

Finding Counselors Who Understand Agriculture

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A common question "Farm and Ranch Life" readers ask me is who they can consult for assistance with personal, family and behavioral health problems. Finding

behavioral health professionals who understand agriculture is difficult.

There is no directory of agricultural behavioral health professionals. Ask your doctor or local mental health clinics for recommendations. Only six states

have farmer-

friendly telephone helplines and fewer have websites that are available to help agricultural and rural residents find the assistance they want:

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 Iowa Concern Hotline, 1-800-447-1985, www.extension.iastate.edu/iowaconcer n

• Nebraska Rural Response Hotline, 1-800-464-0258

www.interchurchministries.o rg/ruralresponse.html

• New York FarmNet, 1-800-547-3276, www.newyorkfarmlink.org

 South Dakota Rural Helpline, 1-800-664-1349, no website

• Vermont Farm First, 1-877-493-6216, www.investeap.org; enter the password: dairy

• Wisconsin Farm Center, 1-800-942-2474, no website

Agriculture has two components: "agri" and "culture," said the Leftenant Governor of Saskatchewan at a meeting I attended in Regina some years ago. She was the official representative of the British monarchy in the province, hence the term Leftenant Governor," and also a psychologist.

"In order to be effective in counseling farmers and ranchers," she said, "counselours must understand the culture of people who raise food, and agricology (mainly a British term that refers to the study of agriculture), and the culture part is more important."

The concept stuck with me. It led me to suggest the need to train professionals in agricultural behavioral

Psychiatrists are medical or osteopathic doctors who have completed a four-year residency in psychiatry beyond their MD or DO degree. ARNPs and PAs usually have completed a two year pro-

gram leading to a master's degree, but the terminal degree of nurse practitioners is moving toward a four-year Doctor of Nursing Practice. A medical ap-

proach to behavoral healthcare usually involves medications to restore maladjusted behavior to wellness, but verbal

counseling to manage behavior is also recognized as important. Medical practitioners generally spend less time with patients than trained counselors spend with patients and they

typically have less training in psychological and social assessment and behavior intervention techniques.

The counseling professions include social work, marriage and family therapy, mental health counseling, substance abuse counseling, pastoral counseling and psychology.

Social workers' training is at the bachelor, master or doctoral level in case work, administration or counseling and their work varies accordingly; only master or doctoral level social workers whose training has emphasized counseling are licensed to diagnose and counsel people with behavioral health problems.

Marriage and family therapists, mental health, substance abuse and pastoral counselors usually have completed a master's degree, and occasionally a doctoral degree in their specialization. Capacity to diagnose and treat persons within their areas of training varies according to state licensing requirements. Usually pastoral counselors do not make mental health diagnoses and do not receive reimbursement from health insurers unless they are certified pastoral counselors who are licensed.

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Eight More 125th Committees Formed

PIERRE — Eight more statehood celebration committees are promoting South Dakota's history with events and activities. Activities include fire department water fights, Finn bread baking, antique tractor pulls, a Wife Carrying Contest and a DVD on the baking of Kolaches.

New local committees have organized in Harrisburg, Ipswich, Tabor, Frederick, Lake Norden, Stickney, Geddes and Lawrence County.

By remembering our past, we can build an even better future. The state's 125th birthday year is a good time to do both," said Gov. Dennis Daugaard.

The Harrisburg Days celebrations on June 13-14 will feature a parade, a picnic, several concerts, a fly-over ping pong ball drop, inflatables for the kids and a 5kilometer race. The committee will also create a lasting legacy project later this vear.

Ipswich will celebrate Trail Days June 13-15 with a parade featuring floats de-signed with 125th birthday themes. The town history mural is also being repainted this summer. Later in the year, a special heritage day will be celebrated in all the Ipswich schools with special lessons and tours of the Parmley Museum and Pioneer Village.

Czech Days in Tabor, June 19-21, will also feature a parade with history themes that honor local families, businesses, organizations and individuals that have contributed to the town's history. Old Tabor newspapers have also

been digitized for easier use. A DVD on the baking of Kolaches has been produced. Sidewalk commemorative bricks are also on sale to raise funds for Czech Village. The 125th Statehood Wagon Train will stop in Tabor in September. Water lines and fire hydrants — some more than 100 years old - are also being replaced.

The Frederick Celebration Committee will have a history float in the local Finn-Fest parade, June 20-22. Members will be churning butter, sewing on a treadle machine and doing other demonstrations. The committee's project is refurbishing a building on Main Street. FinnFest will also feature a 5-kilometer race, Finn bread baking, a boot toss, a softball tournament and Wife Carrying Contest.

In Lake Norden, after the annual Pork Bar-B-Q on July 3, area fire departments will have a water fight on Main Street. Then, South Dakota's first Governor, Arthur Mellette, will give a special presentation on South Dakota history in Lake Norden's new community center.

The Stickney Statehood Celebration Committee will host a community pot luck called "Beef Bash," games and a talent show on Aug. 2. There will also be tours of historic buildings. The Committee is raising funds to buy new playground equipment for the city park.

In Geddes, Aug. 8-10, Fur Traders Days will have a 125th Anniversary of Statehood theme with an antique parade, an antique tractor pull and open houses of historic village buildings, such as Peter Norbeck's childhood home. For youngsters, there will be inflatable houses, a pedal pull, barrel train rides and a petting zoo. Other activities will include a farmers market, a chili cook-off, mounted shooters contest, horse shoes, bean bag toss and lawn mower poker run. Funds raised will be used for more restoration of old buildings, playground equipment and town promotion. The committee is also investigating the start of a Peter Norbeck trail and a Norbeck library and museum.

The Lawrence County Historical Society's Statehood Celebration Committee is publishing a book entitled "Lawrence County Town Timelines" for distribution to local schools and sale to the public. Other activities include spring and fall tours of historic buildings and fundraisers.

All locally formed committees will receive help from the Governor's Office to publicize their events and projects, an official certificate and the opportunity to have special highway signs for their communities.

A total of 17 cities, towns and area groups have become official statehood celebration communities so far by creating a special event for this year or adding a state history theme to existing annual events.

Information about creating a local committee is available at http://125.sd.gov under the "Celebration Communities" tab.

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CHRISTOPHER POPOVICH



ST. PAUL, Minn. - Christopher Popovich of Yankton has been named to the Concordia University, St. Paul's Dean's List for the Spring 2014 se-mester. Popovich is a senior majoring

in Criminal Justice. Students with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher are recognized for superior academic performance by being named to the Dean's List.

MORGAN KROTZINGER

ROCHESTER, Minn. - Morgan Krotzinger, a resident of Yankton was among 1,035 students from among 1,035 students from Rochester Community and Technical College who made the Dean's List for Spring Semester 2014 ending this past May.

To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must successfully complete 12 or more letter-graded credits, in the same semester, and achieve a grade point average between 3.0 and 4.0. The Rochester Community and Technical College Dean's List can be viewed by going to: www.rctc.edu/about/html/Deans-list.html/.

CAITLIN HOF

STORM LAKE, Iowa – Hof Caitlin, of Yankton was recently hon-ored at Buena Vista University's (BVU) student recognition event. She is a recent graduate of BVU who majored in biology and chemistry. Hof received the All Science Sen

ior of the Year Award from BVU's School of Science.

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health, if they work with this population.

The precise profession of the behavioral healthcare provider whom agricultural people select is less important than the provider's credibility as someone who understands the lifestyle and travails experienced by agricultural producers.

Characteristics of effective counselors include positive empathy for the client, along with genuineness and warmth, according to University of Calgary psychologists and researchers, Robert Carkhuff and Roger Truax. These are necessary, but insufficient characteristics.

Research now shows that a high psychological skill level and knowledge of the cultural background of the client are also critical. Counselors must be familiar with the way of life of the persons they serve in order to be effective.

Farm and ranch people should ask potential providers if they understand agricultural issues and activities, because these matters are usually integrated into the problems for which they are seeking help.

Is the provider's profession important? It can be. They have different training, skills and approaches to giving care.

Psychiatrists and other physicians such as family doctors and pediatricians, as well as advanced registered nurse practitioners (ARNPs) and physician assistants (PAs), are trained in medicine, but to different levels. All are usually licensed to prescribe medications, but in some states ARNPs and PAs must work under physician supervision.

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6 years of graduate training and an internship that focus on the science and treatment of behavioral health issues. There are many areas of psychology, such as child, clinical, organizational and social psychology; a doctorate is the terminal degree.

Licensed psychologists diagnose and treat behavioral disorders through assessment techniques that may include psychological testing and systematic observation; they are trained in psychotherapeutic techniques to help people change and manage their behaviors. A few states allow psychologists with training in pharmacology to prescribe psychotropic medications.

The best counselors for farm people sometimes do not have a degree in a medical or behavioral health field but they are wise, caring and trustworthy persons who can offer good advice. They might be veterinarians, Extension personnel, neighbors or friends.

Usually they have natural skills and have learned much from the school of hard knocks. But don't be afraid to consult a professional for serious behavioral health concerns.

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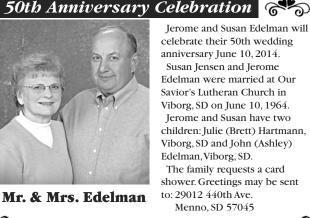
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