

South Dakota and Wyoming Young Farmers & Ranchers You are invited...

2015 Young Farmer & Rancher Joint Conference

“ALL IN WITH FARM BUREAU YF&R”

Jan. 16-17, 2015 in Deadwood, S.D.



Young agricultural producers between the ages of 18-35 from South Dakota and Wyoming will gather for a premiere young farmer and rancher event. The conference provides the opportunity to network, listen to informational and motivational speakers and enjoy the company of those involved in the same business.

Agenda and registration enclosed. Jan. 10, 2015 registration deadline.
Also available at www.wyfb.org or sdxfb.org

Open to young agriculture producers (membership not required) & all Farm Bureau members.

CONTACT: South Dakota Farm Bureau: 605.280.1319 or sdxfb.org
Wyoming Farm Bureau: 307.532.2002 or kclark@wyfb.org
or Facebook/Wyomingfarmbureauyoungfarmersandranchers



JOINT FARM BUREAU YOUNG FARMER & RANCHER CONFERENCE

"ALL IN"

Registration Form

January 16-17, 2015

The Lodge at Deadwood, Deadwood, S.D.

Conference Agenda available at www.sdfbf.org and www.wyfb.org

Name: _____ Spouse's Name: _____

of Children Needing day care _____ # of Children Needing Meals** _____

Names and Ages _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail: _____

Registration fee is \$70/adult and at cost/child** and may be paid by check *prior* to the conference. Late registrations (after Jan. 10) may be accepted and will be \$90/adult.

**Children are welcome and we may be able to offer children's meals at cost. Please indicate if you need childrens meals to determine cost or please indicate if child will not require a meal.

Total amount due: \$ _____

Indicate form of payment: _____ check _____ cash _____ Bill County Farm Bureau

For room reservations, please call The Lodge at Deadwood at 605-584-4800 and mention the "Young Farmers & Ranchers Group" for the group rate of \$109 plus tax. Reservation cut-off date is Jan. 1st; after that date reservations will be based on availability.

Jan. 10, 2015 REGISTRATION DEADLINE, this form and payment due by Jan. 10.

South Dakota Participants:

- Register online at www.sdfbf.org or mail to South Dakota Farm Bureau, PO Box 1426, Huron, SD 57530
- Contact: 605-280-1319 or lowell@sdfbf.org

Wyoming Participants:

- Mail to Kerin Clark, Wyoming Farm Bureau, PO Box 685, Torrington, WY 82240
- Contact: 307-532-2002 or kclark@wyfb.org

Joint Young Farmer & Rancher Conference

Sponsored by the South Dakota Farm Bureau and the Wyoming Farm Bureau

“All in with Farm Bureau YF&R”

January 16-17, 2015 at The Lodge at Deadwood in Deadwood, S.D.



Friday, January 16, 2015

Lunch on your own.

12:00 p.m. **Registration**

12:30 p.m. **ALL IN Conference Kick-Off: Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance**

Welcome from State YF&R Chairs: Eric & Ida Sander, SD and Cole Coxbill, WY

Meet Committee Video

1:00 p.m. **“Discovering Your Influential Power” Keynote Presentation**

-- Troy & Stacy Hadrick, Advocates for Agriculture

What’s the most valuable tool you can use to make your operation a success? It is your story. Consumers are asking more questions these days about where their food comes from and how it is raised, and they don’t always get their information from credible sources. It is up to us as producers of food and fiber to tell our positive story of production agriculture. In this keynote, the Hadricks share what it means to be an influential person and will give you the tools to effectively tell your story.

3:00 p.m. **Break/Networking**

3:30 p.m. **Breakout Sessions (45 min)**

• **“Social Media Telling Your Story”--Val Wagner**

• **“Agriculture and Legislative Issues Update”—Ken Hamilton, WyFB & Wayne Smith, SDFB**

4:30 p.m. **General Session**

“Transitioning from a family operation to an agricultural business that blesses the family”

--Rick LaPlante, Business and Leadership Consultant

This session will focus on a case study of a transition of a ranching operation from a family business led by the patriarch, to an agricultural business run by a CEO under the direction of a Board of Advisors. Of course, the CEO and Advisors are all family members! We will talk about the steps necessary to make that transition and of some of the mistakes that were made. While a little estate planning is necessary for context, the bulk of the discussion will be about steps to successful succession planning. By following the ranch over a 4 year period we will watch the process play out in business decisions and personal relationships.

6:30 p.m. **Social with Cash Bar**

7:00 p.m. **Dinner**

Farm Rescue Presentation

Mock Discussion Meet: *The YF&R Discussion Meet is designed to simulate a committee meeting where discussion and active participation are expected from each committee member. The competition simulates Farm Bureau’s grassroots policy development process. \$100 gift card to winner.*

9:00 p.m. **Hospitality Room/Social**

Saturday, January 17, 2015

7:30 am ***“Load limits and differences between the states”***

--Lt. Joel Peterson, South Dakota Highway Patrol

--Officer Robert Haugen, POE Supervisor, Wyoming Highway Patrol

8:30 a.m. **Coffee/Juice/Rolls/Muffins in Lobby**

9:00 a.m. **Breakout Sessions (45 min)**

- ***“A Critical Analysis of Conservation Easements.”***

-- Harriet Hageman, Water and Natural Resources Attorney from Cheyenne, WY

This presentation will explore the history of conservation easements, government involvement, implications for private property rights, and the significance of the contractual language used.

- ***"Grazing Management"***

--Dallas Mount, University of Wyoming Extension

Find out why focusing your management on controlling grazing timing and distribution provides the greatest opportunity to increase profit on the ranch. Discover the three keys to managing grazing and which is the most important.

- ***“Beef Reproduction Strategies”***

--Tim and Chandy Olson

10:00 a.m. ***“Extraordinary Productivity”***

--Kyle Perry, American Farm Bureau Federation

With a constant flow of information coming at us from all angles—phones, computers, tablets, and television, the attention required can feel overwhelming. With this influx in volume and need to react, we often fall short of the things that we wish to accomplish and those we wish to spend time on in our personal and professional lives. The solution as brought forth by Franklin Covey involves The 5 Choices to Extraordinary Productivity and based in tradition with a renewed sense of focus that matches our current lives and daily demands at work and at home. This session provides an introduction to the 5 choices from Franklin Covey’s extended program.

11:30 a.m. **Lunch featuring Travis and Renae Gebhart, AFBF YF&R Vice Chair**

Travis and Renae Gebhart farm and ranch in Northwest South Dakota, where they raise beef cattle, alfalfa and grass hay, and a variety of crops. Travis and Renae are focused on giving their three children the opportunity to produce quality beef and are proud to be raising their children in agriculture. They are both active in their local community through the school, 4-H, FFA, church, the volunteer fire department, and on their county Farm Bureau board. They currently serve on the AFBF YF&R committee and Travis is the vice-chair.

1:30 pm **Load Bus for Tours**

Tour Stop #1: Blair Bros. Angus Ranch is located Northeast of Sturgis, S.D. They aim to breed cattle that will excel in the pasture, feedlot and on the dinner plate. Blair Brothers have evolved to create bulls that will do it all. In 1998, Blair Brothers took advantage of the opportunity to become founding members in US Premium Beef. US Premium presented their members with a Carcass Grid that paid producers a premium for high Quality Grading cattle. High quality carcass traits were added to the breeding objectives because we were shown by US Premium exactly the kind of carcass the packing plant would pay the producer a premium to produce.

Tour Stop #2: High Plains Genetics, LLC is a professional genetics and artificial insemination business located in the Black Hills of South Dakota. They offer a world-class facility and the highest level of customer service for livestock customers.

Tour Stop #3: Dinner at the Loud American Roadhouse in Downtown Sturgis.

8:30 pm **Return to Hotel** 9 p.m. **Hospitality Room and Social** *Agenda updates at www.sdfbf.org & www.wyfb.org*