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LENDING A HAND | WHY IT MATTERS

Volunteering for your own good

Opportunities and benefits exist for all ages

BY MIKE SIEFKER
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Numerous agencies and businesses in the county rely on volunteers to get the job done. The services they provide,

April 1 marks the anniversary of the last editions of the De Smet News and Lake Preston Times, which were reborn as the Kingsbury Journal through the efforts of volunteers. This article is the first in a special series about volunteers, who provide so many services to our communities.

and the benefits you receive, come at the hands of these volunteers.

While studies show volunteering in decline nationally, many in our communities are pitching in and seeing the benefits. Everyone can benefit by rolling up their sleeves, helping others and becoming involved in the community. If our mothers and fathers volunteered, and their mothers and fathers, too, surely, we can do our part as well.

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Hippity Hoppity, Easter's on its way

Students from Laura Ingalls Wilder Elementary School participated in an Easter Egg Hunt at Maynard's Food Center in De Smet Friday. Kindergarten students from Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Wilkinson's class enjoyed searching through the store looking for the eggs. (Photo by Mike Siefker)

Jones recounts sabotage of Nazi operations

State Historian and author back in De Smet for talk

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The local IMPACTED class had their last event for the season on Tuesday in the Midstate theatre at the De Smet Event and Wellness Center. Former hometown resident, Ben Jones, returned to De Smet and gave the class a presentation of his book, "Eisenhower's Guerillas" (Oxford University Press, 2016).

"Eisenhower's Guerillas" is a historical book and study done on the Jedburghs during the Nazi Invasion. The Jedburghs worked with the maquis

(French Resistance fighters) to sabotage and hinder the Nazi operations in France and push back the German Occupation. The book covers the involvement of the United States President, Franklin Roosevelt, the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, Winston Churchill, and Free French leader, Charles de Gaulle.

General Dwight Eisenhower oversaw the operations of the Jedburghs, which were small teams that parachuted into strategic locations around France. There were 93 teams which consisted of officers from the British Special Operations Bureau, the U.S. Office of Strategic Services, the Free French Bureau Central de Renseignement and a radio operator.

The Jedburghs' purpose was to serve

as a liaison for the maquis. They would assist by training, arming, equipping the French Resistance and utilizing guerilla warfare against the occupying Germans.

The Liberation of France aided by the exploits of the Jedburghs is a story not often told. Jones has traveled to Europe studying numerous war documents there and here as well, to bring an account of the brave and courageous men behind the Jedburghs.

"Eisenhower's Guerillas" is available from amazon.com with the hardback version selling for around \$35 with tax. Other options such as a Kindle version or an MP3 CD are available, and the book is offered through additional retail sellers.

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COVID-19

This week's COVID numbers around the region

COUNTY	ACTIVE CASES			EVER HOSPITALIZED			DEATHS		
	As of Mar. 30	Prior week	Prior two weeks	As of Mar. 30	Prior week	Prior two weeks	As of Mar. 30	Prior week	Prior two weeks
Kingsbury Population 5,148	65	25	12	37	37	36	14	14	14
Clark Population 3,691	22	24	9	29	29	29	5	5	5
Hamlin Population 5,903	14	12	20	36	36	36	38	38	38
Miner Population 2,389	10	10	13	18	17	17	9	9	9
Brookings Population 31,965	136	95	77	138	134	132	37	37	37
Beadle Population 17,398	40	59	84	95	94	94	40	39	39

SOURCE: S.D. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, UPDATED MAR. 30, 2021; POPULATION AS OF 2010 CENSUS

VOLUNTEER: Do it for yourself!

FROM FRONT PAGE

VOLUNTEERING IS GOOD FOR YOU

Volunteering has many direct and indirect benefits.

Want to be in better shape? Statistics show that most individuals who volunteer are stronger emotionally, mentally and even physically.

Want better relationships? Working alongside neighbors and becoming aware of their needs leads to improved relationships, friendships and trust.

Want to fight depression? Volunteering can help to reduce depression, particularly in the population age 65 and above. Other studies suggest some volunteers may see a reduction in stress.

Want to do something that matters? According to the Mayo Clinic website, volunteering gives a sense of purpose and teaches valuable skills. While learning to use the jaws-of-life on a fire department may not be an everyday skill one needs, the use of teamwork, accomplishing difficult tasks and physical strength are definitely valuable skills to have in life.

Want to live longer? An analysis of data from the Longitudinal Study of Aging found that individuals who volunteer have lower mortality rates than those who do not, even when controlling for age, gender and physical health. If volunteering can help with physical strength, it makes sense that it can increase lifespan as well.

While being a volunteer may help in a quest to become a better person, more importantly, it improves the community as well. It is a win/win proposition for you and your community.

GO BIG OR START SMALL, IT'S UP TO YOU

Becoming a volunteer can be an easy task, while some opportunities provide a challenge. This is especially true of becoming a volunteer firefighter or an emergency medical personnel. Training usually involves state certifications to become a firefighter, first responder, medical technician or even paramedic. There are classes and certifications one must pass; sometimes, the hours are rather lengthy, but the rewards can be great.

The fire departments in Arlington, Badger, De Smet, Iroquois, Lake Preston and Oldham could all probably use some new volunteers. It would be an exciting choice, but not perfect for everyone.

If you have thought about the field of emergency medical services,

Arlington, De Smet, Iroquois and Lake Preston all provide emergency medical services to their communities. Some services provide first responders to address their citizens' emergency medical needs and transporting patient via ambulance. Some provide Basic Life Support while others provide Advanced Life Support. Some services may utilize emergency vehicle operators, so you may volunteer to drive an ambulance.

If medical calls, fires, car wrecks, rescues and hazardous material calls are not your cup of tea, there are many other options available.

The Kingsbury Journal, for example, utilizes a group of volunteers who help collect the stories or photos, cover sports games, provide clerical skills, and make deliveries.

Some churches have groups that perform community services or aid after a disaster. The needs are there, you just need to know where to look.

STAY TUNED

In the next few weeks, I will be sharing some of those volunteers' stories with you. You will find out what is involved and the different opportunities available, so you can decide if volunteering is right for you. Volunteering is good for the community. Will you let it be beneficial for you, too?

If you know of volunteers who wouldn't mind sharing their stories or know of a service or opportunities available in Kingsbury County to volunteer, contact me. I would be glad to share these stories and opportunities with our readers.

Call 854-3331 or e-mail mike@kingsburyjournal.com



Can you fill these boots? It's not just your local fire department that relies on volunteers. In Kingsbury County many organizations count on them. Follow the series in the Kingsbury Journal to see if there is a need that suits you. (Photo by Mike Siefker)



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HISTORIAN: New position follows post as Secretary of Education

FROM FRONT PAGE

SECRETARY OF EDUCATION

In December of 2019, Governor Noem appointed Jones as the Secretary of Education. While working at the Department of Education, Jones worked alongside many individuals.

"The people at the department were first-rate, and they really care about kids," recalled Jones. "Whether they are doing accounting for some federal grant, they know that their work impacts kids' education in South Dakota. I was most impressed by the level of passion they had for kids. Those employees were not teachers; they were budget people, and they understood the direct impact that their indirect work was having. They all took the job seriously, enjoyed it and were great professionals."

Working on the Governor's Cabinet would seem to be a position filled with politics; Jones shared an incident where a Sioux Falls legislator wanted to introduce a bill requiring better statistics of the hard of hearing and deaf students. Jones had testified against the bill. It had passed out of the House committee. House Representative, Bob Glanzer, who has since died from COVID, told Jones, "You guys are not that far apart. Just talk with them and work something out."

"I got together with Representative Healy over emails and a phone call," said Jones. "She tweaked a little bit and amended her bill, and then we could support it. We (Healy and Jones) had a conversation, a useful one, where we listened to one another. She amended her bill and gained our support, and it is a law today. There are things that go the other way, but those with good outcomes often do not make it in the paper."

Jones shared a rewarding moment as Secretary of Education. "When the Cares Act passed, and the president had signed the bill, I was on the phone that afternoon with the United States Secretary of Education. He was telling all of us at the state level that the money will be available in two weeks." Jones wanted to ensure those funds would be made available to the South Dakota schools when they received the federal money. Employees of the Department of Education worked hard to set everything up. When the Cares Act money was released, it was made available to the school districts as quickly as possible.

Jones stepped down in 2020 as the Secretary of Education and is the State Historical Society State Historian and Director in Pierre. The Society is under the Department of Education. He now reports to his replacement.

He revealed that he is working on a second book. It will be about South Dakota's rich history. Working for the State Historical Society will make it easy to gather the research one would need.

EARLY INFLUENCES

Jones is the son of Forrest and Margaret Jones and grew up in De Smet. He graduated from De Smet High School in '85. Jones also has a sister who is an author. Stacey Margaret Jones wrote the book, "Mr. Catherine" (Creators Publishing, 2019). Jones reported she is working on a second book.



South Dakota State Historian, Director and former resident, Benjamin F. Jones, Ph.D. gave a presentation on the topic of his book, "Eisenhower's Guerillas" Tuesday at the De Smet Event and Wellness Center. (Submitted Photo)

Jones has cited many influences in the De Smet area when attending school here. Penny Warne helped him with music, Loraine McGuire was his English Composition teacher, and she helped Jones with a Winston Churchill speech that earned Jones a win at State Competition. Other influences at school were Tish Green, the librarian, Larry Janish his math instructor and principal, David Soukup who taught band and Marv McCune who guided him through history, civics and government.

After high school, Jones attended South Dakota State University in Brookings under an Air Force Reserve Officers' Training Corp (ROTC) scholarship. Jones attended the University of Nebraska where he earned his masters' degree and received his PhD from the University of Kansas.

While at the University of Nebraska, he met a girl from Yankton, and they were married in 1999. Jones and his wife, Suzie, have two daughters and one son. The daughters are Hannah, 19, and Ellie, 17, while the son is Henry, age 14. They currently reside in Sioux Falls.

Traveling back to De Smet, Jones reminisces about his younger days around the town. In the summer of '84 he worked near Manchester at the Wallum's farm.

"I thought of my mom and my dad giving me driving lessons on streets, that are now paved," Jones said.

"There used to be a bridge over the railroad tracks along Highway 14 west of De Smet," recalled Jones. "And when they took it out, it was kind of sentimental for me. After seeing Star Wars in the movie theater in Huron, me and my buddies would hit that bridge and pretend to be in our X-wing or TIE Fighters. We would be dropping down into the trench to hit our targets. Today, as I drove down Highway 14, I really missed that bridge." It's no wonder Jones had aspirations of becoming an astronaut.

'Many are doing better than their parents here in Kingsbury County. That does not happen on its own; it happens because people put their life into it.'

Jones made a career in the Air Force, where he had several tours overseas and in Afghanistan. He taught at the Air Force Academy, and they helped him earn his PhD. He retired from the Air Force in 2013 and moved his family back to South Dakota.

GOOD TO BE BACK

A move to Sioux Falls meant being close to family on both sides. Jones's parents told him if he moved back to South Dakota, they would, too.

"I wanted my kids to get to know their grandparents. That was one of the big reasons, and Sioux Falls is a great town. That is what drew us back," said Jones.

Sharing a book that you wrote in a town you grew up as a child can certainly cause one to reminisce and reflect.

"I am so impressed with De Smet and the fact that this building (De Smet Event and Wellness Center) is here, and there are individuals raising money and making sure that this community continues on. De Smet has done well, and it is because of folks who live here and take it very seriously and put their passion into this town and the county," observed Jones.

Jones shared his admiration for De Smet, that despite all the demographic and economic headwinds, this town still attracts people from other states. He called De Smet a historic town that takes great pride in the Laura Ingalls Wilder heritage.

"I have to say in the passing of Bill Wilkinson, I did not know him well, but he was certainly a figure when I was a boy around town. It's guys like that, that are the lifeblood of the community and make this a good place for kids to grow up," said Jones.

"A few years ago, there was a huge study that came out that Kingsbury County was in the top 1% in the nation, in kids that inherited an intact American dream. They defined that as doing better than their parents by the age of 30 as compared to their parents at the same age. Many are doing better than their parents here in Kingsbury County. That does not happen on its own; it happens because people put their life into it. De Smet has a lot to be proud of."

COURT NEWS

The money collected on a \$117.50 speeding ticket is distributed to the following sources: \$39 to the school district in the county where the violation occurred, \$30 to the Law Enforcement Officer Training Fund, \$23.50 to the Unified Judicial System for court automation, \$11 to the 911 Telecommunicator Training Fund, \$6 to the Court Appointed Attorney & Public Defender Fund, \$5 to the Victim's Compensation Fund, \$2 to the Court Appointed Special Advocates Fund and \$1 to the Abused and Neglected Child Defense Fund.

RANDAL REESE, Hancock, Minn., 70 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

GEORGE NORGAARD, Hetland, seat belt violation, fined \$25.00.

BLAKE GUSSO, Oldham, 60 in a 55 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

JAMES BODNAR, Lake Preston, seat belt violation, \$25.00.

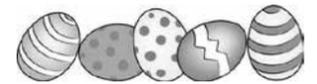
DAVID POPPEN of Howard plead guilty to DUI 1st offense on March 22. He was sentenced to 30 days in jail and fine and costs of \$782.00. The 30 days in jail was suspended on the following conditions: pay fine and costs as ordered, be a law-abiding citizen for one year, complete an alcohol evaluation, complete any recommended treatment and his driver's license was revoked for 30 days.

JORDAN PORT of Mitchell plead guilty to aggravated eluding on March 22. He was sentenced to two years in the state penitentiary and fined \$800.00. He is to pay fines and costs as ordered, abide by all rules set forth by the S.D. Board of Pardons and Parole and not commit any federal, state or local crimes during the term of his probation/incarceration. His driver's license will be revoked for one year after his release from incarceration.

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Last week's weather

Monday, March 22, 2021
High 53, Low 30
Tuesday, March 23, 2021
High 44, Low 37
Wednesday, March 24, 2021
High 45, Low 26
Thursday, March 25, 2021
High 51, Low 23
Friday, March 26, 2021
High 26, Low 31
Saturday, March 27, 2021
High 47, Low 32
Rain/Snow 0.30
Sunday, March 28, 2021
High 51, Low 21
Rain/Snow 0.03

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We're always looking for:

- Photo of the Week
- Stories or Story Ideas
- Scheduled Events
- Birth, engagement, wedding, anniversary and birthday announcements
- Obituary Announcements
- Letters to the Editor

In all cases, you can add a photo and in the case of events, you can create a map, add a URL, PDF, pricing and contact info.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



No Robin Hood here

While the De Smet Forrest may not have a Robin Hood and his band of merry men, it does make for a nice view as the sun rises in the east. This photograph was taken just east of De Smet looking east. (Photo by Mike Siefker)

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Playing fair: Only girls should play girls' sports

EVERYONE KNOWS THAT I am willing to fight for what I believe in. Some have even accused me of fighting too much! And one fight that I've taken on for years is fairness in women's sports. And it's a very simple fight: only girls should play girls' sports.

This is very personal for me. I've been a 15-year-old girl in a locker room. Thankfully, I never had to worry about having a boy in that locker room next to me. My daughters, Kassidy and Kennedy, both played sports in college. If my girls had been playing against men, their ability to compete would have been dramatically limited.

Kassidy is pregnant with a baby girl right now. I want that baby —



GOVERNOR'S DESK

KRISTI NOEM

my granddaughter — to have the same opportunities that I had and that my daughters had.

And it's a fight that I've taken on

in the past. When the federal government tried to force boys and girls to compete against each other in 4-H rodeo, I stood up to protect fairness. Other leaders stayed out of that fight. But we won. We protected fairness in rodeo.

When we take on these important fights, we have to do so in a smart way. Throughout the COVID pandemic, I always made sure that I knew what my authorities were, and what they were not. We have to fight these important battles in smart ways, based on the authorities that we do have. We have to take actions that actually do good for the people of South Dakota, not just pick fights that feel good.

We have to do this right. If we

lose, we could set back protections for our girls. And that's not what anybody wants.

We are going to continue to protect women's sports in South Dakota. We're working to protect them at the K-12 level. And we're building a coalition to take on the NCAA so that we can ensure protections at the collegiate level as well. To join that coalition, you can go to DefendTitleIXnow.com and sign our compact.

Again, the issue is very simple: only girls should play girls' sports. Let's take on this fight in a way that we can win, and let's keep working together to build a coalition to make sure that the NCAA protects fairness as well.

WORSHIP SERVICES

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

1 PETER 2:24

Arlington

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

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

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

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

LAKE WHITEWOOD LUTHERAN CHURCH, See Facebook page for updates.

Badger

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

Bryant

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

Bancroft

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

Carthage

TRINITY LUTHERAN, Services on Trinity Lutheran Church Facebook page.

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

De Smet

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH, Worship at 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. The services are recorded and available on the website.

DE SMET ALLIANCE CHURCH, Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Church at 10:30 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. Afternoon worship at 1:15 p.m., Bible study — Wednesday night at 7 p.m.

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

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC CHURCH, Mass at 9 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Church at 9:30 a.m., Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. Listen in your car on 87.9 FM or Facebook.

Erwin

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

Esmond

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

Iroquois

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

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

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Lake Preston

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

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

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

Oldham

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

Ramona

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

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Erickson named Horizon CEO

Horizon Health Care has named Wade Erickson as chief executive officer effective July 2, 2021.

Erickson, who currently serves as chief financial officer of the organization, will succeed retiring CEO John Mengershausen, who has led the organization for the past 38 years.

Erickson has served as chief financial officer of Horizon since 2000. In this position, he has been instrumental in growing the organization from a small community health center, with a budget of \$2.5 million to a mid-sized organization with a current budget of \$31 million. To meet the organization's growing needs, Erickson successfully led the organization and his finance team through the establishment of several departments including centralized billing, coding, and credentialing. He also led the efforts to establish the 340B Prescription Drug program for Horizon.

"We are excited to leverage the knowledge and passion for the organization's mission that Wade will bring to his new position," said Ryan Jensen, Board Chair. "Our board of directors are grateful to John for the excellent leadership he has brought to Horizon. As we look towards the future, we believe Wade is the perfect fit to guide us into the next era of serving South Dakota."

Mengershausen was initially hired as the business manager for then-Miner-Hamlin Health Care Project in 1983. Over the next three decades, his role evolved to chief executive officer as he led the organization through significant growth and federal changes to become South Dakota's largest community health center and a leader in rural health care.

Mengershausen and Erickson have worked closely together to oversee numerous mergers/acquisitions and successors of interest, established six New Access Point clinics, and expanded Horizon's service line to include dental care, currently delivered in eight dental clinics across the state, and behavioral health care, delivered in person and via telemedicine. In 2016, Mengershausen worked with his Board of Directors to establish the Horizon Health Foundation to ensure future health care access for rural communities.

"I am honored to have the opportunity to succeed John and lead Horizon Health Care on our new path forward," said Erickson. "I have been fortunate to work with John over the years and learn from his success. Now, I am looking forward to building on the strong foundation and legacy he has created to continue to ensure our communities have access to affordable, high-quality health care."

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Obituaries

DONNA MAE OGREN

Donna Mae Ogren, age 86, of De Smet, S.D., passed away on Wed., March 24, 2021, at her home. Public visitation will be on Tues., March 30, 2021, from 5-7 p.m. at the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel in De Smet, S.D. Face masks are encouraged.

Donna Mae Ogren was born May 9, 1934, in rural Lake Norden, S.D., to Jens and Christine (Jensen) Madsen, the youngest of nine children. She graduated from Bryant High School in 1952. Donna moved to New Jersey to live with her sister while Allan was serving in the Korean War.

She married Allan George Ogren on Feb. 14, 1954. The couple settled north of De Smet where they would live out the majority of their lives on the Diamond A Ranch. They raised three children and moved east of De Smet.

After Allan passed on Sept. 2, 2013, Donna moved back into the town of De Smet and has resided there since. Donna was a member of the American Lutheran Church, a board member for the De Smet Depot Museum and a member of the Limousin Cattle Organization. She loved playing cards as well as other games, traveling and music. A big part of her life was cooking and sharing.

She is survived by her three children,



Jim (Mary) Ogren and Randy Ogren of De Smet, and Valarie (Linn) Vig of Claire City, S.D.; eight grandchildren; twelve great-grandchildren; one sister-in-law, Lorraine Madsen of Menahga, Minn., and her very special nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; four brothers, Vernal, Lloyd, Howard and Ronald; and four sisters, Irene, Lucille, Della and Hazel.

Arrangements by Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel. www.crawfordosthus.com

PAID OBITUARY

FRANCIS CALLAHAN

Francis Callahan, age 92, of Colman, S.D., passed away peacefully on Sun., March 21, 2021, at his home.

Mass of Christian Burial was on Friday at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church with Father Anthony Urban & Father Bob Vinslauski. Visitation was on Thursday at Rustand-Weiland Funeral Chapel. Burial was at St. Thomas Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorials to St. Thomas Church, School or Cemetery, Madison Hospice.

Francis Joseph Callahan was born Aug. 23, 1928, near Madison, S.D. to Patrick "Leo" and Stella (O'Connor) Callahan. He graduated from Rutland High School in 1947. In 1948, he entered into the U.S. Army National Guard and was honorably discharged in 1951.

On June 20, 1953, he married Patricia O'Hare at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Sioux Falls. They farmed in the area, and in 1960, they moved to a farm 3 1/2 miles NW of Colman and remained there until his passing. Francis loved being a farmer and living on the farm. He would often take walks around the farm to inspect the crops and fencing. He was a dairy farmer for 35 years and retired from that part of farming in 1995. He farmed the land a few more years until his grandson, Zach, began farming



the land on his own from 2011 to 2020.

Grateful for his life are his children, Jim (Charla), Tim (Cindy), Kathy (Jeff) Foubert, Maureen (Dick) Haas, John (Kate), Coleen (Jeff) Sutton, Eileen (Bryan) Vielmette, Kevin (JoAnn), Doreen (Dave) Bendt, Patrick (Barb), Tom and Char (Vic) Raley; 21 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

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OUR PARISH CONCLUDED our Lenten discussion of the five chapters in the gospel of John (chapters 13 through 17) that tell us of the discourse between Jesus and his disciples on the evening that we have come to celebrate as Maundy Thursday: the evening in which Jesus celebrated the Passover festival in the upper room. The last of these five chapters is a prayer that Jesus makes to his Father, praying for his glorification on the cross as well as praying for his disciples and also praying for "those who will believe in me through their [the disciple's] word, that they may all be one." What a gift: Jesus praying for us!

Jesus prays to the Father and his prayer emphasizes unity with God: Jesus in unity with his Father and the unity with our Father that we receive through Christ's redeeming work on the cross. Jesus prays that we have

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Lake Preston/North Preston Lutheran Church

been given the name of God so that we may know who it is that gives us the gift of salvation! What a reason to celebrate the good news that Christ died to take our sin to the cross; that Christ became sin for us in order to free us from not knowing God! And knowing God is eternal life! We have a God who gives and gives and gives. We have a God who gives to us the gift of his Son, that we may know the Father through the Son; that we may know the Father through the death and resurrection of Christ Jesus. We know the Father because Christ has given to us all that he has and all that he is!

May you experience richly the blessings of this Holy Week and the Easter season, and may you be reminded of all that our God has done for us!



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What's the best part of having a haymow?

"**MAKE SURE MAMA KITTY** gets plenty to eat. She's looking pretty thin," Dad instructed me one afternoon in late March. I stared at the floor for a moment. She was not thin last night when I fed all the cats.



NOOKS AND CRANNIES

DEANN (WOLKOW) KRUEMPEL

Growing up on our South Dakota farm we learned about the birds and the bees at an early age. Storks and pumpkin seeds? We knew better! So, if the mother cat was suddenly skinny, it could mean only one thing.

The folks always told us to leave baby kittens alone or the mother cat would move them. I knew they would not approve of me climbing up into the haymow, so later that day when Mom was in the chicken coop and the men were doing hog chores, I slipped into the middle door of the barn.

Our haymow (rhymes with cow) covered the whole barn and served as a storage place for bales of alfalfa, brome hay and straw which were stacked in the middle. When needed, we dropped the feed or bedding to the livestock below through strategic openings in the floor.

I gazed up at the three one-by-four boards that were nailed across the barn framework and served as the ladder to the upper level. The boards were spaced for legs much longer than mine, but I managed to pull myself up to the first one and then one-step the rest of the way. At last, I scrambled onto the rough wooden floor boards. A light switch hugged the side of the ladder post. I flipped the switch, and a huge room emerged from the darkness.

Dust motes danced through the light above. The musty smell of hay

and straw blended with the animal odors from below. My breath rose, a cloud of steam in the cold air.

I scanned the area for a potential pediatric ward. A small pile of bales remained in the center of the room. In the far corner where the barn roof curved down and the space narrowed, a few old bales remained from previous years. Thick blankets of cobwebs drooped from the ceiling to the hay. As I moved closer, I heard a tiny mew.

In a triangular opening, Mama Kitty sat with her tail curled around her. She looked up at me as I peeked over the bale, then went about the bathing-the-babies business. Her rough tongue lifted the kitten bodies off their straw bed. I watched in fascination as tiny heads bobbed about searching for Mother. Eyes shut, they mewed and tumbled over each other, finally finding nourishment. Purr button on high, Mama Kitty lay down, stretched out and closed her eyes. I reached in and petted her soft gray head. Then I rubbed one finger between the bitty ears of a kitten.

Suddenly, I heard scuffling noises as someone climbed up the vertical ladder. I was miffed that I would have to share the secret of the baby kittens, and I figured he would tell.

My brother Delmer sidled up next to the old bales. "How many does she have?"

"Four."

"How old are they?"

"Just born last night." For several minutes we reveled in the scene. Then my brother glanced up at the spider webs. He said it was a good thing the old bales were still there for the kittens. A couple years ago a distinct odor of skunk kept anyone from moving the bales. Then no one wanted to tear into the webs, so the old hay remained.

"The good hay will be gone in a couple weeks," he said as he got up to toss down feed. "Then Don and I will sweep it out and play ball up here. It's the best part of having a haymow."

He carried a bale, and I rolled one over to the opening above the bull's pen. Pushing one knee into it, he pulled off the twine and tossed chunks of hay down the opening. I stepped right next to the edge of the hole and looked down. My stomach lurched as I saw two pairs of curled horns twist about as the Hereford bulls tore off tufts of hay. Then Delmer told me about last spring when he and Don had been bouncing the basketball against the haymow wall. It had rolled down into the bull enclosure. He had to go down below and rescue the ball. My stomach lurched again.

We moved to the south side

and dropped two straw bales. My brother tossed off his coat as sweat beaded on his forehead. He and Don had sweated plenty when they filled the haymow last summer. Not a breath of air stirred in the room above the barn on the hottest day of the year. They brought a load of bales from the field and unloaded them onto the elevator that carried them up through the big door on the front of the barn. Then they stacked them again, ready for winter feed and bedding.

Delmer finished chores in the haymow, and I followed him down the ladder.

That night at supper Dad asked if I was feeding Mama Kitty. I nodded. "Yup, I'm taking good care of her." I sneaked a glance at Delmer, but he didn't say a word.

The next night when Mom was in the chicken coop, and the guys were doing hog chores, I slipped into the barn.... I peeked over the old bales. I watched the miracle before me, and I knew for certain — THIS was the best part of having a haymow.

DeAnn Kruempel grew up on a farm near De Smet, SD, the sixth child of Harrison and Mabel Wolkow. She attended school at Erwin and De Smet. Married Vicar Robert Kruempel and lived in Benedict, ND, Toeterville, Akron, and Missouri Valley, IA. The author now resides on an acreage near Logan, IA and is employed as Children's Librarian at Missouri Valley Public Library. DeAnn has written a series of five books, "Promises to Keep," which are available at Amazon.com.

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The Easter Bunny is coming to Lake Preston **Saturday April 3rd at 10AM** at the park. All ages are welcomed to come. This is an outdoors event affected by weather so please dress accordingly. We have decided to continue the Easter Window Decorating Contest this year too. So please share your pictures of your windows in this event. Winners will be announced at the Hunt.

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ANDREW ELLSWORTH, MD

Listen to your gut

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Usually, it does not help to repeat a medical test. Nine times out of ten, the result is the same. However, if as a patient, you get that feeling that something is amiss, seek out answers and find someone who will listen. That does not mean you need every possible test. Tests are costly. They are only a tool, and using the wrong tool can cause more harm than good.

Physicians are adeptly trained in the application of the tools of medicine. Throughout college, four years of medical school and another three or more years of residency training, an M.D. or D.O. invests over 10,000 to 15,000 clinical hours while learning the art of medicine. Ideally, as physicians gain experience and confidence, we learn to discern when a test is needed and how to avoid an unnecessary test.

Most importantly, a well-trained physician learns that listening to the patient history is a more powerful tool than any test. The history is the story of the patient's current and past symptoms as told by the patient. It does not come from the chart, is not in a textbook and cannot be determined by a blood test or CT scan. To obtain it, a physician must listen.

Unfortunately, physicians often interrupt a patient within the first 10 to 15 seconds of the visit. Pressures from time, from documentation, from insurance companies and from the next patient that is waiting can contribute to the detriment of the interview. However, with careful listening and guidance from the physician, the patient will frequently provide all that is needed to reach an accurate diagnosis.

We can all learn more by listening. Whether listening to our bodies, our family, our friends or even our adversaries, it is time well spent. When we take the time to listen, we are one step closer to the truth. You'll feel it in your gut.

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A new Easter and M&M Easter Egg blondies

EASTER IS JUST around the corner, and I'm looking forward to getting together with family again. Although we won't be having the huge gatherings we used to have before COVID, I'm just glad we are able to get together with our immediate family and return to some sort of normalcy.

Instead of the normal huge gathering on my mom's side with aunts, uncles and cousins, it will just be my parents, my brother and his family and us. Since it's a smaller group, we decided to go out to eat in Sioux Falls, so my mom and I don't have to spend the day in the kitchen and can enjoy the day.

Unfortunately, we didn't realize how crazy Sioux Falls would be on Easter. It took a lot of phone calls to find a place we could get a reservation set up for the day. Most places were booked up or charging \$50 a plate! Obviously, a lot of people go out to eat for Easter.

So, we won't have our big family



HOME GROWN

AMY HALVERSON

buffet, but we'll have more time to spend together which will be nice. We'll all be able to catch up without having to do any dishes, and we'll have more time to do our traditional Easter egg hunt with the kids.

It sounds like my mom has a bunch of plastic eggs ready to go, because she said we'll have to watch to see if any of the neighbor kids are around to join in the hunt.

M&M Easter Egg Blondies

- 8 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted and cooled
- 1 cup dark brown sugar, packed
- 1 large egg at room temperature
- 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon fine sea salt
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup M&M Easter Eggs milk chocolate

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease an 8 x 8 metal baking pan. Add melted butter to a large bowl and whisk in brown sugar until well combined. Whisk in egg until combined then add vanilla. Add salt, baking powder and flour, stirring until just combined and flour streaks are still visible. Avoid overmixing. Pour batter into prepared baking tin and smooth with spatula. Bake for 17-20 minutes until toothpick inserted in center yields a few moist crumbs. Do not overbake. Remove pan from oven and immediately top with M&M Eggs. Gently press into the top of blondies. Place pan on a wire rack to cool completely.

Then afterward, we'll head to Josh's parents for their big family gathering. With his three sisters, brother and their families, it ends up being a big group. It should be entertaining when they do their Easter egg hunt, and we watch all

the little ones scramble to find eggs. This week I'm sharing a fun dessert recipe that is perfect for Easter. It's easy to whip up and perfect for Easter with the chocolate eggs on top! Enjoy and happy Easter!

Come on down!

It's National Library Week.

Hazel L. Meyer Memorial Library encourages all community members to visit the library and the library website and to like their Facebook page.

It's National Library Week, a time to highlight the essential role libraries, librarians and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening communities. The theme this year is "Welcome to Your Library," which promotes the idea that libraries extend far beyond the four walls of a building, and that everyone is welcome to use their services. Whether people visit virtually or in person, libraries are accessible and inclusive places.

During these challenging times, libraries of all types have been trying to adapt to the changing world by expanding their resources and continuing to meet the needs of their patrons. Libraries across the country are making a difference in people's lives by providing electronic resources and wi-fi access for anyone who may not have internet access at home. The Hazel L. Meyer Memorial Library is supporting online services such as South Dakota Titles to Go. Patrons are able to receive a card number at their local library to access a great selection of online books and audiobooks.



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MENUS

60s-plus menu

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FRIDAY, APRIL 2: Fish Sandwich on Bun, Baked Potato, Vegetable, Fruit

MONDAY, APRIL 5: Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Fruit, Bun

TUESDAY, APRIL 6: Goulash, Vegetable, Fruit, Bun

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7: Pulled Pork Sandwich, Baked Beans, Vegetable, Fruit, Dessert

School Lunch

THURSDAY, APRIL 1: Hamburger on Bun, Baked Beans, Peaches

FRIDAY, APRIL 2: No School

MONDAY, APRIL 5: No School

TUESDAY, APRIL 6: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed potatoes, Grapes, Cookies

NEWS BRIEF

Get your baskets ready!

The De Smet Community Women are sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt for toddlers through third graders on Saturday, April 3 at 10 a.m. in Washington Park.

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Gruenhagen one of two National Merit Finalists

Student sees results of 'pushing yourself'

BY MIKE SIEFKER
Kingsbury Journal

If you had to choose one word to describe Aria Gruenhagen, that word would have to be driven. Her hard work and dedication toward her schoolwork and extracurricular activities at De Smet High School have garnered her lots of attention her senior year. The most recent recognition is being named a finalist by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC).

In South Dakota Class B schools, there were only two National Merit Scholarship finalists.

A field of 1.6 million candidates who take a standardized test is then narrowed down to just 16,000 winners. Students must be attending a four-year university the following fall

after graduation.

EXPERIENCE AS A PAGE

Gruenhagen has also recently spent some time in Pierre as a page for House Representative Lynn Schneider. School Counselor, Kari Fods, suggested that Gruenhagen apply for the opportunity. Gruenhagen described the experience as "eye opening" and said she learned quite a bit from the experience and recommends it for any student contemplating whether to attend.

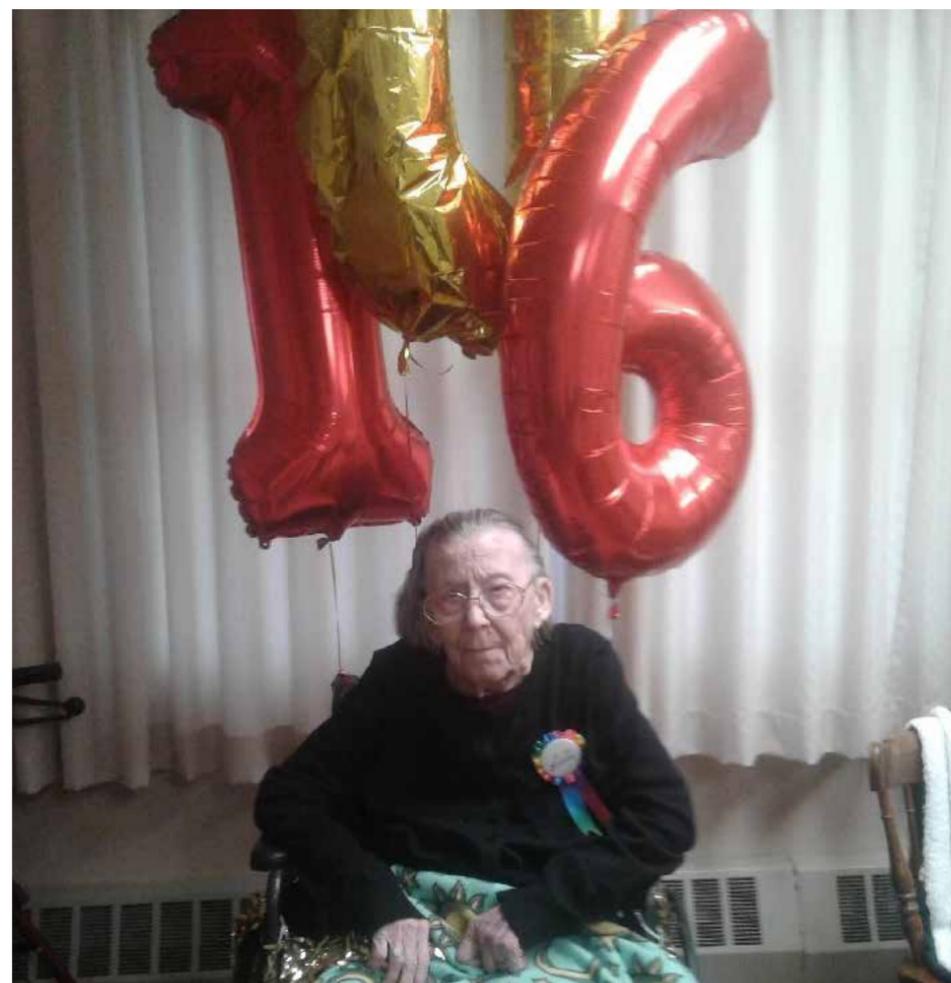
Due to COVID restrictions, last year's students were not given the opportunity. This year Gruenhagen served alongside 22 other pages, assisting legislators in the State Senate and House of Representatives.

Gruenhagen described the experience being similar to a secretary. They also took phone messages from constituents while on the house floor. The pages sat through committee

See **GRUENHAGEN**, page 11



Aria Gruenhagen, left, stands next to House Representative for District 22, Lynn Schneider, at the Capitol in Pierre. Gruenhagen served a term as his Page, learning about the legislative processes. (Submitted Photo)



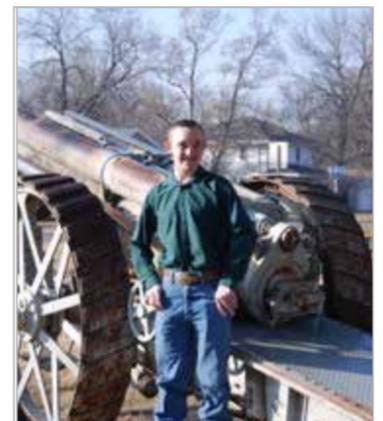
Celebrating 106 years!

Ruth Severson celebrated her 106th birthday at the Good Samaritan Society on March 26. She enjoyed cards, balloons, special treats and flowers and requested that the birthday song be sung - twice! (Submitted photo)

The staff and residents at Good Samaritan Society De-Smet would like to thank Jerry Skyberg for his hard work and dedication to the Community Garden at our facility. He single handedly maintained the garden on his own time allowing for fresh vegetables to be available for the Staff and Residents. This amazing act of generosity provided a positive contribution to our staff and residents during a very trying time!

Thank You again Jerry from the GSS- De Smet Staff and all our Residents!!!

SENIOR FEATURE: ANDREW CLOSE



'Work hard and never give up.'

Andrew Close is a member of the De Smet High School Class of 2021. His parents are Donna and Rich Close, and he has two sisters, Sierra and Cassidy Close.

His favorite class is creative writing, and a favorite high school memory is making it to state in cross-country.

When asked who has had a positive impact on his life, Close said, "My Uncle David Close has influenced me to work hard to accomplish my goals."

Advice he gives to underclassmen is to work hard and never give up.

Activities Close has been involved in at school are show choir, choir, cross-country and track. He enjoys singing, running, riding his bike and volunteering to help the community.

His future plans are to pursue a career in elementary education.

De Smet

DAYS GONE BY

2020: Stop the presses! The News and Times print final editions

10 YEARS AGO

March 30, 2011

The skunk aroma that has permeated the Kingsbury County Courthouse for the past few weeks is slowly dissipating. **Steve Siver**, maintenance man at the courthouse, said that the smell was mainly in the county commission meeting room and the office above. "It's getting better; hopefully it has moved on," he said. The skunk was never seen but left its odor as an obvious calling card. There were some live traps set, but Siver said, "We didn't catch anything except a couple of cats." Siver said he would like to take out some of the shrubbery around the courthouse this spring. This would eliminate a hiding place and possibly show where the animal gained entry into the building. The County Commissioners agreed. "We don't need to be setting out a welcome mat for them," **Joe Jensen** said.

25 YEARS AGO

March 27, 1996

Kingsbury County Sheriff Charles Smith says come April 1 speed laws will be strictly enforced. Smith said there will be no cushion, that the posted limit will be all the speed allowed. Speed limits increase to 65 miles per hour on all state roads and to 75 miles per hour on interstate highways on April 1. Speed limits on Kingsbury County roads will remain at 55 miles per hour or lower. Motorists must heed how a county road is posted, Smith said. He also reminded motorists that they will need a greater distance to pass with the higher speed limit. Smith said vehicles will come together 20 miles per hour faster if both are driving the new speed



ONE YEAR AGO: It may have been just one year ago, but it seems like more in 'COVID-years' when our local newspapers shocked readers with their final editions. "This is the final edition of The De Smet News and the Lake Preston Times. No, this is not an April Fool's joke. It is real. It is sudden. And it is sad. Equipment for The News came to De Smet from Volga over the newly graded railroad bed on April 1, 1880. It is appropriate that the final edition is April 1, 2020. The sad part is this closing is a real loss for the community. Whatever your taste in news may be, what this newspaper provided will no longer be there. No public notices. No coverage of city, school or county meetings. No sports stories or photos. No weddings. No engagements. No births. No obituaries. No editorial opinion. Our closure creates a huge vacuum. And we're sorry about that. I thank you, our loyal readers, and all the businesses that have helped make these publications viable over the years." -Dale Blegen, publisher.

limit, and motorists have to make allowances for that when passing.

50 YEARS AGO

April 1, 1971

The fire that swept several business places at Garretson Wednesday

evening was of concern to the **Aubrey Sherwood's** because that is **Laura's** home town, but of special concern because one of her sisters resided in the apartment above the Jack & Jill Store. Telephone calls to relatives at Garretson late Wednesday evening identified

the fire as in this and the adjoining hardware store. Later information by telephone was that the sister, **Mrs. Jennie Crowder**, was safe at the home of a daughter at Garretson but had lost everything but the clothes she wore, including a coat she put on after discovering and reporting the fire in the apartment across the hall. She had no idea the blaze would prove so disastrous and so made no effort to save anything else from the apartment. We share with the Garretson community in the loss of the buildings and businesses there.

75 YEARS AGO

March 28, 1946

Something is being done about added housing in De Smet. It isn't much, but it's a start. **Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Tibbetts**, recently married, have a brand-new home on the rear of the **Fred Patzwald** residence; the father of the bride helping the young folks in planning and building it. The structure is 14x20, of wood frame with plaster sheeting and inside finish and is divided into kitchen and living room. It may later be moved to a separate lot and then have basement and connections with water and sewer - and perhaps an addition to make a complete small home. **Albert Schultz** has begun excavation of a basement for a residence just south of the township hall, expecting to build a second home next to it.

100 YEARS AGO

April 1, 1921

A severe storm visited this section on the eve of Easter, coming in the form of a blizzard that blocked travel and hindered train service.

GRUENHAGEN: Page finds it hard not to join the debate in Pierre

FROM PAGE 10

meetings and were present during the House floor votes.

"An eye-opening part was how the Representatives argue their sides for or against a bill," said Gruenhagen. "At times, it was ridiculous. Seeing these politicians in action really strengthened my belief and views into how I can bring about changes in my state. It also showed me the proper way to go about bringing these bills to the floor and getting them passed,"

"It was hard to hold my tongue while Representatives argued their sides," she added. "We're supposed to be seen and not heard as pages, and I'm very opinionated and outspoken."

No matter how deserving or needed a bill may be, Gruenhagen said

there were some individuals outspoken against it.

"The hosts really went out of their way to make this experience a good one for the pages. It was fantastic. The pages, at the end of the term, had dinner with the governor at her mansion. I got to sit next to Governor Noem, and that was cool opportunity," Gruenhagen shared.

During the experience, Gruenhagen was taken up into the Dome of the State Capital. Once at the top of the Dome, she was allowed to sign her name. This has long been a tradition of guests at the State Capital.

WHAT'S AHEAD

Gruenhagen, the daughter of

Jason and Tristin Gruenhagen, has lived her whole life in De Smet. She says she experiences lots of late nights or early mornings with her rehearsals and practices.

"I have this drive to succeed and to constantly push myself. I feel like I need to prove myself in some way. So, I push myself in these areas that I am so passionate about, like theater and music and academics," said Gruenhagen.

Gruenhagen's main goal is to gain admission to her "dream" college. She

has already received a "likely letter" from it, but on April 6 at 7 p.m., she will know if that dream becomes a reality. Her confidence is high that she will be accepted into the Ivy League School. Like everything in her life, it is well planned and initiated. An alternative has been selected, which she is happy with as well.

After college, she would like to work with Doctors Without Borders or do international humanitarian work.



TO ALL THE STAFF AT GOOD SAMARITAN THANK YOU for all the extra work you have done during the lockdowns, your compassionate care for the residents and the amazing effort in making Ruth's 2020 and 2021 birthdays very special when no visitors were allowed.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7: Pizza, Lettuce Salad w/ Tomato, Fruit

School Lunch

THURSDAY, APRIL 1: Chicken Patty, Mixed Vegetables, Oranges

FRIDAY, APRIL 2: No School

MONDAY, APRIL 5: No School

TUESDAY, APRIL 6: Tacos, Corn, Diced Peaches

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7: Hotdogs, Baked Beans, Applesauce

NEWS BRIEF

Easter Bunny is coming!

The Dorothee Pike Memorial Library is hosting a hunt for a Library Easter Eggs all day on Friday. Check local business' windows, and if you find one, turn it into the library for a prize.

On Saturday, the Progressive Community Women will have an Easter Egg Hunt and the Easter Bunny coming for a visit at the park at 10 a.m.

They have also decided to continue the Easter Window Decorating contest this year! Share your pictures of your windows to their Facebook page, and a winner will be announced at the Easter Egg Hunt.

There is an Easter Egg Hunt at North Preston Lutheran Church on Sunday at 10 a.m. followed by worship at 10:30 a.m.

Get your tickets

The Ninth Annual Tour of Tables is on April 10. Doors open at 10 a.m., lunch at noon and raffle baskets at 12:30. To get tickets, contact Amber Nelson at 605-203-1000.

WAX MUSEUM



Live history

The 4th graders had their annual Wax Museum last Tuesday. Teacher, Mrs. Kelsey Smith, has them choose important figures in South Dakota history and tell about them. Case Carlson is representing Joe Foss giving his audience some information about Foss. (Photos by Kristi Curd)



Nolan Eichler as Crazy Horse



Emsley Odegaard as Rose Wilder Lane



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LOOKING BACK

1996: Draining a swimming pool through a straw

10 YEARS AGO
March 30, 2011

A congressional delegation from the offices of **Senator Tim Johnson and Senator John Thune** took a first-hand look at the flooding situation and indicated a willingness to speak to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in order to expedite a report.

Nicholas Curd is the state archery champion, having placed first in his division, children 11 and under, to win the state NFAA championship in Mitchell. Curd competed in the two-day competition in shooting with a compound bow.

Local chef **Glenda Odegaard**, owner of Countryview Catering, was the runner up in the Taste of Elegance Competition in Sioux Falls. The competition was started to show chefs how to expand the use of pork in their menus.



TEN YEARS AGO: Flooding dominates the headlines this week. A biting wind cut to the bone on Saturday as dozens of volunteers worked in the parking lot at the North Shore Grill to fill sandbags while others hauled them around the lake in an effort to stop rising waters from damaging homes. Gary Justeson, the president of the 4 Lakes Improvement Association, stated they contacted many people by phone and email to help fill the 25,000 sandbags furnished by the county.

25 YEARS AGO
March 28, 1996

“Moving water out of Lake Thompson is a lot like draining a swimming pool through a straw. It is slow, and that wouldn’t be so bad except South Dakota’s largest natural lake is getting bigger.” **Governor Janklow** met with residents on March 23 to discuss how to deal with the problem, but it will be a long process.

The Lake Thompson Wildlife Festival is coming on Saturday and Sunday to the LPHS auditorium. The event will again feature the work of numerous artists as well as information booths, programs and tours of the watershed. There will be more emphasis on fishing this year. There also will be a program for children on Sunday presented by the Bramble Park Zoo in Watertown.

Clay Jessen, Joey Carlson and Troy Nystrom are this year’s Boys State delegates; **Matt Warne** will be at Journalism City. **Ronnie Albert, Tami Anderson and Amber Slaight** are the Girls State representatives.

50 YEARS AGO
April 1, 1971

The LPHS vocational departments hosted 650 area students this past week. Despite the influx of 150 boys from 13 schools on Thursday and 500 girls from 17 schools on Monday, the groups were able to conduct their special programs with a minimum of distraction. They utilized the large auditorium facilities at the Erwin Attendance Center and the auditorium in the Ag building in the high school. Events held were the District 2 convention of FHA while Vo-Ag students attended the annual meat school in-

structed by **Leroy Koch**.

The local Kiwanis Club donated \$150 to the hospital fund, bringing the building account up to \$2001.50 – all of it from gifts.

The Lake Preston Cooperative Association annual meeting was held last Friday. Approximately 150 attended including several businessmen and their wives. **Milburn Sass** and **Dick Pastian** were elected for 3-year terms. The association gave a financial report of a highly successful year of operation.

75 YEARS AGO
March 28, 1946

A special meeting of the American Legion was held to discuss erecting a new memorial hall. After the pros and cons were debated, they decided to put off further action until the regular members could be present. **Art Peterson**, the membership director, said the local post has a membership of 144, the largest post in the country.

Bonde’s Grocery is offering Armour’s Star Pork and Beans – 24 #2 cans for \$3.59. “They will be scarce this summer; buy a case now!”

LPHS musicians are gearing up for the reopening of the Annual State Music Contest. There was a “slump” of contests during the war, so being fortunate to have good leadership and plentiful talent - they can look forward to very promising results. The Kingsbury County Elimination Contest will be held in Lake Preston on April 1.

100 YEARS AGO
March 31, 1921

The members of the Lake Preston post of the American Legion have secured the basement of the 1st National Bank and will soon be nicely

CHAMBER CHAT

Driving for new members

BY DAR DEKNIKKER

The LP Chamber/Four Lakes Forward met at The Lake Preston Cafe last week. New officers were elected: **Lisa Casper**, President; **Donna Bumann**, Vice-President; **Lynne Brown**, Secretary and **Ceci Bode**, Treasurer.

The group discussed a chamber membership drive to encourage more community members to get involved. With new people comes new ideas and enthusiasm. The group is also thinking about doing a house painting project in Lake Preston, looking to help someone in need of assistance.

The LP Chamber/Four Lakes Forward will once again help with the city-wide cleanup, April 30-May 11. On Wednesday, May 5 at 5 p.m., the members will help load items that are going to the dump. More information on the cleanup will be posted by the City.

The annual fishing tournament is set for June 5-6; more information will also be posted on that event.

The next meeting is set for April 19 at the New Horizon Lounge. Everyone welcome!

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VOLUME 65 / ISSUE 28

LPHS SENIOR FEATURE: Rhett McMasters

Written By: Tate Larsen

Rhett is the son of Sherry and John McMasters. He has one pet, his cat named Bob. Over Rhett's high school years, he has been very busy being involved in track, cross country, football, basketball, All-State Choir, marching band, and the All-School Musical. Five words to describe Rhett would be outgoing, smart, athletic, smiley and resourceful.

Rhett's favorite teacher is Mr. Solberg, because he spends most of the year with him for sports and classes. "He's really helpful and if you have question, he will always try to give you the best answer." For Rhett's favorite class, he chose student teaching for Mr. Dufek. It is his favorite class because the kids make it very fun for him and there is never a dull moment. If there was one teacher that Rhett could take with him after high school to help him it would be Mr. Schmidt, because "He knows a lot

about everything and could tell you about anything at any time. He's a very resourceful person and can learn a lot just by listening to him."

Rhett's favorite lunch is chicken nuggets and mashed potatoes. One of Rhett's favorite memories from school is when he pulled my (Tate's) chair out from under me and I fell on the ground. Then we had to research what could have happened to me and why he should have never done that again. Rhett's favorite school activity was track, because "you see and hear many weird things and also the track coach pushes me to be the best I can."

Rhett plans on going to college to study Criminal Justice/Criminology. Then, he is planning on going into the Air Force as an officer and either do Pararescue or to be in the office of Special Investigations. When asked how he wants to be remembered, he said "as a hard working young man."



LP FFA Teams earn their trip to State

By: Rachel Jensen

The Lake Preston FFA CDE teams competed for a chance to go to state Wednesday, March 17th in Howard, and on Thursday March 25th in Madison. At the Howard meet, The Vet Science team placed 4th overall. The Meats team placed 4th. The Nursery Landscape team placed 5th. The Livestock Team Placed 18th. The Ag Mechanics team placed 12th.

Participants in the Madison CDE included the Vet Science

team (Danielle Odegaard, Jocelyn Steffensen, Kate Ries, Rachel Jensen, and Gretta Larson), the Livestock Evaluation Team (Savanna Perkins and Maddison Rieck), and the Ag Mechanics team (Kanon Hoard, AJ Wienk, and Brodie Hoard). The teams that will be continuing on to State will be the Vet Science Team, the Nursery Landscape team, and the Meats team. Good Luck to our LP FFA Chapter as they compete at State FFA on April 12th-13th!



Golf season is back and here to stay! Pictured above is the MS/HS Diver Golf Team. Golfers have already been busy practicing skills in the gym, anxiously awaiting when they can get on a course!

The Life of a Student Livestock Owner

Editorial By: Savanna Perkins

What is it like being a livestock owner? It is challenging and takes a lot of time and patience. It also takes a lot of commitment. You won't always be able to hang out with your friends because an animal needs you. Livestock animals depend on there care givers. I love taking care of my animals and having that special bond with them. I have a Simmental cross Calf, and a baby Boer goat. My calf's name is Lou, and my goat's name is Lola. After a long day it is nice to go out and see your animals and the excitement they have when they see you.

Raising animals has changed my life for the better. I plan on raising livestock in the future like my brother and my uncle. I also plan on going to LATI in Watertown for Large Animal Vet Technician like my brother as well. My animals are at my brother's house and I help him when he

needs help. Even though it takes time, commitment, and patience, in the end, it is totally worth it and I wouldn't change it for the world.



Blue & Gold
2020-2021

Advisor: Krista O'Dea

Seniors: Myra Rhoades, Alex Post
Juniors: Rachel Jensen, Marissa Rober, Milliana Waikel
Sophomores: Ava Malone, Janelle Rhoades, Stella DeKnikker, Gretta Larson
Freshmen: Amelia Greene, Savanna Perkins
8th Grade: Amelia Holland, Lane Jensen, Trinity Pirlet, Bradley Rhoades
7th Grade: M.P., Lorick Pirlet, Brooklyn Bothun

"The worst thing you write is better than the best thing you didn't write."

SPIRIT LAKE NEWS

Eggs and candy gathered

BY ILLDENA POPPEN

Spirit Lake Presbyterian Church Worship: 10:30 a.m. in church, Live Facebook, 88.1 FM Radio. Adult Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Pastor Dick Poppen on KWAT radio Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Palm Sunday service was held at Spirit Lake Church March 28. Patrick Poppen, Carrie Poppen, Emerson Larson and Katie Revealee were all confirmed.

Gordon and Chrystal Poppen of Sioux Falls came Friday evening to be with Cork Poppen while Ildena Poppen was a patient in De Smet Avera Hospital. Ildena returned home Saturday afternoon. The Sioux Falls Poppens returned home late Saturday afternoon.

Horizon and Augustine Hanson of Buffalo, Wyo., granddaughters of John and Margaret Kinder, recently qualified for the National Regional Gymnastics Competition which will be held in Kansas City.

The Spirit Lake Church Sunday School teachers participated in an "Egg Gathering" event held in downtown Willow Lake. Trunks of the cars were decorated in festive themes and candy was handed out to children. Their theme was "He is Risen!"

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, April 3, the Good Friday service will be at 7 p.m. at Lake Gospel Church in Willow Lake.

On April 4 at 7 a.m. a Sunrise Easter Service will be held at Spirit Lake. The 11 a.m. Easter Service will be held in the Willow Lake gymnasium with Pastor Paul Omon.

OLDHAM-RAMONA NEWS

School Lunch

THURSDAY, APRIL 1: Spaghetti w/ Meat sauce, Breadstick, Relishes,

FRIDAY, APRIL 2: No School

MONDAY, APRIL 5: No School

TUESDAY, APRIL 6: BBQ Mr. Rib on Bun, Relishes, Fruit

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7: Hot Ham and Cheese, Baked Cheetos, Relishes

BANCROFT NEWS

Buying grain and selling coal

BY ROSE GROTHE

Mark Knight of Huron was the speaker at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday, March 28. Thanks, Mark.

A resident of Bancroft, Clint Walker, passed away last Tuesday, March 23 at a hospital in Missouri. He was staying with his daughters before taking chemotherapy for cancer when they found other problems. His funeral is today, March 29 with burial in Jacksonville Veterans Cemetery. He is survived by two daughters, Rachel Iman and Becca VanVactor. He was the nephew of the late Ruth Austin, a long-time post-mistress in Bancroft.

Our sympathy goes out to Casey Olowu-Davies and her husband Ouwasegun, as his father David Olowu passed away recently. He had been living with Casey's family. She is the daughter of Max and Jill Miller of Bancroft.

Rose Grothe made a business trip to

Brookings on Monday and then spent the afternoon with her daughter, Janice.

What a lovely rain we had this last week. Not sure how much we got, but it should take the rest of the frost out of the ground; soon it will be planting time. Some fields are already turning green.

ELEVATORS (Continued from last week)

Andrew Mears was in there later buying grain and selling coal. The coal sheds were just west of the elevator and the five or six bins contained hard coal, briquettes and soft coal. The elevator was powered by bay and gray horses who were attached to a 5-6' tumbling rod which was connected to a pinion. Later, gas engines were used for the power.

The Cargill elevator, better known as the round one, was located southwest of the depot. It was the first elevator to close because there was too high a grade for a team of horses to pull the wagons up when bringing in the grain.

CARTHAGE NEWS

1884: Hoodlums must be quiet

BY LORALEE NELSON

Trinity Lutheran Church will have Easter Worship April 4 at 11 a.m. with Sunday School at 10 a.m. Maundy Thursday Services will be at First Lutheran in Artesian at 6:30 p.m. and Good Friday Services will be at Trinity in Carthage at 6:30 p.m.

Harriet Hattervig went to Mitchell, Saturday, for a gathering with her cousins, Jeanette Jones, Marilyn Strand and Mary, Janelle Stene and Joni. They visited at Jeanette's and went out for lunch.

Robin, Mirinda and Erik Hattervig were Sunday dinner guests with Harriet Hattervig.

The Magic Egg is still hiding somewhere in Carthage for the children to search for. Take it to a Loyal Lady for a prize. All community youth are invited to the city park Saturday, April 3 at 10 a.m. for an Easter Egg Hunt!

DID YOU KNOW?

In 1884, it was reported that several little boys had made their appearance

on the streets of Carthage yelling and screaming like little urchins. If these scenes are repeated, it will be necessary to have the little urchins arrested and taken before Justice Stowe for corrections. Parents have no right to allow children the freedom of the streets at night or day. The public has the right to peace that little hoodlums must respect.

From 1887: Some of the exchanges have here to for suggested sending a missionary to Carthage. "We call their attention to the fact that last Sabbath morning, there were four sermons in four churches. If ever there has been a town in Dakota Territory less in need of a missionary, we would be pleased to know."

From 1896: Mr. Max Huber, the erstwhile proprietor of Maxi's Bazar, has left for parts unknown. He packed his stock of goods and flitted from home forever. He leaves no broken hearts to mourn his departure, thank goodness, and the girls of this thriving city are to be congratulated that he did not prolong his stay.

ESMOND NEWS

Ski Club outing continues

BY MARLIN CLENDENING

Rick and Vicki Aughenbaugh, Gene and Joann Schlueter and Rita Anderson were the guests of Gordie and Marilyn Skyberg of De Smet Sunday to celebrate the birthdays of Rick and Rita.

Jonathan Bornitz, son of Travis and Michelle Bornitz and a kindergarten student at Iroquois, recently took part in the "Kids Heart Challenge" held in school and through donations raised \$150.00 for the program, qualifying him to throw a pie in a teacher's face.

Marlin and Jeanette Clendening, Lori, Rosalie and Hannah Wehlander and friend from DWU, Erik Wehlander from USD and Amy Zeller from Omaha, the Craig Olinger family, the Neal Hiemstra family and Mike and Perianne all from Woonsocket, the Greg Kludt family from Montrose, Jeff and Ryder Clendening, Slayton Neugebauer from Ethan and Roy Clendening and girls from Belle Fourche all gathered recently in the Black Hills for the annual Esmond Ski Club outing, established in 1975. All the missed birthdays from the past year were celebrated.

The Clendenings attended their grandson Ryder Clendening's Ethan High School Prom Grand March, Saturday night. They met with Hannah Wehlander and Nate for supper.

Davis Anderson, a student from DWU, was the guest speaker at the Esmond Methodist Church on Palm Sunday.

Sara, Sage and Colton Schweigert with Summer Gross of Huron and Janna Rose and Ashton of Wolsey visited Adaline Saturday afternoon.

On March 21, Charemon and Annette Dunham attended the District 6 American Legion meeting. Sara Heffner was Educator of the Year at the district level. On March 22, the American Legion Auxiliary selected Katie Dubro to go to Girl's State.

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AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS – MODIFIED CASH BASIS**

	General Fund	Road and Bridge Fund	Other Gov. Funds	Total Gov. Funds
Beginning Balance	1,947,230.05	1,219,543.16	587,404.50	3,754,177.71
Revenues and Other Sources (minor level):				
Taxes:				
Current Property Taxes	2,508,522.40	0.00	0.00	2,508,522.40
Delinquent Property Taxes	16,376.75	0.00	0.00	16,376.75
Penalties and Interest	4,583.88	0.00	0.00	4,583.88
Telephone Tax (Outside)	184.00	0.00	0.00	184.00
Wheel Tax	0.00	230,926.88	0.00	230,926.88
Other Taxes	0.00	0.00	33,659.88	33,659.88
Licenses and Permits	3,027.00	1,200.00	410.00	4,637.00
Intergovernmental Revenue:				
Federal Grants	221,986.22	200,210.79	54,076.65	476,273.66
Federal Payments in Lieu of Taxes	4,741.01	0.00	0.00	4,741.01
State Grants	8,086.81	215,133.58	0.00	223,220.39
State Shared Revenue	84,683.30	1,180,857.38	66,701.45	1,332,242.13
Other Payments in Lieu of Taxes	1,194.02	0.00	0.00	1,194.02
Other Intergovernmental Revenue	1,637.71	0.00	0.00	1,637.71
Charges for Goods and Services:				
General Government	116,865.74	0.00	9,358.20	126,223.94
Public Safety	190,494.52	0.00	5,612.00	196,106.52
Public Works	0.00	61,355.20	0.00	61,355.20
Other Charges	693.88	0.00	0.00	693.88
Fines and Forfeits:				
Fines	634.85	0.00	0.00	634.85
Costs	3,190.96	0.00	100.00	3,290.96
Forfeits	432.00	0.00	0.00	432.00
Miscellaneous Revenue and Other Sources:				
Investment Earnings	25,186.90	20,599.51	5,107.03	50,893.44
Rent	11,618.61	0.00	0.00	11,618.61
Contributions and Donations	13,637.78	0.00	0.00	13,637.78
Other Miscellaneous Revenue	7,870.37	0.00	0.00	7,870.37
General Long Term Debt Issued	0.00	374,422.00	0.00	374,422.00
Total Revenue and Other Sources	3,225,648.71	2,284,705.34	175,025.21	5,685,379.26
Expenditures and Other Uses (subfunction level):				
Legislative	168,327.24	0.00	0.00	168,327.24
Elections	26,237.36	0.00	0.00	26,237.36
Judicial System	3,853.43	0.00	0.00	3,853.43
Financial Administration	296,705.47	0.00	0.00	296,705.47
Legal Services	168,239.85	0.00	0.00	168,239.85
Other General Government	533,244.50	0.00	4,979.17	538,223.67
Law Enforcement	533,550.59	0.00	1,218.35	534,768.94
Protective and Emergency Services	0.00	0.00	144,472.57	144,472.57
Highways and Bridges	0.00	2,731,855.00	0.00	2,731,855.00
Economic Assistance	9,770.80	0.00	0.00	9,770.80
Mental Health Services	9,425.11	0.00	0.00	9,425.11
Recreation	17,637.09	0.00	0.00	17,637.09
Soil Conservation	89,597.84	0.00	0.00	89,597.84
Water Conservation	0.00	0.00	250.00	250.00
Urban Development	42,046.35	0.00	0.00	42,046.35
Economic Development	581.00	0.00	0.00	581.00
Intergovernmental Expenditures	0.00	57,731.72	0.00	57,731.72
Debt Service	0.00	67,723.94	30,390.00	98,113.94
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	1,899,216.63	2,857,310.66	181,310.09	4,937,837.38
Transfers In (Out)	(1,156,010.00)	1,116,010.00	40,000.00	0.00
Special Items (specify)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Extraordinary Items (specify)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Increase/Decrease in Fund Balance	170,422.08	543,404.68	33,715.12	747,541.88
Ending Fund Balance:				
Restricted	0.00	0.00	582,702.20	582,702.20
Committed	0.00	1,455,463.80	0.00	1,455,463.80
Assigned	1,245,105.82	307,484.04	39,421.01	1,592,010.87
Unassigned	872,546.31	0.00	0.00	872,546.31
Total Ending Fund Balance	2,117,652.13	1,762,947.84	622,123.21	4,502,723.18
Governmental Long-term Debt				468,712.45

The preceding financial data does not include fiduciary funds or component units. Information pertaining to those activities may be obtained by contacting the County Auditor at (605) XXX-XXXX.

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**CITY OF DE SMET
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BY THE
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
ON A PROPOSED VARIANCE**

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on April 14, 2021 at 5:00 PM at De Smet Event Center to consider in full or in part the following proposed variance:

Permit No. 93 Pat Tyrell for a variance to Chapter 2.06 "R-2" General Residential, Section 2.06.05 Area Regulations 3. Minimum Yard requirements of the De Smet City Zoning Ordinance. The request, if granted, would permit the applicant to construct a 20' x 21' carport accessory buildings on the following property legally described property: Lot 11, Block 3, Carroll's Addition, De Smet, South Dakota and addressed as 407 1st Street SW, De Smet, South Dakota, on property zoned as R-2 General Residential District, less than six (6) feet from the side property line (east lot line).

All persons interested therein may appear and be heard before the Board of Adjustment at said hearing or may file written comments with the Finance Officer at City Hall, 106 Calumet Avenue SE, De Smet, SD prior to the hearing.

Tracey Larson, Finance Officer
City of De Smet

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**CITY OF DE SMET
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BY THE
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
ON A PROPOSED VARIANCE**

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on April 14, 2021 at 5:00 PM at De Smet Event Center to consider in full or in part the following proposed variance:

Permit No. 94 HME Management, LLC for a variance to Chapter 2.05 "R-1" Single Family Residential, Section 2.05.05 Area Regulations 2. Maximum Lot Coverage, and 3. Minimum Yard requirements of the De Smet City Zoning Ordinance. The request, if granted, would permit the applicant to construct a duplex family residential structure on the following property legally described property: Lot 34, in OL 1 & 2 of Wilder Pass in SW 28-111-56, De Smet, South Dakota, on property zoned as R-1 Single Family Residential District, less than 30 feet from the front property line (north lot line), less than 30 feet from the front property line (east lot line), and would cover more than 30% of the total lot with structures.

All persons interested therein may appear and be heard before the Board of Adjustment at said hearing or may file written comments with the Finance Officer at City Hall, 106 Calumet Avenue SE, De Smet, SD prior to the hearing.

Tracey Larson, Finance Officer
City of De Smet

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A petition has been filed by the City of De Smet, that part of Ingalls Avenue running north and south, between on the east side Lot 2 and Lot 7, Block 10, Drake's Addition to the City of De Smet, in Kingsbury County, South Dakota, and on the west side

Lot 3 and Lot 6, Block 10, Drake's Addition to the City of De Smet, in Kingsbury County, South Dakota be vacated pursuant to SDCL 9-45-11.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a hearing upon said petition will be held on the 14th day of April, at 5:00 PM (CST) in the De Smet Event Center Building located at 701 Wilder Lane, De Smet, South Dakota, at which hearing all interested in said petition may appear and state objections, if any, to the vacation of said property.

Dated this 31st day of March, 2021.

Tracey Larson, Finance Officer
City of De Smet

Published once at the approximate cost of \$10.24

**NOTICE OF ELECTION
LAKE PRESTON, SOUTH DAKOTA**

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

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

At the election, the following office will be filled:
Alderman Ward I, two- (2)-year term, Kristen Longville
Alderman Ward I, two- (2)-year term, Alex Post
Alderman Ward II, two- (2)-year term, Joe Schnell
Alderman Ward II, two- (2)-year term, Jeremy Woodcook
Alderman Ward III, two- (2)-year term, Brian Verhey
Alderman Ward III, two- (2)-year term, Jim Conrad

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

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

Brenda Klug, Finance Officer

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**STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
COUNTY OF KINGSBURY)SS
IN CIRCUIT COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
ESTATE OF GLEN E. PEDERSON
DECEASED
38PRO21-000010
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on March 17, 2021, LINDA THURMAN, OF 1405 11TH Street NE #6, Watertown, SD 57201 was appointed as Personal Representative of the Estate of GLEN E. PEDERSON.

The creditors of the Decedent must file their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of the Notice or their claims will 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.

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HELSPER, McCARTY & RASMUSSEN, P.C.
 REED T. MAHLKE
 1441 6TH Street, Suite #200
 Brookings, SD 57006
 605-692-7775

JENNIFER MALONE
 KINGSBURY COUNTY CLERK OF COURTS
 P.O. BOX 176
 DE SMET, SD 57231

REED T. MAHLKE
 HELSPER, McCARTY & RASMUSSEN, P.C.
 1441 SIXTH STREET, SUITE #200
 BROOKINGS, SD 57006

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
*****UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES*****
DE SMET, SOUTH DAKOTA
MARCH 16, 2021

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 8:30 AM in the Courtroom in the County Courthouse with Commissioners Steve Spilde and Doug Kazmerzak attending via Zoom. Commissioners Delmer Wolkow, and Joe Jensen present. Vice Chairman Wolkow presided.

Also attending via Zoom were, Tammy Anderson, Director of Equalization, and Mike Siefker, Kingsbury Journal.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 Those present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA
 Jennifer Barnard, Auditor, stated Elaine Blachford, Treasurer, and an informational matter needed to be added to the agenda. Barnard also stated that Brad Antonson, insurance agent, will need to be removed from this agenda.

Jensen moved and Kazmerzak seconded to approve the agenda as editen. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT
 Chairman Walls asked for public comment. There was none.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST
 Chairman Walls asked the Board if there was any conflict of interest. There was none.

MINUTES
 Kazmerzak moved and Spilde seconded to approve the minutes of March 2, 2021. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Kazmerzak moved and Jensen seconded to approve the minutes of March 9, 2021. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

AUDITOR
 Barnard reminded the Board she and Deputy Treasurer, Michelle Longville would be leaving for Pierre at 4 P.M. for the New Elected Officials Workshop.

Barnard informed the Board a new computer monitor needed to be ordered for the office. The monitor for Deputy Auditor, Echo Steffensen, had been emitting an odor and was 12 years old. The cost of \$124 was available in the office budget. Barnard stated she had spoken with

Chairman Walls prior to ordering the monitor.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT
 David Sorenson, Highway Superintendent, met with the Board to discuss highway matters.

Sorenson informed the Board load limit postings at six ton have been posted.

Sorenson stated the crew was clearing roads of snow as needed. Roads are too wet to gravel and the crew is maintaining equipment and preparing for summer work season.

Sorenson reminded the Board he would be in Deadwood for training the following week.

Sorenson requested to move into Executive Session for personnel.

Jensen moved and Kazmerzak seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Executive Session for personnel at 8:53 A.M. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Spilde moved and Kazmerzak seconded to adjourn from Executive Session. Vice Chairman Wolkow declared the Board out at 8:59 A.M.

OPEN DISCUSSION
 Jensen informed the Board he had spoke to several people about filling his seat on the Commission Board and that three had shown interest.

DIRECTOR OF EQUALIZATION
 Anderson met with the Board to discuss the upcoming Equalization Boards to be held on April 13, 2021. The time was set for to begin at 9:00 A.M. and for carry over to April 14 and 15 if needed.

Anderson provided the Board with a list of individuals who appealed to the local Boards and informed the Board she is encouraging the use of Zoom for those who prefer to meet with the Board remotely. Travis Steffensen joined the meeting and Scott Erstad joined the meeting via Zoom.

PLANNING AND ZONING
 Kazmerzak moved and Spilde seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Planning and Zoning at 9:28 A.M. for the Rezoning Hearing for Travis Steffensen. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Wolkow declared the Board out of Planning and Zoning at 9:38 A.M.

Attorney Bill Taylor joined the meeting and requested to address the Board regarding the rezoning of land for Steffensen prior to the Board's decision.

Taylor is the attorney for John Mills and Wild Ideas, Inc. with his office in Sioux Falls. Taylor addressed several issues including the legality of spot zoning in South Dakota; meandered vs. non-meandered water and the ownership of the land beneath each; and access to private land.

After much discussion, the Board tabled the rezoning application for Steffensen to the next meeting.

Steve Schutz, with Scotts Lumber, Dan Rombough, with Fargo Glass & Paint CO., Kraig Scholten, with Scotts Lumber, joined the meeting. Greg Person, with Northern Plains Construction, joined the meeting via Zoom.

WEBSITE UPDATE - WADE HOEFERT
 Hoefert met with the Board to present the features of the new website. Hoefert stated there were a couple of changes still needing to be made and would go live to the public on April 7, 2021.

BID OPENING - MAINTENANCE
 Lonny Palmlund, Maintenance, met with the Board to discuss repairs needed to heating/cooling unit on the third floor of the courthouse. The cost for the repair is quoted at \$1,255.00 and is available in the budget.

It was the consensus of the Board for the repair to be done.

WINDOW BID
 Palmlund stated two bids had been received for the window replacement project.

Northern Plains Construction, from Tea, South Dakota:
 Labor, \$174,500.00 + Windows
 Sierra Pacific, \$192,610.00
 Pella, \$165,677.40

With an additional \$9,500.00 for two half circle windows, the bid total from Northern Plains Construction is \$376,610.00 for the Sierra Pacific and \$349,677.40 for the Pella.

Time Key Glazing, from Kansas City, Missouri:
 Quaker Brighton Series
 \$237,370.00

Bid bonds were included with both bid packets.

Jeff Wilson, with Time Key Glazing, joined the meeting via Zoom.

After some discussion to the different replacement methods bid by each company the Board tabled the vote on the bid to April 1.

TREASURER
 Elaine Blachford, Treasurer, met with the Board to discuss the starting pay for a new deputy treasurer. Blachford had previously met with Barnard to calculate the new base rate.

It was the consensus of the Board for the hourly pay rate to begin at \$14.00 per hour.

APPROVE CLAIMS
 Kazmerzak moved and Spilde seconded that the following claims presented to the Board for consideration be approved and the County Auditor be directed to issue warrant checks for payment of same. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS
 AT&T 84.32 UTILITIES, CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS 18.89 SUPPLIES, CENTURLINK 246.25 UTILITIES, CENTURLINK 1223.16 UTILITIES, COOK'S WASTEPAPER & RECYCLING 372.87 UTILITIES, DE SMET CITY 121.42 UTILITIES, DRUG TESTS IN BULK 487.50 SUPPLIES, KINGBROOK RURAL WATER 44.90 UTILITIES, KINGSBURY ELECTRIC COOP 562.80 UTILITIES, BYRON NOGELMEIER 140.00 CAM 02/2021, NORTHWESTERN 691.65 UTILITIES, NORTHWESTERN 1118.40 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 158.09 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 1806.51 UTILITIES, SD DEPT OF REVENUE 128071.09 STATE REMITTANCE 02/2021, VERIZON 233.74 UTILITIES,

The Board adjourned to Thursday, April 1, 2021 at 9:00 A.M.

SIGNED
 Delmer Wolkow, Vice Chairman
 ATTEST

Jennifer Barnard, County Auditor
 Published 1 week at the total approximate cost of \$85.10

KINGSBURY COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
*****UNAPPROVED DRAFT MINUTES*****
DE SMET, SOUTH DAKOTA
MARCH 16, 2021

The Kingsbury County Planning and Zoning Commission met Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 9:31 A.M. in the Courtroom in the County Courthouse with Commissioners Steve Spilde and Doug Kazmerzak attending via Zoom. Delmer Wolkow and Joe Jensen present along with Travis Steffensen. Chairman Jensen presided.

Also attending via Zoom were Mike Siefker, with the Kingsbury Journal, Tammy Anderson, Director of Equalization, and Scott Erstad.

REZONING HEARING - TRAVIS STEFFENSEN CAMPGROUND
 Jensen explained to the Board the hearing was being held due to a processing error in 2020.

Jensen reviewed the file for the rezoning application for Lot 1 in the East Half of the SE1/4 and Lots 5 & 6 of Section 25 Township 110 North, Range 53 West of the 5th P.M., Kingsbury County.

Jensen informed the Board the Notice of Hearing had been published in the legal county papers, and 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 or in support of the application other than Steffensen.

Steffensen testified to his plans of placing a 10-space campground on his property for family and friends to use on the weekends with the possibility of two spaces having campers placed on a permanent basis. Steffensen stated he is planning on placing septic and electric to the campground.

Steffensen also stated there would be a minimal increase in traffic.

Jensen recommended the Board approve the rezoning request from Ag to Lake Park.

Wolkow moved and Spilde seconded that the rezoning request for Lot 1 in the East Half of the SE1/4 and Lots 5 & 6 of Section 25 Township 110 North, Range 53 West of the 5th P.M., Kingsbury County, South Dakota be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners with a recommendation for approval. All present voting via aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

MINUTES
 Spilde moved and Wolkow seconded to approve the minutes of March 2, 2021. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Kazmerzak moved and Spilde seconded to approve the minutes of March 9, 2021. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

Kazmerzak moved and Wolkow seconded to adjourn from Planning and Zoning and return to regular session. All present voting aye - 4, nay - 0, abstain - 0. Motion carried.

SIGNED
 Joe Jensen, Chairman
 Published once at the total approximate cost of \$29.43

Public Notices

CITY OF LAKE PRESTON NOTICE FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, bids will be accepted until April 5th, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. Bids will be opened during regular open meeting on April 5th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Finance Office - for price per linear foot of approximately 9,200 linear feet of asphalt/cement crack sealing. Contractor is responsible for all work, materials and cleanup once completed. All work to be completed by September 1st, 2021.

The Contractor shall pay the sum of \$100.00 per day for each day the project is not completed beyond the project completion date as provided herein.

Specifications may be obtained from Brian Zeeck at the City Finance Office in Lake Preston or by phone at 605-203-3030. Submit sealed bids in writing to the City of Lake Preston, PO Box 397, Lake Preston South Dakota 57249. The City of Lake Preston, South Dakota reserves the right to reject any and all bids received.

Dated this 22nd day of February, 2021.

Brenda Klug, Finance Officer

Published four times at the approximate cost of \$44.20

CITY OF LAKE PRESTON NOTICE OF INTENT

The City of Lake Preston, PO BOX 397, 111 3rd St. NE, Lake Preston, South Dakota, 57249. Phone # 847-4140 or 203-3030, has applied to amend our current restricted use site. The proposed amended site is approximately 23.60 acres. Which includes the original site along Orange Bridge Rd to the corner of 208th St, then heading east on 208th St to the hay field on the east side of the lagoons. Does not include the whole hay field, just a portion. The legal description is Lots 1,2,3 & 4 103.23 AC 31-111-54, Kingsbury county, South Dakota.

This restricted use site will accept: Burnable items: grass, leaves, garden material, non-painted wood. These items are free of cost as usual.

Non-Burnable items: Building demolition, plaster, sheetrock, asphalt shingles. As well as appliances, metals, sofas, mattresses, furniture, storm doors, and windows. These items will have a cost associated with them.

The estimated annual tonnage of waste materials to be accepted is 100 ton.

This is amending out current permit.

Dated this 4th day of March, 2021.

Brenda Klug, Finance Officer

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SPECIAL MEETING OF LAKE PRESTON CITY COUNCIL WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17TH, 2021

A regular meeting of the Lake Preston City Council was held at the Finance Office on Wednesday, March 17th, at 6 p.m. Present were: Mayor Andy Wienk, John McMasters, Donna Bumann, Gary Buer, Kristen Longville, Joe Schnell, Brian Verhey. Also, present Brenda Klug, Brian Zeeck, Doug Bumann, Jeremy Jensen, Josh Warne from the School Board. Via telephone Anne Nopens, Tammy Anderson from the equalization office.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Andy Wienk at 6:00 pm.

Motion by John McMasters, second-

ed by Kristen Longville to approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Brian Verhey, seconded by John McMasters to recess regular meeting and meet as review board of equalization to hear and act on appeals made by property owners and to review the assessment book. All in favor, motion carried.

Jeremy Jensen in at 6:03 pm.

Joe Schnell in at 6:04 pm.

Tim & Anne Nopens: Anne Nopens along with the council discussed the amount that its currently valued at. After a brief discussion the council agreed to let the county level review the value. Motion by Brian Verhey, seconded by John McMasters to request a review at county level of Tim & Anne Nopens property. All in favor, motion carried.

Jeremy Jensen & Tammy Curry: Council was advised from Tammy Anderson to move value of structure to \$10,000 while it's in its construction state-non livable. Motion by Joe Schnell, seconded by Kristen Longville to adjust the value of the structure from \$47,105 to \$10,000. All in favor, motion carried.

Due to Facebook comments (meeting is livestreamed), council called Tammy Anderson briefly about the Nopens property. Tammy Anderson corrected a previous statement- we are 97% of market, and that the council has to make a decision otherwise she will miss her opportunity to appeal it. Could do a no change then she could bring it to county level. Council discussed several other houses with the same structure and square footage, throughout the years it's always been discussed the inconsistent values. Motion by Brian Verhey, seconded by John McMasters to adjust the value from \$69,784 to \$55,000. All in favor, motion carried.

Discussed 7 properties that Tammy Anderson had requested adjustments, was explained that all new houses in the last 5 years were already valued with the new formula; she accidentally added the 15%.

Motion by Kristen Longville, seconded by Brian Verhey to adjust the structure values of Brian Zeeck from \$250,578 to \$217,894, Landon Liable from \$170,701 to \$148,436, Schukking Development LLC from \$100,850 to \$87,696, Todd Brown from \$270,290 to \$235,035, Stacy Nuzum-Jenkins from \$256,188 to 222,772, Koreen Bjorklund from \$210,084 to \$182,682, and Chad Olson from \$149,215 to \$129,752. All in favor, motion carried.

Joe Schnell's one rental property no longer has a garage due to a fire, had a request from Tammy Anderson to lower the value. Motion by Brian Verhey, seconded by Donna Bumann to adjust the structure value from \$42,549 to \$32,137. Joe Schnell abstained. All in favor, motion carried.

Council agreed that it seems very inconsistency from house to house. Motion by Brian Verhey, seconded by Joe Schnell to adjourn as board of equalization and reconvene as regular council. All in favor, motion carried.

Water Tower- PSI- \$30,000: Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by Brian Verhey to raise the new water tower 23ft. All in favor, motion carried.

Water Tower Logo: Council reviewed 3 examples of logos for the new water tower, no decision was made;

would like to know the price difference of each.

South Lift-Station (already budgeted): Motion by Kristen Longville, seconded by Joe Schnell to officially approve the raising of the lift-station, to give Dakota Pump the go ahead. All in favor, motion carried.

Pool Pump- MC&R Pool: The pool budget was explained, a fencing bill from last year had been paid from the 2021 budget, didn't get the bill in time. Council discussed that the pool had to open, especially after all the work that was put into it.

Gary Buer in at 6:33pm.

Brenda Klug included that the previous grant Kristen Longville had applied for would include the pool pump if we were to get the grant. Brenda Klug also included she had also found the Land and Water grant that is due by April 30th. Motion by Brian Verhey, seconded by John McMasters to purchase the pool pump from MC & R pools for \$7,500. All in favor, motion carried.

Well Head Quote: Brian Zeeck stated that the contractor said it could be \$1,000, could be \$200- All depended on what happens when removing it. Motion by Joe Schnell, seconded by Donna Bumann to remove well head. All in favor, motion carried.

Relocate Siren-Purchase Siren?: Andy Wienk stated that when we get the new water tower we can not have the siren on the water tower anymore. Reviewed price quotes for new sirens, which would be mounted on a pole versus the water tower. Discussed the potential of trying to reuse our current one, our current one would not be able to be supported by a pole alone. Discussed possibly trying to build a tower of sorts to be able to support the siren, hoping for an update at the next meeting in April.

Employee/Council Concerns: Brenda Klug stated that she had gotten an email, Kristi Noem had granted April 2nd and April 5th off for Easter. Explained getting the city hall building and the museum building registered as historical to be able to apply for the deadwood grant.

Donna Bumann stated that she had gotten texts from a resident indicating that the city crew purposely tore ruts in their front lawn. City workers and council agreed that there is no curb there so when covered with snow it is hard to see the lines. Andy Wienk stated that it was not meant to be malicious or on purpose, hard to see the edge of the street. Council discussed that even their own properties or people they know have had this happen, the ground was soft- heavy wet snow; nothing can be done until it's dried up. Kristen Longville indicated that 4th street on the way to the clinic is terrible, Brian Zeeck stated that he barricaded it off- the contractor indicated that if it doesn't dry out, he will dig it out and relay with dry material. Patients going to the clinic have expressed how horrible the road is, Brian Verhey indicated that as soon as it dries out- a pothole right before Manor Ave needs attention. Kristen Longville stated that Horizon Health Care will be seeing patients full-time come April 12th, questioned if 4th street is still second to get plowed if there is another snow storm. Joe Schnell questioned if some gravel could be put on Fremont Ave S, decided on maybe crushed asphalt. Joe Schnell stated that for the first time in a long time the ambulance couldn't complete a call- during the snow storm

Monday morning they had to stop in Brookings, couldn't make it to Sioux Falls. Discussed the gravel across from the ambulance building as well as the moving of a stop sign. Brian Verhey stated that as soon as it dries up city workers need to get potholes filled. John McMasters stated that a resident questioned another resident storing hay bales in city limits, Andy Wienk stated that he couldn't think of an ordinance stating no piling of agriculture products in city limits. Decided to review ordinances and come back with an answer. Briefly discussed a potential home buyer wondering if they could have horses in city limits. Gary Buer stated that a child on the North side of town was unsupervised again, train could have hurt him- the sheriff's office was called.

Mayor Andy Wienk declared the meeting adjourned at 7:05pm.

Brenda Klug, Finance Officer
Andy Wienk, Mayor

Published once at the approximate cost of \$85.55

NOTICE OF INTENT TO MINE

Notice is hereby given that a gravel mining operation is to be conducted by Halme Inc 45335 SD Hwy 28 Lake Norden, SD 57248

The legal location is South West ¼ Section 16 111N 56W
The general location is 1 ½ miles North, ½ mile West of DeSmet

The operation is to begin 5/1/2021 and will be completed to include final reclamation by 11/07/2022. Proposed future use of the affected land will consist of re-grading, replacing topsoil, and returned to pasture land.

For additional Information contact Halme Inc. 605-881-5498
Or the SD Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Minerals and Mining Program, 523 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre SD 57201-3182, 605-773-4201

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NOTICE OF MEETING OF COUNTY EQUALIZATION BOARD SDCL 10-11-25

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the Board of County Commissioners, sitting as a County Board of Equalization of Kingsbury County, South Dakota will meet in the Courtroom in said County Courthouse on TUESDAY, the 13th day of April 2021, (being the second Tuesday in April) for the purpose of reviewing, correcting, and equalizing the assessment of said County for the year 2021. All persons considering themselves aggrieved by said assessment, are required to submit written notice to the County Auditor no later than April 6th, 2021.

Jennifer R. Barnard
Kingsbury County Auditor
Dated: March 18, 2021

Published twice at an estimated cost of \$17.73

Classifieds

THANK YOU

Thank you

Our family would like to express sincere thanks to our family, friends, and neighbors for all of the support we have received since Bill's passing. We are so grateful for the prayers, flowers, plants and food. We especially appreciated the extra help during calving so Dan and Mark could support their boys at the state basketball tournament and also the help throughout the rest of the week. Thank you for the generous memorials to be used towards the Bill Wilkinson Memorial Scholarship. Bill was cheering and smiling down knowing the DeSmet Boys Basketball team played the State Tournament in honor of him. Thank you to the Lake Preston Ambulance and the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel. Also thank you to Pastor Jonathon for his kind words and to the crew at O'Keefe Implement for all of their help at the Event Center.

With love and appreciation,
The Wilkinson Family
Mary
Dan & Amy, Autumn, Colt, Carter
Mark & Brittani, Damon, Grant, Nate, Brinley
Vicki & Chad, Megan, Amanda, Michael, Adam

Thank you

Thank you to the 2003 Champion Football team for the beautiful and unique floral and goal post and nice message we received in honor of Bill. He was very proud to coach this team and was honored to be a part of all of their accomplishments.

The Bill Wilkinson Family

THANK YOU

Thank you

Thank you to the anonymous individual for the very meaningful message and generous donation in memory of Bill.

The Bill Wilkinson Family

WANTED

WANTED TO RENT garage space. 605-203-0494

HELP WANTED

FARM EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Accepting applications for farm employee. Employee will operate and maintain farm machinery. Duties may include planting, fertilizer application, and harvesting. Semi-truck driving experience is preferred. Kjerstad Farm Partnership Quinn, SD Call: 605-685-5852.

CMI Architectural Products, located in De Smet, SD is seeking full-time individuals to join our production team. Must be able to lift 50-75 lbs and stand during a 10 hour shift. CMI offers competitive pay and full benefit package including PAID Employee Health Ins., 401 (k)/ profit sharing, PTO, ETC. Apply by calling 605-854-3326 or come by CMI.

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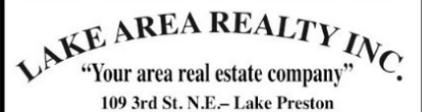
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IROQUOIS NEWS

1911: If everyone would just swat twenty-five flies

March 23, 1911

It was just 35 years ago that **Alexander Graham Bell** took out a patent on a device to transmit the human voice on a wire.

The season is at hand when the campaign against the pesky house fly should be inaugurated. If every individual would make it a business to swat the first twenty-five flies that make their appearance, there would be millions and millions less flies in mid-summer, so we are told. The fly is not only a nuisance, but a disease carrier, and no efforts should be spared to exterminate it.

March 30, 1911

The worst wind and dust storm of the season made everybody miserable Friday forenoon. The wind blew a perfect gale from the south until about 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and at times, the air was so full of dirt as to obscure the sun. The thrifty housewife stormed as the dust was blown through the cracks and crevices, and the pedestrians "cussed" as they braved the wind and ate the dirt. The wind went down in the afternoon, and in the evening, a very light shower fell, just enough to lay the dust for the time being.

A carload of horse was picked up in this vicinity last week by an outside buyer and shipped to the eastern markets. The prices paid were fair.

A French aeronaut took twelve

persons, weighing 1,515 pounds, for a joy ride in his aero plane and carried them three miles. It won't be long before we will be sending up a regiment of soldiers to drop bombs into the camp of the enemy.

March 26, 1931

With the completion of this season's highway program, highway No. 14, passing through Iroquois, will have 42 miles of hard surfaced roads. The distance from the state line is about 400 miles, so motorists will get the benefit of hard surfaced roads for about one-tenth of the distance. With the 5 ½ miles east of Huron and seven miles west of that city there will be 12 ½ miles of cement paving. The balance of hard surfacing will consist of bituminous surfacing in Brookings county and west of Pierre.

When funds and clothing were being solicited from the drought sufferers of the South, **Mrs. Harry Bolan** responded with some clothing. Among the garments sent was a pair of pants belonging to Buddy. Before they were sent to Yankton to be shipped with a carload of goods, their owner wrote a note and put it in one of the pockets asking the boy who received them to drop him a line. The other day Buddy received a letter from an Arkansas lad, to whom the pants had been given, stating his name and address, saying that he was 10 years old, in the 4th grade, that the pants fit fine, and that he was glad to

get them. He wanted Buddy to write. Now, a lively correspondence is in progress between the two youngsters.

April 2, 1931

A 5 percent dividend has been declared and will soon be paid to the depositors of the First State Bank of Cavour. This payment will bring the total dividends paid to depositors to 35 percent. **H. E. Young** of Huron is the examiner in charge.

The Chicago & North Western Railway will plant Chinese Elms at 50 stations in South Dakota this spring, and possibly Iroquois station will be among the number. The company selected Chinese Elms because of their rapid growth and hardy nature.

Hardly a week passes that some community in South Dakota does not organize a company with the intention of erecting a creamery or cheese factory. A properly conducted creamery, properly patronized by the farmers, is a great asset to a community, but without the support of the dairymen, it cannot be successful. There should be a creamery in Iroquois. It's not good business to ship the cream elsewhere to be manufactured into butter.

March 27, 1941

"**Bud**" **Martin** of Cavour left last Thursday for Sioux Falls to be inducted into the Army. He is a volunteer. "Bud" is well known there and was a member of last year's local base-

ball team, capably holding down the catcher's position.

Residents of Iroquois were surprised Sunday morning to see a "No U Turn" sign planted in the principal intersection on main street, and the wonder was why the city authorities had become so safety-minded all of a sudden. Inquiry developed the fact, however, that the sudden appearance of the sign was a deep mystery, and the only probable solution is that a bunch of frolicsome youths had swiped the sign from some other town in the dark of the moon and donated it to Iroquois. As the sign has a cement base, this was no small job. The sign still stands where the plotters planted it, but if any neighboring town is short one "No U Turn" sign, it may be recovered by proving property and carrying it away.

April 3, 1941

A deal was made the first of the week whereby **Mrs. Bernice Cole** became the proprietor of Adel's Café, which had been operated for the past year by **Mr. and Mrs. Adel Larson**. Mr. and Mrs. Larson have decided to resume farming and will move onto their farm in the Spirit Lake community. Best wishes of the local businessmen are extended to the Larsons in their farming operations as they depart from the local business circle, and a hearty welcome is extended to the new proprietor of the café.

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SENIOR FEATURE: JORJA HULS

‘Just because it’s a bad day doesn’t mean it’s the end of the world.’



Activities: IPAT, HOSA, FFA, FCCLA, Choir, Drama, I-club and Spanish club
 Sports: cross country, track, cheerleading, volleyball and basketball.
 Honors: National Honor Society and Student Body President.

Huls says one of her greatest accomplishments during high school was being awarded homecoming queen, an honor earned by her peers. One of her favorite school memories will always be overcoming the seventy-eight-game losing streak in basketball her junior year. After graduation, Huls will miss her friends. She would like to be remembered as a friendly, bubbly person.

“My advice to younger classmen is to remember that just because it's a bad day doesn't mean it's the end of the world ... even if it feels like it,” states Huls.

Currently, Huls’s plan after high school is to attend the University of Sioux Falls for biology and medical laboratory sciences.

Jorja Huls will be a 2021 graduate of Iroquois High School in May. She is the daughter of Mathew and Laci Huls of Iroquois and Heather Huls of Iroquois. Throughout high school, Jorja has been involved in the following:



Heart Heroes

Iroquois Elementary students recently raised \$3,709.71 for the American Heart Association. Students who raised \$150 or more got to pie a teacher. They also got to slime their PE teacher for raising the school goal of \$2,000. Participants included Henry Verhey front left, Layton Peskey, Jonothan Bornitz, Brynja Knudsen, Kollen Keating, Lilly Wagner, Rachel Leinen and Jayce Geyer. EmmaLynn Elliot, middle left, Mahalia Knudsen and Gabe Voges. John Reather, back left, and Dawson Sharp.

SENIOR FEATURE: SIERRA MICHELLE KOGEL

‘Work hard early on so you don’t stress later’



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One of Kogel’s favorite school memories will be spending time with her classmates during open periods, enjoying their last days together.

“I would like to be remembered as a strong leader and a person they enjoyed being friends with,” stated Kogel.

One of Kogel’s greatest accomplishments in school is being an honor roll student throughout high school.

“My advice to younger classmen is to work hard early on, so you don’t have to stress and work harder in the future,” stated Kogel.

In her free time, Sierra enjoys drawing and designing tattoos, playing video games and spending time with her friends and family.

Currently, Sierra’s plan after high school is to attend Black Hills State University to work toward a degree in psychology.

Sierra Michelle Kogel will be a 2021 graduate of Iroquois High School. Sierra is the daughter of Josh Kogel, Cavour, and Sheri Kogel, Huron. Throughout high school, Sierra has been involved in the following:
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Candidates must be a South Dakota resident, participating grower in the soybean checkoff, plant, raise, and harvest soybeans from more than ten acres, and a resident of the district he or she wishes to represent. Petitions must be completed and returned to the SDSRPC office by 4:30 pm on April 18, 2021. The SDSRPC is the soybean checkoff organization in South Dakota.



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McCune is hall of famer

44-year career honored

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The South Dakota Football Coaches Association has inducted De Smet Athletic Director Marv McCune into their Hall of Fame. McCune's career as a teacher spans 44 years. In 1978 he accepted a position at De Smet and since has led De Smet teams to several championships.

McCune started his career in Bristol soon after graduating college. In the fall of '78 De Smet hired McCune as a social studies teacher, head football coach, assistant basketball coach and track coach. In the last 42 years with De Smet, McCune has been the head football coach or assistant, the head basketball coach or assistant or served in the capacity of Athletic Director.

McCune earned the three football championships holding different positions. He was an assistant coach in '88, a head coach in '81 and an Athletic Director in '03. Some of his other accomplishments involving football are, the "Mythical" champions in '80, a 26-game winning streak from '79-'81 and the Lake Central Conference ti-

ties in '79, '80, and '81. He also won the Dakota Valley Conference title in '08.

McCune took over a football program that was doing well. The previous head coach left De Smet to be an assistant coach at the college level. McCune hired Bill Wilkinson as an assistant and together they worked with the football team. In '79 and '80 they were playing 11-man football. There were no State Championships at the time. The team's record earned them the Lake Central Conference title, and sportswriters at the time called the team the "Mythical" State Champions.

The first year of football playoffs was in '81. De Smet's team had one loss to Miller. They managed through the play-offs with the help of their quarterback and "Athlete of the Year", Dan Olson. In the Championship game, De Smet challenged Gregory. De Smet took the Championship with a score of 8-6.

The year 1988 saw many changes in the football program. McCune was now the Athletic Director, and the football team had just hired a new football coach, named Everett Gebhardt. McCune was an assistant coach that year. It was also the first year the team played nine-man football.

That season started out a little



De Smet's Athletic Director Marv McCune was inducted into the South Dakota Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame on March 26. The award highlights McCune's many accomplishments over his 44 years of high school athletics. (Submitted Photo)

rocky with three losses. After the losses, the team improved and won every game all the way through to the State Championship.

In 2003, McCune was the Athletic Director when the De Smet Bulldogs won the State Championship.



On your mark

Top finishers at the Northern State University track meet on Monday for the Lake Preston track students: Stella DeKnikker (55-2nd), Madison Perkins (3rd-55), Girls 4x160-2nd (Amelia Holland, Morgan Curd, DeKnikker, Perkins), Girls 4x400-2nd (Perkins, Holland, Curd, DeKnikker), Girls Medley-4th (Perkins, Holland, Curd, DeKnikker), Curd (4th-long jump), Josh McMasters (2nd-55, 3rd-long jump), Ashton Wienk (4th-55, 6th-hurdles), Bergen Woodcock (3rd-800, 5th-hurdles), Rhett McMasters (1st-1600, 2nd-3200), Boys 4x160-2nd (Chris Tvinnereim, Jake Larsen, Wienk, McMasters), Boys 4x400-2nd (AJ Wienk, Tyler Jurrens, Tvinnereim, Wienk), Boys Medley-2nd (Rhett, Larsen, Josh, AJ), Jurrens (4th-long jump, 1st-triple jump), Larsen (5th-long jump, 2nd-triple jump), Tvinnereim (6th-shot put). (Photo by Paul & Jeannie McMasters)



Miss Fits

This weekend, a group of seven girls competed in the "Willie Mac" tournament. Although they only had three practices together, they were determined to give it their all! They beat Brookings 36-10 and Groton 32-13. After beating these two aggressive teams, they headed to the championship to play Sioux Falls. They came up short on baskets but not on perseverance. Pictured is team "Miss Fits" with their 2nd place medals: Coach Corrie Walter, Bentlee Holt, Allie Curd, Jayla Schley, Kinley Root, Coach Melanie Olson. Front Row, Khloe Olson, Megan Albrecht and Vada Albrecht. (Submitted photo)