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(S.D.)- SD Wounded Knee Museum Reopens A Year After Fire

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A year after a fire destroyed the Wounded Knee Museum in Wall, it has reopened in a new location in the western South Dakota city.

An electrical malfunction was blamed for the Sept. 2, 2012, fire that destroyed the museum and also took 30 museum exhibits linked to the Wounded Knee massacre of 1890.

Co-founder Steve Wyant tells the Rapid City Journal that insurance did not come close to covering the loss, but he says some items that survived the blaze are now housed in a new museum in downtown Wall.

The museum also has a few new features, such as an enhanced, photographic reproduction of a historic treaty.

The museum is dedicated to the December 1890 massacre in which 300 Lakota people were killed by U.S. Army soldiers.

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