

Saturday Night Alive!

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At a Glance: Upcoming Events

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@ 6:00pm @ CLM.
Potluck and video 2 in
Guardrails series.

Saturday, June 25 @ 9:30am. Meet to car pool at Mt. Rushmore Rd. Safeway to hike the Flume Trail.

Saturday, July 2 @ 6:00pm. Potluck picnic with Dennis Franck @ Darcie's.

Friday—Sunday, July 15-17. Hills Alive @ Memorial Park, Rapid City.

Saturday, July 23 @ 6:00pm @ Darcie's.
Potluck and video 3 in Guardrail series.

Saturday, August 6 @ 6:00pm @ CLM. Potluck and video 4 in Guardrail series.

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Andy Stanley and "Guardrails"

Since we are starting a six part series of videos presented by Andy Stanley called "Guardrails", we wanted to let you know a little about Andy Stanley and his series. Andy Stanley was born May 16, 1958 to Charles and Anna Stanley of Georgia. His father is a pastor and the founder of In Touch Ministries. Andy and his father parted ways when his parents divorced.

Andy graduated from Georgia State with an undergraduate degree in journalism and then went on to complete a master's degree from Dallas Theological Seminary. He is married and has three grown children.

Andy is the pastor of the North Point Ministries out of Atlanta, Georgia. His church is one of the fastest growing churches in America. He has written numerous books and produced many great videos that teach on leadership, integrity, faith and wisdom. North Point Ministries is comprised of six churches in the Atlanta, GA area and a network of 30 churches around the globe. The ministry serves nearly 70,000 people weekly.

Andy's video series "Guardrails" is designed to provide teaching and discussion concerning avoiding pitfalls and temptations in your life and staying out of the ditch, so to speak. Guardrails are what we need to put in place to protect ourselves from regret and danger. We are hoping to do all six of the videos throughout the coming months. They do not necessarily build on one another so if you can't make it to one, please come to the next one. We know this will be a great series to encourage personal spiritual growth.



Some Recommended Hiking Trails by Lila S.

The Black Hills have numerous hiking trails that have wonderful scenery and they give you the opportunity to get out and move. I wanted to let you know about some of my favorite trails just in case you were unfamiliar with them and wanted to give them a try. Just keep in mind, these are some of MY favorite trails. Hopefully, if you try them yourself, you will agree.

Little Elk Creek Trail near Piedmont is one of my favorites. This trail is a pretty easy trail that follows Little Elk Creek. It is along the bottom of a canyon and has shade, interesting rock formations, the creek, abundant wild life and plant life. It can be taken all the way to Dalton Lake, if you want a long hike. (17 miles total) Or if you want, you can park one car at Dalton Lake and the other at the Little Elk Creek Trailhead so you don't have to back track. You can access the Little Elk Creek Trailhead by taking the Bethlehem Rd. exit at Piedmont (right after the Elk Creek exit) and turning north on Sturgis Road. Follow this for just a little ways until you come to Little Elk Creek Road on the left. Turn west and follow that road until you get to the end where the trailhead is located.

Sunday Gulch Trail is another hike I enjoy. This one is located in Custer State Park by Sylvan Lake. The trailhead begins below Sylvan and takes you on a loop back to Sylvan. Park at Sylvan Lake and take the trail that spans the lake. You will find the Sunday Gulch Trailhead below the dam which makes Sylvan Lake. It is 3.5 miles long and takes about an hour and a half. Part of it is really rocky and the last section is uphill but it is beautiful and there is a variety of plant life there also.

A second hike near Custer State Park/Sylvan Lake, but coming at it from the other side, is the Willow Creek Horse Camp trail #9 up to the top of Harney Peak. This is, I think, longer and a bit more strenuous than Trail #9 from Sylvan Lake. The Willow Creek Horse Camp is off Highway 244 that runs past Mt Rushmore. The Horse Camp Trailhead turn off is almost right across from the Palmer Gulch KOA which is west of Mt. Rushmore on Highway 244. This hike takes you through a variety of landscapes and is less traveled than the one from Sylvan. Of course, it is a five mile, one way, so ten miles both ways hike so that might account for some loss of traffic. You will need to be careful where you step also because it is widely traveled by horses. It gives you a different perspective on the Harney Peak area.

One more hike I enjoy is the Roughlock Falls trail. You can access this at Spearfish Canyon Lodge in Spearfish Canyon and hike up to and around Roughlock Falls. The hike is not real long, about 2 miles total and is only mildly strenuous because of it going uphill for a bit. Hiking along the creek and then coming to the falls is very beautiful and scenic.

There are numerous other hiking trails in the Black Hills (and even the Badlands) so you really have no excuse to not get out and move and enjoy this beautiful area that God has created for us to enjoy. Long trails are the Centennial Trail from Bear Butte to Wind Cave National Park and the Mickelson Trail that goes from Deadwood to Edgemont. So, get a group together and enjoy!!

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60 to www.saturdaynightalivesingles.com for more information, or call Darcie @ (605) 209-6677.

June 2016

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>June 18 @ 6:00pm</u>. Potluck and 2nd video in Andy Stanley's "Guardrails" series called "Why Can't We Be Friends?" and discussion @ Christian Life Ministries, 1948 N. Plaza Dr., Rapid City. This session covers who you are walking with... who are your friends and how do they influence you. Please bring a dish to share, your Bibles and a friend or two and join us in discovering more about how to live a life protected by guardrails. For more information and/or directions, please call Lila @ (605)484-1460.

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>June 25 @ 9:30am</u>. Car pool at Safeway parking lot on Mt. Rushmore Road, Rapid City to go hiking on the Flume Trail out of Rockerville. This is a moderate hike and will take about 5-6 hours. Bring a sack lunch, water, bug spray, sunscreen, jacket, etc... We will hike for a couple of hours, stop for lunch and then head back to the cars. The hike is beautiful and even has some historical plaques to read along the way. For more information and/or directions, please contact Lila @ (605)484-1460. What a wonderful way to enjoy our beautiful Black Hills.

July 2016

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 2 @ 6:00pm</u>. Potluck appreciation picnic for Dennis Franck and his wife. Dennis is traveling through the area and wanted to touch base with SNA. We will be meeting at Darcie's and having a potluck picnic. Please join us to show your appreciation to Dennis for his work with SNA and with singles' ministries. Bring a dish to share and a friend or two. For more information and/or directions, please contact Darcie @ (605)209-6677.

<u>Friday</u>, <u>July 15—Sunday July 17</u> Hills Alive. Please see Hills Alive website for times, artist line ups, and opportunities for service. This is not an SNA event but many times we sit together to enjoy the fellowship and music.

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 23 @ 6:00pm</u>. Potluck and Guardrails 3 video called "Flee Baby Flee!" with discussion at Darcie's. This session covers the area of sexual temptations and allows discussion on avoiding the pitfalls we face as we strive to be pure. Please bring a dish to share, your Bibles and a friend or two. We will be meeting at Darcie's this time just to change it up a little. Again, this is a great time to join together to learn more about the guardrails we need in our lives. Contact Darcie @ (605)209-6677 for more information and/or directions.

More calendar information on page 4.



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<u> August 2016</u>

Saturday, August 6 @ 6:00pm Potluck and the video Guardrails #4 called "Me and the Mrs." at Christian Life Ministries, 1948 N. Plaza Dr., Rapid City. Join us as we explore video #4 in the Guardrails series by Andy Stanley. Session four has to do with handling relationships at home. This session will be presented by Andy and his wife. Please bring a dish to share, your Bible and a friend or two and come participate in a discussion about living a life of integrity using guardrails to keep us safe. For more information and/or directions, please contact Lila @ (605)484-1460.

Saturday, August 13 @ 5:30pm "Happy Days" themed picnic event at Darcie's. This will be a fun time remembering the olden days... if you were around in the 50s that is. Hamburgers and banana splits will be provided for a suggested donation of \$6 per person. Please bring a dish that goes with the theme, also. Bubble gum blowing contest, fun with hula hoops, costume contest, etc... are some of the fun things planned. Join us for a great evening of fellowship and FUN. For more information and/or directions, please contact Darcie @ (605)209-6677. What a fun way to celebrate summer!!