

## Upcoming Sports Schedule

Tanager Baseball  
Tanager Boys' Tennis  
Tanager Track  
Tanager Boys' Tennis vs. Luverne, MN  
Tanager Baseball  
Tanager Girls' Golf

5 p.m. April 1  
9 a.m. April 2  
3:30 p.m. April 5  
4 p.m. April 5  
5:30 p.m. April 6  
9 a.m. April 7

at Dakota Valley  
at Yankton  
at Elk Point-Jefferson  
at Vermillion  
at Beresford  
at Elk Point-Jefferson

### BOWLING

**USD Faculty/Staff Bowling  
The Prairie Lanes  
March 23, 2011**

Teams	Won	Loss
Wood Ducks	175.5	124.5
Pintails	159.5	140.5
Goosanders	150.5	149.5
Coots	148.0	152.0
Mandarin	138.0	162.0
Teals	128.5	171.5
<b>High Scr Game-Team</b>	<b>Score</b>	
Wood Ducks	641	
Coots	633	
Pintails	625	
<b>High Scr Series-Team</b>	<b>Score</b>	
Wood Ducks	1862	
Coots	1707	
Pintails	1703	
<b>High Scr Game-Men</b>	<b>Score</b>	
Andy McNamara	201	
Tony Solbach	191	
Mark Tipton	186	
<b>High Scr Series-Men</b>	<b>Score</b>	
Andy McNamara	514	
Tom Craig	475	
Michael Hook	468	
<b>High Scr Game-Women</b>	<b>Score</b>	
Dalris LaBahn	187	
Jonie Hook	176	
Jan Grage	166	
<b>High Scr Series-Women</b>	<b>Score</b>	
Lynette Wulff	469	
Dalris LaBahn	468	
Jan Grage	465	

## Foul weather interferes with VHS baseball

By Parker Knox  
Sportswriter

The Vermillion High baseball team managed to play a doubleheader on the last weekend of winter, but the first weekend of spring was a different story.

Both of the Tanagers' scheduled dates were postponed or cancelled, depending upon whether new mutually agreeable dates can be found. Non-league games at Dakota Valley for the varsity and the JV's last Friday and a varsity league doubleheader with Beresford Sunday were called off.

VHS will try again tonight (Friday) at Dakota Valley, this time in league games with the varsity starting at 5 p.m. and the JV's following about 7 p.m. Vermillion is scheduled at Beresford for a 5:30/7:30 p.m. doubleheader next Wednesday.

## USD Football opens spring season Saturday

VERMILLION — The South Dakota football team will open its 2011 spring season on Saturday, April 2 at noon in Sioux City, Iowa. Coach Ed Meierkort's Coyotes will hold 14 practices over a span of 19 days before concluding with the annual Red/White Spring game on April 21 at the DakotaDome.

The opening practice will be held at Morningside College's Elwood Olsen Stadium in Sioux City. South Dakota is back in Vermillion on April 3, where it will hold practice at the fields east of the DakotaDome. All but two practices will be held at the USD practice fields, weather-permitting. The Coyotes will also hold a practice in Sioux Falls, S.D. on Saturday, April 16 at Bob Young Field. A full practice schedule can be accessed by clicking on the link above.

South Dakota's practices are open for the media and public to attend. The annual Red and White game is set for 7 p.m. on April 21 at the DakotaDome. Admission is free to that event.

The Coyotes return a total of 13 players who received All-Great West Conference honors in 2010, including four first-team selections.

South Dakota also returns starting quarterback Dante Warren (Arlington Heights, Ill.), who accounted for 2,530 yards of total offense in 2010, and standout wide receiver Will Powell (Sioux Falls, S.D.), who led the team with 47 catches for 933 yards and 10 touchdowns.

## Tanager bowlers compete at Lincoln tourney

The weekend of March 19 and 20, the Vermillion High School varsity bowling team competed at the 14th annual "Star City High School Open" hosted by the Sun Valley Lanes in Lincoln, NE.

Saturday the boys filled the final qualifying spot for Sunday's championship rounds. Sunday's action consisted of all baker team bowling competition. The boys lost their first match in a five game match to the Fremont, NE boys and then battled their way back up the losers bracket to eventually fall to the Sioux Falls Washington squad to claim fourth place out of 21 teams that started the tournament.

The official tournament results can be viewed at www.sunvalleylanes.com; live tournament action can be viewed at www.bowl.com under archived live events.

The boys bowled extremely solid fundamental bowling, with a very high percentage of strike and spare combinations with very few washouts on the very tough high oil pattern used for the weekend.



Team members included, from left to right, weekend coach Mike Lovejoy, Players Michael Brunick, Collin Lovejoy, Matt Moore, Tom Hagebbach and Christian Walsey.

Courtesy Photo

## Track off start great at Dan Lennon

By Parker Knox  
Sportswriter

Competing in the Class "A" division against teams from Omaha, Sioux City, and Sioux Falls high schools as well as others in the four-state area, Vermillion's track and field athletes got their first taste of 2011 competition Monday inside the DakotaDome in the Dan Lennon Invitational and fared well in the process.

"This was a great start for the Tanagers," said Coach Leni Billberg. "We competed hard and saw many bright spots. We hope to continue our improvements throughout the season."

The Tanager boys' 4x400 relay team streaked to victory in their heat and placed sixth overall in a time of 3:43.55. Running for the Red and White were Aaron Ruhaak, Colin Olson, Tanner Anderson and Cody Olson.

Vermillion relay teams also won their heats in the boys and girls medleys and the girls 4x400. The boys medley team was 14th in 3:56.51, the girls medley team 11th in 4:39.22 and the girls 4x400 team 14th in 4:36.02.

Cody Olson's sixth in the 400-meter dash was Vermillion's best

individual performance among the boys' events. Olson missed fifth place by .02 and fourth place by .03. He also had a good day in his relay events, running three seconds faster than last year's best time on his legs of both the medley and the 4x400.

Ruhaak was 12th in the 400 in :55.08 and Dylan Fischbach 51st in 1:18.28.

Blair Gilkyson led the way for VHS in the girls' events with a sixth-place finish in the 800-meter run in 2:30.18. In the same event Jade Postvedt was 26th in 2:47.33 and Lexi Regnerus 35th in 2:52.51.

Freshman Nick Jensen placed 21st in the shot put with a heave of 43'1", a seven-foot improvement over his best throw of last season. Alex Robertson placed 20th in the high jump at 5'4", Jay Munger was 41st in the long jump at 15'6 3/4", Nathan Ford came home 26th in the 3200-meter run in 12:07.57, Dylan Fischbach placed 27th in the 1600 in 5:09.32, and Andrew Kost had a preliminaries time of :10.55 in the 60-meter hurdles. In the 800-meter run Brandon Fischer was 28th in 2:19.35 and Alex Osborne 43rd in 2:27.31.

In the girls' 60-meter hurdles Val Moos' time of :10.81 was 17th-

best in the prelims, just one slot and .02 out of the last qualifying spot for the semifinals. Carlee Sorensen had a time of :11.07 in that event.

In the 60-meter dash Christine Epping had a preliminaries time of :08.84, Courtney Johnson :09.04 and Emily McClelland :09.55. In the 400 Abreunna Raizola placed 26th in 1:12.83 and Kylie Fischbach 27th in 1:12.99. Ashley Brunick ran the 1600 in 6:21.56, good for 29th place. Megan Olson had a best long jump of 14'5 1/4" for 21st place. The VHS girls 4x200 relay team placed 15th in 1:58.65.

The Tanager tracksters will venture outdoors, weather permitting, on Tuesday at Elk Point-Jefferson's meet at 3:30 and next Thursday at the Vermillion Booster Club Invitational at 2:30 p.m.

## CHAMPS



Picture are (back) Coach Jim Brady, Bradyn Rusher, Gabe DeJong, Ryan Pratt, Carter Larson, Coach Farron Pratt, and (front) Nate Brady, Josh Prescott, John Harge, and Riley Johnson.

## Fifth grade boys are Tri-State Champs

On March 25-26 the Vermillion fifth grade boys basketball team entered their last tournament of the season - Tri State in Sioux Falls, a 40-team, five division tournament. They faced Worthington first, and won 44-14. Next, they met up with the Rebels of Sioux Falls. The boys played like a team and came through with a victory 38-35.

Two wins placed them in the championship game - Vermillion vs. Sioux Falls Chargers. It was a close game, but Vermillion pulled away at the end to win the game 31-21, and took first place in Division 3 of the Tri-State Tournament. A championship to end the season! The team was coached by Jim Brady and Farron Pratt.

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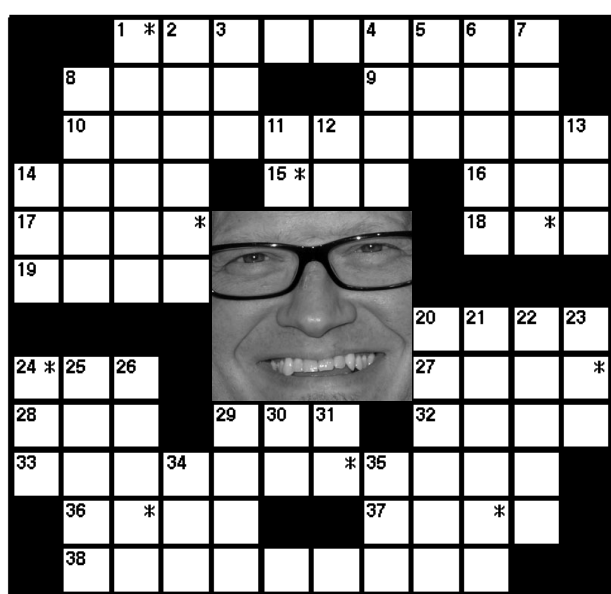
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USD students rally against cuts

By Travis Gullstrand  
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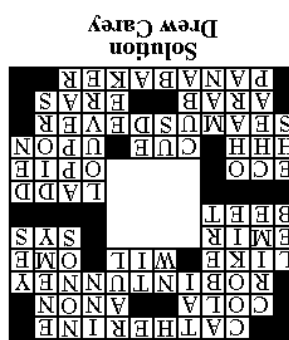
When Gov. Dennis Daugaard presented his budget in January for fiscal year 2012, he proposed cutting at least 10 percent from each state-funded program, including education. That leaves the University of South Dakota's program, including education. To express their opposition to the governor's proposal, a group of roughly 30 students staged "Cut Class for Budget Cuts" rally on the lawn of Muenster University Center over the noon Monday. The students later brought their case dire state legislators in Pierre Tuesday. "This is kind of our way of sending a cold letter to our senators," said rally organizer Thomas Emanuel. "I hope that this is when our lobby



The identity of the featured celebrity is found within the answers in the puzzle. In order to take the TV Challenge, unscramble the letters noted with asterisks within the puzzle.

#### ACROSS

1. Marg Helgenberger's role
8. Popular pop
9. Abbr. following many poems
10. Actress on "The Mentalist" (2)
14. "Just \_\_\_ Heaven"; film for Reese Witherspoon
15. \_\_\_ Wheaton
16. Residence, to Eliza Doolittle
17. Kuwaiti leader's title
18. Circulatory or respiratory: abbr.
19. Borscht ingredient
20. Alan or Cheryl
24. Prefix for sphere or system
27. Mayberry resident
28. VP Humphrey's initials
29. Hint
32. "Once \_\_\_ a Time in Mexico"; 2003 Johnny Depp movie
33. Actor on "Castle" (2)
36. Many a Middle Easterner
37. Historical divisions
38. Kay of "No Ordinary Family"
5. Hampton or Holiday
6. Taboos (hyph.)
7. "\_\_\_ of the State"; 1998 Will Smith movie
8. "Once Upon a \_\_\_"; 1992 James Belushi film
11. Initials for actor Wyle
12. Note of the scale
13. "Say \_\_\_ to the Dress"
14. Cpl. Maxwell Klingner's nationality: abbr.
20. Most visited museum
21. Seem
22. Christian and others
23. TV room, often
24. Syllables from the hard of hearing
25. "The \_\_\_ Detective"; Peter Falk/Ann-Margret film
26. Actress Maureen
29. \_\_\_ Gooding Jr.
30. "Guys Like \_\_\_"
31. Former series for Josh Randall
34. "Spider-\_\_\_"
35. Wimpy cry of fear



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