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CUSTER CONNECTIONS



Custer is the place to be next week! This is the event that we, the Chamber Staff, have been waiting for all year. The 7th Annual Custer Restaurant Week kicks off on Monday, February 26 and continues through Saturday, March 2. This year we have 17 participating restaurants offering some amazing menu items. There are a few new participants this year, John Boy's BBQ at Eagles Landing Lodge and Custer's Last Stop along with all of your favorite dining facilities.

Check out all the menus on our *website*, follow us on *social media*, and start making your plans for several delicious meals next week!

Don't forget, once again this year we are offering some great prizes like a basket from Custer State Park, four prizes of 2 Playhouse Tickets, calendars from Little Bat Designs, a Skogen gift card, 4 unlimited ride passes at Rush Mountain and Sprockets Gift Card (4 wristbands with 2-hour unlimited play). Be sure to get your card marked every time that you eat a meal off of the restaurant week menus. Once you have eaten 5 specials, turn that card in to a participating restaurant or the Custer Chamber Office for your chance to win.



Restaurant Week

Several local establishments will be featuring some fun entertainment this year. Taco Tuesday at the Gold Pan, Bingo at the Beacon and a Sip-N-Paint class at the VFW are just a few. Be sure to get a copy of the Custer County Chronicle this week to grab your copy of the Custer Restaurant Week insert featuring all the menus and entertainment options for the week.

Next week is also the Annual Custer Trade Show. This event will take place on Saturday, March 2 nd at the Custer High School. Located at 1645 Wildcat Lane. We have a lot of great vendors, including the Girl Scouts, already registered. We are excited to host several new vendors this year. Admission is a free will donation to the Civil Air Detrol and concessions will be available throughout the day

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Buy some stretchy pants and make plans to join us in Custer for Restaurant Week and the Trade Show.





Dawn Murray Executive Director

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CUSTER CITY MAP

Once again, the Custer Chamber is working with Evergreen Media to produce a Custer City Map. This map will primarily be used for Custer tourism, and most Custer Chamber member businesses will be listed.

CHAMBER MEMBER ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

YOUR AD ON BACK OF MAP:

SINGLE ADS: \$250

Double spaces available

Limited spots available!

First come, first serve basis.

Sizes:

3.3" x 1.8" **Single** (WxH)

3.3" x 3.75" **Double** Vertical (WxH) 6.7" x 1.8" **Double** Horizontal (WxH)

CONTACT DAWN FOR MORE INFORMATION:

dmurray@custersd.com 605-673-2244 PREMIUM BUSINESS LISTING ON FRONT OF MAP: \$100 PER BUSINESS

Be one of only a few Premium Businesses! First come, first serve basis.

Includes business name, phone number, and website

DEADLINE:
APRIL 1ST

Only 3 spots left for the Custer City Map Call Dawn TODAY to reserve yours!

Ad spaces available on a first come first serve basis

2023's Map









NEW CENTURY, NEW LOGO!

BIG NEWS



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WE ARE ACCEPTING
NEW LOGO IDEAS FOR
THE 2024 GOLD
DISCOVERY DAYS!

NEWS

SUBMIT YOUR DESIGNS BY MAY 1, 2024

Exciting news folks!!! This year, we are revamping the Gold Discovery Days logo and want your help! We will be accepting designs thru email, bytes@custersd.com, or by dropping it off to the Custer Chamber of Commerce by May 1st. When you start your design, keep in mind it should include a 3 -4 color scheme and it can be hand drawn or done digitally. We look forward to all the wonderful ideas that will be flooding in!

This new logo will be used on all marketing material including the 2024 Gold Discovery Days event shirt.

All submitted logos become the property of the Gold Discovery Days committee and the Custer Chamber.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

February 26-March 2

Restaurant Week Custer, SD

March 2

Trade Show
9am-3pm
Custer High School

March 21

Chamber Mixer
5pm-7pm
Garland Goff Law Office

WEEKLY HUMOR



CHAMBER HAPPENINGS



Printable Registration Form

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Chamber Mixer

Hosted By:



March 21st from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Held At the Garland Lee Goff Attorney at Law 220 N 5th St, Custer, SD 57730

MIXERS ARE A GREAT WAY TO MEET, MIX, AND MINGLE PLEASE BRING A FRIEND AND ENJOY SOME REFRESHMENTS



You will start to see these posters around town with a donation box for our 4th of July firework

show. We are wanting to get a head start on this year's show as last year's fireworks cost the Custer Fire Department and other sponsors \$25,000. We do not want to disappoint this year. We hope you can assist with these donations as they will solely go to our fireworks and keep the 4th of July

as remarkable as it was last year.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Vibin' Vocals Karaoke Entertainment

Aspen Federal Credit Union

Sturgis Mustang Rally

Early Learner Custer

Sow Native/Wild Ones

Custer Care and Rehabilitation Center

Game On! LLC

Red Sands Ridge

Black Hills Realty

Custer Piecemakers Quilt Guild

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Grooming by Brenna

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Jubilee J Photography

Willow Creek Child Care

Broken Boot Dispensary

Growing Roots, Inc

Homestead Carpet Care

Lenny Merriam CPA, CFE, PLLC

WEEKLY MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Address: 25434 Sidney park Rd, Custer, SD 57730 *Phone:* 605-440-2018 *Email*: blackhillstowing@yahoo.com

Night or day, seven days a week, without regard for the weather, *Black Hills Towing LLC* stands ready to provide light, medium or heavy-duty towing in Custer SD. The trucks are expertly maintained and are always available for immediate, 24-hour emergency dispatch. South Dakota is a big place but if you're near Custer SD, our trucks can usually arrive within 30 minutes. Locally owned and operated, this company understands the SD landscape and therefore stands ready to deliver superior service on short notice. It depends on the repeat business of its valued local

customers. When in need, call Black Hills Towing LLC for any light to heavy duty towing Custer SD. Dependability is our byword. In any crisis, at any time of the day or night, count on our trucks to deliver superior service in the middle of the worst Dakota snowstorm. If anyone can get there to

help you, the drivers of this towing service can.

AREA EVENTS



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Custer County Democrats

Coffee & Breakfast Gathering
Meet Your Fellow Democrats!

Saturday, March 2nd — 9:00 AM

Laughing Water Restaurant

Crazy Horse Memorial

NEW SCHEDULE IN 2024

Breakfast Gathering 1ST Saturday of The Month

Looking Forward To Seeing Everyone On Saturday!





SATURDAY, MARCH 9th

9:30 am - 2:30 pm

LET'S GET WOMEN AND GIRLS OUTSIDE, "CHOOSE YOUR OWN JEWEL CAVE ADVENTURE!"

Choosing your adventure means that you can hike by yourself, with your friends, or join one of the meetup options. In addition to surface hikes, we are also offering a FREE Scenic Cave Tour with a Jewel Cave ranger.

FOR MORE INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

(SPOTS FOR THE SCENIC TOUR ARE LIMITED)



Questions? Contact Andrea afountain@shejumps.org

605|745|7020 BLACKHILLSPARKS.ORG

ADVENTURE OPTIONS

ALL AGES WELCOME

SCENIC CAVE TOUR: 10:20 am - An exclusive FREE tour just for Get the Girl Out participants! To go in the cave you must be on a guided tour. Please reserve your spot in the checkout process. If you are interested in other tour availabilities please visit Recreation.gov.

ROOF TRAIL: Hike along this short loop and enjoy the story of Baxter the Bat.

CANYONS TRAIL: Meet up group at 12 pm - This is a loop trail that explores Lithograph and Hell Canyon.

HELL CANYON: Meet up group at 10 am - A scenic trail that explores the upper portion and bottom of Hell Canyon.

HIKING CHALLENGE

HOW TO ENTER THE HIKING CHALLENGE

If you complete 2 out of 4 adventure options at Jewel Cave on March 9th you will be entered in a drawing for sweet prizes from AllTrails, Stio, Pit Viper, & Mad Hippie.

Stop by the Info table before your adventure. Punch your card at the end of each hike and drop the card off at the info table. Join us for the drawing at 2:00 pm!

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Saturday, March 9th 10 am - 2 pm Custer Elementary School



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family Resources!

Prizes!

The Southern Hills Family resource fair is guaranteed fun for families and includes awesome activities for kids 0 to 8, free food, giveaways, and prizes. Join us to learn about the Southern Hills organizations, businesses, and activities that support young children and their families!





LIFEWAYS 10TH ANNUAL EVENT:





A NIGHT OF YOUTH ART, MUSIC, & PERFORMANCE



A DUAL ART SHOWCASE:

MARCH 9, 2024

THE DAHL ARTS CENTER
713 7TH ST, RAPID CITY

5:15PM: DOORS OPEN TO VIEW THE AMP VISUAL ART ON DISPLAY AND FIND A SEAT FOR THE PERFORMANCE EVENT AT 6:00PM: AMP PERFORMANCE EVENT (EVENT:6PM-8PM)

NOW ACCEPTING YOUTH PERFORMANCE APPLICATIONS UNTIL FEBRUARY

16: YOUTH PERFORMERS CHOOSE ANOTHER YOUTH'S VISUAL ART PIECE THAT
INSPIRES THEIR PERFORMANCE. YOUTH WHO WOULD LIKE TO PERFORM MUST
COMPLETE AN APPLICATION BY FEBRUARY 16. PLEASE SEE THE LIFEWAYS
COUNSELOR AT YOUR SCHOOL FOR PERFORMANCE APPLICATION AND
INFORMATION OR VISIT WWW.LIFEWAYS.US OR CALL 605-716-6555.

YOUTH WHOSE VISUAL ART IS ON DISPLAY CAN TAKE THEIR ARTWORK HOME WITH THEM AFTER THE PERFORMANCE

























THURSDAY MARCH 14TH SOUP & PIE 11AM – 1PM Custer Senior Center 538 Mt. Rushmore Rd.



Refreshments **Homemade Bread Featuring: Traditional Portuguese** Turkey Noodle Chili **Everyone** Welcome!



Save the Date The Great Custer Easter Egg Hunt



Friday, March 22nd 4PM-6PM

StateFarm

Contact Caitlin for more information Caitlin@protectcuster.com



Call for Artists

Art Expressions Gallery in Custer, South Dakota is asking for your work to be displayed in our

Small Pieces Art Show

"I was born here, in this place that would come to be called the Old West. But, to my kind, the land was ageless. It had no beginning and no end, no boundary between earth and sky. Like the wind and the buffalo grass, we belonged here, we would always belong here."

Matt Damon in the movie Spirit

May 7th - May 28th, 2024

- We welcome any art your creative juices produce. However, the art piece that, in the judge's opinion, best interprets our theme wins our theme award.
- We will accept work in any medium. The piece must be the artist's original work presented in its original medium. Prints are acceptable only from original work in a digital or film medium.
- Although it may be smaller, the piece must fit in an 8x8x8 inch wall space. All pieces hang on the wall, so a hanger that will supports your art piece is required.
- Adult and two Youth divisions. Teen: age 13 through 17. Junior: age 12 and younger.
- \$15 Entry Fee for Adult, \$10 Teen, \$5 for Juniors, to be paid at the time the artwork is submitted.
- No jury selection.
- Art Expressions Gallery reserves the right to refuse any submission that is inappropriate.
- Art Expressions gallery is not responsible for loss of or damage to the displayed artwork.
- No show submission may be removed until the end of the show.
- If you choose, we will list your item for sale. Art Expressions receives a 40% commission if we sell your piece while it is part of our show.

Timeline

Although we will accept pieces for display throughout the run of the show, judges will name the pieces receiving ribbons and other prizes before the show opens on May 7th. People's Choice will be named on May 28th during the closing reception. Bring your entries to the gallery or mail them to arrive in the two weeks before the show opens. To make other arrangements, contact the gallery.

- May 1st -7th Bring your work to the gallery.
- May 6th -- Judges select pieces receiving ribbons and other awards.
- May 7th Small Pieces Show Opens.
- May 28th Small Pieces Show Closing Reception at Art Expression Galley, 4-7 P.M. Please make every effort to attend. We will take your picture with your work. Awards will be officially presented, and pictures will be taken about 5:30 PM. You may take your piece(s) with you at 7 PM.
- May 28th June 1st -- Art can be picked up at the gallery during normal business hours.

Awards

• Cash and gift certificate prizes will be awarded in categories including Best of Show, People's Choice, Best Junior, Best Teen, Best Interpretation of the Theme and more.

More Information

The most current information will be available on the Art Expressions Facebook page. Call or contact any Art Expressions artist or for details or questions: Jim Tiller, <u>jtiller@hotmail.com</u>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What do you have planned for

Picture: Farmer Girl (Farm to Fork Sweet Heart Dinner) & Two Cows Creamery & Bistro – Featuring Busy Ewe Farm & Fibers Rib Chops

Dinner lonight?

Check out the meat bundles available at Busy Ewe Farm & Fibers!

- Variety Lamb Cut Bundle
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- chops
- shanks
- ground
- · Chislic (Stewmeat)
- Stew Bones
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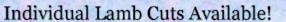
- Ground Lamb Bundle
- •5 1# packages
- Recipes
- Spices

- Stew Lamb Bundle
- •2 1# Chislic
- •3 1# Ground Lamb
- Recipes
- Spices

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- · Leg Center Roasts
- Neck Roasts
- · Loin Chops
- Spare Ribs

Shoulder Arm Chops Shoulder Blade Chops

Shanks

Soup Bones



www.busyewefarmfibers.co.

Limited to supplies on hand

Contact us at: www.busyewefarmfibers.com or busyewefarm@gmail.com or (605) 440-0316

Call us on the Farm or Check Us out at the Custer Trade Show - March 2, 2024







MOCCASIN SPRINGS

NATURAL MINERAL SPA

HOT SPRINGS, SD



Breakfast 9am-11am Lunch 11am-3pm

Menu www.moccasinsprings.com





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Custer County Courthouse Art Gallery

420 Mount Rushmore Road, second floor

Through March 29, 2024

Showcasing the artwork of Tracy Harrison.

Endorsed by Custer Area Arts Council.



"Sacred Wrap"

This Sacred Wrap was created to educate people about the Lakota medicine. The herbs are used for smudging, to clear the energy. There are three of the Lakota's Sacred herbs in the wrap. The fourth, tobacco, is the most sacred item.

This is a fragrant piece of art, and most beneficial for protection.

Materials: sage, sweetgrass, cedar, tobacco, jasper, green aventurine, mother of pearl.

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Top closing agent for January!

Kevin Kennedy Broker Associate

- Residential
- Commercial
- Lots/Acerage
- Farm/Ranch

605-431-5094

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I'm starting the year off strong and ready to help you achieve your real estate goals. I'm so proud to have earned this achievement working among such amazing colleagues. Thank you everyone in my office for all your support and wisdom and to my clients for trusting me with such great responsibility.

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NEWS FROM THE STATE

South Dakota





YOU'RE INVITED: 2024 MARKETING WEBINAR

Hear from Mike Gussiaas, Chief Marketing & Creative Officer, on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at 10 a.m. CT/9 a.m. MT, about Travel South Dakota's 2024 marketing efforts, including the various new niche campaigns and the consumer insights that inform this year's strategy.

What: Travel South Dakota's Marketing Plans

Date and Time: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 @ 10 a.m. Central/9 a.m. Mountain

Presented By: Mike Gussiaas

Cost: Free!

You'll learn...

- The audiences, markets, timing and strategy behind the state's 2024 marketing efforts
- Consumer insights and findings from the state's advanced data efforts that drive the department's campaigns
- The opportunities available to tie into the department's marketing efforts

Please <u>register</u> ahead of time. This <u>webinar</u> will be hosted by Travel South Dakota via Zoom. Please contact Industry Training & Legislative Relations Manager <u>Bailey Tysdal</u> with any questions. Stay tuned to <u>SDVisit.com</u> and your email for the next webinars, currently scheduled for April 2 and April 9.

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PRESS RELEASES







Custer Senior Center

February Activities



Click here to Check out the Custer School District
Calendar for upcoming school events!

WEEKLY INSPIRATION



HELP WANTED

Laughing Water Restaurant at Crazy Horse Memorial® is currently searching for a FULL -TIME YEAR-ROUND LINE COOK.

Prior experience in working kitchen line in a fast paced - small restaurant or food service environment is a must.

Position is full-time, year-round at 35/40 hours per week w/ Evening, Holiday & Weekends required and some overtime.

This is an hourly position with the benefits associated with full-time, year-round employment, which include medical, dental, optical, and AFLAC insurances, Paid Personal Leave, and a retirement plan.

Please contact HR@CrazyHorse.org or call (605) 673-4681 for more information!







PLEASE EMAIL SKOGEN@SKOGENKITCHEN.COM

Job Positions

- Line cooks
- Dishwashers
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- Part time

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Be sure to check out the Help Wanted section on our Website:

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