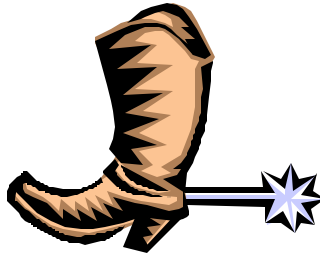
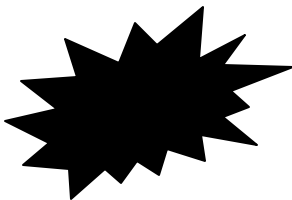


SDSCA Leader

Giddy Up!

Hey ya'll, I hope this school year is going well; it's moving fast nonetheless. This year's State Convention is going to be a kickin' good time with "Leadership Round-up" as the theme, so bring your cowboy boots and Sheriff badges and get ready for one of the best weekends of the year. March 20-22 are the dates to remember and if you haven't paid your registration fee you still have time. The deadline for registration fees is set for March 4, 2005. So, get a move on it and send your \$ in, you wouldn't want to miss out, would you? Hope to see ya'll there; this round up is going to be a good one!



"9/11" Memorial

This is just a quick reminder that this fall money is being raised to erect a Memorial to September 11, 2001. The Memorial will be constructed using a portion from one of the beams from one of the Trade Centers. The SDSCA has received permission from the State to erect the Memorial on the State Capital Grounds in Pierre. The intent is to dedicate the Memorial on September 11, 2005.

You may ask why have a Memorial to "9/11"-the answer is simple. The date of "9/11" will have the same significance to our generation as the "Day of Infamy" had for a previous generation. Years from now you will be able to clearly remember what you were doing when you heard news of the attacks. The SDSCA

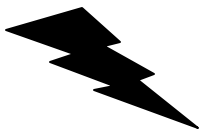
Board's goal is to raise sufficient money to pay for the monument, the granite slab, site preparation, and a flagpole to accompany the Memorial (\$10,000 to \$15,000). Each School/Organization that contributes will have their name on the dedication program. The deadline had originally been set for January, but there's GREAT news! Donations for the "9/11" Memorial will still be accepted at this year's State Convention! So it's not too late to be part of something profound, a symbol that will mark our generation for others to see for years.



Split??

Have you ever been shopping the day after Thanksgiving, people shopping frantically trying to find exactly what they're looking for? It's a time of great deals, but only for those who can see the "Clearance" signs. The Spirit Falls Region

Meetings are beginning to resemble a local Sears at 5 a.m. on December first. The turnout is great!! Students from different schools are all looking for valuable information and a good time. However, some students get lost in the shuffle and miss out on some great “clearances.” The SDSCA went to work in October with a plan in mind. After much thought and time we’ve decided on a final plan of action. The Spirit Falls Region will now become two separate regions. We’ve decided to split north and south. The dividing line will be between Bridgewater and Marion, and between Tea and Lennox, and also South of Harrisburg. The North part of the line will be the “Falls Region” until they meet at the State Convention and decided on a title. The Southern part of the line will be the “Spirit Region” until they also meet at the State convention and select a title. Tri-Valley will become part of the “Falls Region” and Yankton will be in the “Spirit Region.”



T-shirts?

Now that we’re talking about clothes and shopping, I’ve kind of gotten a little excited. One of the coolest things about State Convention is getting to see and identify everyone with their Region. The way we do this easiest is with t-shirts. It’s sort of a “pride thing.” You are able to represent your home region and do it in style! This year because of the “Big Split” and just overall color preference we’ve decided to change some of the region colors, and its important to know them for t-shirt designs. Four of the now eight regions have switched their colors, so here are the new color to familiarize yourself with and look for: Rushmore region is now light blue, Upper Missouri made a drastic change to pink, Falls region is purple, and Spirit Region is going to be light blue. The remaining regions have decided that change is good only when necessary and have stayed with their “old school” colors. I

look forward to seeing all of you strutting your regions with your t-shirts.



Questions?

Hey guys, I know being from South Dakota makes a person pretty darn special, but I’m only one person and believe it or not I can’t read everyone’s mind so, if there’s anything at all you’d like to address or have any questions feel free to contact me. You can e-mail me at prez062002@yahoo.com I hope to see and get to know all of you at State convention!!

Don’t Forget to Ask:

- *Information about The National Convention 2005
- *Information about our President Maria
- *Region Four Convention 2005