

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

- No school, Good Friday.
- Easter recess at USD, through Monday, April 1.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

• Overeaters Anonymous at 9 a.m. at Sanford Vermillion Medical Center, 20 S. Plum St., administration entrance just south of the hospital entrance in the board room. Overeaters Anonymous is a 12-step program for people with eating disorders and struggles.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

• Outdoors enthusiasts have an opportunity to participate in a short one-mile run, walk or stroll and help support the Clay-Union Foundation. The "mentorship mile" event will begin at Cottonwood Park at noon with registration in the soccer field complex parking lot. For more information, contact John Gille at (605) 421-5050, e-mail jgillerrsd60@yahoo.com or e-mail Dusty.Ginsbach@usd.edu.

MONDAY, APRIL 1

• No school, Easter Monday.
• Al-anon meeting at 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner of Main and Linden. For more information, call 624-9764.

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

• Grief Support Group meeting every Wednesday through April 17 from 5:30-7 p.m. at Sanford Vermillion Hospital Board Room. Pre-registration requested by calling Julie at (605) 638-8484.

• The World Famous Harlem Globetrotters are bringing their 2013 North American tour to the Tyson Events Center, Sioux City, at 7 p.m. Special discounted tickets are available by calling Jackie at (800) 641-4667, ext. 116.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

• The 2013 Missouri River Institute Research Symposium will be held at the University of South Dakota. Beginning at 9 a.m. in the Freedom Forum Conference Room of the Al Neuharth Media Center, researchers from USD and other academic institutions as well as federal, state and local organizations will present on the science and other issues of the Missouri River. All presentations are free and open to the public. For more information and a schedule of presentations, please visit www.usd.edu/mri or contact Tim Cowman at (605) 677-6151 or via e-mail at tim.cowman@usd.edu.

• Common Sense Parenting classes will be held on Thursday evenings from 6-8 p.m. at the Jolley School Library. (April 4, 11, 18) Everyone is welcome but registration is required. Child care will be available for those who need it to attend. Please call the WYCC at (605) 665-4811 or the Clay Co. Health Nurse at (605) 677-6767 to register. This class is sponsored by the Vermillion PTA.

• Vermillion Lions Club meeting at the W.H. Over Museum, Sletwold Hall at 6 p.m.

PLANNING AHEAD:

• APRIL 4-5 – Sixth annual community-wide preschool screening sponsored by the Vermillion School District and Head Start along with community support for children who are currently ages 3 and 4, but not eligible for Kindergarten in the 2013-14 school year. To schedule a screening, call Kazy at Austin Elementary School, (605) 677-7010 for a time slot on either Thursday, April 4 between 4-6 p.m. or Friday, April 5 between 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Areas to be screened include Developmental, Language, Social, Hearing and Vision. Make plans to attend – we look forward to meeting your child.

• APRIL 5 – Brown Bag Lunch Program: Winds of Change, featuring Amy Shaw, Irish flute; John McCormick, button accordion; and Brian Miller, guitar from Minneapolis, at 12:05 p.m. at the National Music Museum located on USD campus, corner of Clark and Yale streets. April's Free Friday Sponsor is Sanford Health of Vermillion. Free and open to the public.

• APRIL 6 – Overeaters Anonymous at 9 a.m. at Sanford Vermillion Medical Center, 20 S. Plum St., administration entrance just south of the hospital entrance in the board room.

• APRIL 6-7 – Lewis & Clark Homebuilders Association Eighth Annual Home Show at Kiwanis 4-H Ice Center 709 Whiting Dr., Yankton from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Product Demonstrations-Exhibits –Door prizes. \$1 off admission with a non-perishable food item. Donations will be given to the Food Pantry. Registration and other info at www.lewisandclarkhomebuilders.com.

• APRIL 6 – ESA Tour of Tables at St. Agnes School/Father Wolf Auditorium. Featuring salad luncheon and entertainment. Doors open at 10:45 a.m., luncheon served at 11:30 a.m. To make a reservation or sponsor a table, contact Barb Campbell at 624-4626. Proceeds to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

• APRIL 6 – The Hay Country Jamboree at 8 p.m. at Gayville Music Hall in Gayville. The 13th season begins with a fantastic concert featuring Gayville Hall musical hosts John and Susan McNeill, great singer and guitarist Boyd Bristow, fiddler extraordinaire Owen DeJong, and banjo virtuoso Dan Kilbride. Call for your reservation (605) 267-2859.

Benefit planned for Deidra Rahn

Deidra Rahn of Centerville was recently diagnosed with a cancer called Burkitt's lymphoma. This is an aggressive, rapidly proliferating B cell lymphoma. Thankfully, this type of cancers is very responsive to chemotherapy and has a very positive prognosis when it is caught early. Members of the Centerville community are rallying together to have a benefit supper with a silent and live auction for Deidra and her family to help defray the medical expenses. The Deidra Rahn Benefit will be held on April 20, with the supper and silent auction beginning at 4:30

p.m. with the live auction beginning at 7 p.m. Modern Woodmen, Irene Group Branch 1950 will match funds up to \$1000.

Deidra is married to Chris Rahn and they have lived in Centerville since 1998. They have five children who have all grown up and gone to school in Centerville. Chris, 24, lives in Sioux Falls, Joshua, 22 attends USD and lives at home, Tessa Slechta, 20 attends STI in Sioux Falls, Ethan 19, attends School of Mines in Rapid City and Clarissa, 16, is a junior at Centerville High School. Deidra also has one new grandson, Owen Louis Rahn,

son of Chris Rahn and Allie DeKramer.

Deidra currently works for the Department of Social Services in Vermilion and serves the elderly population of Union County. Deidra has been a member of the Centerville Community Ambulance Service since 2001 and was training to become a paramedic when she was stricken by her cancer.

Deidra is an active member of the Centerville community, probably best remembered for her recurring role of Sister Amnesia in the Centerville Community Theater productions. Deidra is an avid marathon runner and many of

you living north of Centerville have probably encountered her running on the roads north and east of Centerville.

Financial gifts for the Rahn family may be donated to the Deidra Rahn Benefit at the One American Bank of Centerville at 549 Broadway, Centerville, SD 57014. If you would like to donate an item for the auctions, please contact Melissa at 605-661-0791 or Gary at 605-530-2365 or 605-563-2102.

If you are interested in serving on the benefit committee, please feel free to contact either of the aforementioned people.

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Chamber Business:

Congratulations to the 2013 Vermillion Area Chamber and Community Award Recipients.

Family Business of the Year: Davis Pharmacy – Tom and Sandy Lavin and Family
Mayors Community Service Award: Maxine Johnson

United Way Volunteer of the Year: Sue Jopling
VCDC Community Leader Award: Pastor Steve Miller

Open house and ribbon-cutting ceremony at Meridian Title of Clay County, 100 E. Main St., is Tuesday, April 23. The Open House will be from 5-7 p.m. with the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at 5:30 p.m. Please join us to welcome Meridian Title to Vermillion, make new contacts, and find out what they have to offer. Refreshments will be served, plus a take-home gift for everyone.

David Owen, President of the SD Chamber of Commerce, will give a legislative session update at the Rotary Club meeting at the Neuharth Media Center on Tuesday, April 30 at noon. Everyone welcome, lunch is \$6.50. Non-Rotary members please call the VCDC to register (605) 624-5571. Sponsored by the VCDC Legislative Affairs Committee.

Save the date: The 2013 VCDC Annual Golf Social is Monday, June 24, at The Bluffs Golf Course. More information available in the near future.

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 or at 624-5571.

Announcements:
"April Showers Bring May Flowers": The Main Street

Center Nutrition Board has asked the kitchen staff to compile a "wish list" – another attempt to make the Main Street Center noon meal, "Meals on Wheels" and Town Square program survive. We're asking for your help. It's an "April Shower" of kitchen/office supplies you may donate to help keep expenses down. Thank you for any donation.

Folgers Classic Coffee Regular, laundry detergent and Dawn dish soap, white paper towels, reams of printing paper (8 1/2 by 11), 40-50 gallon garbage bags, first-class stamps, black pepper and HP office jet 4500 ink are among the items being accepted.

Vermillion High School needs your help: The mission of the Vermillion School District is "To empower all students to maximize their success in our global community." With this in mind, the state is mandating additional offerings for graduation starting in the fall of 2013 to include some sort of Senior Experience. This might take the form of becoming a mentor or providing job shadowing and internship opportunities.

In order to assist the district with the implementation and sustainability of such a program, we are requesting adults and businesses in the community to please take a moment to fill out this quick

survey. This will help us know of opportunities to give every student "the right opportunity and responsibility to learn academics and essential life skills to prepare them to live successfully in an ever changing world."

Thank you in advance for your participation. The survey is available at <http://vermillion.k12.sd.us/cms/module/selectsurvey/TakeSurvey.aspx?SurveyID=114> or visit www.vermillion.k12.sd.us and under Headlines click on Parents/Community, VHS Needs Your Help.

Second annual clothing and blanket drive through March 29 for South Dakota's Rosebud Reservation. Donations may be dropped off at Pressing Matters Printing, 102 E. Main St., M-F, 8:30-5 p.m.

Donations must be clean and in good working condition – no purses, high heel shoes or "dry-clean only" clothing.

Sanford Vermillion Arts Program has been selected as a candidate for the LIVESTRONG Foundation Community Impact Project. Voting runs through March 28. Sanford Arts Vermillion (SAV) Program in partnership with Dakota Hospital Foundation, has been selected as a candidate for the LIVESTRONG Foundation Community Impact Project, which offers \$1.2 million in funding to bring proven

cancer support programs to communities across the U.S. Finalists will be determined through an online voting campaign at Vote.LIVESTRONG.org and runs until 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 28.

If we receive the most votes within our region, we will be awarded funds, materials and training to implement Art-Lifting: Creative Support for Cancer Survivors to our community.

Please share the link above with your family and friends (e-mail, Facebook, Twitter, etc.). (One vote per e-mail address accepted.)

Meals on Wheels needs your help. Vermillion Meals on Wheels, like other towns participating in the nutrition project of Dakota Senior Meals, is struggling to survive. The state and federal government provide approximately 40 percent of the actual cost to prepare each meal. The rest of the cost comes from local sources.

You can help make a difference. Make a donation or enjoy a nutritional, "home cooked" meal by the Vermillion Dakota Senior Meals at the Main Street Center. Meals can also be delivered to individuals and couples that are unable to leave their home.

To make a donation or for more information, call the Nutrition Kitchen at 624-7868.

Cedar County Veterinary Services Presents:

Dog-N-Jog



**Saturday
April 13th
10AM**

Come help us celebrate spring and get Fido fit!

Who: All runners, walkers, and canine athletes (of all shapes!)

What: 5K race, for the serious and the...not so serious

When: April 13th, glorious spring! (rain date April 20th)

Where: Vermillion, SD, starting at Cedar County Vet 906 E Cherry

Why: Support physical fitness and enjoy spring

How: Register today or the day of the race to claim your t-shirt and be part of the fun

Runners & Walkers of all ages are welcome. Dog not required.
Registration Fee: \$20 which includes t-shirt, gift bag, door prizes and refreshments. Register now at Cedar County Veterinary Services or Register in person on race day 9-9:45AM



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