

## MVCA Read-A-Thon



Submitted photo: The students of Missouri Valley Christian Academy (Yankton) had a Read-a-Thon in March to raise funds for the school. The 30 students were challenged to read 15,000 minutes from March 1-31. The students smashed that goal and read 22,056 minutes and were treated to their reward this past weekend with a lock-in at the school. Students raised approximately \$5,000. For more information about MVCA, visit the website at www.mvcamustangs.org/.

## P.E.O. STAR Scholarship Awarded

The prestigious P.E.O. STAR Scholarship, for the 2015-2016 academic year, was presented to Johanna Lippert, a senior at Yankton, H.S.. The scholarship was presented at the Yankton H.S. awards ceremony by Dawn Stoner & Marsha Withrow.

Johanna Lippert is the daughter of Lon & Susie Lippert and was recommended for this scholarship by Chapter K of Yankton. Lippert has been accepted and will attend Baylor University where she plans to study International Studies and will be in the Pre-Law program beginning this fall.

The P.E.O. STAR Scholarship is a \$2,500 scholarship based on excellence in leadership, extracurricular activities, community service, academics and potential for future success. The program is open to young women who are citizens of legal permanent residents for the United States or Canada and who are graduating high school seniors at the time of application. A student be recommended by a P.E.O. chapter.

The P.E.O. Sisterhood,



Submitted photo: Pictured are, from left: Dawn Stoner (Chapter K), Johanna Lippert and Marsha Withrow (Chapter K).

founded Jan. 21, 1869, at Iowa Wesleyan College, Mount Pleasant, Iowa, is an international philanthropic and educational organization which promotes increased educational opportunities for women. There are nearly 6,000 local chapters in the United

States and Canada with almost 250,000 initiated members. The P.E.O. Sisterhood has given over \$250 million in financial assistance to over 95,000 recipients. The P.E.O. Sisterhood also owns Cotley College, a fully accredited, private liberal arts and sciences

college for women, with two-year and selected four-year programs, located in Nevada, Missouri.

For additional information on the P.E.O. STAR Scholarship, contact Sharon Heisinger at 665-0451.

## Missouri River Committee To Meet

OMAHA, Neb. — The Missouri River Recovery Implementation Committee (MRRIC) will hold its 29th meeting May 19-21 in Sioux Falls. Public attendance is encouraged, and an opportunity is provided during each daily session for the public to address the Committee and the lead agencies, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding the Missouri River Recovery Program (MRRP). This meeting will be held at the Sioux Falls Convention Center, 1101 N. West Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD, 57104, beginning at 8 a.m. Monday, May 18, and concluding at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, May 21.

The MRRIC meeting agenda can be found online at www.MRRIC.org. All meeting sessions are open to the public.

The committee has set aside a designated time for committee member interviews with media at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday. At this meeting, MRRIC will learn more about recent progress on the Missouri River Recovery Management Plan, including model results for management actions that meet species objectives for least terns and piping plovers, and science and governance

components of the Adaptive Management Plan. The committee will continue to engage with the Independent Science Advisory Panel and the Independent Social and Economic Technical Review Panel on the scientific, adaptive management, and socio-economic components of the developing Management Plan. Additionally, at this meeting, the Committee will participate in a discussion of the consequences and tradeoffs between potential management actions, as part of the PROACT structured decision making process.

MRRIC is a 70-member committee that comprises stakeholders and representatives of Tribal, state and federal governments throughout the Missouri River basin. This committee provides recommendations to federal agencies on the current and future activities of the MRRP. The Committee makes its substantive recommendations by consensus.

For additional information regarding the MRRIC, contact Dr. Michael Mac, committee chair, by e-mail at info@MRRIC.org. Web links related to the Missouri River recovery efforts are www.MRRIC.org and www.MoRiverRecovery.org.

## Yankton Tractor Supply Hosting Pet Event

Tractor Supply Company in Yankton at 2908 Broadway Ave is hosting a pet event Saturday, May 30 to encourage adoptions and support local animal groups. The Saturday event is part of Purina Days, which lasts from Wednesday, May 27, to Sunday, May 31.

All Purina Days events are open to the public and their pets. Along with all the products to care for a variety of pets and animals, Tractor Supply will have free adoption kits on hand throughout Purina Days for the first 10 customers who adopt a pet or animal from a local shelter or rescue.

During the event, the store will host the following groups and activities:

- Yankton Animal Control, on site at 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on May 30;
- Pony Rides: Pet Adoptions

"Pets and animals can bring a family years, even decades, of joy," said Jami Hansen, manager of the Yankton Tractor Supply store. "We're hosting Purina Days because we want new pet owners to know there are great resources to care for their pets in this community at Tractor Supply."

Contact the Yankton Tractor Supply store at 605-665-9353 for details about Purina Days.

## SDSU Extension Gerontology Field Specialist to Speak During Annual Coalition on Aging Spring Conference

BROOKINGS — Leacey Brown, SDSU Extension Gerontology Field Specialist is one of many speakers and panelists to speak during the Annual Coalition on Aging Spring Education Conference held May 19 at Active Generations in Sioux Falls (2300 W 46th St).

Brown will be joined by Bobbie Jo Leggett, Director of Caregiver & Outreach Services, Active Generations to discuss aging services in South Dakota.

Other speakers and topics include: Dr. Jen Porter, with the University of South Dakota Beacom School of Business who will discuss Higher Education and Employer Partnerships: Securing the Future for an Aging Services Workforce; a panel on Healthcare and the Aging

in South Dakota, hosted by Stephanie Rissler, with S.D. Public Broadcasting (SDPB) and featuring the following panelists: Clint Graybill, Director, Provider Network, Good Samaritan Society; Erik Nelson, Associate State Director of Advocacy, AARP South Dakota; Dr. Jen Porter, University of South Dakota Beacom School of Business; Leacey Brown, SDSU Extension Gerontology Field Specialist; and Dr. Rick Holm, with Avera Medical Group and host of "On Call."

For those unable to attend the conference, the Healthcare Issues Panel will be live-taped for the May 21 edition of SDPB "South Dakota Focus" and will air 8 p.m. (CDT). Questions for the panel may be sent to info@coalitiononaging.org prior to the May 19 conference or submitted in

person until 9:30 on the day of the conference.

- Continuing education credits: The South Dakota Board of Social Work Examiners has approved this activity for .4 continuing education credits / 4 Contact Hours. Attendance at the entire conference is required to obtain CEU's/Contact Hours.
- Registration information: Registration and breakfast begins at 7:15 a.m. For those unable to attend this conference, the event will be live-taped by "South Dakota Focus" a production of S.D. Public Broadcasting.

You can register online at the Coalition on Aging website www.coalitiononaging.org/ or contact Denise Bloomberg, Program Director at 605-310-3948.

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