

HELPING OTHERS STAY WARM



SARAH WETZEL/FOR THE PLAIN TALK

Blogs, Facebook posts and local news all over the country report hats, scarves and coats left out in cities expected to experience freezing temperatures. The winter wear is not left out unintentionally but is aimed at providing some warmth to homeless or other needy individuals. "I am not lost!" read a note on one scarf reportedly. "If you are stuck out in the cold, please take this to keep warm!"

No one seems to know how this initiative began but it has come to Vermillion as several scarves cling to trees in Prentis Park.

"Do you have a few scarves that you don't use anymore?" an anonymous person posted on Vermillion Chamber Chat. "Vermillion has started hanging scarves, hats or mittens in Prentis Park on the corner of Plum & Main (across from Sanford) for those people that may need extra warmth this winter. Let's see if we can fill the trees. Please be respectful of the trees."

CLAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

SUNDAY, NOV. 15

5:54 p.m. - A deputy responded to an injury accident in Vermillion and assisted the patient until the arrival of EMS.

MONDAY, NOV. 16

5:36 a.m. - A deputy investigated a report of an overnight burglary and theft of cigarettes at an Irene business.

12:39 p.m. - A deputy responded to a rural residence along with the ambulance and Volin First Responders for a medical emergency. The patient was transported to the hospital via ambulance.

2:31 p.m. - A caller reported receiving suggestive photos via text messages from an unknown person who then attempted to extort money. The person receiving the texts reported the matter suspecting this as a scam attempt.

2:47 p.m. - A patient was transported from the hospital in Vermillion to the Human Services Center in Yankton for an involuntary mental health commitment.

TUESDAY, NOV. 17

9:09 a.m. - The school resource officer went to a student's home after the student had missed school for several days in a row. The student was found to be in good health and was given a ride to the high school.

9:55 a.m. - An inmate was transported to the dentist for a scheduled appointment.

2:50 p.m. - An inmate who was wanted for a Clay County warrant was transported to the Clay County Jail from the Yankton County Jail.

8:08 p.m. - Deputies investigated an unattended death at a rural Vermillion residence. The death was determined to be of natural causes.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18

7:09 a.m. - A deputy investigated a car vs deer accident that occurred on Hwy 19 north of Vermillion.

THURSDAY, NOV. 19

7:32 a.m. - A deputy transported an inmate with a Clay County warrant from the Yankton County Jail back to Clay County. The man was booked into the jail and appeared at a scheduled court hearing. At the conclusion of the court hearing the man was transported back to the Yankton County Jail.

2:36 p.m. - A deputy removed tire debris from the roadway on Hwy 50.

4:15 p.m. - A deputy transported a woman from the Vermillion hospital to The Human Services Center in Yankton on an involuntary mental health hold.

FRIDAY, NOV. 20

9:35 a.m. - A deputy and a SDHP trooper responded to a report of a vehicle that had slid off of the roadway and through a fence on Hwy 46 near Irene. No one was injured and a tow service was contacted to remove the vehicle from the ditch. The driver did not have current insurance for the vehicle and was issued a citation.

10:20 a.m. - An inmate was transported to the hospital for a scheduled appointment.

11:30 a.m. - A deputy responded to a report of a vehicle that had slid off of the roadway on Hwy 50 near Meckling. Upon arrival the deputy was unable to locate any stranded vehicles.

11:51 a.m. - A deputy re-

sponded to a report of a vehicle in the ditch on the west edge of Clay County on Hwy 50. The driver was uninjured and the vehicle was not damaged. A tow service was called to remove the vehicle.

1:04 p.m. - A deputy assisted a stranded motorist who was unable to get her vehicle up Crawford Hill in Vermillion due to the ice and snow on the roadway. The deputy was able to help the driver gain enough traction to get the vehicle up the hill and back on the roadway.

2:38 p.m. - A deputy responded to a report of a vehicle stuck in the ditch on Highway 50 near Gayville. Upon arrival, there were tracks in the snow but the vehicle was gone. There was no indication of damage.

3:20 p.m. - A deputy stopped to assist a driver who had become stuck in the snow in the median on Highway 50. He was able to help the vehicle get back on the road. There was no damage to the vehicle.

3:36 p.m. - A deputy responded to a report of a car in the ditch on Hwy 46 near Irene. He located several other vehicles that had slid into the ditch on his way and stopped to help those motorists. By the time he made it to the Irene area the vehicle had been removed from the ditch and was not in the area.

4:02 p.m. - A deputy responded to a report of a vehicle in the ditch on University Rd. The vehicle did not have any damage and the driver was not hurt. A tow service was called to remove the vehicle.

4:31 p.m. - A deputy located

a vehicle that slid off of the roadway on University Rd. The driver was not injured and the vehicle was not damaged. A tow service was contacted to remove the vehicle.

SATURDAY, NOV. 21

1:06 p.m. - A deputy and a VPD officer responded to a residence just north of Vermillion for a medical emergency and assisted in patient care until the ambulance arrived.

2:34 p.m. - A deputy and two SDHP troopers responded to a report of a vehicle that slid off of the roadway on Hwy 50 and struck a tree head on. The vehicle was unoccupied and had sustained a large amount of damage. The driver was found at her Vermillion residence a short time later. The smell of marijuana was detected in the woman's house and a search warrant was written to search the residence. Three people were arrested for possession of marijuana.

3:43 p.m. - A man was transported from the Vermillion hospital to the Human Services Center in Yankton on an involuntary mental health hold.

4:31 p.m. - A deputy encountered a vehicle pulled off Highway 50. The driver reported the vehicle was handling poorly. The deputy determined the issue was ice on the wheels causing the wheels to be out of balance.

5:35 p.m. - An inmate with an active Clay County warrant was transported from the Yankton County Jail to the Clay County Jail.

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CHAMBER CHAT

CHAMBER BUSINESS ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Holiday Gift from the Chamber Members to the Community: The VCDC is conducting a Vermillion Bucks sale. We are offering \$15,000 in Vermillion Bucks available for purchase in \$100 bundles of \$20 denominations at the discounted rate of \$85 per bundle. This equates to an immediate discount of 15% off on all products and services in Vermillion when using the Vermillion Bucks. They can be purchased at the VCDC office at 1012 Princeton Street. Limited to 3 bundles per family-call 624-5571 to order. Enjoy discount shopping and Happy Holidays from the Vermillion Area Chamber Members!

You can now go to: www.LiveVermillion.com and click on the tab "Things to Do" in the center of the page. It takes you directly to the community calendar of events listing all of the area's posted events. If your event is not listed, this page will allow you to submit an event to be included.

THURSDAY, NOV. 26 & FRIDAY, NOV. 27

The VCDC office will be closed Thurs. & Fri., Nov. 26-27 for the Thanksgiving holiday

TUESDAY, DEC. 1

David Owen, President of the SD Chamber of Commerce, will give a Pre-Legislative Session update at the Rotary Club meeting at the Al Neuharth Media Center, 555 Dakota St., on Tues., Dec. 1 at noon. Everyone is welcome, lunch is \$6.50. Non-Rotary members please call the VCDC to register 605-624-5571. Sponsored by the VCDC Legislative Affairs Committee.

FRIDAY, DEC. 4 & SATURDAY, DEC. 5

"Light Up Vermillion": The Special Events Committee for the Vermillion Area Chamber and Development Company (VCDC) is sponsoring the 7th Annual "Parade of Lights" in Downtown Vermillion on Fri., Dec. 4 at 6:30 pm. Vermillion area merchants, businesses, schools and organizations are encouraged to put together a float or entry for the parade. The theme is "Light Up Vermillion," so get your creativity flowing and enter! First, second and third places will be awarded. Entry forms can be found on the VCDC website, www.vermillionchamber.com, or at the Chamber office at 116 Market St. Deadline to enter is November 30.

Children 11 and under are encouraged to enter a coloring contest for a chance to have "Lunch with Santa," sponsored by HyVee, on Sat., Dec. 5 at HyVee and to meet him before Christmas. Also on Sat., Dec. 5, from 12:30 to 2:30, bring the children for FREE pictures with Santa at HyVee by Peterman Photography. For more information please call the VCDC office at 605-624-5571.

THIS WEEK'S HAPPENINGS

Hundreds of hats and scarves have been spotted in cities that are going to experience freezing temps this year. Do you have a few scarves that you don't use anymore? Vermillion has started hanging scarves, hats or mittens in Prentis Park on the corner of Plum & Main (across from Sanford) for those people that may need extra warmth this winter. The message attached to one of the scarves says: "I am not lost! If you are stuck out in the cold, please take this to keep warm!" Please put a nice note on your scarf to give away. Let's see if we can fill the trees. Please be respectful of the trees.

The Clay-Union foundation is seeking youth age 5-17 to match with volunteers. Youth spend 2 hours/week with their match and both the volunteer and youth enjoy the experience. Apply online at www.clay-unionfoundation.org or call John Gilie 605-421-5050. The foundation also seeks 2 permanent residents in Clay Co. to serve on the board. Year end donations are also welcome, and support the mentoring, scholarship and community grant efforts. Designate gifts on the memo line.

Veterans' Holiday Relief Drive: hosted in partnership with SD American Legion Auxiliary & Autumn Simunek, Miss South Dakota to benefit homeless & at-risk Veterans & Military Families. Contribute "Buddy Basket(s)":

-Home-warming welcome recipe: assemble a laundry basket/waste basket filled with paper towels, laundry detergent, household cleaners, rubber gloves light bulbs, dust pan w/ hand brush, flashlight/batteries, shower curtain w/rings, bath towel set, bathroom tissue, dishes, eating utensils, dish soap, dish towel set-frosted with clear wrap/bow & greeting tag

-Substitute or single household & essential items welcome: bed sheets, pillows, blankets, sleeping bags, small appliances, alarm clock, hygiene products, warm apparel & socks, shopping gift cards

-Monetary Donations: checks payable & mailed to: American Legion Auxiliary Unit 1, Attn: Vets Relief Drive, c/o Marie Anne Ben, 16 E. Bloomingdale St., Vermillion, SD 57069. For more information: autumn.simunek@misssd.org; 605-890-3093. Vermillion drop-off locations: Broadcaster/Plain Talk, 201 W. Cherry St.; Main Street Center, 320 W. Main St.

FRIDAY, NOV. 27

Tech Hour @ Vermillion Public Library, Fri., Nov. 27, 10:30-12 pm. Call 677-7060 to register or stop by Circulation Desk to set up an appointment

Sharing the Dream will be hosting guitar and banjo players Esteban Marino and Morgan Appley for an evening of music, Fri., Nov. 27 from 5-7:00 pm. We will be offering free coffee and the opportunity to enter a draw-

ing to win a \$15 Sharing the Dream gift certificate.

SATURDAY, NOV. 28

Saturday, Nov. 28, Sharing the Dream will celebrate Shop Local Saturday. We will also offer coffee and a presentation about our Fair Trade artisans in Guatemala. This is also an opportunity to learn about alternative gift giving opportunities

Overeaters Anonymous: Sat., Nov. 28 @ 9:00 am. Location: Newman Center-USDCampus, 320 E. Cherry across from the MUC at the corner of Rose & Cherry St. (West Door-straight through double glass doors on left & first door on left; North Door-down hall to left & first door on left). Description: Overeaters Anonymous is a 12 step program for people with eating disorders & struggles

MONDAY, NOV. 30

Boys Basketball practice begins, Mon., Nov. 30

Welcome Table serves a free meal on Mondays at the First United Methodist Church, 16 N. Dakota St. Public is invited to enjoy fellowship & food prepared & served by volunteer groups. Mon., Nov. 30, 5:30-7:00 pm. Groups interested in volunteering to serve at the Welcome Table can contact John Lushbough at 605-670-0958 or email: jlushbough@gmail.com. For more information, visit: www.welcometable.org

Tech Hour at Vermillion Public Library, Mon., Nov. 30, 6:30-8:00 pm. Call 677-7060 for more information

Al-anon meeting at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Mon., Nov. 30 @ 7:30 pm. For more information, call 624-9764

The Alzheimer & Memory Loss Caregiver Support Group, sponsored by the South Dakota Alzheimer's Association, will meet Mon., Nov. 30, 7:00 pm at the Vermillion Public Library. All caregivers of memory loss persons are welcome to attend. Contact persons: Fern Kaufman (605 624-4898) or Marilyn Abraham (670-2076)

TUESDAY, DEC. 1

Dakota Hospital Foundation Tree of Lights and Dakota Hospital Farewell Open House. Tues., Dec. 1, 5-7:00 pm at Sanford Vermillion. Farewell program @ 5:30 pm, 20 S. Plum St. Hors d'oeuvres & refreshments will be served.

Auditions being held, Tues., Dec. 1, 7:00 pm for Vermillion Community Theatre musical dinner theatre production, "I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change". Location: United Church of Christ, 226 E. Main St. For audition forms & additional information, visit: vermillioncommunitytheatre.org. Performances Feb. 13-15, 2016 at Vermillion Event Center.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2

Toastmasters International Club meeting, Wed., Dec. 2 at Muenster University Center Conference room 211, 12:30-1:30.

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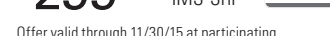


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