

## Last week's storm results in massive amounts of snow

According to Scot Mundt, a Keloland television meteorologist, the final snow total from last week's storm was 17.7 inches in Clark. That's a lot of snow! The combination of snow, wind and cold lead to the closures of Clark, Willow Lake and Henry School Districts on Wednesday and Thursday last week. Many area businesses were also closed due to the storm, including the *Clark County Courier* office. Normally, the newspaper goes out to the public on Wednesdays, but because of the storm, the majority of last week's newspapers couldn't

get out until Friday and Saturday.

WEATHER			
Robert Cole - Official Weather Observer			
	HI	LO	PR
February 21 .....	33	-4	0
February 22 .....	10	-1	0.30
February 23 .....	2	-7	0.52
February 24 .....	-2	-18	0
February 25 .....	18	-18	0
February 26 .....	22	-4	0
February 27 .....	39	19	0
2023 precipitation to date			1.65
2022 precipitation to date			0.60



The Waldow family spent a lot of time on or near the water during their time in Hawaii for Aubrey's Make-A-Wish trip. They left for Hawaii on January 26 and returned on February 2.

Pictured above, from left to right are Jay, Andi, Aubrey and Reagan Waldow on a boat.

## Aubrey Waldow takes her family to Hawaii on behalf of Make-A-Wish

Twelve year-old and sixth grader at Willow Lake School, Aubrey Waldow and her family recently returned from Hawaii, where they spent a week together on behalf of the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation is well known for making dreams come true for children who are

terminally ill or have a life threatening condition. Aubrey was diagnosed with Nager Syndrome. Andi, Aubrey's mother, stated that it is estimated that only 200 to 300 people have this diagnosis worldwide.

Nager Syndrome is characterized by a small lower jaw, which makes breathing difficult. Andi said

that most kids like Aubrey have a tracheostomy. Unfortunately, for those diagnosed with Nager Syndrome, not having a secure airway can be dangerous and potentially life threatening.

In December of 2019, a pulmonologist that was part of Aubrey's care team referred them to the Make-

A-Wish Foundation. As with many things, Covid-19 caused delays and an exceptionally long waiting time of almost four years before the family was finally given the wonderful opportunity to travel to Aubrey's

**Aubrey Waldow**  
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## Mallory Nelson will participate in the Middle School All State Band

Mallory Nelson is an eighth grader at Clark Middle School and the daughter of Bruce and Amy Nelson. She will play the euphonium in the Middle School All State Band in Huron this Friday and Saturday. She submitted an audition on euphonium in December and earned a spot in the Festival Band.

Mallory has played the euphonium, which is similar to the baritone horn, for four years. When asked why she decided to play the instrument, she said because it has a jazzy, upbeat sound and is easy to play.

This will be her first time participating in the Middle School All State Band and she says that she's excited to go. The concert is Saturday March 4 at Huron High School starting at 3:00 p.m.



## Clark School's annual Pops Concert was Monday night

Monday evening, starting at 7:30 p.m. in the Clark High School gym was the annual Pops Concert. Amy Nelson, the 6-12th Grade Band/Choir teacher, directed the concert.

Pictured on the left is a few members of the sixth grade choir. During the concert, the sixth grade choir sang *Brave* and *Try Everything*.



On the right, is the high school choir featuring soloists Waylan Olson, left, Brady Jordan, center, and Hannah Heiman, right. The high school choir performed *Stitches*, *Someone You Loved* and *A Thousand Years* for the concert.

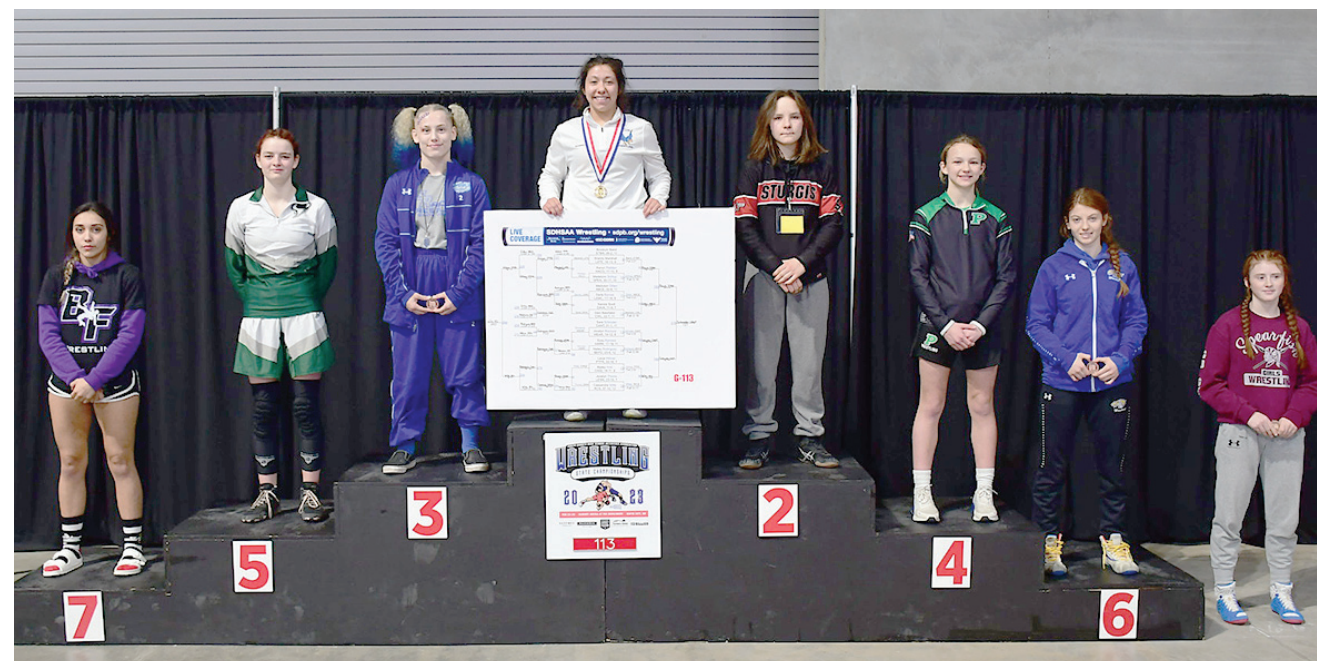


## Cooper Pommer and Danielle Batchelor place at State B wrestling tournament

The South Dakota State B High School Wrestling Tournament was held on February 23-25 in Rapid City. The Clark-Willow Lake Cyclones planned to leave for the tournament last Wednesday, but the forecasted weather changed their plans. To beat out the storm, they instead left on Tuesday morning. Luckily, they made it there safe and sound and were able to compete.

Cooper Pommer, a Willow Lake High School freshman, placed fourth in the boys 106 lb. weight class. Danielle Batchelor, a Clark High School junior, placed fifth in the girls 113 lb. weight class. They were the only Cyclones that placed in the state competition.

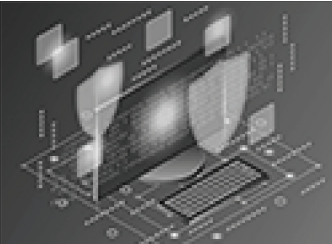
Pictured in the left photo: first place - Brady Risetter of Redfield, second place - Carter Kendrick of Philip



Area, third place - Tyler Trant of Custer, fourth place - Cooper Pommer of Clark-Willow Lake, fifth place - Brody Randall of Hamlin-Castlewood, sixth place - Rylan Robbins of Winner Area, seventh place - Landon Flogstad of McCook Central-Montrose and eighth place - Sean Roseland of Faulkton Area.

Pictured in the right photo: first place - Sara Schroder of Canton, second place - Brooklyn Baird of Sturgis Brown, third place - Cassandra Witte of Rapid City Stevens, fourth place - Lexie Hilmer of Pierre T.F. Riggs, fifth place - Dani Batchelor of Clark-Willow Lake, sixth place - Madysen Gillen of Aberdeen Central, seventh place - Hailey Rodriguez of Belle Fourche and eighth place - Madelyn Schlup of Spearfish.

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