

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

- Move-in Day at USD.
- Overeaters Anonymous at Sanford Vermillion Medical Center, 20 S. Plum St., administration entrance just south of the hospital entrance in the board room. Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program for people with eating disorders and struggles.
- AUG. 25-26 – The Great Dakota Wine Fest at Valiant Vineyards, 1500 W. Main St. Cooking with wine demonstrations, live music and more. Visit www.greatdakotawinefest.com.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

- The annual Pancake Fly-In Breakfast sponsored by the Vermillion Lions Club and Main Street Center at the Vermillion Airport. Pancakes, sausages and beverages will be served from 8 am-12 p.m. in the airport hangar. Proceeds to benefit The Main Street Center.
- Come grab a hotdog and chips before the start of the Women's Soccer game, at 11:30 a.m. at the DaotaDome Soccer Field. Make sure to wear a USD shirt, the first 50 students in a shirt get a free USD scarf.

MONDAY, AUGUST 27

- Al-anon meeting at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner of Main and Linden. For more information, call 624-9764.
- Open House at Middle School, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28

- Vermillion Rotary Club Meeting from noon-1 p.m. in the Freedom Forum Conference Room of the Al Neuarth Media Center.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29

- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) to sponsor, "Wine & Cheese Hors d'oeuvres Party," at Lumo Studio & Gallery, 2 E. Main St. from 5-6:30 p.m. OLLI is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing all kinds of educational opportunities geared to people age 50 & up. There are no grades or tests and there is no pressure. It is learning for the fun of it!
- Ice Cream Social sponsored by Catholics Daughters from 5-7 p.m. at St. Agnes Auditorium (Taverns, chips & pie also served). Free-will offering with proceeds to go to St. Agnes School.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

- USD's Music Faculty presents a concert to returning students and the public, at 11 a.m. at Colton Recital Hall in the Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts. There is no charge for this event.
- Vermillion Area Farmers Market from 3-7 p.m. at the Clay County Fairgrounds.

PLANNING AHEAD:

- SEPT. 1 — Vermillion Area Farmers Market, 9 a.m.-noon downtown Vermillion at the Platz, Market & Main St.
- SEPT. 1 — Overeaters Anonymous, 9 a.m. at Sanford Vermillion Medical Center, 20 S. Plum St., Administration entrance just south of the hospital entrance in the board room. Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program for people with eating disorders and struggles.
- SEPT. 7 — Hospital Auxiliary Meeting, 2 p.m. at Sanford Vermillion Board Room, 20 S. Plum, Administrative entrance.
- SEPT. 7-8 – Ribs, Rods and Rock 'n Roll knows how to host a BBQ! We boast the largest KCBS sanctioned State BBQ Championship in SD! Get ready for two fun-filled days on FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 and 8 in downtown Vermillion! Come out for great BBQ, beer garden, live music (The Rude Band, Go Figure, and more), sidewalk vendors, family fun area, Classic Car and Cycle Show, motorcycle Poker Run, USD Coyote Pep Rally on Friday, Coyote football home opener at the Dome on Saturday, People's Choice judging of wings and pork loin, and more! Combo ticket to both USD game and Ribs, Rods and Rock 'n Roll will be available at a reduced price. Watch for more details and go to www.sdbbq.us.
- SEPT. 9-15 — Vermillion Area Quilt Show at W.H. Over Museum, 1110 N. University, Vermillion. Quilts past and present by area quilters. Sept. 9-14 from 1-4 p.m., Sept. 15 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. there will be vendors and hospitality room. Displays of barn quilts, decorative needle stitching and care of quilts will be on the 15th only. Admission is free will and proceeds go to the museum.
- SEPT. 15 — Discovery Movement Theatre (featuring Brian and Mary Begley) will headline Vermillion Area Arts Council's Annual Meeting. The public is invited to the Washington Street Arts Center, 202 Washington St., for a Potluck at 6 p.m., performance at 7 p.m. and annual meeting and election at 8 p.m. The event is free.

It's nice to know somebody's got your back

By Kelsey Collier-Wise

Executive Director, United Way of Vermillion

Even more than freshly sharpened pencils or chalk-dusted erasers, the backpack might be the ultimate symbol of all things school. Just close your eyes and imagine a young child, waiting for the bus on the first day of school. Inevitably, they're wearing a backpack, right? Last week, my daughter picked out a small turtle-shaped backpack from Sharing the Dream and ever since has been marching around with it, announcing that she is off to school. She's years away from the real thing, but she's picked up on what that particular accessory means.

So what would it mean, then, to a child embarking on a new school year if they were missing that key piece of equipment? How would it affect their attitude about the coming educational adventure? And what if, on top of the backpack, they also lacked that unopened package of markers, that glue without any crust on the cap, that crisp new notebook without any pages torn out? These may all seem trivial to adults who have long gotten over the excitement of new office supplies, but to a child, it can be the



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difference between beginning a new grade with feelings of excitement and anticipation or with anxiety and pessimism.

That's what's so amazing about the Welcome Table's Back to School Backpack program, and why United Way of Vermillion is so proud to have them as a partner. They aren't just providing supplies — they're providing hope.

This year, the Back to School Backpack

program gave away over two hundred backpacks full of school supplies to Vermillion students. That's more than two hundred children who started school this year with all of the tools they needed to get the most out of their education. More than two hundred who will look like every other kid walking to school or waiting for the bus, attired with a shiny new backpack, ready to take on the world.

REALTOR OF THE YEAR



Patricia Goebel with Premiere Real Estate Ltd., Vermillion, was presented with the Realtor of the Year Award at a recent meeting of the Lewis & Clark Board of Realtors. Other nominees were Stan Sudbeck with Lewis & Clark Realty, Inc. West, Yankton, and Ted Mickelson with Anderson Realty LLC, Yankton.

BANK AWARDS GRANT



Bank of the West has presented Vermillion Area Arts Council with a \$1,000 grant to support Art Instruction for Children in art classes held at Washington Street Arts Center and in Jolley School's Art Block Program. The Bank of the West Community Affairs Team responded to a grant request from the VAAC saying, "We appreciate your interest in Bank of the West and our community investments. We look forward to learning more about your efforts to strengthen our neighborhoods and wish you much continued success." Deb Christenson of Bank of the West presents a \$1,000 check to Norma Wilson of the Washington Street Arts Center.

Convocation, Move-In Day highlight Welcome Week 2012 at USD

The University of South Dakota will celebrate the start of another school year and welcome new students with USD Welcome Week 2012, featuring Convocation and Move-In Day events on Saturday, Aug. 25.

Convocation, an invitation of membership to the university's academic community and a celebratory event for students and their families, starts with a processional at 3:30 p.m. from the North Complex to the DakotaDome. Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Chuck Staben, Dean of Students Kimberly Grieve and USD President James W. Abbott will lead the students in the official matriculation statement.

"Convocation is a special event for our new students, signaling the beginning of their academic journey," described Kimberly Grieve, dean of students at USD. "It also serves as a reminder that we are a campus community invested in student development and learning."

USD Welcome Week 2012

starts with Move-In Day at the DakotaDome parking lot. Students and their families are scheduled to check-in between 7:45 a.m. and 2 p.m. throughout the day. At check-in, all students will receive their information packets, residence hall keys and instructions on driving to the residence halls — all without having to leave their vehicles. This convenient "drive-through" route eliminates long lines and avoids potential traffic congestion. Volunteers are also available to move student into to their residence hall.

Additional Welcome Week 2012 activities include the Provost's Picnic, a reception for parents hosted by the USD Foundation, a Student Organization Fair, live music, fraternity and sorority recruitment activities, and movies and games. More information about Welcome Week, including a complete list of events, can be found at www.usd.edu/orientation.

AAA predicts strong Labor Day travel

AAA South Dakota projects 69,000 South Dakotans will journey 50 miles or more from home during the Labor Day holiday weekend, a three percent increase from the 67,000 South Dakotans who traveled last year. Nationwide, the total number of expected travelers — 33 million — is a 2.9 percent boost over year ago numbers and the strongest Labor Day travel period since 2008, marking a new post-recession high. It's the third increase in holiday travel this year, according to the AAA/IHS Global Insight. AAA's Memorial Day and July 4 holiday travel forecasts projected increases of 1.2 percent and 4.9 percent, respectively.

Across the U.S., about 28.2 million people (85 percent of all holiday travelers) will make their Labor Day holiday journey by automobile. This is a 3.1 percent increase over the 27.3 million people who took to the nation's roadways in 2011. This year's Labor Day holiday travel period runs from Thursday, Aug. 30 through Monday, Sept. 3.

CHAMBER CHAT

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Chamber Business:

Business After Hours: Are you looking for an opportunity to showcase your business and network with your peers? Sign up to host a Business After Hours event! These events generally run from 5 to 7 p.m. on a weeknight and the hosting business provides hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. If interested, please contact Ann at: annb@vermillionchamber.com or at 624-5571.

Announcements:

• "Round Up For Your Community" — round up your

monthly city utility bill to the next dollar & make a BIG impact on your community for years to come. Contributions from this program are invested by the Vermillion Area Community Foundation & help fund projects that benefit residents of all ages & enhance the Vermillion community. Qualified organizations with a project in mind can apply for funding. To sign up for the "Round Up" program, visit <http://vermillion.sdcommunityfoundation.org>, the City's website: www.vermillion.us, or pick up a form at the Vermillion Area Chamber & Dev. Co., 116 Market St. or the City Finance Office, 25 Center St.

• Heartland Humane Society offers August specials: "9 Lives for \$9" and "Duo Deals." HHS is completely full at the moment &

have selected 9 cats for the "9 Lives for \$9" campaign. They can be adopted for \$9 now through Aug. 20. To view, stop by shelter at 601 1/2 Burleigh St. in Yankton or go online at www.heartlandhumaneociety.net. Through the "Duo Deals" promotion, adopt any two black or orange cats or two litter mates

(feline or canine) for \$75 through the end of Aug.

• Exhibition through Sept. 21 at John A. Day Gallery at Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts-- Utopian Visions: Illustrations from the Mid 20th Century. Includes illustrations from Univ. Art Galleries permanent collection

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COYOTE SOCCER WEEK @ USD FIELD

vs. North Dakota (Sunday, August 26 @ 1:00 pm)

vs. Creighton (Tuesday, August 28 @ 4:00 pm)

vs. College of St. Mary (Sunday, September 2 @ 1:00 pm)

-Halftime contest for prizes

-Gameday giveaways including Red GoYotes.com silicon bracelets and team posters



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