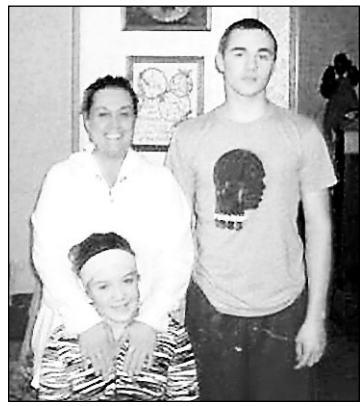


## Home Dedication Ceremony Planned

Habitat for Humanity of Yankton County and Reverend Ron Johnson from First United Methodist Church will bless our partner family, Traci, Colton and Erica Wurtz, and their new home located at 1215 National Street on Sunday, February 27 at 2 p.m. The Yankton Children's Choir, under the direction of Deb Kruse, will lead the celebration in song. In addition, the Yankton Reading Council will present a special gift to the Wurtz children. The celebration will conclude with a brief tour of the home with cake and refreshments for all.

Habitat for Humanity's mission to provide decent affordable housing for families in need would not be possible without the support of our local community. To date, the Yankton affiliate has built 32 homes in Yankton County!

Habitat welcomes all to attend including volunteers, financial contributors, neighbors and anyone



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**Traci, Colton and Erica Wurtz are pictured in their new home which will be dedicated on Sunday. The public is invited to the program.**

who may have an interest in learning more about Habitat for Humanity. Mark your calendars and plan to attend on Sunday, Feb. 27 at 2 p.m.

## OPSAHL KOSTEL SCHOLARSHIP



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The Opsahl Kostel Funeral Home has been funding a significant annual scholarship at Mount Marty College since 1986. Celebrating its 25th year of awarding the scholarship, pictured is Kevin Opsahl and sophomore nursing student, Julie Decker. Decker is a non-traditional student from Beresford. Julie told Kevin, "I am a widowed mother of a 4-year-old and this scholarship has helped tremendously as I work to achieve my nursing degree and make a better life for my son and myself."

## WIND GENERATED FUNDS



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The Nebraska attorney general presented a check to LCPS and CCS for a wind generation tower for the Science Department. This is part of a Wind for Schools grant that the two school districts recently received.

## HOMETOWNNEWS

# BAMAAR Students Of Month Named

Katie Brady and Ryan Shindler, both seniors at Yankton High School, were recently honored as the BAMAAR Students of the Month for December 2010/January 2011.

Brady is the daughter of Keryl and John Brady of Yankton. She was nominated for the award by Bret Johnson, her Drafting instructor.

"Katie has shown a great interest in drafting," Johnson said. "She is a very hard working student who is always on task. Katie goes above and beyond what is asked of her in class. Because of her work ethic and attitude, I felt she would make a great student of the month."

For Brady, working with SolidWorks is the best part of her Drafting course. She is planning to attend the University of Minnesota to study engineering and believes this course will prove beneficial.

Shindler, the son of Scott Shindler, is also from Yankton. He was nominated for the BAMAAR Student of the Month Award by Deb Welter, his World of Work instructor.

"Ryan was nominated for the BAMAAR Award because he is an outstanding individual. He is a conscientious, dependable and motivated student," Welter said. "He is well liked by his fellow students and always ready to give a helping hand."

"He also completed a successful semester in the Youth Internship Program at Yankton High School interning in architecture," she said.

For Shindler, the best part of the class was working with an architect on real projects under construction. He believes it gave him a comprehensive experience in the field of architecture as well as the world of careers.

Both will prove valuable as he pursues a



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**Two Yankton High School seniors were honored as BAMAAR Students of the Month recently. Pictured from left are RTEC General Manager Josh Svatos, YHS Instructor Deb Welter, YHS Senior Ryan Shindler, YHS Senior Katie Brady and YHS Instructor Bret Johnson.**

master's degree in architecture at Arizona State University following high school graduation.

For being named BAMAAR Student of the Month for December 2010/January 2011, the students received T-shirts, certificates and other prizes donated by local businesses.

The award, which received the name BAMAAR because it is sponsored by the building association, manufacturers association and area retailers, was first presented during the 2008-2009 school year. It was designed to recognize outstanding students enrolled in Career and Technical Education classes at YHS and is awarded by Yankton

High School in conjunction with the Regional Technical Education Center (RTEC).

Students who are enrolled in CTE classes at YHS are eligible for the BAMAAR Student of the Month awards and can be nominated by their CTE instructors. A panel selects up to two monthly winners throughout the school year.

To honor all of the monthly BAMAAR winners, a recognition ceremony will be held in the spring. At that time, one of the monthly winners will be named the BAMAAR Student of the Year.

## DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY



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The second annual Lesterville Winter Ball was held recently and couples joined in the fun of the evening. Pictured are (top) Andrew and Michelle Kessler and Gary Kozak and Rebecca Frank.

## FLAGS FOR 1ST GRADERS



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Feb. 10th marked the completion of Yankton's Forty and Eight "Flags for 1st Graders" program for this fiscal year. The military Veterans of Lewis & Clark Voiture 842 were well received by 251 first graders at Beadle, Lincoln, Sacred Heart, Stewart and Webster Schools. The patriotic program covers a brief history of our national ensign beginning with Ben Franklin's "Don't Tread On Me" flag and its significance. The flag protocols including handling, displaying and proper destruction, followed by questions from the children. The program ends with each young artist receiving a coloring book containing pictures of flags and eagles for their pleasure; and for display at home, a 4x6 in flag with base. We take this opportunity to thank the school administration and teachers for allowing us to make our presentation on this subject which is near and dear to our hearts, and the children who so attentively listened and contributed with their succinct, relevant questions. These intelligent children present and encouraging picture for the future of our great country.

## MEETING MINUTES

### YANKTON AREA WRITER'S CLUB

The Yankton Area Writer's Club met Monday, Feb. 14, at the Yankton Community Library. Nancy Burk, Carolyn Gartner, John Gasahl, Lorinda Pullen, and Margaret Rahn read original works.

The Yankton Area Writer's Club meets the second Monday of every month (the third Monday if the second falls on a holiday), at the Yankton Community Library. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Membership is free and open to all ages and all genres of writing. For more information, please visit our website: <http://www.iw.net/~nburk/>, e-mail [yankton.area.writers.club@gmail.com](mailto:yankton.area.writers.club@gmail.com), or contact Nancy Burk at (605) 664-6582.

### DOGS R US 4-H CLUB

The Dogs R Us 4-H Club met on Feb. 15 with nine members present. Kyle Katterhagen, our president, called the meeting to order. Kate Katterhagen led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Danielle Gillis led the 4-H pledge. The minutes of the previous meeting were not read. For roll call, the members brought cat/dog food and blankets to donate to Fish N Stuff; this is one way our club has supported our goal of promote awareness of animal cruelty. The Gillis family will transport the contributions to the pet store.

Fruit sales will be due Feb. 25 of this month, and will be available for pickup on March 17, though the date is tentative. Roses Just Because is encouraging 4-H members to sell and buy roses, hoping to get enough donations to give each patient at the hospital a dozen roses. This year the Dog Workshop, held in the Mitchell 4-H grounds, will be April 2-3. Our leader, Joyce Anderson, recommends this workshop because of great instructors, who will give you one-on-one help training your dog.

The next meeting will be March 15, and is the last regular meeting; we will have weekly dog practices on the 4-H grounds April through July. The host family for the next meeting will be the Kramers. They will bring desert since we are ordering pizza. Each member will need to bring five dollars to cover the cost of the pizza.

Kate Katterhagen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Kendrick Beck seconded it. There was one demonstration by Stephanie Anderson on the parts of a horse. The meeting ended.

### GET UP & GO

Get Up & Go met Feb. 6 at the Irene Legion Hall. Karen Richelieu called the meeting to order. The American Flag Pledge was led by Trevor Hansen and the 4-H Pledge by Erin Hansen. Our leader handed out fruit sell forms. We have one new member this year, Peter Hauger, a clover bud. Trevor Hansen's demonstration was on how to milk a cow. Erin Hansen's demonstration was on how to make crazy cake. Lunch was served by Maculay McDonald. After the meeting, we played Fact or Fiction. Our next meeting will be March 6 at the Irene Legion Hall.

### KEYSTONE CHAPTER #33, OES

Keystone Chapter #33, OES, met Thursday, Feb. 17, at the Masonic Temple in Yankton. Members enjoyed a pot luck supper before the meeting.

Worthy Matron Carol Frey presided. Two petitions for membership were balloted upon with favorable results.

Official Visitor Gayle Parmeter, Grand Conductress, will conduct a school of instruction for the chapter at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 12. Initiation of new members will follow at 2 p.m. Associate Kupfer is in charge of the luncheon.

A tribute was given to Masons who are members of the chapter. Worthy Patron Richard Buechler led the chapter in renewing their obligation to the organization.

The next regular meeting will be on Thursday, March 17, at the Masonic Temple.

### TOASTMASTER CLUB 1294

Yankton Toastmaster Club 1294 met Saturday, Feb. 19, at 7:30 a.m. at the Fry'n Pan Restaurant. The meeting was called to order by President Matt Stone who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. The invocation was given by Kathy Hejna. Toastmaster of the Day was Steve Hamilton who conducted the meeting. Grammarian Woody

Sanders gave the word of the day, "obnoxious," which means offensive or unpleasant. Tara Arens gave a speech titled "Basting the Clutch" from the Competent Communication Manual with the objective of using visual aids.

Jeremy Skrenes gave a speech titled "My Two Cents" from the Training for Television Manual with the objective of presenting a short opinion piece for television. Table topics was led by Vernon Arens who asked members to respond to questions about budget cuts at the local, state, and national levels.

Stone evaluated the meeting, and called on Steve LaBay to evaluate Arens' speech, and John Swensen to evaluate Skrene's speech. Presentations were given by grammarian Sanders, ah counter Lorena Riechert, timer Kevin Buhl, vote counter Joy Winther, and joke master Hejna. Other participants in the meeting were Harry Voelzke, Janice Stone, and Tara's daughter Trisen. Trophies were presented to Buhl for best table topics, Skrenes for best speaker, and LaBay and Swensen tied for best evaluator. The business meeting was led by Matt Stone. Guests are welcome. For more information call 665-8448.

### OUTLAW TRAIL SCENIC BYWAY

The members of the Outlaw Trail Scenic Byway met on Tuesday, Feb. 15, at Ole's Café in Niobrara. President Mary Rose called the meeting to order. Secretary and treasurer's reports were given and accepted. Bills were presented and approved to pay.

Reports were given and dis-

cussed for the following committees, membership, tourism, See the Byway the Quiltway.

OLD BUSINESS: Al Brock presented plans for an Outlaw Trail, Doc Middleton Trail Ride to be held in May. He will make arrangements and report at the March meeting.

Please forward your community's calendar of events to Sally L. Snowe, so she can email to all members. See the Byway the Pieaway was discussed. Stories for the Outlaw Trail book, 'Legends and Lore', are being collected and typed. Stories must be submitted by April 1st.

NEW BUSINESS: Please contact Mary Rose with suggestion for updating the Outlaw Trail website.

Jan Jorgensen, Northeast RC&D, Plainview, gave her report. Letters of support are requested in support of the RC&D's in Nebraska.

Twyla Witt, Nebraska Tourism passed out the 2011 Travel Guides. The postponed AgEgo Tourism Workshop is scheduled to be held March 22 and 23rd.

Chuck Mulhair, Niobrara historian, joined the group at lunch and related several outlay stories.

The Quiltway committee met after the regular meeting was adjourned.

### SD CORN GROWERS ANNUAL MEETING

SIoux FALLS — The board of directors of the South Dakota Corn Growers Association reappointed three board members during the group's 25th annual meeting Jan. 22 in Sioux Falls.

Brian Renelt of Wilmot will represent District 4, Jim Burg of

Wessington Springs will represent District 7, and Kurt Stiefvater of Salem will represent District 8. Each term is three years. The votes were unanimous.

More than 1,000 people attended the daylong event, which concluded with a Chubby Checker concert.

Luncheon speaker Barry Dunn, the dean of the College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences at South Dakota State University, shared information about iGrow, a new, web-based, cooperative extension tool.

The free service will function as a home page on a farmer's computer, smart phone or mobile device and features blogs by specialists, research, libraries, markets, weather updates, profit calculators, podcasts and other information. Dunn said the service will continue to evolve over time. In the near future, for example, a farmer will be able to photograph a weed and iGrow will identify it.

### ROY ANDERSON POST #12

Roy Anderson Post #12 held its monthly meeting on Feb. 10 at the V.F.W. Post home all saluted the flag and recited the Preamble, Chaplain Tienken gave the Invocation.

Commander Ausbourne then declared the meeting open with seven members present along with guests Jim Hornstra Dist. 7

commander and Wes Rye Area 1 & 2 vice Commander along with Chuck Haffner a membership transfer.

There were not any minutes for January (membership dinner) the financial report was read and accepted. Hornstra talked briefly about the Mid-Winter in Oacoma and Dist 7 spring mtg at Trapp on April 10th more information to follow.

Post Fun Nite will be April 16th at the V.F.W. Post Home call Don Krenos for ticket information. Fran Johnson has stated that he has collected around 500 bikes and numerous other pieces of athletic equipment so far to date. Fran will also be talking to C Btry/ 1st Bn 147th FA about joining the American Legion.

Chuck Tienken talked about the grocery delivery that is going well numbers very on the weather. Also the Post has had the first meeting with parents and students on Boys and Girls State.

Remember Post 12 will be hosting the State Baseball Tourney and will need a lot of help from Legion members from around the area if interested please contact a Post 12 member for more information.

Chaplain Tienken gave the benediction and the meeting was declared adjourned. The next meeting will be March 10 at 7:30pm at the V.F.W. Home.

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