

CLASS OF 2023

# LEADERSHIP SPEARFISH

Leadership Spearfish is an in-depth, actively engaging, professional development tool sponsored by the Spearfish Chamber of Commerce.



## APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Since 1986, the Spearfish Area Chamber of Commerce has promoted and fostered the development of leadership in the greater Spearfish community. Leadership Spearfish is a program designed to meet the community's need for active participation of informed and dedicated community leaders. This program works to facilitate the sharing of knowledge and expertise among leaders of area businesses and organizations.

Since its inception, the program has graduated more than 550 leaders into the Spearfish area. The 9-month program is designed to promote a better understanding of this community, build and enhance leadership skills, and develop a strong network of community leaders. Leaders have gone on to serve on numerous non-profit boards, serve on City Committees, serve on the Spearfish Fire Department, and volunteer throughout the community.

With keynote speakers, panel discussions, professional development, team-building exercises, problem solving, and site visits, participants gain valuable insight into the local economy. The topics change as the issues, challenges, and opportunities of the community change. Participants have VIP access to the many different industries that create the positive climate of Spearfish.

The program is open to all people who live or work in the Spearfish area, from all segments of the community, all career levels, and long term to new residents.

### TOPICS


- History & Growth of Spearfish
- Natural Resources, Agriculture
- Tourism & Economic Development
- Spearfish Business Overview
- Entrepreneurship Education
- Problem Solving & Communication Skills
- Healthcare
- Professional & Board Development
- Education Components within the Community
- City & State Government
- Technology, Science, & the Future

### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| September 7, 2022:  | 12:00 p.m. - Introductory Lunch |
| September 15, 2022: | 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.           |
| October 20, 2022:   | 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.           |
| November 17, 2022:  | 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.           |
| December 15, 2022:  | 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.           |
| January 19, 2023:   | 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.           |
| February 16, 2023:  | 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.           |
| March 16, 2023:     | 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.           |
| April 20, 2023:     | 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.           |
| May 18, 2023:       | 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.           |
| May 25, 2023:       | Graduation at Chamber Mixer     |

The class is to plan optional lunches on their own once per month.



 "I really appreciate this program. As an outsider to the town, I loved the opportunity to meet some great people and learn more about my new home. This program really brought me closer to town and helped it feel more like my new home."

– Spencer Prosen

APPLICATION AT  
[www.SpearfishChamber.org](http://www.SpearfishChamber.org)

\$650 Member rate  
\$900 Non-member rate

Application Deadline:  
August 19

[Director@SpearfishChamber.org](mailto:Director@SpearfishChamber.org)  
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## BENEFITS

Participants will:

- Enhance and build on their personal and professional leadership skills
- Expand awareness and appreciation for challenges and opportunities
- Improve communication skills
- Develop network of connections into the community
- Develop better emotional intelligence
- Improve their managerial skills and abilities
- Build effective work teams
- Clarify their vision
- Be empowered to succeed and boost your confidence

Employers will:

- See enhanced potential from participants through exposure to broadened perspectives
- Open the doors for greater corporate/organizational community involvement and visibility
- Create additional opportunities to influence a positive change
- Increase employee engagement and reduce staff turnover
- Nurture future leaders

Community will:

- Experience benefits through increased community involvement from participants
- Gain quality of life from the many projects such as the following:  
Groom & Bloom Storm Atlas Clean-up, Tunnel lighting for Lookout Mountain Trailhead, Story Walk Podiums, Solar Benches in two parks
- Inherit emerging, committed, and effective leaders with commitment the community

*"Leadership Spearfish was a very enriching program to be a part of. Continuing professional development is so important because we forget important tips, advice, and insight we learn over our careers. Exposing yourself to different programs builds your experience and continuously promotes your growth as an individual. In order to grow you must push yourself out of your comfort zone, so go for it!"*

*-Angelica Tyler*



## ASK A RECENT GRADUATE!

### 2022 Graduates

Jenna Burke  
Tiffany Clendenen  
Black Dunfee  
Aubree Kaiser  
Holly Kegler  
Christine Maki  
Tony Pannone  
Spencer Prosen  
Sadie Snyder  
Jessica Stanton

### 2021 Graduates

Jenna Bush  
Kaitlin Clauser  
Stephanie Crago  
John Michael Elder  
Jerome Greger  
Janelle Gusso  
Karen Holzer  
Tate Johnson  
Josh McGillvrey  
Kayla Sprigler