

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce

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Schedule of Events

January 1
Wall City Offices CLOSED

January 3 VFW BINGO 2 PM, WCC

January 5 Wall Community Blood Drive 1:45-5:45 PM, WCC

January 11 Chamber Noon Luncheon 12 PM, Zoom

January 12 Wall City Council Meeting 6:30 PM, WCC

> January 17 VFW BINGO 2 PM, WCC

January 18 Wall City Offices CLOSED

January 19 Wall Ambulance Board Mtg. 6 PM, Wall Fire Hall

January 21 Wall City Council Meeting 6:30 PM, WCC

Promote Local Spending this Holiday Season!

The CHAMBER HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES is back! The CHAMBER HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES offers WALL BUCK\$ as great prizes for those who shop and buy local at participating Chamber businesses from Monday, November 16 through Thursday, December 31.

Chamber member businesses will be provided with CHAMBER HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES cards to give to shoppers. Businesses will initial the card for every \$10 the shopper spends in businesses; each single purchase is limited to \$500. When a shopper's card is full, they should fill out the information on the back and drop it in a drop box at various locations. Then, the shoppers get a new card and repeat!

Participating businesses will be provided with CHAMBER HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES cards, a drop box (if desired) and a special pen to authenticate the businesses initials.



The CHAMBER HOLIDAY

SWEEPSTAKES is offered to Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce members. The CHAMBER HOLIDAY SWEEPSTAKES aligns with the Chamber's goal of promoting Chamber members, community growth and local shopping. Cards should be submitted by December 31; drawing will be held on January 5 via Facebook Live Video. A total of \$1,900 in prizes will be given!

If you have any questions please contact the Chamber office at 279-2665.



Wall Satellite Office

OPEN: January 6 & 20 9 AM- 11:30 AM & 12:30 PM- 3:30 PM



Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes December 14, 2020 Noon Luncheon Via Zoom

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Board President Dustin Curr called the meeting to order at 12:01 PM. Anne Jo Spotted Bear moved to approve meeting minutes from the November Chamber Luncheon. Second made by Hayli Hull. Motion carried. Jody Bielmaier moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second made by Marty Huether. Motion carried. Dustin announced upcoming events in the Wall community.

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce: Kelsey Clark: The Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce received a grant in the amount of \$36,513 from the South Dakota Tourism DMO (Domestic Marketing Organization) Marketing Assistance Program. The grant money will be used to promote safe travel to the Wall-Badlands Area as well as inspire travel for the 2021 season, while also encourage hotel bookings in the area. 'A Badlands Country Christmas' will be held December 16, in the Wall Community Center; meal will be provided by the Red Rock Restaurant and entertainment will be by Orion and Stacy Potter and Company. Thank you to all the businesses and individuals who sponsored the event. The Chamber Holiday Sweepstakes is back! This program offers WALL BUCK\$ as prizes for those who buy local November 16 through December 31. Thank you to all the businesses who have been promoting the sweepstakes. The Chamber Board of Directors is once again hosting the Holiday Lighting Contest. Judging will be held Friday, December 18. Please note the Wall City Offices and Public Works Department will close at noon on December 24 and will be closed all day on December 25 and January 1.

City of Wall: Marty Huether: Sales tax revenue has been really good the last few months and has been much better than anticipated. There have been some cases of COVID-19 in the community; hoping the individuals are doing well. Some projects that were scheduled to be completed this year have been postponed but the city is hoping to complete street projects next year, including 4th Ave due to truck traffic.

Wall Economic Development: Liliya Stone: Thank you to those who participated in the Parade of Lights on December 10. Thanks to the Chamber Retail Committee and Creative Community Concepts for partnering on the event. WEDC will launch a leadership class starting in January. There will be a total of 6 classes which will be about 2 or 3 hours each and have various presenters; this is a pilot project and there are not many details at the moment. South Dakota is offering a second round of grants for loss of revenue in the months of September through November; application deadline is December 20.

Minuteman Missile NHS: Kelsey Clark reporting for Jeannie Berry: The Visitor Center is open Tuesday-Sunday 8 AM – 4 PM. Delta-09 Missile Silo is open Tuesday-Saturday 9 AM – 3 PM. Delta-01 Launch Control topside tours are offered Wednesday-Saturday at 1 PM and 2 PM; reservations for tours can be made through Black Hills Central Reservations. Minuteman Missile NHS will be closed on December 25 and January 1. November 2020 visitation numbers were up over November 2019. Year-to-date visitation is down.

National Grasslands Visitor Center: Travis Mason-Bushman: Travis introduced himself as the new director of the National Grasslands Visitor Center and he is looking forward to being part of the community and moving forward with work at the Visitor Center.

Black Hills & Badlands Tourism Association: Hayli Hull: The 2021 SDVG is off to the printers and will be distributed in January. BH&B also received funds from the DMO Marketing Assistance Program through the South Dakota Department of Tourism; funds are being used to promote a travel safe message as well as encouraging travelers to visit our area. The annual meeting of the association was held virtually last week and was recorded for members to view at a later time; if you are interested in watching the recording please contact Hayli to get the link.

Rodeo Booster Club: Dawn Hilgenkamp: Local students have qualified to participate in the 20X Rodeo during the Black Hills Stock Show. Plans are moving forward for the PRCA Rodeo to be held next summer during the Wall Celebration. Governor Kristi Noem, while appearing at the National Final Rodeo, complemented small South Dakota Rodeos.

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Golden West: Jody Bielmaier: Thank you to those who have supported Golden West and been Golden West customers this year.

West River Electric: Dawn Hilgenkamp: Scholarship applications are available online and are due February 5. Offices will be closed all day December 24 and 25 for the holiday and will close at 11 am on December 31 and all day on January 1 for New Years Day. WREA received grant money to place a car charging station; they will be partnering with the City of Wall to place the charging station next to the Tesla stations in the city parking lot.

With no other business, Jody Bielmaier moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:22 PM. Second by Anne Jo Spotted Bear. Motion carried. The next Wall-Badlands Area Chamber Luncheon will be Monday, January 11.

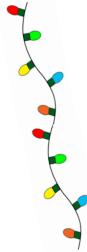
Holiday Lighting Contest

The Wall-Badlands Area Chamber Board of Directors hosted the third annual Holiday Lighting Contest to encourage a friendly competition to make the holidays a little brighter in our community. Houses were judged on Friday, December 18, based on originality, arrangement, theme, creativity and overall presentation.

Judges awarded 1st place to Darwin & Betty Haerer, 2nd place to Casey & Cindy Weaver and 3rd place to Mark & Patty Coleman. Congratulations to the winners!

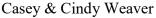






Darwin & Betty Haerer







Mark & Patty Coleman

A BADLANDS COUNTRY Christmas

Friends and family of the Badlands area gathered to capture the spirit of Christmas during A Badlands Country Christmas, on December 16. This semi-formal event was hosted by the Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce and included a meal catered by the Red Rock Restaurant and a Christmas Show as performed by the musical ensemble of Orion and Stacey Potter and Company.

The Christmas Show included vocals, dancing and instrumental performances of new and old Christmas songs. A special thank you to all the event sponsors, the event would not have been possible without you!



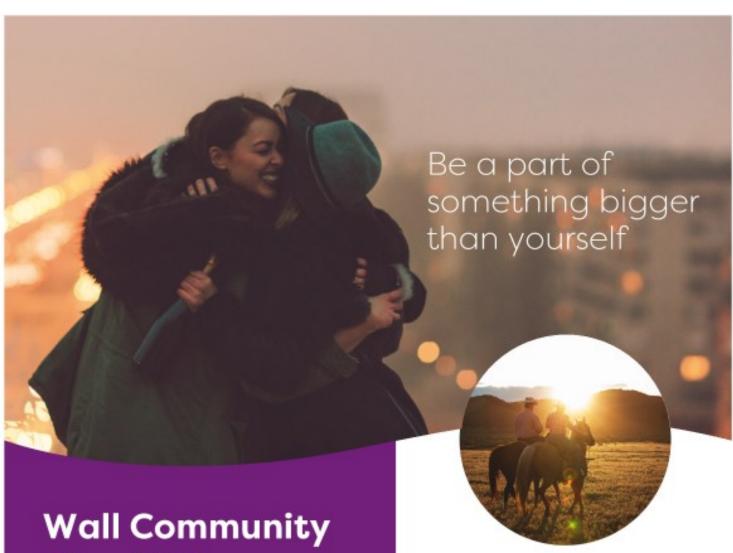












Blood Drive

TUESDAY, JAN. 5 1:45 PM TO 5:45 PM COMMUNITY CENTER **501 MAIN STREET**

For an appointment contact Garrett or Holly Bryan at 605-515-4138 or 605-515-4139

Blood Donations drop over the holiday season. Please help us ensure a safe blood supply by donating in January at our blood drive.



WALL-BADLANDS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

2020 Board of Directors:

Dustin Curr — President Bruce Dunker —Vice President Janet Lurz —Treasurer Anne Jo Spotted Bear **Gordy Kraut** Kim Handcock Lindsy Reagle

Terry Mohr

2021 Luncheon Locations:

Jan-ZOOM Feb-TBD March-TBD June-TBD July-TBD Sept-TBD Oct-TBD Nov-TBD Dec-TBD

The January Noon Luncheon will be held on Monday, January 11 via Zoom.

2020 Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Membership

3 Amigos Cantina 4th Ave. Floral & Gifts Agro Eco Power American Legion Post 246 Americas Best Value Inn Anderson Investments Ann's Motel **Arneson Auction Services** Arrow Campground Ascend Ag, Inc. **Badlands Automotive**

Badlands Cedar Pass Lodge Badlands Harley-Davidson

Badlands Helicopters Badlands Inn

Badlands Motel & Campground **Badlands National Park**

Badlands Natural History Association

Badlands Outpost Badlands Quilters

Badlands Saloon & Grille

Badlands Trading Post Badlands White River KOA

Best Western Plains Motel

Bethel Church

Bev Dartt

Bill Bielmaier

Black Hills & Badlands Tourism Assoc. Black Hills Federal Credit Union Black Hills Parks & Forests

Broken Arrow Trading Company

Candee Kitterman

Circle View Guest Ranch

Common Cents

Community Education of the Black Hills

Corner Pantry/Subway Cornerstone Industries

Country Cupboard Food Pantry

Crazy Horse Memorial

Creative Community Concepts

Crew Agency Cristina Nesseth Crown Oil Cutting Edge Salon Dakota Mill & Grain Dakota Safaris

Dakota Sky Stone

Dawn Hilgenkamp

Days Inn

De's Oil & Propane

Deni Amundson

East Pennington County Ambulance Dist. East Pennington County Conservation Dist.

East Pennington County Transit

EconoLodge

EDWARD JONES/Hal Bailev

EDWARD JONES/Tyler T. Trevillyan

Evangelical Free Bible Church

Farm Bureau Financial Services First Interstate Bank

First Lutheran Church

Frontier Cabins

Gold Diggers

Golden West Telecommunications

Harlan & Lori Walker

Helen Crawford

Hillcrest Motel

Hub International Insurance

Juanita Schroeder

Jonny Creighton Winn

Karen Soderquist Team/ ReMax Results

Kari Welsh

Keith Bagley

Larry Eisenbraun

M & M Sales

Mary Williams

Mike Nesseth

Minuteman Missile NHS

Niki Mohr

Pat Hustead

Patty Coleman

Penn.-Jackson Farm Bureau

Pennington County Commissioners

Pennington County Courant

Pioneer Auto Show & Prairie Town

Prairie Homestead

Quinn VFW

Red Rock Restaurant & Lounge

Robert Sharp & Associates

Rod Renner

Ron Dinger

Rush Funeral Home

Sander Sanitation Service

Sarah Hustead

Schaeffer's Specialized Lubricants

Shearer's Western Dakota Ranch Vac.

Singing Horse Trading Post

Sleepy Hollow RV Park

St. Patrick's Catholic Church

Stacy Kitterman

Sue's Avon

Sunshine Inn

Super 8

SWIFTEC Inc.

Terry Mohr

Tessa Gewerth

Thompson Tactical

Travelodge

Triangle B&B

Treat U Boutique

USDA Forest Service/Natl. Grasslands

Wall Auto Livery

Wall Building Center & Construction

Wall Community Library

Wall Dairy Queen

Wall Drug Store

Wall Eagles Live/Live Ticket

Wall Economic Development

Wall Food Center

Wall Golf Association

Wall Meat Processing Plant

Wall Regional Medical Clinic

Wall Rodeo Booster Club

Wall School District #51-5

Wall United Methodist Church

Waste Connections

Windy Edge Homestead

Welsh's Motel

West River Electric Association

Wheelin' to Wall

Wounded Knee Museum