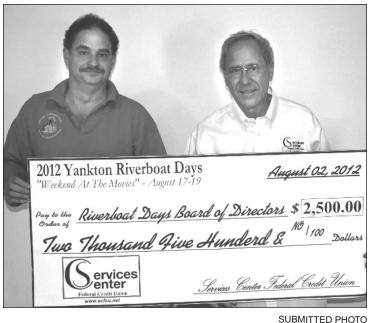
RIVERBOAT DAYS DONATION



In response to Riverboat Days fundraising efforts, Dave Wright, CEO of Services Center Federal Credit Union recently presented Troy Whitley, Riverboat Days Board member, with a check for \$2,500. The Riverboat Days Board of Directors thanks Services Center FCU for their continued

LOCAL MAN WINS AWARDS

generous support of Riverboat Days.

WELCOM

Yankton Native Serves In S.F. Internship

Interns in Industry is a

links between Sioux Falls area

Brad Anderson of Yankton is participating in the Interns in Industry program sponsored by Forward Sioux Falls*. Brad is a May 2012 graduate in Chemistry from South Dakota State University (SDSU). This summer he had applied his education and many talents in a Protein Research internship with POET in Sioux Falls. POET, the largest producer of ethanol in the world, has developed an un-matched record in technology, reliability and efficiency in the bio-refining industry. This research internship with an industry leader like POET will be an excellent addition to Anderson's already impressive resume. Brad plans



Anderson

businesses and students currently studying in area colleges and technical institutes.

Hundreds of students applied for the 40 in-

ternships offered in this, the tenth year of the program. "The number of business partners and internships is limited each year so selection is competitive," Workforce Development Director Mary Medema said. "Each intern receives a \$500 scholarship from Forward Sioux Falls when they complete their internship."

Every year, talented students like Brad seek rewarding internship experiences related to their interests and major course of study. Students use these experiences to set the course for their future career. "Internships are an exceptional way to grow and strengthen the workforce and the region."



EQUIPMENT **DRIVE A SUCCESS**

From Fran Johnson, Yankton: Legion Post No. 12, my wife and I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone that helped with our latest project. We transported almost 100 bikes, lots of basketballs and other playground equipment to the Rosebud Indian Reservation. These young people need all the help they can get. We are trying to fill this void. Again a huge thank you. (Submitted photos)



FIGHTING HUNGER

John C Brockman spent the last several years restoring a 1957 Ford Sky-

liner. This picture is from the Sioux Falls car show. He took the car to the

Ford Retractable show in Des Moines in July and earned a Gold Showcase

award which is the top honor. At a show last weekend in Norfolk, Neb.,

John was awarded the Best Ford in the show trophy.



Dreesen Honored As HSC Employee Of Month

Jeff Dreesen is being honored as the August Employee of the Month at the South Dakota Human Services Center (HSC), Yankton, South Dakota, announced Administrator Ric Compton, MPH.

Dreesen began employment with HSC's Physical Plant in No-vember of 1987. Throughout his 25 years of service, he has advanced in duties and responsibilities and in 2007 he was promoted to his current position

tracted construction and repair projects. **HSC** colleagues recognized Dreesen for modeling all of the Pil-

zenship. Dreesen was honored for his outstanding leadership, motivation, approachability, responsiveness, and his commitment to performing the highest quality work to maintain a functional and beautiful facility.

SUBMITTED PHOTO

The Calvary Baptist Church senior high youth group recently packed food for children in need at Kids Against Hunger. To learn more about how you can make a difference in the lives of children, please visit www.kahyankton.org.

SCHOLASTICS

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN

LINCOLN, Neb. - The University of Nebraska-Lincoln granted degrees to some 800 students at commencement exercises Aug. 10-11. The graduates included:

 Fordyce: Cody James Zavadil, Division of Graduate Studies, master of professional accountancy.

• Tabor: Mallory Elizabeth Slama, College of Arts and Sciences, bachelor of science; College of Education and Human Sciences, bachelor of science in education and human sciences.

The graduates are from 33 states and 31 countries.

Chancellor Harvey Perlman presided at both ceremonies. Carolyn Pope Edwards, Willa Cather Professor of Psychology and a professor of Child, Youth and Family Studies at UNL, gave the address at the postgraduate ceremony on Aug. 10. Dennis Molfese, Chancellor's Professor and professor of special education and communications disorders at UNL, gave the address at the baccalaureate ceremony on Aug. 11.

MEETINGS

INTERCHANGE

At 12 noon on Aug. 6, 2012, at Minerva's. Presiding officer Kathy Jacobs called the meeting to order. Shannon Vierech reminded everyone about the walk on Riverboat days.

Rita Wentworth reminded everyone about the last Riverside band concert on Aug. 7th as well as the last night of the musical "Annie."

Jan Garrity was hostess and introduced Ron Bertsch who spoke about Yankton College Alumni Advisory Board and its scholarships, two-year alumni reunions and financial gift-giving

The next meeting will be Aug. 13 at 12 noon at Minervas with Hostess Lyndall Cornette who has asked Teresa Henrickson to be speaker.

Interchange meet at noon on Aug. 13, 2012. Kathy Jacobs led the group in the Pledge.

Sharie-Rodgers Conti of S.E. Casa announced a Giving in Style Program for Aug. 25 at the Pavilion. Pam Kettering of United Way and Volunteer Services announced Lauren Hanson as the new director.

Hostess was Lyndall Cornette, Division Director of March of Dimes. She introduced Teresa Hendrickson, Director of Psychological Health for S.D. National Guard. She helps provide assessments, training for deployment and consultation for substance abuse.

The next meeting is at noon on Aug. 20 at Minervas. Deb Farver is hostess. Her guest speaker will be Dr. Bryon Nielson speaking on kidney disease.

A graduate of Yankton High School, Dreesen completed the HVAC/R program at Northeast Technical Community College in Norfolk, Nebraska.

as HSC's Physical Plant Manager II. Dreesen supervises all of HSC's maintenance, grounds, laundry, and custodial services. In addition, he coordinates con-



Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring and Citi-

Dreesen's family includes his son Andrew Dreesen, his daughter and son-in-law Taylor and Nate Tramp, and grandson Josh.

Play Your Best Possible Defense **Against Sports-Related Concussions**

LINCOLN, Neb. — Knocks on the head are something every kid should expect in competitive sports, right? From an early age we learn to "get tough," "get back in the game," or that getting "dinged" is just part of contact sports.

"Not necessarily so," said Dr. Joann Schaefer, Nebraska's Chief Medical Officer and Director of Public Health for the Department of Health and Human Services. "There's a new awareness that a ding might just be a concussion, which is a type of traumatic brain injury caused by a bump, blow, or jolt to the head that can change the way the athlete's brain normally works. Sometimes a concussion is serious before the athlete, coach or parents even realize it.'

A concussion can have short term and long term consequences, which may include a

REUNIONS

RUEDI REUNION

The annual Ruedi reunion was held at the Bloomfield Community Center in Bloomfield on Aug. 2012.

For the past year, there were two births. The oldest family member was Mary Heberer of Hoskins with Daisie Huttmann of Stanton the youngest. The Doug Huttmann family of Stanton traveled the farthest.

Those attending were from Yankton; Bloomfield, Hoskins, Norfolk, Pierce and Stanton, Neb.

Next year's reunion will be held the first Sunday of August (Aug. 4) at First Trinity Lutheran's fellowship hall in Bloomfield.

headache, vomiting or nausea, weakness, dizziness, blurred vision, concentration and memory problems, irritability and even death. Players who received multiple concussions are more likely to have thinking problems, depression and other brain-related issues, including dementia. Fortunately, 90 percent of athletes who experience a single minor concussion usually recover completely in a few days to several weeks.

During 2010, sports-related concussions accounted for 299 emergency department visits and six hospitalizations among Nebraskans under age 19, according to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Injury Prevention and Control Program. Other concussions resulted from motor vehicle accidents, falls, and events involving unintentional impact. According to national findings by the Cen-

vention, only about one in 10 concussion-related injuries are reported and tracked, making the true scope of the problem extremely difficult to predict.

Nebraska's Concussion Awareness Act became effective July 1, mandating concussion education for coaches, parents and players. It also sets rules of play for youth suspected of having a concussion, spelling out how coaches will handle suspected concussions and that young athletes not be allowed to return to play until written approval from an appropriate licensed healthcare professional and the youth's parent or guardian is obtained.

"Concussions are serious business," advised Schaefer. "If

there's any indication that the athlete may have suffered a 'ding' or blow to the head, then it's imperative to evaluate the player for a possible concussion to avoid problems down the road.'

No specific training is mandated. However, the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services offers a free online 15- to 20-minute training program at

www.dhhs.ne.gov/concussions. The new law requires no recordkeeping, no additional spending and no penalties for noncompliance.

Additional information is available at www.headsupnebraska.com.



