

# Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce

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#### **Schedule of Events**

May 1 Wall City Council 6:30 PM, WCC

May 4 Community Clean-up 7 AM, Wall Drug

May 7
Literature Swap
2 PM, Rushmore Civic Center

May 11 Wall HS Practice Rodeo 3 PM, Wall Rodeo Arena

May 13 Chamber Luncheon 12 PM, Wall Golf Course

> May 13 Blood Drive 1:30 PM, WCC

May 16
Wall Crawl Meeting
7 AM, WCC

May 16 Wall City Council 6:30 PM, WCC

May 27 Wall City Offices Closed

May 27 Wall Memorial Day Service 10 AM, WCC

To list your event here, on the website, and on the radio please contact the Chamber office at 279-2665.

## Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce 2019 Annual Meeting & Banquet

The Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce hosted the 2019 Annual Meeting & Banquet on Tuesday, April 16. Approximately 115 Chamber members, South Dakota legislators, and Wall community members enjoyed the event and joined in celebrating the accomplishments of the Chamber and Chamber members over the past year.

Chamber Board President Jackie Kusser presented the 2019 President's Report and shared her observations on what a great community we all live in and touched on the importance of our local businesses and the people within our community. Jackie reported that in the upcoming year the Chamber will be working harder to encourage the traveling public to stay overnight at the campgrounds and motels in our area.

Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Kelsey Clark presented the Director's Report and 2018 Year in Review. In her report,



Kelsey revealed another year of membership growth for the Chamber and introduced the 2019 Board of Directors. Kelsey highlighted the hard work, long hours and accomplishments of the five Chamber committees over the past year and shared how the Chamber invests money into the community.



Wall Satellite Office Open: May 8 & 22

Hours: 9 AM -11:30 AM & 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM



The Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce celebrated the accomplishments of members by presenting a variety of awards. The Chamber's Business Appreciation Award was presented to Rush Funeral Home for their years of continued service and kindness. Cheryl Lester was recognized for her years of service to the Wall School District as the Kindergarten through 12th grade art teacher with the 2017-2018 Teacher of the Year Award. The Friend of the Chamber Award was given to Hayli Johnson for going above and beyond her job description to better serve the Wall Badlands community. Roland Traveny, although only 20 years of age, received the 2019 Golden Pineapple Award for his years of exceptional customer service with a smile and his willingness to always be of help to his customers at the Wall Food Center. Roland was nominated by many of his local customers. Chad Walker was named the 2019 Volunteer of the Year for donating so much of his time to the Wall Celebration Committee, Wall Golf Course, 4th grade girls basketball team, moving snow for others and much more. Darwin Haerer was the recipient of the 2019 Lifetime Achievement Award. Darwin was recognized for devoting years of service to the Wall area through business and serving various organizations in the community. The Chamber board of directors sincerely congratulates all award winners.

The Chamber was happy to welcome Dr. Helen Usera as the guest speaker for the event. Helen serves as a board member for the Rapid City Chamber of Commerce and discussed how to make the most of your Chamber membership and the importance of communication to better yourself and your business.

Musical entertainment was again provided by the Jim Szana Jazz Trio thanks to the support from the South Dakota Arts Council. South Dakota Arts Council support is provided with funds from the State of South Dakota, through the Department of Tourism, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

The Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce proudly serves each and every member and looks forward to the accomplishments completed in 2019.





















#### 2019 Quilt Weekend Getaway

Quilting lovers gathered at the Wall Community Center for the 2019 Quilt Weekend Getaway hosted by the Badlands Quilters. The event consisted of a variety of quilting classes, fabulous quilts to admire and delicious food.

The Badlands Quilters are happy to share there was a great turn out for the event. Approximately 80 people attended the Friday afternoon and evening activities. Attendees brought a variety of quilts to display to fellow attendees. On Saturday, approximately 55 quilters took classes or worked on their own projects. At the Saturday evening banquet, the Badlands Quilters served 75 people and most of them stayed for the Trunk Show by Monte & Peg Fralic, local quilters from Martin, SD. The quilt, which was raffled off, was won by Donna Miller, from Guernsey, WY, who has attended eight or nine of the Badlands Quilters Quilt Weekend Getaways.

# Community CLEAN-UP

SATURDAY, MAY 4

**7 AM** 

WALL DRUG STORE

# FREE BREAKFAST FOR ALL WHO HELP WITH CLEAN-UP! PROVIDED BY WALL DRUG STORE

WALL RESIDENTS ONLY CAN SET USED TIRES CURBSIDE BEFORE

10 AM AND PUBLIC WORKS WILL PICK THEM UP. (NO BUSINESSES)

LANDFILL OPEN 9 AM - 12 PM

Transfer Station Open 9 am - 12 pm





### **Grand Opening**

The Badland Outpost hosted a Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting on Monday, April 29. The Chamber would like to congratulate Ryan and Amanda Kjerstad on recently purchasing the Badland Outpost located on Main St. and welcome them as members to the Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce.

# Mailbox Project



You are invited to participate in the "Mailbox Project." The Wall Chamber of Commerce, Wall Economic Development and the City of Wall are working together to encourage our young people to first go out and see the world, attend school, join the military or gain other experience, then **return** to Wall to become lifelong residents.

The City of Wall has purchased mailboxes to decorate for each of the 18 graduating seniors. Their names and Wall, SD will be written on each of the mailboxes. Also, a letter will be written encouraging them to come back to Wall. Working from a business point of view,

they will be encouraged to come back and either start a business or be involved in our current Wall businesses.

You are welcomed to be a part of this project. Would you be interested in making a small gesture for our graduates? You can donate an item, write a letter, reach out to a specific senior that you would like to encourage to come into your business, or anything you would like to include.

The idea of the project is to encourage our young people not to forget that their ideas or dreams are never too small. They can get a great start right here in their hometown. Please join us in celebrating our young people!

Please bring all items for the mailboxes to the Wall Economic Development office by May 15. Please contact Lily at 279-2658 with any questions or concerns.





Do you have plastic eggs left over from Easter?

You can donate them <u>today</u> to be used for the Wall Community Easter Egg Hunt next year! Just drop them off at the Wall Chamber office!



#### WALL-BADLANDS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

#### 2019 Board of Directors:

Jackie Kusser—President Cindy Hauk—Vice President Bruce Dunker—Treasurer Anne Jo Spotted Bear **Dustin Curr** Janet Lurz Jason Leonard Kim Handcock **Terry Mohr** 

#### 2019 Luncheon Locations:

Jan-Red Rock Restaurant Feb-Red Rock Restaurant March-Red Rock Restaurant April-Annual Meeting May-Wall Golf Course June-Wall Golf Course July-Wall Golf Course Sept-Wall Community Center Oct-Badlands Saloon & Grille Nov-Badlands Saloon & Grille

The May Noon Luncheon will be held at the Wall Golf Course on Monday, May 13.

# 2019 Wall-Badlands Area Chamber of Commerce Membership

4th Ave. Floral & Gifts 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

**Bev Dartt** Bill Bielmaier

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

Black Hills Parks & Forests

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

Crown Oil

**Cutting Edge Salon** Dakota Mill & Grain Dakota Safaris Dakota Sky Stone 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 Bailey

EDWARD JONES/Tyler T. Trevillyan

Evangelical Free Bible Church

Farm Bureau Financial Services

First Interstate Bank First Lutheran Church

First Western Insurance Agency

**Frontier Cabins** 

**Gold Diggers** 

Golden West Telecommunications

Harlan & Lori Walker

Helen Crawford

Hillcrest Motel

Independent Mary Kay Director, Judy Harvey

Juanita Schroeder

Karen Soderquist Team/ ReMax Results

Larry Eisenbraun

M & M Sales Mary Williams

Minuteman Missile NHS

Pathfinder Employment Services

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

Rush Funeral Home

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

Triangle B&B

USDA Forest Service/Natl. Grasslands

Vintage Soule Salon & Boutique Wall Auto Livery

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 Plant Wall Motel

Wall Regional Medical Clinic Wall Rodeo Booster Club

Wall School District #51-5

Wall United Methodist Church

**Waste Connections** 

Welsh's Motel

Wheelin' to Wall

Wounded Knee Museum

\*WEST RIVER ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION