**Tuesday, 9.6.11** 

### **Corps Restricting Boat Access To Portions Of River**

As the Missouri River below Gavins Point Dam reopens for vessel traffic, there still continues to be significantly increased water flows from Gavins Point Dam. These flows are creating swift river currents and extremely hazardous conditions in the Missouri River directly below Gavins Point Powerplant and Spillway.

As a result, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is restricting boat access to a portion of the river. Effective immediately, vessels of any kind will be prohibited from a line stretching from the electronic sign near the boat ramp in Nebraska Tailwaters Recreation Area to a similar sign on the Training Dike Recreation Area and west to the dam.

This restriction is in effect until further notice.



This temporary signage has been posted on the north shore of the Missouri River just below Gavins Point Dam warning boaters not to approach the turbulent tailwaters. A similar warning was issued in June before the dam discharges moved above 100,000 cubic feet per second.

# **Higher Education Focus Of Statewide Town Meetings**

PIERRE — Members of the South Dakota Board of Regents will take to the road this fall for a series of town meetings statewide on public higher education.

The first of what will be 15 to 20 of these meetings is scheduled Monday, Sept. 19, at Lake Area Technical Institute in Watertown, hosted by District 5 lawmakers. The event begins at 7 p.m. Representatives of the Board of Regents, its staff, and public university presidents will be on hand to visit with area residents.

Other town meetings this month will be held Sept. 21 in Aberdeen and Sept. 22 in Webster. Additional meetings in communities across South Dakota are confirmed for October, November and December.

'Our challenge as a public university system is to plan ahead as South Dakota emerges from the current economic downturn," said Jack R. Warner, the regents' executive director and CEO. "Higher education and workforce development go hand in hand, and our priorities must reflect that close relationship.'

Warner said the most important thing

public universities can do is to enroll and graduate more citizens in order to build South Dakota's economy. Additionally, he said it is very important to attract new residents to South Dakota, since the state's aging demographic means more young people are needed to serve as a future workforce. Another priority is to leverage university-based research and development that contributes to South Dakota's economic growth, and expand graduatedegree programs to produce more highlyskilled workers.

Ideas exchanged at the town meetings this fall will help South Dakota's public universities plan for the future. "These town meetings are an important part of what we do every few years—go into local communities across the state, find out what is on people's minds, and exchange ideas," said Kathryn Johnson, president of the Board of Regents. "We have been doing these town meetings since 2001, where local legislators serve as our hosts. We welcome the public's participation," she

# Tips Offered To Ensure Prompt Action, Delivery Of Emergency Aid

PIERRE — Here are some tips from officials to assure quick delivery of state and federal disaster assistance to residents of South Dakota's declared counties that suffered property losses in the flooding from March 11 through July 22.

• The first step to receive federal disaster assistance is to register with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Even if people have already told FEMA or emergency managers about their damage, they now need to register with FEMA themselves and get a registration number.

• They can register by calling 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) toll free. The TDD number for those with speech and hearing impairments is 1-800-462-7585. The toll-free lines are open from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. CDT seven days a week until further notice.

• They can also register online at www.disasterassis-

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tance.gov, or through a web-enabled mobile device or smartphone by going to m.fema.gov and following the link for federal assistance and other recovery help.

• Those affected are encouraged to register if they

had any disaster-related losses, whether as a renter or homeowner. They may need help with unexpected expenses even if their property was insured.

• A FEMA housing inspector will contact those who register for an appointment to inspect their property. The residents then need to make arrangements to meet the inspector and allow sufficient time to answer questions. Assistance may be delayed if they are not home.

 Residents should make sure their address number is clearly displayed for inspectors and that FEMA always has a reliable address or phone number to contact them.

• Renters forced from their homes by disaster damage may apply for rental assistance to relocate temporarily while repairs are made. Reimbursement may be available for hotel bills if their home was uninhabitable

• Residents should document losses by saving receipts from bills they have paid to repair their property or replace essential possessions. They should take photographs and videotape if possible.

• They can check the status of their application for assistance or make changes to it by contacting FEMA at the number or Web sites above.

Programs available to eligible applicants may in-

• Disaster Housing Assistance, administered by FEMA, for individuals and families whose homes were destroyed or made unlivable as a result of the flooding. The program provides funding for temporary accommodations, or financial assistance for minimal home repairs

• Low-interest loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration for homeowners, renters or business owners for the repair, replacement or rebuilding of disaster-damaged property that the FEMA Individual Assistance grants or insurance do not cover.

• Grants through the Other Needs Assistance program for those who have serious immediate needs resulting from the disaster that cannot be met by other

FEMA disaster assistance covers basic needs only and will not normally compensate those affected for their entire loss. For those who have insurance, the government may help pay for basic needs not covered under the insurance policy. Residents should contact their insurance agent first, then if they have unmet needs they should call FEMA to apply.

#### **OBITUARIES**

#### **Susan Shella**

Susan K. Shella, 47, passed away Saturday, September 3, 2011 at the Dougherty Hospice House after a

courageous battle with cancer. Visitation will

begin at 12:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 6 with the family present to greet friends from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at George Boom Funeral Home in

Sioux Falls. A prayer service will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday.

Funeral service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, September 7, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church with burial to follow at Hills of Rest Memorial Park.

Susan was born to Lois and Hall Shella May 20, 1964. She attended Jasper Elementary and graduated in 1984. She attended and graduated from Dakota State College in 1988. She began working for the State of South Dakota in 1990 in Economic Services and was recently recognized for her 20 years of service.

It was Susan's kind and generous heart that all came to love and will be greatly missed. She did not know a stranger and her life philosophy of peace, love, and harmony was reflected in her personal relationships with friends and family, her tender love for animals, especially her own, and her boundless love of nature. She lived life to the

Susan is survived by her partner, Lisa Lyngstad, whom she met 15 years ago on August 31st building a long and loving relationship. She leaves behind their devoted pets, Theo, Sonny and Finley. She is also survived by her parents, Hall and Lois Shella; her sisters, Leigh Shella, and Cindy Shella-Tranby and her husband, Jim; her nieces and nephews, Jessica Gipp, Joshua Gipp, Joseph Gipp, Haley Tranby; great niece, Arabella Gipp; and the Lyngstad family.

She is preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Otto and Dora Krapf, paternal grandparents, Ed and Imo Shella and her infant sister, Jane Shella.

It was Susan's wish that her funeral be a celebration of her life. She asked that those attending the funeral wear casual attire to represent the way she lived her life of peace and love.

In lieu of flowers, it was Susan's request that memorials be directed to The American Cancer Society, Dougherty Hospice House and the Humane Society of Sioux Falls.

A complete obituary and online registry is available at www.georgeboom.com.

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### James 'Bud' Krovoza

ABERDEEN — Memorial services for James "Bud" Krovoza, 78, of Aberdeen will be 11:00 a.m.

Monday, Septem-Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Aberdeen. The Rev. Mary Anne Nelson-Loefke will officiate. Burial will be in the Ellendale, N.D. City Cemeterv. Bud died Au-

gust 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, 506 Spruce, Yankton, SD 57078.

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### **Leila Ras**

MARION — Leila L. Ras, 79, of Marion died Saturday, Sept. 3, 2011, at her home.

Funeral services are at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at Bethesda Mennonite Church, rural Marion, with burial in the Tieszen Ceme-

tery. Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Wednesday, with the family present from 7-8 p.m., at Walter Funeral Home,

### **Melroy 'Mel' Waldner**

Melroy J. "Mel" Waldner, 69, of Yankton died Saturday, Sept. 3, 2011, at Avera Sister James Care Center Hospice.

Memorial services are at 11 a.m. Friday at United Church of

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> **Pearl Balfany** who passed away on September 6, 2010

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#### **Deloris Diefenderfer**

Deloris I. Diefenderfer, age 88, of Yankton, South Dakota and formerly of Crofton, Nebraska, died on Thursday, September 1, 2011 at Avera Yankton Care Center in Yankton.

Memorial services are 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 7 2011 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with Reverend Justin Wiese officiating. Visitation with the family will be one hour prior to the service at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home.

Deloris was born March 16. 1923 in Norfolk, Nebraska to Leonard and Salina (Olson) Mather. She grew up in Norfolk where she graduated from Norfolk High School. On June 22, 1941, Deloris married Roy Diefenderfer. After their marriage, they continued to live in Norfolk raising their two sons.



in 1992. Deloris enjoyed flowers, boating and going to their cabin in Santee, Nebraska. She always loved babysitting her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Deloris was a loving wife and a wonderful, caring mother.

In 1979, they

Deloris is survived by her two sons: Larry (Carol) Diefenderfer of Eureka, Montana and Terry (Linda) Diefenderfer of Yankton; five grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; one greatgreat granddaughter; brother-in-

law, John (Shirley) Diefenderfer moved to Crofton of Thousand Oaks, California; two sisters-in-law: Ellen (Harry) Heckendorf of Thousand Oaks and Mary (Don) Forbes of Vista, Construction. De-California; and many nieces and Deloris was preceded in there as the sec-

death by her parents; husband, Roy on March 18, 2011; brother, Leonard Mather Jr.; and a sister, Marcella Sullivan. To send an online sympathy

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Online condolences at:

Rosalyn 'Rose' Christ (Congregational), Yankton, with the Rev. Joe Schulte and the Rev. Paul Opsahl officiating. Bur-Souhrada ial of the cremated remains will Rosalyn M. "Rose" Souhrada, be in the Yankton Cemetery,

Visitations are 4-8 p.m. Thursday at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a Scripture service at 7 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the

79, of Yankton died Sunday, Sept. 4, 2011, at the Dougherty Hospice House, Sioux Falls.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m. Thursday at Trinity Lutheran Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Dave Lund officiating. Burial will be in the Yankton Cemetery, Yankton.

Visitations begins at 5 p.m. Wednesday at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a Scripture service at 7 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.





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