

Outstanding Employer Nominations Sought

The National Disability Employment Awareness Month (NDEAM) committee in Yankton is requesting nominations for Outstanding Employer of the Year and Outstanding Employee with a disability. The employer award is offered for outstanding achievements in improving employment opportunities for people with disabilities. The employee award is given to an employee with a disability in recognition of outstanding achievements in competitive employment by overcoming a disability as well as providing inspiration for other individuals with disabilities. If you know of someone or a business that you would like to nominate for either of these awards, email Mary Kellar at mkellar@south-eastjoblink.org and she will forward you a nomination form or call Mary at 605-668-3480 and request a form be mailed to you. Submit your nomination form by Aug. 19.

Share Your Thoughts And Memories With Us

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001 — an event that has changed the lives of countless people everywhere. As part of the 10th-anniversary observance, the *Press & Dakotan* is seeking comments from readers concerning where they were when the attacks happened and how that day has changed their lives. We ask that you limit your comments to 300 words. Please send them to 9/11 Anniversary, Yankton Press & Dakotan, P.O. Box 56, Yankton, SD 57078, or email them to views@yankton.net. The deadline for these submissions is Wednesday, Sept. 7.

Open House To Be Held At First Discovery

The First Discovery Preschool of Yankton will host an Open House at 3-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 21, at 801 W. 25th St. Come visit the classroom and the teacher (and Mr. Bear!). For more information, call 665-6362.

'Wait Until Dark' Auditions Happening Soon

The Lewis & Clark Theatre Company and JoDean's have announced the upcoming audition dates for this year's Halloween thriller "Wait Until Dark." Audition dates are 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 28, and 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29, at the Dakota Theatre, 328 Walnut St., Yankton. Susy Hendrix is a blind Greenwich Village housewife who becomes the target of three con-men searching for smuggled drugs hidden in a doll, which her husband Sam innocently and unknowingly transported from Canada as a favor to a woman who has since been murdered. The trio of con-men try to convince Susy that her husband has been accused of drug smuggling, and the only way to protect him is to give them the doll. Little do the men know that Susy gave the doll to Gloria, a little girl in the upstairs apartment. Susy is incredibly clever, and with the help of Gloria, she realizes the true identity of the men and plans to defeat them. This show needs a cast of six men, one woman and one young girl, and it is directed by Randy and Sue Fields. Scripts for audition readings will be provided so no need to bring anything but yourself. Performance dates for "Wait Until Dark" are Oct. 20-23 and 28-30. If you have any questions, call the Dakota Theatre at 605-665-4711.

Meditation Workshop To Be Offered Aug. 30

A free workshop to explore and practice meditation Sponsored by the Avera Center for MindBodySpirit. If you are seeking a way to reduce stress, and find more balance in your life, consider this free workshop: "Meditation: It's Not What You Think." The workshop will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug 30, in the Avera Professional Office Pavilion in Yankton. Meditation is an ancient practice that cuts across different cultures, lands and spiritual traditions. Its simplest definition is the practice of uncritically attempting to focus your attention on one thing at a time. When practiced on a regular basis it can become a powerful skill to reduce stress and enhance well being. In this free workshop led by Michael McVay, MD, Medical Director of the Avera Center for MindBodySpirit, participants will: 1. Learn about mindfulness meditation and how it can be used to counter stress and live a more balanced life. 2. Understand how meditation can be used to invoke the relaxation response which is a powerful physiologic counter to stress. 3. Understand how meditation is distinct from thinking, and how meditation practice can allow us to become aware of how our thinking mind may limit or free us. 4. Experience basic meditation practice such as sitting and walking meditation. 5. Learn about a four-week class which will explore the 4 foundations of mindfulness offered by Dr. McVay starting Sept. 27. To register for this free program, call The Avera Center for Mind-BodySpirit at 605-668-8715.

'Hot Line Show' Highlights NPA Utility Booth

GRAND ISLAND, Neb. — For the first time, Nebraska's electric utilities will sponsor a booth during the Nebraska State Fair to showcase the benefits of public power. Member utilities of the Nebraska Power Association will host a booth that highlights energy issues, the benefits of low-cost power, and the importance of electrical safety to customers served across the state. "This is an opportunity to meet our customers, talk about industry issues and regulations, and provide information on electrical safety to people of all ages," said NPA President Neal Suess, who is also CEO and president of Loup River Public Power District in Columbus. "In addition to energy topics ranging from renewable energy to nuclear power to energy efficiency, we also want to teach children and adults the importance of electrical safety." The "hot line show" or safety demonstration trailer will be hosted by Southern Power District from Grand Island, and manned by various linemen crews from public power districts across the state. This highly visible electric safety demonstration will be held be-

tween 1-9 p.m. daily. "The 'hot line show' will provide a first-hand illustration of the dangers of live high-voltage electricity," explained Gary Hedman, general manager of Southern Power District. "Experienced linemen from Southern have been providing this demonstration primarily to grade school age children since 1995. Since then, Southern has had several instances where education from this demonstration as a youngster was used during an electrical contact as an adult, potentially saving lives. It is our hope that many of the fair attendees will take a few minutes to learn about electric safety from this hot line display." The NPA booth, located just outside the Heartland Events Center on the state fairgrounds, will also have self-discovery items and hands-on activities. On Aug. 29-30, the booth will be turned into 'Nebraska's Largest Classroom' where attendees can learn about the transformation of energy, basics of energy, Power Drive, robotics, careers in the energy industry, and the Wind for Schools program.

The NPA booth will be open from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Aug. 26 through closing day, Sept. 5, with a daily topic featured as follows: Aug. 26 — Public Power Day; Aug. 27 — Wind Power/Renewable Energy; Aug. 28 — Energy Generation, Transmission and Delivery; Aug. 29-30 — Nebraska's Largest Classroom; Aug. 31 — Energy Landscaping; Sept. 1 — Energy Efficiency and Environmental Stewardship; Sept. 2 — Nuclear Power; Sept. 3 — Industry Innovation; Sept. 4 — Diverse Energy Mix/Energy Efficiency; Sept. 5 — Public Power Day. Among the public power utilities participating are Southern Power District and Loup River Public Power District, Lincoln Electric System, Omaha Public Power District, Nebraska Public Power District, Loup Valley Rural Public Power District, Custer Public Power District, Cornhusker Public Power District, City of Grand Island, City of Beatrice, Nebraska Rural Electric Association, Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska, Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District, South Central Public Power District, Burt County Public Power District, and the Nebraska Energy Office.

USD Receives \$3 Million TRIO Educational Talent Search Grant

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota recently received a federal grant of \$3,086,860 for a five-year period, starting in September 2012, from the Department of Education for continuation of the TRIO Educational Talent Search (TS) program. USD was one of nearly 1,000 applicants for a TS grant where less than half received funding. The Council for Opportunity in Education, which works in conjunction with colleges, universities, and agencies that host TRIO programs, noted that out of 968 total applications only 435 were funded. The goal of TS programs is to increase the number of youth from disadvantaged backgrounds who complete secondary school and enroll in and graduate from a postsecondary institution. It provides activities and services for students who are traditionally underrepresented in postsecondary education, predominantly low income and potential first-generation students (students whose parents or guardians did not receive a four year college degree). To accomplish this, the program provides connections to high quality academic tutoring services and education or counseling services in a number of areas, including but not limited to the college application process, study and learning skills, classroom success strategies,

ACT preparation, scholarship research and application and other services designed to improve the financial aid literacy and financial planning for postsecondary education for students and their parents or guardians. More information about the TS, one of the federal TRIO programs administered by the Department of Education, can be found at www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/trio/index.html. USD identifies and recruits students applicable for the TS in collaboration with school counselors and teachers. Along with other eligibility criteria, potential students should have a GPA of 2.0 or higher and an interest in pursuing a postsecondary education. "The TRIO programs are three of the successful outreach programs overseen by very capable directors, including Marion BlueArm, Talent Search Director, under the direction of Dean Laurie Becvar under the Division of Continuing and Distance Education," said Chuck Staben, Ph.D., provost and vice president for academic affairs. "USD has a long, successful history of serving students via TRIO programs, and we are very pleased to be able to continue this program which can help the state of South Dakota meet its goals in producing higher education graduates."

BLOOD DRIVES

The Blood Center, formerly known as the Siouxland Community Blood Bank, will have a mobile unit at the following dates, locations and times: * Friday, Aug. 19 — Yankton Community Library, 8 a.m.-noon. * Tuesday, Aug. 23 — Yankton, Avera Sacred Heart Hospital/Benedictine Center, 501 Summit, noon-6:30 p.m. Schedule a blood donation appointment online at [\[center.org\]\(http://www.siouxlandblood-center.org\) or call 800-798-4208. Eligible blood donors must be at least 16 years old, should weigh at least 120 pounds and should be in general good health and have not donated whole blood in the past 56 days. For more information about blood donation or to schedule an appointment to donate blood, call 800-287-4903 or visit \[www.lifeservebloodcenter.org\]\(http://www.lifeservebloodcenter.org\). A photo I.D. is required at the time of registration.](http://www.siouxlandblood-</p>
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Be Aware Of Children As Students Return To School

SIoux FALLS — As thousands of South Dakota school students gear up for the 2011-2012 school year, AAA reminds motorists to be careful in school zones — slow down and watch for children. Schools across the state start back over the next couple of weeks. Classes in the Sioux Falls Public Schools resume this Monday, Aug. 22. The Rapid City Public Schools start on Aug. 29.



back to school and not thinking about traffic."

According to the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, a pedestrian struck by vehicle traveling 25 miles per hour is nearly two-thirds less likely to be killed as compared to a pedestrian struck by a vehicle traveling just 10 mph faster. The speed limit in most school zones across South Dakota is 15-25 mph. "Motorists really need to be on their toes during the morning and afternoon hours when school children are walking and bicycling to and from school," said Mark Madeja, spokesman for AAA. "You never know what a young child will do. These kids are excited about going

- Ditch distractions. Research shows that taking your eyes off the road for just two seconds doubles your chances of crashing.
- Stay alert. Don't rush into and out of driveways. Remember that pedestrians will be on sidewalks, around schools and in neighborhoods.
- Stop at stop signs. It sounds obvious, but research shows that more than one-third of drivers roll through stop signs in school zones and residential neighborhoods.
- Watch for bikes. Children on bicycles are often unpredictable; expect the unexpected.
- Brake for buses. It may be tempting to drive around a stopped school bus, but not only is it dangerous, it's against the law in South Dakota.
- Plan ahead. Leave early for your destination and build in extra time.
- Re-route yourself. Avoid driving by or near schools. You'll save time and reduce the risk to kids.

OBITUARIES

Lillian Biehl

GEDDES — Lillian Biehl, 92, died Tuesday, August 16 at Avera Bormann Manor in Parkston. Funeral mass will be Friday, August 19 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Geddes with burial following in the church cemetery. Visitation will be Thursday, August 18 from 5 to 7 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. prayer service at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Geddes. Koehn Bros. Funeral Home is handling arrangements. Lillian Dorothy Biehl was born September 10, 1918 to Frank and Josephine (Dvoracek) Kronaizl in Tabor, SD. She grew up in Tabor and attended country school and St. Wenceslaus Parochial School near there. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church in Tabor. On March 29, 1943, Lillian was united in marriage to Cecil Biehl in Los Angeles, CA. The couple made their home at Geddes, SD where Lillian enjoyed her job as cook in the Geddes Public School, retiring in 1992. She was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church and Altar Society and the American Legion Auxiliary. She enjoyed sewing and cooking but most of all enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She is survived by her 3 children: Norma (Francis) Sommer, Delmont; Bill (Shiela) Biehl, Port Lyons, AK; and Mary (Terry) Gregory, Salem, OR; a son-in-law, Lyle Rechnagel, Freeman; 10 grandchildren: Tammy (Tom) Rosburg, Kevin (Kim) Rechnagel, Larry (Linda) Rechnagel, Kim Haiar, Kent Sommer, Robert (Mari) Biehl, Heidi George, and Nicole Gregory; 21 great-grandchildren and a half-brother, Mike Koupal, Yankton. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Cecil; a daughter, Josephine Rechnagel; a son, David Biehl; a grandson, Jess Gregory; and a sister, Albina Koupal. Yankton Press & Dakotan August 18, 2011

Monica Johnson

MECKLING — Monica Olsen Johnson, 61, of Meckling, SD, passed away on Monday, August 15, 2011 at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester, MN. Monica was born to Alvin and Elaine (Schulz) Guthmiller on July 27, 1950 at St. Benedicts Hospital in Parkston, SD. She attended Dewald Country School, Tripp High School, and then Nettleton College in Sioux Falls. She married Dennis Olsen on March 14, 1970 in Tyndall, SD. To this union, they were blessed with two children, Denise and Chad. She later married Marty Johnson on June 20, 1998 and lived in Meckling, SD. While working various jobs in the Vermillion area,



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she most enjoyed being an EMT with the Vermillion Ambulance Department as well as working at Toby's in Meckling. Until recently she was working alongside her husband Marty doing the daily bookkeeping for the family business. Monica will be remembered most for her love of her family and friends. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and her beloved pugs. Monica spent many a moment in the kitchen where she taught her children to cook and held many gatherings including memorable

family holidays.

Thankful for having shared her life are her husband, Marty Johnson of Meckling, SD, mother Elaine (Schulz) Guthmiller of Tripp, SD, daughter Denise (Chad) Peterson of Vermillion, SD, son Chad (Amy) Olsen of Sioux Falls, SD; two grandchildren Connor Ray and Jenna Elizabeth, sister Marcia (Ron) Deyalsingh of Ardmore, OK, brother Rodney (Ruby) Guthmiller of Lesterville, SD, brother Kevin (Michelle) Guthmiller of

Yankton, SD, and many nieces and nephews. Monica was preceded in death by her father Alvin, a brother Louis, nephew Kevin, and infant niece Amanda. Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 20 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Vermillion. Visitation will be Friday from 5-7 p.m. with a prayer service at 7 p.m. all at the church. Hansen-funeralhome.com. Yankton Press & Dakotan August 18, 2011

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