

Schramm Completes Third Year At Institute

WASHINGTON — The Institute for Organization Management, the professional development program of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation, has announced that Carmen Schramm, director of Member Services of the Yankton Area Chamber of Commerce, has recently completed her third year at Institute for Organization Management, a four-year nonprofit leadership training program at the University of Arizona in Tucson.

"Institute participants are recognized across the country as leaders in their communities," said Raymond P. Towle, IOM, CAE, the U.S. Chamber Foundation's vice president of Institute for Organization Management. "These individuals have the knowledge, skills, and dedication to achieve professional and organizational success in the dynamic association and chamber industries."

Since its commencement in 1921, the Institute program has been educating tens of thousands of association, chamber, and other nonprofit leaders on how to build stronger organizations, better serve their members and become strong business advocates. Institute's curriculum consists of four weeklong sessions at five different university locations throughout the country. Through a combination of required courses and electives in areas such as leadership, advocacy, marketing, finance, and membership, Institute participants are able to enhance their own organizational management skills and add new fuel to their organizations, making them run more efficiently and effectively.

Graduates of Institute receive the IOM recognition, signifying completion of 96 hours of course instruction in nonprofit management. In addition, participants can earn credit hours toward the Certified Chamber Executive (CCE) or Certified Association Executive (CAE) certifications. Nearly 1,000 individuals attend Institute annually.

Institute for Organization Management is the professional development program of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation. It is the premier nonprofit professional development program for association and chamber professionals, fostering individual growth through interactive learning and networking opportunities.

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Blackburn Named To Medical School Staff

Dr. Paul A. Blackburn, formerly of Yankton, has received a medical school faculty appointment at the University of Arizona College of Medicine/Phoenix as a Clinical Associate Professor within the Department of Emergency Medicine.

Dr. Blackburn's career has centered around academic Emergency Medicine, including Program Director for the Emergency Medicine residency training program at this Trauma and Burn Center, which also serves as the County Hospital for Phoenix. He has been the author of significant contributions to Emergency Medicine literature, and has been the recipient of awards and professional recognition at national and local venues.

Dr. Blackburn and his wife, Donna, reside in the Phoenix area.

Dr. Blackburn is the son of John Blackburn and the late Beverly Blackburn, of Yankton.

Kline Elected To SDRA Board Of Directors

PIERRE — David Kline of Kline's Jewelry in Yankton was elected to a three-year term on the South Dakota Retailers Association (SDRA) Board of Directors. The election was announced during SDRA's Awards Banquet in Pierre Jan. 7.

Kline had previously served one year on the association's Services Corporation Board.

He will serve on the Member Services Committee and the Scholarship Committee.

SDRA board members are responsible for setting policy for the Association, determining the organization's legislative positions, and implementing membership programs and services. The SDRA Services Corporation Board oversees current SDRA member services, and considers options for new services.

The South Dakota Retailers Association is a 3,700-member statewide trade organization which provides information to businesses; represents retailers in the legislative process; and offers money-saving member services such as credit card processing, group health insurance, and workers comp insurance.

RIVERRAT DONATIONS



SUBMITTED PHOTO
Pictured is RiverRat Marathon Race Director, Bruce Schild, presenting a check to Deb Lillie on behalf of the Yankton Track Club for \$1,500 from the proceeds of the 2012 RiverRat Marathon.



SUBMITTED PHOTO
RiverRat Marathon Race Director Bruce Schild handing Science Olympiad coaches Cheryl Schaefer and Bob Medeck a check for \$1,500 from the proceeds of the 2012 RiverRat Marathon. Similar donations were given to them in 2011 and 2010 as well.



SUBMITTED PHOTO
RiverRat Marathon Race Director Bruce Schild pictured with Tammy Mataska from The Center last June, handing her a check for \$500 from the proceeds of the RiverRat Bike Ride.



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RiverRat Marathon Race Director Bruce Schild handing SFC Jay Pipes of the South Dakota National Guard a check for \$1,500 for the troop Christmas Party Fund from the proceeds of the 2012 RiverRat Marathon. Checks of that amount were also given to them in 2011 and 2010.

SHELTERED REALITY



SUBMITTED PHOTO
Beadle Elementary hosted Sheltered Reality for an all-school assembly on Jan. 4, 2013. Sheltered Reality (SR) employs the power of music to engage and motivate audiences to make positive changes both in themselves and the world they live in. Through stories of hardship and triumph, and a sequence of Steps of Success, SR teaches personal empowerment and character building, and then encourages the application of these abilities to its primary focus of advocacy for youth in crisis. The educational message presented focuses on facts, statistics, and real-life stories, and culminates with character education and ideas for action. Topics include personal empowerment, success at living out life dreams, as well as anti-bullying. SR's unique percussive approach to performing music challenges audience members to take what you love to do and share it with another person, impacting them in a positive way. SR use music and education as a way to reach out to audiences, motivating them to advocate for those in need, especially children and families.

KIDS AGAINST HUNGER



SUBMITTED PHOTO
Friends and family of Kevin and Julie O'Brien recently packed over 4,000 meals for children in need of our care at Kids Against Hunger. If your family and friends would like to learn more about how you can make a difference in the lives of children locally and in Haiti, please visit www.kahyankton.org

FISCHER FAMILY REUNION



SUBMITTED PHOTO
These are all 10 children of Edward and Adelheid Fischer, at their recent family reunion. They all reside in South Dakota. They range in age from 71 to 91. Back row, left to right: Adeline Hofer, Elsie Jensen, Arlene Wagner. Middle row: Clara Ulmer, Cecelia Dean, Amanda Stewart, Dorothy Osborn, Lorine Koerner. Front row: Harold Fischer, Elmer Fischer.

RED CROSS DONATIONS



SUBMITTED PHOTO
The Midwest Riders Motorcycle Club contributed items to the Yankton Red Cross which are used for "Comfort Kits" which are used for victims of local disasters. The newly purchased supplies provided for 36 Comfort Kits which were assembled by the Yankton Retired Senior Volunteer Program. Midwest Riders Motorcycle Club is open to all motorcycle riders. Monthly meetings are held the first Thursday of each month. For more information, contact Terry Overseth, 661-7198.

MEETING NOTES

GET UP & GO

The Get Up & Go 4-H club met on Jan. 6, 2013, at the Irene Legion Hall. President Katrina Hauger called the meeting to order. The American Flag Pledge was led by Bailey Hinseth and the 4-H Pledge by Stephanie Hauger. The roll call topic was "What is your favorite movie?" We decided that we will be selling fruit in February again. Lunch was served by Karen Richelleu. After the meeting we played Beef-O-Bingo. Our next meeting will be on Feb. 3, 2013, at 1:30 p.m.

TOASTMASTERS CLUB 6217

Toastmaster Kary Beltz welcomed her guest Tona Larsen to the noon Avera Sacred Heart Hospital Toastmasters meeting Jan. 10 at the KPI Building. Steve Anderson led the invocation and evaluated. He prayed that we "remember those less fortunate." He then critiqued Chelsi Hames' speech, "Breathe!" Anderson liked Hames vocal variety, her attention-getting phrases and the excitement she created when telling of her fear of flying in a "tin can." Jen Howland clarified the words "technophobia" and "technophile" during her speech "Twenty Years Later." She told of computers going from "snake games" to creating "strong emotional ties to technology." She was evaluated by Jane Miller who liked Howland's "pregnant pauses" and "great facial expressions." Table Topics Master Tim Bohn showed pictures related to current events. Bohn quizzed Stan Sudbeck on

the "best funeral plans" with Sudbeck preferring to "celebrate life." Muriel Stach was asked about the Indian symbols used by sports teams and responded that "we need to put ourselves in others' places." Greg Stach thought "refusing breathalyzer tests was part of the 4th Amendment." Anderson agreed with the ACLU in "not requiring TX students to wear traceable badges" during school. Miller suggested that one wife per husband should be enough but "could have used the extra help" at times. Beltz would try to "stuff her kids and husband into the suitcase" if she space-traveled to Mars.

Greg Stach and Sudbeck also had double duties. Stach gave the grammatical word of the day "pernicious" while ringing the bell if the speaker said unneeded "ers." Sudbeck counted votes and timed all the respondents.

The Best Speaker award went to Hames, while Miller received both the Best Evaluator and Best Respondent trophies.

Announcements: Feb. 14 is Guest Day with a Valentines theme and Area 62 officers' training will be held in conjunction with the regular noon meeting Jan. 24.

GFWC WOMANS CLUB

The Yankton Chapter of GFWC Yankton Woman's Club met at 11 a.m. on Jan. 5, 2013, at Hillcrest Golf & Country Club. President Pauline Akland opened the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance, South Dakota Pledge and Collect for Women were given. Program: Joan Neubauer presented

and narrated the program "Who are the Cramers and the Kenyons," a celebration of the Cramer and Kenyon families. The Cramer-Kenyon home is named for the two families, related to each other, who occupied it in succession of each other. Nelson Cramer was born on a farm in New York June 11, 1841, and married Alice Mae Bullfinch on Oct. 1, 1862. In 1890 they bought the unfinished house at 509 Pine St, now known as the Cramer-Kenyon Home. Alice Mae died May 22, 1916, and Nelson died June 6, 1929. Since they had no children the home was inherited by his great niece Esther Weller Kenyon. She and her husband Herbert moved from their farm in New York to the home in 1930. Esther and Herbert had two children Carleton and Jean. Esther passed away in 1967 and Herbert died in 1972. For 39 years the Cramers lived in the home and then the Kenyons for a total of 123 years. September of 1973, the property became known as the Cramer-Kenyon Heritage Home Inc. and is non-profit governed by a Board of Directors. Thanks to Margaret and Jack Lyons and members of the Board of Directors for this very fine program especially Joan Neubauer for her presentation.

Guests: Fran Fox introduced her guest Pam Monfore. Does Allan's guest was Alec Surirami. Loraine McNeely introduced Mary Pietila and Sally Welter's guests are Marlene Larson and Virginia Collignon. Sally Welter made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting, second by Donna DeJean. Dot Blaha read the treasurer's report, it will be filed pending audit. Uncle Al's Pecans: Marilyn Huntley reported a

profit of \$278.70 up from \$113.55 from last year.

Leadership: Agnes Eide reported on "trail of governors.com." In 2010 the trail of Governors Foundation established a foundation to raise funds in honor of South Dakota's 30 governors. Bronzed statues costing \$68,000 each will be placed on the trail from the Missouri River to the State Capital building over a 10-year period. The statues to be placed this year are Govs. Arthur C. Millette, Walter D. Miller, and Harland J. Bushfield. Very interesting.

President Pauline stated that February is Domestic Violence month. She also congratulated Vi Ranney and husband Dr. Brooks Ranney, chosen as Citizens of the Year. Sally Welter is one of three women in the nation on the new tag line for best volunteer. We can vote for Sally on the GFWC Woman's Club site. Good luck, Sally. Donna Fischer reported on Heifer International. 15.5 million people in 27 countries have received animals to help the families and communities to be self-sustaining. Our club raised \$500 today to be sent to Heifer International. Joyce Franklin reported on Avera Sacred Heart Hospital's Womens Center that infant mortality is on the rise. First Lady Linda Daugaard is promoting "cribs for kids" packages. The cost is \$70 and is estimated to need 270 cribs this year in Yankton.

President Pauline presented flowers to our newest member Pam Monfore. Donna DeJean was hostess today. Door prizes were won by Dot Blaha and Loraine McNeely. No further business the meeting was adjourned.

INTERCHANGE

Interchange met on Monday, Jan. 14, at Minervas for their weekly meeting. Kathy Jacobs, Interchange President, called the meeting to order with the flag pledge. Members shared community announcements and upcoming events with the group in attendance. The hostess was Lois Halbur from the South Dakota Human Services Center. Her program featured speakers Jody Paulson, Heidi Sandal and Michelle Flannery from the Yankton Catholic Development Office. The subject of their

presentation was the impact of the Development Office on the Yankton Community as well as the other projects and goals of the office.

The next Interchange meeting will be held Monday, Jan. 21, 2013, at Minervas. The Hostess will be member LaVonne Halvorson, retired employee from First Dakota National Bank. Her speaker will be Jane Pugh, Relationship Banking Officer/First Partners Coordinator from First Dakota National Bank, presenting on "Travel Tips."

Bigger Building - 2X The Tables!
Dakota Territory Gun Collectors
GUN SHOW
Easton Archery Center,
E. Hwy. 50, Yankton
Sat., Jan. 26th
9am-5pm
Sun., Jan. 27th
9am-3pm
BUY • SELL • TRADE
Admission \$5.00
Concessions by Scout Troop #181

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MORNING COFFEE
WEEKDAYS
MONDAY-FRIDAY
Friday, January 18
7:40 am Vermillion Chamber (Steve Howe)
8:20 am United Way (Lauren Hanson)