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## Township gravel roads in Clark County will be getting new signs

The voice of Clark County since 1880



Lake Township supervisors visit with project engineer Tammy Jansma about the reflectivity signage project. All townships will be getting new signs later in 2014.

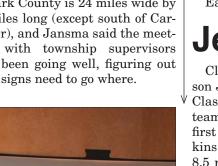
By the end of 2014 one will see new signs on all township roads throughout Clark County. Twenty-five of the 27 Clark County town-

ships signed up for this program. Entirely federally funded, new reflectivity signs with new break away posts will replace the current signs on Clark County township

Tammy Jansma, of Clark Engineering - Sioux Falls branch, met with county township supervisors last week into this week, detailing what changes are necessary.

"Clark County was on the ball," said Jansma, as Clark County was one of the first counties to sign up for this new sign program. "The project started two years ago and I have driven on all roads, inventorying all signs," said Jansma. She stated that the townships will be responsible for the signs paid for by the state through safety funds, at no cost to the townships.

Clark County is 24 miles wide by 42 miles long (except south of Carpenter), and Jansma said the meetings with township supervisors have been going well, figuring out what signs need to go where.





Richard Zachar of Slovakia, has been practicing his English giving presentations on his homeland as well as his experiences in America as an exchange student at Clark High School. A senior this year who is staying with Greg Furness in Clark, Zachar has given

about a dozen presentations to various groups in and around Clark. Above, he is the program speaker at the Share and Care Extension Club meeting held at the home of Carol Warkenthien south of Clark.

# Zachar, from Slovakia, enjoys talking about his homeland

Starting this January, Clark High School's foreign exchange student, Richard Zachar of Slovakia gave his first public presentation at the Clark Historical Society. That

was 12 presentations ago. He most recently gave his presentation, complete with photos of his travels in America with host parent Greg Furness, to the members of the Share and Care Extension Club at the home of Carol Warkenthien.

from Slovakia before," said Furness of his 17th foreign exchange 'son'. "So it's been really interesting to learn about his culture."

Slovakia separated from Czechoslovakia in 1993 and the Slavic nations flag is red, white and blue with a cross on the flag.

The country is four times smaller than South Dakota yet is six times larger in population. Slovakia has

"I'd never had an exchange son 19,000 square miles with 5.5 million in population. The Euro is their money exchange.

Their president currently is Ivan Gasporovic, but he will be replaced in two months with their next president. The country is bordered by Poland and Hungary, the Czech Republic, Austria and Ukraine and

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# School board approves 2014-15 certified negotiated package

School Board, held Monday in the high school library, the board unanimously approved the certified staff negotiated policy for the 2014-15 school year. This action took place after a two-hour executive session.

The certified staff will receive a three percent raise across the board. The base salary will increase from \$32,800 to \$33,780. Also, as the state funding increase was 3.35 percent, the certified staff will receive an additional \$40.00 monthly,

intended for insurance premium

Capital Outlay Projects

Capital outlay discussion for 2014-15 took the most time at the

At the April meeting of the Clark April meeting, as Bob Bjerke and a Siddhartha Kushwaka, Mitchell group of South Dakota State University engineering seniors talked about the proposed track project, west of the high school.

Bjerke and the track improvement committee have been working on this track project for some time and last year the school board approved \$250,000 for this project; \$50,000 in 2013-14, \$100,000 in 2014-15 and \$100,000 in 2015-16; with matching funds to be coming from the track improvement com-

Bjerke took this track project to the SDSU engineering department and SDSU engineering students Troy Duxbury, Spencer Docktor,

Johnson and Christopher Hamilton, 'ran with it' as their senior project. This group used this Clark High School Track Project as their senior design project.

At Monday's Clark School Board meeting the SDSU engineers gave an in-depth power point presentation with pictures, talking project goals and project phases.

Funding is the bottom line for this project and later in the meeting the school board's consensus was to go with the \$559,100 capital outlay figure, with \$100,000 targeted for the track project.

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### Churches celebrate resurrection of Christ

"To the Christian, death is not the area include: gloom, it is Glory."

The American evangelist D. L. Moody who preached to millions said this on his deathbed. "Earth is receding, heaven is approaching. This is...my crowning day." The Christian evangelist was a bringer of good tidings who preached to millions until his death in 1899. He believed men were lost without Christ.

The evangelist Martin Luther said, "Every man must do two things alone. He must do his own believing and he must do his own dying."

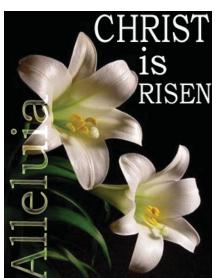
"It is up to us, individually, to believe in the Grace of God," he says. The Grace of God is the Gift of Eternal Life, through Jesus Christ our Lord, as it says in John 3:16.

Easter services held throughout

Maundy (Holy) Thursday

Churches having a Maundy

(Holy) Thursday service in the area



on April 17, include in Clark: The UCC Church will have their ecumenical service at 7:30 p.m.

A Holy Thursday Mass will be held at St. Michael's Catholic Church at 7:45 p.m. Peace Lutheran Church will have their Maundy Thursday service with communion at 7:00 p.m.

In Willow Lake, the United Presbyterian Church will hold Maundy Thursday service at 7:00 p.m. with communion.

In Bryant, a Holy Thursday Mass will be held at 5:30 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 Lutheran in Bradley.

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#### Jenkins is first team Class 'A' All-Stater

Clark-Willow Lake Cyclone Tyson Jenkins has been named to the Class 'A' All-State Boys Basketball team. The 6'5" junior center is a first team All-State selection. Jenkins averaged 17.6 points per game, 8.5 rebounds per game and 2.2 assists per game during the 2013-14 basketball season for a Cyclone team that finished 19-3.

"Tyson went from a basic unknown role player to one of the best post players in the state," said Cyclone head coach Jerome Nesheim. "After losing a great senior class last year, that included Class A player of the year Skyler Flatten, we needed someone to step up. We changed our offense to be more post oriented and wanted to make sure Tyson was getting touches. He is one of the most athletic post players I have coached. He has tremendous foot work, quickness, strength and is a tremendous passer. Those are dangerous combinations in a post player which makes it hard for teams to guard him one on one.

"This is his fourth year of just playing basketball, up to his seventh grade vear he wrestled as well. So he is still perfecting his craft and he is only going to get better. Tyson is a complete gym rat and perfectionist. He loves spending time in the gym working on his game. Tyson is the type of player who is really hard on himself and will work on his weaknesses until they are his strengths."

Other first team selections include: Trae VandeBerg, sr., Madison; Jordan Cornelius, sr., Sisseton;

**Jenkins** 

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Clark-Willow Lake junior post standout Tyson Jenkins has been named to the S.D. Class 'A' All-State first team honor squad. In this file photo from the Region IIA championship game, Jenkins drives to the bucket to score two of his 17 points on the night.

## Summer items on the front burner at Clark City Hall's April meeting

burner at the April meeting of the Clark City Council, held Monday. Most monthly city council meetings are held on the first Monday of each month, but last Monday there failed to be a quorum of council members available.

Dog complaints, the swimming pool and the new Clark Municipal Golf Course, were three areas of summer item discussion.

Water superintendent Darin Altfillisch, during department up-

Summer items were on the front in the side of the swimming pool. the summer. "Hopefully, as the frost goes out, the pool will be okay," said Altfillisch,

but he did express this concern. Mayor Larry Dreher, Chief of Police Jeremy Wellnitz, City Attorney Chad Fjelland and the council visited about dog complaints. First reading was given a vicious animal ordinance. This basically dealt with one animal attacking another.

Golf course clubhouse manager Nicole Sandve gave the council some good news, as revenue is up dates, told the council about his at the golf course and she has many

concern with frost causing a bulge activities/tournaments planned for Natasha Noethlich running for

Golf course manager Michael Johnson said that his goal is to get the pump on hole number eight up and active, so the fairways don't dry up if we see a dry summer. A new pump would cost around \$27,000 he

told the council. Clark finance officer Jackie Luttrell then told the council that she was informed that the city would not be qualifying for a CDBG grant, to help fund the Clark Municipal Golf Clubhouse/Event Center.

"Our dreams are squashed from that end and now we need to get our vision from a city standpoint. What

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#### WEATHER Ryan Eggleston - Official Weather Observer

2014 precipitation to date 2013 precipitation to date 3.28"

Natasha Noethlich



Natasha Noethlich of Doland has announced her intentions to run for District 2 State House of Represen-

**District 2 Representative seat** 

Growing up as an "Army Brat", Noethlich said she was more than ready to settle in South Dakota and plant her permanent roots. She attended Watertown LATI and earned an AS in Office Systems Technology. Noethlich has worked as the business manager of the Clark Nursing Home and at Hovde's Physical Therapy Clinic. She now works full time on the family farm.

Noethlich has been a member of

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