

### Human Trafficking Session Tuesday

Deb Fischer-Clemens, RN, BSN, MPH, will provide information and discussion about human trafficking in South Dakota at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 1, at the Avera Physician's Office Pavilion, Yankton.

Learn more about the symptoms and signs that the victims manifest and the need for continual awareness of this problem in the Midwest.

This program is sponsored by SDNA District 11.

### Bach's Lunch Concerts Are Back

Trinity Lutheran Church invites the community to its 32nd season of Bach's Lunch concerts in December.

The first concert is Dec. 3 and features "A Touch of Brass" in a program entitled "Sea Shanties." The quintet, founded and led by trumpeter Keith Krueger, has been performing in the area since 1984. The Yankton community will recognize trombonist Randy Neuharth and hornist Gary Reeves, who both play with Yankton's summer band. Other members are Josh Calkin (tuba) and Dave Bohnert (trumpet).

Yankton's own "Mirabile" performs the second concert — "Deck the Halls in 30 Minutes or Less" — Dec. 10. This group of eight women has been singing together for four years and has performed nearly 50 times in Yankton and the surrounding area. The name "Mirabile," meaning "wonderful" in Latin, was chosen not because the members think they are wonderful but because they think it's wonderful that they found each other and can sing together. The members of the group are Mary Pat Bierle, Kathy Grow, Jo Ann Lambert, Celia Miner, Jennifer Powell, Lea Ann Schramm, Linda Stevens and Janine Tramp.

The final 2015 Bach's Lunch requires audience participation — it's titled "Holiday Sing-A-Long." Several organists have been invited to perform a carol-based prelude which will be followed by the audience's singing of the carol. Pastor Don Salberg, who served as Trinity's senior pastor in the 1970s, has agreed to play here. Other participating organists are Sister Patricia Ann Toscano of Sacred Heart Monastery and Shelly Heil, one of St. John's Lutheran Church's organists. Trinity's organist, Marilyn Nyberg, will perform, as well as Laura Nelson, an organ student of Mrs. Nyberg.

The lunches begin at 11:30 a.m. (rather than 11:45 a.m. as in previous years). All lunches will be served in Heritage Hall (Trinity's former sanctuary). Christmas trees, candles and festive table decorations will provide a festive atmosphere in which to enjoy the savory soups (a choice of two plus a taste of a specialty soup), artisan bread, beverage and a sweet. The hostesses are Linda Larson, Nora Lee and Diana Spence. Soups are prepared by Terre Berkland, assisted by Dennis Berkland and Becky Caton.

The concerts begin at 12:15 p.m. The first two are in Trinity's sanctuary; the third concert is in Heritage Hall.

### Yankton Co. EMS Offers CPR Training

According to the American Heart Association, most people who experience cardiac arrest at home, work or in a public location die because they don't receive immediate CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) from someone nearby or on the scene. As a bystander, don't be afraid. Your actions can only help.

Yankton County EMS can educate and empower the public through these hands-on CPR classes that may save the life of a family member, friend or customer. Classes are offered for medical professionals who need to renew their CPR cards, as well as the general public who want to be prepared.

Below are the dates, times and locations of these CPR classes. Unless noted otherwise, all classes are located at Yankton County EMS, 805 Capitol Street.

- Wednesday, Jan. 13, at 6 p.m. — Healthcare Provider
- Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 6 p.m. — Heartsaver
- Wednesday, March 9, at 6 p.m. — Healthcare Provider
- Wednesday, April 13, at 6 p.m. — Heartsaver
- Wednesday, May 11, at 6 p.m. — Healthcare Provider
- Wednesday, June 8, at 6 p.m. — Heartsaver and First Aid
- Saturday, July 9, at 10 a.m. (Summit Activities Center) — Heartsaver
- Wednesday, Aug. 10, at 6 p.m. — Heartsaver
- Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 6 p.m. — Healthcare Provider
- Wednesday, Oct. 12, at 6 p.m. — Heartsaver
- Wednesday, Nov. 9, at 6 p.m. — Healthcare Provider

Healthcare Provider CPR and Heartsaver CPR are classes designed for medical professionals, babysitters, lifeguards, coaches or anyone else who wants to be prepared in the event of an emergency.

To register for these classes or for more information, contact Daniel Preadable with Yankton County EMS at 605-668-9033 or Daniel@co.yankton.sd.us. You can also visit www.heart.org for more information on the American Heart Association.

## Beadle Honors Education Leaders

Beadle Elementary hosted an American Education Week assembly on November 18. American Education Week began in 1921 and is celebrated the week prior to Thanksgiving all across the country. The theme is Great Public Schools: A Basic Right and Our Responsibility. Friends of Education were recognized along with support staff during the assembly. 2015 Beadle Friends of Education include: Sherri Duke, Jaime Ness, Tina Koletzky, Laddie Novak, Joan Novak, Jeff Johnson, Matt Rumsey, Julie Modegger, Barb Hirsch, Dave Holzwarth, Craig Sherman, Bob Thue, Karl Watkins, Jo Watkins, Jeannie Kasik, Steve Kasik, Bill Sohl, Mary Sathe, Sharon Egge, Linda Hermandt, Stephanie Siebrandt, Lauren Hollenbeck, Jolene Berndt, Lisa Carson-Kneiff, Cindy Nelsen, Chris Nelsen, Randy Tramp, Frani Kieffer,



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Cheryl Pearson, Peg Schieffer, Mallory Cihak, Tonja Koenigs, Danyl Chance, Tracey Grotenhuis, Anna Bakley, and David Wright.

## Climate

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vows not to let terrorism derail efforts to slow or stop climate change. A few kilometers (miles) away in Paris, police trying to secure the nation against new violence sprayed tear gas on protesters who defied a ban on demonstrations and lobbed projectiles.

A big sticking point at the climate talks will be money — how much rich countries should invest help poor countries cope with climate change, how much should be invested in renewable energy, and how much traditional oil and gas producers stand to lose if countries agree to forever reduce emissions.

The new initiative is twofold: a public-private project called Mission Innovation, led by governments, and the Gates-led investor group called the Breakthrough Energy Initiative.

The governments pledge to double their spending on low or no-carbon energy over the next five years, according to Brian Deese, senior adviser to Obama on climate and energy issues. They include leading energy producers and consumers, such as the U.S., China, India, Brazil, Saudi Arabia, Australia, Canada, France

and Norway. They currently invest about \$10 billion a year total, about half of which comes from the U.S., Deese told reporters in Washington.

Gates committed \$1 billion of his money and was the "intellectual architect" behind the effort to get investors involved, U.S. Energy Secretary Ernest Moniz said. The business leaders are making their pledges conditional on governments also pledging more money, said a former U.S. government official who is familiar with the plan.

President Barack Obama, who arrived in Paris late Sunday night, wrote on his Facebook page that "we'll work to mobilize support to help the most vulnerable countries expand clean energy and adapt to the effects of climate change we can no longer avoid."

The money would focus on research and development of technologies such as energy storage, which could make better use of clean power from wind and solar regardless of the vagaries of weather. It will also look at farming and transport.

But a multinational research effort combining the investments of governments, corporations and private individuals could create intellectual property problems.

It also remains to be seen

how much of this money will involve repackaging old promises, and whether the future funding will be approved in U.S. or other budgets.

"The Obama administration recognizes that this is a fundamental competitive advantage for the United States," a former U.S. official said, but getting such funds approved by a Republican-controlled Congress could be difficult.

U.S. Energy Secretary Ernest Moniz has traveled to several countries to seek support for the plan. "A major driver of the acceleration to work together is climate change," he told reporters in Washington.

Storing electricity is especially crucial for wind and solar power, which can be intermittent because of the weather. Improving batteries is key, and there have been breakthroughs both in technology and production announced this year, including by space and electric car tycoon Elon Musk, whose Gigafactory has begun producing large batteries for home power storage to make solar and wind power more viable.

"Only our governments have the mandate to protect the public interest as well as the resources and mechanisms to do this," says a statement released early Monday in Paris by

the private investors in the Breakthrough Energy Coalition. "However, current governmental funding levels for clean energy are simply insufficient to meet the challenges before us."

The conference center where delegates from more than 190 nations will be meeting for two weeks began to bustle Sunday as lower-level negotiators arrived, and U.N. climate chief Christiana Figueres expressed optimism about the outcome.

World leaders were expected to arrive on Monday to discuss commitments to reducing ever-rising carbon dioxide emissions from the burning of fossil fuels.

Armed security was noticeable nearly everywhere at the Le Bourget center, and 200 to 300 people violated a national ban on protests under the state of emergency France declared when extremists killed 130 people in Paris. Obama visited the site of the worst massacre soon after arriving.

About 100 protesters found to have projectiles or other suspicious objects were detained after some demonstrations turned violent, said the Paris police chief, Michel Cadot. Thousands of other people joined peaceful demonstrations in other European capitals on Sunday.

### County Veterans Office To Close For Conference

The Yankton County Veterans Service Office will be closed on Thursday, Dec. 3, 2015. The Veterans Service Officer will be in Brookings that day for a training conference. Normal office hours will resume on Friday, Dec. 4, from 10 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m.

### OBITUARIES

#### Clara Christensen

Clara T. Christensen, 104, of Vermillion, South Dakota, passed away peacefully in the early morning on Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 2015, at Sanford Vermillion Care Center in Vermillion.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, December 2, 2015 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Vermillion with Rev. James Fowler and Rev. Judith Johnson officiating. Burial will be in Spring Creek Cemetery in Clarkfield, MN.

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

Clara Theoline (Stokke) Christensen was born in Normania Township, Yellow Medicine County, Minnesota on August 25, 1911, the daughter of Olai and Helena (Christopherson) Stokke. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Lucas Lutheran Church.

On December 23, 1933, she was united in marriage to Clifford A. Christensen by Rev. Madland of Cottonwood, MN. To this union, two children were born, Orla who lives in Vermillion, SD, and Erling who lives in Hubertus, WI with his wife, Carol. Also, mourning her



Christensen

passing is Joan England, of Vermillion, who has been a big part of the family for almost 50 years.

After being a farm wife for many years, she assisted Clifford in their insurance business until retirement. She was also an excellent seamstress and engaged in many other crafts as well. She was an active quilter with the other women in her church. She was a good citizen who believed voting was a very important privilege and she exercised that right proudly.

She is further survived by her grandchildren, Jeffrey (Jennifer) Christensen of Wauwatosa, WI, Karen (Bob) Kavooras of New Lenox, IL, and Scott (Tiffany) Christensen of Milwaukee, WI; five great-grandchildren; a sister, Helen Albeck of Alexandria, MN, and a sister-in-law, Luella Stokke of Plymouth, MN.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clifford; her parents, her four brothers, Bernard, Harry, Selmer, and Carl; her sisters, Eleanora Nicolai and Hannah

who died in infancy.

Clara was a kind, gentle, loving person and will be sadly missed by all of us. Blessed be her memory.

Kober Funeral Home, of Vermillion, has been entrusted with the services. Condolences may be posted online to www.kober-funeralhome.com

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#### Linda Johnson

Linda Louise Johnson, 62, of Menno passed away unexpectedly at her residence in Menno.

Funeral services are pending with the Aisenbrey-Opahl-Kostel Memorial Chapel, Menno.

#### Tillie Lane

Tillie Lane, 98, of Yankton passed away Sunday, Nov. 29, 2015, at Avera Yankton Care Center, Yankton.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 2, at St. Benedict Catholic Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Ken Lulf officiating. Burial will be in

the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Yankton.

Visitations will be one hour prior to the service at the church.

The Opahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, is assisting with service details. Online condolences may be sent at www.opahl-kostelfuneralhome.com.

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## Holiday Remembrance Program

All are welcome to join us on this special evening in memory of our loved ones.

**Saturday,  
December 12th  
5:00pm**

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### Honoring Their Memory

Our Thoughts And Prayers Are With Them

Our care and concern does not end with the funeral service. This week we remember with family and friends the anniversary of the deaths of:

Sheila A. Zimmerman

who passed away  
November 30, 2014

Judy M. Evans

who passed away  
December 1, 2014

William H. Cotant

who passed away  
December 2, 2014

Joyce A. Wentworth

who passed away  
December 5, 2014

Virginia C. Pederson

who passed away  
December 5, 2014

Emil P. Zeeb

who passed away  
December 6, 2014

Laddie Cimpl

who passed away  
December 4, 2002

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