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Deer Hunting Season begins Saturday



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Drawing a self portrait of themselves in charcoal was a challenge given to the Art I class by their instructor Kristin Janisch. These Clark sophomores and freshmen turned out a very good likeness of themselves, drawing one curve, line and shadow at a time.

Clockwise from the front left are, Tiffany Carroll, Alonso Gutierrez, Mrs. Janisch, Shaq Ahmed, Jack Hollinrake, Emmanuel Negron and Juan Lorenzo Ciprian.

Portraits - an eight-week project

▲ Instructor Kristin Janisch teaches 'Chiaroscuro'

One would be very impressed if they saw all of the 'before' pictures next to the 'afters' in Kristin Janisch's Art I class at Clark High School.

Janisch had her class of six freshmen and sophomores first draw a self portrait. These were one step up from a stick figure when compared to the finished product which was a chiaroscuro frontal self portrait in a style using shadows.

Chiaroscuro, in art, is the use of strong contrasts between light and

dark, usually bold contrasts affecting the whole composition. The Italian term which translates as chiaro-light and scuro-dark, this technique employed in visual arts represents light and shadow as they define three dimensional objects.

Artists who are famous for using this technique are Leonardo da Vinci, Rembrandt and Caravaggio. Painters of the Renaissance and Baroque periods used the play of light and shadow to give life and drama to their images it was explained.

With high contrasts like darker darks and lighter lights, the end result was a black and white self portrait from their right sides with the left side of their faces shaded.

"They started with a blank sheet. 'I told them their eyes see it and their hand wants to draw it, but their minds want to mess them up,'" explained Janisch. "Seeing the lines and curves instead of seeing parts was better understood when turning the paper upside down. Looking at one small piece at a time,

your mind will let you draw one line or one curve at a time, breaking it down. It's all about learning how to see something."

The students had their own photos to go by and started with the eye as a point of reference. Starting with the corner of eye first, they could draw dots first and then the line.

"There's no erasing with charcoal, so it was also a lesson in failure and

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'Little Free Library' has 'Take a book - Share a book' attitude



As one heads south of Willow Lake on Grant Street (429th Avenue) they will notice at the very edge of town at the last house on the right side of the road, a little two foot wide box that resembles a house on a stand.

This is Willow Lake's official and registered 'Little Free Library'. With its own charter number and sign it is now registered on the world map of the organization which is a free book sharing network of stewards who take care of and supply the library with free books.

'Take a book - Share a book' is the

A Little Free Library box has books for the taking and reading of all different kinds at the southern and eastern edge of Willow Lake along Grant Ave. The stewards of the nationally registered book sharing network are Robert and Laura Heinle who moved to Willow Lake about three years ago. They have five children, three of which are shown along with their mother out front by their outdoor Little Free Library that she constructed.

From left to right are Laura, Isabell, Xzavier and Asher Heinle outside refilling the box with an easy open latch. "We have a lot of kids books," ended Heinle. And we swap them out now and then, it's been a fun project to be a part of."

motto under the logo of the Little Free Library and is the basic premise of the system. One can take a book anytime of the day, share it, keep it - if it becomes a favorite or donate more books of their own into the box. The box is water tight and well constructed to keep the books in good condition and all stewards of the libraries have directions and guidelines to help with the libraries.

The stewards of Willow Lake's Little Free Library are Robert and Laura Heinle
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Rural schools in S.D. face unique challenges that can affect learning

New national study ranks South Dakota top five in need for improvements, but educators say small, rural schools bring intangible benefits as a result of closer relationships between students and staffs.

Bart Pfankuch
South Dakota News Watch

Small, rural school systems in South Dakota and across the country face sometimes daunting challenges in providing a strong education to students. Limited funding, difficulty in hiring and retaining good teachers, remoteness and transportation challenges, high poverty rates among students and reduced access to college-preparatory courses can all hamper learning in small, isolated school districts.

South Dakota is one of the most

rural states in the nation when it comes to public education, with the vast majority of school districts located in rural areas and with 40% of students statewide attending rural schools. Rural educators often tout the generally lower student-teacher ratios and close relationships formed between students and staffs, and scores on standardized tests show that students in some rural South Dakota districts match and occasionally outperform their urban peers.

But a new national study of

small, rural school systems ranked South Dakota as fifth-highest in the nation in terms of challenges faced and need for improvement. The study by the Rural School and Community Trust, titled "Why Rural Matters 2018-19," used census information and data from the U.S. Department of Education and other sources in an attempt to shine a light on the need for states to focus more attention on and provide greater funding to rural schools.

"We do this study because rural schools and communities really

matter to our nation, and they're often forgotten," said Alan Richard, a spokesman for the Rural School and Community Trust. "The financial and logistical challenges that rural schools face are really immense." The study found that nationally, nearly one in six rural students lives in poverty, that one in seven qualifies for special education and that one in nine rural students has moved in the past year. All of those factors put rural students at risk of falling behind or not graduating.

A high student-mobility rate is

one of the factors hampering rural education in South Dakota, the study found. Researchers also said South Dakota is one of only seven states that decreased funding for rural schools in recent years, and that the state has a high rate of students living in poverty. The study also pointed out that about one in six rural students in South Dakota fails to graduate high school, and that less than 4% of those who do graduate have passed an Advanced

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Should be a nice opener to the East River Deer season

The East River Rifle Deer Season opens this Saturday, November 23 and runs through Sunday, December 8.

Weather always plays a key factor as to who will have the advantage - the deer or the hunter.

The forecast is for a nice late fall day with the high temperature above the freezing, 32°, mark. With a partly cloudy sky, no tracking snow and a breeze, but not gusty, it looks to be favorable to the hunter.

Clark County Game, Fish & Parks Conservation Officer Zach Thomsen marks this day on the calendar. "This weekend is the grand daddy of them all, East River Deer Opener," said Thomsen. "As everyone has been scouting, checking cameras and figuring out what is going to be the best spot to sit, it all comes down to the opening weekend and the flood of orange through the area. While deer have really started to move across the landscape it appears in the last week and a half the rut has really kicked in. Before we get to the big weekend though I would like to give some advice as

our local Conservation Officer for Clark County."

Thomsen's advice to one and all who are deer hunting enthusiasts, is common sense, with safety being at the heart of the experience

"First and foremost is safety. Make sure to wear the required blaze orange and always check what is in front of and especially what is behind your target before pulling the trigger. There is no rush

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WEATHER

Robert Cole - Official
Weather Observer

	HI	LO	PR
Nov. 12	10	-2	0
Nov. 13	28	6	0
Nov. 14	34	10	0
Nov. 15	42	9	0
Nov. 16	49	30	0
Nov. 17	49	30	-
Nov. 18	39	31	.20
2019 precipitation to date	35.32		
2018 precipitation to date	17.92		

'Masquerade' is 2020 Snow Queen theme

This is the 51st year of the Clark Area Snow Queen Contest. The Clark Area Snow Queen Contest will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 30, at the Clark High School gym.

The theme this year is 'Masquerade'. Melissa Mudgett will be the emcee.

Current Snow Queen Saylor Burke and Junior Snow Queen Maggie Hovde will make their final walks across the stage as reigning royalty and will speak on the last year's experiences.

Talent acts will be provided by Leah and Mallory Nelson, daughters of Bruce and Amy Nelson and Hannah Heiman, daughter of Heath and Erin Heiman.

The senior snow queen contestants are Saylor Burke, daughter of Ryan and Bobbi Jo Burke and Natasha Allerdings, daughter of Justin and Kathleen Bucholz.

Junior Snow Queen contestants are Avery Miles, daughter of Preston and Jenny Miles; Aubrie Hartley, daughter of Adam and Laci Hartley; Madison Jo Burke, daughter of Ryan and Bobbi Jo Burke; Karli Sharp, daughter of Joe and

Nicole Sharp; Jozie Hyatt, daughter of Jarvis and Tessa Hyatt and Jada Burke, daughter of JJ and Kelly Burke.

Little Miss contestants include, Cali Boykin, daughter of Skyler Kiers and Christina Boykin; Emma Huisenga, daughter of Dan and Christy Huisenga; Railyne Jor-

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Mystery Snowperson Clue
51st Annual
Snow Queen Festival
Mystery Snowperson Contest

If this were a grammatical class, you'd need a double 19th letter for your group of words that contain a verb and often a subject, object, compliment and adjunct. And then the 14th letter of the alphabet.

Send guesses to: Erin Heiman, 17746 426th Ave, Clark, SD 57225 or 605-520-2093
clarksnowqueen@gmail.com
Correct answer wins \$25 Clark Bucks

Special Thanksgiving services planned

Thanksgiving falls a little later this year on Thursday, November 28 and several special Thanksgiving services have been planned in the area.

In Bradley, St. John's Lutheran will be the host to the parish Thanksgiving Eve service on Wednesday, November 27 at 7:00 p.m. Members of the Crocker Lutheran Church will join them for the service.

A community Thanksgiving ser-

vice will be held in Clark on Sunday, November 24 at Saint Michael's Catholic Church at 7:00 p.m.

At Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Raymond, a 6:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve service will be held on Wednesday, November 27.

The Willow Lake Evangelical Lutheran Church will have their Thanksgiving Eve worship on Wednesday, November 27 at 7:30 p.m.

