## **CHAMBER CHAT**

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### **Chamber Business:**

Cracker Barrel sessions with our legislators will be:

- Saturday, Feb. 4, from 10 a.m. to noon at the City Hall Council Chambers at 25 Center Street
- Saturday, Feb. 25, from 10 a.m. to noon at the City Hall Council Chambers at 25 Center Street

Please 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.

**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 5:00-7:00 pm on a weeknight and the hosting business provides hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. If interested, please contact Ann at: annb@vermillionchamber.

com or at 624-5571.

## This Week's Happenings:

• Vermillion Rotary Club Meeting: Tuesday, Jan.31 from noon-1 p.m. in the Freedom Forum

Conference Room of the Al Neuharth Media Center.

- Hospital Auxiliary Meeting: Friday, Feb. 3 at 2 p.m. at Sanford Vermillion Care Center dining room, 125 Walker
- Overeaters Anonymous: Saturday, Feb. 4 at 9 a.m. Location: 20 S Plum Street Administration entrance board room. Description: Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program for people with eating disorders and struggles. The group meets every Saturday at 9 a.m. at Sanford Vermillion Medical Center, 20 S. Plum -Administration entrance just south of the hospital entrance in the board
- Heartland Humane Society Meet and Greet: Saturday, Feb. 4 from 10 a.m.-noon at the Alcoa 4-H Center and Ice Arena located at 902 Whiting Drive in Yankton. The community is invited to meet dogs for adoption. The shelter at 601 ½ Burleigh St. in Yankton will also be open from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. to view or adopt cats and kittens.

### **Upcoming Events - Mark** Your Calendars!:

• Save the Date -Community Health & Wellness Fair hosted by Sanford Vermillion in collaboration with USD **Health Professions** program students:

Saturday, Feb. 11 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Sanford School of Medicine.

 South Dakota Shakespeare Festival auditions: Monday, Feb. 13 from 6-9 p.m. at USD Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts, Arena Theatre. The festival is seeking professional actors, actor/musicians and teaching artists from the Great Plains region to form an ensemble-based Shakespeare company for a four-week contract in Vermillion. Performances: June 8-10. All positions are paid. To schedule an appointment, call (605) 622-0423 or visit: www.sdshakespearefestiva

• South Dakota Shakespeare Festival auditions: Tuesday, Feb. 14 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Augustana College Theater, Sioux Falls. The festival is seeking professional actors, actor/musicians and teaching artists from the Great Plains region to form an ensemble-based Shakespeare company for a four-week contract in Vermillion. Performances: June 8-10. All positions are paid. To schedule an appointment, call (605) 274-5065, e-mail dworkman@blackhillsplay house.com or visit: www.sdshakespearefestiva

• American Legion Wallace Post and Auxiliary meeting: Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 7 p.m. at the Main Street Center at 320 W. Main St.

• Vermillion Area Farmers Market: Saturday, Feb. 18 at Clay County Extension Building, 515 High St., 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

• USD Theatre presents "Top Girls": Wednesday, Feb. 22-25 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 26 at 2 p.m. in the Knutson Theatre at the USD Fine Arts Building. Ticket information: www.usd.edu/theatre or call 677-5400.

• Celebrity Chef Robert Hesse (as seen on "Hell's Kitchen") and Café Brulé serve a world-class six-course dinner with wine, Wednesday, Feb. 29 at Café Brulé. Two seatings at 5:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Proceeds to benefit Domestic Violence Safe Options Services. Call (605) 659-4933 for tickets.

 Schmeckfest in Freeman: March 23 and 24 and March 30 and 31. For more information, visit www.schmeckfest.com, email

schmeckfest@gmail.com or call (605) 925-4542. • First annual

Shakespeare Festival: June 8-10 in Prentis Park, Vermillion. Event sponsored by Coyoteopoly and is free and open to the public.

• Olympic/Educational Tour: July 16-Aug. 1. A once-in-a-lifetime trip to Ireland, Great Britain and the Summer 2012 Olympics in London. For

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more information on this 17-day trip contact Lenni Billberg at lenni.billberg@k12.sd.us or (605) 670-2717.

 Vermillion Community Theatre presents the Broadway musical "Annie" on Friday, July 20, Saturday, July 21 and Monday, July 23 at 7 p.m. There will be a matinee on Sunday, July 22 at 2:30 p.m. All performances will be at the Vermillion High School Performing Arts Center. .See vermillioncommunitythea tre.org for additional information.

• The Great Dakota Wine Fest: Aug. 25 and 26 at Valiant Vineyards, 1500 W. Main St. Cooking with wine demonstrations, live music and more. Visit www.greatdakotawinefest.

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