

HOMETOWNNEWS

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD



USD's Alternative Week of Off-Campus Learning, or AWOL for short, received the Community Service Award. AWOL actively engages students in service learning projects. This teaches students the value of serving their community and the world around them. Many students become regular volunteers at places like the Welcome Table, the Vermillion soup kitchen, and a local store that sells products made by Guatemalan peasants. AWOL is focused on increasing the number of students on campus involved in volunteer service.

USD ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



The Vermillion Literacy Project has received the USD Academic excellence award. The project encourages members to reach out to the campus and community by sharing their literary talents with others. Community members are regularly invited to participate in sponsored events, including a reading and poetry "slam" and poetry festival. The project also works in a camp-like setting with high school students who are interested in poetry, fiction, songwriting, and performance.

FNBSD TEACH TO SAVE



Michelle Bose and Stephanie Anderson, Personal Bankers with First National Bank South Dakota, gave a savings lesson to students at St. Benedict Catholic School as part of the American Bankers Association's Teach Children to Save program. First National Bank South Dakota employees joined thousands of bankers across the country who traded in their balance sheets for blackboards to help fill the need for financial education. "Studies show that kids aren't learning the skills they need to make smart financial decisions as adults," said Bose, Personal Banker for the Yankton market. "Communities and schools teach other life skills, such as driving a car, but we don't spend enough time teaching financial skills. Bankers are in the schools now to help fill that gap and prepare future customers for financial success." The classes taught by Bose and Anderson included Mrs. Goeden and Mrs. Budig's kindergarten and first grade classes. Each student received an activity book and was taught on the importance of saving money, how interest makes money grow, how to budget and determining wants and needs.

YHS HOMELESS



A group of approximately 40 Yankton High School students recently took part in a homelessness awareness event in Memorial Park called The Box Project. Despite chilly temperatures, the students slept in the park overnight in cardboard shelters to remind people of the harsh realities faced by those who are homeless. The event, which was organized by the YHS Student Council, required that each participating student came up with a shelter and a \$25 pledge from a local business or adult. Student Council Vice President Jordan Koch, who served as the chairperson for The Box Project, said, "I came up with the idea for this project because I knew that the Homeless Shelter is in need of some extra help. I wanted to do a new project that the Student Council has never tried before and that would involve the student body and the community." The students raised \$1,988 for the Yankton Homeless Shelter and also collected a pickup-load of food that was delivered to the Contact Center.

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP



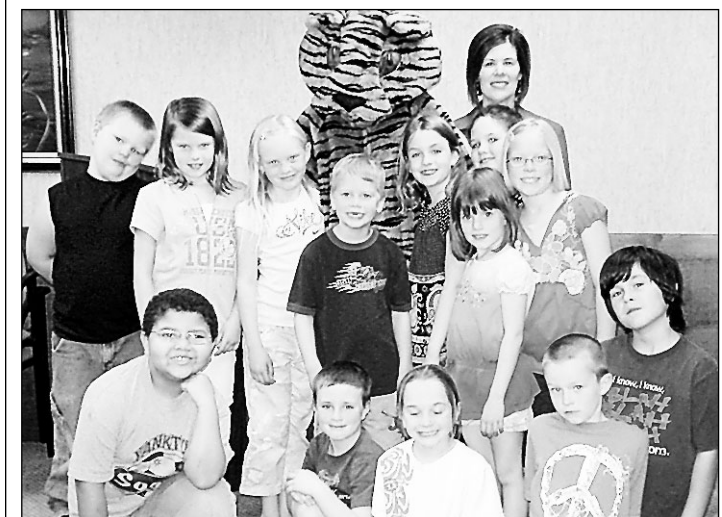
The Financial Management Association of USD received the Organizational Leadership award. FMA actively engages its members in reaching out to alumni who are in leadership positions, which helps current students learn more about leadership qualities. The group also sponsors field trips and symposiums so that students may learn more about what it takes to become an effective leader in the business world.

FITNESS FANATICS



Beadle School Fitness Fanatics were selected for the 4th quarter. The goal of Fitness Fanatics is to encourage students to participate in daily physical activity. Pictured are: Back row: Price Jensen, Nathan Zimmerman, Jackson Husman, Paxton Heinz, Noah Anderson, Cole Diedrichsen Front row: Cassidy Johnson, Lily Diedrichsen, Kylie Bochman, Evan Gilbertson

FDNB SMART SAVERS



Throughout the month of April, employees from First Dakota National Bank participated in a national campaign aimed at helping students learn their financial "ABCs" and become "smart savers". First Dakota invited 2nd grade classes in the Yankton School District to visit the Bank, learn about saving, and tour bank facilities. The fourteenth annual "National Teach Children to Save Day," sponsored by the American Bankers Association Education Foundation in Washington, D.C., is a day when thousands of bankers make savings presentations to students in their communities. "We are excited to be part of a nationwide program that teaches youth good savings habits," said Jill Hunhoff, Personal Banker at Yankton North. "Studies show people who learn to save money early in life usually make smarter financial decisions in the future. We're delighted to start them off with the basics."

STUDENT GOVERNMENT



Mount Marty College is pleased to announce the Student Government Association officers for the 2010-2011 academic year. Left to right: Brandon Frey, St. Peter, M.N., public relations representative; Ashton Walter, Howard, vice president; Jordan Fooks, Pickstown, public relations representative; Sarah Crosgrove, Ponca, N.E., public relations representative; Daniel Filsinger, Clearwater, N.E., treasurer; Aaron Manahan, Wheat Ridge, C.O., secretary; and Joey Stahl, Onida, president.

MMC TO EROS DATA CENTER



Dr. Terry Nelson, Associate Professor in the Division of Social Sciences at Mount Marty College traveled recently with his World Regional Geography students to the EROS Data Center near Sioux Falls. EROS (Earth Resources Observation and Science Center) operates under the authority of the United States Geological Survey and the U.S. Department of the Interior. Accompanying Dr. Nelson, from left to right are Mount Marty students Brett Bost of O'Neill, N.E., Gina Emanuel of Schuyler, N.E., Alicia Letcher of Alexandria and Jenny Miller of Sioux Falls.

MEETING MINUTES

ASHH TOASTMASTERS

General Evaluator Jen Hovland named her speaker's assistance team at the Avera Sacred Heart Hospital Toastmasters meeting held May 6 at noon in the Benedicene Center. Her team consisted of timer Steve Anderson, "so and um" counter Connie Stenson, evaluator Greg Stach, and vote counter Bridget Hively. The Toastmaster was Jane Miller, who called the meeting to order and invited Hively to lead the invocation and pledge. Miller introduced the other meeting participants. They were: Eileen O'Connor mastering the toast with a 2-3 minute speech entitled "Tribute to Mothers"; Marie Steckelberg as Table Topics Master of the Day with "national bike month" trivia facts and questions; and Jeff May as Grammarian with his word of the day "hectic". Miller presented the meeting's awards to O'Connor as Best Speaker and Stach as Best Evaluator. Three Toastmasters shared the Best Table Topics Impromptu Respondent trophy. Miller recognized Bruce Viau, Sheryl Schwartz and Stenson as the winners.

INTERCHANGE
Interchange held their weekly meeting May 10 at Waterfront. Presiding Officer, Stacy Winterringer, called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Guest Sarah Sager of Avera Sacred Heart Hospital was introduced by Laura Slowy. Members were invited to make announcements regarding business news, opportunities, and upcoming events. Kathy Jacobs announced the Yankton Library has extended accepting photos for the calendar until Sunday May 16th. Paula Tacke, Boys & Girls Club of the Missouri River, announced next weeks tour of the new 23rd street fire station. Crystal Nelson, Dakota Territorial Museum announced the next brown bag event on Friday, May 21st at 12:00 noon with Sadie Stevens presenting Dam Busters, including research done in London on WWII. Crystal applauded the community for supporting the open house at the Meade Building as a wonderful crowd of fresh onlookers toured and enjoyed the historical landmark. Nancy Wemanda, Yankton city commissioner, asked for input on the discussion item at today's council meeting regarding a proposed name change of West City Limits Road to Discovery Drive. Stacy Winterringer, United Way, announced the annual meeting of Interchange Inc. will be held on Monday,

June 14, 2010 at the Waterfront. Hostess, Nancy Willert, introduced the speaker, Crystal Nelson, Director of Dakota Territorial Museum who gave a presentation on Yankton's upcoming celebration in 2011 of the 150th year anniversary. She told of several exciting events being planned for 2011 for the 150th celebration of Yankton. We were enlightened with a historical rendition of the events of the Dakota Territory and Yankton that lead to the setting of the date for the 150th celebration. Events including the first white settlers and trading post to the sale of land by the Yankton Sioux Tribe and Yankton being named the capital of Dakota Territory were presented.

YANKTON AREA WRITER'S CLUB
The Yankton Area Writer's Club met Monday, May 10, at the Yankton Community Library. John Gasahl informed the group he had self-published a new book, entitled "The Fossilick Chronicle". Roberta Engstedt, John Gasahl, Judy Jensen, Lorinda Pullen, and Margaret Rahm 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 7:00 pm. 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, or contact Nancy Burk at (605) 664-6582.

TOASTMASTERS CLUB 1294
Yankton Toastmasters Club 1294 met at the Fryn Pan Restaurant on Saturday May 15. Acting club president Kevin Buhl called the meeting to order and called on Harry Voelzke to give the invocation and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Steve LaBay served as the toastmaster of the day to conduct the meeting and called on the master evaluator Joy Wintner to introduce other members with duties; Tara Arens, Vernon Arens, and Angela Mann as speech evaluators, Harry Voelzke as timer, and John Swensen as both vote counter and grammarian. Carol Hale gave a speech on the topic of cottonwood forest restoration on the Missouri River to complete project #2 from the Competent Communication Manual. Barb Mechtenberg gave a non-manual speech entitled "Some Thoughts on Travel". Steve Hamilton spoke on the topic of the history of the Yankton College WWII navy pilot training program to complete project #6 from the Competent Communication Manual. Table topics were conducted by Kevin Buhl, who

called on several members to give their best pitches for selling outdated electronic devices. Joy Wintner led the evaluation portion of the meeting and asked Angela Mann to evaluate Carol Hale, Vernon Arens to evaluate Barb Mechtenberg, and Tara Arens to evaluate Steve Hamilton. Table topics winner was Harry Voelzke, best speaker was Steve Hamilton, and best evaluator was Tara Arens. Yankton Toastmaster Club 1294 meets each Saturday from 7:30-8:40 a.m. at the Fryn Pan Restaurant and guests are always welcome to attend a meeting. For information about Toastmasters, call 665-1523 or 660-1728.

YANKTON REGIONAL AVIATION ASSOCIATION
34 members and guests of the Yankton Regional Aviation Association (YRAA) met on May 16 at 6:00 p.m. at Chan Gurney Airport in the terminal for a potluck dinner meeting. Participants were from Menno, Vermillion, Yankton, Norfolk, and Randolph. The meeting was called to order by President John Lillevold. A Litter Clean-up Day at Chan Gurney Airport was held on May 15. Lillevold, Ed Lammers, Jim Smith, Butch Becker, and Steve and Pam Hamilton picked up litter for 2 hours along 31st and Pennish streets. Yankton EAA Chapter 1029 and the YRAA will hold a Young Eagles event at Chan Gurney Airport on June 12 from 8 a.m. to noon. A progress report was made on the Pedal Plane Project, which is building two P-51 pedal-powered planes for use at aviation events by the YRAA. Father Bob Lacey announced a raffle for a pedal plane he built as a fundraiser for Sacred Heart School. Following the meeting, a "Fly-A-Member" event was held. Denny Martens flew Alan & Marlys Ferner to view their farm near Menno. Lillevold flew Lon Dubois and Aaron Greer. Roger

Huntley flew Gloria Becker and Lammers. Hamilton flew the Lewis family. Gary Palmer gave a hot air balloon ride to Barbie Greer. For more information about the YRAA, call 665-8448.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
The Yankton American Legion Auxiliary met May 17, 2010, President Betty Adam presiding. Amanda Johnson reported on cards sent to Auxiliary members. Helen Simpson received several VIM memberships; new members are needed; she needs any changes in addresses, phone numbers and names for next year's member books. Mae Tienken reported 16 girls will attend Girls State and 3 girls to Journalism City.

Malena Diede and Mary Kuchta delivered prizes to poem and essay contest winners. Fourth Grader, Casey Krejci, from Beadle School, won first place at the District level for her poem. Helen Droggers reported on successful poppy days, she thanked members for their help. 5th graders at Webster School prepared the poppy posters and prizes have been delivered to the winners. Alta Kussman conducted a Memorial Service assisted by Chaplain, Kay Ekeren, honoring deceased members: Fern Remp, Angeline Guenther and Carol Wachendorf. White carnations in a vase for each deceased member, appropriate readings, a prayer and taps were played at the end of a meaningful service. Correspondence from District Seven President, Kathy Hornstra told of the State Convention in Spearfish, SD on June 17-20. President Betty said election and installation of officers will be at the June Meeting, also sheets were passed around asking members to fill in names for committee chairmen, lunch committees and officer positions. Mae Tienken won the ten cent cup and donated it to the Auxiliary.

Malena Diede and Mary Kuchta served a delicious lunch. The next meeting is June 21, the program being election and installation of officers. Lunch hostesses will be Floris Woodhouse and Marilyn Obr.

ROY ANDERSON POST #12
Roy Anderson Post #12 held its monthly meeting on May 13, with 8 members present. Commander Brandt called the members to attention, which was followed by salute to the flag and the Preamble. Chaplain Tienken gave the invocation then the meeting was declared open. First order of business was the reading of minutes from the April Meeting then reports from Finance, Americanism and membership. Membership officer Don List made the announcement that Post 12 had made 100 percent membership. I as your Commander would like to thank everyone for their hard work in reaching the membership goal. I would also like to announce that if there is anyone in the Yankton community or surrounding area that would like to become a member of post 12 or would like to transfer a membership from Post 500 or any other Post to please contact Don List at (605) 665-5924 for more information. New Business: Post talked about Vegas Night, thank you to everyone that had helped out. Tienken had talked about the Boys State donations and the orientation. Tienken also commented on the grocery delivery. Youth Sports Officer Johnson commented on the athletic equipment that he is already collecting for this year and that PBS is doing a documentary on the project.

Post 12 had held elections at this meeting, your new officers for the 2010-2011 fiscal year are Commander Darrell Ausborn, Vice Commander Wayne Brandt, Treasurer James DeBoer, Adjutant Don Krenos, Americanism Chuck Tienken, Membership Don List. Chaplain Tienken gave the benediction and the meeting was declared adjourned. Next meeting will be June 10th at 7:30 pm V.F.W. Post Home.

INTERCHANGE
Interchange held their May 17 weekly meeting at the new Yankton Fire Station #2 located at W. 23rd Street. Presiding Officer, Stacy Winterringer, called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Guests introduced included: Dr. Carol M. Mehlhoff, PH.D, introduced by Nancy Sternhagen; Sarah Sager of Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, introduced by Penny Scholl; and, Laura Wallace of Albany Oregon, introduced by Lyndal Cornett. Hostess, Nancy Sternhagen, of Schaap Sternhagen and Co. CPAs, PC, introduced the speaker Tom Kurtenbach Yankton Fire Chief who gave a presentation and tour of the wonderful new facility. Tom provided a brief history of the fire stations in Yankton including the progression to multiple stations. Yankton's fire department is a volunteer department which is unique for a city of its size. There are currently 47 volunteer firefighters in the department including 45 males and 2 females. New members are always welcome. There is an application, interview, election and training process to be a volunteer firefighter. Tom answered many questions from the group and provided a wealth of current and historical information. Tom expressed his appreciation to all the employers that allow their employees to leave work to answer the calls in the community. Without their cooperation a volunteer department would not be possible. Tom provided a guided tour of the facility and invited everyone back to the public open house scheduled for June. The next meeting will be held at noon on Monday, May 24 at the Waterfront.

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