

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

- Cross Country: USD Invite at 4 p.m. (H)
- Football: South Sioux City at 7 p.m. (H)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

- Vermillion Area Farmers Market from 9 a.m.-noon, downtown Vermillion at the Platz, Market and Main streets.
- Overeaters Anonymous at 9 a.m. at the Sanford Vermillion Medical Center, 20 S. Plum St., administration entrance. Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program for people with eating disorders and struggles.
- Boys/Girls Soccer vs. Huron at 11 a.m. (H)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

- South Dakota women's soccer host College of St. Mary at the USD DakotaDome soccer field at 1 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

- Labor Day – no school.
- 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.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

- Vermillion Rotary Club Meeting from noon-1 p.m. in the Freedom Forum Conference Room of the Al Neuarth Media Center.
- Girls Tennis vs. Madison at 4 p.m. (H)
- Boys Golf vs. Lennox at 4 p.m. (H)
- 9th Grade Football vs. South Sioux City at 4:30 p.m. (H)
- Volleyball vs. Bon Homme at 5 p.m. (T)
- Boys Soccer vs. Freeman at 6 p.m. (H)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

- Vermillion Area Farmers Market from 3-7 p.m. at the Clay County Fairgrounds.
- Girls Tennis vs. Yankton at 3 p.m. (T)
- 7th/8th Grade Volleyball vs. Dakota Valley at 5 p.m. (H)
- Girls Soccer vs. West Central at 6 p.m. at Sioux Falls.
- Lecture: "Long-Term Climate Change Provides a Surprising Key to Understanding Our Environment," at 7 p.m. in Farber Hall located in Old Main on USD campus. Dr. George Jacobson is Professor Emeritus of Biology, Ecology, and Climate Change at the University of Maine as well as past Director of the Climate Change Institute.

PLANNING AHEAD:

- SEPT. 7 – Girls Tennis vs. Brandon Valley at 9 a.m. (T)
- SEPT. 7 – Boys Golf Invite at 10 a.m. (H)
- SEPT. 7 – Hospital Auxiliary Meeting at 2 p.m. at Sanford Vermillion Board room, 20 S. Plum, administrative entrance.
- SEPT. 7 – Boys Soccer vs. Hot Springs at 5 p.m. (T)
- SEPT. 7 – Football vs. Tea at 7 p.m. (T)
- SEPT. 7-8 – Ribs, Rods & Rock'n For more information about the event, go to www.sdbbq.us or call the VCDC at (605) 624-5571.
- SEPT. 8 – ACT Test at Vermillion High School.
- SEPT. 8 – 7th/8th Grade Volleyball vs. Elk Point/Jefferson at 9 a.m. (T)
- SEPT. 8 – Volleyball vs. Luverne at 9 a.m. (T)
- SEPT. 8 – Vermillion Area Farmers Market from 9 a.m.-noon. The market will be located in the First Bank and Trust parking lot during Ribs, Rods & Rock'n Roll.
- SEPT. 8 – Overeaters Anonymous at 9 a.m. Location: Sanford Vermillion Medical Center, 20 S. Plum St., administration entrance just south of the hospital entrance in the board room.
- SEPT. 8 – The Student Tailgate Nation is located in the grass area south of the DakotaDome and will be open four hours prior to kickoff with music, lawn games and food provided by Student Life. Tailgate spots are first come, first serve. For more information on the Student Tailgate Nation, call (605) 677-5666.
- SEPT. 8 – South Dakota football host Colgate University at the DakotaDome 8 at 2 p.m.
- SEPT. 8 – Boys Soccer vs. Hill City at 1 p.m. (T)
- 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.

Does your business or organization have an event you would like included in the Community Calendar? If you do please call the Vermillion Area Chamber of Commerce and Development Company at 605-624-5571 or e-mail vcdc@vermillionchamber.com or contact the Plain Talk at 605-624-2695 or e-mail david.lias@plaintalk.net.

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Chamber Business:

VCDC office will be closed Monday, Sept. 3, for the Labor Day holiday.

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 5-7 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 and make a BIG

impact on your community for years to come. Contributions from this program are invested by the Vermillion Area Community Foundation and help fund projects that benefit residents of all ages and 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 Web site: www.vermillion.us, or pick up a form at the Vermillion Area Chamber & Development Company, 116 Market St. or the City Finance Office, 25 Center St.

Heartland Humane Society offers the "Duo Deals" promotion through the end of August. Adopt any two black or orange cats or two litter mates (feline or canine) for \$75. To view, stop by shelter at 601 1/2 Burleigh St. in Yankton or go online at www.heartlandhumanesociety.net.

City awards bids for new water tower

By Travis Gulbrandson

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The Vermillion City Council approved awarding a bid toward the construction of a new water tower, but not after a discussion as to what kind of logo should be depicted on the completed structure.

The conversation took place on Aug. 20 at the council's regular meeting.

The bid was awarded to Maguire Iron, Inc., of Sioux Falls, and involves building a 500,000 gallon spheroid tower for a total amount of \$1,258,700, which includes an additional \$10,000 for adding the City of Vermillion logo.

Central Ward rep John Grayson suggested using the community's name rather than the logo.

"Logos come and go, but the name of the city of Vermillion is not likely to change any time soon," he said.

"I'm against taking the logo off," said Howard Willson of the Northwest Ward. "I think we should have the logo. I think it represents the community. ... It might change down the road some day, but it's going to have to be repainted down the road some day, so what's the difference?"

Lance Weatherly, representing Banner Associates, which performed a life cycle

cost analysis of the project, confirmed that the estimated repainting would have to be done in 20 years, at which time the logo could be changed if necessary.

Willson moved to approve the project with the logo.

Steve Ward of the Southeast Ward then raised the question of whether the council had to act at that specific meeting.

"We haven't thought about this issue very well, and we haven't even thought about having a University of South Dakota logo on there, which might be appropriate as well. I think there's lots of room for discussion."

Weatherly said the logo was something that could be removed from discussion, and put back at a later date.

"We're probably not going to be looking at painting this tower until mid-summer next year, so it's something we could negotiate with the contractor with a change order for a different logo or to take the logo off completely if that's the council's desire," he said.

Grayson suggested opening the project to public input.

"I personally haven't had an opportunity to discuss this with anyone in town, and I think we would be well-

served to add some new voices to this conversation," he said.

"I'll add a voice – I like it," responded Mayor Jack Powell.

Ward said he was sympathetic to those who wanted to get a vote done, but at the same time didn't think the issue would interfere with getting the bid approved.

"I see very little harm in spending more time thinking about this," he said. "It just came to me that, why wouldn't we have a University of South Dakota logo on there? There are several options here that none of us have really discussed, and this is a permanent thing."

"This is a big, big thing in Vermillion, and it will be out near the bypass where everyone will see it," he said.

Willson said the project should continue without the USD logo.

"They've got their own big sign up on the highway," he said. "Why don't we have an advertisement to promote Vermillion, not the university?"

In the end, the council agreed with him, approving the motion six to three.

The completed water tower will replace the existing 100,000 gallon Market Street tower. It will be located east of Wal-Mart along the south side of Shriner Street.

UNITED WAY KICKOFF



People dined outdoors and enjoyed the music of Olde Funk Riot during the Vermillion United Way's 2013 campaign kickoff, held Thursday evening, Aug. 23, at Ratingen Platz in downtown Vermillion. Money raised during the campaign will help fund the programs of 19 local organizations. For more information, log on to unitedwayofvermillion.org.

(Photo by David Lias)

Tester, Johnson put it on the line

U.S. Senators Jon Tester (D-MT) and Tim Johnson (D-SD) have made a wager on this week's football game between the University of South Dakota and the University of Montana. The University of South Dakota Coyotes and the University of Montana Grizzlies will square off at 2:30 p.m. MT in Missoula, MT, on Saturday.

Johnson, a USD graduate, is wagering South Dakota pheasants while Tester is putting Montana beef on the line.

"I am looking forward to enjoying some delicious Montana beef when my Coyotes win Saturday's game," said Johnson. "The University of South Dakota has a great team, and I wish them and Coach Glenn the best as they prepare to take on the Montana Grizzlies."

"Everyone knows grizzlies are higher on the food chain than coyotes, and I look forward to seeing that translate to another victory on the football field," Tester said. "College football is as much a tradition in Montana as hunting season, and we're excited for a successful season."

Viborg woman claims \$10,000 Powerball prize

JoAnn Hansen of Viborg today claimed her \$10,000 Powerball prize from the Aug. 25 drawing. Hansen matched four of five white ball numbers and the red Powerball to win the game's third prize. The odds of winning \$10,000 playing Powerball are 1:648,976.

The winning ticket was purchased at Pump 'N Stuff on Highway 19 south in Viborg. The store will receive a \$1,000 bonus for the sale.

Powerball is played in 42 states, the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Sobriety checkpoints planned

The South Dakota Highway Patrol has sobriety checkpoints scheduled in September in the following counties: Beadle, Bennett, Brown, Clay, Codington, Lawrence, Lincoln, Lyman, McCook, Minnehaha, Moody, Pennington, Roberts, Union and Walworth.

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Bristow visits Hay Country Jamboree

Gayville Hall presents its monthly musical variety show, "The Hay Country Jamboree," at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 1, in Gayville.

Jamboree regulars, including country music hosts John and Susan McNeill, fiddler Owen DeJong, and guitarist and singer Nick Schwebach welcome Sioux Falls singer and musician Boyd Bristow as the Jamboree's special guest.

Bristow is a member of the old-time music quartet East of Westville and a veteran of South Dakota's "Acoustic Christmas" concerts.

Staged the first Saturday each month, Jamborees always feature three or more musical acts on stage together trading old-time tunes, country, bluegrass, and humor by turn, according to producer Doug Sharples.

The shows are two hours long, including a short intermission midway, and are presented in an alcohol-and-smoke free setting.

Gayville Hall is located at 502 Washington Street in Gayville. Tickets are \$12.50 at the door, or \$15 reserved. Call 605-267-2859.



PICTURED: Boyd Bristow

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