Chamber Business:

Congratulations to Jerad Higman, who was named Small Business Exporter of the Year by the South Dakota Small Business Administration District Office. Higman, president of Masaba Mining Equipment, was also named Regional Award Winner and will represent Region Eight during National Small Business Week.

Business After Hours cohosted by Davis Design and Bank of the West, 15 East Main Street, 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

Chamber and Develop.m.ent Company (VCDC) Annual Golf Social is Tuesday, June 26! The 4-Person Best Ball Scramble Golf Tournament will begin with team sign-in at The Bluffs Golf Course at 11:45 a.m., followed by team pictures. The open format shot gun start will begin at 1 p.m. The buffet dinner will be served at 6 p.m. followed by the golf awards and door prizes. Please call the VCDC office at 624-5571 or e-mail

annb@vermillionchamber.c annb@verminionenamoer.e om to register your team, be a hole sponsor or donate a pin or door prize. Please register soon!

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, please contact Ann at: annb@vermillionchamber.com or at 624-5571.

Announcements:

 USD Libraries are displaying a series of artistic exhibitions exploring skateboard designs, graphic novels and tapestries now

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through May 4. 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.

• Show your team spirit! The Vermillion Baseball Association is looking for local sponsors to help defray the cost of the game for young players and families. Your business will be top of mind on the field when you choose one of the following sponsorship levels: Web sponsor: \$75 -Your business logo/link on Web site

(vermillionbaseball.org); Team sponsor: \$150 – Your business logo on team uniforms; Field sponsor: \$225 - 2'x5' Your business logo on a double sided banner on Barstow Field; League sponsor: \$300 - All

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Community Calendar:

TUESDÁY, APRIL 17 All School Band Extravaganza at 7:30 p.m. at Vermillion High School.

• Vermillion Rotary Club Meeting from noon-1 p.m. in the Freedom Forum Conference Room of the Al Neuharth Media Center. • The Abu Bekr Shrine

Circus will be at the Tyson Events Center in Sioux City April 17-22. 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, please come to the Tyson Box Office, log on to www.ticketmaster.com or call Ticketmaster at (800) 745-3000.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18 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.

• USD Theatre Dept. presents "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," at 7:30 p.m. at Knutson Theatre, Fine Arts Building on USD campus. For tickets, visit www.u;sd.edu/theatre or call 677-5481.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19 • APRIL 19 – Lions Pancake Days, Wednesday 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

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projects and people. • 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 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. Brown bag lunches welcome. Pre-registration requested. Call Julie at (605) 638-8484. You may leave a message. • APRIL 19 -

Seventh/Eighth Grade Track at 3:45 p.m. at Canton.

• APRIL 19 – USD Theatre Dept. presents "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," at

7:30 p.m. FRIDAY, APRIL 20 • APRIL 20 – Come celebrate the University's 150th Anniversary: 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 Covote too! At 12:30 p.m. at USD Muenster University Center, 401 E. Cherry St.

• APRIL 20 – USĎ Theatre Dept. presents "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," at

7:30 p.m. • APRIL 20 – Spring Fling at the Main Street Center, 320 W. Main St. Dinner from 5-6:30 p.m. followed by music and dance with the music of the McNeill's from 7-9 p.m. Proceeds to benefit The Main Street Center. Call 624-8072 for ticket information. SATURDAY, APRIL 21

APRIL 21 – Overeaters

Anonymous at 9 a.m. at Sanford Vermillion Medical Center, 20 S. Plum St., Administration entrance.

• APRIL 21 - Vermillion Area Farmers Market from 10 a.m.-1p.m. at the Clay County Extension Building, 515 High St. • APRIL 21 – ESA (Theta

Omega Chapter) Tour of Tables to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital will be held at St. Agnes Catholic School's Father Wolf Auditorium. Tickets are \$15. Doors open at 10:45 a.m. Salad luncheon prepared by St. Agnes women will be served at 11:30. For information or tickets please contact Barbara Campbell at 624-4626.

• 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 more than 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 a.m. and 3 p.m. 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 (605)

665-6643. • April 21 – USD Theatre Dept. presents "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," at 7:30 p.m. and April 22 at 2 p.m. SUNDAY, APRIL 22

place at both the Mulberry Bend Overlook and Boat Ramp, but volunteers meet first at the overlook parking lot. Directions: Take Highway 19 south from Vermillion (it becomes Nebraska Highway 15 as soon as you cross the bridge). The overlook is on the east side of the highway in Nebraska just above the Missouri River. Also, 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.

• APRIL 22 – Missouri

National Recreational River

Earth Day event clean-up

organized by the National

Park Service. This will be

held at Mulberry Bend from

1-4 p.m. Clean-up will take

• APRIL 22 – USD Theatre Dept. presents "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," at 2 p.m. at Knutson Theatre.

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