

HISTORIC BLACK HILLS STUDIOS

HOME OF THE FASSBENDER PHOTOGRAPHIC COLLECTION

Recently Digitized

Negatives depicting the Adams Co., Pioneer Fruit Co., General Public Utilities and service station in Deadwood ca. 1941.



Photography Quote:

"One very important difference between color and monochromatic photography is this: in black and white you suggest; in color you state. Much can be implied by suggestion, but statement demands certainty... absolute certainty."

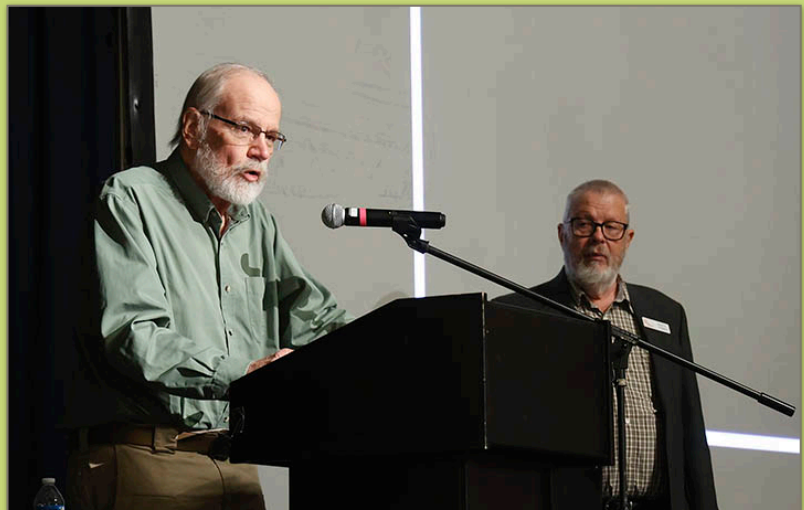
Paul Outerbridge



Conferences converge on Northern Hills

The West River History Conference and Association of South Dakota Museums held their conferences in Lead and Spearfish respectively in early October. Tours of local museums and historic properties were on the agenda for both conferences. Presenters covered topics ranging from Lead's mining heritage to preservation and handling of Native American artifacts.

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Above: David Wolff speaks to the attendees at the West River History Conference after receiving the Herb Blakely award. The award is named for the founder of the conference and is awarded for "outstanding contributions to local and regional history." In the background is Paul Higbee, President of the board of directors for the West River History Conference. **Below:** ASDM conference at the High Plains Western Heritage Center in Spearfish.



New to the Board



Elise Fowlkes is the newest appointee to the board of directors for the Fassbender Photographic Collection.

Fowlkes first moved to Spearfish in 1999 to attend Black Hills State University. She has experience working with preschool to high school age learners, and has been a Visual Arts instructor at Spearfish High School since 2013. She thoroughly enjoys creating artwork with students in her photography (digital and darkroom), ceramics/pottery, and graphic arts classes. "I love helping them view the world with different eyes, develop their critical thinking skills, learn to observe detail, and notice beauty in their daily lives." Elise and her husband, Collin, are both artists and enjoy living and working in a community that values the arts and the outdoors.

Photography Community

- Black Hills Focus Group**
(historicblackhillsstudios.org/BHFG)
- Black Hills Photography Club**
(blackhillspartnershipclub.com)
- Black Hills Photo Shootout** and related photography events
(blackhillspartnershipclub.com)
- Historic Black Hills Studios** on Facebook.
- Black Hills State University** -
<https://www.bhsu.edu/academics/arts-humanities/Photography/>

Deadwood History Welcomes Jim Williams

The Deadwood History, Inc. (DHI) board and staff are pleased to welcome Dr. Jim Williams as the new executive director. Jim joined the organization on September 5, 2023.

Jim was Senior Vice President/Vice President at Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas, from 2004 – 2022. With roots in western and eastern South Dakota, Jim and his wife, Helen, are excited to move to Deadwood. His extensive background in fundraising, budgeting, relationship management, team development, program development, marketing, and strategic planning will help lead and inspire the DHI team into the future.

Jim is looking forward to the opportunity to carry on DHI's success with the same passion established by his predecessor, Carolyn Weber, and continue to build on the great work she accomplished. He is excited to work in Deadwood and be involved in the community.

He and Helen have two grown daughters, Emma and Betsey, and a Norwegian Forest cat named Duchess. They are winter activity enthusiasts who look forward to snowshoeing, hiking, and ice fishing in the Black Hills.



Jim Williams

Conferences (cont. from page 1)

The West River History Conference also received an award from ASDM for the "Kids Write History" program. Fourth grade students from west river schools submitted essays that were reviewed and awards were given at the conference. The award was for the "Community Collaboration" category.