

# **S.D. Guard receives** upgraded helicopter

The South Dakota Army National Guard received its first L-model UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter at the Army Aviation Support Facility in Rapid City, which will provide an enhanced capability for air crews combating wild-land fires and other support

The L-model Black Hawk increases the operational load capacity of the aircraft through improved engines, transmission and flight controls.

"The benefit of this upgrade will be noticed in our waterbucket operations during wildland fires," said Maj. Jon Murphy, state aviation officer for the SDARNG. "The structural improvements and cargo hook increase our structural limit from 8,000 to 9,000 lbs."

Murphy said the biggest

increase will be seen during the hot, summer days fighting fires in the Black Hills. Having an additional 1,000 horse power will improve power and safety.

"This not only allows crews to carry more water to help with fire suppression, but most importantly, allows for an improved safety margin when operating these aircraft at their maximum power limitations," he

The UH-60L will be assigned to the Rapid City-based Company C, 1st Battalion, 189th Aviation Regiment, which recently returned from deployment in Iraq and Kuwait in May. The unit now has five A models, in addition to the L model.

Murphy said they are hopefully of being able to acquire two more L-models by next year.

# Taste the Fun at the South Dakota State Fair Cook-Offs

Fairgoers can "taste the fun" at one of the many cook-offs during the South Dakota State

The State Fair BBQ Beef Cook-Off presented by 1st Financial Bank USA and the South Dakota Beef Industry Council will be held on Beef Day, Friday, Aug. 31 at 4 p.m. CDT when fairgoers can participate in the people's choice judging by tasting brisket from each contestant for free. The formal judging begins at the same time.

The champion in the BBQ Beef Cook-Off will receive \$500; second- and third-place winners will get \$250 and \$125, respectively. All place winners will receive trophies.

Winners of the people's choice competitions will get cash prizes and trophies,

The Jack's Campers Chili Challenge will add to the cook-off excitement on Friday, Aug. 31, by sharing space with the State Fair BBQ Beef Cook-Off. Contestants will arrive in the morning to

start brewing their chili. Fairgoers will have an opportunity to participate in the people's choice judging at 1 p.m.; formal judging of the chili will also be at 1 p.m.

The winner of the Chili Challenge will receive \$250 in cash; second- and third-place finishers receive \$150 and \$75, respectively. Each winner will also receive a trophy.

Applications for the Jack's Campers Chili Challenge and the BBQ Beef Cook-Off are available online at www.sdstatefair.com or at the South Dakota State Fair office. People interested in competing in the cook-offs are encouraged to return entry forms before

Friday, Aug. 24.

The South Dakota CattleWomen's State Fair Beef Cook-Off will be held on Saturday, Sept. 1, in the Women's Building Kitchen. The theme this year is "Destination: Dinner." Many people have fond memories of their favorite meals on vacation or at trend-setting restaurants. This year's theme challenges cooks to replicate recipes that represent specific places. Think Bourbon Street Steak, Lone Star Salad, Beef Burgundy, Korean-Style Ribs. Beef's versatility makes it a natural for various ethnic creations.

In order to compete in this cook-off, people had to submit entry forms and recipes by Aug. 1. Finalists competing at the State Fair were chosen from that pool of entries. The finalists are assigned time slots between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. to cook their recipes at the Women's Building Kitchen. Awards will be handed out at the conclusion of the Celebrity Beef Basket Challenge at 4 p.m.

First place in the adult category receives \$500 and second place receives \$250. First place in the youth category receives \$250, while second place receives \$100. Many honorable mention awards are also handed

The cook-off is funded by the South Dakota Beef Industry Council through South Dakota Beef Producers Check-off dollars.

This year's theme for the State Fair is "Taste the Fun," so food contests are fitting. People who have recipes dating prior to 1950 are being sought to enter the Greater Midwest Foodways Alliance Heirloom Recipe Contest. The contest is dedicated to celebrating,

exploring and preserving unique food traditions and their cultural contexts in the Midwest.

The Heirloom Recipe contest will be held on Sunday, Sept. 2, in the Women's Building Auditorium. There is no fee to participate in the contest. While pre-registration is not necessary, it helps with preparation and coordination of the event. Deadline for preregistration is Friday, Aug. 24. If contestants register before Friday, Aug. 24, one State Fair gate admission valid for the competition day will be sent out. Contestants registering after Friday, Aug. 24, must pay the gate admission to get onto the grounds and compete.

FeedStuffs FoodLink is sponsoring the cash prizes for the event. First place will receive \$150, with second place receiving \$100 and third place, \$50.

More information on the Greater Midwest Foodways Alliance Heirloom Recipe Contest can be found in the 2012 Static Exhibit Premium Book or by calling 605-353-7340.

Also on Sunday, Sept. 2, the South Dakota Pork Producers Pulled-Pork Cook-Off will take place. For more information on the cookoff, call the Pork Producers Office at 605-332-

The 2012 South Dakota State Fair will run from Thursday, Aug. 30, through Monday, Sept. 3. Channel Seeds Preview night will be Wednesday, Aug. 29. The theme for the 2012 State Fair is "Taste the Fun!" For more information on State Fair events, contact the Fair office at 800-529-0900, visit www.sdstatefair.com or find it on Facebook and Twitter.

## **OBITUARIES**

#### **Dr. Charles Estee**

Charles Remington Estee, age 90, died Tuesday, Aug. 14, 2012. Born at Hecla, Oct. 7, 1921, he graduated cum laude from Jamestown College in 1942. He then went to the University of Iowa, where he was a Dupont Fellow 1945-46 and received his M.S. (1944) and Ph.D. (1947) in physical chemistry. During WWII he worked at Oak Ridge, TN, on the Manhattan Project that developed the atomic bomb.

He came to the Chemistry Department at the University of South Dakota on Sept. 1, 1947, where he taught general, physical and environmental chemistry and the department capstone course, Chemical Literature. He served as department chair from 1952 to 1984, during which time he helped the department to establish a Ph.D. program in chemistry, which graduated 15 students before the program ended. He felt extremely honored when the College of Arts and Sciences selected him as Harrington Lecturer in 1969.

He was interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences 1987-1988. After his retirement, the university honored him with the title of University Distinguished Professor Emeritus and the Board of



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Regents with the title of Distinguished Professor Emeritus in 1991. He then became chemical and hazardous waste control officer until his second retirement in 1997 when the

Board of Regents honored him with a special resolution for 50 years of dedicated and outstanding service to the South Dakota system of higher education.

His service to the university and the higher education system included, inter alia, chairing the College Science Division twice; membership in the College's Advisory Committee (1977-83); six terms as chairperson of the University Senate; trustee (1983-85) and chair (1983-84, 1985-86) of the Bush Foundation Grant for Faculty Development; and Conference of Senates (1973-83; vice-director 1982-83, director 1974-75).

In addition to publishing 18 chemical articles, he was assistant program

director (1961-62) for the National Science Foundation (NSF) in Washington DC and was a member of the executive committee for the National Science Teachers Association Board of Directors (1970-72) and president of the Society for College Science Teachers 1982-83.

In addition to directing numerous undergraduate chemistry research projects and in-service programs, he was successful in obtaining many comprehensive grants for teacher education (NSF) for annual summer institutes for high school science teachers, which he directed (1957-72). During this time he made many visits to high school science programs around the state; it is not too much to say that he was instrumental in helping to improve science teaching. He was named Fellow of the South Dakota Academy of Science, Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Fellow of the Iowa Academy of Science, and Science Faculty Fellow, Department of Chemistry, University of Minnesota.

Alumni, colleagues, and friends raised two endowments in his honor. The Chas. R. Estee Lectureship in Science Education brings to USD each

year an outstanding undergraduate teacher of chemistry and related sciences. The Chas. R. Estee Presidential Alumni Chemistry Scholarship is a fouryear renewable scholarship for a student majoring in Chemistry.

A man of great humanitarian spirit, his public service included Scottish Rite Incense Lodge #2, Vermillion (33d degree; Lodge Master and Lodge Secretary), and District Master of District Number One (A.F. and A.M) which he joined in 1950. In addition he was a member of El Riad Shrine, Sioux Falls; Vermillion Retired Teachers; and USD Emeritus Club. For his service in the Vermillion Lions Club (61 years since joining in 1951), serving as president 1973-74 and secretary 1992-2000, the Lions Club International Foundation named him Melvin Jones Fellow for dedicated humanitarian service in 1999. He served many years as treasurer for the Friends of the W. H. Over Museum and as member of various committees at the Vermillion United Methodist Church. He was particularly touched when the city of Vermillion proclaimed Jan. 6, 2011, "Dr. Charles R. Estee Day."

A master vegetable gardener, he started many of his plants from seed and

shared his produce with friends and the Vermillion Food Pantry. He was particularly known for the hundreds of gladioli he grew each year.

He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Judith. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Doris; and is survived by their son, Charles (Cindy), and daughters, Barbara Remington and Elizabeth Estee. Other survivors include his granddaughters, Stephanie and Rebecca, grandson, Charles "Cal" (Ellen), and one sister, Eleonore Osher.

His funeral was held at 10 a.m. Tuesday Aug. 21 at the First United Methodist Church, Vermillion, with committal in BluffView Cemetery, Vermillion. Kober Funeral Home, Vermillion, is in charge of arrangements. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to USD Foundation for the Dr. Chas. R. Estee Fund Endowment for the Estee Lecture series on science education or for the Chas. R. Estee Presidential Alumni Chemistry Scholarship; or to the USD Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders for the USD Scottish Rite Speech, Language, and Hearing Center.

Condolences may be posted online to www.koberfuneralhome.com.

# **Elizabeth Schroeder**

Elizabeth Joan (Jo Ann) Schroeder, Vermillion, went to be with the Lord, Thursday, Aug. 16, 2012, following a brief illness. Joan was

born January 6,



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1925, to Leo and Susan (Holliday) Carraher in

## James Grabowski

James H. Grabowski, 81, of Vermillion, passed away Sunday, Aug. 19, 2012 at Royal C. Johnson Veteran's Hospital in Sioux Falls. Memorial

service will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 25, 2012 at Kober Funeral Home in Vermillion. Condolences may be post online to www.koberfuneralhome.com.

Stamford, NE. She graduated

from Stamford High School,

Nebraska, and taught a year in

married Raymond Schroeder

in Orleans, NE. They resided

in Stamford and Lincoln, NE

before moving to Vermillion in

Joan enjoyed participating

in prayer groups, Bible studies,

and funeral choir. She was a

special needs advocate and a

volunteer at the Dakota Care

Center. She especially enjoyed

her family, friends, crossword

1953. Joan was a homemaker

and raised eight children.

received a teaching degree

from the University of

Beaver City. In 1945 she



puzzles, and her dog Gracie. Her family travels included trips to Australia, Kenya, France, and Ireland. She was a member of St. Agnes Catholic Church, Catholic Daughters, Emeritus Club, and USD Faculty Women's Club.

Grateful for having shared her life are her eight children, Richard (Kristen) Schroeder, Tacoma, WA, Susan (Al) Agrimson, S. Sioux City, NE,

Steven (Mary) Schroeder, Lincoln, NE, Randy (Jeanne) Schroeder, Cincinnati, OH, Chris (Maragwa) Schroeder, Austin, TX, Rachel (Bill) Ouellette, Sioux City, IA, Maureen (Tim) Hedeen, Beresford, and Corinne (Mike) Rath, Vermillion; and 23 grandchildren and 13 greatgrandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond; her brother, Edwin; and her parents.

Visitation was from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19 with a prayer service at 7 p.m. at St. Agnes Catholic Church. The funeral mass was 10:30 a.m., Monday, Aug. 20, 2012, at St. Agnes with burial following in the Calvary Cemetery in Vermillion. hansenfuneralhome.com.



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