

Buffalo Bytes



Minutes, Not Miles, From Adventure

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CUSTER CONNECTIONS

This weekend is our 4th Annual Custer Off-Road Rally, June 10-12. We currently have almost 60 vehicles and over 122 people registered for the event, and we know there will be several people who register the day of the event as well.

We want to give a special thank you to the Custer Search and Rescue crew. They go above and beyond for us, and there's no way our event would be as successful without their help. This crew rides the route (many times), checks our coordinates for the selfie spots, marks the trail, creates the map for AVENZA, trains attendees on AVENZA and then rides the route the day of the event in case anyone needs help. They are such an amazing organization that does so much for our community!

The Forest Service staff has been an asset to this event this year as well. They were a great help in getting our route approved and will be assisting with an educational booth at the event registration/check-in.

Our Mayor and Chamber Board President have important jobs for this event as well... Mayor Bob Brown is leading a guided Mayor's Ride through Needles Highway and Board President Amy Bailey is leading a guided President's Ride to Mt. Rushmore on Friday night. We appreciate them volunteering to do these rides!

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2022

And of course, we have many AMAZING sponsors for this event:

Board Of Directors

- Adventure Rentals
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- Feel Good Hospitality, LLC (Bavarian Inn, Feel Good Café, EO Bungalows)
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We have some amazing door prizes to give away at this event courtesy of our awesome members.

- Black Hills Parks & Forests Association
- Calamity Jane's Coffee Shop and Grill
- Claw Antler & Hide
- Good Karma Jewelry
- Lasting Impressions Unlimited
- Mt Rushmore Brewing Co
- Old Pine Social
- South Dakota Outdoor Shop

We can't forget about everyone who donated items for the swag bags! (*The swag bags for the Tesla Rally were a big hit, and we know these will be too!*)

- American Family Insurance- Ronni Calvird Agency, Inc
- Black Hills Parks & Forest Association
- Black Hills Power Bike Rentals and Boutique
- Carson Drug
- Custer County Candy Company
- Deep Creek Gallery
- Good Karma Jewelry
- Lewis Realty
- Miner's Cup
- Prairie Berry Winery

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- Premier Family Eye Care
- Monument Health Custer
- Western Skies Real Estate

A Big Thank you to everyone who helps to make this event possible!



Dawn Murray

Attention Custer & Hill City Businesses

Mickelson Trail Summer Trek

June 14-16, 2022



160 riders will arrive to the area on Monday, June 13. They will ride from Custer to Edgemont on the 14th and return to Custer in the evening. They will then ride from Custer to Rochford on the 15th, with a snack break in Hill City, and on the 16th will be bussed to Rochford to complete their ride to Deadwood.

Each participant will be given \$10.00 in Mickelson Trail Trek Cash to be used at local businesses. Please remember that the Mickelson Trail Cash is used just like cash and change should be given to the customer. There is an expiration date of June 19th. Please do not accept after this date. You will turn in all the Mickelson Trail Cash that your business receives to the Custer Chamber for reimbursement.

Trek cash can be mailed to:

Custer Chamber
PO Box 5018
Custer, SD 57730

OR

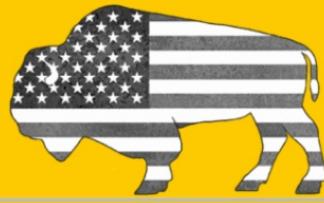
Trek cash can be dropped off at:

Custer Chamber
615 Washington St
Custer, SD 57730

**Your business does not need
to be a Custer Cash or Hill City Chamber Bucks
Participant to accept Mickelson Trail Trek Cash**



Our 2022 Custer Chamber Information Pages (aka Gold Pages) are now available! If you have not already received your copies, stop by the Chamber Office to pick one up!



2022 CUSTER

Chamber of Commerce

Information Pages

A list of Custer Area Chamber of Commerce members, area activities, attractions, dining, lodging, shopping and visitor services.

Custer Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau
615 Washington Street — PO Box 5018
Custer, SD 57730
605-673-2244 800-992-9818
info@custersd.com

www.custersd.com



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

June 10-12

June 10-13

Custer Off-Road Rally
throughout Custer

WEEKLY HUMOR



MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT



CUSTER
Chamber of Commerce

MEMBERSHIP SPOTLIGHT

THE BLIND GUY



This week's Membership Spotlight features NEW member, The Blind Guy. We are excited to introduce this business to our community. Below are a few words from Mark.

Since 2003, The Blind Guy Custom Window Coverings has been providing the Black Hills area with quality products at competitive prices. All with exceptional customer service.

"It was one of those March days, when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold. When it is Summer in the light, and Winter in the shade." -Charles Dickens-

The Blind Guy is a full-service, Shop-at-Home business. We come to your house, measure, show the samples, help with the design and application for the perfect window coverings for your home. We offer all types of interior/exterior window coverings and sun control products including motorization and automation. Hunter Douglas, Graber and Insolroll are a few of the quality companies we work with. We also offer free in-home consultation and installation.

Our main office/showroom is in Spearfish, but my wife and I have recently purchased a home in Custer. We plan to establish a branch office, to better serve the southern hills area and become more involved in the community.

For more information visit <https://www.custersd.com/Architecture-&-Construction>

To have your business featured, please submit a short write up and a few photos to the Chamber at
info@ustersd.com

CHAMBER HAPPENINGS



Fourth of July Sponsors Needed

Freedom	\$250
Patriot	\$150
Stars & Stripes	\$ 75
Fireworks	any amount

Contact the Chamber at
info@ustersd.com

[Sponsorship Form](#)



Sponsors needed

Mother Lode Sponsor- \$500+

Gold Panner Sponsor- \$250

Miner Sponsor- \$150

Prospector Sponsor- \$75

Contact Dawn

dmurray@ustersd.com



Let's make



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



[Sponsorship Form](#)



Welcome

New Members

Old Pine Social
Camp Bob Marshall

Southern Hills Law, PLLC
TJV Contracting

AREA EVENTS



Custer VFW Post 3442
721 Mt. Rushmore Road
Custer S.D. 57730

Queen of Hearts drawing
every Friday night 6 P.M.

\$1.00 per ticket, buy as many as you like
\$13,552 plus for June 10, 2022

Short order food available
5-7:30 P.M.

All profits go to Veteran Service.

Thank-you for your support!!!!



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
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a dramatic play JUNE 3-12

THE BLACK HILLS
PLAYHOUSE



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BY KATORI HALL

24834 S. Playhouse Rd.
Custer, SD 57730

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EXCITING STORY
OF JUNGLE PILOT
NATE SAINT



Remembering:
The 1972 Flood

WHEN? Thursday, June 9, 2022

TIME? 2:00 P.M.

WHERE? Custer Senior Center

A panel of survivors will share survival stories:

1. Mary Ann Schmitz
2. Ed Warne
3. Marilyn Dahm Borgesohn
4. John Culberson
5. Corinne Darrow
6. Bob Schilling
7. Margie Lipp Hutton

****See you on Thurs., June 9, @ 2:00 P.M.****

Cooking Class

Spices And Herbs

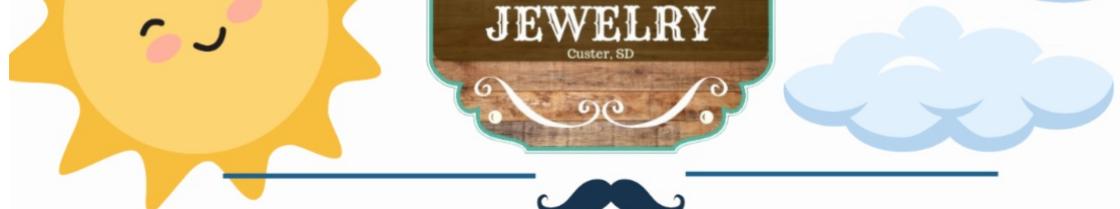
Registered Dietitian Helen Nichols will present a two-hour cooking session on using four common spices and herbs. Come join us in tasting some delicious recipes incorporating the flavor and health benefits of spices and herbs.

Friday, June 10th, 2022

From 10:00 a.m. – noon

Custer Senior Center





Father's Day

SALE

15% OFF 10% OFF

MEN'S SHIRTS, CINCH CONCEAL
CARRY JACKETS, LEATHER
JACKETS & VESTS

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SHOES, BOXERS &
COLOGNE

An illustration of a father and son in a small boat on wavy blue water. The father, wearing a green cap and shirt, is at the stern holding a fishing rod. The son, also in a green cap, is seated at the bow. They are both smiling and waving towards the viewer.

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Wind Cave National Park

June 11th, 2022

Get Outdoors with **BHPFA** and **Wind Cave National Park** on Saturday, June 11 from **9am to 12pm!** Family friendly activities include a Ranger led hike, Wind Cave inspired nature crafts for kids, book signings, and the Leave No Trace Traveling Team. All events meet at the Wind Cave Visitor Center.

For more information visit: BlackHillsParks.org/news-events/calendar/



Schedule of Events:

▲ **SAMBON RANCH HIKE 9:45 AM - 12 PM**

Explore a historic homestead with a Wind Cave ranger. Included is a moderate 1.5-mile cross-country hike to a bison jump. This hike will meet at the Wind Cave Visitor Center and then caravan to the hiking spot. **Be prepared with good hiking boots/shoes, water, hiking snacks, sun protection, and bug spray.**

▲ **LEAVE NO TRACE TRAVELING TRAINERS 9 - 12 PM**

The Leave No Trace Traveling Trainers are visiting the Black Hills area to provide education about their outdoor ethics program. Stop by their booth for a fun discussion, games, and prizes!

▲ **BOOK SIGNING WITH LOCAL AUTHOR - CONNIE MCKINNEY 10 AM - 12 PM**

Come talk wildflowers with Connie McKinney, author of the newly released guide book, *Wildflowers of the Black Hills*. She will be available from 10am -12pm to sign your copy!

▲ **GRAFT AND ACTIVITY BOOTH 9 - 12 PM**

Stop by the BHPFA activity booth for fun self-guided family activities, Wind Cave bingo, Jr. Ranger books, and a DIY bee house craft!



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Black Hills Parks & Forests Association

17TH ANNUAL



GALENA

GHOST TOWN FUNDRAISER

Saturday - June 11th, 2022

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Begin walking anytime between 9am and 2pm

LIVE MUSIC BY: Marlin Maynard 10am - 2pm

HISTORIC WALK \$5 per person suggested donation

Walk, Learn & Relive History - 1 to 5 mile self-guided trek at your own pace.
Photos and interpreters around town will tell you stories of our gold and silver mining camp.

OUTDOOR BBQ

Brats, baked beans, chips and more available for purchase at the schoolhouse. 11am-2pm

All proceeds from donations, food and merchandise sales go to the continued preservation of the 1882 Galena Schoolhouse and Vinegar Hill Cemetery.

REGISTER

at the Historic 1882 Galena Schoolhouse.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Gwen at 605-578-1574

Marilyn at 605-645-6517

DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

Take Highway 385 S from Deadwood. Turn East at Wild Bills Campground on the Galena Rd. Follow the gravel road for approximately 3 miles. Parking is below and east of the schoolhouse in Galena. Watch for signs.



www.GalenasSchoolHouse.org



Special Flag Day Celebration!!!

Join the National Active and Retired Federal Employees of Custer County at a Flag Day Celebration at the Custer Veterans Memorial. Our Local Boy Scouts will present a program on the History, Respect and Patriotism of the Flag. All are invited!!

When: 5:00 p.m.

Flag Day, Tuesday, June 14th

Veterans Memorial Park

2200 NARFE

Custer Boy Scout Troop #25

Join us for a post-event social at the Beacon: 5:30 - 7:00



Custer Center Conversations:

*A bring your own brown bag lunch event featuring
talent from the community*

talented local artists, authors and speakers.

*Local railroad expert Rick Mills
is the featured speaker at the
Custer Senior Center*



**538 Mt. Rushmore Rd.,
Custer, SD 57730
PH: 605/673-2708
www.custerseniorcenter.org**

Railroad Icons

**Tuesday June 14th,
11am-1pm**

This event is funded by the South Dakota Humanities Council



CUSTER COMMUNITY CHURCH

547 Harney St

PULLED PORK SUPPER

Friday, June 17, 2022

5-7 pm

Limited Tickets will
be available at the Door

Tickets Available now!
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a comedy

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THE BLACK HILLS
PLAYHOUSE



By Neil Simon
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For Tickets:
(605) 255-4141

24834 S. Playhouse Rd. Custer, SD 57730

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South Dakota Enhanced Conceal Carry Class

Saturday June 18th. 2022 9:00am to 4:30pm

The Enhanced Permit allows you carry in 38 states including MN, NE, WI, NV, NH, WA, and SC
NM is currently under review.

Class size is limited so register early.

For additional information or to register for the class
contact us at 605-673-3222 or by
e-mail at southernhillstactical@gwtc.net



Church Firearms Course



Tactical Application of the Pistol 1 - Custer, SD

Friday, Jun 10, 2022 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM MDT

Saturday, Jun 11, 2022 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM MDT

[Southern Hills Tactical](#)

Audience/Who Should Attend:

Responsible and conscientious adults who serve as part of an organization's security ministry or life safety team. **IMPORTANT: This is not a "handgun 101" course. Participants must already have a basic understanding of and ability to safely handle and manipulate their pistol in a controlled manner with a calm demeanor. TAP is a basic, skill-building course but it is not an introductory course for a person who has never fired a handgun or who is not familiar with how to safely handle a handgun.** You need not be an accomplished marksman, but your behavior and actions must demonstrate that you have a keen awareness of the powerfully destructive potential of a firearm. NOTE: at the beginning of class you will be asked to demonstrate how to perform the functions of your firearm and physical measures listed under the "Prerequisites and Physical Requirements for Firearms Training" section. If you cannot perform these tasks you will not be allowed to continue with the course.

All participants should be prepared to undergo a nationwide background check as a requirement to participate in this training.

Synopsis:

This dynamic and life-changing course is intended as an introduction and foundation for the base skills necessary to act as a discreetly armed protector as part of a life safety team. We combine the fundamentals of marksmanship with basic tactical principles to teach you skills for how to fight and defend life with a handgun. Our discussions include the lawful and biblically proper use of force supported by Supreme Court case precedents. These skill competencies include deploying your pistol, firing, maintaining situational awareness, and managing your gear while:

Required Gear and Equipment:

- Pistol according to listed acceptable guidelines
- Holster according to listed acceptable guidelines
- 4 magazines or speed loaders for your pistol
- Belt-mounted pouch to carry at least 2 spare magazines or speed loaders (you must be able to carry a minimum of 24 rounds of ammunition on your person for all exercises)
- High-intensity flashlight (tail cap switch preferred) and spare batteries
- Hearing protection
- Wraparound eye protection – prescription glasses are acceptable
- Ballcap or cap with brim
- Jacket, vest, or heavy shirt to conceal your pistol and work from a concealed position
- Knee pads
- Hydration source
- Hand towel
- Sack lunch (*we will not dismiss for lunch, bring your own!*)
- Clothing and footwear suitable for all weather conditions
- Range bag, duffel, or suitable container that allows you to bring all gear to the line with you
- Cleaning equipment and materials in the correct caliber for your pistols

Refund Policy

In order to operate in a manner conducive to all parties involved Strategos International has adopted the following policy as it relates to cancellation and refunds relating to training. Cancellations made more than 30 days prior to a scheduled course Strategos International will provide a refund of 100% of the course tuition. Any cancellation within 15-30 days of the scheduled course Strategos International will provide a refund of 50% of the course tuition.

Cancellations within 14 days or less from the scheduled course dates the tuition will be forfeited. We do understand that emergency circumstances do arise and tuitions can be transferred to other courses if proper notification is made. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

Contact Info

[Email Us](#)

Location

Southern Hills Tactical

25341 U.S. 385

Custer, SD, 57730

Chris Misselt chris.misselt@boxelder.us

<https://brushfire.com/strategos/TAP-1/530456>

CUSTER CENTER CONVERSATIONS

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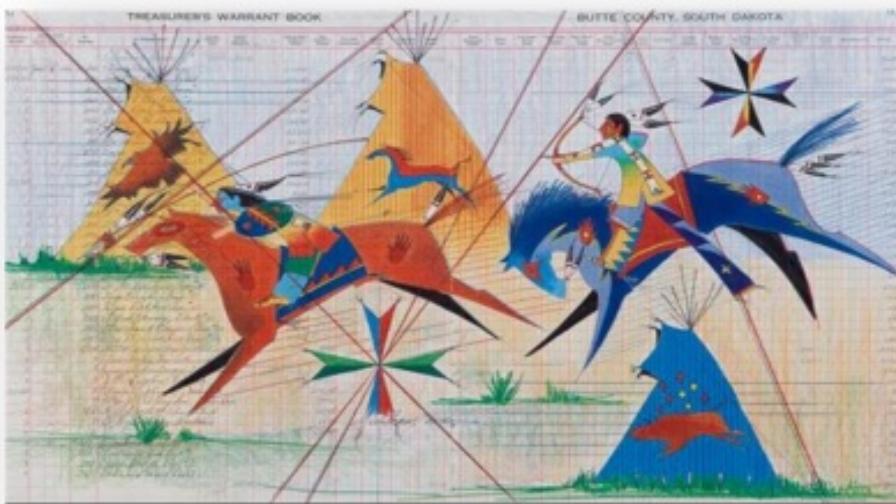
EFFECTS OF LEDGER ART ON LAKOTA ART

LAKOTA—STORYTELLER AND ARTIST

JUNE 21ST 11AM-1PM

CUSTER SENIOR CENTER 538 MT. RUSHMORE RD.

In addition to the lecture, you can create a piece of your own.



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CUSTOM LOG HOME NEAR HILL CITY &
MT. RUSHMORE ON 9.72 ACRES

ONLINE BIDDING CLOSING THURSDAY

JUNE 23, 2022, AT 3:00 PM MDT

Property Located at 24229 Jepsen Dr., Hill City, SD

INFORMATION - PHOTOS - VIRTUAL TOUR

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Ron Bradeen & Jeff Storm - Auctioneers/Brokers



OWNERS:
TOM & KATHLEEN GUGGISBERG
HILL CITY SD

Terms & Conditions: Offered at Online Public Auction, registration info & bidding at www.bradeenauction.com. Property will absolutely sell at or above \$699,000 minimum bid! 15% irrevocable earnest money auction day, balance due in 30 days. Warranty Deed, Title Insurance and home inspection provided. Held debt free, owners relocating. Selling "As-is, Where is" without warranty.

Inspection & Showings: Auctioneers at the property on Tuesdays June, 7, 14, & 21st from 1:00 to 4:00pm each day AND auction day, 12 noon through 3pm closing time. Also, shown by appointment. Please do not attempt to "drive by" or inspect on your own as the road will be closed. Broker participation invited, call for details, required form and deadline.

Auctioneers Note: If you are searching for the perfect central Black Hills home or retreat, look no further. This picture-perfect property is close to Hill City and all the Black Hills splendor, yet offers complete seclusion and spectacular views. The classic log home is charming and well cared for. The Guggisbergs have enjoyed year round living here for 27+ years and have chosen the Auction method of marketing, giving all an equal opportunity to own this Black Hills treasure. Inspect as needed, have financing arrangements secured and place your bids... you will not be disappointed in the quality or location of this very special property!

Notice: A third and final Online Personal Property Auction will close Tuesday June 23 beginning at 6:00 pm to sell the remaining furnishings, antiques and shop related items. See www.bradeenauction.com for details!



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605-673-2629

A commanding view of Black Elk Peak and location at the "end of the trail," quite possibly makes this the perfect Central Black Hills haven! Just 4 miles to Hill City, 12 miles to Custer or 8 miles to Mt. Rushmore, just off Borglum Hwy. (SD 244) on a private 9.72 acre tract, bordered by National Forest on 3 sides. Includes a custom built 1440+ sq. ft (main level) log home with 842+ sq ft up, high vaulted ceilings, floor to peak windows, spacious log accented loft, 900+ sq. ft. of wrap deck, oversize 2 car garage & much more!

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Class size is limited so register early.

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e-mail at southernhillstactical@gwtc.net

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Forest Service
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Black Hills National Forest

RUSTICA VICTOR CENTER

PACTOLA VISITOR CENTER

Find Your Forest



Immerse yourself in the beautiful Black Hills. Explore the heritage of the area and recreate in some amazing scenery. Get outside!



Hours: Daily 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Recreate responsibly. For questions, please contact:

**Visitor Center Phone ~ (605) 343-8755
Email ~ SM.FS.r2_bkf_webin@usda.gov
Forest Website ~ www.fs.usda.gov/blackhills
Facebook ~ facebook.com/blackhillsnf
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Custer County Courthouse Art Gallery

420 Mount Rushmore Road, second floor

Custer, South Dakota

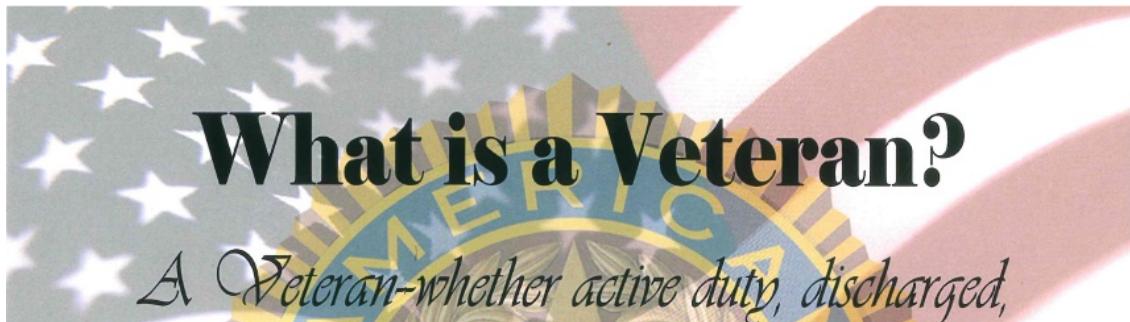
Sierra Hopp Photography

and

Sarah Peterson Pottery

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Are you a veteran owned business?
contact Jim at jhwelch12@gmail.com to get a plaque of your own to hang in your business.



7th

SMALL PIECES ART SHOW

Information

Youth, Teen and Adult categories

Entry details on Art Expression Facebook page or at the gallery

Vote for People's Choice

Closing Reception 4-7PM, June 18th

Art Expressions Gallery
17 N 5th St, Custer, SD



Forest Service
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE



BLACK HILLS
PARKS &
FORESTS
ASSOCIATION

Black Hills National Forest

2022 MOON WALK SCHEDULE

June 11

Learning and Living with Fire

Julie Brazell / Conservation Coordinator – The Nature Conservancy

Hell Canyon Ranger District – Whitney Preserve

For millions of years, fire has shaped the diversity of life on Earth. While enjoying a short evening hike, learn about local fire history and the important role it plays in the health of habitats and the plant and animal species that depend on it. Join The Nature Conservancy and other fire partners as they share the critical nature of fire as a tool and how we can safely live in a fire-adapted landscape. NOTE: The Whitney Preserve is located eight miles south of Hot Springs, South Dakota along Hwy 71.

July 9

What Comes Out After Dark?

Dr. Jennifer Fowler / Interpretive and Education Volunteer – Black Hills National Forest

Northern Hills Ranger District - Big Trail (Trail #72)

The Black Hills National Forest is home to an assortment of wildlife species. Some of them only become active when the sun goes down. For those recreating after dark, it may be hard to see what inhabits the forest. However, with keen listening skills and a zest to find tracks, scat, and fur, the darkness creates a classroom of discoveries. Take a guided hike into the pines and hardwoods in the Northern Hills Ranger District and learn more about the critters that prefer the night.

August 13

The CCC Forever Transformed the Black Hills

Otto Bochman / Director - Civilian Conservation Corps Museum of South Dakota

Mystic Ranger District - Sheridan Lake South Day-Use Area (Beach Area)

Ranging from roadways to bridges to artistic work inside visitor centers, the Civilian Conservation Corps left a presence in the Black Hills. The Sheridan Lake area displays projects dating back to the 1930s. With a casual walk through the day-use area and nearby campground, participants will gain a better understanding of this important part of American history. Enjoy an evening learning about the relationships between the CCC and Black Hills National Forest.

September 10

BATS Incredible!

Matt Stefanich / Wildlife Biologist – Black Hills National Forest, Bearlodge Ranger District

Bearlodge Ranger District - Carson Draw Trail System (Trail #87)

There are more than 40 different species of bats in North America. Eleven unique species inhabit the Black Hills and Bearlodge Mountains of South Dakota and Wyoming. Take part in an early autumn hike through a pine forest and open meadows and learn about bats and their role in the Black Hills National Forest. Discover new information about bat populations and how the Forest continues to manage against White-Nose Syndrome (WNS).



Supporting Wonder and Exploration since 1946

The Black Hills Parks and Forests Association (BHPFA) is offering 2022 Moon Walk Collector's Pins at each event for \$5.00 each. The sale of lapel pins support the interpretive and educational efforts across the Black Hills National 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.

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Talking Circle Speakers, 2022!

Tony Duncan, June 2nd - "Circular Living in the Hoop Dance"

Cynthia Holmes, June 9th - "Art as a Healing Mechanism"

Jonah LittleSunday, June 16th - "Through the Eyes of Jonah Littlesunday:
Navajo flutist, Comedian, Inspirational Speaker and Puppeteer"

SkyBlue Mary Morin, June 23rd - "Working as a Michif Translator/
Animator/Storyteller"

Dr. Steve Hausmann, June 30th - "The History
of Native Rapid City and the 1972 Black Hills Flood"

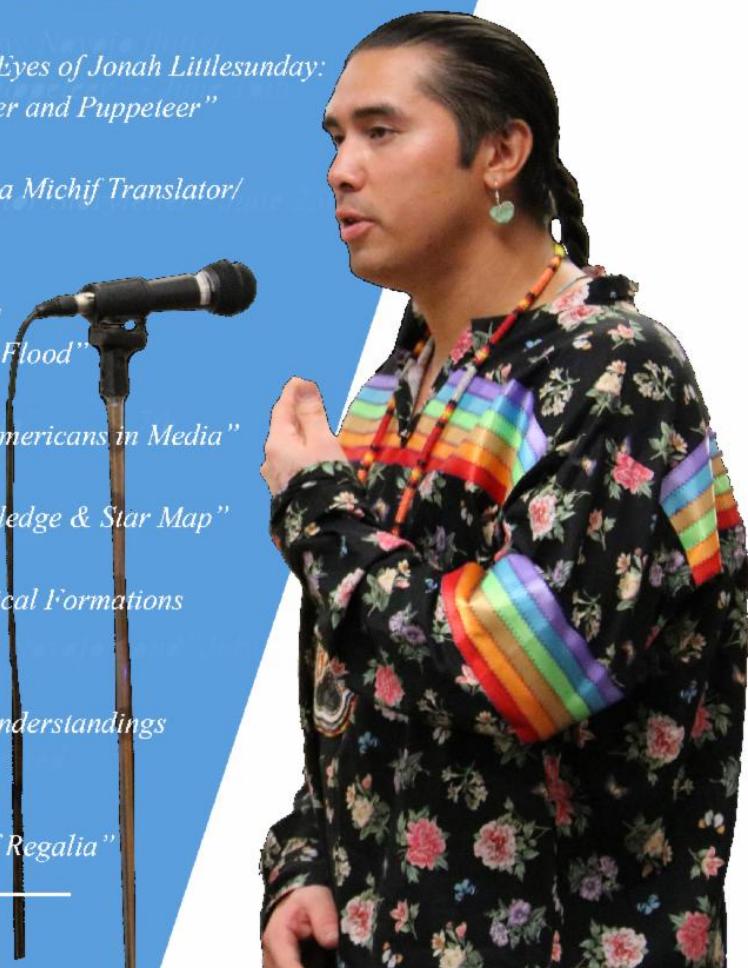
Terry Goedel, July 7th - "Portrayal of Native Americans in Media"

Mike Lammers, July 14th - "Lakota Star Knowledge & Star Map"

Jaymus Perry, July 21st - "Spiritual & Geological Formations
on Navajo Land"

Michael Fosha, July 28th - "Archeology's Misunderstandings
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Michelle Reed, August 4th - "The Evolution of Regalia"



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NEWS FROM THE STATE



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Wed., June 8, 2022

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Department of Tourism Partners With More Than Just Parks on New Badlands National Park Short Film

PIERRE, S.D. – In partnership with the South Dakota Department of Tourism, Badlands National Park will be showcased in a new short film released by More Than Just Parks.

“We are incredibly excited about this short film highlighting Badlands National Park. This park has long captivated visitors with its otherworldly landscape including jagged spires, unique colors, dynamic vistas, and wildlife viewing opportunities,” said James Hagen, Secretary of the South Dakota Department of Tourism. “Through the power of visual storytelling, this film will bring a glimpse of one of South Dakota’s finest treasures to millions of households and potential visitors.”

This latest installment in the More Than Just Parks award-winning series was done to not only showcase the amazing recreational opportunities that exist in the park, but also to underscore the importance of protecting South Dakota’s wild places. The Badlands National Park film is the first in a three-part summer release schedule of films showcasing icons of South Dakota’s natural beauty.

“The phenomenal footage, including impressive time-lapse segments, allows us to showcase the beautiful public lands that South Dakotans are incredibly proud to have in our state,” said Hagen. “Badlands National Park is 244,000 acres of pure beauty and wonder. Both the north and south units of the park are stunning homes of treasured history and the largest undisturbed mixed grass prairie in the United States. Best of all, both are available for the public to enjoy daily.”

The partnership with More Than Just Parks was established to highlight South Dakota’s public lands and provide visitors with new ways to explore these landscapes responsibly. The goal of the More Than Just Parks films is to share the beauty of America’s national parks and public lands, encourage people to enjoy these resources responsibly and influence the importance of land conservation.

“There are few corners of the world where immense natural beauty combines with a rugged solitude to create something really special,” said Jim Pattiz, co-founder of More Than Just Parks. “Badlands National Park is one of those amazing places, and we couldn’t be more excited to share its splendor with audiences around the globe.”

Later this summer, viewers can expect to see films focused on Wind Cave National Park and the Buffalo Gap National Grasslands. In 2019, the South Dakota Department of Tourism partnered with More Than Just Parks on a film dedicated to the Black Hills National Forest.

The video can be found online at [MoreThanJustParks.com](#) or [YouTube.com/SouthDakotaTourism](#).

The South Dakota Department of Tourism is comprised of Tourism and the South Dakota Arts Council. The Department is led by Secretary James D. Hagen.

More Than Just Parks is a conservation-minded public lands organization with a mission to share the beauty of America's public lands and encourage their protection. They do this by producing a series of critically acclaimed short films and forming partnerships with like-minded organizations. Their work has received international praise, being hailed by London's Telegraph as "The Most Beautiful Videos of America You'll Watch."

Link to 2022 [Badlands National Park video](#)

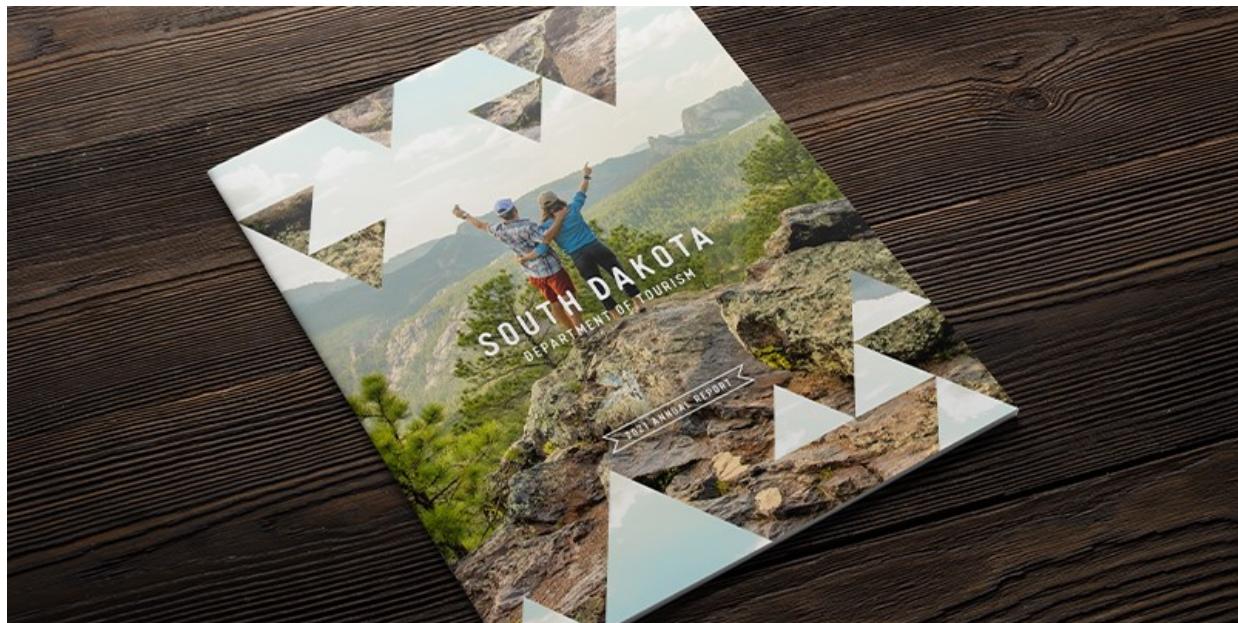
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The [2021 Department of Tourism Annual Report](#) is now available! Inside its pages you'll find details on year-end travel indicators, economic impact, marketing highlights, and information about the department's funding and strategic direction. The report is a reflection of both the department and the industry as a whole, and the work all of us do to advance tourism in South Dakota.

Thank you for all that you do to promote and support tourism in South Dakota!

All our best,

Jim and Team

PRESS RELEASES



Monument Health-Custer Walk-In Clinic will open at 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 16.
Regular Business Hours are Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm

SOUTH DAKOTA GAME, FISH AND PARKS



Playhouse Road Temporarily Closed Due to Road Construction

PIERRE, S.D. – South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) announced that beginning Tuesday, May 31, Playhouse Road in Custer State Park will be completely closed from the junction of Hwy 16A (Iron Mountain Road) to Center Lake. The road will receive a total reconstruction starting at the eastern state park boundary to the entrance of Center Lake. The contractor anticipates having the project completed and the road reopened to traffic by mid-September. Center Lake and the Black Hills Playhouse will remain open and be accessible to the public via Highway 87 (Needles Hwy).

For additional information, please contact Custer State Park at custerstatepark@state.sd.us



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Badlands National Park News Release

For Immediate Release

Release Date: May 16, 2022

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Badlands National Park Environmental Assessment for Emergency Road Repair at Cedar Pass Available for Public Comment

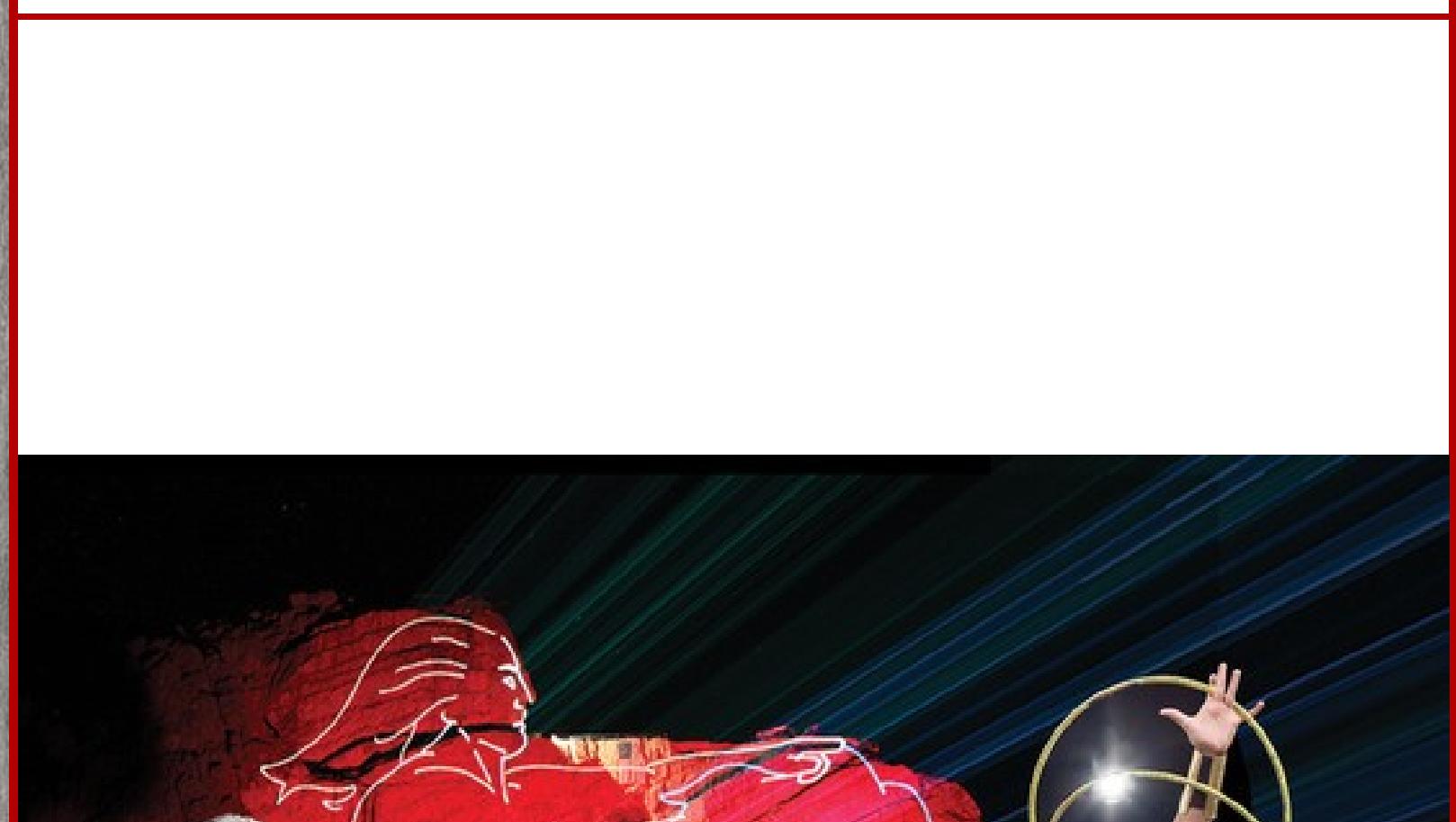
Interior, SD - Badlands National Park's proposed emergency road repair at Cedar Pass and Environmental Assessment (EA) will soon be available for public review and comment on the National Park Service Planning, Environment & Public Comment (PEPC) website. The EA will be available for public review and comment for 15 days from May 28 to June 11, 2022. Comments will be accepted online at <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/LoopRdCedarPass> or by mail to the following address: Park Superintendent Badlands National Park 25216 Ben Reifel Road Interior, SD 57750. Online comments are preferred.

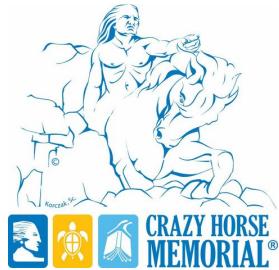
The National Park Service in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, Central Federal Lands Highway Division, proposes emergency stabilization to a section of South Dakota Highway 240 also known as Badlands Loop Road. The EA analyzes a proposed action for emergency road repair. Badlands Loop Road is showing signs of slope failure at Cedar Pass. Repairs are needed to mitigate health and safety risks that could result from additional roadway failure. Repairs to the road would stabilize the embankment, improve site drainage, repave the road surface, minimize the need for on-going maintenance, and to minimize impacts to natural and cultural resources.

Please be aware that your entire comment – including personal identifying information such as address, phone number, and email address – may be made publicly available. Requests to withhold such personal identifying information from public release will be considered, but there is no guarantee that they will be withheld.

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Crazy Horse Memorial®: Memorial Day kicks off the 2022 Cultural Programming season

May 23rd, 2022 – CRAZY HORSE, SD

The 2022 Cultural Programs at Crazy Horse Memorial® officially kicks off Memorial Day weekend, welcoming over 100 artists and culture bearers who will bring educational material to the Memorial's summer guests!

Friday, May 27th ushers in the first of our Daily Performances on the Veranda Stage with Starr Chief Eagle, Lakota artist and hoop dancer extraordinaire. Daily Performances feature many different cultures and artistic expressions that include traditional and contemporary song, dance, and storytelling. Each performance lasts about 45 minutes and take place daily at 11:30, 1:30, and 4:30 until Sept 30th - amounting to nearly 400 seasonal performances!

Also beginning that Friday is the unique cultural program, Mahkoche Kin ("The Land," in Lakota) - an educational walk with Darrell Red Cloud on select Fridays at 10AM and 2PM. A one-of-a-kind

opportunity to see the Black Hills through a Lakota perspective, Mahkoche Kin takes visitors on an hour-long walk around the grounds of Crazy Horse Memorial®. During three stops along the program, Darrell will present about plants and animals, why the Black Hills are sacred and why the Memorial is here, and the land as a home. At the last stop, visitors will have a chance to volunteer in assisting Memorial staff in constructing an authentic tipi. Mahkoche Kin takes place on May 27, June 10, June 24, July 8, July 22, August 12, August 26, and September 23 (weather permitting).

And last but not least, the evening of May 27th is the first night of our celebrated Legends in Light® (nightly) laser light show, starting at 9:30PM!

On May 29th, Crazy Horse Memorial® will welcome Aaron White, the first Living Treasures artist of 2022

who will spend the week teaching visitors how to make their own river cane flute. Additionally that day, Tony Duncan, world-renown hoop dancer and flute player, will be teaching visitors how to hoop dance.

The day will culminate in a special performance by the Duncan Family that evening at 6:30PM.

Living Treasures welcomes master artists to teach their craft to visitors. Visitors are encouraged to stop by the Native American Educational and Cultural Center® for 60-90 minutes to learn the hands-on activity while an artist is present. The Living Treasures program dates and activities are as follows: May

29-June 4 (river cane flutes), July 3-July 9 (dreamcatchers), July 31-August 6 (medicine bags), September 4-September 10 (birch bark ornaments), and October 2-October 10 (miniature dance sticks and shields).

Special Performances take place on select dates throughout the year and showcase numerous North American cultures through large scale productions.

All programming is included with admission to the Memorial and each activity is modeled to be completed within 60-90 minutes. A full list of programs for 2022 can be found at [Crazy Horse Memorial Special Events](#).

For more information, please visit www.crazyhorse.org and follow The Indian Museum of North America® on all social media or contact Travis Dewes, Cultural Programs Manager, culturalprograms@crazyhorse.org, phone 605-673-4681, ext. 286.

For any general questions or information about the Crazy Horse Memorial, contact Amanda Allcock at 605-673-4681 or email her at Amanda.Allcock@crazyhorse.org.

Don't forget us on the web! You can visit or follow us at:

www.crazyhorse.org

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About Crazy Horse Memorial

Crazy Horse Memorial Foundation's mission is to honor, protect, and preserve the culture, traditions, and living heritage of the Indians of North America. The Memorial fulfills its mission by continuing the progress on the world's largest mountain sculpture, acting as a repository for Native American artifacts, arts and crafts through THE INDIAN MUSEUM OF NORTH AMERICA® and THE NATIVE AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL & CULTURAL CENTER®; by establishing and operating THE INDIAN UNIVERSITY OF NORTH AMERICA®, and when practical, a medical training center for American Indians.





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Job Requirements:

- Bachelor's degree. Experience with social service agencies/community services/volunteer organizations desired.

To learn more about this position, please view the full job description [here](#). If you would like to be considered for this opportunity, please submit your cover letter and resume to Emily at emily.vangorp@helplinecenter.org.



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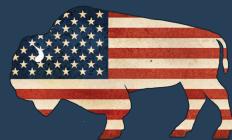
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