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Red Gold Screening in Spearfish, S.D., With Talk by Bristol Bay Fisherman from Montana

SPEARFISH, South Dakota, March 12, 2010 -- The Spearfish Arts Center, Trout Unlimited and the Sportsman's Alliance for Alaska invite the public to attend a screening of the award-winning film, *Red Gold*, on Monday, April 12, at 6:30 p.m. in Spearfish, South Dakota.

This beautiful and compelling documentary features salmon-rich Bristol Bay, Alaska, the people who live in this remote region, and the threats they are facing from proposed open-pit mining. Bristol Bay is home to the world's largest sockeye salmon runs and to a thriving commercial, sport and subsistence fishing industry. All this could be lost if a large-scale copper and gold mine, called Pebble, gets developed. See the movie, learn more and get involved in the fight to protect the Bristol Bay region.

Red Gold will be screened in the Matthews Opera House Theater, 614 N. Main Street, Spearfish, South Dakota. A question-and-answer session with Bristol Bay commercial fishermen, Curt Olson from Broadus, MT, Corey Brost from Spearfish and Sam Steen from Belle Fourche will follow the film.

For more information about *Red Gold*, visit www.redgoldfilm.com, or about Bristol Bay, go to www.savebristolbay.org. Please call 605-642-7973 with any questions.

More information about the Spearfish Arts Center can be found at www.spearfishartscenter.org or by calling (605) 642-7973.

The Mission of the Spearfish Center for the Arts and Humanities is to promote the arts and humanities by providing quality programming and education while preserving the Matthews Opera House.

This non-profit organization includes the historic Matthews Opera House, the Gallery featuring art from some of the best Black Hills artists, educational classes and sessions in the arts and humanities, and festivals including Festival in the Park, Festival in the Snow and the Foreign Film Festival.

The Spearfish Center for the Arts and Humanities, known as Spearfish Arts Center, was created in 1997 by the merger of two community organizations to consolidate and strengthen the vision for the arts in the greater Black Hills. The former Spearfish Area Council on the Arts and Humanities was a long-standing organization dedicated to supporting and offering arts and humanities programs in Spearfish and the surrounding area. The Matthews Opera House society was created in 1989 for the dual purpose of renovating, restoring and modernizing the Matthews Opera House. The official merger of these two arts groups resulted in the current organization, Spearfish Center for the Arts and Humanities, which is a 501C(3) legal entity that manages Matthews Opera House and retains the ninety-five year lease that is effective until 2086.

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