There's a "New Kid" in Town...

This week the Iron County Miner welcomes the newest member of our team - graphic designer/reporter Ardith Carlton.

A "transplanted Michigander", Carlton began her career in community journalism at the *Battle Creek Enquirer* daily newspaper, and went on to serve as staff writer and copy editor of the U.S. Trotting Association's *Hoof Beats* magazine. One of her *Hoof Beats* features won the World Trotting Conference's International Media Award - the journalistic equivalent of Olympic gold in the harness horse racing sport.

Carlton subsequently worked in Japan as an English teacher and song lyric translator, as well as content manager and head of customer service for international retailer HobbyLink Japan.

Her freelance work has appeared in *Comics Collector* and *Just About Horses* magazines, and she co-wrote the book *Robotech Art 1*.

Fulfilling a longtime dream to live in the Northwoods, Carlton recently moved to Sayner with spouse Corky and their two dogs.

"I'm excited to join the Miner family, and can't wait to help cover all the facts and fun of life in Iron County," Carlton shared.

So if you see a new face "out and about" representing the Miner, that'd be Ardith. Be sure to give her a big Iron County welcome! We're certainly thrilled to have her join us!

