



DSA Award Nomination

For which type of DSA are you submitting a nomination?: DSA-Service to NASCOE

Nominee's First Name: Jeanie

Nominee's Last Name: Emmett

Nominee's County: Brookings County

Nominee's State: South Dakota

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Nominee's phone number: 605-690-9115

Nominated by: Brookings County Office

Please describe why you think the nominee deserves this award.: In 1985, Jeanie Emmett began her career with USDA. As the SED Secretary, she was the first person to welcome people as they walked into the SD State Office. As a State Office employee, she was always supportive of SDASCOE. In 2003, Jeanie transferred to the Brookings County FSA Office where she would become the FLP Program Technician. She immediately became actively involved with SDASCOE.

As a GS Employee working as the FLP PT in Brookings County, it would have been easy for Jeanie to continue to be a mere supporter of SDASCOE as she was as an Associate member while working in the State Office. Instead, Jeanie opted to become a very active member of SDASCOE.

Jeanie stepped up to become the SDASCOE Benefits Chairperson. As the Benefits Chairperson she worked diligently on discounts for SDASCOE Members. Jeanie has never

missed a State Convention since transferring to the Brookings County Office and has attended NWA Rallies and National Conventions.

Upon SDASCOE being awarded the opportunity to host the 59th NASCOE Convention in 2018, Jeanie immediately volunteered to be the Registration Chairperson. During the planning phases, Jeanie kept stating the Brookings County staff had the registration completely under control. Under her leadership, Jeanie and the Brookings County Staff spent many hours organizing the registrations and staffing the registration table at the NASCOE Convention. As those who attended the 59th NASCOE Convention experienced, the registration process was nearly flawless.

The 59th NASCOE Convention would not have been a success without her leadership skills during the Registration Process. It would be her last official act for SDASCOE as she retired in October. The only thing that surpassed her dedication to her career and SDASCOE was the loyalty to her family and support of the Minnesota Twins and South Dakota State Jackrabbits. As her career was nearing the end of her retirement, Jeanie stepped down as the Benefits Chairperson. Since there was no one to step up and take the Benefits Chair for the coming year, Jeanie decided happily to step up once again and fill the role and the need. Jeanie, all the way up to her retirement, diligently worked to give SD SDASCOE members what she thought they deserved through benefits.

Jeanie has a very welcoming attitude, and always has an infectious smile on her face. If you give her a task it isn't a matter of "if she can do it" but more of a "when would you like it". If you have met her or have the opportunity to meet her, she is a friend for life. She welcomes any person that crosses her path regardless of who you are and where you are from.

The Brookings County staff nominates Jeanie Emmett for the Distinguished Service Award for her Service to NASCOE.