



Award given to state DENR employees

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Above, left to right are Tim Cowman and Mark Rath state DENR employees honored by the South Dakota Emergency Management Association (SDEMA) for their work on the Big Sioux River. Jason Bauder of SDEMA presented the award.

The South Dakota Emergency Management Association (SDEMA) presented Tim Cowman and Mark Rath from the state Department of the Environment and Natural Resource (DENR) SDEMA's Preparedness, Technology and Innovation Award at SDEMA's Conference in Pierre, September 11.

During the past few years Tim and Mark worked collaboratively to bring the Big Sioux Flood Information System to life.

The award nomination from Jason Bauder of South Dakota Office of Emergency Management explained the system is an interactive map for state and local agencies and the public to see firsthand the effects of various levels of flooding on the Big Sioux River, which is known to cause issues for citizens from Watertown all the way to Dakota Dunes.

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The nomination stated they took part in countless meetings with the contractor to bring the concept to reality to help emergency managers predict levels of flooding and impact to citizens along the river.

This spring the system was truly tested with a real world event of heavy rains, heavy snowpack and subsequent flooding.

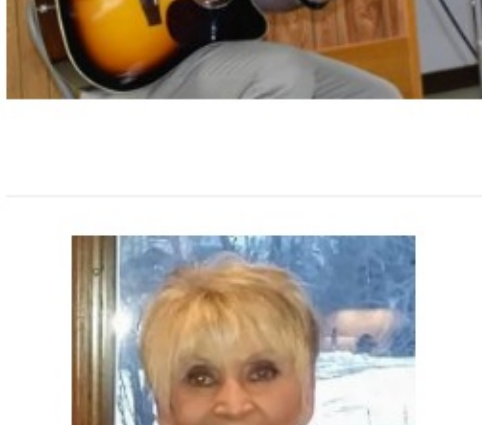
Cowman and Rath worked closely with the contractor in the State EOC to ensure the data was accurate. Their collaborative effort proved the system is very accurate and can be counted on for future flood events.

Cowman and Rath have a passion for helping others and especially emergency managers during these events. In the spirit of the award, Cowman and Rath are true innovators in technology and this has helped us all to be able to see the effects of flooding and the impacts to citizens, so everyone can prepare for anticipated flooding. Their work has made our work easier what in comes to flooding on the Big Sioux River.

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Senior Center's weekly potluck and entertainment

By staff report Updated 34 min ago

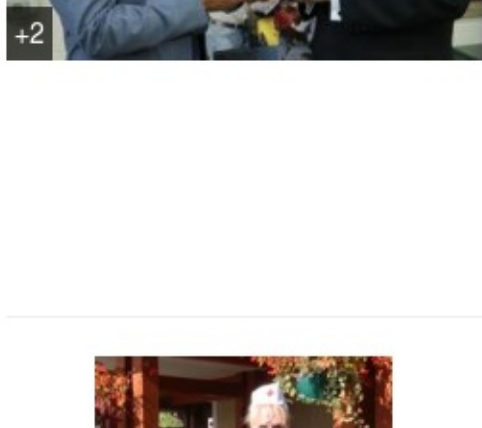
The Pierre Senior Center's weekly Thursday potluck and entertainment, Sept. 19, saw almost 70 members and friends in attendance.



Virginia Lahman, 84

Updated 52 min ago

Virginia Lahman, 84, of Thornton, CO, previously of Blunt, passed away Friday, September 20, 2019. Visitation/Open House will be held 1:30-2:30pm, Friday, September 27, 2019 at Feigum Funeral Home with Funeral Service beginning at 2:30pm. Interment will follow at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Blunt, SD.



U.S. Deputy Secretary of Education visits Pierre classrooms

By Del Bartels, Capitol Bureau Updated 1 hr ago

On Sept. 19, Mitchell Zais, deputy secretary of the U.S. Department of Education, visited T.F. Riggs High School in Pierre to tour the technical education classrooms and discuss the importance of career and technical education (CTE).



Veterans Home in Hot Springs celebrates 130-years

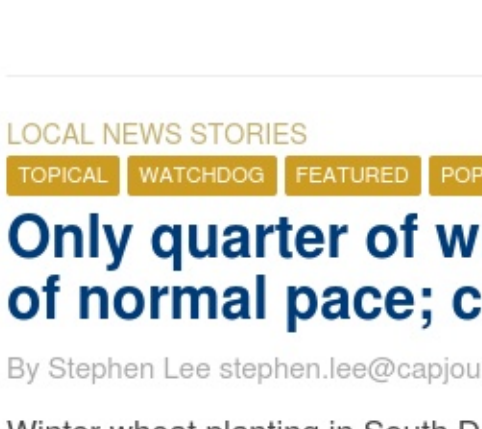
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A full day of festivities on Sept. 20 marked the 130th anniversary of uninterrupted service of the Michael J. Fitzmaurice State Veterans Home (MJFSVH) in Hot Springs.

Dakota Retrospect - I've Been Working on the Railroad

By Gary Heintz Updated 3 hrs ago

Growing up in Harrold meant you were never more than three blocks from the railroad tracks, and in my case, I grew up less than a block from the Harrold depot, and the rumbling of freight trains telling the time of day as they hauled their loads to unknown destinations, both east and west.



Pierre Concert Series continues strong - 2020 season starts Sept. 26

By Del Bartels, Capital Journal Updated 17 hrs ago

The Pierre Concert Series, now over 60 years old, started out having their nationally-renowned concert performers in the old Pierre city auditorium. "When the train went by, the entire building would shake. When the old 10p.m. whistle would blow, it seemed to always be during the height of ...

Only quarter of winter wheat crop in the ground, half of normal pace; corn, beans remain immature

By Stephen Lee stephen.lee@capjournal.com Updated 17 hrs ago

Winter wheat planting in South Dakota is well behind the normal schedule, according to the weekly crop progress report from USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service office in Sioux Falls. And farmers have blamed the recent rains.

Sioux Falls man who died in Lake Oahe boat accident loved his family and fishing

By Stephen Lee stephen.lee@capjournal.com Updated 17 hrs ago

Loyal "Lee" Bossert, the Sioux Falls man who died in Lake Oahe near Pierre on Sept. 14 after he fell out of his fishing boat, was remembered this past Saturday as a father devoted to his children and who enjoyed nature, especially fishing.

Birth announcement

Updated 18 hrs ago

Logan Robert McHenry and his twin sister Hallie Cavel were born August 22, 2019 at Sanford Hospital in Sioux Falls to Sarah (Jeffries) and Jason McHenry. Logan weighed three pounds, 13 ounces. Hallie weighed three pounds, nine ounces. The parents live in Clark, South Dakota, but Sarah was or...

Community Calendar

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Tuesday, September 24

Pierre Police Blotter - Sept. 20-23

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Friday, Sept. 20, 2019

Presho's blood drive sees 26 volunteers

by staff report Updated 21 hrs ago

The Presho community hosted a blood drive with Vitalant (formerly United Blood Services) on Sept. 19 at the United Methodist Church. The drive collected 29 units of blood products.

Court Report for Stanley County: Sept. 2-10

By staff report Updated 17 hrs ago

Vihaun De. Clerq, Mount Vernon, open alcoholic beverage container accessible in vehicle, seat belt violation, \$79 fines, \$68.50 costs.

Safety reminders after series of deadly vehicle crashes

By staff report Updated 18 hrs ago

A recent string of eight vehicle deaths in a four-day period this month has South Dakota Department of Public Safety officials once again urging people to be careful on the state's roads.

Free High Plains Circuit Finals Rodeo, Sept. 29, in Fort Pierre

By staff report Updated 18 hrs ago

The 2019 High Plains "Buckin' To Vegas" Circuit Finals for junior bareback and junior saddle bronc riders is Sunday, Sept. 29 in Fort Pierre at the Casey Tibbs Arena, starting at 11 a.m. CST following the High Plains Series awards ceremony.

Prenatal and Primary Care Innovation Grants awarded

By staff report Updated 18 hrs ago

The Department of Social Services (DSS) has awarded \$1 million of innovation grants to improve primary and prenatal care for women in the Medicaid program.

Capital Area Counseling Service moves

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The Capital Area Counseling Service (CACS) Board of Directors has announced that CACS has moved to its new treatment facility at 2001 Eastgate Avenue in northeast Pierre. This location is just north of Beck Motors.

S.D. seniors put heat on lawmakers for lower drug prices

By Roz Brown, Greater Dakota News Service Updated 18 hrs ago

Seniors and other South Dakotans are awaiting prescription drug pricing legislation that would allow the federal government to negotiate Medicare's brand name drug prices.

Miss South Dakota USA 2020 and Miss Teen South Dakota 2020 crowned in Brandon

By Staff Report Updated 18 hrs ago

The latest Miss South Dakota USA Kalani Jorgensen of Sioux Falls advances to the national Miss USA competition.

Federal, state, local and tribal law enforcement conduct 'Operation Fall Clean Up'

By US Dept. of Justice Updated 18 hrs ago

RAPID CITY — United States Attorney Ron Parsons and United States Marshal Dan Mosteller today announced a multi-agency law enforcement operation that resulted in dozens of arrests in the Rapid City area as part of the District of South Dakota's renewed Project Safe Neighborhoods program.

Perkins in Fort Pierre to close for 6 days to get inside do-over

By Stephen Lee stephen.lee@capjournal.com Updated 17 hrs ago

Just after lunch on Sunday, Diane London began overseeing a quick, six-day renovation of the interior of her Perkins Restaurant in Fort Pierre.

Despite the calendar date, there's still time to plant cereal cover crops

By NRCS Updated 17 hrs ago

HURON — It has been a challenge for many producers to reduce weed production on prevent plant acres as rains continues to dampen fields this year.

Correction

Updated Sep 20, 2019

IN Kathy Lucas's letter to the editor, the correct title of Wayne Dyer's book is "The Shift--Taking Your Life From Ambition To Meaning"

Emergency Management Plan receives FEMA approval

Gov's Office Updated Sep 22, 2019

Governor Kristi Noem on Friday, Sept. 20, announced that South Dakota's Hazard Mitigation Plan received FEMA approval, allowing the State to receive additional funds in the event of future presidential disaster declarations. South Dakota is one of 13 states that have received this designation.

Noem, U.S. Deputy Secretary of Ed. visit Pierre CTE classrooms

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