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Randall RC&D "Makes Things Happen and Brings Good Things to Life".



By promoting the local growing and selling of wholesome food, the public is educated on making good food choices resulting in healthier people and a better environment due to more local control, less transportation and packaging.

Farmers Market and Community Garden Project



Pat Garrity speaks at the Farmer's Market and Community Garden Workshop held in Wagner, SD, March 26, 2010.

Three RC&D Councils from two states teamed up on a Friday in March to provide a free informational workshop on Farmers Markets and Community Gardens. A small SD reservation town and its people were the recipients. It started with the need and progressed into a RC&D project. Northeast Nebraska had the grant and the willingness to share.

Randall and Lower James RC&D's provided the SD technical assistance to bring the workshop to fruition. "South Dakotans believe that growing and selling food locally, as much as we can, is the best and healthiest way to go if done correctly". A total of 27 participants attended and learned how to get it started locally.

A local farmer and grower near Wagner, SD, gave a very informative presentation on how to successfully grow a good garden in Southeast South Dakota. The SD Extension Service gave presentations on preserving and canning plus how to involve the whole family with the garden.

Besides the workshop, another deliverable was the production and sharing of a Family Food Growing Guide. The start up of a Community Garden in Kimball, SD was another result brought about by holding the workshop.

