

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

- National Music Museum (NMM) Brown Bag Lunch Program "Hornucopia" with Professor Gary L. Reeves at 12:05 p.m. Professor Reeves will reveal the abundance and variety of horns in the NMM's own "hornucopia," in the Arne B. Larson Concert Hall at the NMM located on the USD campus, corner of Clark & Yale St. Free & open to the public.
- One-Act Play, 7:30 p.m. at Vermillion High School.
- Debate: Watertown Speech Fiesta.

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

- Vermillion Area Farmer's Market at Clay County Extension Building, 515 High St. The Winter Market includes fresh and preserved produce, local meats, crafts, woodworking, knife sharpening, breads and other baked goods.
- Fun and Games will be held from 1-4 p.m. in the Community Room of the Vermillion Public Library. Adults and youth ages 12 and up will play games and put jigsaw puzzles together. A wide variety of challenging and interesting games and puzzles will be available to provide mental stimulation. Learn or show others how to play Dominos, our newest game that offers a variety of game options. Drinks and snacks will be provided.
- Overeaters Anonymous, 9 a.m., 20 S. Plum St., administration entrance - board room. Description: Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program for people with eating disorders and struggles. The group meets every Saturday.
- Debate: Watertown Speech Fiesta.
- Bill Mize in Concert: Vermillion is privileged to host Grammy Award-winning acoustic guitarist Bill Mize at 8 p.m. in Farber Hall in OldMain on the USD campus. Mize received a Grammy Award for his collaboration with storyteller David Holt on the recordings "Stellaluna," and Ken Burns included Mize's work in his latest documentary film, "The National Parks, America's Best Idea." He is also a past winner of the Winfield National Fingerstyle Guitar Competition, and is a respected contributor to a number of leading guitar festivals. His music draws from his Appalachian home, as well as from soul, folk, jazz and rock traditions. Mize will perform with Beth Bramhall on accordion. Tickets are \$15 at the door. Accessibility for disabled individuals, contact: 670-0236.

### MONDAY, JANUARY 23

- Al-anon meeting, 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner of Main & Linden. For more information, call 624-9764.
- Quad State Honor Band at USD.

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

- Vermillion Rotary Club Meeting, noon-1 p.m. in the Freedom Forum Conference Room of the Al Neuharth Media Center.
- First Dakota National Bank to host AgriVisions 2012 featuring Dr. Barry Flinchbaugh at 7 p.m. at the Best Western Kelly Inn, 1607 E. Hwy. 50. Farmers, Agri-Business professionals and business owners are invited to attend. Registration from 6:30-7 p.m. Call 605-665-4904 or 800-657-5826 to reserve a seat.

### PLANNING AHEAD:

- JAN. 27 — National Music Museum (NMM) Brown Bag Lunch Program "The Autonomous Autoharpist" featuring Bryan Bowers, autoharp master, singer/songwriter and storyteller from Sedro Woolley, Wash., at 12:05 p.m. January program sponsor: City of Vermillion. Location: Arne B. Larson Concert Hall at the NMM located on USD campus, corner of Clark and Yale St. Free and open to the public.
- JAN. 27 — Music Concert: USD professor of music Nolan Stolz will present a concert of chamber music at 5 p.m. in John A. Day Gallery at Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts on USD campus.
- JAN. 28 — Overeaters Anonymous, 9 a.m., 20 S. Plum St., administration entrance - board room. Description: Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program for people with eating disorders and struggles. The group meets every Saturday.
- FEB. 11 — SAVE THE DATE: Community Health & Wellness Fair hosted by Sanford Vermillion in collaboration with USD Health Professions program students at the Sanford School of Medicine. More details to come!
- FEB. 14 — American Legion Wallace Post & Auxiliary meeting at 7 p.m. at the Main Street Center at 320 W. Main St.
- MARCH 23-24 & 30-31 — Schmeckfest in Freeman. For more information, visit [www.schmeckfest.com](http://www.schmeckfest.com), e-mail: [schmeckfest@gmail.com](mailto:schmeckfest@gmail.com) or call 605-925-4542.
- JUNE 8-10 — First annual Shakespeare Festival in Prentis Park, Vermillion. Event sponsored by Coyoteopoly and is free and open to the public.
- JULY 16-AUG. 12 — Olympic/Educational Tour. A once in a lifetime trip to Ireland, Great Britain and the Summer 2012 Olympics in London. For more information, contact Lenni Billberg at [lenni.billberg@k12.sd.us](mailto:lenni.billberg@k12.sd.us) or 605-670-2717.
- JULY 20-23 — Vermillion Community Theatre presents the Broadway musical, "Annie" at 7 p.m. July 20, 21 and 23 and 2 p.m. July 22. All performances will be at the Vermillion High School Performing Arts Center. See [vermillioncommunitytheatre.org](http://vermillioncommunitytheatre.org) for additional information.
- AUG. 25-26 — The Great Dakota Wine Fest at Valian Vineyards, 1500 W. Main St. Cooking with wine demonstrations, live music and more. Visit [www.greatdakotawinefest.com](http://www.greatdakotawinefest.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](mailto:vcdc@vermillionchamber.com) or contact the Plain Talk at 605-624-2695 or e-mail [david.lias@plaintalk.net](mailto:david.lias@plaintalk.net).

## Writing & ESL Conversation Clinic at library

The Vermillion Public Library, in collaboration with the University of South Dakota's University Writing Center, is offering an opportunity for community members to improve their writing skills and ESL conversation abilities. The Writing & ESL Conversation Clinic has experienced writing and ESL conversation consultants from the University Writing Center to help community members of all ages at no charge. The clinic will be at 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. available each Monday and Wednesday, from Wednesday, Jan. 18, through Wednesday, April 25. The clinic will be held in the South Dakota Room at the library. Attendees are encouraged to bring their writing projects, business or personal communications for the development of their proofreading and editing skills. For more information, call 677-7060 or visit [vpl.sdn.net](http://vpl.sdn.net).

## CHAMBER CHAT

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# Students honor King through art

By David Lias  
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Members of generations much too young to have any personal memories of Martin Luther King, Jr., honored the civil rights by simply expressing themselves.

The walls inside the Washington Street Arts Center were adorned with the drawings of area children, hand-made pieces of art all designed to honor Dr. King and the positive changes he brought to society decades ago.

The building was also filled with music provided by Bruce and Cindy Miller Gehm.

"I think Martin Luther King Day is that one day out of the year to celebrate that history of the struggle for peace and justice in this country," said Tom Emanuel, a student at the University of South Dakota. "Part of peace and justice is art. We're looking at a new world; we're looking at a world that might be, and I think that's what art does."

"It looks at the art of possibility — those things that aren't but might be," he said. "This event, I think, is important in showing us those possibilities. Especially for the students that provided a lot of the artwork. The teachers in the area have gotten their students to engage with Martin Luther King's message."

Lora Lee Hensel, a member of the Vermillion Area Arts Council board, helped organize Monday's art display. Hensel, who is a teacher and working on her doctorate in curriculum instruction at the University of South Dakota, said she has a strong interest in providing opportunities for area children to experience art.

"That's what brought me to volunteer at the arts center," she said.

All of the art displayed in the center Monday had been created by local children, except for two pieces created by adults. Beresford High School and Vermillion High School students also provided works for the exhibit.

"I went to two of the schools



Tiana Fahlberg and Rachel Olson-Baer pause to more closely view the art on display Monday in the Washington Street Arts Center. The work, created by local youth, honors the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

(Photo by David Lias)

and read them the book Martin's Big Words, — I went to Austin Elementary and St. Agnes, and the teachers then read other picture books that describe Martin Luther King's legacy," Hensel said.

Students from Beresford also participated in the art project.

"I think the greatest thing that does for the children is it really gives them an opportunity to challenge themselves and express their views and understanding of the world through art," she said. "It's different from just making pictures — some of these contributing artists are quite young, in kindergarten and first grade, so I think this is really an important opportunity for them."

Hensel estimated that approximately 100 pieces of art were brought to Vermillion to be displayed Monday.

The request to provide art for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day helped young students gain a keener awareness of the civil rights movement that began in the 1960s," she said.

"They also learn that King's

work continues," Hensel said. "There continues to be a need for understanding between people, but to the students, many of the stories of his life are brand new. When children were hearing the stories for the very first time, they would react by saying, 'That is really sad,' or 'Why did people do that?' when hearing of how people of color faced discrimination during King's time."

"Even if the children had been exposed to the stories before, they still remained somewhat new," she said. "The kids were blown away by his ('I've Got A Dream') speech. One of the teachers at the end of my session with the students played a few minutes of his speech, and the kids were amazed by it ... King's views are still so relevant."

## ENGAGEMENTS



### Bottolfson-Hubert

Stacy A. Bottolfson, daughter of Mark and Beth Bottolfson of Vermillion, and Kyle J. Hubert, son of Joe and Jeanette Hubert of Vermillion, announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Vermillion High School and received a bachelor of science degree in management and

finance from Southwest

Minnesota State University. The future groom is also a Vermillion High School graduate, and received a bachelor degree in biological sciences with a minor in ag business from South Dakota State University.

The couple is planning a June 29, 2012, wedding in St. Agnes Parish, Vermillion.

## Business leaders join S.D. Rural Enterprise board

Representatives of the construction, banking and utilities industries have been added to the South Dakota Rural Enterprise board of directors. Representing a wide range of business endeavors in all corners of the state, the new directors each bring to the organization a wealth of experience and dedication to economic development. Joining the board are: Scott Parsley, assistant general manager for Member Services at East River Electric Power Cooperative, based in Madison; David

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