FOR SEVENTY-TWO YEARS Black Hills Parks & Forests Association has brought together public lands in the Black Hills and Nebraska area in order to better serve and educate the numerous amounts of adventurers that flock to the region for its beautiful scenery and vast cultural history.

Since 1946, we have been a voice for our partners through the production of site-specific products, distributing educational and scientific publications produced by partner agencies, donating materials for use in interpretive programs and exhibits, and working to secure grants and funding.

Our membership has grown significantly in the past year and we have an even stronger devotion to preserving our treasured public lands and truly making the visitor experience one of a kind.

We are proud to promote the Wonder & Exploration of our partner public lands—now and for future generations!
Dear BHFPA Members,

What are some of your favorite childhood memories? What are some of your favorite adult memories? For me, both sets of answers include many references to being outdoors, enjoying special times with family & friends. Whether it was camping with my family in Texas as a young girl or hiking with my husband & grandsons in the beautiful Black Hills, those memories make me smile & take a deeper breath.

As fellow members of the Black Hills Parks & Forests Associations, I would guess that your answers to the two questions might also have similar references to Mother Nature & the great experiences she provides. Your membership in our Association helps assist our partner agencies in the interpretive and educational programs that are essential to completely enjoying, appreciating, & respecting our public lands. Thank you!

Serving as President this past year, I am proud of what has been accomplished by our staff, partner agencies, and volunteer Board of Directors. Enjoy our first Annual Report, knowing that you have been a part of the Black Hills Parks & Forests Association activities to support wonder & exploration!

Many Thanks,

Joanne Sutton
We are a proud partner of the National Park Service and U.S. Forest Service, selling a curated selection of books, toys and games that help people of all ages engage with and interpret the natural world.

Thanks to the support of our members and customers, a portion of those sales is provided to our partners allowing them to further their critical missions of sustaining and preserving our natural legacies.

Since 1946, BHPFA has provided over $750,000 to our partners.

Mission

Black Hills Parks and Forests Association (BHPFA) is a nonprofit organization supporting interpretive programs, educational activities and research efforts to protect and preserve the cultural and natural resources of the Black Hills.

Vision

Black Hills Parks and Forests Association uses proceeds from store sales to fund projects such as printing educational literature, funding intern positions, research, educational supplies or equipment and interpretive displays for our partner agencies.
Networking & Outreach

Public Lands Alliance Conference - PLA is a networking organization for public lands partners. By attending their annual convention and trade show BHPFA staff, board and partners connect with the greater public lands community.

South Dakota Tourism Conference - BHPFA staff members and several partners to attend and learn about the past present and future plans for tourism in the state of South Dakota.

Trade Shows & Public Events - Attendance at public events allows BHPFA to connect with the public and tell our story. It's a great opportunity to reach more members who live and use public lands the most.
Every day is a great day on Public Lands. Generous land stewards support our 14 retail outlets throughout South Dakota, Wyoming and Nebraska with their purchases. Enhance your commitment to public land stewardship by becoming a BHPFA member and help BHPFA support vital education programs, interpretive exhibits and products, and research projects!

What Our Members Have To Say:

I am a member of BHPFA because nature is a natural healer and stress reliever. When we are able to spend time in the Black Hills, we are able to unwind and relax while taking in the beautiful sites and smells of pine trees. I want to preserve these areas for all to enjoy as our public lands are just that – for everyone to enjoy. And I want to help preserve it for future generations to enjoy.
- Nicole

This is a great way to support the Black Hills Parks and Forest. Thank you for giving back to our local National Parks. Thank all of you that work in the gift shops.
- Mark A. Weaver

If you ever visit the Black Hills of Dakota, a membership in the association is warranted. The discount on products is worthwhile and you support the objectives of the regions parks, federal and state.
- Jan Gabin
Wind Cave National Park has used its donations from the 2017 bison adoptions to purchase collars for their bison herd. The brand new radio collars will have satellite transmission that will allow wildlife management to better track and record data on the herds movements throughout the park.

Jewel Cave National Monument plans to use the donations from the 2018 bat adoptions to fund an intern position that will directly benefit their current bat population. They will be hiring a Geoscientists-in-the-Parks Intern for the 2019 Summer Season that will study the 9 different bat species currently found at the monument. They will also be using the donations to purchase educational materials to better help their visitors understand WNS and the impacts it has on the bats at the cave.
WIND CAVE NATIONAL PARK

- Funding for special projects coordinator position
- Printing Jr. Ranger Books
- Purchasing Jr. ranger badges
- Adventures In Nature program supplies
- New exhibit signage funding
- Stipend for 2 Volunteers-In-Parks
- Distance Learning program screen
- Allowing classrooms from around the world to interact with Wind Cave rangers
- Funded Geospatial cave scan - Providing 3D images of the cave for interpretive and resource management use
- Wind Cave Exhibit Project – funding for tribal input on new exhibits
- New bulbs for theatre projectors
- Printing of Wind Cave Newspaper – the primary resource for visitors

BLACK HILLS NATIONAL FOREST

- Kids Fair Booth and supplies
- Pactola Visitor Center-Black Hills Raptor Center to give programs on birds of prey
- Bearlodge Ranger District
  - Plants and plant markers for new pollinator garden
  - Materials for a new message center and kiosk
- Designed and funded the production of Moonwalk pins
- Printed Moonwalk brochures
- Purchased 5 foot wood carved Smokey and surrounding display for Custer Supervisors Office

In 2019

Roosevelt Friendship Tower is 100 years old and Smokey Bear turns 75!

NATIONAL GRASSLANDS

Over 55,000 visitors experience the grasslands this year.

Passport Stamps for
Purchased computer program
JEWEL CAVE NATIONAL MONUMENT

Stipend for 2 Student Conservation Association positions to give guided cave tours and present educational programs

Printing of PeeWee Ranger Book

Printing Wild Cave Tour rack cards

Interpretive staff training/ NAI Convention

Interpretive/ educational programs-
- Black Hills Raptor Center to give programs on birds of prey
- Theodore Roosevelt reenactor

Project Underground- assist with registration and program services

Purchased mic and soundbox for monument podcast program

New sign for visitor center assisted listening devices

Volunteer housing stipend for seasonal on-site volunteers

NEBRASKA NATIONAL FORESTS & GRASSLANDS

Planting of community garden for earth day program

Plant identifiers and interpretive sign for prairie living landscape at Pine Ridge District Office

Prizes for Fort Pierre photo contest

Candy for Trunk-or-Treat family Halloween event

Hudson-Meng Education and Research Center
- Supported an open house on-site with food and prizes
- Staff attendance to archeology event in Laramie, WY

Food for volunteers tree planting on the Fort Pierre National Grassland

Prizes for Wings on the Prairie event

LANDS VISITOR CENTER

Living landscape growing outside the visitor center

For the Visitor Center

For archeology program laptop
The amounts presented here are derived from Black Hills Parks & Forests Association’s audited financial statements for the year ending October 31, 2018. Please contact us with any questions.

Black Hills Parks & Forests Association is a federally tax-exempt, non-profit 501(c)(3) charitable organization.
New Website Launch!

Total Users: 33,128
New Users: 32,825

Website Users by Month

Country | Users
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1. United States | 30,656
2. Canada | 629
3. France | 360
4. (not set) | 271
5. South Korea | 114
6. Germany | 101
7. India | 89
8. United Kingdom | 80
9. Peru | 79
10. Philippines | 70

Where are users searching from?

Total Page Views: 145,000
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Hell Canyon Ranger District | Newcastle, WY
Nebraska National Forests & Grasslands
Buffalo Gap National Grasslands Visitor Center | Hot Springs, SD
Hudson-Meng Education & Research Center | Crawford, NE
Bessey Tree Nursery & Ranger District Office | Halsey, NE
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National Grasslands Visitor Center | Wall, SD

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