



Great Black Hills Duck Race July 26

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RAPID CITY | This year's 26th Annual Great Black Hills Duck Race, Sunday, July 26, will once again offer participants a chance to win \$1 million. This year's event will be held at the School of Mines & Technology (SDSM&T) Football Stadium due to safety concerns with the fast flow of Rapid Creek. The event benefits Children's Miracle Network Hospitals within Regional Health.

"26 Things to Love about the 26th Annual Great Black Hills Duck Race on the 26th of July" is the theme of this year's race. Activities will begin at 1 p.m. with children's games, rides and food vendors. The Drop of the Flock will take place at 2 p.m. on the east side of the SDSM&T stadium. More than \$25,000 in prizes will be awarded to this year's winners - the first 34 ducks to cross the finish line.

For this year's race, SDSM&T football players will dive into the duck pile, choose their duck, and run a fun and challenging obstacle course to the finish line. The duck finishing first will win a guaranteed \$5,000 from Rapid City area McDonald's restaurants. That duck will also have a chance of winning its "owner" \$1 million, sponsored by Med5 Federal Credit Union. Out of the approximately 17,000 ducks racing, six have been preselected as "Million Dollar Ducks." If the first place duck is one of those six ducks, it will win \$1 million.

The cost to enter a duck in the race is \$5. Ducks can be sponsored for the race until 12:30 p.m. on race day at the West Main Street McDonald's, unless ducks are sold out before then. Those who sponsor five ducks will receive a free duck race T-shirt. Ducks can be purchased from Duck Race teams or at the Regional Health CMN office, located at 2925 Regional Way, Suite 100. Ducks can also be ordered online at the Regional Health website, regionalhealth.com/cmn.

Children's Miracle Network Hospitals help make medical miracles happen for children throughout the Black Hills area served by Regional Health Hospitals. With money raised through special events like the Duck Race, medical equipment and funding for children's programs and services is possible. One hundred percent of the money raised locally stays within the area.

For more information about CMN or the Great Black Hills Duck Race, call Shawn Powers, Regional Health Foundation Project Coordinator, at (605) 755-9193.