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<u>Deadwood</u> <u>Events</u>

3-Wheeler Rally

July 6 - 11

Deadwood Blues

Festival

July 11 - 13

Spearfish Canyon 1/2
Marathon & 5K Run/
Walk

July 12

Pioneer Camp

July 14 - 18

Days of '76 Steering Rope

July 20

Days of '76 Rodeo

July 20 - 26

Sturgis Rally

August 1 - 10

Legends Ride

August 4

Preacher Smith's Deadwood Redemption Day

August 16

Event dates subject to change

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Since 1998, the Days of '76 Rodeo has been honored with the Rodeo Committee of the Year award 19 times! The Days of '76 is also a 16-time winner of the Badlands Circuit Rodeo of the Year award and was inducted into the Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame in July 2011. Most Recently the Days of '76 was recognized as one of the top 5 PRCA Large Outdoor Rodeo of the Year nominees in 2024!

DAYS OF TO DEADWOOD

Truly the "Best Rodeo. No Bull"!

The Days of '76 Rodeo is to take place *July 20 - 26th, 2025.* This is truly one of the best outdoor rodeos in the country. The

Parade will take place on *July 25th & 26th at 1:30 pm.* Make your plans now to attend!

General Admission went on sale March 3rd, 2025. Box and Reserved seats went on sale April 7th . For more information on rodeo events and tickets, visit the Days of '76 official website.

~Deadwood Blues Festival~

Outlaw Square presents the *first year* of a fantastic 3-Day Blues Festival event! There are outstanding Blues Artists lined up and ready to play!

Featuring concerts by the headliners of the inaugural event on Saturday, July 12th: Samantha Fish and Christone "KINGFISH" Ingram

For more Deadwood Blues Festival Information, please contact: (949) 877-6143 Follow the link to get your tickets! DeadwoodBluesfest.com



SEADWOOD

SOUTH DAKOTA

NEW HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSIONERS

Beverly Posey

Bev retired after serving 30 years with IBM. She and her husband Jim live in a restored Victorian home in the Presidential Neighborhood and regularly attends all Deadwood's public meetings. She previously served 7 years as a HP Commissioner including two years as Chair. This will be her 3rd-term on the Commission, commencing after a one year wait absence. She is member of the Economic Restructuring, Design and Organization Committees of the Main Street Initiative.

New HP Commissioners Beverly Posey and Diana Williams were sworn in on Wednesday, June 2,

Diana Williams

Originally from Oak Harbor, WA, Diana and her husband Tony, live in a 1904 Colonial Revival home. As a 10 year anniversary treasure, they found the house online and knew they needed to get to the Black Hills! Diana moved to Deadwood in 2017 while waiting for her husband to retire from the Navy in 2018. Diana retired from her nursing career and enjoy working at local businesses and is a member of the Economic Restructuring and Promotion Committees.



July 2025

Monday, July 7

Deadwood City Commission Meeting 5:00 @ City Hall

Wednesday, July 2

Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 4:00 @ City Hall

Wednesday, July 9

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 4:00 @ City Hall

Monday, July 21

Deadwood City Commission Meeting 5:00 @ City Hall

Wednesday, July 16

Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 4:00 @ City Hall

Wednesday, July 23

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 4:00 @ City Hall

Monday, August 18

Deadwood City Commission Meeting 5:00 @ City Hall

August 2025

Wednesday, August 6

Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 4:00 @ City Hall

Monday, August 18

Deadwood City Commission Meeting 5:00 @ City Hall The Deadwood Public Library summer reading program runs *June 2nd - July 31st*. All ages are included and you can even win prizes during the fun programs that are provided! All programs go from 10:30 am - 11:30 am.

July 10th: NO morning program. Join us at <u>6:00 pm</u> for a concert with renowned guitarist Joey Leone at Outlaw Square. In addition to the concert, there will be games and activities to attend!

July 17th: Tramp/Folk Art - Learn about Tramp Art and create a tramp art picture frame or planter cover.

July 24th: Learn an "old-fashioned skill"!

July 31st: Bomb painting on Canvas - Prepare to get messy on the last day as we "bomb" canvases with paint!



Preacher Smith's Deadwood Redemption Day

<u>August 16th, 2025</u>

Henry Weston Smith came to Deadwood Gulch on his own accord to spread the word of God. In 1876, he left for the Black Hills to spread gospel in the mining camps. On Sunday, August 20th, 1876, Smith was murdered enroute to the mining camp of Crook City and was buried in the first cemetery without a Christian Service. In 1883, Smith's body was exhumed and given a Christian burial in Mt. Moriah.



For the 5th consecutive year, Outlaw Square celebrates this event to remember one of Deadwood's early residents, Preacher Henry Weston Smith. On the morning of August 20th, 149 years ago, is when his body

was found on the outskirts of town, in the area surrounding the current Preacher Smith monument.

We take the 3rd Saturday in August to

remember him with this wonderful Family and Faith event.

The concert is **free** to all guests and will begin at <u>8:00 pm</u> with this year's headliner, Colton Dixon.







The Summit at Stage Run, LLC donated land for a public park in the Stage Run neighborhood. The park, approx. 1.5 acres, is along Stage Run Road with access to Mystery Wagon Road. Playground equipment was recently installed by City staff.



By the mid-1890s, Deadwood City officials deemed it necessary to purchase a tract of land to be used for recreation and enjoyment. Gordon Park now has a newly rebuilt picnic shelter to add to the enjoyment!

Deadwood History Inc.

Family Fun Tuesdays! - Join us at the Deadwood Outlaw Square for A family-friendly event every Tuesday afternoon during the summer. Each date is scheduled from 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm. On July 1st, enjoy Old West Bingo - A spin on traditional Bingo with a western theme and prizes. July 8th, you will discover what archaeologists really do! Dig through the past and sift through layers of a real midden (old trash heap) and uncover hidden treasures from Deadwood's early days. July 15th, get your hands dirty and uncover the mysteries of long ago as you find ways to get water in an area without a water source. July 29th, step into the boots of a paleontologist and go on a fossil search mission! Use special tools to uncover ancient dinosaur eggs!

History on the Lawn: *The Gold Rush:* **July 11th** - In recognition of the 150th anniversary of the Black Hills Gold Rush, Dr. David Wolff will discuss how the gold rush began in 1874, grew in 1875, reached its peak in 1876 and 1877, and continued in the years after. Wolff will highlight people, places, and events associated with the gold rush, gold mining, and mineral development of Black Hills History Tour books he is writing for the South Dakota Historical Society Press. Bring a lunch and enjoy the Historic Adams House lawn <u>at 12:00 pm;</u> free for members and \$5 for non-members. In case of rain, the lecture will be moved to the Homestake Adams Research and Cultural Center (HARCC).

Pioneer Camp: July 14 - 18th - Journey back in time and experience the daily adventures of early American pioneers in Deadwood. During this thrilling five-day camp, students will immerse themselves in hands-on activities that bring history to life. From sewing and traditional crafts to playing old-fashioned games, making butter and ice cream, and even panning for gold, campers will discover the skills of the past. Designed for children in grades 1-6, this unforgettable week offers a fun and interactive way to explore pioneer life! Days of '76 Museum; 9:00 am - 3:00 pm; \$50 for non-members. Reservations required and scholarships are available. Space is limited, call Deadwood History Education Director Tera Richards at (605) 578-1657, for reservations.

Chamber & Outlaw Square

July 2025 Blues Festival - July 12th - 5:00 pm - 10:00 pm: The *first year* Outlaw Square is hosting a 3-day Blues Artists event! Featuring bands and special guests: **Kingfish AND Samantha Fish**

Month of July - FREE Monday Movie Nights - Outlaw Square is hosting Monday Movie Nights downtown! Movies go from 7:00 - 10:00 pm. It's a great time to bring the WHOLE family and what's even better, the City of Deadwood provides FREE PARKING (*EXCEPT the parking ramp*) on Monday nights from 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm.

Month of July - FREE Summer Concert Series - Outlaw Square is hosting Wednesday Night Concerts, downtown! Concerts will begin <u>at 6:30 pm</u>.

July Movie Schedule:

July 7th - <u>Wicked (Sing-Along)</u>

July 14th - <u>The Nightmare Before Christmas</u>

July 21st - <u>Twisters</u>

July 28th - <u>Ghost Rider</u>

July Concert Schedule:

July 9th - Vince Converse
(Blues)

July 16th - Johnny Hastings & Stillhouse Down
(Blues & Americana)

July 23rd - Dakota Country
(Country)

July 30th - Arcana Kings

(Rock)

City Offices & Museum Hours of Operation

<u>Deadwood City Hall</u> 8 AM- 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

Deadwood Public Library

10 AM - 6 PM (Mon - Thu) 10 AM - 5 PM (Fri) 12 PM - 4 PM (Sat)

Deadwood Public Works Office

7 AM - 3:30 PM (Mon - Fri)

Lead-Deadwood Landfill

8 AM - 4 PM (Mon - Sat)

Lead-Deadwood Sanitary District

7 AM - 3 PM (Mon - Fri)

<u>Deadwood Recreational Center</u> 5 AM - 9 PM (Mon - Fri)

7 AM - 5 PM (Sat) (Closed Sundays)

Adams Museum*

9 am - 5 pm (daily) Suggested donation: Adults \$5, Children 6-12 \$3, Children 5 and under free

The Brothel - Deadwood*

Guided Tours from 11 AM - 5 PM Daily (Friday- Saturday) (daily beginning May 20) Last guided tour at 5 PM \$15 per person (Must be at least 16 years old)

Historic Adams House*

10 am - 4pm (Daily) Admission: Adults \$12, Children 6-12 \$5 Ages 5 and under free

Days of '76 Museum *

9 am - 5 pm (daily) Admission: Adults \$10, Children 6-12 \$5 Children 5 and under free

> Homestake Adams Research & Cultural Center (HARCC)

10 AM - 4 PM (Mon - Fri)

History & Information Center (Depot)

8 AM - 5 PM Daily

Welcome Center

8 AM - 5 PM Daily

Deadwood Fire Department

8 AM- 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

<u>Deadwood Police Department</u> 8 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

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<u>Rawrence County Courthouse</u> 8 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

Deadwood Chamber of Commerce

8 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

*Group tours available with advanced reservations. 605-722-4800

ORDINANCE 8.20.02 REMINDER

It is the duty of the owner, occupant, or person in charge of any lot in the city to keep such lot free from weeds as defined herein or to cut such weeds at such times as may be necessary to prevent their growth. Weeds and grass left uncut cause an unsightly appearance, create a fire hazard, and offer an environment conducive to rodents and small animals.

City of Deadwood Job Openings

Streets-Public Building
Superintendent
Recreation Center Life Guards
Library Director

Visit https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/jobs for more details on each position.

TROLLEY SCHEDULE - Summer 2025

DAYS	NUMBER OF TROLLEYS	TIME RUNNING
Sunday through Thursday	1st Trolley	8:00 A.M. to Midnight
	2nd Trolley	9:30 A.M. to 10:30 P.M.
Friday & Saturday	1st Trolley	8:00 A.M. to 2:00 A.M.
	2nd Trolley	9:30 A.M. to 12:30 A.M.
	3rd Trolley	5:20 P.M. to 10:20 P.M.

THERE IS NO 24-HOUR TROLLEY SERVICE

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Deadwood City Hall (605) 578-2600
Deadwood Planning & Preservation Office (605) 578-2082
Deadwood Public Library (605) 578-2821
Deadwood Public Works Office (605) 578-3082
Deadwood Recreational Center (605) 578-3729
Deadwood Fire Department *Non-emergency* (605) 578-1212
Deadwood Police Department *Non-emergency* (605) 578-2623
Lawrence County Dispatch (605) 578-2230



Wong Fee Lee 黃輝利 Day and Statue Dedication

On Thursday, June 26, 2025, the City of Deadwood in conjunction with the Wong Family reunion, dedicated the life-sized bronze statue of Wong Fee Lee and Wong Quong. This

statue as part of the Legends of Deadwood Statue Program. This is the second statue to be added to Deadwood's public art display. As part of the festivities, Mr. Wu's gaming establishment hired dragon dancers who performed in front of the statue. Sixty-eight family members representing seven generations of the Wong Family were on hand to dedicate the statue. Edith Wong and Anna Woo, decedents of Wong Fee Lee, organized the family reunion.







MAIN STREET INITIATIVE

The Committees meet as follows:

Promotions Committee - 1st Tuesday - 1:00 p.m. - Remo Addington (605) 591-2711

Design Committee - 2nd Tuesday - 3:30 p.m. - Kevin Kuchenbecker (605) 578-2082

Economic Restructuring Committee - Tuesday Before MSI Meeting - 9:00 a.m. - Emma Garvin (319) 540-0083

Main Street Initiative Committee - 3rd Wednesday - 12:00 p.m. - Tom Koth (605) 530-2795

Recreation Committee - 1st Wednesday - 3:00 p.m. - Kevin Wagner (605) 645-8789