

**Yankton's 31st Street To Be Closed This Week**

The City of Yankton has announced that 31st St. from Highway 81 to Peninah Street will be closed the week of Sept. 12 to allow for the installation of an asphalt overlay and lane striping. No through traffic on the street will be allowed during the project. Access for adjacent property owners will be provided. The general public is asked to utilize the detour route that is provided, or an alternate route to circumvent the project area.

**Suicide Prevention Week To Be Observed**

National Suicide Prevention Week will be recognized on the Mount Marty College campus on Sept. 12-16. As part of the awareness week, Lori Montis, Project Director/Suicide Prevention Specialist with the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline Center in Sioux Falls, will be on campus to present the program: "QPR: How To Prevent a Suicide" at noon on Sept. 16 in the South Dining Room of the Roncalli Center. In QPR training, an individual will become a QPR suicide prevention gatekeeper. The training will focus on warning signs of a suicide and also how to help someone who may be thinking about suicide. The Question, Persuade and Refer model is a nationally recognized training method. As part of the weeklong awareness, a Mass will be held in the Mount Marty College Oratory at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 14, in remembrance of those who have died from suicide. Before Mass, there will be an opportunity for people to light a candle for someone they would like to remember. Prayers will be offered at Mass for family, friends, and victims of suicide. The public is invited to attend both events.

**Lecture Highlights Constitution Day Activities**

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota will observe Constitution Day on Wednesday, Sept. 14, with a keynote address at the School of Law courtroom by Chief Judge Ralph Erickson of the U.S. District Court of North Dakota. Erickson will present the program, "There Ain't No One in Washington Coming to Solve the Problem So Let's Quit Burning the Woodwork to Heat the House: Envisioning a Traditionally Rooted Due Process Based Solution for Indian Country" at 4 p.m. on Sept. 14. The lecture is free and open to the public. Erickson assumed the role of chief judge for the District of North Dakota in 2009. As chief judge, a position that is a statutory appointment for seven years, Erickson provides the court with strategic leadership, court governance, court-management oversight and case-management oversight. The chief judge represents the district at the Judicial Conference of the United States and the Eighth Circuit Judicial Council. Erickson was appointed to the federal bench in 2003 by President George W. Bush. Presented at USD by the School of Law, Constitution Day was established by Congress in 2004 to recognize the ratification of the United States Constitution. All colleges and universities that receive federal funding are required to host an educational event about the Constitution. For more information about the Constitution Day program, contact the USD School of Law at (605) 677-5443 or e-mail Law.School@usd.edu.

**Insurance Classes Set At Northeast**

NORFOLK, Neb. — A pair of one-session courses for insurance professionals are scheduled at Northeast Community College in Norfolk on Wednesday, Sept. 14. "Agency Teambuilding - Part 1" (#SA11537), with course number INSU 0135/11F, will be offered on Wednesday, Sept. 14, from 9 a.m. to noon, in the Lifelong Learning Center. This session, which offers three continuing education hours in ethics to participants, will look at agency teams and ethics with the need to have a mission statement. Several different cases will be discussed with many different ethical problems that arise. The second session, "Homeowners 3-Special Form" (#SA13212), is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 14, from 1-4 p.m. in the same location. The class, with course number INSU 0140/11F, also meets in the Lifelong Learning Center. In this session, with three continuing education hours in property and casualty, agents will have a detailed study of ISO Homeowners 3-Special Form. Instructor for both insurance classes is Larry Silhacek. There is a fee for each session. To register for either or both classes, call (402) 844-7000.

**Stockmen**

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"Whenever it gets to a point where it's a strain to go to work every morning, then you shouldn't be in that business. Fifty years later, I look forward to getting up every morning and coming to Stockmen's Livestock."

At age 73, he said he has no plans to leave the business.

"There always comes a time in anybody's life when you get to the side and hand the reins over to somebody else," Sohler said. "As long as my health is good and I still have an interest, I'll be the head coach."

Jay, who got his first exposure to the business riding sows as a young boy before working his way up through the ranks, said he enjoys working with his father and that "coach" is a good term to describe him.

"My dad started with nothing, and he built a great business," he stated. "I'd call him a good coach because he knew how to put a good team together. You have one guy that doesn't cooperate, and it can ruin a team. I give him a lot of credit for keeping a team together that gets and communicates well. If I can keep that going (when my dad retires), it will be good for Stockmen's and its customers."

Much has changed in agriculture in the last 50 years, according to the elder Sohler. He said Stockmen's does business with fewer operators but handles approximately the same head of livestock.

"We're doing business with bigger operators that handle more head," Sohler said. "A lot of these operators, when they started doing business with us years ago, were small operators."

One thing that has kept Stockmen's going is a willingness to adopt new technology like video sales, he stated.

"A reason we have survived is, we didn't get complacent. We've stayed modern," Sohler said. "If you plan on being in business a

**ROCKING AT VERMILLION RIBFEST**



Lead singer Kory Van Sickle connects with the audience Saturday night as the performance by Sioux Falls-based band Kory and the Fireflies closed out another successful two-day Ribs, Rods & Rock 'n Roll festival in Vermillion. Ribs, Rods & Rock, n Roll is a Kansas City BBQ Society (KCBS)-sanctioned event that has been held annually in the community for seven years.

long time, you go with the trends and stay a leader."

But the primary reason the business has thrived, he explained, is because of a philosophy that customer service should be placed above all else.

"I believe in killing my customers with service. In today's business world, many people don't even know how to spell service," Sohler said. "Treat everybody on an equal basis. If you've got three head, 1,300 head or 3,000 head, we can handle every size of customer that wants to do business with us. I'm a big believer in treating the guy with three the same as the guy with 3,000. So many people that started off small with us when they were young are now long-time big customers."

Third and fourth generations of families are now doing business with Stockmen's and have become part of an extended family.

"These people are not only cus-

tomers, but they become close friends," Sohler said.

Duane Haberman, who has worked at Stockmen's for 46 years, said that is exactly how he feels about the company's customers.

"I know a lot of the new generation of farmers, and I knew a lot of their grandfathers and their dads," he said. "You get to know them all as family. It's been a good time for me. Stockmen's does it right. They're honest, and they treat the producers and the buyers the way they would want to be treated themselves. You're treated as family, and everybody appreciates that."

Sohler predicts that there will be tough times ahead for the livestock market industry.

"My crystal ball shows me that there will be fewer of these markets, in part because there will be less cattle," he said.

He believes that in the next 10 years, 30 percent of the United

States' livestock auctions will go out of business.

"The ones that are going to survive are the ones that stay modern, keep up with the times, build their facility to handle the larger operator, are financially stable and employ top individuals," he said.

Speaking of top individuals, Sohler said he is excited about the recent hire of Joel Westra, who has worked at WNAX Radio and the Sioux Falls Stockyards, to the firm. He is also involved with Westra Atkins Land & Auction. Westra joined the Stockmen's team at the beginning of the month.

Ultimately, Sohler said he is optimistic about Stockmen's prospects despite his somewhat grim assessment of the industry's future.

"I look forward to the day when my family members take over and improve things as much as I have," he said.

**Tombstone**

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ested in the headstone and decided to find out where it belonged. They contacted the State Historical Society, where Carpenter and Virginia Hanson took up the effort.

Kinna, who had been a sergeant in the Ohio Cavalry, eventually made a trek from Illinois to Ordway and then Yankton, where he resided two miles west of the community.

He was found alone Dec. 2, 1893, with a gunshot wound.

"At the time, he was taken to the nearest doctor, where several attempts were made by his physician and local law enforcement to ascertain the cause of the altercation," Carpenter said. "Kinna refused all suggestions to press charges against his assailant. Refusing to name names, Kinna considered the matter closed. Some speculate that his silence was because he knew he was in the wrong. Others suspect his silence was invoked because of mainstream hostilities regarding his stance on hunting privately-held land."

Kinna died Dec. 21 at age 53. Carpenter noted that, because of

his silence, no one will ever know Kinna's version of events.

"It was only after his death that information was obtained about the shooting," Carpenter said.

"Within news accounts, we are immediately presented with an individual who is aging and chooses to live a solitary life on the fringes of society. As one reads the accounts, you are offered the impression that, in the end, Kinna got what he deserved. After all, here is a man many view as unfriendly and inhospitable. For several years, he has driven off would-be hunters, and locals are scandalized that he would deem it his just right to forbid people from hunting on land he merely rents."

However, she said the accounts fail to encompass the entire character of Kinna. After all, Carpenter stated, he was a man who had loved and been loved by his wives and their children.

"Here is a man who rose from humble beginnings with simple desires and aspirations to a man of conviction," she said. "Due to those convictions, we see a man on the edge of social acceptance."

"Today," Carpenter continued,

"there are none living who knew Kinna on a personal level. There are no friends to speak in defense of his character or tout his good deeds. All that remains of his passing are descendants he never met, wartime accounts, Census records, media tidbits, a grave and a tombstone. From these artifacts, society has a second chance to look back, right any wrongs; and it is a chance for Jacob Franklin Kinna to finally rest easy in the existence beyond life as we know it."

After military rites were performed by the South Dakota Army National Guard, Hanson read a letter from Kinna's great-granddaughter, JoAnn Neer Hathaway, who is elderly and could not travel from her Oregon home for the service.

"I am so glad that Jacob is finally being recognized. I am glad to know more about him," the letter read. "I'm sorry that none of (our family) can make the trip to South Dakota. All of the descendants of (Kinna's daughter) Elizabeth Kinna

live in Oregon or Washington. There are just four of our generation who remain."

According to Hathaway, the family tradition was that Kinna was shot when he went to bring in the cows.

Although a resident of the Yankton area, Kinna retained membership with Aberdeen's Robert Anderson Post 19 Grand Army of the Republic for Civil War veterans. It is believed that is why the gravestone came to the Aberdeen area. The mystery of why it never made its way to Yankton remains unsolved.

Hanson, who did most of the research on the case and served as the master of ceremonies Saturday, said getting Kinna's gravestone to his burial spot became a very personal endeavor.

"It's a nice culmination (of events)," she said after the memorial service.

**OBITUARIES**

**BLOOD BANK**

**Eileen Henriksen**

VIBORG — Eileen Henriksen, 90, died Sept. 8, 2011, at Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home, Viborg. Services are at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Viborg. Visitation are 4-8 p.m. today (Monday), with family present from 7-8 p.m., at the Viborg Funeral Home. Survivors are her children Carole Kappenman of Brandon, Sandy Gustafson of Viborg and Lyle (Jean) Henriksen of Rapid City. Register online at www.viborgfuneralhome.com.

**Paul Stolpe**

MAGNET, Neb. — Paul Stolpe, 81 of Magnet, Neb., died Sunday, Sept. 11, 2011, at his residence. His services are pending at Wintz Funeral Home, Hartington.

**Honor**

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perished on 9/11 and the 3 million in the military," said Gary Saxhaug, a member of the South Dakota Patriot Guard. The Patriot Guard was one of the sponsors of the "Cry Out America" event.

A few miles away, veterans, military personnel and law enforcement were also being honored at a ceremony hosted by the Sioux Falls Veterans Administration Hospital.

"People don't forget," said Shirley Redmond, a spokeswoman for the hospital. "Although for the younger generation, it's up to us to keep those memories alive."

The Blood Center, formerly known as the Siouxland Community Blood Bank, will have a mobile unit at the following dates, locations and times:

- Tuesday, Sept. 13 — Yankton, Avera Sacred Heart Hospital-Benedictine Center, 501 Summit, 8 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 20 — Gayville Community Center, 3-7 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 27 — Yankton, Avera Sacred Heart Hospital-Benedictine Center, 501 Summit, noon-6:30 p.m.

Schedule a blood donation appointment online at [www.siouxlandbloodbank.org](http://www.siouxlandbloodbank.org) or call 800-798-4208. Eligible blood donors must be at least 16 years old, should weigh at least 120 pounds and should be in general good health and have not donated whole blood in the past 56 days. For more information about blood donation or to schedule an appointment to donate blood, call 800-287-4903 or visit [www.lifeservebloodcenter.org](http://www.lifeservebloodcenter.org). A photo I.D. is required at the time of registration.

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**Lawrence Nelson**  
who passed away on **September 15, 2010**

**Nicholas LaCroix**  
who passed away on **September 18, 2010**

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