



Megan and Josh Becker

Exchange vows

Megan Deaver and Josh Becker were married May 23, 2009, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hartington, NE, with Father John Pietramale and Father Kevin O'Dell officiating.

Parents of the couple are Deb Larson, Vermillion, and Rick Deaver, Minneapolis; Nancy Becker, Hartington, and Lyle and Cathy Becker, Yankton.

Matron of honor was Brandi Wyatt, Vermillion. Maid of honor was Nichole Munce, Minneapolis. Bridesmaids were Holly Becker, Hartington, Whitney Koeling, Tea, and Malory Evans, Watertown. Junior bridesmaids were Kaitlin Abbott and Madison Abbott, both of Vermillion. Flower girls were Saige Wyatt, Vermillion, and Annika Kuehn, Hartington.

Best Man was Zach Becker, Hartington. Groomsman were Jarryd Schieffer, Hartington, Jon Hoelsing, Hartington, Todd Opdahl, Boise, ID, and Jesse Freeburg, Sioux Falls. Ring bearer was Riley Kuehn, Hartington.

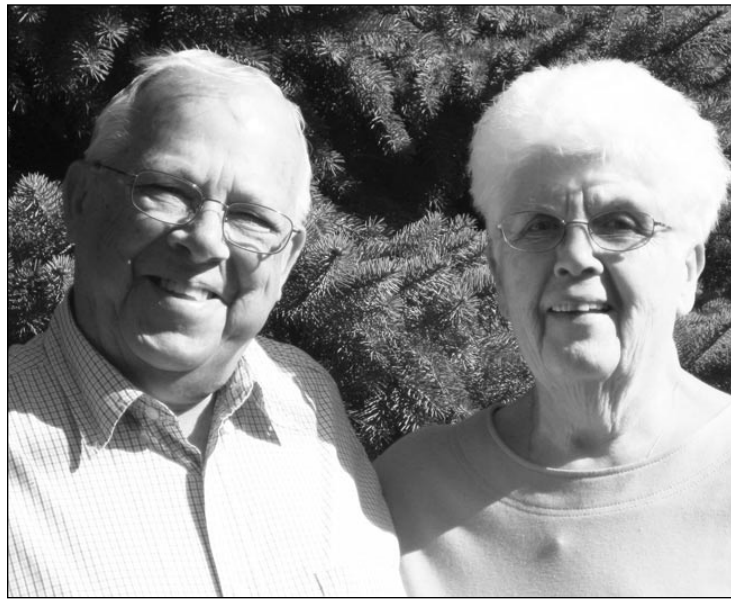
Ushers were Shane, Turner and Travis Becker, Hartington. The guest attendants

were Jade and Jennifer Yanak, both of Barstow, CA. Gift bearers were Julie, Stan, Mathew, Ethal, and Nolan Becker all of Hartington.

Wedding music was provided by Owen DeJong, Vermillion. Vocalist was Brooks Tasa, Humphrey.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at St. Agnes Catholic Church, Vermillion. Host and Hostesses were Jason Wyatt, Vermillion, and Mary Kay Zimmerman, Vermillion, and Barry and Radell Tasa, Humphrey. Marilyn Kaiser, Vermillion, and Darlis LaBahn, Vermillion were cake servers.

The bride is a graduate of Vermillion High School and a 2008 Dakota State University graduate. She is currently a third grade teacher in Hartington and is working on her master's in elementary education. The groom is a graduate of Cedar Catholic High School, Hartington, NE and a 2008 graduate of SDSU. He is currently employed as a nurse in the intensive care unit at Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls. The couple resides in Sioux Falls.



Bob and Opal South

Card shower

A card shower to celebrate the 60th wedding anniversary of Bob and Opal South will be held Oct. 30. Cards and greetings may be mailed to the couple at 2712 W. 26th St. Sioux Falls, SD 57105.

The couple is retired. Their

children are Deb and Istvan Szkok, Sioux Falls; Don and Susie South, Renner; and Carole and Steve Winter, Lennox. They have four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Schieffer named South Dakota Businessman of the Year

Kevin V. Schieffer was presented a Distinguished Service Award: South Dakota Businessman for 2009 during The Beacom School of Business Board of Governors annual awards luncheon on Friday, Oct. 9 at The University of South Dakota.

Schieffer, president and CEO of Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern (DM&E) Railroad, received his B.A. from USD and a juris doctor from Georgetown University. Prior to being named CEO of DM&E, he was United States Attorney for South Dakota after being appointed to the position by President George H.W. Bush. For several years, Schieffer served as legislative counsel to U.S. Sen. Larry Pressler, R-S.D., for the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee. From 1987 to 1991, he served as chief-of-staff for Sen. Pressler.

In addition, Schieffer practiced law for three years serving as legal counsel for

DM&E Railroad in the mid-1990s. When the previous ownership group attempted to abandon the rail line, which would've resulted in South Dakota losing its only east-west rail line through the center of the state, Schieffer led negotiations that resulted in the restructuring and successful re-capitalization of the company in 1994.

He also initiated development of the company's Powder River Basin Project and he negotiated the acquisition of 1,400-mile IC&E system that extended DM&E's reach into Chicago and provided new connections with every major railroad in North America. During his time, DM&E transitioned into the largest and most successful regional railroads in the United States with more than 1,000 employees operating in eight states. The company, which is headquartered in Sioux Falls, S.D., recently sold for \$1.5 billion.



Work this week:

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 • North half closed west end to service road, Cottage Avenue to Dakota Street.
 • Gravel, concrete paving west end to Highway 19.
 • Half Highway 19 closed, intersection open to traffic.
 • Sewer and water Cottage Avenue to Dakota Street.

Planned for next week:

• Concrete paving, west end to service road.
 • Seeding, erosion control entire project.
 • Street lighting, traffic signals entire project.
 • This is to advise you that you will experience an inconvenience as the curb, gutter, approaches, sidewalk and street are constructed on Cherry Street. You will have limited access during this process as we will attempt to minimize your inconvenience.

Cottage Street and Dakota Avenue will remain open to the east and west. During this time please use the right of way as your access points. If you have concerns or questions, please don't hesitate to contact D&G Concrete Construction at (605) 338-8597. Thank you for your patience during this process.

Miscellaneous:

• Oct. 28, there will be public meeting for the project in the Hy-Vee Café at 10 a.m.
 • DO NOT add, remove or relocate barrels, barricades, signs, temporary business signs, etc. on the construction sight. If concerns arise, please contact D&G Concrete Construction or the DOT for evaluation.
 • Upgrades on construction progress and changes will be available on our Web site dgconcrete.com.

Married 65 years

Harold and Joan Cusick of Mesa, AZ, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary in Sacramento, CA, this week surrounded by their five children, 18 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Joan Marie O'Connor and Harold Ladieu Cusick were married Oct. 14, 1944 at the Garryowen Catholic Church. Harold returned from three years of war in the Pacific and Joan worked as a team leader installing electronics on B-25 warplanes in Kansas City, MO. This "Rosie the Riveter" celebrated with a flight on a B-25 made from the same plant where she worked.

Harold and Joan farmed and raised their family east of Vermillion until retiring to Mesa, AZ in the 80s. Their

hobbies are golf, china painting, jewelry making, traveling, playing cards and watching their grandchildren and great-grandchildren grow.

Best wishes can be mailed to them at their address: Harold and Joan Cusick, 7633 East Pueblo Ave., Mesa, AZ 85203.

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Unique artists, graphic designers to visit USD campus

The University Art Galleries at The University of South Dakota welcomes several visiting artists to campus during the 2009-10 academic year. Five artists, from sculptors to graphic artists, will conduct workshops and present lectures at USD.

Artists and their exhibitions include sculptors Michael Schonhoff and Ashley Hope-Carlisle, printmaker Fred Hagstrom, graphic designer Scott Boylston, and Dr. James Elkins, E.C. Chadbourne, professor in the Department of Art History, Theory and Criticism at the Art Institute of Chicago.

Hope-Carlisle is the first artist scheduled to visit campus the week of Oct. 23-28. Originally from New Orleans, LA, Hope-Carlisle teaches sculpture at the University of Wyoming. She received her B.F.A. in sculpture from the University of Southern Mississippi and her M.F.A. in sculpture from the University of Georgia. Her work has been displayed throughout the world, including galleries in the United States, England and Italy. Her work, "Dissemination Nation," will be on exhibit at the John A. Day Gallery at USD from Oct. 23 through Nov. 25 with a reception on Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. She will present an artist lecture at the John A. Day Gallery at 2 p.m. on Oct. 26.

Elkins, who earned a bachelor's degree in English and art history from Ithaca College and a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago, will present a lecture at 8 p.m. on Nov. 5 in Farber Hall. Described as the "most brilliant scholar working in his territory today," Elkins is a highly engaging speaker and prolific writer whose books include, "Why Art Cannot Be Taught: A Handbook for Art Students," and "What Painting Is."

A professor of graphic design at Savannah College of Art and Design, Boylston will provide a lecture on graphic design in the USD Department of Art at 2 p.m. on Dec. 2 in room 172 at the Warren M. Lee Center for the Fine Arts. Boylston, a for-

mer art director in New York City and author of several publications, including "Creative Solutions for Unusual Projects," has given lectures throughout the world. He received his bachelor's degree from State University of New York at New Paltz and a master's degree from the Pratt Institute.

Hagstrom, a visiting artist in printmaking, will deliver a lecture on his personal work at 2 p.m. on Feb. 2, 2010 in room 179 of the Warren M. Lee Center for the Fine Arts. He will also serve as a juror for the 23rd annual Stilwell Student Awards Exhibition at USD. The exhibition will be on view at the Day Gallery from Feb. 5 through Feb. 26, including a public reception for the artists on Feb. 5 at 7 p.m. Hagstrom received a bachelor's degree from Hamline University and a master's degree from the Uni-

versity of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is currently a professor of art at Carleton College. Information about the artist is at: www.people.carleton.edu/~hagstro/prints.html.

Schonhoff, a professional artist from Kansas City, Mo., will visit USD's Department of Art, March 22-26, 2010, providing a lecture on his personal work at 2 p.m. on March 24 in room 172 of the Warren M. Lee Center for the Fine Arts. His exhibit, "Kansas City's Grit & Grace" will also be on display in the Day Gallery from March 2 through March 26 with a reception scheduled for the artist at 7 p.m. on March 26. To view Schonhoff's work online, go to www.muddauberstudio.com.

For the past several years, USD's visiting artist program has brought diverse art perspectives to students and fac-

ulty. Visiting artist activities scheduled throughout the year often include extensive hands-on workshops and lectures. These activities are often open to the public. Information about the visiting artists may be obtained by contacting the art department at (605) 677-5636 or by e-mailing Cory Knedler at cknedler@usd.edu.

The Main Gallery in the Warren M. Lee Center for the Fine Arts is open free of charge to the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and from 1 to 5 p.m. on weekends. Tours and special showings during non-public hours are available upon request. For more information about this exhibition, please contact The University of South Dakota Art Galleries Director Eddie Welch, at (605) 677-3177 or Eddie.Welch@usd.edu.

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This is a very difficult time for all of us. We are saddened by the passing of our beautiful niece, goddaughter and cousin Elizabeth Lias. We quickly learned, after experiencing this loss, that we have not been grieving alone. We have discovered that Elizabeth's, and consequently, our family is much larger than we ever could imagine. It is made up of the entire Vermillion community, the University of South Dakota, and the young women of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority. We are especially grateful to Colette and James Abbott, members of the USD faculty, our family of co-workers at Southeast Area Cooperative and Yankton Media, Inc., and the congregation of Trinity Lutheran Church. We also extend thanks to everyone who called, stopped by our home, sent cards, and brightened our world with plants and flowers. The help we have received has lightened our burden. Our memories of Elizabeth help sustain us, and we will always be grateful and will never forget how so many people from our great community reached out to us when we needed you the most. Thank you and God bless. Cindy, David, Sarah and Andrea Lias