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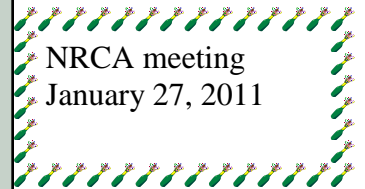
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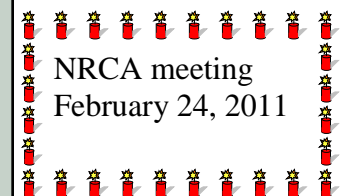
**Thursday December 16, 2010 7:00 PM
General Beadle School Training Room**

CHRISTMAS PARTY!!!!!!!

Are you current with your dues? Check the 2 digit number after your name, it indicates the year your membership dues are due. If it says 10 Your dues need to be paid!



NRCA meeting
January 27, 2011



NRCA meeting
February 24, 2011

From Our President

Great big THANK - YOU !!!!!!!!!!! to Ben Snow and Mayor Alan Hanks. Our City is in good hands for getting new businesses to come. And Horace Mann Pool is in for a FABU- LOUS !!!!!!!!!!! make-over. I will try to go to as many of the 2012 meetings as I can. Those of you who are interested, the next meeting is December 13th at 5:30 at City Hall. Please join me if you can and let the City know what we as a neighborhood want at Horace Mann. We had a representative from Habitat for Humanity at our last meeting and he is going to try to visit more of our meetings to let us

know what they are doing in our neighborhood. We voted to give cash to 3 different organizations to sponsor meals for the needy in our neighborhood for Thanksgiving and for Christmas, too. We will not have a meeting this month so we can have our Christmas Party. Please bring a goodie to share and a can of food for Care and Share. We had Mark Kirkeby report on what the State is doing. No one from the County. Ron Kroeger from the City Council. Jim Hansen from the Police. Andy from the

Code Enforcement. No one from the School Board. THANKS to each and everyone who takes the time out of their busy schedules to join us. Our Calendar: January 27 = City Engineers (Anamosa Street). February 24 = Election of Officers. If you want the NRCA to continue as we are, we need you to step up and take the leadership of our GREAT organization. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year !!!!!!!!!!!

Your President;
Alice McCoy

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From the Vice President's Desk

HO! HO! HO! Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!

Ben Snow, Rapid City's President of Economic Development, was our guest speaker. He presented us with many facts and figures concerning the economy here in Rapid City. It was very enlightening, for more information visit www.rapiddevelopment.com. I think you will find this website very informative.

Rapid City's Mayor Alan Hanks was also in attendance to speak with us concerning the replacement of the Horace Mann swimming pool. The pool is definitely "on the schedule" for replacement and only a few specifics remain to be answered. If you have questions or concerns I encourage you to contact your councilpersons.

Our next meeting will be a Christmas Party. It will be a short meeting filled with much fellowship. Bring your goodies and prepare to have a good time.

If you have articles or notes that you think would help the NRCA in its mission please send them to NRCANEWS@rushmore.com and we will try to get them into the newsletter.


Be sure to attend our regular meeting on Thursday December 16 2010 at 7PM at the General Beadle School Training Room. Visit our web site at www.nrcainc.com for even more information.

Respectfully Submitted

Edward Trigg, NRCA VP

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Treasurer's Report

December 2010 Treasurer's Report

Good day NRCA Members!! As an organization, Year 2010 has been positive. We are very fortunate, due to members (like you). Thanks for being there.

Regarding our finances: Our check book balances to the penny. Expenses for this month include:

- Western Mailers (they mail this newsletter) and supplies for the Christmas party this month (16th).
- In addition to (the latest) donation to the Rushmore City Wide Halloween (\$500 - approved at the September meeting), our most recent donations for this holiday season (approved at the November meeting) include the Cornerstone Mission (\$50), Meals on Wheels (\$50) and the Salvation Army (\$50).
- We also invested funds (\$75) in the Halloween exhibit booth in October. The booth is utilized (annually) at the City Wide Halloween event. Our fellow member - Jim Albers - took it upon himself to repair and replace various components related to the display. Please help me thank him, when you have a chance. As it goes in life, he wasn't 'forced' to do so. He shared his expertise and passion because he truly cares and (possibly) thought it was the 'right' thing to do. I hope he also enjoyed the project. Again, thank you, Jim.

Deposits this month will include membership dues. 2011 memberships are due in January. Our VP, Ed Trigg, does an excellent job in updating the membership status. You will notice a number after your name on your newsletter label; namely an '11' - if you have paid 2010 dues (2011 are due in January). Many of you have paid for a multiple years; thus, the label would reflect a '12' or '13' accordingly. We have received numerous renewals for current and new members (THANK YOU).

Membership dues:

NRCA Membership:- \$15.00 per household membership; - \$36.00 per business membership* (***includes a business card size ad in every monthly newsletter... an advertising bargain!!**)

Please let me know if there are any individuals or businesses that may benefit from membership to NRCA. If they have access to a computer, you might direct them to our active website (nrcainc.com), which includes colorful present (and past) newsletters.

Last month at our November meeting, we had the opportunity to hear from the new Executive Director for Rapid City Economic Development, Ben Snow. He gave us his overview of upcoming projects in the Rapid City area. Based on his comments, our city is alive and well, regarding improvements and changes within our city. It appears we have 'weathered the economic storm'. A plus (or minus) is the fact we will never 'arrive' ... more economic changes to come, I predict. Our Mayor Hanks also gave an excellent overview of the ongoing plans for the Horace Mann Pool. This issue includes many financial concerns, along with consideration of the public needs / wants of this (valuable) recreational area.

I hope to see you at this month's holiday party on Thursday, December 16th (3rd Thursday this month) at General Beadle. It will be a great time to social with your neighbors, friends and possibly someone you have yet to meet.

Enjoy the holiday excitement ... **Merry Christmas!!!**

Respectfully,


Patricia Pummel, Treasurer
390 7899





Secretary's Report

Sorry,
No report
this
month.




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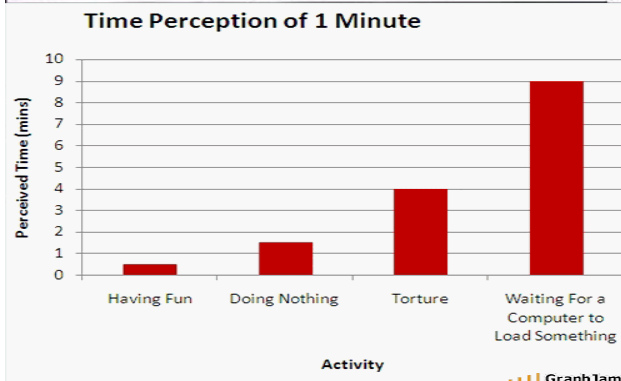
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Neighborhood Watch & City Listings

Here is a list of neighborhood watch groups in our reading area. We encourage you to attend and become active in the community. Get to know your neighbors and their concerns.

You may find you have a lot in common and working together you can make a difference in the appearance of your neighborhood, and cut down on such things as graffiti, break-ins and vandalism.

Roosevelt Park Neighborhood Watch

c/o Bob Case 209-6261
2nd Monday / 7:00pm
Hope Christian Reformed Church
202 East Philadelphia Street

Milwaukee Neighborhood Watch

c/o Lee Dennison 721 7585
c/o Richard Cooper 341 0051
4th Thursday (bi monthly)
Knollwood Height Methodist Church

320 East College Avenue

Mahoney Addition Neighborhood Watch

Jim McCoy 716-6814

Pennington Co. Commissioners:

Nancy Trautman, Vice Chairman,
District 2 phone 348-8230
Ron Buskerud District 5
phone 721-1168

CITY LISTINGS

All departments may be reached direct by dialing the listed number.

If not known, call 394-2511

ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, 300 Sixth Street 394-4140

Hours of Operation 7:30 am-4:00 pm (M-F)

Jason Green, City Attorney

Fax.....394-6633

Parking Meter Enforcement/Parking Tickets 394-6098

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, 300 Sixth Street 394-4110

Ward One

Ron Weifenback.....209-2418

Gary Brown..... 721-7875

Ward Two

Sam Kooiker 721-6282

Deb Hadcock 209-1320

Ward Three

Dave Davis..... 348-2290

Bill Waugh 209-3362

Ward Four

Jordan Mason 430-1654

Ron Kroeger 348-6195

Ward Five

Bonny Petersen342-6245

Aaron Costello 721-9498

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800 Ticket Sales 1-800-GOT-MINE

Fax 394-4119

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Code Enforcement (Bus Depot) 355-3465

Hours of Operation 7:30 am-4:00 pm (M-F)

Fax 355-3520

Community Development, 333 Sixth Street.....394-4181

Hours of Operation 7:30 am-4:00 pm (M-F)

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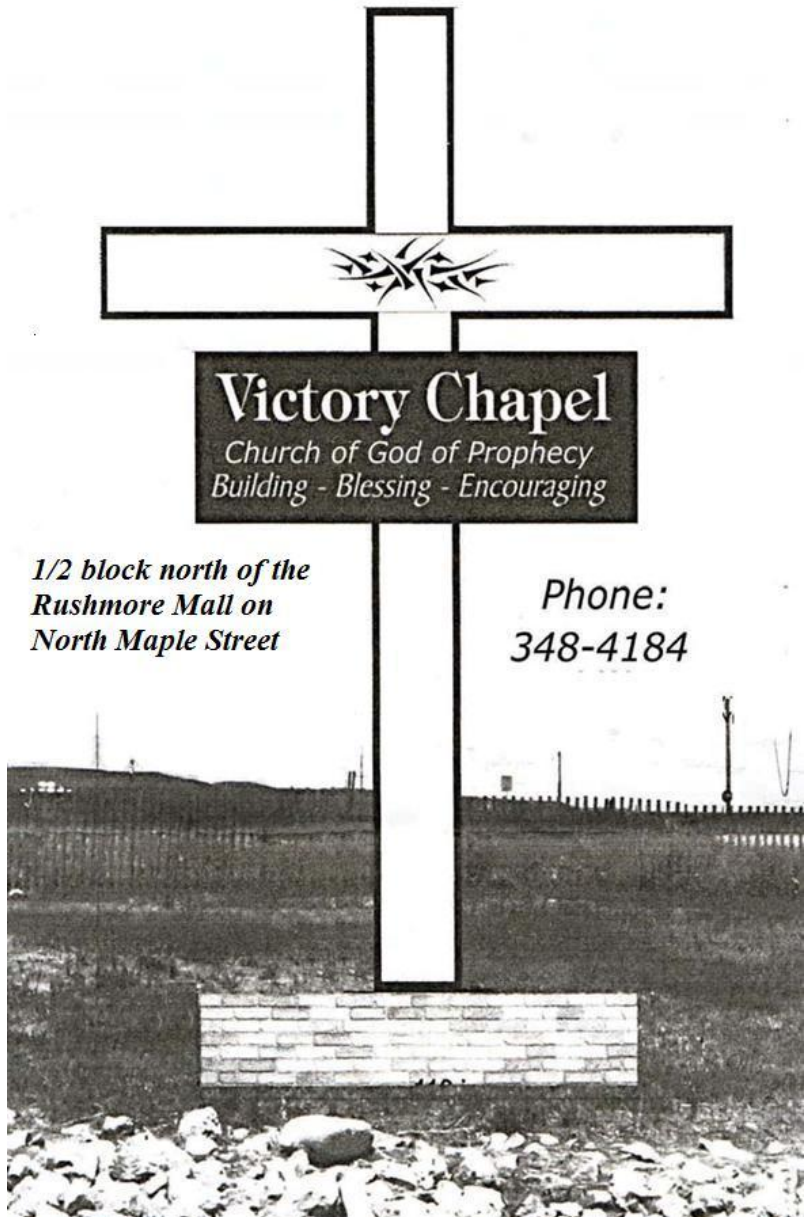


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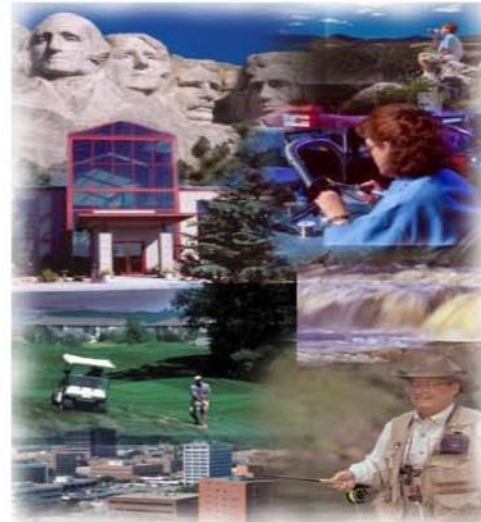
Courtesy of the Rapid City Economic Development

Rapid City and the Black Hills

The Black Hills trade area stretches out for more than a 200 mile radius. Rapid City and the surrounding Black Hills Communities offer retail trade, medical and professional services, and recreation opportunities second to none.

National Recognition

2009 Rapid City was ranked seventh by Forbes Magazine as one of the nation's best small metropolitan cities for starting a business or career.



Population

2010 Rapid City MSA Population 130,000

Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) - a geographic entity that has at least one urbanized area of 50,000 or more population, plus adjacent territory with a high degree of social and economic integration with the core as measured by commuting ties. Rapid City MSA includes Pennington and Meade County.

| | <u>Pennington Co.</u> | <u>Rapid City</u> |
|------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 2009 | 96,000 | 70,004 |
| 2008 | 95,600 | 69,532 |
| 2007 | 94,900 | 69,242 |
| 2006 | 94,100 | 67,447 |
| 2005 | 93,200 | 66,000 |
| 2000 | 88,117 | 59,607 |
| 1990 | 81,343 | 54,523 |
| 1980 | 70,135 | 46,492 |
| 1970 | 59,349 | 43,836 |

Present Pennington County Population: 96,000

Male Population: 47,675 Median Age: 35

Female Population: 47,936 Median Age: 38

Households 38,300

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|------------------------|----------|
| Median Household EBI | \$38,852 |
| Average Household EBI | \$49,047 |
| Per Capita EBI | \$19,663 |
| Average Household Size | 2.43 |

*EBI (Effective Buying Income) is disposable personal income, amount of gross income available after taxes, to purchase goods / services.

Taxes

NO Corporate Income Tax
NO Personal Property Tax

NO Personal Income Tax
NO Inventory Tax

Sales Tax

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|-------------|----|
| State | 4% |
| City | 2% |
| Tourism Tax | 1% |

Real Property Tax

The school levy varies depending on the property's classification. Businesses receive the non-ag. rate specified below at approximate figures.

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|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| County | 5.1463 |
| Water | .0350 |
| City | 3.3041 (.8260 for ag. Property) |
| School - non-ag | 17.7052 |

The above would be the levies that apply to businesses

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| School - Owner Occupied | 10.7729 |
| School - Non-ag. Z | 9.4832 |
| School - Ag. | 8.4756 |

<http://www.co.pennington.sd.us/Doe&Doeoff.htm>

Unemployment Insurance

South Dakota average unemployment insurance rate is 1.0% - the seventh lowest in the nation.

North Rapid Civic Association

Membership is open to all residents and/or property owners who are 18 years or older in the North Rapid neighborhood. This area is North of Omaha Street between Cambell Street and M Hill Ridge, and South of the Pennington County line on Haines Ave.

Members of the North Rapid Civic Association, Inc (NRCA):

- Meet the 4th Thursday of each month for regular meetings at General Beadle School in the Training room.
- Sponsor candidate forums before each election and invite the public
- Are active in all areas of the community
- Meet regularly with elected officials from City, County and State government
- Receive the monthly newsletter
- Become part of the 'solution' and work to help improve our neighborhoods
- Meet your neighbors and community leaders

Questions? Call Ed Trigg at 718-5689 or Alice McCoy at 716-6814

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Annual Membership Fee: \$15

Non-voting Associate membership fee: \$15

Business Membership with advertising: \$36

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2011 Legislative Session Updates, Contacts & More

Just in time for the 2011 Legislative Session, the Black Hills Knowledge Network has launched a page dedicated to keeping citizens up-to-date on what is happening in the state capitol. The page provides a central gateway where citizens of the Black Hills can find information on and links to local representatives, television and radio coverage, 2011 Session Calendar, and bills sponsored or co-sponsored by local senators and representatives. Information is presented in a manner that accommodates ease of research and reflects local need. Access this page directly at: <http://knowledgenetwork.wikidot.com/legislation>.

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Please note both libraries will be closed the following days:

- Friday, December 24
- Saturday, December 25
- Friday, December 31
- Saturday, January 1

Find out more about [Library Events, Services and Resources](#) at:

www.rapidcitylibrary.org

Coming Soon at the North Library
(10 Van Buren St. in General Beadle Elementary School)

Tuesday, Dec. 21, 6 p.m.

Family Story Time & Pizza Party

Join a RCPL Story Time librarian for stories, songs, fun and pizza at North Library in the commons area!

NEW! Coming January 18 at 6:30 p.m., Family Story Times are changing to Families and Jammies. Refreshments will be served.

Saturday, Dec. 18, 10:30 a.m.

Super Saturday Story Time

Kick off your weekend with stories by guest storyteller Norma Eckman.



Saturday, Jan. 15, 10:30 a.m.

Super Saturday Story Time

Kick off your weekend with stories by guest storyteller and author of *The Ruby Red Slippers* Dianna Fuchs.

Tuesdays, Dec. 21, Jan. 4, & Jan. 18, 3:30-5 p.m.

Gaming Day at RCPL North

Gaming at the library including, Wii, Guitar Hero and computer games.

Monday, Jan. 17, 2:30 p.m.

No School Discovery Day: Food Fun

Sharon Guthmiller, Extension Educator from Pennington County Extension office, will do a program about healthy food and those attending will make snacks.

Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2:30 p.m.

No School Discovery Day: Birds

Learn about backyard birds including feeding, songs and identification with Maggie Engler and do a craft.



What's Happening Downtown

Lunch & Learn-Music by Putnam and Bristow

Wednesday, December 15 from 12-1 p.m.

Listen to the music of Kenny Putnam and Boyd Bristow. All are welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

Community Voices: Steve Babbitt Photography

Thursday, January 6 at 6:30 p.m.

Listen to professional photographer and professor Steve Babbitt talk about his work and trends in photography.

Library Hours:

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