

Paulson Named MMC Admissions Director



Paulson

Mount Marty College is pleased to announce that Jill Paulson has been named as the new Director of Admissions for the college. Effective June 1 Paulson assumed the duties of her new position.

Paulson comes into the position with more than 12 years of experience in college admissions. Originally from Tabor, Paulson earned a Bachelor of Science in Education degree in 1998 from the University of South Dakota.

Vice President for Admissions and Marketing at MMC, Paula Tacke, is thrilled with the announcement. "Jill is a natural leader and has an extensive background in admissions. Being with the college for quite a while she knows our culture and process, which will help make her even more successful in the position."

Paulson's job duties will include directing the admissions process from acquisition of inquiries through enrollment, developing an effective recruitment plan, and coordinating staff all recruitment efforts.

To contact Paulson, she can be reached at 605-668-1293 or at jpaulson@mtmc.edu. Paulson will continue to reside in Yankton with her husband, Justin, and daughter, Kaitlin, age 10.

Rob Ness Promoted At First Dakota Bank



Ness

Rob Stephenson, President & Chief Operating Officer, First Dakota National Bank, has announced the promotion of Rob Ness to Executive Vice President, Investments and Corporate Affairs.

Ness joined the First Dakota team in 2007 as Operations Officer and has since been appointed to the Executive Management Team and the Board of Directors. He provides leadership with many corporate activities, including management of the bank's investment portfolio. In his expanded role, Ness will also direct the bank's asset and liability management processes and provide senior oversight of the bank's investment and asset management divisions.

Ness graduated with a Management/Finance degree and an MBA from the University of South Dakota. He previously worked for the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency as a bank examiner.

Ness serves his community as a Big Friend Little Friend Board Member, Boys & Girls Club Advisory Council Member, Southeast CASA Board Member, Yankton Area Foundation Board Member and a United Way Campaign Advisor.

Wynot Trucking Firm Wins Safety Award

SOUTH SIOUX CITY, Neb. — Jones Feed and Grain Trucking, Inc., was presented a Platinum award by Great West Casualty Company as part of the 2011 National Safety Awards Program.

Jones Feed and Grain Trucking Inc., owned by Charles Jones, was established in Wynot, Neb., in 2001. It runs nine trucks from the local area to the Midwest.

The National Safety Awards Program recognizes carriers in similar operations (truckload and less than truckload) with awards based on their year-end preventable accident results. Carriers are eligible to receive a Platinum, Gold, Silver, or Participatory award. This past year, the National Safety Awards program drew more than 625 participants from across the country.

Springfield Dentist Elected State President

SIOUX FALLS — Dr. Nolan Carson has been elected president of the Southern District Dental Society. The Southern District is a component society of the South Dakota Dental Association.

Dr. Carson assumed the office during the Association's 129th annual meeting May 17-19 in Sioux Falls. He practices dentistry in Springfield.

During their 129th annual meeting, dentists refined their skills as dental professionals by attending a variety of continuing education courses offered by nationally known dental clinicians. Topics at this year's meeting included the mouth — body connection, endodontics, forensic odontology, street drugs, practice management and OSHA compliance.

The South Dakota Dental Association is a 900-member organization of dentists and allied dental staff in South Dakota. The organization's mission is the improvement of the dental health of the public and the promotion of the art and science of dentistry in South Dakota.

Local Man Wins Truck Driving Championship

Marquardt — Skyway Transportation are proud to announce that our driver, David Drury, was selected to participate for the South Dakota Trucking Association's truck driving championships trucking event.

He made third place in the Flatbed Class division this was first competition event.

David is a professional over-the-road company truck driver and is an owner operator for Marquardt-Skyway Transportation since February 1989. He is always on time and courteous with all his deliveries.

We are proud to have him on our team as an example for the trucking industry.

Local Doctor Receives National Recognition

At the 2012 American Osteopathic Association (AOA) meeting, Dr. Karen E. Dicks of Willcockson Eye Associates, P.C. was recognized as a finalist for the Patrick G. Murray, Doctor of Osteopathy (DO) Award.

She was awarded second place for the second year in a row for her score on the Ophthalmic Knowledge Assessment Program (OKAP) exam. This is a national exam and Dr. Dicks achieved this high level of distinction amongst her peers for both of the last 2 years of her residency at Grandview Hospital in Dayton, Ohio.

Dr. Dicks joined the Willcockson Eye Associates, P.C. practice in August 2011 and sees patients in both the Yankton and Norfolk, Neb., office locations. Dr. Dicks' practice involves general ophthalmology including complete eye examinations; cataract and implant surgery; laser surgery; glaucoma and diabetes eye management; and eyelid surgery.

She is joined in Yankton by husband Chris and son John.

The staff and doctors of Willcockson Eye Associates, P.C. wish to congratulate Karen Dicks, DO, on this prestigious honor.



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Pictured (front from left): Rod Merchen, Linda Stock, Marcy Brown, Jay Kaddatz, Pam Hemmer; (back from left): Bill Yeager, Mike Diede, Terry Eckmann, Russell Myers, Les Aman, Mark Heirigs, Sharon Alink, Greg Graham, (Jeff May, VP Operations & Finance). Not pictured: Ron Griess, Warren Hoebelheinrich.

Kolberg Club Honors 15 New Inductees

Quarter Century Club Honors 15 New Inductees
 Kolberg-Pioneer held its 13th annual Quarter Century Club Banquet on Friday, April 13, at Hillcrest Golf & Country Club. The event is held to celebrate those individuals who have dedicated at least 25 years of service to Kolberg-Pioneer.

Meeting 40 years of service was Curt Peterka, and 35 years of service Larry Peterson, Keith

Herrboldt, Willie Patocka, Dean Daniels, Larry Pearson, Dan Haas, and Duane Kathol.

The Quarter Century Club consists of 108 members (65 active employees), and total 3,530 years (1,222,981 days) of service. Thank you for your dedication and service to KPI.

More pictures can be viewed at Public/All/Quarter Century Club 2012.

Kolberg-Pioneer, Inc., Welcomes Chris Baer As Structural Design Engineer

Kolberg-Pioneer, Inc. (KPI-JCI) is pleased to welcome Chris Baer, PE, to its engineering team as a Structural Design Engineer.

As a Structural Design Engineer, Baer will perform structural steel design for both the Washing and Material Handling product lines. Previously, he worked as a design engineer for Dakota Steel and Supply in Rapid City and as a design engineer at Gage Brothers Concrete Products in Sioux Falls. Baer received both his Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering as well as his Master of Science degree in Structural Engineering from the South Dakota School of Mines & Technology in Rapid City.

Greg Stach, Engineering Manager for Kolberg-Pioneer, Inc. (KPI-JCI), said the addition of Baer to the



Baer

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engineering team fills a great need in the department.

"Because Kolberg-Pioneer, Inc. offers turnkey product management, we design, fabricate and build our own structures to support this equipment. It is wonderful to have a Professional Engineer like Chris for these product lines," Stach said. "He is a great asset to our team."

To contact Chris Baer, e-mail him at ChrisBaer@kolbergpioneer.com. To learn more about KPI-JCI and Astec Mobile Screens, visit www.kpijci.com.

Wintz Named President Of State Association

LINCOLN, Neb. — Members of the Nebraska Funeral Directors Association (NeFDA) celebrated 126 years of funeral service during their 2012 annual Convention April 23-25 at the Embassy Suites in Lincoln, Neb.

More than 170 attendees participated in continuing education sessions, met with exhibitors in a full exhibit hall and enjoyed networking activities. Educational sessions included: presentations about cremation litigation; personalizing memorial services and increasing marketable services; managing change and managing people with a sense of humor; how to fix the most common misconceptions about funeral marketing; ideas on how to transform the way funeral arrangements are designed, conducted, and managed; and a Nebraska Issues Forum.

Members enjoyed an evening banquet to honor outgoing president Ron Levander from Levander Funeral Home in Albion. Mark Mayfield presented a humorous banquet program entitled "Mamma Told Me There'd Be Days Like This."

During the annual meeting, Levander read a proclamation from Gov. Dave Heineman, congratulating NeFDA members on their 126 years of service to Nebraska citizens and proclaiming the week of April 22-28, 2012, as Funeral Service Professionals Week. NeFDA members elected a new secretary/treasurer.

The members of the 2012-13 NeFDA Board of Directors are:

- President Jim Wintz, Wintz Funeral Home, Hartington, Neb.
- President-Elect Vaughn Wright, Harman-Wright Mortuary, Beatrice, Neb.
- Secretary/Treasurer Jerry Kracl, Kracl Funeral Chapel, Schuyler, Neb.
- Immediate Past President Ron Levander, Levander Funeral Home, Albion, Neb.

- Director and District 1 President Ryan Berg, Mercy & Svoboda Funeral Mortuaries, Wahoo, Neb.
- Director and District 2 President Arvid Wiest, Fox Funeral Home, Beatrice, Neb.
- Director and District 3 President Gregory Brockhaus, Brockhaus Funeral Home, Creighton, Neb.
- Director and District 4 President Kevin Perrien, Sutton Memorial Chapel, Sutton, Neb.

Director and District 5 President Stefanie Sawyer, Jolliffe Funeral Home, Scottsbluff, Neb.

Director and District 7 President Timothy Strauser, Blasé-Strauser Memorial Chapel, Gothenburg, Neb.

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