

SHARE Distribution Day Today At PPC

Saturday, May 31, is Distribution Day for SHARE at Peace Presbyterian Church, 206 E. 31st St., Yankton. Anyone who has ordered from the SHARE Program for May can pick up their food between 9:30-10:30 a.m. Orders for June will be taken at that time.

SHARE is a cooperative with no fees. The only thing that is needed is two hours of volunteer work done in the month. Volunteering can be any activity. Such as taking a neighbor to a doctor's appointment or the grocery store, volunteering for SHARE.

Art Fest, Concert Kick Off YAA Events

A community kick-off-to-summer tradition, the Yankton Area Summer Band Concert and Kids Art Fest, are scheduled to take place on Tuesday evening, June 3, at Riverside Park in Yankton.

Yankton Area Arts will be hosting the 23rd annual Kids Art Fest from 5-7:30 p.m. at Riverside Park inside the picnic shelter next to the ball field. Fifteen different free art stations will be offered by community organizations in this year's event, including Yankton Area Arts, Alpha Gamma Beta Sigma Phi, Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, Dakota Territorial Museum, Emmanuel Church, Lewis & Clark Behavioral Health, Linda's Angel Crossing, Southeast CASA, Yankton Community Library, Yankton County Child Protection Team, Yankton County 4-H, Yankton County Parents as Teachers, and Yankton Town & Country Garden Club. Activities range from face painting, to bird-house making, to cupcake art.

Following Kids Art Fest, the first Yankton Area Summer Band concert will start at 8 p.m. at the Riverside Park Amphitheatre under the direction of guest conductor Carrie Jensen. She is the Band Director in Wayne, Nebraska, and was awarded the Young Music Educator of the Year in Nebraska last year. Rehearsal begins at 6:30 p.m. for all volunteer musicians (high school or older) interested.

The all-volunteer band will present six concerts this summer on June 3, 10, 17, 24, July 1 and 8 and boasts an average annual membership of 70-100 musicians ranging from students to professionals from Yankton and the surrounding communities.

Following the Yankton Area Summer Band Concerts, Yankton Area Arts will continue its summer concert series with five pops concerts also at Riverside Amphitheatre: Austin Buescher Band on July 4; Bridge City Brass on July 15; Jim McKinney Quartet on July 22; Rockerville on July 29; and Mogen's Heroes on Aug. 5.

If there is inclement weather, all band rehearsals and band/pops concerts will be held at the Summit Activities Center Theater, 1801 Summit Street. For late changes due to weather, tune to local radio stations.

\$1 Swimming Set For RibFest

The public is invited to come to Memorial Park Pool on Saturday, June 7, from 12:30-8 p.m. to enjoy \$1 swimming, held in conjunction with the Rockin, Ribfest celebration.

For further information, call 668-5234 or stop by the Summit Activities Center at 1801 Summit Street, Yankton.

Roozen

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Gayville-Volin in 1980, Roozen received a bachelor's degree in secondary education from Northern State University in Aberdeen. He later obtained a master's degree in physical education from Tarleton State in Stephenville, Texas.

Roozen's career has included work as a strength coach at the university level and director of certification for the National Strength and Conditioning Association. More recently, he served as

a strength and conditioning coach for the Cleveland Browns of the National Football League until the entire coaching staff was let go.

During a trip by Roozen back to his hometown, a friend suggested the trainer move back to the area and help expand the programs offered in the region.

So that's what he did. "I loved the NFL, but it's a rough profession," Roozen said. "When a coach gets fired, the whole staff gets fired. It's hard moving around every few years, and I'm not as young as I used to be. It's nice to get back in the area here and get settled where my friends and family are."

Hartington

Winery Growing Like A Grape Vine

BY LINDA WUEBBEN
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HARTINGTON, Neb. — A passion for grapes and wine pops when travelers zip over rolling hills in northern Cedar County. Like a beacon, Nissen Winery stands tall among grape vines.

With a breathtaking view from one of those high rolling hills, the new Nissen Winery stands not only as a successful family-owned and operated vineyard and winery, but also as a gathering place for the rural community.

"When Dave and I started thinking about actually building a winery, we wondered if there was a way to make it a dual-use facility," Tim Nissen said. "Could we build something the community could use too?"

The Nissen Brothers started dreaming when they planted their first grape vines back in 2003 and were very pleased when they opened their winery facility one-half mile south of the corner of Highway 12 and 57 north of Hartington over the July 4th weekend in 2012.

The winery houses three floors for the growing northeast Nebraska business. The basement floor is where the real business is done. Amidst stainless steel tanks, a grape crusher, a 3,000-pound press and a mobile bottling machine, Tim Nissen works his magic. He is the li'l ole wine maker and brother Dave is the grape grower. And never do the two meet Tim says with a laugh.

"We know each other's talents and respect our boundaries," Nissen said. In the wine-making room, when a mistake is made, the batch is done, it's over and has to be dumped Tim said. There is no going back and fixing a botched batch and he re-

For the past few months, Roozen has been participating in what he equated to a "soft opening," working with several high schools and programs in the Yankton area.

Beginning next week, the trainer and his associates will begin rolling out new programs available to the public. These will concentrate on performance aspects such as speed, strength and conditioning, stability and mobility, among others.

"There are people that have to drive to Sioux Falls to do this," Roozen said. "We want to do some things here instead of having people go



PHOTO: LINDA WUEBBEN

The Nissen Winery, run by Tim (shown) and Dave Nissen, has become a successful venture — and a popular attraction — in northern Cedar County

spect's Dave's knowledge in the vineyard for growing just the right varieties for blending on the manufactured side.

The dream for the winery is a shared adventure. Today there are 12 acres of grape vines on the 400-acre family farm and four acres of stone fruit. There are 6,500 vines dotting the hillside and Dave uses eight varieties although he still experiments from time to time just like Tim does in the wine-making room.

"After we started the vineyard the next step was a processing center and after that we would need a tasting room," said Nissen. "We wanted something beautiful and unique." They saw a need in their rural community for a cultural center and the brothers wanted to work with artists, local and regional, to create a meeting place.

The winery has hosted

wedding rehearsals, private parties, family reunions, anniversaries and even first communions. The facility will accommodate 90 parties indoors on the main floor and a patio surrounds the building for spreading out to enjoy the view. When the top floor is finished this fall, it will double the capacity.

Recently fundraisers like "Design at the Vine" for the Corps of Discovery Welcome Center have been held there featuring local artists and a painting demonstration with acrylics along with sips of the Nissen wine. They have even dabbled in live music.

The Nissen Brothers worked closely with the Northeast Economic Development District of Norfolk to garner a Community Development Block Grant which made the construction of the Winery a reality. The

outside the region."

He said one of the main things the region lacks is a system that accommodates multiple-sport athletes.

"Bigger places like Sioux Falls have the luxury where a lot of kids are one-sport athletes," Roozen said. "But in places like Gayville or Yankton, you have athletes that are in two or three or even four sports. So you have to look at how they can improve if they're competing all the time. We're looking to develop a system that they can do yearlong."

Programs will also be available to assist people with more specific goals, he said, whether that's helping

them play basketball or run a 5k.

Some programs won't even involve athletics at all, Roozen added.

"We're doing everything from athletic performance to ergonomics and on-the-job rehab-type stuff," he said. "It could be showing people how to move correctly so you don't have neck strain, shoulder pain or back problems, or it could be helping someone become more mobile without using a cane or a walker."

Along with adding to the performance programs available to members of the community, Roozen said part of his mission is to inform the

business employs ten full and part-time people working in the vineyard, hosting in the Winery and even keeping up with the wholesale route for distribution of the Nissen bottled wine varieties as far as 200 miles away in Nebraska. It is open to the public from Thursdays to Sundays, noon-6 p.m.

The manufacturing division of the wine business has expanded from its first beginnings in stainless steel bulk tanks purchased from dairy farmers who no longer milked to high tech variable capacity stainless steel tanks with floating lids. Several batches of different volumes and variety can be 'brewing' at the same time. Temperature monitors are carefully watched on each tank and also the oxygenation levels.

Another venture Tim enjoys is the mobile bottling business he runs. The brothers have the only mobile bottling machine in the Midwest and for Tim, taking off for a bottling project is like a working vacation for. He travels as far as 400 miles to bottle other winemaker's specialties.

"I love traveling to different areas and seeing other wine-making techniques," Nissen said. The machine can bottle 15,000 bottles in three days and to date he has bottled 700,000 bottles over the last three to four years.

The Nissen Wines can be purchased at the winery, from several local vendors listed on their website and even online at their website:

<http://www.nissenwine.com/in dex.html/> . Details for the use of the Winery are also available on the webpage. The brothers are also working hard to gather lots of likes on their Facebook page.

"We put in lots of hours; many nights it's 10 p.m. when we head for home but we wouldn't know how else to live," Nissen said.

public of the services already available.

"There's some really good people in the area — physical therapists, trainers, coaches. You don't have to go to Sioux Falls or Minneapolis for that. You can get great help right here."

For more information, visit coachcrozy.com.

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