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GEVO

Getting organized as opportunity knocks

Lake Preston and Gevo, from planning to preparing

BY MIKE SIEFKER
Kingsbury Journal

“With the Gevo site coming in, it is our hopes of expanding and growing the town,” said Lake Preston’s Mayor Andy Wienk. The City of Lake Preston has put

a lot of work into seeing the Gevo, Inc. Plant become a reality. By mid-summer in 2024, the hard work should pay off, and Gevo’s jet fuel plant will likely become a reality.

In the meantime, the City of Lake Preston has put forth a tremendous effort to prepare for the construction of the Gevo plant and needs the plant will place on the small town a mile and a half to their west.

Wienk has been the Lake Preston mayor for the last six years. He says the city is in the middle of an infrastructure project that they were working on even before he became mayor. Projects include replacing water and wastewater lines, curbs and gutters, replacing a water tower and paving the roads. The project was divided into two phases, with the north and south roads included in the

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Home, home on the range

Cattle are silhouetted against a winter sunset northwest of De Smet last weekend. (Photo by Donna Palmlund)

VOICES

Attention men — are you ready for Monday?

A guide to surviving Valentine's Day

BY MIKE SIEFKER
Kingsbury Journal

Valentine’s Day is just a few days away, and if you look around at some of the stories on how to have the “perfect” Valentine’s Day, they are written by women. Well, I am here to share some Valentine’s Day wisdom and ideas from a male’s perspective.

Guys, does your wife or girlfriend watch the Hallmark Channel? If she does, I feel sorry for you. A woman who watches the Hallmark Channel is into romance big time. Guess what? Valentine’s Day is probably her favorite holiday. She wants romance and to be swept off her feet; she has been waiting for this day all year. You had better pull out all the stops. If this is your wife, cards, flowers, candy and jewelry will be the norm for her. Plus, she has probably been dropping hints since Christmas about a Val-

entine’s Day gift. Have you been paying attention? I surely hope so. If you really love her, just keep telling yourself that she is worth it.

Every relationship goes through a patch where money is tight. If your better half recommends that you both just exchange cards and nothing else and then tells you not to spend money on flowers or gifts, then WHOA! STOP RIGHT THERE!

Chocolate is a fast and easy gift.
Learn more on
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While most guys will be okay with an arrangement like that, I am telling you deep down that woman still wants to feel special on Valentine’s Day. You had better get her something. It does not have to be big or expensive, but something that touches her heart.

When you give her your gift, tell her, “I know we made arrangements not to spend money on each other, but my love for you is more than any Valentine’s Day card can tell you. I love you so much I just have to give you this and express my love for you.”

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The history of Valentine’s Day

BY ANNE AAMOT
Kingsbury Journal

The roots of Valentine’s Day reach way back to the ancient Romans, who celebrated Lupercalia on Feb. 15. The festival was meant to purify the city, promoting health and fertility.

Fast forward to the murky history of St. Valentine, who was martyred in the third century.

Many stories have been recorded about this illustrious saint. One is that Valentine himself, while incarcerated for giving aid to prisoners, fell in love with his jailor’s daughter. According to this tale, St. Valentine wrote his special someone a note signed “from your Valentine,” in what is considered the first Valentine’s

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GEVO: Lake Preston looking at housing and infrastructure needs

FROM FRONT PAGE

first phase and the east-west roads in the second phase, pending funding.

While the infrastructure improvements were not specific to the Gevo plant addition, the projects show the town is forward thinking and looking to the future, and addressing issues that needed attention.

Lake Preston and the development board have been busy preparing for Gevo's arrival. The Kingsbury Memorial Manor was torn down, and in its place will be 12 housing lots and two lots for apartments. The city will be adding infrastructure along Fourth and Fifth Streets in preparation for those additions.

The City of Lake Preston has already approved the building permit for the construction of an eight-unit apartment building on one of those apartment sites. Wienk hopes a second apartment building will be built. If it were an eight-unit building, there

would be 16 new apartment units in Lake Preston along with 12 new housing lots. That would bring 28 new residential units to the city.

"Right now, we're focused on the 12 lots that we have," said Wienk. "It takes a lot of money and time to get these going, and the development board is limited. We are hoping that we can come across a developer that would want to invest in our town. If one comes along, we would definitely be willing to talk to them."

The city completed the addition of eight spots in the campground. The additional camp sites will help with the influx of 1,000 construction workers, but after the construction of the plant, would return to normal use.

Brian Verhey, owner of the two bars, New Horizon and The Other Bar, bought the old Lake Preston Times building with hopes of renovating the building and converting it into

a hotel. The significant settling of the old building nixed those plans and resulted in the building being torn down. Verhey now plans to construct a six-unit hotel with a laundromat in its place.

Since the Lake Preston Airport is closed, the city has a wide-open area that is flat and covered with grass, an area that the city hopes to use as additional camping spaces for the construction workers.

Gevo, Inc. has hired Kiewit Corp. as their Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) company. Kiewit has been around since 1884.

"We'll be talking with the EPC company that's going to be doing the construction work," Wienk stated. "We're going to work with them and figure out what we can do for any kind of camping area, temporary housing or anything else to capture some of these construction workers as this project goes on over the next two years."

"The eateries in Lake Preston have gotten together and talked about different ideas and ways to capture that business if we have to do meals or pre-done meals or talk with EPC company to see what their needs or wants would be for the construction workers. Maybe we can work a program or at least have meals ready at a certain time. We are going to try to figure that out. We are talking, and we are trying to figure out what we need to do to

make sure all these guys are fed, have a place to sleep and keep their business local," said Wienk.

HOW DID THE GEVO PLANT COME TO BE?

Three years ago, a company called Rembrandt Foods had plans to develop an egg plant in the very location the Gevo plant will be located. Plans were moving forward, and then the bird flu hit, submarining the plans of Rembrandt Foods. The new facility was never built.

The Lake Preston Development Board member Jake Smith had been filling out Request for Information (RFI) forms that the state of South Dakota puts out. The RFI program is where Gevo learned about the site. The Development Board and City of Lake Preston have since been working with A1 Development Solutions in Sioux Falls to assist with all the details and information.

Two years ago, Gevo, Inc. was looking for a site located close to a highway and a railroad, with plenty of corn being grown in the vicinity. The former proposed egg plant site seemed to be a perfect fit.

Gevo hosted a public meeting on Aug. 29 in the Lake Preston High School Gym with over 150 attendees. The public's interest was high, and from the comments and questions, the interest in the new plant seemed positive.

With Kingsbury County Commissioners approving the conditional-use permits for the wind farm and jet fuel plant Jan. 27, things should start progressing. Construction on the wind farm is set to begin this spring, and in July or August, the dirt work should begin. The South Dakota Department of Transportation should be putting in a turning lane along that stretch of Highway 14. The turning lane project could start this year or possibly in 2023.

LOOKING AHEAD

Nothing in life is an absolute, but Gevo has already built a "Proof of Concept" for this process at their plant in Luverne, Minn. They have also hired Kiewit, Corp. to design and construct the plant. When you drive by the Gevo sight, all you will see is land, but investments have been made and partnerships have been formed, and the probability of seeing the Gevo Plant buying 30 million bushels of corn from this area will most likely become a reality.

"We're very excited," said Wienk. "We're happy with everything that's going on so far. We are very excited to see where this goes. I think there's going to be a tremendous number of opportunities for the people in Lake Preston. I think there's going to be a ton of opportunities for the people in Kingsbury County. So, I hope every town is looking at this as a great opportunity, and everybody's planning and doing what they can so that we can keep this moving forward as seamlessly as possible."

Coffee with Our Legislators



Saturday, Feb. 12th

11 AM - Oxbow Restaurant

Everyone is Welcome to Hear Updates on Current Legislation & Visit with our District 22 Legislators



Cut and SHOP!



DE SMET IS MY VALENTINE
Galentine's Day
Saturday Feb. 12th
Coupon Booklet



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\$5 OFF Purchase

plus use this coupon to enter to win a

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218 Calumet Ave SE, De Smet

Sat. Feb. 12th Open 9:00AM-12:00PM

25% Off Everything in the Store!

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127 Calumet Ave SE, De Smet

Sat. Feb. 12th Open 6:00AM-11:00AM

25% Off All Merchandise and \$1 Off Coffee

Galentine's Day Drink Special \$2.16oz Chocolate Cherry Latte Iced or Hot

Offer only valid 2/12/22 in store. Limit 1 per customer



De Smet Mercantile & Coffeehouse

213 Calumet Ave SW, De Smet

Sat. Feb. 12th Open 8:00AM-8:00PM

1/2 price on any 1 beverage

10% Off 1 Book or Gift Item

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De Smet Flowers & Gifts

207 Calumet Ave SE, De Smet

Sat. Feb. 12th Open 9:00AM-2:00PM

Hello Mello Lounge Wear BOGO! Buy a top and bottom and get a FREE pair of slippers!

Stop in and sign up for a chance to win flowers and chocolates on Feb. 14th

Offer only valid 2/12/22 in store. Limit 1 per customer

From cow to cone and catch a spy

IMPACT CLASSES

LEADERSHIP TEAM

THE IMPACT WEEK WAS again filled with variety. On Mon., Jan. 31, the class experimented with recipes they found on Pinterest, bringing appetizers, soups and desserts. Members brought everything from creamy shrimp bisque to a 3-layered apple, pumpkin and pecan pie for all to taste.

On Wed., Feb. 2, the members traveled to South Dakota State University to tour the Raven Precision Agriculture Center and the Davis Dairy Plant.

SDSU RAVEN PRECISION AG CENTER

The forty-six-million-dollar state-of-the-art building opened in September 2021. David Wright, Ph.D., Department Head of Agronomy, Horticulture and Plant Sciences, along with Van Kelley, Ph.D., Department Head of Agriculture and Biosystems Engineering, conducted the tour.

The design goal of the facility is to support collaboration. Throughout the facility there are casual study areas, conference rooms and breakout space. Even the faculty offices are mixed and arranged around the collaboration theme to facilitate greater interaction between departments.

Transparency was a term used throughout the tour. Dr. Wright pointed out that not only are there huge amounts of glass on the outside walls of the building, but the labs and classroom walls have large windows as well. This promotes transparency as to what is taking place in the various labs and classrooms. Within 135,000 square feet of floor space, there are 35,000 square feet of wet laboratories and 26,000 square feet of industrial high bay research and teaching space.

SDSU was the first university to offer a bachelor's degree and a minor in precision agriculture. The major includes courses in data analytics, GPS-GIS technology, soil sciences, precision crop production, plant pathology, precision data mapping, sensor technology, precision farm machinery, electrical diagnosis and weed/pest management. Currently, 139 students from in and out of the state are enrolled.

Initially, 18 million dollars was donated toward the building. South Dakota farmers helped finance it with grain check-off dollars as well as farmer support of ag-related companies who in turn donated to the building. The Minnesota Soybean Council invested dollars, too, as many Minnesota students are coming to SDSU for this major.

"The vastness of the building with all the glass and with labs large enough for big equipment was totally amazing, but the close relationship you could feel between the departments was really impressive," said Nancy Montross. "Plus, we have it all right here in South Dakota."

SDSU DAVIS DAIRY PLANT

The SDSU Davis Dairy Plant houses the dairy plant as well as the SDSU Dairy Bar. Ice cream, butter, pasteurized milk and cheeses are made from the milk produced at the SDSU Dairy Research and Training Facility. These products are used in the food service



SDSU department heads David Wright (Dept. of Agronomy, Horticulture and Plant Sciences) and Van Kelly (Dept. of Agriculture and Biosystems Engineering) explaining the importance of collaboration and transparency in the open, glass-designed Raven Precision Agriculture Center. (Submitted Photo)

venues on campus as well as other venues. Not only do the students have "hands on" training in the production of the products, but many also participate in the inspection process by the SD Dept. of Agriculture to ensure high quality food products.

Students have 100% job placement after receiving their dairy degrees at SDSU.

Students are given the opportunity to create their own product such as cheese with dill pickles or an ice cream creation. The first cookies-and-cream ice cream was developed in the SDSU plant and is now a regular in many ice cream venues. Award-winning jalapeno cheese was developed at SDSU. Barry Berry ice cream was developed and given the name using three berries and naming it after SDSU President Barry Dunn.

The SDSU facility allows large-scale dairy operations to come in and do research, experiments and training in a smaller facility, thus not having to shut down the large-scale plants.

"The SDSU dairy program is from cow to cone," said Lane Speirs, Dairy and Food Science Coordinator of Recruitment and Academic Services

The IMPACT members toured Garfield and Drumgoon Dairies last week, so they felt they definitely had experienced "cow to cone," and almost everyone purchased the SDSU ice cream as a finale to the tour.

TO CATCH A SPY

Flynn was asked to return to IMPACT classes for a third time. On Wed., Feb. 2, the presentation was about his research on Karl Mundt and the Hiss case – the case that aroused the nation for the first time to the existence of the Communist conspiracy within the United States and one of the greatest state trials in recent history of the United States. It was also the first nationally-televised trial and drew much interest.

Flynn set the stage with an intriguing description of the times and the people involved:

- The United States had come through the dirty 30's, and capital-

ism did not look so good. The Soviet Union's GNP rise of 300%, no unemployment and health care for all looked like Utopia to our young.

- Alger Hiss, a prominent attorney and a darling of the Washington elite, was popular and being groomed for Secretary of State.

- Whitaker Chambers, a disheveled appearing editor of Time magazine, had a troubled background and was a professed Communist spy.

- Karl Mundt was a good speaker and debate coach and a leading member of the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC).

- Richard Nixon was still unknown but a good friend of Karl Mundt and noticed by Dwight D. Eisenhower during the HISS case

Flynn went on to play out the media-frenzied Hiss trial. Testimonies came alive as Flynn described the twists and turns when Chambers looked bad, and Hiss was gloating with obvious media support. Then, the tables turned when Mundt, with his mid-western background and ethics, just didn't believe Hiss.

This led to hotel interviews involving Nixon, Mundt and others as Chambers said he lived with Hiss and knew he passed materials to the Communists. Chambers told about the car that Hiss let him borrow which led to tracking that car's registration and the demise and eventual prison sentence for Hiss. It was also the beginning of the rise in stature for Mundt and Nixon.

Flynn's research will be part of a book published this summer by editor John Lauck.

"Professor Flynn is so interesting to listen to," said Larry Jensen, summing up the feelings of the IMPACT group. "He makes history come alive. I'd like to go to Dakota Wesleyan just to enroll in one of his classes."

BRYANT CINEMA

Feb. 11-13: **Redeeming Love** (PG-13, 134 min.)

Feb. 18-20: **Uncharted** (PG-13) *national opening weekend

Feb. 25-27: **Uncharted** (PG-13)

Showtimes:
7 p.m. Friday,
Saturday & Sunday
General Admission:
\$4.00



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 Victims' Compensation Fund, \$2 to the Court Appointed Special Advocates Fund and \$1 to the Abused and Neglected Child Defense Fund.

BRENDAN LANGBEHN, Worthing, seat belt violation, fined \$25.00.

ELIJAH DRAKE, Lake Norden, renewal registration during assigned month, fined \$132.50.

LUIS CUINESCALANTE, Columbus, Neb., 75 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined \$117.50.

IDIL MOHAMUD, Huron, 35 in a 30 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

OWEN WYFFELS, Roslyn, 70 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

ERIC DELANCEY, Arlington, 71 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined \$117.50.

TRINITY LUNDEEN, Lake Preston, 80 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined \$137.50.

LAURA SCHOEN-CARBONNEAU, Brandon, 35 in a 30 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

SHERIFF REPORTS

The Kingsbury County Sheriff's Department reports six accident.

JAN. 25 - KRISTYNA GOTBERG, of Fayetteville, Ark., was traveling south on US Highway 81 near mile marker 126, when a pheasant flew into the passenger side door and broke off the mirror. The 2018 Honda Fit driven by Gotberg suffered \$250.00 in damages.

JAN. 28 - JANET NELSON, of Lake Preston, was traveling east on US Highway 14 near mile marker 380 when a deer ran into the roadway striking her vehicle. The 2017 Ford Escape driven by Nelson sustained \$7500.00 in damages. **SCOTT PETTERSON**, of Brookings, was traveling west on US Highway 14 near mile marker 396 when a deer ran into the roadway, and Petterson could not avoid hitting it. The 2020 Dodge Ram Petterson was driving suffered \$4500.00 in damages.

JAN. 29 - PENNY SATTGAST, of Pierre, was traveling west on US Highway 14 near mile marker 371 when a deer ran into the roadway striking her vehicle. The 2017 Chevy Malibu Sattgast was driving suffered \$4000.00 in damages. **DULCIE STOTTS** of Pierre, was traveling west on US Highway 14 near mile marker 380 when a deer ran into the roadway striking her vehicle. The 2016 Chrysler Town and Country Stotts was driving sustained \$4500.00 in damages.

FEB. 4 - ANDREW MCLEAN, of Huron, was traveling north on SD Highway 25 near mile marker 115 when a deer ran into the roadway striking his vehicle. The 2015 Ford F150 Mclean was driving suffered \$5000.00 in damages.

Voices

“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble and to petition the Government for a redress of grievance.”

FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

This week's weather

Monday, January 31, 2022
High 43, Low 15
Tuesday, February 1, 2022
High 39, Low 7
Wednesday, February 2, 2022
High 8, Low -8
Thursday, February 3, 2022
High 12, Low -9
Friday, February 4, 2022
High 11, Low -5
Saturday, February 5, 2022
High 50, Low -5
Sunday, February 6, 2022
High 47, Low 17

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- Letters to the Editor

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Getting the shot

Ever thought to yourself “That’s a cool picture!” Well, sometimes, to get a good photo, you have to do just about anything as shown here as Mike Siefker is laying on the ground at Bulldog/Flyers game on Tuesday night during the halftime game of “Chuck a Duck.” See the photo that Mike got on page 17. (Photo by Tim Aughenbaugh)

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Teach our children to be united

IMAGINE TEACHING YOUR child that our country was founded on racism, or that hard work is not a virtue, or that a young boy or girl should be ashamed of themselves because of their skin color. As a mom and as a grandma, I can't even begin to imagine poisoning my child with those lies. But believe it or not, lessons like those are being taught to children in America's K-12 schools and universities. As governor, I want to keep that from happening in South Dakota.



GOVERNOR'S DESK

KRISTI NOEM

You might have heard about it on TV or read about it on the internet: Critical Race Theory, a neo-Marxist philosophy that says the United States is racist to the core, that equal opportunity is a myth, and that the American Dream is a lie. There are some folks who deny that it's being taught to kids. They claim it's a concept that's just studied in universities or in law schools. Wrong. The truth is, the proponents of Critical Race Theory are hiding their anti-American philosophy in plain sight: in colorful children's books, revisionist textbooks, and radical lesson plans designed to indoctrinate children into their way of thinking.

Critical Race Theory is embedded in books like "Antiracist Baby," which teaches children at the earliest of ages not to be colorblind, and even tells them to "confess" to being racist. It's in the 1619 Project—a series of New York Times articles that invent lies about our country's history, even teaching that the American Revolution was fought to preserve slavery. Today, those articles are forming the basis of a new curriculum that is being used in 4,500 schools nationwide. And it's in the curriculum that tells teachers to "challenge the ways that math is used to uphold capitalist, imperialist, racist views."

If it's not enough that some schools are teaching kids ideas that are entirely against everything that America stands for, they're also turning children into political pawns. Through "Action Civics," students are being forced to take part in political protests. Instead of teaching children our nation's history, the founding principles, or even the structure of our government, Action Civics unleashes them on the streets as activists, turning them into foot soldiers for partisan fights they may not even understand.

And under President Biden, the U.S. Department of Education is

rubber-stamping these materials and using federal dollars to entice school districts into teaching this harmful ideology. In July 2021, I signed an executive order preventing South Dakota schools from being able to apply for federal grants in history or civics until the legislature could provide a solution to this indoctrination from the federal government.

We will not stand for this in South Dakota. Racial division and political activism will have no place in our classrooms. That's why I have introduced two bills to put a stop to it before it spreads to our state. The first bill ensures that our public schools are not indoctrinating kids and teachers with Critical Race Theory and that students won't be compelled to engage in political activism. The second bill extends protections against Critical Race Theory to college students and employees, too, while also preserving academic freedom.

It's also important to note what these bills will not do. They do not prevent difficult conversations about racism, or lessons about moments in the past when we have failed to live up to our American ideals. Bad books and ideas should be balanced, not banned, and students should have access to a wide range of perspectives. But overtly divisive lessons that teach children to hate America should not be forced on a captive audience of young students.

No child should be taught that someone is better or less than someone else because of their skin color. No child should be forced to participate in riots, protests, or lobbying to push a political agenda. And no child should be taught that America is racist, or that the American Dream is not for them. It's time to put Critical Race Theory and Action Civics in the ash heap of history where they belong.



Worship Services

"When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On the coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him."

Matthew 2:10-11

Arlington

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

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Worship at 9:30 a.m.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH, Mass Saturday at 5 p.m. & Sunday 5 p.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Worship 9:30 a.m., Sunday School 10:20 a.m. Streaming on Facebook.

LAKE WHITEWOOD LUTHERAN CHURCH, Worship will be at 9:30 a.m. with coffee after the service on the first and third Sunday's

Badger

BADGER LUTHERAN CHURCH, Worship 9:00am, Sunday School 10:00am

Bryant

GOSPEL OF FIRE HISPANIC MINISTRY, Michael Sanchez, Pastor 605-530-4559 - Brian Seim, Associate Pastor Saturdays -6:30 p.m.: Fellowship and English Bible study. Sundays - 11:30 a.m. Hispanic service.

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

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH, Worship at 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m., Sunday School 10:30 a.m., Worship on website, too.

DE SMET ALLIANCE CHURCH, Sunday School at 9 a.m., Church at 10:15 a.m.

DE SMET COMMUNITY CHURCH, Church at 9:30 a.m., Sunday School at 10:45 a.m.

PRAIRIE BAPTIST CHURCH, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m., Bible study — Wednesday at 7 p.m.

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

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH, Mass at 8:30 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Worship at 9:30 a.m., Illuminate Kids Community Youth Group, Wednesdays at 3:30. @ 9:30 on Facebook.

Erwin

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

Esmond

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Obituaries

Virginia Tenold

Virginia Fae Tenold (Van Dusen), 80, of Lake Preston, S.D., was called to Heaven early Monday morning. She passed away at Brookings Hospital. She was surrounded by an incredible team of professionals who treated her with the utmost care and respect.

Virginia was an incredible daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, as well as a cherished friend to many others. She was the foundation of her family and put the needs of others before her own.

We were all blessed to have her in our lives. She was a beautiful soul, with a selfless nature. The world was a better place with her in it.

Her faith was strong, and she is in the arms of her mother, Avis, and her father, Jim. Until we meet again. She will be greatly missed by her husband,



Floyd; her brother, Judd and her children: Michelle, Michael, Amy and Stephen.

Virginia's family will be celebrating her life with a private gathering to honor her. The Johnson-Henry Funeral Home of Lake Preston is assisting the family.

Heart warming Valentine's stories

FOR YEARS PRIOR to the internet, I found many great stories for my radio programs. I had to dig deep, but here is a small part of that collection: HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

I met my husband while I was working in a science library. He came in every week to read the latest journals and eventually decided to take out the librarian instead of the books. After a year and a half of dating, he showed up at the library and started rummaging through my desk. I asked what he was looking for, but he did not answer. Finally, he unearthed one of the rubber stamps I used to identify reference books.

"Since I couldn't find the right engagement ring," he said, "this will have to do." He firmly stamped my hand across my knuckles in capital letters. It read, "NOT FOR CIRCULATION."

And there is more:

"The lingerie store where my aunt works was crowded with shoppers selecting Valentine's Day gifts for their wives. A young businessman came to the register with a lacy black negligee. My aunt noticed that the next customer, an elderly rancher, was holding a long flannel nightgown and kept glancing at the younger man's sexier choice. When it was his turn, the rancher



THE GOOD STUFF

JIM THOMPSON

placed the nightgown on the counter. "Would you have anything in black flannel?" he asked.'

Oh, one more:

'My high school English teacher was well known for being a fair, but hard, grader. One day I received a B minus on a theme paper. In hopes of bettering my grade and in the spirit of the Valentine season, I sent her an extravagant, heart-shaped box of chocolates with the pre-printed inscription, "BE MINE." The following day, I received in return a Valentine from the teacher.

It read, "Thank you, but it's still BE MINE-US." —

Have a wonderful week for Valentine's Day.

The family of Vivian Kaufman would like to thank all who remembered us with cards, gifts, flowers, memorials, phone calls, and food since the passing of our mom, grandma, and great-grandma. A special thank you goes to the loving staff at Jenkins Living Center in Watertown, Prairie Lakes Hospice in Watertown for their visits, Crawford-Osthus Funeral Home for helping with arrangements, Fr Baumberger for his visits and officiating at the services, and to the St Thomas Altar Society for serving the dinner. The love and support shown to our family has been overwhelming and we will always be grateful.

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'Duty is ours; results are God's'

DO YOU EVER FEEL like it is impossible to make a difference? Sometimes, life can be so hard and so defeating that we are tempted to stop trying. I have felt that way in every aspect of my life, whether it is at home, at work, at church or anywhere else, for that matter. Discouragement is all around us.

In the last week, I lost a good friend who was a brother in Christ and a hunting buddy. My English Pointer is 15 years old and took a turn for the worse this last week. She is doing better, but the inevitable goodbye is on the horizon. One year ago this week, my Godfather and favorite uncle left this earth to be in heaven. Life can be full of tragedy and setback, but, our God is an awesome God.

As I was preparing my message last week, I ran across a story about John Quincy Adams, the fourth president of the United States. Why would sermon preparation bring me to learning about the fourth president of the U.S.? The weekly readings were Isaiah 61 and Luke 4. In Luke chapter 4, Jesus reads from the scroll of Isaiah in his hometown church.

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to captives and freedom to prisoners; to proclaim the favorable year of the Lord."

Continuing in Luke, *"He closed the book, gave it back to the attendant and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him. And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."*

My research led me to discover that these readings were not only included in the Revised Common Lectionary for the week but also were revered by John Quincy Adams.

His entire career was given to the service of his country. He was a diplomat, Secretary of State, US Senator, US President and finally a US Congressman. In the latter position, his primary objective was to bring an end to slavery in the United States. Unfortunately, he entered Congress at a time when it was unwilling to consider the subject. The antislavery measures he introduced were regularly defeated; nevertheless, he persisted. He endured death threats. In 1835, Congress even passed a gag rule to prevent him from speaking about the subject, but he refused to relent. Adams regularly invoked Luke 4 and Isaiah 61 as the motivation for why he worked so relentlessly against slavery. Jesus' mission of proclaiming "liberty to the captives" and "losing them that are bound" was the commission of John Quincy Adams. For his unwavering opposition

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to slavery, he became known as the "Hell Hound of Abolition" and for his rousing defense of the anti-slavery cause, he was called "Old Man Eloquent." In 1838, he used the power of the filibuster for 22 days to stop Texas from being admitted to the Union as a slave state. His efforts held off a new slave state for seven years. In 1841, he argued a case to the Supreme Court on behalf of 53 Africans who had been kidnapped and made slaves. Even though an old man with poor eye sight and trembling hands, he spoke for nine hours spanning three days on their behalf. Even though only 1 of the 9 justices opposed slavery, he won the case freeing the Africans. This story is told in the Hollywood movie "Amistad." Three years later in 1844, he enjoyed the grandest victory of his life. After almost a dozen years, the House rescinded the gag rule it had imposed upon him. Despite these few successes, most of his proposals were voted down by Congress, but across all the years of losses, he remained fervent and steadfast in fighting slavery. Given that he had so few successes and so much hateful opposition, what caused him to persevere? The answer is found in his personal philosophy: "Duty is ours; results are God's."

Adams had determined that he would always do whatever was right regardless of the outcome; he would work passionately on his life mission, and it would be up to God as to whether or not any of his efforts succeeded." (Italicized section taken from The Founders Bible, David and Tim Barton)

John Quincy Adams died while serving in Congress. Fourteen months prior to his death, a young freshman Congressman spent time learning from his life experience and passion for the abolition of slavery. His passion and dedication were contagious. This freshman Congressman whom he mentored was none other than a young man from Illinois named Abraham Lincoln. He did not live to see his dream come true, but his commitment and perseverance carried on and influenced the next generation to pass the torch of freedom.

Whenever you feel like your work is in vain and you aren't making a difference, remember the perseverance and dedication of John Quincy Adams and live by his life motto:

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Thinking outside the Valentine box

I STOPPED AND STARED. No! It couldn't be. There on an endcap in the seasonal card section was a very elaborate, sparkly, red and pink castle. Not just a castle, it was a castle **VALENTINE BOX!** The drawbridge lowered into an opening for depositing cards. It was complete, pre-decorated, ready-to-take-home **PLASTIC.**



PUTTING ON THE BIG BOOTS DEANN (WOLKOW) KRUEMPEL

Horrified that such a creativity-stealing atrocity existed, I considered parking my cart in front of it so no innocent child would set their heart on it. Maybe I could nonchalantly visit the bed and bath area and find a fuzzy towel to drape over it. What if I put it in my cart, strolled to the automotive section and suddenly decided I didn't want it anymore? More than once I had noticed that other shoppers must have pulled such a stunt.

white and pink hearts and attached them to the cardboard surface. For attaching purposes, a big glass jar of paste waited next to the project. A stiff brush protruded down from the cover and was intended for spreading. Fingers worked too, and a few youngsters could not resist tasting the minty-smelling paste.

No, I sighed to myself, there were probably cameras about, and I didn't want to worry they would put out a store APB at my next visit. "Attention, all associates. **THAT** woman is here again." I walked away wondering if times have changed so drastically.

I texted my siblings about their memories of Valentine's Day. All remembered making boxes to take to school (like little mailboxes) for the cards from the class. Dorothy decorated hers with paper doilies and red ribbon. It was a masterpiece! Delmer had a little help from his older sisters decorating his.

I mentioned it to my nearly 102-year-old friend. "Kids love Valentine's Day!" she smiled and then recalled when she taught country school more than seventy years ago. On the Friday before the holiday, she brought a box from home that would become the class Valentine box. If you know this dear woman, it is easy to imagine a dozen children happily gathered around her. "Oh, that's perfect! Good job! This is so special." She encouraged as they cut red,

For my first Valentine box, I hunted up a shoebox, cut a slot in the top and wrapped it in white tissue paper. Mom must have seen me struggling for ideas. She soon appeared with a handful of lace and some large brightly-colored buttons. "Make it special," she said. And I did.

After the box was complete, I recalled selecting just the right Val-

entine for each classmate and writing "To" and "From" on the back of twenty-some cards. Then I penciled in the recipients' names and mine. The teacher had mimeographed a list of students, and of course, no one should be left out.

When I added candy conversation hearts, the selection process proved painstaking. I dumped the whole bag on the table and chose five candies to tuck in each envelope for the boys. It was critical to give the "S.W.A.K.," "XXOO," and "Be Mine" hearts to just one boy—okay maybe two. I certainly did not want to give any others the wrong idea. Ewww! For the girls I just dumped some in, knowing they

wouldn't care what the candy said. Yes, we loved Valentine's Day when we were kids. The time spent decorating boxes and preparing cards gave special meaning to the event. I couldn't help wondering if such a creative celebration continues today, in spite of our hectic lives and the availability of factory made ummm — things. I texted my daughter, mother of a 7-year-old. "Is Jackson making a special Valentine Box to take to school for his party?" "Yup!" she replied. I sighed in relief. Kids still love Valentine's Day. And they're still thinking outside (and inside) the box!

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NEWS BRIEFS

Dean's List announced

The following students have been named to the dean's list for academic excellence after the fall 2021 semester at South Dakota State University. To earn dean's list distinctions in SDSU's colleges, students must have completed a minimum of 12 credits and must have earned at least a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale. Students with an asterisk received a perfect 4.0 GPA.

Arlington - Adam William McLeod Breuer, Victoria Isabel Donovan *, Angela Ann Fuhr *, Devon James Heuer, Lee Krueger, William Ray Parry, Scott David Sampson * and Ashlyn Ruth Spilde *.

Bancroft - Jordan Jeanne Rusche *.

De Smet - Kamila Ann Buchholz, Amanda Marie Gehm *, Hayley Kay Geyer, Emma Katherine Johnson *, Kristen Roselyn Poppen *, Joshua Thomas Roth, True Lea Thorne, Savanna Rose Vincent and Sydnee Rae Winter.

Lake Preston - Lexie Hazel Larsen *

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

Casey Stegeman, Arlington, S.D., was one of 251 students named to Concordia University, Nebraska's honors list for the Fall 2021 semester.

STATE LEGISLATURE

New Custer State Park camping spots nixed

WE HAVE NOW FINISHED week four and 17 days of this 38-day South Dakota Legislative session. The Ag and Natural Resources Committee on which I serve has already had several bills that attracted strong proponents and opponents. One of those, a proposal to add a new campground with 166 camping spots along the Wild Life Loop Road in Custer State Park, drew an incredible number of emails, nearly all from opponents. Even when the proposal was changed to a different site by Stockade Lake and downsized to 66 camping spots, there were no proponents. So, the committee did not approve of moving it to the house floor. The bill was brought in response to the large demand for more campground capacity in the Black Hills. Opponents were concerned about risking too much disturbance of wildlife and compromising the integrity and natural beauty of Custer State Park and government competition with private campgrounds.

The Game, Fish and Parks Department, charged with manage-



OTHER VOICES

REP. LYNN SCHNEIDER

ment of our state park system, will be searching for a more efficient reservation system, which seems to be a major point of contention for people wanting to enjoy our state parks.

Another bill concerned reporting on information regarding non-meandered waters. These are bodies of water that for many years were very small or even dry, and then during a long stretch of very wet years across the state over a ten-year period that lasted until a few years ago, became over-filled lakes. All that rain caused these lakes to grow greatly in size and generated a demand for access to some good fishing that they provided. This became an issue for the land owner, whose land was now under several feet of water and couldn't

be farmed or grazed; access to fishermen also became an issue.

In an effort to help the public know where these non-meandered waters are located, the GF&P has done a great job with their website, which under the non-meandered tab, shows where those waters are located and whether they are closed or open. The GF&P continuously maintains this site, keeping it up to date almost in real time, as this information is subject to change as weather and climate impact these waters.

The GF&P has also been publishing an annual written report of this data for the past four years or so as a result of a reporting law the Legislature passed about five years ago. A bill was brought now to require reporting to be continued in the future. However, the argument was presented that a written report becomes out of date almost immediately after printing. Now, since the GF&P keeps this information continually updated on their website, the written requirement doesn't have real value anymore. That bill failed in committee.

Thank you for the privilege of serving District 22. My contact information is lynn.schneider@sdlegislature.gov or (605) 354-2640.



On Tuesday, February 15th, the State computer network will be down from approximately 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. at the Kingsbury County Courthouse. This will affect all motor vehicle licensing, vital records and the Clerk of Courts office. Please plan accordingly. Thank you for your understanding!

NATIONAL FCCLA WEEK



2021-22 FCCLA Officers (left to right): Brooklyn Coughlin, Public Relations; Sophia Gigov, President; Addy Gross, Secretary/Treasurer; Neva Clubb, Vice-President; Angela Ostrander (advisor)
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We have 15 active FCCLA Members. Students have participated in Summer Parade, prepared and served meal at Country Club, sold RADA (kitchenware), made Angels and delivered gift donations at Christmas, attended Region V events and plan other upcoming events. Some students participated in Donut Competition in Family and Consumer Science Classes at De Smet Jr./Sr High School. FCCLA member Cori Birkel won her Baked Donut Competition with her Chocolate Spider Cake donuts.



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Little known facts about... chocolate

BY MARY LEE
Kingsbury Journal

Most of us seem to love it. The luscious flavor is hard to resist. It is a sweet treat and a go-to pick. It is a wonderful gift for holidays such as Valentine's Day. (hint hint). However, what do we really know about chocolate? Let's see what we can find out about the sweet treat.

- Chocolate comes from a cocoa bean that is grown on a fruit tree from a seed. This tree species is named Theobroma Cacao, and it means "food of the gods."
- Most cocoa, 70 percent, hails from West Africa. More than two-thirds of the world's cocoa is raised by hand on small, family-owned farms.
- The average size of a cocoa farm in West Africa is 7-10 acres.
- Some cacao trees are more than 200 years old, but most give marketable cocoa beans for only the first 25 years.

- Each cacao tree produces approximately 2500 beans.
- Because cocoa trees are so delicate, farmers lose, on average, 30 percent of their crop each year.
- It takes 400 cocoa beans to make one pound of chocolate.
- German chocolate cake was named for Sam German, who developed a sweet bar for Baker's Chocolate, but was not from Germany.
- The average serving of milk chocolate has about the same amount of caffeine as a cup of decaffeinated coffee.
- Dark chocolate is actually at the top of our 30 best anti-inflammatory foods. It has been proven to assist in insulin resistance and inflammation relief.
- Cocoa beans were sought after during the Mayan and Aztec times as a form of payment. Research has shown that some people would go as far as making counterfeit beans with clay.

- Europeans are the world's truest chocolate lovers. The largest chocolate-consuming countries are Switzerland, Germany and Ireland.
- Americans consume 2.8 billion pounds of chocolate each year, or 11 pounds per person a year.
- The chocolate chip cookie was invented by accident. In the 1930s, Ruth Graves Wakefield invented the famous cookie as she was trying to make Butter Drop Do cookies, but instead used chocolate chips that stayed intact. She sold her recipe to Nestle, not for money, but a lifetime supply of chocolate.
- It takes a cocoa tree about a year to produce enough beans to make 10 regular-sized Hershey bars.
- Chocolate contains over 600 flavor compounds.
- Some soldiers were fighting for freedom in exchange for chocolate. Since chocolate didn't spoil, it was used as a ration during the war.

- Research has found that chocolate can actually stimulate your brain and release more endorphins in the brain than kissing. It is also known to increase your heart rate faster than kissing as well. This is caused by chocolate's concentration of phenylethylamine, a compound that increases endorphin production in the brain.
- The Hershey Kiss Factory in Hershey, Penn., makes about 70 million kisses a day. The name for the small candy actually did not come from the sound of the obvious, but the sound the candy makes coming out of the machine during the manufacturing process.
- The first chocolate bar was invented in 1847 by Joseph Fry. With the help of his son, they make it with cocoa butter, cocoa powder and sugar.

SOURCES: WWW.EATTHIS.COM,
HTTPS://CANDYUSA.COM

VALENTINE'S DAY: Attention all men — read these ideas

FROM FRONT PAGE

You must do it, because she is going to share the events of the day with her girlfriends. Do not give her a chance to tell them you did not give her anything. She wants you to be her hero, no matter what.

Here are some tips for your Valentine's Day cards. Do not just buy one, buy two. I usually get a serious one and a funny one. Leave the funny one taped to the mirror where she does her hair each morning. Giving it to her in the morning will get her thinking about that card the whole day through. That evening, give her the serious card.

Do not just buy your cards and sign them, "Love, Bubba." No sir, you are going to need to do a little writing. Find some cards that have some open space on them and write about the following. First thing, tell her about something that you love about her body. I would mention my wife's beautiful eyes.

Second, think of a time when she did something that made you think, "I'm going to marry that girl, or I'm glad I married that girl." Share that story with her. It does not have to be long, just a quick reference. The third and final item to mention in the card is one of her attributes that you admire most. Is she patient? Kind? Helpful? Puts others first? Whatever it is, share that with her.

Want to score points throughout the day for less than the cost of a card? Buy a package of candy conversation hearts. Open it up and go through the hearts and pick a dozen or two of the hearts that have sayings that you like. Place them strategically around the house or in her car. Put one in her make-up drawer and another in the silverware drawer. Hide them all around so she discovers them throughout the day. Each time she finds one, you will be scoring points.

The next idea is something I did as a kid and young adult, back before there were cell phones. It is similar to a text message. We took out a sheet of notebook paper and wrote a love letter to the girl of our dreams. It was a good way to share feelings way before text messages ever showed up. And once you are done writing the love note, fold it up and hide it someplace she will find



If your lady would love some flowers and chocolates, De Smet Flowers and Gifts is ready for all of your last-minute shopping. (Photo by Mike Siefker)

it later in the day. Perhaps her purse? She will love it better than a box of candy, and it did not cost you anything. For extra points, google "fold origami heart," follow the directions and, soon, your note will be heart shaped.

Do you love red meat? This next idea is for you. Have supper at home, telling her you will grill the meat for Valentine's Day, and maybe she will make some sides. Earlier that day, visit Maynard's Food Center and look for a package with two sirloins. When you are ready to grill, carve each sirloin so they are shaped like a heart. Grill them up and serve. Nothing says love more than red meat cooked on a grill, unless the meat is shaped like a heart.

Those were some non-traditional ways to celebrate Valentine's Day. If you are not so adventuresome, then by all means head over to De Smet Flowers and Gifts and check out their flower arrangements and inventory; swing by and order your flowers early.

Instead of grilling up some red meat hearts, take her out to eat. Klinckel's III Bar and Grill and the Oxbow are each featuring a Sweetheart Sup-

per Special. Stop at Ward's Store and Bakery and pick up some Valentine's Day cookies and bakery items earlier in the day. I am sure restaurants in Lake Preston and Arlington will have Valentine's Day specials, too.

Wherever you choose to have supper, spend some time rehashing your relationship, your first kiss, or the first time you got the nerve to hold her hand when you were so nervous that your palms were sweaty. Spend time and be happy together.

While the world is busy commercializing Valentine's Day, it is a great day to reflect on your better half. Where would you be if you had never met?

I hope you all are just like me. I found the best woman in the whole world, convinced her I would be the best man for her and got her to marry me. She would do anything for me, but do you know what? I would do anything for her. She is the kindest soul I have ever been around, and when I look into her eyes, the world fades away and I am lost in her world. I am one lucky guy, and I hope you are, too. Happy Valentine's Day Ya'll.

HISTORY

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greeting. Another story is that he secretly married couples to prevent the husbands from being sent to war. While these romantic stories are compelling, it is unclear whether they are true.

From St. Valentine's first profession of love came the celebration of a holiday noted for gifts of cards, candy and flowers. Although all of these are significant in our current culture, it was the cards containing poetry and words of love that were most famous in the beginning.

In the 18th century, the most familiar Valentine's Day poem made its first appearance. These lines, found in a collection of nursery rhymes printed in 1784, read: *The rose is red, the violet's blue, The honey's sweet, and so are you.*

Some of the most popular Valentine's Day cards were Victorian style, with elaborate paper lace-work, embossing and other intricate designs. The more expensive the card, the more elaborate the design. This meant it would be obvious how much your special someone had spent on a card. Typical imagery included flowers, love knots and Cupid. Though hearts were sometimes used, Victorian cards did not feature the red hearts that are so typical of Valentine's cards today.

Cards of today can feature almost anything from an animal to a Valentine's joke to a seriously styled card. Because of that, it opens this holiday up to all. Friends, neighbors, acquaintances can all participate in the holiday of happiness.

Round up your paper, scissors and glue. It's time to make a card for those nearest to you.

Happy Valentine's Day!

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Some big days ahead

ARE YOU READY FOR some football? Whether you're a football fan or not, you can't help but notice the big game is right around the corner followed by Valentine's Day.

I've always watched the Super Bowl. I used to just watch it for the commercials and sometimes the halftime show, but now that I have a better understanding of the game, I watch it for the game, too.

I can't say I'm a fan of either team playing this year, so I don't really care who wins. I just hope it's a good game and not a blowout. As far as I'm concerned, the best part about the Super Bowl is that it's always a good excuse to get together with friends and family and enjoy some good food and drinks.

After the big game on Sunday, we have Valentine's Day. This is another day that some people celebrate and some don't. For most couples, it's a hard day to just let slip by without doing something.

Valentine's Day doesn't have to be a big deal, but if you are a couple, you should probably do something to stay out of the dog house.

I personally don't think anyone should spend much money on Valentine's Day. It's the thought that counts, not the amount of money



HOME GROWN

AMY HALVERSON

spent. My husband knows I'd be happier with a small bouquet of flowers from the Dollar Store than him wasting a hundred dollars on roses that won't last any longer than the mixed flowers he could get for a fraction of the price.

For me, Valentine's Day is a day to show your significant other how you feel. It's not about gifts, but a day to express how much love you share.

On that note, I would like to take this opportunity to tell my husband, Josh, happy Valentine's Day. I appreciate everything you do for me, and I love you to the moon and back! Thanks for being my Valentine! I love you, babe!

This week I'm sharing a great appetizer that would be perfect to make for your Super Bowl party. Enjoy!

Pretzel Bratwurst Bites

6 cups water

1/3 cup baking soda

1 package refrigerated pizza dough

12 links smoked bratwurst

1 pinch kosher salt

Preheat the oven to 450. Lightly grease a baking sheet. Meanwhile, turn dough out onto a lightly floured surface. Roll into a 10x12-inch rectangle. Cut dough into twelve 1-inch strips. Wrap each strip tightly around a bratwurst in a spiral, pinching edges to seal and leaving about 1/2 inch of bratwurst peeking out of each end. Add 3 wrapped bratwurst at a time to the boiling water. Boil for about 30 seconds. Transfer bratwurst to the prepared baking sheet. Sprinkle with salt. Repeat with remaining wrapped bratwurst. Bake bratwurst until golden brown, about 12 minutes. Cut each bratwurst crosswise into thirds. Serve with mustard.

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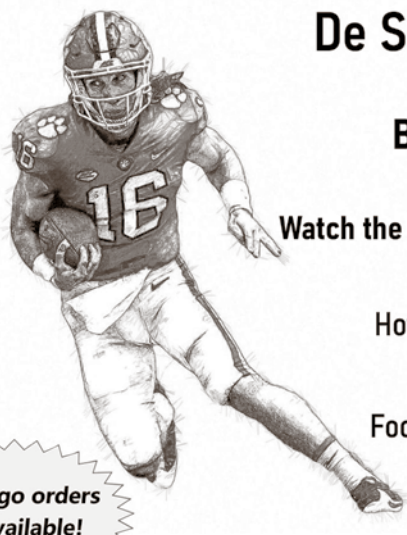
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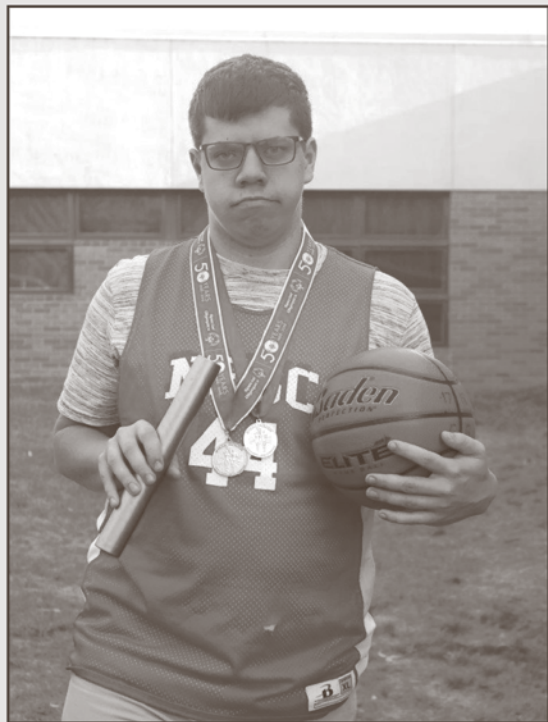


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BLUE & GOLD

Bringing you the latest from Lake Preston High School

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LPHS SENIOR FEATURE: Jeramya Mogler

Written By: Shelby Olson

This week features senior, Jeramya Jason Mogler. He is the son of Khristy Mogler and has four siblings: Tiffany Wuestewald, Kelly Wuestewald, Elizabeth Mogler and Benny Wuestewald. Jeramya has one cat, Crash the Tuxedo, and one dog, Missy the Maltase. Four words used to describe Jeramya are calm, funny, laid-back, and hard working.

Throughout high school, Jeramya has been involved in Special Olympics bowling, basketball, and track/soccer. His favorite teacher was Mrs. Hillstead because she was the teacher that helped him the most. Jeramya's favorite class is Aviation, because "you get to learn how to use drones." If Jeramya could take any teacher or staff member with him after high school, he would take Mrs. Woodard because she would be able to help him learn more about growing up.

Throughout high school, Jeramya's favorite school lunch has been Italian Dunkers. One memory that Jeramya has from high school is that he got to meet a lot of his friends at different school events. His favorite sport while in school was bowling. Jeramya's favorite year of high school was his junior year because it was the year he became a more calm person. When asked about his favorite app, he said Facebook, because it is the app he knows how to use the best. Jeramya's senior quote is "Dreams can be achieved by you putting in the effort, so never give up." His plans for the future are to gain some knowledge. He would like to be remembered at LPHS as being a funny and nice person. Jeramya's hopes for future high schoolers of LPHS is that he could be there for anyone who needs a friend if they are having a bad day.

Lady Divers are defeated by Warbirds

By: Lorick Pirlet

On Monday February 7, the Lake Preston Divers played at home against the Wolsey-Wessington Warbirds. The Wolsey-Wessington Warbirds came into this game with a record of 10-6 while the Lake Preston Divers came into this game with a record of 6-9. Both teams came off a loss with the Warbirds, losing to the Sanborn Central/Woonsocket Rebels 40 to 29 and the Divers losing to the Great Plains Lutheran Panthers 57 to 39.

The game ended with a score of Wolsey-Wessington Warbirds 48 Lake Preston Divers 13. The leading scorer for the Divers was Ava Malone with 4 points, the leading rebounder for the Divers was Hadlee Holt with 7 rebounds, the steals leader for the Divers was Ava Malone with 2 steals, the assists leader for the Divers was Ava Malone with 1 assist, the blocks leader for the Divers was Hadlee Holt with 2 blocks.

The Lady Divers fell to 6-10 and play their next game on Thursday evening at home against Gayville-Volin. There will be both a MS game and Varsity game.



The One Act Cast performed their play "Anxiety Is Orange" at the State Festival in Rapid last Friday. The cast and crew left Thursday afternoon and returned home on Saturday. The cast and crew received one superior vote from a judge for the entire play. Individual vote receivers by one judge include Milli Waikel, Morgan Curd, Garret Kruger, and Trinity Pirlet all received one vote for superior acting that weekend. Great job One-Act cast and Crew and congrats on performing at State!

St. Mary's Down the Divers at Home

By: Grace Hirschorn

The boys played their hardest against the St. Mary's Cardinals and finished with a score of 31-62. They took a loss, but continue to play hard until the end of the season.

Stat highlights:

Points:
Mcmasters- 9
Casper- 9
Larsen- 7
Rebounds:
Dension- 8
W. Woodcock-4
Assists:
R. Greene-2
Blocks:
Dension- 1



Show some Diver support at the next boys game this week! The Divers will take on Wilmot at home on Friday evening.

A look into the week ahead...

Tuesday, February 15th:

- GBB/BBB Colman-Egan (H);
- MSG/B: 4:00, JVB: 5:00, VG: 6:15, VB: 7:45
- Music Booster Bingo; Halftime

Thursday, February 17th:

- Butter Braid Sales End
- Last Day of MSBB Practice

Friday, February 18th:

- NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Saturday, February 19th:

- BBB vs. Sunshine Bible Academy (H); JV 3:00, V: 4:30
- Wrestling Regions @ Britton
- Big Slam Tourney @ Iroquois; 10am

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Trinity Pirlet

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Freshmen: Trinity Pirlet
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Lake Preston

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15: Chicken Alfredo/Noodles, Broccoli, Fruit, Bread

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16: Lasagna Soup, Lettuce Salad/Tomato, Fruit, Bread

School Lunch

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10: Hamburger on Bun, Broccoli, Diced Pears

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11: Super Nachos, Corn, Peaches

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14: Mini Tacos, Corn, Diced Pears, Cookies

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15: Roast Beef Sandwich, Potato Wedges, Diced Peaches

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16: Chicken Patty Sandwich, Carrots, Oranges

NEWS BRIEFS

Games postponed

Because the Lake Preston High School one-act play cast has qualified for the state contest, the Diver's doubleheader basketball game against Dell Rapids St. Mary, originally scheduled for Feb. 3 at home, has been postponed until 6:30 p.m. Feb. 14.

City seeks feedback

The city of Lake Preston is looking for community feedback. If your child, age 12 or under, is interested in playing league baseball, contact Brenda at the City Finance Office. (605) 847-4140. Lake Preston students will be bringing home information from the school.

DIVER FLASHBACK

Fans dribble to Howard and Watertown



The varsity team in 1980 included Manager Peggy Wienk, rear left, head coach Jack Schultz, assistant coach Steve Thorne and manager Dan Johnson; Roy Keiser, front left, Lynn Hesby, Roger Jones, Darin Gullickson, Jesse Nelson, Mark Jacobsen, Rick Olson, Gary Osvog, Scott Tolzin, Bruce Johnson, Doug Johnson and Tim Casper. (Photo from 1980 Prestonian)

BY DONNA PALMLUND
Kingsbury Journal

Because of dwindling student numbers, athletes from Lake Preston and Iroquois High Schools will co-op in most sports and some extracurricular activities starting with the 2022-23 school year. The Divers and Chiefs will form the Iroquois-Lake Preston Sharks. The blue and gold colors worn by the Divers and the orange and black worn by the Chiefs will give way to new uniform colors of blue and black.

Even though the mascot and colors will change, many Lake Preston alumni say they will always consider themselves Divers. As we move into this new era, we bring you "Diver Flashbacks" gleaned from printed stories and first-hand memories.

Some may recall the 1979-80 Divers basketball team and this story by Mark Swenson from the Feb. 28 issue of the Lake Preston Times. The story is about some die-hard Diver fans who dribbled a basketball from Lake Preston to Howard to support their team in the District 11 Class B basketball semi-finals against De Smet.

"If you happened to be driving down Highway 25 to Howard Feb. 21, you may have noticed a cluster of snow-covered runners bouncing a basketball. If you did, it was the Lake Preston Fan Club dribbling for victory for the Diver basketball team.

The Fan Club started planning the trip about three weeks ago. Steve Salter was the leader of the gang, which consisted of about a dozen mainstays and a few others who chipped in less lengthy segments."

The trip all started around 8:30 a.m. when the students sent the dribblers off from the gym. The runners headed down Main Street then out of town about 8:45.

Just like a mailman, the cold, wind, rain, snow, ice or sleet would not keep the dribblers from their destination.

The "Hut-truck Dribblers" arrived in Howard about 3 p.m. There were many dumb-founded Howard people when they saw the snow-covered, wet dribblers run down Main Street.

The 36-mile trek had been completed ahead of schedule. In keeping with the undaunted spirit of the dribblers, the town of Lake Preston sup-



Tim Casper, who was a senior in 1979-80, recalled that before games, teammate Darin Gullickson would spin the basketball on one finger before sending it up to Rodney Olson in the bleachers. Olson would then twirl it on his finger before sending it back down to the court. In this photo from the Lake Preston Times, Olson is ready to send the ball back to the floor.

ported the Divers in full force as they defeated their arch-rival De Smet in semi-final district action. Scenes from the trip were shown on the Big News at Six, on Channel 11 (KELO) Feb. 21."

Six dribblers made the entire trip, along with a caravan of cars. They were Steve Salter, Rodney Olson, Randy Olson, Paul Casper, Todd Casper and Steve Millet. Some others who joined for part of the journey were Mark Swenson, Eddie Johnson, Allen Zeeck, Bob Bode, Bob Madsen, Rick Osvog, LeRoy Koch, Roger Gullickson, Paul McMasters, Mrs. Arlyn Jensen and Gordon Salter.

Rodney Olson, a 1973 graduate of Lake Preston, said the people who participated ran the gamut in ages and how far they dribbled. He said they were about a mile north of Highway 34 when the KELO news van caught up with them.

The Divers won the district championship, and the next step was regions in Watertown.

CONTROVERSY AT REGION CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

After the win over De Smet, the Diver fans decided if their team won the district championship game against Iroquois, they would dribble to the regional tournament in Watertown the following week. They defeated Iroquois, and the fans made good on that promise. Olson said they stopped at the KWAT radio station on the outskirts of Watertown and were interviewed again.

Unfortunately, the Divers lost the regional championship to the Hamlin Chargers, 53-54.

The ending of this game turned out to be controversial, according to several people who were there to witness it. Lake Preston was ahead by 10 points with less than a minute on the clock. It looked like Lake Preston would be headed to the state tournament when the Hamlin players began making fouls on the Divers.

Each time Lake Preston missed a free throw, Hamlin gained control of the ball, ran it down the court and scored. With time running out and Lake Preston up by two, Hamlin Charger Mark Tetzlaff made a basket from more than 30 feet away. This was before 3-pointers, so he only scored two.

According to Diver fan Bob Bode, the ball went high, "shaking the dust off the rafters." Bode stated it "took an eternity" for the ball to come down and hit the back of the rim before going through the net.

"Everyone thought we were going to go into overtime," Bode said.

However, with no time left on the clock, a referee called a foul on a Lake Preston player. Several Lake Preston fans thought that was a bad call. At any rate, Tetzlaff made the free throw, and Hamlin won the game and the slot at the state tournament.

The Divers were coached that year by Jack Schultz and finished 19-3 for the season. The Divers captured both District and Conference Championship.

Lake Preston

LOOKING BACK

1972: Odden Charolais win Grand Champion Bull at show

10 YEARS AGO

February 8, 2012

The Lady Divers took on the Great Plains Lutheran Panthers on Jan. 31. It was a scrappy game that went into overtime, but the Divers came out on top with some outstanding stats. **Ciera Jensen** was the leading scorer with 19 points, followed by **Kimberly Cleveland** with 14 and **Brooke Virchow** with 7. Jensen also led in rebounds, hustling for 10; she was again followed by Cleveland who snatched 7. **Kristin Longville** and Jensen each forced the Panthers to give away the ball three times apiece. The final score was 56-52 with Lady Divers on top.

25 YEARS AGO

February 6, 1997

LPHS students received a superior in regional one-act play competition on Jan. 29 in Huron and will advance to state competition in Aberdeen later this month. Cast members of "Balcony Scene" are **Matt Warne, Nathan Sanderson, Troy Nystrom, Damian Potvin, Val Kazmerzak, Jeani Anderson, Amber Boyd and Mary Gilbertson**. Stage technicians are **Adam Sorenson and Paul Kazmerzak**. In addition to the cast award, Warne, Sanderson, Kazmerzak and Potvin each received individual acting awards.

Lake Preston 5th graders completed the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program and were recognized at graduation ceremonies last week. The program instructed by school guidance counselor **Cathy Nelson** and SD Highway Patrol officer **Rod Grismer** helps students make healthy choices and increases



TEN YEARS AGO: More than 300 fishermen took part in the second annual Lake Thompson Ice Fishing Derby on Feb. 4, sponsored by Kingsbury Ducks Unlimited. The total grew from 215 a year ago, and when combined with the estimated 150-200 visitors and spectators, this year's derby can be considered a tremendous success.

self-esteem to assist them with peer pressure. **Dustin Jones, Janae Thomsen and Lance Wilde** were selected to read personal commitments during the program. This year's graduates are **Monte Casper, Levi Fawcett, Chris Hanson, Isaac Jensen, Dustin Jones, Ryan Kazmerzak, Brad Larson, Daniel McLaughlin, Angie Noem, Adam Odden, Tom Penn, Katherine Stewart, Jacob Swanson, Janae Thomsen, Camille Cass, Melanie Vedvei, Kyle Virchow, Lance Wilde and Kathy Zeack**.

50 YEARS AGO

February 10, 1972

Grand Champion bull in the show topped four awards won by as many animals shown and sold by Lake Preston stockmen in the Charolais show and sale in last week's Sioux Empire Fair in Sioux Falls. The top award was won by a 15-month-old bull consigned by Odden Charolais of Lake

Preston. The animal, first in the senior calf class, was then rated champion bull of the show and brought \$1975 in the sale. Wienk Charolais also entered two animals and won first place in their class with each entry. The Charolais division of the show again this year led all breeds in both numbers of entries and average price recovered in the sales.

Margaret Svihel is on the first semester honor roll at Northern State University in Aberdeen.

Dena Falla has been named Lake Preston's Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow for 1972. She was chosen on the basis of her score in a written knowledge and aptitude exam taken on Dec. 7, and she received a specially designed award charm from General Mills.

Ralph's TV announces a silver anniversary sale of RCA TV sets. The RCA special is the XL-100- 100% solid state accu-color TV for \$649.95 (with

trade).

75 YEARS AGO

February 6, 1947

Very few, either young or old, have ever witnessed such weather as descended upon this community Monday when snow and dust blew with a terrific NW wind with temperatures hovering around 20 below. Last week, we had a heavy snow fall of 7 inches, and on Monday, buses did not operate, trains were late and many cars were stalled. We have often heard the story of black snow; now, we know just what it is.

Billie Kohlwey and Delores Green were on top of the race for speed and accuracy in the first year of typing class. **Margene Ryland** is the most consistent student, with other outstanding students being **Audrey Eid, Dorothy Tolzin, Ruby Sjolie, Gordon Barlow, Walter Olson, Jimmy Lyle, Betty Smith and Betty Sharkowski**.

100 YEARS AGO

February 9, 1922

The Standard Oil Company made a change in managers of the Lake Preston station about the first of the month, and the report is that numerous changes have been made along the line. **D.R. Pattee** resigned as manager, and **S.A. Archer** took his place. "Slim" Archer, as he is always called since before he graduated from high school, even if he is not so slim anymore, is an energetic young man; we believe he will make good in his new position.

E.M. Peterson is now the proprietor of the basement barbershop in the Bank of LP building.

CITY COUNCIL

City Council looking to future needs

New water tower priority in water-sewer project

BY DONNA PALMLUND

Kingsbury Journal

At Monday's Lake Preston City Council meeting, council members

- voted unanimously to purchase 1.7 acres from Doug and Tonya Bumann near Silver Plains Assisted Living for the price of \$7,500 for the new water tower. Mayor Andy Wienk stated that the elevation of this property is higher than others in the city, and they can avoid some of the construction problems they would have in the center of town as well as save about \$200,000. Cost and safety concerns are a factor. Doug Bumann is a city employee, and council member Kristen Longville wants people to understand that this had nothing to do with the Bumanns being offered the deal, and that Banner Associates, Inc., had suggested this location. The contractor agreed. The new water tower is the first step in the water and sewer project.

Property owners who live in phase one of the project should contact contractors if they wish to have new wa-

ter and sewer lines installed from the streets to their properties. This would be at the homeowners' expense, but they would be able to save money by having it done at this time.

- heard from Lake Preston volunteer firefighter Jayden Woodcock who requested a \$13,000 interest-free loan for the fire department to be used toward the purchase of a jet ski and utility terrain vehicle (UTV) to assist with water rescues. The request was approved.

- discussed the contract law agreement regarding guaranteed hours with law enforcement present that the city has with the Kingsbury County Sheriff's Department. There is law enforcement presence in these communities for more than the contracted hours, and the contracted hours are extra. State's Attorney Gary Schumacher will be sending the agreements to each city that has a contract law agreement. Longville pointed out that Lake Preston is currently contracted for 15 hours a week, Arlington for 45 and De Smet for 50. They will discuss the 2023 contract in July and increasing Lake Preston's hours for next year.

"I'm not saying we have to increase hours this year," Longville

stated. Wienk commented that in the future, more people will be in the community (with the wind farm and Gevo plant). With extra people, there will be extra issues.

- discussed nuisance properties

belonging to people who have not resolved their issues. Three attempts have been made by the city with no resolution; the next step is to have the sheriff's department hand deliver notices.

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CITY COUNCIL: Housing is big topic of discussion

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“We’ve had to do it before, and we’ll do it again,” Wienk said. Longville stated they should start looking at businesses on Main Street as well.

“There are some that have had broken windows for years and chipped paint. If we are going to get after one person, we can’t overlook the businesses either.”

- City Finance Officer Brenda Klug inquired about increasing rent for the community room. Currently, the space is rented for \$35, but the American Legion Hall rents for more. They will look at what comparable spaces in other towns charge for rent and decide.

Klug also stated she has gotten phone calls from people wishing to reserve all the camping spaces in the park for specific weekends this summer.

“How can we rent all of the spots for a weekend in July if we have construction workers staying?” Wienk commented that construction on the wind towers might begin this spring. There was discussion about setting long-term rates for the workers who will be in the area all season. The city has added eight long-term camping spots to the campground at the park.

Council member Trent Nelson speculated that Gevo might rent or buy houses in the area and put beds in them for workers.

Nelson also questioned where the city is going to pile the asphalt left behind from the street project, a question that council will discuss further.

Council member Donna Bumann, also on the development board, said the development board is looking into hiring someone to investigate bringing businesses and other opportunities to Lake Preston, as well as apply for grants. Wienk had spoken with Todd Keys of First District Planning about grants that will be coming up in April, some of which Lake Preston may be eligible for.

“They are well aware of what we are trying to do in town, and what’s going on here,” Wienk stated.

- Due to significant new housing planned near the former Kingsbury Memorial Manor location, people who live in nearby apartments will not be able to park their campers and boats on that land anymore. Klug will inform the property owners, so they can notify their tenants.

- The city recently surveyed parents to gather interest in league baseball for their children this summer.

An issue with not belonging to a league was having enough participants or very many games scheduled. Council member Joe Schnell said the parents he spoke with did not care either way. Wienk said he spoke to two who would rather “handle the load” themselves. Council member John McMasters asked if they would get enough participants. Wienk stated that there were 16 youngsters interested, but he did not know the ages of all of them. Council member Brian Verhey stated that the coaches should be the ones to make that determination. With not enough games being one of the biggest problems, Verhey said he would like to encourage at least one game a week.

- Bumann asked what the city can do to create another industrial park. “Does it have to be in city limits? What are expectations?” she queried.

Wienk stated that the city does not have the land, and he did not know of any farmers on the edge of town who would want to give up theirs.

Annexing land into the city for this purpose would have to be done by a public vote, and they would have to show reason and a benefit.

“I want to be good neighbors,” he said.

The entire cast and crew



THE PRAIRIE DOC

JILL KRUSE, D.O.

WHEN YOU WATCH a medical drama on television, the main characters are generally doctors, nurses and patients. We rarely learn about the many extras in the background. In an actual hospital, patients are cared for by their doctors and nurses, along with a large supporting cast and crew. Many of these people, on stage and behind the scenes, rarely get their name in lights. I would like to introduce them now.

Before a patient arrives at the hospital, we often rely on emergency medical technicians (EMTs) and transport teams to safely bring them to the hospital via ground ambulance, helicopter and airplane.

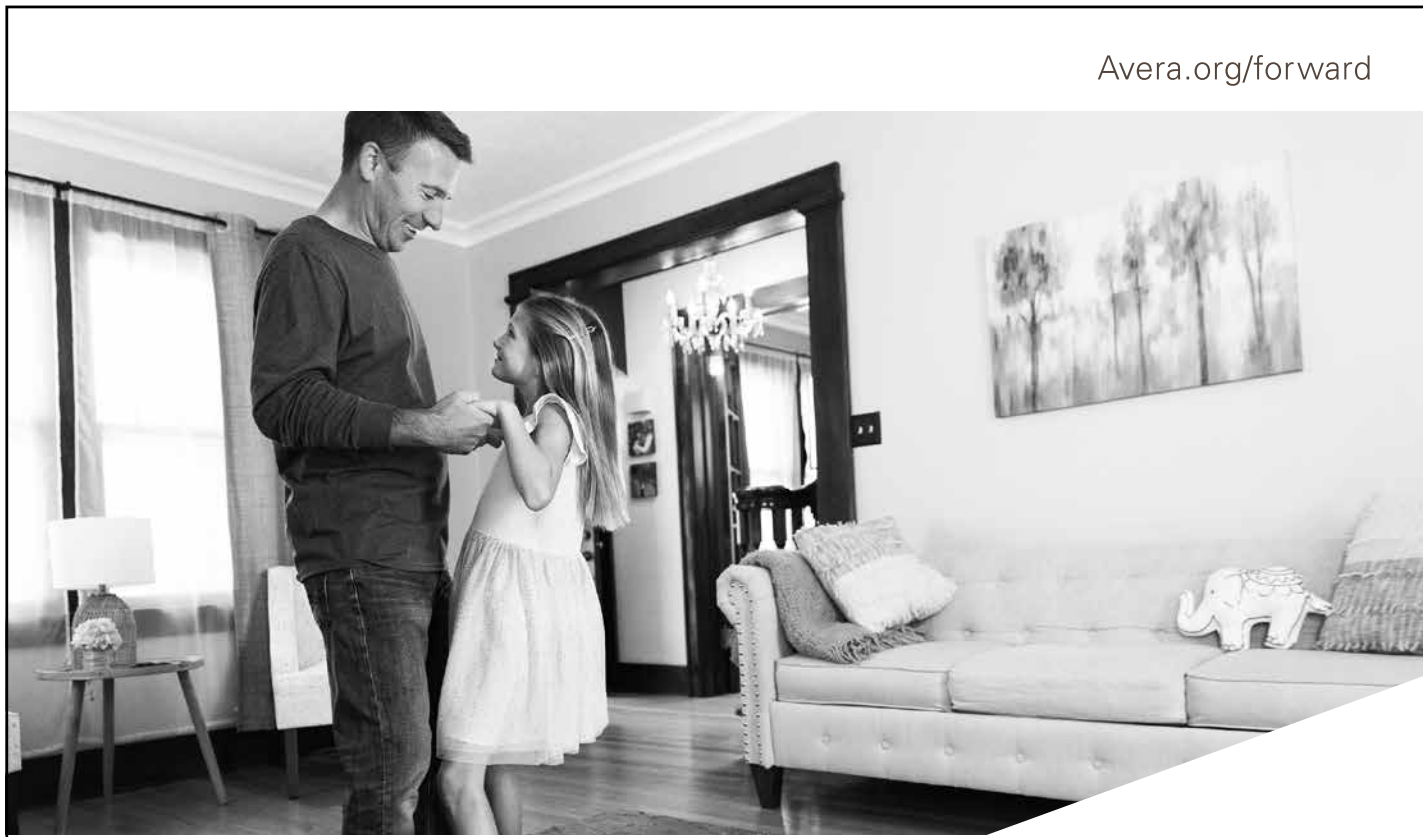
Once the patient reaches their hospital room, those providing direct patient care include nursing assistants and patient care techs. They literally do much of the heavy lifting in the hospital. There is an entire team of therapists including physical, occupational, speech and respiratory, who play a role in developing a rehabilitation plan for each patient. Wound care nurses help manage complex wounds and ostomies. Various radiology techs, phlebotomists and lab staff help administer the tests needed to diagnose patients.

Some play the role of a teacher at the hospital. Dietitians, pharmacists and diabetic educators help patients learn about their conditions, medications and behaviors that can help them live healthier lives. Social workers and case management teams arrange after-care plans including social support, which take effect when the patient is discharged. Many hospitals have palliative care teams and hospice teams whose primary goal is reducing suffering and easing pain. Pastoral care teams help with emotional and spiritual support for patients and their family.

We perform our jobs in a clean, healthy environment thanks to the dietary and kitchen staff, maintenance crew and housekeeping team. Without them we would be hungry, thirsty and cold, without clean sheets, gowns and towels.

Information Technology departments maintain patient portals and electronic medical record systems, giving patients and their care teams access to essential information. Billing, coding and insurance filers ensure the patient data entered is accurate and timely, and there are many others I won’t have the time to mention here.

As a hospitalist, I’m a big fan. I get to work with these professionals every day, and each of them is a star of the show in my opinion. Television and movies may give doctors and nurses all the attention, but I hope I’ve successfully turned the spotlight on the entire cast and crew doing their part for a successful patient story. I hope you join the fan club!



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Punxsutawney Phil's Predictions

BY: SOPHIA BARR

Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow on Wednesday, February 2nd in a western town in Philadelphia. Tens of thousands of people had flocked and crowded around to witness Punxsutawney in all his glory, and to watch the ceremony.

The gathering was held and hosted by the Punxsutawney Groundhog Club. It was determined that there would be six more weeks of winter with below-average temperatures in store. But just how accurate could this prediction really be?

Well last year, Punxsutawney had predicted that there would be six more weeks of winter then, too - and his prediction was (somewhat) correct! The U.S saw below average temperatures in February, experiencing above average temperatures in March.

However, that doesn't mean we should

take his predictions all too seriously (he is a groundhog after all, not a weather satellite).

According to Stormfax Almanac, Phil and his predecessors have always predicted for there to be longer winters than they have early spring (104 winters : 20 springs) since the year 1887. Take note, that 9 years are missing from this count/ratio, and weren't recorded, altering the data.

But based on the ratio that we know of already, an analysis conducted by Live Science determined that Phil's predictions have been correct around 39 % of the time, and 40 % of the time in the past ten years. So who knows? Maybe he'll be correct, maybe he won't. Nonetheless, it's always fun to see Punxsutawney Phil emerge from his burrow, and to celebrate Groundhog Day!

Meet the Class of 2030

BY: EMILY JENNINGS

Mrs. Lacey Holt's class and Mrs. Lexi Johnson's class were asked where is the smelliest place they have been and why. Mrs. Holt's 4th graders had some interesting answers. Nate Wilkinson said his farm is the smelliest place he has been because of all of the cow manure. Adilynne Schaefer said the smelliest place

she had been was her barn because she had to do chores. Mrs. Johnson's class also had some very interesting answers. Jace Hojer said his farm is the smelliest place because of all of the animals. Garret Smith said when he was by a dead deer because he shot it. They had lots of fun answering these questions and even had some group discussions too.

Consequences for Being Late?

BY: ELLA POPPINGA

According to teachers, Mrs. Sanderson, Mrs. Geyer, and Mr. Haugen, time management and responsibility are skills that they would like students to possess or learn. Mr. Haugen takes it one step further by sharing this, "If you're early, you're on time, if you're on time, you're late." Mrs. Geyer believes being on time is a characteristic that employers are interested in. All of the teachers stated that there should be consequences if a student is tardy according to the current school policy for an unexcused reason or if it is a frequent occurrence.

When I asked students, Julie Anderson and Clayton Crowe, they both stated that consequences should only apply if tardiness is a long standing routine problem. There should be grace given to students if being tardy is only a sporadic issue. I agree with both the teachers and fellow students. There should be standards set by the school so that students know the expectations and are given the opportunity to develop life skills. Consequences should be in place for those who struggle with the guidelines. Each tardy occurrence should be explained by the student and evaluated by school officials.

School Events

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- Cheer Camp @ 3:45pm
- 7 BBB V. Castlewood @ 4pm
- 8 BBB V. Castlewood @ 5pm
- JV BBB V. Castlewood @ 6:15pm
- BBB V. Castlewood @ 7:30pm

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- C BBB V. Flandreau @ 4pm
- JV GBB V. Flandreau @ 4pm
- JV BBB V. Flandreau @ 5pm
- Music Booster Feed @ 5pm
- V GBB V. Flandreau @ 6:15pm
- V BBB V. Flandreau @ 7:30pm
- Wrestling @ Clark @ 5pm

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- BBB & CHEER Senior Night
- JH BBB V. Wols/Wess @ 5pm
- JV BBB V. Wols/Wess @ 6:16pm
- BBB V. Wols/Wess @ 7:30pm

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11

- JH GBB V. ORR @ Rutland @ 5pm
- JV GBB V. ORR @ Rutland @ 6pm
- GBB V. ORR @ Rutland @ 7:30pm
- Wrestling @ Flandreau @ 5pm

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12

- C BBB V. Northwestern @ 11am
- JV BBB V. Northwestern @ 12pm
- FCCLA MS Carnival of Hearts @ 5pm

Double Trouble - Part 3

BY: WILLEM LIM

The monocled man descended from the ceiling on one of those swings you'd find in someone's backyard. I tried to look where it was descending from, but the rope connected to the seat went all the way up into the darkness. Just how tall was this place? The monocled man was about fifteen feet above the ground when he suddenly leaped off the swing, face-planting into the ground. I walked up to him, confused, scared, but most of all curious about this strange man. I extended my foot and tapped his shoulder to see if he was still alive. He didn't move. I cautiously moved in even closer than before, and grabbed his shoulder, which to my surprise deflated! I jumped back and realized his body, or what I thought was his body, was just a pile of clothes. Immediately, I started to turn towards the entrance, until something aggressively grabbed and pulled my shoulder.

"Hello my dear boy!" The man said.

I screamed, and in one quick motion, I punched him in the face. With a thud, he dropped to the floor, unconscious. I panicked, not knowing what to do with his body. After trying to kick, slap, and punch

him awake, I decided that it was probably just best to wait it out. So I waited.

After about an hour, the man groaned, pushed himself off the ground, and extended his hand to me. "

Are you a boxer?" he asked, "Because you, my boy, have a mean left hook!"

I grabbed his hand and shook it awkwardly. "Umm thanks, I guess?"

After some time the Old Man, who then introduced himself as Jimmy Spyre Azonos II, or James for short, took me to a giant, empty, room with a kitchen and dining table in the dead center of it. He sat me down on one end of the long table, and sat over on the other end of it. He stared at me aggressively for a few minutes, both eyes wide open, total concentration, until he finally broke into a smile.

"So, my boy, what do you want?" He asked me.

I thought for a moment. What did I want? After all this time, I forgot what I truly came here for. And that was that I did not want to go to school! A few seconds passed, and I finally responded to him.

"I want to-

Players ready to shine

BY: JACIE MCCUNE

DeSmet students Gannon Gruenhagen, Cori Birkel, and Blake Jennings from DeSmet High School share experiences about their participation in sports during the 2021-2022 school year. These are players who have the ability to step up for a position when they are needed. Being featured in the newspaper gives them a chance to shine.

Gannon Gruenhagen has been playing basketball since fourth grade as a guard for the DeSmet Bulldogs. Gruenhagen says that his favorite part about playing basketball is playing with his teammates because they are always fun to be around. His goal for the 2021-2022 football season is to win a state championship.

Cori Birkel is also a junior and has been playing basketball since third grade as a forward. Birkel says that her favorite part about playing basketball is playing with her teammates. Her goal for the 2021-2022 season is to go to the state tournament. Blake Jennings is an eighth-grader from DeSmet Middle School. Jennings wrestles for the Kingsbury Knights and has been wrestling for eight years. The weight class he wrestles at is 120. Jennings says his favorite part about wrestling is going to tournaments and wrestling new people. Jennings's goal for the season is to qualify for and medal at the state tournament. These students have the potential to step up, use their talents, and become leaders on their teams.



Junior Gannon Gruenhagen takes a shot.



Junior Cori Birkel shoots a free throw.



Eighth-grader Blake Jennings wrestles in a dual match.



THE BULLDOG BARK STAFF

Advisor: Mrs. Lindsay Nolte; Team Members: Jacie McCune, Ella Poppinga, Emily Jennings, Willem Lim, Sophia Barr

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10: Taco Salad w/ protein and vegetables, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11: Loaded Baked Potato w/ Ham, Cheese, Broccoli, Fruit, Bun

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14: Chicken Noodle Soup, Vegetable, Meat Sandwich, Fruit, Dessert

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15: Goulash, Vegetable, Fruit, Bun

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16: Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Diced Potatoes, Vegetable, Fruit, Dessert

School Lunch

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10: Sub Sandwich, Smile Potatoes, Grapes

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11: Pizza, Corn, Orange

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14: Cheese Omelet, Mini French Toast, Tater Triangles, Fruit Juice

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15: Hamburger on Bun, Baked Beans, Strawberry Cup, Birthday Cake

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16: Lasagna, Lettuce, Peaches, French Bread

NEWS BRIEF

Busy weekend? Lots of fun around town planned!

A busy weekend is planned for De Smet! Start Saturday off right by grabbing the coupon ad on page 2 and head around town to shop! See the ad for individual store hours.

Our District 22 Legislators will be at The Oxbow Restaurant on Feb. 12, 2022 at 11 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend!

On Sunday, watch the Super Bowl at the Legion Hall!

Ice Skating rink is open for business

The ice skating rink that is across from the De Smet Event Center is open! If you don't have skates, there are some to rent out from the Event Center. They are open from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Monday - Friday. If you want to skate during the weekend, rent them out on Friday and bring them back on Monday. If you have questions, call Kristy at the Event Center at 605-854-6060.

De Smet Emergency Rescue Ambulance Calls — January 2022

Avera De Smet Hospital — 7
Helicopter (Helipad) — 4
Fixed Wing (Airport) — 5
Avera McKennan, Sioux Falls — 1

Total Calls — 17

Total Call Hours — 34

YOUTH BASKETBALL



Fifth-graders learning to play the game

The De Smet 5th grade girls basketball team headed to Lake Preston Saturday and took on Estelline and Lake Preston. The De Smet girls came up short against both teams but had a fun day of basketball. The team is coached by Ryan Schoenfelder, Mark Aughenbaugh and Harvey Hubbard. Above, Amanda Dylla playing tough defense against Estelline. Top right, Vada Albrecht hits a jump shot and bottom right, Kate Framstad steals a pass. (Submitted photos)



Scholarship Fund solicitation has begun

Letters soliciting contributions to the De Smet Community Scholarship Program have been mailed, and program organizers hope support meets or exceeds previous years' levels. The financial support received from the community has helped De Smet students afford the opportunity to pursue their career goals and has been greatly appreciated by students.

Kari Dossett, De Smet High School counselor, said the program awarded close to \$10,000 in scholarships ranging in value from \$500-\$2,500 to students of the 2021 graduating class. Upon the completion of the first semester of post-secondary education, recipients were able to claim their scholarship funds by presenting proof of full-time attendance with a minimum of at least a 2.0 (C) average.

Letters have gone out to service organizations, businesses, and individu-

als and families who have contributed in past years. Some families have contributed money from memorial funds. There is no minimum or maximum amount the program will accept.

Every contributor, whether business or family, has the option of being involved in the scholarship selection process.

The first meeting of the selection committee will be March 4 at 11:45 a.m. At that time, the members will review the selection process and receive their packet of completed scholarship applications for this year.

A second meeting will be held on April 8 for the purpose of interviewing seniors who have applied for scholarship funds. Interviews are conducted from a standardized list of questions, and students are assigned a numerical score based on the written application and interview, which is then used to

make scholarship awards. All students who submit a written application and participate in the interview process will receive a scholarship. The size of scholarship awards depends largely on the amount collected each year.

Recipients are judged on scholarship, character and need, with scholarship being the most important. Students get their money the following January for their second semester of college or technical school.

Scholarship recipients will be announced at the graduation ceremony on May 7 at 2:00 p.m.

Questions regarding the De Smet Community Scholarship can be answered by Kari Dossett, school counselor, at (605) 854-3423 or kari.dossett@k12.sd.us.

Contributions may be sent to: De Smet Community Scholarship Fund, PO Box 157, De Smet, SD 57231.

SENIOR FEATURE: BELLA KRETZSCHMAR

Will miss being with her friends the most

On Nov. 26, 2003, Bella Kretzschmar was born to parents Leena and Chad. She grew up with four siblings and loves to go 4-wheeling with them. With the rest of her family, she enjoys spending time at Wild Water West. When she was younger, she used to imagine herself as an astronaut. One of her favorite childhood memories was when she went tubing at Lake Norden.

At school, Kretzschmar is a senior and has been involved in FFA for five years, choir for six years, cheerleading for three years, band for eight years and show

choir for four years. One of her proudest accomplishments was when she was vice president of the De Smet FFA Chapter. A junior high memory that she was quite fond of was the time she duct-taped Mr. Hoek to the gym wall. Her favorite high school memories were the 2021 Homecoming and Prom, along with the boys basketball championship. She also really liked being in Art 1 with all of her friends.

When Kretzschmar graduates, she will miss being with her friends the most. After high school she will attend SDSU, where she plans to become an interior designer.



DAYS GONE BY

1887: Captain Ruth serves discharges for Company E

10 YEARS AGO

February 8, 2012

More than 300 fishermen from North and South Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska and Minnesota took part in the 2nd Annual Lake Thompson Ice Fishing Derby held Sat., Feb. 4 on Lake Thompson, sponsored by Kingsbury County Ducks Unlimited. That total grew from 215 a year ago, and when combined with the estimated 150 to 200 other visitors and spectators, this year's ice derby can be considered a tremendous success. "There were a variety of fishermen present," said Kingsbury County Ducks Unlimited's **James Girard**. "Many fishermen stayed the entire weekend, which was a boost for the local economy. We had a visit from **Rep. Jim White**. Also participating in the event was **Rad Bortnem** from the television show Wild Dakota. It was a great time for all involved," Girard said.



TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO: Senior Josh Pommer drives around a Sioux Valley player. De Smet won on a last-minute 3-pointer put in by Buster Vincent.

her LPN degree from Southeast Technical Institute, she worked at Huron Regional Medical Center before returning to the De Smet Good Samaritan Center in 1973. In 1990, Driscoll returned to school and obtained her

25 YEARS AGO

February 5, 1997

Jackie Driscoll has been chosen as De Smet Good Samaritan Center's Employee of the Year by her fellow employees. Driscoll is a charge nurse and usually works during the morning shift. She began working at the De Smet Good Samaritan Center in 1968 as a candy striper under the supervision of **Phyllis Bell**. After receiving

RN degree from Huron University. She and husband **Bill** live on a farm southwest of De Smet and have two children. In her spare time, Driscoll likes crocheting, doing counted cross-stitch and reading.

50 YEARS AGO

February 10, 1972

Mrs. Ida B. Belzer was 86 years old Thurs., Feb. 3, and on Sunday her immediate family gathered at the Emiel Belzer home to observe her birthday. Her daughter **Mrs. Norman (Jean) Gjesdal** and family came from Plankinton, and **Dr. and Mrs. Marcus Chase** came from Watertown. **Mr. and Mrs. Vern Belzer** of De Smet were also there. Mrs. Belzer is in fairly good health and gets around in a wheel chair at the Good Samaritan Center, where she resides.

75 YEARS AGO

February 6, 1947

Improvement is being made this week at the Congregational Church in the removal of the balcony at the rear of the auditorium to increase its size to the full length of the main structure. The decision to make the change was reached by the board of trustees of the church at a meeting Sunday, after some months of consideration. **Merle Melstad**, assisted by **Robert**, started work Monday morn-

ing. The balcony had been built at the time the church was remodeled in the first decade of the century to provide added seating capacity. The second floor had been used very infrequently in recent years – the room beneath it serving for Sunday School and added seating of the church auditorium when needed. Removal of the balcony structure exposes the full size of the large colored glass window in the north end of the church, beautifying the interior as well as increasing the capacity and improving the heating and ventilation.

135 YEARS AGO

February 12, 1887

Rev. E. Brown will preach in Couse's Hall (the opera house) on Sunday evening.

Capt. Ruth has the discharges of Company E and is giving them out as fast as they are called for. Co. E is certainly in excellent condition financially. It has as good of uniforms as any in the Territory, and its flag is of the finest; still, it has to its credit about \$400. Several companies in the Territory are several thousand dollars in debt.

Very fortunate there is a good supply of coal in town, and there need be no suffering from lack of it during this blockade.



Knights of Columbus free throw district winners

Carter Wilkinson, left, won the 13-year-old division, and **Gatlin Wienk** won the 12-year-old division at the district free throw competition Sunday in Huron. State qualifiers will not be announced until district competitions have been completed. (Submitted Photo)



Let's get fired up!

The De Smet student section was all fired up during the game on Friday night in Sioux Falls. They took full advantage of the nice weather and dressed up in their Hawaii attire for the night. (Photo by Mike Siefker)



Who's the lucky duck?

Bulldog fans chuck ducks to support FCCLA during basketball games this season. Fans buy ducks for \$2. At halftime, they 'chuck a duck' to the mascot at center court. The fan whose duck lands closest to the Bulldog's collar wins \$20, with all proceeds going to the FCCLA. (Photo by Mike Siefker)



Join the Kingsbury Conservation District for a tree pruning workshop on Tuesday, Feb. 15th, 1:00 p.m. at the De Smet Event Center. Admission is free.

SDSU Professor, John Ball the Forestry Specialist & South Dakota Department of Agriculture Forest Health Specialist will be available to discuss and demonstrate how to prune fruit and decorative trees.

This workshop has been designed to help assist individuals with tree care and maintenance. We encourage all to attend that have previously purchased trees from their local conservation districts. Trees are an investment that requires proper tree care; however, pruning or removing trees, especially large trees, can be dangerous and tedious work.

District employees will be present to assist you with your 2022 tree planting needs. A variety of fruit trees and decorative trees can be ordered for spring pickup at this time.

Spring 2022 Fruit Trees Available

Fruit trees include Mount Royal Plum Blue, Superior Plum, Meteor Cherry, North Start Cherry, Red Barron Apple Tree,

Honey Gold Apple Tree, Honeycrisp Apple Tree, Bed Regent Apple Tree, Zestar Apple Tree, Hat Trick Apple Tree, Patten Pear Tree, Summercrisp Pear, and Brookcot Apricot.

Spring 2022 Decorative Trees Available

Decorative trees include Northern Catalpa, Yellowwood Cladrastis, Red Sunset Maple, Autumn Blaze Maple, Royal Red Maple, Fall Fiesta Sugar Maple, Adirondack Crab, Pink Spires Crab, Prairie Fire Crab, Canada Red Select Cherry, Japanese Tree Lilac, Boulevard Linden, Northern Red Oak

Admission is free but we encourage participants to call the office to RSVP at (605)854-3183.

BANCROFT NEWS

1962: Rain started on May 9 and didn't end until June 1

BY ROSE GROTHE

Ted Haug was the speaker at the Presbyterian Church on Nov. 6. Thank you, Ted, for a very informative service. Mrs. Haug led the congregational singing and also provided special music. Thank you, Kaye, for such beautiful music.

While sitting at the Oxbow on Friday evening, enjoying looking at the clouds, I noticed the snow on the roofs of the older Cottage Motel rooms. Where the southern row and the western row came together, it looked like the wingspread of an eagle just

getting ready to land. I hope someone else noticed that as well, because it was very unique, reminding me of the white angel wings painted on the south side of the Ward's Store.

The large pile of corn that was on the south side of 200th St. has been hauled away. There are two smaller piles on the north side of the street that will soon be loaded up and hauled away, hopefully before they get covered up with more snow. The little skiff we got this morning didn't last very long, but a few flakes kept coming throughout a good part of the day.

Saw this the other day: The ability to speak in several languages is an asset, but the ability to keep your mouth shut in any language is priceless.

HISTORY (CONTINUED)

Another hardship occurred on July 13, 1941, when the Albert Rusche home burned, taking with it a great deal of local history. In 1946, local businessman Frank Hoover died in a freak accident at his elevator. On May 9, 1962, the rain began and didn't stop until June 1, leaving over 20 inches of rainfall. It took out several culverts, including the ones at the big corner east

of Bancroft and the Manchester Road. It was one of the wettest years ever. Many had gotten ready to plant corn on May 8, but the corn never got planted that year. Many days were spent pumping water out of basements.

School reorganization had been taking place in this county and township since the 1930's; it closed the town school at Osceola. Its next victim would be the high school of Bancroft in 1968, and it took its final bite, when in 1969, the town grade school was closed. This would prove to be the last major hardship, and one which may well have killed the town.

LOCAL CORRESPONDENTS

SPIRIT LAKE NEWS

Spirit Lake Presbyterian Church Worship Service Sunday at 10:30 a.m. FM Radio 88.1, Live Facebook. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. All welcome. Pastor Dick Poppen speaks on KWAT radio Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Youth Group from 6 to 8 p.m. as weather permits.

Patti Larson was installed as Elder and Jay Waldow as Deacon on Sunday at Spirit Lake Presbyterian Church.

Aubrey Waldow treated the congregation with cupcakes in honor of her 11th birthday Sunday.

Eliza Larson, daughter of Daron and Ann, and Calla Larson, daughter of Derick and Patti, participated in a sixth grade Willow Lake girls basketball tournament in Bryant, Sunday. With each on a different team, they defeated De Smet and then lost to Hamlin. Diane, Derick, Patti, Daron and Ann Larson attended.

Ann Larson visited the Cork Poppens' on Wednesday.

They say the groundhog saw his shadow, so brace yourself for more winter. So far, we have been lucky.

Valentine's Day is coming. Will you remember your special Valentine? A note card, text, gift or simply a kind word to someone special will do.

Valentine's Day in my youth was a fun day. In school we made a large box all decorated in red and white for all students to put their valentines in for classmates. Some had suckers attached; some were silly, others thoughtful.

I got one from a couple of great grandkids already. What a treasure. They were hand drawn and colored, making it even more special.

Anyway, Happy Valentine's Day, all.

— ILLDENA POPPEN

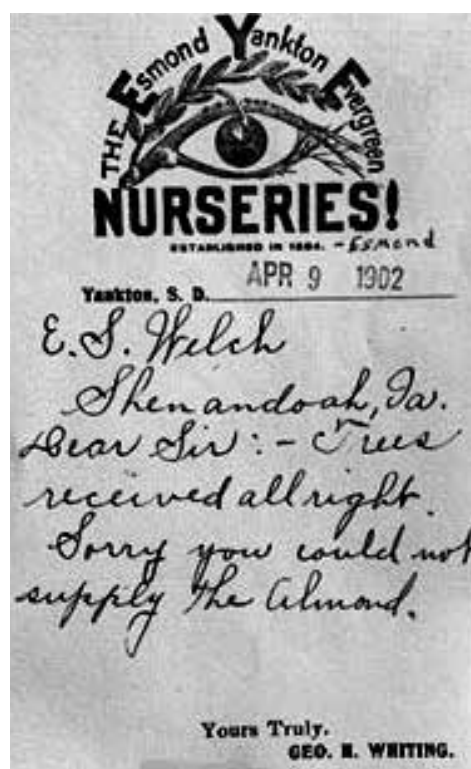
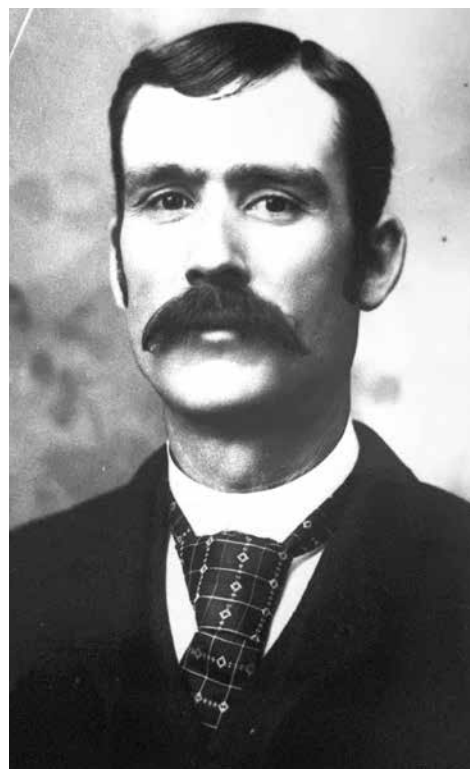
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ESMOND NEWS



1889: Establishing a nursery

BY LORI WEHLANDER

Richard and Nancy Bornitz hosted a birthday party for their 7-year-old granddaughter Regan Sherman this past weekend.

Annette and Charemon Dunham attended the Legion meeting at the Iroquois Legion Hall on Feb. 3. They also continue to present the colors at the home basketball games.

Baylee and Abbey Clendening of Belle Fourche, granddaughters of the Clendening's, entered the Beef Cook-off held during the Black Hills Stock Show. Baylee placed first in her division, and

Abbey placed high in her division.

HISTORY NOTE

George H. Whiting (above) was an early resident of Esmond, and while living here, was elected to the first House of Representatives in 1889. He was married to Jennie Dewey, the original owner of the lots where the church stands now. His nursery was located on the farm where Mark and Kara Aughenbaugh currently live. When Whiting left Esmond, sometime around 1900, he went to Yankton and established the Esmond-Yankton Evergreen Nurseries.

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CARTHAGE NEWS

1981: Two day
rodeo held
with lots of
activities

BY LORELEE NELSON

Trinity Lutheran Church will have Worship on Sun., Feb. 13 at 11 a.m. with the Sunday School singing. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m. Visitors are always welcome.

Trinity Women of the ELCA will meet Thurs., Feb. 17 at 2 p.m. at Lorelee Nelson's.

David and Connie Hattervig were in Sioux Falls last Friday and visited their family, Levi and Kathryn, Logan and Danielle, and Lucas and Joni at Lucas' home.

Harriet Hattervig, Charline Peterson and Mark and Lisa Hinkley had Sunday dinner together at Mark and Lisa's in De Smet.

DID YOU KNOW

A Carthage Rodeo Club sponsored rodeos at the rodeo grounds a mile and a half east of Carthage. The Carthage News, Sept. 23, 1981, has a write up of a recent rodeo. Highlights of the 2-day Amateur Rodeo held at the Carthage Rodeo grounds this past weekend turned out to be very unusual and a whole lot of fun. There was Junior Steer Wrestling; Wild Horse Race with three horses and 3-man teams in the arena at the same time; Wild Cow Milking with three teams in the arena at the same time; a free hog barbecue supper; Jackpot Roping, bronc and bull riding, which drew many good riders, some of them local; and Greased Pig Contests for the kids.



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**MUNICIPALITY OF BANCROFT
STATEMENT OF FUND CASH BALANCES
ALL FUNDS
DECEMBER 31, 2021
EXHIBIT L**

	General Fund	Total
Cash Assets:		
Cash in Checking Accounts	\$79,763.49	\$79,763.49
Savings Certificates	\$104,746.07	\$104,746.07
101 FUND CASH BALANCES	\$184,509.56	\$184,509.56

Municipal funds are deposited or invested with the following depositories:
 American Bank & Trust \$130,649.48
 Dakotaland Federal Credit Union \$56,860.15
\$184,509.56

**MUNICIPALITY OF BANCROFT
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS
& CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES
ALL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2021
EXHIBIT LL**

	General Fund	Total
Receipts (source):		
311 Property Taxes	\$3,164.19	\$3,164.19
311-319 Other Taxes (319)	\$4.31	\$4.31
335.1 Bank Franchise Tax	\$28.36	\$28.36
335.2 Prorate License Fees	\$453.49	\$453.49
335.3 Liquor Tax Reversion	\$139.23	\$139.23
335.4 Motor Vehicle Licenses (5%)	\$2593.96	\$2593.96
335.8 Local Government Highway and Bridge Fund	\$7,180.236	\$7,180.26
338.1 County Road Tax (25%)	\$90.79	\$90.79
338.2 County Highway and Bridge Reserve Tax (25%)	\$28.15	\$28.15
338.3 County Wheel Tax	\$546.98	\$546.98
361 Investment Earnings	\$1585.39	\$1585.39
363-369 Other Revenues (369)	\$2352.00	\$2352.00
Total Receipts	\$18,167.11	\$18,167.11
Disbursements (Function):		
411-419 General Government (414)	\$1,025.96	\$1,025.96
431 Highways and Streets (includes snow removal & street lights)	\$1,886.84	\$1,886.84
433-439 Other Public Works (435)	\$3,393.05	\$3,393.05
Total Disbursements	\$6,305.85	\$6,305.85
Subtotal of Receipts, Disbursements and Transfers	\$6,305.85	\$6,305.85
Fund Cash Balance, January 1, 2021	\$172,648.30	\$172,648.30
Fund Cash Balance, December 31, 2021	\$184,509.56	\$184,509.56

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**STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
IN CIRCUIT COURT
COUNTY OF KINGSBURY
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
ESTATE OF
ROBERT D. HAUCK,
38 PRO NO. 22-01.
DECEASED
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is given that on January 12, 2022 Reed W. Hauck, whose address is 21133 442nd Ave., Lake Preston, South Dakota 57249, Bradley D. Hauck, whose address is 43808 US Hwy 14, Lake Preston, South Dakota 57249, and Shelly R. Nelson, whose address is PO Box 325, Lake Preston, South Dakota 57249, were appointed as co-personal representative of the estate of Robert D. Hauck. Creditors of decedent must file their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or their claims may be barred.

Claims may be filed with the personal representative or may be filed with the clerk, and a copy of the claim mailed to the personal representative.

/s/ Reed W. Hauck
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 Lake Preston, SD 57249
 Tele. No. (605) 847-4801

/s/ Bradley D. Hauck
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**NOTICE OF AUDIT
OF THE FISCAL AFFAIRS OF THE
LAKE PRESTON SCHOOL
DISTRICT NO. 38-3**

Notice is hereby given that Lake Preston School District No. 38-3, Kingsbury County, South Dakota, has been audited by Schoenfish & Co., Inc., Parkston, South Dakota, for the year ended June 30, 2021. A detailed report thereon is available for public inspection, during normal business hours, at the business office of the School District, and also available at the Department of Legislative Audit in Pierre, South Dakota or on the Department of Legislative Audit website at http://www.state.sd.us/legislativeaudit/Reports/reports_all.htm.

The following finding and recommendation provide a brief description of material weaknesses in internal control, legal noncompliance and other matters that are described in more detail in the audit report.

Finding:
 A material weakness in internal controls was noted due to a lack of proper segregation of duties for revenues. This is a continuing audit comment since fiscal year 2001.

Recommendation:
 We recommend that the Lake Preston School District officials be cognizant of this lack of segregation of duties for revenues and attempt to provide compensating internal controls whenever, and wherever, possible and practical.

The report also contains the auditor's findings and recommendations concerning less significant deficiencies in internal control at the School District.

s/s: SCHOENFISH & CO., INC., CPA'S

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**KINGSBURY COUNTY
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
** UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES****

The Kingsbury County Commission convened acting as the Board of Adjustment on Wednesday, January 12, 2022, at 1:00 P.M. in the Courtroom of the Courthouse in De Smet, South Dakota, for the purpose of considering the CAFO Conditional Use Application of Kingston, LLC. Kingston LLC is requesting a Conditional Use, which if granted, the Conditional Use permit would allow up to 6,170 AU (up to: 15,072 swine over 55 lbs and up to 1,392 swine under 55 lbs) located in the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 7, Township 110 North, Range 57 West of the 5th P.M., Kingsbury County, South Dakota. Board members present were Roger Walls, Kyle Lee, Steve Spilde, Doug Kazmerzak and Corey Lundquist. Chairman Kazmerzak presided.

Also, in attendance included Curt Wehlander, Wade Geyer, Dennis Ranschau, Ronald Geyer, Winfred Noem, Kirk A. Aughenbaugh, Alan M. Aughenbaugh, Brad Werner, Nick Fitzgerald, Abby Hopp, Marty Rost, Jeff Madison, James Mourek, Gary Schumacher – States Attorney, Tammy Anderson – Director of Equalization, and Joe Jensen – Planning & Zoning Officer.

APPROVE AGENDA
 Motion by Walls and seconded by Lundquist to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES
 Motion by Lee and seconded by Lundquist to approve the minutes of October 19, 2021, with corrections noted. Motion carried.

Motion by Lee and seconded by Walls to approve the minutes of December 9, 2021, with corrections noted. Motion carried.

Motion by Lundquist and seconded by Lee to approve the minutes of December 21, 2021, with corrections noted. Motion carried.

Chairman Kazmerzak called for a motion to approve the conditional use permit of Kingston LLC for a Class A CAFO and bring the applica-

tion before the Board of Adjustment. Motion by Walls and seconded by Spilde.

Joe Jensen, Planning and Zoning Officer reviewed the purpose of the conditional use permit application for a Class A CAFO by Kingston LLC.

Gary Schumacher, States Attorney asked Jensen, Planning and Zoning, if the application was complete and if it was conforming to the Kingsbury County Planning and Zoning Ordinance. Jensen replied it was and that before a building permit for the project could be approved Kingston, LLC would need to provide the necessary state permits, proof of insurance and letter of Assurance.

Kirk Aughenbaugh provided information to the Board regarding the CAFO and introduced Nick Fitzgerald and Marty Ross from Five Stone Management.

Fitzgerald gave an overview of the project and stated the benefits it would provide, including jobs and purchase of locally grown grain.

Those who spoke in opposition to the CAFO included Curt Wehlander and Wade Geyer. Arguments for opposing the CAFO include manure management, location in relationship to another CAFO, and possibility of limiting local farmers to raise hogs.

Fitzgerald addressed the issues brought up by the opponents.

Kazmerzak declared the public hearing closed and opened discussion up to any concerns of the Board. A discussion was held on power outages, water usage, manure management, traffic, and road maintenance. Fitzgerald provided the Board with further details on same. Jensen explained they would be well within the required setbacks and would need to build their own road to the site.

Steffensen restated the motion to approve Kingston LLC's request for a conditional use permit for a Class A CAFO subject to conditions prescribed by the Board. The Board voted on the motion via roll call: Lunquist – aye, Kazmerzak – aye, Walls – aye, Spilde – aye and Lee – aye. Motion carried.

The Findings of Fact and Conclusions for the Kingston LLC Conditional Use Permit are on file at the Auditor Office.

Motion by Lundquist and seconded by Spilde to return to regular session. Motion carried.

Doug Kazmerzak, Chairman

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**KINGSBURY COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES
DE SMET, SOUTH DAKOTA
JANUARY 24, 2022**

The Kingsbury County Planning and Zoning Commission met Monday, January 24, 2022, at 10:32 A.M. in the Courtroom in the County Courthouse with Commissioner Kyle Lee attending via Zoom. Doug Kazmerzak, Steve Spilde, Roger Walls, and Corey Lundquist present.

Also attending were Joe Jensen,

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 Planning and Zoning Commission and Tammy Anderson – Director of Equalization. Chairman Jensen presided.

Attending via Zoom were Michelle Longville – Treasurer, Sheriff Strande and Mike Siefker – Kingsbury Journal.

REZONING HEARING – HAUCK’S BAY ADDITION

Jensen reviewed the file for the rezoning application for Lots 27 thru 35 of Hauck’s Bay Addition of Hauck’s Landing Development, A Part of Government Lots 2 & 3 of the Southwest ¼ of Section 22 TWP. 110 North, RGE. 55 West of the 5th P.M., Kingsbury County. To “LP” Lake Park from “AG” Agriculture.

The adjacent neighbors had been noticed of the hearing by certified mail with signature cards received. The application was complete, and no one appeared in opposition.

Reed Hauck appeared in support of the application providing an explanation of the lots in question. He explained the lots would have no lake access and would most likely be considered back lots. Jensen recommended the Board approve the rezoning request from Ag to Lake Park.

The Board discussed road maintenance, access to the lots, type of septic system, law enforcement needs and covenants.

Jensen asked if there were any proponents in attendance. There were none.

Jensen asked if there were any opponents in attendance. There were none.

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Kazmerzak that the rezoning request for Lots 27 thru 35 of Hauck’s Bay Addition of Hauck’s Landing Development, A Part of Government Lots 2 & 3 of the Southwest ¼ of Section 22 TWP. 110 North, RGE. 55 West of the 5th P.M., Kingsbury County to be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners with a recommendation for approval. Motion carried.

Motion by Lundquist and seconded by Walls to adjourn from Planning and Zoning and return to regular session. Motion carried.

 Joe Jensen, Chairman

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**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES
 DE SMET, SOUTH DAKOTA
 JANUARY 24, 2022**

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Monday, January 24, 2022, at 8:30 A.M. in the Courtroom of the County Courthouse with Commissioners Roger Walls, Steve Spilde, Corey Lundquist, and Doug Kazmerzak present. Commissioner Kyle Lee attended via Zoom. Chairman Kazmerzak presided.

Also attending via Zoom were Tammy Anderson – Director of Equalization, Michele Longville – Treasurer, Sheriff Strande and Mike Siefker - Kingsbury Journal.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Walls to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Kazmerzak asked for public comment. There was none.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Chairman Kazmerzak asked the Board if there was any conflict of interest. There was none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Lee and seconded by Walls to adjourn from regular session and move into Executive Session for personnel at 9:05 A.M. Motion carried.

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Walls to adjourn from Executive Session. Chairman Kazmerzak declared the Board out at 10:30 A.M.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Lundquist to adjourn from regular session and move into Planning and Zoning at 10:32 A.M. for a Rezoning application. Motion carried.

Chairman Kazmerzak declared the Board out of Planning and Zoning at 10:58 A.M.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE – 1st READING

Steffensen read Proposed Ordinance 60.

Ordinance 60

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, an ordinance to amend Section 1.03.01 adopted by Ordinance 45, March 3, 2015, as amended, of the Zoning Ordinance of Kingsbury County

Be it ordained by the Board of County Commissioners of Kingsbury County, South Dakota: that Section 1.03.01 adopted by Ordinance 45, March 3, 2015, as amended, of the Zoning Ordinance of Kingsbury County be amended to classify the following property: Lots 27 thru 35 of Hauck’s Bay Addition of Hauck’s Landing Development, A Part of Government Lots 2 & 3 of the Southwest ¼ of Section 22 TWP, 110 North, RGE. 55 West of the 5th P.M., Kingsbury County.

To “LP” Lake Park from “AG” Agricultural

Effective Date:

This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect twenty (20) days after its passage.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith are hereby repealed.

Motion by Lundquist and seconded by Lee to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 60 and schedule the second reading for February 8, 2022. All present voting via roll call: Lee – aye, Spilde – aye, Kazmerzak – aye, Lundquist – aye, Walls – aye. Motion carried.

AUDITOR

Steffensen requested to set the Election Board rate of pay for 2022 at \$15.00/hr.

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Walls to set the Election Board rate of pay for 2022 at \$15.00/hr. Motion

carried.

TREASURER

Michelle Longville, Treasurer, met with the Board to request the approval of a Senior Tax Freeze on record #7090 for 2021 taxes payable in 2022. Total amount of taxes to be abated would be \$587.92.

Motion by Lundquist and seconded by Spilde to approve the Senior Tax Freeze and abate 2021 taxes payable in 2022 on Record #7090 for \$587.92. Motion carried.

The Board adjourned to Thursday, January 27, 2022, at 8:30 A.M.

SIGNED _____
 Doug Kazmerzak, Chairman
 ATTEST _____
 Echo Steffensen, County Auditor

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**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES
 DE SMET, SOUTH DAKOTA
 JANUARY 27, 2022**

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Monday, January 27, 2022, at 8:30 A.M. in the Courtroom of the County Courthouse with Commissioners Roger Walls, Steve Spilde, and Doug Kazmerzak present. Commissioner Kyle Lee attended via Zoom. Also in attendance were Gary Schumacher, States Attorney and Joe Jensen, Planning and Zoning Commission. Chairman Kazmerzak presided.

Others in attendance were: Aaron Thibert – Juhl Energy, Anthony Wells – GEVO, Ty Eschenbaum, A-1 Development, Steve Schleicher – Pinnacle Engineering, Gary Schumacher – States Attorney, Tammy Anderson – Director of Equalization, Paul Nelson, Joanne Nelson, Daniel Koch – GEVO, Andy Carlson – GEVO, Donna Palmund – Kingsbury Journal, Kyle Peters – A-1 Development, Rodney Anderson, Brett Anderson, Todd Kays – 1st District, Bob Bode, Ralph Kitchen, Andrew Wienk, Ray Phelps, James Butler, Joan Wollschlager, Royce Rolsma, Evan Buckmiller, Kristi Curd, Joe Waldner, Freddy Waldner and Johnny Hofer.

Also attending via Zoom Mike Siefker – Kingsbury Journal, Gina Leisinger, John Brand, Clay Norrbom, Carol Waldow, Sheriff Strande Jared Klapperith and Cindy Bau.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Walls to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Kazmerzak asked for public comment. There was none.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Chairman Kazmerzak asked the Board if there was any conflict of interest. There was none.

The Board recessed at 8:35 A.M. to reconvene at 9:00 A.M.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Walls to adjourn from regular session and move into Board of Adjustment at 9:00 A.M. for a

Conditional Use Permit Hearing. Motion carried.

Chairman Kazmerzak declared the Board out of Board of Adjustment at 2:43 P.M.

The Board adjourned to Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at 8:30 A.M.

SIGNED _____
 Doug Kazmerzak, Chairman
 ATTEST _____
 Echo Steffensen, County Auditor

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**KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
 ** UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES****

The Kingsbury County Commission convened acting as the Board of Adjustment on Thursday, January 27, 2022, at 9:00 A.M. in the Courtroom of the Courthouse in De Smet, South Dakota, for the purpose of considering the Wind Energy System – WES of Kingsbury County Wind Fuel, LLC. (KCWF)/Juhl Energy. Juhl Energy is requesting a Conditional Use, which if granted, would allow Kingsbury County Wind Fuel, LLC/Juhl Energy Development, Inc to build up to a 60 MW nameplate capacity wind energy system with up to twenty (20) wind turbines, and commonly associated ancillary WES components (Operation Maintenance Building, Substation, Collector/Feeder Lines, Temporary Lay Down Yard, Temporary Concrete Batch Plant, etc.) in the following locations:

Southeast quarter (SE1/4), Section Seven (7), Township One Hundred Eleven (111) North, Range Fifty-three (53); Northeast quarter (NE1/4) and Northwest quarter (NW1/4), Section Eight (8), Township One Hundred Eleven (111) North, Range Fifty-three (53); Southwest quarter (SW1/4), Exc School Site, Section Eight (8), Township One Hundred Eleven (111) North, Range Fifty-three (53); Southeast Quarter (1/4), Exc .424 Ac Ded Road, Section Eight (8), Township One Hundred Eleven (111) North, Range Fifty-three (53); Northwest Quarter (NW1/4), Section Seventeen (17); Township One Hundred Eleven (111) North, Range Fifty-three (53); Northeast Quarter (NE1/4), Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) and Southeast Quarter (SE1/4), Section Eighteen (18), Township One Hundred Eleven (111) North, Range Fifty-three (53); Northeast Quarter (NE1/4), Northwest Quarter (NW1/4), and Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) Exc 20 Acres, Section Nineteen (19), Township One Hundred Eleven (111) North, Range Fifty-three (53); South Half of the Southeast Quarter (S1/2SE1/4) Section Twelve (12), Township One Hundred Eleven (111), Range Fifty-four (54); Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) and Northwest Quarter (NW1/4), Section Thirteen (13), Township One Hundred Eleven (111), Range Fifty-four (54); Northeast Quarter (NE1/4), West Half of the Southeast Quarter (W1/2SE1/4) and East Half of the Southeast Quarter (E1/2SE1/4), Section Fourteen (14), Township One Hundred Eleven (111), Range Fifty-four (54); East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E1/2NE1/4), West Half of the Northeast Quarter (W1/2NE1/4) and Northwest Quarter (NW1/4), Section Twenty-three (23), Township One Hundred Eleven (111), Range Fifty-four (54); East Half of the Northeast Quarter (E1/2NE1/4), Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) and West Half of the Northeast Quarter (W1/2NE1/4)

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Section Twenty-four (24), Township One Hundred Eleven (111), Range Fifty-four (54), West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, Kingsbury County

Board members present were Roger Walls, Doug Kazmerzak and Steve Spilde. Commissioner Kyle Lee attended via Zoom. Also in attendance were Gary Schumacher, States Attorney and Joe Jensen, Planning and Zoning Commission. Chairman Kazmerzak presided.

Others in attendance were: Aaron Thibert – Juhl Energy, Anthony Wells – GEVO, Ty Eschenbaum, A-1 Development, Steve Schleicher – Pinnacle Engineering, Gary Schumacher – States Attorney, Tammy Anderson – Director of Equalization, Paul Nelson, Joanne Nelson, Daniel Koch – GEVO, Andy Carlson – Gevo, Donna Palmlund – Kingsbury Journal, Kyle Peters – A-1 Development, Rodney Anderson, Brett Anderson, Todd Kays – 1st District, Bob Bode, Ralph Kitchen, Andrew Wienk, Ray Phelps, James Butler, Joan Wollschlager, Royce Rolsma, Evan Buckmiller, Kristi Curd, Joe Waldner, Freddy Waldner and Johnny Hofer.

Also attending via Zoom Mike Siefker – Kingsbury Journal, Gina Leisinger, John Brand, Clay Norrbom, Carol Waldow, Sheriff Strande Jared Klapperith and Cindy Bau. Others attending via zoom did not identify themselves.

Todd Kays, 1st District provided an overview of the project along with an explanation of the Staff Report prepared by himself. Kays stated the conditional use application met the minimum requirements per the Kingsbury County ordinance.

Chairman Kazmerzak called for a motion to approve the applicant's request for a Wind Energy System per Section 4.01.02.20 and Chapter 5.32 and to include the information and recommendations contained in the Staff report as part of the letter of assurance.

Motion by Walls and seconded by Spilde to approve the applicant's request for a Wind Energy System per Section 4.01.02.20 and Chapter 5.32 and to include the information and recommendations contained in the Staff report as part of the letter of assurance.

APPLICANT

Ty Eschenbaum, A-1 Development introduced the following Tony Wells - GEVO, Andy Carlson - GEVO, Daniel Koch – GEVO and Aaron Thibert – JUHL Energy.

Thibert presented a slide show detailing the project, explaining the purpose, location and timeline.

PROPOSERS

Kazmerzak asked if there were any proponents present.

Brett Anderson, Joe Waldner, Paul Nelson, Kristie Curd and Andy Wienk spoke in favor of the project with only a few questions. Anderson asked for a tax breakdown. Waldner asked how long the life expectancy of the towers was and who was responsible for the decommission once life expectancy had been reached. All spoke of the exciting opportunities it would provide for the county, cities, and school districts.

OPONENTS

Kazmerzak asked if there were any opponents present. There were none

Kazmerzak closed the public comment and asked the applicant to address the questions brought by the proponents.

The applicant explained that there is a production tax credit that is paid to the schools, county, and townships. A general breakdown of 50% schools (split equally between Lake Preston and Arlington), 35% county and 15% townships. The life expectancy of the WES was explained to be 50 years or better and if the project were to be decommissioned it would be contained in the Letter of Assurance required by the county that the applicant would be responsible.

An attendee by Zoom asked the question based on taxes generated by the project can landowners expect to incur an increase in property taxes because of the project. Tammy Anderson, Director of Equalization stated no.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Kazmerzak asked if members of the Board had any questions.

The commissioner's asked about sound issues and the best way a landowner can reduce the noise, if there was any safety issues due to lightning, what the lifespan of the blades is, if blades need maintenance will roads need to be widened for access again, where does the aggregate gravel go when roads are narrowed again, decommissioning, maintenance of roads, excess produced energy and the impact the project had on birds.

The applicant stated trees are the best way to reduce noise, each blade has a lightning receptor and it would not increase the risk of lightning, the lifespan of blades is around 15-20 years and the roads would not need to be widened if a blade does need to be replaced, most of the aggregate gravel would be used around the turbines, decommissioning would be addressed in the Letter of Assurance, a road haul agreement would be in place before the project started and if new blades needed to be installed they would work with the county and/or townships, if more power is produced Ottertail would purchase it and if less power is produced the company would buy back. There is some impact on birds.

Kays restated the motion on the floor is to approve the applicant's request for a Wind Energy System per Section 4.01.02.20 and Chapter 5.32 and to include the information and recommendations contained in the Staff report as part of the letter of assurance. All present voted via roll call. Kazmerzak – aye, Walls – Aye, Spilde – aye and Lee – aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Lee to have the States Attorney draft the findings of fact relating to this matter and to further authorize the chair to sign the findings of fact on behalf of the Board. Motion carried.

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are on file in Auditor office.

The Board recessed until 1:00 P.M.

The Board reconvened at 1:04 P.M. to consider a Conditional Use Application Permit pursuant to Section 4.01.02.36. Agricultural product processing facilities, including but not limited to ethanol plants and corn/soybean processing. If granted, the Conditional Use permit would al-

low Gevo Net Zero 1, LLC to build a renewable fuel plant located in Gov't Lots One (1) and Two (2) and the South Half of the Northeast Quarter (S1/2 NE1/4) [also described as the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4)], except Railroad Right of Way and except Lots H-1 and H-2 in Section Five (5), Township One Hundred Ten (110) North, Range Fifty-Four (54) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, in Kingsbury County, South Dakota.

And, All that part of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4){also described as Gov't Lots Three (3) and Four (4) and the South Half of the Northwest Quarter (S1/2NW1/4)} lying and being south of Railroad Right of Way, except Lots H-1 and H-2, in Section Five (5), Township One Hundred Ten (110) North, Range Fifty-Four (54) West of the Fifth Principal Meridian, in Kingsbury County, South Dakota.

Board members present were Roger Walls, Doug Kazmerzak and Steve Spilde. Commissioner Kyle Lee attended via Zoom. Also in attendance were Gary Schumacher, States Attorney and Joe Jensen, Planning and Zoning Commission. Chairman Kazmerzak presided. Others in attendance were Aaron Thibert – Juhl Energy, Anthony Wells – GEVO, Ty Eschenbaum, A-1 Development, Steve Schleicher – Pinnacle Engineering, Tammy Anderson – Director of Equalization, Daniel Koch – GEVO, Andy Carlson – Gevo, Todd Kays – 1st District, Bob Bode, Andrew Wienk, Joan Wollschlager, and Dana Feldhouse.

Also attending via Zoom Mike Siefker – Kingsbury Journal, John Brand, Carol Waldow, Sheriff Strande, Jared Klapperith, Michelle Longville – Treasurer, Paul K. Jeff Davidson, Donna Palmlund – Kingsbury Journal and Cindy Bau. Other attendees via zoom did not identify themselves.

Todd Kays, 1st District provided an overview of the project along with an explanation of the Staff Report prepared by himself. Kays stated the conditional use application met the minimum requirements per the Kingsbury County ordinance.

Kazmerzak called for a motion to approve the applicant's request for an Agricultural product processing facility – Renewable Fuel Plant per Section 4.01.02.36 and to include the information and recommendations contained in the Staff report as part of the letter of assurance.

Motion by Spilde and seconded by Walls to approve the applicant's request for an Agricultural product processing facility – Renewable Fuel Plant per Section 4.01.02.36 and to include the information and recommendations contained in the Staff report as part of the letter of assurance.

APPLICANT

Ty Eschenbaum, A-1 Development introduced the following Tony Wells - GEVO, Andy Carlson - GEVO, Daniel Koch – GEVO, Steve Schleicher, Pinnacle Engineering, and Aaron Thibert – JUHL Energy.

Wells, Carlson, and Koch provided an overview of the project. The main goal is to provide renewable energy with a low carbon footprint by turning corn into jet fuel. The project would be located 1 ¼ miles east of Lake Preston. Carlson provided information on traffic flow, water, natural gas usage, wastewater, and delivery method. The traffic on Hwy 14 would require turning lanes. They

are working with Kingbrook Rural Water for the water supply. They would be hooked up to natural gas until the plant generated enough of their own biogas to operate. Discussion is being held with Lake Preston on wastewater and they would have evaporation ponds. The jet fuel would be transported by rail with Rapid City Pierre & Eastern RR. He added they would like to begin construction the second half of 2022 and start up in 2024. Koch gave a review of how the plant operates explaining they grind the corn, take out the starch, make alcohol which they use to make hydrocarbons.

PROPOSERS

Kazmerzak asked if there were any proponents present.

Dana Felderman – Superintendent of Lake Preston School commented on how the project would rejuvenate the communities, schools, and the county.

Andy Wienk – Lake Preston Mayor expressed the benefits this project would provide Lake Preston and surrounding areas.

Joan Wollschlager – Lake Preston Development Board also commented on the positive impact this would have on schools, housing and the community.

OPONENTS

Kazmerzak asked if there were any opponents present. There were none.

Kazmerzak closed the public comment and asked the applicant to address the questions brought by the proponents.

Eschenbaum readdressed the meeting explaining they are aware of the unknowns. The community will be affected by the increase in people and the need for more housing. GEVO is wanting to become a part of the community. Wells spoke on how they worked on being part of communities where they are by volunteering, meeting with school kids about employment opportunities and help farmers reap benefits of low carbon practices.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Kazmerzak opened the discussion up to any questions from the Board.

The Board inquired about amount of corn needed to be produced, if there are any concerns on the hardness of the water, safety and security plans, local firefighting capabilities and training, construction period accidents, traffic issues on Hwy 14, wage scale, strength of the company, recipient of government incentives, number of current operations and where their corporate headquarters is located.

GEVO addressed the inquires of the board. The amount of corn needed on an annual basis would be around 30 million bushel per year, water quality is not an issue as they have internal processes in place, the county has an EM Hazard Mitigation Plan which incorporates a hazard material plan, they have safety plans and if needed would assist in training for local fire departments, turning lanes will be added on Hwy 14 to address the increase in traffic during construction and once the plant is running, the wage scale would be competitive for the area, they have applied for incentives from the state, they currently have their Luverne, MN plant and one in northwest Iowa and their headquarters are in

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Kays restated the motion on the floor is to approve the applicant's request for an Agricultural product processing facility – Renewable Fuel Plant per Section 4.01.02.36 and to include the information and recommendations contained in the Staff report as part of the letter of assurance. All present voted via roll call. Kazmerzak – aye, Walls – Aye, Spilde – aye and Lee – aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Lee and seconded by Spilde to have the States Attorney draft the findings of fact relating to this matter and to further authorize the chair to sign the findings of fact on behalf of the Board. Motion carried.

Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law are on file in the Auditor office.

Motion by Walls and seconded by Spilde to leave Board of Adjustment and return to regular session. Motion carried.

Doug Kazmerzak, Chairman

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IROQUOIS NEWS

1912: Catholic ladies throw successful dance

February 8, 1912

Iroquois will be able to cool off when the mercury runs to 100 in the shade next summer. Both meat markets filled their ice houses last week with Jim River ice shipped from Huron.

Just as predicted, the dance given at the opera house Friday night by the Catholic ladies of Iroquois was a howling success, and everyone was pleased with the affair. The gross receipts amounted to \$190, and after

the expenses were paid, a neat nest egg was left, which will be put to good use by those who conceived and managed the very successful party. Over seventy couples braved the cold and stormy weather and enjoyed themselves to the limit until between 2 and 3 o'clock. Those who worked so hard are entitled to congratulations.

February 11, 1932

Friday evening the basketball teams of Iroquois High School drove

to Erwin for a doubleheader and lost both games. The boys' game was a low scoring battle through two overtime periods which ended 6 to 8 in Erwin's favor. The girls' game was also a close match, with Iroquois holding the short end of a 28-24 score at the close of the game.

The firm that has the contract for graveling Highway 14 from Iroquois to De Smet was compelled to lay off when the stormy and cold weather hit the state. They spread gravel

from Iroquois to a short distance east of Manchester as that portion of the highway was in the worst condition, before being compelled to quit work on account of the weather.

February 12, 1942

The chicken pox is still going the rounds. **Duane Roberts, Lois Timm and Judy Salter** are the newest victims. There were only five pupils in the first four grades all last week; the rest were all having the chicken pox.

6th Grade Student of the Month:

Carter Arbeiter

Aspiring to be a coach.

What is your favorite subject and why? I like social studies because we get to learn about history and what they did.



Why is school important to you? So, I can get a good job.

Who do you look up to and why? My parents because they're responsible.

7th Grade Student of the Month:

Tabitha Rose

Aspiring to be a professional dancer on Broadway.

What's your favorite subject and why? Band because I love playing my instrument. I also love Mrs. Karlen because she believes in me



Why is school important to you? You need to go to school to go to college.

Who do you look up to and why? My family and close friends because they help with problems and homework.

8th Grade Student of the Month:

Emma Hill

Aspiring to be a photographer.

What's your favorite subject and why? Music because I love singing.



Why is school important to you? I get to see my friends. I also know that if I have an education, I will be able to get into college easier.

Who do you look up to and why? I look up to Mrs. Bohlander because she is a Christian role model, and I need that in my life.



Building an igloo

Iroquois Elementary preschoolers Isabelle Rose, left, Lanna Houghtaling and Daxton Frankfurth love playing in their milk-jug igloo. Staff members began saving gallon jugs in October for this fun project, the perfect place to hide, read a book or just gather with friends. (Photo by Mary Weinbar)



Water, soil and sunshine — all that's needed to make a mitten grow!

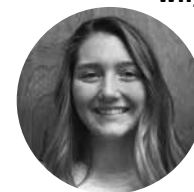
Iroquois preschoolers have been caring for and watching their mitten tree grow over the past few weeks. As the mittens grew and ripened, they began to fall off the tree. Last Thursday, the children got to pick a pair of mittens to take home. The happy faces express the excitement that filled the room. Daxton Frankfurth, seated left, Savannah Driggers, Rowena Guthmiller; Raea Guthmiller, standing left, Finly Dunsworth, Sammy Bretz, Ella Strickler, Isabelle Rose, Lanna Houghtaling, Jessa Jacobs, Motley Barth and Kaebrey Brown. (Photo by Mary Weinbar)

HS Student of the Month:

Katie Dubro

Aspiring to be a speech pathologist.

What's your favorite subject and why? Government because I like debating.



Why is school important to you? It has taught me to be patient and resilient.

Who do you look up to and why? I look up to my dad because he shows me what it's like to be a hardworking and determined individual. I also look up to my mom because she treats everyone with kindness.

HS Student of the Month:

Brayden Knutson

Aspiring to be an engineer.

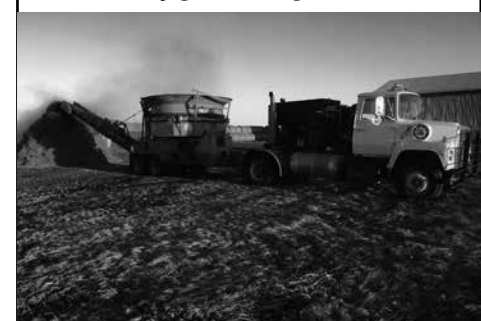


What is your favorite subject and why? American History because I like learning how America came to be.

Why is school important to you? Because it opens up a ton of opportunities later in life.

Who do you look up to and why? I look up to Arnold Schwarzenegger because he rose up from very little and became a world sensation.

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WRESTLING

Knights finish fourth at conference tournament

BY FRANK CRISLER
Arlington Sun

The Kingsbury County Knights finished fourth among 14 teams in the Big East/Lake Central Conference wrestling tournament held Saturday in Parker.

Five Knights placed in the tourney, with Dylan Zell winning the 132 lb. weight class; Nate Kersting finishing second at 195, Gannon Gilligan finishing second at 113 and Tucker Andersen at 160 and Connor Johnson at 170 each placing fourth.

The Knights were at Webster Tuesday night for a quadrangular, and will finish the regular season Friday with a quad in Flandreau. Following that, the Region 1B tournament will be held Sat., Feb. 19 in Britton.

DYLAN ZELL

De Smet junior Dylan Zell led the Knights again on Saturday, going 3-0 to move to 30-5 on the season and win the 113 lb. title, earning 26 team points.

Zell opened with a bye then took just 33 seconds to pin McCook Central/Montrose sophomore Memphis Vanderberg in the quarterfinals. In the semifinals, the Knight faced Deuel sophomore Jaxon Quail and got the pin in 1:52.

In the 132 lb. finals, Zell faced Beresford/Alcester-Hudson senior Jovey Christensen, coming in at 32-10. The final match went into the second period before Zell got his third-straight pin, this time in 3:15.

As noted, Zell is now 30-5 on the season.

NATE KERSTING

Arlington senior Nate Kersting went 2-1 to place second at 195, earning 20 team points.

Kersting opened with a bye then pinned Clark/Willow Lake eighth-grader Jerome Enboden in 59 seconds to advance to the semis. There he faced Deuel senior Justin Granum and had a bit tougher match, going into the second period before getting the pin in 3:06.

In the finals, Kersting faced B/A-H junior Landon Schurch, coming in at 33-12. This time it was the Knight who found himself on the bottom, pinned in 44 seconds.

Kersting is now 18-8 on the season.

GANNON GILLIGAN

De Smet freshman Gannon Gilligan won two of three to place second at 113, earning 19 team points.

Gilligan opened with a bye then pinned Mt. Vernon/Plankinton sophomore Mason Bosworth in 1:09. In the semis, he went the distance against Parker seventh-grader Dylan Buseman, firmly in control, winning a 12-0 major decision.

But Gilligan faced MC/M freshman Trystan Traupel in the 113 lb. finals, coming in at 33-6. In a tight, low-scoring match, Traupel emerged as the winner, taking a 3-0 minor.

Gilligan is now 22-6 on the season.

TUCKER ANDERSON

De Smet junior Tucker Anderson wrestled more than any other Knight on Saturday, winning three of five matches to place fourth at 160 and earn 13 team points.



Connor Johnson, above, and Kaleb Johnson, below, both went 2-2 but earned the team a combined 18 points. (Photos by Angie Gilligan)



Anderson opened by pinning MV/P freshman Jonathan Jones, then advanced to the semis with a 4-1 minor over Elk Point/Jefferson junior Noah Thoof. Howard senior John Callies was waiting for him there, and the Tiger pinned Anderson in 54 seconds, on his way to the 160 lb. title.

In the consolation bracket, Anderson advanced by pinning Flandreau freshman Karter Headrick in 44 seconds to make it to the third-place match. Sioux Valley senior Russell Sheets got the win in that match, pinning the Knight in 3:40.

Anderson is now 19-14 on the season.

CONNOR JOHNSON

De Smet sophomore Connor Johnson placed fourth at 170, winning two and losing two and earning 11 team points.

Johnson opened with a bye then won a 5-1 minor decision in the quarterfinals over Flandreau junior Caleb Pitsenberger to advance. His progress was slowed by SV senior Joe Hornick, who won a 12-4 semifinal victory before going on to take the title. That put Johnson in the consolation semifinals, where he pinned B/A-H sophomore Gavin Kroll in 23 seconds.

In the third-place match, the Knight put up a good fight but lost a 4-0 minor to MC/M junior Mason Pulse.

Johnson is now 21-12 on the season.

BLAKE JENNINGS

De Smet eighth-grader Blake Jennings finished a win short of placing, going 2-2 at 120 to earn eight team points.

Jennings pinned Garretson seventh-grader Isaac Stoterau in 44 seconds in his opener, but was then

pinned in 2:44 by Flandreau sophomore Brayden Wiese, who went on to place third.

That put Jennings in the consolations, where he advanced on a bye, then advanced again by pinning Parker eighth-grader Wyatt Rand in 1:06. But in the consolation semis, Jennings was pinned in 3:25 by EP/J freshman Gunner Ewing.

Jennings is now 9-11 on the season.

LUKE STEFFENSEN

Arlington senior Luke Steffensen went 2-2 at 138, earning eight team points.

Steffensen opened by pinning B/A-H freshman Isaac Boden in 1:17 but was knocked into the consolations, pinned in 5:29, by Garretson senior Braxton Rozeboom, who went on to place third.

Steffensen advanced on a bye then pinned EP/J freshman Hayes Johnson in 59 seconds to advance to the consolation semis. He lost a high-scoring 14-11 minor to Hamlin junior Brock Gisselbeck there, finishing a win short of placing.

Steffensen is now 18-14 on the season.

KALEB JOHNSON

De Smet freshman Kaleb Johnson also went 2-2 Saturday at 120, earning seven team points.

Johnson opened by pinning Flandreau sophomore Dylan Christenson in 3:28 but lost a 5-1 minor in the quarterfinal match to Parker sophomore Logan Buseman, who went on to place second.

In the consolations, the Knight advanced by pinning Hamlin freshman Carter Jutting in 2:22 but was then eliminated by SV eighth-grader Mitchell Guthmiller, on an 8-2 minor.

Johnson is now 22-12 on the season.

CALEB CLARK

Arlington senior Caleb Clark won one of three matches at 145, earning four team points.

Clark opened with a bye then advanced to the semis by winning a 13-8 minor over Howard junior Jack Neises. But Clark didn't get past MV/P junior Drew Gerlach, who pinned the Knight in 1:34.

In the consolations, Clark was eliminated a win short of placing, pinned in 1:48 by Hamlin junior Chase Chambers, who went on to place third.

Clark is now 20-15 on the season.

DYLAN SINGREY

Arlington senior Dylan Singrey won one of three matches at 182, to earn four team points.

Singrey opened with a bye but was pinned in 46 seconds in the quarterfinals by Parker junior Charlie Patten, on his way to the 182 lb. title.

In the consolations, Singrey advanced on a bye, then stayed alive by pinning C/WL senior Casey Michalski in 53 seconds. The Knight finished a win short of placing, pinned in 2:09 in the consolation semis by B/A-H junior Aaron Larson.

Singrey is now 14-15 on the season.

OWEN KERKVLIET

De Smet senior Owen Kerkvliet also won one of three, earning three team points at 285.

Kerkvliet opened with a bye, but in the semifinals, was pinned in 2:48 by MC/M senior Elliott Chase, who went on to place second.

In the consolations, Kerkvliet pinned Parker senior Jason Ebeling in 2:43, but was then eliminated by C/WL senior Avery Nichols, pinned in 47 seconds.

Kerkvliet is now 22-14 on the season.

SHELDON BALDERSTON

Arlington sophomore Sheldon Balderston won one of three at 152, earning one team point.

The Knight opened with a bye then was pinned in 42 seconds by MV/P senior Griffin Tobin, who went on to place second.

Balderston advanced in the consolations on a 4-1 minor over Garretson senior Tayson Swatek, but was then eliminated by Parker sophomore Connor Even, pinned in 1:39.

Balderston is now 3-11 on the season.

LANE ALBRECHT

De Smet eighth-grader Lane Albrecht, wrestling at 106, had another tough draw in a tournament.

Albrecht opened with a bye then faced Howard seventh-grader Connor Giedd, coming in at 26-3. Giedd got the pin in 1:51 then pinned his way to the title. Albrecht fell into the consolations and lost a 7-2 minor to B/A-H seventh-grader Kanin Klentz.

Albrecht is now 15-12 on the season.

The Knights finished fourth with 124 points, trailing first-place Mt. Vernon/Plankinton with 195, runner-up Parker with 147 and third-place McCook Central/Montrose with 137.5, but beating 10 other teams, including fifth-place Howard with 113.

DIVER BASKETBALL

Divers looking for wins to round out season

BY DONNA BUMANN
Kingsbury Journal

LAKE PRESTON VS JAMES VALLEY CHRISTIAN

The James Valley Christian Vikings hosted the Lake Preston Divers on Sat., Jan. 29 in Huron and secured the win with a score of 67-31. The Vikings took a quick lead of 49-12 to the locker room at half and continued the momentum through the third quarter with a 62-18 lead. The Divers out-scored the Vikings 13-5 in the fourth quarter, but it was too little, too late.

Thirty of the Vikings' points came from outside the arc, with seven coming from leading scorer Landon Wallman who scored 21 points. The Divers struggled to get the ball to drop and were led by Riley Casper who scored eight points, while Josh McMasters and Ashton Wienk each scored five.

Casper also led the Divers with seven of the team's 20 rebounds. Huntley Steele came off the bench for the Vikings to lead their team with seven of the total 28 rebounds. Rebound stats are those recorded by the writer and thus unofficial.

LAKE PRESTON VS GREAT PLAINS LUTHERAN

Sometimes, the score just can't tell the story, and such was the case Tues., Feb. 1, when the Divers travelled to Watertown to face the Panthers at Great Plains Lutheran. The Panthers took the win in a hard-fought battle.

Great Plains Lutheran took an early lead and led by seven at the end of the first period, before earning a 29-14 lead at half-time. The Divers scored 12 points in the third and fourth periods to finish with 38 points to the Panthers' 50 points.

Riley Casper and Josh McMasters combined to score 27 of the team's 38 points, with Casper scoring an impressive 17 points while McMasters put up 10 points.

Ethan Kjerstad scored 20 points for the Panthers. The Panthers shot an impressive 71 percent from the line, making 10 of 14 attempts while the Divers made 4 of 9 attempts for 44 percent.

The Divers out-rebounded the Panthers 32-27 with Casper and Jonah Denison each snagging eight. Miles York and Kjerstad each grabbed six rebounds for the Panthers.

LAKE PRESTON VS DELL RAPIDS

On Thurs., Feb. 3, the Divers started a 4-game home stretch by hosting the Cardinals of Dell Rapids St. Mary. The Cardinals took an early

22-6-point lead in the first quarter and went to the locker room leading 44-15. The Divers kept the Cardinals' gain within two points for the second half, to end the game 62-31.

The Divers struggled to get the ball to drop as a team, shooting just 20 percent from the field. They did much better from the free throw line and made seven of their 13 attempts. The Divers were led in scoring by Josh McMasters and Riley Casper who each scored nine points while Jake Larsen scored seven.

Ty Brown scored 17 points for the Cardinals, and teammate Dylan Mathis dropped 14 points. The Cardinals out-rebounded the Divers 33-25. Jonah Denison led the Divers with eight rebounds, while Ty Brown led the Cardinals with eight as well.

IROQUOIS BASKETBALL

Chiefs drop two on the road

BY LINDSAY NOLTE
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IROQUOIS/DOLAND VS JAMES VALLEY CHRISTIAN

The Lady Chiefs were on the road against the James Valley Crusaders on Thur., Feb. 3. The Crusaders controlled the game offensively as the Lady Chiefs struggled to break a full court press in the first half.

"After halftime, we found some rhythm offensively and tried to get back into the game," commented Coach Jeff Nolte.

However, the Lady Chiefs suffered a 28-54 loss. Katie Dubro led scoring with 15 points and grabbed six rebounds while Kera Dubro added seven points and seven rebounds. Anna Decker added four points and four rebounds.

Iroquois/Doland	3	4	15	28
JVC	20	29	47	54

IROQUOIS/DOLAND VS. ABERDEEN CHRISTIAN

In another road game on Fri., Feb. 4, the Lady Chiefs played the Knights of Aberdeen Christian. They suffered a 28-62 loss.

"We just didn't have an answer for their height," said Nolte. "I am proud of the girls for the fact that they put up a fight and gave a great effort."

Katie Dubro again led the Lady Chiefs with 13 points and nine rebounds. Harley Nelson added six points and two rebounds, and Anna Decker scored six points and grabbed one rebound.

"Katie Dubro is playing well right now, and we will need her to keep it going to get some wins," added Nolte. "We will also be looking for some other players to step up and make a push into region play in a couple weeks."

Iroquois/Doland	10	18	22	28
Aberdeen Christian	26	52	60	62

DE SMET BOYS: Dogs defeat Warriors

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improved their record to 12-1 with a 54-34 win led by George Jensen with 17 points. Kasen Janssen was close behind with 15 points.

De Smet	20	27	52	65
E/LB	9	12	30	45

DE SMET VS CASTLEWOOD

The De Smet Bulldogs Boys Basketball Team won their sixteenth game of the season Monday night by defeating Dakota Valley Conference rival Castlewood Warriors 77-34 in the Dog Pound.

The Bulldogs placed five players in double figure scoring with Damon Wilkinson leading the way with 20 points. He also led the Dogs in rebounding with 16. Sophomore Kadyne Fast followed with 13 points, Tory Holland and Rett Osthus tossed in 11 points each. Osthus had a double-double as he also dished out 10 assists, and rounding out the double

figure scoring was Kalen Garry with 10 points.

"Great ball movement really got us some great open looks tonight," said Coach Gruenhagen after the game. "Damon battled well against their big post player and Rett got us going early with some nice threes. Fun basketball," he added.

The De Smet Junior Varsity Team won again defeating Castlewood JV 57-29. Gannon Gruenhagen topped the young Dogs with 16 points followed by Trace Van Regenmorter with 14 and George Jensen added 10.

The Bulldogs play their final home game Thursday Night February 10 when they host Wolsey-Wessington. Their last regular season game is Feb. 18 versus Oldham-Ramona/Rutland in Ramona.

De Smet	22	48	65	77
Castlewood	8	23	30	34

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THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

Lake Preston Divers

FEB. 10: GBB vs Gayville-Volin @ Home

FEB. 11: BBB vs Wilmot @ Home

FEB. 14: GBB (Varsity only) vs DRSM @ Home

FEB. 15: GBB/BBB vs Colman-Egan @ Home

De Smet Bulldogs

FEB. 10: BBB vs Wolsey/Wessington @ Home

FEB. 11: GBB vs ORR @ Rutland

FEB. 12: C & JV BBB vs Northwestern

FEB. 14: GBB @ Canistota

Kingsbury Co. Knights

FEB. 11: Wrestling @ Flandreau

Iroquois Chiefs

FEB. 10: GBB/BBB vs Hitchcock-Tulare @ Doland

FEB. 11: GBB vs Wolsey-Wessington @ Home

FEB. 14: GBB/BBB vs Estelline/Hendricks

BULLDOG BASKETBALL

Bulldogs win defensive clash with Cavaliers

BY BERNIE STOEL
Kingsbury Journal

DE SMET VS ST. THOMAS MORE

The top-ranked Class B De Smet Bulldogs defeated the #2-ranked Class A St. Thomas More Cavaliers from Rapid City, 36-30, in a hard-fought defensive battle at the Sioux Falls Pentagon Heritage Classic Saturday night.

Both teams played a very physical style of defense, making it difficult to score. De Smet shot only 29% from the field, and St. Thomas More was held to just 22% by the Bulldogs fierce man-to-man defense.

The Bulldogs trailed at the end of the first quarter, 13-8. At halftime they found themselves trailing 20-17 and still behind 24-20 after three quarters. In the fourth quarter, the Dogs outscored the Cavaliers, 14-6, to mount their comeback and pull off a six-point victory.

Tory Holland was the only Bulldog in double figures, leading De Smet with 10 points. Damon Wilkinson followed with nine points and six rebounds. De Smet scoring ace Kalen Garry was held to seven points, but he led his team in rebounds with 10.

With De Smet's best player Wilkinson picking up his fourth personal foul late in the third quarter, coach Jeff Gruenhagen had to depend on his 6-foot-four sophomore George Jensen, who came through by playing a solid seven minutes. Jensen grabbed some key rebounds and blocked two shots on defense to help De Smet gain momentum in their fourth quarter come-from-behind win.

"Good defense by both teams led to each team taking some tough shots," said Gruenhagen after the game. "We shot a lot of contested shots from beyond the arc. Makes it hard to get in a rhythm. Even our drives to the rim were always contested very physically, and you had to earn each basket."

Coach Gruenhagen gave credit to



Tory Holland was the only De Smet Bulldog in double figures against St. Thomas More at the Pentagon on Saturday, scoring ten points in a low-scoring 36-30 defensive battle. (Photo by Mike Siefker)

Holland's big three-point basket down the stretch to increase the lead. He also commented on how well George Jensen played in a game on that big of a stage.

"Great win for our team," Gruenhagen added.

De Smet	8	17	22	36
STM	13	20	24	30

DE SMET VS ELKTON/LAKE BENTON

The De Smet Bulldogs boys basketball team picked up their 14th win of the season Thursday night in the Dog Pound with a 65-45 victory over Dakota Valley Conference opponent

Elkton/Lake Benton.

Three Bulldog players ended up scoring in double figures led by Damon Wilkinson with 18 points and nine rebounds. Following him was Rett Osthus with 15 points, leading his team in assists with six. Kalen Garry pitched in with 13 points and nine rebounds. Two of his points came as a result of one of his rarely seen windmill slam dunks.

De Smet out-rebounded the Elks 36-25, and the two teams were even on turnovers with 12 each.

The Bulldogs Junior Varsity team

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De Smet rolls over Elkton-Lake Benton

BY VICKI DYLLA
Kingsbury Journal

On Fri., Feb. 4, De Smet started the game against the Elks with great intensity on defense, forcing them into missed shots and turnovers. The Bulldogs were able to move the ball up and down the court well, which provided them with offensive opportunities.

Elkton-Lake Benton was unable to get things going on their end, and the Bulldogs capitalized on Elk's missed shots, out-rebounding them 43-27 on the night. They then pushed the ball down the court for a few quick baskets. Good ball movement, great de-

fense and teamwork all came together for the win.

Finishing strong for the Bulldogs 15th win of the season were Kennadi Buchholz with 26 points, 15 rebounds, four blocked shots and Jada Burke with 12 points, five rebounds.

The De Smet Junior Varsity really put together the team effort offensively and defensively in the second half for a nice win of 37-14 over the JV Elks.

De Smet	12	26	37	50
E/LB	4	11	21	30

Camryn Schmidt shoots from the field as De Smet defeats Elkton-Lake Benton 50-30. (Photo by Becky Geyer)

