

SoDakSACA: 11 Years & Counting...



Rounding Up South Dakota's Quality School Age Programs

2010 SoDakSACA Conference

October 15-16, 2010

The Lodge Hotel & Conference Center
Deadwood, SD

Conference Highlights

Howdy, Partners! We're moving our wagons WEST for this year's 11th annual statewide conference which will be held at the new Lodge at Deadwood Resort & Casino in Deadwood! Our annual event will



feature a fun Friday morning pre-conference session, a Deadwood tour, wine-tasting & Gordy Pratt Friday evening, and an exciting motivational session on Saturday morning! Rumor has it that President and CEO of the National AfterSchool Association, Dr. Paul Young (aka The Sheriff!) will be heading our way (on horseback?), too! New this year: The Trading Post, the General Store, the Vendor Hoedown, and an 'invite' for programs to create a 'western-style' centerpiece! As usual, there'll be great breakout workshops in our 'wagon

trains' and tasty vittles at the 'chuck wagon' for all! We hope you will join us for this annual statewide training event. Be sure to plan on staying Saturday night so you can attend the first ever South Dakota Lights On Afterschool event at Mt. Rushmore! Ya'll be sure to come now, ya hear?

Conference Contact

The 2010 conference chair is Ryan Zens, Director of the Fit-n-Fun Program in Rapid City. For questions about the conference, you may contact him at: ryanzens@rap.midco.net

Conference-at-a-Glance

Friday

7:00-8:00 Registration/light breakfast
8:00-11:00 Randy Parrish Opening Session
11:00-1:00 Lunch on your own
1:00-2:30 Deadwood Tour
2:30-2:45 Break (refreshments)
2:45-4:00 Breakout sessions
4:00-4:15 Break
4:15-5:30 Breakout sessions
6:15-8:45 Dinner, Wine Tasting and Entertainment
(Ballroom @ Deadwood Lodge)

Saturday

7:30-9:00 Registration
7:30-8:30 Member Breakfast/Annual Meeting
8:00-8:30 Light breakfast (if not attending meeting)
8:45-10:15 Linda Henley-Smith Keynote
10:30-11:30 Breakout session
11:30-1:00 Lunch~NAA President/CEO Paul Young
1:00-2:00 Breakout sessions
2:05-3:05 Breakout sessions
3:05-3:15 Break (refreshments)
3:15-3:45 Wrap up/Announcements and Door Prizes
4:00 Head to Mt. Rushmore for the South Dakota
Lights On Afterschool Event!

Lodging

Book your rooms now at the Lodge by calling (605)584-4800. Rates are \$89.00 for a single or double until September 14, 2010. Make sure you book your room under the 'SoDakSACA block' so you'll receive the lower conference rate.

Registration Details

The conference registration form and more information can be found on the SoDakSACA website:

www.sodaksaca.org

College Credit

College credit will be available for participation in the full conference. Cost will be \$50. Participants seeking college credit must attend at least 13 hours of conference, and complete two papers; or attend 15 hours total (includes attendance at Mt. Rushmore event). CEUs will also be available for a fee.

Poster Promotion

Round up your afterschool 'cowpokes' to create a poster featuring our theme "Rounding Up Quality School Age Care". One poster per program site, please. This is a fun way for programs to be recognized and participate at our annual event! Bring your poster to the registration desk.

Centerpiece Contest

Help us 'purdy up' our tables at our 'chuck wagon' meal! Think 'old west'! Programs may compete for a prize by bringing a centerpiece with a 'western' theme to this year's contest. Centerpiece should be around 12" x 12". Turn your program's entry in at the Registration Desk.

Program Video and Pictures Request

SD Afterschool Programs have a unique opportunity to participate in the fall SoDakSACA conference this October. Ryan Zens, Conference Chair, is looking for pictures and video clips of 'programs in action'! If possible, pictures should be sent by attachment, and you need to include the name of your program (and the activity taking place) in your email. Pictures and video clips on DVD can be sent to Ryan by mail, as well. Programs should be sure they have a release from parents of children being photographed or filmed before sending to Ryan. Please have your videos and/or pictures to Ryan no later than August 1st. Email: ryanzens@rap.midco.net Address: Fit-n-Fun, 3660 Sturgis Rd., Suite #4, Rapid City SD, 57702

Special Events

Lots of fun things will be happening this year, giving people time to network and have a lot of fun, as well as enjoy all the great workshop sessions. Here's a 'what-for': A tour of historic Deadwood at 1pm on Friday; General Store, Vendors and 'Vendor Hoedown'; the Trading Post (Programs should bring resources to share!); Friday evening 'chuck wagon' and entertainment (cowboy/cowgirl duds are encouraged!) plus 'wine-tasting' by the Prairie Berry Winery of Hill City. Really, folks...you don't want to miss it!

Special Invitation to SD Elementary Principals!

Elementary school principals are invited to attend this year's conference! Dr. Paul Young, past president of the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) and current President and CEO of the National AfterSchool Association (NAA), will be presenting the Saturday luncheon keynote session, as well as a workshop session. A special session with school principals is tentatively being planned.

South Dakota Lights On Afterschool Event at Mt. Rushmore!

Each October, a national celebration featuring afterschool programs is held throughout the nation. Be part of an historic Lights On Afterschool celebration in South Dakota! Join us and other after-school providers, school and community leaders and families on Saturday evening, October 16th at Mount Rushmore for a special lighting ceremony. This event will focus local, state and national attention on the importance of quality after-school programs and the vital role providers like you play in the lives of children and parents throughout South Dakota. This is a fun and exciting way to end the SoDakSACA conference and raise awareness about the importance of after-school programs and the vital work you do. Plan now to attend! More details to come.

Pre-Conference & Keynote Presenters

“Keeping Kids Active and Fit in Today's World”! – Friday Morning Opening Session



Our opening session presenter, Randy Parrish, is a native of Quincy, Illinois. He spent three years at Illinois State University competing on the ISU NCAA men's gymnastics team. Shortly after starting Quincy Gymnastics, Randy completed his Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education at Quincy College (now Quincy University). Randy started Quincy Gymnastics in 1982 in a small auditorium in Franklin Square (the former Franklin School) in Quincy.

Randy has been a part of Flip Fest for four years. With his fun, lovable attitude, he is the heartbeat of the camp. Even if you don't know Randy before you see him, you won't forget him when you leave!

“Gordy Pratt: The Original Fabulous ONE GUY” – Friday evening Keynote

Singer, songwriter, classically trained guitarist, playwright and comedian Gordy Pratt is the original Fabulous ONE GUY (you know, THAT 'ONE GUY!'). Pratt's one-man variety show offers fun-filled comedy and terrific toe-tapping music along with stories and songs from Deadwood's gold camp past. Gordy portrays the ghost of Seth Bullock, the first sheriff of Deadwood, Dakota Territory with stories and original songs about the famous characters that inhabited the last great gold camp of the 19th century. Gordy has opened for the Beach Boys, Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Kenny Chesney, Glen Campbell and others. He performs many shows throughout the Midwest.



“Humor in the Workplace” – Saturday Morning Opening Session

An author, educator, professional speaker and opera singer, Linda Henley-Smith provides an entertaining and educational outlook on working, living and surviving. She calls her company “For the Good Times,” because she believes we all deserve to have good times in life. Laughter is a FUNDamental part of every person's plan for success. Laughter doesn't make everything better for you but it sure makes you better for everything!



Linda has a BA and MA in education and is a member of National Speakers Association. She is the former editor of *Agewave Magazine* and authored state history newspapers for use in classrooms across the country. She is the author of “Adjust Your Attitude and Laugh ‘til the Cows Come Home,” “Humor Me...I'm a Teacher,” and “Here's to the Ladies Who Laugh.” Linda was recently featured along with Mark Victor Hansen and Dr. John Gray in “Mission Possible”, a collection of interviews with twelve Americans who have achieved success in their fields. She was named by *Sharing Ideas Magazine* as one of the “Consummate Speakers of the Year” and featured in *Successful Meetings Magazine* as one of the “Hot Picks” on the speaking circuit.

Linda presents keynotes, seminars and “playshops” all around the world, encouraging people to be the best they can be personally and professionally, by maintaining an “attitude of altitude.” She has been featured at conferences and events with such celebrities as Erin Brokovich, Melissa Gilbert, Priscilla Presley and NBC's Starting Over counselor, Rhonda Britton.

“The Value of an NAA Membership” – Saturday Luncheon

We are pleased to welcome the President and CEO of the National AfterSchool Association (NAA) to South Dakota! Dr. Paul Young is also a past president of the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) and has played a lead role in the development of collaborations between NAESP and NAA and the development of the workshop entitled *Aligning the Learning Day*. He is the author of *Principal Matters: 101 Tips for Creating Collaborative Relationships Between After-school Programs and School Leaders*, available from School-Age Notes, and other books for principals and music teachers, available from Corwin Press and Rowman and Littlefield Education (formerly Scarecrow Press). He is the former Executive Director of the West Afterschool Center in Lancaster, Ohio.



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2010 SoDakSACA Conference Committee
Ryan Zens, Rapid City; Stacey Ross, Deadwood; & Billie Jo Bakeberg, Spearfish

