COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

• 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. Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program for people with eating disorders and struggles.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31

• Al-anon meeting at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner of Main and Linden. For more information, call 624-9764.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3

• Vermillion Lions Club meeting, 6 p.m. in the W.H. Over Museum in Sletwold Hall.

• Registration for dance classes at Vermillion Area Dance Organization, 19 S. Plum, from 6-8 p.m.

PLANNING AHEAD:

• JAN. 4 — Hospital Auxiliary meeting, 1:30 p.m. at Sanford Vermillion Board Room, 20 S. Plum (Administrative entrance). New members are always welcome.

• JAN. 5 — Debate at Lennox, TBA.

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• JAN. 7 — Classes resume at Vermillion Public Schools.

• JAN. 8-10 — The 30th Annual Dakota Farm Show is Tuesday-Thursday, Jan. 8-10 at the DakotaDome. Hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday and 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Thursday. Free admission and free parking. For more information please go to www.farmshowusa.com. For vendor information, please call Penny Swank at 507-437-7969.

• JAN. 11 — Brown Bag Lunch program, "Rich Blues and More," featuring Rich Patton on guitar, harmonica and tenor sax at 12:05 p.m. at the National Music Museum located on the USD campus, corner of Clark and Yale streets. Free and open to the public.

• JAN. 19 — Vermillion Area Farmers Market, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the 4-H Building, 515 High St.

• JAN. 21 — Martin Luther King Jr. National Day of Service: The University of South Dakota will be honoring Dr. King's legacy by taking part in a national day of service. All members of the USD and Vermillion community are invited to register and participate in this wonderful event. Volunteers will meet at noon in the Muenster University Center for a brief orientation before heading out to various organizations in the community to perform service. The day's events conclude at 4 p.m. with reflection and re-orientation at the Muenster University Center. To register, visit https://www.pschydata.com/s.asp?SID=147660. For more information contact AWOL@coyotes.usd.edu or call (605) 677-6338.

• JAN. 23 — The Department of Labor and Regulation will be hosting a Job Search Assistance Program (JSAP) from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at 1024 West Cherry St. The JSAP is a free workshop for people recovering from job loss or enhancing their job search skills. Trained instructors speak on modern-day techniques used to successfully find employment. Topics covered are: resume, cover letter writing, interviewing etiquette, networking effectively, using social media and much more. Parties interested in attending should register by calling (605) 677-6900 before 3 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22.

• FEB. 10 — "Shrek the Musical," at the Orpheum in Sioux City. Call (712) 224-6423 or e-mail mlanqourakis@sioux-city.org for ticket information.

• MARCH 15-16 & 22-23 — 2013 Schmeckfest in Freeman. Meal served from 4-7 p.m. "Fiddler on the Roof," performance at 8 p.m. For ticket information, call 605-925-4542 or visit: www.schmeckfest.com.

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.

4-HT.E.A.M. program trains teens statewide

The 2012-2013 school year will be one filled with excitement through the SDSU Extension, 4-H Youth Development's Teens Educating through Advocacy and Mentorship program (T.E.A.M).

Twelve South Dakota school districts and afterschool programs from across the state will be hosting 66 Teens in their implementation of the healthy living program, says Suzanne Geppert, 4-H Youth Partnerships Field Specialist.

"The strong support and positive feedback received from the teens participating, the school district's support, as well as the dedication of our 4-H Youth Advisors attributes greatly as to its success," said Geppert.

Schools applied to join the program in early October, 2012. Applications were reviewed and teachers, 4-H advisors and teens were trained in the program at the SDSU Regional Extension Centers in Pierre and Watertown in November and December.

"The main goal behind this program is to not only educate through content but prepare these young people to become employable adults in the future," Geppert said.

She says one common theme presented to the youth throughout the program is the quote by John Ruskin, "The highest reward for a person's

work is not what they get for it, but what they become because of it."

"We want these youth to have a real-life career exploration experience that will prepare them for future leadership roles; whether it is in business, education, or community involvement," she said.

T.E.A.M is a tiered program that not only prepares teens to become employable adults, but also helps them build strong leadership skills that will help them in their personal and school setting. Once they complete Tier 2, students can apply to do an individual project in Tier 3 that becomes a personal advocacy program.

"Showing personal leadership and being a driven individual are skills that employers are looking for in today's fast-paced society," said Audrey Rider, SDSU Extension 4-H Youth Leadership Field Specialist.

Teens participating in the program are trained by 4-H Field Specialists in the Experiential Learning Model and the importance of making a lesson age appropriate, program resources - including the use of the South Dakota Teens as Teachers Wiki Site, Creating Community Action Plans, Development of Community Partnerships, Lesson Plan Development and what is means to be a professional.

Youth matches needed

The Clay-Union Foundation would like to match a 13-yearold boy in Elk Point, and a 12-year-old boy in Jefferson with an adult male volunteer. There is also an adult male ready to match in Vermillion, who would like to be matched with a boy 8 to 12 years old.

Volunteers spend two hours per week with their match, and the experience benefits adults and the youth. To find out more, the website is http://www.clay-unionfoundation.org/ or call John Gille at 605-421-5050.

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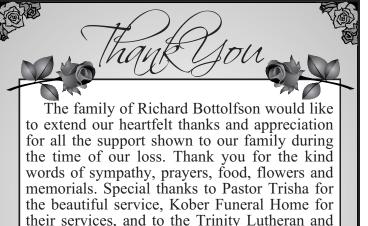
Danette Jarzab, Community Wellness Coordinator for the SD Discovery Center trained youth in the implementation of the Harvest of the Month program and Kari Senger, Healthy Schools Program Manager for the Alliance for Healthier Generations, talked to teens about empowering themselves to take action within their communities and schools to increase positive health habits.

This round of 4-H Teens as Teachers utilizes the Harvest of the Month Healthy Living Program offered by the SD Discovery Center. Teens are expected to utilize that resource as well as other resources provided to teach lessons to elementary age youth.

South Dakota 4-H Youth Advisors, will work with school/afterschool personnel to monitor the program and take on necessary leadership roles for its completion.

This SDSU Extension 4-H program partners youth with the South Dakota 4-H Foundation, local FCCLA Chapters, 21st Century Learning Centers, S.D. Discovery Center, Alliance for Healthier Generations, Coordinated School Health, and community leaders and agencies to create learning communities that allow youth the opportunity to experience greatness by making a difference within their communities and schools. It allows youth to problem solve and plan by developing and carrying out lesson plans for grades 2-5 that are relevant to the SD Health Education Standards.

For more information on the 4-H T.E.A.M program Tier 2: Teens as Teachers, contact Suzy Geppert, SDSU Extension 4-H Youth Partnerships Field Specialist at 605-773-8120, suzanne.geppert@sdstate.edu, or Audrey Rider, SDSU Extension 4-H Youth Leadership Field Specialist at 605-882-5140, audrey.rider@sdstate.edu, or Andrea Klein, SDSU Extension 4-H Youth Development and Resiliency Field Specialist at 605-773-8120, andrea.klein@sdstate.edu.



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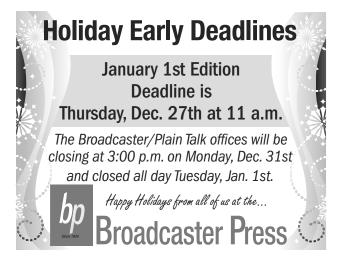
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