

Ryan Richmond, president of Eagle State Bank in Eagle recently graduated from the Graduate School of Banking at Colorado (GSBC), a 25-month banking school which provides senior management and leadership education for community-banking professionals.

Richmond was among 164 graduates of the 63rd annual school session, hosted July 14-26 on the campus of the University of Colorado in Boulder.

Richmond formerly served as president of First Bank & Trust in Imperial.

“Completing the coursework and projects associated with the Graduate School of Banking at Colorado is a great accomplishment for community bankers around the country,” said GSBC President Tim Koch.

Graduates receive a diploma upon successfully completing six weeks of classroom training which focuses on the areas of general management, lending, leadership and human-resource management and financial management.

Requirements for graduation also include comprehensive examinations, intersession research projects and participation in a bank-management simulation course designed to provide the student with experience managing a bank.