About our Presenters

**Liz Manion** is currently employed as the grant writer for Youth and Shelter Services, Inc., (YSS). Previously, Ms. Manion managed and wrote Homeland Security grants on behalf of Iowa’s Emergency Managers. Her grant writing experience includes grant management, reporting, auditing, and grant review of local, state and federal grants as well as writing grants to the for-profit sector.

**Denise Vrchota** is a faculty member in the Communication Studies Program, Department of English, at Iowa State University. She conducts workshops on communication issues such as meeting management and interpersonal and public communication. Her research examines the role of communication in other disciplines. She consults with faculty, helping them develop communication activities for their classes. She teaches communication courses such as conflict management, communication theory, and communication training and development.

**Dr. David Brown** currently serves as a Human Sciences Specialist, Family Life for Iowa State University Extension and Outreach. His primary emphases are to provide education support for individuals, parents and families to build healthy relationships; to empower family caregivers of older adults to take better care of themselves; and to support providers to improve the quality of child care.

For more than 40 years, Love Scott and Associates has provided high-quality marketing communication services to Iowa businesses in just about every professional industry. When **Andrea Love** was named President of the agency in 2009, her background and passion for nonprofit marketing and PR came to the forefront. For the next few years, she built a team equally as passionate and driven to help nonprofit organizations do what they do even better.
2016 Nonprofit Management Workshop Series

April 28 - Fundamentals of Grant Writing — Liz Manion, Youth and Shelter Services

Learn how to increase the understanding of your organization’s mission, identify program needs (gaps) versus program wants, work with organizational staff on project development and, the how-to’s in finding/composing an application matching program needs with available grants.

June 23 - Facilitating Effective Meetings — Denise Vrchota PhD, Iowa State University

Do your professional meetings suffer from bad rap? When meetings are planned and conducted in ways that value the people who attend them, their contributions, and their time, it is possible for meetings to get a “good rap.” To assist you in planning and conducting meetings that value the individuals who attend them and also enable you to conduct the business of your professional unit, join me for The Good Rap Meeting Management Workshop.

August 25 – Balancing Work and Personal Life—Dr. David Brown, Iowa State Extension & Outreach

People today feel overworked, and with not enough time to be a good worker, nor a good parent, partner, child, or citizen. This presentation will review the challenges to balancing personal and work life, look at the signs of personal and work life imbalance, and explore ways to experience self-care and how to regain balance.

October 27 - Writing Success Stories — Andrea Love, The Marketing Group

What moves people to act is not usually fact but emotion. The most successful organizations help people both to feel the need to help and to understand how their efforts will create change. How do they do that? By telling a story. You will learn how to identify your story (both your own and your organization’s) and tips on telling it in a way that gets people emotionally involved and moves them to action.

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