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## Colonial Inn fire ruled arson; public sought for tips

The March 3 fire on at the Colonial Inn Motel in Yankton has been ruled arson. Investigators with the Bureau of Alcohol, Firearms, Tobacco and Explosives are seeking information on a person of interest. See a photo of the person here . If you have information, call the Sioux Falls office of the ATF at 605-782-8200, Yankton Police Department at 605-668-5210 or Crime Stoppers at 605-665-4440.

## Yankton murder suspect wants to represent himself

A man accused of using a hammer to kill his uncle in Yankton says he wants to represent himself.

Reports say that Joshua Hudson told Judge Glen Eng on Monday that he does not want legal counsel. He faces a second-degree murder charge in the March 7 death of 46-year-old Todd Hudson, along with aggravated assault and grand theft counts. He could face life in prison if convicted on the murder charge.

Joshua Hudson does have a court-appointed attorney. Eng says public defender Dan Fox will remain appointed to the case for now. Hudson is jailed on \$1 million cash bond. He is due back in court on April 14 to enter pleas.

## Yankton tech teacher moved by statewide honor

Bret Johnson's taught career and tech-ed courses at Yankton High School for a decade. In January, his peers honored him with an accolade that gave him goose bumps. <u>Listen to this story</u>

## Passionate bicyclists will ride from Mount Rushmore to Sioux Falls

The second annual RASDAK, or Ride Across South Dakota, is set to begin June 8. Kasey Abbott, one of the event organizers, explains what it takes to complete this journey. The key is imagining that it's several shorter rides. <u>Listen to this story</u>. Learn more <u>about the event or sign up</u>!

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# Bonus program seeks to pay South Dakota veterans

Officials are hoping to get the word out widely to all South Dakota veterans about a financial bonus program for which they may be eligible. Veterans of the Gulf War or the wars in Afghanistan or Iraq may be eligible, according to John Fette who oversees the program in Pierre. Fette says active-duty service men and women may also be eligible for the bonus. Veterans and their families <a href="mailto:can email Fette to find out more">can email Fette to find out more</a> about the program or to have Fette review their eligibility.

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