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Learn about the prospectors, miners, muleskinners, and madams who poured into the Black Hills in 1876, and how they arrived, at the Days of '76 Museum.

More information at DeadwoodHistory.com.



HISTORIC DEADWOOD ACTIVITY SHEET

History of the Historic Franklin Hotel

Business leaders in Deadwood had been attempting to construct a large downtown hotel for years, but financing problems plagued the project. It wasn't until Harris Franklin offered to match any contribution dollar-for-dollar that construction was taken up in earnest in 1902. Harris became an officer and chief shareholder in the Deadwood Hotel Company, and the finished project was named in his honor.

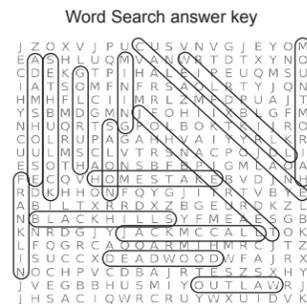
A grand opening on June 4, 1903 included a banquet for 250 guests, who marveled at the hotel's modern luxuries. A lobby fountain, cigar store, newsstand, barber shop, buffet, restaurant, two private parlors for ladies, masseuse, steam heat system, elevator, electric lights and telephone service in every room were among the Franklin Hotel's amenities. Half of the hotel's 80 rooms had private baths, which was a novelty at the time. The Pioneer-Times reported that the musicians who played that evening were practically hidden by the number of potted palms in the ballroom.

Theodore Roosevelt, William Taft, John Wayne, Buffalo Bill Cody, Babe Ruth and world heavyweight champion John L. Sullivan were among the hotel's guests in its heyday. An unfortunately-timed addition in 1929 sent the Franklin Hotel financial woes following the stock market crash in October of that year. Like other hotels in Deadwood, the Franklin was renovated into residential apartments. Although it was turned back into a hotel when Deadwood legalized gaming in 1989, the Franklin didn't get a major retrofit until the owners of the neighboring Silverado Gaming Establishment purchased the hotel and embarked on an ambitious remodeling project in 2005 that opened up the main ballroom.



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DEADWOOD WORD SEARCH



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| Calamity Jane | Seth Bullock | John Perrett |
| Mount Moriah | Adams House | Black Hills |
| Jack McCall | Wild Bill | Homestake |
| Deadwood | Mining | Outlaw |
| Franklin | Gold Rush | Saloon |

In 1876, Deadwood with its saloon girls, gambling and a whole lot of gunslinging, became the birthplace of the real Wild West.

This Black Hills mining town is where Wild Bill's luck ran out and where men and women like Seth Bullock, Calamity Jane, Poker Alice, Jack McCall, Al Swearengen, Potato Creek Johnny and more carved their legends into the history books.

Learn more about Deadwood's famous former citizens at the Adams Museum and Mount Moriah Cemetery. More information available at DeadwoodHistory.com.

SHOOTOUT!

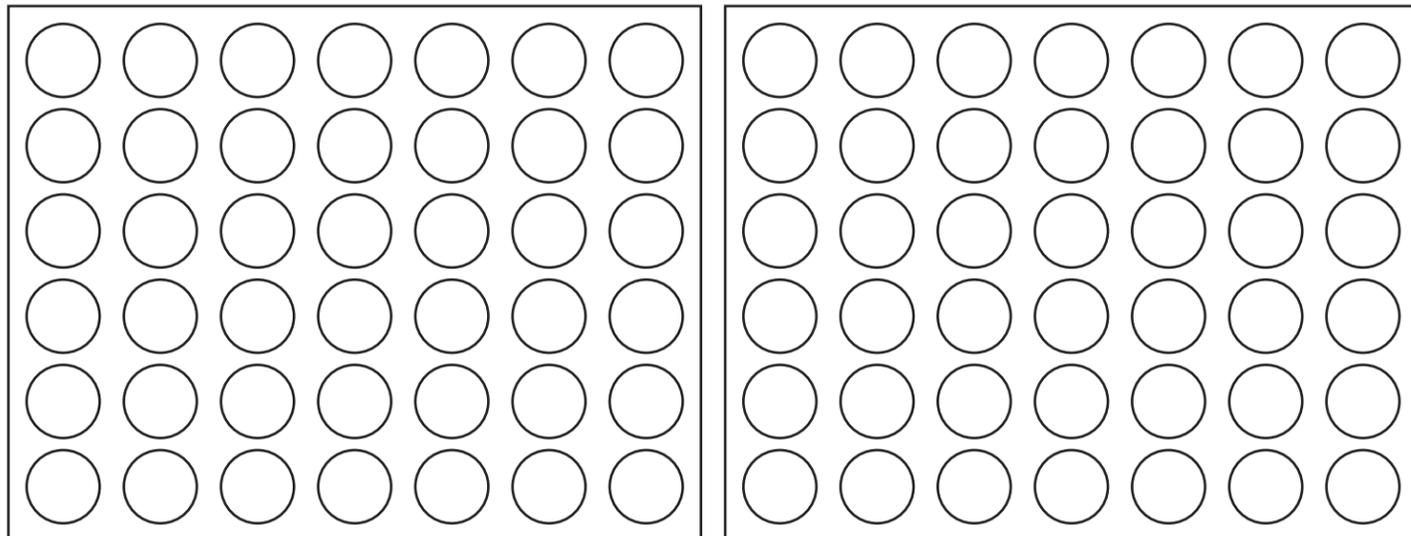
SHOOTOUT! See a shootout based on historical events, live on Deadwood's Main Street! Performances at 2pm, 4pm, and 6pm. Check out the full reenactment schedule at DeadwoodAlive.com.

WILD BILL CONNECT THE DOTS



CONNECT 4

2 players take turns trying to connect 4 dots horizontally, vertically or diagonally. First player to connect 4 wins!



WILD BILL HICKOK

James Butler Hickok arrived in Deadwood, along with Colorado Charlie Utter and Calamity Jane, in July of 1876. He was a well-known gambler and gunslinger, participated in many shootouts before coming to Deadwood. He was killed on August 2, 1876 in Nuttal & Mann's Saloon when Jack McCall shot him from behind while playing poker.

You can see Wild Bill's gravesite at Mount Moriah Cemetery. You can also find a variety of Wild Bill statues, painting and likenesses throughout modern-day Deadwood. Search for Bill around Deadwood & take selfies with him to play the #WildBillMe game and win prizes! More information at WildBillMe.com.