

**MMC To Host Menno High School One Act**

Mount Marty College will host Menno High School's one-act play performance of "Nora's Lost" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, Marian Auditorium on the MMC campus in Yankton.

The play, which deals with effects of Alzheimer's disease, won a superior rating recently at the South Dakota State One-Act Play Festival in Brandon.

The public is invited to attend this performance. Admission is free, but goodwill donations will be directed to the Avera Sister James Care Center's Eden Fund.

**Yankton Parks Advisory Board To Meet**

City of Yankton Parks Advisory Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. Monday, March 4, at the Technical Education Center, 1200 West 21st St. This meeting is open to the public.

**Healthy Yankton Garden Plots Now Available**

Healthy Yankton, now starting its fifth successful year of operation, is offering garden plots for the 2013 growing season.

Healthy Yankton will host the meeting at 5:30 p.m. Monday, March 4, at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital Physician Office Pavilion. Attendance at the meeting is expected for all new gardeners wanting to register for garden plots for the 2013 growing season.

Garden plots are at located Marne Creek West Park on Yankton's West City Limits Road. Garden plots are approximately 12 feet X 18 feet in size. There is a limit of two garden plots per household. Garden plots are offered for only \$20 each for the 2013 summer growing season. Payment is required at the meeting, upon garden plot registration. Gardeners are required to plant, weed, monitor, and clean-up their designated garden plot throughout the entire season.

Everyone is welcome to attend an informational meeting about Yankton's Community Garden. Healthy Yankton encourages that gardeners, while harvesting a bountiful crop for personal use, to also 'grow a row' to donate to others in need.

For more information call Healthy Yankton Chairman Angie O'Connor at 605-668-8590, or email healthyyankton@gmail.com, or go to www.healthyyankton.org.

**Friends Of Library To Host 'Gourmet Guys'**

Where can you taste sumptuous foods, listen to relaxing music, visit with friends, and have a great time all in one evening? It's at the Friends of the Library's fifth annual Gourmet Guys, which will be held on Saturday, March 9. The Yankton Community Library, 515 Walnut, is hosting the event with doors opening to ticket holders at 6 p.m.

The evening's Gourmet Guys are Andy Bryan, Gerald Dobrovolsky, Shane Gerlach, Jeff Martyka, father/son team Wendell and Darric Mortenson, Todd Rothenberger, and Bruce Viau who has been a "Guy" all five years.

The Henricksons will entertain diners, and there will be two raffles with prizes that will go home with the lucky winners. You will also have the opportunity to join the Friends of the Yankton Community Library that evening.

Tickets are now available at Hy-Vee or through a member of Friends of the Library. A limited number of tickets are available, so get yours today.

If you have any questions, contact Library Director Kathy Jacobs at 668-5276.

**Big Friend Little Friend Bowl-A-Thon Set**

All Yankton-area youth in grades 1-5 are invited to participate in Big Friend Little Friend's 17th annual Bowl-a-thon, set for April 6 at the Yankton Bowl.

Area sponsors invite kids to play two games of bowling, plus enjoy prizes, popcorn pop and fun. Door Prizes to be given away at event.

There will be two sessions: at 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. This event is FREE to all participants. Put a team together, or make new friends.

Registration forms were sent home to all area schools and can also be found online at bigfriendlittlefriend.org or by calling 665-6365.

**LEARNING ABOUT GIVING**



COURTESY PHOTO  
The students of Sacred Heart Middle School held a household item donation drive in conjunction with Catholic Schools Week, Jan. 28-Feb. 1. 436 items were donated ranging from food items to toys and games for kids. The donation of an item helped students achieve their "entry fee" into a school-wide dodge ball tournament. The items were divided between the Contact Center and the Yankton Women and Children's Center.

**DARE DONORS**



COURTESY PHOTO  
Angelina received a Valentine's Day surprise today from Officer Greg Shoburg, Webster Elementary's DARE officer. Every year, an anonymous donor gives two brand new bikes to the DARE program. Officer Shoburg made Angelina's day brighter with this surprise! She will certainly be ready for spring to arrive, so she can ride her new bike. We give a HOOT! HOOT! to the donor, the DARE program, and Officer Shoburg!

**HDYA**

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the downtown important.

"I personally believe you can really miss the bar on economic development if you don't pay some attention to your downtown," Nelson stated. "I think the city wants to support you in capitalizing on your identity and on your values."

Based on her own experiences with various downtowns, she offered some ideas that may or may not be applicable to Yankton's downtown.

"A lot of times people don't keep people in the downtown because they don't welcome them in the downtown," Nelson said.

She recalled cases where business owners had complained to her that people just wanted to use their bathrooms.

"I'm like, 'Wouldn't that be a shame if someone walked all the way through your store to the back and went to the bathroom and then might see something they want to buy?' You want them in your store," Nelson said.

When she was city manager in Canton, Nelson said the downtown had a holiday parade of lights, but no stores were open.

"I thought, 'We're bringing 300 people downtown in the cold. Open your store!'" she stated. "I don't know if you have those problems here, but we were trying to move that forward."

Thought has to be given to how the Meridian Bridge can be utilized, Nelson added.

"You have a funnel going right into the downtown. What a great opportunity," she said. "There is something there to work on that you could leverage business off of."

When it comes to setting building standards for the downtown, Nelson said it is something that should be given serious thought.

"If you don't tell people what to do with their buildings in a certain district, you could lose your identity," she stated. "I'm a real big proponent of preserving the character of your buildings and community. I think design standards or guidelines are something you might want to look into, particularly if you are saying you're historic."

After recalling some of her favorite memories of downtown Yankton while growing up, Wenande also offered encouragement to the organization.

"When I was watching the Oscars the other night, what I kept hearing from a lot of their comments was the idea of supporting

their own," she said. "Whether they won the award or not, they supported the people in their category. They supported other people in the arts. Being a small business owner myself, I understand where a lot of you are. That's where we, whether you're in the downtown or anywhere in Yankton, need to continue to support the small business community, because it is vital to Yankton's economy."

A downtown area is a place that social collisions should occur, Wenande added. In other words, you want venues where many people go and run into each other, sparking conversations and ideas.

"For me, those collisions used to happen at the post office," Wenande said. "Now that the post office isn't there, where is the next location downtown where those collisions are going to happen?"

She also mentioned the idea of design standards for the downtown.

"We need to start brainstorming and not be set in (the idea that) what we've always done is what we're always going to do," Wenande said. "We as a city, and as a community as a whole, want to see the downtown so busy that we need to come up with more plans on what to do with all the people who are visiting."

Barb Rohde, owner of the B-Dazzled Downtown Hair Salon and Day Spa and current president of HDYA, said she appreciated the comments of the two city leaders.

"I think they both have a passion for downtowns," she said. "They gave us a lot of ideas to get the community and businesses to work together so everybody realizes that our downtown is a community."

Downtown Yankton already has much to offer, Rohde added.

"We have a beautiful downtown and, with the walking bridge, there is absolutely no reason for people to leave this community to get exercise or to shop," she said. "We've got wonderful stores downtown. We have some restaurants. A lot of them are connected with bars, but that doesn't mean you can't take a family in there. They've got French fries, burgers, pizza and many other offerings."

One noticeable change people will notice this year is a large sign identifying the downtown. It will be installed this spring.

"We have a 10-foot by 20-foot sign with an arrow pointing to historic downtown Yankton that will be located at the corner of Third and Broadway," Rohde said.

She also wants to pursue the return of a farmer's market to downtown Yankton.

*You can follow Nathan Johnson on Twitter at twitter.com/AnInlandVoyage*

**OBITUARIES**

**Thomas Varilek**

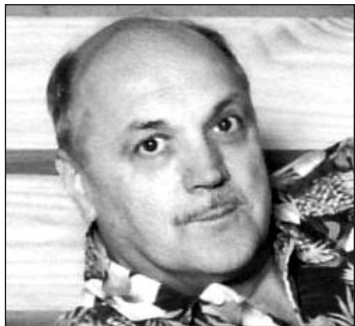
Mass of Christian Burial for Tom Varilek of Ankeny, Iowa and originally of Tyndall will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 2 at St. Leo Catholic Church with Fr. Joe Forcelle as Celebrant. Interment will follow in St. Leo Catholic Cemetery.

Visitation will be held on Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Goglin Funeral Home in Tyndall. There will be a wake service on Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the church.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks you donate to NAMI Greater Des Moines, PO Box 12174, Des Moines, IA 50312 in Tom's name.

Online condolences may be sent at www.goglinfh.com.

Thomas Varilek was born to Frank H. and Tillie (Plavec) Varilek on October 25, 1949, in Tyndall, SD. His schooling began in a one-room schoolhouse, Dunwoody District #23. He graduated Tyndall High School in the class of '67. In 1971, he achieved his B.S. in Electrical Engineering from South Dakota School of Mines and Technology. Tom began his professional career at Pacific Gas and Electric Company in San Francisco, CA where he met the love of his life, Dina (Albon). They married on December 2, 1972. Tom was an



Thomas Varilek

unselfish and devoted family man. In 1974, they moved to Duluth, MN, where Tom worked at Minnesota Power & Light. In 1987, Tom, his wife and their three daughters moved to Ankeny, IA where he worked for Iowa Power and, eventually, Iowa Farm Bureau Federation until his retirement in 2010.

Tom had diverse hobbies which included singing, ballroom dancing, Huna healing and hypnotherapy. Tom was driven to help and heal all he could in the world. He served as President of St. Vincent de Paul - Des Moines diocese from 2008 until his untimely death. Tom's other community involvements included Physics Society, Engineers Club, Kirkendall Public Library Foundation, Social Concern Committee - St. Luke's, National Guild of Hypnotists, and being an officer for ballroom

dance clubs: Red Friars, Castle Club and Dance Club 76.

Tom passed away at Mercy Hospice in Johnston, Iowa on Monday, February 25, 2013 at the age of 63.

Tom is survived by his wife, Dina, of Ankeny, Iowa and his three daughters, Tara of Ankeny, Tanya of Ankeny and Tylia of Phoenix, Arizona; his siblings Francis Varilek and Sally Boyd of Mission Hill, Daniel Varilek of Tyndall, JoAnn (John) Jonas of Yankton, Irene Koranda of Tabor, David Varilek of Tabor, Charles (Julie) Varilek of Estes Park, Colorado, and Kenneth (Jeanne) Varilek of Springfield; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Tillie Varilek, and an infant sister, Henrietta.

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**Attorney General Warns Consumers Of Sweepstakes Scams**

PIERRE — Attorney General Marty Jackley is warning South Dakota consumers to be cautious of sweepstakes solicitations that continue to plague the state.

Here are a few warning signs of the typical sweepstakes scam:

- Sweepstakes Scams Require You Pay to Receive the Prize — Legitimate sweepstakes will rarely ask you to pay fees to participate or to receive a prize. You should rarely have to pay handling charges, service fees, or any other kind of charges up front to receive a win.
- Sweepstakes Scams Tell You You've Won — You can only win sweepstakes that you enter.
- Sweepstakes Scams Send You a Large Check with your Notification — To fool people into thinking that a sweepstakes scam is legitimate, many con artists send fake checks along with their phony win notifications. Cashing fraudulent checks is a crime, and you could be liable for fines and even closure of your bank account, as well as losing any money you wire.
- Sweepstakes Scams Instruct You to Wire Money — Criminals use wire services to receive funds, because it is nearly impossible to trace who received the money.
- Sweepstakes Scams Pressure You to Act in a Hurry —

Sweepstakes scammers have a very good reason for wanting you to act quickly: they want to ensure that they receive their money before their check bounces or you read an article like this one and realize that you are being defrauded.

- Sweepstakes Scams Require Bank or Credit Card Info to Receive Your Prize — Legitimate sweepstakes do not send wins by direct deposit, nor do they need to withdraw money from your bank or verify information using your credit card number.
- The "Win" is From a Lottery — It is impossible to win a lottery without buying a ticket. It is illegal to sell tickets for foreign lotteries across international borders.
- Sweepstakes Scams Often Don't Use Your Name — Especially in the case of email win notifications, many sweepstakes scams send thousands upon thousands of fake emails to every address they can get their hands on — often without knowing the name of the people they're contacting. If your win notice has a generic salutation like "Dear Sir" it's a good indication that it's a sweepstakes scam.
- Sweepstakes Scams Can Pose As Government Organizations — To appear more legitimate, some sweepstakes scams pretend to

come from government organizations such as the FTC or the "National Sweepstakes Board" (which doesn't actually exist).

- Sweepstakes Scams Contain Many Typos — Glaring errors in spelling, grammar, and punctuation should be a red flag for consumers.

If you have been a victim of this scam or would like additional information contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at 1-800-300-1986 or consumerhelp@state.sd.us.

**Donald Kuehler**

Donald E. Kuehler, 90, of Crofton, Neb., died Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2013, at the Bloomfield Good Samaritan Nursing Home, Bloomfield, Neb.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 2, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Crofton, with the Rev. Michael Schmitz officiating. Burial will be at the St. Rose of Lima Cemetery, Crofton.

Visitation is 6-8 p.m. Friday, with a vigil service at 7 p.m., at the Wintz Funeral Home, Crofton. Visitation will continue at church on Saturday one hour prior to services.

Memorials may be directed to the St. Rose of Lima School.

**IN REMEMBRANCE**

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*Trene Wubben*

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**Pick Up Your Roses**  
Tuesday, April 16 from 7 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. at the Benedictine Center Lobby. Come early to choose from a wide variety of colors.

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