New Toastmaster



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Hannah Horn was accepted as a new member of Yankton Toastmaster Club 1294. She is being presented by a Certificate of Acceptance by President, Roy Wilcox. Toastmasters is an organization that uses its business meeting as a learning experience to gain confidence in public speaking. Hannah will begin by using the Competent Communicator Manual that will teach her about the basic aspects of giving a good speech. She will also learn how to be a good leader through use of the Competent Leader Manual. She will be active in a small group of people who want her to succeed. Yankton Toastmasters meets in an informal setting at the Fry'n Pan on Saturday morning at 7:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

Make Sure Your 'Walkers' Are Safe This Halloween

OMAHA, Neb. — One of the most common calls to the Nebraska Regional Poison Center this time of year involves glow sticks — the plastic tubes that are filled

with a glowing liquid. The glow sticks make children more visible in the dark while trick-or-treating - but they are soft to chew on and can be easily broken open. Last year the Poison Center managed 388 calls concerning this product and is on track to reach that number again this year. If children get some of the liquid in their mouth or eye there is no need to run to an emergency room. Call the Poison Center and the nurse will tell you what you need to do.

No spells will be cast on young spooks this Halloween with a few sensible tips from the Nebraska Regional Poison Center. Take the fol-

lowing preventive measures to keep children safe this Halloween:

• When children trickor-treat, treats should be carefully checked by adults. Homemade treats or anything out of its original wrapper should be thrown away unless parents are positive of the identity of the person from which it came.

• Marijuana edibles can be found in many shapes and sizes and they resemble traditional candies in their names and packaging. This is another good reason to check all your children's candy when they get home.

• Providing children with a full meal before trick-ortreating will reduce the temptation for children to eat treats before they return

home. • Costumes should be warm, well-fitting and nonflammable. Masks should

allow adequate vision and should be removed while children are crossing streets. Use inexpensive, nontoxic face paint as an alternative to masks. All makeup and fluorescent hair sprays should be removed before going to bed. Consider using reflective tape on costumes worn after dark.

• Make sure children are accompanied by an adult and take a flashlight along if it is dark. All children should stay in their own neighborhood and only go in homes of friends and family.

• Glow sticks can cause immediate stinging and a burning sensation if the liquid comes in contact with the mouth or the eyes. Be careful when small children put these in their mouths.

• Give out non-edible treats such as stickers, pencils, erasers or other party favors

 Sponsor a block party as an alternative to widerange trick-or-treating. Parties at home can substitute for, or at least shorten, trickor-treat trips.

• Serving punch contain-ing dry ice is not considered dangerous as long as the ice is not swallowed in its solid form. Small pieces should not be put in individual glasses. Frostbite can occur if dry ice touches the skin or mouth.

 Chocolate is very poisonous to dogs. Store all candy up and out of reach of dogs. While trick-or-treating stay away from barking dogs or upset animals.

The Nebraska Regional Poison Center offers tips on Halloween safety and poison prevention. For more information, contact the Nebraska Regional Poison Center by calling 1-800-222-1222.



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Boys & Girls Club Boards And Staff Honored

Over 150 youth call the Boys & Girls Club home every day after school and during the summer. Many fantastic people come together to ensure a safe, positive place for Yankton. The Boys & Girls Club is governed by a local Advisory council with local leaders from the Yankton area as well as a Corporate board which helps to guide Clubs in Brookings, Flandreau, and Yankton and is made up of community leaders from all three communities. These boards were honored for their high levels of engagement and achievement at a regional conference last week. Boys & Girls Club Board of Directors were honored with the Gold Level of the National Boys & Girls Clubs of America EAGLES Award. This award recognizes boards for reaching milestones in the areas of: Engagement, Asks, Giving, Leading, Evaluating and Serving. Within the Midwest region, our Board of Directors was one of only three honored with this significant achievement. These leaders work tirelessly to better opportunities for youth in our communities.

of Yankton for increasing the number of youth that use our Club each day. Our Club was one of only three honored Clubs for increasing the number of youth we served each day by over 50% in 2014. This is a great testament to community involvement, leadership, high quality staff and increase in great programs for our kids.

The Yankton commu-

United Way Thank You To First Dakota National Bank

A BIG THANKS to our partners at First Dakota National Bank for leading the way — once again this year — during their United Way of Greater Yankton Community Campaign drive.

LEADING THE WAY

Pictured are employees of the First Dakota National Bank.

Achieving a participation rate of 96%, First Dakota increased their employee contribution from last year by

19%, gained 11 new Heart Club leadership donors to total 59, and reached a record-setting employee contribution of \$55,083.68!

Combining the employee contribution with the corporate gift of \$35,000, First Dakota's total United Way of

contribution for 2016 is \$90.083.68. First Dakota National Bank employees, thank you for your continued leadership, support and partnership.

FIRST DAKOT

Your generosity and commitment to our community is truly an inspiration.

Greater Yankton Community Čampaign

SD Local Foods Conference In Deadwood

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The Boards and community have been instrumental in helping our Clubs grow. This was showcased in an award given to the Boys & Girls Club

nity. Boys & Girls Club board members, staff, volunteers and members should be proud of the way our community and organization was represented as a dynamic organization for youth among many other states and Clubs.

Boys & Girls Club of Yankton Advisory Council and Board members:

- Denny Everson
- Marc Mooney
- Mike Marlow
- Nancy Wenande
- Sr. Francine Streff
- Rob Ness
- Jean Hunhoff
- Todd Larson
- Jerome Klimisch
- Wayne Ibarolle
- Steve Sager
- Jack Weeks
- Erich Johnke
- Kevin Bender
- Laura Larson
- Don Kettering
- Lori Stephenson

Paula Tacke

guests attended the YRAA

BROOKINGS - The 2015 South Dakota Local Foods Conference is scheduled for Nov. 6-7 at Cadillac Jack's Resort (360 Main St. in Dead-

wood). "This conference provides educational programming and networking opportunities for producers and resource providers of specialty crops and other niche local food products,' said Chris Zdorovtsov, SDSU Extension Community Development Field Specialist.

Other components of the event include local food meals, a local food panel of successful stories and vendor booths.

Friday, Nov. 6, will consist of three tracks focused on marketing, production and two in-depth sessions on business tools and analysis

and specialty crops and traditional foods on the reservations. The marketing track will

offer a number of sessions including how to provide food tasting experiences at farmers markets, introduction to community supported agriculture (CSA's) marketing, school sales using the fresh fruits and vegetables program, a marketplace panel and product marketing. The production track will

include topics on growing healthy berries, season extension, permaculture, honey bees and organic production.

Saturday, Nov. 7, Marty Travis will be the keynote speaker. Travis is a producer and food hub manager from Illinois, who will share his

history and experiences of forming a local food system while also trying to chart where the future will take them.

"By sharing our challenges and successes I am hoping to inspire the folks in your area to visualize a vibrant and exciting food community," said Travis.

Travis and SDSU Extension will also provide daylong breakout tracks on food hubs.

The second in-depth session on Saturday will focus on developing farm food safety plans.

The final daylong track will focus on helping produc-ers develop estate plans and strategies for transitioning their farm operation.

Registration is due by Oct. 30.

Registration information can be obtained by visiting http://www.iGrow/events or contact Chris Zdorovtsov at christina.zdorovtsov@sdstate.edu or at 605-782-3290 for more information.

The Local Foods Conference is sponsored by a collaboration of partners including: SDSU Extension, South Dakota Specialty Producers Association, South Dakota USDA Rural Development, Dakota Rural Action, the South Dakota Small Business Administration, the South Dakota Department of Agriculture and North Central SARE.

Follow the South Dakota Local Foods Conference online https://www.facebook. com/SouthDakotaLocal-Foods.

MEETINGS

KEYSTONE CHAPTER #33, OES

Keystone Chapter #33, OES, met Thursday, Oct. 15, at the Masonic Temple, Yankton. Chris Bryan, Worthy Matron, presided at the meeting. She reported on Grand Chapter held Oct. 10, in Pierre. She reminded officers their year-end reports are due at the November meeting.

The chapter voted to donate \$50 each to Yankton Boys and Girls Club and to Avon Kids Club.

Election of officers was held. Open installation of officers will be held directly after the November stated meeting

Rodger and Mary Johnson served refreshments after the meeting.

The next regular meeting, followed by installation of officers, will be at the Masonic Temple in Yankton, on Thursday, Nov. 19, starting at 7:30 p.m. Chris Bryan and Corinn Harnisch will be hostessess at the social hour following the meeting.

YANKTON REGIONAL AVIATION ASSOCIATION

Forty members and

meeting on Oct. 18 at 6 p.m. in the terminal at Chan Gurney Airport for a potluck dinner. Attendees came from Jefferson, Menno, Mission Hill, Tyndall, Utica, Vermillion, Yankton, Crofton, Dixon, Hartington and Randolph. President John Lillevold welcomed everyone to the meeting, introduced new members Jacob & Heather Tewes, and had everyone else introduce themselves. A framed Lifetime Membership certificate was presented to Isabellah Daugherty. Stevie Holmes reported on the Women in Science event at Mount Marty College on Oct. 6, where she promoted careers in aviation. It was announced that Yankton EAA Chapter 1029 would hold a Young Eagles Rally on Oct. 25 at Chan Gurney Airport from 8 a.m. to early afternoon for sixth grade reading students. Jacob Hoffner suggested the YRAA consider organizing an air show at Chan Gurney Airport in the future. Lillevold suggested June 2017 for a possible air show during the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the official opening of the

Yankton's municipal airport. Chris Nelson told a long joke about a magician, parrot and airliner.

The next YRAA meeting was set for Nov. 15 at 6 p.m. in the airport terminal at Yankton. For more information about the YRAA contact Steve Hamilton at 605-665-8448 or skyhawk@iw.net/.

YANKTON COMMUNITY FORUM

On Oct. 6, 2015, members of Yankton Community Forum were introduced to their new officers for the 2015-2016 year at the Opsahl-Kostel Round Table meeting room. Bob Wittmeier and Merle Larson will share the podium, adjusting their schedules to their winter residences, and Rose Mather will continue as Treasurer. The affable senior group enjoyed the first program of the new year, bringing back City Manager Amy Nelson who presented current challenges facing the City Commission.

The organization meets for fellowship and information at 8:30 a.m. the first three Tuesdays of every

month. Both men and women are encouraged to join the group. Recent programs in October included Allison Spak, who spoke on the South Dakota Drug Awareness Program sponsored by the Elks association, which is directed toward children, and volunteer Yankton Co. Deputy Coroner Mark Nickles, who described duties ascribed to his team. Speakers in September included Kristi Palecek, general manager of Truxedo, Tracy Grotenhuis, who summarized Summit

Center activities, and Kyle Roberson, education supervisor at Yankton Federal Prison Camp. For more information, contact any officer.

XI CHAPTER OF DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

Members of Xi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, an Honorary Women Teachers' Society, met at the home of Dr. Angie Hejl on September 29, 2015. President Colleen Chase called the meeting to order. A \$200 grant-in-aid was presented to Mt. Marty student, Kami Meyerink. Kami thanked the group after sharing a little information about herself and her future teaching plans.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report had been e-mailed and was approved as well.

Margaret Lyons shared information on members in the news. Beth Kaltsulas was named YSD Teacher of the Year. Pam Kallis was named Yankton Area Arts Association Advocate of the Year. Vicki Barron and daughters presented the Charlie Barron Lifetime Achievement Award. Amy Miner was chosen to

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serve on the City Commission. Dr. Hejl is teaching at Mt. Marty College. Science Olympiad was commended for their achievements.

Future programs and meeting times were discussed. Members will be informed of the meetings and programs when plans are finalized. The April meeting will be attendance of the spring play at the high school. Eta Chapter of Vermillion will be invited. The meeting was adjourned.

