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Hall of Honor Banquet Date Set for Barb Cline of Spearfish

PIERRE, S.D. - Barb Cline of Spearfish is being inducted into the South Dakota Transportation Hall of Honor.

A banquet, hosted by the Transportation Hall of Honor Committee, will be held in Barb's honor on Tuesday, Oct. 13, at the Holiday Inn, 305 N. 27th Street, in Spearfish. Festivities will begin at 5:30 p.m. MT with dinner at 6 p.m. followed by a program at 7 p.m.

Price per ticket is \$30. Reservations can be made by contacting Kari Kroll at 773-5105. Payment in advance is requested and must be received by Oct. 7, at 5 p.m.

Jayna Watson, City Planner for the City of Spearfish, nominated Barb for this prestigious award. Jayna says that "Barb's commitment is the major reason why rural transportation exists in the Western third of South Dakota. Her business savvy has earned support from city, county and state governments, and her support network spreads across the nation leading to many requests for speaking engagements at workshops and conferences.

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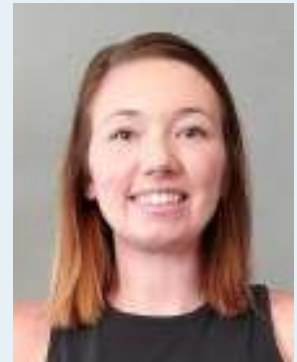
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She has demonstrated vision, courage and strength of character while making significant contributions to the quality of life for transit communities. She is a respected leader who guides with determination, compassion and knowledge."

Barb is the Executive Director of Prairie Hills Transit in Spearfish. She built one of the state's most successful transit agencies from one 10-year old van working a few hours a day to provide services for seniors. The business now serves patrons across 16,500 square-miles with a fleet of 45 passenger vans.

New Faces of Transit

Andrea Hamilton - Transit Operations Supervisor Palace Transit Mitchell, SD



My name is Andrea Hamilton, most recently known as Andrea Groves. I am a high school graduate of Wessington Springs High School, SD. I am months away from receiving my Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration.

I live here in Mitchell with my husband, Bill Hamilton, my 2 daughters, Jade [9], Kendall [6], and our Golden Retriever, Buck. The 5 of us are officially became a family on September 21st!

Bill is an employee of Iverson Auto, the Marlins Boys Varsity and JV Head Hockey Coach and a baseball player for the Parkston Mudcats! When we are not attending baseball games, hockey games, or Jade's swim meets, I enjoy running and training for half marathons and traveling to visit family in Iowa, Minnesota and Kansas!

I am beyond excited for this opportunity to represent the great City of Mitchell and look forward to the new skills and knowledge I will gain as the new Transit Operations Supervisor!

BATA News

Kristine Madsen
Brookings Area Transit Authority - Brookings, SD

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed a lot of things — transit included. But one thing that remains the same is our commitment to safely to get you where you need go.

We are asking our passengers to do the same and practice these safety rules while using the BATA bus.

- Wear a mask. If you do not have one, our drivers will give you one.
- Do NOT ride the bus if you are sick.
- Choose a seat away from other passengers when possible.
- Be respectful of other people and their space.
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer before using the bus whenever possible.



BATA appreciates your continued efforts to keep our drivers and other passengers healthy and our wheels rolling! THANK YOU!

THANK YOU

Dakota Transit Board of Directors

The Dakota Transit Board of Directors would like to thank all the agencies who participated in the 2020 DTA Rodeo and Conference in Watertown, SD.

The October edition of the Transit Tidbit will feature articles and pictures of the Rodeo/Conference.

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Thanks to all!

- Jacque

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Thought for the month of August 2020

“Success is liking yourself, liking what you do and liking how you do it.”



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