



RASCOE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Newsletter

Fall 2016

Notes from your RASCOE VP Becky Zirpel

WOW I love retirement and all those questions of "what are you going to do to keep busy" Well all the people that ask me that question really don't know me. I can't figure out where the time goes and I still have not gotten too many of my little projects that I am looking forward to doing. I have not regretted the decision at all.

We did win the bid to host the 2018 National Convention in Sioux Falls SD. The dates will be July 30 – August 5th. With Tours starting on Wednesday and meetings for NASCOE starting on Thursday – Saturday and many returning home on Sunday. It will be held at the Best Western PLUS Ramkota Hotel and Conference Center. By the time of convention, it will have completed a roughly \$5 Million renovation project. There are motels within 3 miles that the Best Western will work with for any overflow needed and there will be full shuttle service for all. The hotel has been great to work with and I am enjoying working with the Co-Chair and SDASCOE VP, Doug Hofer and with the SDASCOE President, Joel Foster.

We are working on plans to have maybe 4 or 5 smaller tours so that it does not encompass the whole day on Wednesday. Plus, we will host a golf outing for the golfers. Our fun SD night we are looking into have at the Falls in Downtown Sioux Falls with picnic style meal and refreshments along with a band for all that would like to make it a full evening.

We just held our first meeting (Oct 7th) for a small group to set the plans for the Convention and to get the wheels in motion. We look forward to work with the members of SDASCOE and with us RASCOE members that are willing and able. helping co-chair the National NASCOE/RASCOE Convention!

Some of the specifics are we are 10 mins from the airport and the Hotel has shuttles that will help transport people back and forth. Parking is right there and it is free! Group rate is \$104.99 for 1 to 4-person occupancy. We plan to focus around the theme "Sioux Falls – the Heart of America" which is a theme that the Sioux Falls Convention Bureau uses and is willing to work with us.

I look forward to being active in RASCOE and serving as your Vice President for SD. I also look forward to helping co-chair the National NASCOE/RASCOE Convention!

VOTE ON
Tuesday,
November 8,
2016

Health Insurance
Open Season
November 14-
December 12, 2016

RASCOE OF SD FY 16-17

FINANCIAL

REPORT

BEGINNING BALANCE - 4/25/2016

\$10,931.30

INCOME

DUES - May 2016	\$400.00
DUES - June 2016	\$460.00
DUES - July 2016	\$105.00
DUES - August 2016	\$85.00
DUES - September 2016	\$30.00
Returned Early Bird Drawing Check	\$25.00
2016 RAFFLE	\$265.00
CHECK ACCT INTEREST	\$2.67
Return Convention Cash	\$850.00

TOTAL INCOME

\$2,222.67

EXPENSES

Convention Cash	\$750.00
DUES - NATIONAL RASCOE	\$1,205.00
EARLY BIRD DRAWING	\$25.00
NATIONAL CONVENTION - OFFICERS	\$300.00
POSTAGE	\$47.00
2016 Raffle	\$300.00
SD SECRETARY OF STATE-2016	\$10.00
SUPPLIES-INK, ENVELOPES, ETC	\$155.78
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,792.78

ENDING BALANCE - 10/20/2016

\$10,361.19

Concourse
Ballroom



Joining us in Retirement

Colleen Keller, Dewey Co

Karren Goebel, Potter Co

Vilene Campbell, Beadle Co

Lyn Halvorson, FLP Brown Co

Cindy Peterson, Minnehaha Co

The Huron paper had the announcement of Jessie Root's 90th birthday celebration (retired State Office Support Staff). Cards and greetings can be sent to Jessie at 466 Frank Avenue SE, Huron, SD 57350. I'm sure Jessie would love to hear from you.

News from members:

I want to thank RASCOE for the \$100 I won in the 50/50 drawing! It was a very nice surprise!! Thanks!! **Mary White**

Still enjoying the Black Hills, but we sure could use some rain, very dry. The bugs are killing a lot of the trees, sure don't need to worry about fires. All you officers are doing such a good job, keep up the good work. **June Klinkel**

Can't believe another year is gone and another year is half over. Miss seeing old ASCS friends. Are gone a lot. We have a condo in Palm Desert, CA, so spend about 5 months there in the winter. Spend a lot of time in Omaha or Mpls in Summer to be with family and grandchildren. Every day is a Blessing so we need to enjoy. **Gerry Moffenbier**

Thank you for the check I received informing me of my name drawn for "Early Bird" Contest. I appreciate all the hard work the officers and committee members do for us the members of RASCOE. I am returning the check as a donation to RASCOE.. On January 1, 2017, I will have been retired for 30 years. Have enjoyed retirement, Health is good. Irene and I are living in our home in Freeman. **Jake Gross**

What a nice surprise. Thank you very much for my free year of membership in RASCOE. Thank you to National and State Officers and board members for all the work you do to keep our benefits coming. Great job! **Dorene Becker**

Got your message and "thanks" for drawing my name for a free membership. That is very nice. **Gene Vognild**



Happy 60th

Anniversary

*Gene and Shirlee
Vognild!*



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Convention Dates to Remember:

SDASCOE-RASCOE
April 21-22, 2017
Watertown

NWA Rally
April 28-29, 2017
Lincoln NE

NASCOE-RASCOE
August 2-5, 2017
St Charles MO

NASCOE-RASCOE
August, 2018
Ramkota, Sioux Falls SD

Enjoy Halloween,
Happy Thanksgiving
Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year

Bonnie, Becky and
Lynda



Deepest Sympathy

Willard Lamb, 2/24/19-5/29/16, father of Stan Lamb, Codington Co

Audrey Lane, 10/1/26-5/18/16, mother of Peggy Fried, Perkins Co

Bob Brynjulson, 7/7/28-6/6/16, father of Peggy Groen, Lincoln Co

Arlen Guthmiller, 10/28/39-6/15/16, husband of Leta Guthmiller, McPherson Co

Burdell G Lund, 10/27/34-6/20/16, spouse of Bonnie Lund, Hamlin Co

Dustin Tschetter, son of Jeanie Emmett, Brookings Co

Eileen Allibone, 5/6/1929—7/13/2016, Tripp Co.

Araline Wiesner, mother of Arla Kopren, Perkins Co

Arthur Magedanz, father of Steve Magedanz, STO FL

Al Wenz, father of Ryan Wenz STO Supply

Working For ASCS

"Today we work, Tomorrow we play",

When we work for ASCS that's not what we say.

The year has started off with lots of changes to make-

Let's hope the poor farmers can understand them for gosh sake!

1988 will see lots of program payments to be made-

With all the check and certificates to be issued, the ASC workload won't fade.

"We've come along ways baby" is the understatement of the year-

With all the new computer equipment added and other gear.

When working close with fellow employees each day-

We often are taught a shortcut or share an easier way.

For our job each day is to please the farmer and get our work done-

And many days trying to accomplish this keeps us all on the run.

We just have to learn to "Take One Day At A Time".

And sometime not perfect, our problems turn out just fine.

Let's all remember that "Ray of Sunshine" that comes from above-

Good Morning,

It is with great privilege to invite you to the retirement party of one of our most reliable employees. After 30 years of honorable service to the United States Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency, the AS400/S36 is officially retiring from the agency. Please join us for a retirement reception to honor and reflect on all of our memories of the AS400/S36 as well as recognize the contributions of those who had a key role in the success of this program delivery to the agency.

This great event will take place on Thursday, August 18, 2016 at 1:00pm in the Beacon Building, Room G28 A/B in Kansas City, MO.

If you are unable to attend, below is the official AS400/S36 Retirement page where you can post your pictures of you or your office working on the AS400/S36, sign the guest book, and/or provide a story about your experiences with the AS400/S36. We would like to have pictures from when the AS400/S36 was introduced in 1986 until now uploaded if possible to show how the system as evolved. Please take a few minutes to share your thoughts and pictures of our wonderful friend!!

Contact Us

This is your organization and your newsletter, please provide corrections and comments to help us serve your needs.

Submissions of articles, pictures, poems are welcome.
Next deadline is March 1, 2017.

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