

USD Disability Services Welcomes Speaker

VERMILLION — Bill Deering, a motivational speaker who has dealt with a lifetime of stuttering, will be the featured speaker at the University of South Dakota at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26, at the Muenster University Center Ballroom.

Deering has presented about living with his disability to thousands of junior high, high school and college students. His presentation focuses on how he overcame obstacles, broke barriers and how people with various abilities can work through their own limitations in life. On his website <http://stuttering-disability-motivational-speaker.com>, Deering highlights that his stuttering was so severe it used to take him more than three minutes to say his name, an additional three minutes merely to answer the phone (he didn't start using the phone until he was 21). The intent of the program is to leave the audience feeling empowered, inspired and ready to face their own personal challenges with a new sense of possibility.

The presentation is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Disability Services at (605) 677-6389 or visit www.usd.edu/disabilityservices.



Deering

'Great Hymns Of The Church' To Be Presented

The 40-plus voice adult choir of the United Church of Christ, 5th & Walnut, will be presenting their annual Palm Sunday concert on March 24, at 4 p.m.

Directed by Jennifer Powell, she has chosen familiar, great hymns of the church for this annual event. The choir will be accompanied by a brass ensemble and Ted Powell on the organ.

Everyone is welcome.

Gospel Event Set For Viborg This Sunday

VIBORG — The Southeastern South Dakota Gospel Singing Convention will be holding its quarterly gospel singspiration at the United Methodist Church in Viborg on at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 24, The church is located on the south end of Main Street in Viborg. The event is free and open to the public.

The Singing Convention is a nondenominational effort to preserve the heritage of singing old-time hymns and gospel songs in four-part harmony. The convention has been together for more than 10 years. They meet quarterly at various churches across the area. The afternoon will be spent with singing from a hymnal that contains more than 1,000 hymns and southern gospel style songs.

Alan Ward of Viborg directs the singing and various pianists from around the area accompany the singing. Everyone is encouraged to come join in the singing and fellowship.

For more information, you may contact the Singing Convention Secretary at 605-212-9011.

Chili Feed And YHS Idol Planned For Tuesday

Yankton High School Student Council and Yankton High School Competitive Cheer will be hosting their annual Chili Feed and YHS Idol on Tuesday, March 26, in the Yankton High School Commons (Chili Feed) and Main Theatre (Idol).

The Student Council will be serving Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup, Cinnamon roll, dessert, juice and coffee. Serving from 5-7 p.m. Following the Chili Feed YHS Students will be showing their talents in YHS Idol starting at 7 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased from a Student Council member or calling the High School at 665-2073.

Funds from raised from the Chili Feed will go to the Children's Miracle Network. The CMN is state project for the South Dakota Student Council Association. Member SDSCA have raised thousands of dollars for the CMN which helps to provide additional funding for children's hospitals. The money raised stay with the local children's hospitals in South Dakota: they are Sioux Falls Sanford Children's Hospital and Rapid City Regional Hospital. Funds raised during the YHS Idol will help support Competitive Cheer and Parents for a Safe Prom.

Master Gardener Event Tuesday At Pavilion

Missouri Valley Master Gardeners are presenting as guest speaker Norm Evers at the Avera Pavilion in Yankton at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 26.

Norm and Dianna Evers started a greenhouse and nursery in 1971 at Aurora. They specialize in green goods (if they can't grow it, they don't carry it). Norm is professor emeritus of horticulture, South Dakota State University, and retired manager of McCrory Gardens at Brookings.

His presentation topic is "Preventative Medicine for the Garden: There are No Bad Plants, Just Bad Sites." Bring your South Dakota gardening questions.

Free will donation accepted to cover expenses.

For more information, call Betts Pulkrabek at 605-463-2206.

MENUS

Menus listed below are for the week of March 25. Menus are subject to change without notice. All meals are served with milk.

Yankton Elementary Schools

Monday — Cheese Pizza
Tuesday — Hot Dog
Wednesday — Roast Turkey
Thursday — NO SCHOOL
Friday — NO SCHOOL

Yankton Middle School

Monday — BBQ Rib
Tuesday — French Toast Sticks
Wednesday — Roast Turkey
Thursday — NO SCHOOL
Friday — NO SCHOOL

YHS A Line Menu

Monday — Popcorn Chicken
Tuesday — Italian Dunker
Wednesday — Roast Turkey
Thursday — NO SCHOOL
Friday — NO SCHOOL

YHS B Line Menu

Monday — Taco Pizza
Tuesday — Chicken Tetrzazzini
Wednesday — Pretzel W/ Cheese
Thursday — NO SCHOOL
Friday — NO SCHOOL

YHS C Line Menu

Monday — Ham & Cheese Croissant
Tuesday — Philly Cheese Sandwich
Wednesday — Walking Taco
Thursday — NO SCHOOL
Friday — NO SCHOOL

Sacred Heart Schools

Monday — Roast Beef & Swiss Sandwich
Tuesday — Taco In A Bag
Wednesday — Chili Cheese Dog
Thursday — Teriyaki Stick
Friday — NO SCHOOL

The Center — Yankton

Monday — Cheeseburger Pie
Tuesday — Italian Chicken Breast
Wednesday — Porcupine Meatballs
Thursday — Beef Roast
Friday — Pork Chop or Fish

Tabor Senior Citizens Center

Monday —
Tuesday — Roast Turkey
Wednesday — Hamburger On A Bun
Thursday — Pork Chops
Friday —

Whining Indicates Loose Belt

BY TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI

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Dear Tom and Ray:

I have a 2003 Mitsubishi Lancer with about 90,000 miles. Several months back, I was driving home on a rainy night and splashed through a deep puddle. Immediately, a loud whining noise came from the car, which grew louder when I pushed on the gas. A minute later, it stopped. Then about a week later, on another rainy day, it happened again. It happens for only about a minute, then stops. It now happens even when it's not raining, when I just step on the gas for more power. The whining is very loud and scary, and it makes me think the car is going to explode. My husband thinks it's nothing and that I should continue to ignore it; however, I am pregnant and don't want to head into motherhood worrying about my safety and the safety of my baby. Please help! —Moon

RAY: It sounds to me like a slipping belt, Moon. I'm guessing your splash guard fell off, and that allowed water to splash up and temporarily lubricate your belt. Belts aren't supposed to be lubricated; they're supposed to be sticky. When a belt slips and slides on its



CAR TALK

Tom and Ray Magliozzi

pulleys, it makes that shrieking/whining noise.

TOM: And all that slipping wore out your belt even more, so now it slips even when it's not wet.

RAY: It makes noise when you step on the gas, which is a classic symptom of a loose or worn-out belt. Eventually, the belt will get so bad that it'll squeal all the time. Then one

Weather Reporting Volunteers Needed

BROOKING — SDSU Extension is helping recruit South Dakotans to volunteer for a national network of volunteer precipitation observers, or CoCoRaHS (Community Collaborative Rain Hail Snow Network) to track precipitation events across South Dakota, reported State Climatologist and CoCoRaHS State Coordinator, Dennis Today.

"These are everyday people who enjoy measuring precipitation and are willing to report that on the internet," he says, of the volunteers who measure and report after rain, hail and snow events.

Despite today's automated technology, Today believes local reporting is still essential in tracking the variability of rainfall.

"It's a huge benefit to us to have people across the state who monitor precipitation. The biggest variability in weather across South Dakota is how precipitation differs from place to place. Even with all the technology we have, we really need to have on-ground measurements all across the state to tell us what is really happening on the ground," he said. "Where we have heavy rain events, like flood events, the National Weather Service has issued flash flood warnings based on people's reports on how much rain fall there was," he said.

Laura Edwards, SDSU Extension Climate Field Specialist, is the state CoCoRaHS Coordinator. She says volunteer reports can also be useful in documenting drought conditions.

"If people can tell us how many days they've gone without rainfall, it helps us document drought conditions and better support disaster declaration because of drought," she said.

Edwards will work directly with observers to train them and answer any questions on reporting they may have; how to use the gauge or how to use the website.

She adds that becoming a CoCoRaHS volunteer may be a great fit for many of the state's agriculture producers.

"Because all the CoCoRaHS reports are maintained online for free, this can ease farmer's recordkeeping. And, all of their old reports are accessible at any time," Edwards said. "This makes it easy to go back and look at past months/seasons/years of precipitation reports. If producers participate on a regular basis, it may be easier to demonstrate if a particular location is wetter/drier than other areas."

Volunteers who are interested in joining the CoCoRaHS network must be willing to take daily precipitation readings between 6 a.m. and 9 a.m. and report the events on-line or by phone. They are asked to use a standard 4-inch diameter rain gauge and will receive a small bit of training. A March Madness recruiting campaign is now under way. To learn more visit www.coco-rahs.org or contact Today at (605) 688-5678.

For more information on this topic, visit iGrow.org.

Governor's Competition Qualifiers Announced

PIERRE — As host of the 2013 Governor's Giant Vision Business and Student Business Competition, South Dakota Chamber of Commerce and Industry President David Owen recently announced the 12 qualifying applicants for the business competition and 12 qualifiers for the student business idea competition.

The following were selected by a panel of judges as the top qualifying entries and will go on to compete in the next level of the competition on Tuesday, April 16, at the Sioux Falls Ramkota. These new business ventures are competing for a top prize of \$20,000 and students are vying for a \$5,000 first place prize for the best business idea.

• 2013 GOVERNOR'S GIANT VISION BUSINESS QUALIFIERS — ALEUS, Al Heuton and Sue Heuton, Brookings; Backyard Specialty Foods Manufacturing, Nolan Wiese and Tyler Honke, Sioux Falls; Bag'em Outdoors, Bill Witt, Harrisburg; CalxAquA, LLC, Carl Peabody, Rapid City; Dakota Earth, Daniel Avery and Elizabeth Avery, Alcester; Magnificent Underground, Jason Ward and Dana Rojo, Rapid

City; Prairie Aqua Tech, Mary Beth Fishback, Brookings; Prairie Wind Garden Fixtures, Randy Schall, Sioux Falls; Prairie Winds Recovery Centers, David Sonen and Dr. TeraLynn Clark, Watertown; Quid Fit LLC, Peter Franz, Rapid City; Specialty Products, LLC, Ronald Jupiter and Priyesh Vyas, Brandon; Tranzderm Solutions, Sue Lancaster, Brookings

• 2013 GOVERNOR'S GIANT VISION STUDENT IDEA QUALIFIERS — Alliance 3 Sandblasting, Kade Nelson, Sioux Falls (USD); Braced With Style, Alexander Thomason, Sioux Falls (Washington High School); Frankl and Friends, Luke Frankl, Jefferson (USD); Hay Camp Brewing Company, Sam Papendick, Rapid City (SD School of Mines); Nannerz!, Amanda Tietjen, Milbank (SDSU); Order IT, Samuel Konstant and Nathan Souvignier (SDSU); ShopEx Mobile, Jordan Schumacher, Vermillion (USD); SkinBait, Aaron Zaug and Melisa Rudd, Brookings (SDSU); Sleeve Easy, Jade Possail, Brookings (SDSU); Storage Warrior, Winston Wright and Dominique Wright, Brookings (SDSU); Supplemental Fuel Solutions, Inc., Chris Barkl, Yankton

(USD); Vivid City, Crystal Hohenhaner, Rapid City (BHSU)

The Governor's Giant Vision Business and Student Business Awards were established to help citizens realize that South Dakota is the very best place to start a successful business. The program was designed as an opportunity for entrepreneurs to compete for seed money and a chance to achieve their dream.

Sponsors of the business and student programs are Gov. Dennis Daugaard and the State of South Dakota; Black Hills Power and Black Hills Corp., Rapid City; Christiansen Land & Cattle, Ltd., Kimball; Citibank, NA, Sioux Falls; Dacotah Banks, Aberdeen; Daktronics, Inc., Brookings; South Dakota EPSCoR, Brookings Toshiba America, Mitchell; US Bank, Sioux Falls, Aberdeen and Rapid City; Wheeler Manufacturing, Lemmon and Xcel Energy, Sioux Falls.

This South Dakota Chamber of

Commerce & Industry program is chaired by Brad Wheeler, Wheeler Manufacturing of Lemmon.

This year's Giant Vision event is being held in conjunction with the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) annual conference at the Ramkota in Sioux Falls. For more information on the GOED conference, visit www.sready-topartner.com. The Giant Vision competitor display booths will be open to the public from 2-5 p.m. on April 16 at the Sioux Falls Ramkota. Winners will be announced as part of the GOED banquet program. The evening reception begins at 5:30 p.m. and the banquet follows at 6:30 p.m.

Preregistration is required. Contact the South Dakota Chamber of Commerce and Industry at 1-800-742-8112 for registration information or register online at www.sdchamber.biz. Registration deadline is Tuesday, April 9.

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