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

#### **Kool Deadwood Nites**

August 19 - 24

# Kool Deadwood Nites Classic Car Auction

August 21 - 23

#### **Community Picnic**

September 7

#### Fair in the Square

September 4 - 6

#### **Deadwood Jam**

September 19 - 20

#### **Mickelson Trail Trek**

September 19 - 21

#### Oktoberfest

October 3 - 4

#### Wild West

#### **Songwriters Festival**

October 16 - 18

#### **Deadweird**

October 24 - 25

\*Event dates subject to change\*

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#### **CARBONATE CEMETERY FUNERAL SERVICE: JOSEPH N. RITTER**

On July 7th, 2025, HP Commissioners and staff visited the Carbonate Cemetery, located at the old mining town of Carbonate between Central City, Trojan and Maurice, South Dakota. Carbonate had two booms, one in 1881 and the other in 1886. People dwindled away from the town afterwards. This cemetery was the only one surveyed by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) in 1941 that was published and given to the State of South Dakota.

During the visit to Carbonate Cemetery, descendants of Civil War veteran, Joseph N. Ritter, (1845 - May 3rd, 1893) gathered to celebrate his life and legacy. Nicole Shiffrar, Ritter's fourth great-granddaughter stated, "The service is 132 years overdue. Joe never had a military service when he was buried and never had a headstone until this year." Shiffrar and other descendants corrected those issues by having a headstone placed on Ritter's grave site and bringing an Army honor guard unit to the ceremony.

Finding Ritter's grave site proved to be somewhat challenging. After quite a bit of research and cross-examining family photographs, descendants determined the general location of Joseph N. Ritter in Carbonate Cemetery.

Rodney Nelson, Ritter's third great-grandson, stated, "They came up with ground penetrating radar and went across and confirmed there was a grave there. Between descendants, miners, and military personnel, almost 100 people attended Ritter's second funeral service.







### **Little Spearfish Conservation and Historic Preservation Association**

Deadwood Historic Preservation Commissioners and staff met with Mark Anderson and his family at the Anderson Homestead on Thursday, July, 17, 2025 to present a bronze plaque commemorating the Outside of Deadwood Grant for the family's efforts to preserve the property. The cabin is located south of Savoy, off of Tinton Road.





# August 2025

#### Wednesday, August 13

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 4:00 @ City Hall

#### Monday, August 18

Deadwood City Commission Meeting 5:00 @ City Hall

#### Wednesday, August 20

Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 4:00 @ City Hall

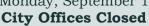
#### Wednesday, August 27

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 4:00 @ City Hall

# September 2025



### **Labor Day** Monday, September 1



#### Tuesday, September 2

Deadwood City Commission Meeting 5:00 @ City Hall

#### Wednesday, September 3

Planning & Zoning **Commission Meeting** 4:00 @ City Hall

#### Thursday, September 4

Deadwood Neighborhood Council Meeting 4:00 @ City Hall

#### Wednesday, September 10

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 4:00 @ City Hall

#### Monday, September 15

Deadwood City Commission Meeting 5:00 @ City Hall



## **Kool Deadwood Nites & Classic Car Auction**

Get ready for an unforgettable event as Deadwood celebrates 31 years of Kool Deadwood Nites! It's the annual tradition where classic car lovers and retro

enthusiasts gather to relive the golden age of jaw-dropping classic cars, custom hot rods, live 50s and 60s music, street dancing, and of course the incredible food, shopping and fun in the heart of the Black Hills of South Dakota. It's one of South Dakota's most exciting events and the ultimate destination for those looking to enjoy a blend of vintage cars, great tunes, and the Old West spirit! For more information on daily Kool Deadwood Nites events, please see official website: https://kooldeadwoodnitesofficial.com/pages/event-info.

#### **Kool Deadwood Nites**

#### Additional Parking & Shuttle Rides:

Additional parking will be available from August 21-23, 2025 at the Cedar Rose Spa, the Lead High School and Lead Visitor Center. The shuttle for the Cedar Rose Spa parking will take you to the Deadwood Welcome Center from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. The two locations at the Lead High School and Lead Visitor Center will take you to the Deadwood Fire Station and will be available from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m.. This shuttle service is free to the public.



### **Deadwood Public Library Garden Completed**

The Library Garden area, located in the back of the library, received a facelift recently and was completed in the second week of July 2025, by Key City Landscapes. This area has a patio and raised flower bed for the young ones wishing to participate in any gardening. This area also has a new sprinkler system along with a fenced-in area and Edison lights to add a nice feel when the sun sets.



### **Days of '76 Rodeo and Parade**

This year was another successful celebration of the Days of '76 Rodeo and Parade. On behalf of the City of Deadwood, we would like to thank the Rodeo Committee and ALL the volunteers who make the Days of '76 such a wonderful historic, award winning event.

This year the Deadwood Historic Preservation's historic chuck wagon had special guests in the parade—South Dakota Secretary of State, Monae Johnson and Judy Davis, Executive Assistant of the Governor's Office joined Kevin Kuchenbecker, Planning, Zoning and Historic Preservation Officer. They also attended Friday nights rodeo!



# **Deadwood History Inc.**

History on the Lawn: *Undertaking - A History of Coffin Joints*: August 22nd - Ann Charles and Sam Lucky, authors of the *Deadwood Undertaker Series*, will talk about the general history of dealing with the dead down through time, focusing on the Old West and the Northern Black Hills. This will include not only interesting tidbits they've learned in their research, but entertaining ways of blending non-fiction into their stories. Bring a lunch and enjoy the Historic Adams House lawn; <u>12:00 p.m.</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).

**Makerspace Grand Opening -** *Family Open House:* **September 9th -** Join us for the grand opening of our brand new Makerspace! Drop in anytime during the open house to explore the space, check out the exciting equipment, including 3D printers and crafting tools. Learn about upcoming children's programs. Whether you're into technology, art, or hands-on projects, there's something here to spark your creativity. Bring the whole family and see what you can make! Days of '76 Museum; **9:00 am - 5:00 pm**. For more information, please call Education Director Tera Richards at (605) 578-1657.

**Deadwood History's Big Thank You - September 11th -** Deadwood History, Inc. board of directors and staff would like to thank our members and sponsors for their support with a private appreciation party at the Adams Museum. Join us for a wine-tasting sponsored by A&B Business Solutions and hors d'oeuvres by Catering by Dave. Adams Museum; **5:00 pm - 7:00 pm**. Advance reservations appreciated. Please call (605) 722-4800 for reservations.

# **Chamber & Outlaw Square**

**Month of August - FREE Monday Movie Nights** - Outlaw Square is hosting Monday Movie Nights downtown! Movies go from <u>7:00 - 10:00 pm</u>. The City of Deadwood has provided FREE PARKING on Monday nights from <u>6:00 pm - 10:00 pm, EXCEPT the parking ramps.</u> It's a grand time to bring the WHOLE family and connect!

Month of August - FREE Summer Concert Series - Outlaw Square is hosting Wednesday Night Concerts,

downtown! Concerts will begin at 6:30 pm.

### **August Movie Schedule:**

August 11 - <u>Mufasa</u> August 18 - <u>ELVIS</u> August 25 - <u>Inside Out</u> August 31 - <u>Rogue One</u>



### **August Concert Schedule:**

August 13th - High Rise
(Alternative/Reggae)
August 20th - Surfin Safari
(Oldies (50s-70s))
August 27th - The Garage Boys

(Oldies (50s-70s))

# City Offices & Museum Hours of Operation

**Deadwood City Hall** 

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)

<u>Lead-Deadwood Sanitary District</u> 7 AM - 3 PM (Mon - Fri)

**Deadwood Recreational Center** 

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)

**Deadwood Police Department** 

8 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

**Lawrence County Courthouse** 

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

#### Save the Date

Deadwood Community Picnic

September 7, 2025 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Gordon Park

Sunda

Friday



"August doesn't knock. It just walks in and softens everything — the light, the pace, the reasons we thought we needed." — Unknown

TROLLEY SCHEDULE - Summer 2025			
DAYS	NUMBER OF TROLLEYS	TIME RUNNING	
ay through Thursday	1st Trolley	8:00 A.M. to Midnight	
	2nd Trolley	9:30 A.M. to 10:30 P.M.	
y & Saturday	1st Trolley	8:00 A.M. to 2:00 A.M.	
	2nd Trolley	9:30 A.M. to 12:30 A.M.	
	3rd Trollov	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

# LEAD-DEADWOOD HIGH SCHOOL BACK TO SCHOOL!

**AUGUST EVENTS & SPORTS** 

August 12th: <u>5:30 - 7:00 pm</u> - School District

**Board Meeting** 

August 18th - 19th: (All-Day) All Staff In-Service

August 25th: First Day of School!

August 26th: 5:00 pm - HS Volleyball vs. Newell

August 30th: 9:00 - 10:00 am - MS Foot-

ball vs RC Christian







# City of Deadwood Job Openings Recreation Center Life Guards

Visit <a href="https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/jobs">https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/jobs</a> for more details

#### 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