

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### FRIDAY, MARCH 16

National Music Museum (NMM) Brown Bag Lunch Program at 12:05 p.m. featuring "Franc & Germany: Baroque Rivalry Heats up." Arne B. Larson Concert Hall at the NMM located on the USD campus, corner of Clark and Yale streets. March sponsor: Ted and Karen Muenster, in honor of their wedding anniversary. Free and open to the public.

- The Dept. of Communication Studies presents: Research Brown Bag, from noon-1 p.m. at USD School of Business Beacom Hall, Room 340. Featuring Brigid Hoffman: Food Femininity and Family - The Disclosure of Family Meals; Travis Loof: This Peggy - How You Can I Offend?; and Bill Muller: The Sportification of Politics. Open to the public.
- Springtime on Main at Nook 'n Cranny & Never Never Land from 5-7 p.m. with open house and trunk show of paintings by Bonnie Sorensen. Refreshments served. Open house and refreshments on Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Music Recital: Dr. Susanne Skyrn, USD faculty member and professional pianist, presents a recital at 7:30 p.m. in Colton Recital Hall in Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts. Open to the public at no charge. For more information about this amazing pianist, visit <http://people.usd.edu/~sskyrm>.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 17

- 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.
- State competition for the Scripps National Spelling Bee for South Dakota at 10 a.m. in Slagle Hall Aalfs Auditorium. The winner of the contest will attend the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.
- Vermillion Area Farmers Market, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Clay County Extension Building, 515 High St.
- Vermillion High School Maganda Boses: Mitchell Show Choir Classic at 10:25 a.m. in Mitchell.
- Spring Salad Luncheon and Style Show sponsored by the Catholic Daughters at 11:30 a.m. at St. Agnes School Auditorium. For ticket information, contact Linda at 624-4419 ext. 107.
- 40th Annual Wacipi: Beginning at 1 p.m. in USD DakotaDome. Presented by Tiopay Student Council, the Wacipi is a powwow featuring Native dancers, drummers as well as Tiopay competitions, including Miss, Junior Miss and Little Miss USD Tiopay.
- Vermillion High School Rhythm in Red: Mitchell Show Choir Classic at 4:25 p.m. in Mitchell.
- Beer & Wine Tasting fundraiser featuring local brewers and vintners at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Wakonda in the McMahon Center, 206 Iowa Street. Heavy appetizers provided. RSVP to Cathy Ganschow at 267-2843 or [ganschow@iw.net](mailto:ganschow@iw.net).
- Vermillion Area Arts Council's Annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration, from 6-9 p.m. at Washington St. Arts Center, 202 Washington St. The evening will feature music by "The Good People" (Bruce Gray, Cindy Gehm, Rebecca Gehm) and balladeer of Irish songs, Chris Hoover. Grace Freeman and her Irish Dancers will perform. The evening will also feature "Ole Ni's Taku he?" (What Do You See?) an exhibit of photographs by Mary Black Bonnet Artichoker. The Irish dinner includes Potato Soup, Irish Beef Stew, soda bread, desserts and a variety of beverages including Irish brews, wine and soda. Tickets available at the door (children 10 and under free). There will be door prize drawings for new and current members. Sponsors are Carey's Bar, Jones Foods, HyVee, WalMart and the VAAC.
- USD's vocal ensemble, the Chamber Singers to perform at 7:30 p.m. at the United Church of Christ, 226 E. Main St. in Vermillion. The program, "Make a Joyful Noise," includes classical and contemporary musical selections. Free-will offering.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 18

- Dance Lessons at Washington Street Arts Center. Elaine and Paul Peacock will teach the basics of square dancing, the Virginia Reel, circle dancing, etc. The six-week course scheduled for Sunday evenings (except for Easter) runs through April 29, from 6:30-8 p.m. The fee for the entire course is \$12/dancer or \$20 couple VAAC members; \$15/dancer or \$25 couple for non-members. Children can join in and learn with their parents for free. Call Elaine with any questions at (605) 356-2069.
- USD's student trombone quartet, Bones & Roses, presents a concert at 5:30 p.m. in Colton Recital Hall at Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts. Open to the public at no charge.
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### MONDAY, MARCH 19

- Al-anon meeting, 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner of Main and Linden. For more information, call 624-9764.
- Great Strides Program: Sanford Vermillion's program encourages you to increase your daily activity, set goals and accumulate points. Put together a team or do it on your own. Activity categories: Seniors, Recreational, Intermediate and Power Pushers. Learn more: [sanfordvermillion.org](http://sanfordvermillion.org) or 638-8465.
- Music in Our Schools Month Concert at 7:30 p.m. at Vermillion High School.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 20

- Vermillion Rotary Club Meeting, noon-1 p.m. in the Freedom Forum Conference Room of the Al Neuharth Media Center.

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21

- Grief Support Group from 5:30-7 p.m. at Sanford Vermillion Hospital Board Room. Free and open to anyone who has experienced a loss by death. Pre-registration is requested. Call Julie at (605) 638-8484.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 22

- The Department of Labor and Regulation will be holding a Job Search Assistance Program (JSAP), from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at 1024 West Cherry Street in Vermillion. The JSAP is designed to assist and train job-seekers on how to find and secure employment. Some of the topics included are job search and retention skills, networking, the hidden job market, resumes, applications, and proper interview techniques. It is provided at no charge and open to the public. Parties interested in attending should register by calling 605-677-6900, by Tuesday, March 20, before 5 p.m. For more information, visit [www.sdsjjobs.org](http://www.sdsjjobs.org).
- Spaghetti Benefit Dinner for Clay-Union Foundation at Vermillion Eagles Club. Social: 5-6 p.m.; Meal: 6-8 p.m. Tickets available at the Eagles, Pioneer Drug & Board members for \$5. All proceeds go to Youth Mentoring Program. Call (605) 421-5050.
- March Movies Film Festival featuring "Radio" at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Vermillion Public Library. Free and open to the public.

### PLANNING AHEAD:

- MARCH 23 — National Music Museum (NMM) Brown Bag Lunch Program at 12:05 p.m. featuring USD Student Showcase performing in the Arne B. Larson Concert Hall at the NMM located on the USD campus, corner of Clark and Yale streets. March sponsor: Ted and Karen Muenster in honor of their wedding anniversary. Free and open to the public.
- MARCH 23-24 — Vintage Quilt Show (private collection) at the Austin Whittemore House, 15 Austin St. in Vermillion from 1-4 p.m. daily. Refreshments will be served, suggested donation of \$5. Sponsored by the Clay County Historical Society. For more information: 624-3548 or 624-8266.

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).

## CHAMBER CHAT

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### Chamber Business:

- The Annual Vermillion Area Chamber & Community Awards Banquet is Tuesday, March 20 at Pro's Bar & Grill at 912 North Dakota St. The social hour will begin at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner and the program. It is a time to thank all of the members, individuals, and volunteers who support and contribute to the success of the chamber and business community.

The banquet also gives us an opportunity to recognize the outstanding achievements of the community's leaders and organizations by presenting the Family Business of the Year Award, the Mayor's Community Service Award, the United Way Volunteer of the Year Award, the VCDC Community Leader Award, along with other awards. The guest speaker is Joe Glenn, the University of South Dakota's head football coach.

The banquet is open to the public and tickets are on sale now for \$30 each at the Chamber office at 116 Market St., or you can call us at (605) 624-5571. Please RSVP by March 14.

Promote and advertise your business or organization at the Annual Vermillion Area Chamber & Community Awards Banquet by providing a table centerpiece. Reference your business or organization within the centerpiece and be creative! This year's banquet theme is "Team Building" which can be incorporated in your table centerpiece if you wish. For more information please call the Chamber at (605) 624-5571 or e-mail [annb@vermillionchamber.com](mailto:annb@vermillionchamber.com) by March 15.

- David Owen, president of the South Dakota Chamber of Commerce, will give a legislative session update at the Rotary Club meeting from noon to 1 p.m. at the Neuharth Media Center on Tuesday, March 27. Sponsored by 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 5-7 p.m. on a weeknight and the hosting business provides hors d'oeuvres and refreshments. If interested, please contact Ann at: [annb@vermillionchamber.com](mailto:annb@vermillionchamber.com) or at 624-5571.

### This Week's Happenings:

- The Library Expansion and Renovation Project has started early due to the mild winter. The south entrance door to the Library has been closed. All patrons must enter through the Church Street (west) entrance. The contractor will begin with the expansion of the south area of the building. Please be aware of the equipment and use care in approaching the Library from the parking lot. Sorry for the inconvenience. Thank you to all our supporters for making this project happen.

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- USD Libraries are displaying a series of artistic exhibitions exploring skateboard designs, graphic novels and tapestries now through May 4: Corroborations 2012, which pairs visual arts students with poetry majors, is in the I.D. Weeks Library second floor exhibition cases; tapestry weavings by award-winning South Dakota tapestry artist Grete Bodogaard are in the USD Libraries Gallery in the Academic Commons; Getting Graphic by USD Education Librarian Abby Moore is an exhibit of graphic novels on the west side of the second floor of the University Libraries Gallery; SkateCreate is an exhibition of skateboard designs created by students in the first-year seminar class. It's featured in the student gallery on the west side of the second floor.

- Fundraiser for Vermillion Public Schools & USD Athletic Department: During 2012, The Roadhouse will be offering a Coyote Burger and a Tanager Burger with 50 cents of each burger sold going to either the USD Athletic Department or the Vermillion Public Schools.

- 40th Anniversary of March & Mayor for Meals Campaign: In March 1972, Congress passed and President Nixon signed into law a new provision of the Older Americans Act (OAA) that laid the groundwork for more than 5,000 Senior Nutrition Programs nationally. This program authorizes and supports vital nutrition services, both congregate & Meals on Wheels, to Americans age 60 and older. Watch for events/opportunities to contribute to the Senior Meals Program here in Vermillion throughout the month of March and during other times of the year. Checks should be made to: Dakota Senior Meals at 320 West Main St. For more information, please call Karen Gibbs at 624-6164.

- Clothing Drive for Rosebud Reservation, March 1-30. Donation guidelines: gently used clothing must be clean & in good working condition; no purses, high heels or dry clean-only clothing. Clothing needs to be bagged or boxed. Donations may be dropped off at Pressing Matters Printing, 102 E. Main St. during regular business hours. Monetary donations may be sent to: One Nation Walking Together, 45 - A Commerce St., Colorado Springs, CO 80907.
- Heartland Humane Society to offer adorable cats for adoption: Donate cat food or clumping litter (no clay litter) to HHS and adopt a cat at discounted \$25 adoption fee March 12-16. Adoption application can be picked up at the shelter at 601 Burleigh St. or visit [www.heartlandhumanesociety.net](http://www.heartlandhumanesociety.net). For more information, call (605) 664-4244.

## Museum support honors 48th wedding anniversary

The National Music Museum at the University of South Dakota is pleased to recognize Ted and Karen Muenster as the museum's sponsor for the month of March. Their generous support of the NMM is made in honor of the couple's 48th wedding anniversary.

The NMM's sponsorship program enables all visitors free and full access to the NMM's world-class collections and Brown Bag Lunch Programs every Friday throughout the month. "The NMM's Board of Trustees and professional staff are delighted to be able to recognize Ted and Karen's anniversary, as well as their dedication to and on-going support of the museum and its various programs," according to Margaret Downie Banks, Interim Executive Director.

Upcoming Friday Brown Bag Lunch Programs for the month include:

- March 16, "France and Germany: Baroque Rivalry Heats Up," featuring the trio Avla

Harmoniae (New York), with Sang Joon Park (flauto traverso), Martha McGaughey (viola da gamba), and Arthur Haas (harpsichord).

- March 23, "USD Student Showcase," which will feature talented student musicians from the USD Department of Music.

- March 30, "April Fool! Trumpets Now & Then: A Humorous Look at Trumpets Through the Ages," featuring David Shaner, Fort Collins, CO.

The NMM, founded on the University of South Dakota campus in 1973, is the world's leading institution of its kind with more than 15,000 musical instruments and vast collections of archival material and related items. The museum's nine galleries feature 1,100 stunning American, European, and non-Western instruments from virtually all cultures and historical periods. The NMM annually attracts thousands of visitors to Vermillion from all 50 states and numerous different countries.

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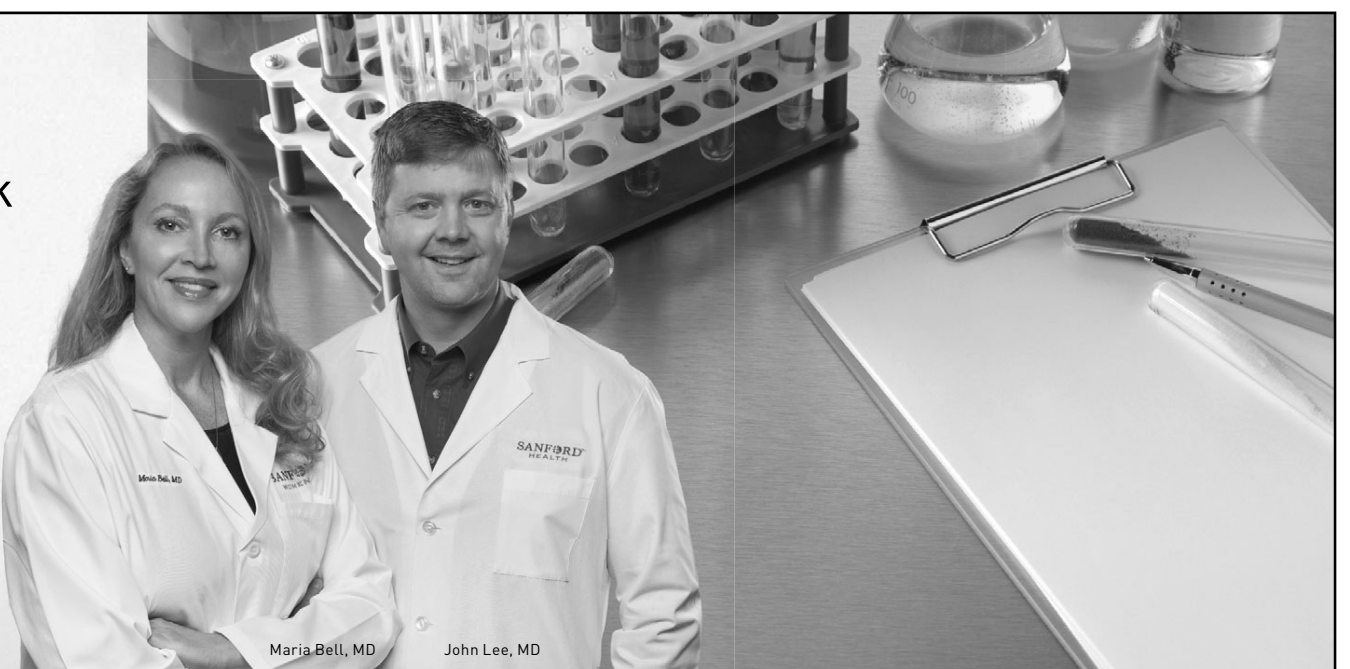
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**90th BIRTHDAY Card Shower**

**Marge Macy**, formerly of Burbank and Vermillion, is celebrating her 90th Birthday on March 19. Your Birthday wishes can be sent to her at: 2015 Green St., #114, Yankton, SD 57078.

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