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We experienced awesome weather this year and many attendees and vendors commented over and over that it was one of their better Rally experiences.

The City of Sturgis would like to thank our residents, employees, visitors, vendors and sponsors for helping to make the 71st Annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally great in 2011!

For more information on the Sturgis Motorcycle Rally, contact the Rally Department at 605.720.0800 or visit www.sturgismotorcyclerrally.com.

Join *Sturgis Motorcycle Rally* on facebook for news, photos and contests.



Snow Route Ticket and Tow Reminder

The Sturgis Police Department reminds residents who live on designated Snow Removal Routes to move their vehicles off the street when the National Weather Service (NWS) forecast calls for 4 inches or more of snow within a 24 hour period of time.

If a vehicle is in violation of the ordinance, the vehicle will be ticketed and towed by the Police Department.

The intent of the ordinance is to have vehicles along the designated Snow Routes completely off the streets so snow removal equipment can plow curb to curb quickly and efficiently. Vehicles are allowed to resume parking on the street once it has been cleared.

All Snow Routes are clearly marked with advisory signage.

Questions relating to the ordinance can be directed to the Police Department at 347-5070.



Sturgis Liquor will be open on Thanksgiving day 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for your holiday needs.

Flagpole Installation to Honor Fallen Military

The City of Sturgis is proud to announce the installation of a new flagpole at the Sturgis Community Center. This project was made possible with the help of Flags For Fallen Military (FFFM), a volunteer group formed with the idea to honor our fallen heroes by providing families the option of placing an American Flag in honor of their son's or daughter's sacrifice.

On December 24, 2003, Cpt. Christopher Soelzer, a Sturgis Brown High School graduate, was killed in action in Iraq. His mother, Delain Johnson, recently contacted the FFFM organization, who in turn, coordinated with the city to have a flagpole installed in honor of Christopher and all the military personnel, past and present, who have served our country.

The public is invited to join family members, representatives from the FFFM, and other honored guests at the flagpole dedication ceremony on Thursday, November 10 at 2:00 p.m. in front of the Sturgis Community Center.

For more information about Flags For Fallen Military, you can visit their website at www.flagsforfallenmilitary.org.



Area Law Enforcement agencies will be conducting DUI checkpoints at various locations in the community during the holidays. Play it safe and use a designated driver.

A snow shoveling resource list is available on the city website at: www.sturgis-sd.gov. This list contains names of individuals who are willing to shovel walks following a snow storm.

If you don't have computer access, you can call 347-4422 for names and phone numbers of available workers.

If you are elderly or disabled, you may qualify for assistance from community service workers at no charge. Contact Lt. Vandewater at the Sturgis Police Department 347- 5070 for more information.



Employee Spotlight - Sturgis Ambulance Service

The professionals of the Sturgis Ambulance Service provide emergency medical care to the critically ill and injured of our community, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, regardless of weather conditions.

In addition to caring for the residents of Sturgis, they also serve the people of western Meade County and eastern Lawrence County including lower Boulder Canyon, the I-90 corridor between exits 40 and 28, north to the Belle Fourche River, and along Highway 79 to 194th Street. They also serve the Fort Meade Veterans' Hospital by transporting patients to other facilities in the Hills.

The Ambulance Service is a self supported enterprise (no tax monies) with 5 full time employees. The staff includes Ambulance Supervisor Shawn Peterson, Paramedics Nicole Skouge and Larry Jones, and EMT-Basics Josh Kusser and Bob Keyte. 17 part time responders (EMT-Basics, EMT-Intermediates, and Paramedics) also provide services.

While you hope to never need them, these dedicated professionals are there when you need quality emergency medical care.



At the Library in November

- The Artist of the Month will be Joe DesJarlais. His unique and imaginative works will be on display in the library all month.
- Guest Nancy Remington will share her new book "My Faith Has Made Me Whole" on November 10 from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
- We also have author Virginia Driving Hawk Sneve coming on November 17 at 7:00 p.m. She will discuss her book "Completing the Circle" with scholar Kathy Antonen from the School of Mines.
- Free computer classes are held each Thursday at 5:30 p.m.
- Crochet classes will be held on Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.
- The library will be closed on November 11 and 12 for Veterans Day. The library will also close at 4:00 p.m. on November 23 and will remain closed on Thanksgiving Day.

New arrivals: "11/22/63" by Stephen King, "Best of Me" by Nicholas Sparks, "Litigators" by John Grisham and "Come Into The Water" by local author Merlyn Janet Wagner (she was the only one of her family to survive the Rapid City flood).

Halloween Fun Night

Food - Prizes - Games

When: Monday, October 31, 4-7 p.m. at the Sturgis Armory on Main Street.

For: Kids age 2 - 10 who are accompanied by an adult.

Cost: \$1.00 for kids - free for adults

Sponsored by: ABC



Contact Information

City Hall 347-4422
City Attorney 347-4422
Code Enforcement 347-4424
Community Development 347-4424
Finance Office 347-4422
Human Resources 347-4422
Rally Department 720-0800
1040 2nd Street

Community Center 347-6513
5:00 - 9:00 Mon. - Fri.
8:00 - 8:00 Sat.
Noon - 8:00 Sun.
1401 Lazelle Street

Fire & Ambulance 347-5801
Emergency 911
7:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.
1901 Ballpark Road

Library 347-2624
8:30 - 7:00 Mon. - Thu.
8:30 - 5:00 Fri.
8:30 - 4:00 Sat.
1040 2nd Street

Liquor Store 347-5983
8:00 - 10:00 Mon. - Sat.
10:00 - 8:00 Sun.
1075 Lazelle Street

Parks Department 347-9018
8:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri.
1920 Ballpark Road
Shelter Reservations call
347-4422

Police Department 347-5070
Emergency 911
1400 Main Street

Public Works 347-3916
7:00 - 4:00 Mon. - Fri.
1057 Dudley Street
Rubble Site
8:00 - 5:00 Tue. - Fri.
8:00 - 12:00 and 1:00 - 5:00
Mon. and Sat.

Water Department 347-4425
8:00 - 4:45 Mon. - Fri.
After Hour Emergency call
Police Dispatch 347-2573
1040 2nd Street
Drop boxes: 2901 Vanocker Canyon
and City Hall 1040 2nd Street



Daylight Savings Time Begins November 6

Items of Interest

Welcome Daniel Ainslie new City Manager November 1.
City Offices Closed on Friday, November 11 for Veterans Day and Thursday & Friday, November 24 and 25 for Thanksgiving. Trash will be collected on November 25. The Community Center, Library and Sturgis Liquor will be following a modified schedule; check the website for information.
Holiday Open House - November 18 from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. and November 19 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the Community Center.
Community Thanksgiving - November 24 at the Community Center from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Transportation is available by appointment. This free meal is sponsored by Impact Youth Mission and Sturgis Community Churches. To make a donation or volunteer, contact Reverend Reggie Lewis at 490-8271.
Parade of Lights - December 2 at 6:00 p.m. To enter your float, contact the Sturgis Chamber at 347-2556.

Announcements and Meetings

Sturgis City Council: November 7 and 21 at 6:30 p.m.
Forestry: November 3 at 5:30 p.m. at the Sturgis Fire Hall.
Park Board: November 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the Morman Law office.
Planning and Zoning: November 1, 15 & 29 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, Room B.
MUB: November 9 at 8:00 a.m. at City Hall, Room A.
Sturgis Arts Council: November 10 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.
Library Board: November 30 at 4:00 p.m. at the Sturgis Library.

Officials

Mayor
 Mark Carstensen 490-1044

Council Members
 Ward One:
 Joe DesJarlais 347-7928
 Kelly Vasknetz 490-0361

Ward Two:
 David Hersrud 347-5061
 Marcia Johnston 347-2483

Ward Three:
 Clint Brengle 490-9541
 Jamie McVay 720-5780

Ward Four:
 Tim Potts 720-4233
 Dane Sundstrom 490-1172

City Manager
 Daniel Ainslie 347-4422

Snow Removal Reminders From The Public Works Department

The success of our snow removal program depends on your assistance. Here are a few tips:

- When snow is expected, park your vehicles off the street whenever possible.
- Remove snow from your sidewalk within 24 hours.
- Do not shovel snow from your driveway and sidewalk into the street. Place it on your lawn or near trees and shrubs to help with winter watering.
- If you shovel before we plow the street, your driveway or sidewalk may get blocked again by a windrow of snow from our plow - in most cases this is unavoidable.
- Please be patient; we have 40 miles of streets to clear. Moving heavy wet snow takes considerably more time than dry fluffy snow.
- Snow is removed from life safety and emergency routes first. The second priority is the major arterial streets (Lazelle, Harmon, Ballpark, Sherman, Douglas, Nellie, and the Whitewood Service Road) followed by major-minor collector streets and school routes. Remaining residential streets and alleys are cleared as soon as possible. A map with snow removal routes is available on the City website at Sturgis-sd.gov.



It is the goal of the Sturgis Public Works Department to provide the safest driving surfaces possible, using the resources that we have available. In the event of a major winter storm, private contractors may be hired by the City to assist with snow removal. Snow removal contractors must be pre-approved and equipment will be clearly identified as being under City contract.

If you would like to get updated information on the snow removal progress, call the Public Works Department at 347-3916. In the event of a major storm, traffic updates will be posted on the city website and broadcast on local radio stations.

2011 Rally Update

The Sturgis Motorcycle Rally Department, with cooperation from city, county and state officials, as well as surrounding Black Hills communities, compiled the following report for the 71st Annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally.

As history has shown, any year following an anniversary year reflects decreased numbers in most categories. Fortunately with the potential of rising fuel costs and general economic uncertainty, our numbers come in with an average decrease of only 10.72%.

The estimated attendance at the 2011 Sturgis

Motorcycle Rally was 416,727, down 50,042 from 2010. Sales tax in Sturgis was reduced 9.96% during Rally week. City vendors totaled 727, surprisingly only a 4.47% decrease from 2010.

Traffic counts submitted by the Department of Transportation also show Rally numbers were down 9.70% in the Sturgis area. Traffic counts from Mount Rushmore reflect a 17.24% decrease.

Over all, the Rally turned out quite well with the challenges presented.

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