

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

• Thanksgiving Holiday - No School at Vermillion Public Schools.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

• Overeaters Anonymous, 9 a.m. at Sanford Vermillion Hospital, 20 S. Plum - Administration entrance across from the Vermillion Clinic - take a right to the end of the hall - board room on the left.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

• Al-anon meeting, 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner of Main & Linden. For more information, call 624-9764.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

• Vermillion Rotary Club Meeting, Noon-1 p.m., in the Freedom Forum Conference Room of the Al Neuharth Media Center.
 • Classes in Drawing, Painting & Printmaking for children K-6, 4:15-5:15 p.m. at Washington Street Arts Center. Emphasis on the fundamentals of art form composition and color. For more information, contact Nancy Losacker (nlosacker@gmail.com), 605-659-5632 or Beth Knedler (bethsamk@hotmail.com), 605-670-7940.
 • Local food systems project meeting, co-op and dinner is 5:30 p.m. at 108 E. Main St., downtown Vermillion. A brief presentation will be given by a local farmer, Sam Heikes, who is starting a large CSA in Vermillion located right across from Builders Choice. Please RSVP to info@umvlocalfoods.org or 605-624-1966.
 • USD's Woodwind Choir and The Bea Arthur Memorial Clarinet Quartet presents a recital at 7:30 p.m. in Colton Recital Hall in the Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts. Open to the public at no charge.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

• USD Music Department faculty C.J. Kocher, saxophone and Darin Wadley, percussion, present music recital, at 7:30 p.m. in Colton Recital Hall in the Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts. Open to the public at no charge.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

• "The Spa at Wynie Mae's" is having a Grand Opening Celebration from 4-8 p.m. at 120 West Main Street, Suite 102. The VCDC Ambassadors will welcome them with a ribbon cutting at 4 p.m. Stop in and learn about their spa and salon services, sign up to win gift certificates and product giveaways. Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be served.
 • Tree of Lights Open House and Wreath Auction sponsored by the Dakota Hospital Foundation from 5-8 p.m. in the Freedom Forum Conference Room in the Al Neuharth Media Center on the USD campus. Wine, refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served. Christmas wreaths will be auctioned. All proceeds will benefit diagnostic radiology equipment at Sanford Medical Center, Vermillion.
 • USD Theatre Dept. presents "Avenue Q" at 7:30 p.m. at Knutson Theatre, USD Fine Arts Building. For ticket information, call 677-5418 or visit: www.usd.edu/theatre.

PLANNING AHEAD:

• DEC 2-4 — USD Theatre Dept. presents "Avenue Q" at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 2-3 and 2 p.m. Dec. 4 at Knutson Theatre, USD Fine Arts Building. For ticket information, call 677-5418 or visit: www.usd.edu/theatre.
 • DEC. 2 — National Music Museum (NMM) Brown Bag Lunch Program: "Dizi, Xiao, Shinobue or Shakuhachi?" at 12:05 p.m. in the Arne B. Larson Concert Hall at the NMM located on USD campus, corner of Clark & Yale St. Free and open to the public. December's Free Friday sponsor is CorTrust Bank.
 • DEC. 2 — Hospital Auxiliary Meeting, 2 p.m. at Care Center Dining Room, 125 Walker Street.
 • DEC. 2 — USD Symphony Orchestra presents their winter concert, 7:30 p.m. in the Slagle Hall Aalfs Auditorium. Open to the public at no charge.
 • DEC. 2 — Third annual Parade of Lights, 6:30 p.m. in downtown Vermillion.
 • DEC. 3 — Tour of Homes sponsored by Clay County Historical Society, from 3-7 p.m. Reception at the Austin Whittemore House, 15 Austin St. starting at 4 p.m. This year's theme: "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas."
 • DEC. 3 — Overeaters Anonymous, 9 a.m. at Sanford Vermillion Hospital, 20 S. Plum - Administration entrance across from the Vermillion Clinic - take a right to the end of the hall - board room on the left.
 • DEC. 3 — Candy Cane Market, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Armory in Vermillion. Many vendors to shop from! Crafts for kids! Bake Sale! Hosted by the Vermillion chapter of Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS).
 • DEC. 3 — Second Annual Breakfast with Santa, 9 a.m.-noon at St. Agnes School Gym, 909 E. Lewis St. Admission \$5. Enjoy a pancake and sausage breakfast, vendor tables, poinsettia sales, kids crafts and pictures with Santa.
 • DEC. 3 — "Lunch with Santa," Christmas Coloring Contest! One winner in each age category will have lunch with Santa at Hy-Vee. Age categories: 4 and under; 5-6 year olds; 7-8 year olds; 9-12 year olds. Coloring page is available at Hy-Vee. Contest ends Nov. 28. Sponsored by the VCDC Special Events Committee.
 • DEC. 3 — "Pictures with Santa," from 12:30-2:30 p.m. at Hy-Vee. Bring your children to Hy-Vee for a FREE picture with Santa by Peterman Photography. Sponsored by the VCDC Special Events Committee.
 • DEC. 3 — The USD Dept. of Music shares their talents and the product of their work at this holiday concert at 3 p.m. in Slagle Hall Aalfs Auditorium. Goodwill donation at the door would be appreciated.
 • DEC. 3 — "A Poker Alice Christmas" with the Poker Alice Band & Brenda George, 8 p.m. in Gayville Hall, 502 Washington St., Gayville. Call 605-267-2859 for ticket information.
 • DEC. 4 — Annual Holiday Festival at the W.H. Over Museum. Santa, food, bake sale, vendors, from 1-4:30 p.m.
 • DEC. 4 — Russ Garry presents his senior tuba recital at 1 p.m. in Colton Recital Hall at the Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts. Open to the public at no charge.
 • DEC. 4 — Kristin Edwards, soprano, presents her senior recital, 4 p.m. in Colton Recital Hall at the Warren M. Lee Center for Fine Arts. Open to the public at no charge.

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 vcdd@vermillionchamber.com or contact the Plain Talk at 605-624-2695 or e-mail david.lias@plaintalk.net.



Dance Inferno's annual holiday recital is Dec. 1-2

The VHS Dance Inferno announces its annual Holiday Dance Recital which will be held on Thursday, Dec. 1, and Friday, Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the VHS Auditorium. The theme for this year's recital is "A Night at the Movies," and will feature the full dance team in their routines from the fall football season, new routines prepared for the upcoming winter sports season, and a seasonal Christmas routine. In addition to these full ensemble performances choreographed by dance coach and former Dance Inferno member Leah Miller, each grade level of girls on the full squad perform a dance based on music from a movie of their choice. Music featured in these routines comes from "Burlesque,"

"Step Up 3," "Footloose," and "Grease."

Other performances of the recital will consist of smaller ensembles: a lyrical dance, solos, and guest dancers from a variety of ages. Also featured is the debut performance of the newly formed competitive squad of Dance Inferno members dancing to "Holding Out for a Hero," from the movie "Shrek 2." Back by popular demand is the Dance Inferno's own "Glow Dance," performed with glow sticks in the darkened auditorium.

Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. All proceeds from the recital go to fund future performances of and supplies for the high school dance team.

DeVelder recognized nationally

A member of the University of South Dakota faculty has been recognized nationally for excellence in communication disorders. Liz DeVelder, an instructor in the Department of Communication Science and Disorders at USD, is a 2011 National Student Speech Language Hearing Association (NSSLHA) Chapter Advisor Honors recipient.

DeVelder received a B.S. in Communication Science and Disorders and M.A. in

Communication Science and Disorders - Speech and Language Pathology, from the University of South Dakota. She also has an M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction from Wayne State College.

In addition to being recognized at the American Speech and Hearing Association (ASHA) convention NSSLHA banquet in San Diego last weekend, DeVelder will receive a plaque and a \$500 stipend.

Ellison, Robinson named Students of the Month



MITCHELL ELLISON



VALERIE ROBINSON

First Bank & Trust congratulates Mitchell Ellison and Valerie Robinson on being October's Students of the Month at Vermillion High School! They will each receive a \$100 scholarship from First Bank & Trust for their dedication and the excellence they have shown in and out of the classroom.

Mitch was nominated because of his determined and hard-working attitude to achieve in any activity he was a part of, and for being a role model for his younger classmates. He plans to go to college to get a degree in the Health Science Field. His parents are Doug and Nancy Ellison.

He came to Vermillion from Spalding Catholic School in Granville IA, where he feels he learned the importance of volunteering, community, and being a role model for others. His honors include Boys State, National Honors Society, and student council. He has been a part of activities such as basketball, marching band, golf team, and speech contests. He has shown his

commitment to the community by ringing the bell for the Salvation Army and helping at St. Agnes.

Congratulations Mitch! Val received her nomination because of her ability to inspire those around her.

"She is bubbly, yet serious in unique circumstances" says one of her faculty endorsers. Her punctuality, hard work and smile will be missed by many at VHS. Val's parents are Curt and Nancy Robinson.

Her future plans are to major in Special Education. Some of Val's honors include National Honors Society, Girls State, and Tutor Recognition. She has been in many activities at VHS such as varsity basketball, student council, Spanish club, and Students Against Destructive Decisions. She has been a big part of this community with her involvement in the Vermillion Food Pantry, Welcome Table, Vermillion City Wide Clean up, and as a Vermillion Library volunteer. Way to go Val!

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Chamber Business:

The VCDC office will be closed today (Nov. 25) for the Thanksgiving holiday.

A holiday gift from the Chamber members to the community. The VCDC is conducting a Vermillion Bucks sale. We are offering \$10,000 in Vermillion Bucks available for purchase in \$100 bundles of \$20 denominations at the discounted rate of \$85 per bundle. This equates to an immediate discount of 15 percent off on all products and services in Vermillion. They can be purchased at the VCDC office at 116 Market Street. Limited to two bundles per person.

The third Annual Parade of Lights is Friday, Dec. 2 at 6:30 p.m. in Downtown Vermillion celebrating "The Spirit of Christmas." At the end of the parade please join Santa & Mrs.

Claus as they light the Community Christmas Tree at Ratingen Platz on the corner of Market & Main St. After the tree lighting, children and parents are invited to the Vermillion Public Library for "Stockings for Soldiers," an opportunity to make an ornament to take home and to decorate a stocking for a soldier serving overseas. If you would like to submit an entry into the Parade of Lights, entry forms are available at www.vermillionchamber.com or at the VCDC office at 116 Market Street. There will be a trophy and a prize of \$25 in Vermillion Bucks for the best entry! Please return the registration form by Monday, Nov. 28 to the VCDC office at 116 Market St. Sponsored by the VCDC Special Events 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 to 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:

• Wreath Decorating Contest sponsored by the Dakota Hospital Foundation. Purchase 24" live

wreath and complete registration at any location after Nov. 14. Live wreaths can be purchased at: Hy-Vee Floral, Willson Florist or Morses's Market (\$20-25 range). All entries must be returned by Monday, Nov. 28. Prizes will be awarded for: individual, business and best of show. All wreaths will be auctioned at the annual Tree of Lights Open House on Thursday, Dec. 1. For more details, visit: sanfordvermillion.org.

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120 West Main Street, Suite 102
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 4:00 to 8:00pm

Stop in and learn about our salon and spa services, sign up to win one of two \$50 gift certificates and product giveaways.

Join us for hors d'oeuvres and refreshments

3rd Annual Parade of Lights Friday, December 2, 2011

"The Spirit of Christmas"
 6:30 p.m. Downtown Vermillion

Community Christmas Tree Lighting Dec. 2

At the end of the parade please join Santa and Mrs. Claus as they light the community Christmas Tree at Ratingen Platz on the corner of Main and Market Streets.

Stockings for Soldiers Dec. 2

After the tree lighting, children and parents are invited to the Vermillion Public Library for "Stockings for Soldiers", an opportunity to make ornaments to take home and to decorate a stocking for a soldier serving overseas.

Lunch with Santa Dec. 3

Christmas coloring contest! One winner in each age category will have lunch with Santa on Sat., Dec. 3 at Hy-Vee. Coloring page and age categories are available at Hy-Vee. Contest ends Nov. 28.

Pictures with Santa Dec. 3

Bring your children to Hy-Vee on Sat., Dec. 3 from 12:30 to 2:30 for a FREE indoor picture with Santa by Peterman Photography.

If you would like to submit an entry into the Parade of Lights, entry forms are available at www.vermillionchamber.com or at the VCDC office at 116 Market Street.



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