

Ranchers...

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Other speakers were Terry Wright, SD Game, Fish & Parks forester, on "Trees for Wildlife," and Dan Odekoven, SDSU Extension farm management specialist, on "Pasture Leases and Cash Rents." Dean Fred Cholick, SD State University, Brookings, was emcee.

"We usually try to cover the four main topic areas of a ranch: natural resources, production, family and finances," George explained.

"There were lots of positive comments on all the speakers and trade show booths. We are always interested in what topics people want to hear about or speakers that are good. Give the conservation office a call with your ideas."

The Southern Belle Cattlewomen served a complimentary lunch of beef pot roast and homestyle meatballs, to promote the SD Beef Industry Council's new precooked beef products which can be heated in a microwave oven and ready to serve in seven minutes or less.

In addition to George and Adrian, workshop coordinators were Mary Scott, NRCS soil conservationist; Theresa Benda, South Central RC&D executive director; Valerie Mitchell, Jones County SDSU extension educator; Michelle Schimke, SDSU

extension educator; Sonny Farmer, BIA range conservationist; Jr. Schmidt, NRCS resource conservation technician; Seanna Rugenstein, NRCS tribal liaison; Gina Strain, Mellette County extension; Margie Homan, SCRC&D secretary; Lisa Rounsley, Mellette and Todd County Conservation Districts, district manager; and Tom Hacker, NRCS student trainee.

Vendors in the home-based business trade and craft show were Katrina Hasse, Valentine, custom sewing; Bill Adrian Trucking and Donna's Dried Flower Creation, White River; Triangle Cross, Charlie and Dorothy Nelson, Carter, with handmade bits, spurs, belt buckles and western jewelry; McCormick & Company, Valentine, with electric fence products and livestock weighing equipment; Witten Metal Arts, Luan Klemann; Marilyn Galbraith, Wood, a Home Interior distributor; Milo Koskan, Wood, with works by artist Don Greytak; Jim Stotts, Pierre, Black Angus bulls; Keith Hespe, Okaton, grass stripper; Linda Ishmael, Clearfield, Tupperware consultant; Rose West, White River, crafts; Amy Lehmann, Belvidere, wild seeds; and Midwest Fertilizer Inc., Dick and Tom Schneider, Kilgore.

Other information booths were set up by Badlands South Central Enterprise Facilitator

Nancy Larsen, Martin; Todd and Mellette County Conservation Districts; SDSU Animal and Range Sciences; Dakota Pride Cooperative; Beef Quality Assurance; Valentine Livestock Auction; Tribal Land Enterprise; Stockade Feed; Gregory Feeds; Karen Madsen with Todd County Extension - Sun Smart; Ron Fredrick, Norris, with Fort Dodge Animal Health; Dave George with NRCS Manure Management; and South Central Resources Conservation & Development.

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