

NDWCA Education Committee Meeting

August 13, 2007

On August 13, 2007 the Education Committee met at the Washburn 4-H camp to finalize symposium details. Present were: Shauna Berg, Kadie Herseth, Stan Wolf, Dan Folske, Odin Heim, Jim Hennessey, Dan Dew, John Arlien and Derrill Fick. Bags are put together for registrants and include weed CD's with power point printout, t-shirt (\$10.50) and a Weeds of the Prairies book (\$25). Speakers will receive a Weeds of the Prairies book and a T-shirt. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. Golfers need to sign up at the table. Table is set up for caps, t-shirts, cards and koozies to be sold during the symposium. The cost of the hats was \$10 and that will be the sale price. Koozies were \$1 each to make, we will sell them for \$2. T-shirts are approximately \$10.50 cost and we will be selling them for \$12. Cards are for sale at \$5. If anyone needs something more than what we have, we will take orders. We will have to reorder books for the Education Committee. Derrill Fick will begin the symposium with a welcome speech and recognize ND RC&D for the grant received in order to have this school. At 1:15 Randy Westbrooks will speak on early detection and rapid response. Randy Westbrooks direct bill to Ward County until later.

We will have a half hour break. The next speaker is on at 3:30 p.m. with noxious and new and invasive weeds. GPS training will begin at 4:15. Supper is at 6-7:00 p.m. with burgers and brats. After dinner we will have a weed hunt. There are 15 locations around the camp with noxious weeds gps'd. Teams will consist of 2, they are allowed an hour to locate all 15 and correctly identify them. Teams will have to punch in the longitude and latitudes and use their gps units to guide them to the locations. Winners will receive a prize. Weed Jeopardy will be from 8-9:00 p.m. Social follows with a bring your own beverage understanding if people want anything other than pop and water. Wednesday begins with a 7 a.m. breakfast. Ken Eraas will be discussing meeting the letter of the law at 7:45. Session begins at 8:15 with 4 speakers back to back and a break from 9:50-10:10. Continue on with sessions. Lunch is a soup/sandwich bar. Bonnie will be speaking at 1:00 p.m. about cooperative efforts and weed control. Break. ATV's and equipment demos will be outside next. Polaris and Honda will have equipment on site. Red's will be here for anyone who has questions. Margie Rayda from aphs will be here for weed identification. Supper will be at 6:00 p.m. with a steak fry, baked pot, and corn. Wednesday night will be golf, trap shooting or biological collecting. Campfire. Breakfast is at 7:30 a.m. Bill Walker has calibration at 8:30 a.m. There will be a break at 10:00 a.m. Dave Borlaug will be speaking at 10:15 a.m. on dealing with the public awareness. Marv Baker will be talking about writing the right message. Final synopsis will be Jim Hennessey. Evaluations will be collected. Noon meal will be sloppy joes. Clean up till whenever. Men will clean the men's dorms and the women will clean the women's.