

## Gannon, SESDAC, Inc. November Employee of the Month



Brittney Gannon, Direct Support Professional, was selected as the SESDAC, Inc. November, 2015 Employee of the Month. Brittney has been a part of our organization since March, 2013. Brittney was nominated for the award by her fellow co-workers, based on her dedication to her job and the people she supports. Co-workers had the following compliments written in their nominations for Brittney... "Brittney knows and understands what each person on her caseload needs. She does a great job at balancing everything and even on hard days, she still carries her smile. Some of the words that describe her are her smile, dedication, drive, understanding, flexibility, good listener, great advocate, someone that steps up and a leader." Brittney and her family currently reside in Alcester, SD.

## Dakota Senior Meals

Served at The Main Street Center & Town Square, "Meals on Wheels"

Please call before 9:00am to schedule or cancel a meal at 624-7868.

Menus listed below are

Dec. 23 - Dec. 29. Menus are subject to change without notice. All menus are served with whole grain bread and 1% milk unless otherwise noted.

**Wednesday** - Three Bean Casserole, Tossed Salad, Cottage Cheese, Banana, Orange Juice

**Thursday** - Christmas Dinner - BBQ Ribs, Potato Wedges, Green Bean Casserole, Cranberry Mint Bread Pudding, Peaches. Call if you would like soup for Christmas Day.

**Friday** - Merry Christmas!

**Monday** - Birthday Dinner - Chicken Fried Steak, Corn, Tossed Salad, Orange, Birthday Cookies

**Tuesday** - Taco Casserole, Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Applesauce

## Dennis, SESDAC, Inc. December Employee of the Month



Meghan Dennis, Direct Support Professional, was selected as the SESDAC, Inc. December, 2015 Employee of the Month. Meghan has been a part of our organization since May, 2014.

Meghan was nominated for the award by her fellow co-workers, based on her dedication to her job and the people she supports.

Co-workers had the following compliments written in their nominations for Meghan... "Meghan always comes to work with a positive outlook and smile. She is energetic, hardworking and has a fun personality. She is a great co-worker."

Meghan currently resides in Vermillion, SD.

## Check The List: State Treasurer Has \$344.6 Million In Unclaimed Funds

PIERRE - Santa isn't the only one keeping a list. State Treasurer Rich Sattgast has \$344.6 million in unclaimed property he's looking to return to the rightful owners and you may be on his list.

Unclaimed property refers to accounts in financial institutions, businesses and government agencies that have had no activity for three years or longer. The State of South Dakota acts as the custodian of lost property until it can be returned to the rightful owners.

Since July, the Unclaimed Property Division has received \$71.7 million in forgotten funds and returned over \$7.5 million to claimants.

"As a father of three, I understand how important the holidays are for families. A little extra cash can make a big difference, especially this time of year," said Sattgast.

To check for unclaimed property, visit [www.sdtreasurer.gov](http://www.sdtreasurer.gov) or call the unclaimed property hotline at 1-866-357-2547 to talk with an unclaimed property representative.

Farm Bureau Members Donate to Feeding South Dakota

HURON - Farm and ranch families who belong to the South Dakota Farm Bureau (SDFB) are paying it forward this holiday season, making a donation of \$2,421 to Feeding South Dakota.

"Farmers and ranchers are in the food business, and we are dedicated to showing people the positive story of how that food is grown and raised today," said Cindy

Foster, who farms with her husband near Fulton, S.D., and serves as Chair of SDFB's Women's Leadership Team. "We also want to help get that food to those who need it most, especially during this Christmas season. Feeding South Dakota is a wonderful organization, and it's our pleasure to help in this way."

The donations were collected through a freewill offering during the "Sharing Our Harvest" luncheon, held during the SDFB 98th Annual Meeting. The donations came from individual farmers and ranchers who were in attendance at the meeting, and from County Farm Bureau organizations across the state.

The SDFB Women's Leadership Team heads up the organization's efforts to educate people about modern agriculture and to reach out to those in need. In addition to this annual donation to Feeding South Dakota, donations from Farm Bureau members and county Farm Bureaus makes it possible to provide year-round delivery of milk to the refrigerators at both of the Ronald McDonald Houses in Sioux Falls, plus about \$1,000 worth of groceries to stock the Sanford house's pantry. Rapid City Regional Hospital is also a recipient of Farm Bureau donations to provide food for families with children receiving medical care.

South Dakota Farm Bureau is the state's largest general agriculture organization, representing more than 16,000 farm, ranch and rural families across the state.

## At A Glance

Here's a summary of road projects added Friday to South Dakota's 2016 work list.

A 2017 pavement preservation project on the shoulders of I90 from Vivian to Oacoma.

A 2018 crack and asphalt concrete overlay project on US81 from SD46 to north of Freeman.

A 2018 asphalt concrete resurfacing project on US281 from the west junction of SD44 to the south junction of SD42.

A 2017 mill and asphalt concrete resurfacing project on US16/US16A from approximately 3.5 miles west of Custer to the west side of Custer State Park.

A 2018 mill and asphalt concrete resurfacing project on SD44 from SD47 to the Platte/Winner bridge park.

A 2017 asphalt concrete resurfacing/milling/fault repair project on SD65 from US212 to

SD20 in Ziebach County. A 2017 mill and asphalt concrete resurfacing project on SD26 from the Hand/Spink County line to US281.

Resurfacing US16 from the Nebraska state line north 11 miles.

Resurfacing SD79 at Hermosa.

Resurfacing US212 at Belle Fourche from east of 10th Avenue for 1.5 miles east.

## Yankton High School Accepting Bids For Student-Built House

Yankton High School is once again accepting sealed bids on a student-built three-bedroom 1,600 sq ft (32' x 50') house. Purchase of the house also includes an 8' x 12' yard shed. Bids are due by 1:30 pm on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at the Yankton School District Administration Building located at 2410 West City Limits Road. The public is invited to view the house and shed during Open House dates scheduled for Wednesday, December 16th, January 13th and January 27th from 3:30 - 5:00 pm at the construction site on the west side of Yankton High School. For more information including specifications, floor plan and bid instructions visit [www.yhsd.k12.sd.us/studenthouse](http://www.yhsd.k12.sd.us/studenthouse) or contact the school business office at 665-3980.

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## Living Traditions Exhibit at Mount Marty College

YANKTON - Living Traditions: Dakota, Nakota, Lakota Art, a traveling art exhibit from the South Dakota State Historical Society, will be showcased at the Bede Art Gallery January 4-29, 2016 and the Mother Jerome Schmitt Library from February 1-26, 2016, both located on the Mount Marty College Campus.

The Dakota, Nakota and Lakota people of South Dakota have produced beautiful art throughout their history. Bringing out the beauty in everyday objects led to strong traditions of decorative quillwork, beadwork, painting and carving. Dance and ceremonies also have an important place in Sioux culture. Living Traditions: Dakota, Nakota, Lakota Art showcases artistic work done in three different time periods - the nomadic hunting period, the reservation period, and modern times. Text, photographs, and images of objects from the museum collection are shown on twenty text panels in five pop-up kiosks.

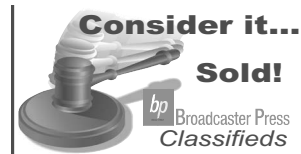
"The artwork featured in this exhibit is outstanding," said Helen B Louise, Museum of the South Dakota State Historical Society Director. "Using visual art from different historic periods shows how important traditions continue to be a part of life today."

This exhibition was funded by the South Dakota Heritage Fund and the State of South Dakota. Living Traditions: Dakota, Nakota, Lakota Art is one of ten pop-

up kiosk exhibits available from the South Dakota State Historical Society. Other exhibits include: Lewis and Clark in South Dakota which tells about the animals, plants, and people that the Corps of Discovery encountered; Properties of History: Exploring South Dakota's Historic Places features historic properties from across the state; Life Underground: Hard Rock Mining in the Black Hills examines the state's rich mining history; At Home & Abroad: South Dakota in World War II shares the story of South Dakotans during the war; South Dakota Communicates looks at early telephone communication in the state; A Capital Fight: Choosing South Dakota's Capital City tells about the lively multi-year fight to permanently locate the capital;

Drawn to the Land: Homesteading Dakota looks at the homesteading experience in Dakota; Marketing Dakota explores the hard sell used to draw settlers to the territory and the state.

For more information about the Society's traveling exhibits contact Kate Vandel, Curator of Exhibits, Museum of the South Dakota State Historical Society, 900 Governors Drive, Pierre, SD, 57501, telephone 605-773-4373 or email [kathryn.vandel@state.sd.us](mailto:kathryn.vandel@state.sd.us). Online tours of all of the Society's traveling exhibits are available online at <http://history.sd.gov/Museum/exhibits/traveling.aspx>.



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