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Cultural Heritage Center announces new monthly programming series to debut in January

PIERRE, S.D. – Beginning Saturday, Jan. 21, the Museum of the South Dakota State Historical Society at the Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre will debut a new monthly programming series for 2017 entitled “Family Fun Saturdays.”

The new program schedule is as follows:

- Jan. 21 – “Fishy Fun!” Make a flour fish print and practice “catch-and-release” with a South Dakota-species plastic fish.
- Feb. 5 (Sunday) – Museum Activity Day. “Snow! Snow! Snow!” Make some snowflakes and eat some South Dakota State University ice cream!
- March 11 – “Pinwheel Power!” Make a pinwheel to capture those spring breezes.
- April 8 – “Bunnies Rock!” Create your own crafty bunny.
- May 13 – “Butterflies!” Make a clothespin butterfly.
- June 10 – “Create a Cornerstone Time Capsule” Celebrate the laying of the South Dakota Capitol cornerstone by creating your own cornerstone time capsule.

All programs (except February) are held on a Saturday from 10-11:30 a.m. CST. All supplies are provided and admission to the programs is free. All ages are welcome, but young children should be accompanied by an adult.

The Museum Activity Day on Feb. 5 is the museum’s traditional make-n-take activity for a larger audience that includes other activities and a serving of SDSU ice cream.

“We are very excited about our programming line-up in 2017,” said Jay Smith, museum director. “We will also be announcing some special programs from the Smithsonian Institution, and some new activities in our galleries, so this is going to be a great year for families to get more involved in the Cultural Heritage Center.”

To inquire about upcoming activities, call the Cultural Heritage Center at (605) 773-3458 or visit our web page at history.sd.gov.

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About the South Dakota State Historical Society

The South Dakota State Historical Society is a division of the Department of Education. The State Historical Society, an Affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, is headquartered at the South Dakota Cultural Heritage Center in Pierre. The center houses the society’s world-class museum, the archives, and the historic preservation, publishing and administrative/development offices. Call (605) 773-3458 or visit www.history.sd.gov for

more information. The society also has an archaeology office in Rapid City; call (605) 394-1936 for more information.