

THE PRESS & DAKOTAN WEATHER CENTER

Yankton's Forecast

Thursday 06 A few isolated showers, windy
High: 78°
Low: 65°
 Wind: SE, 25 to 35

Friday 07 Warm, rain becoming likely, gusty winds
High: 80°
Low: 60°
 Wind: S, 20 to 30

Saturday 08 Cooling off some, still wet
High: 66°
Low: 54°
 Wind: S, 5 to 15

Sunday 09 Persisting moisture
High: 67°
Low: 52°
 Wind: SE, 5 to 15

Monday 10 Lingering rain showers, warmer
High: 72°
Low: 53°

Temperature

Yesterday's High / Low 84° / 57°
 Normal High 68.8°
 Normal Low 42.8°
 Record High 94° in 1963
 Record Low 40° in 1952

Precipitation

Yesterday's 0.00"
 Month to date 0.00"
 Year to date 23.21"
 Avg. year to date 21.15"
 Maximum this date 2.43" in 2008
 Yesterday's snowfall 0.00"
 Total snowfall for season 0.00"
 Maximum this date none

Sun and Moon

Sunrise		Sunset	
Today	7:32 AM	Today	7:02 PM
Tomorrow	7:33 AM	Tomorrow	7:01 PM
Moonrise		Moonset	
Today	4:23 PM	Today	2:15 AM
Tomorrow	4:49 PM	Tomorrow	3:18 AM

Full Oct. 12, Last Oct. 20, New Oct. 26, First Nov. 2

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Weather key: su-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, mc-mostly cloudy, c-cloudy, th-thunderstorms, sh-showers, r-rain, sn-snow, fl-flurries, w-wind

Regional Forecast

Location	Today	Tomorrow
Pierre	80 / 57	78 / 64
Huron	78 / 64	77 / 63
Brookings	77 / 63	78 / 63
Chamberlain	78 / 64	77 / 63
Mitchell	77 / 64	77 / 63
Sioux Falls	78 / 63	77 / 63
Winner	75 / 61	78 / 65
Lake Andes	76 / 65	78 / 65
Yankton	78 / 65	77 / 63
Sioux Center	77 / 63	78 / 63
Vermillion	78 / 65	78 / 63
Sioux City	78 / 63	78 / 63
O'Neill	76 / 63	78 / 63
Norfolk	78 / 63	78 / 63
Omaha	80 / 61	81 / 64

State	Today	Tomorrow
S. Dakota	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Aberdeen	80 62 pc	81 53 pc
Brookings	77 63 pc	72 57 th
Custer	64 43 th	55 39 sh
Deadwood	62 44 th	55 40 sh
Mobridge	76 55 pc	73 51 pc
Huron	78 64 pc	80 55 th
Mitchell	77 64 sh	80 54 th
Pierre	80 57 th	74 52 pc
Rapid City	71 49 th	65 46 sh
Sioux Falls	78 63 pc	79 60 th
Iowa	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Vermillion	78 65 sh	80 61 th
Watertown	79 59 pc	76 54 th
Winner	75 61 pc	77 49 pc
Des Moines	80 59 pc	85 61 pc
Sioux City	78 63 pc	81 63 th
Norfolk	78 63 sh	79 59 th
Lincoln	81 63 sh	81 63 th
Omaha	80 61 mc	81 64 pc

National Forecast

Location:	Today			Tomorrow			Saturday		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Anchorage	43	35	ls	38	32	sn	38	24	pc
Atlanta	80	54	su	78	55	su	76	54	su
Boston	59	43	su	60	49	su	74	58	su
Chicago	75	58	su	76	59	pc	80	60	su
Dallas	88	68	pc	89	68	pc	88	68	pc
Denver	72	43	th	60	44	sh	52	39	r
Detroit	73	54	pc	76	56	su	78	57	su
Green Bay	74	54	su	75	56	pc	77	56	pc
Houston	89	73	pc	90	72	th	88	71	th
Kansas City	83	61	pc	83	62	pc	79	62	pc
Las Vegas	66	54	th	68	56	pc	74	57	pc
Los Angeles	67	55	sh	72	56	su	78	60	su
Miami	85	77	sh	86	78	sh	86	78	th
Minneapolis	80	59	pc	80	62	pc	74	55	th
New York City	65	50	su	65	54	su	72	59	su
Philadelphia	69	46	su	68	49	su	75	55	su
Phoenix	76	58	sh	76	57	pc	84	64	su
San Francisco	62	53	sh	66	55	su	67	56	su
Seattle	61	52	pc	60	52	r	61	53	r
Tampa	88	67	pc	88	69	sh	88	70	th
Washington, D.C.	70	50	su	72	48	su	75	54	su

Livestock Outlook

Conditions will be getting much wetter over the next few days as a system moves through. Rain and very strong winds are expected.

Military Abroad

Location:	Today	
Hi	Lo	W
Baghdad, Iraq	93 73 pc	
Diego Garcia	81 81 th	
Doha, Qatar	93 81 pc	
Frankfurt	54 41 sh	
Kabul, Afghan.	67 45 pc	
Kuwait City	96 77 pc	
Seoul, Korea	63 43 sh	
Tokyo, Japan	75 59 pc	

Gavins Point Dam

Lake Temperature	64
Lake Elevation	1206.9
Discharge	40,000 cfs
Tailwater	1158.2

St. Helena Faces Post Office Closure

BY LINDA WUEBBEN
 P&D Correspondent

ST. HELENA, Neb. — If the St. Helena post office closes because of the results of a postal survey now under way, residents will lose not only the post office facility but also their blue mailing box bolted to the ground in front of the present post office building.

Recent meetings to discuss discontinuance surveys in the 686 and 687 zip code areas in Nebraska drew large crowds, and Tuesday's meeting in St. Helena was no different. USPS district manager Dawn Byer conducted the meeting and encouraged residents to fill the St. Helena docket with comments.



A large crowd turned out in St. Helena, Neb., Tuesday night at a public meeting to discuss the possible closure of the village's post office.

St. Helena residents listened to USPS District Manager Byer describe the state of the postal service. It is broke.

And just like the national trend for lower volume, St. Helena has dropped in volume also, to the tune of 35 percent for first class mail — a higher rate than national statistics.

Questions and comments from the crowd peppered Byer and demanded answers. She did not always have one.

"I know there are farmers here. I have a field of alfalfa off which I bale 300 bales and I sell them for \$3 a bale; that's \$900," Byer said at a recent survey meeting in Belden. "Well, when the next crop of alfalfa is ready to harvest and it didn't get as high or bugs got into it and I only get 200 bales. That's less money. That's what's happening to the postal service."

The bugs for USPS started really creeping up after 9/11. The anthrax scare was the next big hit. Then came new technologies like Internet and email, cell phones and texting and USPS took another huge hit. During the last four years, USPS has lost \$20 billion.

"Since our 'bale' business is the mail, we have no other way to counter our losses," said Byer. Currently, the USPS is \$15 billion in the hole, and its credit line

is over the limit. There is talk the government will give the service a 90-day grace period, but even with that, Byer estimated it would not be able to make payroll by August 2012 if something doesn't change.

It is not lawful to close a rural post office because of revenue loss, said one resident. Normally, a post office is closed because it has been determined to be uninhabitable because of a natural disaster like a tornado or the presence of mold that causes health issues.

"This is new territory for us; we have never done this before," Byer said. "That is why we are conducting this discontinuance study across our district and the country."

Changes are needed and reducing the number of employees and postal facilities are a place to start. Of the 537,000 employees currently working for the post office, 150,000 are eligible for retirement. Another 150,000 will be retirement-ready in three more years.

Attrition will be the first choice of reducing that work force. Freeing up the postal carrier's retirement fund through HR1351 will also be a shot in the arm for USPS.

The proposal citing the consideration for closing the St. Helena facility includes disturbing statements, residents claimed. Several residents said the notice of closure contained more opinion than fact. It said the St. Helena facility had severe building deficiencies, for instance, and the audience wanted to know what they were.

Theresa Jones, Norfolk USPS Plant Manager, said the deficiency stated the building was leased and had a 30-day termination clause. The notice also gave the incorrect year when the last postmaster retired. How one person reads those statements and interprets them could have a strong influence on a future decision, some said.

"You can point out those incorrect statements by making comments and entering them in the official docket," said Byer.

She encouraged everyone to make as many comments as they like. If they have completed the questionnaire offered at the post office, they can also write their own comments and submit them to the post office.

Along with reduction in volume in the St. Helena office, the office was also suffering from fewer window transactions, Byer

said. In a week's time the postmaster has about 70 transactions, which is less than two for every hour the office is open. The postmaster also only has about one hour per day of actual mail handling. The combination of the loss of volume and retail may be the final nail in the coffin for the St. Helena site.

One possible option is a Village Post Office structured by the USPS. It would be a business run by another business in St. Helena that does not serve alcohol. The business would open a kiosk inside its location and make a profit from selling stamps purchased at a lower rate from the USPS. However, a pilot village post office was opened in the state of Washington by the USPS a couple years ago but is already closed for reasons not disclosed.

Several suggestions for alternative solutions included having one postmaster cover several sites in what is called a hub office. The St. Helena postmaster could cover two or three offices in one day and have a workload more comparable to his or her pay level. Since this is not defined in the USPS's regulations from the Postal Regulatory Commission, changes will need to be made to the rules.

The community also asked why dropping Saturday mail delivery has not been considered. They wonder if the savings realized from closing the post offices would be a drop in a bucket compared to dropping one-day of mail service. Byer said this option is another process that is not a regulation and cannot be put into action without changing the regulations. She said it would take an act of Congress to change their regulations.

"I feel the passion in this room; (I) hear the growls," Byer said. "The docket is your way to make these feelings felt by the next person who reviews St. Helena's docket. Be the voice. Make positive comments and show how St. Helena stands out."

DAILY RECORD

POUND COUNT

Several animals are available at the Yankton Animal Shelter. For more information call the Yankton Police Department's Animal Control Officer, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday at 661-9494, or 668-5210. A \$5 fee is required to adopt an animal. Animals can be viewed on the Humane Society Web site at www.heartlandhumanesociety.net.

DAILY RECORD POLICY

The Press & Dakotan publishes police and sheriff reports as a public service to its readers. It is important to remember that an arrest should not imply guilt and that every person is presumed innocent until proven otherwise. When juveniles are released from jail, it is into the care of a parent or guardian.

It is the policy of the Press & Dakotan to publish all names made available in the police and court reports. There are no exceptions.

ARRESTS

- Douglas Johnson, 48, Yankton, was arrested Tuesday for aggravated assault (domestic) and on a parole hold.
- Kristopher Volmer, 31, Yankton, was arrested Tuesday for driving with a revoked, suspended or canceled license.
- Elizabeth Smith, 53, Yankton, was arrested Tuesday for second-degree petty theft.
- A 17-year-old Yankton male was arrested Tuesday for disturbance of school.
- A 15-year-old Yankton male was arrested Tuesday for disturbance of school.
- A 12-year-old Yankton male was arrested Tuesday for disturbance of school.

ACCIDENTS

- A report was received at 8:16 p.m. Tuesday that a Chevy pickup collided with a Ford Ranger in the 700 block of West 21st St. The driver of the Chevy was cited for failure to signal.
- A report was received at 3:22 p.m. Tuesday of a shoplifter at a business in the 2100 block of Broadway.
- A report was received at 6:39 p.m. Tuesday that a black pitbull attacked the complainant's dog in the 1200 block of Pennsylvania St. The dog was placed in the pound and its owner was contacted.
- A report was received at 8:06 a.m. Wednesday that a light pole along the bicycle trail near Webster School had been broken in half and severely damaged. Estimated value of the damage was \$1,000.
- A report was received at 1:42 p.m. Wednesday of a fire in a bean field.
- A sheriff's office report was received at 9:15 a.m. Tuesday that two dogs had killed a cat along Kirby St.
- A sheriff's office report was received at 12:05 p.m. Tuesday that some porcelain dolls were missing from a flooded residence along Jake St.
- A sheriff's office report was received at 4:23 p.m. Tuesday that copper was stolen from a shed along Bill Baggs Road.

CRIME STOPPERS

Anyone wishing to report anonymous information on unlawful activity in the City of Yankton or in Yankton County is encouraged to contact the Crime Stoppers tip line at 665-4440.

BOARD OF TRADE

CHICAGO (AP) — Grains futures rose Wednesday on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Wheat for December delivery jumped 21.25 cents to \$6.2525 a bushel; December corn rose 17.75 cents to \$6.0550 a bushel; December oats rose 0.50 cent to \$3.25 a bushel; while November soybeans rose 3.75 cents to \$11.6375 a bushel.

Beef futures and pork futures also rose on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

December live cattle rose 1.10 cent to \$1.2265 a pound; November feeder cattle rose 0.85 cent to \$1.4175 a pound; and December lean hogs rose 1.57 cent to 88.42 cents a pound.

ON THIS DATE

- ### 75 YEARS AGO
- Tuesday, October 6, 1936
 •Mrs. Artie Bacon of Niobrara was sentenced to a life term in prison for the poison murder of her husband, Charles Bacon.
 •The severed legs of a woman were found a quarter of a mile apart in Boston harbor. The legs were each wrapped in a burlap bag.
- ### 50 YEARS AGO
- Friday, October 6, 1961
 •Fragile, diminutive Satoko Ito, senior and psychology major from Toyonaka, Japan was elected Miss Pioneer for Yankton College's homecoming celebrations.
 •The run of beautiful Indian summer weather South Dakotans have enjoyed this week continued today with little change in prospect through Saturday.
- ### 25 YEARS AGO
- Monday, October 6, 1986
 •USD demolished Augie in the Coyotes homecoming game, 48-8.
 •The Minnesota Twins have unveiled their official club emblem after rotating three different logos over the past years.

LOTTERIES

WEDNESDAY'S DRAWINGS

2 By 2: Red Balls: 2-24, White Balls: 1-16
 My Day: Month: 5, Day: 8, Year: 13
 Pick 3: 8-8-8
 Pick 5: 03-05-20-23-26
 Power Ball: 07-20-43-46-54, Powerball: 17, Power Play: 4
 Dakota Cash: 08-12-18-22-27
 Wild Card 2: 11-13-17-26-28, Wild Card: QD
 Hot Lotto: 10-15-16-21-30, Hot Ball: 16

Meet Dr. Barnes, Internal Medicine

YANKTON MEDICAL CLINIC, P.C. IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE ASSOCIATION OF **Clarissa Barnes, M.D.**
Board Eligible Internal Medicine

Dr. Barnes is a graduate of The Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. She completed her Internal Medicine residency training at The Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland.

Additionally, Dr. Barnes completed internships with the Global AIDS Alliance, the Center for Biosecurity, and the Department of Health and Human Services during her years in medical school.

Please join with us in welcoming Dr. Barnes to the Yankton area. The Clinic is pleased to bring her into our medical community as well as to the many patients she will serve.

Dr. Barnes began seeing patients at the Yankton Medical Clinic, P.C. on Sept. 1, 2011. Appointments can be made by calling 605-665-1152.

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8	7	3						
	9	6	7	2			8	
	5	2				9		
6	3	4	8	2	1			9
7								1
2			3	9	7	6	4	8
		8				4	7	
	2		7	8		5	1	
				6		8		2

EASY EA BOOK 25 #2

Yesterday's Solution

3	4	8	5	9	7	2	6	1
6	5	9	2	1	8	4	3	7
7	2	1	6	3	4	5	8	9
4	1	6	8	5	9	7	2	3
2	9	3	4	7	6	8	1	5
5	8	7	3	2	1	9	4	6
8	3	2	9	6	5	1	7	4
1	6	5	7	4	2	3	9	8
9	7	4	1	8	3	6	5	2

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