

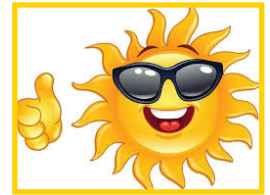
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# HOW TIME FLIES...

## Monthly News & Events

HIGH PLAINS WESTERN HERITAGE CENTER SPEARFISH, SD



### Reserve Your Tickets Now for Dave Stamey and Our Annual Fundraiser

Fundraiser set for Sunday Sept. 24th 2:00PM

Award-winning cowboy entertainer Dave Stamey will be making a return visit to Spearfish on the stage at the Bruce Miller Theater here at the Center. He will headline our annual fundraiser on September 24th. The last time Stamey appeared on our stage it was a sold-out house and we expect it to be so once again.

Tickets are selling briskly and it is recommended that you make reservations soon for the September event. Tickets are \$50 with proceeds going toward the HPWHC operations. Tickets will be available in person at the HPWHC or by phone so please call at 605-642-9378.

### Want to Learn the History of the Black Hills?

If you are relatively new to the area (or a longtime resident) here is a perfect opportunity to take a deep dive into the history of the this very unique part of America in which we live, the Black Hills.

Enroll today for the six-week course, *Ghost Towns of the Black Hills*, taught by Bill Swanson and discover the history of the Hills. The class will begin on Saturday, August 26th and run through October 7th. Tuition is \$100 which includes the book and all historical

handouts.

You will learn the huge impact of the discovery of gold and the communities that thrived and (most) died. Learn about Deadwood, Crook City, Galena and Carbonate, a silver camp that once boasted thousands of residents above the rim of Spearfish Canyon.

This class hasn't been offered in the Spearfish area for several years and it may be a while before it is offered again, so call us to enroll today!

High Plains Western Heritage Center

## Annual Fundraiser

FEATURING DAVE STAMEY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24  
2:00 P.M.

**\$50 PER TICKET**  
includes dessert bar by  
Cheyenne Crossing.  
Reservations Required.



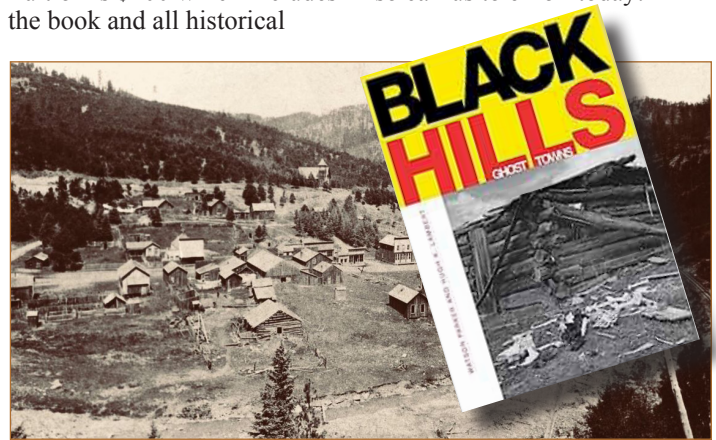
Dave Stamey has made it his life's work to celebrate the rural American west. In the past 2 decades he has recorded 11 albums of original music, travelled literally hundreds of thousands of miles and performed thousands of shows doing just that. He lives in the farthest north-eastern corner of Tulare, Calif., and the foothills of the Sierra Nevada Mountains begin just outside his back door.

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### Chet Murray Benefit Concert Raises \$5,000!

Many thanks to all the patrons and performers who turned out to help raise money to help Chet Murray with his medical expenses. We had a huge crowd in the Bruce Miller Theater and a total of \$5,148

was raised from the more than 180 guests in attendance.

Chet wishes to express his sincere gratitude for your generosity, thoughtfulness and prayers as he continues his recovery.



Our theater became a dance floor as the Wilt Brothers capped off a wonderful day of entertainment at the Chet Murray fundraiser.

### Thank You to Author Paul Horsted



In July author Paul Horsted dropped by and donated a box of *Exploring with Custer* books which he co-authored with Ernest Graff. We will offer them for sale at half-off the cover price as a fundraiser for HPWHC.

We will have Paul back in December ahead of the release of their latest book.

Thank you Paul for generous donation and for the work you do preserving our history!

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## AUGUST

Saturdays 9-12pm Aug 26 Sept. 9 Sept. 16  
Sept. 23 Sept 30 Oct. 7

“Black Hills Ghost Towns and Gold Mines”  
This six-week class (with a field trip) taught by  
historian Bill Swanson returns to the  
HPWHC. Tuition is \$100 which includes the  
text book and all historical handouts.  
Reserve your place by calling us at  
(605) 642-9378 or by emailing Karla at  
karla@westernheritagecenter.com



## SEPTEMBER

### Cowboy Supper Show

Tuesdays Sept 12, 19, 26 5:30pm  
\$35 Adult / 6-17 \$17.50 / 5-Under free  
Featuring live animal petting zoo by  
Shiloh Horse Rescue.

Includes chuckwagon buffet dinner by  
Cheyenne Crossing and Western music show.



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entertainer Dave Stamey.  
Emcee- Jim Thompson  
Tickets: \$50 Call (605) 642-9378

## NOVEMBER

Sunday Nov. 12 2:00PM  
“High Plains Live” honors our Veterans  
Join us for the return of the  
“Shrine of Democracy Chorus”  
A patriotic barbershop style concert sponsored  
by First Interstate Bank. Proceeds benefit the

For additional event  
information visit  
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## HPWHC Hosts Veterans

It was a honor for us to host a reunion of  
Vietnam Veterans in July. We would like to  
thank the Spearfish Legion Auxiliary for  
bringing a very special warm welcome for  
the group including homemade goodies!



## Gary Mule Deer Induction



Gary Mule Deer will be inducted into  
the South Dakota Hall of Fame during  
ceremonies September 8-9. Congratulations  
Gary!

In addition, his documentary, *Show Business is My Life, But I Can't Prove It*, made  
its debut on most national streaming plat-  
forms on August 1st. We'll be showing it  
at HPWHC at a later date.

## Special Guests



We were honored to host Harry Blair's  
granddaughters who dropped by for a visit  
in July. Harry was one of our HPWHC  
founding fathers. Thank you for stopping!

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