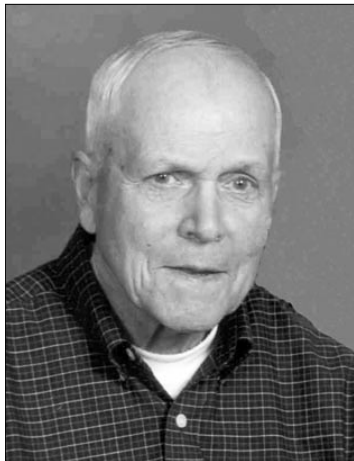


## OBITUARIES



Walter Mockler

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Walter Mockler, 75, of Burbank, died Wednesday, December 16, 2009.

Wally was born March 23, 1934 in Burbank to Albert and Margaret (Muhlenkott) Mockler, he attended Bruyer County School, and married Norma Jean Sorensen on May 27, 1961 in Vermillion. He farmed in the area all his life. His wife died in 2006.

Wally was a member of the

Eagles, and a past member of the Brule Township Board.

He is survived by his sons, Karl (Katie) Mockler of Vermillion, Ross (Marissa) Mockler of Burbank; and two daughters, Kay (Richard) Rasmussen of Vermillion, and Ann (Jim) Welle of Pierz, MN. He is also survived by a brother, Arnold (Virginia) Mockler of Vermillion; seven grandchildren, Kara, Erin and Jason Rasmussen, Tyler and Trisha Welle and Alexa and Brandon Mockler.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Norma Jean; three brothers, Eugene, Charles and Richard; and a sister, Mary Geffre Johnson.

Funeral Mass was 10:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 21 at the St. Agnes Catholic Church in Vermillion with burial in the Calvary Cemetery in Vermillion. Visitation was Sunday, Dec. 20 from 5 to 7 p.m. with a prayer service at 7 p.m. all at the church.

For online condolences and obituary please visit [hansen-funeralhome.com](http://hansen-funeralhome.com).

## East River, West River deer seasons reopen

Both East River and West River deer hunters in South Dakota will get a last chance to pursue their quarry when the firearms seasons reopen from Dec. 26 through Jan. 3.

"The added opportunity for taking antlerless deer is an important part of our deer herd management strategy," Chad Switzer, the game program administrator for Game, Fish and Parks said. "We hope by offering this opportunity during the holiday season, friends and families will have a chance to get together for a last hunt. Harvesting an antlerless deer will help control the deer population in areas where we still have too many deer."

Both seasons are open for taking antlerless deer only. Hunters who did not fill their tags during the first part of these seasons may use those tags for taking antlerless deer for the species designated on their tag. In addition, there are unsold tags available for both seasons. There is no limit on the number of licenses an individual may hold for these seasons.

Information on remaining licenses may be found at the Game, Fish and Parks Department Web site at [www.sdgame.com](http://www.sdgame.com).

Certain antelope hunters will also benefit with an extension to their season. Those with licenses for Butte, Meade, Harding and Perkins counties may also hunt from

Dec. 26 through Jan. 3. All unused tags are valid for taking a doe or kid antelope only. Licenses remain unsold for Butte and Meade counties.

For those who may already have enough venison in their freezer, the opportunity to donate their deer or antelope to the South Dakota Sportsmen Against Hunger organization still exists. Information on the program, how to donate, and the potential to have assistance in the cost of processing deer and antelope donated to the organization, can be found at [www.feedtheneedsd.com](http://www.feedtheneedsd.com).

## USD's Department of Social Work receives training grant

The University of South Dakota's Department of Social Work is among 12 in the country to receive a federal grant to train social workers to serve in agencies that help children.

The \$440,000 federal grant will provide stipends to students pursuing a bachelor's or master's degree in social work who agree to serve in a child welfare agency upon graduation. The funding also will provide specific training to meet the needs of the children and families helped by those agencies.

"This is a great opportunity for our program to be able to help people who are interested in helping children as

well as those already at these agencies who want to complete a college degree," said Charles Schwartz, Ph.D., MSW, associate professor and chair of the Social Work Program. "It will be especially helpful in areas where the need for more providers is most critical, including rural areas and Indian reservations in South Dakota."

USD will receive \$110,000 annually for four years with the stipends and training beginning next fall.

Schwartz gave credit to Debra Norris, Ed.D, assistant professor of social work, for writing an excellent grant proposal. Norris is the principal inves-

tigator on the grant.

The Child Welfare Traineeship Grant was awarded by the National Child Welfare Workforce Institute, which was created in the fall of 2008 by the Children's Bureau of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The Institute's goal is to improve outcomes for children and families by developing a larger workforce of skilled child welfare leaders across the country.

In addition to stipends and training, the grant will focus on strengthening the Social Work Program's child welfare curricula and ensuring timely graduation by students.

## USD's PT chair named Fulbright specialist

The chair of The University of South Dakota's Department of Physical Therapy will serve as a Fulbright specialist next month in Chile. Lana Svien, PT, Ph.D., has been asked to share her expertise as a curriculum and accreditation consultant at Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Valparaiso in Valparaiso, Chile.

The South American university's physical therapy department is working toward national accreditation for the first time. Svien's work will include consulting with administrators, leading seminars and workshops, conducting needs assessments and research, developing educational materials and conducting training. In addition to accreditation, Svien will help improve the

school's curriculum as it prepares to eventually offer a doctorate degree in physical therapy. Her appointed term is January 4-24.

"This appointment speaks highly of the reputation Dr. Svien has earned as a national leader in physical therapy education," Brian Kaatz, PharmD, dean of the School of Health Sciences said. "We see her expertise every day, and we are honored that she will be able to share her knowledge with another university."

Svien was selected for the Fulbright Specialists Program by the United States Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.

She is one of over 400 U.S. faculty and professionals who will travel abroad this year

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