 2015 tree planting efforts. Each of the following Conservation Districts will receive \$7,500 (Beadle, Brown-Marshall, South Brown, Davison, Hanson, Hutchinson, Marshall, Sanborn, Spink and Yankton).

Aurora County, which is shared with the South Central Water Development District, will receive \$3,750. These funds will encourage producers to plant trees to improve the environment, for example; by protecting the soil, improving water quality and to establish wildlife habitat.

- awarded \$30,362.85 for three earth dams in Walshtown Township in Yankton County. These dams will have an approximate drainage area of 1,000 acres.
- awarded \$39,000 to the City of Parkston to help with costs associated with extending its sewer infrastructure to the west and south of its existing collection system. This project will also help protect nearby Pony Creek.

- awarded \$10,000 to Spink Conservation District for purchasing a grass seeding drill. This drill will be used to plant all types of grasses for CRP, buffer strips, grassed waterways and cover crops that will help prevent the deposit of sediments and nutrients in the James River Watershed. The equipment will be used

in Spink County and surrounding areas.

- awarded \$17,000 to South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems for purchasing a valve exerciser and vacuum excavator. This equipment will be used by numerous small municipalities and rural systems to provide for a more consistent and timely cleaning and maintenance of valves.

In other business, the Board declared a vacancy effective Jan. 1, 2015, for Director Area 1 which represents Aberdeen voting districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7.

The board also presented a plaque to Leanne Gutormson of Huron, Director 5, for her many years of dedication and service to the District. Director Gutormson represented the city of Huron and Custer Township in Beadle County. Her term expires Dec. 31, 2014.

For further information, contact the James River Water Development District office in Huron at 352-0600 or visit the website at www.jrwdd.com/.

OBITUARIES

Mary Souhrada

Mary Alice Souhrada, age 68, of Tabor, SD passed away on Saturday, November 15, 2014 at the Dougherty Hospice House, Sioux Falls, SD.

Memorial Mass will be 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Tabor, with Rev. Steven Jones officiating. Burial will be in the parish cemetery with Military graveside rites by the Kortan-Hatwan American Legion Post #183.

Visitations will begin at 5 p.m., Monday, November 17, 2014 at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, Tabor, SD with a Wake service at 7 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

The Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Tabor, is assisting



Souhrada

with service details.

Mary was born September 10, 1946 in North Platte to Lee and Lucea (Polzkill) Gilbert. She graduated high school in

North Platte in 1964 and immediately went to a convent in Louisville, Kentucky.

Mary joined the Army in 1967 and received an honorable discharge on April 25, 1969. While in the Army, she met Larry Rowland and they were married in 1968. To this union their son, Jeffery was born in 1970. She annulled the marriage in 1971. She went to a college in Memphis, TN and received her Bachelor of Science degree. She worked at a hospital in Jack-

son, TN as a Lab Technologist. In 1976, she moved with her son to Sioux City, IA where she was employed at St. Luke's Hospital as a night lab technologist and supervisor. She retired in 2009. In 1991 she married George Souhrada. George passed away in 2007. Mary then moved to Tabor to enjoy her family and retirement.

Mary was an exceptional seamstress with a focus on the Czech costumes of Tabor. She lovingly designed and embroidered the costumes for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her other passion was for designing beautiful cakes which she did most of her life. She taught confirmation classes and tutored college math students.

She is survived by her sons: Jeff (Holly) Rowland,

Tony (Sue) Souhrada and Scott (Prisilla) Souhrada; 11 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; brothers: Richard (Peggy) Gilbert, Tim (Jodi) Gilbert and Frank Gilbert; sisters: Wanda Howard and Cathy (Ron) Pklapp.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George, parents, sister, Shirley Mills, brothers, Jimmy and Larry Gilbert.

The family requests that memorials be directed to the Mary Souhrada family at 222 South Janda Street, Tabor, SD 57063.

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Todd Kenney

Todd Michael Kenney, age 35, of Yankton, SD, passed away in his sleep Saturday, November 15, 2014 at his residence.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Yankton, SD with Rev. Mark Lichter officiating. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Yankton, SD.

Visitations will begin at 5 p.m., Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a rosary at 7 p.m., a video tribute and Scripture service at 7:30 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at



Kenney

the church.

Pallbearers are: Gary Kriley (uncle), Mark Kriley (uncle), Marc Kriley (cousin), Bryan (Gus) Loneman

(friend), Jim Prouty (friend), and Mary Kriley (cousin). Honorary pallbearer is Talan Peter Michael Kenney (son).

Todd was born December 16, 1978 in Sioux Center, IA to Douglas Michael and Linda (Kriley) Kenney. He was baptized, received First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion at St. Mary's Parish in Alton, Iowa and was

confirmed at St. Joseph's Parish in Granville, IA. He graduated in 1997 at Spalding Catholic School in Granville, IA and graduated from Mount Marty College in Yankton, SD in 2001 with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice. He was married to Rachel R. Anderson from June 18, 2005 to October 2012 and to this union, a son, Talan Peter Michael, was born. Todd was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Yankton. He was employed at Yankton Police Department as a jailer and Yankton Sheriff's Department as a deputy. In September 2002, Todd was employed as a Youth Counselor at Human Services Center, Yankton until his passing.

Todd is survived by his son, Talan Peter Michael Kenney of Yankton, SD; parents, Douglas and Linda Kenney of Yankton, SD; brother, Timothy (Brooke) Kenney and their children, Baylee and Brynn Kenney of Yankton, SD and sister, Lorraine (David) Kenney-Morfeld of Clarks Grove, MN.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Marcellus and Lorraine Kriley and Donald and Betty Kenney.

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Harriet Randall

Harriet A. Randall, 92, of Vermillion died Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at her residence.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, at Bergen Lutheran Church in Vermillion. Burial will be in Meckling Cemetery with military honors conducted by Vermillion Clay Co. Post 3061.

Visitation will be one hour prior to the service on Thursday.

Kober Funeral Home, Vermillion, is in charge of arrangements.

Harold Stephens

Harold Stephens, 68, of Burbank died Monday, Nov. 17, 2014, at Sanford/USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Kober Funeral Home of Vermillion.

Bill Georgeson

William "Bill" Georgeson, 72 of Sioux Falls, died Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2014, at his home.

Memorial service will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at Heritage Funeral Home, 57th and Minnesota, Sioux Falls, with burial at St. Boniface/Ldyl-

Wayne (Jerry) Kreber

Wayne (Jerry) Kreber 73, of Tyndall died Sunday, November 16, 2014, at the Tyndall Good Samaritan Center.

Funeral mass will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday at St. Leo's Catholic Church, Tyndall.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 5-7 p.m. with a 7 p.m. rosary at the church.

Burial will be Friday at 11

wilde Catholic Cemetery, Turkey Ridge.

Further arrangements

a.m. at the Black Hills National Cemetery, Sturgis. Condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com/.

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