



The Pirates of Willow Lake were honored Saturday

During halftime of the Clark-Willow Lake versus Flandreau Fliers boys basketball game, the Willow Lake Pirates were honored. Within the last two seasons, all current and former athletic teams of the Clark County area have been

honored, including: Bradley, Garden City, Vienna, Thorp, Raymond, Lily, Clark and Willow Lake. Notice all the former vintage uniforms displayed at the new gym by Willow Lake High School alumni.



Stop motion animation is what was going on last Friday in Kristin Janisch's Digital Media class. A mandatory class for the freshmen, the second semester class, minus Ericka Dale that day, work together on their animation project. One will note the finished project up on the screen of a ball moving about in its own virtual world.

Shown clockwise from the back are Andrew Myrvold, Peyton Krogman, Evan Stromsness, Jessica Temple, instructor Janisch, T. J. Meyer, Hudson Fuller and Jordon Dessie. Utilizing team building skills with individual strengths is an aspect they've discovered is needed when making and finishing the various media products.

Digital Media class builds skills upon individual strengths

New to the Clark School this school term is the Digital Media class taught by Kristin Janisch. The students are finding out how important it is to work together as building media products in the real world is not a solo mission. "It takes diverse skills including technical, artistic, analytical and production coordination and they

all have to work together," stated instructor Janisch. "The career opportunities involving digital media are endless, not to mention what you can use in everyday life. We make blogs and websites and research what happens if you don't leave a responsible digital footprint. We are also working on various forms of animation and

utilizing a number of processes and programs."

For many students, digital media is synonymous with social media, noted Janisch but in this new mandatory class for freshmen they are shown that it encompasses much more than Snap Chat and Insta-

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Superintendent and business manager rehired at February school board meeting

▲ Janisch submits retirement resignation

Superintendent Luanne Warren and business manager Mary Nelson were both rehired at the February meeting of the Clark School Board of Education, with salaries to be determined at a later date. Current principal Jerry Hartley submitted his resignation at the December board meeting, so the Clark School Board is in the process of finding his replacement. Also submitting his retirement resignation at the February school board meeting was 35-year CHS teaching veteran Greg Janisch. Janisch has been the agriculture education instructor and FFA advisor at Clark School since 1983. Warren was hired during the public portion of the February board meeting, as her evaluation took

place in January; Nelson was hired after the two hour and 10 minute executive session held for personnel and administration evaluations. The 2017-18 school term is a little unique, as along with Hartley and Janisch, long-time Clark School educators Todd Jenkins and John Brown earlier this year submitted retirement resignations. In total, these four male educators served the Clark School district over 100 years, closer to 110 years. Lane Hammer was hired at Monday's meeting to teach high school social science for 2018-19. Jenkins will be part-time building trades instructor in 2018-19. **In other business:** ▲ The meeting began with K-12 counselor Nan Bell, during the

staff showcase, giving a descriptive program of what she does with the various classes. She gives weekly guidance lessons to each class, K-8.

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Ryan Eggleston - Official Weather Observer				
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Feb. 6	7	-15	0	
Feb. 7	11	-9	tr	
Feb. 8	12	-1	.05	
Feb. 9	3	-11	0	
Feb. 10	-1	-13	0	
Feb. 11	14	-9	0	
Feb. 12	12	-4	0	
2018 precipitation to date			0.05	
2017 precipitation to date			0.35	

2018 valuations have been released by the Clark County Assessor's Office

Difficult valuation decisions needed to be made during the month of January by the Clark County Assessor's Office and Director of Equalization Jarvis Reidburn.

The Clark County Assessor's Office has submitted its 2018 valuation intentions to the SD Department of Revenue. The motivating factor behind these intentions are that assessment values are to re-

flect what properties would sell for on the open market, with the exception of ag-land as that is based on a state productivity model.

According to Reidburn, bare ag-land will see a county-wide increase at approximately 4% on crop land and up 9.9% on non-crop land. Rural residential structures will be going up 9% across the county. The City of Clark will go up 15% on residential structures. Willow Lake will

see the most significant increase at 65% on residential structures, and improved lots will increase as well.

This valuation situation has been brewing for several years. Said Reidburn, "The past several years, the non-ag class properties have failed to meet the minimal 85% sales ratio, as set by state statute. This year, the Department of Rev-

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Cracker Barrel set for February 19

The Legislative Cracker Barrel will be held on Presidents Day, Monday, February 19 starting at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Room of the Ulyot Building in Clark.

All District II legislators, Sen. Brock Greenfield, Rep. Burt Tulson and Rep. Lana Greenfield, have indicated that they plan to be available for discussion and questions

The session is expected to last an hour and a half.

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday services

Today, Wednesday, February 14, Ash Wednesday begins the Easter Lenten Season with most churches in the area starting the first of a season of worship services.

In Clark, a community service will be held at the St. Paul Lutheran Church, starting at 7:30 p.m. St. Michael Catholic Church in

Clark will hold their Mass with distribution of Ashes at 8:00 a.m. In Henry, at St. Henry Catholic Church, the Ash Wednesday service will be at 5:30 p.m.

In Carpenter, the United Methodist Church, will have services at **Ash Wednesday**
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Come autumn, Weisbrod will be a sophomore in college

▲ The C.H.S. senior will have 30 college credits under his belt

When Josh Weisbrod enters the University of Mary, at Bismarck, N.D. in the fall, he will be a sophomore.

The Clark High School senior has amassed 30 hours of college credit his junior and senior years of high school. Pretty remarkable!

Josh is the son of Pete and Donna Weisbrod and will be joining brother Jakob on the Mary University wrestling squad next year.

"I'm looking at biology/pre-med as my major and because Jakob, a senior at U of Mary, will help me learn the in and outs of Division II wrestling, I chose Mary and all 30 hours of college credit will transfer," said Weisbrod.

These 30 credit hours would have transferred to almost all colleges and universities and the computer has changed education throughout the years and in this case changes how high school students can take dual credit classes - classes that count both for high school graduation and also towards college education.

"Clark School does a great job of facilitating this," said Weisbrod of the dual class format.

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Clark High School senior Josh Weisbrod has amassed 30 hours of college credit by taking dual courses in high school. Weisbrod has gotten the grade of A in college courses such as English composition, psychology, sociology, college algebra, microeconomics, music appreciation and speech.