

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce

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Schedule of Events

April 1– Postponed Easter Egg Hunt 1 PM, Golf Course

> April 5 Satellite Office 9 AM

April 6 Rodeo Gala 5 PM, WCC

April 6 City Council 6:30 PM, WCC

April 12 WBACC Board Mtg. 7 AM, WCC

April 14 605 Day Meeting 7AM, WCC

April 18 Ambulance Board Mtg 5:30 PM, WCC

April 19 Chamber Annual Mtg 5:30PM, WCC

April 20 Wall City Council Mtg. 6:30 PM, WCC

April 26 Library Board Mtg 6PM, WCC

April 26 WEDC Board Mtg 6 PM, WCC Wall-Badlands Area Chamber Members,

Hello & Happy April!! We have a few things going on this month that I want to make sure you're aware of. We are currently putting together the Community Guide. There are still ad opportunities available and if you're interested please let me know. The deadline is April 10th so it's fast approaching!

April 19th our annual meeting will start at 5:30 pm at the Community Center. We will start with a social hour and the meeting will begin at 6:00. We hope to see everyone there!

The Chamber is planning a 605 Day celebration in Wall this year. It's a day to celebrate all things South Dakota and is an opportunity for you to be creative and have your business participate in the festivities. Want to participate but not sure how? Let us know!! We can help! You're also welcome to come to a 605 Day meeting! Give me a call or stop in the Chamber office if you'd like to know more. 279-2665 Here's to hoping April brings Spring temps and sunshine!!!

Katie

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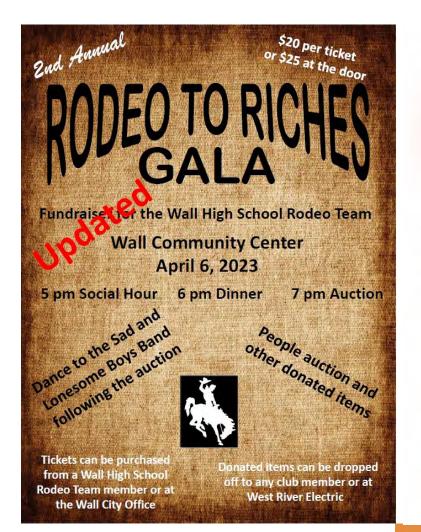






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Wall Satellite Office

OPEN: April 5th 9 AM- 11:30 AM & 12:30 PM- 3:30 PM



What can the Chamber do for YOU?

Advertising

The Chamber works with a variety of advertising agencies to market the Wall-Badlands Area outside SD. The chamber also helps members market in the community by posting news, events, and job openings in the monthly newsletter, radio news reports, email blasts and Chamber Facebook page.

Network

It's not just what you know, it's who you know. Attend chamber luncheons and mixers to extend your reach, promote your business and learn about other local businesses.



Voice

The Chamber is the voice of business in Wall, seeking the best interests for Wall businesses on local and state levels. The Chamber hosts Cracker Barrels to allow members to ask questions concerning legislative issues.

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2023

Noon Luncheon

Red Rock Restaurant

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Board President Gordy Kraut called the meeting to order at 12:02 PM and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Susie Kjerstad-Radigan moved to approve meeting minutes from the February Chamber Luncheon. Second made by Pam Johnson. Motion carried. Cindy Hauk moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second made by Bobbi Dart. Motion carried. Gordy Kraut introduced Katie Bruce as the new Chamber director and announced upcoming events in the community.

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce: Katie Bruce: Thank you to the Monument Clinic in Wall for becoming a Gold Sponsor for 2023! Job Fair will be March 16 from 2-3:30 at the Wall HS, any interested businesses can attend. Ads for the Community Guide need to be turned in by April 1st. Our annual Chamber meeting is set for April 19th at the Wall Community Center at 5:30pm.

City Of Wall: Mary Williams: Property tax appeal forms can be picked up in the city finance office and need to be turned in by 3/16 at 4pm. Carolynn will set up appointments starting the week of March 20th. She will contact you to set up your appointment. One of the main sources of income for the city is sales tax, as costs are increasing our revenue is not so a big thank you to the local businesses who are being creative in ways to generate more revenue and who are treating their employees well who in turn treat their customers well. Next city council meeting is March 16th at 6:30 pm.

Wall Economic Development: Dawn Hilgenkamp: They are continuing to raise funds for the ambulance service. They have created a friendly challenge asking local businesses to donate. So far \$5350 has been raised through a GoFundMe page set up for the ambulance service. The Aging in Place committee is discussing senior care options in Wall, they are working with Monument Health to put together information that can be distributed. The Black Hills Area Community Foundation is asking for 30 million dollars to combat the housing crisis. This would be split up between the Black Hills area communities and Wall might be eligible to receive some funds from it. The Industrial Park planning is on-going and there is interest from businesses wishing to go into it. An offer has been made for the director position and it will go to the city council for approval on 3/16.

National Grasslands Visitor Center/ USDA Forest Service: Alex Grant: A decision was made to move forward regarding the Pinnacles Recreation area and hopefully the work on it will start this spring. The public will still have a chance to object to the project at a later time. They are wanting to hire a Recreation Specialist and a Range Specialist. They will have a list of applicants soon. Grasslands areas are becoming more popular for hunters and campers so there is a need to hire more employees to manage the area. Visitor Center is still moving forward. The building is expected to be ready for employees and visitors soon. The stamp being released on May 19th in honor of Endangered Species' day will still happen in Wall.

Rodeo Booster Club: Dawn Hilgenkamp: Meeting is 3/15 at 5:30pm at West River Electric. The Gala has been rescheduled to April 6th and the rodeo team are making plans for a practice rodeo on May 6th.

Wall Ambulance District: Lynn Riggins: Thank you to everyone who is stepping up to help the ambulance service! The annual meeting will be 3/14 at the Wall Community Center and their monthly board meeting will be 3/21 at 6pm at the fire hall. They will be celebrating EMS week the week of March 20th.

Wasta VFD: Carrie Schell: Thank you to everyone who came out for their steak feed and helped raise funds for their department! They will be conducting hazmat training with the national guard in Wasta today.

Golden West: Jody Bielmaier: Reminder that tomorrow is the scholarship deadline. The application can be dropped off at the school or completed online. Tune into the Golden West channel, you can find it on social media and you will get lots of great updates.

West River Electric: Dawn Hilgenkamp: Applications for the Youth Tour to Washington DC are available on the WREA website; deadline to apply is April 3 for juniors and seniors. The Box Elder Chamber Mixer is March 28th. WRE will have a booth at the home show on March 24-26th and a booth at the Cammack show in Union Center on April 20-21st.

Scavengers Journey: Deanna Kammerer/Cindy Hauk: The Scavengers Journey will be held in Wall this summer, businesses, vendors and rummage sales can place an ad in the event booklet by contacting Deanna or Cindy Hauk. There will be 2000 publications distributed across the state from Wall to Plankinton. There were also 200 books sold online last year. You will be listed on their website for a year. TV and local newspapers will advertise for the Scavengers Journey. They will accept ads until the end of March. The map in the publication will showcase your business with a dot on the map and you can list any specials you have going on for the event. Ads can be taken out online. You will also receive a sign to put in front of your business for the event.

605 Day Committee: Bobbi Dartt: Instead of having Wall Crawl this year we will have 605 Day. The date will be 6/05/2023. If anyone would like to participate, please let the Chamber know. We will be distributing Bingo cards and these will advertise for local businesses involved. Once the person fills up their Bingo card by visiting the

businesses, they will receive a free t-shirt from the Chamber. T-shirts will also be available to purchase. Food, music and other events will be planned throughout the day. This is the first year we will do this and there is a planning meeting 3/17 at noon at the Chamber office.

Celebration Committee: Lex Heathershaw: There is a Celebration meeting at 6pm at the golf course 3/14.

The Chamber is holding a \$100 WALL BUCK\$ drawing at each Chamber Luncheon; all paid Chamber Members are entered into the drawing but must be present to win. The drawing is a rolling jack pot. Winner of the \$900 WALL BUCK\$ for the March Luncheon is Super 8; with no one from the business being present the jackpot will be given away at the annual meeting on April 19th.

With no other business Jody Bielmaier moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Bobbi Dartt. Motion carried.

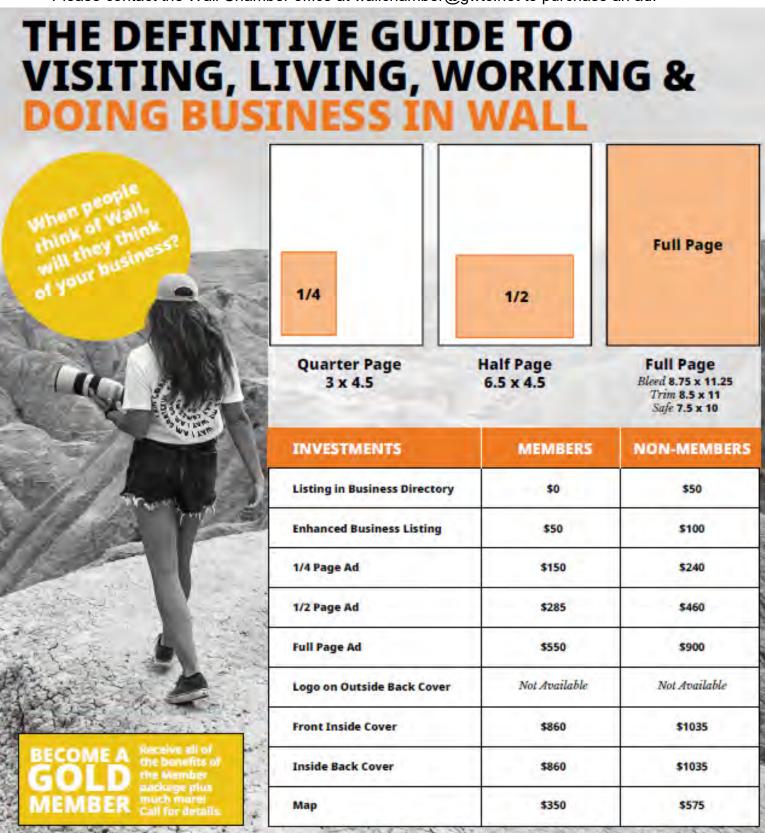


Wall Community Guide

The Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce is excited to announce the production of a Wall Community Guide, which will be published THIS spring! The publication is going to be the definitive guide to visiting, living, working, and doing business in the Wall community!

Advertising opportunities are now available!!! All Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce members will be given a FREE business listing in the guide directory as well as special pricing for additional ads. Gold Members will receive special advertising and highlights throughout the publication.

Please contact the Wall Chamber office at wallchamber@gwtc.net to purchase an ad.



WALL-BADLANDS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Gordy Kraut Vice Pres.: Bobbi Dartt Tres: Annie Tice-Poselev Amanda Kjerstad **Ashley Kier** Gina Kraut

Lindsy Reagle Lex Heathershaw Pam Johnson

There will be no April **Luncheon. Annual Meeting** April 19th at 5:30PM, Wall **Community Center.**

2023 Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Membership

3 Amigos Cantina 4th Ave. Floral & Gifts American Legion Post 246 Americas Best Value Inn Anderson Investments

Ann's Motel

Arneson Auction Services Ascend Ag, Inc. Badlands & Co. **Badlands Automotive** Badlands Cedar Pass Lodge

Badlands Harley-Davidson Badlands Helicopters Badlands Inn

Badlands Motel & Campground Badlands National Park Badlands National Park Conservancy **Badlands Natural History Association** Badlands Observatory

> **Badlands Ouilters** Badlands Saloon & Grille Badlands Trading Post Badlands White River KOA

Best Western Plains Motel

Bev Dartt Bill Bielmaier

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

Black Hills Parks & Forests

Borns Group Buffalo Gift Shop

Bunkhouse Campground

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

Crew Agency Cristina Nesseth

Crown Oil

Cutting Edge Salon

Dan Hauk

Dakota Mill & Grain Dakota Sky Stone Dawn Hilgenkamp Days Inn

De's Oil & Propane

East Pennington County Ambulance East Pennington Co. Conservation Dist. East Pennington County Transit

EconoLodge

EDWARD JONES/Hal Bailey EDWARD JONES/Tyler T. Trevillyan Evangelical Free Bible Church

Evergreen Office Solutions

Farm Bureau Financial Services

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Golden West Telecommunications

Harlan & Lori Walker Helen Crawford

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Karen Soderquist Team/ ReMax Results

Kari Welsh

Larry Eisenbraun

Linda Hiltner

M & M Sales

Mama Law Photography

Mary Williams

Minuteman Missile NHS

Monument Health Wall Clinic

Naja Shriners/ 4 Rivers Shrine Club

Nanna's Mercantile

Niki Mohr

Nohr Wortmann Engineering

Pat Hustead

Pennington County Commissioners Pennington County Courant

Peno Construction, LLC

Pioneer Auto Show & Prairie Town Prairie Homestead

Quinn VFW

Rick Hustead

Red Rock Restaurant & Lounge

Robert Sharp & Associates

Ron Dinger

Rush Funeral Home Sander Sanitation Service

Sarah Hustead

Shearer's Western Dakota Ranch Vac.

Singing Horse Trading Post Sleepy Hollow RV Park Stay Wall

St. Patrick's Catholic Church Sue's Avon

Sunshine Inn Super 8

SWIFTEC Inc.

Terry Mohr

The Little Outpost

Travelodge

Triangle B&B

Treat U Boutique

USDA Forest Service/Natl. Grasslands

Wall Auto Livery

Wall Auto Repair & Glass

Wall Booster Club Wall Building Center & Construction

Wall Community Library

Wall Dairy Queen

Wall Drug Store Wall Economic Development

Wall Food Center

Wall Golf Association

Wall Meat Processing

Wall Rodeo Booster Club

Wall School District #51-5

Wall United Methodist Church

Wasta VFD

Waste Connections

Welsh's Motel

West River Electric Association Western Dakota Tech

Wheelin' to Wall

Whispering Pines B&B Outfitters Wounded Knee Museum

2023 Memberships are past due!