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Schedule of Events

July 1

Adam & Amy Pope Perf.
6:30 PM, City Parking Lot

July 3

Wall Fireworks Display
Dusk, Wall Golf Course

July 5

Wall City Council Mtg.
6:30 PM, WCC

July 7-9

Wall Celebration &
PRCA Rodeo

July 12

Chamber Luncheon
12 PM, Wall Golf Course

July 13

WBACC Board Mtg.
7 AM, WCC

July 13

Wall School Board Mtg.
7 PM, Wall School

July 16

Skyview Movie Night
9 PM, Outdoor Movie Theater

July 19

Wall Ambulance Board Mtg.
6 PM, Wall Fire Hall

July 21

Wall City Council Mtg.
6:30 PM, WCC

July 22

Health Fair
7 AM—2 PM, WCC

July 29

Skyview Movie Night
9 PM, Outdoor Movie Theater

July 30

The Big One Golf Tournament
9 AM, Wall Golf Course

Badlands



OPEN HOUSE

Friday, July 1

10 AM—2 PM & 5 PM—8 PM

This event is FREE to the public!

You are invited to come and see the work we have completed and become acquainted with us and our business. Our galleries, our dome area and our Observing Deck will be available for a walkthrough.

We hope you can join us at 12 Ash Street, Quinn, SD 57775. Feel free to call us with any questions at 605-381-1521.

THE BIG ONE

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, JULY 30

WALL COMMUNITY GOLF COURSE

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Bunkhouse Campground

Stay Wall

Wasta Volunteer Fire Department

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes

June 14, 2022 Noon Luncheon Wall Golf Course

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Board President Gordy Kraut called the meeting to order at 12:04 PM and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Anne Jo Spotted Bear moved to approve meeting minutes from the May Chamber Luncheon. Second made by Dustin Curr. Motion carried. Dustin Curr moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second made by Gina Kraut. Motion carried. Gordy introduced Pam Johnson as a new member of Chamber Board who was appointed to fill an open seat and announced upcoming events in the Wall Community. Gordy also thanked those who participated in Spring Crazy Days as well as the City-Wide Yard Sales.

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce: Kelsey Clark: Adam & Amy Pope will be in Wall on Friday, July 1 providing a patriotic country music performance. The Annual Wall Celebration will be July 8 & 9, Friday night entertainment will be by Junk FM and Saturday will be Westbound; a full schedule of events will be available soon. Wall Crawl will be held August 5, 6 & 7 and will include live music at 4 participating businesses from 5 -9 PM each day. A large photo and video project that was completed by the Chamber was debuted during the Chamber Annual Meeting; Chamber Member businesses in need of photo or video assets are invited to contact the Chamber Office to use the various assets.

City Of Wall: Mary Williams: Wall City Council meetings are now being recorded and a link to the videos can be found on the city website. Various updates have been made to the Wall Swimming Pool including: paint, new bathroom toilets, new bathroom sinks and updates to the lifeguard room. The city is seeking funding options for infrastructure in ECHO Valley. Two governors homes will be placed at Kelly Ave./Gloria St.; if interested in purchasing a home, please contact your relator or the project developer.

Wall Economic Development: Liliya Stone: A ground breaking was held for the Industrial Park infrastructure a few weeks ago; the project is expected to be completed in August. A senior living committee meeting will be held June 23 to meet with a consultant and discuss updates. The movie Jumanji will be presented at the outdoor movie theater on June 23.

National Grasslands Visitor Center/ USDA Forest Service: Travis Mason-Bushman: The Visitor Center is moving forward with repairs after a waterline break. A temporary trailer, to be used as a visitor center, will be coming soon and will be open 7 days a week; visitor services are currently being offered in the District Ranger Office. An engineer has looked at the building and estimates repairs will cost more than \$2 million as well as take a year or longer to complete. Pinnacles scoping has closed and staff will now be reviewing comments to plan how to proceed with dispersed camping.

Rodeo Booster Club: Mary Williams: Wall Rodeo Boosters have received huge compliments on the new bucking chutes, crows nest and the arena grounds. On May 29, the Pennington County 4H Rodeo was held; many locals commented on how many trailers and people were at the rodeo. 4Hers range in age from 8 to 18. On June 3, 4, and 5, there were 132 contestants who competed in the Regional High School Rodeo; estimated attendance was 396, people plus additional family, and 65 volunteers helped with the rodeo. The rodeo club very much appreciates the generosity of the 71 award sponsors. The Wall High School Rodeo Club has 24 rodeo team members; 19 of them qualified for the State High School Rodeo, which is held in Ft Pierre June 14 through 18. There have been 4 Wall Jr High rodeo athletes who qualified for the National Jr High School Rodeo to be held in Georgia: Gatlin Cordes, Brand Hilgenkamp, Cayne Merrill and Brooke Diedrich. Planning for the Celebration PRCA Rodeo started in November; breakaway and barrels begin on Thursday, July 7 at 5:00, Friday, 9:00 AM, is the Jerry Willuweit Memorial Steer Roping, Friday night at 7:00 PM is the Military Appreciation night, Saturday, at 7:00 PM the rodeo performance will feature the SD National High School Qualifier Showcase. A big screen will again feature replay and sponsor spotlights at the PRCA Rodeo; event marketing includes a full page insert in the Profit with a circulation of over 6,000, large poster, radio ads, and social media posts. Local businesses are asked to help promote the rodeo by having employees dress western (a bandana, cowboy hat, jeans, boots) on the days of the Celebration PRCA Rodeo.

Wall School Dist.: Samara Trask: Exciting new changes are coming at the school; the computer lab is moving, new staff members are bringing new skills to offer students, and the school is developing a CTE presence. Next year's class schedule will offer smaller class sizes. Samara Trask and Madison McLaughlin attended a cyber training and students will be offered new technology programs next year.

Wall Ambulance District: Lynn Riggins: EMS week was May 15-21, ambulance staff visited the school and hosted a chili cook off; Tim Grimmet was the winner of the cook off. Last week Lynn represented the ambulance service at the Pennington County Commissioners meeting due to concerns about roughly 400 miles of gravel roads in Pennington County that may be reduced to minimum maintenance.

Wasta Fire Department: Carrie Schell: Members of the department have been in Philip helping with clean up after recent storms. Wasta community members have started a beautification committee to help clean up the community and keep things looking good for visitors. Wasta will be hosting various activities on the 4th of July: including a parade at 11 AM (line up at 10:30) as well as lunch and games in the park after the parade benefiting the new Wasta Fire Department building.

West River Electric: Lindsay Reagle: After recent storms WREA now has all meters back up and had to repair roughly 80 poles that were down.

Golden West: Gordy Kraut: stating next Wednesday 10-digit dialing will go into effect.

South Dakota Department of Labor & Regulation: Carrie Kerr: Carrie's team covers a large area and they are working to improve relations with communities and businesses. The department offers many programs to help businesses recruiting and retaining employees. South Dakota has the third lowest unemployment rate in the nation. Research has shown that prior to the COVID-19 pandemic many people had 2 or more jobs, fewer people have multiple jobs now. Many CTE programs are being implemented across the state; the department can help with job fairs. Apprenticeships are making a comeback in the state and will allow additional options for secondary education. Various tax credits are available for businesses who employ veterans. The department can assist with individuals preparing resumes and practicing mock interviews. Attendees thanked Carrie for attending the Chamber Luncheon.

Wheelin' to Wall: Charon Geigle: The 6th annual event will be held September 24 & 25, 2022. Flyers for the event will be distributed soon and marketing efforts continue, including preparing a new digital ad.

Badlands Observatory: Ron Dying: Previously, the observatory had been primarily used for research and work with NASA, recently they changed their mission and are now open to the public; those interested in visiting are invited to see the observatory's website for business hours. The old Quinn hospital was preserved and turned into the Badlands Observatory. Golden West gave the observatory a generous donation of a satellite dish; the dish will be renovated into a 10-foot radio telescope. Pam Johnson congratulated Ron on the discovery of an asteroid that is now named after the town of Quinn. Ron has received discovery credit on 25 main belt asteroids as a participant in a NASA program. Ron thanked the town of Quinn and WREA for adding protective lighting in Quinn. A number of guests have already visited the facility.

The Chamber is holding a \$100 WALL BUCK\$ drawing at each Chamber Luncheon; all paid Chamber Members will be entered into the drawing but must be present to win. The drawing is a rolling jack pot. The winner of the \$200 WALL BUCK\$ for the June luncheon is Badlands Trading Post; with no one from the business being present the jackpot will increase to \$300 for the July luncheon.

With no other business, Cindy Hauk moved to adjourn the meeting. Second made Lynn Riggins. Motion carried.

WALL PLAY DAYS

JULY 14

JULY 21

JULY 28

AUGUST 4



WALL CELEBRATION & PRCA RODEO 2022

THURSDAY, JULY 7

5 PM - PRCA MEN'S SLACK

8 PM - PRCA WOMEN'S SLACK

FRIDAY, JULY 8

9 AM - JERRY WILLUWEIT MEMORIAL STEER TRIPPING

5 PM - TENT OPENS

5 PM TO 1 AM - RED ROCK MOBILE OPEN UNDER TENT

7 PM - PRCA RODEO @ THE RODEO GROUNDS ** \$15 **

9 PM TO 1 AM - DANCE TO JUNK FM ** \$10 **

SATURDAY, JULY 9

9 AM - PARADE LINE UP - SOUTH END OF MAIN ST

10 AM - PARADE

11 AM - TENT OPENS

(STICK HORSE RODEO; INFLATABLE GAMES; DUNK TANK)

12 PM - ICE CREAM SOCIAL @ FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

11 AM TO 1 AM - RED ROCK MOBILE OPEN UNDER THE TENT

1 PM - ADULT CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT UNDER THE TENT

(REGISTRATION @ 12:00, \$25 A PERSON)

2 PM - BADLANDS ALUMNI @ COMMUNITY CENTER

(REGISTRATION FOR BADLANDS ALUMNI @ 1:30)

7 PM - PRCA RODEO @ RODEO GROUNDS ** \$15 **

9 PM TO 1 AM - DANCE TO WESTBOUND ** \$10 **

Fireworks Display

3RD OF JULY
• WALL GOLF COURSE
DUSK
FREE WILL DONATION

Hosted by the Wall Volunteer Fire Department •
Sponsored by the City of Wall

WALL, SD LIVE MUSIC!

FRIDAY, JULY 1ST
6:30 PM - 9:30 PM

NORTH CITY PARKING LOT
(BEHIND THE POLICE STATION)

LIVE COUNTRY,
GOSPEL, &
PATRIOTIC
MUSIC SHOW!

ADAM
&
AMY POPE



4TH OF JULY

COME JOIN US

Wasta Parade, Lunch and Games

Parade Lineup: 10:00, Parade @ 10:30,
Lunch and Games to Follow @ the Park
with proceeds going to the Wasta
Volunteer Fire Department.

WALL-BADLANDS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Board of Directors:

President: Gordy Kraut

Vice President: Bobbi Dartt

Treasurer: Annie Tice-Poseley

Amanda Kjerstad

Ashley Kier

Gina Kraut

Lindsay Reagle

Lex Heathershaw

Pam Johnson

The July Chamber Luncheon will be held at noon on Tuesday, July 12 at the Wall Golf Course.

2022 Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Membership

3 Amigos Cantina	Dakota Mill & Grain	Red Rock Restaurant & Lounge
4th Ave. Floral & Gifts	Dakota Sky Stone	Robert Sharp & Associates
American Legion Post 246	Dawn Hilgenkamp	Ron Dinger
Americas Best Value Inn	Days Inn	Rush Funeral Home
Anderson Investments	De's Oil & Propane	Sander Sanitation Service
Ann's Motel	East Pennington County Ambulance	Sarah Husted
Arneson Auction Services	East Pennington Co. Conservation Dist.	Shearer's Western Dakota Ranch Vac.
Ascend Ag, Inc.	East Pennington County Transit	Singing Horse Trading Post
Badlands & Co.	EconoLodge	Sleepy Hollow RV Park
Badlands Automotive	EDWARD JONES/Hal Bailey	Stay Wall
Badlands Cedar Pass Lodge	EDWARD JONES/Tyler T. Trevillyan	St. Patrick's Catholic Church
Badlands Harley-Davidson	Evangelical Free Bible Church	Sue's Avon
Badlands Helicopters	Evergreen Office Solutions	Sunshine Inn
Badlands Inn	Farm Bureau Financial Services	Super 8
Badlands Motel & Campground	First Interstate Bank	SWIFTEC Inc.
Badlands National Park	First Lutheran Church	Terry Mohr
Badlands National Park Conservancy	Frontier Cabins	The Little Outpost
Badlands Natural History Association	Gary Keyser	Travelodge
Badlands Observatory	Gold Diggers	Triangle B&B
Badlands Quilters	Golden West Telecommunications	Treat U Boutique
Badlands Saloon & Grille	Harlan & Lori Walker	USDA Forest Service/Natl. Grasslands
Badlands Trading Post	Helen Crawford	Wall Auto Livery
Badlands White River KOA	Hub International Insurance	Wall Auto Repair & Glass
Best Western Plains Motel	Juanita Schroeder	Wall Building Center & Construction
Bev Dartt	Judy Goldhammer	Wall Community Library
Bill Bielmaier	Jonny Creighton Winn	Wall Dairy Queen
Black Hills & Badlands Tourism Assoc.	Karen Soderquist Team/ ReMax Results	Wall Drug Store
Black Hills Federal Credit Union	Kari Welsh	Wall Economic Development
Black Hills Parks & Forests	Larry Eisenbraun	Wall Food Center
Borns Group	Linda Hiltner	Wall Golf Association
Bunkhouse Campground	M & M Sales	Wall Meat Processing
Candee Kitterman	Mary Williams	Wall Rodeo Booster Club
Circle View Guest Ranch	Minuteman Missile NHS	Wall School District #51-5
Common Cents	Monument Health Wall Clinic	Wall United Methodist Church
Community Education of the Black Hills	Nanna's Mercantile	Wasta VFD
Corner Pantry/Subway	Niki Mohr	Waste Connections
Cornerstone Industries	Nohr Wortmann Engineering	Welsh's Motel
Country Cupboard Food Pantry	Pat Husted	West River Electric Association
Crazy Horse Memorial	Pennington County Commissioners	Western Dakota Tech
Crew Agency	Pennington County Courant	Wheelin' to Wall
Cristina Nesseth	Pioneer Auto Show & Prairie Town	Whispering Pines B&B Outfitters
Crown Oil	Prairie Homestead	Wounded Knee Museum
Cutting Edge Salon	Quinn VFW	
Dan Hauk	Rick Husted	