

# One in a Vermillion

## Meet Dorothy Neuhaus

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Dorothy Neuhaus has filled a variety of roles in Vermillion, from advocate for the W.H. Over Museum to being the operator of a small downtown business.

Thursday, Feb. 6, at the annual Vermillion Area Chamber of Commerce and Development Company (VADC) banquet, Dorothy was presented with the United Way Volunteer of the Year Award by Dan Kenton, United Way president, and Kelsey Collier-Wise, United Way executive director.

She was presented the award in recognition of her work in Vermillion for the last half century. According to a letter nominating her for this honor, Dorothy was instrumental in establishing Vermillion's first recycling program.

She was also a leader in founding the Friends of the W.H. Over Museum, and fundraising for the museum's move to its current location.

The letter also noted that Dorothy has always been willing to lend a hand in the kitchen for church functions and celebrations.

"Even though she'll be turning 90 later this month, she still runs a small business," Dan said, reading from prepared remarks. "This recognition may be belated, but it is well-deserved."

"The recycling program was really started by half a dozen teenage girls who really thought this is what we have to do," Dorothy said. "We have to conserve our natural resources."

Dorothy said her daughter and a couple of her friends came to her and asked her to help them pick

up recyclables.

"We started with glass, and every Saturday morning – and we had it in the newspaper, the Plain Talk helped us out – we went around and picked up the glass that people had decided to contribute," she said.

A local man let Dorothy use his pickup to collect the glass bottles.

"When we got several barrels full, I had to figure out what were going to do next. What were we going to do with all of this stuff?" she said, drawing laughter from the banquet crowd.

Dorothy discovered that a city in Minnesota had a plant that produced things made of glass. The company agreed to take the glass Dorothy and the teen girls had collected, and the money they received "just about covered the cost of the gas and oil to get it up



there," she said. "That's how we got started with the recycling program here in Vermillion."

"It was teenagers who thought about their community and what they can do to do something important, and I was just the means by which they were able to do what they had dreamed of doing," she

said. "Of course, it has gone statewide; I was asked to come to Pierre and talk about recycling ... I want to thank those young people who had the great imagination. Remember, your young people are the same kind – they have a lot of good ideas and many of them are important to our lifestyle."

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