

## Harvey Beck To Be Guest Director At Yankton Area Summer Band Concert

Harvey Beck will be the guest director at tonight's (Tuesday) Yankton Area Summer Band concert at the Riverside Park amphitheatre. Beck is originally from Tyndall and now resides in Mesa, Ariz. He taught band for 20 years in Tabor, Avon and Tyndall and was also a member of the 147th Army Band in Mitchell. Yankton will also see Beck on stage in July with his polka group The Hungry Five. Summer Band Concerts are held every Tuesday evening at amphitheatre in Riverside Park. Rehearsal begins at 6:30 p.m.

for all volunteer musicians interested in playing and the concert will begin promptly at 8 p.m. For late changes due to weather, listen to the radio stations - WNAX, 570 AM; KYNT, 1450 AM or KVHT, 106.3 FM. You can also find more information by visiting the Yankton Area Arts website at [www.YanktonAreaArts.org](http://www.YanktonAreaArts.org). Changes to will be posted by 4 p.m. For more information on Yankton Area Arts, call (605) 665-9754 or visit [www.YanktonAreaArts.org](http://www.YanktonAreaArts.org).

## Johnson Staffer To Be In Yankton Co. On June 22

WASHINGTON — Sen. Tim Johnson (D-S.D.) has announced that Erik Nelson of his Sioux Falls office will hold an Economic Development Outreach Day in Yankton County on Tuesday, June 22. Nelson will visit the communities of Yankton and Irene. Johnson has always encouraged South Dakotans to call, write or visit his Service Offices in Rapid City, Aberdeen, Sioux Falls or Washington D.C. to share their concerns. South Dakotans may also call Johnson's office toll-free by dialing 1-800-537-0025 or e-mail at [http://johnson.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?p=ContactForm](mailto:public/index.cfm?p=ContactForm).

## Yankton School Board Discusses Building Contracts At Monthly Meeting

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The Yankton School Board will consider renewing a Saving Performance Contract with Johnson Controls for another four years, it was announced at the board's Monday night's meeting. "The current guaranteed contract with Johnson Controls, which was established in 1999, was developed when the district implemented a building improvement contract," said district business manager Jason Bietz. "It included plumbing, window, lighting and heating unit improvements at all of the buildings. The total cost of those improvements was right at \$2.8 million. After the improvement portion of the contract we entered into the contract with Johnson Controls." Bietz added that the contract had saved the district more than \$853,000 during the last 10 years.

Because of the efficiencies created in the buildings, the district has once again been named an Energy Star Efficient district. To earn the distinction, a building must score better than 75 out of 100. The initial contract with Johnson Controls ended this school year. By law, the district can renew the contract for another four years without opening bidding to the public. At July's meeting, the board will hear the proposed continuance of the contract. Other business Monday included approving updates to the Middle School Handbook and a final summary of the work done on the strategic planning goals for the year.

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## OBITUARIES

### Phyllis Freng

Phyllis L. Freng, age 83, of Yankton, died on Saturday, June 12, 2010 at Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton.

Funeral service will be 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 15, 2010 at Faith United Lutheran Church, rural Volin, SD with Pastor Velma Larson officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Visitation will be 5-7 p.m. Monday, June 14, 2010 at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service. Visitation will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

Pallbearers will be her grandsons: Adam Freng, Nick

Prostrollo, Tyler Hansen, Ryan Freng, Cody Hansen, Zachary Hansen, Jason Sudbeck and Dan Burnett.

Phyllis LaVonne was born on April 14, 1927 to Noble and Mildred (Olson) White on the family farm in rural Volin, SD. She attended Bruget School and graduated from Volin High School before attending Nettleton Business School in Sioux City, IA. On March 9, 1946, she married Chandler Freng at Vangen Lutheran Church in Mission Hill, SD. Together, they



Freng

moved to Fayetteville, NC after Chandler was drafted into the U.S. Army and stationed at Fort Bragg. Upon completion of his tour of duty, they returned to their Mission Hill farm and resumed farming and raised their family. Phyllis was very involved with church and loved spending time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, Chandler of Yankton; sons: Doug of Yankton and Jay (Janet) of Kenosha, WI; daughters: Lynda Freng of Vermillion, SD, Peggy (Paul) Hansen of Madison, SD, Deb (Pat) Prostrollo of Madison, SD, Kitti (Russell) Myers of Yankton and daughter-in-law, Jane Kress of Yankton; 14

grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren; brothers: Jim (Connie) White of Parker, SD; sisters: Janet (Don) Engen of Detroit Lakes, MN, Wanda (Larry) Freng of Harrisburg, SD and Gwendy (Rick) Sorenson of Apple Valley, MN.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents, infant grandson, Anthony Freng and brothers: Bill White and Charles "Bud" White.

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Country School and graduated from Springfield High School and Southern State Normal in Springfield. She also attended Dakota Wesleyan and the University of South Dakota. Doris was a devoted, professional school teacher. Her career started in rural schools in Bon Home County and then Olerichs, Wessington Springs, Brookings, Plano, Scotland and Mitchell. After her retirement, Doris tutored individuals and group needs.

Doris married Stanley Briscoe on December 31, 1984 at Mena, AR. He died March 1, 1994.

Doris was a member of the United Church of Christ in Springfield, 50 year member of Eastern Star and the Mitchell branch of AAUW.

Doris will be remembered for her enjoyment of reading, oil painting, china painting and gardening. She loved flowers, especially her African Violets.

Thankful for having shared her life are many nieces and nephews.

Doris was preceded in death by three brothers: Clarence, Platt and Armond; and two sisters: Gertrude Guptill and Nadine Wynia.

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### Gary Westergaard

Gary Westergaard, 71, of Torrington, passed away peacefully on May 30, 2010 while in Truckee, CA after a battle with cancer. He was surrounded by his family in the beautiful mountain community which he loved.

He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Pauline Westergaard; three of their four children Terry Omanson, John (Jack) Steele, Danny Westergaard; six grandchildren, Jason Omanson, Jessica Omanson, Tiffany Kowan, Meagan, Brenna and Madison Westergaard; two great-grandchildren, Kale and Reed Omanson; and his sister, Linda Drain. His youngest son, Craig Westergaard, whom passed away 6 1/2 years ago, was surely there with open arms to welcome his dad after he left this world.

Gary was an avid outdoors-



Westergaard

### Don Christjans

SIDNEY, Neb. — Don Christjans, 70, of Sidney, Nebraska died late Friday afternoon, June 11, 2010 at the Memorial Health Center in Sidney.

Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 15, 2010 in the Light Memorial Presbyterian Church in Sidney with Pastor Leon "Bud" Gillespie officiating. Services will conclude at the church.

Inurnment will be in the Presbyterian Cemetery in Avon, South Dakota at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, June 17, 2010. Following the service at the cemetery, there will be a light lunch served at Trinity Presbyterian Church.

Cremation has taken place and there is no viewing at the funeral home. Friends who wish may stop at Holechek Funeral Home from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to sign the register book. Memorials have been established to the Light Memorial Presbyterian Church or to the donor's choice.

You can view the online obituary and share condolences with the family at [www.holechekfuneralhomes.com](http://www.holechekfuneralhomes.com)

Donald Dean Christjans, the son of Edie and Edith (Rueb) Christjans, was born May 3, 1940 in Avon, South Dakota. He attended rural school before graduating from Avon High School in 1958.

On December 31, 1959, he was united in marriage to Carol Kay Lorenz in Avon, South Dakota. Don graduated from the University of South Dakota in 1963 with a degree in mathematics and earned his Master's degree from the University in 1970. Don taught math and coached in other areas before the family moved to Sidney in 1969 where he continued his teaching career.



Christjans

In 1972 he made a career change and became the owner of the Sidney Credit Bureau. In 1988 they moved to Henderson, Nevada, where he returned to teaching high school math. Don retired in 2002 and they moved back to Sidney where he worked part time at the Insurance Store.

Don loved athletics and was a huge Brooklyn Dodgers fan.

Survivors include his wife Carol of Sidney, NE; son Tom and wife Lisa of Park City, UT; daughter Janet Volkmer of Sidney, NE; brother Jim and wife Jean of Avon, SD; sister Marian Neu of Hartington, NE; and four grandchildren: Scott and Jenny Volkmer and Jessica and Sarah Christjans.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother-in-law Bob Neu.

Holechek Funeral Home and Cremations in Sidney is serving the Christjans family.

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### Daniel Lee Hogan

Daniel Lee Hogan, beloved Husband, Dad, Grampa and Great-Grandpa, passed away at age 80 on May 29, 2010, surrounded by his family.

He was preceded in death by his brother William; his sisters Joyce and Patricia; and his son Thomas. He is survived by his wife Marjorie; his children: Carol (Mark) Cadalbert, Daniel (Theresa), Patricia (Edward) Buckley; Joan (Jeff) Plan; Michael (Vickie) and Todd (Shelly); 17 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; brothers Vern (June) Ellingson, Jim and sister Jeanne (Paul) Agre.

Daniel as born in Yankton. He attended Yankton College and the University of South Dakota. He was a longtime member of Steamfitters/Pipefitters Local Union 455. He enjoyed hunting, flying and spending time with family and friends.

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### Donald Cwach

FAIRFAX — Donald Raynald Cwach was born on February 21, 1947 to Robert and Marcella (Sedlacek) Cwach in Yankton, SD. He passed away on June 10, 2010 due to an accident on his farm near Fairfax, SD.

Don grew up on a farm near Yankton with his parents and siblings. They moved to Geddes, SD when he was in elementary school. He graduated from Geddes High School in 1965. After graduation, he attended trade school for mechanics in Omaha before moving to a farm near Fairfax, SD.

On September 20, 1968, he was married to Glenda VanZee. They had five children: Caryn, Kyle, Lyndell, Kendall, and Cole. He then remarried Pam (Frandsen) Parker on July 7, 2007 in Fairfax, SD.

Don was an active member of the community. He was involved with the Township Board, Cenex Board, and Rural Water Board. He enjoyed doing mechanic/repair work, spending time with family, enjoying nature, and taking care of his cattle. One of his favorite pastimes was playing cards. Two of his favorite card games were pitch and Cvik.

He is survived by his wife Pam and four children and two step-children: Caryn and husband Eric Wallace of Sioux Falls, Kyle and wife Pam of Canton, Kendall and wife Misty of Worthing, and Cole and wife Brecky of Sioux Falls; Cynthia and husband Jimmy Hansen of Sacramento, CA, Marie and husband Dave Sample of Marshall, MN, and nine grandchildren. He was also survived by his



Cwach

four brothers: Daniel and wife Carol, Prescott Valley, AZ; Bob and wife Patsy of Prescott Valley, AZ; Steve and wife Mary of Aberdeen, SD; and Marvin and wife Mary of Geddes, SD.

He was preceded in death by his parents, five siblings, and one son.

Funeral services for Donald Cwach, age 63, of Fairfax, SD will be held on Tuesday, June 15, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at Fairfax Community Hall in Fairfax, SD. Burial will be in the Highland Cemetery, Fairfax.

There will be a prayer service on Monday at 7:00 p.m. the hall. Visitation will be one hour prior to both services at the hall.

Please visit [www.clausenfuneralhome.com](http://www.clausenfuneralhome.com) for a complete obituary.

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### Doris Briscoe

SPRINGFIELD — Funeral Services for Doris Halsey Briscoe, 96, of Springfield are 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 16, 2010 at the United Church of Christ in Springfield, with burial in the Springfield Cemetery.

Visitation is Tuesday from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Crosby-Jaeger Funeral Home in Springfield.

Doris Halsey Briscoe, daughter of Alexander and Susan (Fender) Halsey was born August 4, 1913 on a farm near Springfield, SD. She died Sunday, June 13, 2010 at St. Michael's Hospital in Tyndall, SD. Doris attained the age of 96 years, ten months and ten days.

Doris attended Armstrong



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## IN REMEMBRANCE

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