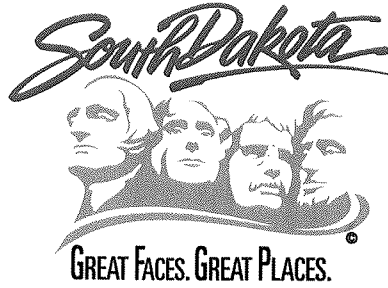


## Banks Reminded that Tribal ID Cards Serve as Valid ID

The SDBA reminds banks that tribal identification cards are a valid form of identification for all purposes relating to banks or financial institutions for which a South Dakota nondriver identification card or a South Dakota driver license may be used.

The use of tribal identification cards as the equivalent of certain state-issued documents for identification purposes was approved by the 2011 South Dakota Legislature. Questions regarding the new law were raised during a recent SDBA meeting.

According to SDCL 1-54-7, tribal identification cards shall be accepted as valid forms of identification for the purpose of cashing checks wherever checks may be cashed. A tribal identification card is an unexpired identification card issued by a South Dakota tribal government of a tribe recognized by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, United States Department of the Interior, that



contains the legal name, date of birth, signature and picture of the enrolled tribal member.

According to SDCL 2-40-18, no person may:

1. Possess any cancelled, fictitious, fraudulently altered or fraudulently obtained tribal identification card.
2. Lend the person's tribal identification card to any other person or knowingly permit its use by another.
3. Display or represent a tribal identification card not issued to the person as being the person's card.
4. Photograph, duplicate or in any way reproduce a tribal identification card or facsimile thereof in such a manner that it could be mistaken for a valid identification card.
5. Use a tribal identification card that was obtained by false swearing, fraud or false statement of any kind or in any form.

A violation of this section is a Class 1 misdemeanor.

For more information on the new law, visit <http://legis.state.sd.us/>. ■

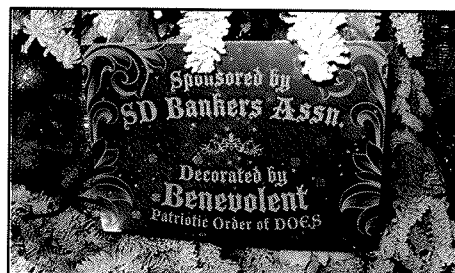


### Starlit Wonderland

The South Dakota Bankers Association sponsored a tree for the annual Christmas at the Capitol in Pierre. The SDBA's blue and white tree was decorated by the Benevolent Patriotic Order of DOES.

This year's display included nearly 100 trees that were decorated by volunteers from communities, schools, churches, nonprofit organizations and government offices from across the state. The 2011 theme was "Starlit Wonderland."

Instead of sending Christmas cards to its members this year, the SDBA made a donation to Pierre Area Referral to help provide Christmas meals to those less fortunate in the Pierre area and donations to local service organizations Missouri Shores Domestic Violence Center and Paws Animal Rescue. The donations were made on behalf of the SDBA's member banks and branches in South Dakota. ■



At left is the SDBA-sponsored Christmas tree at the State Capitol in Pierre