

MVCA 'Race For Christ' Saturday In Yankton

The fourth annual Missouri Valley Christian Academy Race for Christ will be held Saturday, April 7, starting and finishing at the Old Capitol Building at Riverside Park, Yankton.

The event features a 5K walk, a 5K and 10K run, and a Children's half mile fun run for children ages 10 and under. All courses except for the Children's Fun Run follow the Park Paths, highlighting the new Meridian Walking Bridge.

The event starts at 11 a.m. with the Children's Run following the conclusion of the 10K. There will be an awards ceremony and a drawing for prizes following the events. There will be a drawing for two \$100 cash prizes. There will be lunch available for \$5 per plate.

To register, go to www.mvcamustangs.org or call 605-664-2266.

MTI To Offer OSHA Training At RTEC

A 10-hour General Industry Outreach Training program, designed to provide entry-level general industry workers a broad awareness on recognizing and preventing hazards, will be presented at RTEC on April 23-24.

This training, which is being offered in partnership with Mitchell Technical Institute's Corporate Education, will introduce students to OSHA policies, procedures and standards as well as general industry safety and health principles covered in OSHA Act Part 1910. Emphasis will be placed on most hazardous areas using OSHA standards as a guide.

Training runs from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, April 23, and continues from 8 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, April 24. It will be held at RTEC, 1200 W. 21st St. in Yankton.

Jimmie Nicolaus, an Authorized OSHA Trainer in General Construction (2009) and General Industry (2010), will instruct the training. Nicolaus also has 13 years of Electrical Construction and Maintenance (ECM) instruction experience at MTI as well as 15 years of industry experience.

There is a fee to attend this training. Contact RTEC at (605) 668-5700 for additional information or to register. You can also get complete details by stopping in at RTEC to pick up a flyer or by visiting RTEC's website at www.rtecedu.org.

CNA Institute Offered In Yankton In June

High school students interested in a rewarding healthcare profession can enter the field with minimal investment thanks to the Fourth Annual Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Institute in Yankton June 4-15.

CNAs work in nursing homes, hospitals, adult day centers, mental health centers, assisted living facilities and private homes. The Institute provides participants with a great opportunity to enter the health field in a short time. Many CNAs go on to pursue other professional health careers, such as radiology or laboratory technicians, licensed or registered nurses, medical assistants, physical therapists and doctors.

The Institute is designed to offer CNA certification, potential high school credit, and a comprehensive look at healthcare professions. The first week is spent in the classroom/lab setting at the Regional Technical Education Center (RTEC), and the second week consists of completing on-site clinicals. During the evenings, students will learn about health professions and spend time on the Mount Marty College campus.

The Institute is limited to 10 participants and is open to high school students ages 16 to 19. Applications must be submitted to the Yankton Rural Area Health Education Center (AHEC) by April 27. Brochures and applications are available at local high school counselors' offices or visit Yankton Rural AHEC's website at www.yrahec.org and navigate under "News and Events." Benefits for the 10 selected applicants include tuition, room and board, and classroom materials.

The Fourth Annual CNA Institute is sponsored by the Yankton Rural AHEC, RTEC, Mount Marty College, Southeast Job Link, Avera Education and Staffing Solutions (AESS) and Avera Sister James Care Center. For additional information, contact the Yankton Rural AHEC at 605-655-1400.

School

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between 1-3 percent. Until we get notification, the board has traditionally non-renewed those contracts."

Gertsema stressed that the staff members whose contracts were not being renewed have all done a good job in the classroom, and it is hoped that, once the funding notification is received, all will be rehired by the district.

"They are all doing a great job," he said. "We are pleased with their work performance. This was done because of a budget cut or not knowing what funding we will receive at the federal level. It has nothing to do with their abilities or job performance."

Gertsema noted that, last year, it was mid-summer before the district received notification of the federal funds it would receive.

During the March school board meeting — the first held since February's opt-out defeat — the board had announced its decision to eliminate fifth grade activities while reinstating sixth grade activities. Gertsema said the activity instruction position cuts announced reflected that decision.

"There really were not any surprises," said school board president Kathy Greenway. "We were given the direction at the last school board meeting and that is what was brought before us."

During the meeting the contracts for the rest of the certified staff and administrative staff were approved, with Jay Williams being the lone "no" vote.

"I think we are making a mistake bringing back middle school activities instead of health, art and Spanish," Williams said after the meeting. "I think that is a huge mistake, so I couldn't vote to approve the contracts."

The only administrative contract that was not approved during the meeting was for the middle school assistant principal position, as it is an open position with a search under way.

During the 2011-12 school year, the middle school assistant principal was replaced with a dean of students, who also replaced one counselor at the middle school.

"Last year we tried to combine the middle school assistant principal and counseling position into a dean of students," Greenway said. "Looking at it, we just decided for student safety and other issues, it would be better to go back to an assistant principal position. With the evaluations that are coming down the line needed to be done for the teachers, it was a critical area we needed to look at."

Greenway said the district would not be bringing back a counselor at the middle school. She said the school would work with the staff on hand, with the principal and assistant principal offering assistance for counseling needs.

Alert Motorist Helps Snuff Out Fire

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MISSION HILL — Residents of a trailer home near Mission Hill were able to avoid calamity early Monday morning thanks to the help of some passersby.

A report was received at 3:17 a.m. Monday that the wood deck of the trailer was on fire along Chris Road.

Tim Bollack and his son were on a *Press & Dakotan* delivery route when they spotted the fire and decided to investigate.

"We turned onto Chris Road and saw the fire on the porch," Bollack said. "We pulled into the driveway, called the fire department and woke the (residents) up."

A male and female were in the home at the time.

"It was no monster fire, but if it was left alone, they wouldn't have a home today. I just did something that anybody would have done."

TIM BOLLACK

According to Deputy Yankton Fire Chief Larry Nickles, the efforts of the occupants to put out the fire prevented it from spreading to the trailer.

"While the fire was not fully extinguished (when the fire department arrived), their attempts saved the home, which received minor damage to the exterior," he said. "The siding

melted on the trailer. The inside of the door has foam in it, and it was flimsy and falling apart. That means the fire was ready to take off and go into the trailer. It would have been gone fast once it got in there."

Firefighters were on scene for about an hour. One occupant was transported to the hospital by Yankton County EMS for minor injuries.

The cause of the fire is believed to be an electrical line that was attached to the bottom of the deck.

Bollack refused to see himself as a hero and is just glad he and his son spotted the fire before a real tragedy occurred.

"It was no monster fire, but if it was left alone, they wouldn't have a home today," he stated. "I just did something that anybody would have done."

OBITUARIES

Gail Uhing

WYNOT, Neb. — Gail Ann Uhing, age 70 of Wynot, Nebraska died at her residence on Sunday, April 01, 2012.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at Holy Family (Sacred Heart) Catholic Church in Wynot with the Rev. Eric Olsen officiating. Burial will be at the Sacred Heart Cemetery in Wynot.

Visitation will be on Tuesday at church from 4-7:00 p.m. with a Vigil Service at 7:00 p.m. There will be an informal gathering to remember Gail at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall immediately following the Vigil. Visitation will continue on Wednesday one hour prior to services at church.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington.

Pall Bearers will be her grandchildren, Michelle Steffen, Joanna Steffen, Alexandra (Allie) Steffen, Noah Uhing, Brileigh Uhing, Katherine (Katie) Galvez, Brit-tany Galvez, Joshua (Josh) Galvez, Ashley Richardson, Guinevere Richardson,



Uhing

Gail Ann Heimes Uhing was born in Omaha NE. She was adopted at age five years in 1947 along with her biological brother Dean and biological sister Leah by Ignatius and Jeannette Heimes.

They lived on the Heimes farm near Wynot and she attended grade school in Wynot. During her high school years, she attended school at Wynot High School, in Phoenix, AZ, and Sioux City, IA. She graduated from Mount Marty High School in 1960. She married Francis Uhing of Bow Valley, NE on August 11, 1960. The young couple lived briefly on the Army base at Fort Riley, KS, and then moved to a farm east of Wynot. Three years later, they sadly sold their animals and moved to their current home in Wynot. Gail and Francis had seven children, two of whom died in infancy.

Gail worked in Hartington at Pop's Café, at her Uncle Adolph

Heimes' bakery, as well as serving as a teacher aide at the Holy Trinity Grade School.

She was a recovering alcoholic and was proud to say she had been sober for 37 years. She worked 17 years at the South Dakota Human Service Center as a psychiatric aide, working with chemically dependent patients.

She and Francis were avid ballroom and square dancers for many years until health issues prevented dancing. She loved to garden, read and play cards, work with animals in addition to listening to classical music.

She died peacefully and pain-free at home, in the company of friends and family.

Gail is survived by her husband, Francis Uhing; five children, daughter, Lori Steffen and husband Joseph, grandchildren, Nichelle, Joanna, and Alexandra of St. Paul, MN; son Gerard Uhing and wife, Shelly, grandchildren Noah, Brileigh of South Sioux City, NE; son, John Uhing of Gardiner Maine; daughter, Debora Galvez and husband Tito, grandchildren Katherine, Brit-tany, Joshua of St. Cloud, MN;

daughter, Lynette Richardson and husband Ron, grandchildren Ashley, Guinevere of Anoka, MN; mother, Jeannette Heimes of Yankton, SD; brother Ken and wife Kay Heimes of Boone, IA; sister, Joyce and husband Jim Donohoe of Dallas, TX; brother, Dean and wife Bonnie Heimes of Kansas City, MO; sister Leah Smith of Yankton, SD

She was preceded in death by her adoptive father, Ignatius Heimes; infant daughter Jeannette Uhing; infant son Joseph Uhing; infant granddaughters Candace Uhing and Kirsten Uhing; near daughter-in-law Dawn Rusczyk.

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Ruby McGinnis

Ruby McGinnis, age 84, of Yankton, South Dakota and formerly of rural Marion, South Dakota, passed away on Friday, March 30, 2012 at the Tieszen Memorial Home in Marion.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Yankton with Reverend Mark Lichter officiating. Burial will be in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Yankton.

Visitation is from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with a Scripture service at 7:00 p.m., followed by a video tribute, and a rosary at 7:45 p.m. Visitation continues one hour prior the funeral at the church.

Ruby was born September 16, 1927 to Albert and Alice (Massey) Unruh and grew up on the family farm in rural Marion. She also spent some of her childhood in Chicago and Yankton. Ruby attended Marion High School for three years before graduating from Yankton High School in 1944. She married Julius McGinnis on May 6, 1946. Ruby and her husband lived in Yankton, Omaha, and Kansas City before settling on the family farm in rural Marion in



McGinnis

1955. There they farmed and Ruby worked at the Tieszen Memorial Home in Marion for 21 years. She was also active in the St. Mary's Church Altar Society in Marion. The couple retired in Yankton in 1996.

Ruby is survived by her two children, Judy (Dennis) Suess of Vermillion and Br. David McGinnis, O. Carm of Yankton; and by her granddaughter, Jennifer Suess of Denver.

Ruby was preceded in death by her parents and husband, Julius on February 15, 2010.

To send an online sympathy message or to view her video, please visit www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com.

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Vincent Tramp

Vincent J. Tramp, 69, of Yankton died Monday, April 2, 2012, at Sanford Vermillion Medical Center, Vermillion.

Arrangements are pending with Wintz & Ray Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Yankton.

Deryl Kruse

VERMILLION — Deryl Kruse, 85, of Vermillion died Saturday, March 31, 2012, at Sanford USD Medical Center, Sioux Falls.

Funeral services are at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Trinity Lutheran Church, Vermillion. A committal service will follow at the Bluff View Cemetery with military honors performed by Vermillion VFW Post No. 3061.

Visitation is 5-7 p.m. Thursday at Hansen Funeral Home, Vermillion, with a 7 p.m. prayer service. Mount Funeral Home, Platte, is

handling arrangements. Expressions of sympathy may be extended to the family through www.mountfuneralhome.com.

Rita Kubal

LESTERVILLE — Rita R. Kubal, 43, of Lesterville died near Scotland.

Funeral services are pending with Opsahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Tabor.

Rebecca Fischer

HARTINGTON, Neb. — Rebecca Jo Fischer, age 18 of Hartington, died on Saturday, March 31, 2012 at the Good Samaritan Memorial Hospital in Kearney, Nebraska from injuries suffered in an automobile accident.

Mass of Christian Burial will be on Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hartington with Rev. Jeffery Loseke officiating. Burial will be in St. Michael's Cemetery in Hartington.

Visitation will be on Tuesday from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a rosary at 4:00 p.m. and a Vigil Service at 6:00 p.m. all at the church. Visitation will be one hour prior to services on Wednesday at the church.

The Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington is in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers will be Nathan, Cody, Tanner, Taylor, Christopher, Ross and Cole Fischer. Honorary Pallbearers will be the HPS Class of 2011

Rebecca was born on April 1, 1993 at Yankton, SD to Jerry and Jolene (Hochstein) Fischer. She grew up in Hartington and graduated from Hartington Public School in 2011. She was active in golf, basketball, band, FFA and attended CCD classes. Rebecca worked at Foodtown since she was 16 years old and also worked with her dad and grandfather planting and tending to trees at Hartington Midwest Tree Moving and helping out at



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Fischer Feed and Supply. She was currently a freshman at the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

Rebecca was a member of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

She loved to snowboard in Colorado and go to Lewis and Clark Lake in Yankton. She had an amazing ability to make everyone smile, and when she baked she said you had to bake it with love.

Rebecca is survived by her parents, Jerry and Jolene Fischer of Hartington; 3 sisters, Megan and Ryan Carson of Pueblo, Colorado; Brandi Fischer of Lincoln; Myranda Fischer of Hartington; paternal grandparents, Gerald and Donna Fischer of Hartington; Gerry and Frances Hochstein of Yankton; many close aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her great grandparents and a cousin, Jerome Hoelsing.

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MONDAY-FRIDAY
Tuesday, April 3
 7:40 am Yankton Library (Kathy Jacobs)
 8:15 am Hy-Vee Dietician (Rachel Pinos)
 8:45 am Dakota Territorial Museum (Crystal Nelson)
Wednesday, April 4
 7:40 am Yankton Election (Candidates)
 8:15 am Hy-Vee Foods (Chef Staci)

IN REMEMBRANCE

Faye Klug 10:30 AM, Tuesday Holy Family (Immaculate Conception) Catholic Church St. Helena	Gail Ann Uhing 2:00 PM, Wednesday Holy Family (Sacred Heart) Catholic Church Wynot
Merlin J. Schulte 10:00 AM, Tuesday Holy Trinity Catholic Church Hartington	Rebecca Fischer 10:30 AM, Wednesday Holy Trinity Catholic Church Hartington
Iva A. Catherman 1:00 PM, Tuesday Wintz Funeral Home Hartington	Ruby McGinnis 10:30 AM, Wednesday Sacred Heart Catholic Church Yankton

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