

# Black Hills Veteran March



## It's Done

As we stated in previous newsletters and emails, we had to consider changing the date for this year's march. It was scheduled for 18 September 2010. However, there are a couple events scheduled that weekend that would cause conflicts and cost us double the rate for lodging.

So, we have made it final and changed the date for this year's march to 25 September 2010. An email was sent out to notify all past participants and those currently registered of this change. As of right now, there are no complaints about the change. So, please spread the word and update your calendars of the new date!

## Registration Update

We currently have two individuals and two teams registered so far! Just a reminder for those thinking of registering, prices will go up in April.

## Donation/Merchandise

All Sport Central has a module that you can purchase BHVM apparel. Click [here](#) to order some for yourself.

Donations to BHVM can be made online as well. This module will be up shortly.

## New Posters

We have sent a request to our poster manufacturers asking for new posters due to the date change.

I will be sending them out to each of the armories for posting around the armories. I also ask that you please distribute them throughout your local communities.

This is especially important due to the date change. A lot of people bank on the third Saturday of September. So, we will have to get the word out as best we can.

Please feel free to contact one of our Board or Committee Members with your Questions/Comments.

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inspired by love and  
guided by knowledge."*

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## We are Tax Deductible!

The Black Hills Veteran March is reported under a Non-profit War Veteran Organization status. This means that anyone gracious enough to donate to the March or Sponsor Mile Marker signs can claim it as a deduction on their taxes! So, if you are a business owner, or know someone who is, and are willing to help support our March, please let them know about it. If you have any questions, please contact one of our board members.

## Volunteer for Next Year's March

As most of you know, it takes a lot to make this march happen. Whether during the months before the event and the coordination it takes or at the event itself, it is more than one can imagine. Fortunately, we have been blessed each year with volunteers. This year we were able to add a new feature to our registration website. Anyone who would like to volunteer to support the march can follow the hyperlink below and volunteer. This not only helps us track these individuals, but also gives us a better idea on t-shirt ordering. Please take some time to view this link or any of the Black Hills Veteran March links to ensure that they represent us correctly. If there are corrections or suggestions, please contact Pat Jones or Kim Chase as soon as you can. And, if you are ready, sign up as a volunteer!

Volunteer: [allsportcentral.com](http://allsportcentral.com)

## Minutes from this Month's Meeting

- *Add the history of the march to the website along with a place for volunteers to sign up*
  - o Spoke with Mark Thomas about creating a history for the website. He will speak with a couple of other members from the first march to create the write-up.
- *We will need to create a couple of other committees whose role will be the actual event concentrating on logistical areas such as the meal, registration, transportation and such.*
- Rorie spoke to First Gold Hotel, need to confirm with the General Manager and will get back to her. Comfort Inn still has rooms and will give us the same rate as before (\$60). Cadillac Jacks has more rooms available but not sure on rate.
- Committee decided to change the date to the 25th due to the conflict with Deadwood Jam and HS Homecoming on the 18th.
- Pat will reserve the Fairgrounds & Mikkelson Trail.
  - o Both the Fairgrounds and Trail Applications have been filled out and sent.
- An ad will be in the upcoming ECHO.
- Pat will talk to Maj Murphy on Facebook status.
- Do we want to do a virtual tour on the website? Kim said the Mikkelson Deadwood Marathon has an interactive map. Christina will check it out.
- Went through the list and filled some names in for volunteer duties.

- All Sports Central is handling registration, but we are not using the Time Chip this year.
- Discussion on the t-shirt color this year, suggestion of Joint Purple.
- Capt Dirk will look into different options for Awards. May want to recognize 2nd & 3rd Place and not just 1st Place.
- Volunteer List will get updated and sent out with the next Newsletter.
- Gary will update the SOP for Rest Stops. Suggestions to have some type of rest stop or water break just past the railroad tracks (somewhere in the 18 to 20 mile area).

*\*\*Items in this color and italicized are previous meeting minutes that have not been resolved.*

