

'Leading Ladies' Auditions Announced At LCTC

Auditions for the final show of the 50th anniversary season at the Lewis and Clark Theatre in Yankton have been set for Sunday, Dec. 18 at 2 p.m. and Monday, Dec. 19 at 7 p.m. Call backs will be held Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 7 p.m. with the first rehearsal scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 27.

The play, "Leading Ladies," requires three young men, two young women, one older woman and two older men.

"Leading Ladies" is about two English Shakespearean actors, Jack and Leo, who find themselves so down on their luck that they are performing "Scenes from Shakespeare" on the Moose Lodge circuit in the Amish country of Pennsylvania. When they hear that an old lady in York, Pa., is about to die and leave her fortune to her two long-lost English nephews, they resolve to pass themselves off as her beloved relatives and get the cash. The trouble is, when they get to York, they find out that the relatives aren't nephews, but nieces! Romantic entanglements abound, especially when Leo falls head-over-petticoat in love with the old lady's vivacious niece, Meg, who's engaged to the local minister. Meg knows that there's a wide world out there, but it's not until she meets "Maxine and Stephanie" that she finally gets a taste of it.

This comedy will be directed by Terry Winter.

To volunteer for the show, contact Chuck at 605-665-4711.

Summer Band To Host Christmas Concert Sun.

The Yankton Area Summer Band will be hosting its 13th annual free Christmas Concert at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, at the Yankton High School/Summit Activities Center theatre.

Many individuals and organizations have volunteered their time and resources to make this special event as festive as possible. There will be cider, coffee and cookies donated by the Services Center Federal Credit Union following the concert in the high school commons area.

This year's conductor is Brian LeMaster from Mitchell.

The Summer Band consists of volunteer musicians from all around the area. Numbering around 100 musicians, the band will meet and rehearse from 2-3:30 p.m. at the theater in the Yankton High School/Summit Activities Center, then host the concert at 4 p.m. No ticket is required for admission and the public is welcome to attend.

For late changes due to weather, listen to the following radio stations: WNAX, 570 AM; KYNT, 1450 AM; or KVHT, 106.3 FM. Additional information may be found for this event and future concerts at the YASB website [HTTP://madmx.hopto.org/yasb/](http://madmx.hopto.org/yasb/).

The Yankton Area Concert series is sponsored by Yankton Area Arts and the City of Yankton. For more information, call Yankton Area Arts (605) 665-9754.

Travelers Reminded To Not Drink And Drive

December is 3-D month. As we travel the highways, we need to be aware of the problem that persists with drinking and driving.

Dan Fields with the South Dakota Motor Carrier Services reminds the public that, if you make the decision to drink and then operate a commercial vehicle, be prepared to pay the price. Is the loss of your driving privilege worth that little bit of holiday cheer?

Drive responsibly this holiday season and always remember to buckle your seat belt.

Avera Sacred Heart To Host Forum Dec. 21

Learn more about the importance of preventative maintenance exercises for good health at the next community forum to be held at noon Wednesday, Dec. 21 in the Amphitheatre of the Avera Professional Office Pavilion and Education Center, located at 409 Summit St. A light lunch will be provided.

Call the Avera Sacred Heart Wellness Center at 668-8357 to reserve your spot for the community forum. RSVP as there are only a limited number of seats.

Angie O'Connor, certified by the American Council on Exercise as an Advanced Health and Fitness Specialist, and Julie Van Gerpen, certified by the Cancer Exercise Training Institute, will be the presenters.

OBITUARIES

Charles Barron Jr.

Charles W. Barron Jr., age 63, of Yankton, South Dakota died unexpectedly at his home on Sunday, December 11, 2011.

Funeral services are 10:30 a.m. Friday, December 16, 2011 at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home in Yankton with Larry "LT" Thranum officiating.

Visitation is from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, at the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home. The family will be present for the entire visitation. Visitation will resume one hour prior to the funeral service.

Charles William Barron Jr. was born on November 17, 1948 in Olean, New York to Charles William Sr. and Elizabeth (Ishwood) Barron. He lived in Port Allegany, Pennsylvania until he was five years old and then the family moved to West Seneca, New York. Charlie graduated from West Seneca High School in 1967. He then attended Yankton College, graduating with a degree in Early Childhood Education in 1971. His first teaching experience was at Stewart Elementary



Barron Jr.

as student teacher. On April 9, 1971, Charlie married Victoria Waters in Sioux City, Iowa. After their marriage, they lived in Sioux City and Charlie worked for Sanford Childcare Center teaching preschool. In 1976, he graduated from the University of South Dakota in Vermillion, receiving his Master's Degree in Psychology and an Educational Specialist Degree in School Psychology. Charlie then worked for six years with the mentally disabled at Glenwood State School in Glenwood, Iowa. In 1982, the family moved to Bloomfield, NE and Charlie worked as the Knox County School Psychologist until 1985. He then became the Yankton School District Psychologist Behavior Specialist. In 1991, the family moved to Yankton. Charlie retired on June 1, 2011 after 26 years of service to the school district. Charlie was active in

many organizations. He was one of the founding members of the Yankton Mental Wellness Conference, board member for Heartland Psychological Services, district United Way organizer for many years and was involved in Yankton Special Olympics. Charlie trained in karate for 25 years and was a sensei of the Yankton Karate Club. He also taught karate in his own dojo for 14 years. Charlie loved riding his motorcycle and would ride whenever he could. He recently became a nationally certified motorcycle instructor and began teaching motorcycle safety classes to new riders. Charlie loved being outdoors, tinkering in his garage and running. He always logged the miles he ran on the lake bike trail, and those bike trail miles were more than enough to stretch around the world. Charlie will be greatly missed by his loving family and all who knew him.

Charlie is survived by his wife, Victoria Barron of Yankton; three children: Heather (Ron) Galvan of Yankton, Sarah (Paul)

Shortbull of Yankton and Charles William Barron III "Bill" of Surprise, Arizona; three grandchildren: Brandon Shortbull, Ivie Galvan and Daegan Barron; sister, Jamie (Larry) Schwartz of Oviedo, Florida; one niece and two nephews.

Charlie was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorials may be made to Yankton Mental Wellness at 1028 Walnut St., Yankton Women's Shelter for Domestic Violence at PO Box 626 or the Yankton Special Olympics at PO Box 864.

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

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Alta Eckstrom

CREIGHTON, Neb. — Alta Mae Eckstrom, 97, of Creighton, Neb., died Monday, Dec. 12, 2011 at Avera Creighton Care Centre.

Funeral services are at 10 a.m. Thursday at Faith, Hope, and Love Fellowship Church in Creighton, Neb. Pastor Casey Nelson will officiate, with burial in the Bloomfield City Cemetery at a later date.

Visitation will be one hour prior to services at the church.

Brockhaus Funeral Home, Creighton, is in charge of arrangements.

Wanita Janssen

COLERIDGE, Neb. — Wanita M. Janssen, 77, of Coleridge, Neb., died Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2011, at the Parkview Haven Nursing Home in Coleridge.

Her services are pending at Wintz Funeral Home, Coleridge.

Gladys Merkwán

Gladys Merkwán, 89, of Yankton died at her residence Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2011.

Funeral services are pending with Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton.

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Charles W. Barron, Jr. 10:30 AM, Friday Wintz & Ray Funeral Home, Yankton	Sister Kathleen Hickenbotham, OSB 10:30 AM, Thursday Bishop Marty Memorial Chapel, Yankton

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