

Osnes Named Schmitt Scholar

Mount Marty College student Jacquelyn Osnes, Rapid City was recently selected as the Mother Jerome Schmitt Presidential Scholar for 2011-2012.

The prestigious full tuition scholarship is awarded to a senior based on scholastic achievement, participation and contribution to the academic and civic community, along with faculty recommendations.

Osnes is an elementary and special education major at Mount Marty College with aspirations of attending graduate school for a degree in speech pathology or special education. She is active in a variety of campus organizations including Education Club, ADMIT club, Mixed Choir, and Campus Ministry. She has also served as an Orientation Leader, Ambassador, student tutor at the Learning Center and a writer for *The Moderator*.

According to Sarah Carda, Vice President and Dean for Student Affairs, Jacqui is a deserving recipient. "Jacqui is truly an inspirational student whose faith permeates all her involvement and activities. She is a bright student who is willing to give of her time and talent for the betterment of the College and others."

"Jacqui comes from a family that has shown a life-long commitment to Mount Marty and the Church. They have provided a firm foundation on which to thrive academically and personally," Carda added.

According to Associate Professor of Teacher Education, Sister Candyce Chrystal, "Jacqui is an insightful person who is able to read the world and people around her and learn from that experience as well as from her textbooks and classroom experiences. She is definitely worthy of the Mother Jerome Schmitt Scholarship. Her personality, her gifts and talents, and her faith all indicate a person committed to making a difference for others."

Upon hearing of her selection for the honor, Osnes said, "Receiving this scholarship is just one of the many blessings that I have received in my time at Mount Marty. In the Gospel of Luke, God's people are reminded that "to whom much has been given, of him much will be required." In my remaining time at Mount Marty and even after that, I hope to give back to this community in every opportunity possible."

The Mother Jerome Schmitt Presidential Scholarship is presented every year in honor of its namesake, Mother Jerome. She assisted in opening Mount Marty Academy in 1922, where she taught for ten years. In 1932 she was elected Prioress of Sacred Heart Convent and served in that position for 29 years. Under her leadership, Mount Marty Junior College began in 1936. Mother Jerome Schmitt served as Mount Marty College's first president from 1936-1957.

Osnes is the daughter of John and Joni Osnes, Rapid City.



Osnes

NOTE: This was written as a remembrance on occasion of the 100th anniversary of Marty Council of the Knights of Columbus, Sacred Heart Parish.

BY ROBERT F. LYONS

WHEN MY GRANDFATHER, James A. Donohoe (1857-1996) decided to move his family from Iowa to South Dakota in 1910, he had three requirements: good farmland, a location near a Catholic Church and a Knights of Columbus Council. His timing was perfect for Father Lawrence Link in Yankton was just forming a Knights of Columbus Council at the recently completed Sacred Heart Church. On December 22, 1910, the men of the parish gathered in the basement of the new church and formally established Marty Council of the Knights of Columbus. A formal initiation ceremony was later held at the Odd Fellows Hall (the old courthouse) on the following January 8th, 1911. The records of Marty Council state that James A. Donohoe and his two sons, John W. and Will S. transferred membership on February 24, 1913. Grandfather Donohoe became a member and embraced the Knights' mission: "to seek strength in solidarity, and security through unity of purpose and devotion to a holy cause: members vowed to be defenders of their country, their families and their faith" for this was part of his vision of building a new community. He proudly wore his K of C watch fob on his vest (visible in photo) with its TFMM motto: Tempus Fugit Memento Mori (Time Flies, Remember Death).

At age 55 Mr. Donohoe moved from a prosperous Irish farming community in Johnson County, Iowa to Yankton with his wife, Mary and 6 adult children. He bought a 640 acre farm north of the cemetery on Douglas Avenue (now the Wintz & Ray Funeral Home) where he built a replica of the large farm house he had left in Iowa. Mr. Donohoe was a progressive state-of-the-art farmer who rapidly determined that Yankton did not have an adequate milk supply. He installed automatic milking machines in a new milk processing building which was such a novelty that the townspeople drove out on Sunday afternoons to witness this progressive apparatus in action. He developed a dairy business with a herd of 50 Holstein cows and door-to-door horse and wagon delivery. It was called the Sanitary Dairy Co. and eventually merged into the Keating Creamery Company which had been established in 1913 by two other leaders in the Yankton business and Catholic community, brothers Frank J. and John L. Keating.

Mr. Donohoe subscribed to the views of Thomas Jefferson that, "if we're going to have a successful democratic society, we have to have a well educated and healthy citizenry." He sent his three sons and three daughters on to academies and colleges of higher education. His youngest daughter, Mary (my mother, Mrs. William F. Lyons) graduated from Yankton College and became a public school teacher. In his library, he read into the night from the Catholic Encyclopedia. He was well known and respected in the business community as his obituary notes "Another of Yankton's respected old citizens passed from the scene today. ... Mr. Donohoe, besides maintaining an active interest in his home surroundings, also made regular trips downtown and was often seen visiting with old friends in the business district" (*Yankton P&D*, August 21, 1946). Frank Yaggie, lifelong businessman, community person, artist and citizen of Yankton, told me some years ago: "Your grandfather Donohoe was known as Mr. Catholic because of his strong involvement and interest in the church and community." For him, active participation in the Catholic Church and in the Knights of Columbus was an exercise in the

civic and religious virtues he cherished to build a community of believers and good citizens, and the institutions to support them.

In politics, Mr. Donohoe was a democrat. He was interested in all that would promote the progress and prosperity of Yankton. He bought \$5,000 of bonds in 1919 to assist in the one and one-half million dollar bond drive to build the Meridian Bridge across the Missouri

was passed along to his grandchildren. Pat Lyons was among the first to initiate the use of center pivot irrigation systems on his 600 acre farm east of Yankton. He transformed intensive pig farming for which he was recognized as one of the five commercial Master Pork Producers for 1972. The award is sponsored by S.D. Livestock Expansion Foundation, S.D. Extension Service, and the S.D. Association of Vocational Instructors. He also has been a supervisor of the Yankton County Conservation District and chairman of the Yankton County South Dakota Pork Council.

Jack Lyons, Choir Director of St. Benedict's Church, and his wife Margaret, both retired music teachers, were recognized as Yankton's Citizens of the Year 2009 for their 45 years of promoting music, theater, education and preservation of historic sites. Under the auspices of the Donohoe brothers, Jim, George and Jerry, hundreds of housing units have been built over the last decades on the original Donohoe farmland to meet the expanding housing requirements for citizens in Yankton. The principal

street defining this development is named "Donohoe Boulevard". The secondary streets are named for several James and Mary Donohoe children, William Cr. Ella Lane, Francis, Anna and Mary Streets.

The Marty Council of the Knights of Columbus as it celebrates its 100th anniversary reaffirms its commitment of service to the Catholic Church, community service and fellowship. The legacy of James Donohoe and others of that founding membership continues to live through the hundreds of hours each year when Marty Council assists in the needs of the Church and community of Yankton. I am proud that my grandfather, James Donohoe and my beautiful grandma, Mary Donohoe, who lived to be 100 years of age, were a part of its origins in the town and county of my birth.

Robert F. Lyons, grandson of James and Mary Donohoe and son of William and Mary Donohoe Lyons lives in New England where he teaches Irish Short Stories, Irish Film Classics, Irish Readers Theatre in life-long learning programs at the University of Southern Maine, Portland, Tufts University in Boston, Dartmouth College, and while living in Ireland, at University College Cork.



Grandparents Mary and James Donohoe (1945)

River from Yankton to Nebraska.

The Sacred Heart parish census for 1908 reports a congregation of 750 people, 620 born in the United States, 50 in Ireland, 50 in Germany, 12 in Bohemia, 10 in Austria, 4 in Canada and 2 each in England and Poland. The early decades of the 20th century in South Dakota experienced waves of immigrants who responded to the call of land and opportunity in the West.

*To the West, to the West, to the land of the free,
Where the mighty Missouri rolls down to the sea,*

Where a man is a man if he's willing to toil,

And the humblest may gather the fruits of the soil.

Where the people are true to the vows that they frame,

And their pride is the honor that's shown to their name;

Away! Far away! Let us hope for the best,

And build up a home in the land of the west.

(Chas. Mackay 1814-1889)

A snapshot of Yankton County from the Federal census of 1910 shows a population of 13,135 which included people from Austria, Bulgaria, Canada, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Holland, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, and from Norway, 2000 persons, a clear majority. There were 225 people, whose parents had been born in Ireland, as were the parents of James and Mary Donohoe. In response to anti-Catholic prejudice in the first decades of the 20th century in South Dakota, a collective sense of Catholicity eventually superseded any separate, immigrant identity. Churchgoers tended to bond together to combat a common foe. South Dakota Catholics identified more with their religion and their fraternal organizations such as the Knights of Columbus than with their nationalities.

The legacy of James Donohoe's agricultural innovation, civic service, support for education and music, and the promotion of progress in the Yankton community

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BEADLE BASH



Yankton's Beadle Elementary principal Corey Mitzel is pictured as he was slimed at a school carnival as a result of the students successful fundraising efforts.



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CDWC Trivia Contest Held

On Sunday, April 10, the Corps of Discovery Welcome Center held a trivia event in Crofton, Neb.

Teams participating were sponsored by: Crofton Elevator Inc, Crofton Journal, Cedar County News, Outdoorsman Productions, Crofton Senior Citizens Center, Cedar County Commissioners, Modern Woodmen of America and NE Nebraska RC & D.

The winning team was Crofton

Elevator Inc. The event was emceed by Joe Janssen and the event judges were Sheri and Doug Moser.

More than \$2,400.00 was raised which will help with the operations of the Welcome Center. It was sponsored by Modern Woodmen of America.

The Corps of Discovery Welcome Center is a non-profit 501c entity.

With Fondest Memories

We remember those who have passed
away and are especially dear to us.

On Saturday, May 28th we will publish in print and online at Yankton.net
a Memorial Day section devoted to those who are gone but not forgotten.

Select one of the verses below to accompany your tribute.

1. We hold you in our thoughts and memories forever.
2. May God cradle you in his arms, now and forever.
3. Forever missed, never forgotten. May God hold you in the palm of His hand.
4. Thank you for the wonderful days we shared together. My prayers will be with you until we meet again.
5. The days we shared were sweet. I long to see you again in Gods heavenly glory.
6. Your courage and bravery still inspire us all, and the memory of your smile fills us with joy and laughter.
7. Though out of sight, you'll forever be in my heart and mind.
8. May the light of peace shine on your face for eternity.
9. May God's angels guide you and protect you throughout time.
10. You were a light in our life that burns forever in our hearts.
11. May God's graces shine over you for all time.
12. You are in our thoughts and prayers from morning to night and from year to year.
13. We send this message with a loving kiss for eternal rest and happiness.
14. May the Lord bless you with His graces and warm, loving heart.
15. I have written my own message and it is included.

To remember your loved one in this special way, send \$10.00 per listing.

Fill out the form below and mail to:
Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan/With Fondest Memories
319 Walnut Street, Yankton, SD 57078

Deadline: Tuesday, May 24, 2011

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Name of deceased		
Date of birth	Date of passing	
Number of selected verse	OR	Personal message
Print your name here		Phone Number
Address/City/State/Zip		

MEETINGS

GET UP & GO

The Get Up & Go met May 1st at the Irene Legion Hall. President Bailey Hinseth called the meeting to order. The American Flag Pledge was led by Heather Hauger and the 4-H Pledge by Hunter Hinseth. Stephanie Hauger's demonstration was on how to make a May Day Basket. This year we will be serving free ice cream at Sunday in the Irene Park on June 5. This year our club and another club is in charge of the Soup Kitchen. Lunch was served by Trevor and Erin Hansen.

YANKTON AREA RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The Yankton Area Retired Teachers Association met Thursday, May 5, 2011, at the Elks Lodge, Yankton. The program, "South Dakota Stories," was presented by Bernie Hunhoff, publisher of *South Dakota Magazine*. Members brought food items to contribute to the Contact Center.

Vice President Gene Bormann presided at the business meeting. He reported that the local unit received Honorable Mention at the state convention held in Pierre, May 3-4, for their volunteer work with young people.

Ross Den Herder, representing "Yes for Kids" gave a presentation. A resolution in favor of the opt-out was passed.

Officers for next year were installed by Donna Fischer, State RTA Secretary and include President Gene Bormann, Vice President Joan Neubauer, Secretary Nora Lee and Treasurer Pat Michels.

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THRU FRIDAY

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