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Josh Svatos, RTEC general manager, said the new equipment is expected in the Yankton facility by the end of this month.

"We know that there is a need for this program in Yankton because we sat down with members of the Yankton manufacturing community and asked them what opportunities they needed us to offer," Termes said. "When we put the grant together, we didn't talk to the businesses in Rapid City, but tacked them onto the grant application as a side note, and we were pleasantly surprised when both were approved."

"Employees who are skilled in energy management are not only tremendous assets to their companies, they also promote responsible stewardship of natural resources," Termes said.

He added that emergency management technicians identify energy waste within a facility and then use the latest in building automation control technology to reduce energy costs, striving for continuous, incremental improvement in energy efficiency.

Termes said that there were three university-level programs funded through the DOL grant program this year; two of them are being offered in Yankton because of the BHSU/RTEC partnership.

These programs are not just directed at people working in the manufacturing sector of industry but for any large commercial industry.

"The whole green movement is something that can be applied across several fields," he said. "Wal-Mart, construction firms and school districts, just to name a few, would also greatly benefit from the savings taught in this program."

BHSU developed the certificate program to help people acquire the skills needed to reduce energy consumption.

Beyond offering the program in Yankton, Svatos and Termes announced that there is also significant grant money available for anyone interested in completing either the certificate program or an associates degree.

"Each Department of Labor office in the state has grant money that they can award for these programs," Termes said. "Students just need to go to their local DOL office and ask for the funds. If the students qualify, the only stipulation on receiving the funds is that they must complete their associates degree by December 2012."

BHSU also has \$66,000 that it was awarded through the grant that can be applied towards student aide.

"If there is someone out there that is interested in the program, the best advice I can give them is to stop in and talk to us," Svatos said. "There is a lot of money out there to help them complete these programs — more than I have ever seen, honestly — and they need to take advantage of it. Better, all of the classes are offered right here in Yankton."

To contact Svatos, call 605-668-5700 or visit BHSU at www.BHSU.edu.

Yankton Arts Will Host 2010 Summer Arts Festival

Yankton Area Arts will host the 2010 Summer Arts Festival, one of Yankton's primary celebrations of the arts. The annual event will take place Aug. 20-22 along the Missouri River at Riverside Park in conjunction with Riverboat Days. The three-day celebration of the arts will continue to include traditional festival favorites as well as exciting entertainment.

The Summer Arts Festival will showcase more than 120 professional artists and fine craftsmen, from 16 states, who will display and sell works of art and crafts, providing patrons with the opportunity to meet the creator

of the artwork and purchase one-of-a-kind pieces. Artwork and crafts will be available in a variety of styles and prices in the categories of photography, painting, wood, jewelry, pottery, metal, sculpture, fiber/fabric, clothing and 2D and 3D mixed media.

Performing artists will be showcased in the park's amphitheatre beginning Friday evening, continuing Saturday afternoon into the evening and again all Sunday afternoon.

Additional information on the Summer Arts Festival can be found at our website www.YanktonAreaArts.org.

Agreement Allows College Credit Transfers

SIoux FALLS, (AP) — An agreement between the University of South Dakota and three technical institutes in South Dakota will allow students to transfer credits and obtain a bachelor of science degree in health sciences at USD.

An agreement approved by the Board of Regents covers 21 health-related programs offered at the technical schools in

Watertown, Sioux Falls and Rapid City.

The agreements identify general education courses and technical course credits that USD will accept from students who have completed certain two-year programs at the technical institutes.

A similar agreement was reached with Western Iowa Tech Community College in Sioux City, Iowa.

OBITUARIES

Sister Martin Mergen, OSB

Sister Martin Mergen, OSB, age 72, of Yankton, South Dakota, died Monday, August 16, 2010 at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls, South Dakota following a brief illness with pancreatic cancer.

A wake service will be held Wednesday, August 18, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. and the Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 19, 2010 in Bishop Marty Memorial Chapel in Yankton. Burial will be in the monastery cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Yankton.

Duane Marie Mergen was born September 22, 1937 to Arthur and Cecilia (Baumberger) Mergen on the family farm near Colman, SD. She was the oldest of eight children. She attended Devaney Country School and then St. Mary's High School in Dell Rapids where she graduated in 1955. She then attended Mount Marty College earning a BA degree in science. While at Mount Marty she was crowned as the first Queen Marbenette. She later earned a MNS degree in Chemistry and Math from the University of South Dakota.

She entered Sacred Heart Monastery in August 1959 and was invested as a novice the following year receiving the name of S. Martin. She made first profession in 1961 and final profession in 1966. Her ministry involved education at the elementary, secondary and college level and most recently she was the Associate Director of Catholic Family Services for the Diocese of Sioux Falls. Her education ministry included Mount Marty High School; St. James Catholic School in St. James, NE; VP for Student Life, VP for Finance, and VP for College Advancement at Mount Marty College. While at Mount Marty College, S. Martin was instrumental in coordinating the yearly Octoberfest and other fund raising activities. She served on



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many boards and committees in the monastery, the Yankton civic community and at the state and national level including the SD College Personnel Assoc., National Assoc. of State Personnel Administrators, Colleges of Mid-America Consortium, Lewis & Clark Mental Health Board, Madonna Board of Trustees in Lincoln, NE, and on the Yankton Chamber Board and also as a Chamber Ambassador. She was currently serving on the Board of Trustees of Avera Holy Family Hospital, Estherville, IA and on the Mount Marty College Board of Trustees. S. Martin was known for her ready smile, her love of life, her enthusiasm in her ministry especially during her years at Mount Marty College, and her love of community, family and friends.

She is survived by her Benedictine Community; her mother, Ceal Mergen of Dell Rapids; three brothers: Del (Carol), Sumbro Falls, MN; James (Cher), Sioux Falls; Mark (Cher), Dell Rapids; and three sisters: Mary Ellen (Roger) Scholz, Stuart, NE; Alice (Jack) Majeres, Dell Rapids; Teresa (Jon) Brooks, Yankton; brother-in-law, Jerry Wickre, Colton, SD, numerous nieces and nephews and her many friends. She was preceded in death by her father, Arthur; and her sister, Carolyn Wickre.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Mergen Family Scholarship at Mount Marty College, Office of Advancement, 1105 W. 8th St., Yankton, SD 57078.

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Online condolences at: www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com

Alvin Guthmiller

Alvin Guthmiller, age 92 of Yankton, SD passed away Sunday, August 15, 2010 at the Tripp Good Samaritan Center, Tripp, SD.

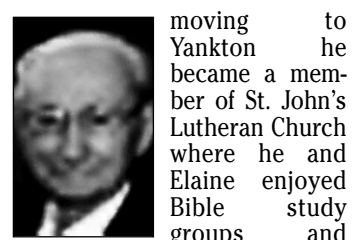
Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Thursday, August 19, 2010 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Yankton, SD with Rev. Steve Weisplennig officiating. Burial will be in the Garden of Memories, Yankton, SD.

Visitations will be 5 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, at the Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a Scripture service at 7:30 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

Pallbearers are Wayne Peterson, Corey Deyalsingh, Colin Deyalsingh, Jarod Guthmiller, Chad Oslen, Shaun Guthmiller, Derek Guthmiller & Ryan Guthmiller.

Alvin was born to Ludwig & Lydia (Weisser) Guthmiller on September 20, 1917 on the family homestead south of Tripp, SD. He attended school through the 7th grade and then was needed to help work on the family farm due to his father's illness. He met and married the love of his life, Elaine (Schulz), on December 29, 1943. They were blessed with five children, Louis, Marcia, Rodney, Monica and Kevin.

The three most important things in Alvin's life were God, his family and farming. They raised their children on the family homestead and continued farming the land until 1979 when they moved into Tripp. Alvin continued to do some work on the farm until moving to Yankton in 1997. His children will fondly remember being able to hear the sound of Alvin singing at the top of his lungs while driving his tractor through the fields. He was a member of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Avon, SD where he served as a Sunday School Superintendent. After



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moving to Yankton he became a member of St. John's Lutheran Church where he and Elaine enjoyed Bible study groups and attending the

Over 50 Fellowship Group. Alvin was a man of strong faith; he read the Bible daily and always believed that Sundays were the day for church and family. After retiring he and Elaine enjoyed traveling to see their children and attending their grandchildren's various activities. He also enjoyed gardening, dancing to Polka music, was always ready to beat you in a game of Pinochle or checkers, lend you a helping hand or play you a little tune on his harmonica.

Thankful for having shared his life are his wife of 66 years Elaine, Tripp, SD; children Louis (Jan) Guthmiller, Yankton, SD, Marcia (Ron) Deyalsingh, Ardmore, OK, Rodney (Ruby) Guthmiller, Lesterville, SD, Monica (Marty) Johnson, Meckling, SD, Kevin (Michelle) Guthmiller, Yankton, SD, 20 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren with another one on the way; and 7 great-great-grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Adeline Hahn, Gertrude Ehresmann, Ruth Uecker, Hattie Weisz, brother Harold Guthmiller, son Louis, granddaughter Amanda Guthmiller and grandson Kevin Smidt.

Daddy, we know you're finally home and you're singing loud! Yankton Press & Dakotan August 18, 2010



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IN REMEMBRANCE	
<p>Lawrence "Larry" J. Becker 10:30 AM, Thursday Holy Family (Immaculate Conception) Catholic Church St. Helena</p>	<p>Gertrude W. Nelson 10:30 AM, Monday Sacred Heart Catholic Church Yankton</p>
<p>Sister Martin Mergen, OSB 10:30 AM, Thursday Bishop Marty Memorial Chapel Yankton</p>	<p>Jean L. Wilkinson 11:00 AM, Tuesday Wintz & Ray Funeral Home Yankton</p>
<p>Wintz & Ray FUNERAL HOME and Cremation Service, Inc. 605-665-3644 www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com</p>	

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National Park Service To Host Open House

The National Park Service will be hosting an open house at the new Missouri National Recreational River Headquarters Building at 508 East Second Street in Yankton on Saturday, Aug. 21. The event runs from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

"Come meet some of our staff, take a tour of the new building, learn about the mission of the National Park Service, and our role in managing and protecting the Missouri National Recreational River," said Gia Wagner, the park's acting superintendent and chief of Resource Management. "Park biologists, administrative staff, and interpretive park rangers will be available to answer questions about their work and how it contributes to the health and protection of the river. We will also have our stream table set up so people can see the differences between how a natural river functions in comparison to one that's been dammed or channeled."

The community will also have the opportunity to join our mailing list if they are interested in learning about and participating in various types of public meetings, educational programming, volunteer opportunities and other ways to get involved in their public lands.

In addition, the National Park Service will also host a children's booth at Riverside Park during Riverboat Days. Rangers will provide a number of different activities and programs, including the opportunity for kids of all ages to participate in steamboat races, make and decorate their own steamboat, color and draw on murals, make their own water cycle bracelet while learning about the water cycle, and more.

"We are also excited to present a special living history program by one of our interpretive rangers. He will be in period dress, portraying the character of a steamboat clerk who served on one of Captain Grant Marsh's vessels that once operated on the Missouri River. The programs will be at 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday," said Anne Doherty-Stephan, the park's chief of Interpretation and Education.

The National Park Service booth will be in the Blue Children's Activity Tent near the Amphitheater. The booth will be open and staffed from 5-9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 20, then on both Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 1-4 p.m.

Here is a complete schedule of upcoming park programs offered by National Park Service Rangers in August:

- Friday, Aug. 20 — Activities at River Boat Days' Children's Activity Tent, Riverside Park, Yankton, 5-9 p.m.
 - Saturday, Aug. 21 — Open House at Park Headquarters, 508 E. Second Street, Yankton, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
 - Saturday, Aug. 21 — Activities at Riverboat Days Children's Activity Tent, Riverside Park, Yankton, 1-4 p.m.; special programs at 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m.
 - Saturday, Aug. 21 — Ranger Program, "Missouri National Recreational River - Currents of Change" at Niobrara State Park, 6:45 p.m. (after the 6 p.m. Bison BBQ);
 - Sunday, Aug. 22 — Junior Ranger Program, Lewis & Clark Visitor Center, Gavins Point Dam Project, 11 a.m.
 - Sunday, Aug. 22 — Activities at Riverboat Days' Children's Activity Tent, Riverside Park, 1-4 p.m.; special programs at 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m.
 - Saturday, Aug. 28 — Lewis & Clark Film Festival, Lewis & Clark Visitor Center, Gavins Point Dam Project, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.
 - Saturday, Aug. 28 — National Park Service Programs, Riverside Park, Yankton, 2-4 p.m.
 - Sunday, Aug. 29 — Junior Ranger Program, Lewis & Clark Visitor Center, Gavins Point Dam Project, 11 a.m.
 - Sunday, Aug. 29 — National Park Service Film Festival, "National Parks: America's Best Idea," Lewis & Clark Visitor Center, Gavins Point Dam Project, noon-4 p.m.
- For questions or more information, contact Anne Doherty-Stephan at 605-665-0209, x29.

Plunge Raises \$267 For Humane Society

Heartland Humane Society, along with the City of Yankton Parks and Recreation Department, held the inaugural Pooch Plunge benefit event Monday night at Memorial Park pool. There were 54 dogs in attendance with their human companions, and the event raised \$267 for Heartland Humane Society's shelter pets.

"I think the Pooch Plunge went over really well with the participants and fun was had by all," said Tasha Anderson, executive director at Heartland Humane Society. "Special thanks to the City of Yankton Parks and Recreation Department for hosting the event and opening the pool for some four-legged fun."

Heartland Humane Society is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that serves Yankton and Clay Counties in South Dakota and Cedar County in Nebraska and surrounding communities, protecting and enhancing the lives of companion animals by promoting humane relationships between pets and people. Visit Heartland Humane Society online at www.heartlandhumane.org.

EMS Course To Be Offered In Dixon

DIXON, Neb. — The Emergency Medical Services Program of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services will offer the "Emergency Vehicle Operations Course" for emergency medical technicians and first responders. The course will be held at the Dixon Fire Hall on Saturday, Aug. 28, running from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

The course is worth six continuing education hours. For more information, contact Carrie Crawford, Northeast Nebraska Emergency Medical Specialist, at 1-877-227-3609.

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Saturday, August 28th

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