

the Mellette County

Ranchers Workshop is 'best ever'

WHITE RIVER - The 20th annual Ranchers Workshop was held Jan. 12 at the Mellette County Courthouse here with more than 90 participants.

Presenters and topics were: Boyd Byelich, Development of Enterprises; James Satterlee, Future of our Demographics; Dr. Provecek, Pathogen Reduction; Ray Bannister, Range Management Strategies; Dave LeCompte, Land Ownership; and John Ball and Craig Brown, Planting Trees and Land Management.

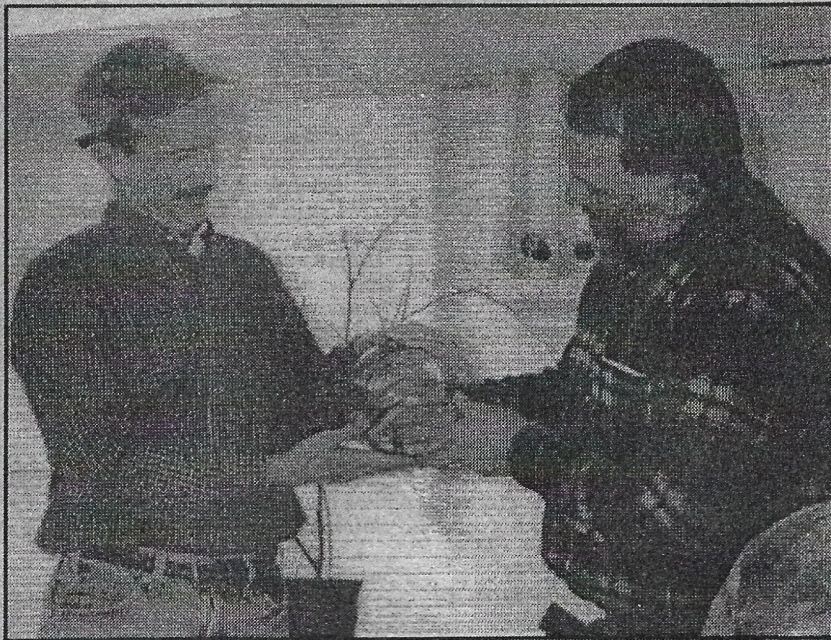
"Home Based Business" booths were a popular attraction. The booths were set up by area business people explaining how each got started in their home-based business.

Comments from attendees after the workshop called the event "the best one ever" with "very good topics" and "interesting speakers".

The program was coordinated by the Rosebud Extension Office, MC Extension Office, Todd and Mellette Co. Conservation Districts, Natural Resources

Conservation Service, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Sponsors included the South Central Resource Conservation & Development Council, area businesses and the MC Cattlewomen.

The planning committee has set the 21st Annual Ranchers Workshop for Jan. 11, 2000, at Mission. Plans are to include the Home-Based Business booths at next year's workshop.



John Ball and Craig Brown present a skit on planting and fertilizing trees.