

FLIRTY KATE WINS AWARD FOR LEAVING THEM LAUGHING...

A SHEFFIELD firm which teaches people how to flirt and runs seminars for businesses on how to encourage laughter at work, has won an award.

HumourUs, run by Bill Rodgers and his wife Kate Hull Rodgers, was set up 18 months ago to encourage enjoyment in employment.

Canadian Kate was honoured by adventure and social club Spice for running the best workshop. Spice has 15,000 members nationwide, mostly business people who take up challenges in their spare time.

She gives regular personal development workshops for Spice members.

She said although her corporate work might seem frivolous, it was really stress prevention and stress management.

"Bill is an actor and he tends to concentrate on teaching people how to introduce a bit of drama into their presentations, how to work an audience.

"My speciality is laughter. It's not necessarily about telling jokes and being funny, but using humour to embrace change and reduce workplace stress.

"Flirting for fun teaches people how to build a rapport with colleagues and clients.

"People have become scared of banter because of political correctness and the fear of sexual harassment claims, but I teach people how flirting need not be a sexual thing.

"It is about making someone else feel good. Used properly, it is a great way to make people like you."

HumourUs is based in Fence, Sheffield and runs corporate seminars all over the country and abroad.



Spice girl: Kate Hull Rodgers with her award for running the best workshop

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