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Some bunny has some candy

The Easter Bunny was making kids smile on Saturday at the park after they had an Easter egg hunt! Daxtin Odegard, left, and his brother, Waylin, are excited about taking their picture with him. (Photo by Jenna Odegard)

LENDING A HAND | FIREFIGHTERS

So, you want to be a firefighter?

Volunteer firefighters fill community need

BY MIKE SIEFKER
Kingsbury Journal

Are you thinking about volunteering to be a firefighter?

Volunteer firefighters may have joined their local department for a variety of reasons, but they

This article is part of a special series about volunteers, who provide so many services to our communities.

are all likely to agree on one thing: being a part of these critical teams is an exciting and rewarding opportunity to serve.

In Kingsbury County, there are six fire departments utilizing volunteers to fill the ranks from recruit to chief. The state of South Dakota, which can help with training costs of new recruits, would like 30 volunteers in each department. While 30 may sound like a high number, commitments such as employment, family time, travel, and sickness can limit a volunteer's availability. Responses during the evenings may yield a high number of volunteers, but during the traditional workday, it may be tough to get the needed personnel.

In Kingsbury County, five fire departments are looking for volunteers. See **FIREFIGHTERS**, page 3

COUNTY COMMISSION

Courthouse to get new windows

Commissioners accept bid for full replacement

BY MIKE SIEFKER
Kingsbury Journal

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Thursday for a special meeting held in the courtroom. Commissioner Steven Spilde attended via Zoom, and Commissioner Doug Kazmerzak phoned in. Chairman Roger Walls started the meeting at 9 a.m., and the other commissioners were there in person.

During the Commissioners' Meeting on March 16, bids were opened for the window project the county has been working on for about two years. Bids were requested for complete window replacements on the courthouse building and the east annex.

The county received two bids. One was from Time Key Glazing in Kansas City, Mo., in the amount of \$237,370 and the second bid from Northern Plains Construction in Tea, S.D. Their bid was broken down as \$174,500 for labor, \$192,610 for windows from Sierra Pacific Windows or \$165,677.40 for windows made by Pella Windows.

Commissioners had concerns about the \$130,000 price difference. Calls were made to the representatives for both companies, and it was determined that Northern Construction Company bid using a full window replacement. Time Key Glazing was using a window insert.

Commissioners tabled the awarding of the contract until the April 1 meeting, so both companies could present samples, supply references and have manufacturing representatives present. Northern Plains Construction, a South Dakota company, was present at the April 1

meeting and had brought representatives from Pella Windows and Sierra Pacific Windows along with numerous samples. Time Key Glazing, a Kansas City, Mo. company, had one representative Zoom into the meeting. They had provided samples earlier and talked with commissioners before the April 1 meeting.

After listening to the two companies' representatives, commissioners asked Maintenance Superintendent, Lonny Palmlund, for his recommendations, and he advised for full window replacements. Kazmerzak expressed concerns over spending \$130,000 of his constituents' money.

Commissioner Joe Jensen made a motion to accept the Northern Plains Construction bid. It was seconded by Delmer Wolkow. The vote passed 3-2, with Kazmerzak and Spilde voting nay. Looking at the samples supplied and listening to

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COURT NEWS

The money collected on a \$117.50 speeding ticket is distributed to the following sources: \$39 to the school district in the county where the violation occurred, \$30 to the Law Enforcement Officer Training Fund, \$23.50 to the Unified Judicial System for court automation, \$11 to the 911 Telecommunicator Training Fund, \$6 to the Court Appointed Attorney & Public Defender Fund, \$5 to the Victim's Compensation Fund, \$2 to the Court Appointed Special Advo-

cates Fund and \$1 to the Abused and Neglected Child Defense Fund.

JIM BIGELOW, Huron, 35 in a 30 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

WILLIAM KESSLER, Pierre, 70 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fine \$97.50.

SHANE SWENSON, Watertown, 70 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

LAURA HOJER, Oldham, 60 in a 55 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

COMMISSION: Zoning change dies

FROM FRONT PAGE

the contractor, the windows will be an improvement over what is currently in place, restoring the windows to their historical appearance or what the architect originally intended but using modern day materials.

CAN'T TOUCH THIS

Commissioners tackled another hot topic that was tabled at the March 16 meeting as well. The Planning and Zoning Committee had made a recommendation to approve a zoning change for Travis and Deb Steffensen to convert five acres of agricultural land to Lake Park. The Steffensens had a desire to build a private campground for friends of their family that would be convenient to Highway 81 and Twin Lakes.

After commissioners had ended the committee meeting and returned to their regular session, an attorney, Bill Taylor, representing John Mills, a South Dakota House Representative for District Four, showed up late. When given a chance to address the commissioners, he threatened to sue the county on the grounds that they were engaging in "spot zoning," and further approval would involve the county in a statewide lawsuit over meandering waters. Commissioners in their regular session tabled the item to the April 1 meeting.

Commissioners addressed the item for the second time, Thursday. There was no discussion. Jensen made a motion to approve the zoning change. There was no second to his motion, and the item was never voted on. The zoning change recommended by the Planning and Zoning Committee will die because no approval was voted on by commissioners in regular session.

County Auditor Jennifer Barnard discussed with commissioners some of the upcoming changes and items to be addressed.

It was brought to commissioners' attention that one of the precincts needs to be brought up to ADA standards.

Barnard told commissioners that the state is looking at redistricting, and changes may be coming.



The Kingsbury County Court House built in 1898 has had a number of projects to restore it to its former glory. Commissioners approved spending \$367,110 on replacing all the windows on the courthouse and east annex. The project is scheduled to be completed by September, this year. (Photo by Mike Siefker)

Commissioners discussed hiring a motivational speaker to address the county employees or maybe even the community.

A vote of increasing permit fees was decided to be addressed at the April 8 meeting. The regular meeting of commissioners on the 6th had been rescheduled to the 8th.

Barnard advised commissioners that the courthouse had a hearing scheduled at 2:30 p.m. on May 4, and they may have to reschedule, relocate or have a short agenda.

Commissioners discussed the vacancy left when Jensen will be leaving his seat in May. Currently, there are four individuals who are interested in Jensen's precinct. Discussion whether to advertise the open seat on the board was discussed. The position does not have to be advertised by state law, but it was recommended.

Modern housing options coming to De Smet

Area residents are invited to enjoy a cup of coffee and preview De Smet's newest modern housing development on Wed., April 21 at the De Smet Event Center from 2-6 p.m. and again on Thurs., April 22 at Ward's Store on Main Street from 8:00-11:30 a.m.

Area citizens will have an opportunity to preview the newest construction taking place in Wilder Pass. SLH Holdings and HME Management are eager to bring a new housing development opportunity to De Smet.

Representatives of HME Management of Brookings will be on site to share design concept and plans of the proposed townhomes that will begin construction this spring. The residents will have an opportunity to view architectural renderings, floor plans, and design elements and ask

questions. Anyone who is interested in the project is invited to visit with the representatives from HME.

Each structure will have two individually marketable units. These units will be designed and constructed to fit the growing residential market in De Smet and complement the neighborhood. It is the intention to build five units for a total of 10 townhomes.

"We are incredibly excited to offer these necessary and craftfully built homes in De Smet," states Bobbie Bohlen, Director of Development for HME Management. "We at SLH and our partners at De Smet Development Corporation anticipate the market will remain strong and expect the homes to sell quickly. We look forward to sharing our information with you."



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FIREFIGHTERS: Calming fears, easing minds, saving lives, giving back

FROM FRONT PAGE

ments including Lake Preston, Iroquois, Badger, Oldham and Arlington currently need volunteers. De Smet has a full roster at 30 volunteers, but each year firefighters retire or move away, so the need for volunteers is almost constant.

WHO CAN BECOME A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER?

The state and each department have their own requirements for potential volunteers. Most require volunteers to be 18 years old, though some may require volunteers to be 21. Some departments may require residence in their response district or a set amount of time to respond to the station. Local departments vary in restrictions and requirements.

WHAT DOES A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER DO?

Being a part of a fire department takes commitment and hard work. Initially, the volunteer will attend the department’s meetings and training, help on calls, and complete two state-required certifications—Firefighter I and Firefighter II—to receive state certification. Once certified, the firefighter will be allowed to do more.

Volunteers will respond to fires, whether they are a structure, vehicle, wildland or even trash fire. Firefighters also respond to vehicular accidents of all types.

Some fire departments work alongside the emergency medical team, making medical calls with them. Volunteers might perform rescues, whether on a farm, in a house or on a lake. Other times department members are asked to stand by when a potentially threatening situation, perhaps law enforcement or hazardous material-related, may be occurring. Most fire departments are considered “Jack of all trades,” so if the dispatchers decide it is not a law enforcement or a medical call, they call the fire department.

WHAT TRAINING IS RECOMMENDED OR REQUIRED?

There is usually quite a bit of training on any fire department. A new recruit has classes to pass, some online, some in-person, and certain skills must be achieved by each trainee.

One of De Smet’s newest volunteers, Lane “Bubba” Hildebrandt, sums it up this way, “You have to pass two courses, Firefighter I and Firefighter II. It was about twenty-five days of training. Some days are three hours. Some days are eight hours. A few of those 8-hour days have a written test that you must pass. Then there are practical skills, too, where you perform skills like climbing ladders, carrying ladders, laying lines and pulling hoses, tying knots, putting your gear on and in an air pack in a certain amount of time. Definitely some training, and then we train every month, too.”

WHY WOULD I WANT TO BE A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER?

Most firefighters can give you a handful of reasons of why they volunteered.

“I have always wanted to help when I can,” said Hildebrandt. “The company that I work for is supportive of you volunteering your time. My boss and other coworkers are



Being a volunteer firefighter can have many rewards, but the road to becoming one is paved with hard work, long training and can entail sleepless nights and responding to calls for local citizens one may know. (Photo by Mike Siefker)

volunteer firemen. They are all very supportive and nudged me into it. It’s been a good experience.”

Most firefighters feel it is a way of giving back to the community.

Firefighting is a way to help those who may be having the worst day of their lives. They need help and a volunteer is there to give it. A firefighter cannot undo what has already been done but can do what is needed quickly and professionally. The psychological aspect of firefighting can be extremely rewarding or taxing.

BEING PART OF A TEAM

The fire department uses teamwork. Rarely is anyone assigned a task alone because teamwork is most effective on the fireground or on any call. Teamwork helps build better individuals, leading to benefits in other areas of life.

“The brotherhood that you have with other firefighters, and then the feeling of helping people is all that I know right now, and it is a good thing. I really enjoy it,” said Hildebrandt.

There is a camaraderie between firefighters. They need to rely on each other. If a firefighter collapses in a burning structure, the partner needs to be able to drag the collapsed individual out to safety. Training and working together tells you if a recruit can cut it. If you are a hard worker, can listen and be open to suggestions and are eager to try new things, success can be yours.

PHYSICAL WELL-BEING

Firefighters are encouraged to be physically fit. The better shape physically, the less demanding their job of firefighting will be. Work smarter and not harder is a good goal for any

department.

TOUGH ASPECTS OF THE JOB

One of the tough aspects of being a volunteer firefighter is the training. At first, there are lots of classes and training, and that means hours in class, online or performing skill tests. Sometimes, the classes may not be local, and travel is involved. Think of training like sharpening a knife. The sharper the edge, the more efficient the knife is. Each training is sharpening the knife, so when called, the team is as efficient at the skills as needed.

Some spouses may have a hard time coping with the tasks required of the fire department. It’s not like volunteering in a museum where risks are small. Volunteer firefighters work in the middle of emergency situations. Some spouses may always think about worst-case scenarios and have a hard time handling the stress. Conversation with one’s spouse is vital before deciding to volunteer as a firefighter. Both need to be on the same page, be open and communicate.

Being a volunteer firefighter is hard physically, but it can be hard mentally, too. A firefighter is called to respond when things go badly. There is no control of what has already happened; all there is to do is try and make the situation better. If a fire is already blowing out of every window of a house, there is no firefighter skill that is going to turn that house into a survivable structure to rescue anyone. The same is true of car accidents and other threatening situations.

To make matters worse, volunteering in small towns, chances are someone on the fire department knows

one of the victims, whether it is a neighbor, family or friends. That is a hard pill to swallow. Having a support network in place can help situations like these.

LOCAL NEEDS

Below is a list of the local fire departments in Kingsbury County, the fire chief, meeting times and needs they have. If you are interested in becoming a local volunteer firefighter, contact the chief or another volunteer or show up at a meeting. They will be glad to get you started.

Remember, if you volunteer, that department is making an investment in you as a firefighter. They help with training, books, full turnout gear and self-contained breathing apparatuses (SCBAs). The costs for a first-year firefighter can average \$10,000 or more, and each department is paying the bill. If they are willing to support you in your endeavor, remember to return the favor and support your department and members, too.

Arlington Fire Department: The Fire Chief is Eric Erstad, and they meet at the fire station on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. They currently need volunteers and will gladly take donations for radios and turnout gear.

Badger Fire Department: The Fire Chief is Jared Erstad, and they meet at the fire station on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. They currently need volunteers and will gladly take donations for a new grass truck and turnout gear.

De Smet Fire Department: The Fire Chief is Shawn Wolkow, and they meet at the fire station on the second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. They currently have 30 volunteers but will gladly take donations for a new grass truck.

Iroquois Fire Department: The Fire Chief is Byron Adkins, and they meet at the fire station on the third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. They currently need volunteers and will gladly take donations for SCBAs, trucks and turnout gear.

Lake Preston Fire Department: The Fire Chief is Josh Buer, and they meet at the fire station on the first and third Thursdays of the month at 7 p.m. They currently need volunteers and will gladly take donations for their new engine and have a fundraiser called “Chase the Ace.”

Oldham Fire Department: The Fire Chief is Alan Boyd, and they meet at the fire station on the third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. They currently need volunteers and will gladly take donations for radios and turnout gear.

Calls to the fire department can come at any time, day or night. If you own a local business, think about supporting your fire department by allowing employees to respond when at work. If you cannot allow employees who volunteer to respond, then think about backing them financially. Remember, the local volunteer fire departments are there for you.

Being a volunteer firefighter can be extremely rewarding. There are many pros and cons associated with it. Think about the risks, weigh them carefully. Firefighting is not for everyone. Discuss your thoughts on being a volunteer with your spouse. Being a firefighter is a definite win/win proposition for your community and you.

Voices

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FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

Last week’s weather

Monday, March 29, 2021
High 81, Low 39
Tuesday, March 30, 2021
High 51, Low 23
Wednesday, March 31, 2021
High 37, Low 41
Thursday, April 1, 2021
High 55, Low 17
Friday, April 2, 2021
High 72, Low 35
Saturday, April 3, 2021
High 72, Low 36
Sunday, April 4, 2021
High 79, Low 46

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Story time on the farm

Elizabeth Stout, 4, from Lincoln, Neb., reads a mule book to “Larry” the mule while visiting her grandparents, Dave and Shelly Stout, of rural De Smet. (Submitted photo)

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What does Jesus expect from us? Only what He’s already given us.

EVERY YEAR I ANTICIPATE and very much appreciate a gift from my husband: a small bottle of my favorite perfume. If I am really, really careful, I can make that beautiful scent last the entire year. And call me crazy, or human, but the last thing I would do with something so precious is pour it onto a man’s feet (yes, even the feet of a man I love). But that’s exactly what Mary of Bethany did. You know the story:

“Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus’ feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.” John 12:3 (NIV)

Just six days before the Lord’s crucifixion, Mary of Bethany broke her alabaster jar of perfume and released every drop, saving nothing for

MEDITATIONS

PASTOR TIA FELBERG
De Smet United Methodist Church

herself. Ounce after ounce drenched Jesus’ skin, soaked the hem of His garment and pooled on the floor around His heels. With the fragrant perfume running through her fingers, Mary anointed and massaged His feet right there in front of God and everybody.

It was scandalous. And awesome.

Was this substance cool to the touch or warm? Sticky or silky? Only Jesus and Mary knew how it felt. But everyone knew what it meant. I love You. I honor You. I worship and adore You.

And that wasn’t it. She wasn’t finished. Following the same path as her

perfume, her dark hair spilled across His feet, as Mary of Bethany “wiped his feet with her hair.” The original Greek simply reads “the hair of her with the feet of him.” Yes, that’s it. Her hair. His feet.

I think a woman’s hair is closely tied to her sense of self-worth, and, in these powerful moments, Mary was quietly letting go of self — her longing to be looked up to, her desire to be attractive, her need to be liked. Ooof...I want to be more like her.

This devout follower, this beloved sister, used her long hair to dry a man’s feet, the lowest job for the lowliest servant. She laid her whole being before Him: her pride, her reputation, her social standing, her clean hands, her pure heart.

“And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.” In fact, the scent carried right out the door.

Today, we read Mary’s story and stand in awe of her sacrifice, but we’re also left wondering how we could ever hope to duplicate it. Her perfume was “worth a year’s wages” — about \$30,000 in today’s currency. Is that what the Lord expects us to do? Give up everything we have?

Yes. But don’t panic. Hear me out. Everything we have comes from God, yes? — our possessions, our bodies, our talents, our spiritual gifts, our everything. So, He will provide what He intends us to sacrifice, and He will give us the strength and courage to let go. That’s how amazing our God is. Can we trust Him to do that? He is “... able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work” (2 Corinthians 9:8, NIV).

WORSHIP SERVICES

He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.
1 PETER 2:24

Arlington

CALVARY FREE LUTHERAN CHURCH, Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Worship at 10:30 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Church at 9:30 a.m. (masks required)

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH, Mass at 8:30 a.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Services streamed on Facebook at 9:30 a.m.

LAKE WHITEWOOD LUTHERAN CHURCH, See Facebook page for updates.

Badger

BADGER LUTHERAN CHURCH, Church at 9 a.m. Also streaming on YouTube.

Bryant

ST. MARY’S CATHOLIC CHURCH, Call church at 605-854-9961 for Mass time.

Bancroft

ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Sunday School at 10:30 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m.

Carthage

TRINITY LUTHERAN, Services on Trinity Lutheran Church Facebook page.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Call 605-520-3098 for information.

De Smet

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SPIRIT LAKE PRESBYTERIAN, Worship at 10:30 a.m. Can listen on 88.1 FM. or Facebook Live. Adult Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Dick Poppen speaks at 9:30 a.m. on KWAT radio.

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Erwin

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Worship at 9 a.m. at Legion Hall first Sunday of month.

Esmond

ESMOND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Sunday service at 9 a.m.

Iroquois

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m.

FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 10:45 a.m., Evening services 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

PRAIRIE HAVEN MENNONITE CHURCH, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 10:45 a.m., Evening services first, second, and fourth Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

Lake Preston

LAKE PRESTON LUTHERAN CHURCH, Church at 9 a.m. Sunday School at 10:15 a.m. Service on Facebook Live.

NORTH PRESTON LUTHERAN CHURCH, Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., Church at 10:30 a.m. Service on Facebook.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST—UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Church at 10 a.m. in your car or in the church.

Oldham

OLDHAM LUTHERAN, Church at 10:30 a.m.

Ramona

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN, Church at 9 a.m.

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COVID-19

This week’s COVID numbers around the region

COUNTY	ACTIVE CASES			EVER HOSPITALIZED			DEATHS		
	As of April 6	Prior week	Prior two weeks	As of April 6	Prior week	Prior two weeks	As of April 6	Prior week	Prior two weeks
Kingsbury Population 5,148	57	65	25	40	37	37	14	14	14
Clark Population 3,691	27	22	24	29	29	29	5	5	5
Hamlin Population 5,903	15	14	12	36	36	36	38	38	38
Miner Population 2,389	8	10	10	18	18	17	9	9	9
Brookings Population 31,965	147	136	95	142	138	134	37	37	37
Beadle Population 17,398	46	40	59	97	95	94	40	40	39

SOURCE: S.D. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. UPDATED APRIL 6, 2021; POPULATION AS OF 2010 CENSUS



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The Center of Everything by Jamie Harrison

For Polly, the town of Livingston, MT, is a land charmed by raw, natural beauty and a close network of family that extends back generations. But the summer of 2002 finds Polly at a crossroads: a recent head injury has scattered her perception of the present, bringing to the surface long-forgotten events. As Polly's relatives arrive for a family reunion during the Fourth of July, a beloved friend goes missing on the Yellowstone River. Search parties comb the river carefully as Polly combs her mind, and over the course of one fateful week, Polly arrives at a deeper understanding of herself and her larger-than-life relatives.

Missing and Endangered by J. A. Jance

When Jennifer Brady returns to Northern Arizona University for her sophomore year, she quickly becomes a big sister to her new roommate, Beth Rankin, a brilliant yet sheltered sixteen-year-old freshman. For a homeschooled Beth, college is her first taste of both freedom and unfettered access to the internet. Jenny is concerned that she's too naïve and rebellious for her own good. Her worries are well-founded when Beth vanishes, prompting Jenny to alert campus authorities, local police, and her mom, Sheriff Joanna Brady. Beth is found, but Jenny's concern has unwittingly put her in the cross-hairs of a criminal bent on revenge..

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Obituaries

JEAN WILKINSON

Jean Yvonne Wilkinson, age 61, of De Smet, S.D., passed away Sat., April 3, 2021, at Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls, S.D., after a courageous and hard-fought health battle. She was the wife of Todd Wilkinson. Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Wed., April 7, 2021, at American Lutheran Church in De Smet. Rev Jonathan Dolan officiated. Music was provided by Julie Baszler as organist with Tristin Gruenhagen as soloist. The service will be live-streamed on Crawford-Osthus Funeral Facebook page.

Visitation was at the American Lutheran Church on Tuesday and prior to the service on Wednesday.

Burial was at the De Smet Cemetery. Honorary pallbearers were all of Jean's grandchildren: Ava Meier, Kobe Meier, Drue Meier, Ty Wilkinson, Kadence Wilkinson, Lincoln Wilkinson, Paislee Wilkinson, Emerie Orton and Riley Orton. Active pallbearers were Dan Wilkinson, Mark Wilkinson, Mark Hoek, Dale Patrick, Scott Finck and Allen Merrill.

Jean was born on June 17, 1959, to Harley and Reneta (Strohfus) McFerran, in Watertown, S.D. Jean was proud to be 1 of 7 daughters. She was a 1977 graduate of De Smet High School; she then graduated from Sioux Valley School of Nursing in Sioux Falls. She began her nursing career as a neo-natal nurse at Sacred Heart in Yankton while Todd attended law school. On May 31, 1980, high school sweethearts, Todd and Jean were united in marriage in De Smet, S.D. They moved to De Smet after Todd's graduation and began creating their life together.

Jean worked at the De Smet Hospital for over 20 years and was very active with the ambulance crew. Jean worked by Todd's side for the past 15 years as the office manager but was better known as "The Boss."

Jean was a faithful servant of the Lord. She faced many health issues over the last 13 years, and her faith never wavered. You would hear Jean say, I gave it over to the Lord and we must trust in him. Jean knew the power of prayer, and that prayers go up and blessings come down. Even if the day was hard, Jean was thinking of others and sending them letters and messages of encouragement despite her own affliction.

Jean was highly active in multiple organizations and was always volunteering her time. A faithful member of the American Lutheran Church, she



served as the President of the ALCW for many years. She served on a multitude of church boards and enjoyed playing in bell choir and singing in the choir for decades. Jean was a former First Lady of the Jaycees, a title she held proudly and served gracefully. Jean was a founding member of the South Dakota Cattlemen's Foundation and gave countless hours to organizing the Prime Time Gala and concert each year. She was active with the South Dakota Snowmobile Association and inducted into the South Dakota Snowmobile Hall of Fame. Jean was awarded the Spirit of Dakota Award, an honor she held close to her heart. Jean's favorite times were spent with family and friends, traveling with Todd and her family, reading Bible Scripture, snowmobiling and reading a good book. Her most treasured times were those spent with her children and grandchildren.

Jean touched many lives through volunteering, but her greatest impact was on her children and grandchildren.

Jean is survived by her husband, Todd of De Smet; her children, Nicholas (Jessica) Wilkinson of rural De Smet, Nicole Meier of Redwood Falls, Minn. and Michelle (Daniel) Orton of Volga; nine grandchildren; her mother, Reneta McFerran of Watertown; her sisters, Nancy (Darwin) Brinkman of Watertown, Mary (Kevin) Bjordahl of Milbank, Kay (Dale) Patrick of Brookings, Jill (Mark) Hoek of Lake Poinsett, Janet (Chip) Bortnem of Lake Oakwood and Wendy (Joel) Brekke of Fargo, N.D. .

She was preceded in death by her father.

Arrangements by Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel Watertown, Hayti, De Smet, Bryant www.crawfordosthus.com

PAID OBITUARY

MIKE LARSON

Mike Larson, 71, died doing what he loved the most, catching fish. He left us on March 29 while getting in one last ice-fishing trip for the season.

Mike revered fishing but especially loved catching walleye in the summer and kokanee salmon in the winter. Most politely declined his invitations to fish with him because he took such a disciplined and intense approach to the sport. Between the 4 a.m. wake up calls, going out in all types of questionable conditions and bringing empty Gatorade bottles onboard so that he wouldn't be slowed down by bathroom breaks, he was too hard-core for the average fisherman. While many people go ice fishing to sit in a warm hut with friends and throw back a few cold ones, Mike had no interest in this kind of ice fishing. He mainly used an overturned bucket for a seat (only recently upgrading to a plastic folding chair), and despite the frigid temperatures, he rarely wore gloves because it interfered with his ability to feel the fish biting. He usually caught his limit then would spend hours cleaning them, only to donate them to the food bank. Fishing was his religion, and he was never at more peace than when on the water with a line (or two) cast. When he caught the really big ones--the trophies--he always threw them back as a sign of respect to the fish for achieving such stature.

In addition to being an avid fisherman, he was a beloved husband, father, brother, dad, grandpa, coach, life-long Democrat and embodiment of a Working-Class Hero. He grew up the oldest of seven children, surrounded by farmland in eastern South Dakota. When he was in 6th grade, he moved to a slightly less rural area into a house that had a miraculous technology of indoor plumbing. Even though he moved away from the farm, he maintained a lifelong appreciation for the land and those who worked it.

Mike was a first-generation college graduate from South Dakota State University and ended up working as a pharmacist at a hospital in Miles City, Mont. It was there that he met his wife, Carol, a smart young nurse and mom



of two young boys, Matt and Nate. They married and took a leap to buy the only pharmacy in Plains. They later had a daughter, Tessa. Mike then spent the next few decades working more than full-time at the pharmacy, coaching baseball and softball and attending nearly every single extra-curricular activity that his kids were involved in. Their lives were upended by the death of their son, Matt, but they were able to pull through the tragedy together. Predictably, Mike had a hard time retiring, but after finally doing so, he and Carol moved to Missoula where their days were filled with walks, hikes, Griz sports and later, by the lights of his life--his grandkids.

Mike was preceded in death by his son, Matt; his mom, Elaine Larson; his dad, Jim Larson and his treasured Boston Terrier, Duke.

He is survived by Carol, Nate and Cindy Larson, Tessa, Jeremy, Madeline and Elliot Keller, as well as his six siblings, Julie Cossette, Jill (Roger) Teague, Jan Larson, Jane (Bill) Barnett, Andy (Kathy) Larson and Ryan (Marie) Larson. Mike is also survived by his best friend, Buzz Dicello.

A socially-distanced memorial service will be held at the Bella Vista Pavilion at Fort Missoula on May 1 at 2 p.m. All who would like to join us in remembering Mike's life or sharing a story about him are welcome.

PAID OBITUARY

We would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone who extended condolences after the passing of our father/grandfather/great grandfather, Don Kees. The generous support we received really shines a light on our close knit community.

We would also send our heartfelt gratitude to Chad Kruse, Crawford-Osthus Funeral Home, Pastor Jim Millman, Avera De Smet Hospital Staff, Avantara Lake Norden Staff, Allied Health Solutions nurses and staff as well as Bella Kretzschmar for her caregiving.

Matt, Melissa, Max and Meyer Kees
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A direct connection revealed

A DUSTING OF WHITE coated the front of her apron. Tiny flecks of flour puffed into the air as her arms moved back and forth over the table. Soft brushing sounds followed gentle thumps as the rolling pin descended, and the handles turned within her fingers, flattening the dough slightly with each pass. Her head bobbed lightly to the beat of her work and the hymn she hummed, “Blest be the tie that binds...” All the while a smile beamed on her face.

Mom lifted the circle of dough from the board, sprinkled flour in the center and continued the rolling process. When it was big enough, she folded it, settled it into the pie plate, and then opened it again, the edges drooping slightly over the glass rim. She repeated the process with the top crust, cutting small slits in the folds.

The filling cooled on the stove, sour cream raisin; it was Dad’s favorite. As she poured it into the bottom crust, a warm spicy aroma rose with the steam. She unfolded the top crust and lowered it onto the filling. With a practiced touch she turned the pie around, both hands pressing around the edge to seal and score. A paring knife made quick work of the excess dough, which she tossed back into the bowl for the next pie. Then she fluted the edges. Two fingers pressed down with her right hand while the index finger of her left hand pushed up the dough between them, all around the edge. A perfect pattern of ridges and valleys quickly framed her work and sealed the two crusts. She sprinkled a handful of sugar over the top. It sparkled as she carried the pie to the oven.

As she reached for her rolling pin to prepare another crust, the woman’s thoughts traveled back to when she and Dad were married. She followed her own mother’s tradition of baking on Saturday, presenting the flaky-crust dessert for every Sunday dinner. It seemed like only yesterday.

Many years had passed; many pies prepared, and their six children had grown up. Some lived far away and could visit only once or twice a year, but some lived close by. More often than not, when Mom knew someone was stopping in, she got out her rolling pin.

Christmas meant sugar cookies and raisin-filled cookies and, of course, lefse. That rolling cylinder put in a lot of miles in Mom’s hands as she prepared for the holidays. Sometimes Dad or one of the girls helped. No matter how much work was involved, when Mom was using her rolling pin, she was smiling.

Months later when snow blanketed the garden, she stirred and kneaded a batch of sweet dough. As it rose on the back of the stove, she brought out the rolling pin. With floured donut cutters, Mom soon had cookie sheets loaded with rising donuts and centers. We felt like royalty when we walked in the door and were greeted with the aroma of fresh glazed donuts.

On another cold day, the handy rolling pin smoothed a similar dough into a rectangle. Mom spread on butter and sprinkled a generous layer of cinnamon and sugar. She happily rolled the rectangle into a thick rope, sliced it in sections and tucked them



NOOKS AND CRANNIES
DEANN (WOLKOW) KRUEMPEL

into a cake pan to rise. In two hours, warm, flaky rolls, dripping with frosting adorned an etched glass plate in the center of the table. Oh, my. I think even the angels were singing.

Mom’s rolling pin played a part in many more heavenly delights, and now I see there was a pattern established. When our mother got out her rolling pin, some quite complicated culinary delight was about to happen. Always, it involved time and work. Always, it was a gift for someone she loved. Always, she smiled when it moved between her hands.

Cherished memories flow from the Nooks and Crannies of my mind today as I study Mom’s precious rolling pin before me. I brush my fingers over the wooden cylinder and think of the thousands of turns it made, guided by her hands. The heavy maple is still smooth after 80 years, the streaks running through it like a river that goes on forever. The handles, shaped perfectly to roll between fingers, sport a few dents and scratches, but they are sturdy, ready to work.

I picture my mother as she stood at the kitchen table, canisters of flour and sugar arranged alongside a big bowl of dough. The rolling pin wait for both of us. I lift it by the cylinder as she would have and lower it to the table. Then I place one hand on each handle and push gently forward. The roller turns within my fingers, and suddenly an amazing awareness floods through my soul. Mom’s rolling pin joins my hands to my heart. A direct connection. Now, I know why my mother smiled.

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MENUS

60s-plus menu

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THURSDAY, APRIL 8: Chicken Wrap, Vegetable, Fruit, Dessert

FRIDAY, APRIL 9: Taco Salad with protein and vegetables, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

MONDAY, APRIL 12: Hawaiian Chicken Lettuce Salad, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

TUESDAY, APRIL 13: Tater Tot Hotdish with vegetables, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14: Hot Dog with Bun, Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Fruit

School Lunch

THURSDAY, APRIL 8: Softshell Taco, Lettuce, Cheese, Pear Slices

FRIDAY, APRIL 9: Cheese Omelet, French Toast Sticks, Smile Potatoes, Fruit Juice

MONDAY, APRIL 12: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Lettuce, Orange, Bread Stick

TUESDAY, APRIL 13: Deli Sandwich, Tater Tots, Apple, Birthday Cake

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14: Chicken Strips, Green Beans, Strawberry Cup, Bun

Open House

New Housing Development Preview

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De Smet Event Center
2 PM to 6 PM
and
Thursday, April 22
Ward's Store
8 AM to 11:30 AM

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Happy 80th Birthday, Mom!



In honor of mom's birthday, please help us celebrate by sending birthday wishes to her at 20851 SD Hwy 25, De Smet. Love, Your Family

De Smet Cemetery Annual Meeting

April 19th; 7pm
Community Room
at the Prairie Park

Treat your car to spring cleaning

Nimble Wash introduces touchless car wash

BY MIKE SIEFKER
Kingsbury Journal

Need to wash your car, but don't feel like washing it yourself? It used to mean you had to travel to another town for a drive-through car wash experience, but not anymore. De Smet's first drive-through, touchless car wash opened last week. Nimble Wash is located at the intersection of Highway 25 and Highway 14. It is on the northeast corner, behind Dakotaland Federal Credit Union.

Clinton and Brenda Efraimson, a husband-and-wife team, live off Highway 25 north of De Smet near Bryant. They had already opened a car wash in Bryant and were looking for other locations to install a car wash. At the same time, a De Smet couple, Bill and Connie Halverson, had a long-time running business called Black Tie Floral and Gifts, that had a couple of wash bays and a vacuum outside. The Halversons were closing their shop and selling the building. It was a good building for what the Efraimsons needed, so they purchased it. Soon the renovations began.

The Efraimsons modified and remodeled the entire building. Where two wash bays used to be, one remained a self-wash bay, and the other was converted into a drive-through car wash.

"It is a brushless, touch-free car wash," said Efraimson. "The brand name is Petit Auto Wash System. We did a lot of research, and then we settled on this. We also have it in Bryant; it is really high-pressure, and it gives a really good quality wash. We had looked into many different types of car washes and chose this car washing system."

The renovations included adding a pay station outside that utilizes three ways to pay, cash, credit/debit cards



Renovations are complete, and Nimble Wash opened its touchless bay last week. Nimble Wash offers a drive-through car wash, a self-washing bay and vacuuming. The services utilize three ways to pay, cash, cards and a mobile app, Coinless. (Photo by Mike Siefker)

or a mobile phone app called Coinless.

"You can start the car wash without even opening the window of your car and select your wash package," Efraimson said. "After you wash your car with the Coinless app, you can also turn on the vacuum with the app. The app can be used with the self-wash bay, which is handy. People love that app, and it's user-friendly and works really well."

When using the Coinless app for purchasing a carwash, the app will also give you some free time on the vacuums, making the carwash an even better value.

The touchless bay offers three levels of washes. The "basic" costs \$10 and provides an underbody rinse, pre-soak, soap, wax, spot-free rinse and then dryer. The next level of service is the "better" package and costs \$12. It provides the same level as the basic with some additions, adding an additional wheel and rocker panel pre-soak, a triple-foam soap for the car

and a premium hot wax. The "best" wash costs \$15 and provides all the services mentioned so far and adds more time as well as additional soaps, hot wax time and an extra high-pressure wash pass. The best package also comes with a clean guarantee; if you are not satisfied, they will give you another wash.

Renovations to the former Black Tie Floral and Gifts also included a division of the retail area on the east side of the building into three separate retail locations. An auto detailing and window tinting business is already open. A second business has leased a space for a bait and ammo shop opening in the near future.. The third retail space is available for lease.

"Nimble Wash is planning to have a grand opening in the near future, so watch for that," said Efraimson. "We are excited to be part of the De Smet community and hope to have to a lot of clean vehicles running around in Kingsbury County."



Learning to give aide

Two years ago, South Dakota mandated that all high school graduates must have taken a Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) class as a requirement for graduation. Sarah McHenry (right) gives guidance while Carly Wiese (front to rear), Aria Gruenhagen and Cody Cavanaugh practice chest compressions. (Photo by Mike Siefker)

De Smet

DAYS GONE BY

1906: J. O. Purintun buys local abstract business

10 YEARS AGO
April 6, 2011

The Kingsbury County Commissioners declared the county a disaster Tuesday due to flooding and flood damage. The commission approved an emergency declaration submitted by **Cindy Bau**, Emergency Management for Kingsbury County. Bau reported that the state park manager at Lake Thompson reads the water gauge daily, and the water is going up one half an inch to one inch a day. Lake residents have gone through 25,000 sand bags so far, but the access road to their homes is under water.

25 YEARS AGO
April 3, 1996

Many first graders will have a new favorite book soon. "My Favorite Book," an illustrated volume expressive of positive moral values, is being made available as a gift to first graders by local business leaders who are concerned about the future of children. With each distribution, extra copies are given to the Laura Ingalls Wilder Elementary School along with a professionally narrated audio cassette of the book. A copy of the volume goes home with the child



TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO: Jim and Linda Cross of Canova announce the engagement of their daughter Jerri Lynne Cross to Mark Thomas Birkel, son of Delbert and JoAnn Birkel of Bonesteel. Cross, a graduate of the University of South Dakota, is a nurse at Kingsbury Memorial Manor and at the Lake Preston Clinic. Birkel, a graduate of South Dakota State University, teaches and coaches in De Smet. A June 1 wedding is planned at St. Thomas Catholic Church in De Smet.

to become his or her own. Sponsors are Peoples State Bank, De Smet Good Samaritan Center, Osthus Funeral

Home, De Smet Farm Mutual Insurance and De Smet Memorial Hospital.

50 YEARS AGO
April 8, 1971

Two teams of De Smet agriculture students participated in the third annual meat judging contest held at the Pipestone, Minn., Area Vocational Technical School on Sat., March 27. Team No. 1, consisted of **Douglas Price, Rich Johnson, Mark Harris and Danny Johnson. Ron Albrecht, Terry Dierkson, Kim Wallum and Dirk Poppen** made up members of Team No. 2. About 30 individuals were entered in addition to the 43 teams. Team No. 1 placed 11th in overall competition. Brookings placed 5th. Schools from Minnesota, Iowa and South Dakota were represented. The contest included identification of 75 wholesale cuts of meat, judging four classes of wholesale cuts and carcasses and grading beef and lamb carcasses according to U.S.D.A. standards.

75 YEARS AGO
April 4, 1946

Sale of the Odd Fellow lots at the corner of Third Street and Calumet Avenue to **Ferdinand Wulff** is reported this week, the purchase being made for the erection of an automobile

sales and service building. Mr. Wulff's plans call for a building 50x100 feet with half of it two-story and apartments on the second floor. The lodge expects to purchase other land to which it will move the lodge building. The single-story structure is one of the pioneer buildings of the city, owned and used by the Odd Fellows for some years.

115 YEARS AGO
April 6, 1906

Dr. Chas. H. Abbott has made arrangements with O.H. Hazel for securing a portion of the Cream City Livery Barn to prepare for care of invalided horses.

L. E. Sasse is preparing for the demands of the thirsty public during the summer months. He has put in a fine, large soda fountain at the drug store.

J. E. Holz has sold his abstract business to **J. O. Purintun**, to give possession May first.

SENIOR FEATURE: KODEN ELKINS

'Take one step at a time'



Koden Elkins, a son of Roberta Elkins and the late Gerald Elkins, is a member of the De Smet High School class of 2021. He has two sisters, Kearra and Kendra Elkins.

Elkins's favorite subject in school is ag metal fabrication, and his most memorable experience at DHS was meeting his teachers on the first day of high school.

He said his grandmother had a big influence on his life.

"She was always there to help anyone, and she would form bonds with the random tourists that she would meet," he said.

"Take one step at a time. High school is just the start of your adult life," is the advice Elkins gives to underclassmen.

Leisure activities he has participated in during his high school years include golf, Esports, trap-shooting, hunting, fishing and driving around with a bunch of people. His future plans include attending South Dakota State University in Brookings to study aviation and eventually become a pilot for Delta Airlines.

Fifty students compete in Duck Stamp Contest

BY APRIL RUSCHE

South Dakota students in grades K-12 were invited to compete in the annual South Dakota Junior Duck Stamp contest. Over 50 De Smet students from the elementary, middle and high schools entered the art contest along with hundreds from all over the state. Students were split into

four age groups: K-3, 4-6, 7-9 and 10-12.

Within each age group, judges awarded three first places, three second places, three third places and 16 honorable mentions. An overall winner is selected to represent S.D. in the national contest. Students who placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd were awarded goody bags containing conservation books, games, art supplies and a t-shirt.

Sophomore, Griffin Clubb, has participated in the contest for the last five years. He has placed every year except this year, receiving honorable mention.

"I really enjoy drawing for the contest because I like ducks and admire their bright colors," stated Clubb.

Like his brother, Nash, Griffin also won "Best Conservation Message" when he was in 6th grade.



This group of students placed in the annual South Dakota Junior Duck Stamp competition. Chauncey Driscoll, back left, - 7th Grade - HM in Grp 3, Griffin Clubb - 10th grade - HM in Grp 4, Mirra Beck - 8th grade - 3rd in Grp 3, Sophia Gigov, front left, 6th Grade - HM in Grp 2, Jordyn Gilligan - 6th grade - 1st in Grp 2 and Erica Johnson - 6th Grade - HM in Grp 2. (Submitted photo)



These younger artists also placed in the competition. Hayden Armstead, back left, 5th grade - HM in Group 2, Bella Wilkinson - 5th grade - HM in Grp 2, Summer Arnold - 5th grade - HM in Grp 2, Nash Clubb, front left, 3rd Grade - 1st in Grp 1 and winner of Best Conservation Message contest and Nate Wilkinson - 3rd grade - HM in Grp 1. (Submitted photo)

Lake Preston

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THURSDAY, APRIL 8: Hot Beef, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Carrots, Fruit, Bread

FRIDAY, APRIL 9: Hamburger on Bun, Diced Potatoes, Baked Beans, Fruit

MONDAY, APRIL 12: Swedish Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Carrots, Fruit, Bread

TUESDAY, APRIL 13: Egg Bake with Potatoes, Green Beans, Fruit, Blueberry Muffin

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14: Beef Stroganoff/Noodles, Vegetable, Fruit, Bread

School Lunch

THURSDAY, APRIL 8: Pizza Subs, Carrots, Pineapple

FRIDAY, APRIL 9: Hamburger, Potato Wedges, Diced Pears

MONDAY, APRIL 12: Philly/Roast Beef Sandwich, Baked Beans, Applesauce

TUESDAY, APRIL 13: Popcorn Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Diced Pears, Roll

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14: Ham Patty, Peas, Pineapple



The Bunny's in town

With the weather being so nice on Saturday, the children and adults were all excited to hang out in the park, waiting to get a picture after the Easter egg hunt! (Submitted photos)

Meet the candidates for the April 13 election

The municipal election will be held on April 13, with the voting location at the Lake Preston Community Room right off of Main Street. Polls are open from 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Absentee voting can be done until April 12 at the Finance Office, or, if disabled, by messenger until 3:00 p.m. on election day. For questions regarding absentee voting, call (605) 847-4140.

WARD I

1-Kristen Longville- Council History: Ward I Incumbent (two-year term)



Kristen Longville

"If I were elected, I would continue to work hard and continue to build on the work that has already started. I am dedicated to improving our community and keep us growing and attracting new families and recreation. I have been on the council for two years, and I have learned so much in that short amount of time. I have lived in this community for six years, and I am building my family here with my husband in a community we love. I bring a background of marketing and management. Currently, I work at the Horizon Health Care clinic here in Lake Preston where I help get people enrolled in health insurance and schedule them to see our onsite provider. It is exciting and so rewarding to me to help grow the community you live in and continue to give back.

The water project is very big for our community, and I am glad to see such dedication to our community. I would say I have been fairly close to the project as this project started during the first year I was elected, and I have been with it and support the project every step of the way. Our water and sewer systems are an interlacial part of our community, and we use them to survive. It is very important that the project is completed in both phases, and we continue to work hard for the community to ensure it is completed."

2-ALEX POST- Council History: Ward I Newcomer

"Help develop business and help bring new revenue to existing businesses. Make Lake Preston a cleaner/safer place to live. Increase tourism.



Alex Post

don't get this under control, it could damage our water supply."

WARD II

3-JOE SCHNELL- Council History: Ward II Incumbent (one-year term)



Joe Schnell

"The main areas I would like to work on are continuing to work on seeing the large water and sewer project the city has started into through to completion. Without the improvement in infrastructure, the city will find it impossible to find any ways to continue to add housing and any business expansion.

I look forward to working with the new code enforcement officer the city has hired to help with improvements to the city. Through the years it has been difficult for the city council to enforce the different codes the city has in place to help with cleaning up and improving the appearance of the city. I would like to help find ways to work with residents to help meet the codes that will result in a cleaner looking city.

I would like to find programs like a clean-up and fix-up program to help with home improvement that will be difficult for some of the city residents to do without some help.

Through my years of being a member of the community, I have been involved in numerous service organizations and city government. Currently I have devoted my main attention to Lake Preston Ambulance, Lake Preston Fire Department and the Lake Preston City Council. I have been active in Ambulance and Fire for nearly 40 years and have numerous years on the city council. I have more years of service on the city council than any

Student council, FFA officer, and a small business owner.

Yes, I have been following this subject. This has been a big concern to the general public and myself. If we

other current member and can use my past experiences on the council to provide input on things that did or did not work in the past. I will be available anytime to help with any complications that arise during the city project that may need any immediate attention.

I have been involved in the city project years before the project as we now know it. A number of years ago, this project all started when Luke Holland informed the council that there needed to be a main infrastructure improvement as the city was not going to be able to continue just repairing the problem areas. I was on the city council at that time, and we agreed and okayed the money needed to do all the inspections and ground work needed to get the city on the state water and sewer project list and eventually up to the point of starting construction yet this year.

I would like to continue serving on the city council and look forward to seeing what opportunities will arise as the result of the city improvements being currently made."

4-Jeremy Woodcock- Council History: Ward II Newcomer



Jeremy Woodcock

"Three steps to improve the city are housing, supporting current businesses while inviting new businesses and getting the infrastructure streets and sidewalks back to where they need to be. My involvement in the city consists of being on the development board and the fire department. I was born and raised here and have owned a business here since 2000.

I've been involved with the water, sewer and street project since the beginning by going to the meetings and asking questions and giving ideas about what's needed."

WARD III

5-BRIAN VERHEY- Council History: Ward III Incumbent (one-year term)

"If elected, I would continue to push to improve our streets and alleys. We are already on track to make

See **CANDIDATES**, page 11

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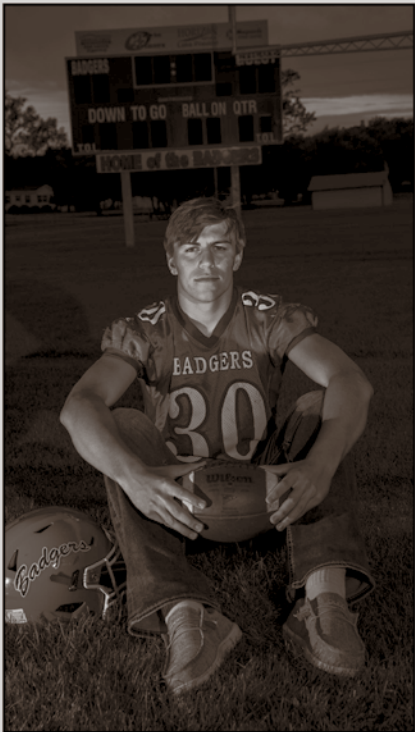
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LPHS SENIOR FEATURE: Jasper Denison

Written By: Myra Rhoades

This week’s senior feature is Jasper Coy Denison. He is the son of Travis and Stacy Denison. His two brothers are Jaden and Jonah. He also has two dogs named Bowzer and Sissy. Five words to describe him would be funny, easy-going, smart, athletic, and clever. Throughout high school, Jasper has been involved in football, basketball, track & field, choir, band, and the All-School plays. Jasper’s favorite teacher is Mr. Schmidt because he has learned a lot in his class. If he could take any teacher or staff member with him after high school, Mr. Schmidt would be the one. This is because he is really smart and a wise person. He would be able to guide Jasper down the right pathway. Thanksgiving dinner and brunch are his favorite school lunches.

His favorite school memory is getting in trou-

ble quite often for pelting people with snowballs at recess. One time, he had to write “I will not throw snowballs” about one hundred times and was not able to go to recess until it was done. Jaspers favorite sport is football because he makes a great bond with his teammates. His favorite year in high school would definitely be freshmen year, because he made a lot of friends outside of his class. If he had to choose a senior quote, it would be, “Don’t take life so seriously. No one makes it out alive.” He wants to be remembered as a fun guy to have around and someone that you can always have a good time with. In the future, Jasper plans to attend Northwest Lineman College in Idaho. His hopes for the future generation is that everyone gets what they want in life. He hopes that he stays out of student debt and finds a good job in a fun place to live.



Jake Larsen handing the baton off to Rhett McMasters in the boys sprint medley. The Medley includes Josh McMasters, Tyler Jurrens, Jake Larsen, and Rhett McMasters.

Strong female numbers for Golf team

By: Milli Waikel

Golf has officially started! The team is excited for this season, with a small high school team of all girls, they look forward to the first meet. Last week, they started to learn about the basics. They learned how to properly putt on a slope. They learned how to use their pitching wedge as well.

Head Coach Kristi Curd said, “This year’s team has a lot of potential, and I look forward to playing with them. We have a great group of young athletes

who have an awesome attitude for the game of golf. We have a record number of female athletes participating this year. Our golf program should be strong for many years as our middle school numbers are growing.” This will be a special year for Curd as she will be coaching two of her children, but will also be coaching along side her son Nick. The Divers first meet is set for Thursday, April 15 at Lake Region Golf Course. The meet is set to begin at noon.

Girls 4x100 takes 1st at SBA Invite

By: Stella DeKinikker

Before the long Easter break, the Lake Preston Divers Track & Field team attended the Sunshine Bible Academy Invitational in Miller. Many athletes placed well, starting the medal count early for many runners. Stella DeKinikker took 3rd in the 200m dash. Tyler Jurrens earned 4th in triple jump, followed by Jake Larsen in 5th. The girls 4X100 relay pulled away and took first. That relay includes Madison Perkins, Morgan Curd, Amelia Holland, and Stella DeKinikker. Rhett McMasters took 3rd in 1600m run and 2nd in the 3200m run. Coach Bumman was proud of the overall effort the Divers showed. The Divers travel back to Miller on Friday for the Patriot Invite. Events are set to start at 11:30am.

WEIRD WHISPERS OF LPHS

“Your skin has no taste. Haven’t you ever ripped a chunk of skin off and chewed on it for a while?”

“Sometimes, I don’t like the way my breath feels in my mouth.”

“As long as they put me in the ground and the earth puts me to good use, I’m ok with it.”

“I thought we were in South America since our state is called South Dakota.”

Blue & Gold 2020-2021 Editor of the Week: Stella DeKinikker Advisor: Krista O’Dea	Seniors: Myra Rhoades, Alex Post Juniors: Rachel Jensen Sophomores: Ava Malone, Janelle Rhoades, Stella DeKinikker, Gretta Larson Freshmen: Amelia Greene, Savanna Perkins 8th Grade: Amelia Holland, Lane Jensen, Trinity Pirlet, Bradley Rhoades 7th Grade: M.P., Lorick Pirlet, Brooklyn Bothun	“It is perfectly okay to write garbage as long as you edit brilliantly.” - C.J. Cherryh
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ESMOND NEWS

1911: Nelson Implement is bankrupt

BY MARLIN CLENDENING

Dale and Barb Reilly went to Willow Lake Sunday to attend the “Drawn to the Word” program which consisted of a Lutheran minister, a professional artist, painting the open tomb scene, including Mary and Jesus; there was scripture and music during the painting followed by a sermon. During Holy Week, scenes of the Last Supper and Crucifixion were also created at different church services, with the paintings to be actioned off and the proceeds divided among the sponsoring churches.

Rick and Vicky Aughenbaugh were Sunday dinner guests of the Mark and Kara Aughenbaugh family.

The Schlueters spent last week in Lincoln, Neb., where Joanne judged a baton competition.

Visiting the Schueters this week from Tracy, Calif., are daughter Geanna DeBenedetti, granddaughter Caitlyn and grandson Tristen.

Adaline Reilly attended the Jim and Patty Hornig Easter Sunday family gathering near Cavour, S.D.

Travis and Michelle Bornitz on Saturday hosted an Easter gathering for Michelle’s family, with attendees being from Sioux Falls, Harrisburg and the Twin Cities area.

Richard and Nancy Bornitz had as guests on Easter Sunday the Travis and Michelle Bornitz family, daughter Kim and girls, Darrin Bornitz and Nancy, sister Linda’s family from Huron.

The Iroquois American Legion hosted the Kingsbury County American Legion on March 31 with a spaghetti meal being served. Annette and Charemon Dunham were in attendance.

Annette and Charemon Dunham attended the Iroquois American Legion meeting on April 1, with the same officers being elected for another year.

Mike and Perianne, the Neal and Karisa Hiemstra family, Katee Olinger and children, all from Woonsocket and the Curt and Lori Wehlander family attended church services Sunday morning in Esmond and then gathered at the Clendening’s for Easter dinner and the annual Easter egg scavenger hunt.

Steve and Lynn DeJong had as Easter Sunday dinner guests, Steve’s parents Milo and Barb DeJong of Cavour.

HISTORY NOTE

1909 – the completion of the new two-story school building was completed in April.

1911- The Nelson Implement was in bankruptcy in March. The local editor thought that although he had sold much, he was too lax in giving credit and too lenient about collecting.

Rural mail carriers' wages were increased to \$1,000 per year which was a raise of \$100.00. The carriers furnished their own horse and worked six days a week.

An earthquake was felt across South Dakota, with dishes rattling in the cupboards in the Esmond area.

BANCROFT NEWS

Gas station has rich history

BY ROSE GROTHE

Mr. Ted Haug was the speaker at the Presbyterian Church on Easter. His wife accompanied him and led the singing, as well as singing a solo, which she had written. Thanks to both of you for your service to us.

Linda Perry visited her niece in the nursing home at Madison Easter afternoon and was able to spend an hour with her. This was the first time she was able to actually visit with her.

Rose Grothe and daughter, Janice, were Saturday “Easter dinner” guests with “the Grothe girls” at Gayle Grothe’s in Brookings. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Tom “Jill” Alfieri, Mr. and Mrs. Jay “Joanne” Pesicka, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Pesicka and Natalie, Matt Pesicka and Lillie Becker.

Rose Grothe and Janice spent Saturday night with Dale and Peggy Martens in Aberdeen, attended church with them on Sunday, and enjoyed a family gathering for dinner and visiting.

Donna Stangl of Lincoln, Neb. was a Sunday night visitor at the Rose Grothe home. She and her brother, Steve Currier of Monroe, Iowa, had a family gathering at the Iroquois Methodist Church for dinner with other relatives.

Donna was going to visit a niece at Marian. Steve is staying for a longer visit with Max Miller of Bancroft.

On Friday, Linda Perry and Rose Grothe attended a Good Friday program at the Bryant Lutheran Church. An internationally famous painter, Paul Oman, painted a picture of the crucifixion of Christ while Scripture and song told the story.

Rose Grothe made a business trip to Brookings on Wednesday and another one to Madison on Thursday.

GAS STATION

1925 - Daniel E. Costello purchased the lot where the Standard Station was soon to pump gas for \$125. George Cheney ran the station until 1929 when it was sold to Al Flesner. At that time Dan started driving the bulk truck to the area farms. Flesner ran it until June of 1934 when he sold it to Frank and Fred Bush. William Korkow has been the owner of the gas station since July 30, 1946, up through this day except for the time between September 9, 1954 and October 25, 1961, when his brother Elmer ran it.

The bulk gas truck was run by Dan Costello beginning in Sept. 1925 until Tuck (Costello) took over in 1932. William Korkow took over in July of 1946 and continues to sell bulk gas to all the patrons.

CARTHAGE NEWS

1901: Annual income \$651

BY LORALEE NELSON

Trinity Lutheran Church will have worship April 11 at 8 a.m. with Sunday School at 9 a.m. Everyone is invited.

Harriet Hattervig visited Mark and Lisa Hinkley in De Smet Sunday, and the Hinkleys were Wednesday’s visitors with Harriet.

DID YOU KNOW?

Some interesting items from “Carthage, Gem of the Redstone” by Sally Madison include from 1900—The Attorney General of South Dakota settled the question as to whether or not ladies could vote for the Superintendent of Schools. He ruled, “Ladies cannot vote for the County Superintendent of Schools, because it is a general

election at which no one but electors can vote, and ladies are not electors.” (The candidates for County Superintendent were ladies, they could hold office, but they could not vote.)

In 1901, President McKinley was fatally shot, and Theodore Roosevelt was sworn in as president. Average income was six hundred fifty-one dollars annually. Automobiles cost five hundred dollars, a house cost four thousand dollars and a first-class postage stamp cost two cents.

In 1902, the teddy bear was created by a Russian immigrant after seeing a newspaper cartoon of Theodore Roosevelt and a bear cub.

1920 – St. Mary’s is no more. The name has been changed to Argonne, and a post office is to be established.

SPIRIT LAKE NEWS

Confirmation held for three

BY ILLDENA POPPEN

Spirit Lake Presbyterian Sunrise Service was held at 7 a.m. Spirit Lake Presbyterian Church Worship Service: 10:30 a.m. in Church, Live Facebook, 88.1 FM Radio.

Spirit Lake Church hosted an Easter film titled “The Passion of Christ” at 7 p.m.

Sunday March 28, Palm Sunday, Confirmation was held for the following...

Emerson Larson, son of Derick and Patti Larson,

Patrick Jr. and Carrie Poppen, children of Patrick and Traci Poppen.

Katie Revalee, daughter of Tim Revalee and Jessica Meylor.

Luke and Janice Poppen, their daughters, Shannon and Kristen of De Smet, Kelsey and Christian Small of Huron and Joe and Tera Schwader of Winfred attended the dedication of Owen Joseph Schwader, son of James and Amanda Schwader of Winfred on Sun., March 28 at the Sun Prairie Baptist Church in rural Salem.

Mitchell Larson, son of Daron and Ann Larson, along with Aaron Andrew and James Poppen, sons of Aaron and Sheila Poppen, have qualified for State FFA competition in Rapid City in April. They are students in Willow Lake School’s FFA.

A celebration for Emerson’s Confirmation was held at his parents’ home, Derick and Patti Larson, Sunday with family and friends.

OLDHAM-RAMONA NEWS

School Lunch


THURSDAY, APRIL 8: Chili Crispitos, Relishes, Fruit

FRIDAY, APRIL 9: Popcorn Chicken, Roll, Baked Beans, Relishes, Fruit

MONDAY, APRIL 12: Tater Tot Hotdish, Roll, Relishes, Fruit


TUESDAY, APRIL 13: Super Nachos, Relishes, Fruit

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14: Chicken Patty on Bun, Potato Wedges



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IROQUOIS NEWS

Iroquois Middle School
Student of the Month:
Natalie Cundy

Aspiring to be a physical therapist.

What is your favorite subject and why? Computers because I like learning about different things you can do.



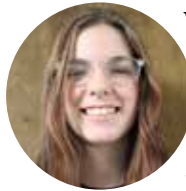
Why is school important to you? Because of my friends and sports.

Who do you look up to and why? My family because they all are very helpful and supportive.

Iroquois High School Student
of the Month: Sierra Kogel

Aspiring to be a psychologist and a good leader and to have the ability to help people.

What's your favorite subject and why? Ag education because it is a well-rounded class



where we learn not only about agriculture but also super important life skills.

Why is school important to you?

It helps students develop many social skills and gives the opportunity for us to be the best people we can be and live a successful life.

Who do you look up to and why? Mrs. Mueller because although she is very young, she has accomplished so many things. She also does everything she can to help kids do well and have fun doing it.

Students of the month are selected by Iroquois school staff. The student must be working to potential, participate in the classroom and exhibit positive behaviors and relationships.



Local 4-H members recently collected 38 pairs of glasses for the state 4-H service project. Pictured: (back) Kirby Miller and Rosalie Wehlander (front) Willy Miller. (Photo by Lori Wehlander)

20/20 Vision Project

South Dakota 4-H has set a goal to donate 2,020 pairs of glasses by the completion of this statewide community service project. As part of this initiative to assist those with eyeglass needs, the 20/20 Vision Project invites South Dakotans now through August 1 to participate in the effort by donating new or gently used eyeglasses to their local 4-H office.

For millions of people, the leading

cause of visual impairment is uncorrected refractive errors. This can be corrected with eyeglasses. These three youth are exemplifying a part of the 4-H motto, “hands to larger service.” Donated eyeglasses will be placed in the Lions of South Dakota eyeglass collection sites. Annually, the organization collects over 60,000 pairs of eyeglasses to be distributed to people in developing countries.

1931: Ten
weekly
concerts to
be held

April 6, 1911
Iroquois is passing an ordinance against allowing growing trees to interfere with sidewalk pedestrians. We can remember the time at Iroquois when to see a tree was unknown, and how we nurtured the trees from the seed up, and now they are passing an ordinance which will no doubt necessitate the use of an axe on some of them.

Miss Erickson held a millinery sale in Esmond yesterday, taking down a stock of trimmed hats. A post office inspector was here Friday checking up the Iroquois Post Office, and as usual found everything in first class-shape. The law requires that all hunting dogs be tied or shut up during the months of April, May and June, and the State Game Warden has instructed the county game wardens to strictly enforce the law this season.

April 9, 1931
Garage attendants in Lake Preston were held up Thursday night by two men who escaped in a Ford car. They secured \$46 in cash. The Iroquois municipal band will begin its open-air concert season the latter part of May. Ten weekly concerts will be given, and the expense will be paid out of the city treasury, the small tax necessary having been voted at the city election last spring. In the past summer seasons, these concerts have been thoroughly enjoyed by town and country people, and it is hoped that everybody within driving distance will take advantage of the opportunity to hear the fine concerts that will be given in Iroquois this summer.

April 10, 1941
Bernice Cole has changed the name of the café, which she purchased last week from Mr. and Mrs. Adel Larson. It is now known as the American Café instead of Adel's Café. Mrs. F. Z. Zeidler is assisting Mrs. Cole with the café duties. Miss Delores Gehring, teacher in the Barnes school northeast of town, took three of her pupils, Treva Olson, Beverly Stecher and Norma Van Ningen, to De Smet Saturday where they participated in the county declamation and spelling contests. Relatives have received word from Woodrow and Robert Johnson to the effect that they like Army life. Woodrow, who was recently inducted into the Army, is now stationed at Ft. Meade in the mechanized division. Bob is a member of the engineers' unit at Camp Claiborne, La., and was in the group that was recently quarantined for measles. Both the boys are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Johnson, who reside south of Iroquois.



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SENIOR FEATURE: RAYLYNN LAIBLE
**‘If you have something you want to do,
put your mind to it and just do it!’**



has been involved in chorus, plays and cheerleading. One of Raylynn’s greatest accomplishments in high school is going to school with her all and doing the best she can. “I am being the best me that I can be. This is my greatest accomplishment,” states Laible. The person Raylynn admires most is her mom. “She has helped me believe in myself and shoot for my dreams of pursuing a career as a veterinarian assistant,” states Laible. After graduation, Raylynn will miss everyone in her class. She would like to leave underclassmen with the following advice, “If you have something that you want to do, put your mind to it and just do it!” Currently, Laible’s plan after high school is to attend Lake Area Tech for a future career as a veterinary assistant.

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NOTICE OF RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS AND DECLARED PESTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN this 7 day of April, 2021 pursuant to SDCL 38-22 as amended to all owners, occupants, agents and public officials in charge of lands in Kingsbury County, South Dakota, that they are responsible for the suppression, control, and eradication of noxious weeds and declared pests infestations that may exist on such lands.

Chemical, biological, and / or cultural control methods used for the suppression, control and eradication of noxious weed and declared pest infestations shall be those approved for such purposes by the Kingsbury County Weed and Pest Supervisor, Agronomy Weed Field Specialist or the South Dakota State University Experiment Station.

Upon failure to observe this notice, the county weed and pest board is required to proceed pursuant to the law and have the noxious weeds or declared pests destroyed by such methods as they may find necessary, the expense of which shall constitute a lien and be entered as a tax against the land, and be collected as other real estate taxes are collected, or by other means as provided by law.

Plant and animals designated as being noxious weeds and declared pests in the state of South Dakota are Absinth Wormwood, Canada Thistle, Hoary Cress, Leafy Spurge, Perennial Sow Thistle, Purple Loosestrife, Salt Cedar, and Gypsy Moth.

In addition, Musk & Plumeless, and Poison Hemlock have been approved by the South Dakota Weed and Pest Control Commission as locally noxious weed are subject to the same suppression, control and eradication requirements as the before mentioned plants and animals.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that upon establishing probable cause to believe a noxious weed or declared pest infestation exists upon any property in Kingsbury County, a representative of the Kingsbury County Weed and Pest Control board will enter upon said property for the purpose of inspecting and confirming that such infestation actually exists.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION LAKE PRESTON, SOUTH DAKOTA

A municipal election will be held on April 13th in Lake Preston, South Dakota. If the polls cannot be opened because of bad weather, the election may be postponed one week.

The election polls will be open from seven a.m. to seven p.m., central time on the day of the election.

At the election, the following office will be filled:
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LAKE PRESTON, SOUTH DAKOTA
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To vote use a cross (X) or a check mark (✓) in the square in front of the name. DO NOT cast more votes than are allowed in each race.

For City Council Ward I, two-year term, you may vote for up to one or leave it blank

- ☐ Kristen Longville
- ☐ Alex Post

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LAKE PRESTON, SOUTH DAKOTA
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To vote use a cross (X) or a check mark (✓) in the square in front of the name. DO NOT cast more votes than are allowed in each race.

For City Council Ward II, two-year term, you may vote for up to one
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- ☐ Joe Schnell
- ☐ Jeremy Woodcock

SAMPLE MUNICIPAL ELECTION BALLOT
LAKE PRESTON, SOUTH DAKOTA
APRIL 13TH, 2021

To vote use a cross (X) or a check mark (✓) in the square in front of the name. DO NOT cast more votes than are allowed in each race.

For City Council Ward III, two-year term, you may vote for up to one
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- ☐ Brian Verhey
- ☐ Jim Conrad

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Joe Schnell
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term, Brian Verhey
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The polling place for the entire municipality shall be at the community room located on Third Street and Main in Lake Preston, South Dakota.

Any voter who need assistance, pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, may contact the municipal finance office at (605) 847-4140 before the election for information on polling place accessibility for people with disabilities.

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I HOPE EVERYONE had a great Easter weekend. I definitely enjoyed Easter Day with my family for so many reasons.

First, I don't think we could have asked for nicer weather. There was no snow or rain, and even the wind was calm for the day. It was a perfect day for the kids to do their Easter egg hunt and for the adults to sit outside and enjoy the weather.

Second, we definitely all ate well. My family all met at Chevy's in Sioux Falls for their breakfast buffet, and the food was amazing. There were so many choices with breakfast dishes, Mexican food and a whole table full of desserts. We all ate way more than we should have, but it was all delicious!

When we went to my in-laws' house later that day, there was another big spread of food for everyone to enjoy. Patty Halverson had a buffet of food available, which was impressive with the grandkids constantly needing her attention. It all looked delicious, but I was still so stuffed from the buffet ear-



HOME GROWN AMY HALVERSON

lier, I couldn't eat another bite. Of course, the best part of the day was being able to have everyone together. For the first time in almost five years, we were able to get some family pictures with everyone in them at Chevy's. Then we were able to relax and enjoy time with almost everyone on my husband's side. It was great! The recipe I'm sharing this week is a delicious way to use up any leftover ham you may have from Easter. It's a quick and easy recipe for scalloped potatoes and ham. Enjoy!

Scalloped Potatoes and Ham

- 4 tablespoons (1/2 stick) butter, plus extra for greasing dish

1/2 yellow onion, diced

1/3 cup all-purpose flour

1 1/2 cups half-and-half

1 1/2 cups milk

Freshly ground black pepper
- 2 pounds russet potatoes, washed thoroughly

3 cups diced cooked ham

2 cups grated Monterey Jack cheese

Chopped fresh parsley, for sprinkling, optional

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Add butter and onions to a large skillet over medium heat and sauté until onions soften, 3-4 minutes. Sprinkle flour over onions and whisk them together. Continue cooking the mix until golden brown, about 2 minutes. Stir in the half-and-half and milk, whisk for 3-4 minutes, allowing the mixture to thicken. Add pepper, stir and reduce heat to keep warm. Slice potatoes really thin, the thinner the better. Generously butter a 2-quart baking dish then add half the sliced potatoes and half the ham. Sprinkle half the cheese then pour on half the sauce from the skillet. Repeat with the rest of the ingredients, ending with a layer of cheese and sauce. Sprinkle extra pepper on top. Cover the dish with foil and bake for 40 minutes. Remove foil and bake until cheese is golden brown, and sauce is bubbling, an additional 20-30 minutes. Sprinkle with chopped parsley, if desired.



A storm's a brewin'
On Monday night, Ceci Bode captured the storm clouds that were forming to the south of her home south of Lake Preston. These clouds were letting us know what was coming in the next few days! (Photo by Ceci Bode)

– NOTICE –

SOUTH DAKOTA SOYBEAN RESEARCH & PROMOTION COUNCIL MEMBER ELECTION

Council Member Election for District 6 of the South Dakota Soybean Research & Promotion Council (SDSRPC) will be May 18, 2021 through June 17, 2021. District 6 consists of Codington, Deuel, Grant, Hamlin, and Kingsbury counties.
If you are interested in serving as a Council member for SDSRPC, candidate petitions for District 6 may be obtained from the SDSRPC office. Contact: South Dakota Soybean Research & Promotion Council, 5000 South Broadband Lane, Suite 100, Sioux Falls, SD 57108 or (605) 330-9945.
Candidates must be a South Dakota resident, participating grower in the soybean checkoff, plant, raise, and harvest soybeans from more than ten acres, and a resident of the district he or she wishes to represent. Petitions must be completed and returned to the SDSRPC office by 4:30 pm on April 18, 2021. The SDSRPC is the soybean checkoff organization in South Dakota.

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Lake Preston Golfers

The Lake Preston Golf Team has been practicing their skills, learning from Coach Nick Curd and Coach Kristi Curd. Golfers this spring are Kirsten Long, front left, Brooklyn Bothun, Benjamin Curd, Trinity Pirlet, Zack Perkins, Grace Greene, Lorick Pirlet and Rowdy Scheel. Amelia Greene, back left, Savanna Perkins, Maddison Rieck, Morgan Curd, Jocelyn Steffensen, Faith Steffensen, Alice Warne and Brooklyn Halverson. "We are excited to get back to golf this spring," said Kristi Curd, "We have a great group of young athletes who are showing improvements every practice. What they lack in experience, they make up with enthusiasm and willingness to learn." (Submitted photo)



Lake Preston Track and Field

The Lake Preston Track and Field team has been busy practicing and competing for a couple weeks now. On the team this year is Jake Larsen, back left, Ryne Greene, Ashton Wienk, Tyler Jurrens, Rhett McMasters, Chris Tvinnereim, Jonah Denison, Bergen Woodcock, AJ Wienk and Josh McMasters. Front row is Madison Perkins, left, Morgan Curd, Stella DeKnikker, Hadlee Holt, Payton Hope and Amelia Holland. They are coached by Tonya Bumann. (Submitted photo)

Windy start to the Diver's track season

BY DONNA BUMANN
Kingsbury Journal

The Lake Preston Divers opened their 2021 track season with a trip to Aberdeen for the Northern State University track meet on Mon., March 29. The Divers did well, enjoying success during the first meet. On Thursday, the Divers travelled to Miller for the Sunshine Bible Academy Invitational. The Divers and eleven other teams took on the wind on an otherwise beautiful spring day for their first outdoor meet of the year. The Divers will return to Miller on Fri., April 9 for the Patriot Invite.

NSU RESULTS – GIRLS

55 Meter Run- Stella DeKnikker-

2nd, Madison Perkins-3rd
4X160 Meter Relay- Amelia Holland, Morgan Curd, Stella DeKnikker, Madison Perkins-2nd
4X400 Meter Relay- Perkins, Holland, Curd, DeKnikker-2nd
Medley Relay- Perkins, Holland, Curd, DeKnikker- 4th
Long Jump- Morgan Curd –4th

NSA RESULTS –BOYS

55 Meter Run- Josh McMasters-2nd, Ashton Wienk-4th
800 Meter Run- Bergen Woodcock-3rd
1600 Meter Run- Rhett McMasters-1st
3200 Meter Run- R. McMasters-2nd
Hurdles- Woodcock-5th, Wienk-6th
Long Jump-J. McMasters-3rd, Tyler Jurrens-4th, Jake Larsen-5th

Triple Jump-Jurrens-1st, Larsen-2nd
Shot Put- Chris Tvinnereim-6th
4X160 Relay-Tvinnereim, Larsen, Wienk, J. McMasters-2nd
4X400 Relay- AJ Wienk, Jurrens, Tvinnereim, A. Wienk- 2nd
Medley Relay- R. McMasters, Larsen, J. McMasters, AJ Wienk-2nd

SBA RESULTS – GIRLS

100 Meter Run- Holland 11th
200 Meter Run- DeKnikker 3rd, Perkins 7th
4X100 Meter Relay- Perkins, Curd, Holland, DeKnikker 1st
4X200 Meter Relay- Holland, Curd, DeKnikker, Perkins 4th
4X400 Meter Relay-Perkins, Holland, Curd, DeKnikker 8th
Long Jump- Curd 11th

SBA RESULTS – BOYS

100 Meter Run- J McMasters 13th
200 Meter Run- J McMasters 11th
400 Meter Run- Jurrens 22nd
1600 Meter Run- R McMasters 3rd
3200 Meter Run- R McMasters 2nd
110 Meter Hurdles- A Wienk 5th, Woodcock 7th
300 Meter Hurdles- A Wienk 10th, Woodcock 12th
4X200 Meter Relay- Tvinnereim, A Wienk, Larsen, J McMaster 10th
4X400 Meter Relay- Tvinnereim, Jurrens, Larsen, A Wienk 12th
1600 Medley Relay- J McMasters, Jurrens, Larsen, R McMasters- 7th
Shot Put- Jonah Denison 18th, Tvinnereim 19th, Ryne Greene 23rd
Discus- Denison 12th, Tvinnereim 19th, Greene 22nd
Triple Jump- Jurrens 4th, Larsen 5th



Track and Field practices off to great start

Middle and high school runners Brayden Roth (left), Tanner Tolzin, Slayten Wilkinson, RJ Cleveland, Chase Temme, Clayton Crowe, Noah Roth and Kayden Fast practice their sprints, while the girls' team waits their turn at the starting line. The track and field team will have their first meet in De Smet on April 15. (Photo by Mike Siefker)



Golf Starts Practices

Ivey Schoenfelder is just about to connect in a drive to the green. On the second day of golf practices, temperatures were in the thirties, and the wind was blowing with gusts up to forty miles an hour. Despite the uncooperating weather, the golf team was still out there swinging away. (Photo by Mike Siefker)