

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

**Art exhibit
topic of Rotary**

The Vermillion Rotary Club held its weekly luncheon meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 6 at Neuharth Center at USD. Dave Lorenz, president, opened the meeting and led us in the invocation. Joe Edden and Jack Noble led the group with two Rotary songs. There were three Vermillion High School students in attendance: Megan Chickering, Megan Bottolfson and Jennifer Bye. All three students mentioned that they enjoyed math.

Mark Froke brought as his guest, Mark Bottolfson, president of the Vermillion School Board and the father of Megan. Roger Kozak, district governor, a member of the Vermillion Club was also in attendance. Dave reminded members that next week we will pass around an envelope for the Food Pantry and there will be a board meeting beginning at 11 a.m. All members are welcome to attend.

Pat Pravec passed out Rotary cards that the members can give to potential members and those who have an interest in Rotary.

Sergeant at Arms Al Pravec noted that Roger Kozak and BJ Nesselhaf were enjoying birthdays in

October.

Dave Lorenz introduced Corey Knedler, chair of the USD Department of Art, who told the members about the department and showed slides of the Alumni Exhibition that is currently on display in the Lee Center for the Fine Arts. It is one of the most popular shows in the history of fine arts at USD and showcases the works of more than 80 artists who have graduated from the program. There will be a reception for the artists on Friday, Oct. 9 at 7 p.m.

Artists whose work will be shown include Julie Day, Mary Ann Strandell, Beverly Behrens, Jonathan Pizutto, Michael Krueger, the current printmaker at USD and many others.

He also announced that on Friday evening John Day will be honored with the naming of the art gallery the "John A. Day Gallery." Day, the founder of the University Art Galleries as well as former curator of the University's distinguished Oscar Howe Collection, became chair of the Department of Art in 1976. He then served as dean of the College of Fine Arts from 1980-2004.

The meeting closed with the singing of "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

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Chamber Business:

The Vermillion Area Chamber & Development Company office has relocated to the Market Street Professional Building at 116 Market Street in Suite 103. Please stop by and see us at our new location. Look for us under the water tower!

Our new Web site has launched! This new and improved version of our Web site will offer Vermillion area visitors and potential customers better access to your goods and services. Check it out at www.vermillionchamber.com. We are also on Twitter! You can see updates on our Web site's homepage or follow us at <http://twitter.com/vermillionsd>.

This Weeks Happenings!

- USD Department of Art Alumni Exhibition. The USD Alumni present their work to the public in the Main Gallery of the Warren M. Lee Center for the Fine Arts through Oct. 16 with a reception on Oct. 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. The Main Gallery is open to the public at no charge between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. on weekdays and from 1 to 5 p.m. on weekends (closed holidays).

- VHS Football, Friday, Oct. 9 at 7 p.m., Harrisburg at home.

- Ninety-fifth Annual Dakota Days Parade is Saturday, Oct. 10 at 10 a.m. Watch the annual parade as it heads down Main Street Vermillion from the courthouse to the hospital and culminates at the corner of Plum and Clark Streets.

- USD Men's Football host the University of California-Davis in the DakotaDome on Saturday, Oct. 10 at 2 p.m.

- Nineteenth Annual Chili Blues Chili Cook-Off is Saturday, Oct. 10, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Washington Street Arts Center, 202 Washington St. Spicy, mild, vegetarian, and Texas-style, the Chili Blues cooks will have a chili to suit all visitors along with a variety of cornbreads and desserts. Pop, beer and wine will be avail-

able for an additional price. Musical guests T. Wilson King and The Derringers will entertain throughout the evening. \$15 adults, \$5 youth ages 11-18, free for children ages 10 and under. Bring your ticket stub from the USD homecoming game and get \$3 off the ticket price. For more information go to www.vaac.org.

- USD Men's & Women's Golf host the Coyote Invitational at The Bluffs Golf Course on Saturday, Oct. 10 and Sunday, Oct. 11.

- VHS Fall Play, Saturday, Oct. 10 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 11 at 2:30 p.m.

Next Weeks Happenings!

- Seventh- and eighth-grade volleyball, Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 4 p.m. at Canton.

- USD Women's Volleyball host Morningside College in the DakotaDome on Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 7 p.m.

- Pancake Days, sponsored by the Vermillion Lions Club, is Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 14 and 15 at the National Guard Armory next to Lions Park. Serving 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. All-you-can-eat pancakes with all the extras. Tickets: Advance -\$4.00, at the door -\$5.00, kids under 8 eat FREE!

- "Five Women Wearing the Same Dress" will be performed by the University Theatre at the Wayne S. Knutson Theatre, 414 E Clark St., on Oct. 14-17 at 7:30 p.m. and Oct. 18 at 2 p.m. This is a hilarious and touching celebration of women's spirit. Strong language and mature themes. Admission: \$10 Adults, \$6 Youth (K-12), \$4 USD Student. For reservations call 605-677-5400.

- Silver Threads Health & Product Fair is Thursday, Oct. 15 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizen Center. Many local businesses and organizations are participating. Door prizes, flu shots, lunch and bake sale. Mini-seminars "WNAX Radio and the Elderlaw Forum" by Mike Myers at 11 a.m. and "Where My Assets Are" by Craig Thompson at 12:30 p.m. Free and open to the public.

- Seventh- and eighth-grade volleyball, Thursday, Oct. 15 at 4:15 p.m. at Yankton.

- Brown Bag Lunch Program at the

National Music Museum featuring "The Autonomous Autoharpist" on Friday, Oct. 16 from 12:05 to 12:55 p.m. Free and open to the public.

- Fun & Games at the Vermillion Public Library on Saturday, Oct. 17, time TBA. Play board games and put jigsaw puzzles together! Adults and youth ages 12 and up are welcome.

- St. Agnes Parish Fall Festival is Sunday, Oct. 18 at St. Agnes Catholic School, Lewis & Walker Streets. Roast turkey dinner served from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Raffle begins at 1:30 p.m. Silent auction, grand raffle, youth group car raffle for 1983 Chevy half-ton white pickup, country store, bingo and many fun kids games! \$7 adults and \$4 for kids 10 and under. The \$1 raffle tickets can be purchased from any youth group member or at Bob's Service or Sturdevant's Auto Supply. Need not be present to win.

**Upcoming Events -
Mark Your Calendars!**

Preservation Wednesdays. The Clay County Historic Preservation Commission and the Clay County Historical Society are presenting the second Annual Series of Historic Presentations. A presentation by Jim Wilson entitled "Historic Preservation as a Green Strategy" will be at 7 p.m. at the Vermillion Public Library on Wednesday, Oct. 21. The presentations are free and the public is welcome.

Historics & Flicks at the Vermillion Public Library on Thurs., Oct. 22, time TBA. Join us for the movie showing of "Girl With a Pearl Earring" and discussion. The discussion will be facilitated by Dr. Julie Schlarman, USD art history professor.

Brown Bag Lunch Program at the National Music Museum featuring "South Dakota Old Time Fiddlers: Musical Heritage of the Great Plains" on Friday, Oct. 30 from 12:05 to 12:55 p.m. Free and open to the public.

Does your business or organization have an event you would like included in the Chamber Chat? If you do please call us at 624-5571 or email us at vcdc@vermillionchamber.com.

**Thiesse completes nursing
home administrator license**

Sanford Care Center Vermillion is proud to announce that Amy Thiesse, BSN, recently received her South Dakota Nursing Home Administrator's license.

Thiesse has worked at Sanford Vermillion Medical Center as the Director of Nursing, Long Term Care since July 2000. Thiesse earned her diploma in nursing degree at St. Luke's School of Nursing in Sioux City, IA in 1991 and completed her bachelor's degree in science of nursing from Mount Marty College in 2008.

Upon application and approval to the South Dakota Board for Nursing Home Administrators, Thiesse completed her Administrator-in-Training requirement to sit for the national and state administrator testing. Thiesse received her license for South Dakota in September 2009.

"What a pleasure to see individuals like Amy with the ambition and dedication in their field continue on a course of lifelong learning. Sanford Vermillion is exceedingly fortunate to have such a dedicated and capable person leading Sanford Care Center Vermillion," said

Timothy J. Tracy, CEO, Sanford Vermillion.
Sanford Vermillion is a member of Sanford Health.



Amy Thiesse

Tracy elected to SDAH board

Tim Tracy, CEO of Sanford Vermillion Medical Center was elected to a one-year term on the Board of Trustees of the South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations (SDAHO) during the 83rd Annual Convention in Sioux Falls. SDAH represents 52 hospitals and 31 long-term care facilities across the state.

SDAHO is a unified voice for the continuum of care provided by community-based health care in South Dakota. Over 700 health care providers attended the convention representing administration, governance and 17 affiliated health care professional membership societies. Numerous health care issues



Tim Tracy

were discussed including quality of care initiatives, rural health, leadership, telemedicine and healthcare reform and the implications it brings for South Dakota.

**'Is He Dead?' comes to life**

Thespians at Vermillion High School are ready to rouse your curiosity and tickle your funny bone in the Mark Twain comedy "Is He Dead?" This full length play adapted by David Ives, follows the famous French painter Jean-Francois Millet and his friends as they struggle to pay their bills, woo their sweethearts, and avoid arrest by the Paris police. It is a story full of twists and turns and clever disguises as only Mark Twain can conjure. Don't miss this opportunity to discover if indeed, he really is dead on Saturday October 10th at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday October 11th at 2:30 p.m. in the Vermillion High School Performing Arts Center. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$2 for students and senior citizens, and free to those with a Vermillion School District activity ticket. Pictured are Rosie Ahmed, Virginia Bergman, Hannah Ford, Joe Ford, Randy LaMie, Joe Geis, Paul Grannas, Sam Pearson, Mackenzie Stone, and William Card.

**Newspapers
Are For
Kids, Too!**

You may think only adults read the newspaper or that children have no interest in the newspaper, but kids can find a lot to learn in a newspaper. This up-to-date learning tool can teach children history, science, math, business and much more. Encourage your child to start reading the newspaper today!

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FALL PANCAKE DAYS
Wednesday & Thursday
October 14-15, 2009
National Guard Armory/
Vermillion Community Center

Serving time:
11 a.m.-1 p.m. &
5-7 p.m. on both days

Tickets:
\$4.00 Pre-sale
\$5.00 at the door
Children age 8 & under FREE

**Please bring (donate) your used
eyeglasses and hearing aids to Pancake
Days, and help the Vermillion Lions
Club help others!**