

## All city summer recreation employees have been hired

The April meeting of the Clark City Council was fairly routine, in nature, with a land lease auction thrown in to spice things up a bit.

Earlier this year the City of Clark purchased 320 acres from Campbell Farms for the future site, southeast of Clark, for the wastewater retention pond facility.

This purchase just recently was finalized and the city engineers want to begin work by August 1, 2016, so this land lease auction was a last moment affair.

With this timeline in place, the city then attempted a land lease auction at Monday's meeting. With Robert Campbell, Andy Wookey and Tom Wookey in attendance, the city set \$100 an acre as a minimum.

Many variables and factors are involved for this growing season and because it is a drained (altered) wetland, even more factors come into play and T. Wookey explained this to the council.

Campbell put in a \$50 per acre bid, totaling \$16,000 and after much discussion, this resolution motion died in front of the council, because of a lack of a second to the motion.

Mayor Larry Dreher stated that he felt the council should stay at the \$100 an acre to lease this ground and the city will now need to apply weed

The Clark Police Department will be doing tornado and fire siren testing next week as part of an update to allow Watertown Dispatch to set off the sirens.

This will occur on Tuesday, April 12 after lunch.

If severe weather is a threat, there will not be any testing.

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## Henry School opt out and municipal elections are Tuesday

▲ Plus Henry School also has a board election

Two municipal elections, one school board election and one school board opt out election will be held Tuesday, April 12.

At Henry School District 14-2, a \$300,000, 10-year tax levy opt out is up for election.

Also at Henry School, Nicole Watson and Mark O'Neill will be vying for a three-year term on the Henry School Board.

The Garden City voters will be choosing between Erica Benson and Norman Alexander for a two-year council position. David Waples is unopposed for a three-year Garden City council term.

At Vienna, three individuals are running for one council position. The three running for office at Vienna are Elmer Anderson, Toby Kan-

gas and Kenneth W. Lusk.

### School board filings

Clark and Willow Lake School districts will have school board elections in June, if necessary. Nominating petitions may be filed with the respective business managers from April 12 through May 13, 2016.

At Willow Lake, two three-year terms held currently by Julayne Thoreson and Cory Bratland are up for election.

At Clark, a three-year term held currently by Robert Steffen is up for election.

Mary Nelson is the business manager at Clark School and Melissa Burke is the Willow Lake School business manager.



Double D Clydesdales and Carriage Services has its roots in Clark County at the Dusty and Nicki Fuller farm along US Highway 25 in Elrod Township. Nicki is the horse woman in the family and has five Clydesdales currently with Cassidy and Diamond being her main driving team. Diamond was formerly a 'Budweiser' Clydesdale who appeared in com-

mercials in 2009 and 2010. Shown above in their black carriage, from left to right, are their children Ignatius and Aanya with Dusty holding Alex and Nicki holding onto Cassidy and Diamond, her Clydesdale team.

## Clydesdales retire to Clark County farm

▲ Fuller's carriage team is popular with locals

"I've always loved Clydesdales," says Nicki Fuller of Clark who along with her husband Dusty own five of them on their farm in Elrod Township.

"It was my mom's dream to own a Budweiser Clydesdale someday, so in a way I fulfilled that dream," smiled Fuller in regards to her mother, Chris Singrey's wish.

'Diamond' who is a Bay (dark brown) with white socks and a white blaze on his face met the requirements to be a 'Budweiser Clydesdale' and was a part of the San

Antonio, Texas 'Budweiser Hitch'. The Budweiser wagon or 'Hitch' is always pulled by eight horses who match the description of Diamond in their look.

Diamond and Dave - who also worked for Budweiser but has since been sold by the family, were purchased as a pair in February of 2015 by the Fullers.

They came from Grant's Farm in St. Louis, Mo.

"I wanted a safe, level headed driving team. I'd driven single horses up till then, but always wanted a

driving team. A friend of mine got a lead and we pursued the former Budweiser Clydesdales," continued Fuller.

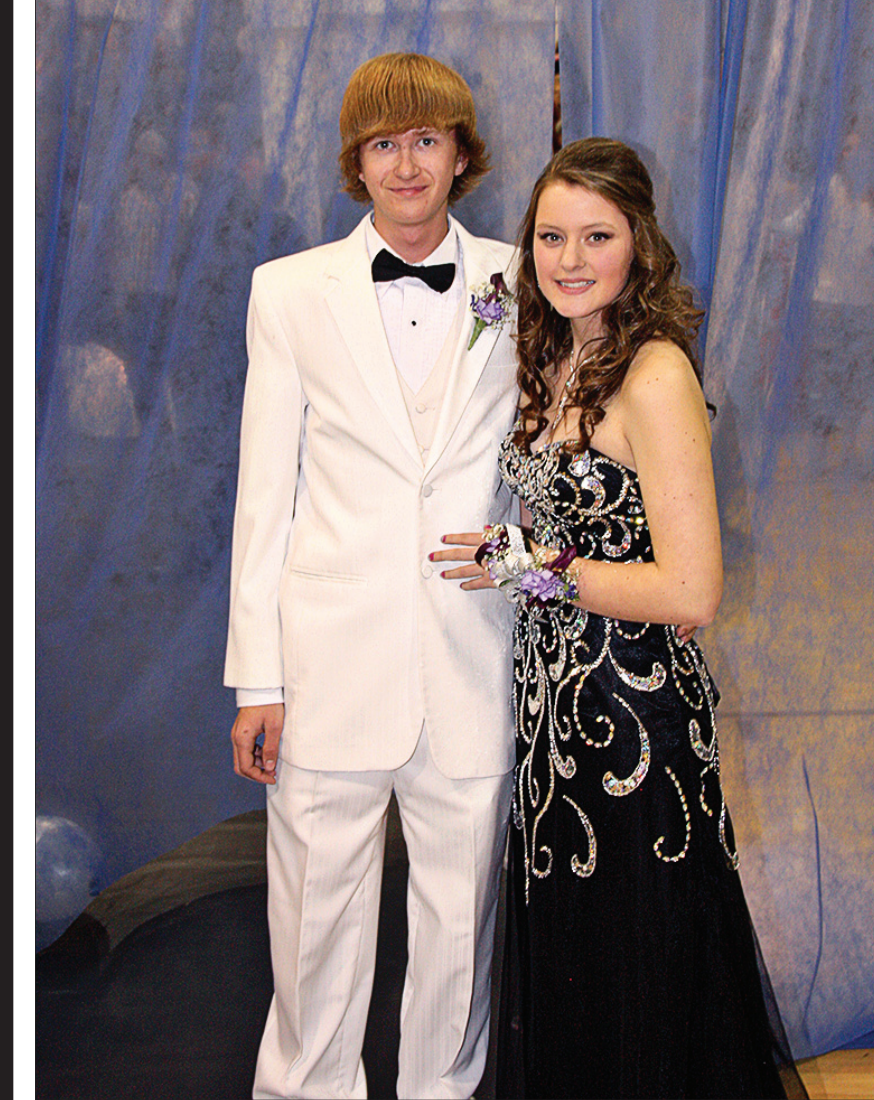
"Draft horses in general are gentle giants, more of a docile breed and not as high strung as quarter horses or ponies. I had a Clydesdale and a Percheron before and liked their temperament."

Dave the Clydesdale had hip and back trouble however and was sold in November around the same time 'Cassidy' was purchased from Minnesota. She is a 15-year old female

who now matches up with 15-year old Diamond and is similar in color. "Clydesdales take about six years to come to adulthood," added Dusty Fuller. "They're a slow maturing horse, so a two-year old is still a baby in how they behave."

The Fullers have five Clydesdales in all. Sadie is a four-year old female who will go into driving training this summer at the Stalheim farm in Wisconsin. Faith is a 12-year old female that is pregnant

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## With Greek architecture for decorations, Saturday was Prom Night

High school proms are the social event of the spring calendar and Saturday night Clark High School hosted Prom 2016 with a Greek theme for decorations.

With a beautifully decorated auditorium, the banquet was held followed by the Grand March. Prior to the banquet, Prom goers went to the Furness Funeral Home for Pre-Prom activities and following the dance the

After Prom event was held in the gym and the Field House.

It is a *Courier* tradition to picture the presidents and their dates. From left to right, Michaela Flora is the junior class president and her date was Jon Block. Kathryn Paulson is the senior class president and her date was Cooper Hartley. Noah Huber is the student body president and his date was Lauren Twait.



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