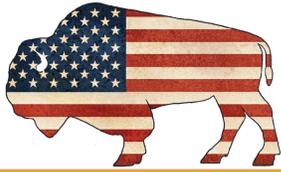


# Buffalo Bytes



**USTER**  
*Chamber of Commerce*

**Minutes, Not Miles, From Adventure**

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## USTER CONNECTIONS

Our 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration is coming up soon, Monday July 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. This is a time to recognize our veterans who made so many sacrifices for us and our country. We have many fun activities planned for the whole family. There's an Old Time Country Fair at the 1881 Courthouse Museum, a parade, flag ceremonies, bouncy houses at a kids' fair, and of course the ever-popular fireworks display.

For the full schedule of events, check out our Chamber Facebook page or our website:

<https://www.custersd.com/Custer's-Fourth-of-July-Celebration>

We want to extend a big THANK YOU to everyone who sponsored the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration and who donated to the Custer Volunteer Fire Department's fireworks display. Also, we want to show major appreciation to the people who volunteered to help with the Kids' Fair this year. This event would not be the amazing celebration it is without the help of the many sponsors and volunteers. And let's give a big shout out to the Custer VFD for putting on the best fireworks display in the Black Hills!

### **Freedom Sponsors**

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**Dawn Murray**  
Executive Director



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### Sales Tax Rate to Change July 1

During this year's legislative session, the South Dakota legislature passed [House Bill 1137](#), a cut to the overall state sales tax rate. Starting on July 1, 2022, the state sales tax rate will be reduced from 4.5% to 4.2%.

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Starting on July 1, 2023, the state sales tax rate will decrease from 4.5% to 4.2%.

Naturally, this cut will have impacts on businesses large and small, so see the below video that we released in March to help answer some of your questions!

In addition to the video, we've created a handy FAQ to provide guidance on how to implement the state sales tax cut (linked below video).



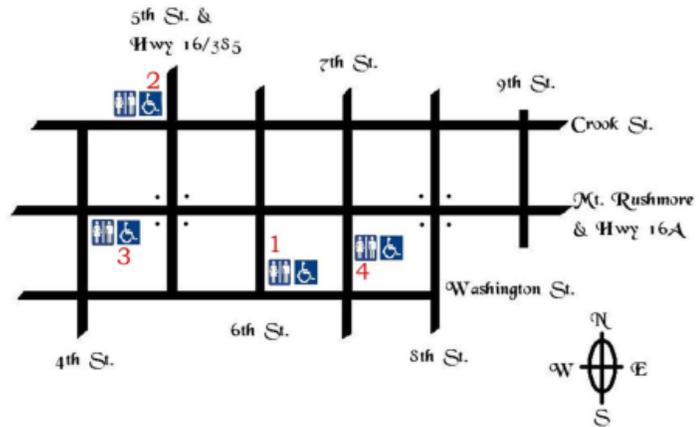
[Sales Tax FAQ](#)

*\*2% Custer City Tax and 1.5% Tourism tax are still in affect\**

# PUBLIC RESTROOMS

## Are Located At:

1. The Custer Area Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau during business hours (6<sup>th</sup> Street & Washington Street)
2. The Courthouse Annex building 8:00am – 5:00pm weekdays South or East entrances (5<sup>th</sup> St & Crook St)
3. Way Park during 7:00am – 10:00pm (4<sup>th</sup> Street & Main)
4. City Park during 7:00am – 10:00pm (by tennis courts, 7<sup>th</sup> Street & Washington)



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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

# June 30

## The Hills Finest Ribbon Cutting

12pm

609 Mt Rushmore Rd

# July 3-4

## July 4th Festivities

Downtown Custer

# July 21-23

## Gold Discovery Days

Downtown Custer

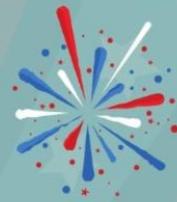
## WEEKLY HUMOR



## CHAMBER HAPPENINGS



# 4TH OF JULY



## CELEBRATION

### MONDAY - JULY 3 -

10AM-9PM- OLD TIME COUNTRY FAIR  
1881 COURTHOUSE MUSEUM

NOON-4PM- CHILDREN'S FAIR AT WAY PARK

4PM-10PM- VETERANS TRIBUTE STREET DANCE  
FEATURING FULL GALLOP BAND  
(5TH & WASHINGTON STREET)

### TUESDAY - JULY 4 -

10:00AM- B-1 FLYOVER, KIDS & PATRIOTS PARADE

9AM-5PM- OLD TIME COUNTRY FAIR  
1881 COURTHOUSE MUSEUM

10:30AM-2PM- PATRIOT HOT DOG STAND  
(6TH STREET)

11AM-1PM - CAKE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL  
BETWEEN CUSTER SENIOR CENTER  
& HORATIOS ICE CREAM SHOP

10:30AM-4PM- PATRIOTS ALLEY ON 6TH STREET

11AM- FLAG CEREMONIES AT VETERAN  
MEMORIAL PARK  
(WASHINGTON & 5TH STREET)

11AM-4PM- CHILDREN'S FAIR AT WAY PARK

DARK 9:30PM- FIREWORKS AT PAGEANT HILL



Let's make

Gold Discovery Days

# Sponsors needed



**Mother Lode Sponsor- \$500+**

**Gold Panner Sponsor- \$250**

**Miner Sponsor- \$150**

**Prospector Sponsor- \$75**

Contact Dawn  
dmurray@custersd.com

# Gold Discovery Days fun for everyone!

Approximately 100 students in the Custer School District have been identified as students in need. If you or your business would like to sponsor wristbands to be given to local students please contact the Chamber at 605-673-2244 or info@custersd.com



# Royalty banner sponsors needed



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Kellyn Kortemeyer

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Sponsorship Form

The 100th Gold Discovery Days Anniversary cups have arrived! Pick them up at the Custer Chamber.



## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Did you know Black Hills Balloons created, manufactured and donated the drape used to cover the hand at Crazy Horse for the 75th anniversary?

Co-Owners of Black Hills Balloons, Keely and Damien Mahony fly passengers in the Custer area from May through October. Approaching the 40th anniversary of Black Hills Balloons, their hot air balloons are considered an icon in the area. When they aren't flying, Keely and Damien own and operate Prairie Sky Hot Air Balloon Repair – an FAA certified repair station; offering annual aircraft inspections, repair, and maintenance to over 30 hot air balloons within SD and surrounding states. It's because of this expertise that they were able to produce a beautiful 'quilt in the sky' to assist the reveal. But it's because of their strong commitment to community that they so generously donated the fabric, their time and energy to build this custom reveal drape from scratch.

The reveal drape is 90 feet by 100 feet and contains over 3,000 feet of sewing and 6.7 miles of thread. Made out of a lightweight soar coat ripstop nylon; it weighed 87.5 pounds.





To have your business featured in our Member Spotlight, please contact Amy Brazell at [abrazell@custersd.com](mailto:abrazell@custersd.com)



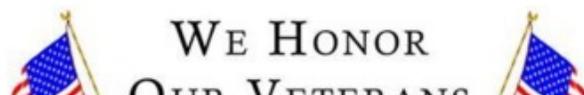
# Welcome

## New Members

Tegan Franz Photography  
Mile High Garden Club  
French Creek Supply- Napa Auto Parts  
Pounds, Pugs, & Hugs LLC

Fred & Wendy Hlava- Business & Property Development  
The Hills Finest  
Rose Haven Senior Living  
JAM Heating and Cooling  
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Southern Hills Screen Printing  
The Church at Custer

## AREA EVENTS





# JULY 4TH 11- 1

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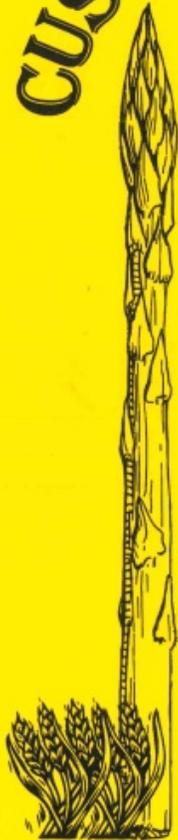
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# 2023 ENTERTAINMENT LINE-UP

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ALL SUMMER LONG

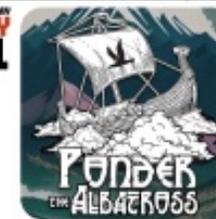
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SATURDAY  
**MAY 27**



WEDNESDAY  
**MAY 31**



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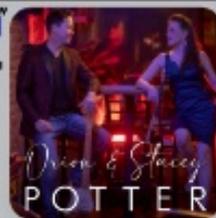
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**JUL 6**



SATURDAY  
**JUL 8**



THURSDAY  
**JUL 13**



FRIDAY  
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SATURDAY  
**JUL 22**



WEDNESDAY  
**JUL 26**



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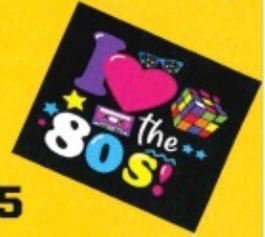


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# DANCE PARTY

SAT. JULY 8 7:30 PM



80'S MUSIC & VIDEOS BY DJ COLT 45

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## **Basic Pistol Marksman Class**

**Saturday July 8th 2023 9:00am to 1:30pm**

Topics covered to include:

Review of fundamentals, firearm maintenance and cleaning, stance, breathing, grip, target acquisition, sight picture, trigger control, malfunction and jam clearing. All coupled with drills designed to make good fundamentals your natural reflex under pressure.

For additional information or to register for the class you may contact the instructor at [www.sodakian.com](http://www.sodakian.com), contact us at 605-673-3222

or by e-mail at

[southernhillstactical@gwtc.net](mailto:southernhillstactical@gwtc.net)





## South Dakota Enhanced Conceal Carry Class

**This is a One day Class**

**Saturday July 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 can  
e-mail the instructor at [echo.ft.sd@gmail.com](mailto:echo.ft.sd@gmail.com), call the shop  
at 605-673-3222 or e mail us  
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former employees and interested persons

# Reunion!



**Date: July 22, 2023**

**Time: 1:00 to 3:00, after the Gold Discovery Days Parade**

**Location: VFW Basement, Custer**

**Bring your photos and memories!**

**Between 1963 and 1996 South Dakota operated an institution for mentally and physically handicapped persons at Sanator. Many from Custer worked there. If you are one of them or are interested in a little Custer history....drop by!**

**Sloppy Joes will be served for lunch!**

**See your former co-workers and share some memories!**

**Hear a little about the history of Sanator  
and the progress being made to update the cemetery!**

**Sponsored by the Friends of Custer State Hospital Cemetery and the  
Custer 1881 Courthouse Museum**





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**Saturday July 22nd, 2023 9:00am to 4:30pm**

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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](http://www.sodakian.com), contact us at

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Forest Service  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE



## Songbird of the Black Hills Labor Day Weekend Sing-Along Event

Saturday, September 2 / 7:00 p.m.  
Sheridan Lake Campground

When nature and music join forces, inspiration flows. These are the elements that have motivated the Songbird of the Black Hills (Sally Svenson) to write her songs. Through her music, she delights in sharing her love of this diverse region with others.

Sally has spent over four decades exploring and experiencing the Hills with all its varied habitats and vistas. She served as the Custer State Park (CSP) naturalist for eighteen years. Sally spent an additional sixteen summers in CSP as an entertainer at the Blue Bell Chuckwagon. The inspiration for new songs continues to flow.

You are invited to join the Songbird of the Black Hills for a late-season evening of campfire music featuring the Black Hills stories behind her original songs (sing-along tunes included).

Under permit from the Black Hills National Forest, Forest Recreation Management (FRM) operates most of the campgrounds and developed recreation sites on the Forest during the summer months. In an effort to engage its late-season campers, vacationers, and local outdoor enthusiasts, FRM is sponsoring the Labor Day Weekend musical program at Sheridan Lake Campground.



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## SPONSORS

## NEEDED!



# NEEDED!

Looking for sponsors, gift cards, or items for the winners of The Gold Pedal during Gold Discovery Days! Riders will be stopping at places around Custer and tagging businesses in The Gold Pedal Selfie Run. All Sponsors will be advertised on our facebook page and advertisement of the event!



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# Volunteers Needed!

If interested in becoming a volunteer here at the 1881 Courthouse Museum, please contact either Melissa or Oonagh at (605)673-2443.

Or email us at  
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**3 FOR \$25**  
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**VALUE APPROX.**  
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**OCTOBER 2, 2023**

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Scan QR Code to purchase raffle tickets today!

Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase raffle tickets; all values are approximate; raffle begins April 1, 2023 at 8:00 am MST and ends October 1, 2023 at 11:59 pm MST; drawing will be held via Facebook Live on October 2, 2023 at 12:00 pm MST on Facebook Live; winner will also be contacted directly.

## NEWS FROM THE STATE

## PRESS RELEASES



**Forest Service**  
 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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## Step Back in Time at the July Forest Moon Walk

**Rapid City, SD, June 27, 2023** — The Black Hills National Forest will conduct its second Moon Walk of the year on Saturday, July 1 at 7:00 p.m. The activity will take place at the Spokane (Ghost Town), located approximately 23 miles southwest of Rapid City, SD on the Mystic Ranger District.

Established in 1891, Spokane was once one of the booming mining towns in the heart of the Black Hills. Spokane served as a mine, mill, and place to call home, until the town's last caretaker left the area during the 1970s. This guided hike will highlight the remains of a true wild west ghost town. Discover what you can do to protect your local history and cultural resources. Come ready to be transported back in time and enjoy an evening learning about mines, a notorious murder mystery, and ghost towns in the Black Hills National Forest.

To reach the Moon Walk from Rapid City, SD, follow US-16 approx. 12 miles to Rockerville, SD. Take the exit towards Rockerville from US-16. Travel on Harney-Rockerville Rd/S Rockerville Rd and continue on Playhouse Rd for approx. 10 miles. Parking will be located on the east side of the road off Playhouse Rd. (Note: If you reach Iron Mountain Rd. (16A), you've gone too far south.) The drive takes about 35 minutes (one-way) from Rapid City. (Lat/Long Coordinates: 43°50'35" -103°23'04") Event signs will also be posted at major intersections to help guide participants to the parking area.

Visitors are encouraged to bring binoculars, flashlights, water, and bug repellent and dress for cooler evening temperatures. Long pants and sturdy footwear (hiking boots or athletic shoes) are recommended for your comfort and safety while hiking on uneven terrain. Please arrive early to aid in parking vehicles.

The program may be canceled unexpectedly due to unforeseen reasons such as lightning, high fire danger, wildfire, and other safety reasons beyond control. The program will not be canceled due to rain unless lightning is spotted. If the Moon Walk is canceled in advance due to severe weather forecasted, the notice of cancellation will be placed on the Black Hills National Forest Facebook and Twitter pages. The public is encouraged to check online before heading out to the event.

The Black Hills National Forest, in partnership with Black Hills Parks & Forests Association (BHPFA), is offering 2023 Moon Walk Collector's Pins at each event for \$5.00 each. The sale of lapel pins supports the interpretive and educational efforts across the Forest. The Moon Walk Programs are supported by BHPFA through financial assistance and staffing. BHPFA is a non-profit partner with the U.S. Forest Service.

Learn more about the Black Hills National Forest Moon Walk program.

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## Mount Rushmore National Memorial News Release

For Immediate Release – June 23, 2023

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### **Mount Rushmore Celebrates Independence Day 2023**

**KEYSTONE, SD** -- Visitors to Mount Rushmore National Memorial on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and July 4<sup>th</sup> will have the opportunity to experience a variety of educational programs, patriotic tributes, and musical entertainment in celebration of Independence Day.

Planned events include Presidential re-enactors representing the four Presidents on the sculpture: George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, and Theodore Roosevelt. The Presidential re-enactors will kick-off the park's celebration on July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30 AM with an in-character news conference in the Carvers' Marketplace. Visitors are encouraged to bring questions for the presidents to the event.

At scheduled times, the Presidential re-enactors will give presentations, sign autographs, and mingle with visitors on the Memorial grounds. Also performing throughout the day will be internationally renowned hoop dancer, Jasmine Pickner-Bell, Native flutist and storyteller, Sequoia Crosswhite, and Native storyteller, Darrell Red Cloud.

July 3<sup>rd</sup> events will culminate with a special evening program beginning at 7:30 PM featuring a hoop dance performance by Jasmine Pickner-Bell and a musical performance by the U.S. Air Force Academy Band from Colorado Springs, Colorado. The Ellsworth Air Force Base Honor Guard will assist the Flag Folding Ceremony and Retreat; Col. Derek Oakley, the 28th Bomb Wing Commander at Ellsworth AFB, will introduce the band; and the Lakota Flag Song will be performed by Darrell Red Cloud.

July 4<sup>th</sup> daytime visitors can enjoy the Presidential re-enactors and Native performers, ranger-led programs, and the traditional Evening Lighting Ceremony.

Visitors wishing to avoid the busiest times are encouraged to visit the park before 10:00 AM.

There is no fee to visit the Memorial, however the \$10 parking fee will be in effect. Active duty military personnel will park for free and parking for seniors is half price. Keep the parking receipt as it is valid for one year of parking.

For a complete listing of the 2023 Independence Day schedule of events please visit Mount Rushmore National Memorial's [event calendar](#).

[alt-text: heads and faces of four men carved into a granite mountain underneath a blue sky and thunderclouds.]

and work with communities across the nation to help preserve local history and create close-to-home recreational opportunities. Learn more at [www.nps.gov](http://www.nps.gov).



## Custer Senior Center

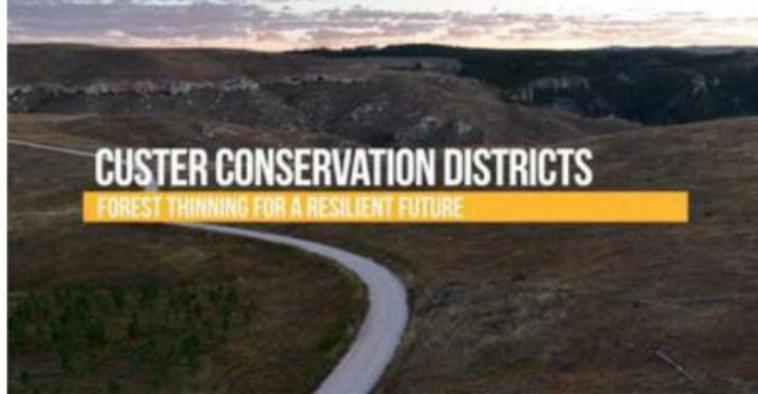
July Schedule



**Special points of interest:**

- Conservation Video
- Soil Health & Sustainability Landowner Meeting
- Arbor Day

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## WEEKLY INSPIRATION

**HAVE** hope  
**TRY** new things  
**BE** active

**SEE** the good  
**SAY** “I Love You,” more  
**CHALLENGE** yourself  
**CHOOSE** to be happy  
**EAT** better  
**ENJOY** today  
**FORGIVE** more readily  
**READ** more often  
**BECOME** your best you

**HELP WANTED**



BLACK HILLS  
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# Seasonal Job Opportunities

## **BHPFA Sales/Information Associate**

Wind Cave National Park & Pactola Visitor Center

Seasonal/Hourly

Competitive Salary

Now through October 31st (These dates may vary)

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## **JOIN OUR TEAM!**

BE A PART OF PRESERVING EDUCATION & INTERPRETATION IN OUR NATIONAL PARKS

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Looking for a spring/summer  
Job? Come join our team!



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Custer**

Or By Phone: 605-981-9047

Requirements: Must have a Positive Attitude!

## 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:

- Earn income – South Dakota Minimum Wage
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