

Hermosa News Letter

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**More inside on Hermosa Graduation, Safety Saturday,
and Kids Inc. 4-H.**

June is Dairy Month



Pictured left to right back row: Town Board President Dan Holsworth, Vice President Linda Kramer, Cody Schlechter, Board Member Matt Ramsey, Board Member Bernie Flug, Tammy Jo Schlechter (parent involved with Kids Inc. 4-H Club), Hermosa Attorney Kent Hagg, Hermosa Town Marshal Jim Daggett Front row: Rachael McCoy, Trixie Jo Schlechter, Lexi McCoy, Kord Rittberger, and Natalie McCoy

Way to go Kid's Inc.

The Kids Inc. 4-H club, along with parent Tammy Jo Schlechter, attended the Hermosa Town Board meeting to request Hermosa formally proclaim June as Dairy month. The Kids Inc. 4-H club, applied for and received, a Midwest Dairy Grant. As part of that grant, the club is to work with local community organizations and businesses to promote dairy products and the dairy industry.

Tammy Jo Schlechter explained that June is National Dairy Month, so as part of our grant's specifications, we said that we would ask our local city council to formally announce that June is Dairy Month. By attending the meeting in May and getting the Hermosa Town Board's approval for this declaration, our club has met one of our many goals for our dairy grant! We also invited members from the city council to help us hand out ice cream on the last day of school. Our club hopes that the members will be able to help us share the ice cream with Hermosa School students, which will be one more thing we can write in our report to Midwest Dairy Association.

We thank the Hermosa Town Board for helping us promote June as Dairy Month!

**TOWN OF HERMOSA
RESOLUTION 2012-01**

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING **JUNE AS DAIRY MONTH** IN THE TOWN OF
HERMOSA, CUSTER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hermosa recognizes that the youth organizations of Kids Inc. and 4-H are great contributors to the formation of responsible, patriotic, and productive citizens; and,

WHEREAS, members of Kids Inc. and 4-H attended the April 17th, 2012, Regular Meeting and requested the Town Board of Hermosa to declare the month of June as Dairy month; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Hermosa acknowledges that dairy products are essential to a healthy diet, and the production of dairy products and the raising of dairy cows is a cornerstone of American Agriculture and the local economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Town of Hermosa, Custer County, South Dakota, that the month of June be, and is declared to be, Town Dairy Month and shall work with Kids Inc. and 4-H to promote the same.

Be resolved this ____ day of May, 2012.

ATTEST:

Shanna Harris

Dan Holsworth

Finance Officer

Town Board President

Vote: Holsworth -

Kramer -

Bell -

Ramsey -

Flug -

First Reading: May 1st, 2012

Published: May 9th, 2012

Where this story ends, another is just beginning.



Hermosa 8th grade graduates, Back Row: Samuel True Blood, Peyton Uhler, Destinee Cole, Alicia McDaniel, John Ellsworth, Heath Hunsaker, Bennie Wiedeman, Willie Rogers, Ryan Burton. Front Row Sheyanne, Rebekah Luck, Kortney Scheffert, and Tiki Preston.

The 8th grade recognition and End of Year Celebration for Hermosa, Spring Creek and Fairburn schools, was held May 23, 2012 at 8:30 am at the Hermosa School. Miss Kortney Scheffert was awarded the Mason's Student Achievement Award, with Miss Tiki Preston and Mr. William Rogers both being awarded the American Legion Award. The day ended with field day events plus a special treat of ice cream.

The 8th grade graduating class presented Principal Franke with a quilt signed by all the students As the students prepare to move on to a new school. Mr. Franke also is preparing to move on to a new school. He will be missed by students and teachers alike.

Good luck to all!





In Memory

Principal Chip Franke said "An emphasis on safety messages for children was part of the school program on Wednesday at Hermosa Elementary School, to honor Trevor Whitehead who drowned May 21, 2011, while playing near the creek along South Valley Drive in Rapid City and would have been in the fifth grade this year.

The school dedicated a commemorative quilt to Trevor that will hang on the wall of the school gym. This year, the school also marked the first anniversary of Trevor's death by remembering his life and dedicating their field day event to his memory,

GOD'S CUPBOARD

This is the name of our emergency food pantry that is located at Our Savior's Lutheran church. If you know of a family or an individual from the community that is in need of food or other essentials, please have them contact Pastor Becky for a private conversation/consultation. Pastor Becky would like to meet with each family or individual so all can receive specific help and prayer. Each family/individual will fill out an information card that will be kept confidential.

God's Cupboard will be receiving support, including financial, from the Community Trust Fund. When a family/individual receives a box of food from God's Cupboard, it will include a voucher for fresh food items from Pop's, as well as information about the areas of help that the Community Trust Fund can provide. If you know of an organization that can provide help, please let us know and we can include that as well.

Donations can be made to Community Trust Fund, PO Box 91, Hermosa, SD 57744 and if you are in need of help from the Community Trust Fund, please call 605-415-2663.

Have a Safe July 4th

To help you celebrate safely this Fourth of July, the Consumer Product Safety Commission and the National Council on Fireworks Safety offer the following safety tips:

Always read and follow label directions.
Have an adult present.



- Buy from reliable sellers.
- Use outdoors only.
- Always have water handy (a garden hose and a bucket).
- Never experiment or make your own fireworks.
- Light only one firework at a time.
- Never re-light a "dud" firework (wait 15 to 20 minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water).
- Never give fireworks to small children. If necessary, store fireworks in a cool, dry place. Dispose of fireworks properly by soaking them in water and then disposing of them in your trashcan.
- Never throw or point fireworks at other people.



Hermosa Mud Bog: June 16th, July 21st., Aug. 25th and Sept 8th. Gates open at 10 am and registration is from 11-12 am, racing starts at 1pm, except for the last race on Sept.8th when the gates open at 8 am, registration is 9-10 am, and racing starts at 11 am.

This is definitely a family event with raffles, fun prizes, and muddy contests for all ages, so load up and come watch and/or participate at the Hermosa Mud Bog located 1 mile north of Hermosa on the west side of Highway 79. Lunch is available. **Admission is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for kids, 6 and under are free.**

ORDINANCE 9.09

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REASONABLE HOURS WHICH
FIREWORKS MAY BE DISCHARGED WITHIN THE TOWN OF HER-
MOSA, CUSTER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA**

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Legislature enacted SDCL 34-37-16.1 amending the period during which discharge of fireworks are permitted within the State of South Dakota; and

WHEREAS, *SDCL 9-19-3* authorizes local government entities to enact, make, amend, revise, or repeal all such ordinances resolutions, and regulations as may be proper and necessary to carry into effect the powers granted thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF HERMOSA, CUSTER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, AS FOLLOWS:

It shall be unlawful for a person to discharge fireworks within the town limits of Hermosa except during the period beginning June 27th and extending through July 5th, and during the period beginning December 28th, and extending through January 1st, as permitted within *SDCL 34-37-16.1*.

It shall be further unlawful for a person to discharge fireworks within the town limits of Hermosa during the times *outside of* 9am to 10pm beginning June 27th and extending through July 2nd; 9am to 12 midnight on July 3rd; 9am to 2am on July 4th; 9am to 12 midnight July 5th; 9am to 10pm December 28th through December 29th; 9am to 12 midnight December 30th; 9am to 2am December 31st; and 9am to 12 midnight January 1st.

The Department of Public Safety, together with all law enforcement officers of the state and its political subdivisions, shall be charged with the enforcement of the provisions of this ordinance.

Except where a penalty is specifically provided, a violation of the provisions of this chapter is a Class 1 misdemeanor.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE TOWN OF HERMOSA, CUSTER COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA;

In the interpretation and application of the provisions of this Ordinance, these provisions shall be held to a minimum requirement adopted for the promotion of the public health, morals, safety, and the general welfare. Whenever the requirements of this Ordinance are at variance with the requirements of other lawfully adopted rules, regulations or Ordinances, the most restrictive, or that imposing the higher standards, shall govern.

Dated this _____ day of March, 2012.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF HERMOSA

Shanna Harris, Finance Officer

Dan Holsworth, Town Board President

Vote: Kramer
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Ramsey
Flug

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Second Reading: May 1st, 2012
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**Farm Credit Services of America,
to Sponsor BHRN Safety Saturday**

Doug Theel and Mary Gorcoff - Knecht of Farm Credit Services of America office in Rapid City presented a check to Joan Harris of Black Hills Recovery Network to support the 4th annual Safety Saturday workshop introducing children to several mini safety classes including bicycle safety, bicycle rodeo, and supporting safe routes to school on May 12, 2012, at 9am-3pm at the Custer County Fairgrounds in Hermosa.

Farm Credit Services of America is proud to finance the growth of rural America, including the special needs of young and beginning producers. With over 76,500 customers, assets of more than \$13 billion, and a patronage program, FCS America is the leading provider of credit and insurance services to farmers, ranchers, agribusiness and rural residents in Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming. Learn more at www.fcsamerica.com.

Our Sponsors make Safety Saturday possible. Thank You!

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Some One's in the Kitchen, Family Thrift Center, Jimmy John's, Qdoba,
Complete Nutrition, Herbergers, Knecht's, Dickey's Barbeque, and Wendy's



Safety Saturday



2012



It is our intent to foster a safety oriented environment through Communication & Education.

Black Hills Recovery Network, and Hermosa Neighborhood Watch

Today's Volunteers, Tomorrows Leaders



Black Hills Recovery Network offers a special Thank You to our youth volunteers helping with Safety Saturday 2012. Left to right they are Payton Uhlir, Rebekah Luck, Kortney Sheffert, Amber Moore and Wynter Skye Selbach. Back row are our MC's for the awards Hermosa Town Board President Dan Holsworth and Vice President Linda Kramer.

We hope they enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed having them. Volunteering is a good way for children and teens to develop responsibility, independence, teamwork and work ethics. It is also a big plus when looking for that first job. Black Hills Recovery Network and Hermosa Neighborhood watch welcome any volunteers 12 and older when holding special events, hand delivering flyers, and making posters. Just let us know you'd like to be on our volunteer list by e-mailing joharris.news@gmail.com, call Joy at 255-5028, or mail BHRN PO Box 232 Hermosa SD

We also extend our Thanks to the Custer County Fair Board for use of the fair grounds.

And to all those Hermosa business's who spent their advertising dollars in the Hermosa News letter, we THANK YOU. Your support helped us achieve our goals for Safety Saturday. June, July and August advertising dollars will be donated to the Hermosa Neighborhood Watch 2013 Scholarship fund.

Keeping Kids Safe

Black Hills Recovery Network's Safety Saturday is a yearly event to educate and reinforce safety issues to our youth, while having fun. The event was held on May 12, at the Custer County Fairgrounds.

The morning started off with juice, snacks, and a rousing presentation by Tom Cone on traffic and bicycle safety.

The morning continued with a presentation on Bullying, from Donna Tally Executive Director of WEAVE; internet safety, presented by Landon Van Buskirk Pro-Tech Computers; Halley Legge with the US Forest Service explained Hazards around trees, and Alexa Stulken "Don't Thump Your Melon" handed new bicycle helmets after a fit test. The Hermosa Volunteer Fire Department entertained the kids with a puppet show, but also showed their equipment explaining the usage of each item. Mike Chase of Black Hills Electric Co Op wowed the kids with his working display of electrical safety and Joe Keeton of the Game Fish and parks kept the attendees attention when he showed them his boat and explained the purpose and how to use flotation devices. Lori James of Paw Patch Acres had two wonderful pets with her to help explain animal safety. Chris Jirsa, a state certified Chemical Dependency Counselor, showed a video and discussed "Just Say No". Dan Holsworth, Hermosa Town Board President, demonstrated and discussed ATV safety and Linda Kramer, Hermosa Town Board Vice President, presented Know Your Plants, giving all the children an opportunity to plant a flower.

That already sounds like a full day, but after lunch they enjoyed a Save Routes to School event, a bicycle rodeo with cones and ramps donated by Yellow Bike and then, as they relaxed with a cold drink and snack, awards and prizes were given out to participants. Our "**Safety Rocks**" poster contest winners were K-2 Savannah Armendariz, 3-5 Madison Ramsey, and 6-8 Amber Moore. The finale was the six children who won brand new bicycles, Peyton Uhlir, Daniel Ramsey, Madison Ramsey, Zachary Moore, True Holsworth and Carter Boyster, along with our pre-school scoter winner Alex Gomez.

What a great day, great weather, and great time!

Plan to join us next year.



Everyone went home tired but **HAPPY!**

Vacation Bible School

Sponsored by Hermosa Churches

4 year olds - 6th grade

Registration monday, June 18th at 8:30

at Our Saviors Lutheran Church

closing Program/Potluck Picnic:

June 22 at 11:30 am

JUNE 18 - 22 - 9:00 - 11:30

HAHA Tidbits

- Hermosa Arts and History Association had a very successful fundraiser in April. Thanks to a generous community, over \$5000 was donated in money and volunteer projects.
- The South Entrance to the Museum has recently had steps and a handicap ramp installed. Within the next couple of months, new railing will be added.
- The Museum has consulted with a local botanist to develop a landscaping plan to improve the aesthetics in the area around the museum. Work will be ongoing. Anyone who would like to volunteer time or funding should contact Linda Hasselstrom.
- HAHA will have a booth at the Custer County Fair. Stop in to see us.
- Don't forget the HAHA Cemetery Walk on October 13th at 1:00.

SHOP LOCAL !

Do you need gas, groceries, a place to eat, maybe bedding plants, or landscaping, a contractor, roofer, electrician, dirt work or excavation? Look around - we have it all!



Driving Safety

Did you know?

NSC estimates almost 25% of crashes involve cell phone use while driving. (NSC Attributable Risk Estimate)

Research has shown that children are more likely to wear safety belts or use child safety seats when the parent (adult driver) buckles up.

Drivers and front seat passengers who buckle up are 45% more likely to survive motor vehicle crashes and 50% more likely to avoid serious injuries. (NHTSA)

In 2009, 32% of all fatalities in motor vehicle crashes involved a driver under the influence of alcohol. (NHTSA)

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Driving is one of the most dangerous activities you will do each day. As traffic on the roads increases during the summer months, keep in mind the safety tips below to stay safe when driving for work or pleasure.

Cell Phone Distracted Driving

Cell phone use while driving isn't just a visual and manual distraction, but a cognitive distraction – taking your mind off the primary task of driving. That is why hands-free devices offer no safety benefit as your brain is distracted by the conversation. When driving:

- Refrain from using your cell phone
- Put your cell phone on silent or in the glove box to avoid temptation
- Safely pull over and put the vehicle in Park to take or make a call
- Change your voicemail message to say you are unavailable when driving

Safety Belt Use

Safety belts are one of the most effective safety devices in your vehicle. Safety belts can determine who will walk away from a crash and who will not.

- Always wear a safety belt – every trip, every time
- Make sure every passenger is wearing his or her safety belt before you begin your drive
- Children should sit in the back and use the proper child safety seat or booster seat

Impaired Driving

Impaired driving simply means a person's ability to safely operate a motor vehicle is compromised by alcohol and other drugs that change the function of the brain and body.

- If you plan on drinking, designate a non-drinking driver for the evening
- Never get in the car with an intoxicated driver – take keys away from someone who has been drinking
- If you have been drinking and need to get home, call a friend or taxi or take public transportation

Aggressive Driving

Aggressive driving behaviors can include speeding, frequent and unnecessary lane changes, tailgating and running red or yellow lights. These behaviors create unsafe situations and can lead to road rage. To avoid aggressive driving:

- Keep your emotions in check and don't take frustrations out on other drivers
- Plan ahead and allow enough time for delays
- Focus on your own driving
- Don't tailgate or flash your lights at another driver
- Use your horn sparingly

Remember, we all share the roads so take the necessary steps to keep yourself and others safe.

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June is National Safety Month

**Marshal Daggett reminds you don't text and drive.
Drive safe and stay safe.**

Hermosa gets good water report!

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 20, 2012

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Mark Mayer, (605) 773-3754

DENR RECOGNIZES TOWN OF HERMOSA-OLD SYSTEM FOR DRINKING WATER COMPLIANCE

PIERRE - The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) announced today that the Town of Hermosa-Old System public water system and the system's certified operators have been awarded a **Drinking Water Certificate of Achievement Award**. The award is for outstanding water system operations and environmental compliance with state drinking water standards for the past year.

The system's certified operator is **Chuck Ferguson**.

"The best bargain in South Dakota is reliable, high quality, safe water from your public drinking water systems - 24 hours per day - 7 days a week," said DENR Secretary Steve Pirner. "The managers and operators receiving this DENR award guaranteed their water was safe by achieving 100% compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act during 2011." To qualify for the Drinking Water Certificate of Achievement Award, public water systems and their operators had to meet all of the following requirements for 2011:

- compliance monitoring,
- drinking water standards,
- distribute a Drinking Water Report,
- lead/copper action levels,
- comply with operator certification requirements



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Onion ~ Carrots ~ Cucumber ~ Broccoli
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- Create Your Own

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- Tomato Heart Health
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- body care products
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- chair massage



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HERMOSA LOCATION

Natural Market
13815 Battle Creek Rd.
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(on the campus of Black Hills
Health and Education Center)



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**White Tail Ridge B&B
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White Tail Ridge is on six rolling, wooded acres and offers three spacious guest rooms reflecting the history and beauty of the Black Hills. We serve a hearty breakfast family-style every morning. The Gathering Room is available for daily use by non-guests. Additional services, such as refreshments and meals can be added. Contact the innkeepers for options and pricing. We are open year-round.



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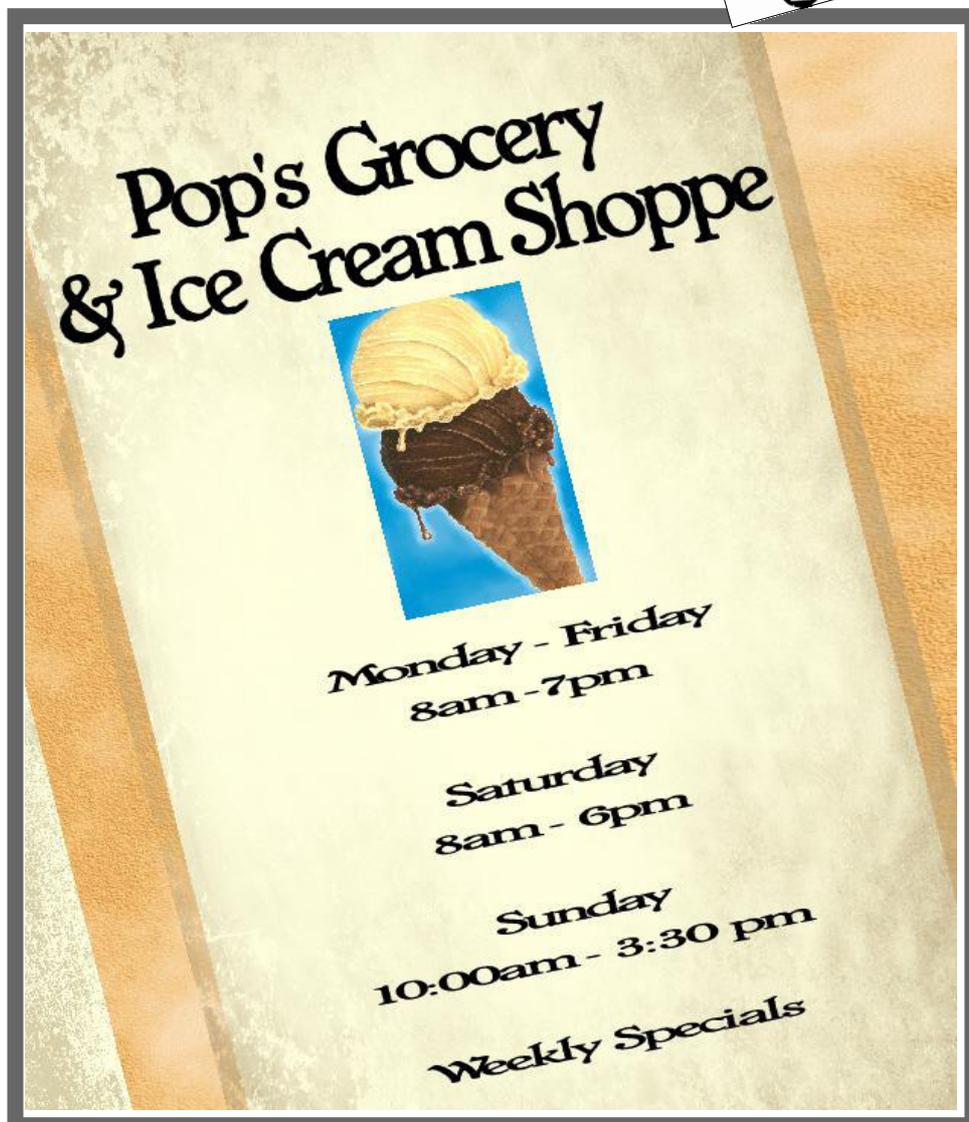
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Bountiful Baskets are coming to Hermosa



Brandi Forgey, Rhonda Woods, and Emily Beck are the volunteers behind the opening of a Bountiful Baskets Site in Hermosa.

Bountiful Baskets Food Coop is a group of people who work together for mutual benefit. It is a grassroots, all volunteer, no contracts co-operative. Since there are no employees at Bountiful Baskets, the individuals who contribute as a group pay rock bottom prices on food.

Here is how it works; individuals contribute to a basket on Monday and on Saturday the produce arrives in bulk at the site, and is distributed among the individual baskets by volunteers and then contributors pick up the produce baskets. Individuals also have the opportunity to contribute for Add-on's like canning tomatoes, fresh strawberries, granola, and our family's favorite, bread. A veggie add on is usually offered each time and they are themed; Asian, Mexican, Italian. Also there is bulk produce you can add if you choose. Some of the add-on's we've had in the past are roma tomatoes, oranges, pink lady apples, pineapple, and fresh tortillas. There is AMAZING bread you can add on too. I think some people contribute to the traditional baskets just so they can add on the bread.

Unfortunately you cannot know exactly what is in the basket on Monday when you order, because they pool the money and order the produce for the following Saturday delivery. The first day that you can actually sign up is Monday June 11th and the delivery will be that Saturday the 16th at the Hermosa School.

The price is wonderfully low as a basket containing about \$40-\$50 worth of produce (priced at the Rapid City Wal-Mart) costs \$15 plus \$1.50 shipping. For those in Hermosa, the savings are significant as we also must figure in the cost of fuel to market in Rapid City.

In order to participate, you must set up a free account on the [website](http://www.bountifulbaskets.org) www.bountifulbaskets.org, you will find further instructions on the web site. Contributions are accepted beginning Mondays at 10:00 a.m. for Utah, and 12:00 p.m. for all other states.

Custer YMCA Hermosa Summer Day Camp

Sign up now, choose from one or all sessions.
Call Nicole or Lori at (605)673-2222

There is no charge, only a \$10.00 registration fee.

Session 1, June 4-8, A pirates life for me, what it means to be a pirate.

Session 2, June 11-15, Ooey Gooey, exploring different textures and states of matter.

Session 3, June 18-22, Land Before Time, everything prehistoric.

Session 4, June 25-29, Super Hero's, dream up your own super hero.

Session 5, July 9-13, Wild, Wild, West, a taste of the old days.

All advertising dollars received in June, July, and August will be donated to the Hermosa Neighborhood Watch scholarship Fund.

To place an ad call Joy at 255-5028 or e-mail Joan at joharris.news@gmail.com

Hermosa Open Gym

(at the Hermosa Elementary School).

Membership rates are \$10/month for an individual, \$20/month for a family. Individuals must be High School students or 18 years of age. Member children under high school age **MUST BE ACCOMPANIED** by a parent or guardian.

Days are **Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday** nights from **6 pm** to 10 pm, **Saturday** from 9 am to 1 pm.

At the Open Gym members have access to the new gym for walking/running and basketball (clean tennis shoes are required) and also use of the exercise room, that contains exercise and weight machines and free weights. For information on Hermosa Open Gym contact Bill Kelly (381-6969) or Robert King (440-2464).

SHOP LOCAL

Cemetery Walk

Hermosa Arts and History Association (HAHA) will conduct a Cemetery Walk at Highland Park Cemetery on October 13, 2012. Rick Mills will provide an introduction and lead tour groups to the grave sites of former residents where participants will tell their stories. Refreshments will be available at this fundraising event. The cemetery walk will begin at 3 p.m. Characters will be available to talk to the public at an open house at the museum following the walk. A chili supper will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m..

HAHA intends the Cemetery Walk to be an annual event, so we welcome suggestions and information about people buried in the cemetery whose stories might be included.

If you want to volunteer to describe or impersonate a character from Hermosa's history for the Cemetery Walk, please contact Rick Mills 877-6629 or rmills@blackhills.com, Nancy Trautman 348-8230

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School Board Meeting

Mr. Franke, Principal of our three rural schools, Hermosa, Fairburn, and Spring Creek, has formally announced his resignation. Custer Schools superintendant Scott Lepke spoke with members at the last school board meeting stating he had about 30 applications for the position. Although the deadline for any other budget cuts has passed (April 15th) and it had been said there would be no more staff positions eliminated, the Custer County Chronicle reports some Board members are against rehiring anyone for this position, in fact a motion was made by Mr. Larry Vickers to not rehire the position. Ultimately the motion failed, many Board members wanted a plan in place before such a decision was made.

The following is an excerpt from the School Boards published minutes.

Lepke then shared that there has been some conversation in regard to not re-hiring the rural school principal position. He stated that the position has been advertised and thirty applications have been received. He feels that the district needs to maintain an administrator dedicated to the rural schools to better serve staff, students and community. He shared that he also has concerns about the new evaluation criteria which will require more of administrators. Discussion followed, regarding discipline issues and other requirements of the rural school principal. Board member Lintz suggested that the district have a written guideline to indicate the level of student enrollment that would justify a certain number of teachers and administrators. The board heard from several parents and teachers in the audience, who spoke in favor of maintaining a full time rural school principal, expressing concerns about discipline, coordination efforts, communication, customer service and leadership. Several board members also expressed concerns about not having an administrator dedicated to the rural schools. Lintz suggested that the board consider hiring only a part-time administrator in order to assess the need for administration at the rural schools. He stated that he knows of someone who would be willing to step into the position for one year, for a part-time salary, and assess whether the position needs to be full or part-time. President Dahlstrom reminded the board that it is not the role of the board to seek out potential employees, and that the board does not hire anyone other than the Superintendent. Motion by Vickers, second by Lintz, to not rehire a rural school principal. Motion failed, 5:2.

Each board member invites your comments and suggestions on matters relating to improving or enriching our schools. (Custer School District web site)

**Contact John Dahlstrom by e-mail: jdahlstrom@csd.k12.sd.us
Meetings are held on the second Monday of the month.
Let your representatives know how you feel.**

Black Hills Recovery Network



Black Hills Recovery Network has partnered with the Town of Hermosa and Custer County to submit new mapping to FEMA. They will request a Letter of Map Revision. According to Dave Muck of Ferber Engineering, who was hired by BHRN to do this study, there is the potential for 35-40 structures (mobile homes, stick-built homes, and other structures) in the county & town limits to be removed from the flood insurance requirement. Of those, 25 to 30 are within the Town of Hermosa limits, although none are located in Ferguson Subdivision. The proposed floodplain also removes a significant amount of property from the floodplain, which is all designated Zone A north and south of highway 40 for the Billover Creek and the Old Dairy Drainage. This will open more land for development, without FEMA oversight, as well as reducing developmental costs. With the help and support of the Town of Hermosa and Custer County, BHRN will be able to have Ferber Engineering move forward with the map submittals.

The mission of the Black Hills Recovery Network is **“to provide short term relief for victims of Natural Disaster, and long term support in rebuilding and educating the communities affected in the Disaster, in the Western South Dakota region.”** This project started after a disastrous storm hit Hermosa, South Dakota on August 17, 2007 causing hail, wind, and flooding that damaged and/or destroyed homes in Hermosa and Custer County. With the flood plain mapping completed, BHRN’s goal is to develop and implement a Drainage Master Plan. Black Hills Recovery Network has spent \$71,696.00 on this project to date, and will be looking for new sources of funding to continue this project. This study, once completed, will benefit the County and the Town of Hermosa by making it safer for all residents.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors



For supporting the Hermosa
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tising dollars in June, July and
August.

Check out the July News Letter
for the winner of HNW 2012



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Arlene Wilkerson

Welcome to Another New Business

The Black Hills Health and Education Center has opened two new stores, one in Hermosa and one in Keystone. The Natural Health Stores grand openings were held May 28th, 2012. The stores offer a variety of baked goods, smoothies, a juice and salad bar along with a gift shop and many organic products.

The Hermosa store is located at the Black Hills Health and Education Center 13815 Battle Creek Road, the Keystone store is at 528 Highway 16A.



More services have been added at the Paw Patch. In addition to boarding and grooming, we now offer pet food for dogs and cats, Your pet is special so keeping your pet nutritionally fit is easy with ADM, because these products provide economical, and balanced, nutritional feeding programs for dogs and cats, We are also carrying a complete line of feed and supplements for horses from ADM and MoorMan's. Stop in and check it out, our hours are: **Monday—Thursday** 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. **Friday** 8 a.m. to Noon, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. **Saturday** 8 a.m. to Noon

Community Meetings

Hermosa Town Board , First and third Tuesdays at 6pm

Hermosa Planning and Zoning , Second and fourth Tuesdays at 6pm

Hermosa Neighborhood Watch, Second Mon. of the month. 6pm

Custer County Fair Board , Thursday June 7, at 7 pm

The Senior Center is open to the public M-F for the noon meal.

EVENTS FOR JUNE 2012

BLACK HILLS HEALTH AND EDUCATION CENTER (BHH&EC)

1. The Friday night "Musical" will be held in the Main Lodge on the BHH&EC on 15 June 2012 at 6:30 p.m.
2. BHH&EC will soon be offering a retainer medical service to families and individuals. Look for further information in the July issue of this Newsletter.

AMERICAN LEGION The 4-H club is sponsoring a rodeo at the Fairgrounds on Father's Day, June 17th, starting at 10 a.m. The American Legion will have a concession stand up and ready for your convenience.

HERMOSA LIBRARY

The Library will sponsor a Summer Reading Program from June 1st - July 18th. Something new this year is a "Partner Reading" program for those children who are younger (kindergarten or 4 years old) and need someone to read with or for them. The Summer Reading Program is for grades 1 through 6; they will be required to keep record of the time they invest in reading. They are required to read a minimum of 10 hours each week to be eligible for a prize. Yes, prizes will be awarded for **"reading achievers!"** Call Burt at 255-5597 for more information.



Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST (UCC)

1. Sunday service at 9:30 a.m.
2. Vacation Bible School (VBS), a community wide activity, is being held at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, June 18-22. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. on 18 June.

CHRIST'S TABERNACLE (meets at the Beef Bldg at the Fairgrounds)

1. Sunday service at 10:00 a.m.
2. Bible Study each Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.
3. The third Wednesday, June 20, a dinner and fellowship, AND a baby shower honoring moms Raquel and Amber.
4. CONGRATULATIONS to Joseph Astin and Angie Roller who will marry on June 16 at the Oglala Recreation Center.

ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass at 9 a.m. each Sunday.

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

1. Sunday service's at 9:30 a.m.
2. Vacation Bible School (VBS) is a community-wide activity scheduled for 18-22 June, 9-11:30 a.m. On Friday, 22 June at 11:30 a.m. a closing program and pot luck picnic are planned.

CHURCH OF CHRIST (meets at the American Legion)

1. Bible Study at 10 a.m. ad services at 11 a.m. each Sunday.
2. Bible Study on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

1. Meets on Saturdays at 9:30 a.m. for Sabbath School Bible Study and 11:00 a.m. for Divine Services.
2. A weekly hour of prayer each Wednesday evening, 6:15-7:15. For more information call Sharlene Olivier at 255-5278.
3. An outdoor church service is planned for June 30th at 10 a.m. at Lake Angostura. Call Sharlene at 255-5278 for more information.