



Window to the West

Wall Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce

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Schedule of Events

December 3rd
City Council Meeting
at 6:30pm—WCC

December 6th & 20th
BINGO!

WCC— Meeting Room
Sponsored by Quinn VFW
2pm—5pm

December 7th
Chamber Holiday Mixer
Two Bit Saloon & Steakhouse
Quinn
5pm -6:30pm

December 9th
Pancake Supper
5pm —7pm
Wall Drug Café
Santa arrives @ 5:30pm
Home for **Holiday Party**
WCC—1pm-4pm

December 17th
City Council Meeting
at 6:30pm—WCC

December 24th
Christmas Eve
City Offices Closed @ Noon

December 25th
Christmas Day
City Offices Closed

Add your event here,
on the radio and on the website!



Wall Lube & Espresso

Located at 201 West South Blvd, in Wall, you will find a quaint little coffee shop offering Lattes, Cappuccinos, Americano's flavored smoothies and good ol' plain brewed coffee. The wonderful thing about its convenience is the fact that while you're sipping away the flavorful coffee, you can be getting your oil changed, a chipped windshield repaired, tires rotated or even a new battery installed. Talk about multi-tasking!

They also carry major brands of oil, including four of them in bulk. If it's a battery or even just a new set of windshield wipers, this is your place.



Owned by three of our longtime local residents, Bill Hamann, Darwin Haerer and Marvin Botz, it was opened in 2005.

When asked why such a strange combination, Bill replied, "Besides the Drug Store, there were no other coffee places in town at the time. The Drug Store offers flavored coffee's, but only in the summer, and we are open year around."

So if you or your car is needing a little TLC, stop in, sit back and enjoy a coffee made the way you like!

Winter Hours:
Monday —Friday
8am—5pm
605-279-2227



Ask about the Traeger wood fire grills also available.

Get that great smoke flavor with wood pellets instead of propane. Sizes and prices varies. Pellets also sold.



Wall Community Center
 1st & 3rd Sunday
 2:00pm — 5:00pm
 Sponsored by the
 Quinn VFW



Christmas Lighting Contest

Prizes will be given for
Best House

Best Tree & Best Business

Winners will be chosen the day of the
Holiday Celebration on December 13th

Something to ponder ...



You will never become who you
 want to be if you keep blaming
 everyone else for who you are now.



Mark Your Calendars!
Chamber Blood Drive
Tuesday, January 12th, 2016
Wall Community Center
11:30am — 2:30pm

Call the Chamber office at 279-2665
 to schedule your appointment TODAY!



Holiday Party

Sunday, December 13th
 1:00 pm — 4:00 pm

Wall Community Center

Chili Cook-off: 1:00 pm

Call the Chamber to Register

Santa's Workshop: 1pm-3pm

Hay Rides: 3pm

Christmas Lighting Contest

Prizes for Best House, Best Tree
 & Best Business

Judging to be before the party. Sponsored
 by Wall Celebration and



Random Acts of Christmas Kindness 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Give a compliment to a friend.	2 Tape change to a vending machine.	3 Make a card for a soldier.	4 Pick up litter.	5 Take coffee to your teacher.
6 Send a paper hug to someone you love.	7 Tell silly jokes to make someone laugh.	8 Give someone a hug coupon.	9 Donate a book to the library or hospital.	10 Leave a happy note for someone to find..	11 Do yard work for a neighbor.	12 Donate toys to your favorite charity.
13 Candy cane bomb a parking lot.	14 Call a faraway friend or relative to say hello.	15 Make a thank you for your librarian.	16 Do a chore for someone in your family.	17 Donate food to your local food pantry.	18 Leave a popcorn surprise in a DVD rental machine.	19 Smile at everyone you see today.
20 Take supplies to the animal shelter.	21 Pay for a stranger's coffee.	22 Give treats to the mail carrier.	23 Feed the birds.	24 Take cookies to the fire station.	25 	26
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Wall Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Minutes

Monday, November 9, 2015 • 12:00 PM • Wall Mall

CALL TO ORDER: Vice President Donna Curr opened the meeting at 12:00 pm with 24 people present. Pledge of Allegiance recited. Motion by Jackie Heathershaw, and seconded by Dick Johnson to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2015 meeting. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

November 11 th	City offices closed for Veterans Day	December 3 rd	City Council Meeting – WCC
November 15 th	BINGO (WCC @ 2pm)	December 7 th	Holiday Mixer - Two Bit Steakhouse & Saloon (Quinn)
November 19 th	City Council Meeting – WCC	December 9 th	Pancake Supper @ Wall Drug
November 26 th	THANKSGIVING – City Offices Closed	December 13 th	Holiday Party – Celebration Committee

CITY OF WALL: Mayor Marty Huether reported on the Sales Tax. In 2014 tax received was \$1,009,174.00 and in 2015 it was up to \$1,064,597.00. On October 28th, a Black Hills area Mayor's meeting was held here in Wall. The towns that were represented were Edgemont, Hermosa, Spearfish, New Underwood, Newell, and Rapid City. Representatives from all three congressional offices along with Blasé Emerson also attended. It is renewal time for the Airport Engineering Services. Five firms have been invited to submit a proposal.

SCHOOL REPORT: Cooper Garnos reported that the Wall School District will be starting a Hall of Fame. The purpose shall be to recognize those men and women of the Wall community who have made outstanding contributions to the Wall School District. The board will be made of seven members (1) the current Wall School District principal or designee. (2) The current Wall School District activities director or designee. (3) Two current members of the Wall School District coaching or advising staff. (4) One member of the current school board. (5) Two long term community members. Eligibility consideration must have been out of high school for five years. There shall be no year qualifications for coaches/advisors, contributor's, media, etc. The Christmas program is scheduled for Mon., Dec 14th at 7pm (K-5) and Mon., Dec 21st at 7pm (6-12).

BADLANDS NATIONAL PARK: Superintendent, Mike Pflaum introduced the facilities Manager, Ed Travis. The number for October this year were down 21%, but for the year they are up 12.9%. The park is looking for community input regarding the opportunity to move some of the buffalo over to the park area where more visitors can see them as well as creating more open range for the bison. The centennial of the park service is in 2016. The actual anniversary date is August 25, 2016.

FOREST SERVICE: Kurt Pindel mentioned that they will be doing an antique road show, where the public is asked to bring in arrowheads. Specialists from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln would identify the Native American tribe and type of arrowhead. Visitor Center hours of operation are now 8am-4pm, Monday thru Friday. The district office is completing the Cheyenne River Range Allotment Management Plan and the draft should be out in December or January.

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Wall's Annual Pancake Supper

Wednesday, December 9th
5pm-7pm at Wall Drug Cafe

*** Santa arrives at 5:30pm**

*** Door prizes drawings for kids and adults**

*** Home for the Holidays prize drawing at 6:30pm**

**Food Bank donations
are accepted and appreciated!**



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MINUTE MAN MISSILE NHS: Eric Leonard let us know that the visitor center is now open seven days per week, year round. The winter hours remain 8am – 4pm. Since it is in the off-season they are only offering two tours of Delta-01 daily at 10am and 2pm, weather permitting. October visitation exceeded 5,000 visitors. This represents a 200% increase over last year. Exhibit installation is still not scheduled, but should occur in early 2016. The new park film is expected to be complete in the fall of 2016. The new Chief of Interpretation, Joe Brehm, will be arriving the week before Thanksgiving. He comes to us from the Castillo De San Marcos National Monument in Florida.

GOLDEN WEST: Greg Oleson wanted to thank everyone for their business. Golden West is excited about their Customer Appreciation Christmas campaign this year as it brings all the money back to the community. They will be giving gift cards made out to local businesses. You will receive more information in the mail or via internet beginning around the 16th of this month.

FIRST INTERSTATE BANK: Janet Lurz reported the coat drive is still in swing, accepting new and slightly used hats and gloves. Also monetary donations are always helpful. There is no date set at this time, however First Interstate will be having a Customer Appreciation Open House soon.

CELEBRATION COMMITTEE: Wendy Allison let everyone know of the upcoming Annual Holiday Party. It will be held at the Wall Community Center in the Grand Hall on Sunday, December 13th from 1-3pm. Also at 1pm, a chili cook off (if they get enough entries). The children will enjoy a Santa’s workshop this year with age appropriate items to make. Hayrack rides will also be available. This event is sponsored by the Celebration Committee and Black Hills Federal Credit Union.

RETAIL COMMITTEE: Jenny Patterson reported that we will have the Pancake Supper on Dec 9th from 5-7pm. Once again we will be giving away shopping sprees and gift certificates.

WREA: Dawn Hilgenkamp shared that West River has a Director position opening. They are starting member communication meetings. Dawn & Cheyenne attended the GOED in Pierre.

COUNTRY CUPBOARD: Carol Hoffman let us know that a \$10 donation may be given at Wall Food Center to be used towards a food basket to be given out at Thanksgiving. Items are then purchased to put together a dinner for those in need. They will be giving out 60 bags this year. The Lions Club will help distribute them on Nov. 21st. Christmas baskets will be needed as well.

WALL MALL: Carol also mentioned the Chamber meeting was held at the Wall Mall so that members could see how big it is, that they may consider leasing or using it for events. A craft show will take place on December 9th from Noon until 6pm, to coincide with the pancake supper and to get people in to town to shop local from area crafters and vendors. 1200 square feet has been donated by Joe Leach for a youth rec center upstairs. They are also donating the utilities to them and a pool table. They are working with the school to possibly get couches, chairs and items for them to use. Also possibly Golden West to get Wi-Fi for them. A possible kick off will be New Year’s Eve.

RODEO BOOSTER CLUB: Mary Williams informed us that the building they were working on at the rodeo grounds is now finished. The crow’s nest is now tied down on cement and the bleachers as well. Bids are being taken for the SDRA and Regional Rodeos for next year.

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Golden Pineapple AWARD



Have you had exemplary customer service in Wall, South Dakota? Has someone gone above and beyond to help you?

The Wall Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce wants to hear about your great service experiences.

In colonial times, the pineapple symbolized a sense of welcome, good cheer, and human warmth. We are looking for an individual that makes your day better and goes above and beyond your expectation. Reward your excellent service experience by nominating that individual for the 2016 Wall Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Golden Pineapple Award.

Nominees should work or volunteer for a Wall Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce business or Organization.

I would like to nominate: _____

Describe how they provided you exceptional customer service: _____

By completing this nomination form you are giving the Wall Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce permission to share this story publicly. We will not publish your name unless we call and secure your verbal permission.

First /Last Name: _____

Phone : _____ Best time to call: _____



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OLD BUSINESS: A motion was made by Dick Johnson to accept the two returning board members, Dawn Hilgenkamp and Jackie Heather-shaw, and one new member to the board, Trish Eisenbraun. Motion seconded by Dave Hahn. Motion carried. A reminder that “Wreaths Across America” deadline for getting orders in is today.

NEW BUSINESS: Cindy Schuler, Chamber Director, asked if there would be a problem in changing the December Chamber Mixer to the 7th of December since the school Christmas program is on the 14th. Everybody seemed to be in agreement. It will be held at the Two Bit Steak House and Saloon in Quinn from 5– 6:30pm.

MAIN SPEAKER: Cheyenne McGriff – Ec. Dev spoke about the “Home for the Holidays” local shopping campaign being introduced as a joint venture between Ec. Dev and the Chamber. Punch cards will be given to customers at all participating Chamber businesses. For every \$5 a customer spends, it will be marked off by an associate. Each card is worth \$50. After all \$5 on each card is crossed off, it will then be put in a drawing for the grand prize of \$100. Two drawings will be given away at the pancake supper on Dec 9th at 6:30pm. Your chances of winning will grow depending on how many cards you fill. Anyone spending more than \$500 in a single purchase will only receive 10 cards maximum at a time. The campaign will begin on Nov 16th and run through 6:30 pm on the night of Dec. 9th. Filled cards can be dropped off at the Chamber, Economic Development offices or the night of the drawing at the pancake supper. You need not be present to win. Contact Cindy or Cheyenne if you would like your business to be involved.

Meeting Adjourned.

The entire staff at Black Hills & Badlands Tourism Association invites you to gather with old friends and new for holiday food and cheer!



Holiday Open House

Wednesday, December 9, 2015

3:00pm—6:00pm

Black Hills Visitor Information Center

I-90, Exit 61 Rapid City



Customer Service Quote of the Month:

Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echos are truly endless.

~ Mother Teresa ~

**Be watching the mail for your
2016 Chamber Membership
Due January 1st!!**



WALL-BADLANDS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Board of Directors:

Jody Bielmaier—President
Donna Curr—Vice President
Jackie Heathershaw—Treasurer
Carol Hoffman
Janet Lurz
Sheila Drees
Dawn Hilgenkamp
Jackie Kusser
Juanita Schroeder
Cindy Schuler—Executive Director

Chamber Luncheon Meeting Locations:

Jan, Feb, Mar—*Red Rock Restaurant*
April—*Annual Meeting*
May—*Golf Course Mixer*
June—*Community Center*
July—*Wall Golf Course*
August—*No Meeting*
Sept, Oct, Nov—*Badlands Saloon & Grille*
Dec—*Holiday Mixer*
Luncheons held 2nd Monday of the month unless otherwise noted.

**The Next Meeting
will be the Holiday Mixer
Monday, December 7th
Two Bit Saloon
& Steakhouse
in Quinn
5pm — 6:30pm
Hors D'oeuvre served**

2015 Wall Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Membership

4th Avenue Floral	Cutting Edge Salon	Rush Funeral Home
Air Hon	Dakota Mill & Grain	SanDee's
American Legion Auxiliary	Days Inn	Senator Bruce Rampelberg
Americas Best Value Inn	De's Oil & Propane	Shearer's Western Dakota Ranch Vac.
Anderson Investments	East Pennington Co Transit	Singing Horse Trading Post
Ann's Motel	East Pennington Conservation District	Sleepy Hollow Campground
Arneson Auction Service	East Penn County Ambulance District	St. Patrick's Catholic Church
Arrow Campground	Econo Lodge	Subway
Ascend Ag, Inc.	Evangelical Free Bible Church	Sunshine Inn
Badland Outpost	Farm Bureau Financial Services	TLC Electric
Badlands Automotive	First Interstate Bank	Triangle Ranch B&B
Badlands Budget Host	First Lutheran Church	Two Bit Saloon & Steakhouse
Badlands Harley Davidson	First Western Insurance Agency	USDA Forest Service
Badlands Inn & Campground	Frontier Cabins	Wall Auto Livery
Badlands National Park	Gary Keyser	Wall Building Center & Construction
Badlands Natural History Association	Gold Diggers	Wall Dairy Queen
Badlands Quilters	Hillcrest Motel	Wall Drug Store
Badlands Saloon & Grille	Jitterbug Daycare	Wall Food Center
Badlands Trading Post	Jonny Winn-Holsether	Wall Golf Association
Badlands/White River KOA	Juanita Schroeder	Wall Health Services
Best Western Plains Motel	Lakota Ways	Wall Lube & Espresso
Bev Dartt	Larry Eisenbraun	Wall Meat Processing
Bill Bielmaier	Mary & Myron Williams	Wall Motel
Black Hills and Badlands Tourism Assoc.	Minuteman Missile NHS	Wall Neighborhood Housing
Black Hills Federal Credit Union	Motel 6	Wall Rodeo Booster Club
Broken Arrow Trading Company	Pennington County Commissioners	Wall School District 51-5
Candee Kitterman	Pennington County Courant	Wall United Methodist Church
Cedar Pass Lodge	Pioneer Auto Show & Prairie Town	Welsh's Motel
Circle View Guest Ranch	Prairie Homestead	
Corner Pantry	Red Rock Restaurant & Lounge	
Country Cupboard Food Pantry	Richard Wahlstrom/EDWARD JONES	
Crazy Horse Memorial	Robert Sharp & Associates	
Crew Agency	Rod Renner	
Crown Oil	Ruland Arena, LLC	

**Thank you for
your investment!**

GOLD MEMBERSHIP INVESTMENTS

GOLDEN WEST TELECOMMUNICATIONS

WEST RIVER ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION