

## CHAMBER CHAT

### CHAMBER BUSINESS

• The 2015 Vermillion Area Visitor Guides have arrived! Please contact the VDCD office at 624-5571 or stop by and pick them up at 116 Market St. Also available are the 2015 statewide SD Vacation Guides and the SE SD Travel Guide. FREE!

• 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 5:00-7:00 pm on a weeknight and the hosting business provides hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. If interested, please contact Ann at: annb@vermillionchamber.com or at 624-5571.

### THIS WEEKS HAPPENINGS ANNOUNCEMENTS

• "April Showers Bring May Flowers": The Main Street Center Nutrition Board has asked the kitchen staff to compile a "wish list" - another attempt to make the Main Street Center noon meal, "Meals on Wheels" & Town Square program survive & need your help. It's an "April Shower" of kitchen/office supplies you may donate to help keep expenses down. Thank you for any donation of the following:

Folgers Classic Coffee, Regular Black pepper  
White paper towels  
40-50 gallon garbage bags  
Laundry detergent & Dawn dish soap

Reams of printing paper (8.5 x 11)  
First-class stamps,  
HP Office Jet 4500 Ink

• The Dakota Hospital Foundation grant application period is open as of April 1, 2015. Grant guidelines and forms can be found at www.sanford-vermillion.org/foundation. The deadline for grant applications submitted in this funding period is Thursday, April 30, 2015. Dakota Hospital Foundation (DHF) accepts Grant Funding applications from local 501(c)3 organizations during the months of April and October each year.

• "2015 Paint South Dakota", SD Housing Development Authority is

seeking nominations for Paint-SD. SDHDA will pay for PAINT & PRIMER for 25 homes in need of paint. Any church, nonprofit or civic organization can submit an application - they provide the volunteers, equipment and one family in need. Application deadline: May 1. For application information, call 605-773-3181 or visit: www.sdhda.org

• Youth sought for matches: The Clay-Union foundation has 2 adults ready to match with youth in the Vermillion area. One boy age 8-12 and 1 girl age 8-12 can be matched immediately. Call John Gille 605-421-5050 or apply online at www.clay-unionfoundation.org under the sign up tab. The foundation creates long term matches.

• Meals on Wheels needs your help. Vermillion Meals on Wheels, like other towns participating in the nutrition project of Dakota Senior Meals, is struggling to survive. The State & federal government provide approximately 40 percent of the cost to prepare each meal. The rest of the cost comes from local sources. You can help make a difference. Make a donation or enjoy a nutritional "home cooked" meal by the Vermillion Dakota Senior Meals at the Main Street Center. Meals can also be delivered to individuals & couples unable to leave their home. To make a donation or for more information, call the Nutrition Kitchen at 624-7868.

• The Clay-Union foundation has provided scholarships for the last 3 years to EP-J & Vermillion high school seniors. Dakota Valley was added this year. To date, the foundation has also given \$3000 in scholarships and support for the backpack program. An EP-J & DV senior will receive an award this spring. Local donations to the Clay-Union foundation will determine where scholarships are available next year, as donations lag far behind. To support ongoing efforts to help provide scholarships and comm. needs, please mail donations payable to Clay-Union foundation, P.O. Box 665, Elk Point, SD 57025 or online at www.clay-unionfoundation.org.

• Vermillion Area Community Foundation (VACF) updated grant

application information: Beginning this year, there are only two grant periods: The second Thursday in April and the second Thursday in October. Grant guidelines can be found at: http://vermillion.sdcommunityfoundation.org or applications can be picked up at the VDCD, 116 Market Street.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 10

•NMM Live! (mini-concert) Western Javanese gamelan music-Will Peebles, Fri., April 10 @ 12:05 pm at National Music Museum, corner of Clark & Yale St. Free & open to the public.

•7th/8th Grade Boys/Girls Track Invite, Fri., April 10 @ 4:00 pm (H)

•Katelyn Warnock presents her senior flute/piccolo recital, Fri., April 10, 7:30 pm, Colton Recital Hall, Warren M. Lee Center for the Fine Arts. Open to the public at no charge.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 11

•Overeaters Anonymous: Sat., April 11 @ 9:00 am. Location: Newman Center-USD Campus, 320 E. Cherry, across from the MUC at the corner of Rose & Cherry St. (West Door-straight through double glass doors on left & first door on left, North Door-down hall to left & first door on left). Description: Overeaters Anonymous is a 12 step program for people with eating disorders & struggles.

• USD Plaque Attack 5k Fun Run and Walk: The Tooth Fairy Strikes Back. April 11, 10:00 am start time. \$30. You receive free tooth fairy wings and a tutu with registration! Come support the Dental Hygiene program at USD by dressing up like a tooth fairy and running or walking the course! Find us on Facebook under "USD Dental Hygiene Plaque Attack 2015" for the link to register

• Art Story time for ages 4-6 at Vermillion Public Library, Sat., April 11 @ 10:15 am

• Movement Story time for ages birth to 3 with adult at Vermillion Public Library, Sat., April 11 @ 11:15 am

• Spring Fling Shopping, Sat., April 11, noon-4:00 pm at Clay County Extension Building, 515 High St. Many vendors to shop from just in time for Mother's Day or shop for yourself. Free admission and open to the

public. Door Prizes! Hosted by Burbank Feeders 4-H as a fundraiser for club and community projects.

• Chris Robinson presents his junior bass trombone recital, Sat., April 11, 1:00 pm, Colton Recital Hall, Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts.

• Military Purple Up Awareness & Celebration sponsored by American Legion Auxiliary, Sat., April 11, 1-3:00 pm at Edith B. Siegrist Vermillion Public Library. Meet & greet event for current military, veterans, & reservists & their family & friends. Youth activities including craft activity & book readings. Snacks provided. Open to the public.

• Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), Sat., April 11, 1:00-4:00 pm, Small Conference Room at Vermillion Public Library

• Kayla Kaltenbach presents her junior horn recital, Sat., April 11, 4:00 pm, Colton Recital Hall

• Delta Sigma Pi partners with the Backpack Program of Vermillion to host a fundraising dinner, Sat., April 11 @ 6:00 pm at Old Lumber Co., 15 Court St., Dinner: \$30. Live/silent auction will follow as well as a raffle. RSVP at: http://vermillionbackpack-gala.rsvpify.com or email holly.anderson02@coyotes.usd.edu. Open to the public.

• Ashley Ballou-Bonnema presents her graduate voice recital, Sat., April 11, 7:00 pm, Farber Hall located in Old Main. Free & open to the public.

• "Katwalk": Kappa Alpha Theta philanthropy event fashion show, Sat., April 11, 7-9:00 pm at Muenster University Center on USD campus. Fashion show, silent auction, raffle prizes & refreshments. Save with purchase of advance tickets available at the MUC from 10-2:00 pm

### NEXT WEEKS HAPPENINGS

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 12

•Pancake Sunday at the Main Street Center, 320 W Main Street; 9:30 am - 12:30 pm; April 12 (2nd Sunday of Month). \$5 requested donation.

• Abigail Sandberg presents her senior cello recital, Sun., April 12, 1:00 pm, Colton Recital Hall

• Dr.Tracelyn Gesteland, voice/

opera faculty at USD presents her studio students in recital, Sun., April 12, 4:00 pm, Colton Recital Hall, Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts

• Festival of Nations, Sun., April 12 at Muenster University Center Grand Ballroom 225. Come join the USD International Club for food and culture from around the world! Doors open at 5:30. Adults: \$12; Students: \$7; ages 5 & under free.

• Sam Schroeder, bass baritone & Spencer Smith, piano in recital, Sun., April 12, 7:30 pm, Colton Recital Hall

### MONDAY, APRIL 13

• The Vermillion Public Library will host the Teen Art Club as they share their newfound knowledge of graphic novels & skills with the public, Mon., April 13 @ 3:30 pm. Look for their poetic chalk creations to emerge over the afternoon out on the sidewalks in front of the library!

• Girls Golf: Lennox, Mon., April 13 @ 4:00 pm

• Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), Mon., April 13, 4:30-9:00 pm, Kozak Community Room at Vermillion Public Library

• Baseball: Elk Point, Mon., April 13 @ 5:30 pm (H)

• Al-anon meeting at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Mon., April 13 @ 7:30 pm. For more information, call 624-9764

### TUESDAY, APRIL 14

• Movement Story time for ages birth to 3 with adult at Vermillion Public Library, Tues., April 14 @ 10:15 am

• Vermillion Rotary Club meeting, Tues., April 14 @ 12:00 pm in the Al Neuharth Media Center conference room. For more information, visit: www.vermillionrotaryclub.org.

• The Vermillion Public Library will host a reception in the children's area to reveal new artworks, Tues., April 14, 3:30-5:00 pm. Among the works showcased will be the brilliant new mosaic created in Oct. by Vermillion artist Nancy Losacker, with the assistance of area 4th & 5th graders.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

• IdeaFest 2015, Wed., April 15-Thurs., April 16 at USD.

## CLAY COUNTY COURTS

### Cases Disposed

March 27 - April 2, 2015

Austin, Adam Timothy, Vi-borg; Speeding On A State Highway; Fine: \$39 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Babin, Josie Lynn, Omaha, Nebraska; Speed On Four-Lane In Rural Areas; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Barton, Laurie, Vermillion; Failure To Make Proper Stop At Stop Intersection; Fine: \$54 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Beck, Duane Lee, Sioux Falls; Speed On Four-Lane In Rural Areas; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Bruce, Brenda K, Wakonda; County Speeding; Fine: \$39 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$20

Buckman, Matthew Allan, Gayville; Passengers Between 14-18 Required To Wear Seat Belts; Fine: \$25

Bye, Brett Michael, Vermillion; Careless Driving; Fine: \$54 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Denney, Alyssa Louise, Lake Andes; Speeding On Other Roadways; Fine: \$39 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Eilers, Ashley, Mission Hill; Speed On Four-Lane In Rural Areas; Fine: \$39 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Faller, Niki, Sioux City, Iowa; Renewal Registration During Assigned Month; Fine: \$54 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Farwell, Darren Wayne, Tea; Speeding On A State Highway; Fine: \$39 Court Costs: \$40 Sur-

charges: \$26

Gearhart, Jesse Lee, Vermillion; Renewal Registration During Assigned Month; Fine: \$54 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26 Fail To Maintain Financial Responsibility; Dismissed-Motion By Prosecutor.

Halbur, Julie, Vermillion; Municipal Speeding; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$20

Hendrickson, Alyssa Danielle, Vermillion; Municipal Speeding; Fine: \$39 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$20

Hertz, Carly Marie, Springfield; Speeding On A State Highway; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Horne, Theresa, Vermillion; Seat Belt Violation; Fine: \$25

Kashas, Timothy M, Vermillion; Speeding On Other Roadways; Fine: \$39 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Lange, Theodore Lester, Raymore, Missouri; Speeding On A State Highway; Fine: \$39 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Lundgren, Joshua Dean, Yankton; Seat Belt Violation; Fine: \$25

Milliti, Dave J, Omaha, Nebraska; Speeding On Other Roadways; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Morgan, Tyler William, Volin; Speeding On A State Highway; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Nedved, Evan M, Elk Point; Speeding On Other Roadways; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26 Fail To Use Child Passenger Restraint System; Fine: \$25

Ortega, Lisa Janine, Kansas

City, Missouri; Speeding On Other Roadways; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Palko, Nicholas, Rapid City; Speeding On Other Roadways; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Rosenbaum, Katherine E, Elk Point; Speeding In School Zone; Fine: \$79 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Sampson, Galen, Primghar, Iowa; Speeding On Other Roadways; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Smith, Morgan Claire, Elk Point; Passengers Between 14-18 Required To Wear Seat Belts; Fine: \$25

Steinmetz, Michael Henry, Vermillion; Time On-Sale Service Prohibited; Fine: \$54 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Weinandt, Mathias G, Wynot, Nebraska; Speeding On Other Roadways; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Whisler, Kathryn Jean, Sioux Falls; Speeding On Other Roadways; Fine: \$19 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Williams, Steve Ty, Vermillion; Failure To Make Proper Stop At Stop Intersection; Fine: \$54 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26

Wright, Alyssa Nicole, Yankton; Seat Belt Violation; Fine: \$25

Wright, Virgil, Yankton; Seat Belt Violation; Fine: \$25

Zapata, Deborah Janine, Vermillion; No Drivers License; Fine: \$54 Court Costs: \$40 Surcharges: \$26 Seat Belt Violation; Fine: \$25

## CLAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT

### SUNDAY, MARCH 29

9:20 a.m. — A deputy responded to a non-injury one car accident which had occurred the night before. Alcohol use is suspected. The matter is under investigation.

### MONDAY, MARCH 30

10:51 a.m. — An inmate was transported from the Minnehaha County Jail to the Clay County Jail after being arrested in Sioux Falls for a Clay County warrant.

4:51 p.m. — A deputy investigated a report of a person burning during a county burn ban imposed due to a National Weather Service Red Flag Emergency status. The fire got out of control and needed to be put out by the Vermillion Fire Department. Charges are under consideration by the State's Attorney.

5:14 p.m. — A rural resident came into the Sheriff's Office to report that his girlfriend had been assaulted by a family member. The victim was unwilling to file a report and the reporter had not witnessed any of the abuse. Information about how to stop domestic violence was provided to the reporter. The reporter was encouraged to attempt to persuade his girlfriend to file a formal report concerning the incident.

8:54 p.m. — A deputy responded to a car vs deer accident on SD Highway 19 near Vermillion. The deer was severely injured and was lying in the roadway. The deputy euthanized the animal and removed it from the roadway before completing the accident report with the driver.

9:22 p.m. — A deputy checked on an abandoned vehicle on Hwy 50 after receiving a report of vehicle parked on the shoulder of the roadway. No one was located at the vehicle. The vehicle was discovered to be uninsured, without license plates, and had expired vehicle registration. The vehicle was towed. Charges for the offenses will be sent to the State's Attorney for review.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 31

9:31 a.m. — A deputy spoke with a rural resident about a semi she believed to be over the posted weight load limit restrictions. The deputy passed the information along to the SD Highway Patrol Motor Carrier Services.

10:33 a.m. — SD DOT

contacted the Sheriff's Office concerning a farmer who had removed right of way markers from a state highway and was tilling soil beyond the markers. A deputy spoke with the farmer, who had already replaced the markers. The farmer apologized for creating the issue. DOT was notified of the situation and was satisfied with the outcome.

6:44 p.m. — Deputies responded to Irene to assist Turner County deputies with a domestic assault report. The suspect had left the scene prior to arrival.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

12:37 p.m. — A deputy responded along with fire units to a fire in a tree grove near Meckling.

5:02 p.m. — A deputy responded to a report of a rural resident burning during a red flag fire danger advisory which places the county in a burn ban. The landowner was not aware of the burn ban. The information was forwarded to the State's Attorney for consideration of charges.

6:06 p.m. — A deputy responded along with fire units to a fire believed to be caused by lightning north of Vermillion.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 2

1:58 a.m. — A deputy responded to a rural address for a medical emergency and monitored the patient until the ambulance arrived and assumed patient care.

9:19 p.m. — A deputy assisted the Turner County Sheriff's Office in executing a search warrant in Irene.

11:42 p.m. — An Irene resident reported hearing a woman screaming near his residence. A deputy responded and patrolled the area but was unable to determine the source of the screaming. The reporter was unable to determine which house or direction the screaming had been coming from.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 3

9:19 a.m. — A rural resident reported that his horses had been let out of their pen and that an unusual note had been left on the property. The incident is under investigation.

10:04 a.m. — A business in Wakonda reported a theft of money. The incident is under investigation.

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investigation.

3:33 p.m. — A deputy assisted the Vermillion PD with a report of a burglary in progress at a Vermillion residence. It was discovered that the subject inside the house was repairing a kitchen appliance and was scheduled to be in the house.

4:44 p.m. — A rural resident reported that her horses' pen had been damaged and that her animals had escaped. Upon arrival, all of the animals had been returned to the pen. A deputy investigated the scene.

10:12 p.m. — A Wakonda resident reported seeing a subject walking around a closed business in Wakonda. A deputy responded to the location and did not locate anyone inside the business or in the vicinity. The deputy patrolled the area for a short time before returning to service.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 4

1:33 a.m. — A deputy responded to a report of a verbal dispute between a man and his girlfriend in Irene. The female party was gathering her belongings and decided to leave the house. The deputy spoke to the subjects and determined that nothing criminal had taken place between the parties.

8:36 a.m. — A deputy responded to a burglary alarm at a rural Wakonda residence. Nothing was found out of the ordinary. The property owner was not home, but was contacted via cellphone. She advised that a friend had checked on the house earlier in the day and likely set of the alarm by mistake.

9:38 a.m. — Several rural residents in the Wakonda area reported damage to their mailboxes. The damage appeared to have been done intentionally and the cases are under investigation.

10:09 a.m. — A rural Wakonda resident reported that she had located what she believed was a pipe used to ingest methamphetamine in a ditch near her house. A deputy responded to the area and located the pipe and other drug paraphernalia in the ditch. The items were collected as evidence.

4:10 p.m. — A woman was arrested for simple assault at a rural residence after she punched her brother in law during a dispute after the man's relationship with her sister had ended.

## VERMILLION POLICE REPORT

### SUNDAY, MARCH 29

11:44 a.m. — Caller stated person(s) unknown had driven into the side of a trailer he had parked on the road side. Officers investigated and collected information, under investigation.

12:09 p.m. — Complainant reported that unknown person(s) had entered her vehicle and removed money from her wallet. The victim said the wallet had been left in the vehicle unattended on two occasions and during one of those times the money had gone missing. Under investigation.

### MONDAY, MARCH 30

5:32 p.m. — Caller reported an ex-boyfriend had destroyed her cell phone because he was jealous. Officers referred the case to the States Attorney for charging.

7:09 p.m. — An officer stopped a vehicle for failing to stop for a red light. The driver was intoxicated and was arrested for DUI.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 31

12:38 p.m. — Caller reported the theft of a package that was delivered while she was out of town. There is no suspect information at this time.

8:44 p.m. — A young caller requested assistance after finding his bike at a local convenience store. The bike had been taken about a month prior and the complainant had not reported it. He was able to show that he knew the combination to a bike lock on the bike. Officers checked the area and found no one who claimed the bike. The bike was released to the caller.

10:45 p.m. — Caller reported a man in a parking lot approaching people in a belligerent manner. Officers found the man who was wearing headphones and refused to speak with officers. He was singing profanities and acting in a hostile manner. The business owning the parking lot requested the man be told not to return to the property or he would be arrested. The man was so advised and left.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

12:27 p.m. — FRAUD ALERT: Caller advised she received a phone call from a man claiming to be with the IRS and threatening a lawsuit. When confronted with requests for

additional detailed information, he was unable to provide the information. If the caller had cooperated the man would have offered a chance at a "reduced" settlement if they paid immediately usually with a debit card or purchased gift cards. The IRS sends formal notice via US Postal Service of any tax issues.

1:53 p.m. — Caller reported a dispute between relatives over money had resulted in a man threatening to kill his mother if the money was not given to him. The man was arrested and charged with "Threatening and Harassing Phone Calls."

6:39 p.m. — Officers employed Confidential Informants to conduct alcohol compliance checks on eight businesses. Seven passed. One failed.

9:43 p.m. — Driver was stopped for an out headlamp. The driver was intoxicated and was arrested for DUI.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 2

12:19 a.m. — Officers responded to a request for assistance from a local tavern regarding a disruptive man. On arrival, Officers found the man in question inside the bar. The man would not answer questions or cooperate and was escorted from the tavern. Statements were collected; employees stated the man had been disruptive and threatening after being cut off. He was told repeatedly to leave and initially did only to return a few minutes later. At that point, he threatened patrons and threw furniture around. The police were called. Officers arrested the man for Trespassing.

4:15 p.m. — Caller reported person(s) unknown had egged her car sometime in the night. There was no suspect information.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 3

3:54 a.m. — Caller reported a woman in a neighbor's yard yelling at someone. Officers arrived and found the woman had moved into her house but they could still hear the yelling outside the home. On contact, they found the woman upset because she was hurt and was having difficulty getting family members to help her.

9:36 a.m. — Caller requested a welfare check on a friend who had threatened to kill her-

self over a money dispute. Officers spoke with the friend who admitted to making the statement but had done so to create a dramatic situation and did not intend to harm herself.

10:28 a.m. — Dispatch advised of a call where a man was asking for bus fare and a woman was arguing with him. Officer contacted the couple. The man was asking for bus fare to return to the East Coast as he and the woman were arguing and he did not want to be in Vermillion anymore. Officers were aware the man had been given bus fare a few weeks earlier to go back to the West Coast. When asked the man had decided to return to be with the woman, but not that they were arguing wanted to leave. Officers explained his options, which did not include getting bus fare.

3:33 p.m. — Caller reported her girlfriend was home alone and there were sounds of someone else around the apartment. Officers responded and spoke with the resident. They followed up on the description of a car they had seen and determined the maintenance man for the apartment had been outside the apartment doing repairs.

5:55 p.m. — Caller reported a possible violation of a protection order. Officers investigated and forwarded the findings to the State's Attorney for review and consideration of charges.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 4

1:32 p.m. — The Bus Driver from Sioux Falls asked that police meet him at the bus stop to deal with a disruptive passenger. The passenger was interviewed and did not appear to be intoxicated but had been acting in a loud and disruptive manner on the bus. The driver allowed the person to continue on the bus if they agree to sit quietly.

9:20 p.m. — Caller reported there was a vehicle stopped at a park with its lights on and running. Officer contacted the driver who was intoxicated and passed out behind the driver's wheel. Driver was arrested for DUI (2nd Offense). He was also found to be in of marijuana paraphernalia and admitted to recently smoking marijuana. Additional charges were filed.

## OBITUARIES

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