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5th Annual South Dakota Salutes Event Scheduled for September 28-29

Harrisburg, **SD** – The 5th Annual South Dakota Salutes appreciation shooting competition is two weeks 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 support for those who serve and protect the citizens of South Dakota.

Four times in an 18-month period, 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.

- Argyle, South Dakota volunteer firefighter Dwain Hudson died on April 17, 2019 and we presented a check to his family on April 24th
- 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 28, 2020 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. (CDT) September 29, 2020 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. (CDT)

Statewide Law Enforcement, Fire & Rescue, Military Personnel and Military Veterans are invited to attend and encouraged to register free of charge today. Trophies, bragging rights, food, beverages and door prizes are also provided.

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 are 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 over-and-above the cost of hosting SDS events are 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.

2020 Co-Chairs: Tony Bour, Showplace Cabinetry-Retired, Harrisburg, SD

Gene Loos, Retired, Sioux Falls, SD

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Media interview opportunities are available and encouraged leading up to and during the events. Please contact Scott Korsten, 605.366.8412, or SDSalutes@gmail.com or scott.korsten@showplacecabinetry.com to arrange.