

REGION DIGEST

Cap Dierks To Speak At Bon Homme Meeting

TYNDALL — Nebraska State Sen. Cap Dierks of Ewing, Neb., will be the guest speaker at the Bon Homme Farmers Union Meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15, at the Tyndall Community Center.

Dierks will address antitrust enforcement on the federal level and his successful legislation that brought community based (C-bed) wind power to Nebraska.

The public is welcome to attend this informative and educational meeting.

James River Board Meeting Set For Thurs.

HURON — The James River Water Development District Board of Directors will be holding a regular meeting at 9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 16, in Aberdeen.

Items on the agenda are:

- Project request from the City of Hitchcock for a sanitary sewer repair project;
- Project request from Sanborn Conservation District for a drainage project;
- Update on the Brown County Water Management Plan;
- Update on the TMDL activities on the James River;
- Any other business that may come before the Board.

Memorial Service To Honor Donors At USD

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota School of Health Sciences and the Sanford School of Medicine will honor 2009 donors to the Body Donor Program and their families during a memorial service at 3:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 17, at the atrium of the Andrew E. Lee Memorial Medical and Science Building.

Students from the Medical, Physician Assistant, Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy programs along with faculty and staff from USD will honor family members recognizing the contribution of their loved ones who gave a special gift to the study of medicine. This is the sixth year of the memorial service.

"The memorial service presents an opportunity for the University community to extend our appreciation for such a precious, valuable gift," said event coordinator Carleen McNeely. "It is important for donors' families to know that their loved one was treated with respect and that our students are appreciative of their loved one's donation."

The Sanford School of Medicine and the School of Health Sciences relies on the voluntary donation of bodies for medical and other professional health programs. The ceremony will include testimonials from students and faculty members of the human gross anatomy course at the medical school. Body donations are crucial in teaching gross anatomy as the foundation for physicians, physician assistants, nurses, dentists, dental hygienists, occupational and physical therapists, and paramedics. Donors have served as the "first patient" for thousands of USD students.

"Many family members say that they didn't know that it meant so much," said Jane Gavin, director of medical anatomical laboratories. "And for our students, the service offers a sense of closure. There is both an emotional and educational impact."

Business Seminars Offered In Yankton

PIERRE — Two basic tax seminars being held in Yankton this month will offer helpful state tax information to businesses in eastern South Dakota. The seminars are sponsored by the South Dakota Department of Revenue and Regulation and are scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 16, in Room 113 at Regional Technical Education Center, 1200 W. 21st Street.

A Sales and Use Tax seminar will be held from 9:30 a.m.-noon. The session covers topics such as how and when to apply for a sales tax license; exemptions from sales and use taxes; exempt entities; use tax; municipal taxes; purchases for resale; and how to file sales tax returns by paper and electronically through SD QUEST.

A Contractors' Excise Tax seminar will be held from 1:30-4:30 p.m. The agenda includes how and when to apply for a contractors' excise tax license; projects for qualifying utilities and governmental agencies; prime and sub contractors; sales and use tax; owner furnished materials; reservation projects; and how to file contractors' excise tax returns by paper and electronically through SD QUEST.

Both seminars are offered free of charge. Interested individuals can register by calling the South Dakota Department of Revenue and Regulation at 1-800-TAX (829)-9188 or on-line at <http://www.state.sd.us/drr2/> in the Business Tax Division "Tax Education" section.

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South Dakota Literacy Council Conference Set For Sept. 17-18

MITCHELL — The South Dakota Literacy Council will hold its 24th annual fall conference in Mitchell Sept. 17-18.

Events for new readers will be featured on Friday, Sept. 17, with a tour of the Prehistoric Indian Village and a meeting of the new readers from across the state.

On Saturday, Sept. 18, two continuing education workshops will be presented at the Mitchell Public Library, 221 North Duff. The 10 a.m. session will highlight the new English as a Second Language curriculum called "English: No Problem!" which will be presented by Kathy Quinones, New York City, co-author of the series. President John Berglund, St. Onge, will chair the annual meeting of the organization which will be held during the luncheon. It will be followed by a 2 p.m. presentation on recent learning disabilities research by Jim Huff, Rapid City, director of outreach for the South Dakota Learning Disabilities Association. It is estimated that 80 percent of people who are functionally illiterate have a learning disability.

For more information, scholarship information or to make a donation so that others may attend the conference, call Sally Hillner, 605-692-5560 or e-mail sallyh@brookings.net.

All sessions are open to the general public. Late registration will be held at the Super 8 Motel, 1700 South Burr St., from 3-3:45 p.m. or at Marlin's Cafe from 5:30-6p.m. on Friday, Sept. 17.

Yankton Public Schools To Be Dismissed Early On Friday

All Yankton Public School students — including Jr. Kindergarten, Kindergarten and Special Education Preschool classes — will be dismissed at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 17, for the Yankton High School Pioneer Days Homecoming Parade. Parents of preschool students at Webster should pick them up at school at 2:15 p.m. The parade will begin at 2:30 p.m.

All school buses will be running on their regular schedules for students who need a ride home.

With the exception of Webster School Preschool students, all rural elementary stu-

dents who ride Yankton School District buses will be escorted to the parade route and transported home at the regular time. Parents of elementary students may pick up their bus students at school at 2:15 p.m. by notifying the principal.

The parade starts at Eighth and Douglas and proceeds south to Sixth Street, west on Sixth Street to Cedar Street, south on Cedar Street to Third Street, east on Third Street to Pine Street, and north on Pine Street to Eighth Street.

If inclement weather occurs, the parade will be cancelled and school will remain in session.

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painting and some work inside the sills, not to mention cleaning the outside portion of the interior windows. He also repaired the stained glass windows in the home.

"We lost a pane of stained glass last year, as a matter of fact," he said. "The glazing had come off and it just fell. Thankfully, the glass fell to the inside of the window. So, I took them down, reglazed them, cleaned them and put them back in. It took about 15 hours per stained glass window. We also put storm windows in front of those to protect them, as well."

Because the Cramer-Kenyon building is so old, the group found that every window was a different size, if only by a half-inch or so.

"The windows were all hand-made, and over the course of 130 years they all shifted and moved a bit, which accounted for each of the windows being a

bit of a different size," Hoffart said. "It is a real challenge to get up there and replace these windows because it is such a tall building. We had to have special ladders and scaffolding. But once they were all ready to go, we were able to get about two windows per day up."

When the windows arrived, they had to be primed and painted — a process that took from the end of April until late June. The final installation took place at the end of July.

"We had a target date of completing the project by the end of August," Sall said. "That is when the grant people asked us to be done because it is the end of their year. So we were ahead of that about a month."

The group said that without the grant, the project would not have been completed.

"Returning the home to the original style windows just helps restore it to how it looked when it was first completed in 1886," Lyons said. "The original craftsmanship is phenomenal, and the aluminum windows just didn't look right. They were not original to the house or time and we wanted to get them fixed."



The family of **Jim Moses** wishes to thank you for the prayers, cards, flowers, monetary gifts and phone calls. Thank you to Fr. Dan for the prayer service and Fr. Mark for helping us celebrate Jim's life. Thank you to the Sacred Heart Church choir and funeral committee. Thank you to Mark Nickles, Joe Gill, the ICU nurses at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, Dr. Megard, Dr. Mikkelsen and Opsahl Kostel Funeral Home for their patience, kindness and understanding during this difficult time. We wish to express our thanks to everyone who may not be mentioned but still deserves many thanks for being there when we needed you. Jim was loved by many and will be missed by all.

Jo Ann and Kay Moses and Family



AVERA RURAL HEALTH CONFERENCE


RURAL HEALTH & COMMUNITY VITALITY

OCTOBER 5, 2010 • 8 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
**Sioux Falls Convention Center
 1101 N West Avenue, Sioux Falls, S.D.**

Join Avera as we focus on strengthening rural communities through economic development and community health initiatives.

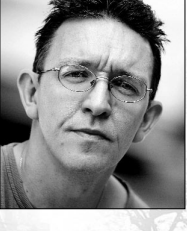
Registration fee: \$30 per person, includes lunch

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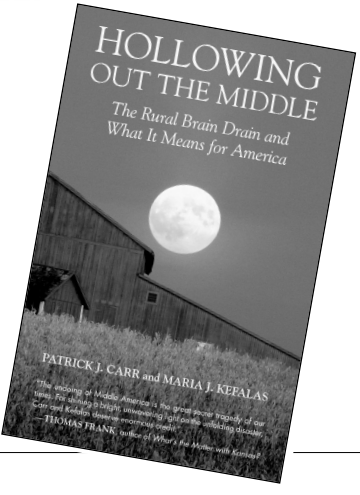
Emily Friedman

- Independent writer, lecturer and health policy and ethics analyst
- Ms. Friedman will address the impact of health care reform on rural communities and events that are reshaping the health care landscape including:
 - Public and private coverage
 - New provider structures
 - Major changes in the population and the health care workforce
 - A growing insistence on improved quality




Patrick J. Carr, PhD

- Co-author, along with Maria J. Kefalas, of "Hollowing Out the Middle: The Rural Brain Drain and What It Means for America"
- Dr. Carr will share strategies for arresting the process of "rural brain drain" and creating sustainable, thriving communities by:
 - Retooling small towns for a global economy
 - Recognizing that new immigrants can be a vital source of future growth and development
 - Economic gardening through hometown competitiveness and free-land programs



If you have questions or special needs, please contact the Avera Rural Health Institute at (605) 322-4734.



To register online, go to www.Avera.org/RuralConference

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