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## 'Egg-mazing Race' contested by Willow Lake second graders

Math and trivia questions, wiggle racers, M&Ms, coins, plastic cups, plates, straws and basketballs were involved in the Pre-Easter activity of Kayla Edleman's second grade class at the Willow Lake School last Thursday.

The 'Egg-mazing Race' involved math and trivia questions to answer and challenges to complete before moving on and receiving their next clue. This clue was also a challenge in working together to fig-

ure out where to go next within their small groups of three. Six stations were involved starting with the basketball court. Some challenges were individual but most of them involved a team effort.

Above, Ryder LaMont, Kelsey Hofer and Hadley Gjerde read over their instructions before they drove their wiggle racers in the 'Egg-mazing Race' game at Willow Lake School.

### Prom is April 29 at Clark High School ▲ "A Night in Ancient Egypt"

Prom at Clark High School is Saturday, April 29 with the Grand March starting at 8:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. The theme for Prom 2017 is "A Night in Ancient Egypt".

Many couples and several individuals will be in attendance for the Grand March.

The Clark High School will be the site of the banquet which begins at 6:00 p.m. Pictures in the gym will follow. Waiters and waitresses for the 2017 prom banquet are Paige Rahm, Brooke Rahm, Sierra Springer, Tavie Guzman, Jeffrey Paulson, Gunnar Sanderson, Caleb Orris and Bret Lehna.

Pre-Prom is at the Furness Funeral Home from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. The dance will take place at the

gym following the Grand March and will last until 10:30 p.m. After prom events will begin at 11:00 p.m.

## John Pollock is the new Clark mayor

The Clark City Council met in with drainage of water in front of special session, Monday, April 17, the Wookey Assisted Living Center.

Challenger John Pollock defeated incumbent Clark Mayor, Larry Dreher, 184 to 91. Pollock will take the office of Mayor of Clark at the May 1 meeting. Clark County had one other municipal election. At Garden City, for town trustee, Doug Loomis defeated Jake Leibke, 19-3.

At the Clark City Council special meeting, on Monday, two agenda items were tabled, so more information could be gained by the council, before action will be taken. These matters will be decided at the May

1 council meeting. The first tabled motion dealt Cost estimates were requested.

The second matter which was tabled by the council was the Clark Fire Department practice burn and smoke house at the former Jon Woodland house on US Highway 212 on the east side of Clark. The council also requested more information before this burn takes place and a fire department representative will be requested to be at the May 1 meeting.

Additional swimming pool lifeguards were hired, including: Janae Kolden, Ntai Stevens, Brooke Bruns, Alyssa Evenson and Paige



# The new baseball scoreboard is in at Dakota Style Field

The new baseball scoreboard has arrived. By the ime one reads this it could be up at the north end of

Dakota Style Field, in Dickinson Park. Purchased by the city with insurance money from last year's lightning strike, this new Daktronics scoreboard has a value of \$7,279.

City employees Darin Altfillisch, Tyler Silkman, partially hidden and Roger Collins, in the Bobcat, moved the scoreboard from the truck to the field last week.

### C.H.S. yearbook is tops in the state!

When the 93rd Annual South Dakota High School Press Convention met in Brookings earlier this month, the Clark High School yearbook came out the top winner.

Top superior designations in the yearbook category were gained by Clark, Britton-Hecla and Yankton! The Clark High School yearbook staff consists of Jennifer Pickrel, Lacey Waege, Gabrielle Moes and Keith Myrvold. Kristin Janisch is the advisor.

"I am so proud of my team," exclaimed Kristin Janisch of her yearbook class/staff. "What an honor to receive not only a superior, but the top scoring yearbook in the state!

"We learned from competition the previous year, which was our first year as a yearbook class," Janisch

'Dream big, work hard and make memories happen' as it says on the cover of the 97th edition of the Clark High School yearbook, is exactly what the staff and their instructor did and captured over the school year in many candid, action and some posed shots. 'What's on your bucket list?' was also asked of many students and staff and added to the pages throughout the yearbook. The vibrant use of color, quotes, descriptions and photos within photos made the best use of every page in the award winning yearbook.

The students had this to say of their experience -

Keith Myrvold: "My favorite thing about yearbook class last year was being able to talk to new people and getting to know them better. I'm in yearbook this year, too and I can tell I've become a better writer and photographer. The only way to get better is to practice."

Gabrielle Moes: "What I was glad

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month at the 93rd Annual South Dakota High School Press convention in Brookings.

Winning the top award in the state competition point-wise was the yearbook staff shown above along with their instructor Kristin Janisch in the center. From left to right, are Keith Myrvold, Lacey Waege, Jennifer Pickrel and Gabrielle Moes.

### Murky are the waters of area lakes

#### ▲ Five lakes on the list in Clark County

murky but issues surrounding water use in South Dakota are downright cloudy. Clear as mud, so to

Twenty-five years ago in Clark County there were four (fishing) Today that number approaches 30. Excessive water isn't just a Clark County issue, it is wide spread in northeastern South Dakota and as lakes expanded so has this contentious controversy.

On March 15 the South Dakota Supreme Court handed down a decision putting the determination of whether members of the public may use or enter non-meandered water or ice overlying private property for any recreational use such as hunting or fishing, in the hands of the state legislature.

South Dakota Governor Dennis Daugaard said that there is some hope for a special session. "If the (state) Legislature can identify a suggested solution, I think a special session could happen this year," said Gov. Daugaard. But, if no solution is found, it may be a topic that comes up during next year's ses-

Gov. Daugaard's response came in regard to an online petition requesting a special session to take up the South Dakota Supreme Court's ruling on non-meandered bodies of

This petition was instigated by Derek Garner, owner of Prairiestorm Outfitters in Willow Lake. "The main attraction for sportsmen is Dry Lake #2 and with that being shut down it's been pretty quiet,'

Back to the matter at hand, it will be the State Legislature, not the Supreme Court, nor the SD

Game, Fish & Parks (GFP), nor the public who will decide how non-meandered waters will be used by fishermen and hunters. In compliance with the recent Supreme Court ruling in Duerre v.

Hepler, the South Dakota Game,

Fish and Parks is closing Depart-

ment-managed boat launches on

Area lake water isn't all that non-meandered bodies of water. Lake and Twin Lakes in Minneha-This is according to a press release

on the GFP website. "Recreational access to non-meandered waters is a complex issue that has impacted our state for decades," said Kelly Helper, GFP de-

### **Clark County** lakes on the list are:

1. Casey's Slough

2. Cottonwood Lakes GPA

3. Dry Lake #1

4. Dry Lake #2

5. Swan Lake

partment secretary.

According to the Supreme Court, the South Dakota State Legislature must determine whether and how the public may use non-meandered waters for recreational purposes. GFP cannot facilitate access to these waters until the State Legislature acts.

To comply with the Supreme Court ruling, GFP is posting signage and limiting access to infrastructure at the following water bodies, with the potential of additional water bodies to be added:

Caseys Slough, Cottonwood Lake GPA, Dry Lake #1, Dry Lake #2 and Swan Lake in Clark County.

Deep Lake and Goose Lake in Codington County.

East Krause Lake, Lynn Lake, Middle Lynn Lake and Reetz Lake in Day County.

North Scatterwood Lake in Edmunds County.

Three Buck Lake in Hamlin County.

Bullhead Lake and Cattail-Kettle Lake in Marshall County.

Keisz Lake in McPherson Coun-Grass Lake, Loss Lake, Scott

ha County. Twin Lakes in Sanborn County. Cottonwood Lake and Mud Lake in Spink County.

Dog Ear Lake in Tripp County. Public notice signs will be posted in these areas by the end of April.

In accordance with the Supreme Court ruling, the Department has halted fish stockings, creel surveys. canoe and kayak rentals, permitting of fishing tournaments and special events and facilitating access for ice fishing for the listed wa-

#### **Trespass decision**

Scott Lindgren, GFP regional supervisor for the wildlife division in northeast South Dakota, said there are more questions than answers right now.

'What is very clear is that the GFP cannot facilitate access to non-meandered bodies of water to the public," said Lindgren. "And when people ask if we can give them permission to fish non-meandered bodies of water, we can't tell them it's okay. They usually follow up and ask if we're saying they can't go out there and we tell them the best thing for them to do is read the Supreme Court decision and then make their own decision."

When asked if people could be arrested for fishing on non-meandered waters, Lindgren said states attorneys in different counties

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