Gov. Daugaard Challenges Board To Raise Habitat Conservation Funds; Pledges To Match Fundraising Goal

PIERRE, S.D. - Gov. Dennis Daugaard issued a challenge last week to the South Dakota Habitat Conservation Board to raise \$1 million more in private money for habitat conservation. The Governor pledged to match the donations for the South Dakota Habitat Conservation Fund with \$1 million in state funds, if the group can meet the goal.

'Ĥabitat conservation is important in South Dakota. Through these efforts,

we conserve our land, enhance our wildlife population and preserve our outdoor tradi-tions," Gov. Daugaard said. "With privately raised funds, the \$1 million dollar challenge grant and the funding provided by the Legislature last legislative session, we can begin a new legacy of habitat conservation in South Dakota.

The South Dakota Habitat Conservation Fund was established in November 2014 as a result of the Governor's Pheasant Habitat Work Group. The Fund provides a permanent funding source for wildlife habitat work in South Dakota. Private donors have contributed a total of \$425,000 to the Fund in the last year and state government has dedicated \$350,000. The Board would need to raise an additional \$1 million in private donations to meet the Governor's challenge. "We are grateful for Gov. Daugaard's offer

to match donations to the habitat conservation fund," stated Jeff Scherschligt, board president. "We intend to do all we can to rise to this challenge and secure \$1 million in private donations to meet the goal

The Governor made the announcement at the South Dakota Habitat Conservation Board's first meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 26. Gov. Daugaard recently established the Board to raise money for habitat conservation and administer habitat conservation programs. The 15 board members met in Pierre to approve bylaws, elect officers, assign term limits and discuss communica-



tions, financial reporting and the facilitation of two grant programs.

The Board will use Fund dollars to award grants to eligible nonprofit organizations that improve or create wildlife habitat in South Dakota. The Board has established two grant categories: small grants from \$5,000 and \$40,000 and large grants from \$40,000 to \$100,000.

Requests for project proposals will be announced at the end of September and applications will be accepted

for consideration from Oct. 1 to Nov. 30, 2015. The Board will hold its next meeting in late October to discuss communications and

fundraising strategies. An additional meeting will be held in December to vote on project proposals for funding. Grant awards will be announced by Dec. 31, 2015.

Individuals serving on the new South Dakota Habitat and Conservation Board

include:

• Jeff Scherschligt of Sioux Falls, president •Bob Roe of Brookings, vice president •Steve Halverson of Pierre, secretary/

- treasurer
 - •Doug Balvin of Huron
 - •Tony Bour of Harrisburg •Dr. Barry Dunn of Brookings
 - •Barry Grossenburg of Winner
 - •Christine Hamilton of Kimball
 - •Tim Kessler of Aberdeen
 - •Scott Lawrence of Sioux Falls
 - •Les Lindskov of Isabel
 - •Delon Mork of Madison
 - •Dick Muth of Mitchell
 - •Larry Ness of Yankton
- •Jan Nicolay of Chester
- •Hunter Roberts, Governor's Office, exofficio member
- John Cooper, GFP commissioner, exofficio member

Legislative Report From Senator Arthur Rusch, **Representing District 17** (Clay And Turner Counties)

One of the bills which passed the 2015 session of the South Dakota Legislature was Senate Bill 2 (SB2) which began the process of creating natural resource districts for each of the river basins in South Dakota. The goal is to create water management plans for each of the river basins that would plan for such things as watershed management, drainage, erosion, flood control, reclamation, and environmental protection of the lands in each river basin. SB2 created nine river basin districts taking in the entire state.

I was appointed to the Advisory Task Force which is charged with establishing the River Basin Natural Resource Districts. The first meeting of the task force was held on August 13, 2015, in Pierre. Kim Vanneman of Winner was elected as chair of the task force and

Representative John Wilk of Big Stone City was elected as vice chair. A number of people con-cerned with the water devel-

opment districts appeared and provided testimony including Brad Preheim, manager of the Vermillion Basin Water Development District and TLC Water Project District; Matt McCaulley an attorney for the South Dakota Corn Growers Association; Ralph Schnorr, a Brown County landowner and civil engineer, Jay Gilbertson,

manager of the East River Water Development : Angela Ehlers, representing the South Dakota Association of Conservation Districts; and Jeff Bathke, the Davison County Drainage Commissioner. A letter from Michael Elsen was also read.

The Task Force discussed the various duties that SB2 required that it carry out this year including recommending specific boundaries for each of the nine districts; recommending how to divide each of the districts into three sub-districts of nearly equal population size; recommending a procedure by which the initial terms of the elected district councils should be staggered; and establishing a pilot water management plan for the Red River and Minnesota River District.

The Task Force discussed whether the districts and sub-districts should be divided using county lines, township lines, or school district boundaries or whether purely hydrological (water drainage) lines should be used to divide them. The Legislative Research Council staff was asked to have maps and population data available at the next meeting to assist the task force in formulating their recommendation regarding district and sub-district boundaries. The staff will split out the districts as close to the existing

voting districts as possible. SB2 excluded Class 1

municipalities (those cities with a population of 5,000 or greater) from the districts but it was agreed that those municipalities and the river basin districts should work together on water management plans. Tribal governments should also be involved in the process. It was felt that there will probably be different management plans for each of the nine districts because many of the water issues will be different depending on the locations; for example the Red River and Minnesota River District will have significantly different needs from the Belle Fourche and Cheyenne River District.

Chair Vanneman appointed a pilot water management plan subcommittee consisting of Senator Frerichs, Representative McCleerey, Representative Wilk, and herself to meet with some of the entities in the northeast area to do some ground work to help facilitate the pilot plan for the Red

River and Minnesota River District. The next meeting of the full task force will be held on October 16th in Pierre.

If anyone has any comments or suggestions for the work of the Task Force, they can mail me at P.O. Box 312, Vermillion, 57069 or call at (605) 670-0013.

St. Agnes School Blessing And Open House Catholic Daughters Ice Cream Social

Most Rev. Bishop Paul J. Swain, Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls, Fr. John Fischer, St. Agnes School staff and students and St. Agnes parishioners wish to invite all former, current and future students of St. Agnes School and their families as well as community members to attend an Open House and Blessing of St. Agnes School, 909 Lewis Street on Wednesday, September 9 from 5 - 7p.m.

The vision of the newly expanded and renovated space at St. Agnes School is now a reality with the start of the 2015/2016 academic year. Bishop Paul Swain will be at St. Agnes to bless all new spaces in the school, just recently completed in time for the new school year. The new addition at St. Agnes includes four new classrooms, offices, meeting room and staff break/ work room. The renovations included new exterior brickwork on the building, new windows and shelving in all the existing classrooms, up-

dates to existing restrooms as well as new flooring in the corridors and classrooms. The project began in May 2013.

"After several years of planning and hard work it is exciting to have a newly updated and expanded school to better serve our community. It is truly amazing that a parish of nearly 500 families was able to accomplish this great work. Our Lord has truly blessed this work of building a faith-filled future for our children and grandchildren," said Fr. John

Dragons At The Library

It's true that dragons are too seldom, but we're happy that they will be making a special appearance at the library this fall! On Tuesday, September 22nd, and Wednesday, September 23rd, Markie Scholz and her Dragons Are Too Seldom Puppet Productions will drop by to share wonderful stories and fun with the children of our community. Public performances of the show "In the Center of Things," will begin both days at

10:30 am in the Kozak Community Room. "In The Center of Things" is the story of Hedgy Hedgehog and his best friend Sally A. Wolf. Hedgy is forced into the Big Woods by the Niggle Naggles who constantly tease and pick on him. He must find his way home but not before he comes face to face with Growl the Troll who is trying to be a friend, a bullying caterpillar, a sly fox who wants Hedgy to do his work for him, and a nasty wind with an awful attitude. Throughout Hedgy's adventure, Sally and Growl try to help Hedgy learn how to handle bullies and get out of the Big Woods and back home safely. For more information about Marie and her dragon friends, go to dragonsaretooseldom.com.

Additionally, there will be a hands-on puppet-making workshop for children in 2nd – 4th grades on Tuesday from 30-5 pm in the Kozak Community Room. All materials be provided - don't miss the fun! The Edith B. Siegrist Vermillion Public Library is located at 18 Church Street in Vermillion. For more information call the Library at 605-677-7060.



FARM EQUIPMENT AUCTION Friday, September 18, 2015 Located: 53682 892 Rd., Bloomfield, NE From Crofton, NE, go 12 miles west on Hwy 12 to Lindy corner, 2 miles north to 892 Rd and 2 ¼ miles west. -OR- From Niobrara, NE go14 miles east on Hwy 12 to Lindy corner, 2 miles north to 892 RD, then 2 ¼ miles West. AUCTION Starts @ 10:00 A.M. LUNCH AVAILABLE

AUCTIONEERS NOTE: Plan to join us for this auction and help Leslie and Denise

Fischer, pastor at St. Agnes Church and School.

The Open House and blessing of St. Agnes School is held in conjunction with the annual Catholic Daughter's Ice Cream Social taking place in the gymnasium at the school from 5 - 7 p.m. Community members will enjoy taverns, chips and a wonderful assortment of pies for dessert!

For more information, please contact St. Agnes School at 605.624.4144.

Machinery Auction Thursday, Sept 10, 2015 5:30 PM John Deere 4430 Tractor, Ford TW20 Tractor, Frontier Hvdro-Swing

We will sell the following at public auction located at 28959 454th Ave, Viborg, SD located from Viborg, SD, 2 miles west on 291st St and 1 1/2 miles north on 454th Ave.

Machinery: JD 4430 tractor, 5122 hrs, quad, 18.4-38 tires, dual hubs, Koyker 565 loader, bale spear; Ford TW20 tractor, 8032 hrs, 18.4-38 tires; IHC Super H tractor; Frontier MC 1216 hydro-swing; NH 664 round baler; NH side delivery rake; NH hay inverter; IHC 490 disk, 21 ft; Wilrich 24' field cultivator; Case 400 AR 5 bottom plow; JD 7000 8RW planter; 5 section drag; NU-Built gravity wagon, 2 Lundell gravity wagons; silage wagon; 2 flatbeds; 7 section drag; stalk chopper; FarmKing 960 snowblower; elevator.

Misc: cattle tub; headgate; corral panels with transport; JD 826 snowblower; 8' x 20' home made trailer; (2) 500 gallon fuel tanks, Filrite pumps; duals; post pounder; cattle bunks; pto wire winder; 2pt bale mover; hay and creep feeder; tools, plus much more.

Vehicles: 1996 Dodge 2500 pickup, 242,680 miles, auto, 5.9 diesel, 5th wheel; 1991 Ford Ranger pickup, 129,319 miles, auto; 1966 Ford 250 pickup, 105,000 miles, 4 sp; 1992 Buick Park Ave, 173,766 miles;

Trailer: 1987 Keifer 7' x 20' livestock trailer;

Terms: Cash/Check/Sales Tax **Open Range Lunch Wagon** For pictures visit <u>www.westraatkins.com</u>. Don Larsen Estate, Judy Larsen, Owners



Joel A Westra, Auctioneer, Chancellor, SD 605-957-5222 Joel R Westra, Auctioneer, Beresford, SD 605-310-6941 Pete Atkins, Auctioneer, Tea, SD 605-351-9847





THURSDAY SEPT. 10 FROM 6-7 PM & SUNDAY SEPT. 13 FROM 5-6 PM

Legal: W232.08' EXC S132.93' BLK 5 Volin Addn, Yankton County, SD. Taxes: \$1,457.90

At auction is a 2009 Manufactured Ranch-Style Home on the South edge of Volin. Home is 1,782 sq. ft and sits on a concrete floor with concrete footings. Home has 4-bedrooms and 2-full baths. Electric utilities and well water with reverse osmosis Culligan water system put in in 2005. City water hookup is available at new owner's expense. All appliances stay with the home except the washer & dryer. Home has asphalt shingles

& vinyl siding and has a 10'x17' concrete patio on front.

This home sits on 1.08 acres and has a full concrete drive leading up to a large, unattached 3-car, 26'x44' garage that was built in 2010. Garage is wired with 220 and all doors have electric openers. Garage has steel roof & vinyl siding.

Auctioneers Note: This has been a well maintained home and sits on an oil road. You are only minutes from both Yankton & Vermillion and is located in the Gayville-Volin School District. Home is ready to move-into. Please make plans to attend one of the open houses or make arrangements with the auction company for a viewing. **Terms:** \$10,000 non-refundable down payment due the day of the auction with the balance due on closing date of Nov. 2nd, 2015. Yankton County Title - Closing Agent. Taxes will be prorated to the date of closing. Property is sold in "as-is" condition and not subject to the buyer's ability to obtain financing. Title insurance and closing cost split 50/50 between the buyer and seller. Auctioneers are acting as agents to the seller.

Joe Guy – Owner



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TRACTORS AND SKID LOADER, TRACTORS HAVE GOOD TO EXCELLENT RUBBER: JD 4430, Power Shift, 18.4x38 rears, 11 x 16 front tires, front and rear weights, heavy step, about 8500 hrs SN 033611. JD 2950 MFD, power Quad, 18.4x38 Rear wheels, real weights, 3 pt., cab, front grill guard, with JD 158 loader, 8 ft. bucket and 4 tine grapple sold as a unit. JD 2940 MFD, Power Quad, 18.4 x 34 Rear, 13.6 x 24 Front, Cab, 3 pt Rear Weights, New Clutch, New Interior with JD 260 Loader, 8 ft. Bucket and Grapple sold as a unit. JD 3055, 18.4x38 Rear, Cab, 3 pt. 2 Hyd, 5900 Hrs, SN 7575509. JE 4020, Syncro, Single Hyd, 15.5 x 38 Rears with Heavy Duty Wide Front, SN-113418. JD 630, Gas, JD Square Wide Front, 3 pt., 13.6 x 38 Rears, SN-6370968 Good Tin and Tires not running. Case 1070 Agri King, Power Shift, 18.4 x 38 Tires, 4990 Hrs. SN 8743405 New Holland L325 Skid Loader w/54" bucket. **TRUCKS, PICKUP AND TRAILERS:** 2003 Ford F 350 XL Super Duty, Auto, 4 x 4, V10, Grill Guard, w/ 8 ft. Flat Bed, Tool Boxes, 5th Wheel Ball, 85,500 miles. 1967 Ford 600 w/ 16ft. Obe Co. Steel Box, Hoist, 4 x 2 Speed 63,800 miles, Trail Rito 5th Wheel Livestock Trailer, 20 x 6.5. 5th Wheel Flatbed 20ft. 8ft, Tandum Axle, Steel Floor, shop built 2-Wheel Pickup Box Trailer w/ Topper. 2-Whee Truck Frame Flatbed, w/ 1200 gal. Tank and Pacer Transfer Pump 2-Wheel Truck Frame Flatbed 16ft. LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT: Dual Tandum Axle Manure Spreader Model 600. Portable Hyd. Lift 19 ft. Adjustable Alley w/ Power River Squeeze Chute and Tub for above Alley, ForMost Portable Squeeze Chute w/ Palpation Cage on Wheels, Calf Chute Table Style. Hoshina 24 ft. Hay Feeder. (2) Steel Calf Shelters. 20 ft. Steel Feed Bunk Calf Creep Feeder single side. Electric Fencers. Round & Square Bale Feeders. RR Ties Several Guard Rails for Fencing, 3 pt. Calf Carrier, Grain-o-Vator auger Wagon, 2-Whee Calf Carrier for 4-Wheeler. COMBINE AND FARM MACHINERY: JD 6600 Combine, Belt drive. 3100 hrs., SN-256891, JD 4400 1978 Combine. 3850 hrs. JD 444 Corn Head Low Tin, JD 566 Round Baler, 540 PTO, SN-117187, 8000 Bales, JD 530 Round Baler McDon 5000. Swinger Windrower. 12 Ft. Vermeer R 23 Twin V Rake. Pequea 710 Windrow Fluffer. Farm Hand 24 ft. Hay Mover, 8 Teeth, 8 Wheels. JD 7200 Corn Planter Max Emerige 2, 8-row wide, Finger Openers, corn & bean meters.. IHC 5100, Grain Drill w/ grass seed attachment 12 ft.. United Farm Tools 400 Bu. Grain Cart. Pull Type Field Sprayer, 700 Gal., 60 ft. Booms. Farmhand F-11 Loader, 6 ft. Bucket w/ Grapple, 8 ft Bucket for F-11 Loader. Case 90 Loader w/ 7 ft. Bucket and Grapple. Vermeer Portable Stump Grinder, Gas Engine, Model 630A. Kewanee 21 ft. Tandem Disc. LunDell 3 pt 5 Shank V Ripper. Winco 12,000 Watt Generator on Cart. JD 215 Tandem Disc. Black Gang, w/ 3 bar Harrow. IHC 490 Tandem Disc. 24 ft. Kewanee 14 ft. Tandem Disc. New Holland 717 Silage Cutter w/ 2-row wide and hay head. Dakon 250 Bu. Gravity box on Truck frame. M-M Grain Drill w/Grass Seed, on steel, 10 ft.. Stan Hoist Wagon, 7ft x 12ft. w/JD Gear. Noble 256 Rolabar side delivery Rake. Kewanee 250, Super Shank Field Cultivtor, 14 ft. IHC 153 Cultivator 4-row. Buffalo, 4-row Cultivator. 15 ft. Land Packer Rhino SE 7, 3pt. Shreader. (3) JD Running Gears. Lucker Dump Rake 30 ft. Dir Scraper 2-3 yard. 3 pt. Bale Fork. 7 ft, 3 pt. Blade. Pull Type Goffer Getter. StanHoist Grain Auger 8ftx55ft. Feteral Grain Auger 8ft x 46 ft. JD 4-Bottom Semi-Mount Plow McKee Model 720 Snow Blower. Kewanee Model 190 Chisel Plow, 12 ft. 6 Bale Carrier w/3 pt Bale Forks. Big John 300 gal. Field Sprayer 30 ft. Boom. NH 455 Pull Type Mower 9 ft. Bar. HOUSE TO BE MOVED OR TORN DOWN: 32 FT. X 30 FT., plus 21 FT. X 6 FT. Addition, 2 Story, 5 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Kitchen, Living room, Dining Room, Oper Porch, New Siding and Windows. SALVAGE MACHINERY: Oldsmobile Cutlas Sierra. JD 6600 Combine, SN-14943, JD 444 Corn Head, Kelly Rvan Feed Wagon, JD 54 Manure Spreader, Oliver 2-row Corn Picker, NH 352 Grinder Mixer, IH 1100 Sickle Mower, Plus more. SHOP AND MISCELLANEOUS: PTO Wire Winder. Miller 225 Amp Welder AC-DC. Miller 215 Wire Welder. Napa Battery Charger. FarmHand 2 cyl Air Compressor. Floor Jack. New Brute Power Washer, Honda Gas Engine, 3000 psi, 2.5 gallons g.p.m. Out Back S-Lite Guidance System SN-224370. (2) 300 gal Fuel Tanks hooked together w/ electric pump. 300 gal Fuel Tank w/hand pump. New 55 gal. of 15-40 Oil. 300 gal Fuel Tank on Stand. Acetyline Torch set. 10 yd. Pile of Rock, 1 inch. JD Front Fenders for MFD. Shur-Kleen Corn Screener. Squirrel Cage Fan w/ Motor. DeWalt Saws All. 24 f Aluminun Extn Ladder. Several Locker Drawers. 3 pt. Quick Hitch. 100 gal. Portable Fuel Tank w/ Pump. (2) JD Fertilizer Tanks for 7000 Planter. And many more tools and misc. items on flatbeds. COLLECTIBLES, MOWERS AND HOUSEHOLD: Hiawatha Bicycle w/ front light. Centurian Gun Safe - holds nine long guns, ammo and pistol . JD 110 Riding Mower, Needs Engine work. JD STX 38 Riding Mower. (2) JD Gas Engines on Carts. Hand Corn Sheller. (2) Oak Bar Stools. Cross cut Saw. Ammo Boxes. Maytag Washer and Dryer. Whirlpool Refrigerator. Crosley Electric Stove. Chest Freezer. Maytag Vintage Washer. Upright Cedar Chest. Portable Air Conditioner. Table and 4 Chairs Window Air Conditioner. (4) Bow Back Chairs. Buffet. Piano. Desk. Hutch. Corn Stove Oak Rocker. Dresser, Vanity . Beds, Crib. Treadmill. Dog Kennel. Binoculars. Plus More!

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