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# On The Block

## County Sells 2 Of 3 Properties During Auctions

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Yankton County was able to sell two out of three properties during auctions held Monday.

Although the number of spectators at the former Yankton County Highway Shop at 407 West 11th Street numbered in the dozens, only a handful actively bid on the property.

East River Auctioneers, which was



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hired by the Yankton County Commission to manage the auctions Monday morning, started bidding on the 4,600 square feet of property with several buildings at \$125,000.

As the bidding inched upward, there were a couple breathers for participants to consider what they wanted to do. Eventually, it narrowed to two bidders.

Joe Schieffer, who owns Midwest Auto-plex on property adjacent to the Highway Shop, came out the winner with a bid of \$142,000.

He said it was a reasonable price.

"I don't know just yet (what I'm going to do with the property). I've got some ideas and need to think through a few things," he told the *Press & Dakotan*. "First and foremost, I'm going to clean it up and

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NATHAN JOHNSON/P&D  
East River Auctioneers managed the auctions for three Yankton County properties Monday morning. They are seen here during the auction of the former Yankton County Highway Shop at 407 West 11th Street.

### South Dakota

## No Deaths In Montana B-1B Bomber Crash

BY DIRK LAMMERS  
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SIOUX FALLS — A B-1B bomber crashed in a remote area of southeastern Montana on Monday, but its four crew members survived after ejecting from the South Dakota-based aircraft, Air Force officials said.

Two pilots and two weapons system officers ejected before the bomber crashed about 9:30 a.m. near Broadus, Mont., said Col. Kevin Kennedy, commander of the 28th Bomb Wing. He said they were taken by ambulance and air to two South Dakota hospitals, but none of them suffered life-threatening injuries.

Aerial photos of the crash show a massive charred area of prairie land void of recognizable aircraft parts.

"No one likes to lose an aircraft. It's bittersweet that we did," Kennedy said during a news conference Monday afternoon. "Luckily, all four air crew are safely recovered."

The plane, which was built in 1985, was based out of South Dakota's Ellsworth Air Force Base, one of only two bases in the U.S. that have B-1B crews. Ellsworth has 28 of the planes, including the one that crashed, the Air Force said.

Kennedy said Ellsworth has temporarily shut down flights

until his maintenance and operations group commanders can ensure that they can safely resume.

The cost of a B-1B bomber is about \$283 million, said Air Force spokesman Lt. Col. Allen Herriage.

Kennedy said the Air Force will conduct a thorough investigation to determine the cause of the crash, which occurred about 170 miles southeast of Billings, Mont.

The B-1B is a swing-wing bomber intended for high-speed, low-altitude penetration missions. The only other base with B-1B crews is Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene, Texas.

Broadus, Mont., is a town within the Powder River Training Complex, an 8,300-square-mile block of airspace centered just northwest of where South Dakota, Wyoming and Montana meet.

An Air Force plan to more than triple the airspace, which is used in training exercises for B-1B and B-52 bombers based in the Dakotas, has been in the works for more than six years. The Air Force wants to add three "military operation areas" to create a fly space of about 27,500 square miles — an area larger than West Virginia.

The last time a B-1B was destroyed in a crash was on Dec.

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### The Swim Of Things



KELLY HERTZ/P&D

Wilson, a Jack Russell terrier/schnauzer mix, scopes out the wave action from atop the head of his owner, Ray Monfore of Yankton, during Monday night's fourth annual Pooch Plunge at the Memorial Park Swimming Pool. Wilson, a rescue dog procured last year from Dakota Animal Rescue, ultimately did do some dog paddling of his own. The annual plunge is a fundraiser for the Heartland Humane Society held after the pool has closed for the season. To see or purchase images from this event, visit [spotted.yankton.net](http://spotted.yankton.net).

## Public Defenders Want Pay Increase

BY NATHAN JOHNSON  
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During a break from representing clients, the firm that holds the Yankton County public defender contract recently defended the need for a large increase in compensation.

Fox, Youngberg and Lewno are currently paid \$9,000 a month to represent all indigent persons who by law are entitled to be represented by an attorney in the proceeding in which they are involved. The office primarily represents

adults and juveniles charged with crimes, but the it also represents persons on mental and alcohol commitments, other juvenile court proceedings, and appeals and post-conviction proceedings.

"What we're proposing, even though it is a substantial increase, I think is fair," Dan Fox told the Yankton County Commission during a meeting earlier this month. "The caseload is gradually increasing. It's busier all the time."

They are proposing an increase to \$15,000 per month.

The last time the contract was increased was 2009, according to Fox. He also presented information showing that five other South Dakota counties with similar case loads pay out compensation for public defenders in at least the \$15,000 range.

In Yankton County, there were 565 misdemeanor filings in 2012. Also, there were 225 felony filings.

Beadle County, which had 600 misdemeanor and 236 felony filings,

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### Well Red

Kindergarten teacher Allison Moon of Yankton's Lincoln Elementary School displays a "Clifford the Big Red Dog" stuffed toy used throughout the school year for homework assignments, during a kindergarten orientation with parents Monday afternoon. The 2013-2014 school year opened for Yankton Public Schools Monday, while Sacred Heart School opens for the year Wednesday. (Kelly Hertz/P&D)



## B&G Club Fundraiser Friday

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The Boys & Girls Club of Yankton is gearing up to host its first-ever Rhythm & Brews fundraising event this Friday at Minerva's from 7 p.m.-10 p.m.

Special Events and Marketing Coordinator Julia Larson says initial response has been positive, but there's a ways to go to reach the organization's goal.

"Response has been pretty good but, we haven't quite reached our goal," Larson says. "Our goal was around 400 people and we're at

about 100, so we're trying to get a few more people involved."

Larson says the club has held silent auctions and golf tournaments in the past as a means of fundraising, but the officials wanted to try something different this year that will include a multitude of new activities.

"We're going to have craft beer (sampling) which includes New Belgium, Boulevard, Goose Island and Grand Teton: craft beers from around the Midwest," Larson says. "We're going to have a silent auction and some fun gambling

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### Staycation Package #1:

Best Western Kelly Inn.....	One Night's Hotel Stay
Fox Run Golf Course.....	One 18 Hole Round with Cart & 3 Range Tokens
Summit Activities Center.....	\$50 Gift Certificate
Avera Sacred Heart Massage.....	\$60 Gift Certificate
Xtreme Salon & Spa.....	\$50 Gift Certificate
The Old Lighthouse.....	\$50 Gift Certificate
Yankton Area Chamber of Commerce.....	\$50 in Chamber Bucks

### Staycation Package #2:

Fox Run Golf Course.....	One 18 Hole Round with Cart & 3 Range Tokens
Summit Activities Center.....	\$50 Gift Certificate
Avera Sacred Heart Massage.....	\$60 Gift Certificate
Riverfront Events Center.....	One Night's Hotel Stay
Xtreme Salon & Spa.....	\$50 Gift Certificate
The Old Lighthouse.....	\$50 Gift Certificate
Yankton Area Chamber of Commerce.....	\$50 in Chamber Bucks

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