Knowledge Changes **Outcomes**

BY REP. KRISTI NOEM

This year, nearly a quarter-million women will learn they have breast cancer. As a result of earlier detection through screenings and awareness as well as advances in treatment options, the vast majority of these women will earn the title of

"Survivor." In August, I had the opportunity to visit one of the medical centers working to combat this disease in South Dakota. While there, I spoke with the doctors and nurses about all the ways they are getting information to patients quickly and accurately and how it can help throughout the treatment journey. New technologies make this kind of information possible and obtainable.

For instance, the medical center I visited uses 3-D mammograms, which provide hundreds of pictures whereas standard mammograms produce just a handful. As a result, the technology can find "slightly more cancers than standard digital mammograms and ... result in 15% fewer false alarms women called back for more tests and then found not to have cancer," according to the American Cancer Society. The improved level of accuracy is important.

The 3-D mammograms are one in a series of technological and scientific improvements that have resulted in better care and higher rates of survival. The National Institute of Health's Office of Research on Women's Health has played a critical role in much of this research and I was proud to lead more than 80 female members of the U.S. House of Representatives in commemorating this agency's 25th anniversary earlier this year.

Some of the nation's first female members of Congress advocated for this office to be established as a way to provide more insight into how diseases and medicines work within a woman's body. As a result of the research it's conducted and supported, we've taken tremendous steps toward finding a cure for breast cancer, cervical cancer, and much more. It's saved the lives of countless women and I'm hopeful it will continue to produce positive results long into the future.

With a better understanding of the disease, we can each have a better understanding of how to detect and even prevent – cancer. As we come to the close of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. I wanted to share a few of those tips with you. First, I encourage you to schedule regular screenings.

Be aware of your family history. If your mother or your sister has had breast cancer, you are twice as likely to develop it.

Take steps to improve your overall health, because staying active and maintaining a healthy weight can make you less susceptible to breast cancer.

Finally, know what to look for. Lumps, redness, and swelling can all be indications, but don't wait until you see something to schedule your screening.

I encourage you to take a few minutes this month to learn more about the disease and your family's history with it. Has breast cancer impacted your mother, an aunt or one of your sisters? Have you spoken to your doctor about getting a screening? Are there ways you can improve your overall health? Take just one step today; it could make the dif-

Criminal Justice Reform Update

A COLUMN BY **GOV. DENNIS DAUGAARD:**

Several years ago, I became aware of a problem with our state's criminal justice system. South Dakota's imprisonment rate was higher than any of our six neighboring states. Per capita, we were locking up 75 percent more men than North Dakota and four times as many women as Minnesota. Worst of all, our high imprisonment rate wasn't making our public any safer. Our crime rate was falling, but not as fast as in other states. Continuing to follow our same path would force us to build a new women's prison and a new men's prison within 10 years.

To address the problem, the Chief Justice, legislative leadership and I formed a work group. We charged the work group with three goals: improve public safety, hold offenders more accountable and reduce corrections spending. The workgroup's recommendations were incorporated into comprehensive criminal justice reform legislation that passed with bipartisan support.

To focus prison space on violent and career criminals, the reforms restructured our sentencing framework for non-violent offenders. We included new and improved probation accountability programs like drug and al-cohol courts. We also made the largest investment in the history of our state into behavioral health for offenders with addictions and mental health needs.

Although it's only been two and a half years since the Public Safety Improvement Act passed, we're already seeing positive results. The prison population is now below initial projections. Thanks to the reforms, we will not need to build a new

women's prison this year. That alone will save us \$36 million this year. By avoiding construction of new women's and men's prisons, and avoiding the costs of operating them, South Dakota should save over \$100 million in correctional costs this decade.

I knew these reforms would be good for South Dakota's bottom line. Happily, these reforms are also proving beneficial in other ways.

Most offenders who are released from prison continue to be supervised in the community for a period of time as parolees. Under the new law, parolees can reduce the duration of their parole by 30 days each time they complete 30 days of perfect behavior. Thus far, under this policy, over 700,000 days of parole credit have been earned. That's almost 2,000 years-worth of parole credit earned to date. This allows parole officers to reduce the time they spend supervising those with good behavior, and focus instead on parol-ees who need more close supervision.

We're not only locking fewer people up, we're seeing a reduction in crime. According to the most recent crime reports from the FBI and the state Attorney General's Office, South Dakota's crime rate decreased from 2013 to 2014. Though we can't definitively attribute the reduction in crime to the Public Safety Improvement Act, it's certainly a positive sign to celebrate.

I know it's still too early to declare victory. Experts tell us it will take three to five years to see all the results of our combined efforts. But based on the early data we've received, I am hopeful the reforms will save us more money, hold offenders more accountable and make our state a safer place.

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Union County, SD LAND AUCTION 78.20 +/- Acres Emmet Township Friday, Nov. 13th, 2015 10:30 AM

We will sell the following real estate at public auction at the landsite located from Beresford, SD, 5 miles south on I-29 to the Alcester/Wakonda Exit #42. ½ mile west on 302nd St and 1 ¾ mile south on 470th Ave.

If you are looking to expand your current operation or to invest in SD farmland, here is an opportunity to purchase productive southeastern SD agricultural land in Union County. The land is currently in a corn/ soybean rotation and is available to the new owner for the 2016 crop year. Predominate soils include: Wentworth silty clay loam, 0-2 slopes; Egan Schindler complex, 2-6 percent slopes; Worthing-Chancellor silty clay loams. According to the Union County Director of Equalization the land has a county soil rating of .819 and according to Surety/AgriData a productivity rating of 71.8. Taxes: \$2304.32.

Legal Description: S 1/2 SW 1/4 less H-1, 6-94-50, Union County, SD

TERMS: 15% nonrefundable down payment day of sale with the balance due at closing on or before December 18, 2015. Title insurance and closing costs split 50/50 between buyer and seller. 2015 taxes due in 2016 to be paid by the seller. 2016 taxes due in 2017 to be paid by the buyer. The acres in this property are based on acres stated in the county tax records with acres to be understood to be "more or less" The sellers do not warranty or guarantee that the existing fences lie on the true and correct boundary and new fencing, if any, will be the responsibility of the purchaser pursuant to SD statutes. The property is sold in as is condition and as a cash sale with no financing contingency. Sold subject to existing easements, restrictions, reservations, or highway of record, if any. Information is deemed to be correct but it is not guaranteed. All prospective buyers are encouraged to inspect the property and verify all data provided. Statements made the day of sale take precedence over all written advertising. Real Estate licensees are agents for the seller. Sold subject to confirmation of owner.

For additional information, maps and pictures visit: www.westraatkins.com **Larry and Irene Kirkebak, Owners**

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Thursday, November 19, 2015 @ 10:00am Auction held at Minerva's, Yankton, SD

The Garvey family will offer 194.81 +/- acres of prime farm land south of Gayville, SD. The land is located 1 ½ miles south of Hwy 50 on 450th Ave. This is some of the most productive land in the region. The property has good access and lays level to the eye. The tenant has been notified and this property is yours to farm next season.

The land is being sold by legal description in two separate parcels known as Parcel 1 (78 +/- acres) and Parcel 2 (116.81 +/- acres). The land has not been surveyed for this sale and the owners make no representations of boundaries or fence lines. Parcel 2 includes 4 grain bins as part of the purchase.

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Legal Descriptions

Parcel 1: Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE4 SW4 & SW4 SE4) Section 23, Township 94 North, Range 54 West, Yankton County, SD 78 +/- acres. 2014 Real Estate Taxes due in 2015: \$2,461.44

Parcel 2: North Half of the Southwest Quarter and Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter Except Tract 1 of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter (N2 SW4 & NW4 SE4 EXC TRACT 1 NW4 SW4) Section 23, Township 94 North,

Range 54 West, Yankton County, SD, 116.81 +/- acres. 2014 Real Estate Taxes dues in 2015: \$3,612.70

A 4% Buyers Premium and sales tax will apply.

The following non-refundable down payments from the winning bidder(s) are due the day of the auction:

Parcel 1: \$125,000 Parcel 2: \$175.000

The winning bidder(s) will be required to sign agreements to purchase the day of the sale.

Real Estate Taxes are current. 2015 Real Estate taxes due in 2016 will be the responsibility of the Seller.

An Owners Title Insurance Policy and closing fees will be split 50/50

Closing will take place at Yankton Title Company. Parcel 1 will close between January 4th, 2016 & January 11th, 2016.

Parcel 2 will close on or before December 30, 2015.

Possession will be given at closing, subject to the rights of the current tenant. The Parcels will be sold separately and not combined.

New Harvest Land Brokers, LLC are representing and working on behalf of the sellers. Information herein believed to be accurate but not warranted. All announcements made on the day of the sale take precedence over any printed material.



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