

CHAMBER CHAT

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Chamber Business: David Owen, SD Chamber & Industry president, is hosting a weekly conference call during the legislative session with local chamber and economic development groups. This is a good way to keep informed as to what's happening during the 2013 session. The calls are on Fridays at noon during the legislative session at the VCDC office at 116 Market St. Everyone is welcome. Sponsored by the VCDC Legislative Affairs Committee. There will be no call on Friday, Feb. 22. The Vermillion Area

Chamber & Development Company (VCDC) is seeking nominations for the 2013 Vermillion Community Leader Award and the 2013 Vermillion Area Family Business Award.

The VCDC is looking for a Vermillion area individual with a strong record of success, community involvement, and community service. This award recognizes the accomplishments of a Vermillion area individual and his/her contributions to our community.

The VCDC is also looking for a family business with a strong record of success, family involvement, community service, multi-generational culture and a positive family business structure. This award recognizes the accomplishments of a Vermillion area family business and their contributions to our community.

The winners will be presented their awards at

the Annual Vermillion Area Chamber and Community Awards Banquet on March 14.

Nomination forms are available at www.vermillionchamber.com or at the VCDC office at 116 Market St., phone 624-5571.

Cracker barrel session with our legislators will be Saturday, March 2 from 10 a.m.-noon at the City Hall Council Chambers at 25 Center St. Please join District 17 legislators, Sen. Tom Jones and House Representatives Nancy Rasmussen and Ray Ring for an update on the 88th Legislative Session. Open to the public and everyone is encouraged to join us for some great discussion. Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the VFW Auxiliary, Clay County Democrats, Clay County Republicans and the VCDC Legislative Affairs Committee.

The Annual Vermillion Area Chamber and Community Awards Banquet is Thursday, March 14, at the Eagles Club, 114 E. Main St. The social hour will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner and the program. It is a time to thank all of the members, individuals, and volunteers who support and contribute to the success of the chamber and business community.

The banquet also gives us an opportunity to

recognize the outstanding achievements of the community's leaders and organizations by presenting the Family Business of the Year Award, the mayor's Community Service Award, the United Way Volunteer of the Year Award, the VCDC Community Leader Award, along with other awards.

The guest speaker is Lt. Gov. Matt Michels. The banquet is open to the public and tickets are on sale for \$30 each at the Chamber office at 116 Market St. or contact us at (605) 624-5571.

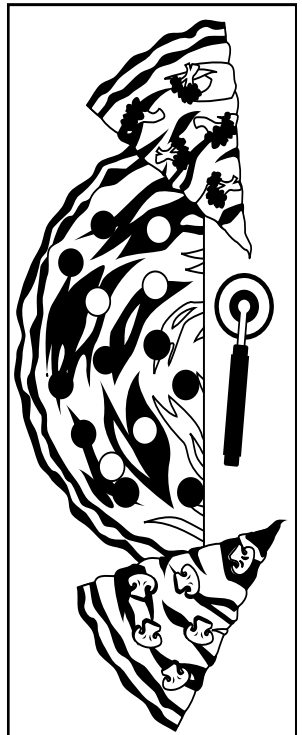
Business After Hours: Are you looking for an opportunity to showcase your business and network with your peers? Sign up to host a Business After Hours event! These events generally run from 5-7 p.m. on a weeknight and the hosting business provides hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. If interested, contact Ann at annb@vermillionchamber.com or at 624-5571.

Announcements: The City of Vermillion is hosting a Citizens Academy in spring 2013 for citizens over the age of 18. The Citizens Academy is a free, hands-on, interactive public information program that allows citizens an insight into City services and the functions of city departments. Applications are available at City Hall or online at www.vermillion.us. Vermillion residents are given first consideration. Class size is limited to 20 participants.

The Clay-Union Foundation is offering a \$500 community service scholarship to graduating seniors from Vermillion or Elk Point-Jefferson High School. Applications are available at <http://www.clay-unionfoundation.org/> under the events tab. Students will be able to fill out the application online, and e-mail it directly for consideration. Applications will be accepted until March 1, and then reviewed by the board. Awards will be announced at their school awards night, with the scholarship given in January of their second semester.

For further information, call John Gille at (605) 421-5050 or e-mail jgillerrsd60@yahoo.com.

Are you interested in an intern for your business? USD students are eager to gain real-world work experience with you! Internships can be paid or unpaid and students can gain college credit for their experience with you. If you are interested in accepting interns at your business, contact Carly at Carly.Heard@usd.edu.



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NOTICE
The annual meeting of Norway Township will be on Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. at the Clay County Highway Department on Timber Rd. Bids for blading, gravel, snow removal and mowing will be opened at that time. Send bids to: Jay Bottolfson, Clerk, Norway Township, 45723 Timber Rd., Vermillion, SD 57069. No later than Friday, March 1, 2013. Township reserves right to reject any and all bids.
Jay Bottolfson, Clerk

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING
Bethel Township will hold its annual meeting at 2:00 pm, **Tuesday, March 5, 2013** at the Wakonda Legion Hall, Wakonda, SD. Bids will be accepted for snow removal, gravel and road maintenance.
Darby Ganschow, Clerk

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