

'Elderlaw Forum' Radio Show Reaches No. 500

VERMILLION — "The Elderlaw Forum," a weekly radio show hosted by University of South Dakota School of Law Professor Michael Myers, recently recorded its 500th show.



Myers

Airing at 7 a.m. Sundays on radio station WNAX-AM (570), the program offers a public version of topics covered in Myers' courses. An elder law professor, Myers uses "The Elderlaw Forum" to interview elder law attorneys, legislators, health care administrators, physicians, social workers and outstanding seniors to inform listeners about safeguarding their finances as well as discuss health and independence issues. The program is also used as a bridge to the USD Senior Legal Helpline (1-800-747-1895) through which Myers and his assigned student research assistants provide pro bono information and advice to seniors confronting the challenges of aging. Fact patterns related to Helpline calls are used anonymously and confidentially to present law students with practical legal problems encountered by senior citizens.

Myers, an emeritus trustee of the Mayo Foundation and former Mayo-St. Mary's Hospital CEO, has covered topics such as consenting to treatment, experimental procedures, refusing treatment and the right to die. Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, pensions, disability and VA benefits are routinely updated. Myers provides advice on evaluating nursing homes, quality of care and nursing home reforms.

For more information on "The Elderlaw Forum," visit the website: www.usd.edu/law/elderlaw.cfm.

Two USD Professors Appointed To NASAC

VERMILLION — Diane Sevening, Ed.D. and John Korkow, Ph.D., of the University of South Dakota's Department of Addiction Studies, have been selected as National Addiction Studies Accreditation Commission (NASAC) site evaluators for its new national addiction program accreditation process.



Korkow

NASAC is the national accrediting body for college-level addiction studies programs in the United States and is the result of a joint effort by NAADAC (National Association for Addiction Professionals) and INCASE (International Coalition for Addiction Studies Education).

"I am very proud of the addiction studies faculty, who consistently demonstrate their national leadership and commitment to excellence," said Michael Lawler, Ph.D., dean of the School of Health Sciences at USD.

Sevening has served as a member, board member, president and is the current treasurer of INCASE. She is presently the North Central Regional Vice President for NAADAC. Sevening has won numerous national and state awards for her work in the addiction field and is currently an assistant professor in the Department of Addiction Studies within the School of Health Sciences at USD.



Sevening

Korkow has served as a member, board member and is president-elect of INCASE. He is currently an assistant professor in the Department of Addiction Studies within the School of Health Sciences at USD.

Research Provides Look At Traumatic Stress

VERMILLION — Researchers at the University of South Dakota are part of a multidisciplinary study that will provide new insights into the complex issues regarding effects of traumatic stress. The research project, made possible by a \$1.7 million grant from the National Institutes of Health, examines longitudinal associations between traumatic stress and health outcomes among Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom veterans.

Dr. Jeffrey Simons, professor of psychology, and Dr. Raluca Gaher, assistant professor of psychology, are examining several social, psychological, environmental and genetic factors that contribute to individual differences in resilience and vulnerability. The project uses several advanced methods of data collection, including near real-time monitoring of behavior with palmtop computers. The ultimate goal of the researchers is to improve care for the country's newest generation of veterans.

The research is being conducted with partners at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Sioux Falls and the Veteran Health Care System in Bay Pines, Fla. Drs. Simons and Gaher are also collaborating with a behavioral geneticist at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, an electrochemical engineering firm in Boston, Mass., and a leading expert in longitudinal modeling at the University of California-Davis.

"The importance of this research project cannot be understated," said Dr. Laura Janski, vice president for research at USD. "It brings together team members from multiple disciplines to provide a full scope of solutions and technologies with the hope of providing new inlets of treatment in caring for our veterans."

SDSPS To Hold Poetry Contest Nov. 1

The South Dakota State Poetry Society (SDSPS) is holding its 37th annual Poetry Contest. The deadline is Nov. 1, 2012, with nine categories this year. Instructions are on the website www.sdstatepoetrysociety.com

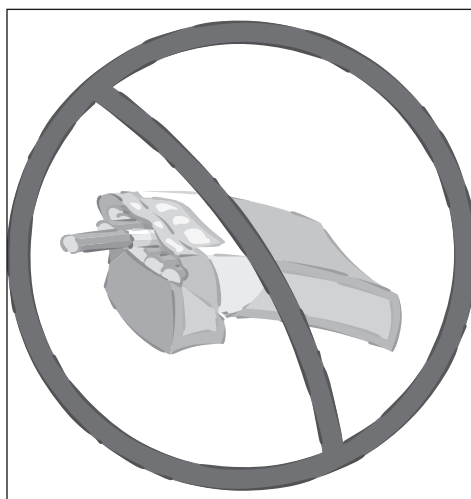
Winners will be asked to read at the annual Winter Gathering of Poets at the Goss Opera House in Watertown in January.

Categories include "South Dakota Women Who Made a Difference," "Cowboy Poem," "21st Century Farming," "South Dakota Landscape" and others.

After checking the website, send entries to Dorianne Munce, 6113 N. Mineral Avenue, Sioux Falls SD 57104.

USD To Prohibit Smoking On Campus

BY DEREK BARTOS
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VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota has banned smoking on campus effective Jan. 9, 2013, the school announced Wednesday.

The USD Executive Committee voted for the ban following a review of the smoking ban resolution passed by the University of South Dakota Student Government Association and endorsed by the Faculty Senate.

"We listened to students who overwhelmingly supported further limitations of smoking on campus," USD President James Abbott said in a news release. "While we want to be fair to everyone, this is a health issue and it's our responsibility to ensure that our campus promotes a healthy lifestyle for everyone."

Wednesday's announcement was the culmination of several years of effort by students in favor of a ban, according to Student Government Association President Alissa VanMeeteren, a Yankton native.

"This is a project that we've been working on for a decade now, and to see results like this, and most importantly, to receive such good cooperation with the administration, it's so uplifting," she said.

VanMeeteren said she believed the Student Government Association finally got the ban enacted this year due to a more aggressive approach, which received a boost from health concerns and increased student support. According to a 2011 campus poll, 62 percent of students wanted more smoking restrictions on campus.

"We knew this was one of the goals we wanted to get done this year," she said. "I really believe it was just the right time to do it."

USD joins the growing trend of colleges around the country enacting similar smoking bans. According to advocacy group Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights, there were 774 college campuses nationwide that had banned smoking as of July 1, 2012, compared to only 131 campuses in 2008.

"We definitely recognized that the country is moving in a smoke-free direction," VanMeeteren said. "We really felt that because we are the flagship university, because we are truly moving onward, that this would be the right step for us to take."

She acknowledged that not everyone on

the USD campus has been in support of a ban, but she said the negative feedback has been minimal.

"You're always going to have students that don't like new policy and restrictions," she said. "But the support for this has been overwhelming, and that proves to me that we did the right thing."

USD's current policy prohibits smoking indoors and within 25 feet of university buildings.

The new ban will prohibit smoking campuswide. It does not prohibit chewing tobacco, which has never been considered a problem on campus, VanMeeteren said.

To enforce the smoking ban, USD will use a policy similar to its enforcement with alcohol, she said.

"We don't want to mess with fines. I don't think that is the appropriate thing to do," she said. "If we have students who are consistently disrespecting this new policy, it will be a matter for the office of the dean of students. If faculty are similarly disrespecting the policy, then that will be a concern that will be brought to their department head."

VanMeeteren said she doesn't expect any difficulties with enforcement, and she looks forward to a new, smoke-free policy that will benefit not only the people at USD currently, but future members as well.

"It's going to be a great thing for this campus, and I'm definitely excited to be a part of it," she said.

You can follow Derek Bartos on Twitter at twitter.com/d_bartos

YANKTON COURTS

CASES DISPOSED AUG. 31-SEPT. 6, 2012

Andrew Michael Scott, 2801 Fox Run Parkway, Yankton; Sexual contact child under 16, recharged; Rape 4th degree-victim 13 but less than 16, recharged; Simple assault, \$1084 plus 365 days in jail with 305 days suspended based on conditions of court

Zachary Joseph Sealey, 608 Locust Street, Yankton; Reckless driving, recharged; Eluding, recharged; Violation of protection order, recharged; Open alcoholic bev container accessible in vehicle, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Reckless driving, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Eluding, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Violation of protection order, dismissed-motion by prosecutor

Cal Curtis Hartley, Mission Hill; Driving under influence-3rd of, recharged; Driving under influence-3rd of, \$1104 plus 2 years in S. D. State Penitentiary suspended based on conditions of court

Heather Lynn Nichols, 1203 Meadow View Rd., Yankton; Possession controlled substance, recharged; Poss two ounces of marijuana or less, recharged; Possession controlled substance, \$1104 suspended imposition of sentence based on conditions of court; Poss two ounces of marijuana or less, dismissed-motion by prosecutor

Zachary Joseph Sealey, 608 Locust Street, Yankton; Burglary-1st degree, recharged; Dom abuse-aggravated assault, recharged; Violation conditional bond, recharged; Burglary-1st degree, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Dom abuse-aggravated assault, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Violation conditional bond, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Burglary-3rd degree, \$1104 plus 180 days in S. D. State Penitentiary with 38 days credited suspended imposition of sentence based on conditions of court

Moriah Dawn Mace, Sioux City, Iowa; Possession controlled substance, recharged; Driving under influence-1st of, recharged; Ingest intoxicant other than alcoholic beverage, recharged; Fail to maintain financial responsibility, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Possession controlled substance, \$1104 suspended imposition of sentence based on conditions of court; Driving under influence-1st of, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Ingest

intoxicant other than alcoholic beverage, dismissed-motion by prosecutor

Zachary Joseph Sealey, 608 Locust Street, Yankton; Simple assault, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Violation of protection order, dismissed-motion by prosecutor

Zachary Sealey, 608 Locust Street, Yankton; Possession of alcohol by minor, dismissed-motion by prosecutor

Cameron S. Tripp, Gayville; Failure to make proper stop at stop intersection, \$120

Dylan M. Schrempf, 1609 Pine St., Yankton; Open alcoholic bev container accessible in vehicle, \$120; No drivers license, \$25

Melissa Susan Rucktaeschel, Tyndall; Speeding on state highway, \$105

Albert L. Castillo, Bloomfield, Neb.; Seat belt violation, \$25

Sara A. Chamberlain, Homer, Neb.; Speeding other roadways, \$85

Jerry Lee Woodard, 1202 Whiting St., Yankton; Driving with suspended (not revoked) license, \$270; Operator assure passengers 5-18 wear seat belts, \$25

Douglas Ray Gaden, 904 Pearl Street, #2, Yankton; Open alcoholic bev container accessible in vehicle, \$120

Donald Patrick Foley, 601 Bill Baggs Rd., PO, Yankton; Seat belt violation, \$25

Stuart Eugene Kissick, Vermillion; Speeding other roadways, \$85

Kyle Frieberg, 120 E. 3rd, #202, Yankton; Parking/standing violation, \$112

Franklin Mark Minor, 1114 W. 9th, #26, Yankton; Disobey traffic signs-not stop, \$114

Troy Howes, 101 Mack Dr., Yankton; Seat belt violation, \$25

David J. Geersen, 2827 Mary St., Yankton; Failure to make proper stop at stop intersection, \$120

Ryan Dean Watson, Freeman; Speeding other roadways, \$105

David L. Hansen, 906 E. 13th, #29, Yankton; Identity theft, recharged; Identity theft, recharged; Identity theft, recharged; Identity theft, recharged; Petty theft-1st degree-more \$400, \$384 plus 30 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court; Petty theft-1st degree-more \$400, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Identity theft, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Identity theft, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Identity theft, dismissed-motion by prosecutor

prosecutor; Identity theft, dismissed-motion by prosecutor

Jeff Duane Dangel, 405 Locust Street, Yankton; Intentional damage to property-\$400-\$1000-2nd degree, dismissal-reduction; Disorderly conduct, \$166 plus 14 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court

Evan Earl Jensrud, 1300 West 8th St., #4, Yankton; Driving under influence-1st of, \$434 plus 5 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court

Andrew Michael Taggart, 1211 Whiting Dr., Yankton; Intentional damage to property-\$1000-\$100,000-1st degree, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Tamper with vehicle-intend damage/inconvenience, \$384 plus 30 days in jail with \$300 and 30 days suspended based on conditions of court

Mary Suzette Marker, 1006 Whiting Dr., #208, Yankton; Poss two ounces of marijuana or less, \$455 plus 5 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court

Cammy Anita Havermann, Mission Hill; Possession controlled substance, recharged; Poss two ounces of marijuana or less, recharged; Intentional damage to property-\$400 less-3rd degree, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Possession controlled substance, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Poss two ounces of marijuana or less, \$455 plus 30 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court

Christopher Michael Tronvold, 618 Linn St., Yankton; Poss two ounces of marijuana or less, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Driving under influence-1st of, \$493 plus 5 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court; Possession of alcohol by minor, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Use or possession of drug paraphernalia, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Open alcoholic bev container accessible in vehicle, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Seat belt violation, dismissed-motion by prosecutor; Ingest intoxicant other than alcoholic beverage, \$455 with \$371 suspended based on conditions of court

Dawn Marie McBride, 606 Green St., Yankton; Domestic violence simple assault, dismissal-reduction; Disorderly conduct, \$166 plus 14 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court

Donald Allen Orth, Menno; Driving under influence-1st of, \$434

Joshua Davie Braun, 1307 Whiting

Drive, Yankton; Poss two ounces of marijuana or less, \$455; Use or possession of drug paraphernalia, dismissed-motion by prosecutor

Richard L. Sirek, Pierce, Neb.; Driving under influence-1st of, dismissal-reduction; Reckless driving, \$434

Lawrence Martin Langley, 1310 E. 8th St., Yankton; Domestic violence simple assault, dismissal-reduction; Disorderly conduct, \$166 plus 14 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court

Richard Tyree, 305 Cedar St., Apt #4, Yankton; Fail to maintain financial responsibility, \$130; Driving with suspended (not revoked) license, \$270

Christopher Baldrige, 2916 Broadway Ave., #205, Yankton; Possession of alcohol by minor, \$120

Emalee Sue Blagg, 700 Linn St., Yankton; Possession of alcohol by minor, \$120

Benjamin Jeffrey Harris, 812 Douglas, Yankton; Speeding other roadways, \$105

Cyrus Jefferson Sorenson, 805 E. 11th Street, Yankton; Possession of alcohol by minor, \$120; Illegal lane change, dismissed-motion by prosecutor

Michael George Breuer, 2118 SD Hwy 314, Yankton; Speeding other roadways, \$85

Dennis R. Auch, Menno; Municipal speeding, \$99

Daniel Stephen Sudbeck, 301 Bunker Lane, #2, Yankton; No drivers license, \$120

Emily Lynn St. Pierre, 908 Bill Baggs Rd., #21, Yankton; Possession of alcohol by minor, \$120

Joseph Patrick Dilger, 108 Vote Street, Yankton; Petty theft 2nd degree-\$400 or less, \$166 plus 5 days in jail suspended based on conditions of court

Daniel Roan Eagle, Wagner; Fleeing from officer on foot, \$160

Robert William Klimisch, 2704 Pine Street, PO Box 708, Yankton; Speeding other roadways, \$105

Tobie Jean Mariano, Springfield; Seat belt violation, \$25; Fail to use child passenger restraint system, \$25

Robert J. Barger, Utica; Seat belt violation, \$25

Douglas D. Mielitz, Big Stone City; Speeding other roadways, \$105

OBITUARIES

Harold Mueller

Harold "Harry" Mueller, age 78, of Fresno, Calif., died Wednesday, Sept. 19, 2012 at St. Agnes Medical Center after a long battle with cancer. He was surrounded by his family.



Mueller

Harry was born on Dec. 18, 1933 in South Dakota to Oscar and Lillian Mueller.

He attended school in Lester-ville and graduated from Scotland High School in 1950. He was raised on the family farm northeast of Lester-ville.

He was an Army Veteran of the Korean War. His early career was spent working for Chicago Northwestern Railroad as a Sales Representative. He was a member and President (1977) of the Fresno Transportation Club. He had many business ventures, but one of his favorites was being the owner of a neighborhood bar in Clovis called Harry's Bar. His primary business was Harry's Brokerage, Inc., which he owned and operated for more than 25 years.

He enjoyed playing cards and

watching sports with family. He loved spending time with friends and trips to South Dakota to visit his high school friends and family. He also enjoyed going to Table Mountain.

Harry was a fun, kind and giving person and was a friend to everyone who knew him, he will be greatly missed by all.

He is survived by his mother, Lillian Mueller; his wife of 51 years, Helen Mueller; along with his daughter Debbie and her husband Stan Davis; daughter Rita and her husband Daryl Lester; son, Richard and his wife Irene Mueller; 6 grandchildren; Alethia, Candice, Nathaniel, Chad, Matthew and Zachary; 4 great-grandchildren; Cory, Evan, Taylor and Jarrett; a brother, Jerry Mueller and many other loving nieces, nephews and relatives.

Harry was preceded in death by his father Oscar Mueller,

grandparents Albert and Paulina (Bierle) Mueller and George and Etta (Kelly) Dupic.

Private Graveside Services were held at Clovis Cemetery on Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2012 with Pastor Gregory Young of Peace Lutheran Church officiating.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Peace Lutheran Church, 4672 N. Cedar Ave., Fresno, CA, 93726 or Saint Agnes Medical Center Foundation at 1111 E. Spruce Ave., Fresno, CA 93720.

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Danny Merchen

Danny Lee Merchen, 53, of rural Irene went to heaven on Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2012, at his home after a three-year battle with ALS.

Services are at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at St. Columba Catholic Church, rural Irene, with the Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly officiating. Burial will be 1 p.m. Sunday at Beaver View Cemetery, rural Crofton, Neb.

Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Friday at St. Columba Catholic Church with a prayer service at 7 p.m.

Arrangements are under the direction of Wintz & Ray Funeral Home, Yankton.

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

Irene Imig

Irene Rose Imig, 92, of Yankton ended her wonderful life on earth on Monday, Aug. 13, 2012. She remained in her home until her death.

A celebration of her life will

be held at 2 p.m. Sept. 28, 2012, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Yankton, with the Rev. David Wildermuth officiating.

The family will receive friends one hour prior to the memorial service at church.

Arrangements are under the direction of Wintz & Ray Funeral Home, Yankton.

James Stimpson

James Stimpson, 72, originally from Tyndall, died Sept. 21, 2012, in Madison.

Funeral services were held

Sept. 25 at Randall Funeral Home, Madison.

Wilbur Brunick

Wilbur Brunick, 86, of Vermillion died Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2012, at the Sanford Vermillion Hospital.

Funeral Mass is at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at St. Agnes Catholic Church.

Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Friday at Hansen Funeral Home, Vermillion.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Darlene E. Snickles
2:00 PM, Thursday
Wintz & Ray Funeral Home
Yankton

Virgil D. Overhue
10:30 AM, Thursday
United Church of Christ
Crofton

Brandon Nelson
10:30 AM, Friday
St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church
Crofton

Irene Imig
2:00 PM, Friday
Trinity Lutheran Church
Yankton

Peter Del Favero
Scripture Service
7:30 PM, Friday
Wintz & Ray Funeral Home
Yankton

Danny Lee Merchen
10:30 AM, Saturday
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