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222 New York Street, Rapid City, South Dakota 57701



To Present Lecture on Dewey Beard, Last Survivor of the Little Bighorn

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RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA: **Conor McMahon**, Chief Curator of the Indian Arts and Crafts Board, U.S. Department of the Interior, will present a lecture entitled *Dewey Beard, Last Survivor of the Little Bighorn*, on Friday, January 29, 2016, from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM. The presentation is in conjunction with the Journey Museum's *Turtle Soup Lecture Series*.

The life of Dewey Beard (1858-1955) spanned a time of incredible change for both Lakotas and the United States. Born at a time when Lakotas were masters of the Black Hills Region and millions of bison roamed the Great Plains, Dewey Beard witnessed both the Battle of Little Bighorn and the invention of the atomic bomb during his lifetime. He was a performer in "Buffalo Bill" Cody's Wild West Show and worked as an ambassador for the South Dakota tourism industry. This presentation will explore the life of this extraordinary individual that encompassed a period of dynamic change in Lakota culture.

The Sioux Indian Museum, managed by the Indian Arts and Crafts Board, U.S. Department of the Interior, is located in The Journey Museum, 222 New York Street, Rapid City, SD 57701. For admission fees and hours of operation please call (605) 394-6923.