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# City Newsletter

September 2025

## Deadwood Events

**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

**Daylight Savings Time**  
November 2

**\*VFD Chili Feed**  
November 2

**Big Whiskey Festival**  
November 8

**Holiday Ho Ho Horseshoes**  
November 15 - December 30

\*Event dates subject to change\*

## Enhancing Deadwood's Utility Box Wraps

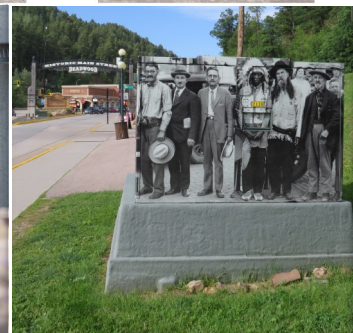
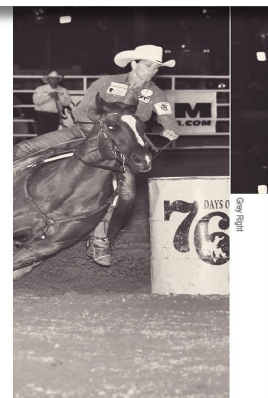
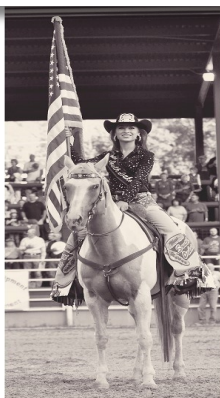
Deadwood's downtown and historic neighborhoods now have historic photos adorning many of the utility boxes. These utility boxes have provided the community with electricity and now also provide a canvas of adornment and admiration. Deadwood's first utility box wrap was installed by Quik Signs of Spearfish, SD in May of 2018 at the Days of '76 Rodeo Grounds.

The image selection was coordinated through the Neighborhood Block Clubs and the City Archives of the Deadwood Historic Preservation Office. The City Archives has over 10,000 historic and contemporary photos in its holdings. Members from different block clubs (Burnham, Library, Pecks Garden, Presidential, Rodeo Grounds, Stage Run and Upper Main Street) meet with City staff, who then make recommendations based on the utility box location. Once historic images are selected, the digital file is forwarded onto Quik Signs to begin the quote and wrap design.

Service techs conduct an onsite survey of the proposed utility box, measuring and photographing, to develop an accurate quote. Back at the shop, measurements are combined with historic photos to create a digital proof. Upon final approval, Quik Signs' begin printing the wrap. The ink used for the wrap has to "off-gas" for at least 24-hours before laminate layer is applied. Laminated vinyl graphics provide a layer of protection from UV rays and the outdoor elements.

On average, the installation time for a utility box is 2-4 hours depending on size and intricacies of the box. Temperature and weather conditions provide the greatest obstacle for proper installation of the utility wrap. The minimum installation temperature is 45 degrees, but it's preferable to have warmer temperatures ranging between 55-75 degrees. Windy or rainy conditions provide installation delays, so date flexibility is paramount for best results. Once installed, the wraps' average life span is 5-7 years.

The next time you're sitting at an intersection or crosswalk, take a moment to locate and review the numerous and valuable utility box wraps in Deadwood.



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## September 2025

### Tuesday, September 2

Deadwood City  
Commission Meeting  
5:00 @ City Hall

### Wednesday, September 3

Planning & Zoning  
Commission 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

### Wednesday, September 17

Planning & Zoning  
Commission Meeting  
4:00 @ City Hall

### Wednesday, September 24

Historic Preservation  
Commission Meeting  
4:00 @ City Hall

## October 2025

### Wednesday, October 1

Planning & Zoning  
Commission Meeting  
4:00 @ City Hall

### Tuesday, October 2

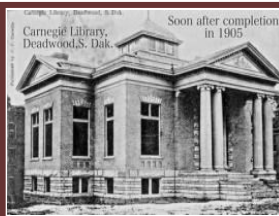
Neighborhood Council Meeting  
4:00 @ City Hall

### Monday, October 6

Deadwood City  
Commission Meeting  
4:00 @ City Hall

### Wednesday, October 8

Historic Preservation  
Commission Meeting  
4:00 @ City Hall



## A NEW CHAPTER AT CARNEGIE LIBRARY AS LEADERSHIP TRANSITIONS

Patricia Brown's last chapter as Library Director is coming to a close — filled with years of adventure, laughter, and plenty of overdue kindness. Now, a fresh story begins as Kennedy Penk takes the helm, ready to pen new tales for the shelves and the community. From Patty's well-loved legacy to Kennedy's fresh vision, Deadwood's Library faces a chapter behind us and the ones still waiting to be written.



### NEW LIBRARY DIRECTOR, KENNEDY PENK

*"I am honored to step into the role of Director at the Carnegie Library. I grew up in Litchfield, MN and recently worked in Municipal Government while completing my MBA with a concentration in Management and Leadership. Books, learning, and community connection have always been a big part of my life, so joining the Deadwood Public Library truly feels like a dream come true!"*

*"I've been coming to the Black Hills for as long as I can remember and what enamors me most about Deadwood specifically, is the way history and community pride are woven into everyday life. It's a small town with a big heart! It also has a little of everything to offer, whether you're a resident or visiting! Outside of work, I enjoy reading, being outdoors whether running, hiking or just simply enjoying nature, volunteering and being a life-long learner. I am always looking to try something new and push myself outside of my comfort zone."*

*"Currently, my goal is to continue building on the library's strong foundation and the legacy left by the women of the Round Table Club and Deadwood Women's Club, while also upholding, promoting and expanding the multitude of resources the library provides for this community."*



## BLACK HILLS MARCH & MARATHON

**September 17th - 20th:** 110 Mile March  
(5:00 am - 110-miles - Edgemont to Deadwood)  
**September 20th:** Full March & Marathon  
(8:00 am - 26.2-miles - Rochford Trailhead to Days of '76 Rodeo Grounds)  
**September 20th:** Mini March  
(10:00 am - 16-miles - Dumont Trailhead to Days of '76 Rodeo Grounds)

**\$70/March Fee**



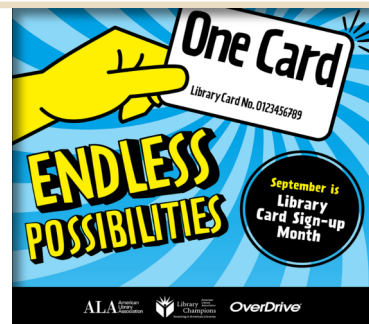
**The Black Hills Veterans March pays tribute to the many sacrifices that this nation's veterans have made in the past and continue to make today.**





This September, the Deadwood Public Library invites you to celebrate Library Card Sign-Up Month and discover how a single card can open the door to endless opportunities! Having a library card you can do more than just check out books! From free classes and job resources, to homework assistance, streaming media, and cultural events, today's libraries connect communities for information, inspiration and so much more!

Deadwood's Public Library Theme: "One Card, Endless Possibilities," is a reminder that libraries don't judge by your age, background, or goals! It all starts with a helping hand and a library card.



"In the past, books about historic preservation written for general readers tended to be one of two types. the first, to inspire appreciation of major landmarks of beauty and historical importance. the second, to anger building-lovers to the point of taking action to save them."

-America's Forgotten Architecture



## Deadwood History Inc.

**Haunted Rooms America: September 19th & 20th - Friday, September 19th from 8:00p.m. - 2:00a.m.,** join Haunted Rooms America for an unforgettable ghost hunt at The Brothel! Dare to face the voices of the past in the very rooms where apparitions of former workers and their clientele have been seen and heard, from ghostly figures on the staircase to EVPs capturing conversations lost in time. **Saturday, September 20th from 8:00p.m. - 2:00a.m.,** step back into the lawless era of Deadwood and brave the haunted halls of the Historic Adams House, where the restless spirits of the Wild West linger. Limited tickets are available for both events. **CHARGE FEE: \$109.00/person. Must be 18 years old or 16-17 with a responsible adult.** For more information, contact support@hauntedrooms.com.

**The Sharpshooter & the Showman & Molls and Mobsters: September 24, 25, 26, & 27th - New York Times** bestselling author Chris Enss will spend a week in Deadwood focusing on the 1920s and 1930s.

**Wednesday September 24th:** Enss will present *The Sharpshooter & the Showman* at Days of '76 Museum at 2:00p.m., with a book signing to follow. The event is FREE and donations are accepted.

**Thursday September 25th:** DHI is hosting a book signing with Enss at the Adams Museum from 2:00p.m. - 5:00p.m.. Enss will also discuss cowgirls of the American West during the event.

**Friday September 26th AND Saturday September 27th:** Enss will be signing copies of several of her books from 11:00a.m. - 6:00p.m., at the Brothel Deadwood. Special drawings will be available to brothel visitors throughout the day!

**Pioneer Preservation Thursday: Deadwood: Gold, Guns, & Greed in the American West: September 25th** - Award-winning author Peter Cozzens will explore the gritty grandeur that was early Deadwood. He will examine the many legends that have arisen about Deadwood and, where needed, dispel them. Cozzens will also present vignettes of the town's leading characters and contrast their real lives with popular but inaccurate depictions of them. Homestake Adams Research and Cultural Center; 12:00p.m.; FREE for members and \$5 for non-members.

**Paranormal Investigations of Adam's House: October 3-4th, 10th, 11th, 17th, & 18th** - Join us for paranormal investigations with Deadwood History, Inc. and Black Hills Paranormal Investigators. Participants will search for paranormal activity in the Historic Adams House using a wide variety of tools from the BHPI team. Investigations are at 6:00, 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30p.m. Tickets are \$35/person and limited to 24 people/investigation.

**Learn the Technique of Headstone Rubbing at Mt. Moriah: October 18th** - Join us for a unique activity exploring the historic cemetery. Participants will learn techniques and etiquette of headstone rubbing while discovering stories from Deadwood's past. Meet at Days of '76 Museum; 12:00p.m. - 2:00p.m.; FREE for grades K-6, space limited.

# 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)

## Lead-Deadwood Sanitary District

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)

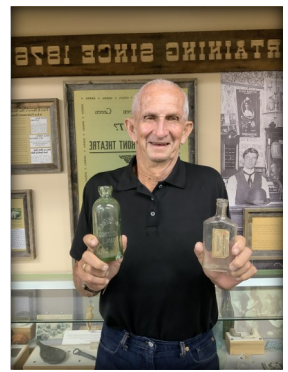
\*Group tours available with  
advanced reservations.  
605-722-4800



## City Archives Donation

Longtime resident, Jim Phillips donated nine glass bottles including this John Treber Dakota Territory soda bottle (1881-1889) to the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission.

Thank you Phillips family!



## 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

## City of Deadwood JOB OPENINGS

Recreation Center Life Guards  
Education/Program Coordinator  
Library Assistant I

[www.cityofdeadwood.com/jobs](http://www.cityofdeadwood.com/jobs)  
for more details on each position.



## DEADWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. CHILI FEED

Sunday - November 2nd, 2025

12:00 - 4:00p.m.

737 Main Street, Deadwood



## Lead-Deadwood High School Activities:

**SEPTEMBER 12: 6:00pm - 9:00pm**

HS FB vs. Hot Springs (Educator's Night) - 76th Dr.

**SEPTEMBER 18: 5:00pm - 9:00pm**

HS VB vs. STM (Dance Senior Night) - Lead Gym

**SEPTEMBER 22: 5:00pm - 7:00pm**

HS FB vs. Douglas - 76th Dr.

**SEPTEMBER 25: 3:45pm - 5:45pm**

HS VB vs. Mahpiya Luta - Lead Gym

**SEPTEMBER 26: 6:00pm - 9:00pm - HOMECOMING**

HS FB Varsity vs. Custer - 76th Dr.

**OCTOBER 11: ALL DAY -**

Oral Interpretation @ LDHS

**OCTOBER 14: 5:30pm - 7:30pm -**

LD School District Board Meeting

**OCTOBER 25: ALL DAY -**

Knowledge Bowl @ LDHS



## Suicide Prevention week September 7 - 13th, 2025

Deadwood and Lead are painting with chalk to bring support, education and prevention to the cause. Please share #988 (Suicide and Crisis Lifeline) with friends, family, neighbors and strangers.

## 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