

BELLE FOURCHE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



BFDC Board of Directors Meeting

August 20, 2025

Time: 7:00 a.m.

Location: BFDC Conference Room - 5th & Grant Plaza, 608 5th Ave.

Hometown Thursdays Wilt Brothers

July 31, 2025

Time: 6 – 9 p.m.

Location: Tri-State Museum & Center of the Nation Visitor Center.

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Congratulations

to Mike Walker, Executive Director at NeighborWorks Dakota Home Resources in Deadwood, SD for receiving the South Dakota Housing Development Authority "Friend of Housing Award" for your contributions to Affordable Housing in South Dakota.

Over the past 10 years, housing needs brought out in our housing study for Belle Fourche were not being met. Mike Walker was willing to consider Belle Fourche and together with our economic development organization, we started filling in where there were needs. We would look for infill lots and dilapidated properties to make a difference. Several clean up projects took place over the years and new homes were placed - either governor's homes or homes from our CTE program built by Belle Fourche students. To date, there have been 14 homes added to our community serving families who live, work and play here. Mike and his heart to serve, and to lead his team, have made a huge difference, not just in Belle Fourche, but in our region and by helping many others in communities across the state. His tireless energy takes the challenges head on and finds a way to make things happen for all the right reasons. From new home construction, to rehabs of homes & education to financing, Mike has a great heart for families and the expertise to find ways to make a housing difference for all he can.





The 600 Block of State Street is sporting a new sign where Jenny & Zach Gaaskjolen and family (children Clayton, Stella, & Iris) are undertaking a major renovation/remodeling project that will be the location of two new Belle Fourche businesses.

Meet Terry Batterman – Board of Directors

Terry was born and graduated high school in Parkston, SD, where he actively participated in all sports. Attended Dakota State College to become a teacher, obtaining a physical education major, a business minor, a biology minor and a computer application minor.

In 1978 Northwestern Bell offered Terry employment in Chamberlain, SD. 2025 would have 48 years with the company, but a long earned retirement arrived.

Terry married his bride Linette in 1981. They have two children, Nicholas and Heather Alcanter. The Battermans moved to Belle Fourche in 1991 and have enjoyed living in Belle Fourche ever since.

Currently a Butte County Commissioner, Terry has also served on the city planning board and is currently serving on the airport board.

Hobbies Include: Remote airplane flying and helping folks learn to fly, he also enjoys woodworking.



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Butte County	Platinum	Clutter Buster Storage	Silver
Eaton Construction	Platinum	Cowboys Too!!	Silver
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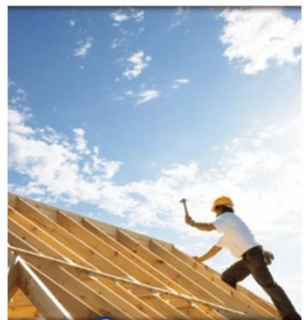
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Belle Fourche High School Students Excel at SkillsUSA Conference

Several Belle Fourche High School (BFHS) students recently competed at the SkillsUSA Conference, held at Mitchell Technical College in Mitchell, South Dakota. This year marked a significant milestone for the school, as it was the first time BFHS brought students to compete in the newly added Heavy Equipment Operation (HEO) category, alongside its strong showing in Welding competitions.

BFHS was proud to be the only school in South Dakota to bring students for the inaugural Heavy Equipment competition at the state level. The school was represented by two three-person welding teams, six individual welders, and four students in the Heavy Equipment division.

The results were impressive: • Ryan Stegelman earned 1st place in Heavy Equipment Operation and qualified for the National SkillsUSA Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. • Markus Overstreet placed 2nd in the Heavy Equipment Operation competition. • Landon Tate placed 3rd in Heavy Equipment Operation. • Kyle Hendrickson earned 3rd place in the Individual Welding competition.

Additional BFHS competitors included: • Dylan Park, Roenn Ruzicke, Conner Crowser, Abbey Clendening, and Silas Carson – Individual Welders • Alisson Jewett, Tucker Hughes, and Mason Nehl – Team 1 Welders • Alexa Stone, Kate Blair, and Aolani Stone – Team 2 Welders • Nick Vetter – Heavy Equipment competitor

In addition to current BFHS student achievements, former student Ayseluna Hockenbary, now studying welding at Western Dakota Technical College (WDTC) in Rapid City, earned first place in both the Post-Secondary Individual Welding and Welding Sculpture competitions. She will also advance to compete at the National Conference.



The BFHS Heavy Equipment students extend their sincere thanks to Wayne Eaton of Eaton Construction and Proline Equipment Rentals for generously providing equipment and practice opportunities in preparation for the competition.

Congratulations to all the students and staff for representing Belle Fourche High School with excellence, professionalism, and Bronc pride!

BELLE FOURCHE HOUSING NEEDS STUDY RESIDENT SURVEY

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LEADERSHIP BELLE FOURCHE

2025-2026

Hosted by:



**Leaders become great, not because of their power,
but because of their ability to EMPOWER others.**
John Maxwell

Developing & Empowering Leaders for Belle Fourche

- Enhancing Leadership Skills
- Broadening Community Awareness
- Encouraging Servant Leadership
- Enhancing Community Engagement
- Promoting Teamwork & People Skills
- Building at the Core of Belle Fourche

PROGRAM DATES:

COURSE TOPICS INCLUDE:

September 18, 2025	8:30 am-4:30 pm	Personality Profiles; State Street Business & History; BF School & CTE Tour
October 16, 2025	8:30 am-4:30 pm	Belle Fourche Regional Industry – Yesterday and Today; Land & Ag Management; AG Business Tours
November 20, 2025	8:30 am-4:30 pm	City Operations & Tours
December 18, 2025	8:30 am-4:30 pm	County Operations & Tours
January 15, 2026	8:30 am-4:30 pm	Economic & Community Development - Local, State & Federal Level; Entrepreneurship - What it Takes; Transportation
February 19, 2026	8:30 am-4:30 pm	Bring Your "A" Game; Industry Tour; Workforce Development
March 19, 2026	8:30 am-4:30 pm	NeighborWorks Dakota Homes Resources & Community Housing in Belle Fourche, Healthcare; Schools; Community Industry Tours
April 22, 2026	7:00 am-5:00 pm	Day of Excellence (Live in Rapid City – National Speakers)
April 29, 2026	5:30 p.m.	Graduation – Location TBA - Social 5:30; Dinner & Graduation at 6:00 - Concludes by 7:00

Thank you! We appreciate the employer and community support.

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PROUDLY PRESENTS

6/5/25

Drive By Night

6/12/2025

William & Wright

6/19/2025

Camp Comfort

6/26/2025

Jessica Loobey

7/3/2025

Brandon Jones

7/10/2025

Revolver

7/17/2025

Stereo Trip

7/24/2025

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7/31/2025

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8/7/2025

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