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# Fleek

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course with his plans. "I talked about providing

a catered or home-cooked meal, but time just flew by and I didn't get it done," he said. 'Then, I thought about buying doughnuts or pizzas. At the last minute, my mom (Julie Fleek) and I threw it together.'

Even those plans took a new direction, Fleek said.

"I was going to pay for it out of my own pocket," he said. "My mom said I should contact local businesses for donations.'

Julie Fleek took on the task of soliciting food donations.

'I live in Tea, and I thought of Pizza Ranch (in Yankton) because our (franchise) in Tea donates food for things,' she said. "I called up (the Yankton restaurant) and asked about it. They said, sure, they would provide 15 pizzas. I was surprised. I wasn't expecting that kind of response.

The Fleeks found similar positive responses from area businesses. Casey's convenience store in Springfield donated doughnuts and cookies for breakfast, while Buche's grocery store in Tyndall donated meat and cheese trays

In addition, two Springfield financial institutions donated to the cause. First Savings Bank donated pop, paper plates and napkins bought at Doug's Food Center in Springfield. The Services Center Federal Credit Union donated \$35 for gas and other expenses.

"I was really surprised," Jon Fleek said.

He started his marathon day of deliveries before sunrise. He picked up the doughnuts and cookies at 5:30 a.m. and delivered it for the prison's morning shift. He arrived in Yankton during late morning, picking up pizzas for the prison guards' lunch. He made a return trip to Yankton in the afternoon, picking up the rest of the pizzas for the guards working the evening and overnight shifts.

Pizza Ranch co-manager Becky Plautz said the restaurant was happy to be part of the project.

This is a great cause, and we're happy to do it," she said. "It's our way of saying 'thank you' for (the veterans') service. They do so much for us, and they deserve it." While he had indicated

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his intentions of bringing free food, Fleek said his arrival still surprised the guards. But his fellow corrections officers were grateful and literally ate up his offerings.

Fleek thinks it made a difference that the token of appreciation came from a fellow corrections officer.

'Veterans are not generally big on taking handouts," he said. "When it comes to businesses offering free meals, the veterans are humble. They don't go looking for free meals, but (the MDSP officers) knew who I was and why I was doing it.

Fleek saw the gesture as part of his nature.

"I have always been more of a liking to give than receive," he said. "And being a veteran myself, it would mean a lot if someone brought me something.'

#### A SPECIAL DAY

Veterans Day holds a special meaning for Fleek, as he comes from a family of veterans including his father and younger brother.

Jon sees his fellow MDSP veterans as continuing their sense of military duty to a different arena with their prison work.

"These men served their country, and now they're serv-

ing their state. They're still in uniform," he said. "I think, once you join the military and

get used to doing something for the greater good, it's hard to get out of that (sense of service). Law enforcement is a good calling for that person."

Jon no longer serves in the military. However, he continues watching developments in Afghanistan and other hot spots around the globe.

The United States faces a continued battle in the war on terror, particularly in Afghanistan, he said. "A lot of people don't pay

attention to it anymore," he said. "It's just go on so much that people are putting in on the backburner.

For that reason, Fleek has strengthened his resolve to give veterans the recognition they deserve - even something as simple as providing the free Veterans Day meal on Wednesday.

"For the corrections officers, I hope it's a morale booster for them and gives them a lift," he said. "When you work at the prison, a holiday is just

another day. I want my fellow officers and veterans to feel recognized on this day.'

## Veterans

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a connection his family had to a significant moment in the history of warfare.

"I'm not a veteran," Hosmer said. "In fact, we had to struggle really hard in my family to find a veteran. My dad and I finally came to the conclusion that the last veteran in the Hosmer family marched with Sherman to the sea during the Civil War. By the way, we did win that one.'

Hosmer told the audience that one of the reasons he talks so much with veterans of the WWII era is a connection it brings him to his grandparents.

if you're a psychologist out there, you might say I miss my grandparents very much," he said. "I love them, I miss them so much, and chit-chatting with veterans of that same vintage perhaps puts me touch with them, and to me that's very valuable.

"I suppose, deep down,

He added that it also has to do with a love of history and a desire not to lose it.

"I feel history slipping away," he said. "I have a deep interest in history in general. Life is a continuous learning process as we all know."

Much of Hosmer's speech detailed the connection between the veterans of World War II and those colonists who fought during the American Revolution. He also touched on a number of the duties

Americans have, including voting, jury duty, holding elected office, education and the defense of the nation.

Hosmer said veterans need to lead the charge in education of their time period.

"You have all served in the American armed services, he said. "You all recall that I mentioned that education's important, the duty to vote, to run for office and to serve as a juror. Part of that education must come from you."

He added there's a number of reasons it's up to veterans to educate younger generations of Americans.

'We need you," he said. "Defending a country's not easy - especially the United States who's been the leader of the free world since World War II. The primary reason

you inspire others to want to protect us. He added that veterans can offer insight into the rest of

the world. Hosmer closed by calling on those gathered to continue

to spread their own stories. "On this Veteran's Day, we celebrate the keeping of the peace by honoring those who what you know and, at the

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**Frances Herrboldt** 

Frances Elsie (Tiede) Herrboldt, age 84 of Menno passed away Monday, November 9, 2015 at the Salem Mennonite Home in Freeman,

OBITUARIES

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, November 13, 2015 at Salem Reformed Church, Menno, SD with Rev. Michael Hecht officiating. Burial will be in the Menno Cemetery.

Visitations will begin at 5 m. Thursday, November 12

of Menno, SD. She was a lifetime member of the American Rigo, Brian Legion Auxiliary. She worked at the Menno-Olivet Care Center from 1975-1979. She enjoyed doing a lot of quilting and fancy work. She did a lot of babysitting with the grandchildren and enjoyed baking. Don and Frances moved into Menno in 1993 and moved into the Salem Mennonite Home in 2014 in Freeman, SD. In 2003, they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary

Lueders, Sheila (Matt) Rigo and Tammy (Josh) Hofer; Brenda Mettler of Menno, SD and her sons, Andrew and Aaron Kanengieter; Mary (James) Mettler of Menno, SD and their sons, Reid Johnson and Macon Oplinger; Brian (Cindy) Herrboldt of Menno, SD and their children: Austin (Michelle), Abby and Ajay; and 10 great grandchildren, sister, Gladys Friedrich and sisters-in-law, Alice Kost and Cleva (Norb) Wenzel.

her husband Don numerous friends.

MIAMI (AP) - The elbows-out GOP presidential contest appeared on Wednesday to have entered a kinder, gentler phase. Jeb Bush, the son of the president who popularized that

phrase, pointedly refrained from going after former protege Marco Rubio. GOP frontrunner Donald Trump, previously the resident insult machine, did not speak ill of any of his Republican opponents during an hourlong interview Wednesday on MSNBC's Morning Joe" show. Not of Rubio, who is rising in the polls. Not of Ben Carson, who has faced questions about details in his personal life story. Not even Bush, who Trump has frequently blasted as a "low energy candidate."

"I am being nice. I'm trying to be," Trump said during the interview on MSNBC.

The cease-fire by two of the race's most aggressive candidates began during Tuesday night's debate, may be forced by circumstance, and temporary. Bush's criticism of Rubio for missed Senate votes had backfired on the former Florida governor, whose focus now is on projecting command of a tougher-than-expected battle for the Republican presidential nomination. Trump's new diplomatic style, too, comes as he competes for Carson's supporters, who mostly like the retired neurosurgeon for his even-tempered, pleasant approach.

However temporary, the shift in tone was dramatic for both candidates and reflects dwindling time remaining before the first votes of the 2016 presidential contest are cast in February. One more nationally-televised GOP debate remains this year, on Dec. 15, before voters plunge into the holiday season. The timetable means the coming weeks are critical for the remaining candidates in the unruly race to correct and focus their campaigns.

### Afghans Said Taliban Were At Hospital

WASHINGTON (AP) - Immediately after the U.S. killed at least 30 people in a devastating airstrike on a charity hospital, Afghanistan's national security adviser told a European diplomat his country would take responsibility because "we are without doubt, 100 percent convinced the place was occupied by Taliban," according to notes of the meeting reviewed by The Associated Press.

More than a month later, no evidence has emerged to support that assertion. Eyewitnesses tell the AP they saw no gunmen at the hospital.

Instead, there are mounting indications the U.S. military relied heavily on Afghan allies who resented the internationally run Doctors Without Borders hospital, which treated Afghan security forces and Taliban alike but says it refused to admit armed men.

The new evidence includes details the AP has learned about the location of American troops during the attack. The U.S. special forces unit whose commander called in the strike was under fire in the Kunduz provincial governor's compound a half-mile away from the hospital, according to a former intelligence official who has reviewed documents describing the incident. The commander could not see the medical facility - so couldn't know firsthand whether the Taliban were using it as a base — and sought the attack on the recommendation of Afghan forces, the official said.

Members of the unit have told Rep. Duncan Hunter, a California Republican who serves on the House Armed Services Committee, that they were unaware their target was a functioning hospital until the attack was over, said Joe Kasper, Hunter's spokesman.

### **Russian President Calls For Investigation**

MOSCOW (AP) - Facing allegations that Russia engages in extensive, state-sponsored doping, President Vladimir Putin on Wednesday called on sports officials to carry out an internal investigation - but said that clean athletes shouldn't be punished for the actions of those who take banned drugs.

Putin's comments at a late-night meeting in Sochi, the city that hosted the 2014 Winter Olympics, reflected concerns that Russia's track and field athletes could be hit with a blanket ban for next year's summer Games in Rio de Janeiro.

Putin ordered Sports Minister Vitaly Mutko and "all colleagues connected with sport" to pay close attention to the doping allegations and for an internal investigation to be conducted - one that guaranteed full cooperation with international anti-doping bodies.

"The struggle with doping in sports, unfortunately, remains a pressing issue and it requires unending attention," he said.

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"In light of recent events, Mid Central Educational Cooperative welcomed the (department's) extensive risk analysis efforts and is pleased with the DOE's findings that (the cooperative) is able to continue to provide





Gustave and Elsie (Juhnke) Tiede of Parkston, SD on August 24, 1931. She was baptized on November 8, 1931 by Rev. Friederick Wacker. She by renewing their vows with was confirmed by Rev ler. Her Confirmation verse was John 11:25-26. She attended country school in rural Parkston, SD. She married Donald Herrboldt on September 24, 1953, at Parkston, SD by Rev. Koehler at the Salem Congregational Church. She was a lifetime member of the Salem Reformed Church and a member of the Ladies Aid

She is preceded in death and countless relatives and

brought it about," he said. "But your duty calls again, veterans. Do not let us repeat mistakes of the past. Regale us with your insight, explain same time, entertain us with your wit.

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the United States government exists is to protect its citizens from foreign invasion, and

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2015 at the Aisenbrey-Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Menno with a 7 p.m. Prayer service and video tribute. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

Pallbearers are Andrew Kanengieter, Aaron Kanengieter, Macon Oplinger, Austin Herrboldt, Ajay Herrboldt,

Asche In 2013 they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Frances is survived by her children and grandchildren: Cynthia (Gary) Loerts of Worthington, MN and their daughters, Stacy Walters and Hope (Micah) Mastbergen; Debra (James) Christensen of Freeman. SD and their daughters, Michelle (Brian)

husband Donald in 2011, three

brothers, Harold, David and

garet, Eleanor and Patricia, a

son-in-law, Donald Kennedy

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at www.hofmeisterjones.com.

and a grandson, John Carl.

Conrad, three sisters, Mar-

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Jackley has said financial issues appear to have been a contributing factor in the deaths. Few details about the inquiry have been made public.

Schopp said her department completed a risk assessment of grants other than GEAR UP at Mid-Central. The state decided to maintain its other relationships with the cooperative as long as Mid-Central complies with a handful of extra conditions, according to an Oct. 29 department letter to the organization's attorney

these important educational services," Mid-Central governing board Chairwoman Pam Haukaas said in a statement through attorney Scott Swier.

Schopp said the agency also asked the Department of Legislative Audit to perform an assessment of the roughly \$3 million in grants and contracts between the state and Mid-Central. Auditors are looking for the risk of noncompliance with requirements expected to be met as a condition of receiving a grant.



**Rosemary Heirigs** 

Rosemary Heirigs passed away November 10, 2015 at the St. James/Yankton Care Center.

Mass of Christian burial will be Saturday, November 14 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Boniface Catholic Church, rural Freeman, SD.

Visitation with family present at 7:00 p.m. on Friday at St. Boniface Catholic Church with scripture service and rosary to follow. Arrangements are by Hofmeister-Jones Funeral Home, Parker.

Rosemary was born September 30, 1931 to Patrick and Josephine (Heeb) Logsdon. She graduated from Irene High School, class of '49. She went to Springfield for her Teacher's Certificate and taught at District 37. On June 6, 1950 she married Donald H. Heirigs the love of her life, at Mayfield Catholic Church. They were blessed with six children and farmed in the Turkey Ridge area for over 60 years. Children were Rosemary's passion and delight. We will remember

creativity, her love for life, family and friends. She worked very hard all her life and made Heirigs a difference

in the lives of many.

her smile, her

warmth, her

She loved sewing, gardening, singing, dancing, and traveling with Dad to his Navy reunions and to visit family and friends. She was active in the church and the community.

Grateful to have shared her life are her six children: Donna Kennedy of Sacramento, CA; Dr. Thomas (Sheryl) Heirigs of Madison, SD; Carol (Mike) Francis of Prescott, AZ; Steven (Tammy) Heirigs of Burbank, ŠD; Patříck (Linda) Heirigs of Turkey Ridge, SD; Mary Kay (Rodney) Berg of Williston, ND; 15 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren; a sister Sylvia Bonine of Jefferson, SD; a brother-in-law Dale Schooley of Omaha, NE. Precededing her in death was her loving



Yankton Press & Dakotan November 12, 2015 Velma Weverstad Velma L. Weverstad, 100, of

Yankton passed away Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2015, at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton. Memorial services will be

10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Dave Wildermuth and the Rev. Kwen Sanderson officiating. Visitations will be from 5-7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 13, at Trinity Lutheran Church, with a 7 p.m. Prayer Service and video tribute.

Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church Online condolences may be sent at: www. opsahl-kostelfuneralhome. com.

**Opsahl-Kostel Funeral** Home and Crematory, Yankton is in care of the arrangements.

The staff at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory invite you and your family to attend a special Service of Remembrance honoring those close to us that have died. Please join us for an evening of music and prayers as we celebrate the special gift of life and the life of your loved one. The service is open to the public and refreshments will be served. For more information, please call Kevin Opsahl or Tami Keller at 665-9679.

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