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LEE PANKOWSKI

Lee Pankowski was recognized as the Women in Business Spotlight for August 2012. She started LP Custodial & Supply LLC in July 2005, with only two employees. She began to build a client list by knocking on doors, chasing down leads, and contacting people she knew. Her company is certified as an SBA 8(a) Business and SBA Small Disadvantaged Business. Some of her past and current contracts have been with the US Customs Office at Eppley, LAX Air Traffic Control Tower, the 10 Omaha Public Libraries, Union Pacific in Nebraska and Kansas, and the Omaha Fire and Police Training Center. LP Custodial & Supply takes pride in what they do; helping businesses grow by impressing clients with a sanitary environment and keeping employees work space clean and healthy. Their goal is to maintain an environment where a business can focus on their growth.

TRACIE MALESA

Tracie Malesa was recognized as the Women in Business Spotlight for September 2012. Du-Rite Electric was founded in 1958 by Tracie's maternal grandparents, Roger and Marlene Charbonneau. The company has been in its Elkhorn, Nebraska location since 1977. After helping the company out on an occasional basis over the years, Tracie formally joined Du-Rite in December of 2005 as an owner and Vice-President. Trade's partners in Du-Rite include her mother, Valerie Malesa, and her father, Edward Malesa. Du-Rite is registered as a Tier 2 company with the City of Omaha, and has obtained a Woman Owned Small Business certification. Du-Rite Electric is licensed in Nebraska and Iowa and has proudly served local metropolitan homeowners, builders and contractors for their residential and commercial electrical needs. Du-Rite prides itself on providing quality products and services for fair and competitive prices.

CONNIE MARTIN

Connie Martin was recognized as the Women in Business Spotlight for October 2012. She started SpecPro, Inc. with two employees and an idea of providing exemplary maintenance, repair and replacement services to owners of commercial skylights and windows. With their expertise and experience, SpecPro, Inc. currently offers services across the country with the majority of services offered in 12 Midwestern states. SpecPro, Inc. is now the largest maintenance and repair company specializing in composite commercial translucent skylights in the United States. SpecPro, Inc. is certified as a Woman-Owned Small Business.

TINA DIAZ-CIECHOMSKI

Tina Diaz-Ciechomski was recognized as the Women in Business Spotlight for November 2012. Since a young girl, she has always wanted to own her own business; due to circumstances, she had to give up that dream to raise her two young boys as a single mom. She eventually started Future Construction Specialties in June of 2000, with only one employee. Now Tina has thirteen employees including subcontractors. Future Construction Specialties is a City of Omaha Tier H Small

Emerging and Hispanic Woman Owned Business.

The company offers complete home improvement and remodeling to Omaha and surrounding areas. They are a full-service contractor specializing in concrete work, masonry, siding and roofing. They also offer flooring and tile installation, drywall and painting, framing, finishing and much more. Diaz-Ciechomski believes that giving customers the best skilled craftsmanship shows the type of pride they take into their work.

JENNIFER MAASSEN

Jennifer Maassen was recognized as the Women in Business Spotlight for the month of December 2012. She is the current CEO of McCallie Associates Incorporated which was founded in 1982. McCallie is a woman-owned and managed small business certified by the National Women Business Owners Corporation. The McCallie team delivers high quality contract mission and systems support for the Department of Defense and Public Health customers. As CEO, Maassen has played a vital role in improving the overall company. Since then, McCallie has been recognized as one of the Top 500 Woman Owned Businesses in the United States, and in 2011, Maassen was honored as the Bellevue Business Woman of the Year by the Bellevue Chamber of Commerce for her "unwavering commitment, leadership and dedication to the Bellevue-Offutt Community." McCallie was also the State of Nebraska nominee for the Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award, and in 2012, McCallie received the Bronze Award of Merit for Business Integrity from the Better Business Bureau.

IN RECOGNITION OF JAMES NANTELL

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 18, 2012

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor James Nantell. He has served for 40 years in the public sector, twelve of them as the City Manager for the City of Burlingame. A gifted community leader, there isn't a street corner in Burlingame that doesn't have his fingerprints on it.

Jim became city manager of Burlingame in November of 2000 and my time is too short to list all of his accomplishments. At the top of that list is the merger of the fire departments of Burlingame and Hillsborough to form the Central County Fire Department in 2004. The two cities share staff, training and equipment to protect their citizens while reducing cost. For the past 15 years Jim has been a champion of shared services and he currently chairs the Shared Services Initiative of the San Mateo County City Managers Association.

Much of Jim's work has resulted in very visible improvements in Burlingame. For example he facilitated the upgrade to the Burlingame Avenue train station, oversaw the approval of the Mills-Peninsula Medical Center and the Peninsula Humane Society Center for Compassion, obtained federal stimulus funds for street resurfacing projects, developed the Burlingame Avenue streetscape concept plan, obtained a designation of Burlingame as a "Tree City USA" for a 31st consecutive year, and

implemented the construction of a bicycle and pedestrian crossing bridge over U.S. Highway 101.

Over the last ten years, Jim has overseen the rehabilitation of some 40 miles of the 100-year-old water and sewer pipeline system in Burlingame and the construction of a 1.5 million gallon retention basin at the waste water treatment plant.

Jim has also brought many wonderful celebrations to Burlingame. In 2008, he worked closely with local officials and community members to put on nine flawless Centennial events. Residents can thank him for the annual pet parade and employee Halloween costume contest.

Before Jim brought his energy and talent to Burlingame, he served the City of San Mateo for 28 years. He started as assistant recreation center director in 1973 and within a year became the director. From 1975–76 he was the supervisor for athletics and outdoor recreation. From 1976–81 he served as the administrative director of athletics, aquatics, outdoor recreation and community relations. The following four years Jim was the superintendent of recreation and human services. From 1985–90 he served as assistant city manager and from 1990–2000 as deputy city manager and the interim fire chief from 1995–96.

Jim has been a board member of the San Mateo Rotary Club, the Lesley Foundation, the Strategic Planning Committee for the Peninsula Family YMCA, and Our Lady of Angels men's club.

His career clearly demonstrates his passion for recreation and outdoor activities. In his spare time, he has helped coordinate many foot races, including the Bay to Breakers race, the Giants Run to Home Plate, the San Francisco Zoo Run, and the San Francisco Marathon.

Jim, a Wisconsin native, graduated with a BA in Psychology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He earned his M.S. in Parks and Recreation Administration from San Francisco State University. He attended the Harvard Kennedy School of Government in 2000.

Jim married his college sweetheart Christine 42 years ago. They are the proud parents of four children—Maddie, Michael, Ashley and Erin—and grandparents of three grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to rise with me to honor James Nantell for his outstanding and storied service to San Mateo County. His contributions will continue to benefit residents for decades to come.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 18, 2012

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I was not able to be present for the following rollcall vote on December 17, 2012, and would like the record to reflect that I would have voted as follows:

Rollcall No. 627: yes.

Rollcall No. 628: yes.