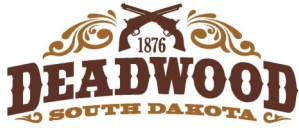


# City Newsletter

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## Community Events

**Mother's Day**  
May 10

**Hops & Hogs**  
May 15 - 16

**Save Our Tail Parade**  
May 22

**Summer Kickoff at the Square**  
May 22 - 23

**BH Motorcycle Show**  
May 23

**Back When They Bucked**  
May 24

**Memorial Day City Offices Closed**  
May 25

**Shrine Circus**  
June 6

**Mickelson Marathon**  
June 6 - 7

*Event dates subject to change*

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## No City Commission Election

On March 24, 2026 at 5:00 pm was the deadline to submit a petition for Deadwood City Commissioner.

The City received petitions from the following which were both certified:

**Charles Eagleson**



**Michael Johnson**



With two vacant positions and only two petitions received, the number of candidates matches the number of openings, eliminating the need for an election. On June 16, at the City Commission meeting, these two gentlemen will be sworn into office for an additional 3-year term which will expire June 2029.

## Built for Our Kids, Carried by Our Past

Tucked into the heart of the rodeo grounds neighborhood, Keehn Park has long been a gathering place where neighbors feel like family. Now, with its newly enhanced playground equipment, refreshed grounds, and thoughtful additions will serve generations to come. Sturdy, yet modern play structures invite children to climb higher, smile larger, and create memories that will last just as long as the stories told here in Deadwood. These updates aren't just about new materials, they're about investing in the future of Deadwood's families while honoring the past.



These meaningful improvements are part of the City of Deadwood's Capital Improvement Plan - an ongoing commitment to strengthening infrastructure, enhancing public spaces, and ensuring that places like Keehn Park continue to serve the community for years to come. It's a wonderful reflection on a town that doesn't just preserve its history, but actively builds upon it.

The upgrades serve as a reminder that even in a town famous for its history, there is always room to grow, build and improve. Keehn Park stands as a symbol of that balance, where heritage meets progress, and the simple joy of a sunny afternoon continues to bring people together.

<b>MAY 2026</b>
<p><b>Monday, May 4</b>                  Deadwood City                  Commission Meeting                  5:00 pm @ City Hall</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, May 6</b>                  Planning &amp; Zoning                  Commission Meeting                  4:00 pm @ City Hall</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, May 13</b>                  Historic Preservation                  Commission Meeting                  4:00 pm @ City Hall</p>
<p><b>Monday, May 18</b>                  Deadwood City                  Commission Meeting                  5:00 pm @ City Hall</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, May 20</b>                  Planning &amp; Zoning                  Commission Meeting                  4:00 pm @ City Hall</p>
<p><b>Monday, May 25</b>  <b>Memorial Day</b>  <b>City Offices Closed</b></p>
<p><b>Wednesday, May 27</b>                  Historic Preservation                  Commission Meeting                  4:00 pm @ City Hall</p>
<b>JUNE 2026</b>
<p><b>Monday, June 1</b>                  Deadwood City                  Commission Meeting                  5:00 pm @ City Hall</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, June 3</b>                  Planning &amp; Zoning                  Commission Meeting                  4:00 pm @ City Hall</p>

## City Water Department Receives DANR Award



The City of Deadwood Water Department continues to set the standard for safe, reliable drinking water, earning recognition from DANR with the prestigious Secretary’s Award for the excellency of the water supply in Deadwood.

This award reflects the department’s long-standing commitment to protecting public health and delivering high-quality water to residents and visitors. For more than two decades, the City’s water system has demonstrated reliability, supplying safe drinking water to the community for over 25 consecutive years while earning repeated recognition from DANR.

Through continued dedication, rigorous standards, and a commitment to public transparency, the City Water Department remains a trusted provider of safe drinking water, year after year.

To view the most recent water quality report and learn more visit the City of Deadwood website, under the Public Works Department (QR code on next page).

## Courage Over Pressure - D.A.R.E. Graduates Lead the Way

On April 10, 2026, an inspiring milestone was celebrated in the Lead-Deadwood community as students graduated from the D.A.R.E. program. With families and educators gathered in support, the event marked the completion of a class and the beginning of a lifelong commitment to making safe, smart, and responsible choices. Over the course of the program, students engaged in discussions, lessons, and real-life scenarios that prepared them to navigate challenges with strength and integrity.

Founded in 1933, Drug Abuse Resistance Education and the success of the program is a testament to the dedication of local law enforcement, educators, and families who worked closely with the students throughout the course making a lasting impact that extended beyond the classroom.

While the students may hold a new certificate, they also carry knowledge, confidence, and a strong sense of responsibility.

Congratulations to the newly certified Lead-Deadwood D.A.R.E. graduates!



## 86<sup>th</sup> Sturgis Rally!



The City of Deadwood would like to remind all property owners who wish to rent out their homes to rally-goers that they may do so from Monday, August 3 to Wednesday, August 19, 2026. Please ensure any online advertisements are clearly notated as a Rally Rental and block out any booking availability outside of the above dates.

For questions about rules and regulations pertaining to vacation rentals, please contact the Planning & Zoning Department at City Hall (605) 578-2082.

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## Adams Salvage Free Dump Weekends & Cleanup

Tri-City Rubble Site free dump weekends

- March 19 - 21
- September 17 - 19
- November 12 - 14

Spring Cleanup

- May 4 - 9

Holiday Garbage Delays

- May 29 - Garbage Pickup

Scan to go to the City website!



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## The Butt Brigade Needs You!

Volunteers are needed for the Butt Brigade to clean up cigarette litter around town. Every hand helps make a difference - come lend your support!

Meet outside of the Deadwood Fire Hall at 737 Main Street on Thursday, May 14 at 4:00 pm.

Cleanup supplies will be provided. Refreshments at Four Points after the clean up!

## MSI Volunteers Needed!

Deadwood Main Street Initiative (MSI) is a non-profit organization formed as a committee of the Deadwood Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau in partnership with the City of Deadwood to facilitate discussions and build consensus on developing a series of goals for the economic vitality of Deadwood within the context of historic preservation.

The MSI Promotions Committee serves as the primary fundraising arm of MSI, hosting events that support beautification, cleanup efforts, community improvements, and provide financial assistance to other local non-profits.

The Promotions Committee is a working subcommittee and is currently seeking additional volunteers to help plan, promote, and execute annual events.

To learn more, please join the next meeting or to get involved, contact Dustin Jordan at [dustin.jordan@hrrdeadwood.com](mailto:dustin.jordan@hrrdeadwood.com)

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## Stars, Stripes and Deadwood Pride



In recognition of Deadwood's 150th anniversary, the community demonstrated strong support for bunting and flag distribution among the residence and businesses.

MSI distributed over 820 bunting and flag items. The generosity of the community and the patriotic spirit will be clear and visible all year-round!

Deadwood doesn't just hang flags - we show up proud, loud, bold, and knock pride out of the park!

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## **Deadwood Public Library**

**May 11, 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm**

Play Magic the Gathering  
every 2nd Monday  
of the month

**May 14, 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm**

Teen creativity and fun!  
Every 2nd Thursday  
of the month

**May 21, 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

Play board games!  
Every 3rd Thursday  
of the month

**May 21, 12:00 pm**

Library Board Meeting

**May 26, 4:00 pm**

Book discussion  
At Public Library

## **Deadwood History Inc.**

**May 7, 12:00 pm**

Preservation Thursday  
Justin Koehler  
At the HARCC

**May 9, 10:00 am - 11:30 am**

Mother's Day Gift  
Youth Workshop  
At the Days of '76 Museum

**May 10, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm**

Mother's Day Tours  
\*Historic Adams House  
\*Days of '76 Museum

**May 20, 4:00 pm**

K-6th & Adults Program  
At Public Library

**May 21, 12:00 pm**

presentation by Chris Enss  
At the HARCC

DEADWOOD RESIDENT

**May 22, 1:00 pm**

"Save Our Tail!" Parade  
On Main Street

**May 22, 2:30 pm**

Justin Koehler screen  
filming & discussion in Eagle Bar

**May 23, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm**

Chris Enss book signing & discus-  
sion at Brothel Deadwood

## **Chamber & Outlaw Square**

**Hops & Hogs Craft Beer Festival**

May 15 - 16

[www.deadwoodcraftbeerfest.com](http://www.deadwoodcraftbeerfest.com)

**Summer Kickoff in the Square &**

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Full Schedule of events is on  
[www.deadwood.com/event](http://www.deadwood.com/event)

## **Main Street Initiative**

**Calling all  
Gardeners!**

The City is looking  
for volunteers to  
assist with gardening  
through-out town.

If you are interested,  
please contact Randy  
Adler at (605) 578-2082  
for more information.

