

FIFTH GRADE CHORUS



Vermillion elementary's fifth grade chorus, under the direction of Trisha Fisher, presents its Christmas concert Monday night in the Vermillion High School Performing Arts Center.

(Photo by David Lias)

CHRISTMAS CHRONICLES



Students from St. Agnes School perform "The Christmas Chronicles" Wednesday night in the school auditorium.

(Photo by David Lias)



CHRISTMAS TRADITION CONTINUES

Santa (John Gunderson) and his helper Laurie Weidmeier of A Brotherhood of Awareness, Training and Education (A.B.A.T.E.) Motorcycle Club presented the Avera Sacred Heart Hospital Pediatrics Department (represented in the photo by Molly Haas, RN) with numerous stuffed bears and other animals Saturday, Dec. 15. The motorcycle club has been doing this donation for more than 20 years and Gunderson has always been Santa.

'Picturing Native' exhibition opens Dec. 20 in Day Gallery at USD

"Picturing Native: Photographs from Edward Curtis, Horace Poolaw and Zig Jackson" will be on display at the University of South Dakota beginning Thursday, Dec. 20 at the John A. Day Gallery in the Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts.

In addition to the exhibition, which runs through Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2013, "Picturing Native" will include campus lectures from Jackson and Linda Poolaw, daughter of Horace Poolaw, along with a reception honoring them from 5 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 25 at the Day Gallery. Jackson will be on campus to talk about contemporary photography at 3

p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 24 in the Day Gallery while Linda Poolaw will discuss her father's photographic work at 3 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 25 in the John A. Day Gallery. The artist lectures, exhibition and reception are all free and open to the public.

"Picturing Native" features the relationship between the photographic medium and the portrayal of American Indian subjects in the past 100 years. The exhibition will feature a small selection of photogravures by Edward Curtis from his publication, *The North American Indian* (1907 - 1930). This extensive publication, comprised of 10 portfolios and nearly 700 plates, are on loan from the University Libraries Archives and Special Collections at USD. In addition to the photogravures, the exhibition will feature work by Horace Poolaw (Kiowa), who photographed his family and their daily lives in Oklahoma during a transitional period of assimilation from the 1930s through the 1950s. The exhibition will also showcase the

contemporary photography of Jackson (Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara). Jackson's photographs tackle Native American needs and problems, including poverty, alcoholism and suicide.

Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and on the weekends by appointment. University Art Galleries will be closed Dec. 24-25 and Jan. 1, 2013. For more information about upcoming exhibitions, please email Alison Erasmus, director of the University Art Galleries, at Alison.Erasmus@usd.edu or call at (605) 677-3177.

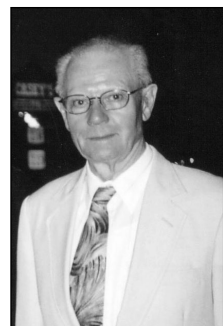
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OBITUARIES

Donald Bensen

Donald Burnell Bensen, 85, of Vermillion, passed away Friday, Dec. 14 at the Morningside Care Center in Alcester.

Donald was born July 19, 1927 in Vermillion to Nels and Amanda (Hanson) Bensen. He graduated from Vermillion High School in 1945 and married Roberta Hood Feb. 25, 1948 in Yankton. They lived in Yankton where he was employed with Northwestern Bell Telephone Company and moved to Vermillion in 1949. In Vermillion he was the



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a Linesman Foreman and Material Clerk for 30 years, retiring in 1986. He was baptized and

South Dakota Job Training Safety Instructor for the State REA for five years, and worked at Clay-Union Electric as

confirmed at the Bergen Lutheran Church in Meckling, and was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church in Vermillion, Trinity Men's Breakfast Group, Fraternal Order of the Eagles and the Senior Citizens Center.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sons, David and Scott; and four brothers, Amos, Darrel, Adrian and Glenn; and two sisters, Emlyn Bensen and Glennys Robbins.

He is survived by his wife, Roberta, of Alcester, two daughters, Susan (Alan) Ruedebusch of Port Orchard,

WA and Carol Bensen of Tacoma, WA; and a daughter-in-law, Anne Bensen of Sioux Falls; and a sister, Shirley Marcotte of Worthington, MN. He is also survived by three grandchildren, Jason, Vanessa and Jessica; a great-grandson, Bryson Allen Bensen; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Vermillion with burial of ashes at a later date. Visitation was from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 18 at the Hansen Funeral Home in Vermillion.

Condolences may be posted online at www.koberfuneralhome.com.

Richard Bottolfson

Richard E. Bottolfson, 79, of Vermillion, died unexpectedly on Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2012, at Sanford Hospital in Vermillion.

Visitation was held on Friday, Dec. 14, 2012, from 6 to 7 p.m., with a prayer service beginning at 7 p.m., at Trinity Lutheran Church in Vermillion.



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Funeral service was held on Saturday, Dec. 15, 2012, at 1:30 p.m., at Trinity Lutheran Church in Vermillion, with Pastor Trisha Boese.

Burial took place immediately following the service in BluffView Cemetery in Vermillion.

Richard was born on Aug. 19, 1933, in Vermillion, to Elmer and Esther (Kilness) Bottolfson. He graduated from Vermillion High School in 1951. Richard went on to attend the University of South Dakota, where he earned his Business Degree and graduated in 1955.

On March 16, 1958, Richard married the love of his life, Darlene Davis. They raised two sons, Jay and Mark. Richard taught his boys everything he knew. The three of them, along with Richard's grandchildren, worked together to sustain the farming legacy he started. Richard had a passion for traveling, farming, socializing and learning.

Richard served eight years in the Army National Guard. He also spent many dedicated years serving various organizations such as Trinity Lutheran Church, Clay County Park Association, Bluff View Cemetery, Evergreen Cemetery,

Norway Township Board, American Legion Auxiliary, Eagles Club, the Director of Farm Mutual Insurance, Vermillion School Board and the 4-H Foundation.

Richard is survived by his wife, Darlene; his sons, Jay (Kirstina) Bottolfson, and Mark (Beth) Bottolfson; his brothers, Leonard (Mary) Bottolfson, Gary (Mary) Bottolfson, all of Vermillion, and Larry (Nita) Bottolfson of Gilbert, AZ; his sisters, Julie (David) Nelson of

Ruthven, IA, and Beverly Bottolfson of Vermillion; and his grandchildren, Stacy (Kyle) Hubert, Megan Bottolfson, Breanna Bottolfson, and Blaine Bottolfson, all of Vermillion.

He is preceded in death by his grandson, Jason Bottolfson; his sister, Lois Kryger; his brother, Russell Bottolfson; and his parents, Elmer and Esther (Kilness) Bottolfson.

Services were entrusted to Kober Funeral Home of Vermillion.

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