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Hundreds Prepare To Cash In at the Holiday Inn Express Here In Vermillion!

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Corporate Spokesperson for Ohio Valley Gold and Silver Refinery said, "We're ready to spend the money." It has become a frenzy for the Ohio Valley Gold and Silver refinery who opens up for business today. Jason Horner, one of the show managers, said that based on previous show history, he expects to see a lot of broken and unwanted jewelry as that is what has been uncovered at similar events. Horner said, "Dozens of people every day cash in on old jewelry and walk out of their events with hundreds of dollars per transaction."

Tish McCutcheon, a customer from Lancaster, Ohio who we spoke to on the phone, attended a recent event and walked away with \$412.87 from a little jewelry dish with unwanted and broken jewelry. "I think this is great. I have had the stuff in my dresser for years and knew not to throw it away, but never knew what to do with it. I think there were two rings, a class ring, a broken herringbone bracelet, and two necklaces that grandma had. I would have thought maybe 50.00 bucks would be great but \$412.87 is a whole lot better," McCutcheon said.

Hundreds of calls come into our office from residents wanting to deal directly with the refinery on their contracts, but in most cases that is not possible. The local residents this week will be in the unusual situation to do just that. What an unbelievable opportunity for this community.

Gold is currently trading at over \$1,200.00 per ounce and silver is just under \$19.00 per ounce. Anyone



Above: Ohio Valley Gold and Silver Refinery comes to town. A stimulus package people can relate to.

can check the current market prices on gold and silver on the Internet. Ohio Valley Refinery also has a live feed with up-to-the-minute market prices displayed at the event.

The event is also opened to local businesses that deal with precious metals. Jewelry stores, pawn shops, dentists, medical laboratories, and some industrial manufacturing plants use or deal with precious

metals. If your business deals with precious metals and you would like to discuss doing business direct with Ohio Valley Refinery you should call ahead to make an appointment. They offer several dealer programs and always looking for new, long term clients. You can reach Ohio Valley Refinery during open times by calling (605) 624-7600.

Items we will accept include:

Scrap Jewelry • Dental Gold • Sterling Silverware
Sterling Silver Tea Sets • All forms of Platinum
Industrial Scrap • Silver Dollars • All Coins Dated 1964 & Earlier

If you go:

WHO: Ohio Valley Refinery
Reclamation Drive

WHAT: Open to public to sell
gold and silver.

WHEN: February 22nd - 26th

WHERE: Holiday Inn Express
1200 North Dakota St.
Vermillion, SD 57069

TIMES: TUESDAY-FRIDAY
9:00am - 6:00pm
SATURDAY
9:00am - 4:00pm

SHOW INFO: (217) 787-7767



Above • One local business cashes in over \$6,400 worth of gold and silver on the first day of the event.

Cash for Coin.

Dozens prepared to cash in old silver and gold coins today in Vermillion.

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The first day of the 5 day reclamation drive in Vermillion will be a hit with those looking to sell their gold and silver coins. Representatives are on hand all week purchasing all types of coins dated 1964 and earlier. Silver dollars, halves and quarters are expected to arrive in large quantities. Lots of gold coins are expected to arrive as well. Rebecca Hughes of Florence walked away with over \$1200.00 after selling a \$20 gold piece from 1888 at a previous event.

At the event, they will be accepting: all types of gold and silver scrap, sterling

silver, silver bars, gold jewelry from the bottoms of jewelry boxes and piles of sterling silver items like old flatware sets and tea pots. One gentleman rolled a cart in with 3 boxes full of silver coins and walked away with \$1850.00 in Florence as well. Company officials are expected to spend over \$200,000 the first day of the event. Brian Eades with Ohio Valley said, "We have had an overwhelming number of calls and we expect to get busier every day this week." The event opens today and runs through Saturday. The event is free and the public is welcome.



Amazement as Collectors provide a stimulus package to Vermillion.

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Spokesperson for the event said he expects to spend in excess of \$200,000.00 this week for vintage items and precious metals from local residents.

At previous events, when interviewed, these transactions stood out:

One person sold an old Gibson guitar, that was purchased in the 1960's for less than \$250.00, to a collector at the event for \$2175.00

Another person had a pocket watch collection that sold for \$4600.00, with one of the watches in this collection bringing \$375.00 of the \$4600.00 tally.

A husband and wife brought in a box of old Jewelry, wristwatches, coins, and two German daggers from WW2 and left \$785.00 richer

This is cool that something like this would come here to our town. Where else would this stuff ever be sold? The refinery has teamed up with the collectors for a 24 month tour of the United States, both big and small towns to dig up hidden gems.



Items of Interest:

Vintage Guitars: Martin, Gibson, Fender, National, Rickenbacker, Gretsch, Mandolins, Banjos and others.

Pocket Watches: Hamilton, Illinois, Waltham, Patek Phillipe, Ball, Howard, South Bend, Elgin and others

Wrist watches: Omega, Accutron, Longines, Hamilton, Breitling and many more.

Old paper money: United States, Confederate States, Blanket Bills, \$1000.00 bills and more.

Antique Toys: Trains, Tin wind-ups, Mechanical Banks, Robots, Pressed Steel trucks, and many more.

War Memorabilia: Swords, Bayonets, Helmets, German, Confederate, Union, USA, and others.

Local records reveal to our research department that recent vintage guitar sold for \$2400.00 and another for \$12,000.00 to a collector that will be tied into the event this week via live database feed.