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ICBM Member Lou Geistfeld Named Banker of the Year

Lou Geistfeld, President of ICBM member Citizens Bank Minnesota in New Ulm, has been named 2013 "Banker of the Year" by NorthWestern Financial Review magazine.

Geistfeld is the 25th recipient of the award which coincidentally aligns with his 25th year as the bank's President. He is recognized for his leadership of a unique bank with 400 community shareholders (in a town of almost 14,000) and a fun-loving staff that finds new ways to attract customers.

"In the last six years, while other



banks have struggled to grow, Geistfeld and his staff have grown

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Directors Elected in 5, 7, 8, 9, and 10

Two ICBM district directors were re-elected and three were elected for the first time in elections held in December. Re-elected were Lon Elyander, President/CEO, First State Bank of Ashby, District 7, and Al Berabe, President, Farmers & Merchants State Bank of New York Mills, District 8.

Newly elected were Bob Facente, President/Director, Prior Lake State Bank, District 5; Shelly Steere, COO/SVP, Grand Rapids State Bank, District 9; and Tony McLean, President, Border State Bank in Greenbush, District 10. All will serve three-year terms except Facente who

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Convention Issue

Bringing Broadband to the Heartland

Community bankers Phil Keithahn, Sue Keithahn and Robert Dickson finance a fiber-optic broadband cooperative

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Welcomed in Worthington

How one community bank is helping immigrant entrepreneurs like Maria Parga contribute to a growing Worthington, Minn.

