

Gruenwald is selected for 'On The Road' segment

Two weeks ago, in the March 20 Clark County Courier edition, it was announced that Keloland On the Road with Mike Huether was making a Clark stop, for a potential upcoming segment.

Huether came...he saw... and he decided!

Willie Gruenwald has been chosen for the Keloland On the Road April 30 segment.

Gruenwald, very well known in Clark County, came to Clark in the early 1970s, from Woonsocket, as a NorthWestern Energy employee. After more than a decade with NWPS in Clark, Gruenwald started his own electrical business and as an octogenarian, it will be very interesting to see what route Huether goes with this human interest feature story of this Clark individual.

Huether was in town last week interviewing and taping the Gruenwald - On the Road segment.

"This is a special deal," said Huether and he's hoping that the community will rally around the TV set for the April 30, at 6:30 p.m.



Willie Gruenwald

showing.

"It's a positive, feel-good story about Clark and one of its favorite citizens. It shows how individuals truly can make a difference," ended On The Road with Mike Huether.

Last night, April 2, On The Road debuted, with people from Lennox, Marion and Centerville.



Located near the intersection of 417th Avenue and 178th Street in Clark County is the newly finished Husky Farms operation, a breed to wean hog farm.

An open house was held last Wednesday for the public to view the state of the art pig barns with the latest in swine management in an enclosed facility.

Husky Farms opens hog farm in western Clark County

Husky Farms, located five miles south of US Highway 212 on the Carpenter Road and then east, had an open house last Wednesday to show to the local public their state of the art enclosed facility. A part of the Pipestone System which already has hog barns in the county, this barn will have 19 full-time employees and it is estimated that 145,000 weaned piglets will be produced annually at this site.

This farm is designed to raise high quality weaned piglets for family farmers located in South Dakota, Minnesota and Iowa.

Four buildings include: a gilt development unit; breeding and gestation barns; a farrowing barn with maternity pens and a compost building. A maintenance shed is also on the site.

The barns for the animals are all connected so an animal never has to leave the barn until its their time.

Open pen gestation with about 29 pregnant sows per pen has come about due to consumer request explained Sylvia Wolter, public relations director for Pipestone System, who was on site among others giving tours to the public last Wednesday. A very large crowd attended the one time open house last

Wednesday where attendees could tour the entire facility before production begins at the site.

All aspects of the breed to wean farm were viewed by the public. Breed to wean means piglets are born there and live with their mothers - the sows, until they are weaned.

A sow's gestation is approximately three months, three weeks and three days. From the time that they arrive at the farm, care is taken every step of the way to ensure a disease free herd.

Feeding and watering is all automated with simultaneous feeding all at once to cut down on the noise of the animals who may not be as patient in waiting for their breakfast.

Improvements in the pens and gates include a sliding pin system versus the rods that were used in previous years and open areas where a human can get through but a large sow cannot helps in the flow of the barns with the animals and employees it was noticed.

Approximately \$170,000 in nutrient value will be created annually by the organic manure from the facility. The barns will provide enough organic nutrients for about

1,200 acres annually. The nutrient management plan will be monitored by the State of South Dakota. An injection system with drag line transportation to the storage tank saves on the roads and fuel it was explained, as well as less field compaction and faster application.

Pipestone System started in 1990 with their first farm of 700 sows near Pipestone, Minn. In 2016 Pipestone has 65 managed farms caring for nearly 200,000 sows with over 1,000 employees in six states and counting.



Pipestone personnel were on hand last Wednesday to give tours inside of their new hog facility - Husky Farms at their open house. Sylvia Wolters above, explains the feed system in the artificial insemination part of the barn where sows or gilts are bred before being turned out into pens of 30 or so to socialize and gestate. Consumer request has changed some of the physical aspects within the newer hog barns it was explained.

No Government Day in Clark County this year

Originally, Clark County Government Day for area seniors was to be Monday, April 8, at the Clark County Courthouse, sponsored by Clark County American Legion and county Legion posts.

"The busy school schedules along with the fact that court now is not being held on April 8, made us look for another date and no date we found would work this spring," said Clark American Legion Post #60 Commander Rob McGraw.

McGraw noted that the next

court date was on Easter Monday and then it was May, "and May was really busy," said McGraw. "We tried."

"We're looking at Constitution Day, which is in September, for next year," McGraw stated, as he knew that it wouldn't work for this year but with busy spring schedules, maybe September is the answer.

So, no senior Government Day will be held in Clark County this spring.



The Clark-Willow Lake Cyclones have three 2019 South Dakota Class B Basketball All Staters. A Sanford Pentagon All State Banquet was held last Saturday, in Sioux Falls. Left to right, Micah Burke, third team; Janae Kolden, second team and Jacob Prouty, first team.

Three Cyclones named to SD Class B All State

South Dakota high school basketball All State selections were announced a little earlier than normal, in 2019, as a Sanford Pentagon All State Banquet, in Sioux Falls, was initiated, for two weeks following the state tournaments.

The Clark-Willow Lake Cyclones had very successful seasons, including claiming the Class B 2019 State Title.

Three Cyclones were named All

State; Jacob Prouty and Micah Burke on the boys side and Janae Kolden from the Lady Cyclones.

Jacob Prouty was named to the first team All State squad for the second consecutive year. His 2019 stat line includes: 19.8 ppg, 81% FT, 5.8 rpg, 5.2 apg.

Said coach Jerome Nesheim of the standout point guard and floor general, "This guy has all the intangibles that you can't coach. Jacob is

probably one of the most fierce competitors that I have had the luxury of coaching. Jacob would push his own mother to the ground to get to a loose ball but then he would help her up afterwards. He has the ability to will his team to win. He will do whatever it takes. He is relentless at working on his skills. He is

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April Proms are upcoming

Hopefully Spring weather will be in the offing as the next two weekends are the dates of Prom at the two Clark County Schools.

Willow Lake

The Willow Lake High School Prom is set for this Friday, April 5, at the high school auditorium. The 2019 Willow Lake Junior-Senior Prom theme is "If Only for One Night". The grand March is slated for 8:30 p.m. with the doors opening at 8:00 p.m. The banquet is at 6:30 p.m. with the waiter and waitress being sophomores Oscar Garcia and Brianna Villasenor. The dance lasts until midnight and then there

will be after prom games in the gym to follow.

Clark

Friday, April 12, is the date of the Clark High School Junior-Senior Prom. "Rustic Romance" is the theme. At 5:00 p.m. there is a pre-prom event at the Furness Funeral Home and banquet kicks off at 6:00 p.m. at the high school. The waiters and waitresses for the banquet are Jenna Gaddis, Hudson Fuller, Evan Stromsness and Lydia Reidburn. The Grand March is at 8:00 p.m. with the doors to open at 7:45 p.m. for the public.

WEATHER

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| Apr. 1..... | 52 | 28 | 0 |

2019 precipitation to date 4.48
2018 precipitation to date 0.97



40th CRWS annual meeting was Tuesday

The Clark Rural Water System's 40th Annual Meeting was held last Tuesday at the Clark American Legion Building. Approximately 125 people attended the event.

Directors Darrell Seefeldt, Marlin Fjelland and Arlen Boehnke were each re-elected to three-year terms on the Board.

Special recognition was given to, left to right, Marlin Fjelland - Director, 40 years of service and Spirit of Rural Water; Jeremiah Corbin, state water system representative; James Holm - Operations Specialist of the Year; Diane Burns - Office Manager, 30 years of service and Mark McHenry - Director, 15 years of service.

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