

Moran leads Tanagers at VHS Invite

By Scott Bormann

Kayleigh Moran led the Tanagers to a fifth-place finish at The Bluffs Golf Course on April 28. Moran placed fifth with a score of 85, while Canton's Lindsey Sorlie won with an 80 score. The top six placers were each from different schools, showing how close the completion was on the cold, overcast day.

Of the 56 golfers swinging their clubs on Monday, the five Tanagers finished high in the standings. Kayla Stammer finished 11th with a score of 90. Kate Brockevelt scored a 95 to place 20th, while Audry Müller was right behind with 97 in

22nd place. Emily Schmitz placed 30th with a score just over the century mark with 101.

Team Standing:
1) SF Christian-351, 1) Madison-351, 3) West Central-359,4) Canton-366,5) Vermillion-367, 6) Dakota Valley-385, 7) Dell Rapids-435, 8) Tea Area-439, 9) Lennox-442, 10) Beresford-99 (with 3 golfers, no team score), 11) Elk Point/Jefferson (1 golfer, no team score)

The golfers will next travel to Bakker Crossing in Sioux Falls for the SF Christian Invite on May 1. They then travel to Dell Rapids on May 5 for the inaugural Dakota XII Conference Golf Tournament.

Track and Field at Lennox

By Scott Bormann

LENNOX – The athletes of the Tanager Track and Field team competed at the Lennox Booster Club meet on April 24. Several students shined on the sunny, but windy day.

“Our kids competed very well last night,” said Coach Lenni Billberg.

“Caitlin Siegel had her lifetime bests in shot and discus by several feet, Sydney Peters showed the world she has an amazing 400 kick in the 4X400 and Jeremiah Johnson continues to impress with improvements on the runway and track.”

Maddie Lavin ran a 5:25 in the mile, qualifying for state and beating

her closest competitor by 11 seconds. Nick Jensen bettered his shot mark to 51 feet.

The track team next travels to North Sioux City on April 29 to compete in the Dakota Valley Invitational before traveling to Sioux Falls for the two-day Howard Wood Relays on May 2-3.

State office didn't post candidates' financial statements

By Bob Mercer

State Capitol Bureau

PIERRE – Three weeks after the filing deadline, the website for the South Dakota secretary of state still didn't show the financial interest statements Tuesday morning for three of the Republican and Democratic candidates for governor.

The purpose of the reports is to allow citizens to see the significant sources of income for candidates. Absentee early voting began April 19 in the two primaries.

Democrat Susan Wismer of Britton was the only gubernatorial candidate whose required report was posted Tuesday morning. The state representative filed her report on Feb. 12, the same day she filed her candidacy petitions.

After learning from a newspaper reporter that his financial interest statement wasn't on the website, Democrat Joe Lowe of Piedmont contacted the secretary of state office at mid-day Tuesday to ask why it wasn't posted.

Lowe said he filed it April 4. He said a person in the office confirmed

Tuesday that it was received.

“He said they haven't put it up yet,” Lowe said.

By mid-afternoon, Lowe's report was posted – with a date stamp showing it was received April 4.

The reports were due April 9 for party candidates running in primary elections.

There weren't reports shown Tuesday morning for either of the two Republicans running for governor, Lora Hubbel of Sioux Falls and Gov. Dennis Daugaard.

Daugaard's spokesman Tony Venhuizen said the governor filled out the form and personally delivered it on March 28.

By mid-afternoon Tuesday, the Daugaard report was posted. The document didn't have a date-received stamp. The log-in provided by the secretary of state office said April 1.

Hubbel's report was suddenly posted Tuesday afternoon as well. The document showed an April 4 date-received stamp.

Neither Secretary of State Jason Gant nor his deputy, Patricia Miller, responded to a reporter's questions on the matter.

Gant isn't seeking reelection to a second term.

Miller, the wife of former Gov. Walter Dale Miller of Fort Pierre, and state Sen. Shantel Krebs of Renner are seeking the Republican nomination for the office.

That nomination will be decided at the Republicans' state convention in June rather than in the June 3 primary elections.

State law since 1974 has required the financial interest statements. It reads:

“All candidates for the United States Senate, the United States House of Representatives, Governor, circuit court judge, and the State Legislature shall file a statement of financial interest with the secretary of state within fifteen days after filing nominating petitions.”

“A Supreme Court justice shall file a statement of financial interest with the secretary of state within fifteen days of notifying the secretary of state of his intention to place his name on the retention ballot.”

“A violation of this section is a petty offense. An intentional violation

of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor.”

Independent candidate Michael Myers of Centerville filed his candidacy petitions for governor last week and he was certified April 23.

There wasn't a financial-interest statement posted for Myers as of Tuesday. A question e-mailed to his campaign office didn't get a response.

The petition-filing deadline for independents was Tuesday (April 29).

They have a later filing deadline than political party candidates.

Candidates seeking party nominations in the June 3 primaries needed to have their petitions submitted by 5 p.m. on March 25.

A random check of legislative candidates Tuesday showed some of their 2014 financial interest statements had been posted by the secretary of state while other candidates' filings hadn't been.

The Web site didn't show any financial interest statements for the two candidates for U.S. House and the eight candidates for U.S. Senate.

Mettler, Mills earn SL Athlete of the Week honors

University of South Dakota men's distance runner Jeff Mettler and women's pole vaulter Madison Mills were named The Summit League's Track and Field Athletes of the Week in a league release on Tuesday. It's the fourth time Mettler has gained the honor and the first time Mills has received it.

Mettler won the men's honor after repeating as the 3,000-meter steeplechase champion at the Drake Relays last weekend with a league-best and school record time of 8 minutes, 51.05 seconds. That time is eighth-best in the west

region and 19th-best in the nation.

Mills became the first pole-vaulter from USD to win at the Drake Relays and added a win at the Mount Marty Twilight last week. Mills won at the Drake Relays with a league-best vault of 13 feet, 9 1/2 inches, which ranks ninth-best in the west region and 17th in the nation. She won at Mount Marty with a mark of 12-7 1/2.

USD will compete at the Howard Wood Relays in Sioux Falls starting on Friday.

SGA spearheads sustainability push

The Student Government Association at the University of South Dakota plans to make sustainability a core goal for the 2014-2015 school year. As part of the effort senators will use tablets at the meetings instead of printing the agenda and other documents.

To reduce printing cost and carbon footprint, SGA has purchased Samsung Galaxy Tablets for meetings. Meeting documents will be projected on a screen so others attending the SGA meeting can follow the discussion.

“With sustainability becoming a primary initiative for not only SGA, but also the University, I believe this is an excellent step in the right direction.

We're making long term decisions that will provide long term results,” says President Tyler Torsden.

The savings will not only pay for the purchase of the equipment, but also will provide additional funding for student organizations in the future. This transition will allow SGA to substantially reduce the resources it uses while embracing the use of collaborative technology.

SGA is led by an executive team of five members: President Tyler Torsden of Rapid City; Vice President Dustin Santjer of Aberdeen; Business Manager Katie Staley of Charter Oak, Iowa; Office Manager Mackenzie Huber of Vermillion; and External Communications Manager Sami Zoss of Beresford.

TREE

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approved trees will be very small, probably “three or four.”

“The list for approved trees is going to be several hundred if you count cultivars,” he said. “The trees were selected for mostly boulevards. If you're going to put it in your own yard, you can pretty much plant whatever you'd like.”

“We're just trying to keep maybe seeded cottonwood trees, things of that nature, out of yards that might cause a threat to your neighbor, plugging air-conditioning, venting, stuff like that,” he said.

Baedke added that the city will not require a permit for residents planting fruit trees on

private property.

“The only time you would need a tree-planting permit is when you are planting on a boulevard or removing a tree from a boulevard,” he said.

Goblirsch said a guide detailing the ins and outs of the ordinance will be made available for interested residents, both online and at city hall.

“Basically, it's a guide of what kind of trees grow well in South Dakota, what trees we would like to see here in Vermillion, which types of trees don't work so well here and would be considered more of a nuisance, how they can fit in the boulevard, if they can fit in the boulevard, the tree-planting permits, the tree removal permits – just

a host of guidelines,” he said.

The guide currently is waiting on final approval from Vermillion's official tree board, Goblirsch said.

Just prior to the final vote, council member Kelsey Collier-Wise said she hopes the council continues to address issues related to the ordinance into the future.

“I think this is a really good start and creates some good guidelines, but I want to make sure we are also discussing how we're going to encourage people to plant trees ... and also to replant after some problem trees have been taken out,” she said. “I hope at some point we have a resolution that might address that.”

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