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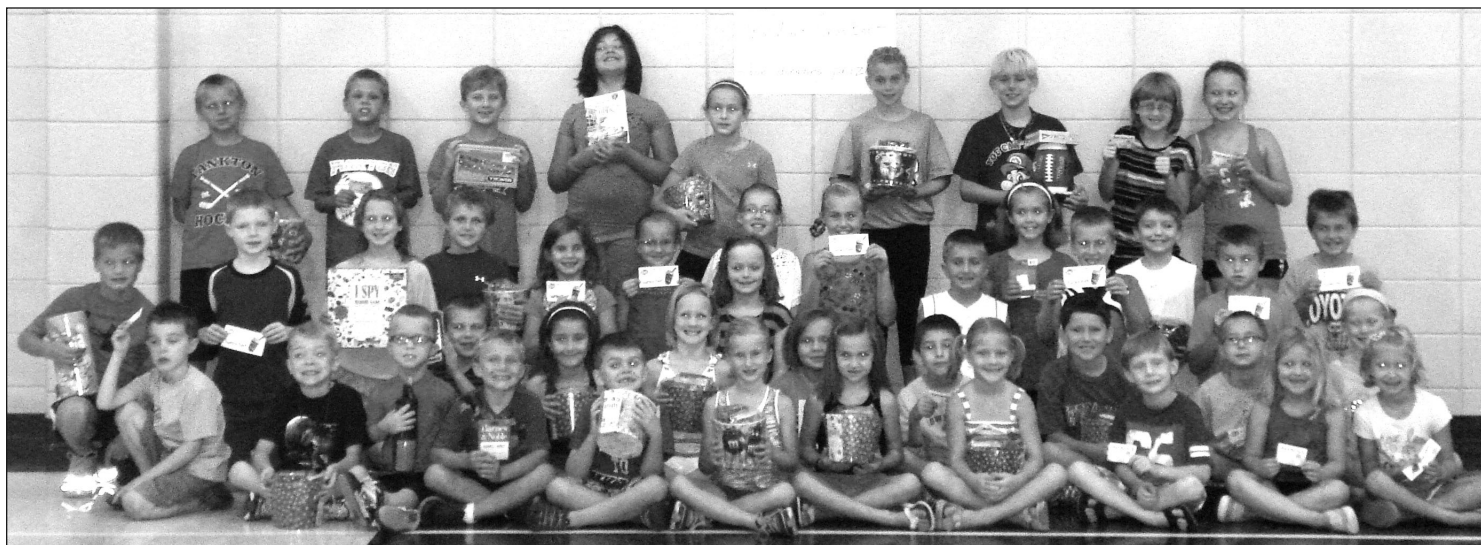
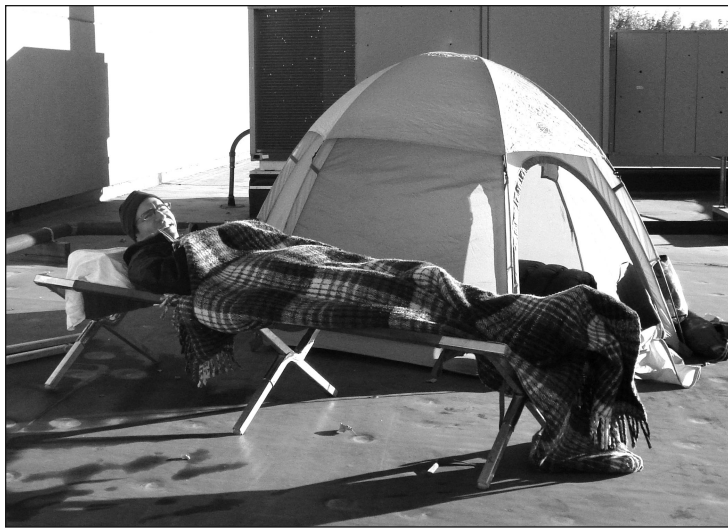
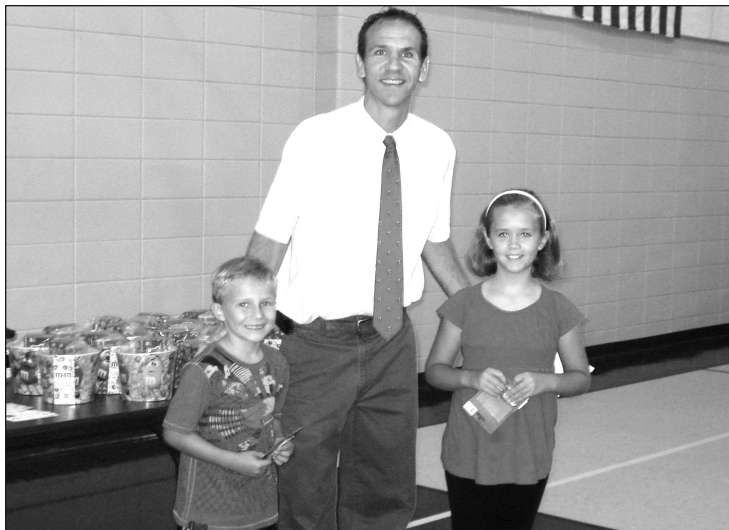
Dakota McCloud's safety poster took first place in the International United Commercial Travelers Contest at Calgary, Alberta, Canada. His poster placed first in the local group and first at the Grand Session in Mitchell, qualifying him for the International Contest. Award was presented by John and Vicki Swensen of Yankton Council UCT.

CRUISERS OF YANKTON



Yankton area cruisers are a local group that gets together twice each month on Wednesday evening. They schedule a cruise season from May through September. They meet at the north end of the mall parking lot at 5:45 p.m. and leave at 6 p.m. Reservations are made for each cruise calling Barb Conrad at 605-260-0243. They can be made up to 24 hours before going as reservations are made for the complete group. This year they have traveled to places like Meridian Corner, Athens Resort, and Toby's in Meckling. Cruises will continue in to October depending on the weather. It is a great opportunity to meet new people and have fun looking at different types of vehicles from antiques to hotrods to classic cars and sports cars.

Sacred Heart School Reading Challenge



On Friday, Sept. 21, SHS Principal Regan Manning camped out on the roof of Sacred Heart Elementary School.

Why would he do this you may ask?

The campout was a result of a challenge Mr. Manning offered to the children at Sacred Heart Elementary School last May to encourage the students to continue reading during the summer months. Manning challenged each student in grades K-4 to read five books. If the students read a total of 650 grade level books or an average of 4 books per student Manning agreed to spend a night on the roof. When the students returned to school this fall Manning discovered his fate. Fifty-seven of the students returned logs documenting a total of 659 books read.

On Aug. 31, Manning held an assembly recognizing all of the students that completed the challenge. When Manning announced that the students had read a total of 659 books the gymnasium erupted with cheers.

Every student that completed the challenge and submitted their reading logs were awarded with an ice cream treat donated by Dairy Queen and Burger King or a movie bucket donated by Wal-Mart.

The Reading Challenge grand prize winners were awarded Barnes and Noble gift cards. Second grader Cole Pedersen and fourth grader Emily Shuey were the reading challenge champions reading 116 and 75 books respectively.

MEETINGS

VFW LADIES AUXILIARY

The Ladies Auxiliary to Ernest Bowyer V.F.W. came to order on Sept. 11, 2012, by Joyce Stahlecker. Minutes were read and treasurers report was given and approved.

The application for new Membership was given: Cheryl VanDyke, Sherry Rye and Carl Mandgold and transfer-Margorie Petersen from Viborg. A motion to accept, second and approved.

Reports of Committees were given, Americanism: Stoddard, a new flag will be purchased for the front of St. Ben's Catholic School, Church: Christensen, Funerals: Schramm, Hospital: Stanage for Slowey, Cancer: Olson, There were 2 membership drawing for next year, they were Malena Diede-Continuous and Ethel Goeden-Life, Majestic Bluffs: Mellem

Yankton Care Center: Gwinn, Poppies: Blaha, National home: List, Publicity: Stahlecker for Potts, Marge Olson announces she still has cancer pins for sale.

The new Business: President Stahlecker advised the start up for soup kitchen will begin on Sunday with cutting up vegetables for soup and table set up Monday evening. Volunteer are needed and volunteers for calling for pies.

Saturday the 15th is Ida Foxhoven's rummage sale and volunteers are need to help set up and to work if possible. Friday is YHS Homecoming parade and the Ladies Auxiliary will be marching. Bingo Volunteers are needed for this is our big revenue maker and our financial standing depends on it. President Stahlecker reminder everyone the Linda Stock-our newsletter typist, has cancer and needs a bone marrow transplant and there is benefit this coming Saturday the 15th.

There will be the 2nd Job Fair on Oct. 3 from 3-7:30 p.m. at RTEC Building. There will 37 employers there and is asking for volunteers to help. President Stahlecker reminded all members the District #1 meeting is Oct. 14 at Alcester at 2 p.m. and the Fall Council is Sept. 15-16 at Pierre.

Next Meeting is Oct. 9 at 7:30 p.m.

KEYSTONE CHAPTER NO. 33, OES

Keystone Chapter No. 33, OES, met Thursday, Sept. 20, 2012, at the Masonic Temple, Yankton. The evening began with a pot luck supper.

Sue Koepp, Worthy Matron, presided at the meeting which opened in regular form. Treasurer Ernest Kratz reported on the chapter's CDs. Charles Bryan reported on the open house at the Masonic Temple held in June. Koepp thanked Chris Bryan and Neva Raysby for helping clean for the event.

Interest in starting a Job's Daughter's Bethel was discussed.

Jane Hornstra and Janelle Kribell will prepare a gift basket with a Christmas theme for the silent auction at Grand Chapter in Pierre on Oct. 10-12.

The chapter decided to decorate a Christmas tree for the Mall give-away project if it is done this year.

The next meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 18, and will include election of new officers and reports from Grand Chapter.

TOASTMASTER CLUB 1294

Club 1294 meets each Saturday at the Fry'n Pan Restaurant, 7:30 AM. The Sept. 22, 2012, morning's meeting was called to order by Vice President of membership, Mike Arens. The invocation was given by Kevin Buhl followed with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Mike Arens was introduced as the meeting's Toastmaster. Arens called on the Master Evaluator, Kevin Buhl, who announced his evaluation team. The team included: Grammarian, Jeremy Skrenes. Skrenes introduced the word of the day, "vim." The Ah counter was Kathy Hejna and the timer was Jana Lane. Vote counter for the day was Harry Voelzke.

Two members presented speeches. The first speaker was John Swenson, who gave an ice-breaker speech called "The Saga Continues." Roy Wilcox, presented the second speech titled, "Through the eyes of Casper." Following

the prepared speeches, Mike Arens led the table topics. Arens provided a variety of questions and scenarios for participants to respond to.

Following the table topics, Master Evaluator Buhl called upon Doug Fick-bohm to evaluate John Swenson's speech, and Tara Arens to evaluate Roy Wilcox's speech. Jeremy Skrenes then presented the grammarian's report, noting good usage of the word of the day. Kathy Hejna followed with a positive Ah Counter's report.

The winner of the Best Speaker was a tie between John Swenson and Roy Wilcox. The Best Evaluator award went to Tara Arens. The winner of the Table Topics contest was Harry Voelzke. Jana Lane provided humor for the meeting serving as joke master.

Guests are welcome to attend meetings held on Saturday morning at 7:30 in the Fry'n Pan Restaurant, Yankton, SD. Please call 665-9217.

OUTLAW TRAIL SCENIC BYWAY

The Outlaw Trail Scenic Byway held their September meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2012, at the Mob County Saloon and Grill in Springview. Members present were Mary Rose Pinkelman, St. James, Marita Placek, Lynch, Al Brock, Valentine, Gale Larrington, Springview, Larry Halstead, Lynch, Twyla Witt, Nebraska Tourism Commission, Dixie Hesse, Springview, Rhonda Kneiff, Springview, Linda Sheehan, Springview.

Mary Rose called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. with introductions. Minutes were approved with the following correction — Twyla Witt, Nebraska Tourism Commission. No treasurer's report. Bills were presented to be paid.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Membership — The membership list needs to be updated and ready for the October meeting. A committee made up of the officers, Twyla and Ronda will have the membership forms prepared and ready for the October meeting.

The tourism brochures are printed and ready to go. The Trail Ride is set for the weekend of Oct. 13-14 at the Niobrara Valley River Ranch at Valentine. Legends and Lore of the Outlaw Trail, book report was given.

The Quiltway committee is thinking of possibly hold the 2013 Quilt Show in June. Plans are to hold a meeting in October at the Niobrara Valley House of Renewal in Lynch for quilt coordinators for a brainstorming session and potluck dinner. Tim Nissen sent a report for the Nissen Winery.

Chris and Mary Rose have applied for scholarships to attend the Travel Conference at Gering on Oct. 23-24. Twyla gave her report.

Meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 16, at Niobrara. Place to be announce later.

Yankton American Legion Auxiliary Yankton American Legion Auxiliary met Sept. 25, 2012, with President Betty Adam presiding.

Reports were given by 15 of the 17 girls who attended Girls State earlier this year. The girls had very positive things to say about their experiences and several indicated that they planned to be Junior Counselors at the 2013 Girls State Event. A written report, by Kayla Sylvester, who attended Girls Nation in Washington D.C., was read by Betty Adam.

Installation of Officers was conducted by Gert Boyles. The following officers were installed: President-Betty Adam; 1st Vice President-Joyce List; 2nd Vice President-Theresa Brandt; Secretary-Dianne Bahn; Treasurer-Priscilla Mazourek; Sergeant at Arms-Mary Kuchta; and Chaplain-Kathleen Ekeren.

Reports were received from the following chairmen: Membership-Helen Simpson; Gift Shop-Judy Eisenmenger; Ten of Something-Shirley Juffer; Apples for Teachers-Janice DeJong and Cheers-Audrey Lubbers. Legislative Chairman, Marlys List, encouraged members to vote.

A letter from District 8 president, Linda Youngbluth was read. She reminded members of the District 8 meeting at Tabor on Sept. 30, 2012.

Marlys List informed members of a Memorial Service to be held for Irene Imig, who was a 65 year member, on Sept. 29, 2012, at 2 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church in Yankton. Members were encouraged to attend, if possible.

A delicious lunch was served by Joyce List and Janice DeJong.

The next meeting will be Oct. 15, 2012. The program will be Initiation.

Lunch Hostesses are Martha Ausborn and Priscilla Mazourek.

TOASTMASTERS CLUB 6217

MJ Rogers, dressed in his opening ceremony's official uniform with white pants, navy jacket and side-set beret, described the athletes, rules, history and procedures involved in the "Paralympics" (i.e., "along side" the Olympics). Rogers has just returned from London and spoke to the Avera Sacred Heart Hospital Toastmaster Club 6217 and their guests, Vicki Haddock and Dalene Schramm, on September 20th at noon in the Benedictine Center.

Rogers' videos of several interviews with the athletes and pictures of the special facilities available for their use (e.g., sinks, buses, and hair stylists) gave the listeners a complete array of both the perspective from the audience's and the paraplegics' point of view and how these events have grown from about 400 athletes in the 1960s to over 4000 competitors in London.

Also on display was Rogers' hard covered book furnished to all the American athletes with "how to" instructions for properly wearing their dress uniform and beret during the 1 1/2-mile walk of the opening ceremony. The Paralympics athletes participate in activities ranging from archery to rugby (nicknamed "murder ball"). Their abilities also have a wide range from those needing constant care, to those who shoot without arms, to those who use modern technology with carbon fiber limbs. Yet, the rules are the same and competitions are being held rain or shine.

Rogers' presentation was appreciated by evaluator Jen Hovland, who noted all the audio-visual displays. Rogers' presentation was timed by Eric Taylor; any un-

needed pauses were marked by Joyce Stevens; and the word of the day "atrocious" furnished by Jennifer Wubben, under the direction of General Evaluator Melissa Bader and Toastmaster Muriel Stach.

Last week's tune "I've Been Everywhere" launched the un-going contest entitled "Who ya gonna call? Toastmasters!" This week's cackle was "Cupid, draw back your bow and let your arrow go..."

Kudos were given to Rogers for Best Speaker and Hovland for Best Evaluator prior to President Bader's reminders of still needing help at the Area Speech Contest (at 6 p.m. Sept. 27 in Freeman) and that Club dues are due by Oct. 1.

INTERCHANGE, INC.

Interchange met at noon on Sept. 24 at Minerva's. The meeting was called to order by President, Kathy Jacobs, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There were no guests.

Tammy Matuska and Marcie Moser shared information on the Chamber Holiday Fundraising Kick Off Raffle and that tickets are now on sale. Kathie Gertsner announced that the Chamber's Women's Leadership Committee is honoring the Women of Distinction past winners and elected female officials on Oct. 2 at The Landing from 5-8 p.m. Frani Kieffer announced that tickets are now on sale for the Women's Health Forum which is going to be held on Oct. 15. Lois Varvel congratulated Kathie Gertsner and Dr. Mary Milroy who are both nominees for the Spirit of Dakota Award.

Terra Fisher of Daktronics introduced her speaker, Ben Hanten, owner of Ben's Brewing Co. Ben spoke on the upcoming "Wire Me Awake" conference to be held Oct. 4. This is a one-day conference on innovation and entrepreneurship with the goal to get people to connect who should be connected. Ben also shared information on the "Angel Fund" which helps Upper Midwest companies grow through early stage funding.

The next meeting of Interchange will be at noon on Oct. 1 at Minerva's with hostess Kathie Gertsner.

GFWC YANKTON WOMAN'S CLUB

New President Pauline Akland, called to order the meeting of the Yankton Chapter of GFWC Woman's Club at 11 a.m. on Sept. 8, 2012 at the Hillcrest Golf and Country Club. The Pledge of Allegiance, South Dakota Pledge and Collect for Women were given.

Our Program was presented by Patti Vig on the benefits of reflexology. Patti explained how our feet are the avenue for every part of our body and how having healthy feet can benefit us in a number of ways. President Pauline did a "soak" so that Patti could also show the benefits of detoxing.

Leadership was given by our President. She presented us with a "recipe for a good club."

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report will be filed pending audit. Our 2012-2013 budget was presented. Motion to approve the budget was made by Julie Clifton, seconded by Donna DeJean, voted on and approved.

President Pauline inducted Arlene Young as a new member. We also had two older members rejoin our club. They are Marilyn Paulsen and Toots Marchand. Julie Clifton, standing in for Secretary Ellen Rodenberg, read a number of thank yous from the many organizations our club made donations to in the spring.

Peggy Schiedel asked that we add the Homeless Shelter to our list of charities. Marge Gross made a motion on this, Shirley Foss seconded it, we voted and it was approved.

Lists for volunteers to give leadership presentations, be hostesses, work at Bingo for Majestic Bluffs were passed. It was also discussed that our State project this year will be Awareness of Alzheimers along with Domestic Violence.

It was announced that our Eastern District Meeting will be on Saturday, Sept. 22, 2012, at the United Methodist Church in Beresford at 9:30 a.m.

Door prizes were given and received by Arlene Young, Fran Fox, Lorraine McNeeley, Marlyce Mikias and Marilyn Paulsen. The business meeting was concluded and the meeting was adjourned by President Pauline Akland.

COMMUNITY FORUM

Yankton Community Forum meets every Tuesday morning at Hillcrest Country Club. Rolls and coffee are served about 8:30 a.m. and the program begins at 9 a.m. after the pledge of allegiance, prayer and a brief sing-along. Each week, there is a different speaker presenting a regional/community oriented, informative and entertaining topic.

September programs were:

- 9/4 — Brian Paulsen, Yankton Chief of Police, discussed how law enforcement and technology have changed and shared specifics on Yankton statistics, staffing, and vehicle situation;
- 9/11 — Well-known Yankton Artist, Scott Luken, briefly explained the process of stone engraving and showed some of his work, including several award winning projects;
- 9/18 — Jacquie Fuks, Director of the Southeast S.D. Tourism Association, spoke about the wonderful and numerous events, festivals, scenic sights and recreational/outdoor activities which our south-east area of the state has to offer;
- 9/25 — Bernie Hunhoff, Editor and Publisher of South Dakota Magazine, gave a history of the Black Hills forest and talked about the destructive impact of the Ponderosa Pine Beetle.

Upcoming October agenda:

- 10/2 — Annual breakfast, meeting, and installation of new officers;
- 10/9 — Songs We Love to Sing by Joan Neubauer;
- 10/16 — Pam Kettering, retiring Executive Director of Yankton's United Way will talk about making a difference as a volunteer;
- 10/23 — Crystal Nelson will present an update on the Mead building and other Museum issues;
- 10/30 — Officers from the National Park Service will speak about and show pictures of the artifacts from the Missouri River and effects of the flooding.

You are welcome to join our friendly group. For more information, please contact Forum Secretary/Treasurer, Rose Mather (665-4615).

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