

Home Country

It's The Little Things That Make Life Fun

Sometimes it's the little things that make all the difference. Without the little things, we might sail through life boringly and vanish in a vanilla haze.

Just take Saturday morning at the Mule Barn truck stop. There we were making certain no sudden wind would blow our chairs away from the philosophy counter, when Bert walked in wearing that shirt. It was a Western shirt, which is certainly not out of place in this rural area, but we all knew the only thing Bert knew about horses was how many he had under the hood of his sedan.

"Look at this!" said Dud.

"Pretty fancy shirt," Doc said.

"Got pants to go with it, too," Bert said. "Striped ones. You know, gambler pants. And boots. I don't wear them here though. Just to go dancing."

"Dancing, eh?"
"Maizie's idea. She said we weren't getting any younger and needed exercise and we should scoot our boots and all that. They give lessons Tuesday at the high school."

"Country dancing?"
"You bet. Boot scootin' and everything. I know how to do the Texas two step."

We looked at Bert, with 40 years' worth of eating regular meals hanging over his belt.

"Hey, I can dance, and I can prove it!"

"OK, Hon!" yelled our waitress, Loretta,



Slim Randles

dropping a quarter in the jukebox. "Let's you and me dance and we'll show 'em."

So he grabbed Loretta and the two of them did a pretty good little two-step right there during the breakfast rush. There was great cheering as they did their little whirl in, whirl out and clomp, clomp, clomp. Many of the people in there were clapping to the music. So was that salesman from the capital until Bert decided to give Loretta a quick spin and she sat in his scrambled eggs.

So what otherwise would've been just a routine truck stop dance got etched deeply in our local lore because of the scrambled eggs. He'd already eaten the hash browns and bacon. They made it right with him, of course.

Sometimes it's the little stuff that sticks with us.

Brought to you by Slim's new book "A Cowboy's Guide to Growing Up Right." Learn more at <http://www.nmsantos.com/Slim/Slim.html>.

1101 Announcements - Events

DALESBURG BAPTIST Church 30503 466th Ave., Beresford, Pastor Darren Regehr. 9:45am, Sunday School; 11:00am, Morning Worship; Mid-week Services Wednesdays, 7:00pm. (605)253-2622.

Do you have a desire to stop drinking? Join us at the Vermillion Unity AA Meetings held at Trinity Lutheran Church in the Sletwold Room (north entrance). Soaring Spirits group is Tuesdays at 7:30p.m., Happy Hour Group is Saturday at 7:30p.m., and a Steps & Traditions Study group is Sunday at 7:30p.m. All meetings are non-smoking and handicapped accessible.

Driver Licensing Schedules: Vermillion 7a.m.-5p.m. Thursday & Friday; Yankton 7a.m.-5:30p.m. Tuesday, Thursday & Friday; Elk Point 8:30a.m.-4:30p.m. 1st & 3rd Wednesday; North Sioux City 8:45a.m.-4:30p.m. 2nd, 4th & 5th Wednesday. Call 1-800-952-3696 or visit www.state.sd.us/dps/dl for more information.

EMPOWERING YOU to take back your life. The Women Rising Support Group meeting weekly. Childcare is available upon request. Call 624-5311 for details.

FAITH FELLOWSHIP of the Open Bible on Bypass 50 and Highway 19: Sunday Celebration 10:30 a.m. Pastor Tony Armbrust, 624-2921.

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH: 401 Main Street, Makell, NE. Worship: Fall Hours, 10am. Sunday Schools 9am PMA Chad Beckius, (605)658-0240 (home) (402)-692-3323 (church).

Faith United Lutheran Church, ELCA, 44874 303rd St/Po Box 168, Volin, SD 57072, (605)267-2277. **Sunday** Worship: 9:30am with Holy Communion the 1st & 4th Sundays. WOW Wednesday program beginning at 6:30pm for all children 3 yrs old - 7th grade, and confirmation classes for those in grades 8th & 9th.

FIRST BAPTIST Church Elmer "Sandy" Aakre, Pastor 624-6391 home, 624-4658 church. Time: 9:15 Sunday School, 10:30 Worship. Sunday Choir Practice, 11:50 a.m.

Gamblers' Anonymous will be meeting weekly on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at the Vermillion Public Library in the meeting room.

GAYVILLE LUTHERAN Church: Sunday School 10:15 a.m., Worship 9 a.m. Pastor Ralph Egbert.

GOSPEL CHAPEL Church, 708 Jessie St./Highway 12, Newcastle, NE. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.; AWANA Wednesday at 7 p.m., 402-355-2305. Pastor Chuck Myers, 402-355-1335.

GRACE BAPTIST Church, SBC, Pastor Steve Ford, 1102 E. Main. Phone 624-4949. Adult's and Children's Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m. Prayer Meeting Wednesday Night 7 p.m.

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HILLSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH (C&MA) 1800 Constance Dr. West on Cherry just before you go down the hill. Worship Sept.-May 10:30a.m., May-August 10a.m., AWANA Sunday School small groups. 6 0 5 - 6 2 4 - 4 8 6 2 , www.hillside-cc.com

IMMANUAL Lutheran Church, Elk Point, SD: Worship Service 9:00 a.m., Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Is food a problem for you? Does weight affect the way you live? Overeaters Anonymous meeting in Vermillion, Thursdays at 6:30p.m., Sanford Vermillion Hospital, 20 South Plum. (Administration door south of hospital entrance in small conference room.)

KOMSTAD COVENANT Church, Rural Beresford and Centerville, SD: Matt Styles, Pastor. 18 miles north on University Road. Phone 563-2402. Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship Service 11 a.m.

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Plain Talk seeks Donations for Book Sale
The Vermillion Plain Talk is seeking donations for a book sale to be held during the Vermillion's City Wide Rummage Sale. The book sale will be June 23rd and 24th. All kinds of gently used books, VHS/ DVD movies will be accepted (**No Encyclopedias or Text Books please!**) Books can be brought to the Plain Talk Office, 201 w Cherry, Vermillion. Donations will be accepted M-F from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. until June 17th, 2011. Proceeds from the sale will go to the Newspapers in Education program, which provides free newspapers to classrooms in Vermillion and the surrounding areas.

PLEASANT VALLEY Lutheran Church, Rural Vermillion: Sunday School 9:45 a.m., Worship Service 10:30 a.m., Holy Communion First Sunday of every month. All welcome.

PROVIDENCE REFORMED Church, 830 Madison: Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. "We Welcome You To Historic Protestant Worship And Fellowship."

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Erik Haglund, Newcastle NE, 402-355-2275

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