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State Prison Inmate Dies

Sioux Falls, S.D.- A state prison inmate has died.

Inmate Kent Davidson was found dead in his cell in the Jameson Annex to the South Dakota State Penitentiary early this morning.

The death is under investigation by the Division of Criminal Investigation. An autopsy will be conducted.

Davidson, age 37, was serving a life sentence out of Brule County for first-degree murder. He was also serving a five-year sentence for forgery out of Tripp and a five-year sentence for second-degree escape out of Minnehaha County.

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Note: Sentence information is available on the DOC website at:
<http://doc.sd.gov/adult/lookup/>

Our mission is to protect the citizens of South Dakota by providing safe and secure facilities for juvenile and adult offenders committed to our custody by the courts. To provide effective community supervision to offenders upon their release and to utilize evidence-based practices to maximize opportunities for rehabilitation.