

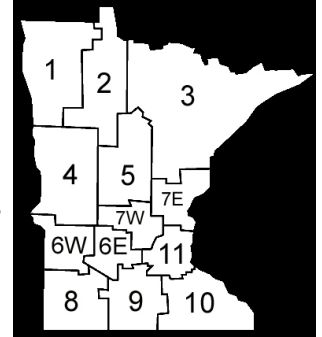
VOICES

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MEET THE SMAHC BOARD

We continue in this issue of **VOICES**, to introduce you to the SMAHC Board of Directors. The regions that make up SMAHC are Regions 6W, 6E and 8 (see map). There are 18 counties in these regions with one board position for each county. In the last issue, we introduced the Board members from Regions 6W and 6E. This issue we feature our board members from region 8.



Linda Grong, Marshall, represents Lyon County. She was elected to the board in 2006. She is a strong advocate for the arts. She was a founding member and past president of Prairie Home Hospice. She is an audiologist in Marshall.



Bronwyn Jones lives in Pipestone and represents Pipestone County. Bronwyn Sings with the Opland Singers and serves on the Pipestone Performing Arts Center board. She has been on the board since 2005.



Roberta Trooien lives in rural Hendricks and represents Lincoln County. She is a recently retired teacher of composition from North Hennepin Community College. She has been actively involved in music activities as an instrumentalist and vocalist.



Cathy Peterson, Windom, is the Education/Events Director at the Business Arts & Recreation Center in Windom. She is a former Community Ed Director. She represents Cottonwood County.



Ramona Larson, Redwood Falls, is a music educator and instructor in dance. She has been on the SMAHC Board for almost 6 years. She is a founding member of Tatanka Arts. She represents Redwood County.



Paul Grupe is from Jackson and represents Jackson County. He is the band director at Jackson County Central High School. He also has been the musical director of many productions for the Jackson County Arts Guild.



Chad Felton, Slayton, represents Murray County. He is the vocal music instructor at Murray County Central Schools. He is also involved with the Prairie Music Concert Series. He has been on the board for about 2 years.



Margaret Hurlbut Vosburgh, Worthington, represents Nobles County. She is a fiber artist. She is also the manager of Memorial Auditorium Performing Arts Center. She will be completing a three-year term this year.

SMAHC Conference for Performing Arts Presenters

The SMAHC Conference for Performing Arts Presenters is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, June 17 in Dawson from 5:30-9 PM. This conference is a continuation of the conference held last August in Marshall.



More information will be coming. Contact the SMAHC office to receive a brochure when it becomes available. Possible topics include: how to develop a budget, jargon, block booking, technical riders, grants and more.

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SAVE THE DATE - SMAHC ANNUAL CELEBRATION

November 1, 2008 - Jackpot Junction
Don't miss this fabulous, fun event!!!

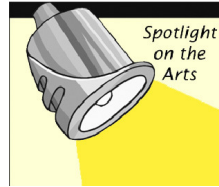
SMAHC AWARDS \$61,449 IN GRANTS TO LOCAL ARTS ORGANIZATIONS!!

Congratulations to the most recent recipients of the SMAHC Arts Project and Local Arts Development Grants!

- **Norwegian Heritage Committee, Hendricks**, \$1400, for the "Sound of Hendricks" performances.
- **Marshall Area Fine Arts Council, Marshall area**, \$4500, for their visual arts exhibits series.
- **Keepers of the Sacred Tradition of Pipemakers, Pipestone**, \$4500 for the "Keepers Traditional Pow Wow".
- **Calumet Players, Pipestone**, \$3600, for their production of "The Wizard of Oz".
- **Prairie Oasis Players, Slayton**, \$2752, for their summer production, "State Fair".
- **Willmar Area Arts Council, Willmar**, \$4500, for "Celebrate Art! Celebrate Coffee!" 2008.
- **Milan Movers, Milan**, \$2892, for the "Milan: A Taste of Syttende Mai" celebration.
- **Meander Art Crawl, Upper MN River Valley area**, in the amount of \$4500 for the Meander Art Crawl 2008.
- **Western MN Prairie Waters, Appleton**, \$2500, for the "Upper MN Valley Celebrates the Sesquicentennial Art Exhibits".
- **Plum Creek Library System, SW MN**, \$3413, for their 2008 Summer Reading Program concert tour featuring musician/author Dennis Warner.
- **Business, Arts, & Recreation Center, Inc., Windom**, \$1730, to present Jungle Theater's "Holocaust: The Legacy of Anne Frank" production.
- **Cultural Awareness Organization, Worthington**, \$1935, for the "2008 Worthington International Festival" ethnic art performances.
- **Prairie Arts Chorale, SW MN**, \$2859, for their "Come to the Fair" concert series.
- **Adrian Community Education, Adrian**, \$4500, for their community production of "Footloose".
- **Friends of the Orchestra, SW MN**, \$3700, for their concert series "Peter and the Wolf".
- **Council for the Arts & Humanities in Rock County, Luverne**, \$3500, for their 2008 "Rock Arts Presenters Series".
- **Friends of the Auditorium, Worthington**, \$3318, for their "Get Connected & Participate In the Arts" campaign.
- **Dawson-Boyd Arts Association, Dawson area**, \$3250, for an endowment fund publication and equipment purchases.
- **Tatanka Arts, Redwood and Renville counties**, \$2100, to obtain official non-profit status.

Check the Web!

We will be posting the new application deadlines and applications forms for Fiscal Year 2009 in June on the SMAHC website. Check it out at www.smahc.org.



Memorial Auditorium Worthington, MN

Memorial Auditorium is located in the heart of Worthington's historic central district. Constructed in 1931, the renovated and newly restored building is one of the largest auditorium facilities in a wide region of southern Minnesota and northern Iowa.

Memorial Auditorium is a seven-hundred thirty-five (735) seat, classic art deco performance center, owned and operated by the City of Worthington. The large proscenium stage features state-of-the-art lighting and sound.



Friends of the Auditorium (FOTA) was established as a volunteer group who works to make the Auditorium part of the community life. FOTA is dedicated to bringing a broad range of educational and entertainment opportunities to our community. Performers brought to this stage by FOTA are sometimes chosen because they offer quality residency programs for students and the community. Student workshops are just one of the ways FOTA supports the Fine Arts curriculum in the school system.

Memorial Auditorium is managed by Margaret Hurlbut Vosburgh. They are releasing the lineup for the 2008-2009 season. Tickets will be on sale September 2nd. Visit the Memorial Auditorium website for more information:

<http://www.wgtn.net/Auditorium/auditorium.htm>

- ◆ Corn Off The Cob, October 3 & 4, Home-spun mix of nostalgia humor and music
- ◆ Ball In The House, November 22, 5 guys, 5 voices, that's it!
- ◆ The Nutcracker Ballet, December 6, 18 local dancers featured in the Ginger-snap Dance



- ◆ Sister's Christmas Catechism, December 11, The Mystery of the Magi's Gold
- ◆ Snow On The Porch VII, December 31, "Laugh-In" the New Year Norwegian Style

◆ Missoula Children's Theatre, Jan 5-10, 2009 Children growing and showing the 'Love of art.'

◆ John Mueller's Winter Dance Party, February 17, 2009, The Official Tribute to Buddy Holly, Big Bopper, & Ritchie Valens.



◆ Gone Country, April 24 & 25, 2009 Feet will be Tappin; and Hands will be 'Clappin'

The Willmar Area Arts Council



In 1994, a group of Willmar area citizens responded to an invitation by the MN Rural Arts Initiative (RIA) to accept help from a COM-PAS and Blandin Foundation partnership to build stronger support and appreciation for creative arts in the area. With financial support from RAI, the City of Will-

mar, membership fees, and a development grant from SMAHC, the **Willmar Area Arts Council** officially came into existence in the fall of 1997 and became a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt entity in 1998.

Since its inception, the **Willmar Area Arts Council** has become a visible advocate for the arts in West Central Minnesota. Not only is it responsible for administering the Arts in the Schools project for the Willmar Public Schools and maintaining the rotating exhibits in the Willmar Education and Arts Center, it is the driving force behind two very popular events: **Studio Hop** and **Celebrate Art! Celebrate Coffee!**

Studio Hop, now in its fourth year, gives the public the opportunity to visit area artists in their studios. This year's event will be June 21 and 22.

Celebrate Art! Celebrate Coffee! is their annual fall festival. This year's celebration will be Sept. 20, and will include artists sales tents, an outdoor stage, artists demonstrations, children's and adult's hands-on creative activi-

ties, and, new this year, an emerging artists tent. This event is the highlight of the fall arts calendar. In addition to these activities, the **Willmar Area Arts Council** also gives grants to support local projects. They have helped fund multi-cultural events in the schools, special events at the Barn Theater in Willmar, the Little Theater in New London, and the Willmar Public Library, to mention a few.

The **Willmar Area Arts Council's** work is supported by memberships – currently 150 strong and growing – grants from SMAHC, the Willmar Community Foundation, the Kandiyohi County Board of Commissioners, and the generous support of many local businesses.

They are currently exploring the possibility of opening a gallery to feature area artists and give them a permanent location in which to sell their works. In a time when there is so much negative news in the world, it is refreshing to know there are organizations like the **Willmar Area Arts Council** working to make our lives more beautiful by providing opportunities for creative expression.

Would you like to have your organization spotlighted in an upcoming issue of Voices? Let us know...we would be happy to help promote your organization.

Minnesota State Arts Board/SMAHC Information Sessions for Artists

Individual artists who would like to learn about grant opportunities offered by the **Minnesota State Arts Board and SMAHC** are invited to attend a free grant information session. Twelve sessions will be held throughout the state; artists may attend any session. There will be a session held for artists in the **SMAHC Region** at the **Marshall Area Fine Arts Center**, 109 North Third Street on Monday, May 5th from 6:00—8:00 p.m. SMAHC will also make a presentation of grants and opportunities we have available.

Artists can also schedule a one-on-one appointment on Tuesday, May 6, with an Arts Board program officer. During the appointment the program officer can answer specific questions about Arts Board grant opportunities, and offer advice on how to apply for a grant.

To register for an information session, and/or to schedule a one-on-one appointment with a program officer, call the Arts Board at (651) 215-1600 or (800) 866-2787. For additional sessions in other regions, go to:

www.arts.state.mn.us/calendar/info_sessions.htm

Arts Across Minnesota Grants

The deadline for the Minnesota State Arts Board's **Arts Across Minnesota** grants is August 8, 2008. This program seeks to help make outstanding arts experiences available to residents in every region of the state through festivals and touring presentations that engage local artists, children, and other members of the public in community arts celebrations. The program has three components:

- **Host Community grants** - These grants help support arts residencies and presentations by professional, touring arts organizations in performing or visual arts.
- **Festivals grants** - These funds can be used to involve Minnesota artists and small to midsize arts organizations in arts festivals, and in the arts component of community-based festivals.
- **Touring Directory** - listing of nonprofit performing and visual arts organizations in Minnesota that offer public performances, exhibitions, and community residency programming.

Grants range from \$2,000 to \$25,000. You can read more about all of these components on the MSAB website.

www.arts.state.mn.us/grants/organizations.htm

GALLERY LISTINGS

Nobles County Art Center; Month of May, Student Show featuring art work from Sharon Sadusky's classes; Opening May 4, 2-4 PM, 407 12th Street, **Worthington**. Gallery Hours: Monday through Friday, 2-4:30 PM; call 507-372-8245.

Marshall Area Fine Arts Council (MAFAC), Lyon County HS Art Stars thru May 17; Marilyn Stewart (mother of SMAHC Board Member Linda Grong) weavings and textiles May 20-June 28, 109 N. 3rd St., **Marshall**. 507-532-5463. Hours: Tues-Fri 11-4:30 pm & Sat 11-2 pm. www.mafac.net

Daily Grind Gallery, 316 W. Main St., **Marshall**, 507-537-9565 features new artwork monthly

Java River Cafe in Montevideo hosts art exhibits every month and hosts musicians, poets, and performers; 210 S. 1st Street, **Montevideo**; Visit www.javarivercafe.com

The WEAC Gallery - Willmar Education and Arts Center is located at 611 Fifth Street SW, **Willmar**. For more information, Call (320) 231-8560.

Tokheim Stoneware Open House, the dates are May 15 from 4 - 8 pm, May 16 from 10-8 pm and May 17 from 10-8 pm; 2057 361st Avenue, **Dawson**; visit their website at www.tokheim-stoneware.com/

Clay Coyote Pottery 17614 240th St. **Hutchinson**; See www.claycoyote.com for gallery hours or email Betsy or Tom at claypot@hutchtel.net;

MAY

For a complete listing of **SMSU Arts Activities**, visit www.southwest.msus.edu/Intranet/. Click on the Arts Calendar link.

May 1 - 3 Choirs of Note Choral Festival at the Schwan Center for the Performing Arts, **Marshall**; more information about this event at www.choirsofnote.org

MAY 2 Dollars for Scholars Silent Art Auction from 5-9 pm with an opening reception at the Redwood Falls Golf Course Clubhouse, **Tracy**; Presented by **Tatanka Arts** of Redwood and Renville Counties.

MAY 2 Holocaust Witness: The Legacy of Anne Frank by the Jungle Theater, 7:00pm at the BARC Auditorium, 1012 5th Ave., **Windom**. www.barcwindom.org or 507-831-2375

MAY 2 CAHRC Author Series: Bill Holm & Freya Manfred at the Palace Theatre, **Luverne**. Email info@rockartsrock.com for more information

MAY 2-4, 9-10 Come to the Fair! concert series performances by the **Prairie Arts Chorale**, May 2 at Montevideo

High School in **Montevideo**, May 3 at Mankato West High School in **Mankato**, May 4 at Redwood Falls High School in **Redwood Falls**, May 9 at Marshall Middle School in **Marshall**; May 10 at Central MN Christian School in **Prinsburg**; for times, venues, and ticket information, visit www.prairieartschorale.org/, email mkfris@mnn.com or call 507-530-2157.

May 3 Iron Pour at the SMSU Parking lot between the RA Facility and ST Building, **Marshall**; 9:30 PM, for more information, call 507-530-6150 or email Jim Swartz at swartz@southwestmsu.edu

May 3 Arts & Learning Grant Panel Meeting at the SMAHC office, **Marshall**.

MAY 3-4 and 10 - 11 The Second Annual Tatanka Arts Fieldstone Vineyards Art Show located 5 miles west of Morgan on State Highway 68. Area artists will display their work. Show hours are: Saturdays from 11 am – 8 pm & Sundays from Noon – 5 pm. Receptions are planned for the two Saturdays, May 3 and 10 from 5:30 – 8 pm featuring music by Bruce Bednarchuk, singer/songwriter from Redwood Falls AND a reading by Chuck Brown, Olivia author of *Barn Dance*. Sponsored by **Tatanka Arts**

May 3 Peter Ostroushko at the Pipestone Performing Arts Center, **Pipestone**; 8:00 pm; For ticket information, visit the PPAC website at www.pipestoneminnesota.com/artscenter/index.htm or call the Meadowlark Shop/Box Office at 507-825-2020 or 877-722-2787.

May 4 Old Time Fiddlers at the Lake Benton Opera House, **Lake Benton**; Showtime, 2:00 pm; Admission is \$7.00; visit <http://www.lakebentonoperahouse.org/> or call (507) 368-4620 for more information

May 8-9 "If You Give A Mouse A Cookie" from the Children's Theatre Company, at the Schwan Center for the Performing Arts sponsored by the Schwan Food Company and hosted by the Marshall Area Fine Arts Council. 7:00 p.m. Landmark Bistro is hosting a "meet the actors" event on Saturday, May 10 from 9 - 11:00 am. For more information, email mafac@starpoint.net, or call 507-532-5463; visit their website at www.mafac.net

May 11 Lorie Line in concert at the Dassel-Cokato Performing Arts Center 4852 Reardon Ave. S.W., **Cokato**; 3:00 PM; Tickets: \$38, ticket sales begin February 19. For more information, visit www.dc.k12.mn.us/artscenter/Acts20072008/LoriLine.htm

May 16 Bob's Big Band at the SMSU Conference Center (lower level), **Marshall**; 7:30 - 10:00 PM, For more information, call 507-537-7363.

May 16 Sean Brown Storytelling Resident Artist open session community event, Parkside Elementary school, **Marshall** 1:30 PM; call (507) 537-6948

May 16-18 Flowers for Algernon, RTR/Lake Benton High School Spring Play, at the Lake Benton Opera House, **Lake Benton**; Showtimes 2:00 pm and 7:30pm; visit www.lakebentonoperahouse.org/ for more information or call (507) 368-4620

May 17 A Taste of Syttende Mai 2008 in **Milan**. An extraordinary day of music, food, heritage, and children's activities. Come see one or all of the performances: Skalmusik, The Finsaas Family, The Strollers, Malena Handeen, Dassel Leikarring and more. First performance 10:00am, Main St., Children's mural project starts at 10:00am in Milan Park, **Milan**. 320-734-4807

May 17 The Sound of Hendricks town celebration. Celebrate with a community musical play at Lincoln HI Elementary, **Hendricks**; chainsaw carving demonstrations on mainstreet and much more. Contact 605-832-2651 for more information on activities.

May 18 Main St. Jamboree live Radio Show on Stage at the Pipestone Performing Arts Center, **Pipestone**; For ticket information, visit the PPAC website at www.pipestoneminnesota.com/artscenter/index.htm or call the Meadowlark Shop/Box Office at 507-825-2020 or 877-722-2787.

May 27 SMAHC Board meeting at the SMAHC Office in **Marshall**.

JUNE

June 6-8 The Spoon Gathering in **Milan**, hosted by the Milan Village Arts School. A three-day gathering of folk artisans with an emphasis on handmade spoons. There will be artist demonstrations, food, music and lots of fun. See the opportunities section for more info or visit www.milavillageartsschool.org/spoon_gathering for more information about this event. 320-734-4807

June 8-10 Summer Jazz Experience for high school musicians (grades 9-12) at the University of Minnesota,

Morris. Residential program with jazz legends/guest artists Chris Vadala and Allen Vizzutti; covers all areas of jazz with a focus on improvisation. Call (800) 842-0030; visit the website for complete info and registration www.morris.umn.edu/cecp//youth/summer_jazz

June 13 - 14 MN Inventors Congress & Tatanka Arts Festival. Redwood Falls Community Center, **Redwood Falls**; for more information, contact nkarr@newulmtel.net

June 20-22 MACT's FAST*Fest up to 18 twenty minute productions will be performed in a non-competitive festival at Pioneer Place on Fifth in **St Cloud**. Visit www.mact.net for more information about this event.

June 20-22, 27-29 The Wizard of Oz the Stage Musical by the Calumet Players, at the Pipestone Performing Arts Center, **Pipestone**; For ticket information, visit the PPAC website at www.pipestoneminnesota.com/artscenter/index.htm or call the Meadowlark Shop/Box Office at 507-825-2020 or 877-722-2787.

June 27 & 28 MASC Children's Theatre performing Dr. Dolittle at the Marshall Middle School Theatre, **Marshall**; 27th at 7 pm and 28th at 2 pm. More information, email schwoch@southwestsmu.edu

June 28 & 29 Ole & Lena's Wedding a laugh-filled evening directed by Tim White. 6:15pm each night, Memorial Auditorium in **Dawson**; For ticket information, visit <http://www.dawsonboydarts.org> or call 320-769-2955 ex. 246. Tickets go on sale June 6th.

June 30 Minnesota Area Conducting Workshop, SMSU, **Marshall**. For more information, email ginocchiojo@southwestmsu.edu or call (507) 537-7209.

*****SEE MORE Calendar Events and Opportunities on the SMAHC website at www.smahc.org**

What's Happening? ...Get it in VOICES

...in the arts and/or humanities in your area that you would like to publicize?
Submit upcoming events for the July/August VOICES by **June 15, 2008**.

Date(s): _____ Times: _____
 Sponsoring Organization(s): _____
 Name of Event: _____ Admission: _____
 Location: _____ City: _____
 Contact person for inquiries: _____ Phone: _____
 Name of person completing this form: _____
 Phone & e-mail address: _____
 Brief Description of Event: _____

OPPORTUNITIES

The Lake Benton Opera House is looking for a choreographer for their summer musical, "High School Musical." Tryouts are June 1 and 2, with rehearsals beginning June 8th. They would tentatively need the choreographer beginning June 22nd. Pay is \$350. For more information contact Mark Wilmes at 507-247-5502 (office), 507-247-3833 (home), or by email at mk.wilmes@mchsi.com

Call For Emerging Artists/Artisans

Celebrate Art! Celebrate Coffee! in Willmar will feature an Emerging Artists tent this year. Participation will be free but based on a recommendation of an art instructor or mentor. The emerging artists may sell or just display their art at the festival which will be held in downtown Willmar on Saturday, September 20th, from 10 am to 5 pm. The application deadline is June 1. Contact Willmar Area Arts Council for more information: 320-231-8560 or artscouncil@willmar.k12.mn.us.

Dance Instructor(s) needed in Morris, MN at college level and at school for children. Professional experience required. Contact Ferolyn Angell at angfa@umn.edu, phone: 320-491-9578.

MNArtists.org is an online database of Minnesota artists and organizations from all disciplines. It offers to Minnesota-based artists a central gathering place on the Web. Visit their website and read more at: www.mnartists.org

"Spirit of Woman" Through the Artist's Eye a juried arts show and sale, June 19 - July 26, 2008; Bremness Gallery, Ann Bickle Heritage House, 226 East Minnesota Ave., Glenwood; open to all artists 18 years or older; accepting artworks depicting something relating to women, and portraits of women. Entry must be post-marked no later than Friday, May 23, 2008; Call 320-815-5040 or email sandysstudio@wisper-wireless.com for an entry form or for more information.

Call for Art VSA arts and CVS Caremark All Kids Can invite children and youth to submit artwork showing us your creativity. Explore new activities, challenge your perceptions, discover your inner artist and submit your work of art today! Open to all children from age 5 to 15 from all 50 states. For directions on how to apply and other information, visit the VSA Arts web page and click on the [Call for Entries/ VSA arts and CVS Caremark All Kids Can](#) link

The Hutchinson Photography Club meets the 4th Tuesday of every month at the Hutchinson Public Library. All ages and experience levels are invited.

Open Minnesota Percent for Art Artist Registry The registry is a collection of resumes and work samples of visual artists in all disciplines who would like to be considered for public art commissions and purchases. It is

the most common way that the Percent for Art program finds artists for public art commissions and purchases in state buildings. There is no fee to join. To learn more, visit <http://www.percentforart.us/>

The Minnesota State Arts Board maintains a database for visual artists who want to locate new venues in which to exhibit and sell their work, and for art patrons and collectors who are interested in viewing or purchasing art in Minnesota. The database is available at www.mnarts.us/exhibit.cfm

The Spoon Gathering is an annual assembly of folk artisans with an emphasis on spoons. Hosted by the Milan Village Arts School this event will feature Norman Stevens' international spoon collection as well as demonstrations by several artists. This event will also include local food and music. The Spoon Gathering takes place June 6, 7 & 8 in Milan, MN. Visit the MVAS website to learn how you can participate: http://www.milanvillageartsschool.org/spoon_gathering Email mvas@fedteldirect.net for more information or call 320-734-4807. Pre-registration is appreciated for purposes of planning.

Milan Village Arts School Classes in Milan, MN -

There are many classes in May and June For a brochure call 320.734.4807 or visit www.milanvillageartsschool.org or email mvas@fedteldirect.net

VOICES BY EMAIL

Did you know that you can receive this newsletter electronically? What are the advantages of receiving Voices via email?

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ATTENTION TEACHERS AND EDUCATORS!!
 SMAHC application deadline May 9, 2008 for
Arts Study for Educators Grants



There is still time to apply for the Arts Study for Educators program which was originally piloted in 2004 and is designed to encourage educators, K-12 classroom teachers, as well as private arts teachers in the SMAHC region to study how to better deliver the arts to their students. Teachers may apply for reimbursement for up to \$500 for registration fees and/or tuition, as well as other related costs (books, materials, mileage, meals & lodging when appropriate) to attend classes, workshops or seminars that will provide them with the tools to deliver arts in their classrooms. Classes may be in any art discipline (i.e. visual, music, literature, film, dance, media arts, thea-

tre, etc.). Class may be for credit or non-credit. We especially encourage non-art educators who are expected to teach art in the classroom to apply for this grant.

The deadline for applying for this grant is May 9, 2008. Activities cannot take place before June 1, 2008. Grants will be awarded at the May 27, 2008 SMAHC Board Meeting. Guidelines are available for download on the SMAHC web site (www.smahc.org). If you have any questions, call the SMAHC office at 1-800-622-5284. This program is made possible through funding from the McKnight Foundation.

Fourth Annual Lakes Area
STUDIO HOP
Willmar. Spicer. New London.
33 artists 15 studios 2 days

**Saturday
June 21st
10am - 5pm**
**Sunday
June 22nd
12pm - 5pm**

**Meet Local Artists
View Demonstrations
Tour Studios
Win Prizes**

find maps & more info at www.studiohop.org and
Banner Oak Pottery 326 Main St. S., New London
Deidra's Espresso Cafe & Bakery
 309 Lakeland Dr SE, Willmar & 120 W South St, Spicer
WEAC 611 5th St SW, Willmar

StudioHOP
MINNESOTA ARTS COUNCIL

Fourth Annual Lakes Area Studio Hop

The Studio Hop is an opportunity to tour artists' studios, view demonstrations, and meet local artists in two days.

An artist reception will be held Friday, June 6, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the gallery at the Willmar Education and Arts Center, 611 SW 5th Street, Willmar.

For more information, contact Julie or Glenn Joplin, Studio Hop chairpersons, at (320) 354-2048. or visit their website: www.studiohop.org.

The Studio Hop is sponsored in part by the Southwest Minnesota Arts and Humanities Council (SMAHC) and the Willmar Area Arts Council.

Membership List (Cont. from page 8)

Raye McKim, Renville
 Chad Felton, Slayton
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 Elvera Bisbee, Tracy
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Dorothy Davies, Willmar
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SMAHC needs board members to represent Rock County and Kandiyohi County. If you are interested, or have any suggestions, call Greta.

Has your membership expired? If your address label shows that your membership has expired this will be the last issue of **VOICES** you will receive in the mail. Please use the form at the bottom of this page to **renew your membership now**. If you prefer to receive **VOICES** via email, subscribe at www.smahc.org or contact the SMAHC office.

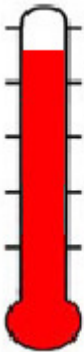
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Kandiyohi.....Open	Murray.....Chad Felton	Yellow Medicine.....Tamara Isfeld
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