



## JANUARY NEWSLETTER

### Guest Musings by Josh Bowar,

PAST PRESIDENT OF CHAMBER EXECUTIVE BOARD

#### Made to Thrive

For the past four years, I've had the distinct privilege of serving on the Sioux Center Chamber Executive Board.

And it has been fantastic.

Not only have I been able to learn more about Sioux Center, but I've also been able to witness something that brings me much joy: a thriving community.

What does it mean to thrive? What does it take to thrive? What needs to be in place to make genuine thriving possible and sustainable?

The Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, after much research, has identified six fundamental areas that must work together for a community to thrive:

*The True:* knowledge and learning (research, innovation, teaching, sharing stories, historical preservation) Institutions and Places: universities, libraries, schools, media, public art

*The Good:* social ethics (parenting, early childhood development, moral formation,

charitable giving, volunteering) Institutions and Places: families, churches, after-school programs, charities, social services

*The Beautiful:* design and arts (city planning, festivals, cultural entertainment) Institutions and Places: community planning boards, galleries, restaurants, public spaces/gardens, commemorative sites

*The Prosperous:* economic life (work, investment, land development, production, technology) Institutions and Places: industries, businesses, real estate

*The Just and Well-Ordered:* political and civic life (law and order, community organizations, zoning, politics)

*Institutions and Places:* local government, city hall, community groups

*The Sustainable:* the natural environment (energy, land, air quality, public health, sanitation)

*Institutions and Places:* public parks, hospitals/clinics, bike paths, sidewalks

*These aspects are worth a few minutes of reflection. Ask yourself these questions:*

How does Sioux Center rate in each aspect? What are our strengths? Where could we grow? What does it mean and take to thrive in Sioux Center? What can you contribute to Sioux Center's thriving? How could you work with real people to do real work to meet a real need?

Now my challenge to you is, as Nike says, just do it! If you see something, do something. Pick one thing you can do to contribute to our thriving community.

Let's work together for the benefit of all, for the betterment of all, for the thriving of all.

#### **Let's do it, Sioux Center!**

Source: <https://iasculture.org/research/thriving-cities-lab>





**SIOUX CENTER CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE  
HOMECOMING GRANT  
AVAILABLE:  
COLLEGE GRADUATES  
ENCOURAGED TO APPLY**

The Sioux Center Chamber is pleased to announce that they are now accepting applications for the second year of the Homecoming Grant. The Homecoming Grant is a program that awards \$6,000 to a college graduate who is originally from Sioux Center and has accepted employment in Sioux Center. Recruiting and retaining talent for local businesses continues to be a strategic priority of the Sioux Center Chamber. "Creating this grant has given us one more recruitment tool to bring talent back to Sioux Center and encourages college graduates to make Sioux Center their home," states Barb Den Herder, Executive Director of the Sioux Center Chamber.

Aaron Van Beek was the recipient of last year's Homecoming Grant. He stated, *"The community of Sioux Center has so much to offer and is supportive of higher education. This grant is a great way for graduates to come back to a thriving community that is willing to support them in every way."* Aaron was selected by the Homecoming Grant Committee from a pool of applicants.

**09 JANUARY**

**January Chamber Meeting**

**Wednesday, January 9**

**12-1 pm**

**Sioux Center Public Library**

**"Sioux Center – Growing Bright"**

An update from Scott Wynja &  
Dennis Dokter

Cost: \$10

Assorted soups and sandwiches provided  
by Subway.

**THIS GRANT IS OPEN TO ANYONE WHO:**

- has or will graduate from a two- or four-year college in 2017, 2018, or 2019
- lived in the 51250 ZIP code when they graduated from high school
- has accepted an offer for a position in Sioux Center
- has student debt more than \$6000.

The grant award is \$6000, which will be given over a 4-year period (\$1500 per year) and will be paid directly to the student's lender. Applicants must remain employed by the same employer for the 4-year period in order to receive the full grant amount.

Eligible applicants can complete an application at [www.siouxcenterchamber.com](http://www.siouxcenterchamber.com). Applications must be received by March 1, 2019, and the award will be announced by April 30, 2019.



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### Your Future @ Work

Friday, January 4

11-2:45 pm

Northwestern College



An event designed specifically for over 500 Sioux County high school sophomores, their parents and area teachers to increase awareness of career opportunities available in Sioux County. We welcome you to come visit us that day and see the event in action!

For more information, please email  
[barbdh@siouxcenterchamber.com](mailto:barbdh@siouxcenterchamber.com)

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With the objective of helping our businesses and their employees connect and serve within the community, the Chamber offers 2-3 Reach Out opportunities for our members to volunteer within our community each year. Please join us at our next volunteer project!

### Reach Out Opportunity

2nd Chance Depot

Thursday, January 29

3-4:30 pm



reach out

2nd Chance Depot is a for profit that feeds into the non-profit organization of ATLAS. They are looking for 10-15 individuals to help move furniture and some cleaning. They appreciate all the help they can get especially with moving furniture!

To sign up, please email  
[admin@siouxcenterchamber.com](mailto:admin@siouxcenterchamber.com)

05 JAN



SIoux CENTER  
**BRIDAL**  
—SHOWCASE—

SATURDAY, JAN 5

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

TERRACE VIEW EVENT CENTER

### FREE BRIDAL GOODIE BAGS

INFORMATIONAL BRIDAL BOOKLET TO **FIRST 100 BRIDES** + MIMOSAS + PASTRIES

### OVER 30 REGIONAL EXHIBITORS

EVERYTHING FROM CAKES TO FLOWERS

### CAKE CUTTING • 12:30PM

CAKE PROVIDED BY HABITUÉ COFFEEHOUSE + CAKES TO REMEMBER

### STYLE SHOW • 12:45PM

FEATURING CHRYSALIS BRIDAL SALON, KEL-BRIT'S, OC TIP TOP TUX,  
+ REFLECTIONS PROM & BRIDAL

### DOOR PRIZES + \$500 TRAVEL VOUCHER

GIVE-AWAYS THROUGHOUT THE DAY - MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN +  
**\$300 BRIDAL CASH GIVE-AWAY** + **\$500 DELTA VACATIONS TRAVEL VOUCHER**  
FROM THE TRAVEL ADVANTAGE

FOR LIST OF VENDORS  
+ MORE INFORMATION,  
VISIT

[SIouxCENTERCHAMBER.COM](http://SIouxCENTERCHAMBER.COM)

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## SAVE THE DATE!

We have some exciting things planned for you this spring so be sure to mark your calendars for these upcoming events!

**(22) FEB**

### WORK AS WORSHIP

Join other Christian business owners, CEO's and leaders who want their faith to impact their work.

Friday, February 22

7:30 am-2:30 pm

Campus of Dordt College

For more information see page 5

**(20-21) MAR**



### SIoux CENTER INDOOR FAIR

Wednesday, March 20 and Thursday, March 21

All Seasons Center

**(19) MAR**

### ANNUAL AG BREAKFAST SPONSORED BY THE CHAMBER AG COMMITTEE

Tuesday, March 19

8:30-10:30 am

Terrace View Event Center

Featuring: Kent Stock, motivational  
and inspirational speaker

Kent Stock is the author of *Heading for Home*, the story that inspired the  
motion picture, *The Final Season*

[www.kentstock.com](http://www.kentstock.com)



**(23) APR**

### SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY NIGHT

Tuesday, April 23

6:00 pm

Terrace View Event Center

Featuring: Billy Riggs, speaker  
and entertainer

[www.billyriggs.com](http://www.billyriggs.com)



## SHARE WITH US

We try hard to stay on top of the news by scouring the local papers and websites for information about our members to include in our newsletter. But we would hate to miss anything so would appreciate your help. If you have news, congrats, awards, sympathies, events or any information about your business or your employees that you would like included in the next Chamber newsletter, please email it to me by the 22nd of the month. We'd love to help share your news!

**Submissions can be made to [barbdh@siouxcenterchamber.com](mailto:barbdh@siouxcenterchamber.com)**



## WORK AS WORSHIP RETREAT

TIME: 7:30 AM - 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Dordt Ag Stewardship Center  
3648 US 75 Avenue Sioux Center, IA

REGISTER:

<http://events.rightnowmedia.org/attendee/site/325>

COST: \$30 which includes continental breakfast  
(served 7:00-7:30), morning snack, and lunch

**22 FEB**

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**WORK AS WORSHIP RETREAT**

**SPEAKERS**

 <b>FRANCIS CHAN</b> Church Planter and Bestselling Author	 <b>JON ACUFF</b> <i>New York Times</i> Bestselling Author	 <b>HELEN MITCHELL</b> Director for Faith, Work, and Economics at Biola University	 <b>ANDREW WEXLER</b> CEO, Herschend Family Entertainment
 <b>MEGAN ALEXANDER</b> Correspondent at Inside Edition	 <b>JEFFREY WRIGHT</b> Esq., MBA CEO, UMI	 <b>STEVE GREEN</b> President of Hobby Lobby	 <b>CHRIS PATTON</b> CEO, His Way At Work & Partner, Mike Patton Auto Family

**+ MORE TO COME**

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JOIN THOUSANDS OF CHRISTIAN BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS / WORKING MEN  
AND WOMEN ACROSS THE COUNTRY FOR A 1-DAY LIVESTREAM EVENT TO HEAR  
FROM EXPERTS ON CONNECTING YOUR FAITH AND WORK.



## **WELCOME!**

**WE WARMLY WELCOME  
OUR NEW MEMBER!**

### **Pour Wine Girl-Wine Shop at Home**

Stacey Blacker

503-706-1517

[www.wineshopathome.com/staceyblacker](http://www.wineshopathome.com/staceyblacker)

[pourwinegirl@gmail.com](mailto:pourwinegirl@gmail.com)

Stacey Blacker with WineShop at Home brings the wine country to you with wine tastings in your home or office with your family, friends, co-workers and gives you a special and really fun guided wine tasting experience. She frequently travels to Napa Valley and it shows in the way she does her parties. In addition to parties, she offers a 2 or 4 bottle monthly wine club delivered right to your door. Lastly, she can help with personal and corporate gifting, putting your photo or logo on the bottle, making your gift so much more than just a bottle of wine. A note from Stacey, "I am looking forward to relocating to Sioux Center soon. I'm excited to be part of the Chamber and looking forward to getting to know each of you and learning about your business services."



### **RISE GYMNASTICS RIBBON CUTTING**



**06 FEB**

## **DISCOVER Sioux Center**

**HAVE YOU RECENTLY HIRED SOMEONE  
NEW TO OUR COMMUNITY?**

**DISCOVER SIOUX CENTER WOULD LIKE  
TO INVITE THEM TO LUNCH!**

Discover Sioux Center is hosting an informational lunch on Wednesday, February 6 from 11:45-1 pm, and we welcome any of your new employees who you have hired within the last year to attend. The meeting will include an overview of our community and an update of things happening in Sioux Center. Discover Sioux Center's mission is to recruit and retain employees and this is one more way we can engage and connect with new people to our community!

Cost for lunch is \$15 and RSVP's are requested by Thursday, January 31. Please email [barbdh@siouxcenterchamber.com](mailto:barbdh@siouxcenterchamber.com) or call our office at 712-722-3457 with your employee(s)' names that you would like to attend.

## **OUR SYMPATHIES**

Our sympathies to the family of Kris Visser on his recent passing. Kris was a 3rd generation partner of Visser Elevator, an active supporter in our business community and a member of the Chamber Ag Committee. Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with his family.



## JANUARY 2019 LIBRARY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Sioux Center Public Library will be closed on the following days for the holidays:**

**December 31 from 2-9:00pm for New Year's Eve**

**January 1 for New Year's Day**

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The library will be holding a Winter Build a Pet program on Wednesday, January 16, from 2:30-3:30pm. This program is for kids ages TK-4th grade. There will be two options to choose from – a snow leopard or a seal. Cost for the program is \$10. Space is limited so sign up soon!

**8-22**

The library is excited to offer Drop-In Job and Computer Help assistance for the public. We will have a tutor available on multiple dates for people to just drop by with questions on topics like: applying for jobs online, basic computer use, using the library's e-resources, social media basics, and more! The January dates are January 8 from 6-8:00pm and January 22 from 2-4:00pm. If you have questions, stop in, we are here to help you!

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The public is invited to the library to join Dordt College history professor, Scott Culpepper, on Monday, January 28, at 7:30pm as we explore the life and legacy of the man who resides on the \$10 bill and inspired the record-breaking Broadway musical, "Hamilton".

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Love is in the air! Join the library on January 29 at 6:30pm for a Valentine's Day program and design something special for your loved one! Limited to the first 12 people so sign up now through their website at [www.siouxcenterlibrary.org](http://www.siouxcenterlibrary.org).

**05 FEB**

### PLEASE VOTE!

Voters in the Sioux Center School District are encouraged to vote on Tuesday, Feb. 5, on a new proposed Sioux Center High School facility. Polls will be open 7 a.m.-8 p.m. at the Terrace View Event Center. All voters from the Sioux Center School District will vote at the event center.

Those who are unable to vote that day, are eligible to vote at the Sioux County Auditor's Office between Jan. 7-Feb. 4. Voters also can request absentee ballots from the Sioux County Auditor's Office at 712-722-2216 or by filling out the voter request form at the auditor's office website: Election Information | Sioux County, Iowa.

The final day that absentee ballots will be mailed is Jan. 25.

People wanting to learn more about the bond election are encouraged to go to <http://www.bondissue.org/warriors>.



## PROMISE CHC AWARDED GRANT TO STUDY POTENTIAL DENTAL EXPANSION



Promise Community Health Center has been awarded a \$25,000 grant from the Delta Dental of Iowa Foundation to study potential expansion of its dental services and ways to maximize efficiency of its current space.

Significant growth in the health center's dental program over the past two years has prompted the

need for the study. With the program exceeding capacity, patients have experienced increasing wait times for appointments for services ranging from hygiene care to significant procedures.

Thanks to the grant, Promise will use the consulting services of the Capital Link office in Cottleville, MO, to assess the current state of the dental services and facilities, develop recommendations for increased efficiencies of operations, and draft future plans to address operational, staffing and space requirements.

The target completion date for the study is October 2019.

"The grant is a great opportunity for Promise to continue to build and expand on our current dental program," said Amy Kleinhesselink, co-chief executive officer of Promise. "The study will help Promise assess where we are with the dental program and determine a strategic plan so we can ensure we continue to meet and provide for the needs of our patients."

The grant also will fund the purchase of two dental hand tools to improve efficiency in patient care by the dentist and hygienist and will provide resources for two representatives of Promise to attend the National Network for Oral Health Access annual conference next October.



## AUDITIONS!

### AUDITIONS FOR THE SUMMER CELEBRATION MUSICAL: **INTO THE WOODS**

**Music & Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim**  
**Book by James Lapine**

Audition Date: Tuesday, January 15, 6-10 pm  
Where: TePaske Theatre  
Backup audition: Thursday, January 17, 6-8 pm  
Callbacks: Saturday, Jan. 19, 9-12 am  
Show Dates: June 6-9, 2019

Community members highschool age and older may audition.  
For more information, visit [www.siouxcenter.org/arts](http://www.siouxcenter.org/arts)  
or [www.facebook.com/SiouxCenterIowaArts](https://www.facebook.com/SiouxCenterIowaArts)  
For questions, contact [katehenreckson@gmail.com](mailto:katehenreckson@gmail.com).





**15 JAN**

## FEEDLOT FORUM 2019 TO FEATURE MARKETING

ORANGE CITY, Iowa – Beef producers are in a new era of marketing with more changes rapidly coming. It is this new era that will be the focus of Feedlot Forum 2019. Feedlot Forum 2019 will be Tuesday, Jan. 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. at the Terrace View Event Center in Sioux Center.

Feedlot Forum 2019 is a collaborative effort of Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, Iowa Beef Center, Iowa Cattlemen's Association and three county cattlemen's associations – Lyon, Plymouth and Sioux.

Keynote speakers include:

- Tom Brink, CEO of the Red Angus Association of America and founder of Top Dollar Angus, Inc. Brink will visit about feeder calf verification and the importance of traceability to the beef industry.
- Restaurant and culinary trends are changing menus offered to patrons. Jessica Dunker, president and CEO of the Iowa Restaurant Association, will share how changes in patron palettes are dictating the types of foods that will be prepared and sold in fast food, family and upscale restaurants.
- Chad Hart, associate professor of economics and extension economist, leads off the afternoon discussing the impact of trade tariffs on the price of ag commodities including beef. Dr. Hart and the Center for Agricultural and Rural Development just completed an analysis of the impact of tariffs on soybean prices. Hart is also versed in the effect of tariffs on meats and beef by-products.
- Rounding out the afternoon is Andrew Gottschalk, senior vice president for R.J. O'Brien and Associates. Currently, U.S. livestock producers have record meat supplies. Andrew will project how these supplies and export demand will affect cattle outlook and potential prices for beef.

Other short presentations include the roles of the Iowa Cattlemen's Association and Iowa Beef Industry Council and an update on Beef Quality Assurance and Beef Quality Assurance Transportation.

"Previous Feedlot Forums have reached producers from 25 counties and seven states," said Beth Doran, beef program specialist with ISU Extension and Outreach.

"Participants value the information presented by national speakers."

This year's forum also features 25 agri-business sponsors displaying the latest products, technology and services available to beef producers.

Registration for Feedlot Forum 2019 is \$25 per person with a discounted price of \$10 for students. All registrations are due by or before Jan. 10 to the ISU Extension and Outreach - Sioux County Office, 400 Central Ave. NW, Suite 700, Orange City IA 51041.

For more information, view the flyer at <http://www.iowabeefcenter.org/events/FeedlotForum2019.pdf> or contact Beth Doran at 712-737-4230 or [doranb@iastate.edu](mailto:doranb@iastate.edu).

### Feedlot Forum 2019



**Tuesday, January 15 || 8:30 a.m. — 3:15 p.m.**  
**Terrace View Event Center • Sioux Center**

**Reservations Due January 10 – Form on Back Side**

<p><b>8:30 a.m.</b> Registration, Refreshments and View Trade Show</p>	<p><b>11:15 a.m.</b> Restaurant and Culinary Trends: As Restaurant Patron Palettes Evolve, Men Must Follow Suit Jessica Dunker, President &amp; CEO Iowa Restaurant Association</p>
<p><b>9:30 a.m.</b> Welcome and Introductions Lance H. Voss, NW Regional Vice President Iowa Cattlemen's Association</p>	<p><b>12:00 p.m.</b> Lunch &amp; Visit with Trade Show Exhibitor</p>
<p><b>9:45 a.m.</b> Roles of the Iowa Cattlemen's Association Matt Deppa, CEO Iowa Cattlemen's Association</p>	<p><b>1:30 p.m.</b> Impact of Trade Tariffs on the Price of A Commodities Chad Hart, Associate Professor of Economics and Extension Economist Iowa State University</p>
<p><b>10:00 a.m.</b> The Iowa Beef Industry Council: The Beef It's What's for Dinner Folks Chris Frelund, Executive Director Iowa Beef Industry Council</p>	<p><b>2:15 p.m.</b> Cattle Outlook Amidst Record Meat Supplies Andrew Gottschalk, Senior Vice President R.J. O'Brien and Associates</p>
<p><b>10:15 a.m.</b> What is BQA and BQAT? Rusty Gibbs, Director of Industry Relations Iowa Beef Industry Council</p>	<p><b>3:15 p.m.</b> Adjourn</p>
<p><b>10:30 a.m.</b> Top Dollar Angus and the Age of Feeder Calf Verification Tom Brink, CEO Red Angus Association of America and Founder of Top Dollar Angus, Inc.</p>	<p>Brought to you by: Sioux, Lyon and Plymouth County Cattlemen's Associations <b>IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY</b> Extension and Outreach Iowa Beef Center</p> 