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SOUTH DAKOTA CHAPTER

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

DATES TO REMEMBER!

March 21 - East River Breakfast Meeting - 9 A.M. - Sioux Falls Roll'N Pin

April 10 - West River Breakfast Meeting - 9 A.M.
Rapid City Marlin's Roadhouse Grill

May 9 – SDSU Network Event – Brookings
Raven Industries Speakers on Precision Agriculture-Past-Present-Future
Bel Brands cheese plant tour after lunch.

June 8-12 – SDAAO Conference Banquet – Deadwood in conjunction with
North Central Regional Association of Assessing Officers (NCRAAO)
conference

July 13-17 - ASFMRA Summer Education Week – Des Moines, IA
Sept. 8-12 - Leadership Institute – Washington, DC
Oct. 27- Nov. 1 – 85th ASFMRA Annual Meeting – Tuscon, AZ

CHAPTER MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Member	Join Date	Years
Jorge Vicuna	2-14-1992	22
Ryon Rypkema	2-06-2004	10
Michael Braun	2-01-2007	7
Vince Hanson	2-01-2007	7
Jerry Warmann	2-01-2009	5
Megan Hammond	2-04-2011	3
Jackson Hegerfeld	2-04-2011	3
Gordon Wendell	2-04-2011	3
John Herrity	2-23-2012	2
Jaret Sievers	2-23-2012	2
Barb Hegerfeld	2-15-2013	1
Sara DeClerk	2-26-2013	1
Brett Lynch	2-27-2013	1
Patrick Wyatt	2-15-2013	1

Thank you for your support!!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Winter doesn't seem to want to let go just yet. We have a couple of inches of snow on the ground and still snowing. Just last week, the Creeks and Rivers were running and throwing ice out of the channels. I am also beginning to see a lot of calves on the ground as I travel across the western portions of the State.

I don't have much to report this month on Chapter activities. Been busy and keeping a low profile so not much to report on my activities either. Have a great March!

RAPID MAP PROGRAM PRESENTED AT WEST RIVER BREAKFAST MEETING

On Thursday morning February 13th about 15 people were in attendance at the Bankwest building in Rapid City to hear Angie Tallon's presentation on the uses and application of the RapidMap program. The proposed program was arranged by Gordon Wendell and Ryan Rypkema. The program highlighted applications of the Rapid City - Pennington County Geographic Information System.

A Geographic Information System (GIS) is a computer program that stores and displays spatial information, such as roads, tax parcels, and aerial photographs. What makes it different than, for example, an engineering drawing program is that a database is attached to each map layer. This allows the user to access information about elements in the layer using the map, such as the owner name and assessed value of a land parcel. Conversely, a user can search the database and find a location on the map. One might request a list of all the tennis courts in the city from the database, select one court from the list, and have the map zoom to that court.

The RapidMap program has great applications of rural and urban land in Pennington County. Gordon Wendell commented "The equalization office uses Rapid Map daily in our work. While we are all comfortable using it we find that there are functions available that we are not all familiar with or forgot about that can at times come in handy."

The presentation generated some interesting discussion with input from some of the members as to additional functions that would benefit rural appraisers. Angie invited individuals to contact her with any suggestions as the GIS Department is always looking for ways to improve their product. Additional training was offered as follow up training on Monday afternoon February 24th at Pennington County Courthouse commissioners meeting room. Angie Tallon presented this training to the Equalization and Planning / Zoning offices and chapter members were invited to attend.

CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

We welcome Rod Geppert and Dawn Rasmussen as newest members!

Rod lives in Ft. Pierre and has been a farm manager with Farmers National since April 2013. Prior to that, he was an Ag Extension Specialist with the SDSU Extension Service.

Dawn and her husband ranch near Belvidere, SD. She just completed the Basic Appraisal Principles and Basic Appraiser Procedures courses in Denver this past month.

Summary of Current 73 Members:

3 Academic	5 Student	5 Affiliate	4 Partner	1 Honorary
1 ARA/AFM	10 ARA	6 AFM	38 Associate – 35 appraisers / 3 farm managers	

MEMBER PROFILE IS JASON VAITH

Describe your experience and education related to the property professional field (appraisal, farm management, consulting, academic relation).

I grew up on a small dairy and crop farm in southeastern South Dakota. I am currently a State Registered Appraiser.

Describe what has led you to becoming a chapter member of the South Dakota ASFMRA and why you remain a member, if a member for a number of years.

Paul Reisch shared with me the benefits of joining the ASFMRA and I thought it seemed very beneficial for me to be a member.

Describe personal background items that would be of interest to fellow chapter members (e.g. family, ethnic heritage, other communities lived, other jobs / careers, main hobbies or interests).

I enjoy sports and hunting.

Describe a few memorable or unique experiences in your life.

I spent 10 days in London when I was in college learning about European business practices.



SD CHAPTER - KJERSTAD MEMBER SCHOLARSHIP

Objectives:

1. Encourage potential members to join our chapter and help them with initial ASFMRA education.
2. Encourage members to attend and learn the benefits of the networking and education that take place at national events.
3. Broaden the experience of chapter members, which will in turn, strengthen our chapter member networking opportunities and develop future leadership for the chapter.
4. Encourage members to pursue accreditation and support them in this endeavor.
5. Recognize the member's achievement in gaining his accreditation.
6. Build member loyalty to the chapter.

Funding for this program is handled outside of the normal chapter operating / budgeting process. A separate money market account is dedicated for this program and the scholarships are paid from this account. Chapter fundraising projects and interest accrual on the account pay for the scholarships.

Scholarship opportunities for members under this program include:

- **\$500 scholarship for Leadership Institute attendance** -- Priority for the scholarship - Chapter President, board member, member who has never attended, member who has attended. Interest to be communicated to Chapter President by August 1st.
- **Pay member registration fee for first time national meeting attendance** - The member planning to attend their first national meeting would inform President and Treasurer.
- **Pay up to two \$500 scholarships annually to attend the National Meeting for members who have attended the National Meeting in the past.** Those intending to attend a National Meeting would state their intent to do so to the President and Treasurer. Then, those submitting their intent will be in a drawing for one of the two scholarships. The scholarship would be for members that are not reimbursed their costs by their employer. The scholarship would be limited to the same winner once every three years if several are entered in the drawing.
- **\$500 scholarship for first education course that is a part of accreditation track after becoming a new member.** - Member would inform President and Treasurer of intent to attend. Scholarship paid to member upon confirmation of course enrollment and adequate funds. If inadequate funding, will be reimbursed in future when adequate funding secured.
- **\$500 scholarship for accreditation education for those committed to achieving accreditation.** - Any current member can provide written intent for the upcoming calendar year by December 1st to Chapter President. The written intent will convey the member's status regarding educational requirements and his / her personal timeline to achieve completion of educational requirements, demo report, and sitting for the exam. Scholarship approval will be communicated to a member by March 31 of the calendar fiscal year. The member can be paid \$500 toward the cost of a class still needed within 3 years of scholarship approval.
- **Pay for cost of the accrediting exam** - Payable upon application as communicated by member to President and Treasurer. The cost of exam would be paid on a one time only basis.
- **Pay member registration fee when receiving accreditation at national meeting.** The member planning to attend would inform President and Treasurer.

Scholarships related to accreditation address only 1 accreditation per member. I.E. – Would not cover ARA, AFM, RPRA and / or AAC all for one member over time. The Kjerstad Member Scholarship Committee will administer the scholarship. Committee members are President, Past President, President-Elect, Treasurer, and one at large member appointed by the President. The at large member is appointed at the beginning of each president's new term.