

Digital photography class involves much more than just picture taking

Imagine trying to find the alphabet in nature, painting with light or making your own animation.

This was what the Digital Photography students were challenged with after they began their first year pioneering Clark High School's photography class, offered for the first time as a class.

Also a challenge for instructor Kristin Janisch was the fact that she had 11 students, all with different cameras and only two of the cameras had manual settings.

First things first, the students who didn't have the instruction booklets to their cameras, acquired them downloading them off of the Internet.

Then was the task of learning what the different camera modes were and how they matched up with each other. Camera modes help with taking different types of pictures. Modes such as portrait, sports, night view and macro (close up) needed to be determined as cameras vary with their individual selections and icons. Also learning how to turn off the flash option when needed was important to know depending on the type of picture.

Janisch then moved on to teaching her students how to 'see' with assignments such as converging lines and perspective. Seeing things in a different perspective was the goal when Janisch had her students find the alphabet in nature - for example the curve of a park bench being a 'C', or a telephone pole being a 'T', or a corner fence having an 'N' in it.

"That assignment really made us look at things in a different way," noted Jessica Petersen. "I learned a lot about the settings on a camera and how just changing an angle can add more character to a picture. Photography is one of the careers I may look into in the future."



Clark High School's new digital photography class, under the direction of Kristin Janisch, photographs water as it splashes into a glass during a studio segment.

In the front from left to right, Kristin Janisch, Jamie Finstad, Megan Pierson, Baylee Shult and Mikal Kirkeby. In the back, left to right, Rafael Anthamatten,

"I think the favorite project of the class was painting with light," added Janisch. "After we learned about how to create a photo by streaking light to make a symbol, we then went one step farther with technology and each student created an animation with music. What they came up with was amazing! You can check them out at the Clark school website, Clarkschooldistrict.org. Go to: high school; wiki space; Kristin Janisch then to Art student work. The students had to come

up with their own idea. Besides the technical aspects of using their cameras, they used project management skills, directed their team if needed and applied failure recovery in some cases. These skills not only make for a successful classroom assignment, but are also necessary for success in life. My philosophy is to cross curriculums by incorporating science, math and geometry and even history into the lessons. We

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Samantha Luttrell and Joshua Callahan. This photo was taken by senior Hannah Steffen who has her results of this water shoot in the Art showcase in the hallway east of the gym at the school. Eleven students started photography at the beginning of the 2012/2013 school year.

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Ryan Eggleston - Official Weather Observer			
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Jan. 15	33	3	0
Jan. 16	35	5	0
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Jan. 18	37	26	0
Jan. 19	34	-2	tr
Jan. 20	6	-13	tr
Jan. 21	0	-5	0
2013 precipitation to date			0.08"
2012 precipitation to date			0.17"



South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems President Dan Carlson, right, presented Clark Rural Water system operator Terry Kaufman of Clark Rural Water System with the Rural Water Operations Specialist of the Year award in Pierre at the organization's annual Technical Conference.

Kaufman named Rural Water Operations Specialist of the Year

Terry Kaufman was recently named the top rural water operator by the South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems (SDARWS) during the organization's Annual Technical Conference in Pierre.

Kaufman is the Water Treatment Plant Manager/Superintendent for Clark Rural Water System. He is certified as a Class III Water Treatment Operations Specialist who is in charge of the system's 3 MGD lime softening plant and a 250 gpm ion exchange nitrate removal facility. He also supervises the workload for two distribution system operations staff.

His education includes graduation from Lake Area Tech with emphasis in Machine Tools. He has also been professionally trained in Basic Motor Controls, Electronics Series I through IV, Programmable

Logic Controllers and ArcView ESRI Mapping.

Kaufman has successfully GIS mapped the entire system; was one of a team of two people who built a nitrate removal plant from the ground up; has pulled wells, pumps and motors; is considered the systems IT guy who maintains the SCADA system and is also a heavy equipment operator.

The South Dakota Rural Water Annual Technical Conference hosted over 460 individuals and provided water and wastewater educational presentations for board members, managers and operations specialists from throughout South Dakota. Governor Dennis Daugaard was the keynote speaker during the awards ceremony and Senator Tim Johnson provided an update on funding programs that support rural water.

Another quality year for Farm and Home Show



The 2013 Clark County Farm and Home show winners, in part, at this year's event were, left to right, Pam Hartman - adult homecraft; Don Knutsen, Jr. - adult photography; Alma Bauman - representing the Share n Care Club who earned the most points in exhibits; Eileen Grensberg - adult needlecraft and Linda

Grensberg - adult clothing. Not present but winning awards were Nicolette Schmidt - youth homecraft and photography; Pat Seefeldt - adult foods and Mary McGilivray for 25 years of membership in the Clark County Homemakers organization.

The 2013 Clark County Farm and Home Show held at Willow Lake on Saturday, was a one day event and very well attended thought Clark County 4-H program advisor Kim McGraw.

The Farm and Home Show is now a staple during the month of January, alternating between Willow Lake and Clark and continues to be a one day affair with plans already underway for next year.

"In the 13 years I've been working with the Farm and Home Show I've had a lot of things happen, but I've never had a farm show in the dark," observed Kim McGraw.

The power went out about 11:30 a.m. and only flickered a couple times before coming back on at

about 1:00 p.m. just in time for the first program to begin.

A representative of Northwestern Energy reported that outages that day were in the Henry, Bryant, Vienna and Willow Lake areas. When the problem was found, it reflected damage that occurred via a gunshot. This gunshot could have happened earlier with the weather conditions contributing to final breakdown of the line. "We've been having some issues with people shooting power lines. If one sees any suspicious activity, we would appreciate some cooperation from the community," said a representative from Northwestern.

Between the Sharp Electric booth having lights due to a portable generator

and the sunlight coming in at the east end of the gym - one could maneuver their way around fairly decent. A sigh of relief could be heard everywhere in the building, however when the lights came back on after an hour and a half of darkness.

The first program was given by Nathan Mueller on Roots and Residue. Mueller replaces Bob Hall as the new SDSU Extension State Agronomist. He visited with farmers on studies done on compaction, crop rotation, tillage and residue management.

At 2:30, a presentation was given on I have an iPad, Nook or Kindle, now what?, by Willow Lake School's technology integrationist, Hector

Serna. Clark librarian Samantha Hensley was to assist with the program on downloading ebooks from the library but was unable to make it to the farm show due to a family emergency. Handouts were available and Hensley sent word that she would be happy to walk through the process with anyone who is interested.

Winners in the adult home economics division were Pat Seefeldt, food; Pamela Hartman, homecraft; Eileen Grensberg, needlecraft; Linda Grensberg, clothing and Don Knutsen, Jr., photography. Winners in the youth home economics division were Nicolette Schmidt, homecraft and Nicolette Schmidt, photography.

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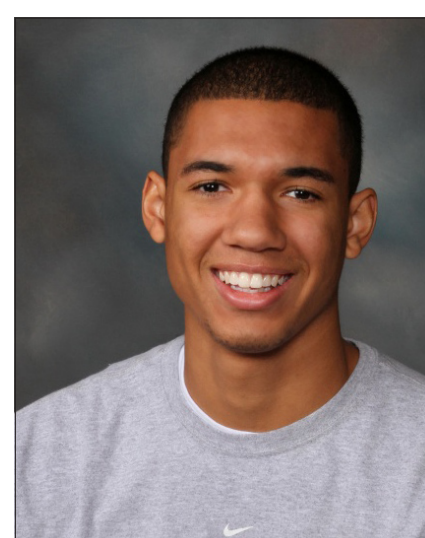
Flatten nominated for McDonald's High School Basketball Game

Clark-Willow Lake Cyclone basketball senior Skyler Flatten has been nominated to play in the 2013 McDonald's All American® Games. This is Flatten's second consecutive year being nominated.

Nationwide there are 300 male nominees for the 30 game player selections. Flatten is one of two players nominated from South Dakota. Jolonna Sazue of Pine Ridge High School also received a nomination.

The 36th annual Boys Game will be played April 3 in Chicago, Ill.

He is the son of Michelle Flatten. "Skyler's commitment to basketball is evident with his second McDonald's All American Games nomination," said Jerome Nesheim, Clark High School Boys Basketball Coach. "We're proud of his achievements and his success as a student-athlete."



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Kriese is the new County Health Nurse



Ann Kriese was hired in November as the Community Health Nurse/County Health Nurse for Clark County. Her office is on the first floor of the Clark County Courthouse in Clark. Having worked as a registered nurse at veterans hospitals, a director of home health and also with families of activated soldiers in family readiness while serving with the U.S. Army Reserves, this Watertown native is looking forward to her position in Clark.

Ann (Ferguson) Kriese has been hired as the new Community/Clark County Health Nurse.

Originally from Watertown and a 1981 graduate, she received her registered nurse degree from Dakota Wesleyan University in 1984. After working in that capacity in Minneapolis for a time, she returned to South Dakota and worked at the Veteran's Hospital in Sioux Falls from 1986 to 1989. She then transferred to the Minneapolis Veteran's Hospital and worked there until 1999 after which she did home health care in the cities. She currently lives near Henry.

She moved to Puerto Rico in 2001. She served in the U.S. Army Reserves from 1986 to 1991 and while at Fort Buchanan in Puerto Rico worked with family readiness. She helped families of activated soldiers, providing activities and the like until moving back to Min-

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