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ERTH Program Begins Saturday

ERTH, the Ecumenical Religious Training for the Handicapped program serving the Yankton Area, will begin this year on Saturday, Sept. 28, with a picnic at the East Shelter in Riverside Park in Yankton.

Past and new participants are asked to gather at noon for a hot dog lunch sponsored by Sacred Heart Monastery. ERTH classes will begin the following Saturday, Oct. 5, at St.

Benedict Catholic Church, 1500 St. Benedict Drive at 1 p.m. The group will then meet every Saturday afternoon through the first of May at local churches for lessons from the Bible, Christian faith and fellowship. The program is designed especially for developmentally handicapped adults living or working in the greater Yankton area.

Churches which will host ERTH classes this year include St. Benedict and Sacred Heart Catholic, Peace Presbyterian, Cal-vary Baptist, United Church of Christ Congregational, Riverview Reformed, St. John's Lutheran, Trinity Lutheran, and First United Methodist. Each church will host ERTH for three or four

ERTH is funded by contributions from the participating churches as well as Sacred Heart Monastery, the Marty Council of the Knights of Columbus, participants' contributions, and the VFW Auxiliary and operates under the sponsorship of the Yankton Area Ministerial Association.

Persons interested in becoming involved or helping with this year's program should attend the picnic or call Jo Anne Dickinson at 605-660-0953 for further information.

Gov. Shows Support Of Guard, Reserve

PIERRE — Gov. Dennis Daugaard demonstrated his support of employers who employ National Guard and Reserve members by signing a proclamation announcing Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Week in South Dakota Sept. 22-28. The proclamation coincides with President Barack Obama's national proclamation announcing ESGR Week.

The proclamation is to recognize that employers provide critical support to members of the National Guard and Reserve: allowing citizen warriors to serve whenever the nation calls, often foregoing financial gain and making sacrifices in the process.

"Having Gov. Daugaard proclaim ESGR week in South Dakota means that we have the strong support from our governor for the U.S. military, especially our National Guard, Army Reserve and Navy Reserve men and women in South Dakota," said Ron Mielke, South Dakota ESGR state chair. "It also helps the citizens of this state understand the important role that ESGR has in building and maintaining the best relationship possible between our Reserve component members and their employers."

National Guard and Reserve forces comprise nearly half of our nation's military strength, and stand ready to answer the call to serve, whether serving alongside active duty counterparts all across the globe or responding to humanitarian crises at home and abroad.

Likewise, Mielke says the proclamation also pays special tribute to the commitment of dedicated and supportive employers who continue to make service in the Reserve components possible.

We are always looking for ways to increase the awareness of our ESGR committee in South Dakota to both our great employers but also the public in general," he said. "Our employers across the state need to know that ESGR is there for them as a resource to use relative to their relationship with Guard and Reserve employees in their organization."

ESGR is a Department of Defense agency that will develop and promote a culture in which all American employers support and value the military service of their employees with ESGR as the principal advocate within the DoD.

Fall Enrollment Stable At S. Dakota Public Universities

From P&D Staff Reports

South Dakota's Board of Regents has reported positive trends in the number of students enrolling in the state's six public universities and those leaving with degrees.

Enrollment at South Dakota's six public universities has remained stable this fall, with 36,365 students attending classes, down just 65 students from last year. The number of full-time equivalent students is up by 313 over the year, the Regents reported Tuesday. Full-time equivalency is based on total credit hours generated by all students.

"Full-time equivalent students are an important indicator of growth for us," said Jack Warner, the Regents' executive director and CEO. "It tells us that we serve more students who take a heavier course load toward completion of their degree programs. Along with last week's news that we have seen stronger, double-digit growth in the



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number of students graduating from South Dakota public universities, we certainly consider this a positive trend.'

The University of South Dakota reported a 1 percent increase of students on campus.

Full-time equivalent (FTE) student enrollment increased at USD. FTE students are categorized as taking 15 credits or more per semester and are more likely to graduate in four years. USD's FTE is 7,396 students this fall is an increase from 2012's total FTE of 7,325, while total enrollment at USD remained nearly steady at 10,235 students.

With a vibrant campus, excellent teaching and outstanding research laboratories, it's not surprising that a growing number of students are choosing to attend USD full-time even though

it's stressing our residential housing system a bit," said James W. Abbott, president of the University of South Dakota, in a press release Tuesday. "It's very gratifying to our campus community that we continue to flourish as students recognize the quality of our faculty and our undergraduate and graduate programs."

The Board of Regents last week reported that the number of students graduating from the six public universities with an associate or bachelor's degree has increased by 33 percent since Ž005.

Warner said student success initiatives such as freshmen success seminars, enhanced academic advising, and specialized math and writing centers are "a major focus" at all of the universities. Officials also work closely with high schools to identify and help students who need help before they even arrive on campus, he said.

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One-Vehicle Rollover In Yankton



KELLY HERTZ/P&D Yankton law enforcement and emergency personnel were summoned to a one-vehicle rollover just east of the intersection of Fourth St. (Highway 50) and Burleigh at approximately 8:10 p.m. Tuesday. An eastbound car left the road near the curve on Highway 50 and rolled down a short embankment. The accident occurred near the Marne Creek bridge, but the vehicle did not go down into the creek. One person was taken to a medical facility with unknown injuries. No other information was available at press time.

1:09 a.m. Tuesday.

'The two men are currently being held in the Yankton County Jail, and contact has been made with Norfolk authorities about charges there,' Vlahakis said.

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An investigation re-

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been stolen from a resi-

He added that an investigation into the incident in ongoing.

You can follow Nathan Johnson on Twitter at twitter.com/AnInlandVoyage. Discuss this story at www.yankton.net/.

OBITUARIES

Audra

Stoner-McMillian

Audra G. Stoner-McMillian, age 43, passed away at Northside Hospital, Atlanta, GA on Thursday, September 5, 2013.

Memorial Service will be 11 a.m. Saturday, September 28, 2013 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Yankton, SD, with Rev. Dave Wildermuth officiat-



performed in numerous recitals. From the age of 16, when she started her first job, she was the deyears. One of her most honored work accomplishments was leading her team to be awarded the Domestic Vendor of the year at the Focus Brands 2007 Worldwide Franchisee Conference in Orlando, FL. Geoff Hill, President of Cinnabon, presented the award to Kerry Account Manager. Audra Stoner. This same award was again presented in 2008 and 2009. Prior to returning to the states she joined

Homer, NE; and her uncle, Ken (Judy) Stoner of Homer, NE; numerous cousins; two very special "nieces"; and a world of friends. She was grateful for the excellent care she received from doctors and nurses who cared for her following her at Northside Hospital in Sandy Springs, CA following her diagnoses of AML Leukemia on February 2, 2013.

She was preceded in death

Christopher Sukup

Christopher Sukup, 24, died Sunday, Sept. 22, 2013, in Miltonvale, Kan.

Memorial services are at 11 a.m. Monday, Sept. 30, at the F.C. Hill Memorial Wesleyan Church, Miltonvale. with Pastor Mark Surbrook officiating. Inurnment is in Miltonvale Cemetery, Miltonvale.

Visitation is 2-5 p.m. Sun-

dress would be preferred. To send an online sympathy message, visit www.wintzrayfuneralhome.c om.

Bonia Schmitz

Bonita V. Schmitz 97, of Elk Point died Monday, Sept. 23, 2013, at Wel-Cov Assisted Living, Elk Point.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Kober Funeral Home, Elk Point.

server called Focus on 4-H. Audra was active in both dance and music and

1987-88. She

Visitations will be one hour prior to the service at the church.

The Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, SD is assisting with service details.

Audra G. Stoner McMillian was born on January 11, 1970 in Columbus, NE to the loving parents of Dr. Dan and Dawn Stoner. She was referred to as the best birthday present her mother ever received as she was born on her mother's birthday. At the age of two, the family moved to Yankton, SD where her father entered into partnership with Dr. Robin Hacecky of Veterinary Supply and Services.

Audra went her entire 13 years of school in Yankton, graduating in 1988. Audra excelled in 4-H, winning national trips to the Western Round Up in Denver and the Washington D.C. Focus trip as well as 4-H International in Chicago for her excellence in the bread division. In addition she won many state awards and was Yankton County 4-H Queen in

livery girl for Pied Piper Flowers in Yankton.

Audra graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1992 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Food Science and Technology. While at the university she joined Alpha Chi Omega sorority where she served as Vice President of finances and house manager. She was also the treasurer of Phanellenic the student governing body of the women's Greek organization on campus. She was on the University of Minnesota Dairy judging team which came in

second in the nation. Upon graduation she went to work for SAF Yeast in Minneapolis and then for Quest Ingredients where she lived in Sarasota, FL. In 1996, she joined Kerry Ingredients with US operations based in Beloit WI. She was then transferred by Kerry to England working there for $7 \frac{1}{2}$ years before being transferred back to the states, settling in the Atlanta area. She had been happily employed by Kerry for 17

PEO Chapter K in Yankton, SD having the honor of being initiated by her mother, who was the chapter president in 2004. In 2006, Audra demitted to PEO Chapter BI in Woodstock, GA. She has also maintained her membership at Trinity Lutheran Church in Yankton,

Audra met her soul mate and love of her life, Jeff McMillian, in 2010. A fabulous wedding followed on October 1, 2011 in Cancun, Mexico attended by family and friends from 10 states and 2 foreign countries. Following their honeymoon, they settled in Woodstock, GA.

Audra is survived by her husband, Jeff; her mother, Dawn Happes Stoner of Yankton, SD; her beloved brother, Darrell of Fountaintown, IN and his significant other, Michelle Janiak; and her mother-in-law, Barbara McMillian of Decatur, GA. Also surviving are her aunts, Una Schusler of Hinckley, IL, Gail (Pedro) Beildeck of Hertford, NC, Sandra (Rod) Allen of

by her father, Dr. Dan Stoner of Yankton, SD in 1997, her beloved maternal grandparents, Donald and Clare Happes of Aurora, IL, her paternal grandparents, Bernard and May Stoner of Homer, NB, also one aunt, Faye Happes Caisse of Batavia, IL, and one uncle, Keith Schusler of Lee,

IL. In lieu of flowers, a memoral has been established in Audra's name to benefit her favorite charities. Checks may be made to the Audra McMillian Memorial and mailed in care of Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, 601 West 21st Street, Yankton, SD 57078. Tributes may also be mailed to the family at that address or on the web at www.conleycare.com.

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Online condolences at: www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome.co day at Phelps Funeral Home, Miltonvale.

Memorials may be directed to Miltonvale Manor. Online condolences can be made at www.nsrfh.com/.

Wayne 'Shortv' Anderberg

Wayne "Shorty" Anderberg, 77, of Yankton died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2013, at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Friday. Sept. 27. at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton. Visitation will continue at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28. at the funeral home followed by a graveside service at 11 a.m. at the Garden of Memories Cemetery, Yankton, with the Rev. Dani Jo Ninke officiating. Military honors will be provided by the Ernest-Bowyer VFW Post No. 791 and SD Army National Honor Guard. In honor of Shorty, casual

David Fox

David L. Fox, 62, of Wakonda died Tuesday, Sept. 24, 2013, at Wakonda Heritage Manor, Wakonda. Funeral arrangements are pending with Kober Funeral Home, Vermillion.

Erma Powers

Funeral services for Erma Powers, 94 of Avon are at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, 2013, at the First Presbyterian Church, Avon, with burial in the Trinity Presbyterian Cemetery, rural Avon.

Visitation will be at the church at 5-7 p.m. Friday, fol-lowed by a 7 p.m. prayer service.

Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home of Avon is in charge of the arrangements.

Erma died Monday, Sept 23, 2013 at the Good Samaritan Society in Wagner.

