

IRONMAN



Randy Rasmussen of Vermillion competed in the Ironman Austin 70.3 held Oct. 27 at the Walter E. Long recreation area in Austin, TX. Rasmussen placed 102nd out of 2,086 finishers, and finished with a time of 4:41:30, which was good for first place in the 50-54 age group, and qualified him for the Ironman 70.3 World Championship to be held Sept. 7, 2014, in Mont-Tremblant, Quebec, Canada.

(Submitted photo)

USD student, biz school faculty receive award

A University of South Dakota student and two members of the Beacom School of Business faculty were honored with an award at the 2013 Academy of Business Disciplines Conference earlier this month.

Jill Guericke, a finance major from White Lake, along with faculty members Mike Allgrunn, Ph.D., an associate professor of economics, and Angeline Lavin, Ph.D., professor of finance, received the Faculty/Student Collaborative Research Award at the Academy of Business Disciplines Conference.

The paper submitted, which is entitled "Effects of Macroeconomics Variables on Consumer Staples and

Consumer Discretionary Sectors," is part of Guericke's honor thesis, which includes research from Allgrunn's econometrics class from 2013.

Guericke will defend her thesis later this month and is scheduled to graduate in May 2014. As a result of winning the award, "Effects of Macroeconomics Variables on Consumer Staples and Consumer Discretionary Sectors" will be published in the Academy of Business Disciplines Journal.

More information about the Beacom School of Business at USD is available online at www.usd.edu/business/ind_ex.cfm or e-mail business@usd.edu.

Guest commentary:

USD and the ROTC

By Kim Clodfelter
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On Oct. 2, the Department of Defense (DoD) announced the closing of Army ROTC at the University of South Dakota effective the end of the 2014-2015 academic year.

USD is one of only 13 universities across the nation thus affected. South Dakota State University (Army and Air Force ROTC) and South Dakota School of Mines (Army ROTC) will retain their programs.

Five weeks after the Oct. 2 closure announcement, the DoD backpedaled and placed USD and the other 12 universities on probation for two years – in all likelihood due to protests from congressional leaders representing their respective states.

Although welcome news for USD's ROTC leaders, the DoD has yet to finalize the criteria required for reinstatement.

What makes the potential closing of USD's ROTC program especially significant is the fact that South Dakota would be the only state to have its flagship university denied an ROTC program.

The border states of Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, and Wyoming would all maintain an ROTC presence at their flagship universities.

USD is consistently ranked among the best universities in the nation.

A USD press release dated Aug 6, 2013, noted, "The Princeton Review cites USD as 'one of the nation's best' for the 15th consecutive year... USD is the lone South Dakota college or university featured in 'The Best 378 Colleges: 2014 Edition.'" USD's School of Law, Sanford School of Medicine, and Beacom School of Business have also received high national rankings.

In its "America's 2013 Top College Edition," Forbes ranked USD as a "Best Value College" – one of only 25 colleges named. USD also received the coveted designation as being a Military Friendly University for the third straight year in 2013.

The DoD's rationale for closing these ROTC programs is related to diversity in geographics, academics and demographics. The DoD is looking to such cities such as New York, Chicago and L.A. to expand an ROTC presence for both geographic and demographic reasons.

The DoD is also focusing on universities with academic majors in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). This gives advantage to SDSU and School of Mines – schools offering degrees in engineering.

USD is a liberal arts university offering degrees in fields of study such as Health Sciences, Law, Criminal Justice, Business, Psychology,

International Studies and a variety of other liberal arts majors.

The military needs doctors, lawyers, nurses, military police, psychologists, accountants and a host of other professionals USD educates. USD is home to South Dakota's only medical school and law school.

In its determination of which ROTC programs to close, the DoD placed heavy emphasis on the military's need to best allocate limited resources. However, the DoD must pay tuition and fees for cadets wherever they attend school. If a cadet attends a "Best Value College" like USD, the DoD will pay about \$8,000 in tuition and fees for one year – or \$32,000 for four years.

If the student instead attends a private university like Marquette University (a member of the 3rd ROTC Brigade along with USD), the DoD will pay about \$34,000 in tuition and fees per year or \$136,000 for four years. Harvard tuition and fees costs \$42,000 per year or \$168,000 over four years.

"How does the Army save money sending ROTC students to Harvard?" noted USD's former ROTC Commander, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Tom Martin. "How is that the best use of Army resources? ... It just doesn't pass the 'Common Sense Test.'"

It is apparent the DoD needs good mathematicians. As it

turns out, Affordable Colleges Online ranks USD's as one of the most affordable universities to obtain a high quality degree in mathematics.

South Dakota's young men and women seeking to take advantage of USD's unique educational opportunities will now be forced to go elsewhere if they wish to take advantage of the training and benefits of ROTC.

USD's Army ROTC Program has a long and distinguished tradition of producing quality officers for more than 90 years.

USD alum and Vermillion native United States Sen. Tim Johnson (D) participated in Army ROTC while a student at USD.

The Department of Defense, led by Secretary of Defense and former Nebraska U.S. Sen. Chuck Hagel, admittedly did not consider quality or tradition in determining which ROTC Programs to close.

South Dakota's lone U.S. representative, Kristi Noem (R), currently sits on the House Armed Services Committee. Noem, a South Dakota State University alum, also serves as a member of the Military Personnel Subcommittee which is responsible for Military Education.

Whether South Dakota will hold the distinction of being the only state in the union without an ROTC presence at its flagship university remains to be seen.

FOR THE RECORD

Cases Disposed 11/8-14/13

Madison C. Abbott, 1103 E. Clark Street, Vermillion; Seat belt violation, \$25.00

Lonnie Fischer, 46180 313th Street, Vermillion; Garbage haulers regulations, \$54.00 plus costs

Thomas Waage, 16 Walnut Street, Vermillion; Seat belt violation, \$25.00

Jeanette McNaughton, 216 High Street, Vermillion; Failure to make proper stop at stop intersection, \$54.00 plus costs

Kourtney E. Seibel, 403 Oakmont Drive, Vermillion; Certain operators required wear seat belts, \$25.00

John Cimpr Bottini, 414 Fayetteville Road, Decatur, GA; Speed on four-lane in rural areas, \$39.00 plus costs

Elizabeth Novacek, 275 Ohio Street, Utica, NE; Speeding on other roadways, \$19.00 plus costs

Elizabeth Butrous 1535 W. 4th Street, Sioux City, IA; Careless driving, \$54.00 plus costs

Lane Ryan Brandenburg, 802 N. Plum St. #417, Pierre; Flashing red/yellow light, \$54.00 plus costs

Carol A. Groseth, 901 Hillcrest Grand Ave., Yankton; Speeding on a state highway, \$59.00 plus costs

Misty June Murtha, 1329 Madison Street, Vermillion; Speeding on other roadways, \$39.00 plus costs

Nicholas Chandler Tiftt, 323 N. Pine, Vermillion; Municipal speeding, \$19.00 plus costs

Anna Kuznik, 725 E. Clark, Vermillion; Failure to yield to traffic at yield sign, \$54.00 plus costs

Eugene Calvin Brewer, 508 S. Walnut St. #14, Elk Point; Speeding on other roadways, \$39.00 plus costs
Adam L. Wiarda, 30548 454th Ave., Volin; Speeding on a state highway, \$39.00 plus costs

Lorenzo Nguyen Davis, 1105 W. 8th Street #100, Yankton; Speeding on a state highway, \$79.00 plus costs

Ronald K. Rederick, 30371 455th Ave., Wakonda; Unsafe/illegal backing, \$54.00 plus costs

Brittney Emma Vetter, 41711 469th Street, Burbank; Speeding on other roadways, \$39.00 plus costs

Jackie Rae Young, 706 W. 14th Ave., Tyndall; Speeding on a state highway, \$39.00 plus costs

Brittney A. Peters, 824 W. Dartmouth #3, Vermillion; Seat belt violation, \$25.00

Michelle Erickson, 305 W. Szymanski St., Tabor; Speeding on a state highway, \$39.00 plus costs

Victor Christian Mendiola Ornelas, 210 22nd St., Sioux City, IA; Open alcoholic beverage container accessible in vehicle, \$54.00 plus costs

Alex David Gutzmann, 824 W. Dartmouth #3, Vermillion; Seat belt violation, \$25.00

Ryan C. Swalve, 3513 Idlewood St., Sioux City, IA; Speed limits in areas of highway construction, \$39.00 plus costs

Blake A. Fredderick, 123 N. Willow Street, Vermillion; Public nuisance, \$54.00 plus costs; Disorderly house, \$104.00 plus costs

Nicholas Patrick Hopson, 123 Willow Street, Vermillion; Public nuisance, \$54.00 plus costs; Disorderly house, \$104.00 plus costs

Mitchell David Lohre, 207 Hillview Rd., Sisseton; Moving overwidth vehicle, \$104.00 plus costs

Trevor Raymond Mead, 240 N. Peck St., Salem; Open alcoholic beverage container accessible in vehicle, \$54.00 plus costs

Jeffrey Todd Radigan, 1530 Brandon St., Vermillion; Left turning vehicle failing to yield right of way, \$54.00 plus costs

Jeffrey Richmond Miller, 817 Walnut, Yankton; Speeding on a state highway, \$19.00 plus costs

Michael Patrick O'Grady, 3304 W. Rambler #54, Sioux Falls; Overdriving road conditions with speed limits, \$54.00 plus costs

Collin Richard Krysl, 123 N. Willow Street, Vermillion; Public nuisance, \$54.00 plus costs; Disorderly house, \$104.00 plus costs

Kayla Marie Sifferath, 2035 S. Katy Ave., Sioux Falls; Speed on four-lane in rural areas, \$19.00 plus costs

Justin Duane Kaskie, 29349 444th Ave., Irene; No drivers license, \$54.00 plus costs

Justin Duane Kaskie, 29349 444th Ave., Irene; Operator assure passengers 5018 wear seat belts, \$25.00

Nicholas Lyn Loebs, 340 N. Main St. #7, Tea; Open container, \$54.00 plus costs
Carla Rose Mueller, 161 Marina Del Circle, Yankton; Speed limits in areas of highway construction, \$79.00 plus costs

Jonathan Frank Carithers, 204 S. Clark St., Viborg; Speeding on a state highway, \$39.00 plus costs; Seat belt violation, \$25.00

Sarah Elise All, 1057 Baldwin Cir., Apple Valley, MN; Seat belt violation, \$25.00

Judge Glen Eng presiding

Cale J. Maude, 435 High Street Apt. 5, Vermillion; Possession controlled substance in schedules III

or IV, \$1,250.00 plus costs, two years in the state penitentiary suspended based on the conditions of the court, four years probation; Possession controlled substance in schedules III or IV, recharged

Joseph T. Night, 32023 White Street, Burbank; Sexual contact child under 16, court costs, ten years in the state penitentiary, conditions of the court; Rape 1st degree-less than 13, court costs, fifteen years in the state penitentiary, conditions of the court; Interference with emergency communications, dismissed; Intentional damage to property - \$400 less-3rd degree, dismissed; Rape 1st degree-less than 13, dismissed; Rape 1st degree-less than 13, dismissed; Rape 1st degree-less than 13, dismissed; Rape 1st degree-less than 13, dismissed;

Sexual exploitation of a minor, dismissed; Sexual exploitation of a minor, dismissed; Sexual contact child under 16, dismissed; Aggravated incest, dismissed; Aggravated incest, dismissed; Domestic abuse – simple assault,, dismissed; Rape 1st degree-less than 13, recharged; Rape 1st degree-less than 13, recharged; Rape 1st degree-less than 13, recharged; Rape 1st degree-less than 13, recharged; Sexual exploitation of a minor, recharged; Sexual exploitation of a minor, recharged; Domestic abuse – sexual contact child under 16, recharged; Domestic abuse – sexual contact child under 16, recharged; Aggravated incest, recharged; Aggravated incest, recharged; Domestic abuse – simple assault, recharged

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Department of Human Services
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Must be experienced truck driver, able to operate various types and sizes of equipment including, but not limited to, loaders, tractors, backhoes, mowers, etc. Able and willing to do heavy manual labor, working as part of a road and bridge crew in all types of weather. Must have commercial drivers license. Drug testing in place.

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