

AG Warns Of IRS Phishing Scam

PIERRE — Tax season is upon us and Attorney General Marty Jackley is warning consumers of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) related scams that target tax payers. Consumers will begin to receive emails or text messages from individuals claiming to represent the IRS, informing the recipient about their tax refund and seeking personal and financial information.

The bogus email informs the recipient that they are eligible to receive a certain tax refund amount. It then directs the recipient to a link contained in the email to access a form to obtain their refund. The link then asks for the

personal and financial information. The official IRS website is www.irs.gov, but the look-alike sites which use a few different keystrokes are set up to redirect consumers to bogus websites.

"The IRS does not ask for personal identifying or financial information through unsolicited emails or phone calls," said Jackley. "It is important to remember the official IRS website offers tax information for consumers, but the exchange of private financial information is limited."

Jackley said that consumers contacted by someone claiming to be from the IRS - either by email or phone -

should take the following steps:

- Do not open any attachments to the email to avoid infecting your computer with a possible virus or other damaging spyware or adware.
- Contact the IRS at 1-800-829-1040 to confirm whether the IRS is trying to contact you about a tax refund.
- Do not open or respond to text messages from unknown numbers.

If you have been a victim of one of these scams or need any additional information contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division at 1-800-300-1986 or consumerhelp@state.sd.us.

Yankton Area Arts Concert Set For Jan. 23

Yankton Area Arts (YAA) will kick off its 2014 exhibit and event calendar by presenting national touring duo Willson & McKee in concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, at the G.A.R. Hall.

Ken Willson and Kim McKee have performed and studied with master musicians, storytellers and dancers in Ireland and Scotland for the last 20 years. As Willson & McKee, they specialize in a hybrid music form they have developed and termed "Rocky Mountain Celtic," combining their Celtic heritage with their Montana and Colorado roots. Their vocal and multiple instrument

performances include original compositions with an ancient sound and traditional pieces re-dressed in their customized style.

As a duo, Willson & McKee have achieved repeated honors at such events as the Walton's of Dublin International Songwriting Competition at the Milwaukee Irish Festival and instrumental awards such as a National Instrumental Championship. They have also achieved nine professional recordings of their work.

"We're excited to offer this cultural opportunity to the Yankton

community," said YAA Executive Director, Jackie Quinn. "Willson & McKee are tremendous talents and well-respected for their craft."

The Willson & McKee concert is free and open to the public, as space allows. It is a YAA sponsored event, with support provided by the South Dakota Arts Council with funds from the State of South Dakota, through the Department of Tourism and State Development, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

For more information, visit www.YanktonAreaArts.org or call 605-665-9754.

Union

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Weldon's resignation. Many employees spoke out in Weldon's favor and against the City Commission's decision forcing Weldon's resignation. After that meeting, with the loss of the city manager, most employees felt very vulnerable to the possibility of reprisals and job losses.

When signing the cards to form a union, Parr said the biggest issues for employees were job security and having a voice in the work place.

"Our local feels strongly that we have achieved those initial goals," she stated. "We now have a formal grievance procedure in place and have employee representation on important issues such as health insurance, safety practices and policies, and wage comparison studies."

Once the union was established, employees and city management had a long road to travel before agreeing on an initial contract.

After a two-year negotiating process that included an impasse, mediation and a fact-finding report by the South Dakota Department of Labor's Division of Labor and Management, a contract was approved in April 2010.

"The fact that a group of employees took more than two years to fight for something like that, stood together and are still standing strong five years later is a great thing to see," said Matthew Miller, executive director of AFSCME Council 59 based in Huron.

Parr said the union has resulted in employees having a better sense of cohesion and cooperation, in part because it has allowed employees from different departments to get to know each other.

"It brings a greater sense of team work and pride in what public employees do for the city," she stated.

Currently, the city and Local 3968 are negotiating their third contract. The previous agreement, which was to have expired at the end of

2013, has been extended.

Because of the ongoing process to formulate a new agreement, City Manager Amy Nelson was advised by Interim City Attorney Ross Den Herder not to make any comments to the *Press & Dakotan* for this story.

Mayor Nancy Wenande agreed to comment for the story with the understanding that the views be represented as her own and not those of the entire City Commission or the city's negotiating team. She does not participate first-hand in the contract negotiations.

As a member of the commission in 2007-08, Wenande said she remained neutral on the issue of unionization.

"It is 100 percent (the employees) right to choose to do that," she stated. "If they, as a group, felt that was the best course to take, then we as a commission had to deal with that and move on."

No commissioners currently serve on the negotiating team, although some have been involved in the past.

"I think that's the way it's progressed as the commission has become more comfortable with staff's ability to handle it," Wenande said. "I think it's just the way the process has evolved."

Nelson keeps the commission abreast of developments, and the commissioners then discuss the pros and cons of the most recent proposal.

"The budget is always on our minds for every decision we are making," Wenande said. "What are the long-term ramifications of this proposal financially, and how do we think this can or can't work?"

Unionization hasn't necessarily had a large impact on the commission's relationship with employees because the city has operated for years under a city-manager form of government, she stated.

"We're not supposed to go have that one-on-one communication with (employees)," Wenande said. "We're not supposed to be going down to the Street Shop and hanging out with

the guys to see what's going on today. I think the commission we have right now is very aware of those boundaries and respects them."

Despite the distance from employees maintained out of necessity, Wenande said she doesn't believe the commission ever loses sight of the fact that city workers are one of the municipality's most valuable assets.

"They are the people who get the work done, make our city beautiful and keep our water and sewer services running," she said. "They are doing the work. It's our job to make sure they have the resources to do their jobs."

Miller, who has been involved with Local 3968 contract negotiations for approximately two years, said that, through the hard work of both city management and union leadership, a good relationship has been forged.

"When (former city manager) Doug Russell left, union leadership and city management were able to work together and move things forward very positively," he stated. "We have new city leadership, and in many ways we're starting over again and learning how to work with each other and understand each other. It always comes down to the relationship. You have to be able to communicate with each other and understand where the other party is coming from. Both parties value the same things but come at them from different perspectives."

Parr pointed to an assortment of issues where the union and city management have collaborated to make improvements.

"Employees and management have worked together on improving safety practices by forming a Safety Committee comprised of management, union and non-union employees, resulting in a new safety manual being adopted by the city; formed a Health Insurance Committee to review and approve the most cost-effective health insurance coverage policies available; and completed a wage/job comparison study, resulting in the implementation of a 20-year wage step

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USD To Honor Legacy Of MLK

VERMILLION — The University of South Dakota will honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with a Day of Service on Monday, Jan. 20 and a keynote address by humorist, storyteller and national speaker Dawn Fraser at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 21.

Students, faculty and staff from USD will join the Vermillion community on Jan. 20 for the Day of Service. All volunteers will meet at noon at the ballroom of the Muenster University Center for orientation (register online at <https://www.psychdata.com/s.asp?SID=147660> to volunteer) followed by an afternoon of community service projects. The Day of Service concludes with a re-orientation for volunteers at 4 p.m. at the MUC ballroom.

On Jan. 21, Fraser will present the program "The Art of Storytelling in Leadership" at the ballroom of the Muenster University Center. Fraser has traveled throughout the United States as a humorist and storyteller, including the National Center for Student Leadership, and she is the host and producer of "Barbershop Stories" out of New York City. Fraser is from San Jose, Calif. and has worked on performance and cultural advocacy programs in countries including Brazil, Jamaica and Ghana. She also blogs about everyday musings on the site "Reality La La Land: Where What's Real...Isn't" and she is a writer and performer with the Brooklyn, N.Y. sketch comedy troupe American Candy. For more information about Fraser, please visit <http://dawnjfraser.com>.

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service is sponsored by the USD Office of Diversity, Center for Academic Engagement, Office of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Wisconsin Campus Compact, Corporation for National and Community Service and the Alternative Week of Off-Campus Learning. For more information, go to www.usd.edu/academics/center-for-academic-engagement/service-learning/keeping-the-dream-alive.cfm or contact the Center for Academic Engagement at (605) 677-6338 or email engage@usd.edu.

Outlaw Trail Meeting Set For Jan. 21

The Outlaw Trail Scenic Byway meets via a Teleconference call at 7 p.m. Tuesday evening, Jan. 21. Items on the agenda include dates for upcoming meetings, membership and advertising.

Grass Roots To Headline Vets Concert

SIoux FALLS — The Sioux Falls Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has announced that the Grass Roots will star in the second annual Veterans concert at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15, at the Washington Pavilion.

Tickets are required, and veterans should call VA Voluntary Services at 605-333-6851 or 605-333-6806 beginning Jan. 21 to reserve their complimentary tickets. Each veteran may receive up to four tickets. The band will pay tribute to veterans, who paid for this concert with their service and sacrifices.

The Grass Roots originated in mid-1965 and has been active since. They have had two gold albums, one gold single and had singles charted a total of 21 times. They have sold more than 20 million records nationwide and are known for hits such as "Let's Live for Today," "Feelings," "Midnight Confessions," "Temptation Eyes, and "Two Divided by Love."

Area businesses, veterans service organizations and individuals are making the concert possible with their generous donations.

Veterans can also learn more about VA services during a veterans benefits fair, which will take place prior to the concert from 1-3 p.m. at the pavilion, located at 301 S. Main Avenue, Sioux Falls. Information will be available regarding veteran-centered care teams, diabetes prevention, weight loss program, low vision program, crisis intervention, My-HealthVet, secure messaging with health care providers, service connected disability benefits, etc.

OBITUARIES

Stanley Storm

ARMOUR — Stanley Storm, 83, died at Avera St.

Benedict Hospital in Parkston on Friday, Jan. 17, 2014.

Funeral service are at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 20, at St. Peter Lutheran Church near Armour, with burial following in St. Peter Lutheran

Cemetery near Armour.

Visitation is 5-8 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 19, at Koehn Bros. Funeral Home in Armour with a prayer service at 7 p.m.

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We will be featuring our annual "Beautiful Baby Contest" in print and online on **Wednesday, February 26, 2014.** If you or someone you know has a child we would love to include them in our feature!
To enter, simply submit your photo and entry form with a \$10 submission fee by **Monday, February 17.**
First place winners in the following categories will receive a framed winners print and prize.
1) Newborn-6 Months 4) 25 Months-4 Years
2) 7-12 Months 5) Multiple Births
3) 13-24 Months
Submit Entry To: Yankton Daily Press & Dakotan 319 Walnut Street, Yankton, SD 57078
Entry Deadline: Mon., Feb. 17, 2014
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Address _____ Phone _____
Winners will be selected by the staff of Yankton Media Inc. Employees and family members of Yankton Media Inc. are ineligible to win.
*Submission of this form authorizes the publication of child's photo in this contest in print and online at www.yankton.net.
Submission fee (\$10) must accompany entry form to be valid.