



2025 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

October 1-3, 2025 (as of 7-31-25)

Historic 1876 Deadwood, South Dakota

A National Historic Landmark City

Venue: Muley Lodge, 20829 Mattson Lane, Deadwood, SD

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1ST

1pm - Insider Tour: CLOVERLEAF MINE SURFACE TOUR @ Roubaix Lake

(must register-bus transportation provided with guide from *History Below the Pines* -walking required)

4pm - Insider Tour: Historic Deadwood -GREEN DOOR BROTHEL

(above Sick Boy's Garage)

5:30pm - Welcome Mixer with light hors d'oeuvres, wine and beverages **for members only** at Muley Lodge with:

RANDY BENDER, historic re-enactor

"Stories & Songs from Old Fort Meade"

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2ND

(Note: all presentations are in the in the Barn unless noted)

7:30am **Welcome Table and NETWORK CAFÉ open** with complimentary coffee bar, variety pastry and more

8am **Welcome and Board Introductions,**
Tim Velder, *President, Board of Directors*

Sponsor thank you, Julie Stoll, *Vice President*

Conference Notes, Laura Hovey Neubert, *Executive Director*

8:30am **JACQUELINE WYATT**, *The Vore Site-Communal Bison Hunting During A Time of Transition*

9am **CATHY DRUCKERY**, *Saving and Restoring the CCC Camp #1789- Pactola Barracks in Silver City*

9:30am **LEVI KESSLER**, *History Below the Pines presents Black Hills Forgotten History*

10am **BRAD TENNANT**, *West of the 100th Meridian*

10:30am **JUSTIN HORN**, *Bear Butte or Bust: Lieutenant G.K. Warren's Three Western Expeditions*

11am **TIM VELDER**, *Running Antelope-The Chief of the \$5 Bill*

11:30am **DAVID WOLFF**, *Monopoly and Competition: Railroads Arrive in the Black Hills, 1885-1893*

12pm **NETWORK CAFÉ-BUFFET LUNCH**

12:30pm **KEYNOTE SPEAKER, TBA**

1pm **JOHN NELSON**, *Brand Investigator Jack Nelson: Livestock Detective*

1:30pm **PAUL HIGBEE**, *Fayette Cook: Pioneer Educator and Fruit Farmer*

2pm **DILLON HAUG**, *Undefeated in 1935: Black Hills State University Yellow Jackets football team*

2:30pm **JIM MCKEOWN**, *The Kids Were Great: the 1954 Deadwood Basketball Team*



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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2ND continued

- 3pm** **DAWN NEWLAND**, *Who Was That Man: KID CURRY?*
- 3:30pm** **DAVID SUPER**, *Bitten, kicked and stomped-Deadwood's first college-trained veterinarian*
- 4pm** **CHRIS HILLS**, *Thomas H. Mallory: the Forgotten Father of Deadwood*
- 4:30pm** **SAM HERLEY**, *Deadwood Dick, Devils Nest, and the Doc Middleton-James Gang Connection –Wild West of the 1870's*
- 5:45pm** **BRUCE ROSELAND**, *title: TBA, Lodge*
- 6pm** **POETRY SLAM Open Mic** with *South Dakota State Poet Laureate, BRUCE ROSELAND* and *JOHN NELSON*, South Dakota State Poetry Society Editor.
Music by: **NEMO YACHT CLUB** **ALL POETS AND PUBLIC WELCOME!**
(Mixer-style with comp hors d'oeuvres and beverages) - **Lodge**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3rd

- 8am** **Welcome Table and NETWORK CAFÉ** open with complimentary coffee bar & pastry
- 8:30am** **CINDY MOSTELLER**, *TBA-Lodge*
- 9am** **NICOLE SHIFFRAR**, *TBA-Lodge*
- 9am** **JOHN HENRIS**, *Counting Cones and Catching Squirrels: Reforesting the Northern Black Hills, 1905-1923, Barn*
- 9:30am** **JEANIE KIRKPATRICK**, *Vi Cowden-from a Soddie to the Blue Skies, Just One Woman Doing her Job - Lodge*
- 9:30am** **ROBERT KOLBE**, *TBA– Barn*
- 10am** **HAROLD O'DONNELL**, *The Prairie Pantry: an examination of the multitudes of natural foods available on the northern plains-Lodge*
- 10am** **MARY CHANTRY NELSON**, *Rex Alan Smith and the story of Mount Rushmore National Memorial, Barn*
- 10:30am** **PAUL HORSTED**, *South Dakota Yesterday & Today, Barn*
- 11am** **"Why the Black Hills Are Not for Sale!"** **MARIO GONZALEZ**, Presenter and Guest Panel: **MARNIE COOK**, **BRUCE ELLISON**, and **DONOVIN SPRAGUE**
moderator: **TALLI NAUMAN**, Barn
- 12pm** **NETWORK CAFÉ-BUFFET LUNCH**
- 1pm** Keynote: **KAREN HOLZER**, *America's 250th: South Dakota's Story* and **LAURA HOVEY NEUBERT**, *Conference Close-Up: 1993-2026*
- 2PM** **AWARDS and HONORS: TIM VELDER**, President
West River Notables - **KAREN HOLZER** and **KRISTYN WARD**
KIDS WRITE HISTORY! Announcement, **BILL O'DONNELL**
2024 Prizes: Amateur/Professional
Best papers-**LORI TERRILL** Leland D. Case Library for Western Studies
Bobbi Sago Conservation Merit Award
Helping Hand Award