

# One in a *Ver*Million

## Meet Nick Mayer

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The last time the Vermillion Tanagers girls basketball team competed in the State "A" tournament was in 2007. Nick Mayer, the girls freshmen coach, was along, fulfilling his role as an assistant.

Later this week, when the Tanagers take the court once again at the State "A" tourney in Spearfish on March 8, he will be at the helm, and will be putting to use some of the things he learned five years ago.

"That was my first year as the freshmen coach," Nick said, "and my first year with the school was in 2005. The fall of 2005 was the first year I began teaching at Vermillion High School."

Nick, the son of former Vermillion Superintendent Bob Mayer, grew up in Lennox, and moved to Vermillion with his family when he was a junior in high school. He graduated from Vermillion High School in 1999, and continued his schooling at the University of South Dakota, where he majored in history and education.

"I teach government, geography and world history," he said. "Both my mom and dad were teachers - my mom taught art and my dad taught history - and, my love for history came from him. I found that was something that I really enjoyed, and I had great teachers in high school, that really helped to influence me, and lead me on to this path."

After his second year of studies at USD, Nick said he knew he wanted to teach. His seven years with the Vermillion School District have convinced him he's made the

right career choice.

"I definitely know that it's been the right career choice for me," Nick said. "I've gotten to teach just some great kids, and I work in a great school system with a great faculty and administration."

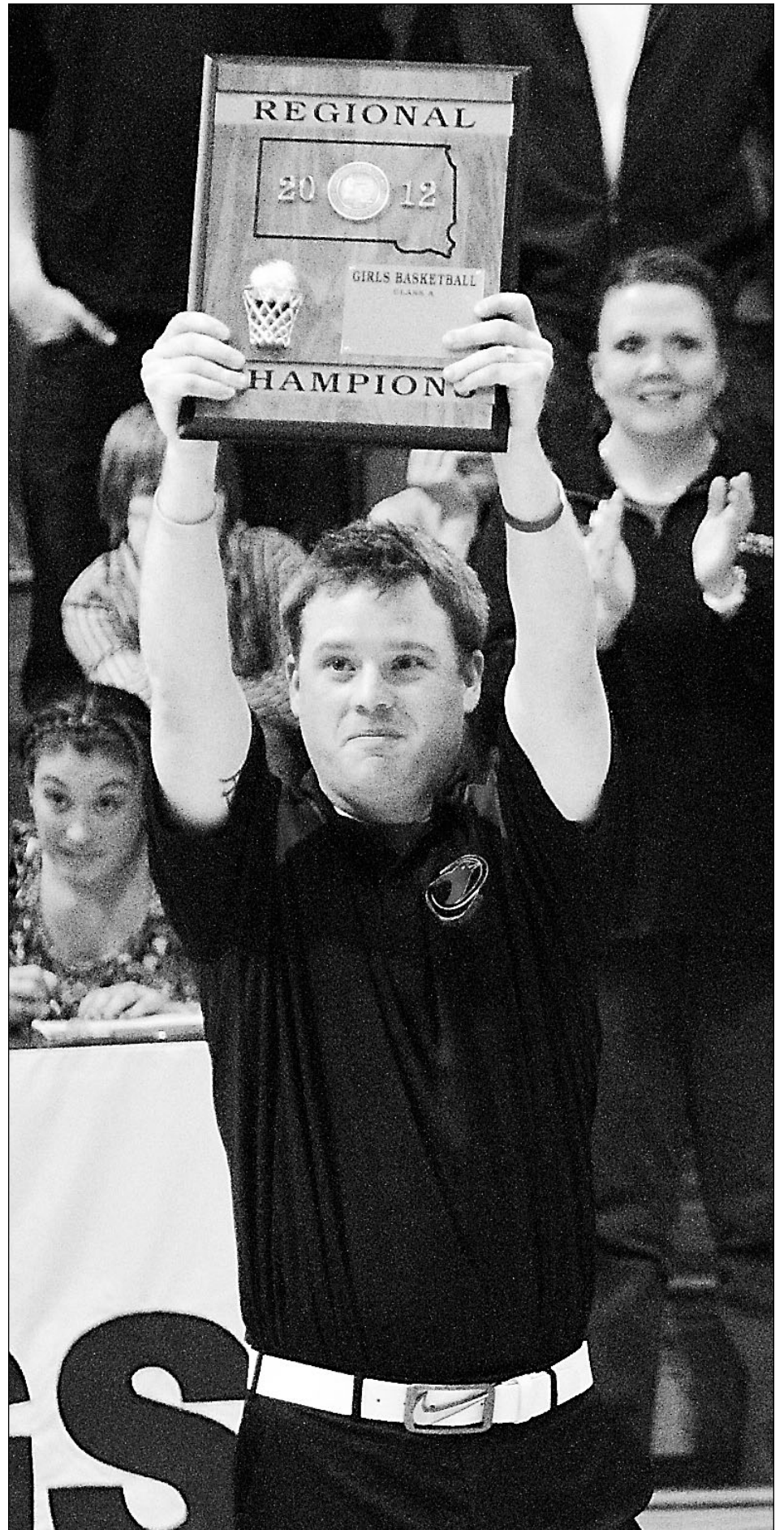
There are obvious differences between 2007, when he served as freshmen girls basketball coach, and his current role as head coach.

"The stress is just a little bit different ... but I can talk to the girls in terms of what the environment is going to be like for them, and how fun it is, how memorable it is, and to definitely not take it for granted," Nick said. "I think they all appreciate the fact that they are able to go the state tournament and represent Vermillion, and hopefully do the community proud."

"I know we were able to do that during the regular season, and we just hope we are able to keep that going through the post-season as well," he said.

Coaching the Tanagers as they have competed their way to win a spot in the state tourney later this week, has been, Nick said, "phenomenal." He notes, though, that many other aspects of his job at Vermillion High School continue to make his experience their rewarding.

"Getting to know kids, whether it is seeing a kid in the hallway and asking them how their day is going, or them asking me that - that sort of thing - just the relationships that I've built with the kids really makes the job worth coming to," he said. "It's fun after seven years. I may not be the cool guy, but I still enjoy kids. They are full of life, and it's fun every day."



NICK MAYER

## Auction

12:30 Sunday March 11, 2012  
National Guard Armory 603 Princeton Street Vermillion SD

**2001 Buick LeSable custom**, 159,000 miles, tires like new, CD, electric seats, 3,800 engine

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**COINS**- 1921- D Morgan, 1921-S Morgan, 1926-S Morgan, 1926-S Morgan, 1926 Buffalo head nickel, 1937 Buffalo head nickel, 6- painted silver eagles, many 1 oz silver pieces.

**Guns**- Marlin Original Goose gun (12ga 3"), Rem. Mod. 11-48 (12ga), Rem Mod 12-C .22 pump Octagon barrel, Ithica Mod 37 12 ga pump, Iver Johnson Mod. 55 Target 8 shot .22 cal revolver, Winchester polished 1906 pump 22 S, L, long rifle

**Owner: Reldella Engman:** sofa, 2 wing back chairs, 2 lazy boy chairs. End tables, lamps, pictures, mirrors. Kitchen goods: dishes, pots and pans, microwave, coffee pot, utensils, table with 4 chairs. All bedroom goods: 3 single beds, dresser drawers, desks, lamps, 3-piece bedroom set plus headboards, and bedding. Snow blower, Snapper riding lawn mower, Cedar hope chest, leaf blower, new (in-package) window air conditioner, misc. tools, Rex air vacuum, TV/VCR, 3 corner chairs, and many more.

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**Guest consignor-** Oak china buffet with curved glass, umbrella stand w/ umbrellas, Lutefisk Barrel (stamped Spink store), Revere mantel clock, small Winchester case, watt #15 apple pitcher, watt deep bowl (apple), watt #15 apple pitcher, Red wing sponge 9" panel bowl, Red wing sponge 9" panel bowl, Red wing blue bowl, crock/lid, pitcher/state bank of Alcester, pictures, misc. small advertising pieces.

**Guest consignor-** 3 recliners, entertainment, record player, tv, john deer toys, sitting chairs, 2 end tables, grand mother clock, end table, pictures, lamps, dining room table with 6 chairs, buffet, book case, kitchen table, queen bed with headboard, antique dresser, steel desk, Herring safe, filing cabinet, large book case, antique typing table, round table with 2 chairs, antique radio console, card table with chairs, chair and ottoman, 4 floor lamps, old radios, antique table with 4 chairs, antique easel, 3 piece bedroom set with mirror, old school desk.

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