

Mark Drilling (6-04) Encinitas, CA had his first auction in August. It was a benefit for a girl who needed a liver transplant. In Sept he worked at a sale for the city of Oceanside. He has been MC at several benefits. He & Stokes Auction Group have opened an office in southern California.

Carolyn Naglastad (3-86) Chicago, IL is doing some tv acting & taking care of her grandchild.

2004 NAA contest winner of the advertising C & 1 real estate was **Dave** (3-94) & **Jolene Jokela-Veo**, Osage, MN, photo graphy of automobile auction was **Yvette VanDerBrink** (3-01) Hardwick, MN.

Ben Barkow (6-04) Conklin, MI first auction was selling at the fair. He said it was fun & a humbling experience.

Steve Hermansen (6-04) North Salt Lake, UT went to the fire academy in Maryland. His instructor had him get up in front of the class to do some chanting. His first benefit was because the auctioneer didn't show up & his Mother volunteered him.

Howard Lemm (3-97) Billings, MT was pretty fired up today, we had an \$11,000,000 oil & gas auction on 43 parcels which was a record for Montana. We start our parcels at the administrative minimum of \$2. an acre. By the end of the auction I was hoarse.

Bruce Lawrence (6-04) San Clemente, CA has been helping & doing charity auctions.

Tom Street 11-94) Farmington, NM went back after school to be in the family auto dealership. He is out of the car business now & is getting into the auction profession.

Wayne Lesmeister 11-99) Belle Fourche, SD after working for an auction company for 17 yrs he quit & started his own auction service called Stateline Auction. His first auction he had **Riley Waltman** (6-94) Box Elder & **Bob Bertolotto** (3-01) Sturgis assist him.

Mike Fusano 12-85) Montrose, CA is married now.

Joe Lissolo (3-04) Bowman, ND had been in the auction business (self taught) for 30 yrs. To be licensed in ND he needed to have gone to school. Since school he had done 5 auctions plus a horse auction in NE. He is helping with a machinery auction in Aug & an old time auction in Sept. His cattle business keeps him busy.

Melanie Adrade (3-04) Visalia, CA did the Rocky Mountain Elk foundation auction. She got to sell 20 head of livestock. She had done a church charity. She is back in college.

Jim Lewis (12-79 & 3-02) Lynnwood, WA had a stroke the end of Jan. He is doing great.

Newton Martin (6-03) Santa Rosa, CA left 7/5 for a motor-cycle trip thru NV, ID, MT, SD, NE, WY, & UT.

Jeff Enquist (6-04) Stockholm, SD has had 5 auctions since school.

Ron Turner (6-04) Simi Valley, CA was able to secure an auctioneering position within 2 wks after graduating. I'm still working for Lockheed Martin & doing auctions on weekends. Since graduating I've done 15 auctions. I did a benefit for the Elk's Club in San Ynes. Sold 20 gal of gas for \$300, bottle of wine \$250 & many more items for outrageous prices. My next auction will be Jan 16, 2005.

Jeff Storm (3-01) Custer, SD became a Daddy July 8 to a boy, Brody Stan. He weighed 8 lbs 7.5 oz & 23 inches (ready to catch up with Dad). Jeff was chairman of the fun auction held at the SDAA convention held in Chamberlain. He was elected vice-pres. **Jud Seaman** was the retiring president. **Jeff Stokes** (3-76) Edgewood, WA & **Gayle & Jerry Ellis** were speakers at the convention. **Val Jark**, (12-85) Aberdeen was on the nomination committee.

Jerry Casteel (9-79) Sturgis, SD was really sick in June. He thought it was because of an old building that they were cleaning out.

In the top 10 finalist for the International Livestock contest held in Calgary were: **Chance Martin** (9-90) Red Deer, AB & **Ross Annett** (6-72) Brooks, AB.

Lee Knight (11-01) Sandy, UT does storage unit auctions. He works with **Bonnie & Ken Jackson** (6-84) Midvale, UT. Lee is still cooking & is in the bee business. They have had their 3rd child.

Rocking **Todd Sturdevant** (6-03) Newberg, OR bought an auction facility next to the auto auction in Portland. He has 4 auctions going at the same time. He had **Joni Nash** (6-03) Stillwater, OK come & sell in Oct.

Morgan McArthur (6-95) New Zealand was asked to speak to a group of farmers. They were holding a fundraiser for a local school. At the end they had 2 items valued at \$1000. to auction off. They didn't have an auctioneer. So guess what? Well, I have never done an auction since graduating. Never thought I was good enough. Did I remember how? Pretty much. We had a blast! A crowd of 80 got into the auction that they were buying & donating it back. I sold a tablecloth from the raffle 3 times for a total of \$1000. We cleared \$5800. I want to do more of this stuff. I'm training for another ironman triathlon in March.

Sleepy Avant (3-98) Aromas, CA was featured in the Salinas Californian April 10th. The writer says when he hears voices like Sleepy's, I know money & goods are changing hands. Sleepy specializes in antiques & collectibles. He bid calls at the San Juan Auction Center.

Chuck Whitman (12-90) Spokane, WA was elected to the board of directors for the Washington Auctioneer Assoc..

Clint Cord (10-01) Hayden Lake, ID won the Northwest Auctioneer junior championship held in Spokane, WA in Oct.

Oscar Jaramillo 6-01) Tucson, AZ is working 6 plus auctions a month in Tucson & Phoenix. He works with **Don Barton** (4-04) Tucson & **Justin Hargrave**, Mesa.

Keith Munns (3-65) Rexburg, ID does 3 livestock auctions each week in Rexburg & Idaho Falls.

Angie Joseph (6-04) Ft Collins, CO put the news release in the paper about going to school. They put it next to the obituaries. There were a lot of laughs. Done a lot of benefits that sold pies. The word is out that Angie can sell pies! This summer I toured WY, SD, ND, MT, SK & MB, completing my tour of all 50 states. **Trevor Stephens** (6-04) Redmond, OR & I went to help **Gwen Valparaiso** (6-04) Ewa Beach, HI with her first auction. It totaled \$107,425.00.

Jim Thybo (6-00) Bell Fourche, SD has a consignment auction. He is expanding into ND & WY.

Justin Hargrave (6-02) Mesa, AZ was People's choice auctioneer at the Arizona bid- calling contest.

Danielle Vogstad (3-04) Rose-dale, AB has been busy with college & made it into the tv program that I wanted.

Frank McInenly (3-67) Vulcan, AB daughter, **Stacey** 8-96) & husband **Jon Schooten** (6-03) Stavely did the 23rd annual Calgary Stampede Western Art Show auction.

Dan TeSelle (11-96) Bozeman, MT rolled his 4-wheeler & broke his rt collarbone. In Feb he lost his Dad, **Ben** (3-62).

Warren Spang (7-92) Lame Deer, MT did a fund-raising auction for the developmental educational assistance program & Eastern MT Industries.

Alfred Reiber (3-68) Scotts Bluff, NE is retiring.

Kent Granmoe 6-90) Glendive, MT was in the '04 Technology show held in Billings, in Jan. He won The People's Choice Award for his hydraulic pressure relief tool. He made the first one 8 yrs ago using it himself. He is now talking with a manufacturing company about producing and marketing it.

Norman Wilmeth (3-75) Guymon, Ok is 86yr old. He does fundraisers, for the flying farmers.

George Kimbel (3-04) Shelton, WA had his first auction 6/13. **Dave**

Fenton (11-96) Shelton gave him a helping hand.

Nathan Lumley 10-03) Trochu, AB is enrolled in the land information systems program at Olds College. It involves surveying, GPS & making maps with geographic information software. It is a 2 yr program.

Steve Kavanagh (6-04) Vancouver, BC won the novice contest held with the BC auctioneers. Brother, **Mark** (6-01) Delta, BC won 4th place in the regular contest. I have been doing 6-8 auctions a month. I sold 300 lots my first auction. We've been selling a lot of hardwood flooring.

John Marcinko (6-03) Reno, NV has gone the route of charity auctions.

Charlee Mills Kuhbacher (11-96) Oshoto, WY had a new addition to the auction force! A baby boy Sept 17th, Paysen J.

Ray Stanart8-95) Mustang, Ok is doing 3 car auctions a week.

Lorrie Massia Hafermehl (3-00) Spruce Grove, AB is still employed by Liquidation World, Inc, but am no longer managing the auction department. I still sell on Thurs sale, but full time I do the purchasing. I have been working some farm sales for another company. My husband & I are taking time off to go to Hawaii this winter.

Brian Heslin (6-88 & 3-00) Tofield, AB has sold his auction barn.

Ian Whyte (3-04) Aurora, Co started his auction facility in Aug. Shortly after that I was lucky to do a large estate full of guns, tools, & collectables. Did our first fundraiser in Nov.

Lem Robinson (3-03) Worden, MT bid called & ringed at the liquidation of Marine Pipeline Construction in Edmonton, AB in July. Buyers came from around the world. The auction consisted of 6000 lots. It was sold over 3 days. The auction totaled \$26 million. They sold: caterpillars, backhoes, pick-ups, trucks & trailers.

Jan Falstad, a writer for the Blgs Gazette, went into a super-

Market in Austin, TX & spotted 2 big Bronze Chief flour grinders with Wheat Montana sign on them. Wheat Montana is owned by **Dean Folkford** (12-82) Three Forks. They have 80 kiosks from the East Coast to the West Coast. Their hot item now is the half loaves. They are setting up Wheat Montana Deli & Bakery shops all over.

Jack McGuiness & **Barry Ellis** purchased the Baker Livestock Market in Baker, Mt in July. Aug 25th was their first auction. WCA graduates present were: Jack McGuiness, **Dru Stewart** (6-00) Billings, **Bo Bevis** (3-04) Winnett, **Joe Lissolo** (3-04) Bowman, ND, **Barry Ellis** (6-90), **Dan Riegger** (12-64 & 12-68) Ismay, **Jerry Ellis** (9-67).



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Front Row: Angie Joseph, Ft Collins, CO; Mark Drilling, Encinitas, CA; Ray Granmoe, Inst; Jerry & Gayle Ellis, Owners; Jack Bowser, Inst; Gwen Valparaiso, Ewa Beach, HI.

Second Row: Luke Hayes, Fruita, CO; Ron Turner, Simi Valley, CA; Gene Ryg, Huntley, MT; Burt Benson, Baker, MT; Wallace Martin, Ridgecrest, CA; Jimmie Brach, Loma, CO; Levi Tibke, Carson, ND.

Third Row: Cal Knock, Billings, MT; Bruce Lawrence, San Clemente, CA; Ben Barkow, Conklin, MI; Jeff Enquist, Stockholm, SD; Kyle Pea, Juliaetta, ID; Lance Benson, Billings, MT; Steve Hermansen, North Salt Lake, UT; Steve Kavanagh, Vancouver, BC.

Fourth Row: Josh Martin, Manter, KS; Darren Fischer, Rimbey, AB; Andy Shewchuk, Binscarth, MB; Trevor Stephens, Redmond, OR; Trevor Hogan, Modesto, CA; Tony Carter, Willard, UT; Brian Goodwater, Dixon, CA; Quinten LePlatt, Monte Vista, CO; Monte Houston, Oakdale, CA.



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Third Row: Whitey Wildenberg, Bremerton, WA; Robert Morales, Smithfield, UT; Aaron Woods, Vancouver, BC; Matt Magness, Huron, SD; Glenn Gray, Minot, ND; John Vaughan, Coquille, OR.