

**Boating Bans On Mo., Vermillion Rivers Lifted**

From P&D Staff Reports

In anticipation of the Labor Day holiday weekend, the U. S. Coast Guard has granted Gov. Dennis Daugaard's request to rescind the ban on boating on a large portion of the Missouri River below Gavins Point Dam.

Effective at 6 a.m. today (Saturday), the Missouri River will be re-opened from Mile Marker 811 near Gavins Point Dam downstream to Ponca State Park. Use of the river downstream from Ponca State Park continues to be banned.

In addition, Daugaard has rescinded the state-imposed ban on boating on the lower Vermillion River. The governor has also opened boat ramps on the Missouri and Vermillion Rivers previously closed in support of the boating bans. The lifting of those bans will also become effective at 6 a.m. today.

South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks (GF&P) staffers surveyed those rivers and concluded they can be safely opened for public use.

However, boaters will need to exercise caution on those waters. Although flows are greatly diminished from the peak Gavins Point Dam releases of 160,000 cubic feet per second (cfs), current releases of 90,000 cfs continue to create strong currents. Boaters should control their wakes and be alert to possible hazards to navigation.

The decision to ask that the rivers be opened came after careful consideration for public safety and the potential for property damage from waves created by boating. It was determined the potential for property damage is greatly diminished with reduced river flows.

**New Hours For Recovery Centers After Mon.**

PIERRE — The Disaster Recovery Centers operated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the South Dakota Office of Emergency Management will change hours beginning on Tuesday, Sept. 6, after Labor Day.

The new hours will be 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays.

The centers will be closed Saturday, Sunday and Monday on Labor Day weekend.

Other FEMA personnel, including home inspectors and Community Relations specialists, will be working in Charles Mix, Hughes, Stanley and Union counties through the weekend.

South Dakotans who had damage, lost income or suffered injuries because of the flooding from March 11, 2011, through July 22, 2011, are encouraged to register with FEMA first, as that is the first step to getting disaster aid.

Registering means contacting FEMA directly and getting a registration number.

Previous contacts with FEMA or emergency officials, or calling the state flood hotline, do not register anyone with FEMA.

People and businesses can register by calling 800-621-FEMA (3362), TTY 800-462-7585, or going online at www.disasterassistance.gov.

The toll-free line will be in operation from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CDT seven days a week until further notice.

Persons affected by the floods can also apply for federal assistance through a web-enabled mobile device or Smartphone by going to m.fema.gov and following the link to apply online for federal assistance and other recovery help.

**Weston A. Price Foundation Meeting Is Wed.**

The Yankton Weston A. Price Foundation Chapter will meet at noon on Wednesday, Sept. 7, at the Avera Benedictine Center Conference Room, located at 1000 W. Fourth Street in Yankton.

Dan Avery, from Dakota Earth, Alcester, will be speaking about the nutrient-dense sprouted pasta they make, which is good for you and the environment.

He will be also be talking about his certified organic farm, how he got started and the vegetables they grow.

Ideas will be shared about how busy families can eat simply, but well, and a discussion on solar-powered food dehydrators. A film will be shown on "Nourishing Our Children: Healthy Meals." There will also be a seed exchange, bring your favorite seeds to share and get some new treasures in return.

The Weston A. Price Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing information about restoring nutrient-dense foods to the American diet. A healthy diet which includes locally grown produce and pastured dairy and meat can improve your overall well being. Bring a sack lunch, come when you can, leave when you must.

For additional information contact: Judy Kappel at (605)665-4549

**Bon Homme Peer Support Group To Meet**

SPRINGFIELD — The Bon Homme Peer Support Group for the Blind and Visually Impaired will meet at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7, at Springfield Assisted Living Center, 701 Pine St., Springfield.

Information will be shared about eye health care, and general information and techniques for living independently with vision loss. Common concerns, frustrations, encouragement and success stories are also shared.

If you have any kind of vision loss, we invite you to attend this meeting.

**Redistricting Subcommittee To Meet Wed.**

PIERRE — A hearing will be held by a subcommittee of the South Dakota Redistricting Committee at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 7, to solicit public input about legislative redistricting as it affects south central South Dakota and especially the Lower Brule, Crow Creek, and Yankton reservations.

The meeting will take place in the Oacoma Community Center, Oacoma.

After a brief presentation on the legal and political principles of redistricting and an explanation of some preliminary mapping proposals, the subcommittee will be open to public testimony, questions and comment.

**Aid**

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tary agencies will not start the federal disaster assistance process.

Property owners can apply immediately, as FEMA officials are available this weekend, Scherschligt said. He strongly encouraged anyone to apply for assistance, even if the individual is unsure if the property qualifies for aid.

"They shouldn't hesitate," he said. "If they don't apply, they can't get any assistance."

Homeowners, renters and business owners affected by the disaster can register for assistance by calling 800-621-FEMA (3362), TTY 800-462-7585, or by going online at www.disasterassistance.gov. The toll-free line will be in operation from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CDT seven days a week until further notice.

People affected by the floods can also apply for federal assistance through a web-enabled mobile device or Smartphone by going to m.fema.gov and following the link to apply online for federal assistance and other recovery help.

"People need to start calling to get registered," Scherschligt said. "If they have registered with me, it doesn't count (as FEMA registration). They need to call the 800 number, and they need to have FEMA issue them an identification number to get them into the system."

Officials advise applicants to have the following information available when applying for assistance:

- current telephone number;
- address at the time of the disaster and current address;
- Social Security number;
- a general list of damages and losses;
- if insured, the name of the company, agent, and policy number;
- bank account and routing number for direct deposit of funds if the applicant becomes eligible.

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**PASSING INSPECTION**

Property owners will be scheduled for an appointment with inspectors, said FEMA spokeswoman Jeannie Mooney. She encouraged applicants for disaster aid to thoroughly document their losses. The property owners should have the proof ready for their inspection.

"It's very helpful if they have any photographs (of the losses) and copies of bills they received for repairs that they can show the inspector who comes to their homes," she said.

However, property owners don't need to wait for inspections before making repairs, Mooney said.

"They should repair things as soon as the (county) emergency manager has said it's OK to go back into their homes," she said.

FEMA's Individual Assistance program includes a wide range of aid, such as grants for home repair, temporary housing, serious disaster-related needs and expenses not covered by insurance or other assistance programs.

Yankton County had already been declared eligible for public assistance, helping local governments with infrastructure and other damage to public property.

"We asked FEMA to take another look at the damage in Yankton County, and when they did, they realized that these citizens needed individual assistance, too,"

said Lt. Gov. Matt Michels, a Yankton native.

"Five of the 11 counties have now qualified for this additional program of help as they try to rebuild homes and businesses. We will continue to be advocates for all South Dakotans who have suffered from flooding this spring and summer."

FEMA disaster assistance covers basic needs only and does not normally compensate eligible applicants for the entire loss. FEMA disaster aid is generally offered as grants that do not have to be paid back.

"We want everyone who suffered loss of income or physical damage from the floods to register directly with us and get a registration number," said FEMA Federal Coordinating Officer Mark Neveau.

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) makes low-interest disaster loans to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private, non-profit organizations to repair or replace disaster-damaged or destroyed private property.

The SBA also offers low-interest working capital loans, called Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL), to small businesses and most private, non-profit organizations to help meet working capital needs caused by the disaster. EIDL assistance is available regardless of whether the business suffered any property damage.

For information about SBA programs, applicants may call (800) 659-2955 (TTY 800-977-8339).

**A HELPING HAND**

In seeking assistance, Yankton County received a great deal of backing at all levels, Scherschligt said. The support ranged from the South Dakota congressional delegation — U.S. Sens. Tim Johnson

and John Thune and U.S. Rep. Kristi Noem — to state and local officials, he said.

Some efforts were high profile, while other work was conducted behind the scenes, the emergency manager said.

"We had a lot of people under the radar who assisted us with this," he said. "The governor and lieutenant governor were here during the flooding, and a lot of people were making calls for us during the whole process."

Public officials learn a great deal when they tour flooded areas, Jensen said.

"John Thune was here, and the first place we stopped was Larson's Landing. That area is a mess," Jensen said. "(Thune) commented that he didn't realize the full extent of the flood damage. We stopped at three or four places, and it helped a lot to have him see all the damage that the Missouri River has done."

The dollar figures for damage may climb dramatically in the coming days, Scherschligt said.

"As soon as the water has gone down and we can see 100 percent of the property, there will be a lot more damage than the first time that FEMA was here," he said. "We have bank erosion, with parts of the bank falling, and other damage."

Jensen agreed. "You can't tell the full damage until the water is back to normal," he said.

In the meantime, Yankton County continues its work with public assistance for infrastructure, Jensen said.

"Yankton County has turned our bills in to FEMA. We pay our bills upfront and then get reimbursed," he said. "It may be a year or two before we get money. We're thankful that we had money in the budget that we could use."

**Ceremony**

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of them were walking back to their seats," he explained. "Dad puts his hands on Christopher's shoulder and says how much of an honor it was to do this together. That was a moment I didn't capture on film but was the best moment of the night for me. We are very proud of both of them."

Planning for the night began in a ritual that started more than 12 years ago for the family.

"Our family started a tradition of meeting together in the Black Hills together," Kurt said. "It just became a mini-family reunion type thing. Every year, we go out there we go to the lighting ceremony at Mount Rushmore. It is the highlight of our trip."

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"Every year my father has gone down because he is a World War II veteran — he served in the Navy. So he would go forward. The last few years, either my brother or I would walk down with him because he is in his mid-80s. In the back of our minds, we thought how wonderful it would be for him to go down with his grandson, who is currently serving in the Marines."

So the family started planning. Kurt contacted Christopher, who was serving in Afghanistan at the time, to see if it would be possible for him to return to South Dakota this summer. The event came together, and even the weather cooperated.

"There were storms all around that night and it looked like the ceremony might be in danger of

being canceled," Kurt said. "But it was just like the clouds split and went around us. When we left, the roads and the parking lot were all wet from rain, but at the amphitheater it did not rain at all."

Christopher said that anyone who has served the nation in the military is asked to participate in the ceremony.

"As we leave the stage, every single person gets to touch the flag that flew, symbolizing that there is still that bond and connection and that you did serve the county no matter what it took," Christopher said. "Regardless of how they served, they did something that only 1 percent of the population of the United States has done. That is a huge honor. Being able to just sit there and touch that flag — knowing what it represents, knowing who all has died and who all has

fought for everything that our country stands for today — is unreal."

"I remember reading a bumper sticker right before I joined that said, 'It couldn't always be somebody else's son or daughter,'" Christopher said. "Somebody has to step up, regardless of what you think and how you feel. ... We don't do what we do for the recognition or the respect. We do it because it is something that needs to be done."

Christopher said the thing he will never forget from the flag ceremony is his grandfather's eyes and the pride he saw in them.

"I know that night when it came to be, when we had the chance to go down, his eyes just lit up," he said. "I know that is something we will both remember until the day we die."

**OBITUARIES**

**James 'Bud' Krovoza**

ABERDEEN — Memorial services for James "Bud" Krovoza, 78, of Aberdeen will be 11:00 a.m. Monday, September 5, 2011, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Aberdeen. The Rev. Mary Anne Nelson-Loefke will officiate. Burial will be in the Ellendale, N.D. City Cemetery.



Krovoza

Bud died August 31, 2011, at his home.

James "Bud" Krovoza, son of James Joseph and Mathilda (Nedved) Krovoza, was born March 3, 1933, in Yankton, SD. He attended Sacred Heart School in Yankton and then Yankton public schools, where he graduated with the Class of '52. Bud proudly played football for the Yankton Bucks. He was known to many across the state for his speed and unconventional way of carrying the ball. He was an All-American.

He was united in marriage to LaVanna Gerling on August 1, 1958. They lived in Yankton before moving to Ellendale, ND in 1959. He worked for Carl Mack as an apprentice plumber until 1967 when he became a Master Plumber and opened his own business in Ellendale. He took a great amount of pride in his work and thoroughly enjoyed what he did. In 1987, Bud and LaVanna moved to Park Rapids, MN where Bud worked as a Master Plumber at Park Rapids Plumbing and Heating. In 1994, they moved to Aberdeen and Bud semi-retired and worked at several maintenance jobs.

Bud loved being with his family, especially his grandkids. He enjoyed projects around the house and working outdoors. He also loved listening to polka music. He was a member of the Moose Lodge.

Bud is survived by his wife, LaVanna, one son, Curtis (Terri) Krovoza of Jamestown, ND, three daughters, Carrie (Richard) Scepaniak and Cathryn (Justin)

Ellenson, both of Aberdeen and Claudine (Sheldon) Cruse of Gillette, WY, four sisters, Marie Killian, Helen Thompson, Norma Washburn and Velma Klein, all of Yankton, SD, ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

His parents, one brother, one sister and one great-grandson preceded him in death.

Memorial cards can be sent to the family in care of Norma Washburn, 607 Spruce, Yankton, SD 57078.

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**Deloris Diefenderfer**

Deloris I. Diefenderfer, 88, of Yankton and formerly of Crofton, Neb., died Thursday, Sept. 1, 2011, at Avera Yankton Care Center, Yankton.

Memorial services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Wintz & Ray Funeral Home, Yankton, with the Rev. Justin Wiese officiating.

Visitation with the family will be one hour prior to the service at the funeral home.

To send an online sympathy message, visit wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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*Thank You*  
A big Thank You to everyone who sent greetings, flowers, phone calls and food brought in. Special thanks to my family who were there with me during my hospitalization. Also to the staff at Avera St. Michaels, Avera Sacred Heart and Avera McKennan for the excellent care. May God Bless each and every one of you. Everything was greatly appreciated.  
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*Thank You*  
I would like to thank everyone involved with the B.Y.O.B. (Build Your Own Backyard) contest. Special thanks to all the vendors who supplied the awesome prizes: Hatch Furniture, Kaiser Appliance and Refrigeration, Ultimate Edge and Landscaping, Kopetsky Ace Hardware, SD Pork, and 104.1 The Wolf. I now have everything I needed to make my backyard a great place to hang out. The cell phone hot potato contest was nerve racking, but still fun. I am telling everyone I see and they are all asking to come join the party when it's completed. Thanks so much!!!! — Debra Guenther