



Nationwide medication shortage also affecting Clark County

At this point in the flu season, the community of Clark County is no stranger to illness. What about the medications needed to help treat the spike in illness going around? Taking trips to the pharmacy has become frustrating to those families who need medicines for themselves and especially their children.

It is not uncommon for health-care providers to be calling pharmacies to confirm availability of medications before prescribing them. Even then, it is still common for patients to receive a call from the pharmacy stating that the medications are no longer available.

"The issue is twofold. First, there has been a substantial increase in demand for antibiotics currently. Respiratory illnesses of influenza and RSV, in particular, have resulted in secondary infections such as ear infections and pneumonia. Antibiotics such as amoxicillin are commonly used as first line drugs for these infections," said Louann Str-

eff, PA-C at Sanford Clinic in Clark. "Secondly, there have been delays in production. I have read where key ingredients for amoxicillin are limited."

"The results of the shortages are the use of alternative medications that may not be the first choice. De-

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January 26	13	3	0.01
January 27	34	13	0.24
January 28	21	-4	0.02
January 29	-1	-11	0
January 30	2	-18	0
2023 precipitation to date	0.52		
2022 precipitation to date	0.30		

Missing Clark County nine year-old girl found

Nine year-old Brooklyn Ford was found after being missing for two weeks.

She was first reported missing Friday, January 13. According to

the mother, Brooklyn Ford went missing around 11:15 a.m. after being picked up by a relative from school in Bradley.

Crocker Lutheran Church vandalized

The Clark County Sheriff's Office received a report that the Crocker Lutheran Church was vandalized and some sound mixing equipment was stolen sometime between the afternoon of Monday, January 22 and the morning of Wednesday, January 25, 2023.

According to Deputy Sheriff

Lindsay Stiefel, there were no cameras on the premises and the sound mixing equipment seemed to be the intended target.

If you have any information regarding this incident, please contact the Sheriff's Office at 605-532-3822.



Three actresses in the CHS one-act play cast received Superior Acting awards at the Region 6B competition last Wednesday. This trio will lead their group in performing at the state competition this Friday, February 3 in Sioux Falls.

Pictured above, left to right are Nevaeh Rusher, Leah Nelson and Maddy Pickrel.

Clark one-act play cast advances to state festival

The Clark High School one-act play cast performed *How to Kill a Mockingbird* by Bradley Walton at the Region 6B competition Wednesday, January 25. The acting cast consists of eight members, and five students make up the supporting crew.

Three of the actresses including Maddy Pickrel, Nevaeh Rusher and Leah Nelson were awarded Superior Acting awards at the region competition.

Clark's one-act play is directed by Jill Rathe. "We will be adding a couple sound effects and refining some timing during practices next week. But, overall these kids are ready to compete at the state level," Rathe said.

She added, "Our community can be proud that these kids not only put on a great performance, but also that they represented Clark with exemplary behavior and sportsmanship."

Cast members include Marlee Bowers, Brianna Jo Dale, Raigan Flatten, Olivia Fuller, Alivia Gehke, Lily Ingraham, Kaden Janisch, Aleisha Naze, Leah Nelson, Maddy Pickrel and Neveah Rusher.

The crew members are Matthew Batchelor, Logan Parker, Waylan Olson, Kooper Rahm and Abi Reil.

The State One-Act Festival will take place February 3, 2023 at O'Gorman High School in Sioux Falls.

Senior Feature

Mildred Saboe says Willow Lake offers her everything she needs



Pictured above is Mildred Saboe standing in front of a display of pictures of her grandchildren. In the background there is a clock that has memory attached to it. The clock was passed down from her husband's mother who was not very fond of the noise

Mildred Saboe was born on January 18, 1944 to parents John and Velma Steffen in Burke, S.D. John was the son of Fritz and Ottelia Steffen, and Velma was the daughter of Ernest Elsworth and Ethel (Elliot) Wilson.

Saboe grew up thoroughly enjoying farm life, recounting her many pet dogs and cats. She had several cousins on both sides of the family, and they would come visit her family's farm. She has many fond memories playing outdoor games with them.

In the summertime, Mildred and her cousins would take turns spending a week at a cousin's house, which she remembers fondly. Saboe recalled another summer pastime in which she would help her mother

with their large garden and helping take care of the pigs and calves on the farm.

Saboe had one brother, David Steffen, who was two years younger than she. Mildred and her brother played together often, both indoors and outdoors on the farm, and spent lots of time riding bikes. They lived near Ponca Creek which made for great ice skating in the winter.

David married Jeanne Williams, and the two of them had three sons, Mark, Brian and John. David passed away in 2001, but Jeanne still lives on the family farm near Burke.

In school, Mildred participated in choir and band, playing the french horn. Their school band went to music contests and were able to visit the South Dakota State Capitol. "The only time we took a bus was for special trips. The bus didn't come around to pick kids up for school like it does now," she said.

Saboe graduated from Burke High School in 1962 and went on to attend the University of South Dakota in Vermillion. She received a degree in home economics, graduating in 1966. Saboe went on to work for the Day/Marshall County Extension Office for a couple of years.

In the fall of 1966, Mildred and the assistant county agent at the time, Chuck Norby, attended the South Dakota State Fair as a work event. Norby introduced Mildred to her future husband, Jean, who was a classmate of his.

Jean was the son of Clarence Saboe and Borghild Steen. His family lived north of Clark in Lake Township on a farm. Jean's father's family was from the Willow Lake area, and his mother's family was from the Naples area.

Jean Harold Saboe and Mildred Steffen were married in Burke, S.D. in 1968. The two of them honeymooned in the Black Hills. During

their trip, Mildred recalled her first time seeing Mount Rushmore and how impressive it was.

She and Jean moved to Clark County where they farmed grains and raised cattle. The couple had



Mildred Saboe spoke about the place where her grandparents homesteaded in Burke South Dakota. The picture above is an aerial view of the farm that was taken in 2004 to celebrate its 100 years in existence. The farm is still active and lived on by family today and once was home to a sod house where eight children were born and raised.

four children, all of whom are girls. All of their children graduated from Willow Lake High School, participated in the school band, and one of their daughters competed in cross country.

Their daughter, Karen Saboe lives in Yankton and works at Applied Engineering, producing parts for airplanes. She has two children, a son, David and a daughter, Jaimee, who has a son, Makston.

Mildred and Jean's daughter Lorna and her husband, Herb Wounded Head live in Sioux Falls. Lorna works for the South Dakota Extension Office, and Herb is a Lutheran pastor at a church in Colton, S.D. They have one son, Gabe who attends college in California. Mildred

says that he can't wait to graduate and return home.

Mildred and Jean's third daughter, Loretta is married to Willard Vander Streek. The couple lives in Rock Rapids, Iowa. Loretta works as a pharmacy technician at Avera Rock Rapids, and Willard works at a meat processing plant in Laverne, Minn. The couple have two sons, Jesse and Jordan. Jesse and his wife, Sadie have two daughters, Oakley and Huxley in Allen, Neb., and Jordan and his wife, Angela live in Ocheyedan, Iowa with their daughter, Emersyn and son, Jagger.

The Saboe's youngest daughter, Vickie is married to Dan Donohoe, and they live in Sioux Falls. Vickie is a school counselor employed by the Sioux Falls School System, and Dan is an accountant. The couple have two sons, Noah and Sam.

After staying home to raise her children and help farm, Mildred took a position in the kitchen at the Willow Lake School. She started her career with the school in 1985 and remained employed there for the next 26 years.

In 2011, Saboe retired, preparing for a less-busy lifestyle. However, she ended up being much busier than she had anticipated. Currently, Mildred volunteers at Lake Grocery in Willow Lake. She also belongs to the Lions Club of Willow Lake and works with a group of women who sew quilts for the Lutheran World Relief Mission. According to Mildred, it is quite the assembly line process.

Saboe enjoys being a spectator at the choir and band concerts at the Willow Lake school where she has the pleasure of watching children of some of the children she served when she worked at the school.

Mildred was introduced to hardanger embroidery, a Norwegian

craft, by a group of ladies that were pastors at a local church. She enjoyed this difficult hobby and said her favorite part was when 4:00 p.m. came, and they enjoyed coffee and conversation where she learned about her friends and their lives and families. She enjoys spending time visiting with her neighbors and especially enjoys traveling to see her family, grandkids and great-grandkids. She speaks of them in high regard with pride.

The Saboe family has created a book called *A Tale of Two Homesteaders*. The book depicts the life and lineage of Saboe's paternal grandparents, Luther Frederick

Mildred Saboe
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