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Goldstar Amusements to Return to the 2020 South Dakota State Fair

HURON, S.D. – Goldstar Amusements will return as the carnival company at the 2020 South Dakota State Fair. Three amusement ride companies who traditionally serve South Dakota venues have joined forces to ensure fairs in South Dakota have a complete fun and fabulous Midway.

Goldstar Amusements and partnering carnival companies will feature a full Midway including new rides, Vertigo 80 and Samba Balloons. The Vertigo 80 will take fairgoers on a ride up an 80' tower while swinging at 10 revolutions per minute. The Samba Balloons ride is like flying through the air in a hot air balloon; it's perfect for children and adults.

Daily ride wristbands will be available for purchase on grounds for \$25. The South Dakota State Fair has also partnered with various organizations to provide ride pass discounts. The Passport to Fun weekly ride pass can be purchased for \$52 at the Huron Chamber and Visitors Bureau located at 1725 Dakota Avenue South and will be available beginning August 11 through September 4. Cash or check will be accepted. If purchased at the carnival during the fair, the Passport to Fun is \$58.

Fairgoers may also pick up the Big Jim 93.3, \$3 off daily ride wristband coupon by visiting the State Fair Administration Office located in Nordby Exhibit Hall on the State Fairgrounds. This coupon is valid Thursday, Friday, and Monday during the fair.

On Wednesday, September 2, Channel Seeds Preview Day, Goldstar Amusements will run from 5 PM – 10 PM for \$1 rides. September 3-4, the carnival will run from Noon – Midnight and from 10 AM – Midnight on September 5-6. On the last day of the fair, Monday, September 7, the carnival will run from 10 AM – 8 PM.

Health and safety precautions will include hand sanitizer stations placed throughout the Midway and frequent cleaning and sanitizing of rides. All carnival employees will undergo daily self-symptom and temperature checks.

The 2020 South Dakota State Fair will run from Thursday, September 3 through Monday, September 7. Channel Seeds Preview Night will be Wednesday, September 2. Find information about all of the happenings at the South Dakota State Fair at www.sdstatefair.com.

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