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City To Consider Insurance Packages Mon.

From P&D Staff Reports

The Yankton City Commission will consider employee health and dental insurance packages during its meeting at 7 p.m. Monday at the Technical Education Center.

Commissioners will also consider a resolution approving the 2011 special assessment roll for the removal of noxious vegetation, consider making a final payment for a replacement gate operator and other items for Chan Gurney Airport, and consider a bid award for a compact excavator for the transfer station.

The City Commission meets in Room 114 of the Technical Education Center.

Stewart Elementary Musical Is Monday

The Stewart Elementary School fourth- and fifth-grade students will perform "How to Be a Pirate" at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 14, at the Yankton High School/Summit Activities Center theatre.

Hoist the sail and join the Stewart Elementary pirate crew as they perform Greg Gilpin's "How to Be a Pirate." This mini-musical introduces an ornery yet sweet Captain and a reliable First Mate who transform landlubber students into pirates. Through story and song, the shipmates dress in pirate costume, raise the Jolly Roger, spy with telescopes, find buried treasure, and show "thar" pride in a joyful pirate party.

The concert is directed by Lori Leader and accompanied by Kathleen West. The concert is open to the public and free of charge.

Contact Center Taking Applications For Baskets

The Yankton Contact Center is now taking applications for the 2011 Holiday Food/Fruit Baskets. Families and individuals wishing to participate in the Holiday Food/Fruit Baskets Project must complete a simple application, providing proof of address, number in the household and an active SNAP card.

The deadline to sign up for the baskets is Tuesday, Dec. 13.

For more information regarding the Holiday Food & Fruit Bas-kets Project, call (605)260-4400, Extension 2. The Contact Center is located at 321 West 3rd Street, lower level of the County Government Building.

Sack Pack Accepting Peanut Butter

The Sack Pack puts together a larger pack before the holidays. One of the items that go into the pack is a jar of peanut butter. If anyone would like to donate a jar of peanut butter for the Sack Pack Program they can leave it at the Ability Building Services at 909 West 23rd St. The Sack Pack would use it in the packs before Thanksgiving and Christmas.

If you have questions about the Sack Pack, call Sandi Kramer at 605-660-5430.

SHS Vendor Blender Set For Nov. 19

Everyone is welcome to shop the 35 booths at the third annual Sacred Heart School Vendor Blender on Saturday, Nov. 19, running from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. The event will be held at the Sacred Heart School Elementary Gym, which is located just off West City Limits Road, at 1500 St. Benedict Drive, Yankton.

The SHS Vendor Blender includes a bake sale with delicious homemade treats and special holiday goodies. Bring the family for lunch and enjoy Godfather's Pizza, which will be for sale from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

The Vendor Blender offers a wide selection of specialty gift items including jewelry, purses, candles, crafts, books, baked goods and home décor. Join in the fun and complete your Christmas shopping early by purchasing unique and handmade gifts. Vendors include: Tupperware, Thirty One Gifts, Pretty & Prims, Rejoicing DAY, Premier Designs Jewelry, Discovery Toys, Stella & Dot, Usborne Books, Tastefully Simple, Norwex, Hebda Family Produce, Pampered Chef, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Signature Homestyles, Avon, Creative Memories, Private Quarters, Picture This, Scentsy, J Rochelle Designs, Mags Legs, Gifts 'N Giggles/LuLu's, Celebrating Home, Lip Smakin' Jellies, Arbonne, Stampin' Up, Uppercase Living, Bob's Hobby Supply and more.

Proceeds benefit Sacred Heart School. Supplemental funds are being provided by Catholic United Financial.

Outlaw Trail Scenic Byway Meeting Tuesday

VETERAN'S DAY SALUTE



KELLY HERTZ/P&D

A bugler plays "Taps" following a 21-shot salute during a Veteran's Day program held Friday morning at the Gayville Veteran's Memorial. The ceremony was held at the 11th hour on the 11th day in the 11th month of for the first time ever - the 11th year, commemorating those who have served and died for this country.

Information About MMC Trip To Europe Available At Nov. 16 Meeting

"The Holocaust in Europe" is the title for a Mount Marty College Education First trip to Europe that will take place May 15-25, 2012.

The destinations include the cities of Berlin, Warsaw, Krakow and Prague.

An informational meeting about this trip will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16, in the Roncalli South Dining Room on the campus of Mount Marty College.

You are also invited to go to

the Facebook page entitled European Travel with Mount Marty College to learn about travel opportunities with MMC. Information about this trip is

also available under the tab Professor's Tour on the college's website at www.mtmc.edu.

Contact S. Cynthia Binder at (605) 668-1463 or cbinder@mtmc.edu or Dr. Rich Lofthus at (605) 668-1462 or rlofthus@mtmc.edu for more information about the 2012 trip.

Workforce Summit To Highlight Opportunities In South Dakota

PIERRE — South Dakota has jobs, and communities in the James River Valley of South Dakota are partnering together to find workers to fill those jobs.

Mitchell, Yankton and the District III Planning Region are hosting a Workforce Summit on Tuesday, Nov. 15. The event, scheduled from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at Mitchell Technical Institute, will bring community, education, and business leaders together to explore workforce trends and employment tactics.

Bryan Hisel, Executive Director of the Mitchell Area Development Corporation, said companies in the James River Valley portion of the state have an immediate need for more employees.

'We have the opportunity to grow the population and the economy. While many states are struggling to combat high unemployment rates, South Dakota companies are looking for hundreds of skilled workers," said Hisel.

Gov. Dennis Daugaard, a featured speaker at the Workforce Summit on Nov. 15, said the James River Valley's employment trend is being mirrored all across the state.

'South Dakota companies are relatively healthy and many are in expansion mode," the Governor said. "We have quality jobs available. We need more quality workers.'

Aberdeen is another community that has significant job creation and is recruiting for its workforce.

Julie Johnson, Executive Director, Absolutely! Aberdeen, said Aberdeen is running a workforce recruitment campaign, called "1,000+ Jobs" which describes the current employment opportunity in the community.

"Our campaign is already targeting the friends and families of people who currently live in the Aberdeen area, as well as alumni

from the Northeast South Dakota region. But I know through the collective action of this event, we can strengthen our approach.'

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Organizers of the Workforce Summit hope participants will be able to identify best-practices for workforce development, as well as identify future employment demands of South Dakota's business sector.

Applied Engineering, Inc., Yankton, manufactures precision machined components and assemblies primarily for the aerospace industry. The company's Finance and Human Resource Manager, Rick Duimstra, says skilled production workers are essential for the company's growth.

"When we negotiate business deals with major customers, one of the issues always discussed is the workforce. To meet growing customer demands, we must have more skilled workers and programs to advance their skills, said Duimstra. "This Summit will be a very useful tool to help Applied Engineering further explore workforce development solutions."

As of September 2011, South Dakota had the nation's thirdlowest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate at 4.6 percent. For a complete Workforce

Summit agenda, visit www.mitchellsd.org.

Registration for the summit is required, contact Sonya at Mitchell Chamber of Commerce; 605-996-5567 or sonya@mitchellchamber.com.

Organizers of the Workforce Summit include: Absolutely! Aberdeen, Applied Engineering, Inc., Dakota Heartland Development Assn., Mitchell Area Development Corporation, Mitchell Technical Institute, Muth Electric, Inc., Northwestern Energy, Planning & Development District III, Trail King Industries, Yankton Office of Economic Development, RTEC, Inc.

OBITUARIES

Alvin Schaeffer

Alvin Schaeffer, age 79, of Yankton, SD went to be with the Lord November 9, 2011 at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, Yankton, SD.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, November 14, 2011 at the United Church of Christ (Congregational), Yankton, with Rev. Paul M. Opsahl and Pastor Matt Green officiating with Military Honors by the Ernest-Bowyer VFW Post #791. Burial will be in the Westlawn-Hillcrest Cemetery, Omaha, NE at approximately 3:00 p.m. Monday afternoon. Visitations will begin at 5 p.m. Sunday, at the Opsahl-Kos-tel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with a time of memory sharing at 7:00 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church. Pallbearers are Doug Upton, Brian Mahaffy, Dale Schanche, Dale Ackley, Dennis Stribal and Allen Schaeffer. Honorary Pall-

bearers are Aaron Vadner, Cory Vadner, Lynn Ludwig, Warrin Krull, Isaac Schaeffer and Raina Schaeffer. Alvin was born in a home on a 11 prairie to Nickoyears together, their marriage ended.

Later he married Alice Davis. They were blessed with a baby girl, Kimberly Ann, who unfortunately died shortly after her birth; then a son, Alvin Timothy (Tim). After 20 years of marriage, Alice passed away.

Later he married Sandra

Schnickelfritzes (German word for ornery child).

His life will be celebrated by his 4 children and their spouses: Roger Schaeffer, Daniel and Alfreda Schaeffer, Bruce and Jeannie Vadner, and Tim and Amanda Schaeffer; 6 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, an older sister, Edna Fargo; many

HARTINGTON, Neb. — The Outlaw Trail Scenic Byway meeting will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at Angie's Glass Etching in Hartington.

Check out the supply of Outlaw Trail brochures you have on hand and let the president know and plan on preparing new and renewal memberships cards for mailing.

Blumer To Give Haiti Presentation Tuesday

Bruce Blumer, a former principal at Yankton's Webster Elementary School, will present pictures and an overview of life in Haiti at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at Webster School, 317 E. Seventh St.

Blumer has been to Haiti four times and was part of a medical team that was in Haiti during their earthquake in 2010. He has been involved in construction and medical missions on the island of La Gonave, a small island off the mainland of Haiti. In February, 2011, he returned to the island to see what has happened since the earthquake, to interview elders and leaders, and to visit ministries. The overwhelming needs remain. Blumer decided to publish a book of photos and reflections as a way to raise funds for these schools, churches, and ministries. He has already been able to send over \$2,700 back to help the people.

His book, "Paths, Proverbs, and Lessons from Haiti," will be on sale and available for signing.

The public is invited, no charge, and the event is sponsored by Yankton Reading Council.

For further information, contact Robin Brooks at Webster School (605-665-2484).

KPMG LLP To Address USD Business Students

VERMILLION - The University of South Dakota Beacom School of Business will host accounting professionals from KPMG LLP at 5 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 17, at Beacom Hall (Room 208). John J. Aesoph, an audit partner from KPMG LLP Omaha and a

Certified Public Accountant, is the featured guest speaker. He will address Beacom School of Business students about "Fair Value and Fraud." The event, which is open to the public, is hosted by Beta Alpha Psi, the National Honors Fraternity for Financial Information Professionals.

Aesoph received a B.B.A. degree with a major in accounting from the USD business school in 1994. He has assisted several public companies with complex accounting and auditing issues such as SEC filings, initial public offerings, revenue recognition issues and business combinations. Aesoph has been with KPMG LLP for more than a decade. Prior to joining KPMG LLP, he worked at PricewaterhouseCoopers and MCI WorldCom.

The Beacom School of Business regularly hosts business leaders, government officials, successful alumni and other guest speakers in a variety of forums to discuss current business issues and trends as well as offer leadership perspectives.

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laus and Susanna Schaeffer (Wipf) Schaeffer. Alvin spent much of his early life on the family farm near Menno, SD. He attended Bender and Jamestown Schools through the 8th grade and then farmed full-time. He entered the military in 1952 during the Korean War. He was honorably discharged and remained a lifetime member of the VFW. Alvin returned to farming for a while then held various jobs before finally working for the City of Omaha for 25 years. He retired in 1995.

He married Deanna Doty and they were blessed with three children; Roger Wallace, Daniel Alvin and Rita Jean. After 8

Gardner and gained two stepchildren, Scott and Tara. After 10 years of marriage, Sandra passed away.

Alvin was very strong in his Christian faith and read the Bible daily. He enjoyed the older hymns and had fond memories of the church he grew up in. He was a great fan of auctions and baseball, and never met a sausage that he didn't like. The one thing that Alvin loved most, was being "Grandpa" to "His Little Princess (Raina)", "The Big Guy (Warrin)", "Baby Isaac", "My Little Girl (Lynn)", "My Little Aaron and Corey" He certainly loved and adored his

cousins, friends and acquaintances.

He is preceded in death by his parents, two spouses, a daughter, Kimberly Ann, a stepdaughter, Tara, and eight brothers and sisters: Elsie, Nettie, Herbert, Helmuth, Agnes, Reuben. Ruth and Hilda.

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Online condolences at: www.opsahl-kostelfuneralhome.com

Jerome Uhing

BOW VALLEY, Neb. — Jerome Uhing, 77 of Bow Valley, Neb., died Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011, at his residence.

Mass of Christian Burial is at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Holy Family (Sts. Peter and Paul) Catholic Church, Bow Valley with the Rev. Eric Olsen officiating.

Burial will be in the Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery in Bow Valley with military services conducted by the Wynot American Legion Post 31.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Tuesday, with a vigil service at 7 p.m. at the church.

Wintz Funeral Home, Hartington, is in charge of arrangements.

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