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**PINNACLE NETWORK MEETING FEATURES BRYAN WALKER, EXEC
DIR/SPEARFISH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

WHAT: Pinnacle Network Group, Spearfish

WHEN: Thursday, September 8, 2005, 7:45AM – 9:15AM

WHERE: Bay Leaf Café, Spearfish, SD

PROGRAM: N2TEC—A BRUSH STROKE REVIEW

SPEAKER: BRYAN WALKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SPEARFISH
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Thursday's meeting of Pinnacle Network Group is September 8th, at 7:30 AM, at the Bay Leaf Café in Spearfish. Bryan Walker, of Spearfish Economic Development, will give a 'here's where we are, here's where we want to go' update on the N2TEC Rural Pilot Project in the Black Hills region of South Dakota. The objective of N2TEC is to demonstrate the ability to effectively network innovators, entrepreneurs, and entrepreneurial communities to develop new technology-based businesses and expand existing businesses in rural regions. The model is being tested in the Black Hills communities with plans to expand to other rural communities throughout South Dakota and nationally.

Meetings are free, open to the public and refreshments available for a small charge

PINNACLE NETWORK DESCRIPTION: Monthly meetings in Spearfish and Rapid City feature presentations by local community figures, often with audience participation in dial-up phone interviews with nationally known experts. Committed to mentoring and

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expanding opportunities for community leaders, meetings are open to the public, and, during its introductory phase, there are no fees. The PINNACLE perspective is that each individual brings distinctive talents and skills, which may be of assistance to their fellow members to leverage success and opportunity in the course of their everyday business pursuits and special projects.

FURTHER INFO:

<http://www.pinnaclenetwork.org>

- Spearfish Meetings 2nd Thursdays, Chairman/Robert Burnett at 605- 642-2300
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- Rapid City Meetings 4th Thursdays, hosted on the campus at [National American University](#) , Chairman/Bill Griffin at 605-394-4963. Bgriffin@national.edu

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