

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**FRIDAY, APRIL 6**

- No School - Good Friday
- Hospital Auxiliary Meeting at Sanford Vermillion Board Room, 20 S. Plum, at 2 p.m. (Administrative entrance).

**SATURDAY, APRIL 7**

- Overeaters Anonymous, 9 a.m., 20 S. Plum St., administration entrance - board room. Description: Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program for people with eating disorders and struggles. The group meets every Saturday.
- Volunteer income tax assistance sponsored by USD Law School from 10 .m.-4 p.m. at the Vermillion Public Library, 18 Church St. Call 677-7060 or visit [vpl.sdltn.net](http://vpl.sdltn.net) for complete listing of services.

**MONDAY, APRIL 9**

- No School - Easter Monday
- Bicycle Riders: Presentation on Tour de Kota Bike Ride at 4:30 p.m. in the Vermillion Public Library Community Room, local riders will give a show-and-tell presentation to educate bicycle riders who wish to ride one or two days, or perhaps the entire week, of Tour de Kota (TDK), June 17-22. Contact Dean Spader at 624-6831 for more information.
- Al-anon meeting, 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner of Main and Linden. For more information, call 624-9764.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 10**

- Vermillion Rotary Club Meeting, noon-1 p.m. in the Freedom Forum Conference Room of the Al Neuharth Media Center.
- Attention Lady Golfers! There will be an organizational meeting 7 p.m. at The Bluffs. Wednesday Evening Ladies League (WELL) would like to invite new members and previous members from years past to join us. We are extending a special for new members as well as former members who haven't recently participated. A \$5 membership in WELL will be extended to those who meet this criterion. Come and join us for a summer of fun and friendship. All skill levels welcome.
- American Legion Wallace Post and Auxiliary meeting at 7 p.m. at the Main Street Center, 320 W. Main St.
- Music Recital: Reginald Pittman, guest tenor, and Susanne Skyrn, piano, present a recital at 7:30 p.m. at Colton Recital Hall, Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts on USD campus.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11**

- IdeaFest: Gayle Lemmon, journalist and author of the book, "The Dressmaker of Khair Khana," 7 p.m., Muenster University Center Ballroom). For more information about IdeaFest, see <http://www.usd.edu/academics/center-for-academic-engagement/undergraduate-research/ideafest.cfm>.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 12**

- IdeaFest: Dr. Dana Miller of the University of Washington, "Suspended Animation in Nature and Medicine," noon, Muenster University Center Ballroom. For more information about IdeaFest, see <http://www.usd.edu/academics/center-for-academic-engagement/undergraduate-research/ideafest.cfm>.
- Cancer Support Group meeting at 2:30 p.m. in Sletwold Room at Trinity Lutheran Church, 816 E. Clark St. Call 624-8706 for additional information.
- Resume Writing and Job Search Assistance: What is the right resume for me? Bring a copy of your resume for Dan Hart from the South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation and Clarence Pederson from USD's Career Development Center to critique. Session runs from 6-8 p.m. There are still openings remaining at this time. Location: Vermillion Public Library - South Dakota Room. To registers, call 605-677-6900. There is no registration fee.

**PLANNING AHEAD:**

- APRIL 13 — National Music Museum (NMM) Brown Bag Lunch Program at 12:05 p.m. featuring "Wonderful, Sweet Music," on The Musical Saw with Janis Andol performing in the Arne B. Larson Concert Hall at the NMM located on USD campus, corner of Clark and Yale St. "Free Fridays" April sponsor is Sanford at Vermillion.
- APRIL 14 — Overeaters Anonymous at 9 a.m. Location: 20 S. Plum St, Administration entrance, board room.
- APRIL 17-22 — The Abu Bekr Shrine Circus will be at the Tyson Events Center in Sioux City. Tickets are \$17 (reserved), \$14 (reserved) and \$10 (general admission). There are complimentary tickets for groups of 20 or more. You'll get 10 percent of your tickets at no charge in multiples of 10 after 20 or more are purchased. Group orders need to be purchased directly through Melissa Lanzourakis-Joens at (712) 224-6423. If you are buying individual tickets, please come to the Tyson Box Office, log-on to [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or call Ticketmaster at (800) 745-3000.
- APRIL 18-22 — USD Theatre Dept. presents "Sweeney Todd: The Demon of Fleet Street," at 7:30 p.m. April 18-21 and 2 p.m. April 22 at Knutson Theatre, Fine Arts Building on USD campus. For tickets, visit [www.usd.edu/theatre](http://www.usd.edu/theatre) or call 677-5481.
- APRIL 19 — "End-of-Life Ethics": 19thh Annual Hospice Foundation of America Living with Grief Video Education Program, 12:30-3:50 p.m. on USD campus, Lee Medical Bldg., Room #107. Program is free of charge. However, the Hospice Foundation of America is charging a \$30 online processing fee for Continuing Education Credits. Local discussion for CE credit from 3:20-3:50 p.m. Brown bag lunches welcome. Pre-registration requested. Call Julie at (605) 638-8484. You may leave a message.
- APRIL 20 — Come celebrate the University's 150th Anniversary at 12:30 p.m. at USD Muenster University Center, 401 E. Cherry St. The USD Alumni Association invites you to join us for USD Day to hear the governor's official proclamation, enjoy birthday cake and sing "Happy Birthday" to Charlie Coyote, too!
- APRIL 21 — Vermillion Area Farmer's Market from 10 a.m.- 1 p.m. at the Clay County Extension Building, 515 High St.

*Does your business or organization have an event you would like included in the Community Calendar? If you do please call the Vermillion Area Chamber of Commerce and Development Company at 605-624-5571 or e-mail [vcdc@vermillionchamber.com](mailto:vcdc@vermillionchamber.com) or contact the Plain Talk at 605-624-2695 or e-mail [david.lias@plaintalk.net](mailto:david.lias@plaintalk.net).*

CORRECTION

Northeast Ward Alderman Clarene Meins' name was misspelled in the story "Candidates file petitions for local elected offices" that was published in last week's *Plain Talk*. We regret the error.

*The family of*

**Keith 'Nitro' Stoos**

are deeply grateful for all the memorials, flowers, food, prayers and voices of concern offered to our family during this time of sorrow. Thanks also to the Christian Mothers & Guild for sharing their talents. Also thank you to Flowers N Things, and Hansen Funeral Home in Vermillion, Fisch Funeral Home of Remsen, IA for your sincerity & professionalism.

To all of our extended family, friends, and neighbors, thank you for sharing our loss. The power of your love will guide us. We extend our appreciation and love to all of you.

**Larry & Cindy Stoos**  
**Ken, Karen & Craig & Families**

Epsilon Sigma Alpha celebrates St. Jude's fundraising success

Epsilon Sigma Alpha (ESA) members across the country announce the celebration of their 40th year of service to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Since 1972, when hospital founder Danny Thomas attended an ESA convention in St. Paul, MN, ESA has raised more than \$150 million in cash and pledges to support the work of the hospital.

Having sponsored and participated in thousands of events for St. Jude, ESA has become a pace-setter in raising funds and awareness for the hospital's good works.

Locally, the Theta Omega Chapter of ESA will celebrate ESA's fundraising success with the chapter's eight annual Tour of Tables, which is scheduled for Saturday, April 21.

The "Tour" will be held in St. Agnes Catholic School's Father Wolf Auditorium. Doors will open at 10:45 a.m., and the salad luncheon will be served at 11:30 a.m.

The luncheon will be catered by members of St. Agnes Parish. Tickets are \$15.

For more information about the Tour of Tables, contact Barbara Campbell at 624-4626.

Founded in 1929, ESA offers programs and projects to help make a positive difference in the lives of others. ESA has created a powerful network of approximately 1,000 chapters to excel in community education, service and philanthropy.

For more information about ESA, visit [www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org](http://www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org), or contact South Dakota ESA's incoming state president/membership director, Earleen



"Pine Cone Forest" table featured at the 2011 ESA Tour of Tables for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

(Submitted photo)

Varns at 624-8306, or by contacting ESA headquarters at (970) 223-2824.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is internationally recognized for its pioneering research and treatment of children with cancer and other life-threatening diseases. The hospital's research has helped push overall survival rates for childhood cancer from less than 20 percent when the institution opened, to almost 80 percent today.

It is the first and only National Cancer Institute-designated comprehensive

cancer center devoted solely to children.

St. Jude shares its protocols with local physicians.

"The grandson of one of our annual hostesses was treated for neuroblastoma when his Sioux Falls pediatric oncologist used a St. Jude protocol 22 years ago," said Tour of Tables event chair Barbara Campbell. "In addition, no family ever pays for care at St. Jude."

For more information, go to [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org).

CHAMBER CHAT

**Vermillion Area Chamber of Commerce & Development Company**  
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**Chamber Business:**

Congratulations to the 2012 Vermillion Area Chamber and Community Award recipients!

- Family Business of the Year: Brunick Service
- Mayor's Community Service Award: Roger Kozak
- United Way Volunteer of the Year: Dave and Nikki Stammer
- VCDC Community Leader Award: Jerad Higman

Business After Hours co-hosted by Davis Design and Bank of the West, 15 East Main St., is Wednesday, April 25, from 5:30-7 p.m. Please join us to make new contacts, socialize, and find out what Davis Design and Bank of the West have to offer! Appetizers

and refreshments will be served.

The Vermillion Area Community Foundation is accepting proposals for projects to improve our community. Forms for submitting proposals by groups or organizations are available at the Chamber of Commerce office. While funds available are limited we can fully fund small one time requests or partially fund larger projects. Your annual donations to our Foundation will provide us with increasing funds each year for worthwhile projects.

Business After Hours: Are you looking for an opportunity to showcase your business and network with your peers? Sign up to host a Business After Hours event! These events generally run from 5-7 p.m. on a weeknight and the hosting business provides hors doeuvres and refreshments. If interested, contact Ann at [annb@vermillionchamber.com](mailto:annb@vermillionchamber.com)

m or at 624-5571.

**Announcements:**

- Feb. 6-May 4: USD Libraries are displaying a series of artistic exhibitions exploring skateboard designs, graphic novels and tapestries. Corroborations 2012, which pairs visual arts students with poetry majors, is in the I.D. Weeks Library second floor exhibition cases. Tapestry weavings by award-winning South Dakota tapestry artist

Grete Bodogaard are in the USD Libraries Gallery in the Academic Commons. Getting Graphic by USD Education Librarian Abby Moore is an exhibit of graphic novels on the west side of the second floor of the University Libraries Gallery. SkateCreate is an exhibition of skateboard designs created by students in the first-year seminar class. It's featured in the student gallery on the west side of the second floor.

You are cordially invited to attend the 11th Annual

*St. Agnes School Classic*

**Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup> • St. Agnes School Auditorium**

**Social Hour 6PM**

*Dinner Provided by Red Steakhouse*

*Trip drawing, auction and dance to follow*

Tickets available in the school office or after each mass

*Please join us in honoring the 2012 friend of St. Agnes John & Margie Schissel*

**Starting over? Just beginning?**

**325 S. University, Vermillion, SD**

This spacious home has a prime location being close to the elementary school, University campus, City pool, parks and bike path. A wonderful place for children to grow up! Bedrooms: 3 (master bedroom w/ walk-in shower and deck/Jacuzzi entrance); Baths: 2 full; main level laundry; Floors: 1.5; front covered open porch; Square footage: 1947; Lot size: 1.5. Amenities: Handicap accessible; beautiful gas fireplace w/remote; central heating (95% efficient); central air (13 Ser); energy efficient on demand water heater; carpeted, wood & tile floors; ceiling fans in most rooms; Rainbird sprinkler system; utility shed; attached garage (ac/& heated; floor drain; automatic door opener & running water). Upgrades: remodeled living room & dining room; kitchen floor; refinished wood floors; new wiring throughout. Fully furnished optional: Less than 2 year old appliances and furnishings; Jacuzzi.

**Asking price: \$150,000/Furnished \$160,000**

**For inquiries contact Tim Hannahs at (605) 670-2030**

**CLAY COUNTY, SD LAND AUCTION**

**133.36 Acres, Fairview Township**

**Thursday, April 12, 2012 • 10:30 AM**

We will sell the following real estate at public auction at the landsite located from Vermillion, SD 2 3/4 miles southeast on the Burbank Road and 3/4 mile south on Saginaw Ave.

**Awesome, describes this property!** Farmers, hunters and recreational enthusiasts look closely at this opportunity. Farmland, 70 plus acres of trees, wildlife, fishing, camping, 4-wheeling, Vermillion River, rural water, 6 one acre lots, one mile from the Missouri River, it doesn't get much better than this. According to the FSA there is 57.3 acres of cropland with 40.5 acre corn base/88 bushel yield/139 bushel CC yield and a 16.8 acre soybean base/30 bushel yield/36 bushel CC yield. Cropland predominate soils include Haynie silt loam and Modale silt loam. According to Surety-AgriData the productivity index rating of the cropland east of the trees is 88.8 and the rating of the cropland within the trees is 71.4. Taxes:\$4352.90 For Personal showing please contact auctioneers.

**Legal Description: Gov't Lot 1 and Accretion to Lot 1 and Lots 1 & 3, Block 1, Lots 1 & 2, Block 2, Lots 1 & 2, Block 3, O'Connor Sub Division in Gov't Lot 1, 28-92-51 and Gov't Lot 2 and Accretions to Lot 2, 33-92-51, Clay County, SD**

For additional information, terms, maps and pictures visit: [www.westraatkins.com](http://www.westraatkins.com)

**William O'Connor II, Owner**

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An Evening With

**KANSAS**

**KANSAS COLLEGIATE SYMPHONY TOUR**

A backing ensemble featuring musicians from the USD Symphony Orchestra

**FRIDAY, APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup>**

**Aalfs Auditorium in Slagle Hall (414 E Clark St.), Vermillion, SD**

Doors open at 7pm • Show starts at 8pm • Reserved Seating

Tickets available in the Fine Arts Building at the University of South Dakota (Open M-F, 10am to 2pm - Cash Only), charge by phone (866) 300-8300 & online at [JadePresents.com](http://JadePresents.com)

Limited student tickets available in the Fine Arts Building for only \$25! (USD students only / i.d. required)