

W.I.T. (Whatever It Takes) Coalition

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Things that come about for the community/school because WIT exists.

<u>Tobacco Prevention:</u> Sabrina has attended the necessary trainings and webinars and is working on pulling together the Point of Sale Retailers information. She will be attend a Tobacco Institute training in Oacoma, SD in mid March.

<u>CADCA Conference:</u> Sabrina won a trip to the CADCA Conference (Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America) which was held at National Harbor, MD. This was a week long conference with over 3000 people in attendance. She was able to take in many prevention and educational sessions and also spent time with Senator Thune and Senator Rounds at the Capitol for a Sunrise Coffee time with other individuals from South Dakota. Only two people from South Dakota won a trip to the conference and the other one was from University of South Dakota so this was quite an honor.

<u>Legislative Cracker Barrel:</u> The WIT Coalition hosted the Cracker Barrel at the Newell City Hall on Saturday, 2-11-17 at 10:00 am and held the WIT Coalition meeting prior to it. We had 32 people sign in at the Cracker Barrel and it went well. *An article ran in the Butte County Post on this and it was shared on the Whatever It Takes Coalition Facebook page*.

Don Balyeat with the War Between States: Don Balyeat was set up in the MPR during Parent Teachers Conference on both Tuesday, 2-14-17, and Wednesday, 2-15-17 and did programs for all grades K— 12th grade. Don had some of the artifacts on display from the Civil War. Several students of all ages brought their parents in to visit with Don during PTCs. He loved how interested and respectful the students were. *An article ran in the Butte County Post on this and was shared on the Whatever It Takes Coalition Facebook page*.

Other Coalition Partnerships: Sabrina attended the Spearfish Community Coalition meeting on 2-23-17 and heard about the CASA Program and Spearfish Policemen of the year, Collin Smith, about Drugs on the street in the area and what we need to watch out for. Sabrina has been helping the Belle Fourche ABC Coalition come up with data, etc. as they are writing for the Drug Free Communities Grant.

Bus: Sabrina has filled in on the Bus route a few times throughout the month when others were sick.

Upcoming Events:

Newell Community Talks Townhall Meeting: March 20, 2017. 6:00 pm in the Austin Auditorium You will not want to miss this program. There is a great line up of professionals to speak as part of the panel.

Sr. SADD Conference in Rapid City, SD on Thursday, March 30, 2017. This is the same week as the Senior Trip and is only a one day conference this year.

Science Steve with SD Public Broadcasting will be at the Newell School all day on March 29, 2017 doing different science sessions with the students. Stop by if you can and take part in a session.

Please let me know if you have any questions, suggestions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted, Sabrina Harmon

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