

**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
LIFELINE/TRIBAL LINK UP ADVERTISING/OUTREACH
ANNUAL REPORT
JULY 1, 2018**

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Lifeline/Tribal Link Up Advertising/Outreach Activities:

- ✓ Advertise in media of general distribution.* (See attached advertisement(s).)
- ✓ Letter to existing and new customers regarding the availability of Lifeline/Tribal Link Up within 1st 30 days of service.* (See attached letter.)
- ✓ Company's Lifeline/Tribal Link Up information in directory.
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SUMMONS

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA) :SS
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DONALD M. PAULSEN,
Plaintiff,
vs.

PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH OF HOWARD AND
VICINITY; JOSEPH PALMQUIST;
WAYNE CHERREY; MINER
COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA,
a political subdivision of the
State of South Dakota; ANNA
P. PALMQUIST and J. ED.
PALMQUIST, husband and wife;
RUTH M. PALMQUIST; RUTH M.
PALMQUIST, TRUSTEE OF THE
RUTH M. PALMQUIST GRANTOR
TRUST DATED JULY 23, 2003; and
all other persons unknown who have
or may claim to have any estate or
interest in, or lien or encumbrance
upon, the premises described in this Complaint,
Defendants.

THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
TO THE ABOVE NAMED
DEFENDANTS:

You are hereby summoned and
required to answer the Complaint of
the Plaintiff, which was filed in the
Office of the Clerk of this Court, in
the City of Howard, Miner County,
South Dakota, which prays for a
judgment quieting title and the

determination of all adverse claims
against the premises described in the
Complaint, situated in said county,
to-wit:

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the East 264.0 Feet of the
South 783.11 Feet, and the
South 676.5 Feet of the
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of Section Three (3),
Township One Hundred
Five (105) North, Range
Fifty-five (55), West of the
5th P.M., Miner County,
South Dakota;

and to serve a copy of your answer to
said Complaint on the undersigned at
their office at 108 North Egan Avenue,
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(30) days after the completed service
of this Summons upon you, exclusive
of the day of such service; and if you
fail to answer said Complaint within
that time, the Plaintiff will apply to
the Court for the relief demanded in
the Complaint.

Dated this 29th day of February,
2016.

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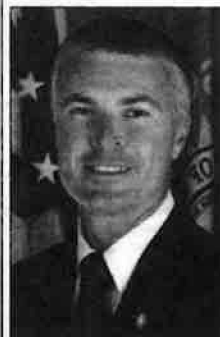
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Equifax Breach- Consider Yourself a Victim

Column by Marty Jackley



Marty Jackley

South Dakota Attorney
General (2009-Present)
United States Attorney for
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I am one of the 277,986
South Dakotans that have
been identified as a victim
of the massive Equifax data
breach. Like most of you, I
never did business or gave
my personal information to
Equifax. This data breach
has armed hackers with
our names, Social Security
numbers, driver's license
numbers, birth dates,
addresses and more. This
is quite different than a
fraudulent charge on your
credit card. The information
stolen from this recent breach
cannot be easily changed like
a replacement credit card.
Our names and social security
numbers are all part of who
we are and identify us from
all others.

So the question becomes
not just "what we do now",
but "what we do moving
forward" as this breach has
likely forever changed how
we protect ourselves. The
misconception is that if you
have never done business
with Equifax you do not have
to do anything to protect your
personal information. The
fact is that Equifax is one of
the three credit reporting
agencies charged with
maintaining credit history on
consumers and businesses.
If you have had a loan or
mortgage, a credit card, a
negative credit action taken
against you...you will have a
credit report with the credit
reporting agencies, including
Equifax.

First, everyone should
consider themselves hacked.
If you wish to verify whether
you are an identified victim of
this data breach you may go

to www.equifaxsecurity2017.com. If you are like me, you
will feel hesitation when
asked to enter in a portion of
your social security number.
That is natural especially after
what has happened. If you are
concerned about releasing a
portion of your social security
number you should given the
odds just should consider
yourself a victim and take
these further steps.

Consider placing a fraud
alert on your credit files. A
fraud alert warns creditors
that you may be an identity
theft victim, and that they
should verify that anyone
seeking credit in your name
really is you.

Consider a more drastic
credit freeze. A credit freeze
makes it harder for someone
to open a new account in your
name. Keep in mind that a
credit freeze will not prevent
a thief from making charges
to your existing accounts.
Placing a credit freeze with
all three credit reporting
agencies will last seven
years. If you decide to place
these freezes on your file you
need to remember to have
the foresight to temporarily
unlock your file if you ever
had a lending institute run a
credit check.

Most importantly, you
should become a vigilant
consumer, including
religiously checking your
Credit Report for suspicious
activity. Checking your Credit
Report would allow you
to watch for unauthorized
opening of accounts or lines
of credit. So whether you
are a victim of this breach
or not, start checking your
Credit Report on a four
month rotation basis. All
consumers are entitled to one
free Credit Report annually
from each one of the credit
reporting agencies - Equifax,
TransUnion, and Experian.
Checking your Credit Reports
every four months has now
become more important than
ever. You can do so by going
to this safe website www.annualcreditreport.com. You
should also monitor your
current lines of credit weekly.
If there is anything suspicious,
immediately contact the
creditor via phone.

It remains to be seen what
the long term fallout will be
from this breach, but it is safe
to assume that this will not be
the last of its kind. Hackers
will continue to target us as
consumers, and we must be
proactive. It is time to fight
back and take protecting our
private information and our
identity a little more into our
own hands.

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Brandon Valley Journal 11/8/17

the learning environment. Pencil and paper aren't required.

"Class is very hands-on," said Sam Kruse, SmartLab director at BVMS.

Fifteen computer workstations fill the front of the room. The back half consists of tables and chairs, shelves and equipment: cameras, tripods, a green screen, a photo box, building kits, and lots and lots of Legos.

Students pick a station, pair off, and spend seven days on one activity before moving on to the next, completing a total of five projects in one quarter.

The variety of activities is wide, but they all fall under one umbrella: STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math).

Nick Hokenstad, an eighth-grader, is learning to balance a Ping Pong ball with air at the pneumatics station. In a few days, he'll build a machine to crush aluminum cans.

"Usually I don't think of doing this stuff on my own. It gives you ideas and makes you think outside the box, I guess you could say," he said.

As a sixth-grader he built a suspension bridge and designed a 3D house when SmartLab was new at BVMS.

"That's kind of where I learned architecture," said Hokenstad, who wants to be an architect when he grows up. "Dimensions are way more important than I thought they were. You have to have exact measurements."

At one station, students design a video game. Another is creating a digital flipbook.

Others are more scientific, like experimenting with solar water pasteurization, or geared more toward engineering: building a bridge, or working with simple machines.

But the most popular SmartLab station so far, Kruse said, is 3-D printing. Many ideas

are brought to the entire middle school. Adjacent is the audio booth, where students work in Garage Band to make their own ringtones, remix songs and lay down an original track.

Stop-motion animation is a popular station, too. After illustrating objects in a landscape, students bring in a prop from home, put it in the photo box, and take many, many pictures of their prop in slightly different positions. Put together, those frames trick the eye into seeing the object move.

Food is a popular prop, Kruse said, and Legos animate surprisingly well, too.

"From a content standpoint, this is giving them hands-on exposure to STEM. From a creative side, it lets them be creative and exposes that creative side," Kruse said. "The big thing for me is that they're learning things and still having the freedom to be creative and still making that practical."

Because the seventh- and eighth-graders at BVMS are taking their second year of SmartLab, Kruse encourages them to pick projects and stations they haven't done before.

He asks them to think a little harder, too.

"Now that they're in middle school, I want them to think more about the 'why.' Now they know they can handle this, so we're adding the 'why.' You're building a bridge, but why are you building a bridge? It's to be thinking about materials, swapping them out, how to make that more cost-effective. Why am I doing this, and how can I show Mr. Kruse what I figured out?"

The 3D home design station also gets students to reason out decisions. Students roll a multi-sided cube and spin a wheel to find out the criteria of the home they'll design, like how many people will live there, the bud-



Sam Klein and Grayson Terhark test gears on their custom-built car in SmartLab last week. Jamie Huft/BV Journal



(Above, left) Brandon Valley Middle School eighth-graders tinker with an original ringtone in Garage Band. (Above, right) Izzy Stone and Ellen Joseph design a flipbook in Animation-ish

get for the project and a wild card element they have to work into the budget, such as a three-car garage or a second kitchen.

"If they want a swimming pool on top of the house - why? 'Because someone's paying us to do it' - it is an answer, and it isn't," Kruse said. "If you're an architect someday, you're going to have a customer who wants something and it will be out of your control. These are questions to be thinking about."

SmartLab is also prepping these seventh- and eighth-graders for the more immediate future. Several stations deal with renewable energy, solar power, chain reactions - topics the students will hit again in high school science classes.

And for students who aren't familiar with

Apple computers, the lab is gearing them up for when they enter Brandon Valley High School and get their own Mac laptops.

Throughout SmartLab, students work at their own pace, each stopping at different points at the end of seven days - but as Kruse emphasizes to his classes, they're never "done."

And at the end of the 10-week class there's a lot for students to take with them.

Though BVMS just began its second quarter of SmartLab, principal Brad Thorson has already noticed the students' enthusiasm.

"Kids love it," he said. "It's awesome to see kids use their creativity and create different ideas. It's an awesome addition to our school."

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man Jon McInerney said the firm would have only one voice - not any louder than anyone's else's. Wakefield said he would not serve on the committee if Stockwell Engineers has a representative on it.

Both Wells and McInerney said the task force needed to

identify a timeline by which to have its objectives completed. Objectives would be put forth at every meeting, Wells said. Both men said they didn't want to see the task force last many months, especially if the recommendations the committee brought back to the council were not approved by

Stockwell, McInerney said.

"That's my biggest fear," he said. "I know we're up against a hard timeline."

Wakefield also asked the city council to pass a motion to defer all work on water projects until after the task force has made its recommendations - specifically,

that the city not move forward on purchasing the land earmarked for one of two 1.25 million-gallon water towers tentatively planned.

"We're purchasing land we may or may not need," Wakefield said.

On Oct. 27, the city won a court case in which a conditional use permit was granted to defer all work on that land. Landowner Dr. Benjamin Aaker has indicated he will not appeal Judge Lawrence Long's decision.

"On June 5, the council voted on that, and I signed the contract," Mayor Larry Beesley told Wakefield. "But we

have not lifted a shovel of dirt and we won't until Mr. Wells and his committee are done."

City attorney Lisa Marso said the city has a legally binding purchase order, a closing date of March 1, 2018, but no money has exchanged hands.

McInerney said the worst-case scenario would be for the city to sell the land in a few years and take a \$5,000 loss. The alternative to buying that land, he said, was a piece of property farther east and \$500,000 more.

The names of the water task force members will be made public this week.

While the council did not need to approve the list because the members were volunteers, Marso said, the council did need to make a motion to authorize the formation of a voluntary water task force.

They did so before retiring to executive session.

The city council's next meeting is 6 p.m. Monday Nov. 20, in the council chambers.

The water task force will meet at council chambers on the second and fourth Monday of the month, with the time yet to be determined. Meetings are open to the public.

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Best-selling authors to give presentation at Beresford Library

The Hammans' style is to write true stories that are fast-paced and keep the reader turning the page. They are the authors of four nationally-published books including the best seller *Gitchie Girl*. Phil is known for engaging audiences with his intense storytelling executed with an authenticity that captures the attention of the entire room. Their most recent release is *Rap Sheet* which profiles the life of career-criminal, Matt Lofton who operated out of Sioux Falls, SD:

At the age of 9, Matt stole his first car which resulted in a high-speed chase with the police. His saving grace should have been his 132 IQ, but instead he became a master criminal. By the time he was 21, he'd been arrested 21 times and eventually accumulated a rap sheet of 43 arrests. The book profiles his elaborate crimes, the violence in and out of prison, and the women who were drawn to this lifestyle. Matt hit it big when he masterminded an elaborate drug smuggling ring within the prison walls. After using only a metal spoon in a jailhouse escape attempt, he was sent to prison for the fourth time and landed in solitary confinement where he struggled to maintain his sanity. While some books claim they will change your life, this one only challenges you to never again consider someone hopeless.

On Thursday, December 7th at 6:30 PM, the authors will give a PowerPoint presentation on *Rap Sheet* followed by a question/answer session and book signing. Books will be available on-site for purchase. This presentation is free and open to the public.

Kayla Nielsen to Present Concert in Centerville



The Centerville Community Arts Council, Inc. is pleased to present "A Kayla Christmas" featuring music by Kayla Nielsen on Wednesday, November 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the Centerville Care & Rehab Dining Room.

There will be a free will donation at the door which will benefit Centerville area children. Kayla's Christmas CD recorded last year entitled "Heaven's Child" will be available for \$15 each. Proceeds from the CD sales will benefit the local backpack programs.

Kayla started the annual

"A Kayla Christmas" concert in 2002 in her hometown of Wakonda. The concert has been a fundraiser for the local Toys for Tots program since that time. Kayla is a certified nurse practitioner and has been practicing at the Viborg Medical Clinic since 2012. An annual concert in Viborg has been added over the years which raises money to support the Turner County Angel Tree.

Come and enjoy an evening of Christmas music and Christmas cheer!

Report from Washington

with Representative Krisi Noem, Republican



True Patriots

Every November, we set aside time to recognize those who have acted on our behalf to protect freedom and defend our liberties – those who have worn our nation's uniform – who have earned the title "Patriot" and can call themselves a "United States Veteran."

More than 72,000 veterans call South Dakota home. Each has spent years serving so others could enjoy the blessings of liberty that we celebrate in this country. As a small token of gratitude for their sacrifices, our office hosted a Veterans Day Open House this year in Sioux Falls. For a few hours, we sat down and talked with South Dakota veterans over cookies and coffee, helping many navigate complicated federal programs, such as Social Security and VA benefits. I'm incredibly grateful to those who took the time to stop in, and I hope others recognize

our door is always open to you.

In addition to helping veterans get the federal benefits to which they're entitled, I've been fighting to make sure the promises made to veterans are kept. This summer, for instance, President Trump signed legislation I supported that aims to expand whistleblower protections within the VA and streamline the process required to fire any VA employee. This is a critical step in improving VA operations.

More recently, we worked with the president to give troops the largest pay raise in years and expand veterans' access to education and workforce training. I'm glad both have been signed into law.

Additionally, the House passed the Black Hills National Cemetery Act, which I introduced. The legislation would expand the Sturgis-area cemetery by 200 acres, ensuring we

keep this important promise to veterans for decades to come. I'm hopeful the Senate will take up the bill soon.

This is all in addition to legislation we passed last Congress to increase mental health access for veterans and incentivize small businesses to hire those who have served.

There's more work to do, however. I continue to fight to keep the Hot Springs VA open. There are changes that must be made to the VA CHOICE Program, which the House Veterans Affairs Committee is working very hard on.

There is no way to fully compensate our veterans for the sacrifices they've made, but this November, I encourage you to take a moment and personally thank one of South Dakota's 72,000 patriots and their families. There is a price to freedom, and we can never forget that.

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Is your subscription due?
Check the date on your mailing label!

Mailed 11/3/17



Janet Carlisle
101 W 3rd St
Alcester, SD 57001-0354

Low Income Assistance Available

Dear Janet Carlisle:

Financial assistance through the federal Lifeline program is available to help qualified customers afford and maintain basic telephone or broadband Internet service. Lifeline provides a monthly bill credit of \$9.25 on either one telephone service (home or wireless) or one Internet service (home or mobile) **per qualified household**.

Lifeline telephone service includes unlimited local minutes within the toll-free calling area. Local residential and business telephone service costs \$18.00/month and includes:

- Voice grade access to the public telephone network
- Single-party flat-rated local service free of per minute charges
- Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch-tone) service
- Access to directory assistance service
- Access to other operator services
- Access to 911 emergency services
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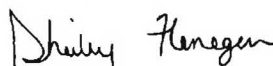
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shirley Flanagan".

Shirley Flanagan
Customer Service Supervisor