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<u>Deadwood</u> Events

Oktoberfest
October 4 & 5

Fire Prevention Week
October 6-12

Wild West Songwriters Festival

October 17-19

Deadweird October 25 & 26



Trunk or Treat

October 26

Halloween
October 31

Deadwood VFD Chili Feed



Big Whiskey Festival
November 9

Thanksgiving
November 28

Holiday Ho Ho Horseshoes
November 15- December 30

Pro Snocross Races

January 24–25

Event dates subject to change*

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November 1st Proclaimed Mike Rodman Day

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Mike Rodman has been a formidable fixture within the City of Deadwood for nearly 35 years,

WHEREAS, Mike Rodman's foresight in the gaming and tourism industry created a framework still being used in Deadwood today,

WHEREAS, Mike Rodman was one of the leaders in the creation of Business Improvement Districts throughout Deadwood to raise funds and bring businesses and community leaders together to market the community as a whole,

WHEREAS, Mike Rodman was at the forefront during the creation of 'special events' in Deadwood, understanding the importance of event driven marketing,

WHEREAS, Mike Rodman was one of the creators of 'Deadwood Alive', the group of reenactors that have entertained hundreds of thousands of men, women and children for nearly 30 years,

WHEREAS, Mike Rodman's influence on the City of Deadwood and the gaming industry will be felt for years to come.

WHEREAS. Mike Rodman's infectious laugh, dedication to the community and stubborn determination to do what's right for Deadwood will be forever ingrained in the fabric of our community and remembered for years to come.

NOW THEREFORE, I David Ruth Jr., Mayor of the City of Deadwood, by virtue of the authority vested in me by our community, hereby proclaim November 1, 2024, as MIKE RODMAN DAY and urge all citizens to join me in saluting Mike Rodman for his professionalism, service, and friendship to us all, and thank him for the positive impacts he has made within our community.

David Ruth Jr., Mayor

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 16th day of September, 2024



Deadwood Mayor David Ruth, Jr. has proclaimed Friday, November 1, 2024, as Mike Rodman Day, in recognition of Mike's dedication to Deadwood.

Thank you, Mike, for your staunch support and tireless efforts in forming Deadwood's future as one of South Dakota's favorite destination communities.

Sidewalks Decorated in Honor of Suicide Prevention Week

Sidewalks in Deadwood, Lead, Spearfish and Sturgis were chalked with kind words of encouragement to bring support, education, and prevention to the cause. The idea was brought forward by Black Hills VFW Auxiliary #5969. A huge THANK YOU to all who joined in on the effort, including Auxiliary members, LDHS students, City of Lead & City of Deadwood staff members, and area students from Teen Court.





October 2024

Monday, October 7 **City Commission Meeting**

5:00pm @ City Hall

Wednesday, October 9

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

4:00pm @ City Hall

Monday, October 14 Indigenous Peoples' Day **City Offices Closed**

Wednesday, October 16

Planning & Zoning **Commission Meeting** 4:00pm @ City Hall

Monday, October 21

City Commission Meeting

5:00pm @ City Hall

Wednesday, October 23

Historic Preservation

Commission Meeting 4:00pm @ City Hall

November 2024

Monday, November 4

City Commission Meeting

5:00pm @ City Hall

Wednesday, November 6

Planning & Zoning **Commission Meeting**

Monday, November 7

Deadwood Neighborhood Council Meeting

4:00pm @ City Hall

Monday, November 11

Veterans Day

City Offices Closed

City of Deadwood **Job Openings**

Patrol Officer and Lifeguards Visit https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/jobs for more details on each position.



Winter Hours Begin at DHI Venues

Beginning October 1, 2024, Deadwood History's Adams Museum, Days of '76 Museum, and Historic Adams House will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Winter hours will begin November through March with the Adams Museum and Days of '76 Museum open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. The Historic Adams House will be closed November through March, but open for Christmas Tours in November and December. The Brothel Deadwood will offer tours from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday, during the months of October and April. From November through March, tours will be available from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Thursday through Saturday. All properties will be closed during winter holidays, except for New Year's Eve, when The Brothel Deadwood will be open for public tours.

Admission to the Adams Museum is by donation; the Days of '76 Museum is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 6-12 and free to children 5 and under; the Historic Adams House is \$12 for adults, \$5 for children ages 6-12 and free to children 5 and under. Admission tickets can be purchased in advance at the museum gift shops, the Deadwood Visitor Centers, or online at www.DeadwoodHistory.org.

Admission to The Brothel Deadwood is \$15 per person. Suggested for individuals 16 years and older. Purchase tickets online at DeadwoodBrothel.com or call 605-722-4800 for more information. Tickets are also available at the museum gift shops and the Deadwood Visitor Centers.

The Homestake Adams Research and Cultural Center (HARCC) is open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and closed winter holidays.

Deadwood History, Inc. (DHI) members enjoy free admission to the Adams Museum, Days of '76 Museum, and the Historic Adams House. Your membership supports DHI in offering diverse museum programs that bring history to life for thousands of children and adults, both locally and around the world. Every contribution, whether through membership or donation, plays a vital role in our mission and is greatly appreciated. To learn more about becoming a member, please call 605-722-4800.

Deadwood Farmers Market Recognized

Mayor David R. Ruth, Jr. recognized Vicki Dar and Desirae Van Roekel during the recent City Commission meeting, for all of their hard work in organizing the 2024 Deadwood Farmers Market this past summer. The proclamation thanks the ladies

for their "exemplary service, leadership, and dedication to the Deadwood Farmers Market, and the greater Deadwood community."

The Farmers Market was held in Gordon Park each Friday evening throughout the summer and hosted an average of 40 vendors during each event. Vendors included handmade crafts, fresh produce, canned goods, and antique dealers. The market also included food vendors from chuckwagon dinners to fresh made tamales.

The City of Deadwood is appreciative of the continued efforts of both Vicki and Desirae and we look forward to the 2025 season beginning next June.



News From The Neighborhood—Stage Run

Stage Run is the newest and set to become the largest neighborhood in Deadwood. The entrance to the Stage Run Neighborhood is found by turning by the Lodge off HWY 85 and following Mt. Roosevelt Road 1.5 miles to Stage Run Road.

Originally, 120+ acres came up for sale in the mid 2000's and were owned by the Heinen family. Twenty of the 120 acres were within the Deadwood City limits. Through efforts of Deadwood resident and developer, Bill Pearson, the remaining 100 acres came to be annexed into the city, with plans to be developed to help fill the housing needs of Deadwood. The Stage Run name comes from the original development but includes the residents living in all phases of the development.

The Stage Run Block Club strives to meet every one to two months, with residents hosting the gatherings. They are a coffee/meeting format, with time to discuss any plans or business but also socialize. The underlying premise to meet in the neighborhood is the belief that it's always good to be acquainted with your neighbors and help build a sense of community. Plus, it was easier to walk down the street than to drive into town to get together!

Stage Run Block Club projects have included development of a bench area at the entrance of the neighborhood, a Spring Cleanup, neighborhood potlucks, October candy drive for the Deadwood Trunk or Treat, Holiday Coffee & food drive with proceeds going to the Lord's Pantry (food bank) in Lead, SD, closed group Facebook page, and utility box wraps. The residents here have also come together to bring a voice to issues faced in Deadwood & the growing neighborhood, taking to heart the phrase that "the block clubs are the eyes & ears of the neighborhood".

Please reach out to the current representative, Pat Dringman at stagerunrdblockclub@gmail.com, for meeting details or Deadwood Historic Preservation office at 605-578-2082 .

Deadwood History, Inc.

October 4-5, 11-12, 18-19: Paranormal Investigations of the Adams House — Join us for paranormal investigations with Deadwood History, Inc. and Black Hills Paranormal Investigations (BHPI) in October with exclusive investigations at one of Deadwood's most haunted sites. Participants will search for paranormal activity in the Historic Adams House with the BHPI team using parascopes, para-lanterns, the Tempest, Rem-Pod, Onvoy ghost box, Pharaoh Box, Flux 2, Ovilus, digital audio recorders, laser grids, divining rods, K2's, and EMF meters. Investigations are offered at 6:00, 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30 p.m. Tickets are \$35 and limited to 20 people per investigation. You must be at least 12 years old to participate. Ages 12–16 must be accompanied by an adult. Purchase tickets online at DeadwoodHistory.com or call 605-722-4800 for more information.

October 17: Preservation Thursday: *Mileposts on the Mickelson Trail* – Join Rick Mills, renowned author, photographer, and curator of the South Dakota State Railroad Museum, for an engaging presentation that takes you on a captivating journey along the historic Burlington Railroad's High Line, now known as the George S. Mickelson Trail. Focusing on the northern stretch from Hill City to Deadwood, Mills will share insights from his upcoming book *Mileposts on the Mickelson - The Burlington's High Line*. Homestake Adams Research and Cultural Center; 12:00 p.m.; free for members and \$5 for non-members.

Chamber & Outlaw Square

October 4 & 5—Oktoberfest: Join us in Deadwood as we celebrate Oktoberfest in the Wild West! Enjoy live German music at the PolkaFest, a poker run with prizes, free food, and dancing. **Friday, October 4:** Polka Music @ Outlaw Square ,12-4pm & 5-7pm; Poker Run starting at Historic Franklin Hotel @ 5pm

Saturday, October 5: Weiner Dog Races—Registration @ 11am & Races @ 1pm; Wine & Cheese Tasting on Main Street, 1-4pm; Polka Music @ Outlaw Square, 12-3pm & 4-6pm; Beer Barrel Games—Registration @ 2pm, Games starting @ 3pm

October 17-19—Wild West Songwriters' Festival: Dubbed one of the "best live music festivals for fans" and one of the "top ten songwriter's festivals you don't want to miss", the three-day event will feature FREE performances by songwriters that have produced or co-written hits for artists such as Keith Urban, Miranda Lambert, Dierks Bentley, Reba McEntire, Linda Ronstadt, Faith Hill, Kenny Chesney, Garth Brooks and many more.

October 25 & 26—Deadweird: Come celebrate Halloween in Deadwood. Deadweird is a little crazy, a little spooky, and a WHOLE lot of fun! Make plans for the 12th annual Monster Ball on Friday, Oct. 25, 2024 with a live band and dancing; and the annual Costume Contest with more than \$10,000 in cash and prizes for the best costumes on Saturday, Oct. 26, 2024. Both of these events are FREE, so come in costume or just come to watch – it is quite the sight!

City Office & Museum Hours of Operation

<u>Deadwood City Hall</u> 8 AM- 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

Deadwood Public Library

10 AM - 6 PM (Mon - Thu) 10 AM - 5 PM (Fri) 12 PM - 4 PM (Sat)

Deadwood Public Works Office

7 AM - 3:30 PM (Mon - Fri)

<u>Lead-Deadwood Landfill</u> 8 AM - 4 PM (Mon - Sat)

Lead-Deadwood Sanitary District

7 AM - 3 PM (Mon - Fri)

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Deadwood Recreational Center

5 AM - 7 PM (Mon - Fri) 7 AM - 5 PM (Sat) (Closed Sundays)

Adams Museum*

10 am - 4pm (Tues -Sat) Suggested donation: Adults \$5, Children 6-12 \$3, Children 5 and under free

The Brothel - Deadwood*

Guided Tours from

11 AM - 5 PM Daily (Wed - Sat)
Last guided tour at 5 PM
\$15 per person
(Must be at least 16 years old)

Historic Adams House*

10 am - 4pm (Tues -Sat) Admission: Adults \$12, Children 6-12 \$5 Ages 5 and under free

Days of '76 Museum *

10 am - 4pm (Tues -Sat) Admission: Adults \$10, Children 6-12 \$5 Children 5 and under free

Homestake Adams Research & Cultural Center (HARCC)

10 AM - 4 PM (Mon - Fri)

History & Information Center (Depot)

8 AM - 5 PM Daily

Welcome Center

8 AM - 5 PM Daily

Deadwood Fire Department

8 AM- 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

Deadwood Police Department

8 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

Lawrence County Courthouse

8 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

Deadwood Chamber of Commerce

8 AM - 5 PM (Mon - Fri)

*Group tours available with advanced reservations. 605-722-4800



October is American Archives Month! On Monday, October 7, 2024, Deadwood Mayor David R. Ruth Jr. will proclaim October as American Archives month in Deadwood, South Dakota! The month is a time to educate the public about the importance of local, state, and national documents and records, and the work of archivists. If you are interested in visiting the City Archives, call (605) 578-2082 or stop in at City Hall during regular business hours. Visitors are always welcome.

TROLLEY SCHEDULE - Winter 2024-25

DAYS	NUMBER OF TROLLEYS	TIME RUNNING
Sunday through Thursday	1st Trolley	10:00 am to 10:00 pm
Friday & Saturday	1st Trolley	8:00 am to 2:00 am

THERE IS NO 24-HOUR TROLLEY SERVICE

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Deadwood City Hall (605) 578-2600 Deadwood Planning & Preservation Office (605) 578-2082

Deadwood Public Library (605) 578-2821

Deadwood Public Works Office (605) 578-3082

Deadwood Recreational Center (605) 578-3729

Deadwood Fire Department *Non-emergency* (605) 578-1212

Deadwood Police Department Non-emergency (605) 578-2623

Lawrence County Dispatch (605) 578-2230

Lead/Deadwood Regional Hospital (605) 717-6000

<u>Deadwood City Commission</u> meets the first and third Monday at 5:00 p.m.

<u>Planning & Zoning Commission</u> meets the first and third Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.

Historic Preservation Commission meets the second and fourth Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.



MAIN STREET INITIATIVE

Meets as follows:

Main Street Initiative - 3rd Wednesday - Noon - Welcome Center - Ken Gienger (605) 639-3004

The Committees meet as follows:

Promotions Committee - 1st Tuesday - 1:00 p.m. - Desirae Van Roekel (605) 222-1354

Design Committee - 2nd Tuesday - 3:30 p.m. - Kevin Kuchenbecker (605) 578-2082

Economic Restructuring Committee - Tuesday Before MSI Meeting - 9:00 a.m. - Emma Garvin (319) 540-0083

Organization Committee - 3rd Wednesday - 12:00 p.m. - Ken Gienger (605) 639-3004

Recreation Committee - 1st Wednesday - 3:00 p.m. - Kevin Wagner (605) 645-8789

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC