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Veterans Day Program

The Canton program will be held Friday, November 10 at 2 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center.

Sgt. Corey, Jenny and Connor Briest will be the key speakers this year.

The Canton Students will be part of the program once again with various songs and activities.

Canton Blood Drive

Canton United Methodist Church will host a community blood drive Thursday, Nov. 9 between 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1:30 to 5 p.m. Call 605-331-3222 to set up an appointment.

Deinema Grants

The Jim and Caroline Deinema Canton Community Foundation is now accepting grant applications.

Since its founding, the Foundation has awarded more than \$110,000 to nonprofits and causes throughout Canton, supporting organizations who serve youth and senior citizens, as well as those dedicated to important causes such as education, the arts, cultural enrichment, historical preservation and more.

Grants are made possible thanks to donors who support the Foundation. Through the power of endowment, gifts to the Foundation grow over time thanks to the benefit of a pooled investment that generates long-term asset growth.

Grant applications can be submitted online at sfacf.org/canton. Applications are due by Wednesday, Dec. 6.

Learn more at sfacf.org/canton

Weather



Canton Pool Construction Benefits From Warm Weather

The hole has been dug and concrete pillar footings under the pool. The warm weather has helped for digging and construction to get a good start on the project. The soil under the old pool wasn't suitable to build a new pool on without these pillars.

If everything stays on schedule, the pool should be ready for swimmers in 2024. "We are hoping that the pool itself will be open early summer. The bath house may be the end of summer," says Gannon.

The Dive in to Canton Pool committee is still fundraising to cover the extras to be added to the base pool. Follow their facebook page for updates and new fundraisers.



BACK TO BACK

Harrisburg Tigers Claim a Second Straight Class AA Girls' Soccer Championship

Team captains reflect on an unprecedented season leading to a second State Title

By Virginia Olson

Class AA Girls' State Soccer Harrisburg 8, Mitchell 1

Relentless, offensive pressure was on full display Saturday, Oct. 14 in Brandon when the Harrisburg Tigers claimed victory over the top-seeded Mitchell Kernels at the Girls' Class AA State Soccer Championship.

"Those 16 games between our loss and our rematch truly showed how dominant this team was this year."

And as with every championship team, there is a great story behind it. The team's four captains – Senior Lindsay Wurth, (midfielder); Junior Addie Budig, (defensive midfielder); Senior Ella Weide, (midfielder); and Senior Hailee Christensen,

It was the Tiger's second straight Class AA championship win. It was also the team's 17th straight victory for Harrisburg culminating its season with a 17-1 record. Since the start of 2022, the Tigers have won an unbelievable 33 matches, tied one and lost 2 (33-2-1).

And that sole loss this

past season? It was to the Kernels. It happened to be the Tiger's opening season match Aug. 11. Harrisburg lost 3-2.

Though some may attest the State Championship game was a revenge match, Coach Eric Christensen prefers to look at it as a game that showed how much the team had grown.

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(forward) – reflect on this team and this season, share what made the team "tick", and describe how it feels to be State Champs – again!

One super great team!

So how do you describe this winning team of girls? There are plenty of adjectives. Resilient. Strong. Supportive. Hard-working. Energetic. Tenacious. Competitive. Fun.

There are also indisputable numbers: 98 goals and 14 shutouts throughout the season; 17 straight wins; and eight state tournament records broken.

It goes without saying, everyone on the team had played lots of soccer since they were little girls. The team captains alone brought 37 years of playing

experience to the team. But there were other unique factors that set this group apart.

For Lindsay Wurth, the team's experience and maturity were the keys to its success. The team makeup included eleven seniors and two senior managers.

The team jelled said Hailee Christensen. "We came from seven different club teams, but when we started Harrisburg soccer we became a family."

And then there was the leadership.

"This team was very 'upper class heavy' this year," said Ella Weide. "It made for a lot of leaders. People weren't afraid to speak up and communicate with one another."

Addie Budig felt several

big factors set this team up for success – there were no arguments or drama, everyone was selfless and they shared common goals. It was a team mindset that made the dream work.

"We had a shared belief of the girls living for one another," she said. "We wanted what is best for each other. If we all did our own job and our role, that is how we would find success as a team."

Could we win a second time?

With nearly the entire team returning from the year before, the girls knew there was a good chance that they could pull off a second championship. But it would be tough.

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**Margaret Baldwin**

July 18, 1942 -

November 3, 2023

Margaret Baldwin, age 81, died Friday, November 3, 2023 surrounded by her family at Good Samaritan Society Canton. Mass of Christian Burial will begin at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, November 9, 2023 at St. Dominic Catholic Church in Canton. Visitation, with family present, will be Wednesday, November 8 from 5-7 p.m. at St. Dominic Catholic Church. A prayer service will be held at 7:00 p.m.

Margaret was born on July 18, 1942 on the family farm near Canton. She grew up on the farm and graduated from Canton High School in 1960. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Chrysostom Catholic Church in Canton. She married Donald Baldwin on July 6, 1963 at St. Chrysostom Catholic Church. The couple made their home in Canton and were blessed with 4 daughters. Margaret had been a resident of the Good Samaritan Society in Canton since 2021. She enjoyed her time there and loved interacting with both her fellow residents and the caring staff.

In addition to raising her children, she had worked at the bank, babysat, and drove school bus during her life. Margaret was a devout catholic who was very active in both the St. Chrysostom and later the St. Dominic parishes. Her church family was important to her and she rarely missed a service or church function. She was a past president of the Altar Society and also organized countless funeral lunches.

Margaret was a strong-willed Norwegian who loved her family deeply. Margaret also loved to craft, camp, chit chat, and spend time with family. She will be remembered for the numerous blankets, afghans, flannels, and crafts she made for friends, family, and strangers. In addition, she was a 40 years member of the Legion Auxiliary. Most importantly, she was a mom to not only her girls but also numerous others until the day she died.

Grateful for sharing her life are her husband of 60 years, Donald; daughters, Mary (Terry) Graslie, MaDonna Baldwin, Elizabeth Baldwin, and Julie (Nathan) Boor; brothers and sisters-in-law, Arden Hitzmann, Dan Rooney, Glen (Jan) Baldwin, and Lori (Dan) Stortroen; along with numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; an infant child; infant son, Donnie; brother and sister-in-law, Merlyn (Judy) Oliver; brothers and sisters-in-law, Janice Hitzmann, Roger Baldwin, Nancy Rooney, Dale Baldwin, and Linda Baldwin; life-long friend, Denny Reiners; and precious dog, Bella. www.andersonandsonsfh.com

**Leonard Frank Block Sr.**

August 23, 1935 -

October 30, 2023

Leonard Frank Block, Sr., age 88, died Monday, October 30, 2023 at Sanford USD Medical Center in Sioux Falls. Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday, November 3, 2023 at St. Dominic's Catholic Church, Canton, SD.

Leonard was born on August 23, 1935 in Grenville to Frank and Eva (Sichmeller) Block. Leonard attended school at Grenville Catholic School. As a young man, Leonard showed up on an Indian Motorcycle to take his future wife, Joyce Foster, on their first date. They were married on August 21, 1954 in Sioux Falls. The couple moved to a farm south of Canton in the early 1960's to raise their 5 children.

In addition to farming his entire life, Leonard worked as a mechanic for 25 years. He also raised pigs and cattle through the years. Leonard was a strong-willed, hardworking man with a big heart. He loved red tractors, Cadillac cars, Dodge pickups, farming, and his family. Even when his body began to fail him, he remained an active part of the farm operation. When he wasn't working, he enjoyed playing cards and, in his younger years, dancing. He was also a long-time member of St. Dominic's Catholic Church.

Leonard is survived by his wife of 69 years, Joyce; sons, Rick (Mary) Block, Randy (Lori) Block, Mike (Debbie) Block, and Lenny Jr. (Patti) Block; daughter, Lynnette (Bart) West; 12 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren; 3 great-great grandchildren; a great-great grandchild due soon; sisters, Angie Reiter and Artilda Haffner; along with numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Eleanor Mullinix; sister-in-law, Donna Foster; and brothers-in-law, Ken Mullinix, Richard Reiter, and Don Haffner. www.andersonandsonsfh.com



Thank you

There are no words adequate enough to say thank you to the people of this wonderful community. We are so appreciative of all the love, prayers and support shown to Tanner and all of his family. Tanner definitely had an Army behind him in fighting this 6 year battle. He never once gave up and continued to fight up to the end. Tanner will be terribly missed by all.

Thank you all so much.
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Southtown Commentary

By Pastor Jerry Miller



Learning by Watching Jesus

It has been fun to watch our baby girl begin to develop her own personality. Our teenage son has taught her to blow through her lips. She learned this by mimicking his behavior. She has a cousin who is a bit older than her who has already learned to wave. This too was a behavior that was learned by watching others.

We can learn a lot by watching others. When it comes to fixing an appliance or a vehicle I am quite thankful for YouTube. I can watch others and learn what I am supposed to do. I have accomplished quite a bit that I could not have figured out without that help.

As I watch my teenage boys grow into men, I am able to watch them do things that they learned from me. Often I am pleased with their behavior. Sometimes I am reminded of the country song where the little kid does something wrong and his dad scolds him and asks where he learned that. The child replied, "I've been watching you Dad."

No doubt we all need good role models to learn the proper skills in life. We also need role models to learn to do right in life. The Apostle Paul wrote, "The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things; and the God of peace shall be with you." (Philippians 4:9 NASB) Paul was reminding them that he was setting an example for them to learn from and to follow.

As Christians, we need good role models to follow, but we also need to strive to be good role models ourselves. King Solomon wrote much of the book of Proverbs in the Bible. He encouraged his son to read it, learn from it, and then apply it. As we read the words of wisdom within those Proverbs we can learn to be better role models as well.

But like Solomon, the Apostle Paul, and the man in the country song, we are not able to be the perfect role model. That does not mean that we shouldn't strive to be better. It means that we need to remember who the perfect role model really is.

Jesus Christ was no ordinary man. He was and is fully God and fully man. When he left heaven to be born as a human, he left so much of his glory behind. There were two things that he did not leave behind at all though. He stayed filled with grace and truth. "And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth." (John 1:14 NASB)

If grace and truth were so important that Jesus stayed filled with them, then we ought to copy those traits in our lives. We ought to commit to telling the truth, but speaking that truth with grace. We ought to show grace to those who have done wrong, but not compromise the truth about what they did wrong. Grace and truth is a reminder that we ought to be firm about reality yet loving in our conduct.

Jesus treated people with compassion, yet did not excuse their sin. As Christians we should not be afraid to call sin sin and then live in a way that avoids sin so that we are setting the proper example. That is living out truth. But then when we see others come short as they strive to set a proper example in their own lives and are willing to admit when they have done wrong, we need to be quick to show grace. That will lead to heart of forgiveness as well.

Jesus set the example of forgiveness when he died for the sins of the whole world so that forgiveness could be granted from God. No doubt Jesus is the perfect role model. Follow him. www.southtownchurch.com

WEEKLY GRAIN QUOTES

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November 13 - Taco Meat/Baked Potato, Mixed Veg, Peaches, V-8 Juice

November 14 - Rotini Italian Chicken, Squash, Tossed Salad, Fruit

November 15 - Spaghetti/Meat Sauce, Carrots & Peas, Garlic Bread, Fruit

November 16 - Thanksgiving Meal

November 17 - Tator Tot Casserole, Lettuce Salad, Fruit



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Family, Friends, and Aquaintances,
Thank you to the many from the Canton area who came to Mitchell to help me celebrate my 100th birthday, and to others who remembered me with cards. It was a memorable day, and I appreciate so much your thoughtfulness and generosity in making it so.

Sincerely,
Bernice Torberson

MEMORY LANE

2013

During the recent Sons of Norway event held at the Canton Depot, there were many different varieties of talents shown. From intricate scrollwork to Rosemaling, there was a great variety of cultural elements. Also, at this event were many different types of foods for tasting which were enjoyed by ALL: Lefse, Finland Fishballs, Denmark Egg salad, all types of Norwegian sandwiches, Rommegrot, Sweet soup, Aebleskiver, Iceland Orange Sweet Soup, Norwegian Meatballs, Rosettes, Krumkake, Waffles, etc.

The Canton C-Hawk football team hosted the McCook Central/Montrose Fighting Cougars in the first round of the 11B playoffs and they cruised to a 50-0 victory on Tuesday the 29 and now head to Aberdeen for the semi finals against Aberdeen Roncalli. The Canton C-Hawk football team traveled to Aberdeen on Monday night to face the Aberdeen Roncalli Cavaliers in the 11B Quarterfinals and earned a trip to the semi finals with a 34-13 victory over the undefeated Aberdeen Roncalli team and now will face the Winner

Warriors on Saturday with a kickoff

time to be listed later as they bring with them a 9-1 record against the Warriors at 10-0.

The Super 32 Challenge "Battle of the Belt" was held recently with a big winner coming right out of Canton. On Oct. 26 and 27, hundreds of wrestlers headed to the Greensboro Coliseum in Greensboro, North Carolina to compete in the 2013 Super 32 Challenge. Regarded by many as one of the toughest preseason events there is, wrestlers from across the country had their sights set on the illustrious Championship Belt. Divisions for

Super 32 are for Middle School and High School wrestlers only. The Super 32 Challenge was the first amateur wrestling tournament in the country to award Custom Championship Belts. Kellyn March, a 6th grader at Canton

Middle School won five matches in a 29-man bracket to earn the Championship title in the Middle School, 70-lb division. The title match was against Corey Gamet of Spartan Lightning wrestling club, Michigan. The match ended with Kellyn pinning Gamet.

1998

Director of the Canton nutrition Program, Kay Thormadagard received a check for the program from the Canton Business & Professional Women's Association. Presenting the donation are BRM Secretary Helen Nelson and Treasurer Gert Havelaar. The donation was given from the proceeds of the BPM Book Fair.

Thursday night, Ek-Point Jefferson came calling for a Big Sioux Conference title. Their senior dominated starting line-up put the spark on our junior and sophomore dominated team, 70-33.

Three students from Canton High School won a seat in the 1998 South Dakota All-State Orchestra. Tiffany Block, won first chair trumpet, Tamera Mundt, won third chair trumpet and Jonette Choan, won first chair harp. This is the third year all three students won seats in the orchestra.

1973

With the announcement last week by Doctor Fay Nutter of the closing of his practice in Canton, there have been many alarmed residents in the area wondering if Canton will have another doctor or doctors moving in to assume Doctor Nutter's practice.

A committee was named to follow up various leads and to try and secure additional doctors for the Canton community.

As of right now there are 51 volunteers registered with the RSVP office.

At the present time, the Canton Development corp. owns the water line and Canton is furnishing the water for the main, with customers connected to the line paying for the water to the City Water Department. Under the present situation there is no way for the Development Corp. to raise any funds to pay for the construction of the water line and it's the feelings of the local development group that the city should purchase the water main.

1898

Editor J. S. Hatlestad was down from Worthing Saturday.

He favors the completion of the court house and says that the voters out his way, irrespective of party, are of the opinion that Lincoln County should have a creditable building. It is safe to predict a heavy vote in favor of the court house proposition.

Laxson Bros. now occupy a portion of the Kenison store, next to Ingham's where they are closing out a splendid line of dry goods.

Charley Naylor has resigned his position as clerk in Noid's drug store.

The Congregational church of this city has engaged the Rev. John Hamerson, of Whittemore, Iowa, as its pastor for the coming year.

Hans Johnson was calabozed last week for being drunk and disorderly. This experience did not satisfy him and on last Monday he was fined \$25 for using obscene language on the streets.

A LOOK BACK AT THE STORIES AND HISTORY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

By Gaynor Johnson

Since I haven't heard from the lawyers that represent the Brandon Historical Society I will "borrow" more information from their 2002 calendar for this weeks column. As I've stated before, they did a wonderful job putting this calendar together and if you know of any similar ones please let me know. The work that goes into something like this is invaluable to anyone who is interested in the history of this area and is much appreciated.

I wasn't involved when the 1985 History of Lincoln County South Dakota was published. It was people like Don Potratz, Helen Nelson, Omar Peterson, Lulu Gourley, Pete Tollinger, Sharon Mathiesen, Jim TerWee and many others that did the heavy lifting to make this a reality. In the introduction to the history book it states "Few if any of the authors of this book are trained or professional writers." I may be as unprofessional as they come but I certainly enjoy passing on interesting information concerning Canton, Lincoln County or South Dakota in general.

Well, the first winter weather of the season that I mentioned in the last column showed up just like they had predicted. Since I don't have a garage I

Excerpts Taken From A 2002 Brandon Historical Society Calendar

Part 2

April

April 3, 1934 - A. N. Graff elected mayor of Sioux Falls.
April 5, 1862 - Sioux Falls City designated as Minnehaha County seat

April 7, 1915 - Joe Foss, World War II hero, was born
April 9, 1957 - Brandon Lions Club was chartered

April 12, 1862 - Sample prices of Dakota Territory prices: cook stove \$20-\$30; mattress \$6-\$25

April 13, 1871 - Minnehaha County was divided into 8 school districts.

April 14, 1972 - Ground breaking for Eros Data Center
April 16, 1869 - It took 3 teams of oxen to drag a 16" plow through the tough soil

April 17, 1917 - 1st Red Cross chapter chartered in SD
April 22, 1872 - Temperance Society organized in Minnehaha County by ladies of Sioux Falls

April 24, 1948 - Tornado hit Brandon
April 25, 1885 - School house is built of prairie sod south of Corson where I-90 & SD 11 meet. Cost \$9.00

April 26, 1888 - Rain fell for 26 consecutive days
April 28, 1884 - Sioux Falls prohibited use of 10th Street bridge by cattle herds as it injured the structure.

May

May 1, 1974 - Brandon hired first full time police officer, Gerald Westre
May 3, 1890 - Pierre won the capitol of SD contest "by the grace of the people".

May 4, 1945 - German POW's were brought to SD to work on river near Yankton
May 6, 1898 - Price of wheat reached \$1.50/bu, highest price in 25 years.

May 8, 1929 - Mail service by air was established in SD
May 10, 1885 - Wm. J. Jones built the first frame house and barn in Brandon Twp.

May 16, 1946 - Worst killing frost of State history struck SD
May 17, 1923 - Class of four were first graduates of Brandon High School

May 20, 1879 - W. W. Bell first introduced alfalfa into Dakota Territory

May 21, 1878 - Brandon was platted by Worthington & Sioux Falls Railroad

May 24, 1919 - American Legion chartered
May 27, 1987 - One millionth tree planted in SD

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Canton Library News

Tracey Zylstra, Librarian

Library News

November 8, 2023

We hope you had an opportunity to view the quilts of the Prairie Threads Quilt Guild which were on display at the Library during the month of October. We are so fortunate they are willing to share their talents with us. For December the Guild will be displaying Christmas ornaments they have made.

We had 57 adults sign up for our Autumn Reading Challenge and we enjoyed stretching their reading adventures beyond their usual genre. In addition to our ongoing programming, Becca Toso Mahowald of Blossom will be here on Wednesday, November 8 at 3:45 to share a fall craft with our students. In observance of Veterans Day, the Library will be closed on Friday, November 10 and Saturday, November 11. We will look forward to seeing your smiling faces on Monday, November 13 at 9:00 am.

ADULT FICTION

Traitors Gate by Jeffrey Archer (LP). A master criminal is plotting to steal the Crown Jewels when they are transported across London for the queen to wear to the State Opening of Parliament.

Westward Hope by Kathleen D. Bailey (LP). Caroline Pierce O'Leary is on a wagon train on the Oregon Trail and finds the trail boss is Michael Moriarty. He betrayed her years ago, and she cannot find it in her heart to forgive him. Can she trust him to get her safely to Oregon?



The Fighting Fool by Dane Coolidge (LP). Three gunfighters are hired to stop the G Bar outfit from terrorizing town, and once they bring peace, they plot to rob the train that comes through town. Railroad detective Sam Slocum is on to them and to prove their guilt in the robbery.

Who Cries for the Lost by C.S. Harris (LP). When the mutilated corpse of Major Miles Sedgewick surfaces in the Thames River Sebastian St. Cyr delves into the life of Sedgewick and finds a list of people who wanted him dead.

Night Fall by Nancy Mehl (LP). Alex Donovan has realized her dream of working for the FBI Behavioral Analysis Unit, and her first case draws her to gang activity and the threat of a deadly virus spread by a mastermind killer.

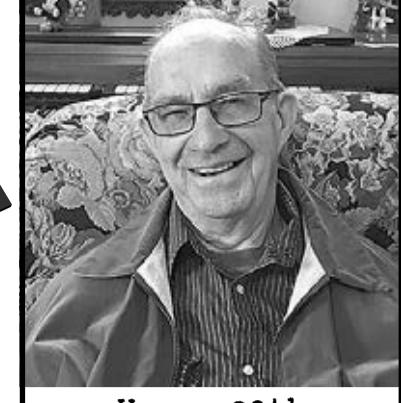
Happiness by Danielle Steel (LP). Sabrina Brooks has inherited her uncle's title and estate outside London. She plans to view the property, quickly sell it and return to her home in the states. But she finds she loves the home and gardens, and when she meets handsome attorney Grayson Abbott, she looks for even more reasons to stay.

The Coffee Shop of Curiosities by Heather Weber (LP). A young woman takes a job as a caretaker for a peculiar old man in Driftwood, Alabama. She finds herself connected to the old man's daughter in so many ways as they both learn to let their painful pasts go and move on.

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November 9

Scott Richmond, Lynda Standley, Craig DeRyke, Gavin Gilland

November 10

Melissa Ralphs, Karl Hernes, Barbara Brower, Jessie Brower

November 11

Drew Anderson, Susie Kurtz

November 12

Joshua Stahlecker, Bob Herman

November 13

Nicole Weber, Alex Davies, Ronald Anderson, Troy Young

November 14

November 15

John Skinner, Blake Brenner, Marlene Gross, Evan Heggen, Cheri Geraets

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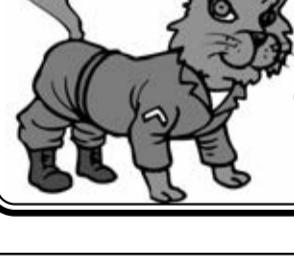
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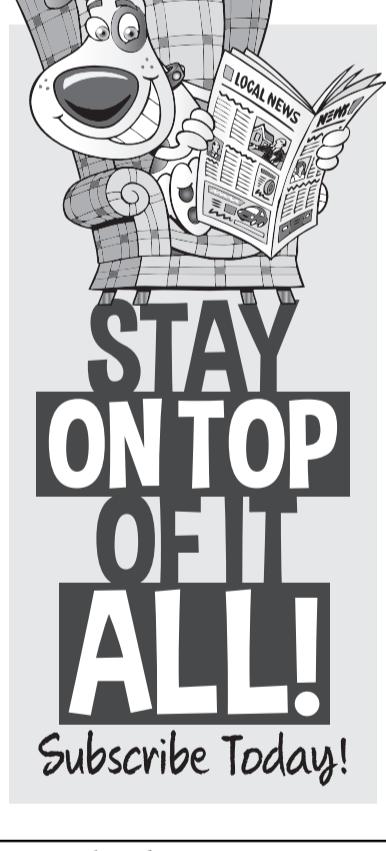


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Haul the Water, Haul the Wood ... about Norwegian sweethearts who pioneered in South Dakota in the 1870's

Ole's Promise ... a sequel to "Haul the Water, Haul the Wood"

The Music Man from Norway ... an historical novel that follows the life of a musician from Norway who brought music to the Dakota prairies at the turn of the century.

On the Back Step ... free verse writings about Country Days, Nature, Family, Spiritual topics including Conversations with Eve

Advent ... Daily Meditations Throughout the Advent Season is a devotional of a day-to-day journey through Advent and the Twelve Days of Christmas.

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Windmill Of My Mind

by Margaret Schultz

You know, friends, I think the windmill of my mind needs some maintenance work. Oh, it's still turning, but the problem is, my mind is racing at about 65 mph while my body is only capable of handling 35 mph. Can I get an amen? Or is it only me? One minute I'm thinking about AI (artificial intelligence, not the other AI) Where did they come up with that term? The original intelligence and supreme intelligence is God, as far as I'm concerned. I know that people have intelligence and some have a higher amount than others. So why would you want artificial?

They warn us about artificial ingredients (another AI), and we should all strive for that in our diets.

The other AI will remain unaddressed.

So, the question still remains for me, why artificial intelligence? Is it the never-ending quest to be like God or to figure out how to eliminate the need of God? Okay, the windmill has slowed down and is starting to squeak – probably needs a good oiling.

I'm changing directions here, like right brained people have a tendency to do. Another Halloween has come and gone. We did trunk or treat in our church parking lot, and I got very cold. I felt like my lips were turning blue and my hands were shaking in my not-warm-enough mittens, and my words were starting to slur, but it was fun to see all the costumes and the reactions of children when you put candy in their bags. Almost all the parents encouraged their children to say thank you. That was nice.

So, it's time to take down the Halloween decorations and pull out the Thanksgiving ones. I'll have to put away my smiling, lighted pumpkin, and take down the cobwebs I hung up. Oh, wait a minute! I didn't put up any cobwebs. Good grief! Those are the real McCoy! I certainly need to get rid of those! I'll never forget the time some friends were visiting us, and as we were sitting in the dining room, one friend said "Is that a spider?" I looked where she was looking, and sure enough, there on the end of a "light string" single strand cobweb was a spider. I think he was spinning it as we watched. I grabbed a broom and knocked him down, while apologizing to my friends. They didn't seem too ruffled.

I love the Thanksgiving season with all its colors and comments about being thankful and counting our blessings. It might just be my favorite season.

So, for all of you who hung in there and finished reading what the windmill brought up, thank you. You are all blessings to me and I thank God for you.

Know Where You Stand: The Fight for Fairness in Girls' Sports

By: Governor Kristi Noem
November 3, 2023

It's plain and simple – only girls should play girls' sports. This is a matter of basic biological fairness.

Many Republican governors across the country have signed laws protecting girls' sports. I signed the toughest women's sports bill in the nation last year to ensure that sports in South Dakota would remain fair. But signing bills into law is not the finish line. We cross the finish line when we can promise fairness for all women in athletics across the nation.

I recently led eight of my fellow Republican governors in urging the NCAA to rewrite its Transgender Student Athlete Policy. The policy currently holds that "transgender student-athlete participation for each sport [is] to be determined by the policy for the national governing body of that sport."

This policy does not protect fairness in women's sports. I was proud to step up and call on the NCAA to change their rule.

Earlier this year, I participated in a roundtable on protecting girls' sports with Riley Gaines. Riley worked her entire life to compete

at the collegiate level, but Lia Thomas, a biological male, was allowed to compete in women's swimming. Against all odds, Riley tied with Lia. Now, normally, when two swimmers tie for first place, they share the top spot on the podium. That wasn't the case for Riley – she was told "we just have to give the trophy to Lia."

Suddenly, the decade of hard work and the countless hours spent in the pool meant nothing. Riley's lifetime of achievement was ripped away by someone who shouldn't have even been in the race – all for a photo op.

Riley's story is powerful – and she's not the only athlete that this has happened to. I commend her for speaking up and fighting for what is right.

I have had excellent conversations with NCAA President, and former Republican Governor of Massachusetts, Charlie Baker. He understands my concern and has been eager to find the best path forward to protect the integrity of college athletics. I hope that he will continue to drive the Committee on Competitive Safeguards to rewrite this Transgender Student Athlete Policy.

Bookish

By: Kala Hazelhoff

"Lessons in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus

This book has been on my "to be read" list for quite some time, and I finally got around to reading it. I believe sometimes books find you when it's meant to be your time to read them. I'm so glad this one blared out at me, "Read me now, read me!" It is one of my favorite reads of 2023, which is saying a lot since I'm at 83 books for the year. I loved the feminist prose and refreshing views on what it means to juggle being a wife, mother, employee, etc. I loved the perspective from the dog "Six-Thirty" in the story, which turned into the dog being one of my favorite characters. Lessons in Chemistry is light, easy to read, relatable and inspiring. Reading this made me thankful for all the women who came before me. The women who created their own path in life by working hard and not always taking the easy way or doing things they enjoyed. Because of women like the fictional Zott, I can write for the paper under my own name. Sometimes life throws things at us that we aren't ready for, but they end up being one of the best things to ever happen in our lives.

Elizabeth Zott is struggling to make her way as a chemist in the 1960s. She works at a mostly male science laboratory, where she meets and falls in love with Calvin Evans. Unfortunately, fate has other plans and Elizabeth finds herself as a single mother, with few people besides her dog and neighbor to help her along the way. Elizabeth is offered an afternoon television spot as a host for a cooking show. On the show she becomes an inspirational star, where she not only teaches women how to cook but how to take the patriarchal world by storm.

'Whenever you feel afraid, just remember. Courage is the root of change – and change is what we're chemically designed to do. So when you wake up tomorrow, make this pledge. No more holding yourself back. No more subscribing to others' opinions of what you can and cannot achieve. And no more allowing anyone to pigeonhole you into useless categories of sex, race, economic status, and religion. Do not allow your talents to lie dormant, ladies. Design your own future. When you go home today, ask yourself what YOU will change. And then get started.'

This is an effort that every Republican Governor should stand up and support – especially those who claim to be conservatives.

As governors, we can't just sit at our desks and sign bills. We have to enforce those laws. We have to take action to ensure the integrity of those laws. And we have to step up to protect, preserve, and encourage fairness for our citizens.

I know where I stand. I stand with our young women and girls.

Dave Says: Don't Buy a House Together Before You're Married

Dear Dave,
My fiancée and I plan to get married in May, and we are preparing to buy a house. We both work in sales, and combined we bring home about \$7,400 a month before commissions. Our average commissions usually boost that to \$12,000 a month. I'm worried that the house we're looking at doesn't fit our budget, though. The home costs \$350,000, and we're looking at monthly payments of \$2,840 with taxes and insurance figured in. Do you think this scenario will work for us?

J.T.

Dear J.T.,
Are you doing this on a 15-year fixed-rate mortgage? If you're not, you need to change that right away. That's the only kind of mortgage loan I recommend. With the numbers you've given me, you two can afford that on the shorter terms I mentioned.

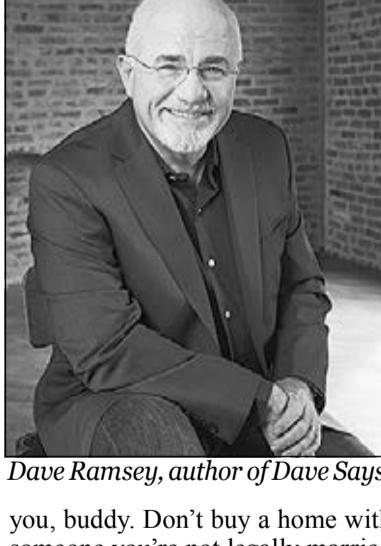
Now, let's move on to the next thing. You're speaking about buying a home as if you're already married, and you're not. I will not advise you to buy a house with someone to whom you're not married. You're talking to a guy who's been doing this for 35 years, and I've heard all the horror stories that go along with, "We

bought the house together, but we didn't make it to the altar together." Talk about an ugly breakup!

You two have a bad case of house fever right now. Believe it or not, you aren't required by law to run out and buy a home just because you're planning to get married. Please, wait until after the wedding to buy a home. And even then, wait another year or so. Buying a home is the biggest—and most expensive—life decision most people ever make. Take some time to just enjoy being married and getting to know each other even better for a while.

Listen, if you've already jumped the gun, if you already have this house under contract or anything like that, I would not close the deal. I'd talk to the sellers and tell them they can keep my earnest money, but I'm walking away. And get ready, because if you do this, your fiancée is liable to look at you like you've got snakes coming out of your ears. Make sure to communicate with her about where you're coming from and why you're doing it. It's the best, and smartest, thing you can do in the long run, J.T.

I'm not predicting you two are going to break up or anything. I hope with all my heart nothing like that happens. But I'm begging



Dave Ramsey, author of *Dave Says*.

you, buddy. Don't buy a home with someone you're not legally married to. The potential downside is just too great.

— Dave

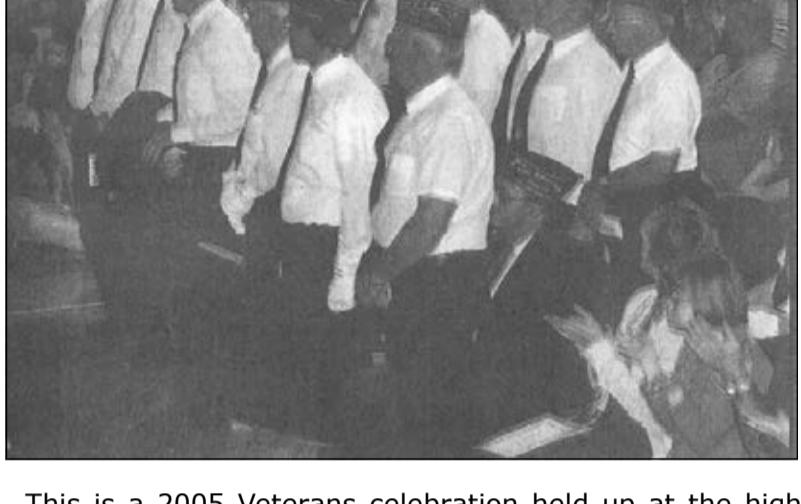
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OFF The Road With Jerry



This was the Veterans Day celebration up at Good Samaritan Center in 1991. Veteran residents of the home were Clarence Johnson and Tryave Sandmark. Members of VFW Post 134 and the Legion Post 53 presented the colors. Some of these past service men helping were Lafe Lunder, Orv Fossum, Ray Husby, Kerwin Ulrikson, Francis Gates and Quintin Soreson.



This is a 2005 Veterans celebration held up at the high school gym. A special thank you was referring to soldiers who lost their lives in Iraq. The program started with Canton Chamber president Leon Eich introducing E.O. Lawrence first grade in joining everyone together, in the Pledge of Allegiance.



One of the Canton Veterans, Elwood Krejici, received the "Veteran of the Year" Award. He had received this award earlier in the day up at the Veterans program at Sioux Falls at Lincoln High School

This is Kalyn Lems performing on the stage for the program. The guest speaker was Sergeant First Class Mark Thomas of the Army National Guard.

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Honoring the Legacy of our Service and Sacrifice Veterans' Service

There are many honors and responsibilities that come with my job, but none are more humbling than visiting one-on-one with our veterans and their families. Hearing their stories – stories that need to be told – is inspiring.

Two great projects that have afforded me this opportunity are our “Veterans, What’s Brewing” outreach events and South Dakota’s Fallen Hero Bridge dedication ceremonies.

“What’s Brewing” allows our team to visit with veterans and hear first-hand about issues they might be experiencing. These outreach events also give us a chance to brief veterans on new benefits and services. As the advocates for South Dakota veterans, it is crucial for our entire team to know what challenges our veterans are facing.

To date, South Dakota has dedicated 41 Fallen Heroes Bridges, honoring 44 veterans. These dedications have afforded us the opportunity to visit with thousands of friends and family members of the veterans. The signs that mark these bridges are a daily reminder of the sacrifices that the

brave men and women in uniform made for our state and country.

General George Patton once said, “it is foolish and wrong to mourn the men who died. Rather, we should thank God that such men lived.”

Veterans are part of an unbroken chain of Americans who served this country. Their service has been selfless, and their accomplishments have been extraordinary. They saw their country threatened and they signed up to confront that threat. That is something for every American to be proud of. That is the spirit that America loves.

This Veterans Day, I challenge all of you to find a veteran, extend your hand, and thank them for their service. Write a note of thanks, perform a random act of kindness, or donate to a charity on their behalf. Let us never forget the sacrifices our veterans and their families have made. Let us never stop trying to build a better world. And let us all draw strength from our veterans’ long legacy of service.

Greg Whitlock, Secretary
South Dakota Department of
Veterans Affairs

By Sen. John Thune

Etched into stone at the Korean War Memorial are the words, “Freedom is not free.” The generations of Americans who have made immense sacrifices in service to the United States know all too well what it costs to defend our country and secure our freedoms. They know what they sacrificed – their families do too – and they know others who made the ultimate sacrifice. They are all heroes, and on Veterans Day, we have a special opportunity to honor their service.

One of the greatest honors I have as a U.S. senator is thanking veterans for their service on behalf of a grateful nation. It’s always humbling to present a veteran with medals earned in service to our country or to meet veterans as I travel around South Dakota. I have also had the chance to welcome hundreds of South Dakota veterans on Honor Flights as they visit the memorials built in their honor, sometimes for the very first time.

Honor Flights bring veterans to Washington, D.C., at no cost to visit the memorials representing the conflicts in which they fought. Having the opportunity to welcome these brave men and women to the nation’s capital and to be at the memorials with them is an incredible experience. Each mission often brings together

generations of veterans – from World War II, Korea, Vietnam, and the Gulf War – whose military service is a common bond. It’s moving to hear the veterans exchange stories and to reflect on the people they served with, especially those who did not come home.

Midwest Honor Flight, which serves South Dakota, has its own remarkable story. In 2017, Aaron Van Beek was in his junior year at Iowa’s Dordt University. He learned about the Honor Flight program and saw the need to expand the organization’s reach into his part of the country. So, he got to work building an organization, thinking he would only coordinate a few flights for local World War II veterans. But Aaron did much more than that. He expanded the mission to Korean War and Vietnam War veterans, and in just six years, Midwest Honor Flight has flown 17 missions, bringing 1,487 veterans to Washington, D.C. His dedication to honoring veterans is admirable, to say the least.

South Dakota takes great pride in the men and women who have stepped forward to serve our country in uniform. Veterans Day celebrations occur in towns big and small across South Dakota. I can remember gathering in the auditorium at Jones County High School to hear from local

veterans. Hearing their stories helped instill a strong sense of patriotism and an understanding of what it takes to keep America safe and free.

Veterans Day also makes me think of my dad, Harold Thune, who was a Navy pilot during World War II. Dad flew Hellcats off the USS Intrepid during the war. He earned the Distinguished Flying Cross, but anytime he talked about his service he would talk about the heroes he served with – great pilots like Cecil Harris from Cresbard, the Navy’s second-highest scoring ace in the war – and what they did, rather than his own achievements. My family and I were honored earlier this year when a banner for my dad was added to Rapid City’s Veterans Honor Banner Project. I hope that these reminders of American heroes inspire the next generation to continue to serve our great country and the values for which it stands.

To those who have served our country in uniform: Thank you. Your service and sacrifice have secured America’s promise of freedom for another generation, and we owe you a debt of gratitude for all you have done. God bless our troops, and God bless these United States of America. Happy Veterans Day.



Level Up!

By Rep. Dusty Johnson
November 3, 2023

BIG Update

On Monday, I hosted my first Level Up Youth Conference in Rapid City. Over 350 students from more than a dozen West River schools attended to hear from a variety of speakers about how they can become more engaged citizens – and even learned some tips on how to better chat with Uncle Bob about politics during Thanksgiving dinner.

Divisive political discourse, 24/7 news and media consumption, and low civic engagement among youth paint a bleak picture for our nation's future, but it's not too late to get us back on the right track. These students are our future leaders and there's no doubt they will be part of the solution.

BIG Idea

Earlier today, I had the opportunity to testify before the House Committee on the Judiciary about my Constitutional amendment to limit the size of the U.S. Supreme Court to nine Justices. Recent years have brought more calls from the Left to pack or expand the Court, and I think that is a terrible idea.

Any efforts to turn the Supreme Court into a political football will further erode public trust in our institutions. 140 members of Congress agree with me and have co-sponsored this amendment. I encouraged the Judiciary Committee to consider Keep the Nine soon.

BIG News

House Republicans have now passed appropriations bills funding more than 80% of the dollars needed to fund the government in Fiscal Year 2024. There's no doubt we still have a lot of work to do but we will be back in D.C. next week to continue our progress.

I was proud to co-sponsor the Israel Security Supplemental Appropriations Act which provides \$14.3 billion to provide military assistance to Israel and funding for the protection of U.S. personnel and emergency evacuations of American citizens. This bill passed the House on Thursday afternoon. I will continue to support Israel in its fight against Hamas and this is one step in the right direction.



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If you have any questions, please contact City Hall at 605-987-2881.

Elementary Honor Choir



Above is the Elementary Honor Choir who participated at the SDMEA Honor Choir in Rapid City last Saturday. Pictured are: Adyson Dickey (6th Grade); Ragan Sehr (5th), Briggs Jarman (6th), CharleeAnn Winter (6th).



Dakota Farmers had their monthly meeting on Monday Oct 23rd. We started off by making Christmas ornaments for the Christmas tree that we will have at the PAC during the Christmas season. The meeting was called to order at 7pm. Flag pledges were done, rollcall was taken.

The New 4H year started on October 1st so we elected new officers for the new year.

President: Makenna Kitrell; Vice President: Kinsly Altena; Secretary:

Maxwell Kitrell; Treasurer: Heath Souvignier; Reporter: Sloan Larson. we talked about setting up the Christmas tree at the PAC. Also that we need to sign up for the new 4H year by December 31st, 2023

Our next meeting is November 19th at 6:30pm at the Methodist church if you are curious on joining 4H coming see what its all about.

Submitted by Makenna Kitrell

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Cattlemen's 75th Annual Convention and Trade Show Announces Featured Speakers and Programming

The South Dakota Cattlemen's Association (SDCA) will host the 75th Annual Convention and Tradeshow November 28-29, 2023, at the Ramkota Hotel and Watertown Events Center in Watertown, South Dakota.

The SDCA's Annual Convention and Trade Show provides a forum for members and non-members to network with fellow cattlemen, craft the policy that will guide the SDCA staff and leadership in the coming year and learn more about the latest industry happenings.

This year, the Convention is focused on partnerships that were key to growing the cattle industry in South Dakota, the collaborations that make it successful today, and the partnerships that will ensure the

industry continues to thrive in the future.

The first day of the Convention, November 28th, will feature the first seminar of the Cattlemen's Education Series, sponsored by the National Corn Growers Association. The panel features ag industry leaders and partners within South Dakota's academic institutions working together on innovative advancements within the industry, train tomorrow's workforce, and expand markets and profitability for producers, panel includes:

Dakota State University + Case New Holland
South Dakota State University + AgSpirre
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+ Wall Meats
The SDCA policy committee meetings will also take place on the day. The committees will craft resolutions to address new and existing policies and make recommendations to the membership on policy that will govern the organization in the year to come.

End the evening with The Best of Beef Happy Hour and the new Merck Roping Contest Powered by the Lake Area Technical College Agriculture Department! Attendees, vendors, and the public are invited to attend Happy Hour event will feature heavy hors d'oeuvres that showcase the best of beef, cocktails, networking, and celebrating our industry partners. After the social grab a partner and

showoff your roping skills at a friendly competition with fellow cattlemen and women. The event is open to attendees, vendors, and the public.

Day two of the Convention and Trade Show will kick off at breakfast and include a market update from Duane Lenz of Cattle Fax.

SDCA's annual business meeting will be held. SDCA members will hear association updates, conduct business, and vote on proposed bylaw amendments. After the lunch recess, the annual policy business meeting, will take place. Members of SDCA will vote on association policy and elect a new slate of officers for 2024.

The keynote luncheon sponsored by First Dakota National Bank will feature speaker Glen Newcomer. An Ohio native, Glen currently oversees seven business entities that make up Newcomer Farms. What began in 1866 as the original homestead is now a 6th generation cash grain operation that has diversified to include a seed dealership and crop insurance agency. Glen shares his story about how a near fatal accident inspired him to create a unique business advisory board made up of professional people outside of the industry. The advisory board meets quarterly with an emphasis

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The Convention finale, The Cattlemen's Banquet, will be held the evening of November 29th, where the Cattlemen of the Year and the Friend of SDCA awards will be honored. The highlight of the banquet is the presentation of the 2023 Leopold Conservation Award to the Slovek Ranch of Philip, South Dakota. The night will conclude with the SDCA President's Auction.

Register today and learn more about the 75th Annual Convention and Trade Show by visiting sdcaughters.org, click on the 'Events' tab or email Lorri Naasz at lnaasz@sdcattlemen.org.



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The 437 Project Raises an Additional \$22K for Helpline Center

Total donation from The 437 Project exceeds \$273K in two months.

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. - On November 1, 2023, The 437 Project presented a check to Helpline Center for \$22,274.37. This donation marks \$273,281.93 donated to Helpline Center from The 437 Project since September of this year.

"Months after the completion of this year's The 437 Project, this incredible cause is continuing to make an impact on countless lives," said Ariana Mount, Communications Manager for The 437 Project. "The community support for this project has been astonishing, as people hear about The 437 Project and our mission to bolster mental health resources in South Dakota. It's because of the generosity of people across the country that we are able to write another check to Helpline Center, so the staff there can continue doing important work in the Mount Rushmore State."

On September 24, during this year's The 437 Project Finish

Line Celebration, The 437 Project presented a check to Helpline Center at Levitt at the Falls for \$251,007.93. In two years, The 437 Project has donated \$394,216.27 to Helpline Center.

"The additional funds provided by the 437 Project will continue to move the Helpline Center's suicide prevention work forward across the state," said Janet Kittams, CEO of Helpline Center. "We are excited to be able to expand our coaster campaign that promotes reaching out for help through the 988 Lifeline. The additional funds will allow us to reach even more people as they visit local restaurants across South Dakota."

The 437 Project was born of a passion for bolstering both physical and mental wellness and the often overlooked connection between the two. This year's project began Thursday, September 21, 2023 at the Wyoming/South Dakota Border, where 12 runners took turns relay-style running across the state of South Dakota. Along the route, The 437 Project team stopped in Rapid City, Pierre, Mitchell and

Sioux Falls to share their stories with those communities, offer mental health resources, and ask for donations. The team finished the 437-mile journey at the Iowa/South Dakota Border Sunday, September 24, 2023.

The Helpline Center answers mental health and suicide related calls on the 988 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. The Helpline Center supports over 100,000 people every year by connecting individuals to resources and support, providing referrals, building community volunteers, offering hope to individuals with thoughts of suicide and supporting families bereaved by suicide loss. The Helpline Center is the only entity in the state accredited by the Alliance for Information and Referral Systems and the only organization in the state that provides a certified crisis line through the American Association of Suicidology.

For more information about The 437 Project and this year's runners and sponsors, visit the437project.org.



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“Defend, challenge or qualify the state’s decision to build a prison south of Harrisburg”

By Virginia Olson

Ninety-three AP Language and Comp students at Harrisburg High School are creating presentations that will defend, challenge or qualify the state’s decision to build the new state penitentiary south of Harrisburg.

“My juniors are doing well with this topic,” says English teacher Kaye DesLauriers. “They have been researching, reading news articles, interviewing and even going out and looking at the site for themselves.”

DesLauriers’ five English sections will make their final presentations Nov. 9.

Nov. 10 DesLauriers plans to use class time to allow students to contact local and state representatives and let their voices be heard.

Rather than using the usual AP prompt argumentative essay to conclude the writing unit, DesLauriers felt tackling a ‘local issue’ would better allow students to see all sides of an argument.

“It’s been an intriguing project,” she says.



HARRISBURG NEWS BRIEFS

City offices closed for Veterans Day. The Harrisburg City offices will close at noon Thursday Nov. 9 and will be closed all day Friday, Nov. 10 in honor of Veterans Day.

Veterans Day Celebration Friday, Nov 10. Harrisburg High School will host its Annual Veterans Day Celebration in Performing Arts Center Friday, Nov. 10 at 9 a.m. Area veterans and community members are invited to attend. The event will have a live stream option for the community. Jason Groom will be the featured speaker.

Ribbon cutting for the Harrisburg Economic Development Corporation and the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce’s new location. The Harrisburg Economic Development Corporation and the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce have opened a new collaborative location at 225 N. Cliff Ave, Suite 4 in Harrisburg. A ribbon cutting was held November 2 to celebrate the central office space. This strategic move places both agencies under one roof for the purpose of bringing together small business development, community advancement, economic growth and workforce growth.

Harrisburg Community Fire Department’s Annual Poultry Party November 17. The Annual Poultry Party will be held at the Meadow Barn at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17. One of the Harrisburg Community Fire Department’s two, yearly fundraisers, the event will go on till all bingo prizes are gone.

Trick or Treat at the Harrisburg High School Library



“What’s your favorite book?” Every student who provided an answer got a treat. Librarian Eve Langerock along with Kay DesLauriers and Lisa Richardson handed out handfuls of candy during lunch in front of the HHS Library on Halloween.

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Soccer Champions Continued

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The captains saw a lot of things coming together for the team. They all admit last year’s state title placed a target on their backs this past season.

This year was all about lots of determination said Christensen.

“Winning one championship is hard, but two is harder. Teams would change game plans specifically for us to try to win against us.”

It meant being the best of the best, said Wurth.

“We always had to put in the hard work and, most importantly, we had to unite even more as a team.”

Talent was important said Weide. “But it also took everyone to sacrifice a little bit more and make sure each player was ‘showing up’ to every game.”

The team also didn’t want the loss of their season opener to set the tone for the year. (The Tigers lost to Mitchell 3-2, August 11.)

Strong opponents kept them on their toes. For Weide, it was O’Gorman in the quarterfinals. For Wurth it was Mitchell. “They were the best team and matched up with us.”

But Christensen and Budig, both admit “the toughest opponent all year was ourselves.”

“We had a very talented team and really good soccer players but playing to our full potential was a struggle in the beginning of the year,” Christensen admitted.

High-powered play leading up to a championship

Harrisburg entered the state tournament as the second seed and Mitchell was the first seed, but they showed their skill as a team from beginning to end. First, they played Watertown, 8 – 0; next, O’Gorman, 2 – 0; then Lincoln, 4 – 0; and then the final match with Mitchell winning 8 – 1.

“The final game almost didn’t feel real,” said Budig. “There was my adrenaline, and I was also excited and nervous at the exact same time. I couldn’t even believe I was playing let alone winning.”

Though Budig was nervous, Weide wasn’t.

“For some reason, the championship game was the one game out of the whole tournament when I wasn’t nervous. I think it was because I knew it was going to be my last high school game ever. I just wanted to enjoy every moment. During the game I remained focused the whole time, but I was also able to laugh, smile, hug my teammates and enjoy every second of it.”

For Wurth, all she could think about was the fact that she was the only person not wearing an



undershirt. “Because of my nerves, I wasn’t even cold!” she recalled.

The last minutes of the game were especially memorable to Wurth.

“At my last game at Harrisburg High School, all the seniors got to play the last five minutes on the turf and celebrate the win together.”

“I am truly just so proud of my team,” said Budig. “My teammates are amazing, and I wouldn’t want to have this success with anyone else.”

Not one but two championships!

Winning a state championship is a big deal. But how does it feel to be champions two years in a row?

“It was one of the best feelings in my whole life,” said Wurth. “With both championships, I felt pure, unadulterated joy. I would tell my mom I looked really good those days, and she said it was because I was smiling in happiness. This was all possible because of the hard work we, as a team, put into the season and the summer program. Probably 400 hours throughout the whole season dedicated to soccer and getting better.”

For Christensen, it was relief and happiness. “Winning our final game as seniors, was an incredible experience. We knew that we could make it happen as long as we played ‘Harrisburg Soccer.’”

“It feels amazing to be back-to-back champions,” said Budig. “I feel our success was definitely well deserved. We worked hard for it. It was teamwork, dedication to each other and dedication to the game. As players, we spent lots of time and energy in practices. We also pushed each other for the betterment of the team.”

For Wurth, it not only meant being the best of the best, but it also meant putting in hard work and uniting as a team.

Winning a championship two years in a row is an overwhelming sense of accomplishment says Weide. “We all really wanted this championship. It wouldn’t have been possible without every single team member showing up every day, and, overall, just wanting to

play for each other.”

Leaving a legacy of “Harrisburg Soccer”

Weide believes a new standard for soccer has now been set for Harrisburg.

Christensen calls this new standard, “Harrisburg Soccer.” “We made school and state history; we won back-to-back state championships, and we won by the most goals in AA soccer.”

For Wurth, it is all about setting a precedent. “We will be remembered by the incoming classes not only for the winning, but also by the example the seniors set.”

“It takes a team,” said Budig. “To win and have success, you need to have teammates and coaches who trust, support and push one another. Without team chemistry, you cannot have success. I wouldn’t want to win with anybody else. To me, this is the Dream Team!”

About the

Tigers’ season:

Besides winning the 2023 state championship, Harrisburg also won the 2022 state championship, defeating Aberdeen Central 2-1 to finish the season 16-1-1 overall. Since the start of the 2022 the Tigers won 33 matches, tied 1 and lost 2 (33-2-1).

Seniors dominated the 2023 team. There were 11 seniors and 2 senior managers.

Harrisburg has been the most prolific offensive and defensive team in the state this season, averaging 5.4 goals (98 goals in 18 games) while allowing 0.3 goals (6 goals in 18 games) against per match. Since falling to the Kernels August 11, Harrisburg outscored opponents across 17 matches to end the season by a score of 96-3, keeping a clean sheet in six straight matches entering the championship and having 14 shutouts throughout the season.

During the regular season there was prolific scoring. Hailee Christensen scored 27 goals and had 27 assists with six goals and nine assists in four playoff matches. She had either a goal or an assist in all 18 games this season. Jaylee Hofer had 22 goals and seven assists and Elsie Edney had nine goals and 15 assists. Harrisburg had 11 other players account for the remaining 36 goals during regular season. Jaylee has 4 goals and an assist in the state championship game and Hailee Christensen has 1 goal and 4 assists. Jaylee set the state record for goals and points in a state championship game and Hailee set the state record for assists in a state championship game. The team broke the state record for the most goals scored in a state championship game with 8 goals.

Defense was a “wall of success” all year – Coach Christensen nicknamed them the “Wall of D”.

Stella Litzen had a save percentage of 83% across 910 minutes this season facing just 29 total shots on goal. Regan Schelske played nearly 500 minutes in goal for the Tigers, saving nine of the 10 shots she faced. Litzen played all 80 minutes in Harrisburg’s closest postseason contest (2-0 over O’Gorman in the quarter finals) as part of her 240 minutes in postseason play, while Schelske played 80 minutes in the playoffs. The interior defenders led by Taylor Halstenson, Tierney Mullady, and Addie Budig as starters and supported by Grace Steffen, Rylan Peska and Claire Backstrom were unbelievable on the defensive side.

Jaylee Hofer was named Most Outstanding Offensive Player of the Championship Game, and Addie Budig was named Most Outstanding Defensive Player of the Championship Game.

Harrisburg High School Wins the KELO Cup

By Virginia Olson

Harrisburg High School was the 2023 Class AA winner of the KELO Cup.

The KELO Cup recognizes the champions and championships of South Dakota high schools and honors athletic excellence. Each school year, KELOLAND Sports awards the KELO Cup to three SD high schools – one in each class AA, A and B. Since not all sports have three classes schools compete in the class in which they play basketball.

Schools earn points with each first, second and third place finish in the state championship in each sport. First place is worth 5 points, second place is worth 2 points and third place is worth 1 point. If a third-place finisher is not determined as in football, then no points are awarded. The school with the most total points in its class wins the KELO Cup.

“The 2022-23 school year saw Harrisburg Athletic programs compete at an exceptional level,” said Jim Altenburg, Activities Director for Harrisburg. “We are proud of the coaches and athletes both past and present who have worked hard to bring these programs to this level of success. It’s a great time to be a Tiger!”

The KELO Cup has been awarded since 2012. This is Harrisburg’s first win. Besides Harrisburg winning Class AA in 2023, Sioux Falls Christian won Class A and Gregory won Class B.

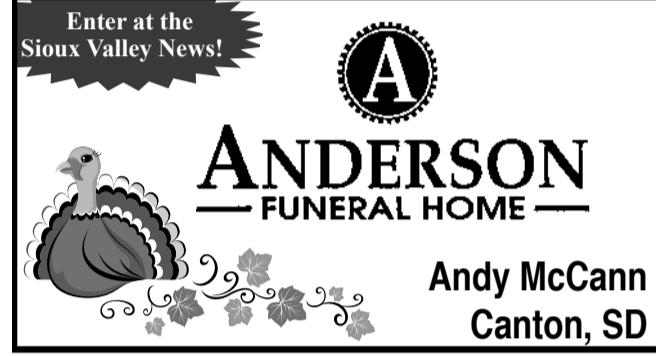


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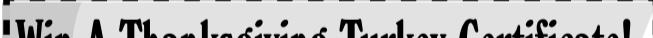
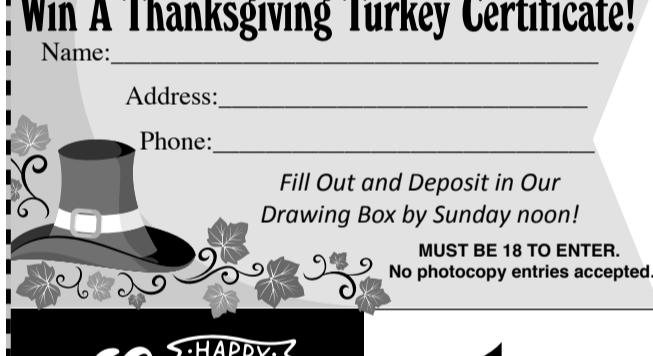
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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
IN CIRCUIT COURT
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
ESTATE OF
JULIETTE HYRONEMUS,
Deceased.
41PRO23-75

Notice is given that on October 12, 2023, Tami Lappgard, whose address is 29713 476th Ave, Alcester, South Dakota, 57001, was appointed as Personal Representative of the estate of Juliette Hyronemus.

Creditors of decedent must file their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or their claims may be barred.

Claims may be filed with the Personal Representative or may be filed with the

Clerk and a copy of the claim mailed to the Personal Representative.
Dated this 13th day of October, 2023.
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IN CIRCUIT COURT
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ESTATE OF PAULINE GROEN,
DECEASED.
41PRO23-77

Notice is given that on October 17, 2023, in the Circuit Court of Lincoln County, South Dakota, Alice Etler whose address is 13058 N. Templar Dr., Spirit Lake, IA 51360, Cheryl Schelling, whose address is 3417 380th St., Orange City, IA 51041, and Janet Groen, whose address is 1410 10th Ave., Sheldon, IA 51201 were appointed by the Clerk as Personal Representatives of the Estate of Pauline Groen.

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
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IN CIRCUIT COURT
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
ESTATE OF JOHN A. STANDLEY,
Deceased.
41PRO23-79

Notice is given that on October 23, 2023, Douglas Standley, 1130 Madison St., Vermillion, SD 57069, Barbara Jones, 1575 17th St, Windom, MN 56101, and Brad Standley, 504 S. Maple, Inwood, IA 51240 was appointed as Personal Representative of the Estate of John A. Standley.

Creditors of decedent must file their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or their claims may be barred.

Claims may be filed with the Personal Representatives or may be filed with the Clerk and a copy of the claim mailed

to the Personal Representatives.
Dated this 26th day of October, 2023.

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Judge Rasmussen,
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Inpatient Nursing Team Nominated for DAISY Award



Every Quarter, employees at Sanford Canton-Inwood Medical Center are treated to a staff luncheon to recognize employee milestones and accomplishments. They recently held the 4th Quarter Luncheon, where the Inpatient Nursing Team received a surprise. A patient family member nominated this team to the DAISY Foundation because of the wonderful care their loved one received while staying at SCIMC. Dave Rogers, Executive Director of Operations for Sanford Health Network, was here to present the award to the nursing team.

According to their website, "The DAISY Foundation was established in 1999 by the family of J. Patrick Barnes who died from complications of the autoimmune disease Idiopathic Thrombocytopenia Purpura (ITP) at the age of 33. DAISY is an acronym for Diseases Attacking the Immune System."

The Barnes family wanted to create a legacy to honor Pat. The one positive thing that they held on to during his 8-week illness was the extraordinary care and compassion

that was shown by his nurses, to both Pat and his family. The kindness of the nurses made such a difference in their difficult experience and they wanted to say 'Thank You,' so they created the Daisy Award for Extraordinary Nurses. This award has become recognized world-wide and is used as a way for patients, families, and coworkers to show gratitude to nurses for the compassionate care they provide each day. Being nominated for this award shows exceptional care, both skillful and emotional, by the nurses. As the organization grew, Patrick's family recognized that positive patient experiences can start with one individual, but it is often an entire team that ensures a level of continuity and success in a patient's hospital stay. Because of this, they created the DAISY Team Award as well.

Jana Sorlie, Chief Nursing Officer at SCIMC, said "the Daisy Team award is given to a group (3 or more) of nursing staff that goes above and beyond to provide extraordinary care to their patients. Patients and/or families nominate nursing

teams for this award based on their personal experiences. Every year a committee within Sanford reviews the nominations for the Daisy team award and rewards one group of nurses with the Daisy Team Award. I am proud that our nursing staff was presented this award because it recognizes our staff for the extraordinary care they provide to our patients. Although it is a privilege and honor to receive this award, I also know that all our staff from every department does great things every day to meet the needs of our patients. I want to thank everyone for providing great care to our patients and their families."

"I am extremely proud to work for an amazing group of people who take a great deal of pride caring for the people in our community. We are one big team and this team is

very deserving of this recognition," said Scott Larson, Senior Director of SCIMC.

Congratulations to the wonderful nurses at Sanford Canton-Inwood Medical Center! Thank you for providing incredible care to your patients, day in and day out. Being recognized by the DAISY Foundation is a well-deserved award. Congratulations!

To learn more about the DAISY Foundation, visit their website at <https://www.daisyfoundation.org/>

Below is the nomination:

My Dad has been in Canton hospital receiving swing bed services for about 5 weeks. He is (hopefully) approaching the end of his hospitalization. This past Saturday 1/21/2023, my mom was visiting him and they had planned to go into town to the Sioux Valley Grille for supper. Due to the dense fog, my Mom needed to leave earlier than planned to get back to Sioux Falls in the daylight which meant they had to cancel their supper outing. Dad really looks forward to his weekly "date night" outing with my mom, and had been telling the nurses all week how excited that he was. When the weather caused a change in plans, the nurses took action. They sneakily asked him what he liked to order from the restaurant, and took it upon themselves to order his favorite meal, pay for it with their own money and hand deliver it to his room. It has been challenging

for my Dad to be hospitalized, especially over Christmas. On Christmas Eve we cried together as my family left him alone in his hospital room. The South Dakota winter storms as of recent have made it difficult for our family to get to Canton to visit, and he has gone days without company due to our inability to travel. Knowing that he has an amazing team of caregivers has made the stay bearable for him, and leaves us all feeling confident in the care and companionship he is receiving even when we can't be there by his side. THANK YOU to all of the nurses and caregivers at Sanford Canton!



Sportstalk

By Rich Beitzel

Now all the fall sports have ended and the last two ended badly and both to Lennox to make it just a little worse. With football over and the 11A is down to the finals with Dell Rapids and West Central playing Friday afternoon we move into the gyms and wrestling rooms for the next 4 and 5 months. I think this year will be a good year to watch the championship games since there are good matchups in just about every class. I am going to try to watch a lot of the games but one game that I think would be fun to watch is Friday night the Pierre vs Yankton game as they are both 10-1 and Pierre has won like 6 or 7 titles in a row and Yankton is playing good ball right at the end of the season so should be a good game. Also the Parkston vs Howard in the 9AA sounds like a good match up and its 9 man which means there is a lot of offense usually. I am also a Elk Point Jefferson fan again this year because they went out and defeated Winner in the semifinals after defeating them last year in the finals. The Huskies will play Hot Springs who also has a 10-1 record so it should be a good battle. Then in our class it is Dell Rapids vs West Central which are the teams that beat us in the regular season before Lennox ended our season

but looking back I can't see how anyone could beat DR but you can never count out West Central but the only problem watching this game is it is the same time as the Veterans program at the high school. I hope everyone can find a game or two to watch this year and it still stinks the hawks aren't playing this weekend.

Ok now on to volleyball which ended last week after a battle with Lennox as we lost 3-1 after a week earlier, we won 3-1 over them. It was a hard-fought battle which I don't think we played particularly our best as we gave up too many serves points either while they served and when we hit too long too many times. Lennox blocked us really good at the net and found spots on our side of the net for easy points. We played good enough to keep the games close but just couldn't string to many points together later in the games as we were trying to catch up. This SODAK 16 is going to have to figure out a new system because if you look at the ones in the 16 you can see they left out some teams that should have been moving on but lost to a very good team like them. We seen some good teams that didn't get into the 16 tourney like Baltic who lost to SFC in first round and

Madison who I thought was one of the best teams we played this year as they lost 2nd round like us to Dell Rapids and the finished with a 19-7 record so I don't know what they could do to change this around but I hope they look into it or just maybe win a game more at the end of the season cause that would of helped.

Friday will be the Canton High Schools Veterans Day Ceremony up in the PAC and if you have never gone before this would be a great time to go and see how great of a job they do for the area veterans. As a Navy Veteran I enjoy going and see all the kids in the crowd along with a lot of people too and with the band and choirs singing along with the guest speaker you can come and see all the veterans from the Canton area and I know I am proud to be sitting with all of them. If you are a veteran and not sure if you should come down well you are very much welcome and we would like to see you join us. Come up to the PAC around 1:30 and join us and enjoy the program and enjoy the cheers for you as a veteran because you have earned that. Hope to see a lot of veterans there and all the kids and families Friday at 2:00 in the Performing Arts Center. Go Navy!!!



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