

USD Greek councils recognized for outstanding leadership

The University of South Dakota's Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils were recognized for outstanding leadership and educational development at the 2010 Mid-American Greek Council Association and National Black Leadership Conference in St. Louis recently.

The Interfraternity Council received the Outstanding Achievement in Academic Achievement and Council Management for the Jellison Division II while the Panhellenic Council was honored for Outstanding Academic Achievement, Council Management, Leadership and Educational Development, Membership Recruitment, Philanthropy and Community Service, and Risk Reduction and Management in the Sutherland Division I. "The councils work very hard throughout the year at providing the optimum in programming and leadership development to their member chapters," said Andrew

Davis, coordinator of Greek Affairs at USD. "The councils deserve their honored recognition and should be proud of their achievements."

The Panhellenic and Interfraternity Councils are the women's and men's Greek governing bodies dedicated to overseeing chapters with values driven guidance, accountability and governance. The 2010 Mid-American Greek Council Association and National Black Leadership Conference annual meeting featured more than 2,100 undergraduate students, including six representatives from USD's Greek community. While in St. Louis for the three-day conference, the USD contingent had an opportunity to network with peers, expand their knowledge of Greek life's best practices and take away new ideas.

"The Association of Fraternal Leadership and Values Conference is an outstanding opportunity for the representatives of the USD



Conference attendees from USD are Travis Hahler of Webster, Justin Palmer of Brookings, Paul Rann of Lennox, Davis of Bryant, Sarah Scheer of Fargo, ND, Rachel Muldbakken of Sioux Falls, and Allison Wik of Faulkton.

Greek Community to learn about the best practices from around the nation," stated Paul Rann, interfraternity council president. "I am

proud to be able to represent the USD Greek community on a national level and to contribute to its continued success."

For more information about USD's Greek community, please visit their Web site at www.usd.edu/greek/.



Paul Kleeman, primary community supports instructor, receives employee of the month from his supervisor, Amanda Wynia, and Gerald Tracy, SESDAC, Inc. executive director.

Kleeman selected as SESDAC, Inc. Employee of the Month

Paul Kleeman, primary community supports instructor, was selected as the SESDAC, Inc. February, 2010 Employee of the Month. Paul has been employed at SESDAC, Inc. since August, 2009.

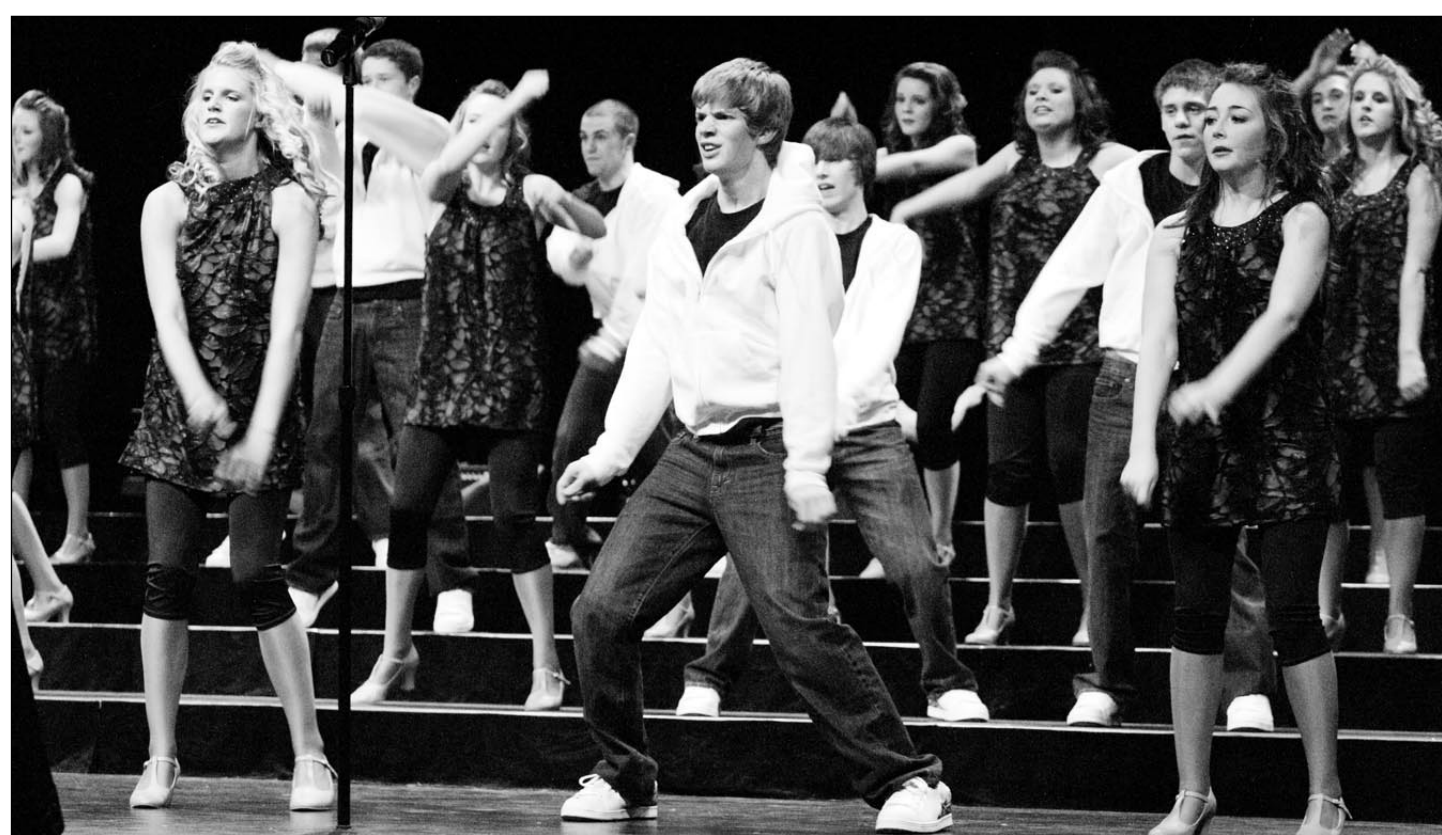
Paul was nominated for the award by his fellow co-workers, based on his dedication to his job and the people he supports.

Co-workers had the following compliments written in their nominations for Paul, "Paul treats people with

respect and teaches valuable skills in daily settings." "He enjoys his job and it shows."

Paul currently resides in Vermillion.

SESDAC, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that assists people with disabilities to live, work, and socialize in their community. SESDAC, Inc. began providing services in 1973 and currently serves 75 people with disabilities and has 140 employees.



Grand finale

The Vermillion Show Choir Invitational was held Saturday, Feb. 27 at Vermillion High School Auditorium, and the VHS Rhythm in Red performed the finale at the day-long event. Participants included Sioux City East, Impulse; SF O'Gorman, Knightlights; SF Washington, Stagelights; Aberdeen Central, Special Request; Sioux City East, New Sound; Ruthven-Ayrshire, Raider Rhythm; Elk Point-Jefferson, SshhaaBAM; SF Roosevelt, Executive Suite; Sioux City East, Headliner; Aberdeen Central, Eagle Express; SF O'Gorman, Ovation; SF Washington, Classic Connection; and Vermillion Middle School's Music In Motion. (Photo by David Lias)

Library to screen 'The Journey of August King'

John Ehle's novel The Journey of August King is the next featured selection for Histories and Flicks on Thursday, March 18, from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Community Room at the Vermillion Public Library.

Following the showing of the film, a brief discussion will be facilitated by Jim Zuercher, adjunct faculty and writing specialist at Morningside College. This program is free and open to the

public. Hot drinks and popcorn will be provided.

Copies of this 1810 historical novel, set in the Appalachian Mountains of North Carolina, are available at the circulation desk. This passionate, uplifting celebration of the human spirit received outstanding acclaim from critics. In this inspiring story, a pioneer farmer, August King, risks every-

thing to help a slave woman on a courageous and very dangerous search for a new life. Desperate, yet determined, the two set out on a harrowing journey toward freedom ... and find in each other the strength to overcome incredible odds.

For more information about this event, call the library at 677-7060 or e-mail vpl@sdl.n.net.

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