
*SCCDP ANNUAL
AWARDS
BANQUET*

MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020
SEWARD COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
HARVEST HALL



LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

The Seward County Chamber & Development Partnership enters 2020 energized by a year of economic growth and continued strong support from members, the community, local governments and other stakeholders. The Board of Directors and I would like to thank you for your commitment to our mission as we work toward achieving the goals set out by the 2035 Vision Statement.

One of the highlights of 2019 was the decision by Nebraska-based Scoular to locate its new subsidiary, Petsource by Scoular, at the Seward Rail Campus. Groundbreaking for the more than \$51 million state-of-the-art manufacturing facility for pet food ingredients was held in August and the company anticipates opening this fall. This is the single largest capital investment project in the history of Seward County. It was recognized by the Mid-America Economic Development Council (MAEDC) during its awards ceremony in December. Scoular is expected to bring 95 primary jobs and 51 secondary jobs to the Seward County area by the third quarter of 2020.

Other Seward County economic development success stories in 2019 included more than \$30 million in investments in poultry growing facilities across Seward County that will benefit multiple generations of local farming families. Plex Homes in 2019 broke ground on first apartment building project in Seward County in nearly 20 years, located on Columbia Avenue across from the Concordia University, Nebraska campus in Seward. Runza National began work on a new restaurant in Milford, committing to a half million-dollar investment and 15 new jobs in the community. Downtown Utica is undergoing an extensive revitalization effort, highlighted by the recent purchase and renovation of a vacant building by Old Cottonwood, an antique retailer with a customer base from across the United States.

Two new housing developments, Shoal Creek south of the Seward Middle School, and Fairway Woods, near the Seward Community Golf Course, are under construction. The city and county completed the Seward County Housing Study, which set a goal of building 488 additional housing units by 2024.

The SCCDP staff in 2019 continued to focus on developing strong relationships with Seward County businesses by providing opportunities and events that bring value to members. With member input, the Board completed a three-year strategic plan. The current SCCDP staff was expanded and now includes a Development Director, Membership Director, Marketing & Events Coordinator, and a part-time Administrative Assistant.

I am looking forward to the business and economic development opportunities 2020 will bring. I pledge the support of the SCCDP in helping members prosper throughout the year.

Sincerely,
Mike Fehlhafer

2019 HIGHLIGHTS

WHAT A YEAR IT HAS BEEN!

**\$55,624 IN CHAMBER
BUCKS SOLD**



**SUCCESSFULLY WROTE
& RECEIVED AN \$18,000
GRANT TO UPDATE THE
SEWARD COUNTY
HOUSING STUDY**

**RECEIVED \$90,000
GRANT FROM NIFA TO BE
PAID IN \$30,000/YEAR
INCREMENTS FOR STAFF
TO FOCUS ON HOUSING
DEVELOPMENT**

**JONATHAN JANK WAS
NAMED THE 2019
NEBRASKA ECONOMIC
DEVELOPERS
ASSOCIATION (NEDA)
PROFESSIONAL OF THE
YEAR IN THE
COMMUNITY CATEGORY**



**SCOULAR BROKE
GROUND ON PETSOURCE
BUILDING IN SEWARD
RAIL CAMPUS; WON A
MAEDC AWARD FOR
PROJECT**

**PARTNERED WITH
NEBRASKA
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
TO HOST JOB FAIRS IN
MILFORD & UTICA FOR
DISPLACED WORKERS
FROM CARE CENTER
CLOSURES**



**HIRED TWO NEW TEAM
MEMBERS TO GROW THE
SCCDP ORGANIZATION**

**WELCOMED NEW
RESTAURANTS LA
COCINA (SEWARD) AND
RUNZA (MILFORD) TO
THE COUNTY**

2019 MEMBER INVESTORS WITH SCCDP

Abbott Portable Toilets, LLC
 Allure Fashions
 American Family, Angie
 Murray-Pate Agency
 Amigos / Kings Classic
 Awe Salon and Barber
 Beaver Crossing Country
 Cabin
 Bern's Body Shop
 Betty's Bunch Temporaries
 Binary.Net
 Black Hills Energy
 Blue River Electric
 Blue Valley Behavioral Health
 Bluestem Network, LLC
 Bottle Rocket Brewing, LLC
 Breeza Industrial
 Briggs Feedyard
 Bright Beginnings Child
 Development Center
 Brookdale Heartland Park
 Café on the Square
 Campbell Cleaning by ECES
 INC
 Casey's General Store
 Cattle Bank & Trust
 Cattle Investment Solutions
 CCS - Custom Construction
 Services, LLC
 Chapters Books & Gifts
 Chartwells Foodservice
 Chez Bubba Cafe
 Church of Christ - Seward
 City of Milford
 City of Seward
 Cobblestone Hotel & Suites
 Common Cent\$
 Bookkeeping
 Concordia University
 Crossmakers of Seward
 Davisson Furniture Center,
 Inc.
 Earnest Well Drilling, Inc.
 Edward Jones Investments
 Ehlers Electronics
 Enhanced Physical Therapy
 Et Cetera Gift & Thrift Shop
 Faith Lutheran Church
 Farm Bureau Financial
 Services, Jack Russell
 Farmers Cooperative
 Fast Mart
 Friends of the Seward
 Library
 FullField Ag
 Gerhold Concrete
 Company
 GFCW Jr. Women's Club
 GFCW Women's Club
 Gold Star Martial Arts
 Grace Evangelical Lutheran
 Church
 Great Plains Communications
 Greene Place
 H&S Plumbing Heating
 and Air
 Hackbart Chiropractic
 Hartmann Construction Co.
 Heartfelt Incorporated
 Hefty Seed Company
 Helmink Printing &
 Graphic Design
 Heritage Homes
 Hillcrest Wedding Décor
 Rentals LLC
 Hollman Media, LLC
 Home Real Estate &
 Underwood Construction
 Hope Crisis Center
 Horizon Financial
 Management, Inc.
 Hughes Brothers, Inc.
 Hydraulic Equipment
 Service, Inc.
 Image Inflators
 inMOTION Fitness, LLC
 JD's Coffee Shop
 Jessie T. Langworthy Trust
 Jones Financial Services
 Jones Bank
 Junto Wine
 Kaleigh Mueller
 Photo/Video/Design
 Kelsey Buss Photography
 Kirby Roth Insurance
 Kiwanis Club of Seward
 Kiwanis - Helping Hands
 Krieser Drywall & Insulation
 La Carreta Mexican
 Restaurant
 Laminated Wood Systems
 Last Mile Networks
 League of Women Voters
 of Seward County
 Lenz Construction, Inc.
 Liberty First Credit Union
 Liberty House Bed & Breakfast
 Lindy Studios
 Living Word Lutheran
 Church
 Lula Belle
 Maly Marketing
 Marla Belitz Johnson, CPA, PC
 McConnell Thermal
 Services, LLC
 McDonald's - Seward
 Memorial Health Care
 Systems
 Merle's Flower Shop
 Merle's Garden Center
 Meyer Automotive Inc.
 Milford Chamber of
 Commerce
 Montag Manufacturing
 Movie Place Video
 Mustang Graphics
 Nebraska Bounce , Inc.
 Nebraska Cellular Store, U.S.
 Cellular
 Nebraska Equipment
 Nebraska Harvest Center, Inc.
 Nebraska National Guard
 Museum
 Nebraska Public Power
 District
 Neutral Grounds &
 Bread of Life Ministries
 Old Cottonwood
 Olde Glory Foundation
 Orscheln Farm & Home
 Our Redeemer Lutheran
 School
 Pac N Save
 Pac N Save Discount
 Pharmacy
 Par 15 Lounge
 Petsource by Scoular
 Plains Equipment Group
 Plum Creek Seed Services
 Pure Comfort Heating & Air
 Lee's Refrigeration
 R.W. Beckler & Associates
 Radiant Heating Systems, Inc.
 Red Path Gallery &
 Tasting Room
 Reel Bait Tackle Co.
 Rembolt Ludtke, LLP
 RG Investments
 Ridgewood Rehabilitation
 & Care Center
 Rivoli Theatre
 Rue 6
 Runza
 Sack Lumber
 Sam's Club
 Second Closet
 Seward Animal Hospital, PC
 Seward Car Wash
 Seward Chiropractic
 Center, PC
 Seward County Agricultural
 Society
 Seward County Bridges
 Seward County Extension
 Seward County
 Genealogical Society
 Seward County Independent
 Seward County Pheasants
 Forever
 Seward County Public
 Power District
 Seward County Public Transit
 Seward County Visitor's
 Committee
 Seward Dental Clinic
 Seward Electronics
 Seward Lumber & Fuel
 Seward Motor Freight
 Seward Newcomers
 Seward Optimist Club
 Seward Physical Therapy
 Service, PC
 Seward Public School District
 Seward Smiles Family Dental
 Seward Storage
 Seward United Methodist
 Church
 Seward Vision Clinic
 Sid Dillon Crete
 Southeast Community
 College - Milford Campus
 Southeast Nebraska CASA
 Sparetime Lounge & Grill
 Sports Express
 St. Andrew's Episcopal
 Church
 St. Gregory the Great
 Seminary
 St. John Child
 Development Center
 St. John Lutheran Church
 St. John Lutheran School
 St. Vincent de Paul
 Catholic School
 St. Vincent de Paul Church
 State Farm Insurance -
 Brenda Henning
 Subway - Seward
 Suhr & Lichty
 Insurance Agency Inc.
 T. Marie Event Design and
 Planning
 Tabitha Elder Care Services
 Tenneco, Inc.
 The Alps Dog Retreat
 The Udder Store &
 Weedy Creek Yarn
 The Volzke Corporation
 Thrivent Financial
 Title Services of Blue Valley
 Trusted Local
 Construction, LLC
 Turning Point Behavioral
 Health & Addiction
 Counseling, P.C.
 Twin Rivers Urgent Care
 Union Bank & Trust
 Utica Commercial Club
 VFW Club
 Village of Bee
 Village of Utica
 Volzke Funeral Home
 Wal-Mart Supercenter -
 Seward
 Wild Chiropractic &
 Acupuncture
 Woods Bros Realty
 Zabka-Perdue Funeral Home
 Zelle HR Solutions

2020 EVENTS

SCCDP Business Anniversary Luncheon - April 23, 2020

Milford Fun Days - July 24-26, 2020

Utica Heritage Days - July 25-26, 2020

Ignite the Flight - September 19, 2020

Christmas Festival - November 28, 2020

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET PLANNING TEAM:

Jennifer Marr - Jones Bank
Ron Petsch - Video Production
Megan Kahler - SCCDP

Susan Singleton - Jones Bank
Leanne Gamet - SCCDP

2019 SCCDP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chair: Mike Fehlhafer - Breeza Industrial

Vice Chair: Ellen Beck - City of Seward

Treasurer: Ed Koster - SCC Milford

Secretary: Kellen Meyer - Plum Creek
Seed Services

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Jim Spahr - Seward Storage

Jim Swanson - Village of Utica

Max Wake - Jones Bank

SCCDP STAFF

Jonathan Jank - President & CEO

Suzanne Gligorevic - Development Director

Megan Kahler - Membership Director

Leanne Gamet - Marketing & Events Coordinator

Stacy Widler - Administrative Assistant

