

# YC Board Names President, Awards Scholarships

When the gavel was laid to rest by the end of the spring meeting held April 25, the Yankton College Board of Trustees had approved the following: a new College president; a record-setting 25 scholarship awards for the 2015-16 academic year; a preliminary agreement between the Yankton College Scholarship Program and the South Dakota Community Foundation and the conferral of an Honorary Doctorate degree.

The 16th president of Yankton College, Dr. Joseph A. Ward III, will be inaugurated next September 19 in a dual ceremony with William Bobzin who will receive a Yankton College honorary doctoral degree. Dr. Ward — great-grandson of the College founders, Rev. Dr. Joseph and Sarah Wood Ward — is a 1966 graduate of YC and has served on the Board of Trustees since 1983 and as Vice-Chair of the Board since 1986. Because of the Ward family history and the commitment to Yankton College, Ward says he is deeply honored to serve.

Mr. Bobzin received from Yankton College a Bachelor's degree in biology in 1965 and

his Master's degree from the University of South Dakota in 1977. In 1969, Bobzin joined the YC faculty serving as Assistant Football Coach then Head Coach and eventually the Director of Athletics. As Head Coach, Bobzin led the Greyhounds to several successful seasons. As an alumnus, Bill's most notable contribution was the implementation of the Forever Club - dramatically increasing alumni contributions.

Bill has shown his leadership by reinvigorating the Y-Club making it possible to honor numerous outstanding YC athletes. Bill has been a faithful and active member of the Board of Trustees since 1999.

After reviewing the 2015 general and post-graduate applications, the Scholarship Committee awarded a record-setting 25 scholarships from endowed funds to students who ranked the highest from their scholastic merit, writing skills and most importantly having a connection to Yankton College. Each recipient will receive up to \$1,000 from designated named-scholarships to be used during the coming 2015-16 academic year.



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**On behalf of the Yankton College and the Board of Trustees, from left: newly elected Vice-Chair Sandra (MacTavish '70) Gross, re-elected Chair Joan (Bunnell '57) Neubauer and appointed President Dr. Joseph Ward III.**

The approved preliminary agreement officially sets off the relationship between the Yankton College Scholarship Program and the South Dakota Community Foundation and designates the course of action for when the SDCF will become the administrators of the Yankton College Scholarship Program sometime in the future.

Other business from the Legacy Fundraising Committee included approving the Yankton College Alumni

& Educational Center as the new official name for the future home of Yankton College to be located on the third floor in the historic Mead Building by 2024 and kicking off the campaign to get there. From the Nominating Committee, action on members serving the Board included: Joan Neubauer, Yankton was re-elected as Chair; Sandra Gross, Cordova, Tennessee, who has served as a trustee since 2000, was elected Vice-Chair; Vicki Lehrman, Spencer,

and Peter O'Toole, Fayetteville, North Carolina, were elected as new trustees and a re-election was held of the following members whose terms expired: Richard Evans, Kansas City, Kansas, Rand Schuft, Rapid City, and Dr. Charley Trantina, Sun City West, Arizona.

The YC Alumni Advisory Board also held its meeting, April 25 and heard the plans for the Oct. 10 Regional Reunion to be held in Fayetteville, as well as initiate plans for the 2016 All-Class Reunion. A re-election was held of members whose terms expired and a nomination was accepted for Bruce Blankley, Rapid City to join the AAB, effective July 1.

A no-host dinner was held at Murdo's Aten Resort for the trustees, members of the AAB and their spouses Friday evening.

Members of both Boards travel to Yankton twice every year from a wide-range of U.S. locations to attend these meetings that foster the ongoing affairs of the College and alumni outreach. For further information, call the Yankton College office at (605) 665-3661.

## Donations Needed For Delmont

PIERRE — People interested in supporting the Delmont tornado response are asked to consider making donations of money or items that can be used by the survivors.

For financial donations, a fund has been established at the First State Bank in Delmont, Tripp, Geddes and Armour.

Officials working with the Donations Management Center report that items needed by the survivors include non-perishable food and snacks, household cleaners, personal care items, can openers and equipment to work with debris cleanup (gloves, rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, etc.).

Donations of new white goods (appliances) need to be coordinated through the Volunteer Reception Center. Contact Lisa Adler at 605-212-9605.

Donated items can be taken to the Donations Management Center, located in the Delmont American Legion. Enter Delmont from the east, using 284th Street.

## Advisory Board And Commission Openings

The Board of City Commissioners is seeking Yankton residents to fill openings on the various City of Yankton Advisory Boards and Commissions. The openings for 2015 include:

- Three vacancies on the Planning Commission
- Two vacancies on the Yankton Community Library Board
- Two vacancies on the Park Advisory Board
- Two vacancies on the Fox Run Golf Advisory Board
- One vacancy on the Airport Advisory Board

Anyone who is interested in filling one of the openings should submit a letter of interest to the Mayor and Board of City Commissioners including your reason for wanting to serve on the respective board or commission. Letters may be sent to: Mayor, c/o City Manager's Office, P.O. Box 176, Yankton, SD 57078.

The deadline for these inquiries is May 29.

# New Location And New Art Show For Studio Art Center

Tulips, wildlife, Americana, portraits and Fantasy art are just a few of the artistic subjects on display at the "Spring into Summer Art Show" at Studio Art Center which opens on May 18 and will run through August of this year.

The art studio has moved from 412 Douglas Avenue to 608 W. Eighth Street in recent months. This will be their first art show in the new location. The public is welcomed to come and view the show whenever the open sign is in the window.

There are drawings, paintings, and arts and crafts throughout the studio. The artists represented range in age from 4 through artists in their 80s. Anyone who has already signed up for the summer art program are welcome to make a visit to the new studio to learn more about what they will be able to create during the summer months.

Still available are numerous class openings for new students, age three through adults. Because Lita Stucky will be working on summer preparations for the next two weeks, it is good to call



SUBMITTED PHOTOS  
**LEFT: Students Avery Schmidt (top) and Ava Brandt display their artwork at created recently at Yankton's Studio Art Center. ABOVE: Morgan Schmidt works on this artwork at the Studio Art Center.**

first if you want an actual appointment. For viewing the art show, the door is always open.

Studio Art Center will continue to operate through the 2015 year and throughout the school year of 2016 at its new location. Stucky said, "I promised my many avid students that I would

not give up teaching in Yankton until I had placed my entire program in very capable hands. As I have watched my students grow and excel over the 16 years that I have been teaching here, I could not be more proud of their accomplishments, nor could I be more dedicated to seeing them move into the years



ahead with capable, inspiring instructors to lead them into further growth. This has been the best job I have ever had in my life! I could not imagine retiring from it!"

The summer art program starts on May 30 with Satur-

day Workshops in both arts & crafts and fine arts and painting. Weekday classes begin on June 15 and continue through the second week of August. You'll find class information at studioartcenter.com or call 665-4686.

## SCHOLASTICS

### NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE

NORFOLK — The 42nd Commencement of Northeast Community College took place on Saturday, May 16, in the Cox Activities Center on the Norfolk campus.

The Spring 2015 area graduation candidates as of Wednesday, May 8, are listed below by degree and program followed by hometown and name.

#### Associate of Arts Degree

- Bloomfield — Evan Koertje;
- Creighton — Brittany Jelinek, Shelby McManigal, Karissa Rudloff, Ryan Volquardsen, Samantha Wetzel;
- Laurel — Caitlin Barney, Jinell Carslin, Elizabeth Ebmeier;
- Niobrara — Charissa Hanzlik, Savannah Reynolds;
- Ponca — John Stark;
- Randolph — Lesley Haselhorst, Jordan Merchant;
- St. Helena — Patrick Wieseler;
- Verdigré — Kayla Grim, Karly Liska, Kathi Liska;
- Elk Point — Kaitlyne Rosenbaum, William Wiseman;
- Wagner — Patricia Flying Hawk;
- Yankton — Kayla Anderson, Megan Barnes, Andrew Kotalik, Spencer Rokahr;

#### Associate Degree in Nursing

- Bloomfield — Ashley Laible;
- Crofton — Tyler Potts

#### Associate of Science Degree

- Bloomfield — Minnie Sausser;
- Creighton — Elizabeth Powell;
- Crofton — Natalie Arens;
- Hartington — Shayna Hoesing;
- Laurel — Jade Cunningham;
- Niobrara — Shelby McCordle;
- Ponca — Heather Lieber;

- Randolph — Rodger Haselhorst, Kathryn Kuchta;
- St. Helena — Erica Burbach;
- Wausa — Adam Kleinschmitt;
- Wynot — Taylor Lauer.

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Administrative Assistant

- Bloomfield — Sean Sahagun;

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Agriculture

- Creighton — Alikander York;

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Agriculture/Agribusiness

- Bloomfield — Katelyn Fiedler;
- Creighton — Brittney Backstrom, Rebecca Stevens;

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Agriculture/Agronomy

- Creighton — Andrew Eggerling;
- Ponca — Dillon Rickett;
- Randolph — Rodger Haselhorst;

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Agriculture/Animal Science

- Hartington — Megan Wolfe;

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Agriculture/College Transfer

- Creighton — Logan Pierce.

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Agriculture/Diversified Agriculture

- Hartington — Kraig Sudbeck;

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Auto Body Repair Technology

- Wagner — Jon Bouza

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Automotive Technology

- Laurel — Nathaniel Schmitt;
- Ponca — Roger Carnell;
- Randolph — Anthony Backer;
- Verdigré — Kai Liska;

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Banking Services

- Wausa — Michelle Haselhorst.

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Broadcasting/Audio/Video Production

- Verdigré — Jacob Pavlik.

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Business

- Bloomfield — Grace Pokorny;
- Creighton — Andrea Dobias;
- Laurel — Elizabeth Ebmeier;

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Diesel Technology

- Coleridge — Michel Leapley;
- Crofton — Travis Allwin;
- Fordyce — Steven Thoenes;
- Randolph — Tyler Brunssen, Austin Korth;
- Tyndall — Christian Cap.

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Drafting

- Tabor — Dana Haas.

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Early Childhood Education

- Bloomfield — Katie Kumm

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Electrical Construction and Control

- Ponca — Nathan Gill;
- Wausa — Trevor Wakeley;

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Electromechanical Technology

- St. Helena — Kyle Bruening;
- Verdigré — Owen Pavelka

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Graphic Design

- Yankton — Rachel Frederick.

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning

- Santee — Daniel Red Owl.

#### Associate of Applied Science

#### Degree in Physical Therapist Assistant

- St. Helena — Rachel Wieseler

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Utility Line

- Laurel — Brett Lunz;

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Veterinary Technology

- Randolph — Philip Wurdinger;
- Lake Andes — Sierra Svatos;
- Springfield — Jessica Simons.

#### Associate of Applied Science Degree in Wind Energy

- Ponca — Marcus Burki

#### Diploma in Administrative Assistant/General

- Fordyce — Jarinda Sudbeck

#### Diploma in Administrative Assistant/Medical

- Crofton — Maxine Schieffer

#### Diploma in Medical Coding

- Hartington — Melissa Stevens;

#### Diploma in Practical Nursing

- Bloomfield — Bethany Luedke;

- Crofton — Diane Gobel, Breanna Hansen;

#### Diploma in Welding

- Bloomfield — Jeremy Ohlfest;
- Crofton — Luke Kleinschmitt;
- Hartington — Brandon Depledge, Connor Wieseler;
- Newcastle — Jeremy Attema;
- Wausa — Michael Kracht.

#### Certificate in Broadcast Production

- Hartington — Parker Olsen;

#### Certificate in Business / Entrepreneurship

- Randolph — Jolee Clausen;
- Verdigré — Jordan Larsen.

#### Certificate in Media Production

- Bloomfield — Damian Hingst;
- Fordyce — Kyle Fischer;
- Hartington — Parker Olsen;

#### Certificate in Office Management

- Bloomfield — Sean Sahagun

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