

## 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 d'oeuvres and refreshments. If interested, contact Ann at annb@vermillionchamber.com or at 624-5571.

**Announcements:**

- Feb. 6-May 4: USD Libraries are displaying a series of artistic exhibitions



**ANN BREITAG**

exploring skateboard designs, graphic novels and tapestries. Corroboration 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.

**Community Calendar:**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 10**

- 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 that meet this criterion. Come and join us for a summer of fun and friendship. All skill levels welcome.

- Vermillion Rotary Club Meeting from noon-1 p.m. in the Freedom Forum Conference Room of the Al Neuharth Media Center.
- 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," at 7 p.m. Muenster University Center Ballroom.
- THURSDAY, APRIL 12**
  - IdeaFest: Dr. Dana Miller of the University of Washington, "Suspended Animation in Nature and Medicine," noon, Muenster University Center Ballroom.
  - 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 register, call (605) 677-6900. There is no registration fee.

- FRIDAY, 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.
- SATURDAY, APRIL 14**
  - Overeaters Anonymous at 9 a.m. Location: 20 S. Plum St. Administration entrance, board room.
- PLANNING AHEAD:**
  - APRIL 17-22 - The Abu Bekr Shrine Circus will be at the Tyson Events Center in Sioux City. Tickets are \$17 (reserved), \$14 (reserved) or \$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 or purchased. Group orders do need to be purchased directly through Melissa Lanzourakis-Joens at (712) 224-6423. If you are buying individual tickets, come to the Tyson Box Office, log on to www.ticketmaster.com or call Ticketmaster at (800) 745-3000.
  - APRIL 18-19 - Lions Pancake Days, serving 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. at the National Guard Armory, next to Lions Park. "Totally Twirling" to perform. This is an annual fundraising event to support community projects and people.
  - APRIL 18-22 - USD Theatre Dept. presents "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street,

- Wednesday, April 18-21 at 7:30 p.m. and April 22 at 2 p.m. at Knutson Theatre, Fine Arts Building on USD campus. For tickets, visit www.usd.edu/theatre or call 677-5481.
- APRIL 19 - "End-of-Life Ethics": 19th Annual Hospice Foundation of America Living with Grief Video Education Program from 12:30-3:50 p.m. on USD campus, Lee Medical Building, 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. 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 Farmers Market from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Clay County Extension Building, 515 High St.
- APRIL 21 - Yankton's First Fitness to hold third annual Fitness For a Cause event at 2509 Fox Run Parkway, Yankton. The event

raises proceeds for a local charity. First Fitness has selected Heartland Humane Society as this year's recipient. All proceeds will go towards vet care and spay and neuter costs for the 200+ animals the shelter expects to help in 2012. Participants can register for the event at First Fitness and select a number of workout classes to participate in between 8 am and 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 21. Membership is not required. Those who raise or donate \$25 or more will receive an event t-shirt. Registrations with over \$100 raised will be entered into a grand prize drawing. Register by April 14 and receive a ticket to enter into your choice of drawings. For more information, contact First Fitness at 665-6643.

- APRIL 22 - Missouri National Recreational River Earth Day event cleanup organized by the National Park Service. This will be held at Mulberry Bend from 1-4 p.m. Clean-up will take place at both the Mulberry Bend Overlook and Boat Ramp, but volunteers meet first at the overlook parking lot. If any civic or school groups are interested in scheduling a presentation about the importance of river cleanups, especially post flood, NPS representative Chris Wilkinson would be happy to present information. To schedule, contact Chris at (605) 665-0209 or call Maureen at the VCDC office at (605) 624-5571.



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