



Buffalo Bytes



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CUSTER CONNECTIONS

Hey everyone, just a friendly reminder that the 101st Annual Gold Discovery Days is coming up next week! It feels like we were just dealing with snow, and now we're gearing up for our biggest event of the year in the middle of summer.

Based on the turnout from this past weekend, it looks like this could be the biggest Gold Discovery Days weekend in recent memory. The 4th of July celebration was one of the largest we've seen, with a 20% increase in visitors to the Chamber office (we had over 430 visitors on the 4th). We're hoping that the momentum continues for Gold Discovery Days.

The Chamber and the Gold Discovery Days Committee, along with our sponsors, put in a lot of effort to draw people to this event. It's not only great for the community and for class reunions, but it's also beneficial for our businesses and Chamber members. Here are a few ways you can benefit from Gold Discovery Days:

- Advertise in the Custer Chronicle. They have a special section in the Western Trader for Gold Discovery Days. (Act fast to get in next week's paper!)
- Let the Chamber know if you have special entertainment or events during the weekend. We'd love to promote it on our Gold Discovery Days Facebook page.
- If you have a beer and wine license, consider selling event cups for use in the open container area. Get in touch with us for more information and to purchase the cups. We'll be creating a list of participating businesses.
- It's always a good idea to ensure that your website and social media accounts are up-to-date, as many people look there first for information on what's happening.
- Perhaps you'd like to share the Gold Discovery Days event poster on your social media! (wink wink)
- For next year, think about joining the Gold Discovery Days Committee and becoming involved in the planning process!

Lastly, we want to express our sincere thanks to everyone who is sponsoring this event! We were amazed by the number of people who stepped up to sponsor carnival tickets for students in our community. Thanks to your ongoing generosity, many kids will be able to enjoy the carnival this year!



Dawn Murray
Executive Director

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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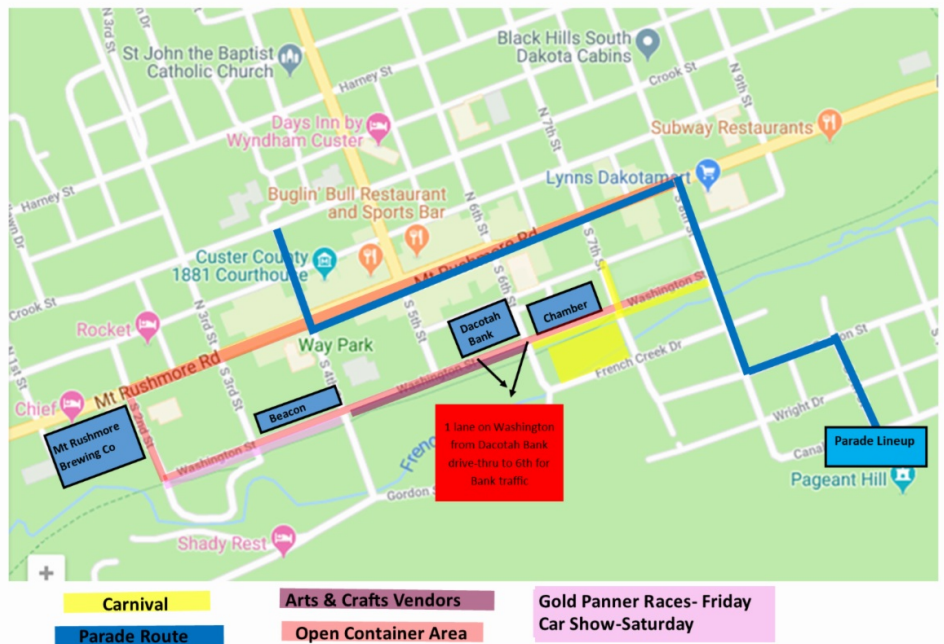
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Washington St- 8th to 6th along with 7th St from alley to Washington St-closed Sunday, July 14- Tuesday, July 23

Washington St- 6th to 4th closed Thursday, July 18th at 8:00am through Sunday, July 21st at 7pm

Washington St- 4th to 2nd closed Friday, July 19th at 6am through Saturday, July 20th at 4pm.

The chamber will be utilizing the County's gravel lot to the south of the Beacon for Vendor parking and there may be some additional parking room available there.

A portion of the parking area near the Library and old elementary school will be closed Monday, July 15- Tuesday, July 23 to accommodate the carnival personnel.

During the Parade, all side streets intersecting with Mt Rushmore Rd and around Pageant Hill area will be closed (9:45-11am)

Julie Jenniges - City Liaison

Mark Naugle - School Liaison

Lydia Austin - CSP Liaison

Jessica Noteboom - BID Board Liaison

Proposed: **Custer Fire District**

**For more information please join us
at our upcoming Open Houses:**

**Where: 616 Crook Street
Leo Harbach Fire Station
Custer, SD**

July 8th

July 29th

August 19th

September 9th

September 30th

October 28th

**All open houses will start at
6:30 pm with a Power Point
information presentation,
questions to follow**

Email questions to: custerfiredistrict@gmail.com

Check out our Facebook page:

“Custer Fire District - Proposed Fire Protection District”



HWY 385 ROUTING INITIATIVE

BH&B is sharing information related to the upcoming *Hwy 385 infrastructure improvement project* that will include *routing options* and

continuous business promotion. BH&B's goal is to educate and to

continued business promotion. While we want to educate and to explain that this simple detour will not prevent, nor should it discourage visitors from enjoying their vacation in the Black Hills.

Visit Route Reimagined

A free text-in service is being used to communicate major traffic changes.

To subscribe, simply text "US385" to 605-566-4041. Subscribers can unsubscribe at any time.

To have things added to Buffalo Bytes, please send to bytes@custersd.com. Items need to be received by Wednesdays at noon in order to be added to weekly Buffalo Bytes. Thank you!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

July 18-21

Gold Discovery Days Carnival

July 19-21

Gold Discovery Days Arts and Crafts Fair

July 19

Gold Nugget Hunt

5:15 Grass behind Chamber Office

July 19

Gold Panners Race and Calcutta
Washington St between 2nd and 3rd

July 20

Gold Discovery Days Parade

10am

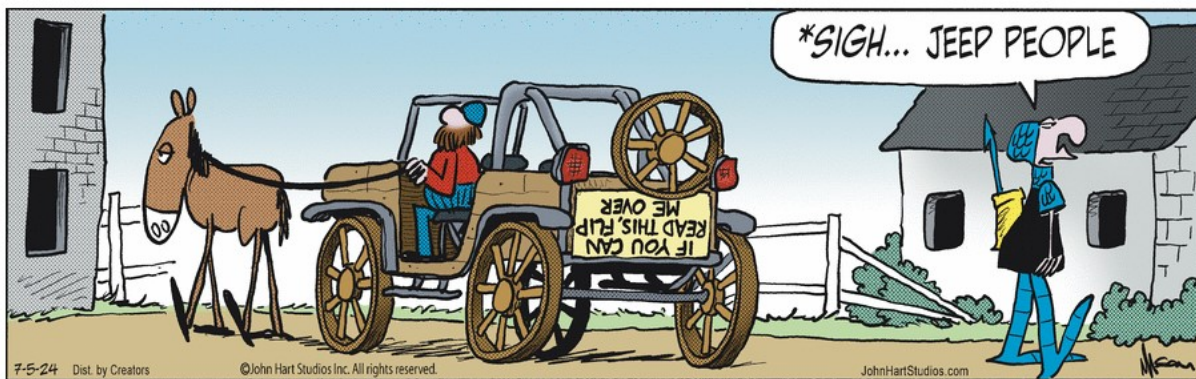
starts on Pageant Hill, 9th St, Gordon St, 8th St, Mt Rushmore Rd ending on 4th St

Check GDD Schedule below for more information on all the events

August 17

Community Wide Rummage Sale

WEEKLY HUMOR



CHAMBER HAPPENINGS



101st Annual, GOLD DISCOVERY DAYS

Est. 1923

CUSTER, SOUTH DAKOTA



Royalty Chloe Carder, Abby Studt, Taylee Schramm
Parade Marshals Linda & Bill Young

• GARNIVAL •

Washington Street
between 8th & 6th Street

Thursday: 5pm – 10pm
Friday: 5pm – 10pm
Saturday: after Parade – 10pm
Sunday: 12pm – 5pm

SATURDAY, JULY 20

Hot Air Balloon Rally
5:30am • Pageant Hill
weather permitting

Lion's Club Pancake Breakfast
6:30am–9am • Way Park
4th St. & Mt. Rushmore Rd.

Black Hills Gold Prospecting Club
8am–5pm • French Creek Park

Gold Discovery Days Car Show

SUNDAY, JULY 21

Hot Air Balloon Rally
5:30am • Pageant Hill
weather permitting

Gold Rush Fun Run on
The Mickelson Trail
8am (register 7am) • Custer Chamber
615 Washington St.

Quilt & Fiber Show

Sunday: 12pm – 5pm

FRIDAY, JULY 19

Quilt & Fiber Show

9am–4pm • Custer Armory
527 Montgomery St.

Arts & Crafts Festival

11am–8:30pm • Washington St.
between 5th & 6th Street

Caroline Hatton Flower Show

2pm–5pm • Custer Senior Center
538 Mt. Rushmore Rd.

Sponsored by Custer Mile High Garden Club

9am–12pm • submit entries
12pm–2pm • judging

Gold Discovery Days Carnival

5pm–10pm • Washington St.

Kids' Gold Nugget Hunt

5:15pm • Harbach Park
6th & Washington Street

Gold Panner's Race

6:30pm • Washington St.
between 2nd & 3rd Street

Rowan Grace in Concert

7:30pm–Midnight
The Custer Beacon
531 Washington St.

*For updates & event details,
follow the Gold Discovery Days
Facebook Page!
facebook.com/golddiscoverydays*

Gold Discovery Days Car Show

8:30am–2pm • Washington St.
between 2nd & 4th Street

Caroline Hatton Flower Show

9am–1pm • Custer Senior Center
538 Mt. Rushmore Rd.

Quilt & Fiber Show

9am–4pm • Custer Armory
527 Montgomery St.

Parade • 10am • Mt. Rushmore Rd.

Custer Sr. Center Sloppy Joe Lunch

11am–1pm • 538 Mt. Rushmore Rd.

Arts & Crafts Festival

11am–7pm • Washington St.

Gold Discovery Days Carnival

after parade–10pm • Washington St.

GDD Volleyball Tournament

1pm (register 12pm) • Volleyball Courts
7th & Washington Street

Cornhole Tournament

2pm • Mt. Rushmore Brewing Co.
140 Mt. Rushmore Rd.

Flannel in Concert

5pm–8pm • Mt. Rushmore Brewing Co.
140 Mt. Rushmore Rd.

Brandon & the Elevens

6pm–10pm • Gold Pan Saloon
508 Mt. Rushmore Rd.

Goat Roper & Camp Comfort

7:30pm–Midnight • The Custer Beacon
531 Washington St.

9am–4pm • Custer Armory

527 Montgomery St.

Vineyard of the Black Hills & Crossroads Church

9am • church service at Way Park
4th St. & Mt. Rushmore Rd.

Black Hills Gold Prospecting Club

9am–5pm • French Creek Park

150th Anniversary 1874 Expedition

10am • presentation by Whitney Rencountre II
Custer High School Theater
1645 Wildcat Ln

Arts & Crafts Festival

11am–3pm • Washington St.

Gold Discovery Days Carnival

12pm–5pm • Washington St.

150th Anniversary 1874 Expedition

12pm–5pm Golden Valley Historic Campsite
4 miles east of Custer on Hwy 16A

Walt Thomas Memorial Golf Scramble

1pm • Rocky Knolls Golf Course

Gold Discovery Days Bingo

2pm • VFW Post 3442
721 Mt. Rushmore Rd.

Black Hills Playhouse

2pm Showtime • 248 S. Playhouse Rd.
The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas
NC17

*Need More Info? Contact:
Custer Chamber of Commerce
605.673.2244 • 615 Washington St.*

2024 SPONSORS

MOTHERLOAD: Adventure Rentals • Begging Burro Mexican Bistro & Tequila Bar • Black Hills Energy
Black Hills Federal Credit Union • Blind Guy of the Black Hills • Custer County Chronicle • Custer State Park
Freeman Electric Service • K2 Masonry and Concrete Inc • McGas • Mt. Rushmore Brewing Company
Nielsen Enterprises, LLC • Skogen Kitchen • Starr Insurance

GOLD PANNER: Black Hills Dumpster Rentals • Bradeen Real Estate & Auctions • Custer Hospitality
Jenny's Floral • Lewis Realty KW Black Hills • Highmark Credit Union • Ketel Thorstensen
NXTLAW PC • Pizza Mill • Premier Family Eye Care • Rush Mountain Adventure Park
Sander Sanitation • Sentinel Federal Credit Union • Southern Hills Title • Sprockets Fun Foundry

MINER: Alpha Builders • Chalet Motel • Gold Valley Camp • Golden West Telecommunications
Horatio's Homemade Ice Cream • VFW Post 3442

PROSPECTOR: Busy Ewe Farm & Fibers • Craig Reindl of Western Skies Real Estate • Crazy Horse Memorial
LFC Veterinary Service, LLC • Nelson's Oil & Gas • Vector Design Print and Tech

Sponsors needed



Mother Lode Sponsor- \$500+

Gold Panner Sponsor- \$250

Miner Sponsor- \$150

Prospector Sponsor- \$75

Contact Dawn

dmurray@custersd.com

Printable Sponsorship Form

We are so EXCITED! The Custer Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Custer Volunteer Fire Department, with the help of all of you, was able to collect enough donations for this year's Fireworks Display AND get a good start on next year's show.

This approximately 30-minute fireworks display, at no charge to spectators, costs around \$25,000 each year and is funded strictly by donations.

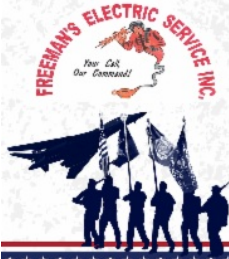
Please contact the Chamber if you have any questions and/or to participate.
605-673-2244

615 Washington St
dmurray@custersd.com

THANK YOU SPONSORS

2024 FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

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★ FREEDOM ★

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 VFW Post #3442

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 Western Skies Real Estate
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 Horatio's Homemade Ice Cream
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**MINUTES – NOT MILES
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THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR SPONSORS

Including The Numerous Anonymous Donors & Monies Generously Donated Via Local Business Collection Cannisters & Events!



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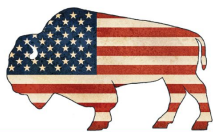
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Sponsor Banner courtesy of Vector Design Print and Tech

The Custer Volunteer Fire Department has been providing excellent fireworks to our community for over 70 years! This approximately 30-minute fireworks display, provided by the Custer Fire Department at no charge to spectators, costs around \$25,000 each year and is funded strictly by donations. Please consider donating to keep this tradition alive!



CUSTER
 Chamber of Commerce

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Glen Erin Horse Camp
 Custer's Rendezvous
 Rapid Fire Protection
 Black Hills Bronco Adventures
 Sage Creek Grille

Rod & Avis Converse
 Black Hills Bungalows

Black Hills Danglewags
Black Granite Construction
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Encore Energy Corp.
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J&M Lawn Care LLC
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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



2024 Custer Chamber

Black Hills Bronco Adventures



Phone: 605-593-4491 **Address:** 11388 Pass Creek Rd, Custer
Website: <https://www.custersd.com/Black-Hills-Bronco-Adventures>

Here is the story behind the business and how it started.

"At Black Hills Bronco Adventures, our passion is to share the spirit of the Hills with visitors worldwide! Founded by lifelong friends Luke Alvarez and Jon Richards, who grew up together in Washington D.C., our story began during the Covid era when Luke and his family embraced the "van life." After traveling across the U.S., they were captivated by South Dakota and decided to settle in the Black Hills here in Custer. Luke soon convinced Jon to join him, and after Jon's wife fell in love with the area, they moved to Rapid City with their son.

With our experienced guides and rugged Ford Broncos, we provide unforgettable tours that showcase the natural beauty and rich history of the Black Hills. We are excited to meet you and bring you into the Black Hills Bronco Adventures Family! Join us for an adventure that blends excitement, education, and the timeless allure of the Black Hills."



CUSTER FARMER'S MARKET

SATURDAYS

8:00 AM – 12:30 PM

June through October

Located in Way Park in front of
Custer County Courthouse

Featuring produce, food and crafts
from local farmers and artisans

For more information contact
GORDON CLEVELAND
605-673-5230



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2024

**FREE
SPORTS PHYSICALS**

**ALL
YEAR!**

We are offering FREE sports physicals all year long. We are just asking that you call first to make an appointment.



SOUTHERN HILLS FAMILY MEDICINE
1369 MONTGOMERY ST, CUSTER, SD 57730

DR. BRANDY TARAP

New Fencing-Pipe Coral Material- New Gates-Equipment - Antiques - Tools- Iron

BISON/LIVSTOCK RANCH EQUIPMENT INVENTORY REDUCTION ONLINE AUCTION

777 Meat & Mercantile, Fairburn, SD

ONLINE BIDDING OPENS Friday · July 12th, 2024

- Closing Tuesday · July 16th, 2024, 3:00 PM

*Property located at the Dakota Partnership (formerly 777 Bison Ranch):
25398 Hwy 79, Fairburn SD (7.5 Miles South of Hermosa on HWY 79).*



22- 660 ft 12.5 ga 5 ft tall Solidlock Pro 20 fencing, new; 3500 plus Heavy 7 ft T Post, new; 25-14 ft HD Sioux tube gates, 6 bar 5' tall, new; several thousand feet of 2 1/4" and 4 1/2" pipe; Several hundred 2 7/8" x 10' iron pipe posts; 45 plus rolls of new barb wire; thousands of T and pipe post wire clips; 12" channel iron; 3" x 1/4' channel iron; 1000 plus 3" channel iron cut to 4" long pieces; 4-16' Sioux tube gates; 100 plus HD tube gate post hinges; 2 7/8" welded pipe hinges; 2" x 1/4" square tubing; 24' 4 bar continuous fence panels; Monroe power pounder/auger PTO/3pt; several hundred 7' light T posts, new; several hundred assorted lengths used T posts; Belltec Post Driver/ auger 3pt, PTO with 2 bits; 16' JD tandem disk; 3 pt bale spear; Wetmore feed wagon; Caterpillar Bale spear; 110 gal spray rig w/Honda engine; 65 gal. water tank; shop made trailer; Snapper riding mower; Alumina Craft boat, trailer & trolling motor; lumber; Portable True test Scale; Corrosive & chemical storage cabinets; 155 pounds Potassium Hydroxide; Ritchie waterer; sheep tank; concrete mix; 23.8' x 11' used garage door w/frame and opener; Ford F450 truck from the Fairburn Fire dept.; 5-4'x20' metal culverts & bands; bridge beams; RR ties; large selection of guard rail; large amount of scrap metal and iron; steel work benches; fence stretchers; catwalk parts; numerous used Sioux and other gates; I beam; log chains; stock rollers; corn sheller; Fairburn well pump; wagon parts; large anvil and other old west collectibles; 19.5" truck tires; used barbwire; well sand point; oil barrel pumps; light poles; street sweeper broom parts; organizer; welding table & contents; post vise; flow parts; Job Box; power tools; bolts; 2015 Ford crew cab running boards; 2015 Ford Dually pickup box, bumper & receiver hitch; 8 pails Fuller Eart movie dust; empty metal drum containers; Water pump; Dakota Dart gun and darts; several hundred new fishing lures; steel & iron racks; post vise; lawn dump cart; shop and tool items plus so much more yet to be discovered!

Property Inspection: Property will be available for inspection at the property on Monday July 15th, from 10am to 2pm or by appointment only. Please do not attempt inspection without an appointment.

Property Settlement & Pickup: At the ranch 25398 HWY. 79, Fairburn SD. All items must be settled for Thursday July 18th between 10:00am & 3:00pm. Extra time for load out is available on request.

No Exceptions. No shipping for this auction.

TERMS & CONDITIONS: ONLINE ONLY AUCTION. NO BUYER PREMIUM!

OWNERS:

777 Meat & Mercantile
Fairburn, SD

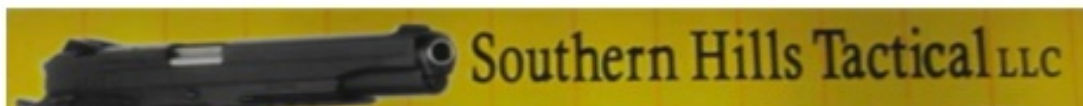
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See complete details

& photos on

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South Dakota Enhanced Conceal Carry Class

This is a One day Class

Saturday July 13thth 2024 9:00am to 4:30pm

The Enhanced Permit allows you carry in 38 states including MN, NE, WI, NV, NH, WA, and SC

Class size is limited so register early.

For additional information or to register for the class you can e-mail the instructor at **echo.ft.sd@gmail.com**, call the shop at 605-673-3222 or e mail us **southernhillstactical@gwtc.net**

AN OLD TIME

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DANCE PARTY

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FROM THE
'50s & '60s



SATURDAY
JULY 13
7:30PM

351 WASHINGTON ST. CUSTER, SD

6/13/2024





MEET AT THE COMMUNITY GARDEN PLOTS
LOCATED BY CUSTER HIGH SCHOOL
OFF SIDNEY PARK ROAD

9:30 AM

JUNE 13TH
JUNE 27TH
JULY 18TH
AUGUST 1ST
AUGUST 15TH

NEWLY CONSTRUCTED 14' X 18" CABIN

CARTIN AUCTION

CABIN AUCTION

Custer High School—Custer, SD

ONLINE BIDDING CLOSES: 12:00pm MONDAY, JULY 22ND, 2024

Building is currently located at Custer High School,

1645 Wildcat Lane, Custer, SD

ONLINE BIDDING OPENS: THURSDAY, JULY 18TH, 2024



Selling at “**Online Only Public Auction**” this quality constructed 14'x18' cabin, 13' tall with vaulted ceilings recently built by the CHS residential construction class. Features include wood frame construction, all steel roof, insulated, interior is finished with knotty pine, electrical is complete with cove heat, pex plumbing (no fixtures), Kitchen countertop and cabinets, stainless steel sink and laminate flooring. This cabin is ready to move to your location, the remarkably spacious interior with 6'x6' bathroom area, numerous windows for great natural lighting is waiting for your final touches.

Auctioneers note: This very well designed cabin built by the talented CHS Residential Construction Class under the supervision of Jared Webster and Slade Swedlund. You will be impressed with the workmanship & design of this cabin. Proceeds/profit from the sale will help fund next year's construction project. Inspect this great cabin, have arrangements secured and place your bids ONLINE at www.bradeenauction.com.

Terms and conditions: Selling by “Online Only Auction” format. Buyer responsible for all costs of moving and transport to your location. Cabin needs to be removed from Custer School property by 5:00 pm August 16th 2024 (no exceptions). Please have moving arrangements made prior to bidding. See details, terms, conditions & bidding procedure at www.bradeenauction.com. Cabin will sell “As-is” without warranty of any kind. Construction ended in May at the end of the 23/24 school year. This cabin is 90% complete just needs some interior finishing touches and fixtures and it will be ready. See photos and personally inspect the cabin as to its finished condition. CHS reserves the right to accept/reject the final bid.

See complete details & photos on www.bradeenauction.com

Owners:

Custer High School
Custer, SD

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A Fabulous Display of Beautiful
Flowers



A fabulous
Local Plants & Flowers
Sponsored by the
Custer Mile High Garden Club
Viewing is free and open to the public

**Friday & Saturday,
July 19 & 20, 2024**

14th Annual Caroline Hatton Flower Show

held at the Custer Senior Center in conjunction
with Gold Discovery Days. Don't miss it!

This judged show is open to all adults and youths!

Judging begins at noon on Friday.

See rules & classification list for the complete
time schedule & rules. For questions or
additional information, please call 605-673-3319



FRIDAY, JULY 19

9:00 AM – 11:30 AM Bring your entries to the Senior Center.

There is NO charge to participate.

12:00 – 2:00 PM Entries will be judged. Ribbons and prizes
will be awarded.

2:00 – 5:00 PM Open for public viewing

SATURDAY, JULY 20

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM Open for public
viewing

1:00 – 2:00 PM Participants need
to pick up their entries

Pick up the
rules & classification list
at Jenny's Floral, The Library,
Custer Senior Center or
Custer Chamber of Commerce.



6/20/2024



Custer Area Arts Council
with the
Custer Piecemakers Quilt Guild
present



QUILT & Fiber Arts

Show & Sale

2024

July 19, 20 & 21
9-4 pm

Custer School District Armory
527 Montgomery Street • Custer, SD
(5th Street Entrance)

\$5 admission



Southern Hills Tactical LLC

GUINS



South Dakota Enhanced Conceal Carry Class

This is a One day Class

Saturday July 20th 2024 9:00am to 4:30pm

The Enhanced Permit allows you carry in 38 states including MN, NE, WI, NV, NH, WA, and SC

Class size is limited so register early.

For additional information or to register for the class you may contact the instructor at www.sodakian.com, contact us at 605-673-3222 or by e-mail at southernhillstactical@gwtc.net

YOU ARE HERE...

150th Anniversary Commemoration of the 1874 Custer Expedition and Start of the Black Hills Gold Rush

Sunday, July 21, 2024

10 a.m.-noon—Presentations at Custer High School.

Noon-5 p.m.—Events at historic site 3 miles east of Custer on Hwy. 16A; watch for signs (no RV parking at site).

Free admission — Official Gold Discovery Days event.

Donations and sponsorships benefit Custer County Historical Society and BHSU's Case Library.

Sponsorship awards and more info at www.bit.ly/4c0XdQc or email horsted@gwtc.net or call 605-673-3685.



Visit our Website





South Dakota Enhanced Conceal Carry Class

This is a One day Class

Saturday July 27th 2024 9:00am to 4:30pm

Basic Pistol Class.

This class is for new and intermediate shooters. It will cover sight alignment, stance, trigger control and much more.

Class size is limited so register early.

For additional information or to register for the class you may contact the instructor at **www.sodakian.com** contact us at

605-673-3222 or by e-mail at

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10 am - 2 pm

Jr. Caver swear-in around 2:15 pm

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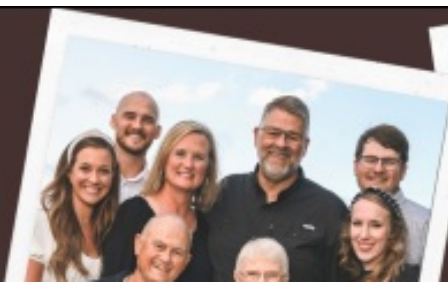


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NEWS FROM THE STATE





FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Tuesday, July 9th, 2024

CONTACT: Katlyn Svendsen, Global Media & Public Relations Representative, Travel South Dakota

Hello, Tourism Friends!

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our newest passport that elevates experiences across **Southeast South Dakota: the Family Fun Escapes Passport!** This innovative digital passport is the key to unlocking the best of the Southeast region's attractions, from thrilling water parks to captivating museums and everything in between. Families can embark on a journey filled with fun, create lasting memories, receive discounts, and even earn exciting prizes along the way.

With 40 featured partners, the *Family Fun Escapes Passport* is part of our broader effort to promote the *South Dakota Passports* program, encouraging visitors to explore all that our state has to offer. The **Family Fun Escapes Passport** was developed in partnership with our friends at the Southeast South Dakota Tourism Association. By participating in this program, attractions not only increase their visibility but also become part of a network that attracts families eager to discover new and exciting destinations.

Here's how you can get involved:

1. Promote Participation: Promote the Family Fun Escapes Passport (and all the passports) to your visitors and on your platforms. Showcase your attraction as a must-visit stop on this adventure-filled journey.

1. Spread the Word: Share the Family Fun Escapes Passport with your network and on social media channels. Together, we can make Southeast South Dakota a top destination for family travelers.

We believe that this passport will not only benefit participating attractions but will also enrich the overall visitor experience in the Southeast region. For more details on how to get involved or to receive promotional materials, please visit SDVisit.com or contact Alexa.Dorn@TravelSouthDakota.com.

Thank you for helping to make this summer unforgettable for families and everyone exploring South Dakota!

All our best,

Jim and Team

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Media Notes:

For downloadable examples of the creative for the "So Much South Dakota, So Little Time" campaign, click [here](#)

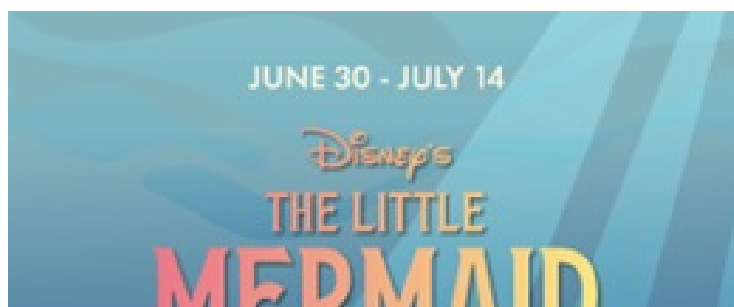
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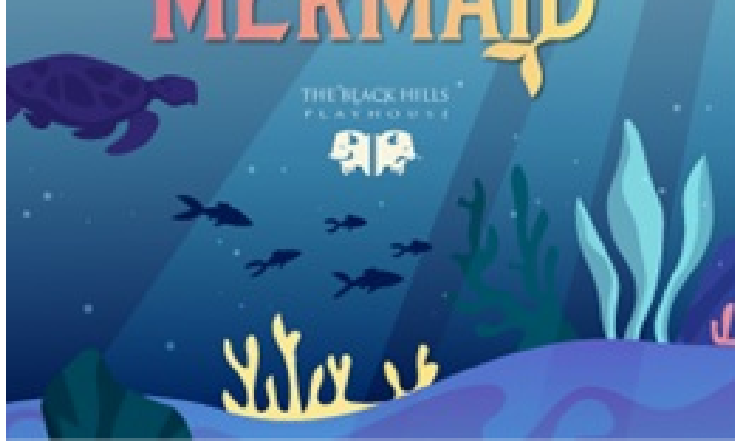
For immediate release: June 28, 2024

Contact: Kassi Blue-Scates, BHP West Outreach Coordinator

605-255-4910, ext 1. kassi@blackhillspayhouse.com

***Disney's The Little Mermaid* open at the Black Hills Playhouse starting
June 30, 2024, at 2:00 pm**





Come “under the sea” as *Disney's The Little Mermaid* opens at the Black Hills Playhouse in Custer State Park, from June 30th to July 14th.

In a magical kingdom beneath the sea, the beautiful young mermaid, Ariel, longs to leave her ocean home to live in the world above. Ariel, King Triton’s youngest daughter, wishes to pursue the human Prince Eric in the world above, bargaining with the evil sea witch, Ursula, to trade her tail for legs. But the bargain is not what it seems, and Ariel needs the help of her colorful friends, Flounder the fish, Scuttle the seagull, and Sebastian the crab, to restore order under the sea.

The Pay As You Can performance will be held on June 29th at 7:30 pm. Keep in mind that the Pay-As-You-Can performance is the final dress rehearsal for the performers and technicians before the show officially opens. Plan to arrive early, as this is expected to be a well-attended preview performance.

An Artist Reception will be held on June 30th after the opening matinee. Enjoy some wine and appetizers and meet the cast and crew bringing this thrilling story to life.

Production credits can be found [HERE](#)

Visit blackhillspayhouse.com for more information, or call our friendly box office staff at 605-255-4141.

***Custer State Park passes are required and can be purchased in the snack bar.**

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First Interstate Custer Area Fund

The First Interstate Custer Area Fund is accepting applications for grants from qualified 501 (C) 3 organizations in the Custer area thru September 30. Recipients will be selected and grants funded during the Month of October 2024.

Disbursements by the local board of directors are determined according to the needs of the community. Past disbursements from 1999 to date have totaled \$293,784.00 and have benefited a variety of local projects, historical organizations, and the arts and humanities.

If your non-profit organization would like to be considered in the disbursement of funds, please complete the First Interstate Custer Area Fund application form and return it to any board member or mail the form to First Interstate Custer Area Fund, 648 Mt Rushmore Rd, Custer, SD 57730. Completed applications can also be emailed to donna.cullum@fib.com.

Grant application forms are available from any local board member, please call Jenny Behlings 673-5436, Curtis Tyler 673-2215, Donna Cullum 673-2215, Nathan Wiederholt 673-2716 or Misty Fish 673-4848.

The deadline for completed applications for the annual disbursement of funds will be September 30, 2024.

Funds will be disbursed during the month of October, 2024.

6/27/2024



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U.S. Department of the Interior

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Hot Springs, SD 57747

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www.nps.gov

Wind Cave National Park News Release

Release Date: June 28, 2024

Contact: Tom Farrell, tom_farrell@nps.gov, 605-745-1130

Superintendent Leigh Welling retires from Wind Cave National Park

HOT SPRINGS, SD – After a twenty-one and a half-year career with the National Park Service, three and a half of those at Wind Cave National Park, Superintendent Leigh Welling is retiring June 29.

Welling began her career with the NPS in 2002 as director for the Crown of the Continent Research Learning Center at Glacier National Park in Montana. In 2007, Welling moved to Fort Collins, Colorado where she served as the national lead for climate change, eventually helping to establish and lead the NPS Climate Change Response Program in 2010. In 2015, Welling began working for the Alaska Regional Office, first as the regional chief scientist and then as the associate regional director for science, communication, and partnerships.

Welling earned an undergraduate degree in Geology from the University of Colorado Boulder and a Masters and PhD in Oceanography from Oregon State University. Prior to her career in the NPS, she held positions at the University of Nevada Las Vegas, where she worked on practices to increase diversity and inclusion in earth science curricula, and at the University of North Dakota, where she was director of the Regional Earth Science Applications Center.

Welling is retiring to Chadron, Nebraska, where she grew up. She looks forward to spending more time with family and friends along with riding her bike and exploring the outdoors.

Rhonda Schier, currently superintendent of Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial in Southern Indiana, will serve as Wind Cave's Acting Superintendent for the next four months.

- More -





7/3/2024



Project Update

Friday, June 28th, 2024

Current Conditions:

- Closure A (the road to the North Boat Ramp to Pactola Dam) is in place through Friday, July 12, 2024.
- Milling (removal of the existing pavement) on U.S. Highway 385 from Highway 44 to the Pennington-Lawrence County line is underway. Phase 1 construction area (Pennington-Lawrence County line to the north end of Pactola Dam) will be a loose gravel surface until surfacing is completed in late 2025.
- Users of the roadway can expect delays of approximately 15 minutes and the use of flaggers from Highway 44 to the Pennington-Lawrence County line and the use of pilot cars and flaggers from Highway 44 to the road to the North Boat Ramp.
- Traffic is being diverted on two gravel diversions (a temporary at-grade roadway next to the original road).
 - Diversion 1 is approximately 3/4-mile north of the intersection of U.S. Highway 385 and Highway 44. A width restriction of 12 feet is in place.
 - Diversion 2 is immediately south of the Pennington-Lawrence County Line. A width restriction of 12 feet is in place.
- The contractor is now working Saturdays until Phase 1 construction is completed.

[View Construction Updates](#)

☐ Road Closures Beginning May 20, 2024 ☐

- The Pactola North Boat Ramp will not be accessible during weekdays from Monday, May 20, 2024 through Friday, June 7, 2024 (accessible on weekends and Memorial Day from the north). After Friday, June 7, 2024, the Pactola North Boat Ramp will only be accessible from the north. Access will be available to the Pactola North Boat Ramp from all directions after Friday, July 12, 2024.
- Access to the Pactola South Boat Ramp will not be impacted during these closures. Boaters can access the South Boat Ramp via Highway 16/Highway 385 or Sheridan Lake Road/Highway 385.

- The posted detour will be S.D. Highway 44 and U.S. Highway 16. Locals may find alternative routes, but the SDDOT recommends travelers exercise caution when using non-maintained roadways.
- Emergency services are aware of these closures and are closely collaborating to provide response coverage.
- Non-closed areas within the project limits (Pennington-Lawrence County Line to Highway 44) will be under construction during closures.

PHASE 1 CONSTRUCTION

Spring 2024 - Winter 2025

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION:



Pilot car lines and wait times



Rock blasting



Loose gravel road surface



Narrowed driving lanes



Large construction equipment



Temporary road closures



CLOSURE A

Boat Ramp to Pactola Dam

May 20 - July 12, 2024

Including Memorial Day Weekend

CLOSURE B

S.D. Highway 44 to Boat Ramp

May 20 - June 7, 2024

**Road open Friday at noon - Monday at 6 a.m. for boat ramp access*

Memorial Day Access:

OPEN

Monday, May 27

CLOSED

Tuesday, May 28
at 6 a.m.

Boat Dock Road

Pactola Reservoir

Pactola Dam



☐ Construction Zone Reminders ☐

- Follow posted speed limits in construction zones.
- Be aware of flaggers and other construction workers in the construction area.
- If you are following a pilot car, stay with the line, and do not stop or exit your vehicle in the project area.
- It is illegal to go beyond cones and barriers within construction zones even when the contractor is not working.

Stay Connected

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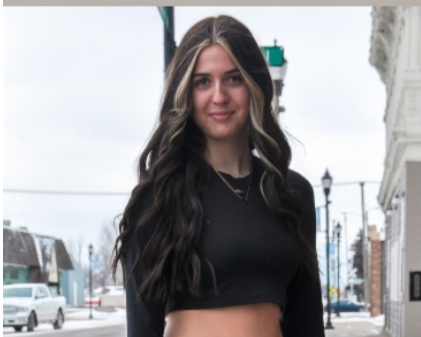


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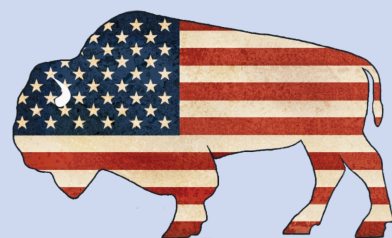
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