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Deadline extended for Music Boosters semi-formal dinner

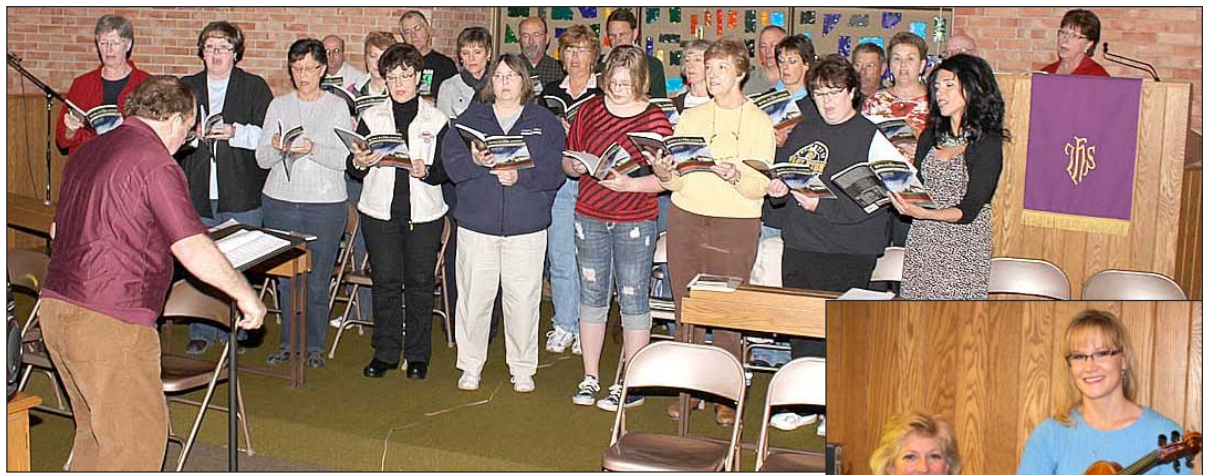
There will be a dinner with music Saturday, March 31 as the Faulkton Music Boosters will host a semi-formal dinner at the Faulkton Community Center at 6 p.m. The shirt, tie and skirt affair should make for a fun evening out on the town.

Cheryl's Catering is partially catering the event while the rest of the work will be done by FHS students. Sponsors for the event are Cheryl's Catering, Lowe's C Store, Schwan's, Bauer's Super Valu, Common Sense Manufacturing, Schulte Bros., The Faulkton Area Arts Council, and Uniquely Yours.

Tickets are \$20 per person, and \$30 per couple. The pre-registration deadline has been extended to Friday, March 30 and a limited amount of tickets will be available at the door. The event hosts recommend pre-registration to guarantee a place at a table. Tickets can be purchased either at Uniquely Yours, the school office or Karen Wagner directly.

Uniquely Yours will also decorate for the event and if party goers like the centerpiece decorations they see they can be

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Here the ecumenical choir under the direction of Jim Wagner prepares for the upcoming Easter Cantata on Sunday, April 1 at 4 p.m. at the United Methodist Church. Right are pianist Diane Hansen and violinist Tracy Otter.

Sing with the string violin at this Sunday's Easter cantata

The Easter cantata, The Song Everlasting, will be presented Sunday, April 1, at 4 p.m. at the United Church of Faulkton. An ecumenical chorus, under the direction of James Wagner, will present this choral cantata that tells the Easter story using American folk songs and hymns.

This year, special music will be provided by violinist Tracy Otter.

"I started the violin in fourth grade in Rapid City and I played all through high school and college," said Otter. "I started playing with the Black Hills Symphony Orchestra when I

was in 9th grade, and I made a point to play with them all the way through college. I went to the University of Wyoming in Laramie, and had a scholarship for my violin and a minor in music. Throughout college I took private lessons and played in various chamber ensembles and orchestras."

"When I first came out here, I did attempt to drum up a little interest in strings at the school, but there wasn't any support for that, so I had all but quit playing. Work and my kids take up a lot of my time, so playing for the



Easter Cantata has been very enjoyable for me and has reminded me of how much I've missed playing."

Otter will be accompanied by pianist Diane Hansen and will play two pieces for the cantata as well as accompany the chorus in an arrangement of Down to the River to Pray and Shall We Gather At the River.

Singers are, sopranos: Alyssa Meyer, Char Melius, Laura Cassens, Karen Poindexter,

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Orient's 125th History Book Committee spent last Thursday working on the final stages of the book. Front left are Cheryl Tisher and Mary (Hagen) Mielke and back, left are Millie Hansen and Robin Young.

Busy compiling 125 years of Orient area information

by JoAnn Schaefer's
Orient/Polo correspondent

The clock is ticking and calendar pages are turning as the countdown to the Orient 125th History Book pages are wrapped up and ready for print. Be watching for the details on when and where the book will be available.

Orient's 125th Celebration July 6, 7, 8 is just three months away and the committees are busy polishing up their assignments and preparations for another one of those really great Orient celebrations. All one has to do is look back in time and the pages of history reveal life in Orient has always been filled with great memories that make reliving the past such fun.

Some of the plans being made include: Friday's school reunion and Saturday's parade, dinner in the park, events on the Freedom Stage, softball tourney and dance.

The Legion Hall museum complete with music while you browse and digging up the 1987 Time Capsule are among other scheduled events. And the best of the best is all pulled together as friends from near and far gather to reminisce about "Life in Orient", whether it was 75, 50 or 25 years ago or if it is home yet today. Orient's 125th will be the place to be after the July 4th firecrackers have had their sparkle and bangs.



Registrations for FHS All School Reunion are in the mail!

Monday night was busy as the Faulkton All School Reunion committee members and volunteers stuffed more than 2300 registration letters for mailing on Tuesday. So . . . be watching your mail for your registration to the reunion which needs to be sent in as soon as possible. Helping with the mailing were, front left and clockwise, were Patty Hansen, Marlene Hammond, Ardyce Hadrick, Joyce Schilder, Jim Goebel, Joyce Arnold, Donna Hogg, Corinne Bowar and Jean Deiter. Not pictured, Beth Witte and Val Ramsdell.

The Seventh Faulkton All School Reunion banquet, program and dance will be held on Tuesday, July 3, 2012 under the tent in front of the Faulk County Courthouse. Faulkton School Reunion committee members are Jim Goebel, president; Beth Witte, vice president and program; Joyce Schilder, secretary; Jean Deiter, treasurer; and Val Ramsdell, publicity; and Nancy Ryman.

"We are excited about the reunion. It is so much fun to see and visit with classmates and friends, some we haven't seen since graduation. This year we have a bigger tent to accommodate the large crowd we've been getting so we'll have a "little more breathing room". The program is in the works, caterer is contacted, tent and chairs are ordered and the band is reserved. Also this year the Inner Light will again have a reunion and will be playing for one set. Now we just need to get those registrations back so we know how many to plan for. Also, if you find out you are unable to attend, please send us a note about yourself and we will post it at the school lunchroom where you will pick up your reunion packets. Your packets will have your name tag (which is your ticket for the banquet, program and dance), reunion booklet and a schedule of Wild West Days activities going on that week. It should be a fun night!" commented publicity chr. Val Ramsdell.