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The COMMUNITY CALENDAR appears each Monday and Thursday. Contributions to this list of upcoming events are welcome and should be submitted two weeks before the event. Submissions MUST be typewritten or legibly printed and include the name and phone number of a contact person. Send items to P&D Calendar, PO Box 56, Yankton, SD 57078, or email to news@vankton.net.

THURSDAY

Table Tennis, 8:30 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Ladies Pool, 10 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Yankton Sertoma, noon, Pizza Ranch, 605-661-7159 Daily Reprieve, noon, non-smoking open meeting, 1019 W 9th street. Avera Sacred Heart Hospital Toastmasters, noon, Benedictine Center; open session 605-665-6776

Pinochle, 12:45 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Dominos, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Weight Watchers, 4 p.m., 413 W. 15th Street. Weigh in 1/2 hour before.

Weight Watchers, 5:30 p.m., 413 W. 15th Street. Weigh in 1/2 hour before.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS #SD 45), Weigh-in 5:30-6:30 p.m., meeting 6:30-7:30. RTEC building, 1200 W. 21st St. For more information call 605-665-3738 or 667-9274

Yankton Area Banquet, 6 p.m., United Church of Christ, Fifth and Walnut Celebrate Recovery, 7 p.m., Calvary Baptist Church, Youth Room #4, 2407 Broadway, Yankton, 605-665-5594

Freeman Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., non-smoking closed meeting, City Hall, 3rd and Poplar, Freeman.

Yankton Alcoholics Anonymous, 8:30 p.m., open session, 1019 W 9th St. Yankton Alanon, 8:30 p.m., 1019 W 9th Street

THIRD THURSDAY

HSC Friendship Club, 5 p.m., December: Fleegs Riverside Roadhouse, Yankton, 605-665-5956.

FRIDAY

Line Dancing, 9:30 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Cardio Exercise, 11 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Daily Reprieve, noon, non-smoking open meeting, 1019 W 9th Street. Bridge, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Bingo, 7-9 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Open Billiards, 7-9 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Vermillion Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 p.m., non-smoking closed session,

16 1/2 Court St, Vermillion Porchlight, 8 p.m., non-smoking closed session, United Church of Christ, 210 W 5th Štreet

SECOND FRIDAY

Parkinson Support Group, 1:30 p.m., Benedictine Center.

SATURDAY

Weight Watchers, 9 a.m., 413 W. 15th Street. Weigh in 1/2 hour before. Each Day a New Beginning, 10 a.m., non-smoking closed session, 1019 W 9th Street

Daily Reprieve, noon, non-smoking closed session, 1019 W 9th Street. Vermillion Unity Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. closed session, Trin-ity Lutheran Church, 816 E. Clark, Vermillion.

SUNDAY

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 a.m., closed meeting, 1019 W. 9th Street Tyndall Alcoholics Anonymous, 8 a.m., non-smoking, 1609 Laurel St., Tvndall

Vermillion Unity Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., closed meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, 816 E. Clark, Vermillion

MONDAY

Line Dancing, 9:30 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Quilting, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Cardio Exercise, 11 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Daily Reprieve, noon, open meeting non-smoking, 1019 W 9th St. **Interchange**, noon, open meeting, Minerva's Bar and Grill, 605-660-8849. **Weight Watchers**, 12:30 p.m., BC Conference Room. **Cribbage**, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 **Pinochle**, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Whist, 1 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 River City Harmony Sweet Adelines, 6:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 11th and Cedar, 605-661-7162

Divorce Care, 7 p.m., Calvary Baptist Church Divorce Care For Kids, 7 p.m., Calvary Baptist Church Daily Reprieve, 7 p.m., closed meeting non-smoking, 1019 W 9th St.

FIRST MONDAY

Yankton Lions Club, 6 p.m. dinner, 6:30 p.m. meeting, JoDeans, 605-665-4694 Heartland Humane Society Board Meeting, 6:30 p.m., 601 1/2 Burleigh

When does reaching the point of being debt-free become more important than marriage? We're following your plan and doing

the debt snowball, but my husband's been working a second job, and it's really cutting into our together-time at night and straining our relationship. I'm afraid we're going to end up debt-free, but divorced. When does one outweigh the other? — Tracv

Dear Tracy,

Getting out of debt is never more important than your marriage. But families go through all kinds of stuff, and one of those things is cleaning up messes they've made. It's not always fun, but there's a price to pay if you want to win with your money or anything else.

It sounds to me like your husband has gone gazelle intense

Dalesburg Lutheran To Hold Celebration

VERMILLION - Dalesburg Scandinavian Association will host its 34th Celebration of the St. Lucia Tradition at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, at Dalesburg Lutheran Church, 30595 University Road, rural Vermillion.

This year's celebration will feature a Lucia Court of five girls. One girl will be crowned Lucia for the evening. There will also be a program with a Scandinavian theme and a buffet of Scandinavian food. A freewill collection will go to area food pantries.

For information, call 605-253-2575.

RTEC

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systems that will allow RTEC to provide that training. The equipment includes:

the air-conditioning and heating unit:

• Electrical Motor controls which is what you find in a industrial motor control panel;

 Mechanical drive system belts and pulleys, chains, where the class focuses on alignment and keeping machinery energy efficient, teaching about wear, tear and usage, and where it costs employers to operate; and

• Hydraulic unit — focusing on manual hydraulic systems and graduating into the electrical about getting out of debt, and in the process may have left vou behind a little bit. I don't recommend that! He probably needs to take some time to come back and emotionally re-connect with you. And I'm sure some good, old-fashioned back rubs and Dave words of encourage-RAMSEY ment from you are in order. Your man could use them if he's been working two jobs!

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But there's plenty of time for snuggling and stuff later. Right now, you're trying to do something-something really important—for the good of your family. I know it can be difficult, but it won't last forever. And I can promise you this: Once you're done, you'll be very glad you toughed it out!

-Dave

Timmerman Named Chair Of Surgery At U.S.D.

This is an awesome position

you're in right now! Financially,

you're okay to buy a house. I do

though. There are going to be lots and lots of things happening

in your world during the next few

you'll end up moving-maybe for

a girl, or even another job-dur-

ing this time period. It's going to

years, and there's a possibility

have one slight hesitation,

Dear Zack,

VERMILLION — Gary Timmerman, M.D., has been named chair of the Department of Surgery of the Sanford School of Medicine of the University of South Dakota, effective Jan. 23, 2012.

Timmerman brings nearly 30 years of experience in surgery and teaching to the position. Most recently, Timmerman has served students and patients in the Sioux Falls area in a variety of capacities, including as chief of staff at Sanford USD Medical Center and as a clinical associate professor of surgery at the Sanford School of Medicine.

"Dr. Timmerman's energy and

might face in a real-world setting can now be shown at RTEC.

"Students will get their hands on actual hydraulic systems, motors, starters timers. It is not just sitting in a classroom looking at a computer like many of the courses out there similar to ours," Darcy said.

The systems are all tied through four computer stations that can be programed to run any of the new equipment and tailored to each student.

"The four computers include programs like gas furnace training, boiler system training, where each student is able to download on the computer and work through scenarios, each student gets their own systems that they work through," Darcy said. "It has been really good and fun to see the look on the students' faces. They walk in and they are kind of overwhelmed, but once

looking for individuals with these skill sets.'

Svatos said the equipment is very intricate, but in the end, the students graduating from the 9month program will be able to choose their fields of interest.

Darcy said he wishes this type of training had been available when he went to school for train-

"When I went to school, a lot of it was book learning. When we actually got out there, we didn't have the hands-on and it was a whole different world," he said. "They are here turning the switch to see how it works and will know when they get out there that, yes, they do know how to trouble-shoot these sys-

growing the program is getting the word out that it exists here in Yankton.

READY TO BUY? Dear Dave,

I graduated from college in May, and I already have a job in my field. It was a parttime position that went full time, so I already have \$15,000 in an IRA and about \$23,000 in savings. I'm also debt-free, because scholarships paid for my education. Am I ready to buy a house? - Zack

be a time of transition, and having a piece of real estate tied around your neck could be a huge pain. But if you're sure that's where you want to be for a while, then it's not such a big deal.

Keep in mind that there's a word for real estate that sells quickly, and that word is cheap! Lots of times, the only way to get out from under something like that fast is to practically give it away. It's a great time now to buy a home, though. It's like they're on sale. Interest rates are really low, too.

Don't use the entire \$23,000 as a down payment on a place, and keep an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses set aside. Make sure you get a 15year, fixed-rate mortgage, too. If you play this right, Zack, you're going to be sitting pretty!

-Dave

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Trauma and the South Dakota

director.

Trauma System Statewide, where

he serves as state trauma medical

School of Medicine in 1980 after

completing just three years of un-

dergraduate work, Timmerman re-

Science degree from South Dakota

State University in 1984. After two

years at the USD School of Medi-

cine, he transferred to Washing-

ton University School of Medicine

in St. Louis, where he finished his

M.D. in 1984. He completed a gen-

eral surgery residency at Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's Medical

Center in Chicago in 1989.

ceived an honorary Bachelor of

Originally admitted to the USD

commitment will be a wonderful platform on which the Department of Surgery can expand its role of providing opportunities for surgical education for South Dakota," said Dr. Rodney Parry, dean of the Sanford School of Medicine and vice president of health affairs at USD.

Timmerman is active in numerous professional organizations, including the American College of Surgeons, where he serves as vice chair on its board of governors; the Western Surgical Association; the Southwestern Surgical Congress; the Eastern Association for the Surgery of

> It has enabled us to get the word out, times are changing and we are working to help educate the workforce of the area."

Svatos said local employers in the area are very involved with the program, from donating equipment, to having students out on their work sites to help train them.

"I didn't know what to think, about how warm a reception this program would get here, but I can tell you that when you get local manufacturers like Larry's Heating and Cooling, Terry Lane, all donating to the program to help train their future workers, the support is here," Darcy said.

Svatos invites anyone who would like to tour RTEC and see the opportunities they are offering to the community.

"I still run into people who don't know what we are doing out here at RTEC, and this is an

tems." Svatos said the next step to

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Intensity Hurting The Marriage?

BY DAVE RAMSEY www.daveramsey.com

Dear Dave,

Yankton Parks Advisory Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., RTEC, 1200 W. 21st Street

SECOND MONDAY

Yankton Diabetes Support Group, 1 p.m., Benedictine Center, AVSHH, 605-668-8000 ext. 456

Yankton Republican Party Executive Meeting, 5:30 p.m., 2507 Fox Run Parkway, 605-260-1605

Yankton School Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., YSD Administration Building, 2410 West City Limits Road, 605-665-3998

Yankton Area Writers Club, 7 p.m., Books & Beans, downtown Yankton, 605-664-6582

Tri-State Old Iron Association Meeting, 7 p.m., JoDeans Restaurant, 605-665-9785.

Yankton City Commission, 7 p.m., RTEC, 1200 W. 21st Street

YHS Booster Club Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Summit Activities Center Meeting Room, 605-665-4640

THIRD MONDAY

Yankton Golf Advisory Board Meeting, noon, Fox Run Golf Course, 600 W. 27th Street, 605-668-5205

Friends Of The Yankton Community Library, 5:30 p.m., Yankton Library, 515 Walnut

Yankton Lions Club, 6 p.m. dinner, 6:30 p.m. meeting, JoDeans, 605-665-4694

Yankton American Legion Auxiliary, 7:30 p.m., VFW Building, 209 Cedar Street

FOURTH MONDAY

NARFE Chapter 1053, 10 a.m. at The Center, located at 900 Whiting Drive.

TUESDAY

Table Tennis, 8:30 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Yankton Community Forum, 8:30 a.m. coffee, 9 a.m. meeting at Hillcrest, 605-664-5832

Ladies Pool, 10 a.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Weight Watchers, 10:30 a.m., 413 W. 15th Street. Weigh in 1/2 hour before.

Yankton Alanon, noon, non-smoking session, 1019 W 9th Street Nurse, 12:30-3:30 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685 Open Cards, 12:45 p.m., The Center, 605-665-4685

nydraulics and timers. "This is top-of-the-line equip-

ment," said instructor John Darcy. "As an instructor, everything you need is there. You can make changes and create endless scenarios. You can program any glitch — even one you may only run into once every 20-years teaching our students to really be able to think about what they need to be able to do when out there working. You take a look at all the new HVAC equipment that is out there, and we are teaching them to understand how to work with all of that and understand the new standards and what they are working with."

Darcy said everything a potential maintenance technician

leff Johnson, M.D.

Family Practice

they get into it and get hands-on, they see that they can work through it. The stuff just starts flowing for them, and they keep building on each skill they have developed."

Svatos says the new equipment is vital to producing the employees that area employers are begging for in the work place.

"I monitor the Press and Dakotan classified ads daily because I do want to know what the demands are from our area employers," he said. "Look at how many maintenance positions there are; they are always listed. If we had 20 students in the class, they would all have jobs when done with the program. It is amazing how many people are

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Because this is the only program of this type offered in the state, Darcy and Svatos do expect to see involvement grow exponentially in the next few years.

'We just need to get to the target population: the under-employed who are looking to better themselves, the unemployed that want a career change," Svatos said. "I am really interested in getting to that high school-aged student in the region. To get to those kids, we are doing high school visits and career expos, activities in area schools. Our manufacturing academy has been huge in terms of outreach.

open invitation to anyone who wants to come out and see what we are doing," he said. "When you think of industrial maintenance technology, we just have to continue to tell people what we are doing, because quite honestly, training of this type is in demand. Look at your job search data bases and this is the type of employee that employers are begging for. Jobs for males, females, young and old. That is why we keep telling people there are opportunities right here in Yankton to make their lives better."



