

# Yankton Thrive Weekly News

## What We're Up To...



We extend our heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended our Economic Insights event yesterday. Your participation and engagement made for great conversations on how South Dakota's workforce and housing market have evolved.

A special thank you to Economist Dr. Jared McEntaffer with Dakota Institute for his enlightening presentation on the workforce and wages, and how these factors impact our local economy. His expertise provided us with a deeper understanding of these important issues. We look forward to seeing you at our next event!



## Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting A Weigh Of Life

*a Weigh of life*

Let's Celebrate A Weigh Of Life's Ribbon Cutting!

**Where:** 610 W 23rd St. Ste. 10, Yankton, SD 57078

**When:** Tuesday, June 18 at 10:00-11:00AM



### Exciting News, Yankton!

We're thrilled to announce the upcoming launch of Discover Yankton: Bucket List Challenge! This digital pass highlights our local attractions, must-see spots, and hidden gems, making it the perfect way to explore everything Yankton has to offer.

Discover Yankton is gamified, so you can check in at various locations, earn points, and win amazing prizes! Launching Memorial weekend, this bucket list will be available year-round and will refresh with the seasons, ensuring there's always something new to discover.

Whether you're a local or a tourist, come explore the best of Yankton and create unforgettable memories with us.

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# YANKTON'S VERY FIRST TACO TAKEOVER



IS COMPLETE!

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PARTICIPATING IN  
OUR TACO TAKEOVER!  
WE CAN'T WAIT FOR  
OUR NEXT FOODIE  
ADVENTURE!

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Last Friday we joined Sacred Heart School in celebrating the grand opening of their new childcare center, Crusader Care. Housed in former Sacred Heart Elementary School classrooms that have been lovingly & thoughtfully converted into childcare spaces, Crusader Care will be serving up to 60 children & infants with the potential to expand in years to come.

Congratulations to Sacred Heart School on the completion of this dream-come-true project that will go a long way toward meeting the rising need for additional childcare facilities in our growing community!

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## COFFEE WITH THE CANDIDATES

APRIL 19: ABSENTEE VOTING BEGINS  
JUNE 4: ELECTION DAY



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April 19–June 3:

### Absentee Voting Period

- Fill out and submit an absentee ballot at the Yankton County Government Center (9AM–5PM on weekdays)

June 4: ELECTION DAY

- Polls will be open from 7AM–7 PM
- Voting Center locations TBD.
- Visit the Yankton County Auditor's Website and the South Dakota Secretary of State's Website for more info

# Thrive After Five

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS EVENT



Kick off the summer season with our upcoming event, Thrive after Five!

When: Tuesday, June 4th,  
4:30 to 6:30PM

We'll be celebrating 605 Day, revealing Taco Takeover winners, welcoming summer business interns to the community, and unveiling exciting upcoming projects.



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The Co.Starters Bootcamp was a FREE 2-day program held on Thursday and Friday last week at the MMU Board Room. It provided aspiring entrepreneurs with the tools, relationships, and insights to turn their ideas into action and create sustainable ventures. The bootcamp featured dynamic brainstorming, engaging conversations, and collaborative activities. A thank you to Becky Wiswall for coming back to teach the program and to everyone who attended!



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**Celebrate 605 Day in Yankton!**

This club may not have a secret handshake (yet), but it does have a pledge. If you're called to respect the 605 State just as much as you embrace it, then sign the Forever 605 pledge with Travel South Dakota at [Forever605.com](http://Forever605.com).

Let's shine a spotlight on Yankton, one of South Dakota's most charming and historic cities, as we join together to honor our beloved area code.

**Celebrate 605 Day!**



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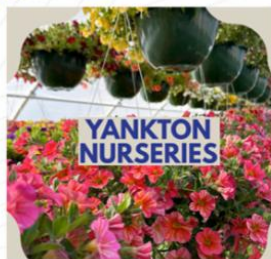


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# SMALL BUSINESS Shout-out!



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This week, our Small Business Shoutout highlights **Yankton Nurseries!**

Yankton Nurseries in Yankton, SD, is a premier destination for gardening enthusiasts and homeowners looking to enhance their landscapes. Offering a wide selection of plants, trees, shrubs, and gardening supplies, Yankton Nurseries is dedicated to providing high-quality products and expert advice. With a commitment to sustainable practices and a passion for cultivating beauty in the community, they are the go-to source for all your horticultural needs in the Yankton area.

Check out their Facebook page below, or call (605) 665-6560.

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## EXPLORE Yankton!

NEW HIRES & INTERNS  
**JOIN US!**

- MAY 21, 8:30AM:** WELCOME TO YANKTON BREAKFAST  
YANKTON THRIVE BOARD ROOM
- JUNE 4, 4:30-6:30PM:** THRIVE AFTER FIVE: COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS  
BEN'S BREW STATION
- JUNE 18, 8:30AM:** MIDSUMMER CHECK-IN BREAKFAST,  
YANKTON THRIVE BOARD ROOM
- JULY 16, 8:30AM:** FAREWELL BREAKFAST,  
YANKTON THRIVE BOARD ROOM
- JULY 25, 5:30PM:** THRIVE NIGHT,  
LAWN AT MUSIC AT THE MERIDIAN



**CALLING ALL INTERNS!** We're excited to extend an invitation to your interns to join us for Explore Yankton, a special summer series designed for newcomers & interns in our community.

Explore Yankton offers the opportunity to connect with others, establish valuable networks, & discover essential resources that will enhance their experience in Yankton.

Whether they come once or join us for all, they'll receive a warm welcome & plenty of insights about our city. Perhaps they'll fall in love with Yankton just as much as we have, and make it their forever home!

For questions or further info, please contact Rita at [rita@yanktonsd.com](mailto:rita@yanktonsd.com) or call the Thrive office at 605-665-3636.



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## Upcoming Events



**TODAY!**

**Summer Passport Series**  
Career exploration opportunities for youth  
ages 14-21

**Where:** IFLI — International Flight Instruction  
Institute, Chan Gurney Airport, 700 East 31st  
Street

**When:** Mon, June 3, 1:00-3:00PM

Questions? Contact Julie Fleek, Career Ready  
Advisor at [Julie.Fleek@state.sd.us](mailto:Julie.Fleek@state.sd.us)



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# 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Yankton Area Mental Wellness Conference



## 26th Annual Yankton Area Mental Wellness Conference – Embracing Change

**When:** June 5–6  
**Where:** Yankton High School,  
1801 Summit St.

\*Enter through the Main Entrance Doors near  
the circle drive.

[Register Online!](#)

**Summer Safety Tips**  
**FREE!**  
**JUNE 6TH**  
**12:10PM - 12:50PM**  
**AT YANKTON THRIVE**

Bring your own lunch!

### Lunch & Learn: Summer Safety Tips

**When:** June 6, 12:10–12:50PM  
**Where:** Yankton Thrive Welcome Center,  
803 E 4th St.

\*Bring your own lunch!

Topics include frequent summer illnesses &  
injuries, sun dangers to your skin, & first aid  
do's & don'ts

[Learn More!](#)



### Yankton Ribfest is back!

**When:** June 8, 11:00AM–12:00AM  
**Where:** Downtown Yankton, 3rd Street

Stop by downtown Yankton for an  
amateur rib contest, free live music, food  
vendors, cornhole tournament, and  
much more!

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### Homestead Days & Lake Yankton Festival

**When:** June 8, 10:00AM–1:00PM  
**Where:** Pierson Ranch Recreation Area, 4  
miles West of Yankton on Highway 52

A day of family fun celebrating the rich  
history & traditions of homesteading in  
SD with activities including historical  
reenactments, craft demonstrations, &  
games for all ages!



### SAVE THE DATE!

*Tour De Yankton*  
A Recruitment & Hiring Event designed  
to allow job seekers to explore various  
career opportunities in Yankton.

**When:** June 18, 3:00–5:00PM  
**Where:** On-site at participating  
businesses

Contact the DLR today to sign up for  
future events at 605-668-2900.

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