

Schlagel is sentenced in circuit court, Monday

Kandice V. Schlagel, age 29, of Watertown, South Dakota, appeared before Circuit Judge Robert L. Timm in Clark on April 27, 2015, and pleaded guilty to one count of Sexual Contact by Psychotherapist, a Class 5 felony.

According to Clark County State's Attorney, Chad Fjelland, Judge Timm sentenced Schlagel to

five years in the state penitentiary, but suspended execution of the prison term on various terms and conditions, including that she serve 90 days in the Codington County Detention Center.

The charge stems from a 2013 course of conduct involving a then 16-year-old Clark High School student.

2013-14 Clark High School Yearbook awarded superior

The Annual High School Publications Contest has announced results from the 91st annual South Dakota High School Press Convention held in Brookings earlier this month.

The Annual Publications Contest ranks publications as honorable mention, excellent and superior, which is presented to the high school that achieves the highest scores in newspaper, yearbook, news writing and journalistic photography.

The 2013-14 Clark School yearbook received a superior designation at the contest. Members of the yearbook staff were: Matt Loomis,

editor, Molly Warkenthien, assistant editor, Cecilia Streff, Kalli Bell, Chelsie Gehrke, Jasmine Foster, Clarissa Daniels, Chantell Wren, Jay Foster, Michaela Flora, Elyse Helkenn, Hannah Gruenwald, Raegan Florey, Joice Nelson and Audrey Hanson. Advisors were Tamara Sprouse and Melissa Ne-sheim.

Other school receiving superiors were Aberdeen Roncalli, Brandon Valley, Britton-Hecla, Brookings, Dakota Valley, Deubrook, Hamlin, Jones County, Mitchell, Northwestern Area, Pierre T.F. Riggs, Redfield, Vermillion, Watertown and Yankton.

Fourteenth Clark Tae Kwon Do tournament is Saturday

Saturday is the date and the Clark High School gym is the site of the 14th annual Clark Tae Kwon Do Tourney. The Clark Tae Kwon Do team and instructor Master Michael Sanchez will be hosting teams from Puerto Rico, Mexico, North Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Rapid City, Sioux Falls and other South Dakota teams. Over 150 participants will be competing in forms and sparring competition.

Members of the Clark Tae Kwon Do Club will also be competing on Saturday.

After the sparring and forms competition has ended, there will be the traditional 'Main Event', the grand champion black belt fight-off, with the winner crowned from the four divisions, light, middle, heavy-weight and senior.



Miss Click-It, left, Sharmell Murphy of Watertown, uses magic in her safety presentation to help make a point, during the NO! GO! YELL! TELL! skit. Helping at right is kindergarten student Collin Larson and City of Clark patrolman Nate Nickeson. Miss Click-It visited all Clark Elementary classes last Friday.

Safety is what Miss Click-It is all about

The Clark Elementary got a clown treat last Friday. In the form of Miss Click-It, kindergarten students through fourth graders learned the importance of seatbelt safety.

Miss Click-It, Sharmell Murphy of Watertown, decked out in her seatbelt skirt and clown outfit with a suitcase full of props, used skits, stories and song to get her safety message across to the youngsters.

Murphy is a retired 911 communications officer and has been Miss Click-It for the past 11 years. The class assemblies were sponsored through the South Dakota Department of Highway Safety and Volunteers of America-Dakota.

The 45-minute talk on safety to each class seemed to fly by. In the kindergarten class Miss Click-It talked car seats, booster seats and seat belts. To not sit in the back

seat, one must be at least four feet, nine inches tall, weigh at least 100 pounds or be at least 12 years old. Miss Click-It added that youth are encouraged to sit in the back seat of vehicles, to protect their bone structure and to protect against air bag impact.

The main topics of Miss Click-It included:

- * "Always buckle up."
- * "Never go with anyone you don't know."
- * In a crisis situation you should

"NO! GO! YELL! TELL!"

- * "Call 911 when something bad happens."
- * "Always walk and play with friends."
- * "Always wear your bicycle helmet and ride with a friend."
- * "Tell someone you trust if something is wrong."
- * "Remember to let someone know where you are at all times."
- * "You win or lose by how you choose."



Clark FFA Livestock Judging wins state event

The 2015 Clark FFA Livestock Judging Team recently competed at the 87th Annual State FFA Convention in Brookings. The team consisting of Joslyn Hurlbert, Jennifer Hurlbert, Savannah Fisher and Hudson Steffen, received first place at the state event and earned a berth at the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Ky. in October.

Joslyn Hurlbert was the team's scoring leader with a fourth place finish. A total of 201 people compet-

ed in the event which required contestants to judge seven classes of cattle, sheep and hogs, give three sets of oral reasons and answer three sets of five questions for each species of livestock. The contest also included a twenty-five question exam which was based on feed and nutrition knowledge.

The first place winning team is pictured with their advisor Greg Janisch.

WEATHER

Ryan Eggleston - Official Weather Observer

	HI	LO	PR
Apr. 21.....	43	24	0
Apr. 22.....	49	23	0
Apr. 23.....	59	27	0
Apr. 24.....	69	41	tr
Apr. 25.....	52	37	0
Apr. 26.....	63	38	0
Apr. 27.....	66	36	0
2015 precipitation to date	1.49"		
2014 precipitation to date	3.13"		

Senior Features of 2015

Horses, horses and horses are Craig Rasmusson's favorite hobby



Craig Rasmusson of Clark is shown with the saddle he won with his horse 'Cindy' in 1981 when she earned the most points in calf roping and team roping in the South Dakota Quarter Horse Association. John Baltezare in the photo also rode her in the world show in 1981 where she earned 4th place. Married for 52 years, Craig and his wife raised two children while he worked for 30 years as a butcher in the locker business in Bradley.

When just a little tyke, Craig Rasmusson of Clark was put upon the back of a workhorse named 'Pinky' while his dad did chores on their farm four miles north and west of Clark.

"For most of my life, horses have been a part of it," states Rasmusson. Craig Hall Rasmusson was born at Mrs. Stacey's home in Clark on March 31, 1936 to Rudolf Albin (R. A.) and Ella (LaCount) Rasmusson. Four years later he had a brother who was stillborn and recalls going to the funeral for him with his father.

Craig's grandfather O. P. Rasmusson lived with his family for a few years. His grandmother passed away before he was born. His grandpa suffered from polio in earlier years and as the result, used crutches to walk. It didn't slow him down that much however as Rasmusson recalls challenging him to race once and his grandpa beat him. "He could really take a swing on those crutches. He worked on threshing machines and also had store in Crocker. He invented a sieve for the International Company for a thresher but never did get the credit for it," says Rasmusson.

Hi grandmother LaCount also stayed with their family in her later years. Her husband had died earlier, they were from the Vallard/Glenwood, Minn. area.

Younger Years

His first day of school was memorable. His mother took him halfway there and he was to walk the rest of the way. Instead he stopped at the slough and threw rocks for a while. "Kendal Heiden came over, picked me up and put me up on his shoulders and took me to school, the teacher had sent him. I guess they could see me from the school," chuckled Rasmusson. "We had fun at that slough - would skate there at recess in the winter."

Rasmusson would often ride his horse 'Trigger' to school. He'd take off the bridal when he got there and the horse would then run back home.

Once when riding 'Pinky' in earlier years he recalls going by his neighbors - the Bensons. Lenore Benson invited him in for a fresh cookie. "I told her I couldn't cause I couldn't get back up on my horse again. She laughed and said she'd help me back on - so I did get a cookie that day."

Breaking up bigger coal chunks with a hammer for the cookstove and filling up pails of coal for the house furnace were among the chores delegated to Rasmusson when he was younger. That and gathering eggs - pig chores and milking cows. "We had tame cows who'd come up and let us milk them out in the open on a stool. If they'd move, we'd just wait till they stopped and we'd start again."

Teen years

Rasmusson also worked with their Hereford cattle and out on the tractor

Rasmusson
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Hannah Gruenwald, a junior at Clark High School had the opportunity to study bookkeeping as well as learn about the culture of Hawaii recently. Under the guidance of Corner Diner owner Lt. Colonel Karen Hanson (formerly Hubbard) who is stationed at Fort Shafter in Honolulu, Gruenwald learned hands-on how to be the bookkeeper of the Corner Diner.

Hannah Gruenwald learns accounting in Hawaii

When Hannah Gruenwald heard from her mother Sandi, the manager of the Corner Diner in Clark, ask "Do you want to go to Hawaii?", the answer was a resounding 'Sure' from the Clark High School junior who recently accepted the opportunity to learn hands-on-how to be the Corner Diner's bookkeeper. She learned it from the diner owner herself, Lt. Colonel Karen Hanson. Currently Hanson is serving in the Army, stationed at Fort Shafter

in Hawaii. She has a condo in Kailua and that is where Gruenwald stayed during her 10 days of training while in Hawaii.

In depth training on the Quickbooks program in doing the books for the Corner Diner was the main focus of Gruenwald's while she was in training.

"We bought Quickbooks for Dummies to get a basic understanding

Gruenwald
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