

MMC To Hold Spring Break Trip Meeting

An informational meeting about Mount Marty College's Spring Break trip to London and Paris (March 6-14, 2015) will take place at 5 p.m. today (Wednesday) in the Roncalli South Dining Room on the campus of Mount Marty College. The theme of this trip is, "World War II and the Liberation of France" and it will feature key World War II sights in London, such as the Imperial War Museum, and a two-night visit to Normandy in France that will include a visit to the D-Day beaches of June 6, 1944. The trip will also provide an opportunity to visit Saint Paul's Cathedral in London, as well as Notre Dame Cathedral, the Latin Quarter and the Shoah Memorial in Paris. The itinerary for this trip is also available for viewing on the Facebook page "European Travel with Mount Marty College." There is a \$200 discount for anyone who registers for this trip before midnight on Sept. 8.

Contact Sister Cynthia Binder at 605-668-1463, Dr. Jamie Sullivan at 605-668-1488 or Dr. Rich Lofthus at 605-668-1462 if you have further questions.

Boy Scouts Collection Slated Sept. 6

Yankton Boy Scout Troop No. 133 will hold its monthly scrap newspaper and aluminum can collection Saturday, Sept. 6. Papers and cans will be picked up at the trailer courts and apartment complexes in Yankton. Also, paper and cans will be picked up at Riverside Acres.

Have newspapers and cans secured in sacks or small cardboard boxes and ready to be picked up by 9 a.m. Saturday.

Paper and cans may also be taken to the Riverview Park Reformed Church Parking Lot, 1700 Burleigh, between 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday.

For more information on the newspaper and aluminum can collection, call 665-0685. The Boy Scouts cannot handle tin or plastic. These need to be placed with the recycling the city picks up or taken directly to the landfill for recycling.

Wagon Train To Arrive In Tabor Sept. 4

TABOR — South Dakota's 125th statehood anniversary wagon train will be arriving in Tabor at approximately 4 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 4. They will be arriving on the oil road coming from the east and going past Leonard Cimpl Baseball Park.

The wagon train will park in the hay meadow northwest of the park. In case of rain or muddy conditions, the wagon train will park on the street east of the church cemetery.

The ladies of the St. Wenceslaus Altar Society will be preparing a Czech meal for the wagon train members that evening. The Beseda Hall directors will be selling refreshments to the public at the ball park.

A short program, open to the public, will be presented at the ballpark at 6 p.m. which will feature a short history of the area between Yankton and Tabor and Bon Homme County. Also featured during the program will be local singers and the Tabor Beseda Dancers.

In case of rain, the festivities will be held in Beseda Hall. Father Steven Jones of St. Wenceslaus Church will have a short prayer service Friday morning at 7 a.m. before the wagon train leaves. The American Legion and Auxiliary will prepare a breakfast for the wagon train participants at Leonard Cimpl Park.

The public is invited to come and see the wagon train and bring lawn chairs to watch the program at the ball park.

SD Hunger Advocates Raise Awareness

Hunger advocates in South Dakota and across the country will be wearing orange on Sept. 4 in an effort to raise awareness of the 50 million people in the United States who face hunger. It's just one of the many awareness events taking place throughout the month of September in recognition of Feeding America's Hunger Action Month — a month-long campaign to help end hunger in our country.

This September, Feeding South Dakota and other food banks in the Feeding America network are encouraging people of all ages to participate in Hunger Action Month. This nationwide movement is an effort to inspire people of all ages to take action to help the millions of people who are food insecure in the United States.

Feeding South Dakota will be kicking off the month by encouraging individuals and businesses to share the official '30 Ways in 30 Days' calendar with family, friends and co-workers. Other Hunger Action Month events include local food drives, a coloring contest, a movie night in Rapid City and asking businesses across the state to donate their marquee and light their buildings orange (the symbolic color of hunger). Hundreds of volunteers are expected to participate in food bank activities throughout South Dakota.

"We all know that hunger exists in other parts of the world, but we tend not to notice that it also happens right here in our community," said Matt Gassen, Executive Director of Feeding South Dakota. "With 1 in 8 people at risk of going hungry in our state, the need is real. We're hoping that our efforts during Hunger Action Month will raise awareness of the issue of hunger."

The issue of hunger is of particular importance now when 1 in 6 people in the United States are at risk of hunger. Nationally, there are 50 million people who struggle with hunger — including 16 million children.

Here in South Dakota, about 12.3 percent of the population struggles with hunger, including 37,770 children.

"It's a shame that in the 'land of plenty' we have neighbors and friends who have to worry about where they will get their next meal," said Bob Aiken, CEO of Feeding America. "By raising awareness and working together, we can solve hunger."

To find out how you can get involved, click on the Hunger Action Month button on Feeding South Dakota's website at www.feedingsouthdakota.org.

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Editor To Receive Neuharth Honor

VERMILLION — Veteran journalist Peter S. Prichard, former editor of USA Today and former president of the Newseum, is the recipient of the 2014 Al Neuharth Award for Excellence in Media, to be presented Oct. 9, at the University of South Dakota, Neuharth's alma mater.

The award, which honors lifetime achievement in media, will be presented at 6:30 p.m., Oct. 9, as part of a daylong celebration at the university campus in Vermillion. The presentation event, to be held in the Al Neuharth Media Center on campus, will be televised live by South Dakota Public Broadcasting. The presentation will be the first Neuharth Award event on the campus following 2013 death of Al Neuharth, founder of USA Today, the Newseum and the Freedom Forum.

Prichard served as president of the Newseum and Freedom Forum until January 2009, and currently is chair of the Newseum board of trustees. He was editor-in-chief of USA Today, the nation's largest-circulation newspaper, from 1988 to 1995, longer than any other editor. During his tenure, USA



Peter S. Prichard

Today won several national journalism awards, and its circulation increased from 1.4 million to 2.3 million.

Prichard retired from the Freedom Forum in 2010. He is a trustee and former chair of Guest Services, Inc., a diversified hospitality and wholesale produce company based in Fairfax, Va.

He also serves as chair of the Connecticut River Museum in Essex, Conn. He is a former chair of the National Press Foundation, which provides continuing education for journalists, and also a former chair of Jesuit Volunteers International, which places young volunteers in developing nations to help the poor. He and his wife, Ann, a former book reviewer, live in Essex. They have two children and five grandchildren.

Since the first award, presented in 1989 to Walter Cronkite, several leaders in media have been selected for the honor, including Carl T. Rowan (1990); Helen Thomas (1991); Tom Brokaw (1992); Larry King (1993); Charles Kuralt (1994); Judy Woodruff and Al Hunt (1995); Robert MacNeil (1996); Cokie Roberts (1997); Tim Russert and Louis D. Boccardi (1998); John Seigenthaler (1999); Jim Lehrer (2001); Tom Curley (2002); Don Hewitt (2004); Garrison Keillor (2005); Bob Schieffer (2006); John Quinn and Ken Paulson (2007); Charles Overby (2008); Katie Couric (2009); Cathie Black and Frank Vega (2010); Brian Lamb (2011); Marilyn Hagerty (2012) and Gwen Ifill (2013).

Sen. Thune Encourages Disaster Victims To Apply For SBA Disaster Assistance

WASHINGTON — Following the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) announcement that it rejected South Dakota's request for individual assistance in Jerauld, Lincoln and Union counties, Sen. John Thune (R-S.D.) is encouraging South Dakota residents in Minnehaha, Lincoln and Union counties to consider applying for Small Business Administration (SBA) disaster assistance.

"While I was disappointed to learn FEMA denied our request for

individual assistance, I am pleased home and business owners in Minnehaha, Lincoln and Union counties will have access to low-interest disaster loans through the SBA," said Thune. "I will continue working with Gov. Dugaard and other members of the delegation to support our local communities and ensure we provide assistance to those in need. Together we'll help our communities recover."

Minnehaha, Lincoln and Union counties are contiguous to Iowa counties where a major disaster was de-

clared, making residents and business owners in these counties eligible for SBA disaster loans. Homeowners are eligible to receive up to \$200,000 to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate. Both homeowners and renters are eligible to receive up to \$40,000 to replace damaged or destroyed personal property.

Businesses and nonprofits are eligible to receive up to \$2 million to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory and

other business assets.

Eligible homeowners and business owners may apply online at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela>. Disaster loan information and application forms are also available from SBA's Customer Service Center by calling (800) 659-2955 or e-mailing disastercustomerservice@sba.gov. For more information about SBA's disaster assistance programs, visit <http://www.sba.gov/disaster>.

The filing deadline to return applications for property damage is Sept. 8, 2014.

NPPD Warns Customers About Phone Scams

COLUMBUS, Neb. — There have been an increased number of phone scam incidents reported this week to the Nebraska Public Power District by NPPD customers. Incidents in Kearney and O'Neill have prompted NPPD to advise all customers, statewide, to be wary of suspicious calls.

Customers have reported receiving scam calls from individuals stating that they are with 'the electric utility' and they are collecting for a past due amount on an electric bill.

They state the bill must be paid immediately or the power will be shut off. Sometimes the scammer's caller-identification is falsified so it appears to originate from the utility company, a practice known as "spoofing."

In the case of a Kearney customer, the caller advised to go to a local store, purchase a "green dot" or pre-paid card, then contact the caller with the card information.

In O'Neill, NPPD customers have been told there would be a 'meter upgrade' or a power outage, situations that sound like utility business, but when questions are asked, the caller hangs up or puts the customer on hold.

To help customers be

wary of such scams, NPPD offers the following tips and suggestions:

- NPPD, as a business practice, does not call to ask customers for a credit card number.
 - NPPD does not demand payment with a pre-paid card.
 - Any customer receiving such a call should not attempt to make payment over the phone.
 - Write down the call back number or consider asking where the caller is located.
 - Contact law enforcement.
 - Let NPPD's Centralized Customer Care Center at 1-877-ASK-NPPD (877-275-6773) know about the call.
 - If served electrically by a rural public power district or municipality, customers should contact that organization before providing any type of payment.
- "Unfortunately, these scams take place every year throughout the country," said Vice President of Customer Services Ken Curry. "Anyone who receives such a call should not let their guard down. Instead, know that NPPD offers a variety of payment plans to help customers who may have challenges paying their bills, and inform local law enforcement of the incident."

SD Partners In Policy Making Course To Be Offered

PIERRE — The South Dakota Partners in Policy-making course is being offered again in 2014.

This is a state-of-the-art training course, designed for parents of children with disabilities, self-advocates and family members.

South Dakota will be starting its 23rd year of the well renowned training in November. To date, more than 500 South Dakotans have successfully completed the training.

Partners learn about current issues and best practices and become familiar with the policymaking and legislative processes at the local, state and national levels.

The overall goal is to achieve a productive partnership between people needing and using services and those in a position to make policy and law. Partners attend two-day training sessions, six times a year, with each session beginning on Friday morning and concluding mid-afternoon on Saturday.

Each session is devoted to specific topics with nationally known presenters.

The world needs Partner graduates who hold social responsibility as a core value; not only to help people interpret the cards they've been dealt, but know what to do with those cards to make the best hand for them and for everyone.

Being a Partner means that you are not alone and you are a better person, friend and member of our ever changing and challenging world. Partners will challenge you to think before you speak, speak before you act and to act before you ever give up!

Apply now for Year 23 of South Dakota Partners in Policymaking. Applications are due on Sept. 20.

To receive an application, contact Sandy Stocklin Hook at 1-800-658-4782 or you can apply on line at www.sdadvocacy.com.

OBITUARIES

Wesley Shaffer

Wesley F. Shaffer, 59, of Yankton died Monday, Aug. 25, 2014 at his residence.

No local services are planned and inurnment will be held at the St. Joseph Cemetery in Cincinnati, Ohio. Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Yankton.

To send an online message to the family, visit www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

Rayder Swanson

Memorial services for Rayder L. Swanson, 58 of Niobrara, Nebraska, are at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 5, 2014, at the Presbyterian Church in Niobrara. The Rev. Gary Panko will officiate, with interment in the Riverview Cemetery, west of Niobrara.

Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Thursday at the church.

Brockhaus Funeral Home of Niobrara is in charge of arrangements.

Rayder died Friday, Aug. 29, 2014, at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska.

Mark Stottler

Funeral services for Mark Stottler, 54, of Tekamah, Nebraska, are at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 5, 2014, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Bloomfield, Nebraska. The Rev. Tim Koester will officiate, with burial of cremains at a later date.

Visitation is at 5-8 p.m. Thursday at the church, with a 7 p.m. prayer service.

Brockhaus Funeral Home of Bloomfield is in charge of arrangements.

Mark died Sunday, Aug. 31, 2014, at his home.

Robert Coleman

Robert D. Coleman, 79, of Springfield died Monday, Sept. 1, 2014, at the Good Samaritan Society at Tyndall.

His funeral services are pending with Crosby-Jaeger Funeral in Springfield.

Shawn Poore

Shawn A. Poore, 42, of Alexandria and formerly of Crofton, Nebraska, died Saturday, Aug. 30, 2014.

Graveside services are at 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5, at the Crofton City Cemetery in Crofton, Nebraska, with Chaplain Tweeter Henseler officiating.

Visitations is 5-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory in Yankton.

Roger Haberer

Roger Jerome Haberer, 56, of Coleridge, Nebraska, died on Thursday, Aug. 28, 2014 as a result of an accident on a fishing trip in Canada.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 8, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hartington, Nebraska, with the Rev. David Liewer officiating. Burial will be at St. Michael's Cemetery in Coleridge, Nebraska.

Visitation is 2-6 p.m. Sunday at the church, with a vigil service at 5 p.m. Visitation will continue on Monday at church one hour prior to services.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz Funeral Home in Coleridge.

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