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Third Annual South Dakota Salutes Event Scheduled for September 24-25

Harrisburg, **SD** – The Third Annual South Dakota Salutes appreciation shooting competition is a week away and South Dakota "invitees" are encouraged to attend.

South Dakota Salutes is an event to raise money for the families of South Dakota "First Responders" who have died in the line of duty, as well as an appreciation event to show appreciation and support for those who serve and protect the citizens of South Dakota.

Three times in less than a year, South Dakota Salutes responded with \$10,000 cash gifts to bridge the immediate financial concerns for families of First Responders who have died in the line of duty, while serving and protecting South Dakotans.

- Sturgis Volunteer Fire Department Assistant Fire Chief David Fischer died on September 7, 2018 and we presented a check to his family on September 11th
- Minnehaha County Deputy Sheriff Steve Maciejewski died on April 3, 2018 and we presented a check to his family on April 6th
- Fire Chief Donny Manger, of Presho, SD died on October 14, 2017 and we presented a check to his family on October 17th

The Appreciation Shooting Event, featuring pistol, rifle, and sporting clays competitions, is scheduled as follows:

Hunters Pointe Shooting Complex 45743 260th Street, Humboldt, SD September 24, 2018 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. (CDT) September 25, 2018 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. (CDT)

Statewide Law Enforcement, Fire & Rescue, Military Personnel and Military Veterans are invited to attend and encouraged to register today.

https://www.sdsalutes.org/events-registration

For more information, visit the South Dakota Salutes website at https://www.sdsalutes.org/

About South Dakota Salutes:

South Dakota Salutes (SDS) is statewide entity of volunteers formed to show appreciation to those "First Responders" who are always there to serve and protect the citizens of South Dakota 24/7. As a way to show appreciation to those who serve and protect us, **SDS** events will be free of charge to all South Dakota First Responders including the following groups:

Law Enforcement – Including: city & town police; county sheriffs & deputy sheriffs; highway patrol officers; Game, Fish & Parks Officers; Federal DCI etc. Fire & Rescue including EMT's (full-time & volunteer)

Military personnel – including: Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Reserve Units, Guard Units (active duty & retired)

SDS is funded through statewide sponsorships and donations. All monies received are deposited with the <u>Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation</u>. Funds received over-andabove the cost of hosting SDS events are placed in a special trust fund at the <u>Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation</u> designated to support the families of South Dakota first responders who have died in the line of duty. **SDS** has no paid employees; the events are hosted entirely by volunteers and sponsors.

South Dakota Salutes is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization. Contributions are deductible to the maximum extent allowable for federal income tax purposes.

2018 Co-Chairs: Tony Bour, Showplace Wood Products, Harrisburg, SD

Paul Muth, Muth Electric, Mitchell, SD

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