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Special services planned for Easter

One most likely has seen the familiar painting of Jesus standing at a door and knocking. In Revelation 3: verses 19-20 in the Bible it reads "...so be in earnest and repent. Here I am. I stand at the door and knock. Whoever hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in." This weekend, we get ready to participate again in the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday lead us to God's ultimate sacrifice, Jesus, for the sake of the

world and its people. The events of Holy Week and Easter, (which falls on March 31 this year) are pivotal in our salvation history and they are meant to be shared together. Together we form the body of Christ. In John 2: 13-22 in the Bible, it finds Jesus talking about the temple of his body replacing the temple at Jerusalem. The sacrificial system practiced at the temple of Jerusalem was a sign of God's grace and God's mercy for Israel. The people did not have to

sacrifice themselves and were reminded of God's presence and their access to him. Maundy Thursday represents the first Holy Communion at the Last Supper. Communion represents Jesus' blood and body which was sacrificed on Good Friday. Easter celebrates three days later when he rose from the dead and the tomb they placed him in, was empty. Forty days later, after walking and talking with his disciples, he ascended into heaven with witnesses, the Bible describes.

John 3:16 sums it up nicely - The Gift of God is eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Easter services held throughout the area include:



Maundy (Holy) Thursday
Churches having a Maundy (Holy) Thursday service in the area on March 28, include in Clark: United Methodist Church will have their service at 7:00 p.m. in Clark. The UCC Church will have their service at 7:00 p.m. A Holy Thursday Mass will be held at St. Michael's Catholic Church at 5:30 p.m. In Raymond: First Presbyterian Church will have their Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 p.m. In Willow Lake, the United Pres-

byterian Church will hold a community Maundy Thursday Passover meal starting at 6:00 p.m. Willow Lake Evangelical Lutheran will host a Maundy Thursday service at 7:30 p.m. with communion. In Bryant, a Holy Thursday Mass will be held at 7:45 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church. At Crocker Lutheran in Crocker, a 7:00 p.m. joint worship will be held including members of St. John's. **Easter services (continued on page 3)**



Starting around 10:30 p.m. each night, this is the scene in Janet Caster's backyard. Five deer are regulars and Caster has seen as many as

12 congregate at one time. They are all gone by the time the sun comes up.

Only in a rural community...

Deer are close to wherever there is a food source and this winter with all the snow on the ground, wildlife are consistently looking for food. Janet Caster, who lives just south of the Clark County Farmers Elevator, on S. Smith St., called the *Courier* office last week with a very 'neat' story.

The story begins two weeks ago with Caster visiting with her neighbor Angie Seefeldt. "Angie asked

me if I'd seen the deer hanging around the neighborhood and I told her I hadn't," said Caster, but from then on she took notice and it has been a nightly occurrence.

"Five deer show up nightly somewhere around 10:30 p.m. and they mill around until about midnight and then they lay down and they are gone by sun up," she said.

The novelty has not yet worn off for Caster and with the snow melt-

ing in the near future these deer probably will go elsewhere early next month, but she admits she has enjoyed her new nocturnal residents and their activities.

The deer are in her backyard and it is a private backyard with two large hedges and a back garage to act as fences. "When I look out, it seems as if the deer are visiting and are quite comfortable with their surroundings. There are five reg-

ulars and as many as 12 deer are in my backyard at one time," said Caster, and the foot prints are very evident.

It is difficult to get a 'good' nighttime picture, but as this photo indicates, the deer didn't seem too bothered when Caster snapped this picture, one of many.

May 10, is the deadline to file for county school boards

Clark and Willow Lake Schools both have openings on their school boards. Petitions may be filed beginning April 9, 2013 and no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 10, 2013. If needed the school board elections will be Tuesday, June 13, 2013.

In Clark the three years term of Robert Steffen will become vacant. In Willow Lake there will be two vacancies, the three year terms held by Marshall Edleman and Paula Warkenthien.

Interested people may file their petitions with the business managers at the schools. Heidi Sigdestad is the business manager in Clark

and in Willow Lake, the business manager is Melissa Burke.

WEATHER

Ryan Eggleston - Official Weather Observer

	HI	LO	PR
Mar. 19.....	15	-2	0
Mar. 20.....	13	-3	0
Mar. 21.....	21	-1	0
Mar. 22.....	25	4	0
Mar. 23.....	25	10	0
Mar. 24.....	24	10	tr
Mar. 25.....	24	0	tr
2013 precipitation to date			1.82"
2012 precipitation to date			2.12"

Leaders recognized at Clark Rural Water System annual meeting

The thirty-fourth annual meeting of the members of Clark Rural Water System was held on Tuesday, March 19 at the Clark American Legion. Elected to another three-year term on the Board of Directors were Arlen Boehnke from Henry and Marlin Fjelland and Darrell Seefeldt, both from Clark.

South Dakota Association of Rural Water representative, Jeremiah Corbin, recognized Terry Kaufman for being selected as South Dakota Rural Water's Operations Specialist of the Year, Diane Burns for 25 years of service as Office Manager

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Elections are needed at Bradley and Henry School

Two elections will take place in the area during municipal election day on April 9, 2013.

At Bradley, a three-year town council position is up for election between Chad Altfillisch and Pam Hartman. Jeanette Warkenthien is the finance officer.

At Henry School, a three-year board term will be decided between John Rider and Nicole Watson. Diane Easthouse is the business manager.

No other municipal elections are needed at this time.

Senior Features of 2013

Myrtle Cornelius moved 13 times in her 53 years with Russell



Myrtle (Gilbert) Cornelius was born at home south of Doland in the Ladelle community, where she attended grade school. After graduating from Huron High School in 1945, she worked in an insurance office. In later years, after her marriage to Russell Cornelius, she was Clark County Deputy Auditor, and then Auditor for two terms. Banking and secretarial work were also jobs she had over the years, as the couple moved 13 times in their 53 years together.

South of Doland in the small community of Ladelle was where Myrtle Elaine Gilbert was born on December 22, 1927. She was the youngest child, born at home with a midwife in attendance, to Ralph and Nancy (Freeberg) Gilbert. She had one older sister, Joyce, who only lived three months due to a flu epidemic in 1919. Myrtle had two older brothers, Keith and Gordon, born in 1921 and 1923.

Myrtle knew her grandmother, Lilly Gilbert, probably the best, as she and her husband farmed nearby. On the other side of the family, Peter and Inga Freeberg were also farmers and lived in northeast South Dakota.

The town of Ladelle was small, but had a store and a lodge where the Odd Fellows and Rebekah organizations met.

"My parents went there for gath-

erings and card parties, I remember," states Myrtle. "When younger and going with my parents to the dances there, as the night went on and I got tired, I would lie down on a bench and fall asleep until they were ready and we went home."

School Days

It was a one-mile or so walk to school when she started at the Ladelle school.

"In the winter, my dad would hitch up the horses to the sleigh and we'd pick up the neighbor kids, too," recalls Myrtle. "My first two years, we had a fellow teaching us. Then, my cousin, Ruby Eirman, came and stayed with us and taught at the school. She was a good character. While living with us, she gave me piano lessons. We always had a piano in the house.

"At recess, we often went ice skating on a pond about a quarter-mile from the school. It would take as much time getting ready and walking there, I think, as we would have actually skating.

"It was hard times when I was little in the 1930s. There wasn't a lot of money to go around. I did get a bicycle in the seventh grade, which I always rode to school after that."

After eighth grade, Myrtle went to stay with family friends, the Jack Arends family, in Huron, where she

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Dianne Olson, shows Nicholas Young the details of her position at Dacotah Bank in Clark. The Clark High School junior and the rest of his class spent the day job shadowing at local businesses for Junior Job Shadow Day.

CHS juniors job shadow on Monday

The Clark High School junior class members were out and about at various businesses in the Clark vicinity on Monday as they participated in Junior Job Shadow Day.

"The students all picked a career they are interested in and then job shadowed at their chosen profession. They spent 'a day in the life' watching what they are inter-

ested in," stated Kandice Schlagel, Clark School counselor. "Besides Clark, a few went to Redfield and Watertown to job shadow at the local medical facilities."

Nicholas Young, son of Jeff and Ruth Young of Conde, chose Dacotah Bank in Clark.

"I'm planning on attending USD in Vermillion," said Young. "I want

to major in finance. My minor will be in economics or marketing, whichever appeals to me the most at the time."

The students spent the entire day on Monday out of the classroom and at their chosen work place, getting a feel for what it is like in the life of an adult working for a living.