

Meet Monae Johnson...



The Networker

Monae Johnson moved to Rapid City when she was 4 years old. Her father was a helicopter pilot in Vietnam and retired at Ellsworth as a Lieutenant Colonel in the USAF.

She married Alan Johnson, another Rapid City native, in 1982 and they have three children: Anthony graduated in May 2007 from SDSM&T with a degree in mechanical engineering and now works for CATERPILLAR as a global petroleum service representative.

Adam will graduate from the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY in May of 2008. He is currently the Brigade Operations Officer and will become an Army Ranger.

Alecia, a sophomore at USD, is studying business and is getting married June 2008.

In August 1998 they moved to Pierre, SD. While there, Monae worked for Chris Nelson, Secretary of State as his receptionist and Pistol Permit Administrator. She was the president of Cen-Kota Republican Women and hosted the First Ladies Tea with Jean Rounds at the governor's mansion and Legislative Day with the Legislators wives in February.

June 2003, Alan and Monae started Mid-Dakota Diesel, LLC of which Monae is the Vice President and in charge of the

bookkeeping and marketing.

While in Pierre, Alan and Monae took the training through Dept of Social Services to become foster parents. In March 2004, their lives changed forever as they became foster parents of 10 months old twins, Shawn and Shawntel. On November 27, 2006, they officially adopted the twins and just love it! Now they have 5



children

January 14, 2008, Monae will start working part time for the Northern Plains Eye Foundation as their Development Coordinator. She will be in charge of donor development, fundraising, special events, communication and public relations. Their mission statement is to focus on enhancing the eye health for the people of the Northern Plains. Please check out their website at www.npef.org.

Trapshooting was a passion of hers. In 1980, when she was 17 years old, she was the singles runner up at the state trap shoot in Sioux Falls. Since the winner could not attend, she was selected to represent South Dakota at the Grand National Trap Shoot in Vandalia, Ohio. What a blast!

In 1990, she competed in the Mrs. South Dakota USA competition and was the first runner up.

Another one of Monae's passions is hunting and on October 1, 2001 she shot a 6 x 6 bull elk! She has also hunted pheasants, geese, ducks, deer and antelope but has no desire to hunt bear or moose-ha!

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NEXT MEETING

January 9, 11:45 a.m.
at The Rushmore Plaza Civic Center

GREETERS

Bridget Machacek, Roam'n Around;
Kathy Wilcox, Modern Woodman of America;
and Vesta Wells Johnson, CDR & Body
Balance

BUSINESS TABLES

Kayla Wright, Dakota Backup; and
Jolee Wolf, Rushmore Mortgage
*Guests are welcome to attend up to two
meetings as non-members.*
*For reservations, please call 484-4102 by
noon Friday, January 4.*

NEXT BOARD MEETING

January 16 at noon at The Beanery.

Door Prize Winners

February Spotlight: Michelle Kane

Winner of \$39.00 in the December 50/50 Drawing:

Jane Ham

Vesta Wells Johnson, CDR & Body Balance

* Two CDs: "Songs My Mother Loved" and New
Release "The Moon is Hiding", won by Chris Jensen

**Bridget Machacek, Roam'n Around Travel &
Outdoor Gear**

* Murano Glass Fishhook Earrings from Italy, won by
Peggy Schlechter

Liz Benusis, Portrait Echo

* Gift Cards (2), won by Bethann Baffuto and Jane Ham

Chantelle Emond, Massage by Chantelle

* Half-hour Massage Certificate, won by Marsha
Humphreys

Fay Swenson, AVON ISR

* Avon Breast Cancer Crusade Overnight Treatment and
Socks, won by Jen Blake

Sharon Faiman, Forget-Me-Not Floral

* Floral Arrangement, won by Rhonda Janis

Debora Weinert, Edward Jones

* \$10 Gift Certificate to Autumn Hills Liquor, won by
Bonnie Reese

Jen Blake, JAB Publishing

* A Mug (2), won by Sandy Kerr and Rosemary Harvey

Helen Skogos, Mary Kay Cosmetics

* Oil-free Eye Makeup Remover, won by Mary Victor

Dr. Mary Roth, Wilson Park Dental

* Two Free Complimentary Oral Examinations, and "My Best
Friends Are Flakes" Snowman Wall Hanging, won by Kathy
Jones

Bonnie Reese, BJ's Balancing Act

* A Copy of BJ's Family Story/Cookbook "Mama's Kitchen"
and a Pair of Handmade Potholders, won by Judy Fenske

Peggy Roozing, National American University

* Gingerbread "Sweetie" with Candy Canes (2), won by Mary
Roth and Cherly Carleton

Darla Vulcan, Carver Insurance Inc.

* Christmas Cookie Cutters, won by Debora Weinert

Connie Forstner, Arrowhead Country Club

* Sunday Brunch for Two, won by Jolee Wolf

Kathleen Wilcox, Modern Woodman of America

* Airplane Blanket and Eye Sleepers, won by Peggy Roozing

Barbara Bom, All Continents Travel

* Cocoa and Cookies, won by Shelly Dykstra

Tina Seidel, Mineral Palace

* One Night Stay at the Mineral Palace, won by Mary Wilson

Michelle Kane, Lynn, Jackson, Shultz & Lebrun

* Cool Computer Travel Kit, won by Sandy Schwan

New members

Bach, Jessica

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Activities: "New to the area, have not yet joined
other organizations"
Interests: Dancing, Hiking, Traveling

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Activities: Formerly active in the following: Women of
Today in Wyoming and Minnesota; 4-H; Sweet Adelines;
DCU; Church deacon; Music director; Miss Worthington
Pageant; Community theater in Minnesota
Interests: Motorcycle riding; Sewing; Playing cards;
Singing; Bowling; Watching murder-mysteries on TV;
Acting

***Directories are being passed
out at the meetings.
We'd love to see you there!***

ELECTRONIC AGE — Starting in January, the board of directors plans to send *The Networker* electronically to members with e-mail addresses. This will allow the organization to save money on postage. Currently, back issues are available on our website at www.rcwomensnetwork.org

NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS



LITERATURE — Please feel free to place literature on the dining tables that are 3x5 or smaller. Larger pieces can be placed on the literature table at the back of the room. Thank you!

CLEAN-UP DETAIL — It is each member's responsibility to pick up leftover handouts from the literature table after meetings. Please pick them up or arrange to have someone else do so.

REMINDER — If you don't get a reminder e-mail, or may be out of town during the RSVP time, feel free to call Brianna Hall at 484-4102 to make your reservation.

DOOR PRIZES — Members may bring door prizes to promote their business or organization. Drawings are held

to give away the prizes. Participating in the door prize drawings is a member-only privilege. Please limit prizes to two per meeting.

HELP WANTED — Would you like to give something back to Women's Network? President-Elect Ann Henrichsen is looking for people to serve on the 2008-2009 board. Contact her at 390-3463 for more information.

CHANGE OF VENUE — The board meetings will now be held at The Beanery. All members are invited to attend these meetings, held at noon the third Wednesday of each month.

SAFE E-MAIL — In order to get future issues of *The Networker* make sure to add "networker@rcwomensnetwork.org" to your safe and approved e-mail lists.

MEETING FEES — Remember, buying an annual, semi-annual or quarterly meeting pass does save you money in the long run. On the other hand, if you miss a meeting, you do not get to carry the savings on. If you can't make the meeting, you do not get to add a month to the end of your plan.

*Did you forget to network
something?
Try the bulletin board at
www.rcwomensnetwork.org*

Update

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Destiny Four Square; Life Force International in-

dependent consultant; Partylite Gifts independent

consultant; Mother of four kids

Interests: Camping; Traveling; Gardening; Reading;

Entertaining