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*Enhancing Our Members' Ability to Succeed
in Their Rural & Agriculturally Related Professions!*

DATESTOREMEMBER!

2002

September 13-2004 National Summer Meeting Planning—Pierre
September 14-Chapter Social—Golf/Sporting Clubs—Pierre
October 3-Joint Chapter/PAASD Board Support—Rapid City
October 4-Chapter Board Meeting—Rapid City
-PAASD Highest & Best Use Seminar—Rapid City
December 5-7-ASFMRA Annual Meeting—Louisville, Kentucky

2003

February 5-Chapter Education Seminar—Chamberlain
February 6-Chapter/PAASDA-12, Part III USPAP Update
-Evening Chapter Social & Discussions
February 7-PAASD Education Offering
May-Chapter Board Meeting—Easport, South Dakota
June/July-Minnesota Chapter Summer Tour—Southwest Minnesota
July 17-19-ASFMRA Summer Meeting—Portland, Oregon
August/Sept.-Chapter Social
October-Chapter Board Meeting—Rapid City
Oct. 30-Nov. 1-ASFMRA Annual Meeting—St. Louis, Missouri

2004

February-Chapter/PAASD Education & Meetings—Chamberlain
June 14-19-Host ASFMRA Summer Meeting—Sioux Falls, SD

REGULAR NEWSLETTER COMMUNICATION PLANNED

Newsletter editor Paul Reisch announces plans for a monthly communication to the membership. Regular features will include a date store member, President's message, member news, and events update. There will also be monthly emphasis articles on the plans/activities of a specific chapter committee. Appraisal items of interest can also be highlighted. We ask all membersto help the content regarding dates, member news, and appraisal items of interest by e-mailing information to Paul Reisch by the 10th of the month. Newsletter will go about mid-month.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our Chapter has had a great year so far in 2002: Six new members, two successful meetings have added to our coffers, and the Chapter board has met twice for planning sessions. Additionally, the Chapter board has set up a budget for operating and committees (a first for our Chapter). The next two years will be very busy and will no doubt see every member of the Chapter busy on a committee or project as we prepare for the 2004 Summer National Meeting. I want to personally thank Paul Reisch and the Education Committee for their hard work this year.... a job well done!!

2004 Summer Meeting

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Tentative Schedule:

June 14-15
AFM/ARA/RPRA Exams

June 15-16 - Education Offerings

June 16 - Executive Council Mtg

June 17
- Committee Meetings
- Golf Scramble/Trap Shoot
- Board/Member Meeting
- Welcome Social

June 18
- Member/Spouse Tours
- Evening Supper/Social

June 19
- Member/Spouse Tours
- Evening Banquet

PLANTO ATTEND THE SEPTEMBER 13-14 CHAPTER SOCIAL AND 2004 PLANNING MEETING!

The chapter social committee is busy working on details for a meeting and social event for the chapter to be held in Pierre, Friday is scheduled for a planning session for the 2004 Summer Meeting. All 2004 Summer Meeting Chairs and chapter members are encouraged to attend this important session. The planning session will start at 9:30 AM and adjourn at 4:30 PM on Friday. A social gathering and barbeque will follow the planning session.

Beginning at 9:00 AM Saturday morning, a Sporting Clays and Golf Tourney is planned for chapter members. Awards will be presented to winning teams/players. This should be a lot of fun. Bring your boat too... you may want to fish later on Saturday... this will be up to you individually.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Our ranks have grown by six since January 1! Welcome the following to our group:

Jack Davis - Academic - SDSU Area Management Specialist - Madison
Terry Leibel - Candidate - Mid-State Appraisal Service - Pierre
Ron Ensz - Candidate - Kjerstad Realty & Appraisal - Belle Fourche
Allan Husby - Candidate - Farm Service Agency - Watertown
Donald Kinker - AFM - Farmers National - Marshall, MN
Charles Kreps - RPRA - Farm Service Agency - Minot, ND

Five of our new members were in attendance at the June summer tour in Brookings. We now have 37 total members in the chapter.

BELATED CONGRATULATIONS!

Tom Jass Earns Accredited Farm Manager (AFM) Designation.

Tom Jass, Brandon, South Dakota, a professional farm manager with Farmers National Company, the nation's leading farm and ranch management firm, received his designation at the awards banquet at the annual meeting in Albuquerque last fall.

Kathleen Peterson Earns Real Property Review Appraiser (RPRA) Designation.

Kathleen Peterson, Custer, South Dakota, an appraiser with the USDA Forest Service received her designation at the awards banquet at the annual meeting in Albuquerque last fall.

Tom and Kathleen earned their designations by meeting stringent requirements in experience and educational background, in addition to passing rigorous oral and written examinations and abiding by the American Society's code of ethics.

LIFE CHANGES

We extend sympathy to members' Ron Rucker and Paul Reisch, who lost family in July. The mother of Ron Rucker's wife Connie and Paul's mother both died in early July.

JOINT MINNESOTA/SOUTH DAKOTA SUMMER TOUR IS A SUCCESSFUL EVENT

Over 80 people participated in the joint tour headed together at the Thursday morning registration before

quartered out of Brookings, SD. Members came heading east for the first day activities.

The first stop was Hilltop Dairy. Principal owner Howard Whitmore provided members with an informative view of the capital and financing challenges for a 1,300 cow dairy facility and operation. Hilltop personnel then provided a tour of the facility including the 40-cow rotary parlor.

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Members then have a refreshment break before heading to the windmills south of Hendricks, Mn.



The windmill tour included a stop at a turbine to view the interior before lunch at the Midwest Center for Wind Energy.



The center was the location of presentations on wind power development, Lake Shokatan Reclamation rights, wind turbine evaluation, and appraisal of wind

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Thursday afternoon activities ended with a stop at Christianson provided tour participants an informative future plans. The tour ended with a brief tour of the site.

the South Dakota Soybean Processors. CEO Rod gives summary of the company's vision, mission, and he plant cut short because of current construction on

The weather cooperated for the evening supper at Central Cattlemen's with trimming catered by Hy-Vee

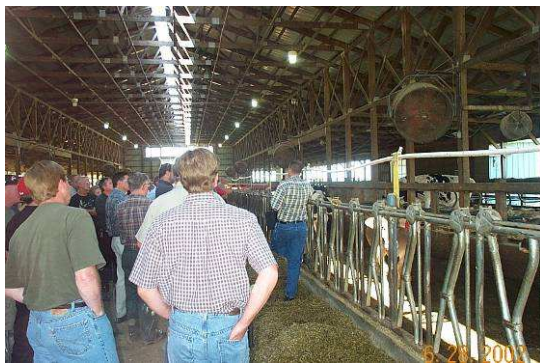
members enjoyed steaks cooked by the East at McCrory Gardens on the SDSU campus.



Friday morning, the group traveled to the Diedrich Brothers grain farm. Owner David Diedrich and SDSU Agronomy Specialist Dr. Greg Carlson shared valuable insight with tour participants in the latest technology used to maximize production and efficiencies on a modern cash grain operation. This included the Diedrichs' recent purchase of a GPS system planter that will allow them to plant straight rows with the driver present just to turn the tractor around.

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Extension Dairy Specialist Alvaro Garcia addressed the group with a slide presentation on South Dakota dairy information, efforts to improve operator production and efficiencies, and other dairy economic development issues. Darrel Renich, Manager of Dairy Research & Training Facility, then led the group through a tour of the SDSU facility.

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