

General Election 2016 is one for the record books

▲ Clark County continues to vote heavily Republican

Regarding the 2016 General Election, the summation headline could read: "Clark County election mirrors South Dakota"; or "Trump wins presidency"; or "Republicans continue to dominate in Clark County".

Republican Donald J. Trump was elected president during last week's Nov. 8 General Election. Trump carried South Dakota by a 61.53 percent margin over Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton. Trump won the popular vote 62.9 million to 62.2 million as well as the decisive electoral college vote 306 to 232. In Clark County Trump won 1,139 to 398 for Clinton. Libertarian Johnson garnered 103 votes.

Clark County Auditor Chris Tarbox reported that she felt election day went very smooth. There were 318 absentee ballots cast in Clark County. The voter turnout in Clark County was 71% compared to 69.2% turnout statewide.

On the county level for District 2 County Commissioner, voters chose Chris Sass with 189 votes over Eric Caulfield with 174 votes, in a close, contested election.

In South Dakota Legislative District 2, State Senator Brock Greenfield (R) ran unopposed. For the District 2 House race, Clark County voters re-elected incumbents Lana Greenfield (R) and Burt Tulson (R) with 1,007 and 1,015 votes respectively in the county. John Graham received 529 county votes.

On the state level, the incumbents were the winners in both the U.S. Senate and U.S. House races. In the Senate race, Republican John Thune with 72% of the votes defeated Democrat Jay Williams with 28%. Clark County voters also chose Thune 1,269 to 408 over Williams.

For the U.S. House of Representative, Republican Kristi Noem collected 64% of state votes to defeat

Paula Hawks with 36%. In Clark County, Noem collected 1,099 votes to 584 for Hawks.

Chris Nelson (R) defeated Henry Red Cloud (D) for Public Utilities Commissioner, 75% to 25%. In Clark County Nelson had 1,369 votes and Red Cloud, 245.

Ballot Measures

Following are the unofficial county results of the statewide ballot issues.

◆ Constitutional Amendment R - passes at the state level by 50.6%; in Clark County it was defeated with 857 no votes to 747 yes votes.

◆ Constitutional Amendment S - passes at state level by 59.6%; in Clark County, yes votes of 996 won over no votes of 648.

◆ Constitutional Amendment T - does not pass at state level, 57% no to 42.9% yes - and in Clark County it was also defeated by 960 no votes

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School board begins preliminary talks of 2017-2018 calendar

The November meeting of the Clark School Board was held Monday at the high school library.

After routine financial matters were discussed and approved, the school board looked at preliminary school calendars for the 2017-2018 school year.

The proposed calendar is very similar to this year's calendar and superintendent Luanne Warren noted that, if approved, school would start on Wednesday, August 23.

Board members Shannon Huber and Nathan Luvaas indicated that they are interested in an after Labor Day school starting date

Discussion ensued on the normal topics of sports scheduling, semester test dates, teacher inservice and holiday breaks. As this was just a preliminary discussion, board chairman Robert Steffen asked the administration to put a proposed calendar together with an after La-

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Brock Greenfield nominated to President Pro Tempore position

South Dakota legislative Senate Republicans met in caucus, Saturday, in Pierre, to elect majority leadership positions and nominate a candidate for President Pro Tempore.

Senate Republicans nominated Sen. Brock Greenfield (R-Clark) for President Pro Tempore and elected the following members to majority leadership positions:

Majority Leader - Sen. R. Blake Curd (R-Sioux Falls); Assistant Majority Leader - Sen. Ryan Maher (R-Isabel); Majority Whip - Sen. Kris K. Langer (R-Dell Rapids); Majority Whip - Sen. Al Novstrup (R-Aberdeen); Majority Whip - Sen. Bob Ewing (R-Spearfish).

Said Greenfield, "I am honored to be nominated as President Pro Tempore of the Senate. I promise that every bill presented for consideration will be properly assigned to the most logical committee in order to guarantee a fair and timely public hearing free from political pres-

Brock Greenfield



sure and influence.

"As President Pro Tempore, it is my commitment to every Senator and every South Dakotan that the duties and responsibilities of the office will be kept free of party and intra-party politics. Every Senator will be extended the honor and respect due to him or her as a representative of the great people of South Dakota.

"I respect the judgment of my fellow South Dakotans as I seek their mandate for these important reforms."

Special Thanksgiving services planned

Next Thursday, November 24 is Thanksgiving. Special Thanksgiving services have been planned in the area.

In Clark, the Assembly of God will hold a community Thanksgiving service at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 20.

At Peace Lutheran Church in Clark, members of Bethlehem Lutheran in Raymond will join them for a 7:45 p.m. service at Peace on Wednesday, November 23.

In Bradley, St. John's Lutheran will be the host to a joint Thanksgiving service at 7:00 p.m. inviting members of the Crocker Lutheran parish on November 23.

The Prairie Star Lutheran parish will be having their Thanksgiving parish worship at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Vienna at 7:00

p.m. on Wednesday, November 23.

The Willow Lake Evangelical Church will have their Thanksgiving worship at 6:15 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23.



The Clark School elementary students use a segment of the Veterans Day Program, held Friday at the Clark High School gym, to say 'Thank You' to the veterans of the community.

Above, an unidentified student gives Jerry Olson a card with Mike McGillivray to Olson's left.

Those in attendance couldn't help but feel honored as military hymns were played, patriotic songs were sung and the Clark Legion Post 60 and their members were well represented and well respected - on their day - Veterans Day.

Clark School honors Veterans

▲ Veterans Day Program showcases patriotism

Veterans Day is a day for remembering. A day to pay respects for those who have served.

The Clark School Veterans Day Program made one feel very patriotic and did 'Veterans Proud' last Friday using an hour-long program to honor those who served in the military of our great nation.

The entire school takes part in the program and each year the program showcases talent, K-12, in thanking the veterans.

The Veterans Day Program included the presentation of flags by Clark Boy Scouts. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance. The Clark School concert band played "Armed Forces on Parade" and "Star Spangled Banner".

Students in grades kindergarten through fourth sang "You're a Grand Old Flag" followed by "Thank You Veterans" presented by the kindergarten students.

Third grade gave a Veterans reading and Brenda Jenkins presented a local Veterans video.

The Clark High School Student Council presented America's White Table Setting. "Taps" was played

by grades seven and eight and the high school choir sang "American Tears". Grades five and six sang

"God Bless the USA" and the program ended with the band playing "God Bless America".



The Clark High School student council and Boy Scouts displayed America's White Table Setting, during the Clark School Veterans Day Program, Friday. This display, also known as the "Missing Man Table" or "Fallen Comrade Table" was scripted so this military symbolism and ceremonial remembrance could be portrayed.

County 4-H'ers cap noteworthy year with recognition event



Several special awards were presented to Clark County 4-H members and honorees at the 4-H Recognition Event held recently at the Ulyot Building in Clark. From left are Meritorious Service Award winners Doug LaMont, Terry Schlagel, Deb Schlagel and Jessica Michalski, president of the 4-H Leaders Association who presented the awards. Meritorious Service Award winner Shawn LaMont is not pictured.

The 4-H Recognition Event was held November 5 to recognize those who have qualified to receive county medals, plaques, awards and certificates based on their project work. This yearly event, held at the community center of the Ulyot Building in Clark recognized individuals who helped make this another suc-

cessful 4-H year. Award winners in Youth in Action, Home Economics and Ag division are determined, as well as club awards were announced. Members, leaders and supporters from the community were also recognized during the event.

The 4-H Leaders Association

gives out the Meritorious Service Award to honored business establishments, organizations and individuals for their contributions and for taking that little extra step to help the 4-H program in Clark County. This year the Meritorious Service Awards were presented to Terry Schlagel and Doug and Shawn LaMont.

Visual Arts

Trophies were awarded to the three seniors and three juniors who received the most total points. Winners in the senior division were Nicolette Schmidt, Jennifer Hurlbert and Jeffrey Paulson. In the junior division, winners were Sarah Weisbrod, Taylor Monnens and Caleb Miller.

Clothing Senior division winner was Michaela Flora and junior winner was Samantha Brenden. **Food and Nutrition:** Senior winner was Kathryn Paulson and junior winner was Samantha Brenden. **Horticulture, Plant Science & Conservation of Natural Resources:** Junior winner was Kelly Miles and senior winner was Jeffrey Paulson. **Photography:** Senior winner was

Nicolette Schmidt and junior winner was Mitchell Schmidt. **Home Environment:** Senior winner - Nicolette Schmidt, junior winner - Samantha Brenden.

Health, Safety, First Aid, and Child Development: Junior winner was Cole Brenden and senior winner was Nicolette Schmidt.

Mechanical and Wood Science (electric, welding science, automotive & small engines and wood science): The winner in the senior division was Jeffrey Paulson and the junior division winner was Mitchell Schmidt. **Computer & graphic designs:** Cole Brenden was the junior division winner and senior winner was Nicolette Schmidt. **Hobbies & Collections:** The senior winner was Nicolette Schmidt and junior winner was Cole Brenden. **Citizenship/Community Service/Leadership** winner in the junior division was Mitchell Schmidt and senior winner was Nicolette Schmidt. **The Arts: Expressive and Performing:** Chad Kolden was the junior winner. **Ag**

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The advantage could go to the deer hunter this weekend

Deer season opens this Saturday. It could be very interesting as to what the weatherman has in store for the area this coming weekend.

The fall to this point has been extremely mild and next week's forecast is a normal one, but this Friday could see adverse weather conditions.

"It sounds like snow and wind are to arrive Friday," said Clark County G,F&P Conservation Officer Kyle Lenzner. "If the snow stays in North Dakota, only 1-3 inches of snow are predicted. Regardless, we will get snow and wind on Friday, limiting deer movement and then the deer should be moving again on Saturday."

Lenzner then chuckled and said that there are no guarantees when it comes to hunting, especially when trying to predict the weather. He added that deer numbers look good and then shared that he had proof that deer are numerous and on the move.

"Yes, I even hit two deer with vehicles last week, one with my

private vehicle and one with the G,F&P pickup. Just a friendly reminder to motorists that deer are out there and they're on the move."

Getting back to Saturday's weather forecast, "The high on Saturday is to be around 30", with the low around 15", Lenzner stated. "Last year that's about where the temperature was, but the key here is how much snow we get and how windy it is. The wind forecast for

Deer season
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WEATHER

Ryan Eggleston - Official Weather Observer

	HI	LO	PR
Nov. 8	54	32	0
Nov. 9	61	37	0
Nov. 10	59	33	0
Nov. 11	46	27	0
Nov. 12	55	32	0
Nov. 13	65	35	0
Nov. 14	50	32	0
2016 precipitation to date	19.02		
2015 precipitation to date	21.20		