



WEYBURN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Newsletter

Nov. 2006

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Weyburn Agricultural Society will be held on Monday, December 11, 2006 at 7:30 pm in the Boardroom. Any suggestions on how to improve our events or on new ideas for fund raisers are always welcome & appreciated. Lunch to follow.

Bursary Winner

The 2006 Bursary Certificate of \$500.00 was awarded to Jared Wagner and was presented to him at the WCS Awards. Jared will receive the cheque when he completes his first semester and provides us proof that he will be attending his second semester.

W C F Convention

Eleven members attended the 83rd WCF Convention in Saskatoon on Oct 26-29. The theme was The Future: It is in your hands—and it keeps changing. Keynote speaker was Crystal Flaman whose message was "Become more than you were when you woke up this morning." The show casings & work shops were well attended and we came home with some new ideas for attractions. A contract was signed with Select Shows midway for another 3 years. Both our colored poster and our Annual Pictorial Album won 2nd prize this year. I'd like to thank Muriel Wahl, Rae Keefe and Tory Metheral for all their help in putting the album together. If anyone doubts that we do a lot of work in a year just stop by and go through the pictorial album and you will soon change your mind. It is fun to go through so please feel free to do

Dinner Theatre

Our 4th Annual Dinner Theatre will be held on March 22-25, 2007 at the Royal Canadian Legion. Gwen Wright & Margaret Loos have agreed to be the directors and Pam Gutzke will assist when needed. We have selected a play entitled "The Girls of the Garden Club" written by John Patrick. It is a comedy with a cast of 2 men and 15 + women. Auditions were held on Nov. 8 with rehearsal scheduled for Nov. 27 & 28 and it looks like we may have our cast in place already. We are extending our Dinner Theatre to be on Thurs., Fri. & Sat nights this year as both nights were sold out last year. We will also have the matinee on Sunday. This will be a great evening out for everyone with good food and hilarious entertainment so buy your tickets early because every year they sell out faster. Tickets will be ready for sale on Dec 1st and they will make excellent Christmas presents for those hard to buy for people on your Christmas list.

2006 Weyburn Fair

The 98th Annual Fair was another successful one with the attendance slightly up from last year with 9102 over the three days. The attractions with Keegan Duck Face painting, weird scientist & Karaoke Shows, Pony Chucks & Chariots, Miniature Horse Demo, Kid's Pedal Tractor Pull, Youth Talent Search and Demo Derby were all well attended. Entries in the 4-H Light Horse were down, Draft Horse were up and entries in the Sports arena were all up except for the 4-H Youth Activities section. The 4-H Fed Calf Show & Sale saw 144 steers sell for an average of \$1.74 a pound, entries in the female classes were down slightly. Cloverbud competition was back this year with 12 kids participating. Jackpot classes were up slightly and the 4-H Regional Judging Competition was once again successful with over 60 participants. Thanks to Brian Loos Trucking for donating a heifer this year for our heifer auction and the winner was John McKenzie. Midway & Gate receipts were both up from last year and the weather was great all three days. **I would like to extend a big thank you to all our Directors & their committees and to all the wonderful volunteers for your many contributions that help make the fair the success that it is.** Next year's 99th Annual Fair dates are July 2, 3 & 4, 2007.



Merry Christmas



Ranch Rodeo

The original date for the Ranch Rodeo

was June 10th but it was rained out so we held it the Sunday before the fair on July 2nd. It was a bit hectic but we managed to pull it off and we ended up putting \$7000.00 towards the grandstand from the proceeds. It was another great job by Mike Fellner and all the volunteers.

Grandstand Update

This fall if you haven't already noticed Stewart Steel completed the other one third of the seats in the grandstand. The grandstand project to date has cost us approximately \$278,226.00 with only the roof left at another approximately \$60,000.00. We have approximately \$3225.00 in our account after paying for the last 1/3 of the seats. We welcome any ideas or suggestions for fund-raisers and as you know our goal is to have it completed by our 100th Anniversary in 2008.

CCA Rodeo

This was the first year that the Weyburn Agricultural Society hosted the CCA Rodeo alone. We brought a few new members on board to help with the organization and planning and we would like to take this opportunity to thank Randy Schmidt, Chad Johnstone,

Lindy Schira, Darren Hockley and Brian Lanktree for all their help. With their help and the help of all our sponsors & volunteers we had a very successful Rodeo.

Volunteer of the Year Award

It's that time of year again where you can nominate one of our hard working volunteers for this award. Just submit their name and a brief outline as to why you feel they deserve this award, and we will vote on it at our December 4th meeting.

RCMP Musical Ride

We just found out that we have been selected to host the RCMP Musical Ride on May 29th, 2007.

The ride was here in September 2002 hosted by the Youngfellows and was a huge moneymaker for them. We will need lots of volunteers to help with this event and several committees to deal with feed, stables, arena, seating, sponsorships and advertising to list a few. If anyone is willing to help us with this please give Sandy a call.

Christmas Party

We have decided to hold our Christmas Party on Saturday, January 6, 2007 upstairs in the Curling Rink Lounge at 7:30 pm. The last couple of years have been successful so we will try it again. The ice will be available for a fun spiel for those of you interested, and there will be cards, crib boards, board games and the bar will be open. We ask anyone who attends

to please bring potluck snacks & munchies to eat later on in the evening. Coffee & juice will be supplied. Please consider this your personal invitation to attend. So please come on out and join us for an evening of fun and relaxation.

History Book

Just a reminder to all of you that we are still planning on publishing a History Book for our Centennial Celebrations. Please submit any stories, pictures or information that would relate to the annual exhibitions or any other events that the Weyburn Agricultural Society may have been involved in. We have a scanner so all your pictures will be returned to you after the book has been completed. If you have any suggestions or are willing to help put this book together we would greatly appreciate hearing from you. Also Raymond Wahl is working on a Centennial Committee that will start working on planning the 100th Annual Fair. This committee will work on fund raising and planning a fair that will make us proud of our 100 years of service to the community.

Merry
Christmas
& Happy
New
Year....

