

TOPSoccer For Spring 2012 Starts Sunday

Yankton Youth Soccer Association will start its Spring 2012 TOPSoccer season on Sunday, April 22, in the southeastern corner of Memorial Park from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The season runs for 4 weeks, weather permitting. TOPSoccer is for players with physical, mental, social, and emotional special needs. You must be at least 4 years old to play TOPSoccer.

The focus is on fun. Players participate based on ability, not age. There is no charge to play TOPSoccer. The players learn basic soccer skills, and of course they play soccer.

Volunteers are always welcomed and appreciated. Volunteers do not need to know how to play soccer. Some volunteers just become a buddy to a player who needs a little help or focus. Other volunteers who know how to play soccer can participate in unified teams (special needs players with volunteers to fill a team).

For more information, contact Nancy Saunders at 665-7411.

City To Hear About Joint Powers Master Plan

The Yankton City Commission will hear an update on the Joint Powers Master Plan when it meets Monday at the Technical Education Center.

Also, commissioners will consider a resolution authorizing the sale and consumption of alcohol on a portion of a public sidewalk adjacent to Marketplace Cafe in the downtown district.

The meeting starts at 7 p.m. in the City of Yankton Community Meeting Room.

Ron Paul Meeting Set For Tuesday

A Ron Paul informational meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, at Yankton's Fry'n Pan Restaurant. All interested individuals are invited to attend.

Red Cross To Hold Dining For Disaster April 26

The Yankton Branch of the American Red Cross is holding its eighth annual Dining for Disaster fundraising event on Thursday, April 26.

Dining for Disaster is a one-day event where area restaurant and businesses encourage their customers to enjoy a delicious meal benefiting a great cause. Participating restaurants and businesses commit to donating 5-10 percent of the day's income, collecting donations from customers at the time of payment, or contributing some other monetary amount to benefit local Red Cross Services.

Funds raised will help the Yankton Red Cross as we support local families affected by fires, flooding and other disasters year round.

Help support your local Red Cross by supporting the following restaurants and businesses: Arby's, Casey's on Burleigh, Cottonwood Corral, Freedom Valu Center, Gramps, The Landing, MoJo's, O'Malley's, Pizza Ranch, Pump N Stuff, Starbuck's, Captain Norm's, Charlie's Pizza House, Dairy Queen, Godfather's Pizza, Hy-Vee Kitchen, Marketplace Cafe, Murdo's Aten Resort, Paul's Kwik Shop, Prairie Pumper and TJ's Minimart.

Support these local businesses and your local American Red Cross.

Trail System To See Heavy Usage April 28

The 2012 Riverrat Run and Bike Event will be using the Meridian Bridge and the trail system in and around Yankton and Lewis & Clark Lake on April 28 for the annual Riverrat Run and Bike.

Trail usage will be very heavy between the hours of 8 a.m.-2 p.m. with runners and bikers competing in the event.

Although the trail is not closed to the public on this day, consider alternate times to use the trail to allow participants to do their best.

The Riverrat Run/Bike supports Charlie Battery 1/147th, the Yankton Science Olympiad Teams, the YHS Track Club and The Center.

Museum Seeks Human Services Center Stories

After completing research and a booklet about the history of the Dakota Hospital for the Insane, Susan Miles, Dakota Territorial Museum volunteer, has decided to take the project one step further and offer an opportunity for current and past employees of the campus to share their stories.

These oral histories will be recorded and preserved by the Dakota Territorial Museum and will tell the story of the hospital in the words of those that were vital to its operations, the employees.

If you or anyone you know worked at the South Dakota Human Services Center and is willing to share your experiences, contact the Dakota Territorial Museum at 605-665-3898, to make an appointment. Interviews will be conducted in the Dakota Territorial Museum Conference Room or if you are unable to come to the Museum, arrangements can be made for Miles to come to you.

Memorabilia Sought For MMC Anniversary

During the weekend of June 29-July 1, Mount Marty College's 75th Anniversary Celebration and All Schools Reunion will be taking place. To prepare for this special weekend, memorabilia is being sought.

Scrapbooks from each year that the four schools have been in session (Mount Marty College, Sacred Heart School of Nursing, Mount Marty High School and the Model School) will be available for viewing. Items are needed for the scrapbooks, including photos, programs, and other various documents.

Collect what you can and invite others to do the same. Every Tuesday from 2-4 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. through June 26, all are invited to stop by the MMC Advancement Office – Roncalli Room 102 for cookies and coffee and to reminisce and help sort these items.

For more information on the Mount Marty College 75th Anniversary Celebration and All Schools Reunion, contact Amy Heimes at ahetimes@mtmc.edu or visit <http://www.mtmc.edu/alumni/events/reunion.aspx>.

MMC Seeks Public Input For Accreditation

Mount Marty College is currently preparing for its 10-year review for continued accreditation by the Higher Learning Commission.


An important part of the review process is collecting comments from the public concerning the college. Comments may be submitted electronically at the website of the Higher Learning Commission at <http://www.ncahlc.org/Information-for-the-public/third-party-comment.html> or mailed to the commission at: Public Comment on Mount Marty College, The Higher Learning Commission, 230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500, Chicago, IL 60604-1411

All comments must be received by the Higher Learning Commission by Sept. 30, 2012. Comments received after that date may not be considered by the commission.



THE SHAPE OF THINGS

Sioux Falls artist Darwin Wolf works with a clay sculpture by Yankton High School student Carlie Drobny Friday at YHS while Wolf was in the school as a visiting artist. Wolf, who has previously had work featured in Yankton's RiverWalk, was at YHS three days this past week to work with students involved with pottery and sculpture, most of them under teacher Vicki Barron. Wolf's appearance at the school was sponsored by the South Dakota Arts Council and Yankton School District. (Kelly Hertz/P&D)



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