COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

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

• Overeater's 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 2

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

TUESDAY, JULY 3

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

THURSDAY, JULY 5

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

PLANNING AHEAD:

• JULY 6 — Hospital Auxiliary meeting at Sanford Vermillion Board Room, 20 S. Plum, Administrative entrance.

• JULY 7 — Vermillion Area Farmer's Market at 9 a.m.-noon, downtown Vermillion at the Platz, Market and Main streets.

• JULY 7 — 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.

• JULY 7 — Gayville Hall's "The Hay Country Jamboree" at 8 p.m. in Gayville, 502 Washington St. For ticket information, call 605-267-2859.

 • JULY 11 — Pleasant Valley Lutheran Church is having an ice cream social from 5-7:30 p.m. Free-will donation. Location is 45918 308th Street in rural Vermillion.

• JULY 16 — 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.
JULY 16-AUG. 1 — 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.

• 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.

• 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.

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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services please contact us. Food and non-food vendors are needed. Vendors are needed to sell food, merchandise, and arts and crafts. Organizations are welcome to use this opportunity as a fundraiser. Please contact the Vermillion Area Chamber & Development Company (VCDC) for donations, volunteer opportunities, and vendor information at (605) 624-5571, annb@vermillionchamber.com or mail to our office at 116 Market St. Thank you for your community support! • Business After Hours hosted by Builders Choice (BCI), 1212 North 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.

GOVERNOR'S AWARD RECIPIENT



The Clay County Historical Society, based in Vermillion, was presented with the 2012 Organizational Governor's Award for History by the South Dakota State Historical Society on April 14 during the society's annual history conference in Pierre. The CCHS, headquartered in the historic Austin Whittemore House, has an active membership that supports a variety of activities that preserve and publicize the history of Clay County and its inhabitants. Accepting the award were, middle left to right, Thomas Thaden, Cleo Erickson and Maxine Johnson. Presenting the award were, from left, Brad Tennant, president of the society's board of trustees; Jay D. Vogt, society director; and James D. Hagen, secretary of the Department of Tourism, of which the society is a division.

(Photo courtesy South Dakota State Historical Society)

St. Paul Church kicks off BOOK SIGNING sesquicentennial year

■ Special service also observes 90th anniversary of church dedication

St. Paul Lutheran Church, located approximately 12 miles east of Vermillion at 31903 475th Ave., will kick off the year leading up to its Sesquicentennial Celebration during the worship service at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, July 8. This service also will celebrate the 90th anniversary of the dedication of the current St. Paul Church building and its pipe organ.

The service will be conducted by the Rev. Tim Thies, interim pastor of St. Paul, and will include portions of the dedication service conducted on July 9, 1922.

A luncheon featuring homemade breads, a meat and cneese tray, a variety of salads and homemade pie and ice cream will follow the service.

A souvenir ornament commemorating the sesquicentennial features the exterior of St. Paul Church. The ornament is available for purchase at the church or by sending a letter to the 150th Anniversary Committee, c/o St. Paul Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 370, Elk Point, SD 57025. The cost is \$12 each

plus postage. Dr. H.G. Stub of Minneapolis, MN, president of the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America, officiated at the dedication service in July 1922. He was assisted by the Rev. N. Boe, of Sioux Falls, district president. The Rev. A.J. Bergsaker was the pastor of St. Paul Church at that time. Professor Henrik Gunnersen of Minneapolis presented a pipe organ concert during the threeday celebration of the dedication of both the church and the organ. The cost of the church was \$85,000; the cost of the organ was \$5,000.



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Chamber Business:

• July 4 Celebration: The Vermillion community is preparing for its annual July 4 Celebration with a call for donors, volunteers and vendors.

This popular event at Barstow Park from 6 p.m. to dusk includes music by C&K Entertainment, the inflatable's activity area for kids (w/\$5 wristband), food booths, merchandise booths, the Eagles Beer Garden, Annual Hy-Vee Hot Dog Eating Contest and a spectacular fireworks display by Fireworks Unlimited. This event is not only enjoyed by the Vermillion residents, but brings in people from surrounding communities which in turn brings money into Vermillion.

Your donations are needed! In order for us to continue to provide the fabulous fireworks display and services each year, we need your generous donations.

Would you like to volunteer? Volunteers are needed to help with the event. If you would like to volunteer your time and/or

Theme for the Sesquicentennial Celebration is "Forward in Faith." The Bible verse selected for the celebration is Psalm 122:1, "I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the House of the Lord!"

The 150th anniversary celebration is scheduled for July 20 and 21, 2013.

St. Paul Church, the first Lutheran church in the Dakota Territory, was organized in August of 1863.

Avera sponsors Hebda **Family Produce fundraiser**

The Avera Sacred Heart Foundation will be sponsoring Hebda Family Produce, Homemade Goods & Specialty Items Fundraiser.

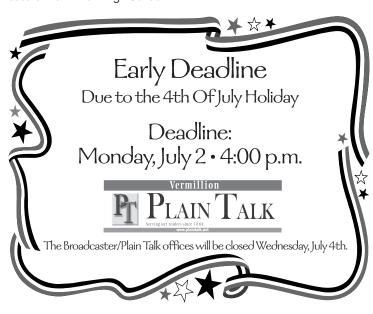
They will be selling fresh produce the second and fourth Thursday each month from 3-6 p.m. in the Avera Sacred Heart Hospital Pavilion Atrium.

Partial funds raised from this event will go to the Dialysis Department to assist dialysis patients with cost of transportation to their

appointments at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital.

If you have any questions, contact the Avera Sacred Heart Foundation at (605) 668-8310.

from 10 a.m. to noon signing her first book, "Live, Laugh, Lemonade: A Journey of Choosing to Beat the Odds." Gottsleben is a 2004 graduate of Vermillion High School.







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