

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, JULY 14

- Vermillion Area Farmers Market from 9 a.m.-noon, downtown Vermillion at the Platz, Market and Main St.
- 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.

MONDAY, JULY 16

- Al-anon meeting, 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner of Main and Linden. For more information, call 624-9764.
- Dakota Hospital Foundation 7th annual Sheri Ellis Golf Social. Registration and team photos 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Shotgun start at 1 p.m. Dinner/program/prizes at 6:30 p.m. Registration due Monday, July 2. Contact Jill Christopherson for more information, call (605) 638-8465 or e-mail jill.christopherson@sanfordhealth.org.
- Music Recital: Bethany Amundson presents her graduate trumpet recital at 1 p.m. in the Colton Recital Hall, Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts on USD campus. Open to the public at no charge.
- Olympic/Educational Tour. A once-in-a-lifetime trip to Ireland, Great Britain and the Summer 2012 Olympics in London. For more information on this 17-day trip please contact Lenni Billberg at lenni.billberg@k12.sd.us or (605) 670-2717.

TUESDAY, JULY 17

- Vermillion Rotary Club meeting from noon-1 p.m. in the Freedom Forum Conference Room of the Al Neuharth Media Center.
- Trinity Lutheran Church in Vermillion is hosting its annual Ice Cream Social in the church fellowship hall. Serving will be from 5-7 p.m. The menu consists of taverns, chips, homemade pies and cakes, lemonade, coffee and free ice water. This year we will also be selling beautiful hand-made aprons. All are welcome!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

- Dakota Classic Cruisers car club will bring their 21st annual car show, Tri State Drive-In Cruisers, to downtown Vermillion beginning at 5 p.m. This drive in cruise brings many Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota visitors to our community and provides an opportunity for Vermillion merchants to showcase their businesses and enjoy additional sales. Come on out to enjoy the classic cars and help us roll out the red carpet to welcome visitors to our community!
- Ice Cream and Pie Social, from 5-7 p.m. at Concordia Lutheran Church, 7 S. University St. Community is welcome.

THURSDAY, JULY 19

- Vermillion Area Farmers Market from 3-7 p.m. at the Clay County Fairgrounds.

PLANNING AHEAD:

- JULY 20-23 — Vermillion Community Theatre presents the Broadway musical, "Annie" on Friday, July 20, Saturday, July 21, and Monday, July 23 at 7 p.m. There will be a matinee on Sunday, July 22 at 2:30 p.m. All performances will be at the Vermillion High School Performing Arts Center. See vermillioncommunitytheatre.org for additional information.
- JULY 21 — Eighth Annual Heritage Music Fest from 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. at Elk Point, 402 S. Douglas. Live music throughout the day. Roast beef dinner late afternoon. Bring lawn chairs. For more information, call Elaine Peacock, 605-356-2069/www.elainepeacock.com or Don Gray 605-356-2243.

New alderman installed on city council

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A new alderman was sworn in at the Vermillion City Council's meeting July 2. Kelsey Collier-Wise took the oath of office as a representative of the Central Ward, taking the place of council member Jennifer French.

Collier-Wise was elected to the council last month, as were incumbent members Clarene Meins of the Northeast Ward, Steve Ward of the Southeast Ward and Howard Willson of the Northwest Ward.

Mayor Jack Powell read a commendation thanking French for her service and being "willing to spend the time to improve our community in a variety of ways."

Among other accomplishments, Powell cited French's involvement in spearheading Vermillion's annual Ribs, Rods 'n Rock & Roll event.

"Her fellow members of the Vermillion City Council, on behalf of city staff and the community, do hereby extend our deepest appreciation to Jennifer French for her service to the community," Powell said.

The council members also elected officers at the meeting.

Kent Osborne of the Northeast Ward will serve as council president, and Willson will serve as vice president.

Finance Officer Mike Carlson and City Attorney Jim McCulloch will continue to serve in their respective duties.

In other city news, City Manager John Prescott announced that the project to renovate and expand Vermillion Public Library is "about 25 percent" completed.

The next two weeks should be relatively noisy in the building, Prescott said.

"They will first be constructing a temporary wall, and they will be taking down the existing north wall of the building," he said. "We apologize for the inconvenience, but at some point in time if we're going to add on, we need to take down that existing wall."

The progress of the expansion of Stanford Street also was discussed.

The project aims to expand the street to three lanes, with an eight-foot path on the west side and a five-foot sidewalk on the east, as well as an upgrade of the sanitary sewer lines and water mains in the area.

According to City Engineer José Dominguez, the intersection of Stanford and



(From left) Steve Ward, Howard Willson, Kelsey Collier-Wise and Clarene Meins take oath of office before starting their new terms as members of the Vermillion City Council on July 2. They are being sworn in by city finance officer Mike Carlson.

(Photo By David Lias)

Main streets has been open for "two or three weeks."

"They are already done with the water main work all the way north to the trailer court," Dominguez said. "That has been tested, and as far as I know ... it passed a pressure test this morning."

Additional sanitary work will begin later this month, he added.

"They're probably about a week behind schedule, but I think with the way the weather is going to be fore the following weeks they should be able to make that up," Dominguez said.

The project is scheduled for completion in October.

CHAMBER CHAT

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Chamber Business:

Business After Hours hosted by Builders Choice (BCI), 1212 N. Norbeck St., is Tuesday, Aug. 7 from 5-7 p.m. Tours of the BCI facility will be given. Please join us to make new contacts, socialize, and find out what

Builders Choice has to offer! Appetizers and refreshments will be served.

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.

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