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Bobcats hosts quadrangular.

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Tesla layoffs

Automaker Tesla will lay off about 10% of its workforce.

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Showers and possibly a thunderstorm. Some of the storms could produce heavy rainfall. High near 55.

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Engineering expo to feature student projects

BROOKINGS — South Dakota State University's Jerome J. Lohr College of Engineering invites the public to the Raven Precision Agriculture Center to view engineering students' innovative project designs.

The public is welcome to attend Tuesday, April 23, from 9-10 a.m. and noon-3 p.m. with an award ceremony to follow. This event features 39 teams presenting their senior design projects.

Attendees will have the opportunity to engage with students as they present their designs and host demonstrations throughout the Precision Agriculture Center.

"Students are displaying their two semesters of hard work to the public and to the university," Michael Twedt, lecturer in the Department of Mechanical Engineering, said.

Student projects are solving real-world problems for industry partners, community organizations and SDSU departments. Sponsors engaged with the student groups as they worked to solve an issue or problem and create a solution.

Local and regional engineers will judge the projects to determine the top six award winners based on a set criteria for the event.

These project/sponsor

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Stu Whitney/South Dakota News Watch

Travis Entenman, managing director of Friends of the Big Sioux River, discusses the state of the tributary at Falls Park in Sioux Falls. "I'm hopeful that we can get the river to a place that the whole community can be proud of," Entenman said.

Can Smithfield and Big Sioux River co-exist?

By STU WHITNEY
South Dakota News Watch

SIOUX FALLS — Travis Entenman stood on the banks of the Big Sioux River in central Sioux Falls on an early April afternoon, watching the future flow.

High winds swept through Falls Park, the city's namesake, as he spoke of downtown development and a master plan for the park that will showcase a stretch of the 419-mile-long tributary that weaves through South Dakota's largest city.

"I'm hopeful that we can get the river to a place that the whole community can be proud of," said Entenman, managing director of Friends of the Big Sioux River, a nonprofit that works to protect and restore the river and its watershed. "I think we're trending in the right direction, but there's a lot of work to do."

Much attention has been paid to high levels of E.

coli bacteria that make parts of the Big Sioux unsafe not just for drinking water but recreational uses, primarily the result of agriculture and livestock operations upstream.

But there are also concerns with water pollution from hazardous waste tied to the city's meat-packing legacy. Looming directly to the north as Entenman unfurled his vision was Smithfield Foods, the sprawling pork slaughterhouse formerly known as John Morrell.

It's hard to discuss the health of the Big Sioux River in these parts without mentioning Smithfield, which slaughters nearly 20,000 hogs a day and processes a daily flow of 3 million gallons of wastewater, containing varying levels of toxic materials.

How much waste does the processing plant dump into the Big Sioux? According to the Environmental Protection Agency's most recent Toxic Release Inventory, which uses 2022 data, Smithfield ranked

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Man indicted for being at school

Charge is a class 6 felony for registered sex offender.

By JOSH LINEHAN
The Brookings Register

BROOKINGS — A Brookings man has been indicted by a grand jury for loitering at the Elkton School while a registered sex offender.

According to the indictment, Andrew Polly loitered in the Elkton school, a designated community safe zone, on or about Feb. 9.

Polly, 27, is listed on the South Dakota sex offender registry as restricted from community safe zones. He was convicted of felony sexual contact with a minor under 16 in Union County in 2017.

According to sources familiar with the investigation, a complaint about Polly being at the school in Elkton was filed with the Brookings County Sheriff's Office and turned over to the state's attorney's office, which

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Four fail alcohol sting

Eight local businesses were checked by police.

BROOKINGS — Four businesses failed an alcohol compliance check conducted by the Brookings Police Department on April 10.

A total of eight businesses were audited, according to a Monday news release from the BPD. The four that failed did so by serving to an underage buyer, Lt. Joe Fishbaugher wrote in the release. The four that failed were:

- Casey's gas station, 620 Eighth St. S.
- Casey's gas station, 534 22nd Ave. S.
- Buffalo Wild Wings, 1801 Sixth St.
- Boss' Pizza & Chicken, 2515 Sixth St.

According to the South Dakota Department of Revenue, fines and penalties can be imposed on licensees, clerks and those who furnish alcohol to underage individuals.

— From staff reports

Trump hush-money trial begins

First day ends with no jurors yet seated, will resume Tuesday.

NEW YORK (AP) — The historic hush-money trial of Donald Trump got underway Monday with the arduous process of selecting a jury to hear the case charging the former president with falsifying business records in order to stifle stories about his sex life.

The day ended without any jurors being seated. The selection process was scheduled to resume Tuesday.

The first criminal trial of any former U.S. president began as Trump vies to reclaim the White House, creating a remarkable split-screen spectacle of the presumptive Republican nominee spending his days as a criminal defendant while simultaneously campaigning for office. He's blended those roles over the last year by presenting himself to supporters, on the campaign trail and on social media, as a target of politically motivated prosecutions designed to derail his candidacy.

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Associated Press

Former President Donald Trump sits in Manhattan criminal court with his legal team ahead of the start of jury selection in New York on Monday.

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RIVER: Plant now being held to limit for nitrates

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first nationally among 1,671 facilities within the food sector for total releases, with 4.9 million pounds.

Smithfield ranked seventh nationally among non-poultry animal slaughtering facilities for the amount of nitrate compounds released. The TRI tracks the waste management of toxic chemicals that “may pose a threat to human health and the environment.”

Treatment reduces waste

The good news is that conditions have changed since 2022, partly due to pressure placed upon Sioux Falls’ fourth-largest employer to curtail its toxic waste.

Smithfield went operational with a new \$45 million wastewater treatment facility in May 2023, reducing the amount of nitrate compounds released into the river.

The company’s nitrate discharge to the Big Sioux River was 47% lower in 2023 than it was in 2022, said Ray Atkinson, senior director of external communications for Smithfield, which is based in Virginia and owned by Hong Kong-based WH Group Limited.

“The new state-of-the-art wastewater project reinforces Smithfield’s proactive approach to implementing sustainable systems that improve environmental quality and benefit the

community,” Atkinson said in a statement to News Watch.

“The \$45 million investment we have made in Sioux Falls is one of the largest infrastructure projects to have a direct impact on water quality in the Big Sioux River and has significantly reduced nutrient discharges and improved water quality in the Big Sioux River basin.”

The update was tied to a permit renewal in 2020 that signaled a new chapter in government regulation and public scrutiny of the slaughterhouse. Smithfield has been fined for ammonia and nitrate dumping over the past few decades but avoided significant action from state or federal authorities.

In addition to basic environmental concerns, influence plays a role.

Downtown Sioux Falls enhancements such as the Steel District and East Bank show developers are regarding the Big Sioux River as a valuable resource rather than an eyesore, which means more expectation of oversight.

“I think the general public is starting to pay more attention to water issues, which helps turn the tide,” said Entenman. “There’s also increased money in development going on in central Sioux Falls. People are putting millions and millions of dollars on the banks of the Big Sioux because they see it as a benefit for the community. And they don’t want to live next to a polluted river.”

Smithfield fined for toxic releases

The South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources (DANR) fined Smithfield \$53,382 in 2018 for violations of its discharge permit stemming from a wastewater treatment failure. The breakdown allowed exceeding high levels of ammonia — at one point more than 20 times the state-allowed daily limit — into the Big Sioux River.

Smithfield was also fined \$44,000 in 2011 for consistent violations of permit limits, including 26 ammonia release violations in 2010.

Those penalties continued a trend of sanctions that environmental groups viewed as proverbial slaps on the wrist for a multinational company that reported \$14.4 billion in revenue in 2023.

Though the Big Sioux River typically has enough volume to dilute the effects of toxic waste, violations of ammonia limits always raise red flags, said Jay Gilbertson, manager for the East Dakota Water Development District, which promotes conservation and proper management of water resources.

Ammonia can be mitigated by adding oxygen to convert it to nitrate, which is less toxic but still potentially damaging. Excess amounts of nitrogen can cause an overgrowth of plants and algae and can be harmful to infants and pregnant women if

ingested by blocking the blood’s ability to carry oxygen.

New permit includes nitrate limits

The problem with Smithfield’s treatment system until recently was that, even with conversion, massive amounts of ammonia lead to troublesome levels of nitrates.

The EPA’s safety standard for nitrates in drinking water is 10 milligrams per liter.

Before its new wastewater treatment plant was operational, Smithfield’s nitrate dumping levels were “well over 100 (milligrams per liter), frequently over 200 and at times approaching 300,” said Gilbertson.

Those numbers, combined with earlier ammonia infractions and EPA reports, finally forced action. After two decades of having its permit with the state “administratively continued” every five years, meaning DANR guidelines stayed the same, the slaughterhouse finally faced a bona fide permit renewal in 2020.

Under the old permit, originally issued in 2000, there was no daily effluent limit for dumping nitrate into the Big Sioux. Smithfield was required to “monitor and report” levels of discharge, similar to how the Sioux Falls Water Reclamation Plant currently operates.

New treatment system unveiled

The new permit, which

took effect July 1, 2020, gave Smithfield three years to get in compliance with an effluent limit for nitrates. That limit, which is currently in place, is a maximum of 50 milligrams per liter for a 30-day average and 88 mg/L daily.

Smithfield made its wastewater treatment plant upgrades to meet the new effluent limits by July 1, 2023. The new system takes the nitrates that were drawn from ammonia and uses a denitrifying system to biologically convert them to nitrogen gas, which is much less harmful.

Data from the EPA’s Enforcement and Compliance History Online shows that hazardous waste from the slaughterhouse has stayed below required limits since that time.

Atkinson told News Watch that Smithfield is currently operating at or below 40 milligrams per liter for nitrates on a monthly average and that the company’s ammonia discharge has been reduced by about 60%.

Dana Munyon, a public affairs specialist with DANR, confirmed that “Smithfield has met the compliance schedule deadlines as required in the permit and no effluent violations of ammonia-nitrate have been reported during the current permit cycle.”

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TRUMP: Only about a third of 96 prospective jurors remain

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After a norm-shattering presidency shadowed by years of investigations, the trial amounts to a courtroom reckoning for Trump, who faces four indictments charging him with crimes ranging from hoarding classified documents to plotting to overturn an election. Yet the political stakes are less clear because a conviction would not preclude him from becoming president and because the allegations in this case date back years and are seen as less grievous than the conduct behind the three other indictments.

The day began with hours of pretrial arguments — including over a potential fine for Trump — before moving into the start of jury selection. The first members of the jury pool — 96 in all — were summoned into the courtroom, where the parties will decide who among them might be picked to decide the legal fate of

the former, and potentially future, American president.

Trump craned his neck to look back at the pool, whispering to his lawyer as they entered the jury box.

“You are about to participate in a trial by jury. The system of trial by jury is one of the cornerstones of our judicial system,” Judge Juan Merchan told the jurors. “The name of this case is the People of the State of New York vs. Donald Trump.”

Trump’s notoriety would make the process of picking 12 jurors and six alternates a near-herculean task in any year, but it’s likely to be especially challenging now, unfolding in a closely contested presidential election in the heavily Democratic city where Trump grew up and catapulted to celebrity status decades before winning the White House.

Underscoring the difficulty, only about a third of the 96 people in the first panel of potential jurors remained after the judge excused

some members of the jury pool. More than half of the group was excused after telling the judge they could not be fair and impartial. At least nine more prospective jurors were excused after raising their hands when Merchan asked if they could not serve for any other reason.

A female juror was excused after saying she had strong opinions about Trump. Earlier in the questionnaire, the woman, a Harlem resident, indicated she could be neutral in deciding the case. But when asked whether she had strong opinions about the former president, the woman answered matter-of-factly: “Yes.”

When Merchan asked her to repeat the response, she replied: “Yeah, I said yes.” She was dismissed.

Merchan has written that the key is “whether the prospective juror can assure us that they will set aside any personal feelings or biases and render a decision that is based on the evidence and the law.”

No matter the outcome, Trump is determined to benefit from the proceedings, casting the case, and his indictments elsewhere, as a broad “weaponization of law enforcement” by Democratic prosecutors and officials. He maintains they are orchestrating sham charges in hopes of impeding his presidential

run.

He’s lambasted judges and prosecutors for years, a pattern of attacks that continued up to the moment he entered court Monday when he called the case an “assault on America” and said: “This is political persecution. This is a persecution like never before.”

INDICTED: Elkton school in February

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presented the case to a grand jury on April 9.

Loitering in a community safe zone while a registered sex offender is a class 6 felony in South

Dakota — the lowest level of felony charge. It is punishable by up to two years in prison, a \$4,000 fine, or both.

The indictment requests a warrant be

issued for Polly’s arrest.

Polly was booked into the Brookings County Detention center at some point after the warrant was issued, but was no longer listed on the jail

roster on Monday morning.

— Linehan is the Register’s managing editor and welcomes comments at jlinehan@brookingsregister.com

EXPO: Projects include tree-planting drone

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relationships are the result of an organization either not having the personnel or the resources to work on the specific project, according to Twedt.

That’s where SDSU engineering students and faculty step in. “It’s a really

good win-win situation for both,” Twedt said.

Some examples of student projects include a wearable sleeve for nurse training, a tree-planting drone, a modernized golf cart, a laser targeting system and projects for NASA challenges.

During the first semes-

ter of the senior project, students work on identifying and solving the problem with the goal of producing a prototype, which can be a physical or virtual product. In the second semester, students refine their ideas into final versions.

Budgets for these proj-

ects range from \$1,000 to tens of thousands of dollars, according to Twedt.

LOCAL

OLLI News

OLLI going strong

The Brookings OLLI members have been attaining knowledge and having fun in their classes this spring semester. Here are a few of the classes held so far.

One of the many Creative Arts classes was Neurographic Art taught by Lisbeth Solum. This class was perfect for the non-artist. Members created colorful art through mindfulness using a variety of rulers, templates and markers.

Under the experienced athletic guidance of Benda Berseth, members met at the SDSU Miller Wellness Center to learn the basic rules of badminton. They all got plenty of exercise while enjoying every overhead forehand and ace.

SDSU President Dr. Barry Dunn discussed the SDSU Wokini Initiative from its conception to current status. OLLI members learned how this program provides access and support to Native students from nine South Dakota reservations. The main goal is increasing the student's well-being and education thereby benefiting all South Dakotans.



Courtesy photo/Benda Berseth

Kathy Reid aligning the birdie for a serve in OLLI Badminton class.



Stephanie Svennes (executive assistant, First Bank & Trust), Anne Funderburg (operations coordinator, Brookings Area United Way), Anne Land (East River program coordinator, Senior Companions), Volunteer of the Month winner - Lorraine Kracke, Connie Hageman (volunteer, Senior Companions) and Mayor Ope Niemeyer.

Kracke honored for volunteerism

BROOKINGS — The Brookings Area United Way's Volunteer United program recently announced that Lorraine Kracke has been named the April 2024 Volunteer of the Month, an area-wide award program sponsored by First Bank & Trust.

Lorraine has volunteered with the Senior Companion Program since April 2014. Being that her 10th anniversary is this April, this nomination is fitting. During her time with the SCP, she has provided well over 7,000 hours of volunteering. In the last year, she has served an average of four weekly clients.

She helps them with many tasks, such as shopping, transporting them to doctor's appointments, encouraging exercise by attending classes at the Senior Citizen's Center, and helping them with crafts. SCP frequently hears from family members of Lorraine's SCP clients how grateful they are for Lorraine's companionship and consider her a "lifesaver" for all she has done and continues to do.

If you are interested in volunteering with the Senior Companion program or learning more about the organization, visit <https://www.good-sam.com/senior-companions>



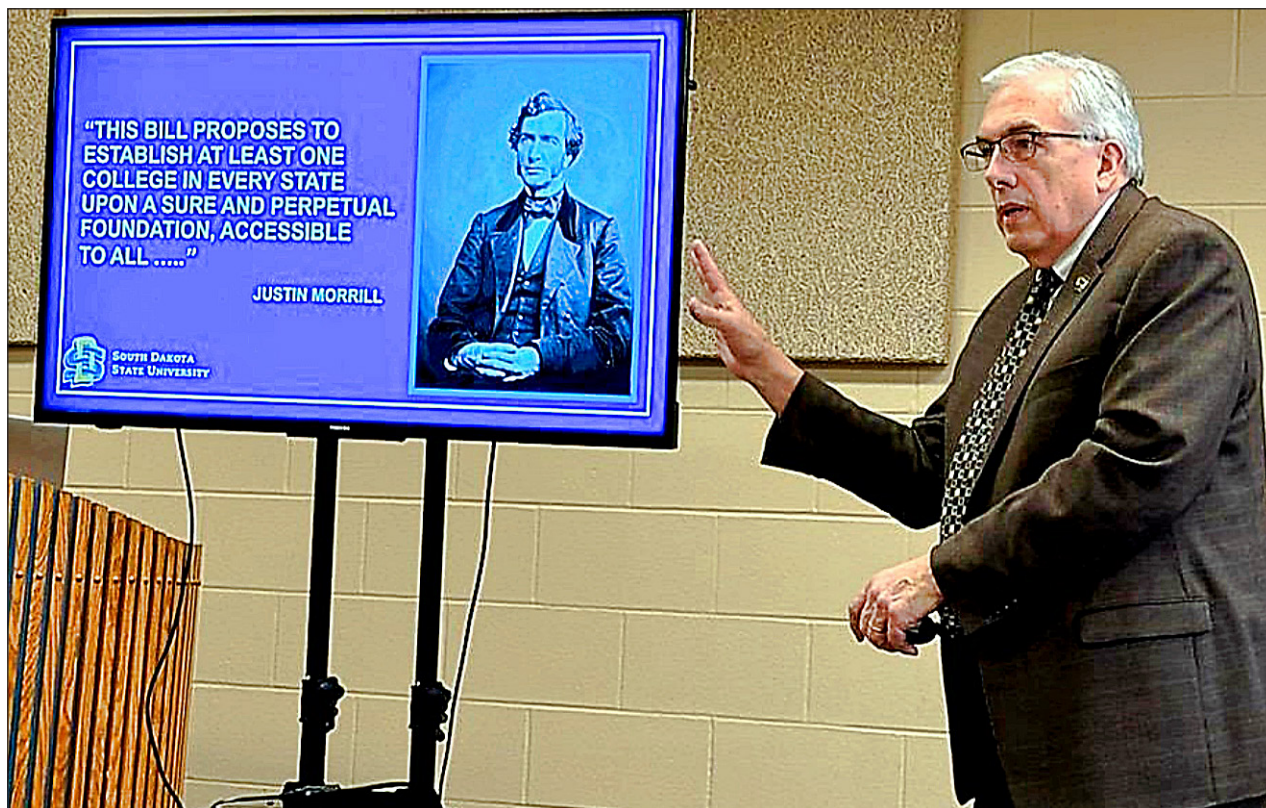
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OLLI members playing a game of badminton.



Courtesy photo/ Paula Tursam

OLLI members working on their neurographic art projects



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SDSU President Barry Dunn speaking about the inspiration behind the SDSU Wokini Initiative.

Market Report

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Corn (April) 3.89	Soybeans (April) 11.08
Corn (May) 3.92	Soybeans (May) 11.16
Corn (June) 3.97	Soybeans (June) 11.21
Corn (July) 3.96	Soybeans (July) 11.26
Corn (Oct.) 4.04	Soybeans (NC 24) 11.17
Soybeans (April) 10.86	Meal Hi-Pro (April) 339.50
Soybeans (May) 10.94	Meal Hi-Pro (May) 336.50
Soybeans (June) 10.99	(For more information, visit www.sdsbp.com .)
Soybeans (Oct.) 11.07	

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Two die in crash

WHITEWOOD — Two people died Saturday afternoon in a two-vehicle crash near Whitewood.

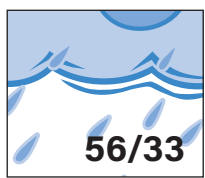
The names of the persons involved have not been released pending notification of family members.

Preliminary crash information indicates the driver of a 2012 Dodge Avenger was traveling eastbound on SD Highway 34 and crossed the centerline into the path of a westbound 2013 Chevrolet Silverado. The vehicles collided in the westbound lane near mile marker 24. The 24-year-old male driver of the Dodge was ejected as the vehicle came to rest in the eastbound lane and was pronounced deceased at the scene. The Chevrolet continued into the ditch. An 87-year-old female passenger in the truck was also pronounced dead at the scene. The driver of the Chevrolet, a 55-year-old male, suffered serious, non-life-threatening injuries.

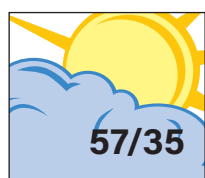
The South Dakota Highway Patrol is investigating the crash. All information released so far is only preliminary.

— From the S.D. Department of Public Safety

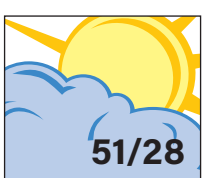
Brookings weather



Tuesday Showers and possibly a thunderstorm. Some of the storms could produce heavy rainfall. High near 56. Breezy, with an east wind around 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph. Chance of precipitation is 100%. New rainfall amounts between 1 and 2 inches possible. Night: Showers and thunderstorms likely. Cloudy, with a low around 42. Breezy, with an east northeast wind 15 to 20 mph becoming north northwest after midnight. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

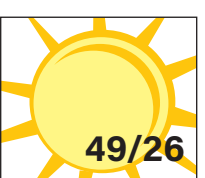


Wednesday Showers likely, mainly before 7 a.m. Cloudy, then gradually becoming mostly sunny, with a high near 57. Breezy, with a northwest wind 20 to 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60%. Night: A 20 percent chance of showers after 1am. Increasing clouds, with a low around 35. Breezy, with a west northwest wind 10 to 20 mph.



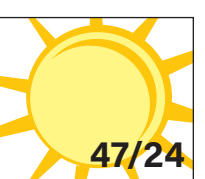
Thursday Partly sunny, with a high near 51. Breezy.

Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 28. Blustery.



Friday Mostly sunny, with a high near 49. Breezy.

Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 26.



Saturday Mostly sunny, with a high near 47.

Night: Widespread frost. Otherwise, partly cloudy, with a low around 27.

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OPINION

The bygone humanity of presidents

■ George Herbert Walker Bush was a good role model.

We may not be looking forward to the November election — the polls tell us that — but this is not a country that likes to look back. Yet at this fraught moment, it might be salubrious to look back — back, back, back, as the sportscaster Chris

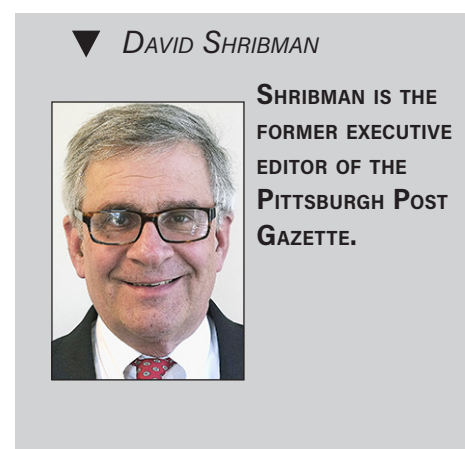
Berman might put it, to the 41st president and to the life lessons he would have taught us as a nation, if only we had listened.

We'll never reach agreement on the issues that marked his presidency between 1989 and 1993. Instead, the nation seems to yearn for the courtly elegance, the steely character, the intuitive generosity of spirit and the mature judgment of a president it spurned after one term.

George Herbert Walker Bush was not everybody's favorite president. He may be everybody's favorite role model.

No member of the Bush family — a family that accounts for election to the House and Senate, a stint as director of central intelligence, an appointment as chief American delegate to China, four terms as governor of giant states, eight years as vice president and 12 as president — likely voted for, or sought to extend the legacy of, Franklin Delano Roosevelt. But each of them, especially the 41st president, would endorse FDR's comments published just after he was elected in 1932: "The Presidency is not merely an administrative office. That is the least of it. ... It is preeminently a place of moral leadership."

I read that excerpt to Roger Porter, who



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worked for Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford and Bush and who now teaches a course on the American presidency at Harvard. He had an immediate reaction:

"Character matters because to effectively lead, presidents have to have the country behind them, not necessarily agreeing with them on every policy but trusting their judgment and their instincts," he said. "Trust is something that is hard to earn and easy to destroy. Presidents who are great always remember that and act in ways that engender both the trust and respect of those who support them and those who disagree with them — but still trust them. At the end of the day, it is character that matters more than any other single quality."

That's probably why Jean Becker, who for a quarter-century was Bush's chief of staff and who wrote a book about him, was asked by her editor to write yet another. "The world is not done with him," he said. The result is "Character Matters ... and Other Life Lessons From George H.W. Bush," to be published in a few days.

The book opens with some reflections from James A. Baker III, the former secre-

tary of state and longtime Bush friend. "Sadly today," he wrote in a foreword, "modesty and mindfulness have become vanishing virtues as braggadocio and pomposity too often rule the day."

Here, from the pages of Becker's book, are some life lessons from the man who said one of his proudest achievements was being one of the founders of the YMCA in Midland, Texas:

■ Selflessness. "I saw repeatedly the absence of meanness and hatred in President Bush. And so the biggest lesson he taught me, by his example, was the importance of living a life of service and a life with plenty of room for joy." (Marlin Fitzwater, longtime Bush press spokesman)

■ Optimism. "Civility will return to Washington eventually. The excesses condoned by the press will give way to reason and fair play. Personalities will change and our system will have proved that it works — more slowly than some would want — less efficiently than some would decree — but it works and gives us — even in adversity — great stability." (Bush, in a letter to his children while chairman of the Republican National Committee during the Watergate years — a period during which, he told them, "I expect it has not been easy for you to have your Dad be head of the RNC.")

■ Reverence for humanity. "I guess what I want you to know as a father is this: Every Human life is precious. When the question is asked 'How many lives are you willing to sacrifice' — it tears at my heart. The answer, of course, is none — none at all." (Bush, in another letter to his children, on the eve of the first Gulf War. He added, poignantly, "every human life is precious — the little Iraqi kids' too.")

■ Simple humanity. Gov. Bill Clinton of Arkansas was at the National Governors

Association annual meeting in Portland, Maine, when the governors were invited to a cookout at Vice President Bush's house. "Chelsea, who was 3 years old then, marched up and said she needed to go to the bathroom. The vice president of the United States took her by the hand and led her there himself." (Clinton, who later would defeat Bush in the 1992 presidential election, added, "Nobody who knew George would have been surprised by that.")

■ Perspective. The 8-year-old son of White House staffer Ginny Mulberger wrote Bush asking him why he wanted to be president. "I had already run for President, losing to President Reagan," he wrote in a handwritten note. "I felt I could help the country and do good things as President. So I ran again in 1988 and won, and I loved it."

■ Acceptance of criticism. In a note to The New York Times' Maureen Dowd, he wrote: "I reserve the right to whine, to not read, to use profanity, but if you ever get really hurt or if you ever get really down and need a shoulder to cry on or just need a friend — give me a call. I'll be there for you. I'll not let you down. Now, go on out and knock my knickers off."

■ Modesty: "Yes, I am the George Bush that once was President of the United States of America." (His essay in the Yale 50th Reunion yearbook)

The other day, I had occasion to speak to Bobbie Kilberg, who was deputy assistant to the president for public liaison and director of the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs in the Bush years. "George Herbert Walker Bush was the most ethical and empathetic person I have ever known," s he said. "I've never met anyone like him and won't meet anyone like him again." The world is not done with George Bush yet.

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Life on the farm: New year, new life

■ Cows don't ever forget their friends.

Editor's note: For the time being, as Gene Lyons recovers from illness, his weekly columns will be "classics" from his archive. This column originally ran on Jan. 6, 2021.

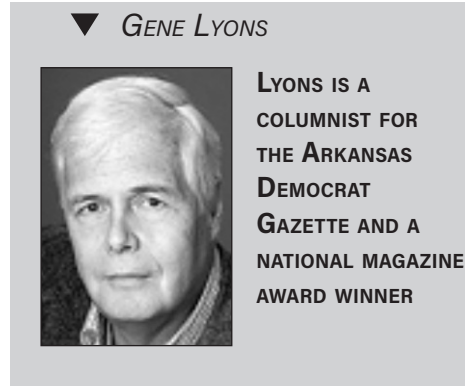
My most memorable New Year's Day took place five years ago on a cold, clear morning in

another life. We awoke to find a 30-acre lake where there had been pasture the night before. The Arkansas River had been rising ominously for days, and when it got high enough, it always backed up the bayou into our place. But nobody remembered seeing it quite so high. Only about 10 acres around the house and barn remained high and dry.

I looked for my favorite cow, Trudy, who'd been due to give birth. A great beauty with a sweet disposition, Trudy loved having her ears scratched. Her best friend, Stella, would stand at a distance when Trudy would approach me for petting. Two years earlier, Trudy had delivered a stillborn bull calf. She and Stella had spent hours side by side, nudging the baby to stand.

I waited until they gave up to carry the body away.

I spotted Trudy and her newborn calf at the edge of the floodwaters. Still wet with afterbirth, the little heifer struggled to her feet and fell face-first into the



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water. I told Diane to call my neighbor C.J. if I got hurt, and ran to the rescue. As gentle as Trudy was, cows are filled with hormones after calving, and can be dangerous to anybody suspected of hurting their babies.

A lifelong cattleman, C.J. is also a Little Rock firefighter. Anything that happened, he could handle.

The good news is that Trudy trusted me and followed along peaceably as I lifted the newborn heifer — all 95 pounds of her — and carried her to high ground. Then I kept watch to see the baby begin nursing. It's critical for a calf to receive colostrum — concentrated mother's milk filled with disease-resisting antibodies — within hours. Without it, they sicken and die.

Problem was, Betty Jo, as I named her, couldn't find Trudy's udder. A stocky, compact cow, her udder hung close to the ground. All legs and taller than the Great Pyrenees dogs already shadow-

ing her, Betty Jo searched eagerly: under Trudy's chin, beneath her tail, etc. But she simply couldn't find it. Like all cows, she stubbornly resisted being manhandled. So I mixed up a batch of powdered colostrum in a 2-quart bottle and fed it to her in mid-afternoon.

Around sunset, I gave her a second bottle for good measure.

By the second morning, the calf still hadn't nursed. How you can tell is that a nursing cow's teats will be shiny clean, as if they'd been power-washed. Trudy's udder was swollen to twice its normal size and as muddy as the rest of her.

Having recently finished eight months of bottle-feeding a bull calf named Tommy, who still followed me around the pasture like an 1,800-pound dog with sharp, pointed horns, I had no ambition to begin again. Lots of boiling water and bottle sterilizing, plus you're on demand every morning and afternoon, holidays and weekends included. As much as I loved the farm, I also liked going to town sometimes.

Besides, Betty Jo would do better on the real thing.

So I phoned George Rappold, Perry County's resident cow whisperer. Also a Little Rock firefighter, George and his buddy Tyler were basically bovine troubleshooters. He advised me to catch Trudy in a squeeze chute, and then ...

I told him my corral was under 6 feet of floodwater.

George said he and Tyler would be right over.

A couple of hours later, here they

came in a three-pickup caravan, hauling trailers carrying a portable squeeze chute, a pile of cattle panels, and a tractor to maneuver the chute — heavy enough to immobilize a restless 2,000-pound animal.

It took about an hour to set everything up, but only a few minutes for me to lure Trudy into the corral with a bucket of feed and catch her in the head gate. Then George milked Trudy into his hand, stuck his hand under Betty Jo's nose, and guided her to the udder.

Peevish at being confined, Trudy gave out a great groan of relief as the calf latched on to her teat and began to nurse. Mission accomplished. On her second day in this world, Betty Jo had completed the first semester of Cow 101.

Prompted by a friend, I asked George if a calf ever forgot where to find the udder once shown it. He acted surprised. "Not never one time," he said.

Alas, Trudy died last year. A couple of months ago, I went to see Stella at a friend's farm. When I called her name, she left the herd and ambled down to the gate. She even let me pet her neck. Not entirely sentimental, I know what she was thinking. To Stella, my name is "Feed Bucket Man."

Even so, cows don't forget their friends.

Not never one time. Arkansas Times columnist Gene Lyons is a National Magazine Award winner and co-author of "The Hunting of the President" (St. Martin's Press, 2000). You can email Lyons at eugenelyons2@yahoo.com.

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NATION

Bureau of Prisons to close California women's prison

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The beleaguered federal Bureau of Prisons said Monday it will close a women's prison in California known as the "rape club" despite attempts to reform the troubled facility after an Associated Press investigation exposed rampant staff-on-inmate sexual abuse.

Bureau of Prisons Director Colette Peters said in a statement to the AP that the agency had "taken unprecedented steps and provided a tremendous amount of resources to address culture, recruitment and retention, aging infrastructure — and most critical — employee misconduct."

"Despite these steps and resources, we have determined that FCI Dublin is not meeting expected standards and that the best course of action is to close the facility," Peters said. "This decision is being made after ongoing evaluation of the effectiveness of those unprecedented steps and additional resources."

The announcement of Dublin's closure represents an extraordinary acknowledgment by the Bureau of Prisons that its much-promised efforts to improve the culture and environment there have not worked. Many attempts to stem the problems at Dublin have come after the AP investigation revealed a pattern of abuse and mismanagement that crossed years, even decades.

Just 10 days before the closure announcement, a federal judge took the unprecedented step of appointing a

special master to oversee the prison.

FCI Dublin, about 21 miles (34 kilometers) east of Oakland, is one of six women-only federal prisons and the only one west of the Rocky Mountains. It currently houses 605 inmates — 504 inmates in its main prison and another 101 at an adjacent minimum-security camp. That figure is down from a total of 760 prisoners in February 2022.

The women currently housed at the prison will be transferred to other facilities, Peters said, and no employees will lose their jobs.

Advocates have called for inmates to be freed from FCI Dublin, which they say is not only plagued by sexual abuse but also has hazardous mold, asbestos and inadequate health care.

Last August, eight FCI Dublin inmates sued the Bureau of Prisons, or BOP, alleging the agency had failed to root out sexual abuse. Amaris Montes, a lawyer for the plaintiffs, had said inmates continued to face retaliation for reporting abuse, including being put in solitary confinement and having belongings confiscated.

Montes said she and her clients had suspected closure might be a possibility, but the suddenness of the decision so quickly after the special master appointment came as a shock. "It's a signal that the prison knows that they are not meeting constitutional standards to keep people safe from sexual assault and sexual harassment," Montes said Monday.



AP Photo/Jeff Chiu, File

The Federal Correctional Institution stands in Dublin, California.

Montes said timing on the closure and transfer of inmates was still being worked out, but she hoped it would be done in a measured way.

"I think that the BOP is quick to try to transfer accountability and move accountability elsewhere as the way to remedy the issue. And that would mean, you know, moving people quickly without addressing people's needs right now." Many of the incarcerated women have physical and mental health issues that need to be dealt with, she said, while other inmates might be considered for release.

On Monday, two buses moved around the parking lot of FCI Dublin. Prison staff moved baggage and carts of supplies between the buildings and buses. An AP

reporter did not see any inmates leaving the facility.

Last month, the FBI again searched the prison and the Bureau of Prisons again shook up its leadership after a warden sent to help rehabilitate the facility was accused of retaliating against a whistleblower inmate. Days later, a federal judge overseeing lawsuits against the prison, said she would appoint a special master to oversee the facility's operations.

An AP investigation in 2021 found a culture of abuse and cover-ups that had persisted for years at the prison. That reporting led to increased scrutiny from Congress and pledges from the Bureau of Prisons that it would fix problems and change the culture at the prison.

Across the Nation

Owners of a Colorado funeral home charged with COVID fraud

DENVER (AP) — A couple who owned a Colorado funeral home where authorities last year discovered 190 decaying bodies were indicted on federal charges that they misspent nearly \$900,000 in pandemic relief funds on vacations, cosmetic surgery, jewelry and other personal expenses, according to court documents unsealed Monday.

The indictment reaffirms accusations from state prosecutors that Jon and Carie Hallford gave families dry concrete instead of cremated ashes and alleges the couple buried the wrong body on two occasions.

The couple also collected more than \$130,000 from families for cremations and burial services they never provided, the indictment said.

The 15 charges brought by the federal grand jury are in addition to more than 200 criminal counts already pending against the Hallfords in Colorado state court for corpse abuse, money laundering, theft and forgery.

The federal offenses carry potential penalties of 20 years in prison and \$250,000 in fines, the indictment said.

On Monday, the owners of the Return to Nature Funeral Home in Colorado Springs entered a federal courtroom bound in shackles as they made an initial appearance before U.S. Magistrate Judge Scott Varholak.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Tim Neff argued the couple were a flight risk, after they fled to Oklahoma last October when the decaying bodies were first discovered and before their arrest on state charges on November 8.

"They simply evaporated from the community," Neff said.

The judge did not immediately decide if the couple should be released pending trial. He set an arraignment

hearing for Thursday. Carie Hallford's attorney, Chaz Melihercik, said he would argue against detention at the next hearing. Jon Hallford's public defender told the judge that the husband had been following their bond conditions in the state case and that detention was unnecessary.

NASA is seeking a faster way to bring Mars samples to Earth

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA's plan to bring samples from Mars back to Earth is on hold until there's a faster, cheaper way, space agency officials said Monday.

Retrieving Mars soil and rocks has been on NASA's to-do list for decades, but the date kept moving forward, as costs ballooned. A recent independent review put the total cost at \$8 billion to \$11 billion, with an arrival date of 2040, about a decade later than advertised.

NASA Administrator Bill Nelson said that's too much and too late. He's asking private industry and the space agency's centers to come up with other options to revamp the project. With NASA facing across-the-board budget cuts, he wants to avoid gutting other science projects to finance the Mars sample project.

"We want to get every new and fresh idea that we can," he said at a news conference.

NASA's rover Perseverance already has gathered 24 core samples in tubes since landing in 2021 at Mars' Jezero Crater, an ancient river delta. The goal is more than 30 samples to scour for possible signs of ancient Martian life.

The space agency wants to get at least some of the collected samples to Earth sometime in the 2030s for no more than the \$7 billion. That would require a spacecraft that goes to Mars to get the tubes and launches off the planet. Then it must rendezvous with yet another spacecraft that would bring the samples to Earth.

NASA's science mission chief, Nicky Fox, refused to speculate at the news conference when the samples might arrive at Earth, given a new program and timeline, or even how many samples might be returned. That information will be included in any proposals, she said.

"We've never launched from another planet, and that's actually what makes Mars sample return such a challenging and interesting mission," Fox said.

Scientists are eager to analyze pristine samples from Mars in their own labs, far superior to the kind of rudimentary testing done by spacecraft at the red planet. It will take such in-depth testing to confirm any evidence of microscopic life dating back billions of years when water flowed on the planet, according to NASA.

The samples will help NASA decide where astronauts go on Mars in the 2040s, Nelson said.

NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California, had been in charge of the sample project. It was hit by hundreds of layoffs earlier this year due to all the budget cutbacks. Nelson is seeking ideas from across the space agency, with the revamped program more spread out.

Family members plead not guilty to abusing teen

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Four members of a rural Iowa family have pleaded not guilty in the abduction and abuse of an 18-year-old relative who had allegedly showed up at a hospital so badly beaten that his brain was bleeding and so malnourished that he weighed just 70 pounds (32 kilograms), according to court documents.

Gary Graham Jr., 44; Danielle Graham, 42; Aaron Williams, 20; and a 16-year-old girl, all from Zearing, Iowa, were charged with first-degree kidnapping and willful injury last month. Each have submitted a written plea, the last of which — for Gary Graham Jr. — was filed Monday.

The teen girl is charged as an adult, but The Associated Press is not naming her because of her age. Her attorney filed a request that her case be transferred to juvenile court, court records show. She is being held at a juvenile detention center; the other three are in a county jail.

A hospital in Ames alerted the sheriff's office on Jan. 27 of an 18-year-old patient who was severely malnourished with multiple injuries that included bleeding on the brain, rib fractures and bruising and wounds throughout his body. An affidavit filed in the case said the teen arrived at the hospital in a "semi-conscious to unconscious state."

Medical workers determined that the injuries were in various stages of healing, indicating that they didn't all happen at the same time, the document stated.

The charges allege that the family members knowingly confined the victim and "while doing so had the intent to inflict serious injury" to the victim, who "suffered serious injury or ... was intentionally subjected to torture" as a result.

A judge issued an order to grant emergency protective services for the alleged victim and to prevent the four family members from having contact.

Mayor, wife charged with abusing teenage daughter

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — Atlantic City Mayor Marty Small and his wife were charged Monday with abusing and assaulting their teenage daughter on multiple occasions, including hitting her in the head with a broom and knocking her unconscious.

The Atlantic County Prosecutor's Office said it filed charges against both parents of endangering the welfare of a child.

Marty Small also was charged with making terroristic threats; aggravated assault, and simple assault. La'Quetta Small was additionally charged with three separate counts of simple assault.

The prosecutor's office said in a news release that "the defendants physically and emotionally abused their 15/16-year-old daughter on multiple occasions" in December 2023 and January 2024.

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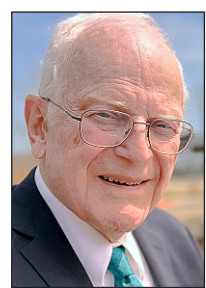
Obituaries

Eugene 'Gene' Beckman Moline, Illinois May 25, 1940 - April 12, 2024

Eugene "Gene" J. Beckman, 83, of Moline, passed away Friday April 12, 2024.

A memorial service will be held at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Moline, Illinois, on Saturday, April 20, at 11:30 a.m. Visitation will precede the service at 10:30 a.m. at the church and a luncheon will follow. Burial will be in Moline Memorial Park. Memorials may be made to Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

Gene was born on May 25, 1940, in Brookings, South Dakota; he was the fourth and last child of Eugene J. and Dorothy Beckman. His father owned the Brookings John Deere implement and hardware store where Gene worked during the summers. He played football and basketball in high school and enjoyed a unique childhood living in a small town that was also home to South Dakota State University. He graduated in the 1958 class of Brookings High and then left South Dakota to attend Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. He studied mechanical engineering and participated in a work-study co-op program with John Deere Harvester in East Moline, ultimately leading to his engineering career with John Deere. He joined the National Guard, stationed in Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and later attended graduate school for mechanical engineering back at Northwestern University. During this time, he met his future wife Mary Alice, who taught French at a local Chicago high school. They were married in June 1968.



Eugene Beckman

Gene and Mary Alice settled in Moline, Illinois, and raised three children: David, Matt, and Sarah — all graduates of Moline High School. He was extremely involved with his children and their activities. He loved coaching their basketball, baseball, softball, and soccer teams and kept records of all the times at high school swim and track meets. His favorite activity was driving cross-country on family camping vacations, including trips to most of America's national parks. Gene's family was active at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Moline, and this congregation ultimately became like a family to him. Throughout his life, he enjoyed an active lifestyle: teaching his kids how to ski, participating in running races alongside his daughter, and continuing a lifetime of fitness at the local YMCA. He was very grateful for his long-term Moline neighbors and spent a lot of time walking his neighborhood.

Highlights for him were the annual family reunions, traveling to see family and friends across the country, and he often reminisced about an incredible trip to Israel with Mary Alice, shortly before her death in 2019. He counts among his greatest blessings marrying his wife, his

three children, their spouses, and seven grandchildren.

Gene will be fondly remembered as a storyteller, by his calm presence, as a generous giver, as a dedicated father, and most of all as a man who quietly and unwaveringly lived out his faith in the Lord. He conducted his life according to his "life verses" of the Bible: running the race well with purpose to receive the eternal prize (I Corinthians 9) and setting eternal priorities above earthly ones (Matthew 16:26).

Survivors include his children, David (Charlene) Beckman, residing in Santa Barbara, CA; Matthew (Angie) Beckman, residing in Waukee, IA; Sarah (Michael) Gratton, residing in Lafayette, CA; grandchildren who know him as "Papa": Cody, Quinn, Kai (their mother, Stacey Beckman), Elise, Elena, Evelyn, and Aaron; and step-grandchildren: Hayley, Cody, Isabel, and Greenlee.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Alice, and brother Lloyd and sister Joan.

Memories may be shared online by visiting esterdahl.com.

Norma Wiig Brookings Jan. 5, 1935 - April 15, 2024

Norma A. Wiig, age 89 of Brookings passed away peacefully on Monday, April 15, at The Neighborhoods at Brookview.

She was born on the family farm Jan. 5, 1935, in Sherman County, Nebraska the daughter of Glenn H. and Anna C. (Weiss) Kenyon. Norma attended a small country school until the 8th grade before graduating from Grand Island Senior High in 1952. Norma earned a business degree in high school where she learned secretarial skills and spent many years in that capacity throughout her life.

On March 19, 1954, she was united in marriage to her high school sweetheart, Wallace W. Wiig. Norma supported her husband and earned her PhD (Putting Hubby Through) degree while he attended the University of Nebraska Lincoln. She was a busy homemaker dedicating her life to care for her family. Wally's career took them on many moves throughout the Midwest. In 1972 one of those moves landed them in Marshalltown, IA, where she worked with three family physicians at the Marshalltown Medical Clinic as the sole medical transcriptionist and office manager until 1981. Their last move was to Brookings, SD, in 1988. While in Brookings, Norma had a significant role in the life of her grandson, Blayne. She retired in 1994 from Brookings Health System where she worked as a receptionist/switchboard operator. She enjoyed reading, gardening, bird watching and their many beloved pets through the years.

Those left to cherish her memory include her husband Wallace of 70 years; daughters, Lianne (Jim) Wiig Von Eschen of Norfolk, NE; Laurie Wiig Hoffman of Houston, TX; Cynthia (Gary) Forbes of Groveland, Florida, and Sheri Wiig of Aurora, SD; grandchildren, Patricia

(Jason) Lamli, Carley Harwood, Jarrod Forbes, Rachel Forbes, Blayne (Danielle) Wiig, and Samuel Wiig Hoffman; and six great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers Dean and Harlon Kenyon.

No formal services will take place, as Norma requested, but we do appreciate your love and support during this difficult time. The family would like to express their deep gratitude to the staff of The Neighborhoods at Brookview and Brookings Health System Home Health & Hospice for their loving care. Memorials can be directed to The Neighborhoods at Brookview or Brookings Health System Hospice.

Rude's Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements. Condolences to the family can be sent to 302 Linden Lane, Aurora, SD 57002 or through www.rudesfuneralhome.com.

Molly Yoder Brookings May 3, 2007 - April 12, 2024

Molly Anne Yoder, age 16, of Brookings, passed away on Friday, April 12, 2024, due to a bicycle accident.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. on Friday, April 19, at Bible Baptist Church in Brookings. Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. on Thursday, April 18, also at the church. Eidsness Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. A private family burial will be immediately following the funeral at Greenwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials



Norma Wiig

are preferred. Use the blue button at the bottom her obit at eidsnessfuneralhome.com to donate to Molly's family. This fund is being used as a memorial fund to raise money to help Molly's family give back to a charity in honor of Molly's generous spirit.

Molly Anne was born on May 3, 2007, in Lansing, Michigan. She was the seventh of eight children born to Ivan and Katherine (Hall) Yoder.

When she was 7, Molly and her family moved to Brookings, South Dakota. Molly was home-schooled and was currently a junior in high school.

Molly was a girl full of life and kept everyone laughing constantly with her razor-sharp wit. She had a very tender heart, loved animals, and had a true compassion for those less fortunate. Molly loved to read and watch movies, especially Spider-Man. She was a member of Bible Baptist Church in Brookings, where her father pastors. Molly was actively involved with the youth group at church. Molly worked at CupA Tea in Brookings, and was on her way to work to pick up an unscheduled shift when the accident happened.

She loved being employed, and had just purchased her first car. Molly was planning to get her license this month.

Survivors include her parents, Ivan and Katherine Yoder of Brookings; sisters, Hannah Yoder, Sarah Gossett (Jonathan), Naomi Yoder (Josiah Symes) Lydia Byrum (Caleb), and Barbara Yoder; brothers, Timothy Yoder and Micah Yoder; maternal grandparents, Mel and Barbara Hall; paternal grandparents, Glen and Ida Yoder; nieces and nephews, Ezra, Archie, Tommy, Ellie, Spencer, Carolyn, and Tallulah; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and other relatives.



Molly Yoder

Court Report

Court report 3-14 CLASS II MISDEMEANORS

Javier Antonio Serrano Ortega, 29, of 614 Seventh Ave. S. No. 22, failure to maintain financial responsibility, fined \$132.50 and sentenced to 10 days in BCDC, all jail time suspended upon conditions imposed by the court.

Matthew Anthony Koob, 54, of 524 Sixth Ave. S. No. C8, disorderly conduct, fined \$300 and sentenced to 30 days in BCDC, 25 days of jail time suspended upon conditions imposed by the court.

Preston Jon Rogness, 17, of 111 17th Ave., purchase, receive, consume or possess tobacco by a person under 21, fined \$107.50.

Megan Brooke Veldkamp, 32, Flandreau, speeding on other roadways, fined \$97.50.

Amos E. Wipf, 56, White, speeding on other roadways, fined \$97.50.

Daniel Robbins, 53, Aurora, speeding on a state highway, fined \$97.50.

Brock Hunter Minnaert, 22, Madison, seat belt violation, fined \$25.

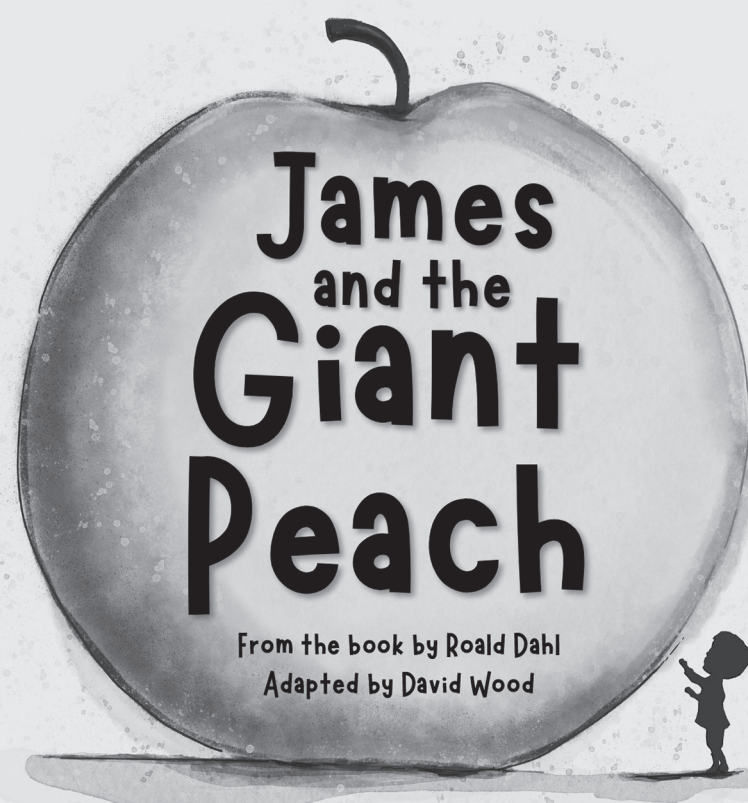
Victor Eldon Christensen, 64, Volga, open alcoholic beverage container in vehicle, fined \$132.50; no driver's license, fined \$132.50; failure to report accident to police officer, fined \$198.50.

Shelance Bunker, 28, Arlington, speeding on other roadways, fined \$97.50.

Lexey Thompson, 17, of 514 Cardinal Drive, speeding on a state highway, fined \$97.50.

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Kelsey Doom and Laura Schwarz

Schwarz garners Brookings Area Chamber honor

BROOKINGS — The Brookings Area Chamber of Commerce has announced that Laura Schwarz has been named the 2023 Young Professional of the Year. This award recognizes exceptional young professionals who have demonstrated outstanding leadership, innovation, and commitment to their field and community.

Schwarz has distinguished herself through her exceptional work in her role as HR director of Falcon Plastics. In addition to her professional achievements, Laura is also an active member of the community and volunteers her time as a classroom teacher for Junior Achievement, as a BHS apprenticeship mentor, a member of the Brookings Area HR Association, and has served on several Brookings Area Chamber of Commerce committees.

"Laura's dedication to both her career and community is truly inspiring," said Kelsey Doom, Brookings Area Chamber president. "She is a great example of a young professional who is not only achieving great success in her career, but also giving back to the Brookings community. We are honored to present her with this well-deserved award."

The Chamber expressed congratulations to the other nominees. The nominees were: Brittany Kreul, First Bank & Trust; Jennifer Barlund, Falcon Plastics; Justin Bucher, Banner Associates; Kesmond Willert,

Bowes Construction; Alex Okerman, Upframe Creative; Greg Olson, First Interstate Bank; Katie VanDewater, Brookings Behavioral Health & Wellness; Jesse David, Craft Chophouse & Lounge; Tony Teesdale, Teesdale Law Office; and Matt Rustman, Wooden Legs Brewing Company.

For more information, contact the Brookings Area Chamber of Commerce at 605-692-8922 or info@brookingschamber.org.

GM to move Detroit HQ to new downtown tower

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors plans to move its iconic Detroit headquarters to a new downtown office tower and redevelop its home office site, a person briefed on the plans said.

The company has scheduled a news conference Monday afternoon with the Bedrock real estate firm to announce the plans, the person said.

In addition, Bedrock, which owns multiple office buildings downtown, will join GM in studying redevelopment of the seven-building Renaissance Center now owned by GM, said the person, who asked not to be identified because the plans have not been formally announced.

GM CEO Mary Barra and Bedrock Chairman Dan Gilbert will attend the news conference at the site of a new tower Bedrock is building on the site of the old Hudson's department store in the heart of downtown.

The person said that GM's main office would move to the Hudson's tower.

The plan does not involve GM selling the RenCen, as the tower complex is known locally. The complex is the centerpiece of Detroit's skyline and often appears on sports television broadcasts.

GM bought the tower complex in 1996 and later moved its headquarters there from a site north of downtown. It has housed the company ever since, so the move would mean the end of an era at the site.

Gilbert's Bedrock has been buying up properties downtown for many years and has led its rebirth. He also runs loan company Rocket Mortgage.

In a 2022 interview, Barra told The Associated Press that GM will keep its main office in the RenCen complex just across the Detroit River from Canada.

But she qualified her statements, saying she can't predict what might happen in five, 10 or 15 years. Since then, about 5,000 white-collar workers at GM took early retirement buyouts, and many workers are still on a hybrid office-home work schedule, so GM needs less office space.

"Our headquarters will always be in Detroit, in the RenCen," she said, using the name given to the complex by locals. "Right now the plan is for it to be at the Renaissance Center. That's our home," she said.

The company takes up about 1 1/2 of the RenCen's towers, which have seen little pedestrian traffic for years. Much of GM's work force, including product development and engineering, is north of the city at an updated 1950s technical center in suburban Warren.



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People walk to the Tesla Gigafactory for electric cars in Gruenheide near Berlin, Germany.

Tesla plans to lay off 10% of workforce

DETROIT (AP) — After reporting dismal first-quarter sales, Tesla is planning to lay off about a tenth of its workforce as it tries to cut costs, multiple media outlets reported Monday.

CEO Elon Musk detailed the plans in a memo sent to employees.

The layoffs could affect about 14,000 of the 140,473 workers employed by the Austin, Texas, company at the end of last year.

Musk's memo said that as Tesla prepares for its next phase of growth, "it is extremely important to look at every aspect of the company for cost reductions and increasing productivity." The New York Times and CNBC reported. News of the layoffs was first reported by electric vehicle website Electrek.

Also Monday, two key Tesla executives announced on the social media platform X that they are leaving the company. Andrew Baglino, senior vice president of powertrain and energy engineering, wrote that he had made the decision to leave after 18 years with the company.

Rohan Patel, senior global director of public policy and business development, also wrote on X that he was leaving Tesla, after eight years.

Baglino, who held several top engineering jobs at the company and was chief technology officer, wrote that the decision to leave was difficult. "I loved tackling nearly every problem we solved as a team and feel gratified to have contributed to the mission of accelerating the transition to sustainable energy," he wrote.

He has no concrete plans beyond spending more time with family and his young children, but wrote that he has difficulty staying still for long.

Musk thanked Baglino in a reply. "Few have contributed as much as you," he wrote.

Shares of Tesla fell 4.8% Monday afternoon, hours after news of the layoffs and departures broke. Shares of Tesla Inc. have lost about one-third of their value so far this year as sales of electric vehicles soften.

Tesla sales fell sharply last quarter as competition increased worldwide, electric vehicle sales growth slowed, and price cuts failed to draw more buyers. The company said it delivered 386,810 vehicles from January through March, nearly 9% below the 423,000 it sold in the same quarter of last year.

Since last year, Tesla has cut prices as much as \$20,000 on some models as it faced increasing competition and slowing demand. The price cuts caused used electric vehicle values to drop and clipped Tesla's profit margins.

The company has said it will reveal an autonomous robotaxi at an event in August.

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		250	305	ION	NCIS: New Orleans "Love Hurts"	NCIS: New Orleans "Chasing Ghosts"	Blue Bloods "Past History"	Blue Bloods "Collision Course"	Blue Bloods "Close to Home"	Blue Bloods "The Naked Truth"	Blue Bloods "Smoke & Mirrors"	Blue Bloods "Family Matters"								
4	4	17	17	KTTW	The 700 Club	A. Wommack (N)	Turning Point (N)	James Robison	Larry and Tiz Huch	Our Jewish Roots	CBN Newswatch	TCT Today	Joseph Prince	Rick Renner	Ask the Pastor	Les Feldick	Today with M	3D Woman		
5	5	46	46	KDLT	(7:00) Today (N)	Today 3rd Hour (N)	Today With Hoda & Jenna (N)	Today With Hoda & Jenna (N)	Tamron Hall Johnny Wright, Nicole Berrie	NBC News Daily (N)	Hot Bench (N)	Hot Bench	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	Dateline "Deadly Conspiracy"					
7				KESD	Daniel Tiger	Rosie's Rules	Molly of Denali	Work It Out Wombats!	Donkey Hodie	The Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot About Camping! (16)	Nature Cat	Sesame Street	Curious George	Xavier Riddle	Cyberchase	Wild Kratts	Odd Squad	Nature "Raptors: A Fiftful of Dagers: Meet the Raptors"		
11	11	11	11	KELO	(7:00) CBS Mornings (N)	Let's Make a Deal	The Price Is Right (N)	The Young and the Restless (N)	News (N)	Bold/Beautiful (N)	UEFA Champions League Today (N) (Live)	UEFA Champions League Soccer Manchester City vs. Real Madrid Quarterfinal, 2nd Leg (N) (Live)								
w13	13	13	13	KSFY	(7:00) Good Morning America (N)	Dakota News Now at 9AM on KSFY (N)	The View (N)	Dakota News (N)	Judge Judy	GMA3: What You Need to Know (N)	General Hospital (N)	Inside Edition (N)	Daytime Jeopardy	Kelly Clarkson Michael Douglas, Sunny Choi (N)						
15				KCPO	Shepherd's Chapel	Shepherd's Chapel	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Scene of the Crime	Wild America	Biz Kids	Ag PhD	Wild Dakota	Wild Dakota	Les Feldick	Les Feldick	Forensic Files	Forensic Files		
53	129	239	307	NWSNT	NewsNation Live w/Marni Hughes (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live w/Marni Hughes (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live w/Marni Hughes (N) (Live)	NewsNation Live w/Marni Hughes (N) (Live)	NewsNation Now With Nichole Berlie (N) (Live)	NewsNation Now With Nichole Berlie (N) (Live)	NewsNation Now With Nichole Berlie (N) (Live)	NewsNation Now With Nichole Berlie (N) (Live)	NewsNation Now With Connell McShane (N) (Live)	NewsNation Now With Connell McShane (N) (Live)						
24	60	140	206	ESPN	(7:00) Get Up (N) (Live)	First Take (N) (Live)	Get Up (N)	The Pat McAfee Show (N) (Live)	First Take (N)		SportsCenter (N) (Live)	NBA Today (N) (Live)	NFL Live (N) (Live)							
25	64	143	209	ESPN2	SportsCenter (N)	Get Up (N)														
26	75	436	668	BSN	Twins Live Postgame	Breaking Par	MLB Baseball Minnesota Twins at Baltimore Orioles From Oriole Park at Camden Yards in Baltimore.	Live on the Line (N) (Live)	Twins Live (N) (Live)	MLB Baseball Minnesota Twins at Baltimore Orioles From Oriole Park at Camden Yards in Baltimore.	Postgame (N) (Live)	Offroad Odyssey								
27	121	136	248	FX	(6:30) 50 First Dates ★★	Hitch ★★★ (05) Romance	Eva Mendes, Kevin James, Will Smith. A smooth-talker (Will Smith) helps a shy accountant (Kevin James) woo an heiress.	Once Upon a Time... In Hollywood ★★★ (2019, Comedy) Brad Pitt, Margot Robbie, Leonardo DiCaprio. A TV star and his longtime stunt double make their way around a changing industry in 1969 Hollywood.	Zombieland: Double Tap ★★ (19) Jesse Eisenberg, Emma Stone, Woody Harrelson.											
28	117	180	311	FREE	The 700 Club	Guests Canon (N)	700 Club Interactive	Boy/World "The War"	Boy Meets World	Boy Meets World	The Heat ★★ (13) Melissa McCarthy, Demian Bichir, Sandra Bullock.	(40) Sweet Home Alabama ★★ (02) Josh Lucas, Patrick Dempsey, Reese Witherspoon.								
29	134	108	252	LIFE	The Closer "Time Bomb"	The Closer "Good Faith"	Major Crimes "By Any Means: Part 2"	Major Crimes "By Any Means: Part 3"	Major Crimes "By Any Means: Part 4"	Rizzoli & Isles "See One, Do One, Teach One"	Rizzoli & Isles "Boston Strangler Redux"	Rizzoli & Isles "Sympathy for the Devil"								
30	115	105	242	USA	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Blas"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Clock"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Avatar"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Inconceivable"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Snatched"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Shattered"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Missing Pieces"	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Manhattan Vigil"								
31	118	122	244	SYFY	(6:45) Buffy the Vampire Slayer	(4:45) The Munsters (22) Jeff Daniel Phillips, Daniel Roebuck, Sheri Moon Ziebell.	(1:15) Mechanic: Resurrection ★★ (16) Jessica Alba, Tommy Lee Jones, Jason Statham.	Pompeii ★★ (14) Carrie-Anne Moss, Emily Browning, Kit Harington.												
32	116	139	247	TBS	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	
33	120	138	245	TNT	Charmed "Blind Sided"	Supernatural "Regarding Dean"	Supernatural "Stuck in the Middle (With You)"	Supernatural "Family Feud"	Supernatural "The Raid"	Supernatural "Somewhere Between Heaven and Hell"	Supernatural "Ladies Drink Free"	Lucifer "Favorite Son"								
34	265	131	254	AMC	The Three Stooges	Crocodile Dundee II ★★ (88) Linda Kozlowski, Charles S. Dutton, Paul Hogan.	Major League II ★ (94) Tom Berenger, Corbin Bernsen, Charlie Sheen.	A Few Good Men ★★ (92) Jack Nicholson, Demi Moore, Tom Cruise. Navy lawyers (Tom Cruise, Demi Moore) defend Marines for a murder at Gilmo.												
35	126	118	265	A&E	Parking Wars	Parking Wars	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam		
36	206	120	269	HIST	Pawn Stars: Best Of "Sci Fi Bains"	Pawn Stars: Best Of "Chum's Amazing Deals"	Pawn Stars: Best Of "Home Run Deals"	Pawn Stars Do America "Fort Worth Fortunes" Rick, Corey, and Chum head deep into the heart of Texas.	Pawn Stars Do America "Sweet Carolina" The guys end their road trip in the Old Man's hometown.	Pawn Stars Do America "San Francisco Treats"										
37	152	112	229	HGTV	Bargain Block "Minimalist and Dollhouse Completed"	Bargain Block "The Disco and Temple Houses"	Home Town "A New Beginning"	Home Town "Pumped About Laurel"	Home Town "The Family Tree"	Home Town "Mississippi Made"	Home Town "What's Good for the Goose?"									
38	218	182	278	DISC	Strange Evidence "Escobar's Ghost"	Strange Evidence "When Bigfoot Attacks"	Expedition X "Terror on Doll Island"	Expedition X "Mystery in Mammoth Cave"	Expedition X "Mothman Phenomenon"	Expedition X "Mt. Adams' UFO Encounter"	Expedition X "The Amazon's Cursed Ruins"	Expedition X "Round-Up at Death Ranch"								
39	213	183	280	TLC	My Feet Are Killing Me "Dislocation Disaster"	Paralyzed and Pregnant	Paralyzed and Pregnant With Twins	Dr. Pimple Popper "Poop! (There it is)"	Dr. Pimple Popper "Scaly Mermaid Skin"	Untold Stories of the E.R. "Who Shot Who?"	Untold Stories of the E.R. "Gunshot Affair"									
40	215	184	282	ANPL	Dr. Dee: Alaska Vet "Critical Condition"	Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet "New World"	Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet "Blown Away"	Pit Bulls and Parolees "A Girl Named Gun"	Pit Bulls and Parolees "The Incomparable Dr. K"	The Zoo "Bouncing Troody"	The Secret Life of the Zoo "Survival of the Fittest"	The Vet Life "Little Dog, Big Problem"								
41	112	170	299	NICK	PAW Patrol	PAW Patrol	Rubble	Rubble	Tiny Chef (N)	PAW Patrol	PAW Patrol	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Patrick Star	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob		
42	107	176	296	TOON	Gumball	Scoby-Doo	Scoby-Doo	Tom/Jerry	Tiny To	Craig/Craig	WeBare	Teen(15) Teen	Teen(15) Teen	Gumball	Hero/Gumball	Gumball	Regular	Regular		
43	98	172	290	DISN	Bluey	Bluey/Bluey	Pupstruction	Bluey	Bluey	Spidey	SuperKitties	Spidey	Spidey	Bluey	Kiff	Kiff	Big City	Big City		
44	124	106	304	TVLD	M*A*S*H	(35) M*A*S*H	(10) M*A*S*H	(45) Bonanza	The Prime of O'Brien	(50) Gunsmoke	The Hanging of Newly	(55) Gunsmoke	"Susan Was Evil"	Gunsmoke "The Deadly Innocent"	Gunsmoke "A Child Between"	The Andy Griffith Show	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith		
45	147	114	236	E!	Below Deck "I Don't Date, I Mate"	Below Deck "I'm Ironing the Captain's Shorts"	Below Deck "My Dearest Emile..."	Below Deck "Storm's a Comin'"	Below Deck "Boom Boom in the Laundry Room"	Below Deck "Fire!"	Below Deck "What Took You So Long?"	Below Deck "The Real Housewives of Atlanta"								
46	161	107	249	COM	Futurama	(35) Futurama	(10) South Park	(45) South Park	(15) South Park	(50) South Park	The Hobbit	(25) South Park	South Park	South Park "The Cissy"	Seinfeld "The Yada Yada"	Seinfeld "The Millennium"	Seinfeld "The Muffin Tops"	Seinfeld	Seinfeld "The Butter Shave"	Seinfeld "The Voice"
48	174	162	335	VH1	Living Single	Living Single	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Wayans	Karate Kid
50	165	241	241	PARMT	Bar Rescue "Two Flew Over the Handlebars"	Bar Rescue "Vulgar Vixens"	Bar Rescue "There Will Be Family Blood"	Bar Rescue "The Lights Come Back in Puerto Rico"	Bar Rescue "Ricky Rockin' Rhonda's"	Bar Rescue "Operation Puerto Rico"	Bar Rescue "Speed" The first three-hour shift tests chefs' speed.	Bar Rescue "The Road to April 19th"	Guy's Grocery Games "Rematch Mania"	Guy's Grocery Games "Single-Aisle Showdowns"						
62	155	110	231	FOOD	Delicious Miss Brown	Delicious Miss Brown	The Pioneer Woman	The Pioneer Woman	The Pioneer Woman	Pioneer "Herbalicious-Split"	24 in 24: Last Chef Standing	"Lucky Split"	24 in 24: Last Chef Standing	"Lucky Split"	Shiff 1: Speed	The first three-hour shift tests chefs' speed.	Guy's Grocery Games "Rematch Mania"	Guy's Grocery Games "Single-Aisle Showdowns"		
67	167	129	237	BRAVO	Million Dollar LA "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes"	Million Dollar LA "To Sell or Not to Sell"	Million Dollar LA "The Rocky Hazen Picture Show"	Million Dollar LA "Rate Hikes and Dark Nights"	Million Dollar LA "Rate Hikes and Dark Nights"	Million Dollar LA "Breakin' Up Is Hard to Do"	Million Dollar LA "Commission Omission"	Million Dollar LA "Flagg and Loathing in Las Vegas"								
68	140	128	260	WE	Who Stole My Life?	Portable Oxygen	NCIS "Brothers in Arms"	NCIS "In the Dark"	NCIS "Trojan Horse"	NCIS "Angel of Death"	NCIS "Bury Your Dead"	NCIS "Family"	NCIS "Ex-Fire"							
70	240	196	277	TRAV	Mysteries at the Castle	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C	Unexplained: C		
71	142	185	312	HALL	Reba	Fraser "High Crane Drifter"	Fraser "Chess Pains"	Fraser	An American in Austen (24) Nicholas Bishop, Nell Barlow, Eliza Bennett.	All of My Heart (15, Rom) Brennan Elliott, Ed Asner, Lacey Chabert. A young woman develops an unexpected friendship.	Betty's Bad Luck in Love (24) Marco Grazzini, Meghan Heffern, Laci Malley.									
72	192	200	202	CNN	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN Newsroom (N) (Live)	CNN Newsroom (N) (Live)	Ins. Politics (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)	CNN News Central (N) (Live)		
74	193	205	360	FNC	Newsroom (N) (Live)	Newsroom (N) (Live)	The (N) (Live)	Outnumbered (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)	America Reports (N) (Live)		
75	195	208	355	CNBC	Squawk on the Street (N) (Live)	Money Movers (N) (Live)	Fast Money (N) (Live)	The Exchange (N) (Live)	Power Lunch (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)	Closing Bell (N) (Live)		
301	400	300	501	HBO	(7:05) Chain Reaction ★★	(55) The Sum of All Fears ★★★ (02) Morgan Freeman, James Cromwell, Ben Affleck. Jack Ryan (Ben Affleck) fights terrorists planning a nuclear attack.	Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials ★★ (15) Kaya Scodelario, Giancarlo Esposito, Dylan O'Brien.	(15) An American Bombing: The Road to April 19th	(05) The Color Purple ★★★ (23) Fantasia Barrino.											
325	420	310	515	MAX	(7:30) Temptation: Confessions of a Marriage Counselor	(25) For Your Eyes Only ★★★ (81) Carole Bouquet, Topol, Roger Moore.	Be Cool ★★ (05, Com) Uma Thurman, Vince Vaughn, John Travolta. Chili Palmer runs afoul of record-industry players.	Into the Blue ★★ (05) Jessica Alba, Scott Caan, Paul Walker.	(25) Gemini ★★★ (17) Zoë Kravitz, John Cho, Lola Kirke.											
351	375	318	545	SHOW	(7:30) Identity ★★★ (03) Ray Liotta, John Cusack.	Dead for a Dollar (22) Willem Dafoe, Rachel Brosnahan, Christoph Waltz.	(45) War Pony (22) LaDainian Crazy Thunder, Ashley Shelton, Jojo Bapteise Whiting.	(45) Whiskey Tango Foxtrot ★★ (16) Margot Robbie, Martin Freeman, Tina Fey.	(45) What Happens Later ★★ (23) David Duchovny, Hal Liggett, Meg Ryan.											
401	340	350	525	STARZ	(7:20) Money Train ★ (95) Wesley Snipes.	(10) Last Chance Harvey ★★ (08) Emma Thompson, Liane Balaban, Dustin Hoffman.	(45) Vengeance ★★★ (22) Boyd Holbrook, Issa Rae, B.J. Novak.	(40) Bent (18) Sofia Vergara, Andy Garcia, Karl Urban.	(20) Miss Bala ★ (19) Ismael Cruz Cordova, Anthony Mackie, Gina Rodriguez.											
420	352	340	535	STZEN	(7:00) Aurora: A Love Story	(35) The Last Warrior ★★ (00) Sherri Alexander, Dolph Lundgren.	(15) Hulk ★★ (03) Jennifer Connelly, Sam Elliott, Eric Bana.	(35) There's Something About Mary ★★★ (98) Matt Dillon, Ben Stiller, Cameron Diaz.	(40) Speed Kills (18) Kathryn Winnick, Kellan Lutz, John Travolta.											

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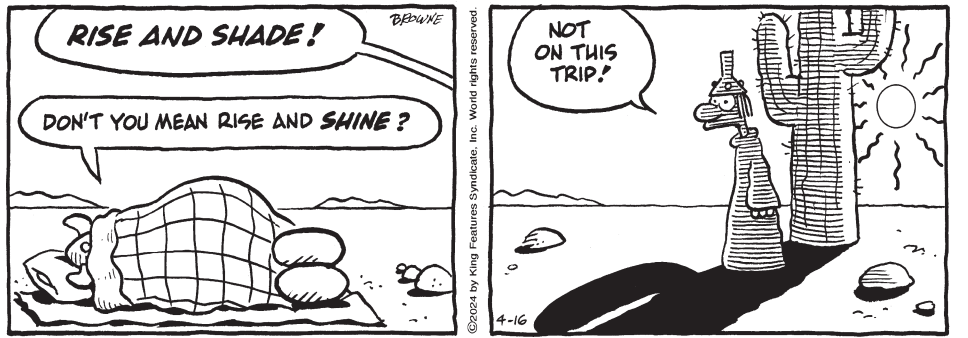
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4	4	17	17	KTTW	Christian World News	Washington Watch With Tony Perkins	Creflo Dollar	Pastor Robert Morris	TCT Today	Joyce Meyer	Love Worth Finding	James Robison	Dr. Robert Jeffress	Jewish Jesus	Andrew Wommack	Ask the Pastor	First Century Foundations		
5	5	46	46	KDLT	Dakota News Now at 4pm (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Dakota News (N)	NBC Nightly News (N)	Dakota News (N)	Chicago "I Make a Promise, I Will Never Leave You"	Chicago Fire "On the Hook"	Chicago P.D. "Split Second"	Dakota News (N)	(35) Tonight Show Julianne Moore, Lindsay Lohan	(35) Seth Meyers				
7				KESD	A Brief History of the Future "Chaos & Complexity"	Context (N)	BBC News America (N)	PBS NewsHour (N)	Nature "Raptors: A Fiftful of Dagers: Extreme Lives" (N)	A Brief History of the Future "Extreme Lives" (N)	NOVA "Making North America: Origins"	Amanpour and Company (N)	BBC News (N)	Dakota Life					
11	11	11	11	KELO	KELOLAND News First at Four (N)	News (N)	CBS Evening News (N)	News (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Survivor "Hide 'N Seek" Multiple claim credit for an elimination. (N)	The Amazing Race "Our Alliance Strikes Again" (N)	News (N)	(35) Colbert John Lithgow, Doris Kearns Goodwin (N)	(35) After Midnight (N)					
w13	13	13	13	KSFY	iCRIME - Vargas	Investigate-TV+ (N)	Dakota News (N)	ABC World News (N)	Dakota News (N)	Wheel of Fortune (N)	The Connors	Not Dead "Not You Yet" (N)	Abbott "2 Ava 2 Fest" (N)	The \$100,000 Pyramid (N)	Pyramid Matt James, Wendi McLendon-Covey	Dakota News Now (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live! Rob McElhenney (N)	(35) Nightline (N)	
15				KCPO	One America News (N)	Daily Flash	Storage Wars	Top Secret Files	Murdoch Mysteries "Devil Music"	The First 48 "For a Quick Buck; Bloody Sunday"	Court Cam	Court Cam	Daily Flash	Storage Wars	Cheaters				
53	129	239	307	NWSNT	Elizabeth Vargas Reports (N) (Live)	The Hill (N) (Live)	On Balance With Leland Vittert (N) (Live)	Cuomo (N) (Live)	Dan Abrams Live (N) (Live)	Bandfield (N) (Live)	Cuomo	Dan Abrams Live							
24	60	140	206	ESPN	Around N	Pardon (N)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	NBA (N)	NBA Basketball Play-In Tournament: Teams TBA (N) (Live)	(05) NBA Basketball Play-In Tournament: Teams TBA (N) (Live)	(35) SportCtr								
25	64	143	209	ESPN2	NFL Live Guests Marcus Spears, Dan Orlovsky (N)	ESPN BET Live (N) (Live)	Welcome/NFL	NBA Basketball Play-In Tournament: Teams TBA Professional basketball action from the NBA. (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	SportsCenter (N) (Live)	Welcome/NFL (N) (Live)	Welcome/NFL					
26	75	436	668	BSN	Live on the Line	World Seminole Hard Rock Poker Showdown - Part 4	The Card Life Tampa (N)	Twins Live Pregame	MLB Baseball Minnesota Twins at Baltimore Orioles From Oriole Park at Camden Yards in Baltimore.	Twins Live Postgame	World Seminole Hard Rock Poker Showdown - Part 4	Twins Live Pregame							
27	121	136	248	FX	(2:30) Zombieland: ...	Deadpool 2 ★★ (18) Josh Brolin, Morena Baccarin, Ryan Reynolds.	Venom: Let There Be Carnage ★★ (21) Woody Harrelson, Michelle Williams, Tom Hardy. Venom battles the evil Carnage.	American (N)	(55) American Horror Story: Delicate "Little Gold Man"	(45) American Horror Story: Delicate "Little Gold Man"	(35) American								
28	117	180	311	FREE	(15) Bride Wars ★★ (09) Anne Hathaway, Kristen Johnston, Kate Hudson.	(20) The Proposal ★★ (09) Ryan Reynolds, Mary Steenburgen, Sandra Bullock. A woman (Sandra Bullock) pretends to be engaged to her assistant to avoid deportation to Canada.	grown-ish (N)	The 700 Club											

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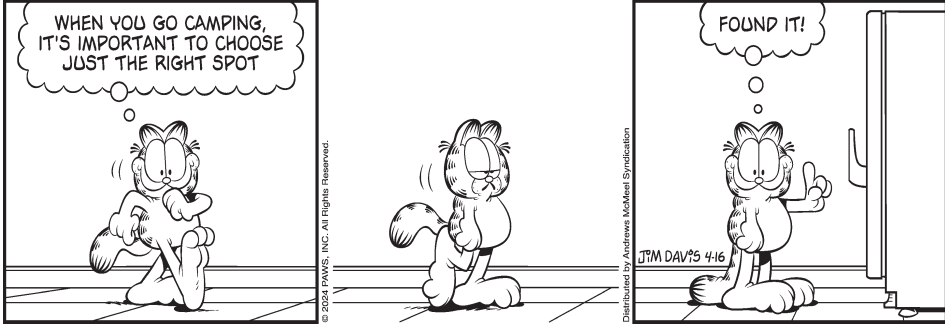
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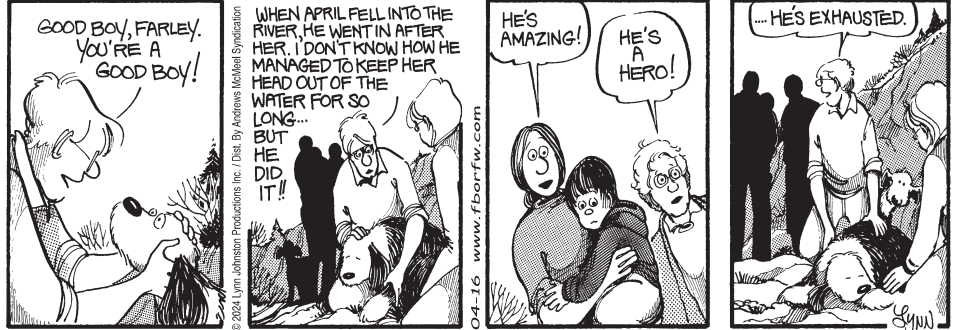
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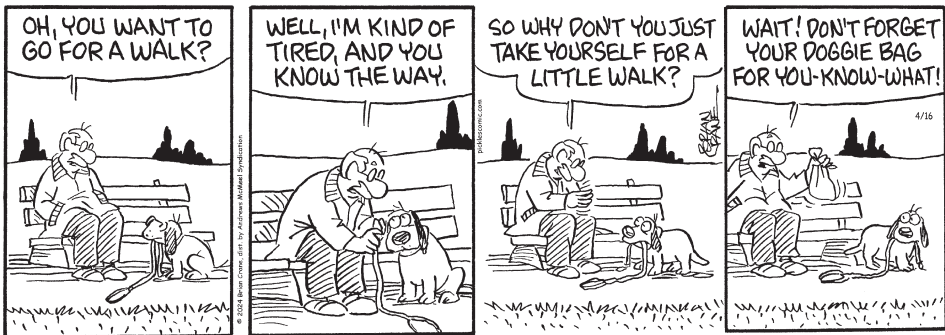
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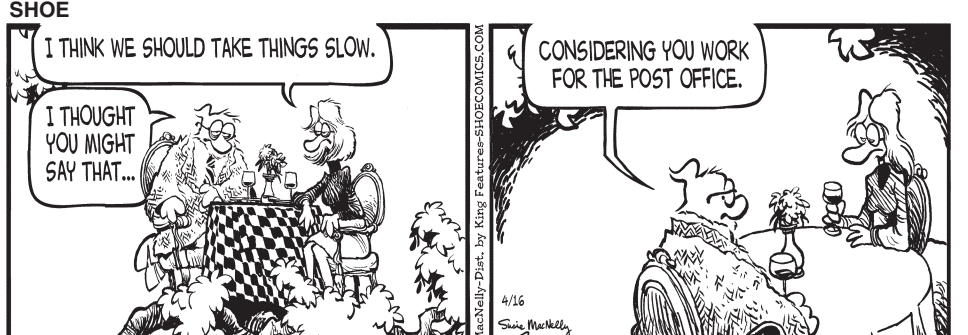
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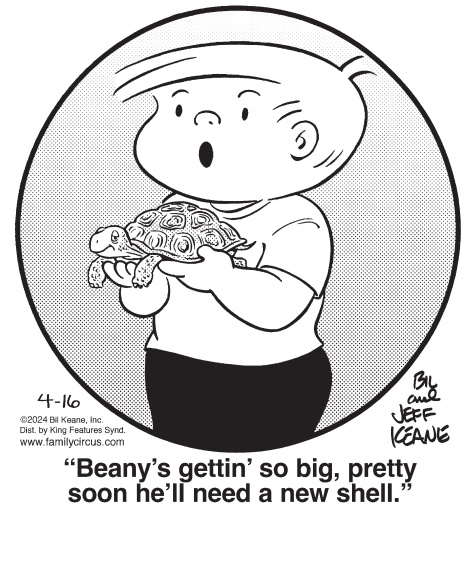
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CLOSE TO HOME



FAMILY CIRCUS



Bridge

By PHILIP ALDER

Bertrand Russell, an Englishman who won the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1950, said, "In all affairs it's a healthy thing now and then to hang a question mark on the things you have long taken for granted."

We usually take for granted that if we need to cash some tricks in a side suit, the fewer cards we have there, the more likely we will get those tricks before an opponent can trump in.

That is true, but we must sometimes hang a question mark on our line of play.

In this deal, South reaches six hearts. West leads the club king. Declarer wins with his ace and draws two rounds of trumps, learning that he has an unavoidable loser there. How should he continue?

The auction was natural and reached a respectable slam.

Declarer's task was to discard his two club losers before East could ruff in and cash a club trick.

It looks normal to play first on spades, the shorter of two side suits that will provide pitches. But notice that this does not work here. East trumps the third spade and plays a club.

Yes, that is unlucky, but it is still the wrong play. For South to succeed, East must have at least three diamonds. And so declarer should start on that suit. If it proves to break 3-3, then he shifts to spades, hoping to find East with at least three cards there also.

But when East turns up with four diamonds, South throws away one of his

North				04-16-24	
♠	K J 10				
♥	K 9 6 2				
♦	A Q 7 4				
♣	5 2				
West		East			
♠	8 7 6 5 3 2	♠	9 4		
♥	5	♥	Q J 10		
♦	5 2	♦	9 8 6 3		
♣	K Q J 10	♣	9 7 6 4		
South		Dealer: North			
♠	A Q	Vulnerable: Both			
♥	A 8 7 4 3	South	West	North	East
♦	K J 10	1♥	Pass	1♦	Pass
♣	A 8 3	6♥	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♠ K					

clubs. Then he needs to find East with only two spades, because when East trumps that third spade, declarer unloads his remaining low club.

Dr. Roizen

Eating yogurt may help gut biome metabolize glucose

By MIKE ROIZEN, M.D. AND MEHMET OZ, M.D.

People like risks, even when consistently coming out on the short end, if the fact that Las Vegas casinos earned more than \$8 billion in 2022 is any indication. But when it comes to your health, you want to bet on winners. And two recent studies offer you smart ways to cut your risk of Type 2 diabetes.

The Food and Drug Administration has approved a qualified health claim that says that eating 2 cups of yogurt a week is associated with a reduced risk of Type 2 diabetes. We think that probiotics in yogurt may be what's helping your gut biome regulate glucose metabolism. The caveat: The Food and Drug Administration didn't say that this applies only to plain yogurt. We say, don't think you can down 6 ounces of strawberry smoothie yogurt with 16 grams of added sugars (that's

80% of daily maximum most people can handle) and still get the protective benefits. You may also reduce your Type 2 risk by taking probiotic supplements. Get more info at the iHerb.com blog: "Probiotic Benefits: Enhancing Digestive Health and Boosting the Immune System."

A Swedish study shows that getting seven to eight hours of sleep nightly reduces your risk for Type 2 diabetes significantly — and even when people eat a healthy diet, sleeping for five hours a night over 12 years ups the risk of developing Type 2 by 16%; sleeping for only three to four hours increases your risk by 41%.

Extra tip: You can also reduce your diabetes risk by drinking filtered black coffee. Now those three smart choices are worth betting on.

Dr. Mike Roizen is the founder of www.longevityplaybook.com, and Dr. Mehmet Oz is global advisor to www.iHerb.com.

Celebrity Cipher

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

"CIXDKJNNR FCDB RIJ XYEE IB,
EILDITGR AYB NIU TYAU YBG EYR,
'FIF, PCDR LYGD Y GSKKDWBAD
SB EILD USBG IK FYR.'"
— LYWPSB NYFWDBAD

Previous Solution: "The wages of sin are death, but by the time taxes are taken out, it's just sort of a tired feeling." — Paula Poundstone

TODAY'S CLUE: g s j n b o _ l

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Dear Abby

Dear Abby: I'm a professional, well-educated adult who moved back home because of concerns about my father's health as well as having landed a much better job. As an extra perk, I've been able to save money to pay toward my student loans, as well as spoil my parents a bit as they grow older.

I recently gifted my parents (for the second time) their dream vacation. They loved it the first time and never imagined they'd be able to do it twice. Because my parents still have a minor child who cannot remain alone, I am choosing, as I did last time, to use my personal vacation time to babysit. My mother has been planning the details of her upcoming trip and has now asked me to take more time off work so they can have a road trip after their vacation.

Abby, I am already draining every bit of my time off for their weeklong vacation and will not be able to have a vacation myself until later in the year when I accrue more time. I know she's requesting this to make the trip more fun for my father. Although I am a generous and patient person, this has left me feeling almost speechless, a bit unappreciated and frus-

DEAR ABBY



ABIGAIL VAN BUREN WRITES A NATIONALLY SYNDICATED ADVICE COLUMN

trated. Am I overreacting? Should I find a way to extend their trip? — Limited In Ohio

Dear Limited: The answer to both of your questions is NO. Your mother apparently doesn't appreciate how generous you have been in providing these vacations for her and your father. If she wants to extend their holiday, she should make her own arrangements for your sibling to be supervised if she and your dad won't be available to do it themselves. Shame on her for trying to foist that responsibility onto you.

Dear Abby: I lost my darling wife recently. Her death was a shock to everyone. She was placed on life support for a short period while the medical staff performed tests to determine the extent of her injuries.

When it became apparent that she would spend the rest of her life in a vegetative state, no decisions had to

be made by her family or by me. My wife had an advance directive in place stating she did not want to remain living in this condition. I was extremely fortunate in that no one in her family wanted to contest the document.

As hard as it was for me to discontinue life support, I knew it was what she wanted. She passed peacefully, quietly and quickly.

Abby, please encourage your readers to make the time and make the effort to have an advance directive drawn up, whatever their desires may be. It was my wife's last gift to me, and I will be forever grateful for it. — Remembering Her In Arizona

Dear Remembering Her: I appreciate you taking the time to share this important information with my readers and me. Your letter serves as a reminder that all end-of-life documents should be reviewed regularly to be sure they reflect one's current thinking.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Saturday.

Sudoku

	8			5			6	7
	3	7			2			
		9		1	7	5	2	
3			7	9			5	2
8	2				3	7	9	1
7	9					8	3	
	5	2				9	8	
4						6		5
9		3			1	2	7	

Difficulty: ★★ 4/16

Answer to previous puzzle

7	2	3	9	5	1	6	8	4
5	4	6	2	7	8	3	1	9
1	9	8	6	3	4	7	5	2
9	8	4	5	6	7	2	3	1
2	1	7	8	9	3	5	4	6
6	3	5	1	4	2	8	9	7
8	5	1	4	2	6	9	7	3
3	6	9	7	1	5	4	2	8
4	7	2	3	8	9	1	6	5

Difficulty: ★ 4/15

Crosswords

ACROSS

- Pixie
- Outdo
- Layover
- Nothing at all
- Repeat
- Verne's captain
- "CSI" evidence
- Sgt. Snorkel's dog
- Oklahoma city
- Upperclassman
- Special pleasures
- Minn. neighbor
- Tolkien monster
- Fortunate
- Seize
- Rocks in a glass
- Maria
- Links cry
- Scull
- Chess pieces
- Actuality

DOWN

- Tips
- Checkout headache
- Custard

37 "Party in the —"

- Cudgel
- Bother
- Exodus leader
- Bond creator — Fleming
- Exchange
- Standing wide open
- Leg up
- Had bills
- Egyptian goddess
- Legume
- Ore deposit
- "Shakespeare in —"
- Branch
- Took off
- Caustic material
- Actress Ruby —

Answer to Previous Puzzle

R	I	N	D	B	A	R	D	S	C	I			
A	G	I	O	E	D	I	E	T	O	N			
M	O	N	T	R	O	O	F	R	U	T			
P	R	E	T	T	Y	T	R	O	U	P	E		
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A	S	H	E	S				L	I	D			
S	H	A	N	T	Y		O	B	J	E	C	T	
C	A	T		R	O	M	A		O	S	L	O	
O	D	E		E	Y	E	D		I	T	E	M	
T	E	D		L	O	W	S		N	E	W	S	

4 Aquarium fish

5 Cereal grain

6 Conspiracy

7 Show derision

8 Stubborn

9 Take out

10 Fuel compartments

12 Temperamental

18 Toner

20 After-bath wear

22 Raps

24 Stew meat

25 Part of the eye

26 Leggy creature

28 Skill

30 Scope out

31 Memorable times

33 "— From the Madding Crowd"

36 Twain's Huckleberry —

40 En — (together)

41 Harvest deity

43 Helped

45 Relinquish

46 Play a few holes

47 Like missing GIs

48 Fish organ

50 Apple device

51 Withered

52 Easily managed

55 — sauce

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FORM 6 DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO ADOPT RULES
A public hearing will be held both in Pierre at the Anderson Building, 445 East Capitol Ave., and online [https://state-sd.zoom.us/j/95703701321] at 9:30AM (Central) on May 9, 2024, to consider the adoption, amendment, and repeal of proposed Administrative Rules of South Dakota numbered §§ 61:24:02:01, 61:24:02:03, 61:24:02:04, 61:24:02:05, 61:24:03:08, 61:24:03:12, 61:24:03:13, 61:24:04:08, 64:17:01:02, 64:28:03:04:01, 64:28:15:01, 64:28:15:02, 64:28:15:03, and 64:33:01:01.

The effect of the rules will be to repeal obsolete rules, update existing rules to reflect current practices, eliminate the dealer technology exemption, and to adopt new rules regarding the motor vehicle excise tax exemption for rental companies. The reason for adopting the proposed rules is to update and clean up the rules, enable implementation of the new Motor Vehicles system, and to ensure that the use of the motor vehicle excise tax exemption for rental companies is fair and equitable among rental companies.

Persons interested in presenting amendments, data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rules may appear in-person at the hearing, or may submit via mail [Department of Revenue, 445 East Capitol Ave., Pierre, SD 57501] or e-mail [Morgan.Maier@state.sd.us]. The deadline to submit any such written comments for consideration is May 23, 2024 by the close of business.

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INVITATION TO BID AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE MUSEUM HISTORIC ROOF REPAIRS SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

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Sealed bids will be received by the Associate Vice President of Facilities & Services on behalf of South Dakota State University and the Board of Regents at the Office of Facilities & Services, Box 2150, FS100, South Dakota State University, Brookings, South Dakota 57007 until 2:00 PM on April 25th, 2024 for labor and materials associated with the Agricultural Heritage Museum Historic Roof Repairs on the campus of South Dakota State University. All times listed are local to the construction site.

Contractors please note: There will be a recommended on-site pre-bid meeting at 1:00 PM on April 18th, 2024, in the Facilities & Services Building, 1451 Stadium Road, Room 103, on the campus of South Dakota State University in Brookings, SD. Each Contractor wishing to submit a bid is required to attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting. Each Contractor shall examine the premises and be satisfied as to the existing site conditions before submitting a sealed bid.

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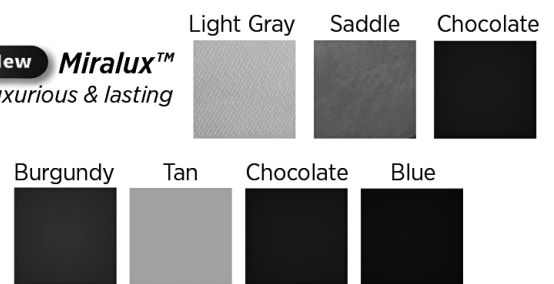
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Kennedy Ronning hands the baton to Quinn Ulvestad during a heat in the girls 4x100 meter relay during a quadrangular at the Brookings Athletic Complex on Monday afternoon.



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Brookings sprinters Gus Armenta (left), Gavin Anderson (center) and LaVonte Carter (right) compete in a heat for the 100 meter dash at the Brookings Athletic Complex on Monday afternoon.

Bobcats take first in two events at home quadrangular

FROM REGISTER STAFF REPORTS

BROOKINGS - The Brookings Bobcats took home a first-place finish in two different events as they hosted a quadrangular with Sioux Falls Lincoln, Harrisburg and Aberdeen Central at the Brookings Athletic Complex on Monday afternoon.

Logan Smidt picked up the first-place finish in an individual event, winning the girls javelin throw at 121-07.

The boys 1600 meter short medley relay team of Gavin Anderson, Owen Hoppe, Elie Wongondombi and Ernest Ting also finished in first place with a time of 3:49.95.

The Bobcats will return to action when they compete in an invitational at Yankton on Apr. 25.

BOYS

The boys 4x400 meter relay team of Jon Kahler,

Nathan Smith, Owen Hoppe and Ashton Baker finished in second place with a time of 3:38.01.

Ernest Ting finished second in the boys 1600 meter run with a time of 4:38.44.

Cole Hockett finished third with a time of 54.80 seconds in the 400-meter run.

Kahler finished in fourth place in the boys 1600 meter run with a time of 4:41.18.

The boys 4x800 meter relay team of Weston Baker, Marco Springman, Jackson Bastemeyer and Miles Even also finished in fourth place with a time of 9:49.25.

The Bobcats also had a pair of fifth-place finishes as Smith finished with a time of 2:06.72 in the 800 meter run and the team of LaVonte Carter, Jack Griggs, Gavin Anderson and Charlie Bisgaard finished fifth in the 4x100 meter relay with a time of 45.79 seconds.

GIRLS

Lily Murray finished third in the 400-meter run with a time of 1:05.29. Quinn Ulvestad finished in fourth place with a time of 1:07.24.

The Bobcats had a pair of top-five finishes in the girls 4x200 meter relay. Amari Ward, Ava Petterson, Kennedy Ronning and Quinn Ulvestad finished fourth with a time of 1:54.77 and the team of Nevaeh Strohfus, Kennedy Nemitz, Nayree Munoz and Cadence Dauer finished fifth with a time of 1:59.94.

The team of Alaina Evans, Ronning, Elise Lefers and Amari Ward finished in fourth place in the 4x100 meter relay with a time of 52.98 seconds.

The 4x400 meter relay team of Ulvestad, Petterson, Munoz and Dauer also finished in fourth place with a time of 4:33.15.

All Brookings top-10 finishers or the top finish-

er in their event are listed below.

Boys 4x800 Meter Relay
4. Weston Baker, Marco Springman, Jackson Bastemeyer, Miles Even 9:49.25

Girls 100 Meter Hurdles
10. Grace Vostad 17.02

Boys 110 Meter Hurdles
10. Christ Bwangoy-Bankaza 17.71

Girls 100 Meter Dash
14. Grace Vostad 13.51

Boys 100 Meter Dash
17. Gavin Anderson 11.74

Girls 4x200 Meter Relay
4. Amari Ward, Ava Petterson, Kennedy Ronning, Quinn Ulvestad 1:54.77
5. Nevaeh Strohfus, Kennedy Nemitz, Nayree Munoz, Cadence Dauer 1:59.94

Girls 1600 Meter Run
7. Isabel Overby 6:05.56

Boys 1600 Meter Run
2. Ernest Ting 4:38.44
4. Jon Kahler 4:41.18
10. Alex Diersen 4:51.81

Girls 4x100 Meter Relay
4. Alaina Evans, Kennedy Ronning, Elise Lefers, Amari Ward 52.98

Boys 4x100 Meter Relay
5. LaVonte Carter, Jack Griggs, Gavin Anderson, Charlie Bisgaard

45.79
Girls 400 Meter Run
3. Lily Murray 1:05.29
4. Quinn Ulvestad 1:07.24

Boys 400 Meter Run
3. Cole Hockett 54.80

Boys 300 Meter Hurdles
11. Isaac Andal 49.34

Boys 1600 Meter Short Medley Relay
1. Gavin Anderson, Owen Hoppe, Elie Wongondombi, Ernest Ting 3:49.95

Girls 800 Meter Run
15. Sophia Schmit 2:42.87

Boys 800 Meter Run
5. Nathan Smith 2:06.72

Girls 200 Meter Dash
10. Elise Lefers 30.53

Boys 200 Meter Dash
10. Gus Armenta 26.27

Girls 4x400 Meter Relay
4. Quinn Ulvestad, Ava Petterson, Nayree Munoz, Cadence Dauer 4:33.15
9. Sophia Schmit, Isabel Overby, Josie Nold, Ava Flaskey 4:52.59

Boys 4x400 Meter Relay
2. Jon Kahler, Nathan Smith, Owen Hoppe, Ashton Baker 3:38.01
7. Blake Kannegieter, Ren Jacobsen, Weston Baker, Isaac Andal 4:08.55
9. Jackson Bastemeyer, Isaiah Vogt,

Miles Even, Jack Bierman 4:10.69

Boys High Jump
7. Alex Wainman 5-10.00
8. Jordan Mofle 5-08.00

Boys Discus Throw
14. Owen Burns 111-07

Girls Shot Put
8. Logan Smidt 32-09.25

Girls Triple Jump
14. Luci Siemonsma 29-04.00

Boys Long Jump
8. Charlie Bisgaard 19-00.50
9. Jordan Mofle 18-11.50
10. Ashton Baker 18-09.00

Girls High Jump
14. Rylee Briggs 4-04.00
14. Taira Buus 4-04.00

Girls Discus Throw
11. Clara Delbridge 83-10

Boys Shot Put
20. Michael Nelson 38-06.50

Boys Triple Jump
7. Eli Hawks 35-01.25
10. Griffen Suarez 33-00.75

Girls Long Jump
17. Rylee Briggs 14-01.25

Girls Javelin Throw
1. Logan Smidt 121-07
6. Clara Delbridge 84-04

Boys Javelin Throw
4. Alex Wainman 146-05
9. Mason Mathis 129-02

Sioux Valley softball dominates Flandreau in Volga



Andrew Holtan/Register

Sioux Valley's Abby Axtell hits a home run during the fourth inning of a 18-3 win over Flandreau in Volga on Monday.

FROM REGISTER STAFF REPORTS

VOLGA - Sioux Valley had 13 hits and didn't give up a hit to Flandreau on Monday as the Cossacks beat the Fliers 18-3 in four innings.

Sioux Valley led 5-0 at the end of the first inning. Cassidy Smith led off the inning with a single and came home on a triple from Morgan Lemme. Savana Guthmiller then hit an RBI single and she and Abby Axtell each scored on a single from Zaylee Lantgen. Lantgen would then score on an error to make it 5-0 heading into the second.

Flandreau scored a run on an error in the top of the second but the Cossacks scored five more runs in the bottom of the inning. Smith led off the bottom of the inning with a home run. Guthmiller then hit an RBI single and Cameron Uecker followed that with a two-run triple. The inning was capped off with an RBI single from Katie Richarz.

The Fliers scored two runs in the top of the third. The first run came on an error and the other came on a pop out from Olivia Peters. The Cossacks extended their lead to 14-3 in the bottom of the inning. Smith scored on an

error and Amelia Jacobson scored on a single from Lemme. Guthmiller then hit a two-run home run to give Sioux Valley an 11-run lead heading into the fourth.

Flandreau went down one-two-three in the top of the fourth and the Cossacks scored four runs to end the game in the bottom of the inning. Lemme scored on a fielder's choice and Axtell then came to the plate with two runners on. She hit one into the gap and rounded the bases for a walk-off three-run home run as the Cossacks won via the 15-run rule.

Guthmiller was 3-for-3 with four RBIs and Axtell was 3-for-3 with three RBIs. Lemme was 2-for-3 with three RBIs Lantgen was 2-for-3 with two RBIs. Uecker was 1-for-3 with two RBIs and Richarz and Smith were each 2-for-2 with an RBI.

Lantgen pitched all four innings for the Cossacks and gave up three unearned runs and no hits with three strikeouts.

Sioux Valley is now 3-1 and plays at home against Baltic on Thursday at 4 p.m. Flandreau dropped to 3-5 and hosts a doubleheader with Arlington on Tuesday, starting at 4 p.m.

Culver, Kniesche sweep weekly awards

FROM SDSU SPORTS INFORMATION

SIoux FALLS - South Dakota State continues to reign in accolades from The Summit League as Lindsey Culver and Tori Kniesche were named the TicketSmarter Peak Performer and Pitcher of the Week, respectively, by the conference office on Monday. It is the second consecutive week the Jackrabbits have claimed both awards.

Culver earned the honor for the first time this season with a strong weekend at the plate against North Dakota State.

Culver had two hits in each meeting versus NDSU this weekend in the three-game series that took place in Fargo. In game one, Culver made the difference with a first-inning solo home run in a 1-0 SDSU victory. In game two, her two-run home run in the first inning served as the eventual game-winning hit as the Jacks defeated the Bison, 7-1. Culver produced another run and RBI in the game three 3-0 victory for the sweep. Combined Culver went 6-for-11 at the plate with three extra-base hits, three RBIs and three runs scored.

The senior outfielder has previously been awarded as a Summit League Peak Performer of the week two previous times in her college career.

Kniesche earned her fourth straight Peak Pitcher of the Week honor, along with her fifth this season, for her performance against NDSU. The Wayne, Neb., native had two complete-game shutout performances against the Bison.

In two victories, Kniesche allowed a combined six hits across 14 innings while walking and hitting just a batter apiece. She struck out

19 batters between the two games. An NDSU runner didn't reach third base in either of Kniesche's starts.

The Summit League weekly honor is the 18th of Kniesche's career in Yellow and Blue.

South Dakota State will have a week off from Summit League competition. The Jackrabbits will travel to Madison, Wis., next to face the Badgers in a doubleheader on Tuesday, April 23. SDSU follows that with a single game at Minnesota on Wednesday, April 24.

Bobcat softball falls to Brandon Valley on the road

FROM REGISTER STAFF REPORTS

BRANDON - The Brookings softball team dropped to 3-2 on the season as the Bobcats fell to Brandon Valley 5-1 on Monday night.

It was a defensive battle as the two teams combined for just eight hits. Brandon Valley jumped out to a 5-0 lead in the first two innings. The Lynx scored two runs in the first inning on a single and then added two more runs later in the inning on an error. They added one more run in the second inning on a double.

Brookings' only run of the

game came in the sixth. Kylie Moe walked with one out and came around to score on a single from Kymber Buys.

Moe was 1-for-2 and Tess Burns was 1-for-3. Buys was 1-for-3 with an RBI.

Burns pitched the first inning and two thirds. She gave up five runs, four earned, on three hits with three walks and one strikeout. Moe pitched the final four and a third innings and she gave up no runs on two hits with two strikeouts and one walk.

Brookings hosts Sioux Falls Lincoln on Thursday at 4 p.m.

Sports Schedule

Local Slate

TUESDAY, APRIL 16
High School Baseball
Sioux Falls Roosevelt at Brookings, 5 p.m.

High School Softball
Brookings at Sioux Falls Jefferson, 4 p.m.
Arlington at Flandreau, 4 p.m.

High School Track & Field
Sioux Valley at Hamlin Invitational, 4 p.m.

High School Girls Golf
Sioux Valley at Chester Invitational, 10 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17
College Baseball
SDSU at Minnesota, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18
High School Softball
Sioux Falls Lincoln at Brookings, 4 p.m.
Baltic at Sioux Valley, 4 p.m.

High School Track & Field
Brookings at Tea Invitational

High School Girls Golf
Sioux Valley at Flandreau Invitational, 10 a.m.

College Track & Field
SDSU at Bison Open

FRIDAY, APRIL 19
High School Baseball
Brookings at Bon Homme, 4 p.m.

High School Softball
Flandreau at Colman-Egan, 4 p.m.

College Track & Field
SDSU at Bison Open

College Baseball
St. Thomas at SDSU, 3 p.m.

College Men's Golf
SDSU at Robert Kepler Intercollegiate in Columbus, Ohio

High School Boys Tennis
Rapid City Stevens at Brookings, 3:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20
College Baseball
St. Thomas at SDSU, 1 p.m.

College Men's Golf

SDSU at Robert Kepler Intercollegiate in Columbus, Ohio

High School Baseball
Brandon Valley at Brookings, 12 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21
College Baseball
St. Thomas at SDSU, 1 p.m.

College Men's Golf
SDSU at Robert Kepler Intercollegiate in Columbus, Ohio

Women's College Golf
Summit League Championships