

Press Releases Continued

Elizabeth A. Sparacino of **Exclusively Diamonds** achieved Certified Gemologist Appraiser (CGA) designation from the American Gem Society.

Appletree Press released a pictorial cookbook, *Let's Cook! Healthy Meals for Independent Living*, with proceeds supporting SMILES, Harry Meyering Center, and MRCI Foundation.

From **Greater Mankato Growth**: New members include **The Berry Company, Midwest Vending, Plan Ahead Events—MSP South Metro, Hanson Performance Alliance, Guentzel Family Farms, Energy Zone, ABC Services of Le Center, Steffen Electric of Le Center, Woelfel Building Construction, Corporate 4 Insurance/Steve Meyer Insurance Services, Kato Cable, Key to Renew, Mankato Inn, Sauk Media Group, Palmer Bus Service, Condux International, Weber's Custom Catering, C&C Organic Cleaning, AAV—Affordable and Accessible Van, Thomas Tree & Landscape, Mankato Design Center, Southeast Minnesota Area Labor Council AFL-CIO.**

Snell Motors hired staff: Jessi Borgmeier and Tom Buskey join as sales consultants, and Gary Pipes as accounts payable clerk.

Greater Mankato Growth members elected new directors, including Michael Klehr of Minnesota Elevator, Ian Carlstrom of Robert W. Carlstrom Co., Jim Marzolf of LarsonAllen, Todd Loosbrock of USBank, Joe Meidl of The Music Mart, Keith Stover of South Central College, and Jennifer Pfeffer of Pathstone Living.

New **Greater Mankato Growth** officers include: Dr. Greg Kutcher of ISJ—Mayo (chair), Trudie Gustafson of Taylor Corporation (past chair), Jim Santori of The Free Press (vice chair), Chad Surprenant of I&S Group (at-large), Rob Else of EI Microcircuits (at-large), and Jennifer Pfeffer of Path-