

EIGHTH CIRCUIT JUDICIAL CONFERENCE
July 12 - 15, 2022
Rapid City, South Dakota

SOCIAL EVENTS



TUESDAY, July 12
Welcome Reception and Dinner
[The Journey Museum](#)
222 New York Street
Rapid City, SD 57701
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
(0.3 mile walk/drive from the Holiday Inn Hotel)

(Transportation will be provided. Buses will depart the Holiday Inn at 5:55 p.m.)

Business casual attire recommended.

Along with Black Hills history and Native American culture, The Journey Museum & Learning Center is also home to the vast collection that shows humanity's journey through time, from creation all the way through current life. [Starr Chief Eagle](#), hoop dancer extraordinaire, will share the teachings and culture of the Lakota people through language, dance and song.

WEDNESDAY, July 13
[Wind Cave National Park](#), [The Mammoth Site](#), and Dinner at [Custer State Park Game Lodge](#)

(Transportation will be provided. Buses will depart the Holiday Inn at 12:50 p.m.)

Casual attire and be sure to wear comfortable shoes.

There will be two tours offered at Wind Cave National Park:



Garden of Eden Cave Tour

This 1-hour tour is the park's least strenuous tour. It is a wonderful sample of Wind Cave. Small amounts of all of the beautiful cave formations - boxwork, cave popcorn, and flowstone - are seen along this 1/3 mile tour. The tour is designed for people with limited time or abilities. It enters and leaves the cave by elevator with 150 steps along the tour route.



Natural Entrance Cave Tour

This tour includes a visit to the natural entrance of Wind Cave where visitors can see where the cave was discovered and learn how it got its name. Participants enter the cave through a man-made entrance and journey through the middle level of the cave. Wind Cave's famous boxwork is abundant throughout this trip. Most of the 300 stairs along this route are down. This moderately strenuous 2/3 mile tour lasts 1¼ hours and exits the cave by elevator.

Good footwear is a must!

Wind Cave National Park Information: [Tour Safety Information - Wind Cave National Park \(U.S. National Park Service\) \(nps.gov\)](https://www.nps.gov/wincave/visiting/index.htm)



The Mammoth Site

This indoor active dig site offers both guided and self-guided tours where there is ongoing excavation of woolly mammoth remains.

<https://www.mammothsite.org/who-we-are/>



Dinner and Entertainment at Custer State Park Game Lodge

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

The climate-controlled State Game Lodge is located on Route 16A, the southeastern portion of the Peter Norbeck Scenic Byway as it branches off towards Wildlife Loop. [MAP](#)

An elegant dinner buffet will be served. Two drink tickets will be provided to each guest that may be redeemed for beer, wine or cocktails. There will be musical entertainment by well-known Black Hills violinist, Kenny Putnam.

Buses are scheduled to arrive back to the Holiday Inn Rapid City Downtown by approximately 9:15 p.m.

THURSDAY, July 14

Crazy Horse Memorial and Mount Rushmore National Memorial

(Transportation will be provided. Buses will depart the Holiday Inn at 4:15 p.m.)

Casual attire recommended.



Crazy Horse Memorial

The Crazy Horse Memorial is a mountain monument under construction on privately held land in the Black Hills, in Custer County, South Dakota. It will depict the Oglala Lakota warrior, Crazy Horse, riding a horse and pointing to his tribal land. The memorial was commissioned by Henry Standing Bear, a Lakota elder, to be sculpted by Korczak Ziolkowski. It is operated by the Crazy Horse Memorial Foundation, a nonprofit organization.

We will enjoy a Native American taco buffet as well as hear the executive team at Crazy Horse Memorial speak about the monument's history, progress and plans. There will also be the opportunity to go up to the face of the memorial as a hosted group.

Following our time at Crazy Horse Memorial, the group will move to the Mount Rushmore National Memorial for the evening lighting ceremony. (A bus may head back to the Holiday Inn, depending on the number of people that choose to stay for the lighting ceremony.)



Mount Rushmore National Memorial

The Mount Rushmore lighting ceremony includes a film with the history of the presidents, the singing of a patriotic song and then all veterans in the audience are invited onto the stage to give their name and branch of service before the U.S. flag is lowered at the end of the evening. This patriotic and reflective event is a very memorable way to end the day.

Buses are scheduled to arrive back to the Holiday Inn Rapid City Downtown by approximately 10:45 p.m.