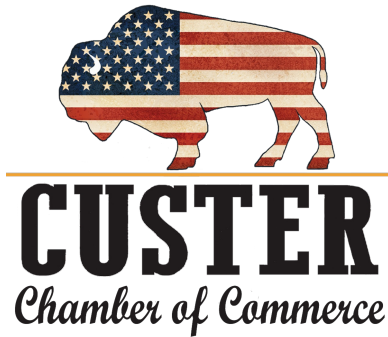


Buffalo Bytes



Minutes, Not Miles, From Adventure

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CUSTER CONNECTIONS

Spring Fling

We'll be celebrating the 2023 Spring Fling tonight at the Custer Beacon. This will be a special night as we will be announcing this year's Gold Discovery Days Parade Marshals and Royalty. As a reminder social hour starts at 5:30pm and the program will begin about 6:45pm.

We want to thank each of our sponsors of this year's Spring Fling and everyone who signed up to attend the event tonight. We couldn't do what we do without the generosity of our many sponsors. Please see the list below of those businesses who sponsored this event.

Thank You SPONSORS



Diane's Custer Vacation Rental



2023 CHAMBER MEMBERSHIP SPRING FLING



Dawn Murray
Executive Director

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Taylor Young has joined The Custer Area Chamber of Commerce team as our Office and Events Associate. Here are a few words from Taylor:

My name is Taylor and I moved to Custer a little over a year ago and since then I've grown to love the community here. I'm from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and graduated from Arcadia University in May 2020 with my Bachelor's of Fine Arts degree. In my free time, I love painting and illustrating. I also run my own art business which includes commissions, designing stickers, and creating original artwork. I look forward to getting to know the community more while working at the Chamber.



WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE 2023 SEASON!

**Please let the Chamber know when
your business is opening for the
season and your hours of operation!**



**Contact Us at
605-673-2244
or
info@custersd.com**

To have things added to Buffalo Bytes, please send to Amy: abrazell@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

April 13

Chamber's Annual Spring Fling

Custer Beacon

5:30pm-8pm

April 20

Chamber Mixer at English Touch Day Spa

5pm-7pm

May 11

Chamber Mixer at Bradeen Real Estate & Auctions

5pm-7pm

May 18

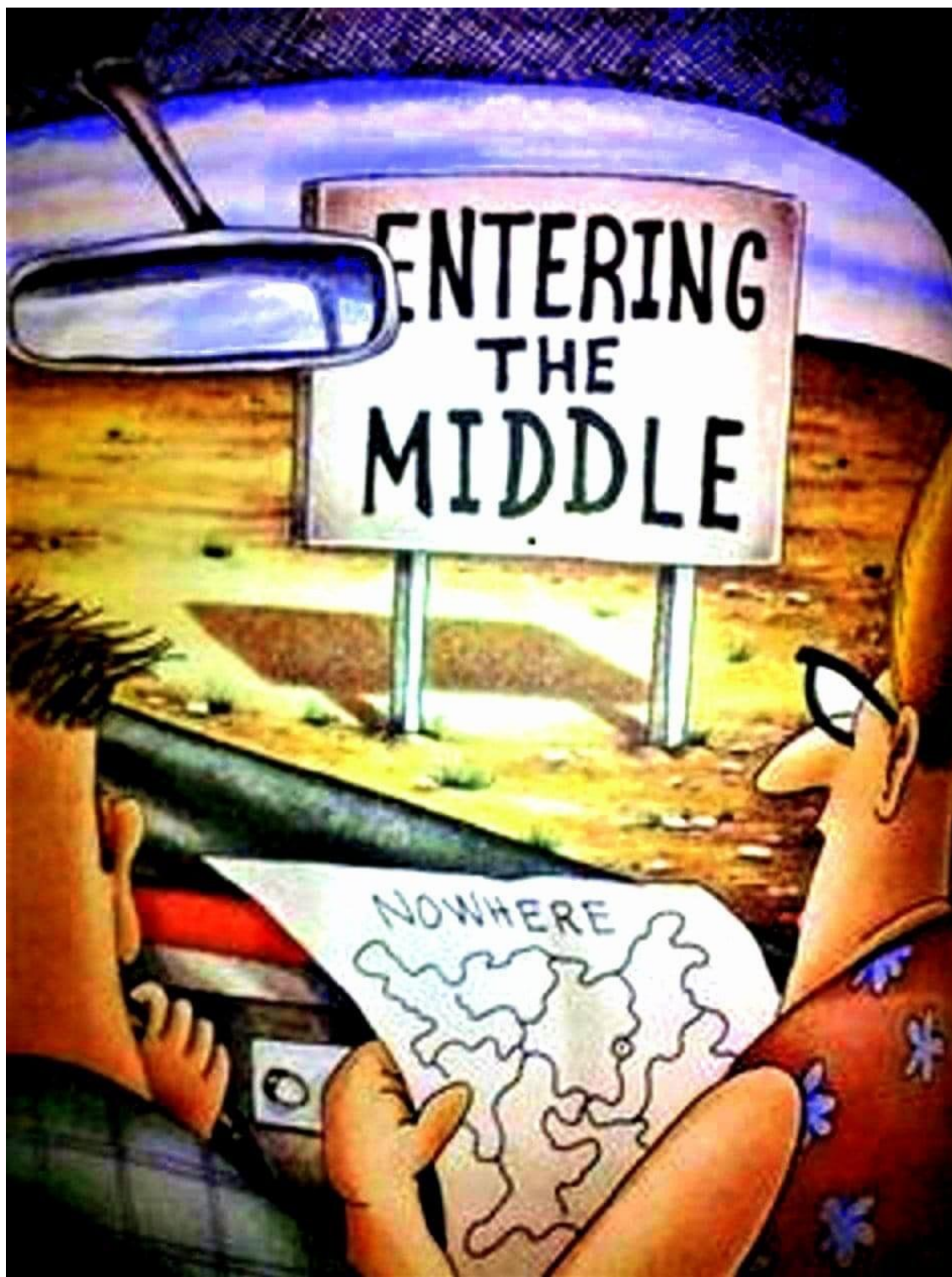
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Mt Rushmore Brewing Co

1pm-4pm

May 19-21

Tesla Rally

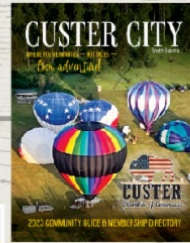


CHAMBER HAPPENINGS

ATTRACTIONS MEETING & LIT SWAP



MAY
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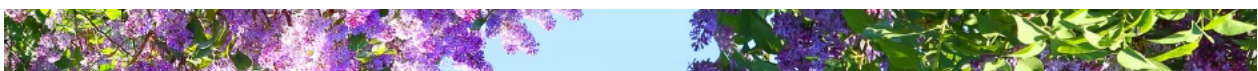
MT RUSHMORE BREWING CO

1 PM- 4 PM

Each attraction will
have 3 – 5 minutes to present.
Coffee and cookies will be provided.

RSVP by May 11

RSVP to:
dmurray@custersd.com
605-673-2244



CHAMBER MIXER

APRIL 20, 2023

5PM-7PM

HOSTED BY
AN ENGLISH TOUCH DAY SPA
(25389 McCurran Ranch Rd)



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

2023 CUSTER CHAMBER

2023 CUSTER CHAIRMAN MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

**LET US SPOTLIGHT YOUR
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FEATURED IN BUFFALO BYTES
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To have your business featured in our Member Spotlight, please contact Amy Brazell at abrazell@custersd.com



Welcome

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Our Redeemer Lutheran Church-LCMS
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Garcia Family Clinic-Bella Rejuvenation
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JandJ Hospitality
Southern Hills Screen Printing
The Church at Custer

AREA EVENTS

THURSDAY, APRIL 13
10:00 AM

ADDIE CAMP GENERAL STORE- 23835 HWY 385 (FORMALLY 'THE HOMESTEAD')

GRAND OPENING

You're invited to join us at a Ribbon Cutting of our newest space,
Addie Camp General Store!

Enjoy your favorites at Prairie Berry Winery and Miner Brewing Company, and now introducing Addie Camp General Store - pick up essentials and enjoy a carefully curated collection of wine & beer, coffee, breakfast, grab-and-go snacks, custom ice cream, sundries, unique gift items from local South Dakota artisans, and so much more!

A GATHERING PLACE IN THE HEART OF THE BLACK HILLS

Addie Camp is a destination where heritage, entertainment, and hospitality intertwine. The on-campus winery, brewery, general store, and green space create a gathering place for the whole family to eat, drink, and explore.

EVENTS BY ADDIE CAMP

Host your private gathering (retirement party, bridal shower, business meeting, bus tour groups, rehearsal dinners, etc) with food by our in-house culinary team.

Public events - check our events calendar online and sign up for emails to be the first to know of events such as Bistro dinners, Brunches, Sip & Steam, Bingos, and so much more!

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GENERAL STORE



South Dakota Enhanced Conceal Carry Class

This is a One Day Class

Saturday April 15th, 2023

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
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Contact us at 605-673-3222 or by e-mail at
southernhillstactical@gwtc.net

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Thursday, April 20th, 2023 - 11:00am-1:00pm
Lewis Realty Parking Lot at 14 W Mt. Rushmore Road in Custer



**11th Annual
Custer Rotary**



Wine & Beer Extravaganza & Raffle Event

**Chance to win one of Three Grand Prizes:
Choice of Wheelbarrow of Wine
or One Beer Wagon Full of Beer**

Evening includes drawings for multiple items & gift certificates

\$20.00 Per Ticket ~ 3 for \$50; 7 for \$100

Friday, April 21st 2023

Doors open: 5:00PM • Drawings from: 6–8PM

Laughing Water Restaurant at Crazy Horse Memorial



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FOSSIL AND MINERAL IDENTIFICATION DAY

11 am - 4 pm April 22

**\$5 per person
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**Bring your specimens
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APRIL 27, 2023

**THURSDAY
2PM**

Prizes!

**Raffle
for Baked
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COST: \$10

CUSTER SENIOR CENTER



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Custer YMCA Memos

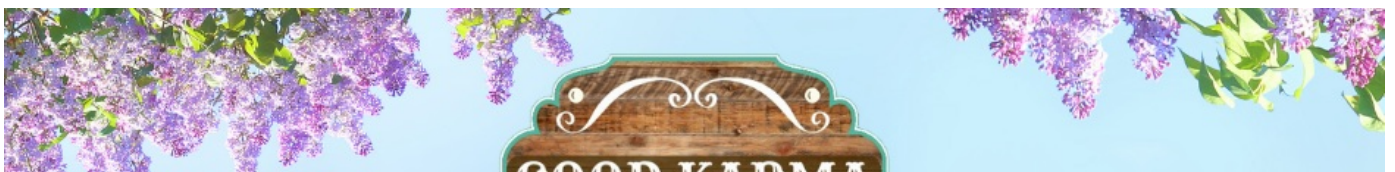
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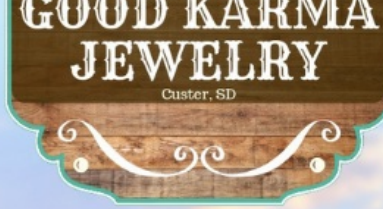
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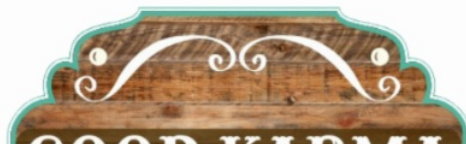




New Hours

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Spring Sale

15% OFF MEN'S CINCH SHIRTS

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20% OFF SELECT JEWELRY

4/1 - 4/14

**507 MT RUSHMORE RD
CUSTER, SD
(605) 673-3047**

Good Afternoon!

Bradeen Real Estate & Auctions will celebrate their 100th Anniversary on April 29th. They are asking local groups and charities to contribute items for the benefit auction, with 100% of the proceeds returning to your organization.

See additional information below on this opportunity for them to help you with fundraising that can minimize effort on your part.

that requires minimal effort on your part.

Thank you for reviewing this information and letting them know of your interest in participating.

/s/ Marcia Eisenbraun
605-673-2629



INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

Bradeen Real Estate & Auctions is proud to announce our 100th year in the auction business. Over these past 100 years, Auctioneers Bert Bradeen (my grandfather), Bob Bradeen (my father), Jeff Storm, Travis Mayer and myself, have conducted literally thousands of auctions of all types in the Black Hills region and nationwide. One portion of the auction business we have enjoyed most are the hundreds of benefit auctions we have conducted in the region for nearly every area charitable organization, church, school, team, service club, group and/or worthy cause. When deciding on a way to celebrate this milestone, we chose to host a Benefit Auction and Celebration, offering to promote and sell a Benefit Auction for YOU! Yes, we are inviting ALL area charities, organizations, churches, schools, teams, service clubs or worthy causes of any type. If this fits you, please read on and make plans to participate!

This is YOUR Benefit Auction. 100% of proceeds sold for you will be returned to YOU! We ask that you limit items selling to 10-15 lots. Please include a brief description of your group/organization, and if the proceeds are for a special project. Please have a description, with photos (if possible) ASAP to Bradeen Auctions no later than April 17, for advertising purposes. We encourage you to "Aim High"! No item is too "BIG"! We encourage items selling to be "priceless", meaning they are difficult to place a value on, example: a gourmet dinner for 2 with Playhouse tickets will sell better than a \$200 gift certificate. The success of your auction is limited only by the quality and creativity of your contributed items. Also, businesses and individuals may contribute, and designate their proceeds to the charity/organization of their choice. Call Bradeen Auctions at 605-673-2629 if you need advice or help in any way.

Details include: The auction will be held at the Custer YMCA Log Community Building, beginning at 11:00 am, Saturday April 29, 2023. Buffalo burger lunch, live music/entertainment and door prizes will be provided, we encourage all to attend this family event! This auction will be well promoted, live simulcast internet bidding will be available. Auctioneers from across the region are invited to show their skills at this event.

In closing, after 100 years of serving the region with professional Auction and Real Estate services, we are thrilled to conduct this exciting event as part of our 100 year Celebration. We certainly hope you will make plans to participate!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Ron Bradeen", written over a horizontal line.

Ron Bradeen

Owner/Broker/Auctioneer

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"On The Break"
by South Dakota Artist - Ray Kelly
Bison Prize to Winner

Tickets \$5 ea or 5 for \$20

Winner Announced 11 Nov 2023

Need Not Be Present To Win

Tickets Available From:

Custer Post 46 Legionnaires, Custer Chronicle

Old Pine Social (Custer) French Creek Food & Seed (Custer) Southern Hills Tactical (Custer)

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Weapon **MUST** be picked up within 30 days at an approved FFL, and pay all associated transfer fees.

Winner must meet all State and Federal requirements to take possession of weapon or forfeit the same.

In the event a winner must forfeit, another ticket will be drawn.

All Unsold Tickets are the property of Custer American Legion Post 46.

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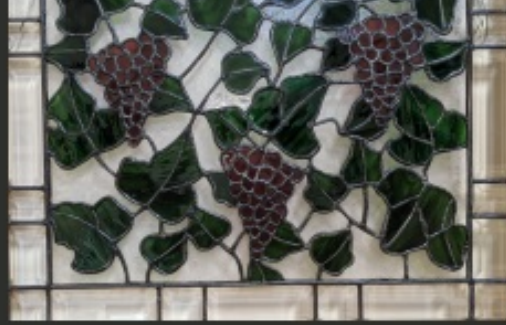
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Greetings, Industry Partners!

The 2023 peak travel season is quickly approaching. If you haven't already done so, please register for the 2023 Interstate Welcome Center [Publication Program](#) so we can share your publication with the many Welcome Center visitors. Be sure to review the [program policies](#) and [program requirements](#) before registering. This program is free of charge and the registration deadline is Friday, April 21.

If you have any questions regarding the Publication Program, please feel free to reach out to me at [605-773-3301](tel:605-773-3301) or Mandy.Lemmel@TravelSouthDakota.com.

All the best,

Mandy Lemmel

Welcome Center Manager

P.S. Hope to see you at one of the regional [Lit Swaps or Lit Drops](#) in May! These are a quick and inexpensive way to distribute your publications to the Interstate Welcome Centers at the beginning of the season.

PRESS RELEASES



Forest Service
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Black Hills National Forest

Forest Service News Release

Media Contact: Scott Jacobson, Public Affairs Officer

(605) 440-1409

scott.j.jacobson@usda.gov

www.fs.usda.gov/blackhills/

RAPID CITY, South Dakota., April 12, 2023

Officials from the USDA Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management are seeking public comments and hosting a public meeting on a requested withdrawal for the Black Hills National Forest. If approved, the requested action would withdraw 20,574 acres of National Forest System lands in the Pactola Reservoir – Rapid Creek Watershed in Pennington County, South Dakota from settlement, sale, location or entry under the public land laws, location and entry under the United States mining laws, and leasing under the mineral leasing and geothermal leasing laws for up to 20 years, subject to valid existing rights.

The purpose of the requested withdrawal is to protect cultural and natural resources in the Pactola Reservoir – Rapid Creek Watershed, including drinking water for Rapid City and Ellsworth Air Force Base, from the potential impacts of mineral exploration and development. The Pactola Reservoir is the largest and deepest reservoir in the Black Hills National Forest and provides high-quality recreation opportunities for communities and visitors.

Public Meeting

Black Hills National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management will host a public meeting to discuss the requested withdrawal on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 4:00-8:00 p.m. at the Best Western Ramkota Hotel, 2111 North Lacrosse Street, Rapid City, SD. All who are interested in the stewardship of these lands and waters are invited to participate. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management staff will present information about the requested withdrawal and be on-hand to answer questions for the duration of the meeting. Maps and other information will be available for viewing.

Commenting

The public is encouraged to comment on the requested withdrawal. Comments will be accepted for 90 days following the publication of the Notice of Withdrawal Application in the Federal Register. The notice was published on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, and the comment period closes on June 20, 2023. Comment stations will be available at the public meeting for those who would like to submit an electronic comment for the official record. Electronic comments may also be submitted to <https://cara.fs2c.usda.gov/Public/CommentInput?project=NP-3479>. Written comments may be submitted to Bryan Karchut, Black Hills National Forest, 1019 N. 5th Street, Custer, SD 57730. Comments sent by email will not be accepted. This comment period will serve as the scoping period for the environmental analysis process.

For further information on the requested withdrawal, please contact Elysia Retzlaff, project manager, at elysia.retzlaff@usda.gov or visit the project website at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=63876>. Information regarding the requested withdrawal will also be available at the Black Hills National Forest, Forest Supervisor's Office, 1019 N. 5th Street, Custer, South Dakota 57730 and at the BLM Montana/Dakotas State Office, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101.

For more information on the Black Hills National Forest, visit <http://www.fs.usda.gov/blackhills>, follow the Forest on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/blackhillsnf> or Twitter: <https://twitter.com/BlackHillsNF>

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**Black Hills National Forest and
South Dakota Game, Fish & Parks Dept.**

2023 NATURALIST PROGRAMS

PACTOLA VISITOR CENTER

The Black Hills National Forest and South Dakota Game, Fish, and Parks Department are teaming up and offering educational programs at the Pactola Visitor Center. Each program date is a Saturday, and the programs are being conducted from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. by Naturalists from Custer State Park. NOTE: The Pactola Visitor Center is located along Hwy 385, north of Hill City, South Dakota about 14 miles.

#FindYourForest and #FindYourPark.

June 24 / 1:00 p.m.

Being Creative with Fish Prints

Fishing is a popular recreational activity at the Pactola Reservoir. But do you know which species live in the reservoir and surrounding waters within the Black Hills? Do you know how they interact with one another? This lively program uses fish prints to create posters and other artistic items, while participants learn about the fisheries in and around Pactola. Why not become a Junior Forest Ranger while having some “messy” fun?

July 22 / 1:00 p.m.

Learning about Animal Furs and Tracks

Animal furs and tracks often provide clues on where animals live and how they interact within their environment. Together, furs and tracks allow nature enthusiasts to learn more about the outdoors and the types of wildlife species that live within a region. Join the program and become a wildlife detective for an afternoon of hands-on engagement and wildlife education.

August 26 / 1:00 p.m.

Insect Investigations

OK ... not everyone appreciates insects. However, they play a critical role in the outdoors, and some species have interesting life cycles, habits, colorations, camouflage, and predatory lifestyles. If you are looking for a great Saturday afternoon activity near the lake, this event is perfect for kids. Get ready to discover something new about the outdoors!



For more information:

Black Hills National Forest / Pactola Visitor Center ~ (605) 343-8755

SD Game, Fish & Parks Department / Custer State Park ~ (605) 255-4515



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Custer Senior Center

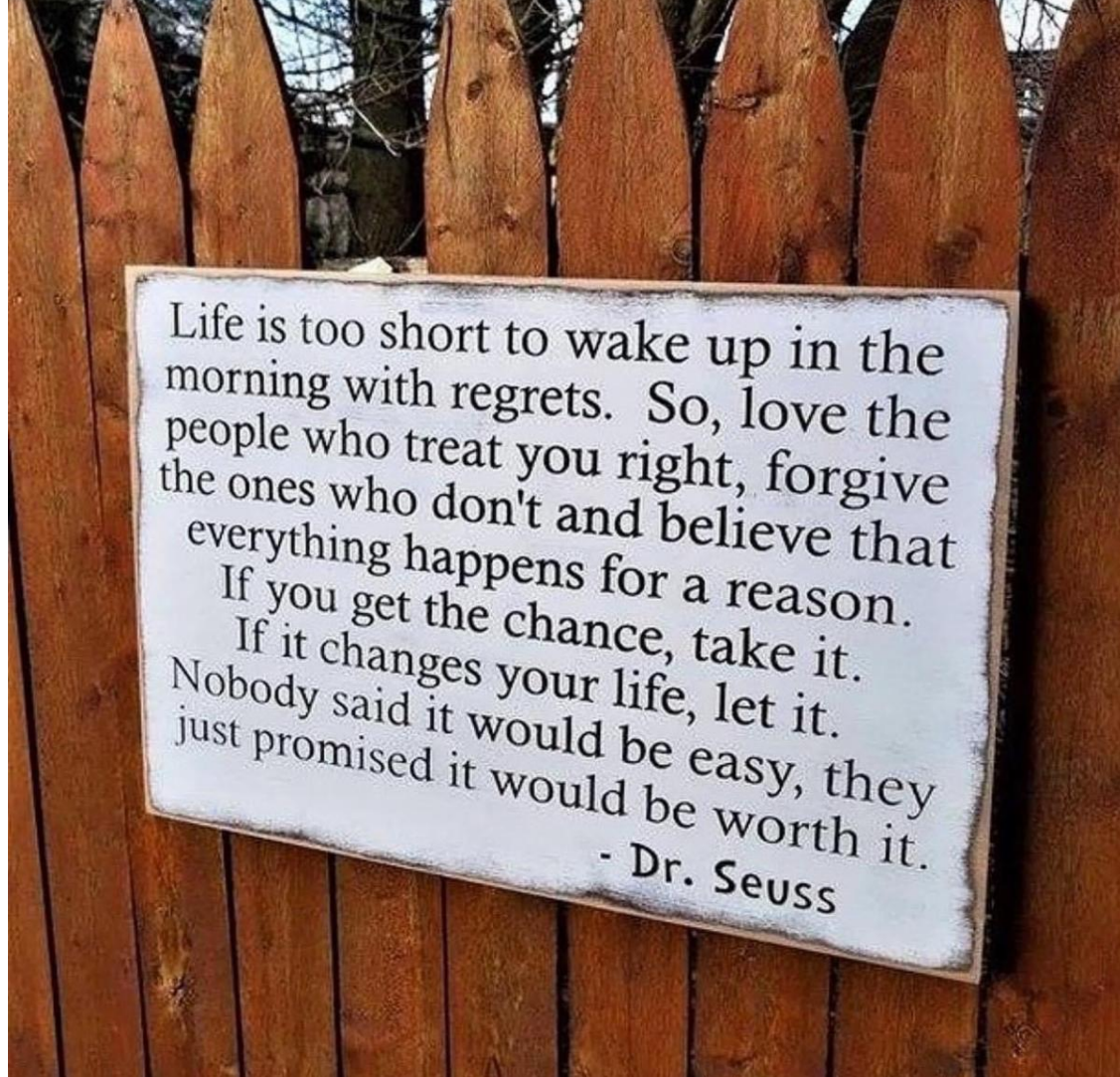
April Schedule

[Click here to Check out the Custer School District Calendar for upcoming school events!](#)



WEEKLY INSPIRATION





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Pacer Minerals has a job opening for Plant Operator. General manufacturing experience preferred. Training will be provided on all equipment.

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Custer

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Requirements: Must have a Positive Attitude!

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

PAID ON-THE-JOB EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITY

WHERE: CUSTER SENIOR CENTER

TITLE: CLERK

SCHEDULE: PART TIME

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

PAID ON-THE-JOB EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITY

WHERE: CUSTER SENIOR CENTER

TITLE: CUSTODIAN

SCHEDULE: PART TIME

PAY - \$10.80 PER HOUR**THIS POSITION IS PART OF THE SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM (SCSEP)**

SCSEP is an on-the-job experience and employment program designed to help low-income individuals age 55 and older update their jobs skills, build work experience and confidence, and continue to have economic security and well-being.

Eligibility:

Individuals applying for the SCSEP must meet specific eligibility requirements in order to participate:

- A resident of South Dakota
- 55 years of age or older
- Unemployed
- A limited household income of no more than 125 percent above of the federal poverty level

Participant Benefits:

As a participant of the SCSEP will:

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Be sure to check out the Help Wanted section on our [Website](#):



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