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## Holiday recital



The VHS Dance Inferno presented its holiday recital Thursday and Friday, Dec. 1 and 2, in the Performing Arts Center at Vermillion High School. The theme of the recital was "A Night at the Movies." The dancers in this scene are performing to the song, "Country Girl, Shake It For Me!" See more photos at spotted.plaintalk.net.

(Photo by David Lias)

## Glenn comes 'full circle' at USD

*A Time of Waiting, Preparing ...*

By **Jeremy Hoeck**  
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A week ago, Joe Glenn was a retired football coach, living in sunny Arizona, working on what he called a "struggling" golf game.

Five days later, he was standing at a podium in front of a curious crowd, actively leading a rendition of the school song.

So begins — or in this case, restarts — the Glenn era at the University of South Dakota, as the 62-year-old alum was announced as the new head football coach during a press conference Wednesday in Vermillion.



**JOE GLENN**

As he walked to the podium, the events of the past week seemed to suddenly leave the normally talkative coach speechless.

"Wow," he said, smiling and

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pausing to look down at his notes. Looking back out at the large crowd, he added, "Somebody come up here and pinch me."

Thirty-seven years after leaving USD for a coaching career across three levels that would result in three national championships, Glenn — a 1971 graduate — is back to lead his alma mater.

Joking later that he said no to the job three times, Glenn said he felt a "calling" when athletic director David Sayler and associate A.D. David Herbster

visited him in Phoenix, AZ, last Wednesday.

"You can tell when your heart's beating and something feels right," he later told a small group of reporters. "They asked, 'Will you be our coach?' And I said, 'You're damn right.'"

"I was about ready to head-butt the lockers." Statements like that were par for the course during Glenn's first official day as the football coach, a job he said brings him "full circle."

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## Boese: Take time to prepare for Christmas in simple ways

**Editor's note:** This story is the second in a series that focuses on the days leading up to Christmas. Rev. Trisha Boese contends it is important to "slow down" in preparation for Dec. 25.

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The Rev. Trisha Boese of Trinity Lutheran Church in Vermillion is, like all area clergy, swept up in preparing for the arrival of Christmas.

"It would be easy to recycle Christmas sermons year after year, because the message is the same, and yet, it's uniquely different each time it's preached and each time the parishioner hears it," she said. The days leading up to Dec. 25, Boese contends, will naturally be filled with everything from shopping trips to concerts and holiday parties for most people.

She hopes that people's experience of the Christmas celebration isn't lost in the frenzy of it all. Each day of December may seem busier than the one before, but Boese thinks it is important for everyone — from pastors to the members of their congregations — to take time during the Advent season to simply slow down.



**REV. RICK TRISHA BOESE**

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## 'Occupy' demonstration held Friday in MUC

By **Travis Gulbrandson**  
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Vermillionians Against Corporate Greed held its third demonstration Friday, Dec. 2, with "Occupy. Educate. Liberate."

Stationed in the Pit Lounge of the Muenster University Center, members of the group gave speeches, showed videos and staged a musical performance.

Attendance was low, but steady, organizers said.

"At any given time there were only a dozen people in the Pit Lounge, but we never intended the event to be a 'rally' in the same sense that Occupy Vermillion was, and we got quite a lot of positive feedback, both in terms of approval from passersby, but also in terms of engaging people who disagreed with us," group member Tom Emanuel said in an e-mail.

The group previously staged two events off-campus in September and October,

taking its cue from the "Occupy" movement that has staged protests in major cities across the nation the past few months.

"We want to show the world that people are protesting everywhere, and we can all play a part in changing the world," said USD student Cole Heisey during the event.

"... We are here today to draw attention to the gross inequalities and the injustices running rampant, and maybe, just maybe, by our assembly here, in the future protests we can be an instrument of change."

Emanuel focused his speech on a photo that has been circulating the Internet that depicts a girl hiding her face with a sign, on which she has written that she will graduate from college debt-free thanks to scholarships and hard work, and that other people shouldn't blame Wall Street or big business for their own poor decisions.

He said that while the girl obviously has

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Cole Heisey, USD student and member of Vermillionians Against Corporate Greed, speaks at "Occupy. Educate. Liberate." The event took place in the Pit Lounge at the Muenster Student Center Friday, Dec. 2.

(Photo by Travis Gulbrandson)



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