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New Faces at CAEDA in 2009

By Jennifer Scott & CJ Swenson – CAEDA

The year begins with a fresh face at the CAEDA front desk and a brand new slate of members for the CAEDA Board of Directors.

New Administrative Assistant CJ Swenson joined the CAEDA staff just prior to the holidays and has already proven himself a great asset to the office. A recent college graduate, CJ spent several years pondering the human existence at Seattle Pacific University where he studied Philosophy and Economics. While in Seattle, he put some of his learning to good use and gained valuable experience in office administration as the Chief Finance Officer for the Associated Students of Seattle Pacific.

CJ recently returned to Casper, his hometown, to rejoin family and friends. Often found visiting local coffee shops, CJ spends his time reading, writing and briefly bantering with the regulars. When he is not in the office or at a coffee shop, he is with family or friends doing what he does at the coffee shop. CJ is glad to be back in Casper and to be with CAEDA. "I'm enjoying living once again in this thriving western city", he recently commented. "It is great to have the opportunity to spend my time constructively and to learn so much new information." Please welcome CJ at the next CAEDA event or when stopping by the office.

In addition to CJ, several other individuals will be joining the CAEDA team this year. Introduced at the January 9, 2009 meeting were new board members Kenyne Schlager, Mayor - City of Casper; Keith Cottam, Casper Area Chamber of Commerce; and Bruce Brown, Wyoming Contractors Association McMurry Training Center. Departing board members were also recognized for their dedication and involvement over the last year. Past Chairman Nathan Bekke, Casper Star-Tribune; Kevin Saddler, Casper Area Chamber of Commerce; and Paul Bertoglio, City of Casper all completed their terms at the end of 2008.

The new CAEDA Executive Committee was also announced at the meeting. Dr. Walter Nolte, President of Casper College, will be Chairman for 2009. Named Vice Chairman was local business consultant, Tim Monroe. The Secretary position will be filled by Chris Lorenzen, Chief of Business Development at Wyoming Medical Center. Jim Porter, CPA and President of Porter, Muirhead, Cornia & Howard will serve as Treasurer this year. These new executive officers bring a wealth of experience and knowledge to their positions, and will provide positive leadership for the CAEDA organization in the coming year.



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*CJ Swenson joined the CAEDA staff in
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