

Vermillion Sesquicentennial EVENTS 2009

SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED SESQUICENTENNIAL EVENTS

December 31, 2008: New Year's Eve Sesquicentennial kick-off of events. This will be held during "Celebrate Vermillion", a community family oriented smoke free and alcohol free New Year's Eve event. Hours are 7:30pm to midnight at the DakotaDome on the USD campus. Carly Heard at Chamber of Commerce is contact.

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January 11, 2009: Opera professional singer Scott Piper and friends will present a musical Sesquicentennial kick off event in Farber Hall on the USD campus on Sunday January 11 at 1:30 pm sharp. Victorian Era music will be featured, followed by a reception with Victorian Era food sampling. Requested dress is business, period or black tie. Please note the concert is at Farber Hall on the USD campus and the reception follows at the Austin-Whittemore House at 15 Austin Avenue. This event is free of charge and open to the public with limited seating available. Tickets are first come, first served at the Vermillion Chamber of Commerce office, 624-5571, and must be obtained in advance. Everyone is welcome.

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February 8, 2009 at 1:00pm: The Mayor's wife is hosting a luncheon and dessert buffet with proceeds to benefit the W.H. Over Museum. Program "**Hats Off To History**" by Shirley Huber with additional displays of vintage accessories of everyday life. Location is Sletwold Room in the W.H. Over Museum. Tickets \$20 per person and available at Nook 'n Cranny. Reservations required. Contact is Gloria Christopherson at 624-4611.

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March 2009:

-Trivia contests about Vermillion, which will take place in the Vermillion public schools. Tom Thaden contact.

-March 28-Tour of Tables, a joint ESA & Clay County Historical Society project being held at Trinity Lutheran Church. Doors open at 10:45 am, Luncheon at 11:30, vintage clothing style show at 12:30. \$12.50 per person to benefit St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Contact Barb Campbell, 624-4626.

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April 2009:

-April 15-16 - Vermillion Lions Club 45th annual Pancake Days

-April 4-18 - Quilt Show scheduled at W.H. Over Museum

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April 30, 2009 at 1:30 pm-Dedication of Vermillion's new City Hall Building. Contact Mayor Dan Christopherson

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May 2009:

-Historic Preservation Month. - Tom Thaden

-Memorial Day weekend celebrating and honoring local men and women who have served in the military. The VFW, American Legion and Veteran's Service Office with Ray Hoffman to organize from the Veteran's Service Office.

-Celebration of our spiritual heritage. - Rev. Steve Miller

-**Saturday May 30**- Clay County Historic Preservation Commission-Walking Tour of local historic sites. Contact Jim Wilson 624-4579.

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June 2009:

-**June 18 from 5 to 7 pm** -Clay County Historical Society-sponsored Ice cream social on the Austin-Whittemore grounds. The McNeils will provide live music.

-**June 19**-Dalesburg Mid-Summer Celebration.

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4th of July 2009: This celebration sponsored by the Vermillion Chamber of Commerce and Development Company will include activities in Barstow Park as well as fireworks at dusk. Steve Howe contact.

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July 10-13, 2009- Community Theatre production, "In Every Generation" Anthony Burbach & Kurt Hackemer, contacts. www.vermillioncommunitytheatre.org

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July 28 – Chamber of Commerce Annual golf social at the Bluffs (624-5571)

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August 6-9, 2009 are the Main Sesquicentennial Celebration Dates

Thursday August 6-

-Tours of new Vermillion City Hall, 25 Center St. 10:30 to noon and 3:30 to 5:00.

-Tours of new USD Medical School, 10:00 to noon and 1:00 to 3:00

-Self guided Tours of new Muenster University Center, 7:30am to 11:00pm

-Free Community BBQ in Prentis Park 4:30pm to 7:00pm, Pork Loin meal with 150th Birthday Cake! Sponsored by Bank of the West, CorTrust Bank, First Bank & Trust, First Dakota National Bank, Vermillion Federal Credit Union.

- Ratingen Youth Wind Orchestra from Sister City Ratingen, Germany to perform free public band concert at Vermillion High School , 7:30pm.

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Friday August 7-

-All School Reunion Reception at Vermillion High School Commons (East entrance), 1:00 pm to 5:00pm. This is a time to “check in”, register, leave messages and visit with friends. Members of VHS Show Choir “Rhythm in Red” will be available to give tours of VHS. One registration fee of \$10 to VHS will cover both Friday and Saturday VHS events. Register in advance with Vermillion Chamber of Commerce (605)624-5571 or print out form at this link-
http://www.vermillion.us/reunion_registration.pdf

-University High School will meet for a luncheon on Friday Aug. 7th, 12:00 noon - 3:00PM at the Vermillion Public Library.

-Various individual VHS class gatherings will be held around the community and at the Eagles Club in the evening.

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Saturday August 8-

-5K Fun Run/Walk - 9:00am, starts at Prentis Park. Alli Hensley Zens (763)355-9356. Register at link below. : <http://allsportcentral.com/EventInfo.cfm?EventID=22044>

-Young Eagle Airplane Rides at Vermillion Airport – 9am to noon- Free for ages 7 to 17 with parent permission. Contact Denny Martens at 677-8159.

-Sesquicentennial Parade – Downtown Vermillion – 10:00 am, contact 624-8266

-Vermillion Cemetery Association Open House at the “Little Red Chapel” at Bluff View Cemetery 2:00pm-4:00pm

-All School Reunion Dance at Vermillion High School -8:00pm to midnight. VHS “Rhythm in Red” will host a refreshment area at both the Friday afternoon reception and the Saturday evening dance. All proceeds go directly to VHS Show Choir “Rhythm in Red”

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Sunday August 9

-Fly-In Breakfast at Vermillion Airport (Harold Davidson Field), Lions Club serving pancakes for a donation to Senior Citizens Center, pancakes available 8:00 am to noon.

-Ribbon Cutting and Dedication for new concrete airport runway – 9:30 am. The new runway will be dedicated in honor of current airport manager and long time Vermillion and USD pilot Denny Martens.

-F16 Fighter Jets, S.D. Air National Guard 114th Fighter Wing – Flyover , 9:59am

-Air Show with aerobatic pilots and maneuvers, free – 10:00 am to 11:00 am

-Vermillion Cemetery Association Open House at the “Little Red Chapel” at Bluff View Cemetery 1:00pm-3:00pm

-A Celebration of our Spiritual Heritage -Ecumenical Concert and Worship Service at Vermillion High School – 7:00 pm - Christy Kimball and Paula Nelson contacts. All area churches are invited to participate. Open to the public.

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August 13-15- Clay County Fair & Achievement Days (Founders Day) - Alison Buckman
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August 28-30 –Bull-A-Rama at Clay County Park Rodeo Grounds

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August 29 & 30 -Great Dakota Wine Fest at Buffalo Run Winery-Eldon & Sherry Nygaard
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September 9 -5:30PM - 7:00PM "Remember the Good Ol' Days" Old Fashioned Picnic (hog roast, salads, refreshments, ice cream, live entertainment, etc.) United Way of Vermillion 2010 Campaign Kick Off Event at the Vermillion High School Commons. Cost is \$5 per person. Contact Bob Fuller, Executive Director, United Way of Vermillion at 605-624-5354
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September 11-13 - Ribs, Rods and Rock 'n Roll-Jody Harnois & John Storm
<http://www.sdbbqchampionship.com/>
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September 12- 7 p.m. Washington Street Arts Center. The Stavig Letters. A readers' theater of a collection of letters sent between brothers Lars and Knudt Stavig. One emigrated to South Dakota in 1876, and the other stayed in Norway. Pie and coffee will be served. Please call 605-624-9279 with questions
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September 17-18 – USD Red Road Gathering at 4-H Center, contact Kathy Husby 677-5386
September 27-Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure--Contact Colette Abbott
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October 10 - USD Dakota Day
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November 11- Veterans Day Program at W.H. Over Museum
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Saturday November 21, 2009: "Sesquicentennial Heritage Harvest Ball"- 6:00 pm social hour, 7:00 pm dinner in the second floor ballroom at the Muenster University Center on the USD Campus. _Open to the public with \$15 ticket purchase for a five entrée buffet meal and dessert table. (Thanks to U. Dining for their generous contribution to this event) Contact Gloria Christopherson at Nook 'n Cranny, 624-4611 for tickets.
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December 4 from 6 to 9 pm and December 5 from 1 to 4 pm--Tour of Homes sponsored by Clay County Historical Society. Contact Gloria Barnes & Cleo Erickson.
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December 6 - WH Over Museum Christmas Festival on the 1st Sunday of December. Contact Maxine Johnson.
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THANK YOU FOR A GREAT SESQUICENTENNIAL YEAR IN 2009 !!!!!

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