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HOW TIME FLIES...

Monthly News & Events

HIGH PLAINS WESTERN HERITAGE CENTER SPEARFISH, SD



Setting the Stage

From Exec.
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Hard to believe that we will be welcoming autumn this month. My goodness how time flies, as we like to say around here!

In tourism, fall and spring are known as “shoulder” seasons as they follow each side of the summer tourism highway. Our fall will look more like a highway than a shoulder as we plan to welcome dozens of buses and tour groups this month. It will be busy and I am so grateful for our tremendous volunteers who I’d like to thank in advance for helping us meet, greet, and guide our hundreds of expected visitors.

This month will also be an important time for us as we plan, prepare, and host our annual fundraiser. It is hard to over-state the importance of this event and what it means to our operating budget. It has been a blessing to know that ticket sales have been fantastic and at this time we are expecting a sellout. If you haven’t called to reserve a ticket, please do so soon.

Our program will feature the award-winning Dave Stamey. In the 15-years since he’s last been here he’s been awarded Western Entertainer of the Year seven times! He’s been called “the Charlie Russell of Western Music” and he’s deserving of that recognition. And, we are so pleased to add Paul Larson as our opening act. We’ll have desserts from Cheyenne Crossing to top off the evening. Thank you to our sponsors *and* for your support!



Tickets Selling Fast for Annual Fundraiser with Dave Stamey

Paul Larson joins program as opening act - radio host Jim Thompson will serve as emcee.

Our HPWHC Annual Fundraiser September 24, just keeps getting better! Not only do we have award-winning western musician Dave Stamey returning to our stage, but we’ve added South Dakota’s cowboy “Crooner-in-chief” Paul Larson as the opening act.

The response to the event has been amazing. Tickets are selling quickly and at this point we do expect a sellout prior to our September 24th show. Be sure to monitor our website and Facebook page for any news regarding ticket sales and further updates on the event.

Sponsors for the evening include Spearfish Holiday Inn, Mick B. Harrison Paintings, Nelson Chiropractic, Spearfish Motors and Spearfish Forest Products. We are so appreciative for their support since they make it possible for us to cover the overhead of the event. This allows ticket sales to go directly to our annual operating budget. Tickets are \$50 each and will be available in person at the HPWHC or by phone so please stop by or call at 605-642-9378. All seats are

reserved.

It is also an honor to have Jim Thompson returning to the Bruce Miller Theater stage as emcee for our event. Jim is well known for his decades on radio and as host of *Live with Jim Thompson* and as the author of *The Good Stuff* daily radio vignette and weekly

newspaper column.

To add to the afternoon, we have Cheyenne Crossing catering a sweet and savory dessert bar that will feature delectable chocolates, sweets and their world famous carrot cake.

The event begins at 2pm on Sunday, September 24.

High Plains Western Heritage Center Annual Fundraiser

FEATURING DAVE STAMEY
with opening act Cowboy Musician Paul Larson

**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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Donations Coming in for Caterers' Kitchen

Donations have started coming in for our new caterers' kitchen. This will be a much needed addition to our facility as it will provide a organizational space for caterers to come in and more efficiently serve the growing number of events that we are hosting.

Each year we have seen a growing number of community groups, family receptions and even statewide organizations who have asked to rent our theater and gathering spaces for their conferences and

meetings. This is added to our own schedule of events which include our Cowboy Supper Shows, numerous bus tour groups, High Plains *Live*, and Christmas at the High Plains holiday events.

Currently the HPWHC is awaiting proposals in order to present finalized costs and an official fund raising target.

If you are interested in contributing to our much-needed new caterer's kitchen, we would love to hear from you. Thank you!

Gary Mule Deer Day



The city of Spearfish proclaimed Gary Mule Deer day on September 5th. We are so proud of Gary, who's father was one of our founders. Gary will be inducted into the South Dakota Hall of Fame Sept. 9.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

Saturdays 9am - Noon

Sept. 9th 16th 23rd 30th & Oct. 7

“Black Hills Ghost Towns and Gold Mines”

You can still sign up and be pro-rated into the class which began in late August. But do so soon! This amazing history class (with a field trip) is taught by historians Bill Swanson and Marty Kraus. Tuition is \$100 including the text book and handouts and will be pro-rated for late sign-ups. Call us (605) 642-9378 for details.



Cowboy Supper Show

Tuesdays Sept 12, 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 a Western music show by the Potters.



Sunday Sept. 24 2:00PM

HPWHC Annual Fundraiser

Featuring award-winning western entertainer Dave Stamey.

Opening act Paul Larson

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

“Shrine of Democracy Chorus”

Sponsored by First Interstate Bank. Proceeds benefit the Spearfish Veterans Monument.

For additional event information visit www.WesternHeritageCenter.com

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Dawson is Awesome!



Dawson Doyen (left) was our summer intern at HPWHC. A senior history studies major at BHSU, he spent time with our volunteer & author Dr. Bill Bosch working together on accessions. We want to thank the Spearfish Economic Development Corporation for the matching grant through BHSU to make this paid summer internship possible and to Dr. Bosch for his time mentoring Dawson.

Gift Shop Offerings Expand



For great gift ideas, visit our bookstore, as we have a few additions. As seen above we now have works from Kathy Sigle Art. Kathy's art features beautiful western subjects. We also have decorative horse shoes from Shiloh Horse Rescue (inset). Also check out our new book titles, caps, t-shirts and jewelry from Trish Waldron Designs.

Schoolhouse Fall Cleaning



Thank you to the BHSU students who made it their freshman service project to clean our historic early 1900's Crow Creek one-room schoolhouse on Saturday, Aug. 19th. The school looks better than it has in decades!

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