

## 2018 OWSD Annual Convention Class Descriptions

### FRIDAY, April 20<sup>th</sup> CLASSES

#### **Class One: TREATS FOR TWEETS**

Join Game Fish and Parks Naturalist Sandy Richter for a fun class where you will create sweet treats for your feathered friends. These sweet and crafty treats will also beautify your bird viewing areas throughout the year. Sandy will also discuss methods of attracting birds to your yard.

#### **Class Two: GEOCACHING**

Join OWSD President and amateur geocacher Julie DeJong on an adventure to find local geocaches! This course will include an introduction to geocaching history, methods of finding geocaches, gps units and smart phone applications. The class will then take a van to go hunt for local geocaches around the Chamberlain area. Bring your sense of adventure and a gps unit or smart phone if you have one. Some gps units will be provided for use during the class.

#### **Class Three: TRY KAYAKING**

This will be an introductory kayaking class at the AmericInn pool. Yes, it will be inside which means the weather will be balmy with no chance of rain or wind. This class will be taught by members of a local kayaking club (Jarrett Bies and OWSD member Cheryl Pruitt) who also organize kayaking events on the Missouri River. Bring your swimming suit or some clothes that can get wet.

#### **Class Four: INTRO TO SHOTGUNNING**

Carey Story from Thunderstik Lodge will teach this introduction to shot gunning class. Please bring your own shotgun so Carey can help you adjust it to your own body. Participants will learn eye dominance, basic knowledge of a shotgun, proper holding and stances. This will be a limited class so hands on learning can be achieved and women can learn to be more comfortable when handling and shooting a shotgun. Clay targets will be thrown to acquire target practice and work on form, positions and swings. Participants are encouraged to bring a shotgun from their home (12 or 20 gauge) if they have one, or they can use an OWSD 12 gauge shotgun. Ammunition in 12 and 20 gauge will be provided as well as hearing and eye protection. **Any participants under 18 are required to have taken Hunt Safe before taking the class. Bring your card to class.**

#### **Class Five: "WHEN TO PULL THE TRIGGER"**

Instructor Justin Schmiedt will provide this informational class for concealed carry permit holders. Whether you are a new gun owner or you are just wanting more information on concealed carry, this is the class for you. What laws and other considerations should you be aware of before you carry your pistol concealed? Justin will discuss basic handgun safety at home and while carrying, laws pertaining to concealed carry, which pistols may be best for you, and justifiable use of force.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 21<sup>st</sup>

#### **SESSION 1 CLASSES (8:30 am – 12:00 pm)**

#### **Class One: TRAP & SKEET**

Join Thunderstick Lodge instructors for this fun activity. This is a great shot gunning event for ladies of all abilities, no matter their experience with a shotgun. Class will consist of proper gun safety and shooting with an enjoyable environment for target shooting. Clay targets will be thrown from a high and a low house for the skeet field and a single house for trap. Be prepared to experience shooting single moving targets and pairs of two. The knowledge from these games can turn into a fun family event at a local

club or help prepare others for a bird hunt. Participants may bring their own 12 or 20 gauge shotgun or may use an OWSD 12 gauge shot gun. Shells will be provided in 12 and 20 gauge. Eye and hearing protection are required and will be provided. Participants may also bring their own.

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### **Class Two: HIKING**

Julie DeJong will lead a 4-5 mile intermediate hike through the breaks along the Missouri river near the lodge. There will be frequent treks up and down inclines. Wear hiking boots or good sturdy tennis shoes. No flip-flops allowed. Participants are encouraged to bring a day pack with snacks and water, as we will stop several times during the hike for picture opportunities and breaks. Hiking poles or walking sticks may be helpful. On this hike you will experience the beautiful landscape of the Thunderstik property, which includes rolling river bluffs and plentiful wildlife. Past hikers have observed several species of wildlife to include wild turkeys and deer.

### **Class Three: BARN QUILT ART**

You may have noticed beautiful and unique barn quilts decorating barns in the countryside. Instructor and creator extraordinaire Natalie Kolbe will teach participants about barn quilt art. You can join the barn quilt movement by creating your own painted quilt block. You will begin with a 2' x 2' precut board and go through each step; drafting, taping, painting and weatherproofing your creation. Participants will spend about 4 hours together working on their barn quilt. Once painting begins, you may work at your own pace. If you have a specific quilt block pattern you would like to use, please bring the pattern. Several simple patterns will be available, as well as a variety of paint color choices. The goal is to leave with a finished quilt block suitable for mounting on a smaller building or to hang under your mail box. All supplies are provided. Wear something you don't mind getting paint on! Get ready to have fun and be creative.

### **Class Four: ARCHERY**

Meisenheimer Girls are back and will teach this archery course which will include the archery basics such as safety, stance, draw weights, and equipment necessary for bow hunting. Instructors will work with participants on shooting form and will conclude the class with target shooting. Instructors are certified NFAA instructors. This is always a fun and popular class.

### **Class Five: BIRDHOUSE BUILDING**

This is your opportunity to build your own functional bird houses to bring home. Jason Bumsted from the Chamberlain GFP will be on hand to guide participants in building wood duck and blue bird houses. After your houses are complete you can get creative and paint them if you wish. All supplies and power tools are provided. Boards will be precut and sample birdhouses will be available to get your creative juices going. Let's see how creative you can be!

## **SESSION 2 CLASSES (1:00PM – 5:00PM)**

### **Class One: WILD ABOUT APPETIZERS**

Join Betty Weber and Shelia Trask as they teach you new and delectable ways to prepare wild game appetizers. A variety of game will be provided for different recipes. Last year the participants really enjoyed this class and the recipes had all different kinds of game meat.

### **Class Two: SHOOTING GALLERY**

The shooting gallery offers a unique shooting experience. It is a shooting sport called 5 stand which as the name implies, five people stand in a line inside Thunderstik 's Shooting Gallery and in turn shoot at clay targets thrown from 6-8 different directions. You may bring your own 12 or 20 gauge shotgun or use an OWSD 12 gauge shotgun. Shooting gallery training will consist of proper gun safety and gun mounting training along with target shooting with five different hunting shot scenarios. It is a lodge favorite for fun and excitement outside the pheasant hunting field experience. Shells will be provided. Eye and hearing protection is mandatory and will be provided if need or you may bring your own. Guided by Thunderstik Lodge. **Any participants under 18 are required to have taken Hunt Safe before taking the class. Bring your card to class.**

### **Class Three: INTRODUCTION TO FLY FISHING**

Join Kari Strong for an introduction to fly fishing. Kari will teach you the equipment needed and she will work with you on casting practice. She will discuss when and where it's best to fish, and the techniques for catching a landing a hungry trout. All equipment is provided. We will be planning a fly fishing event later in the year with Kari, so this is a great introductory class for that event.

### **Class Four: BACKPACK CAMPING**

Cindy Longmire and Luke Mickelson from GFP are both avid backpack campers. They recently taught this class as an overnight adventure at SD Becoming an Outdoor Woman (BOW) and it was a quick sell-out. Cindy and Luke will introduce you to the equipment needed for backpack camping, safety and techniques for setting up camp. This class will include a short hike into the hills for camp set up and to test out the weight of the packs. Cindy and Luke will be taking OWSD members on a backpack camping overnight trip later this summer, so this is a great introductory class for that event.

### **Class Five: PHEASANT FEATHER ART**

Join Donna Landsman, the feather lady, for a fun session while you learn to make beautiful works of art from pheasant feathers. You might be amazed at the interesting and simple creations you will make. Donna has been creating art using feathers for over 50 years. She has taught classes through the South Dakota and Minnesota extension offices. She has also written a book detailing 30 different ways to use feathers, and it's now for sale in craft and hobby shops. She states the only tools you will need are a pair of scissors, a pair of tweezers, and a bottle of tacky glue.

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 22<sup>nd</sup>**

### **SESSION 4 CLASSES (8:30am – 12:00pm)**

#### **Class One: SHORE FISHING**

Join Mike Schlaffman for fishing the mighty Missouri river. Participants will enjoy a calm and enjoyable time fishing from shore. Some rods, reels and tackle will be provided. Feel free to bring your own set up and a chair if you would like. Bring a snack and water, sunglasses, a hat, and dress in layers. Participants will fish for 3 hours, and the last hour will be fish cleaning and preparation. We will furnish the bait, transportation to and from the fishing site, a fish measuring device, and instruction and equipment for cleaning your catch!

#### **Class Two: .22 RIFLE SHOOTING**

Instructor Justin Schmiedt will introduce participants to .22 rifles and pistols. Justin will discuss safety and help you with precision and accuracy during target shooting. This session is dedicated to those who enjoy shooting or want to gain experience shooting a .22 rifle. Rifles, bullets and targets will be provided

but you may bring your own rifle and ammunition if you would like. Hearing protection and safety glasses are mandatory. They will be provided or you may bring your own. Wear a cap to reduce glare. **Any participants under 18 are required to have taken Hunt Safe before taking the class. Bring your card to class.**

### **Class Three: OUTDOOR PHOTOGRAPHY**

In this class you will learn how to use your camera better and how to take photos outdoors in any situation. Asking questions and trouble-shooting with exposure and composition are welcomed. In this class we will be going over the basic functions of the camera and how to produce images that are better quality. Requirements: bring a digital camera (point and shoot or ds) with a memory card and at least one lens of choice. Optional, bring a laptop/notepad for note taking and or editing if desired. Class expectations: ask plenty of questions, have a passion for photography and be willing to learn!

### **Class Four: FAIRY GARDENS**

Have you seen those cute little fairy gardens and wondered where to start if you wanted to make one? Don't know what a fairy garden is? It's a miniature garden that implements a variety of whimsical accessories and small succulent plants. Natalie Kolbe will lead this fun and imaginative class where you can make your own fairy garden to take home. You will learn how to use nature's treasures, found objects and various trinkets to create a small themed garden that will make you smile Everything will be provided; plants, soil, accent materials and a container. If you have a unique container you would like to use for your fairy garden, please bring it with you. Your container should have drain holes, but we can make holes if necessary prior to the class.

### **Class Five: 550 PARACORDING**

Join Celsie VanBeek for a fun time creating stylish yet useful things out of paracord. This isn't just bracelet making! It's also creating a survival tool for use in outdoor activities. Paracord is made of nylon and was originally known as parachute cord. It has legendary strength-to-weight ratio and fantastic versatility. Paracord can be used to create a variety of things such as dog collars, lanyards, watchbands, belts, dog leashes, and many more useful items. Come to class and see what new item you can create!

**For outdoor events, remember to dress for the class. Bring good sturdy closed toe shoes or hiking boots. For swimming, bring a swimming suit. For outdoor activities, bring layers of clothing, hats, mittens, sunscreen and a sun visor or ball cap.**