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## L&C Specialty Hospital Open House Is Sept. 6

Lewis & Clark Specialty Hospital will hold an open house and ribbon cutting for its new Medical Plaza at 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 6. The event will also include a lighting ceremony, tours and awards. This 26,100-square-foot facility will be utilized by Lewis & Clark Family Medicine, Lewis & Clark Physical Therapy, Ear, Nose and Throat Associates, PC, Yankton Surgical Associates, PC, Shindler Foot Clinic, Lewis & Clark Urology, Ltd and Lewis & Clark full service Laboratory. The public is invited to attend.

## Registration Open For Kamp For Kids

The third annual NFAA & Ted Nugent Kamp for Kids will be held in Yankton at the NFAA Easton Yankton Archery Complex, 800 Archery Lane, on Saturday, Sept. 15. It runs from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. This will provide hands-on outdoor experiences for children ages 7-17. The day will include: archery, air rifles, trap shooting, fishing, sling shots, geo-caching and more. Participants will receive lunch, drinks, event T-shirt, outdoor gear and archery accessories. Ted Nugent's appearance at the camp is planned but not guaranteed. This camp is limited to the first 200 paid registrations. Participants need to be dressed appropriately for weather and outdoor activities. No sandals; wear closed toe shoes. Register on-line at [www.yanktonarcherycomplex.org](http://www.yanktonarcherycomplex.org). Registration is on now. For more information, call 605-260-9282.

## Organization Seeks WWII Women Workers

KIMBERLY, Ala. — The American Rosie the Riveter Association is trying to locate women in Yankton and the surrounding area, who worked on the home front during World War II. Thousands of women worked to support the war effort as riveters, welders, electricians, inspectors in plants, sewing clothing and parachutes for the military, ordnance workers, rolling bandages, clerical, and many other jobs such as volunteer workers collecting scrap metals. These women have stories of their WWII experiences that are of historical value and perhaps have never been told. The American Rosie the Riveter Association is in the process of collecting those stories. The association is a patriotic/non-profit organization whose purpose is to recognize and preserve the history and legacy of working women during World War II. This organization was founded in 1998 by Dr. Frances Carter, Birmingham, Ala., and now has more than 4,000 members nationwide. If you are a woman (or descendant of a woman) who worked during World War II, or if you are just interested in more information, call the toll-free number 1-888-557-6743 or e-mail [americanrosietheriveter2@yahoo.com](mailto:americanrosietheriveter2@yahoo.com). The association may also be contacted at P.O. Box 188, Kimberly, AL 35091.

# Program

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Center for Farm Financial Management at the University of Minnesota; and individuals from the Farm/Ranch Management program at Mitchell Technical Institute. "We focused on making sure they understand the financial ratios and enterprise analysis and those financial record-keeping tools that help you make management decisions," Franzen said. Session two followed with a heavy focus on marketing, with farmers completing a program called "Winning the Game." "They learned how to market their products, look at the commodity markets and make good marketing decisions on selling their products," Franzen said. The second session also included information on estate planning and how to transition a family business from one generation to the next.

"A lot of times, our beginning farmers are dealing with that as they are working to take over the farm operation from their parents," Franzen said. Contributing field experts included Ed Usset, grain marketing specialist at the University of Minnesota, and family business consultant Jolene Brown. In November, farmers will resume the program with a trip to Des Moines, Iowa, for a tour of Pioneer's global headquarters. A stop in Kansas City will follow for a tour of the Kansas City Board of Trade to get a first-hand look at how commodities are traded. The group will also meet with a member of the Federal Reserve to discuss the outlook for the agricultural economy. The fourth and final session will take place in December and will focus on strategic planning. "We'll give them some training and tools on how to go through a strategic planning process for their farms — who you need to involve and how to develop priorities in that process, so that when you're done, you have some initiatives to

put into action to improve your operation," Franzen said. The farmers will also visit the POET headquarters in Sioux Falls to hear about the latest news involving the ethanol industry. The contributing field expert for the fourth session will be Ed Seifried, professor emeritus of economics and business at Lafayette College in Easton, Pa. Along with various field experts, Franzen said members of First Dakota attend each session to provide input for the farmers based on their many years of experience. "Our ag advisory board is made up of successful farming operation and successful ag industry leaders," he said. "We put together panel discussions at each session that involve some of our ag advisory board members so that these beginning farmers can be mentored and have a chance to build relationships with successful people in the industry." Members of the bank's ag lending staff have also been involved in the program, Franzen said.

"They talk to the beginning farmers about expectations of an ag lender, so when they're looking to borrow money, they understand what the thought process is and what's going on on the lender side of the desk," he said. "Hopefully that will help them with how to approach that activity." While this year's program is closed for enrollment, Franzen said the bank will soon begin taking applications for next year. The program is free of charge and open to all beginning farmers in the area. However, class size is limited. Announcements and online applications will be posted at [www.firstdakotaag.com](http://www.firstdakotaag.com). "We want to continue to build a nice networking opportunity for beginning farmers to share ideas, notes and best practices, and help beginning farmers develop their own network of folks they can lean on with various expertise and skills," Franzen said. You can follow Derek Bartos on Twitter at [twitter.com/d\\_bartos](http://twitter.com/d_bartos)

# XYZ

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conjunction with Yankton Verve, a young professionals group that offered social events and networking opportunities. Verve has since gone dormant, but XYZ is still going strong, organizers say. "I think that the primary purpose of XYZ is still being met and will continue to be met," said Hosmer, who serves on the board of directors. He acknowledged that the number of projects XYZ has been involved with is limited. That is a consequence of living in a small rural city like Yankton, Hosmer said. "Economic development in Yankton is always slow," he stated. "Really good projects don't materialize every single day. As a result, you have to look for good projects that fit within your niche. For us, it's not unheard of in five years to have only one or two projects for economic development that would come along. "It's not like we have the ability to go out and look for people and recruit projects," Hosmer added. "We are there to assist (Yankton Economic Development Director) Mike Dellinger, the Economic Development Council and Yankton Area Progressive Growth (YAPG)." According to Specht, XYZ has approximately 100 members who

have contributed at various levels. The average donor gives \$500 a year, though any contributions are welcome. The group had an initial goal of raising \$200,000, of which \$150,000 was intended for the Yankton Economic Success! (YES!) initiative aimed at creating jobs in the community. The remaining \$50,000 was to be used for encouraging advanced technologies, quality of life and business development for young adults and families. Specht said XYZ's initial five-year capital campaign raised the \$150,000 for YES! but not a whole lot more. After speaking with YAPG, Specht said its leadership agreed to have the XYZ YES! funds placed with Two Bridges Capital, an angel investment fund started in Yankton. In addition to YES!, the organization provided assistance for efforts such as the data center along West City Limits Road and an office at the National Field Archery Association headquarters that provides incubator space for a new business. It has also managed some property. The Carnegie Library along Fourth Street was donated to XYZ by Steve Slowey and was eventually sold to a law firm with conditions that its historic character be preserved. XYZ also has approximately five acres of property that is adjacent to Marne Creek and behind Morgen Square Park. It was donated to XYZ by Marv Looby. "I think our biggest accomplishment is giving people an av-

enue to get involved," Specht said. "We're opening doors, bringing new ideas and creating an atmosphere that says we can fill these holes in our community right here. We can be computer programmers or invent the next best thing. You don't have to live in a big city on the East or West Coast." Now, the organization is having discussions about what it would like to accomplish during the next five years. "Do we focus on membership?" Specht speculated. "Do we try to raise more money? Do we find a particular project to support? That's what we're going to spend the next several months determining. We're going to examine our mission statement and get feedback on what our membership thinks we should be doing and go from there." Hosmer said he believes XYZ still has a vital role to play in the community. "In five years, you've had a lot of people who have left (the community), and a lot of people who have come," he stated. "I think it's time to get other younger people involved in thinking about economic development. By and large, the younger people are the ones who will be here for a longer period of time and can direct where they would like Yankton to go with the kinds of jobs it has." You can follow Nathan Johnson on Twitter at [twitter.com/AnInlandVoyage](http://twitter.com/AnInlandVoyage)

# Fires

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could push the flames further north and west. "Today is critical for these fires, because it's the first of three possible red flag days, and we really don't know how the fires will respond to the winds," said Ed Waggoner, an operations section chief with the Rocky Mountain Incident Management Team. Nebraska Army National Guard soldiers also were activated Friday to help fight the fires, and additional Guard helicopters were sent in addition to two already there. The largest fire, about eight miles south of Chadron and dubbed the West Ash fire, has burned more than 69 square miles, Bean said. "So, it would have to make quite a run in that direction for Chadron to be threatened," she said. "People will be notified well in advance of its approach." The second largest fire, which is located between the smaller towns of Harrison and Crawford and called the Douthit fire, has burned about 38 square miles. Fawl said officials had it "more contained" than the West Ash one. Waggoner said firefighters were working to dig trenches around the West Ash fire in an effort to contain it before the winds picked up. No deaths or injuries have been reported from the fires, but authorities said a 64-year-old woman died of an apparent heart attack after she was evacuated from her home Wednesday night.

## OBITUARIES

### Mary Manson

MARION — Mary Manson, CNP, age 56 died Thursday, August 30, 2012 at the Freeman Regional Hospital after a long courages battle with cancer. Memorial services will be 2 p.m. Sunday, September 2, 2012 at the Marion School Gymnasium, Marion. Arrangements with Hofmeister-Jones Funeral Chapel, Marion.



Manson

Mary Jean Jantzen was born on February 9, 1956 at Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls, SD to Edwin and Ardis (Leder) Jantzen. She grew up on a farm near Marion, SD where she graduated from Marion High School in 1974. In 1978 she graduated from the college of nursing at South Dakota State University in Brookings, SD. On May 19, 1978 she was united in marriage to Mark Manson at the Bethel Mennonite Church in rural Dolton, SD. They lived on the farm near Marion where she worked as a RN at the Freeman Regional Hospital and Nursing Home in Freeman, SD. In 1993 she graduated from SDSU and received her master's degree in nursing and became a Certified Nurse Practitioner. She was employed with University Physicians in Sioux Falls where part of her responsibilities was teaching before returning as a CNP to the Freeman Regional Health Services and the Rural Medical Clinic in Marion. Mary accepted Jesus as her personal Lord and Savior at a very young age and committed

her life in service to her Lord. They attend the First Church of God, Marion, SD. Those who love her most are her husband Mark; 4 children, Joshua and wife Leah Manson of Lincoln, NE and their children Josiah and Kezia, Heidi and husband Andy Jans of Sioux Falls, Ryan and wife Jessie Manson of Sioux Falls and their daughter Krista, and Luke and wife Angela Manson of Harrisburg, SD; her parents Edwin and Ardis Jantzen, Freeman; and 4 sisters, Carol (Ken) Boehlje, Sheffield, IA, Cathy (Kevin) Neuarth, Fairmont, MN, Sandy (John) Ostraat, Canton, SD, and Audrey (Larry) Sloan, Chadron, NE; and many nieces and nephews. [www.hofmeister-jones.com](http://www.hofmeister-jones.com)  
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### Alton Nieman

Alton Nieman, 93, of Yankton died Thursday, Aug. 30, 2012, at the Avera Sister James Care Center, Yankton. Funeral services are at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 5, at Peace Presbyterian Church, Yankton, with the Rev. Marilyn Stone officiating. Burial will be in the Rosehill Cemetery, Scotland, with Military Graveside Rites by the Paul Grosshuesch VFW Post #2966 and the SDARNG Honor Guard of Sioux Falls at approximately 1:15 p.m. Visitations begin at 5 p.m. Tuesday evening at Opsahl-Kostel Funeral Home & Crematory, Yankton, with the family present at 7 p.m. Visitations will resume one hour prior to the service at the church.

### Neil Brown

Neil Douglas Brown, age 73, of Hot Springs, SD, passed away August 24, 2012, at the Rapid City Regional Hospital in Rapid City, SD. Neil proudly served in the United States Navy. Neil is survived by his wife, Dixie of Hot Springs; daughter, Tammera Brown Ates of San Diego, CA; three sons, Mark (Cindy) Brown of Alta Loma, CA; Ray (Dayna) Brown of Rolla, MO; Scott (Amy) Russell of New Castle, PA; ten grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. In honoring Neil's request, no services will be held. Arrangements have been placed in the care of McColley's Chapel of the Hills in Hot Springs, SD. Written condolences may be made at [www.mccolleyschapels.com](http://www.mccolleyschapels.com)  
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Brown

### Bonnie Johnson

Bonnie J. Johnson, age 87, of Yankton, South Dakota and formerly of Peterson, Iowa, died on Tuesday, August 28, 2012 at her residence at Walnut Village. Memorial services are 11 a.m., on Saturday, September 15, 2012 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Sutherland, Iowa with Reverend Tim Hogan officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church. Inurnment will be at Mount Zion Cemetery in Fonda, Iowa. Arrangements are under the direction of the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Yankton. Bonnie was born July 30, 1925 in Fonda, Iowa to Charles and Regina (Braunhausen) Conrad. She grew up in Fonda, Iowa where she graduated from Our Lady of Good Counsel High School in 1943. Bonnie continued her education at American

Institute of Business in Des Moines, Iowa. She then moved back home and worked at the Fonda State Bank. On April 15, 1947, Bonnie married Adelbert "Bo" Johnson. They moved to Peterson, Iowa where she resided until moving to Yankton in May 2012. Bonnie held various jobs and positions during her lifetime and was employed as a bookkeeper at Peterson Coop Elevator for 27 years. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Sutherland and St. Ann's Guild. Bonnie enjoyed playing cards, bingo and traveling to casinos with friends. Bonnie is survived by her three children: Cynthia Snelham of Los Gatos, CA, Randy (Linda) Johnson of Yankton and Reynolds (Julie) Johnson of Reno, NV; six grandchildren: Matthew (Nick), Meghan and Adam Snelham, Ashley (Kelly) Hosek, Lindsay (Brad) Carpen-

ter and Clay Johnson; three great grandchildren: Lillie and Isabella Hosek and Maryn Carpenter; a brother-in-law, Don (Jane) Kelly of Des Moines, IA; and a niece and nephew. Bonnie was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Carol Kelly; and son-in-law, John Snelham. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the American Cancer Society or your local hospice. To send an online sympathy message, please visit [www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintzrayfuneralhome.com).  
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