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From the Desk of Dan Gee, Program Director

Michelle and I will be attending the Governor's Ag Development Summit in Sioux Falls on June 30. We have heard from many of you who also plan to attend. As stewards and leaders of agriculture, this would be a great day to be at for SDARL members. Details are below. Please register asap.

Governor's Ag Development Summit

The first annual Governor's Ag Development Summit will be held at the Sheraton in Sioux Falls on Wednesday, June 30. Registration is from 8 to 9:00; the event includes a variety of topics with the day's keynote beginning at 3:30 featuring SD Governor Mike Rounds. To register for this free event please call 800-228-5254 or log on at <http://sdda.sd.gov/Registration>. They do have space limitation.

Class VI Members Selected

The SDARL Board of Directors is pleased to announce the 33 participants selected for Class VI. Members are: Chase Adams, Sturgis; Danci Baker, Fort Pierre; Tammy Basel, Union Center; Ron Brownotter, Bullhead; Kelly Bruns, Brookings; Mary Ellen Cammack, Sturgis; Glen Crawford, Aberdeen; Corey Eberhart, Java; Travis Ellison, Lemmon; Connie Groop, Frederick; Joseph Hanson, Elk Point; Noelle Harding, Baltic; Sarah Jorgensen, Pierre; Jim Kopriva, Jr., Raymond; John Melius, Brookings; Tyler Melroe, Britton; Codi Mills, Philip; Todd Mortenson, Hayes; Jon Nelson, Lake Preston; Marlin Nilsson, Mansfield; Susanne Odden, Ree Heights; Shane Odegaard, Lake Preston; Michael Reecy, Dell Rapids; Olga Reuvekamp; Elkton; Clint Ridley, St. Onge; Rebecca Rink; Huron; Sal Roseland, Seneca; Jon Schaeffer, Viborg; John Schallenkamp, Bridgewater; Lealand Schoon, White River; Kari VanderWal, Volga; Ryan Wagner, Roslyn; and James "JD" Wangsness, Miller.

2010 Golf Classic

It is not too early to be thinking about your golf team at the 2010 SDARL Golf Classic. A desire to have fun and a set of clubs are all that is necessary, skill is optional! Mark Friday, July 23 on your calendar. We hope to fill all 80 slots. Spouses and friends are welcome to golf. We will have a registration form and further details on our website this month.

Livestock Handling Expert to Deliver Workshop in western South Dakota

If you work around livestock at all, please consider this extremely RARE and SPECIAL opportunity to meet Ms. Temple Grandin, a world-renowned expert on livestock. A special invitation is being extended to SDARL members. The event will take place at the 777 Bison Ranch (**Dave Schroth**, Class V), about $\frac{1}{2}$ hour south of Rapid City. Register by e-mail rsvp@rapidcitychamber.com, by phone at 605-343-1744 or online at www.rapidcitychamber.com.

Dr. Grandin was named one of the world's "100 Most Influential People" by Time Magazine. HBO produced a documentary on her life.

Cost is \$15 per person, which includes a meal. The event is sponsored by the Rapid City area Chamber of Commerce Ag & Natural Resources Committee, SD Department of Agriculture, Farm Credit Services of America, Dakota Territory Buffalo Association, EquiMedic USA, and Ag United for South Dakota.

For more information on Dr. Temple Grandin, please visit her website <http://grandin.com>.

Alumni Dues are payable

2010 annual membership dues can be sent to the SDARL office now. The membership "year" runs April 1 - March 31. Annual fees are \$50 and include your meals at Class VI kickoff and/or graduation. If you are a lifetime member, it is \$500/year. This applies to Classes 1 - 5 only.

Holistic Land Management Course offered July 8

777 Bison Ranch (**Dave Schroth**, Class V) and the Dakota Territory Bison Association are offering SDARL members a special opportunity to take part in Holistic Management workshop they are hosting.

The day will be taught by instructor Kirk Gadzia from New Mexico. Mr. Gadzia has been an instructor for Holistic Management since the concept began. The workshop and materials are free and will be held at Custer State Park Resort (Phone 255-4672) where a block of rooms has been held under "Holistic Management Camp". Mention that when reserving your room. For more information on holistic land management, visit www.holisticmanagement.org.

Please **register by June 15** via email to daveschroth@msn.com. Include your name, address and phone number. Put "Holistic Training" in subject line please. Thank you to 777 Bison Ranch for this special learning opportunity

Upcoming Events

- June 28 Dr. Temple Grandin workshop at 777 Bison Ranch, Fairburn, SD
- June 30 Governor's Ag Development Summit - SF Convention Center
- July 8 Holistic Range Management seminar, Custer State Park
- Friday, July 23 Annual Golf Outing, Lakeview Golf Course, Mitchell, SD
- Thursday, Sept. 2 State Fair get together
- Nov. 20 Class VI Kick-off, Alumni & Friends Banquet
- Feb. 4-5, 2011 Alumni Continuing Ed Seminar, Rapid City
(in conjunction with the BHSS)