



Rod and Mary Hurlbut of Raymond, shown in front of their grandkids' show calves in a pen on their farm, are this year's honorees at the Watertown Winter Farm Show. For 25 years they have been the breed managers, basically running the sale and show part of the event, getting entries in, etc., for the farm show.

Rod and Mary Hurlbut named Watertown Farm Show honorees

When the Watertown Winter Farm Show began its 74th year on February 5, Rod and Mary Hurlbut of Raymond are the ones honored for their many years of service of supporting and contributing to the success of the event.

For 25 years the couple have been the breed managers for the SD Simmental Association, in other words managing the details of the Sim-

mental cattle show and sales part of the annual farm show. And for all of their hard work, this year's farm show is being dedicated to them.

"It's quite an honor, it really is," stated Mary Hurlbut of this year's dedication.

"What I am most proud of is the fact that five generations of our family now have been showing cattle at the winter farm show," added

Rod Hurlbut.

Rod recalls fondly his memories of going to the farm show in the late 1960s and early 1970s with his grandfather Lester Hurlbut. "We'd go in his '65 1/2 ton Chevy pickup with a 5 x 16 horse trailer behind us, taking bulls to show. That was always fun for me, to go with grand-

Hurlbut

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Fjelland, Holm receive prestigious Rural Water System state awards

Clark Rural Water System (CRW), which serves portions of Codington, Day Grant, Hamlin and Clark Counties took home two individual distinguished honors.

Marlin Fjelland was presented the South Dakota "Spirit of Rural Water Award" and James Holm was named Rural Water System Specialist of the Year.

Fjelland and Holm garnered these honors at the annual Technical Conference hosted by the South Dakota Association of Rural Water Systems held in Pierre, recently. The event is always hugely successful, with approximately 550 people attending workshops and training sessions. On the final day of the conference, awards were presented to rural water systems for their achievements over the past year.

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South Dakota Rural Water President Ron Gillen, right in both photos, presented two special awards to Clark Rural Water individuals during South Dakota Rural Water's Annual Technical Conference in Pierre, recently. Marlin Fjelland, top, received the Spirit of Rural Water Award for his exceptional commitment to rural water on the local level. Fjelland was recognized for going above and beyond for a rural water system and a rural water cause. Fjelland was a CRW charter member and has been on the local board all 42 years.

James Holm, bottom was named the Rural Water Systems Operations Specialist of the Year. Holm has been involved with every CRW project the past 35 years.



February is here and sports schedules are gearing toward crunch time

January and February probably wouldn't win any popularity contests when it came to favorite months, but in the winter high school sports circuit, this time of year, is very important. Winter sports are drawing a huge following this winter and Cyclone wrestling, girls basketball and boys basketball are having wonderful, successful seasons. As February progresses the post season tournaments will be upon us.

On Saturday, Feb. 16, the Region 1B Wrestling tournament is at Redfield. The girls basketball region begins Feb. 18. Thus far, the Lady Cyclones are the second seed with four games remaining on the regular season schedule. The boys basketball team currently is rated second in the state, where they've been all season long, and tops in Region 1B. The boys region begins Feb. 25. With 11 teams in both the boys and girls regions, there will be three nights of play before the SoDak 16.

Seniors have provided great leadership for all three Cyclone teams this winter. At left is Jacob Prouty. Middle top is Landon Werdel, and lower middle is Caleb Orris. On the right is Janae Kolden.

The Cyclone wrestling squad will venture to Huron this Saturday for the Huron Invitational, the last tournament before Region 1B. It is a good 'tune-up' before the region, said Greg Marx, Clark-Willow Lake wrestling coach.

Three doubleheaders highlight the girls and boys basketball week. Tomorrow night, Thursday, the Roncalli Cavaliers come to Clark. On Saturday, Flandreau is the site, and the Fliers are the opponent. Next Tuesday, Clark is the site and Tiospa Zina is the opponent. The Tiospa Zina boys team currently only has one loss on the season.

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