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THE DEPOT

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The Cheyenne Depot Museum Newsletter

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## WYOMING BREWERS FESTIVAL



Since 1996, the Wyoming Brewers Festival has been raising money to support the revitalization of the Historic Union Pacific Depot in downtown Cheyenne.

Restoring a historic building while protecting its heritage value takes a lot of time, commitment, and of course MONEY. That's where the Wyoming Brewers Festival comes in. We are proud of our achievements over the years and to be able to see our efforts come to fruition in the form of numerous restoration projects.

2018 will mark the 23rd year of the annual Wyoming Brewers Festival. Brew Fest serves up craft beer from all over the region, a great selection of tasty food and some great live music. The music line up for this year will consist of Tris Munsick & the Innocents, Lonesome Heroes, and Sean Curtis & the Divide.

This year's festival will be held at the Cheyenne Depot Plaza on June 15th and 16th, 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Tickets are available at <http://www.wyobrewfest.com/>.

-Brady Brinton, CDM Digital Media Director

## FOOD TRUCK RALLY



Laramie County residents and visitors can enjoy the growing culinary phenomenon of food truck dining again this year during the fourth annual United Way Food Truck Rally. United Way of Laramie County is presenting the Food Truck Rally Wednesday, July 18th (weather permitting) in the Depot Plaza in downtown Cheyenne.



A variety of local food trucks are scheduled to participate in the special food truck rally from 11 AM to 2 PM. Participating trucks include On the Hook Fish and Chips, Happy Taco Hut, Nipa Hut, The Daily Press, Yummy Bunny Ice Cream and Snow Cones, and more. Beverages will be provided by Swire Coca-Cola and will be available by donation.

An addition to the rally, this year there will be entertainment for children and their families.

A portion of the proceeds will benefit United Way of Laramie County which is devoted to responsibly mobilizing and leveraging community resources to create long-term changes that produce healthy, educated and financially stable individuals and families in Laramie County.



Come out and enjoy some good food, good laughs, and learn about United Way of Laramie County!

-Brady Brinton, CDM Digital Media Director





## FRIDAYS ON THE PLAZA

It's summertime, which means it is time for Fridays on the Plaza. This year's installment of the annual concert series looks to be the best yet. The Friday on the Plaza's line-up for the year consists of artists covering multiple genres. There will be rock, country, blues and even an acapella group, Face, which was a huge hit last year and garnered a return to the plaza stage again this year.

Here is a list of the FotP performers for the 2018 season:



June 1st

Opener: Josh Gonzales Band

Headliner: Caravanserai

June 8th

Opener: The Young Dubliners

Headliner: The Reverend Peyton's Big Damn Band

June 15th

Opener: Shotgun Shogun

Headliner: Tris Munsick & the innocents

June 22nd

Opener: Jelly Bread

Headliner: Boogie Machine

June 29th

Opener: J. Shogren Shanghai'd

Headliner: Black Lillies

July 6th

Opener: Black White Blues band

Headliner: Mary Louise Lee Band

July 13th

Opener: Peculiar Patriots

Headliner: Redbush

July 20th

Opener: Thumpin'

Headliner: Shotgun Lullaby

July 27

Opener: The Lonesome Heroes

Headliner: Edison

August 3rd

Opener: Slow Caves

Headliner: The Shakes

August 10th

Opener: Steve Thomas band

Headliner: Soul X

August 17th

Opener: Falling West

Headliner: Face

August 24th

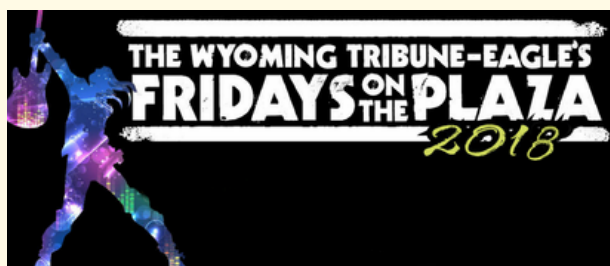
Opener: Aaron Davis & the Mystery Machine

Headliner: Mam Lenny & The Remedy

August 31st

Opener: Bobby Phillips

Headliner: Marchfourth



-Brady Brinton, CDM Digital  
Media Director

## DENVER POST TRAIN

Cheyenne Frontier Days is a staple of the culture here in Wyoming's capital city. A staple of Frontier Days is the Annual Denver Post Train. The Denver Post Train is an excursion from Denver, CO to Cheyenne that is full of Western culture and ambiance. This train has become so popular that they have a lottery to allow all interested parties a chance to be a passenger each year. The lottery lasts just ten days due to the high interest in riding behind UP's No. 844 steam engine and enjoying a blast from the past. Make sure to check back next year for your chance to ride the Denver Post Train.



No need to worry if you missed your chance at the lottery or didn't draw, there is the Union Pacific Museum Special. You still have the chance to ride on the heritage fleet. On Sunday, July 22nd, you can take advantage of a rare opportunity to travel on the Union Pacific tracks and relive the heyday of steam-powered passenger service. Tickets are available now.

Tickets for the Museum Special are on a first come, first served basis and are only available online: [www.theplainshotel.com](http://www.theplainshotel.com). Prices for the excursion vary from \$250-\$1500. Spaces are limited for this historic trek.



## MUSEUM NOTES

I am happy to report that we have the new collections database, PastPerfect, up and running! We also have new standardized forms and procedures that have been approved by the Collections Committee. Items received for possible donation will now be reviewed by the Collections Committee to determine if they fit within the scope of our collections and/or fill an exhibition need. An excerpt from our new policy: The Cheyenne Depot Museum collects the following: objects relating to the Union Pacific Railroad and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad and how these railroads relate to the historical development of Cheyenne specifically and Wyoming in general. We are excited about the recent developments and look forward to expanding the collection in ways that will supplement existing exhibitions and increase our ability to design new exhibitions.

-Sarah Gadd, CDM Museum Curator

Another Depot Days is in the books! This year during the event we were able to set up a fundraiser for the exhibits and collections departments and thanks to the fabulous generosity of you and our Depot Days visitors we were very successful. We have also been able to begin installation of the new signaling exhibit, and the Colorado & Southern (steam) Engine #70 bell. Through the generosity of Mr. Richard Bray, and the hard work of our volunteers Rick and Jim Inglis, we now have a steam equivalent to our diesel bell display.

As we enter our busy season we will commence planning for an overhaul of the Early Cheyenne portion of our gallery to better serve the education needs for LCSD #1 and the students of Wyoming. This is promising to be quite the undertaking, so if you, or anyone you know, is interested in volunteering here at the museum, we would be glad to have you! We are looking for people who have a wealth of Cheyenne history knowledge, people with a background in education, people who are handy with tools and wood, and people who just want to get out in the community and interact with our visitors. Please contact [info@cheyennedepotmuseum.org](mailto:info@cheyennedepotmuseum.org) for more information about becoming a Depot Museum volunteer!

- Ashley Page, CDM Education & Exhibits Assistant



Engine #70 steam engine bell



Summer 2018

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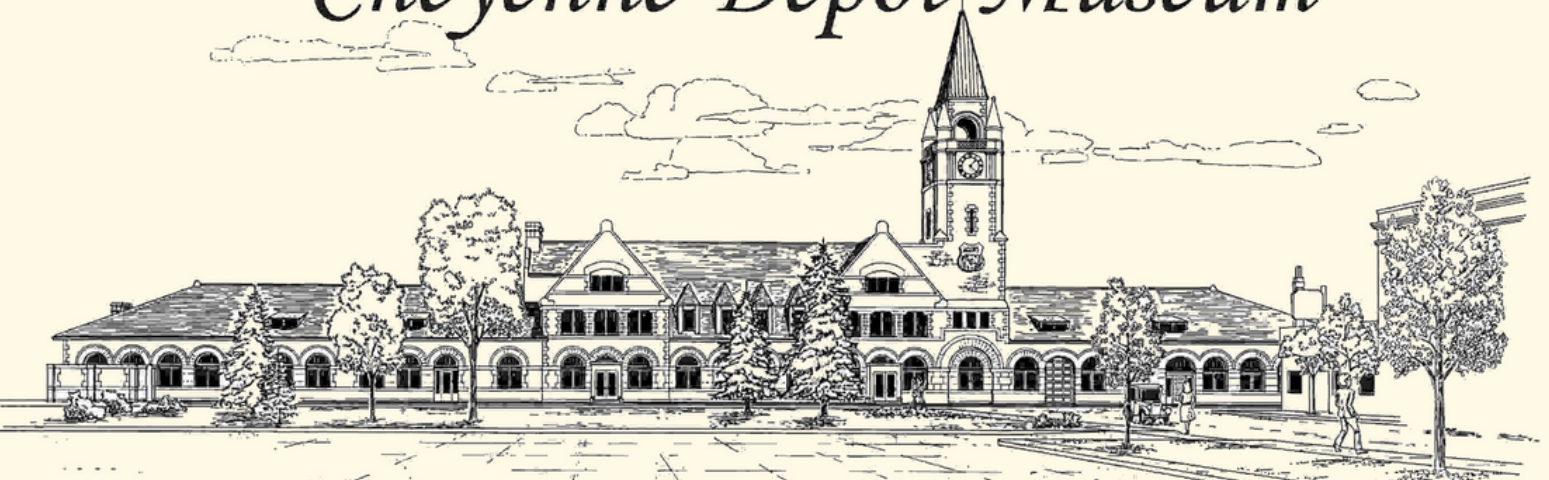
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## DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Our summer event season kicked off with one of our most highly anticipated events, with over 2000 attendees to our annual signature event, Cheyenne Depot Days. This event included the opportunity to visit the Union Pacific Steam Shop, where our attendees had access to see the progress of the restoration of the #4014.

The Depot Plaza is now in full gear hosting a number of cultural, entertainment, and community events this season for the whole family. The Cheyenne Depot Museum is proud to play a leading role in conjunction with the City of Cheyenne to bring these events to fruition. We strive to provide a quality FREE experience that not only excites the locals but draws in visitors as well.

The Wyoming Brewer's Festival presented by Midas of Cheyenne- June 15 and 16, 2018, will be serving up two days of great fun good beer and tasty food in its usual location at the Cheyenne Depot Plaza. All Funds Collected go for the continued upkeep and renovation of the Historic Downtown Cheyenne Depot.

These events often serve as fund-raisers to assist with maintaining our wonderful structure, and to allow for continuous improvement of our museum experience. None of the free events throughout the year would be possible without the support of our event partners, sponsors, committees, and volunteers. The summer event season is truly a team effort. In addition to improving our building and museum, we take pride in our role of assisting with the economic development of the downtown Cheyenne area. A lively downtown is vital to creating a strong tourism brand and giving guests a good taste of Cheyenne's unique heritage.

We look forward to seeing you at any or all of these amazing events!

Christy McCarthy  
Executive Director

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