

New Ownership



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Pictured are, from left: Gail Sohler, former owner of Stockmen's Livestock Market, Inc., of Yankton; and new owners Jennifer and Kiley Hammond, who take over the business Dec. 3.

Hammonds Taking Over Stockmen's

After 25-plus years of self employment as a Pedigree Representative, Order Buyer, and Procurer of Livestock, Kiley Hammond has decided to apply his years of experience in aggressive livestock sales as the new Owner and General Manager of Stockmen's Livestock Market, Inc. Kiley is a fourth-generation Livestock Auction man who has always implemented honesty and fair dealings to get the best for his producers.

Kiley graduated from the World Wide College of Auctioneering, has been a guest speaker at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln on Live-

stock Marketing, and was instrumental as a buyer for an international livestock export tour.

Kiley feels, "It is crucial in these times to not only promote and protect the producers we have, but to encourage the young producers to grow as well."

Kiley and his wife Jennifer look forward to serving the livestock community for many years to come.

The NEW Stockmen's first sale date will be Tuesday, Dec. 3. Fed cattle sales to begin at 8 a.m. followed by weigh ups and Feeder cattle at noon.

What Does It Mean To Live United?

BY LAUREN HANSON
United Way & Volunteer Services

Throughout our community, you may have seen LIVE UNITED signs on marquees, posters hung at your business, or community members wearing shirts. But, what does it all mean? What does it mean to LIVE UNITED?

Everything we do at United Way is an ongoing, relentless pursuit to LIVE UNITED and to advance the common good. We strive to create opportunities for people of all ages and income levels to have a better life and to overcome the everyday struggles they are faced with.

United Way's goal is to address the underlying causes of problems in our community. We assess our community to determine the greatest needs. We gather the resources of time, talent and treasure and invest them in over 35 local programs. Lastly, our funded programs are monitored to ensure that high-quality service is being delivered to those who need it most.

LIVING UNITED is a mission. It's about living our lives 365 days a year in a way that constantly connects us to the world in which we live. It's about blending our professional connections and philanthropic passions. It's reaching out a hand to one, and influencing the condition of all.

There are three key components to LIVING UNITED. When you GIVE, ADVOCATE and VOLUNTEER, you can make a true difference in our community.

Each and every person - regardless of what role they play - is significant in making the Greater Yankton area a better place to live. And together, united, we can accomplish more than any single group can on its own. Each of us plays a meaningful part in our community.

Many of us are already LIVING UNITED. Whether you donate through



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your workplace campaign, lend your voice to the issues you care about most, or contribute your time through your church...in your child's classroom...in the community.

You GIVE. You ADVOCATE. You VOLUNTEER.

You LIVE UNITED.

To live in a community that offers an excellent quality of life to its citizens, it takes individuals, organizations, businesses, and government, EVERYONE to give, advocate, and volunteer to work together.

A wonderful example of collaboration, of giving, of LIVING UNITED, is the annual Yankton Toys for Kids program facilitated by Pat Robinson and her team of elves. These caring neighbors are once again helping Santa Claus make the holidays special for area children.

To ensure the success of this program, donations of new, unwrapped toys, appropriate for ages 0 to 18, are

collected. Cash donations are also accepted to fill in where needs are not met and ensure that every referred child receives a toy.

You may also "adopt a family" through the Yankton Toys for Kids Adoption Program, which enables businesses, community members or organizations to provide clothing, food and gifts to families experiencing tough times. Volunteer "adopters" are paired with a local family in need and provided with ages, clothing sizes and special requests.

Last year, the Yankton Toys for Kids program served over 300 local children. This year we anticipate an increased need, so please consider ways your family or business can help.

If you would like more information on the Yankton Toys for Kids program or you can GIVE, ADVOCATE or VOLUNTEER, please call the United Way & Volunteer Services' Office at (605)665-6766.

Local Woman Featured In Magazine

Jan Schiferl of Fordyce, Neb., is spotlighted on page 76 in the December issue of *Country Woman*, a national country lifestyle magazine.

Country Woman profiles interesting women from throughout the United States and Canada in each issue. The bimonthly magazine, with more than a million readers, features a popular Home-Style Cooking section, with winning recipes from readers, plus seasonal specialties, delicious healthy fare and quick-to-fix meals.

Also featured in every issue are easy crafts, household tips, practical decorating ideas, gardening advice, nostalgic photos and true-life humor. Jan's family "Cowboy Christmas" is the highlight of the article.

The WJ Ranch's Cowboy Christmas will be held Nov. 30-Dec. 1. See www.schiferlswjranch.com for more details.

Emergency Operation Center Tested

Representatives of several local emergency service departments recently took part in a two-day class and training exercise to further develop the local Emergency Operation Center (EOC). The EOC is the centralized support system for medium to large scale emergency incidents.

The training included participants from the Yankton County Office of Emergency Management, Yankton County Emergency Medical Services, Yankton Police Department, Yankton Fire Department and emergency management departments from Bon Homme and Hanson County.

"We had our EOC up and running during the Missouri River Flood in 2011 and that gave us a good understanding of our strengths and weaknesses," says Paul Scherschligt, Director of the Yankton County Office of Emergency Management. "Training and exercising our operation like this helps us to build on what we already have in place and to improve the operation to better serve and protect the community in the future, regardless of the type of threat to life, property or security."

The exercise scenario included responding to various potential threats to the local community, including a mass casualty incident, terrorism, hazardous material exposure, bomb threat, vehicle chase, hostage situation and water search and rescue and recovery.

Scherschligt says the recent training both challenged and strengthened the local response effort.

Shannon Trail Banquet



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The Shannon Trail Promotes held their annual end of the year Banquet at Sally's Antiques and Sweets in Bloomfield Wednesday November 6th. Twyla Witt, Tourism Development Consultant & Byways Liaison with the Nebraska Tourism Commission Location Theford, Nebraska, was in attendance. Twyla is very supportive of our efforts for promoting tourism in Northeast Nebraska and complemented the group on our continuous efforts to bring tourism to Knox and Cedar Counties. Our speakers for the evening were Joyce Stevens of Crofton, the 2012 Nebraska Mother of the Year and Jan Schiferl, Fordyce, 2013 Nebraska Mother of the Year. To have two mothers from our Northeast Nebraska area receive this honor is outstanding. They gave a wonderful presentation and encouraged people to submit a mother for this wonderful award and honor. Another highlight of the evening was the unveiling of our new Villager Cut Out - Private George Shannon sponsored by Back and Nerve Chiropractic Center of Yankton and Gil and Laurie Larsen of Bloomfield. This Villager was created by Marah's Treasures in Taylor, Nebraska. It is the hope of the Shannon Trail to find sponsors to create more Lewis and Clark Cut outs to display along the trail. Our Member of the year award went to Kim Sawatzke of Crofton. Kim was honored for the awesome work he does for the Shannon Trail Web site. For more information on the Shannon Trail go to www.shannontrail.com. New members are always welcome.

Baskets To Be Blessed

For more than 10 years, members of the Mount Marty College community are donating Thanksgiving Baskets to needy members of the community. This year there are 22 baskets that have been put together.

At 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 26, in the Peace Chapel of the Bishop Marty Memorial Chapel, a blessing will take

place. The public is invited to attend as MMC gives thanks for the individuals that prepared the offered baskets and for the school's continuing disposition that it gains to serve.

For more information on the event, contact Adam Fitzpatrick, Assistant Director of Campus Ministry, at adam.fitzpatrick@mtmc.edu or 605-668-1392.

Jeans For JA



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Junior Achievement believes in helping students build a strong foundation of financial literacy, work readiness and entrepreneurship knowledge. Thanks to a successful "Jeans 4 JA" event at Yankton High School, \$300 was raised to support JA programs in Yankton. More than 50 volunteers from Yankton brought JA programming to life in 48 classrooms in Yankton schools during the 2012-2013 school year. These classroom volunteers served as role models and taught more than 1,019 Yankton students about personal finance, entrepreneurship, work readiness, and ethics using hands-on activities to supplement standard classroom curricula.

Gubbels Named Delegate

Gail G. Gubbels, CPA, with the accounting firm of Williams & Company, P.C., was delegated to CPAmerica International's 2013 Tax Conference in San Diego on Nov. 4-6.

The meeting is an annual event sponsored by CPAmerica, which brings together tax professionals within the association membership for networking, member sharing and continuing professional education.

The agenda for the event included a variety of outside speakers and topics. Topics covered included: tax planning opportunities, related party transactions, tax practice quality control, member sharing on tax practice man-

agement, tangible property regulations - a significant tax planning opportunity for businesses, international tax planning for 2014, an economic and legislative update, health insurance purchasing decisions in 2014, the state of state and local tax, foreign reporting, member sharing on various technical topics, and how to build an international tax practice.

Williams & Company, P.C. is an exclusive member CPAmerica, one of the nation's largest associations of independent accounting firms. Members share industry-specific knowledge, training programs, practice management techniques and best practices.

MEETINGS

TOASTMASTERS CLUB 6217

Fran Kocer called Toastmasters Club 6217 to order Nov. 14 at noon in the KPI Conference Room with a warm welcome and invocation by Jane Miller praying from Leading from the Beatitudes.

Greg Stach presented the word of the day, "Virtual."

Jen Hovland's evaluation team included timer Eileen O'Connor and "ah" counter Chelsi Hames.

Speaker Steve Anderson informed the audience using the Advanced Communication Manual, entertaining speech. He informed us about many coincidences that have happened in history and his personal life. Leaving us ponder whether things are just coincidences or do they happen for a reason.

Anderson was evaluated by Joyce Stevens praising how he kept the audience alert and entertained. She enjoyed that he used examples of history that we all can recall along with his personal experiences. Very organized and met all of his objectives.

Table Topics Master Stach asked impromptu questions from a random deck of cards. Kocer is wor-

ried about how to handle his daughters in 10 years from now. Hames said next time she climbs a tree it will be because she is running from zombies. O'Connor would become a diplomat if she could change her careers b/c she is interested and involved in communication. Hovland likes to stir the pot in conversations sometimes by bringing up politics and religion although she was taught never to talk about them. Anderson said he would be very apologetic and finesse when telling his neighbor he ran over their cat.

Kocer awarded trophies to Stevens as Best Evaluator, to Anderson for best Speaker and Miller for Best Respondent in Table Topics. Kocer then asked President Hovland for announcements, which were: Dec. 19th Holiday meeting at Monastery.

ROY ANDERSON UNIT NO. 12 AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Roy Anderson Unit No. 12 American Legion Auxiliary met on Nov. 18, 2013 with President Betty Adam presiding. There were 19 members present. Chaplain Kathleen Ekeren offered the

opening prayer, followed by the Pledge to the Flag. Members sang America the Beautiful, recited the Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion Auxiliary and observed a moment of Silent Prayer.

All officers answered Roll Call of Officers after which the 19 members present introduced themselves. Minutes of the October 2013 meeting were read and finding no additions or corrections were approved. Priscilla Mazourek presented the Treasurers report that was also approved on motion by Natalie Frick second by Audrey Lubbers.

Membership reports that there are currently 94 paid up members. This year's quota has been set at 120 members.

Monies toward the Bakeless Bake Sale have been arriving very slowly. Members were reminded that this is a major fund raiser for the Auxiliary.

Poppies have been ordered.

Dictionaries have arrived and will be distributed to all third grade students in Yankton's School District.

President Adam read the letter from District 8 President Linda Youngbluth.

Membership dinner will be held Tuesday, Jan. 21.

The coin march netted \$13.85.

Kathleen Ekeren offered a closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on Jan. 20, 2014.

A lovely fall themed lunch was served by Martha List and Gloria Pibal.

INTERCHANGE

The Interchange meeting held at noon on Nov. 18, 2013 at Minerva's was called to order by Frani Kieffer, presiding officer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Announcements: Jackie Quinn of Yankton Area Arts announced the Tour Of Homes on Dec. 2, 2013; Kathy Gertstner of Gertstner Oil announced the Crimson Door open house at GAR Hall on Dec. 7 with Holiday Gifts available.

Carmen Schramm, Yankton Chamber of Commerce, was hostess and introduced Bernie Hunhoff of Dakota Magazine (and state representative) presented information on the South Dakota 125th Anniversary celebration held Nov. 2.

Next meeting will be Nov. 25, 2013, at noon at Minerva's. Janice Schaefer will be hostess and the guest will speak on Hospice.

YANKTON REGIONAL AVIATION ASSOCIATION

Thirty members and guests of the Yankton Regional Aviation Association (YRAA) held a potluck meeting on November 17 at Chan Gurney Airport at 6 p.m. Participants came from Allen, Dixon, Hartington, Randolph, Avon, Menno, Springfield, Vermillion, and Yankton.

Vice President Jim Eisenmenger called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. Francis Serr will be loaning the YRAA a wooden propeller from a J-3 Cub for

display at the Chan Gurney Airport. Scott Morgan noted that runway 18-36 at Wayne Airport was open but no services were available. All the buildings at the airport were destroyed by a F4 tornado. The next YRAA meeting will be a holiday party at JoDean's on Dec. 15 at 6 p.m. The program will be a PowerPoint of the 1929 Ford Tri-Motor Tour at Yankton.

For more information about the YRAA, contact Steve Hamilton at 605-665-8448.

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