

## **Wyoming Section Society for Range Management**



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## Summer Issue 2017

Message from the President

Hi SRM Members!

I've had the chance to participate in a few of the Wyoming SRM activities this spring/summer. First, I went to the Ecological Site Description workshop in Laramie. It was a nice mix of classroom presentations and outdoor activities. The organizing group did a great job rolling with Wyoming's weather!

I also attended and helped with WyRED (Wyoming Resource Education Days). This outdoor "range camp" for high school and older participants was held in the Black Hills of Wyoming this year. It is always great to see some new and interesting plants. I am invigorated with being around youth who are enthusiastic about natural resources. Thank you to all that helped and you are all welcome to help in future years. It will be in Fremont County in 2018.

The annual meeting is fast approaching (Sept 12-14) and I want to thank Bryan Christiansen for making the arrangements. He has done a great job of getting the draft schedule out early so we can all mark our calendars and get appropriate approvals. I look forward to a great day in the field without a threat of blizzard (hopefully). This meeting is a great time to engage with other SRM members and learn about committees and how you can help. See the website for details, registration and sponsorship.

Speaking of committees- we have an opening for the Information and Education chairperson. This is a really critical position in Wyoming SRM as it helps us get our name out and stay connected with each other. We have a website that will be moving to a different platform soon, we have a great newsletter, we now have a Facebook page and we have a display that can be used at tradeshows. If you are interested in leading this effort, please let me know! Ideally, I'd like someone in place by the annual meeting.

On a personal note, I am making a career change from UW Extension to Director of Agriculture at Sheridan College. I look forward to teaching the range classes so we can have well-prepared land managers.

Have a great rest of your summer and see you in Green River!

- Mae



## **Wyoming Section Society for Range Management**



## Please Visit Our Website!!!

Our website has lots of great information that includes:
-Employment Opportunities
- Upcoming Events
-General Announcements
-Contact Information for Officers
-Useful Links

http://rangelands.org/wyoming/

# Would you like to contribute to the Wyoming Section of the Society for Range Management?

Please consider:
-Running for an elected position
-Helping on a committee
-Attend one of the events such as WyRED, ESD workshop, or the annual meeting
-Spreading the word to other professionals about the section







## **Wyoming Section Society for Range Management**



Looking for more information about the upcoming meeting in Green River? Check out the section website for more details. The meeting is fast approaching so take advantage of the block of rooms that is available during the meeting.

### **Hotel Information:**

There is a block of rooms at the Hampton Inn 307-875-5300 and the Oak Tree In 307-875-3500. Use the codes of SRM or WY SRM for the block rate.

Registration and schedule information:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/wy-srmwy-swcs-annualtechnical-training-and-workshop-tickets33781486335?aff=es2

# The Society for Range Management presents HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH FORUM

DO YOU ENJOY PUBLIC SPEAKING?

DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN PREPARED PUBLIC SPEAKING IN FFA?

DO YOU HAVE INTERESTING RESULTS FROM A SCIENCE PROJECT THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE?

The Society for Range Management invites interested 9-12 grade students to participate at the High School Youth Forum in

Green River, Wyoming, tentatively scheduled for the week of September 12-14th, 2017!

#### Presentation criteria

- → Can be in any format (past winners have had notable visuals- often PowerPoint presentations.
- → Range related topics
- → 6-8 minutes in length
- → Preferably summarize science-based projects (Intro- Methods-Results- Discussion)

#### Presentation Topic Ideas

- → Weed Management
- → Livestock Management
- → Vegetation Monitoring & Assessment
- → Wildlife
- → Habitat
- → Watersheds
- → Riparian Management
- → Applied Science

CASH PRIZES
AWARDED!!

1ST PLACE HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE AT THE INTERNATIONAL HSYF IN RENO, NV (FEBRUARY 2018), ALL EXPENSES PAID!

Students, teachers and parents with questions or in need of ideas are encouraged to call **Shari Meeks**, HSYF Chair at **307-367-2257**, ext. 114 or email at **smeeks@sublettecd.com!** 

