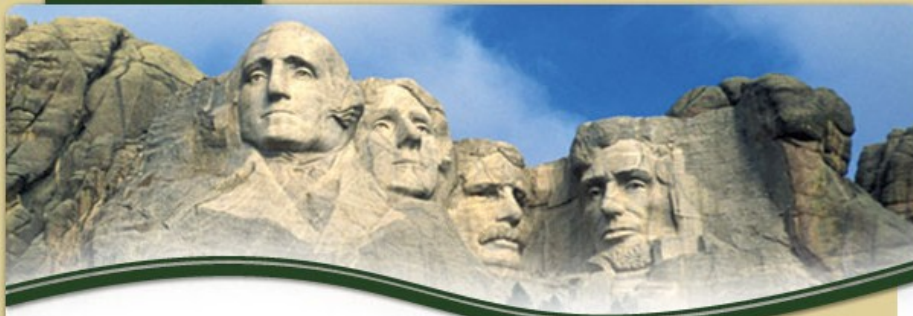


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Dear %%First Name%% -

The trees are blossoming and the chill is officially gone from the air. On the brink of the 2010 summer travel season, the Rapid City Convention & Visitors Bureau is here to assist with your group tour arrangements. Our professional and knowledgeable staff is experienced in many areas:

- Itinerary Planning Assistance- See our Discover the Dinos suggestion below!
- Ground Transfer Referrals
- Hotel/Motel Information, Brochures and Quote Assistance
- Group Friendly Dining Recommendations
- Unique Activity and Entertainment Referrals

If you have any questions or would like to visit about planning a tour to Rapid City and the Black Hills, please feel free to call either **myself** or **Julie Jones** at the [Rapid City Convention and Visitors Bureau](#). I also encourage you to visit our website, [TourRapidCity.com](#) to download a tour planning guide or request one via mail.

### Sample Itinerary: Discover the Dinos



We offer ideas for a variety of themed itineraries that showcase the historical diversity and natural history of Rapid city and the Black Hills. Discover the Dinos takes visitors on a journey back in time when dinosaurs and other prehistoric beasts roamed the area.

Start your tour at the [Journey Museum](#) in Rapid City. Interactive displays showcase the former inhabitants of the Black Hills- some more giant and sharp-toothed than others! Next travel to nearby Hot Springs and see the world's largest mammoth research facility and ongoing paleontological dig site. Species unearthed at [The Mammoth Site](#) include over 20 mammoths, short-faced bear, camel, llama, prairie dog and more. Finally, head back to Rapid City to see world-class fossils of Badlands mammals, reptiles and dinosaurs at the [Museum of Geology](#).

### Note for Tour Operators:

Unfortunately, the Fourth of July fireworks at Mount Rushmore have been canceled this year because of fire danger. However, Mount Rushmore is offering a variety of other exciting events and entertainment to celebrate Independence Day at the Memorial.

The July 3rd celebration includes children's entertainer Phil Baker and presidential re-enactors of Presidents Washington, Lincoln and Roosevelt. Cultural performances will be provided by hoop dancer Jasmine Pickner, flute player Sequoia Crosswhite and the Germans from Russia organization. The Black Hills Symphony and the Porcupine Singers from Porcupine, SD will also perform. The July 4th itinerary includes cultural demonstrations, National Park Service ranger programs and the traditional Evening Lighting Ceremony. Please contact the Rapid City Convention & Visitors Bureau for additional options and ideas.

For more information visit [www.nps.gov](#) or [www.mountrushmore.com](#)

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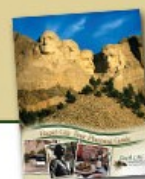
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PLANNING GUIDE.**

We hope we can be of assistance, and we hope to see you this summer in Rapid City!

Happy Planning,

*Michelle and Julie*

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