

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

- USD Theatre Dept. presents "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," 7:30 p.m. at Knutson Theatre, Fine Arts Building on USD campus. For tickets, visit www.usd.edu/theatre or call 677-5481.
- National Music Museum (NMM) Brown Bag Lunch Program at 12:05 p.m. featuring "A Musical Journey Around The World," with soprano Yi-Lan (Elaine) Niu and classical guitarist Christopher Cramer taking the audience on a tour of exceptionally varied music from four continents. Location: Arne B. Larson Concert Hall at the NMM located on USD campus, corner of Clark and Yale streets. "Free Fridays" April sponsor is Sanford at Vermillion.
- Open House for Retirement of Deputy Sheriff Matt Broderson from 2-4 p.m. at Clay County Courthouse meeting room. Matt is retiring after 29 years as jail administrator of the Clay County Jail.
- 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 McNeills from 7-9 p.m. Proceeds to benefit The Main Street Center. Call 624-8072 for ticket information.
- Kansas Collegiate Symphony Tour w/USD Symphony Orchestra: USD Symphony Orchestra joins Kansas on their Collegiate Symphony Tour, at 8 p.m. in Slagle Hall Aalfs Auditorium on USD campus. Tickets are available M-F, 10 a.m.-noon in Fine Arts room 114. USD Students w/ ID \$25 / all other \$49.50 Cash only. Tickets also available at tickets300.com and (866) 300-8300.
- 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!

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

- Overeaters Anonymous at 9 a.m. Location: 20 S. Plum St, Administration entrance, board room. Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program for people with eating disorders and struggles.
- Vermillion Area Farmer's Market from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Clay County Extension Building, 515 High St.
- 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 a.m. 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.
- 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 contact Barbara Campbell at 624-4626.
- Keith Nelson presents his senior alto saxophone recital at 1 p.m. in Colton Recital Hall at Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts on USD campus. Open to the public at no charge.
- The USD Concert Choir/Mens and Womens Chorus present this year's final concert at 3 p.m. in Slagle Hall Aalfs Auditorium on USD campus. Open to the public at no charge.
- 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.usd.edu/theatre or call 677-5481.
- Junior/Senior Grand March at 7:45 p.m. at Vermillion High School.
- Prom Dance 8:30-11 p.m. at Vermillion High School.

SUNDAY, 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. 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 clean-ups, 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.
- USD Theatre Dept. presents "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," at 2 p.m. at Knutson Theatre, Fine Arts Building on USD campus. For tickets, visit www.usd.edu/theatre or call 677-5481.
- Music Recital: Andrew Paa presents his graduate violin recital at 3 p.m. in Colton Recital Hall, Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts on USD campus. Open to the public at no charge.
- Music Recital: Laura Kuschel, mezzo soprano, presents her senior voice recital at 5:30 p.m. Open to the public at no charge.
- Presentation: Dr. Jerry Wilson (author of "Blackjacks and Blue Devils") will introduce the screening of the documentary, "Green Fire: Aldo Leopold and a Land Ethic for Our Time," at 7 p.m. in Farber Hall located in Old Main on USD campus.
- Music Recital: USD's Turan Scholars present a piano recital at 7:30 p.m. in Colton Recital Hall in Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts on USD campus. Open to the public at no charge.

MONDAY, APRIL 23

- Al-anon meeting, 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner of Main and Linden. For more information, call 624-9764.
- Long-Term Care Education Session, 2-3 p.m. at the Vermillion Public Library, 18 Church St. Free to the public. Sessions include basic information on long-term care, the costs related to it, how to plan for long-term care needs, what Medicare and Medicaid will cover and how the Long Term Care Partnership Program can help. For more information, see <http://ltpartnership.sd.gov/> or e-mail: kristin.kellar@state.sd.us.
- First Dakota announces upcoming Shred Days, which offers the opportunity to shred any personal information free of charge. Come to Shred Days in Vermillion or Yankton at the following First Dakota locations and times: Monday, April 23, Yankton, 1-3 p.m. Shred on Site Truck, 909 W. 19th St. (old roller rink); Monday, April 23, Vermillion 3:30-5:30 p.m. Shred on Site Truck, 111 Court St.
- Lecture: "Better Living through Plants - Are They Replacements for Fossil Fuel based Chemicals?" featuring Dr. Mukund P. Sibi, James A. Meier Professor and University Distinguished Professor, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry North Dakota State University. At 7:30 p.m. in Churchill-Haines Laboratories on USD campus.

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

- Vermillion Rotary Club Meeting, noon-1 p.m. in the Freedom Forum Conference Room of the Al Neuhaarth Media Center.
- Informational Seminar at Prairie Eye Clinic: "Allergy and Your Eyes," from 12:15-1 p.m. Itchy, watery eyes driving you crazy? Don't let your allergies keep you stuck inside this spring! No registration needed! Light lunch and refreshments provided.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

- Job Search Assistance Program (JSAP): The Department of Labor and Regulation will be holding a JSAP from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at 1024 W. Cherry St. The JSAP is designed to assist and train job seekers on how to find secure employment. Some of the topics included are job search and retention skills, networking, the hidden job market, resumes, applications, and proper interview techniques. It is provided at no charge and open to the public. Parties interested in attending should register at 605-677-6900 by Monday, April 23, before 5 p.m. For more information, visit www.sdjobs.org.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26

- Book Club Discussion on "Cutting for Stone" by Abraham Verghese will be held from 6-8 p.m. in the Community Room of the Vermillion Public Library. This family saga tells the story of twin brothers born of a secret union between an Indian nun and a British surgeon at a mission hospital in Africa and orphaned by their mother's death in childbirth and their father's disappearance. Copies of the book are available at the Circulation Desk. Norma Wilson, USD Professor Emeritus, and Harry Freeman, USD Professor, will be facilitating this discussion.
- The Clay County Historical Society will host a potluck at 6:05 p.m. at the Austin-Whittemore House. At 7 p.m. Joe Hoffman's "Antique Appraiser Show" will be presented followed by the Annual Meeting.
- Preschool Round-Up for all children currently ages 3 and 4 (who will not be age-eligible for kindergarten in 2012), from 4-6:30 p.m. at Vermillion Austin Elementary School, 300 High St. (use east doors of building on High St.) To schedule an appointment, call Austin Elementary at 677-7010. Children will receive a free book. Community Showcases from 4-6:30 p.m. Receive information on preschool services and information for preschool age children.
- Evening Open Dress Rehearsal: The USD Honors Gamelan Class joins USD's Tatag Gamelan Ensemble for the dress rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. at the National Music Museum, corner of Clark and Yale streets on USD campus. Open to the public at no charge.

PLANNING AHEAD:

- APRIL 27 — National Music Museum (NMM) Brown Bag Lunch Program at 12:05 p.m. featuring "The Kyai Rengga Manis Everist Gamelan" performing in the Arne B. Larson Concert Hall at the NMM located on USD campus, corner of Clark and Yale streets. "Free Fridays," April sponsor is Sanford at Vermillion. Open to the public at no charge.
- APRIL 27 — Preschool Round-Up for all children currently ages 3 and 4 (who will not be age-eligible for kindergarten in 2012) from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Vermillion Austin Elementary School, 300 High St. (use east doors of building on High St.) To schedule an appointment, call Austin Elementary at 677-7010. Children will receive a free book.
- APRIL 28 — Crime Prevention Class from 9-11 a.m. at the Fire Station, 820 N. Dakota St. Public welcome to attend.
- APRIL 28 — Overeaters Anonymous at 9 a.m. Location: Sanford Vermillion Medical Center, 20 S. Plum St. Administration entrance just south of the hospital entrance in the board room.
- APRIL 28 — Certified BBQ Judging Class from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Armory. Cost \$75 - this includes a one year membership to Kansas City BBQ Society. This will certify you to judge any Kansas City BBQ Society BBQ Contest (www.kcbs.us) including Ribs, Ribs and Rock 'n Roll. Registration www.sdbbq.us or call Jenny French 670-9688.

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 or contact the Plain Talk at 605-624-2695 or e-mail david.lias@plaintalk.net.

MNRR leading Earth Day cleanup event at Mulberry Bend

In 1970 Wisconsin Sen. Gaylord Nelson promoted the concept of an environmental day which would be practical, encourage participation and motivate citizens to take action to help protect the earth.

Now more than four decades later, that idea known as Earth Day has taken hold all over the United States.

On April 22, Missouri National Recreational River will lead willing volunteers of the Vermillion area in a celebration of this concept in helping restore the Wild and Scenic Missouri River.

The National Park Service at Missouri National Recreational River will lead its first-ever Earth Day cleanup at Mulberry Bend from 1 to 4 p.m. The cleanup will take place at both the overlook and

boat ramp. Park staff will be on-site with volunteer sign-up sheets in addition to providing gloves and trash bags.

Volunteers will meet at the Mulberry Bend overlook parking lot. If you are coming from the Vermillion area, take South Dakota Highway 19 south (it becomes Nebraska Highway 15 as soon as you cross the bridge), the Mulberry Bend overlook parking area will be on your left. If you are coming from the Ponca area take Nebraska Highway 15 north toward Vermillion. The overlook will be on your right just before the bridge.

For questions or more information, call Chris Wilkinson, chief of interpretation & education at (605) 665-0209, ext. 29.

PART OF THE PLEDGE



The Vermillion Area Community Foundation (VACF) has pledged a total of \$4,000 to help with the expenses of the Vermillion City Library's expansion project, and last week, it lived up to that promise by presenting the Vermillion Public Library Foundation a check for \$2,000. Pictured are Jane Larson, director of the library, Shirley Huber, president of the Vermillion Public Library Foundation who is receiving the check from Ted Muenster of the VACF, John Storm of the VACF, Roger Kozak, co-chair of the local fund drive for the library furnishings, Anthony Edelen and Michelle Maloney of the VACF, and Jerry Johnson, co-chair of the local fund drive.

(Photo by David Lias)

CHAMBER CHAT

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Chamber Business:

Business After Hours co-hosted by Davis Design and Bank of the West, 15 E. 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 Chamber and Development 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 shotgun 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.com 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 d'oeuvres and refreshments. If interested, 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 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

Earth Day celebration at USD set

Students at the University of South Dakota are taking an active role in educating the community and raising awareness of environmental issues for Earth Day 2012.

Students for Environmental Engagement (SEE), a student run organization committed to raising awareness for environmental issues, and students in Environmental Communications at USD are hosting several campus activities on Monday, April 23. Everything from live music and games to a 5K run/walk and a cookout with fresh, locally produced food are

scheduled to take place between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on the east lawn of the Muenster University Center.

There are also several other events including live bands, seminars and informational booths planned.

To register for the 5K, please contact Derek.Zomer@usd.edu. There is a \$10 registration fee that will be used as a donation to SEE. All money received will be donated to the South Dakota Parks and Wildlife Foundation in support of the organization's efforts to preserve South Dakota's lands, water and wildlife.

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SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
CITY OF VERMILLION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING
OPEN HOUSE #2
VERMILLION AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

Date: April 30, 2012
Time: 5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Place: Council Chambers
City Hall
25 Center Street
Vermillion, SD 57069

The South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT) and the City of Vermillion will hold an open house style public information meeting to discuss and receive public input to the on-going Vermillion Area Transportation Study. The long range transportation study represents the master plan for roadway, bike, pedestrian and transit improvements in town through 2032.

The purpose of this second public information meeting/open house is to provide residents, business owners and university students/faculty/staff with:

- A summary of transportation system issues identified by the Vermillion Community.
- Locations of future residential and job growth.
- Estimates of future traffic conditions.
- Potential changes to the future roadway, bus / transit, bicycle and pedestrian systems.

At 5:30 p.m. the open house will include a brief overview of study progress. Staff would like to reserve most of the meeting time to take questions and gather input from those in attendance. This will include getting the public's impressions on the study findings and gather your input on the types of potential changes to the future transportation system that you would like to see, including options for the roadway network, the bike network, sidewalks and trails, parking issues; and transit.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this open house/public meeting is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the SDDOT ADA Coordinator at least 48 hours prior to the open house meeting if you have special needs for which this department will need to make arrangements. The telephone number for making special arrangements is 605-773-3540 or 1-800-877-1113 (Telecommunication Relay Services for the Deaf).

Those who cannot attend the meeting or desire further information regarding the study may visit the study's website at <http://vermilliontransportation.blogspot.com/> or contact Steve Gramm at (605) 773-6641 / email: steve.gramm@state.sd.us.

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