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'American Veterans Leave Footprints on our Heart'

▲ South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary president Janet Hurlbert's theme



Janet Hurlbert of Clark was recently inducted as the 2013-2014 State President of the Department of South Dakota American Legion Auxiliary. She is a 22 year member of the Raymond Auxiliary Baker Unit #209 and had her homecoming ceremony on Saturday, June 22, 2013 in Raymond with her entire family in attendance.

"It is indeed an honor to serve as the president of the largest women's patriotic service organization in the world. The trust that you have placed in me to serve in this capacity is phenomenal. As your president, I will be at your service whenever I am required to repre-

sent the American Legion Auxiliary Department of South Dakota. It is with honor that I do this.

This was the beginning of the homecoming speech given by Raymond and Clark's own Janet Hurlbert who was recently installed as State President of the Department of SD American Legion Auxiliary.

Her husband Roger who served during the Vietnam War, her sons Russ, Randy and Jeff and their families including her eight grandchildren were in attendance at the program with many of them taking an active part in the homecoming ceremony. The event was held at the new Raymond Legion Hall in Raymond last Saturday with Auxiliary and Legion members from all over the state in attendance.

Violet Wicks of Carpenter has been elected the State Department Historian for the year 2013-2014. Hurlbert and Wicks were officially installed as state officers at the annual Department Convention held in Rapid City on June 6, 7 and 8,

Each year, the State President comes up with their own theme. Janet's is 'Veterans Leave Footprints on our Heart'.

"This came about from a visit that I made to one of the veterans facilities a few years ago during their Christmas party. I will never forget the way one of the veterans looked at me when he opened the card to find five dollars in the enve-

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The town of Vienna suffered much tree damage in Friday's storm as did the Cargill Inc. Elevator. According to Cargill manager Josh Wilson, straight line winds severely damaged the facility.

Three large bins suffered major damage and five bins received minor damage, said Wilson. "Right now we are waiting on engineers to assess the structural damage and we are in the process of disconnecting

electricity to the storm damaged areas. I'm just thankful everyone was

The Cargill manager concluded that he is waiting to see what will need to be accomplished. "We are honoring all of our contracts and we will continue to do so."

Vienna received four inches of rain on Friday and Saturday.

Winter wheat and soybean plot tour to be held July 8 Clark County will host a winter team, including Mark Rosenberg,

wheat and soybean plot tour on as well as a speaker from Ducks Monday, July 8, at 5:00 p.m. The Unlimited and SD Wheat, Inc. Topplot tour will be held eight miles east of Clark on US Highway 212, north 0.6 miles on County Road 5 (Garden City Road) on the west side of the road.

Featured speakers will be from the SDSU Extension Research

ics will include: winter wheat varieties, soybean varieties and management and pest management.

Following the plot tour, supper will be held at the Laird Larson

Crazy storm blasts the county on the first day of summer

The first day of summer was a memorable one! Clark County and much of northeast South Dakota saw very, very strong straight line winds, heavy rain, pea-sized to nickel-sized hail and a tornado was

southwest Clark County.

The wind gusts were in the 80 mph range according to the National Weather Service website and Clark County Sheriff Rob McGraw said that a five mile swath, approxClark, across the county, was par-

ticularly hard hit. "(Deputy Sheriff) Gail Smith and I were right in the middle of the storm," said McGraw, as the brunt of storm damage occurred between

The storm caused significant damage throughout Clark County, but by far the most significant damage occurred in the southern onethird section

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spotted in the Carpenter area of imately nine to 14 miles south of 3:00 and 4:00 p.m. on Friday. Clark youth attend the Papal Audience in



Climbing 551 steps to the top peak of St. Peters in Rome, Italy, left to right, Lindsey Helkenn, Lane Looney and Cecilia Streff, enjoyed the incredible view from the tallest building in Rome. The three students oined with a group from Sioux Falls on a Faith Journey or pilgrimage to Italy earlier this month. The 10 day trip with the Sioux Falls Diocesan Youth Group 'opened our eyes to the Global Catholic Faith' stated the students who are members of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Clark.

'Chow', 'Grazie', 'Prego', 'Scusi' and 'Andiamo' are some of the Italian phrases three Clark youth became accustomed to saying on their recent 10 day trip to Italy. Chow is hello and goodbye, grazie is thank you, prego is welcome, scusi is excuse me and andiamo is let's go.

Cecilia Streff, Lindsey Helkenn and Lane Looney joined 40 others from Sioux Falls on a faith journey or pilgrimage to Italy earlier this month.

Current members of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Clark, the youth from Clark's church joined with the Sioux Falls Diocesan Youth Group with pilgrimage host Eric Gallagher and spiritual director Father Paul Rutten. Gallagher had studied abroad in seminary school in Italy for four years so he knew his way around said the group.

The trip began in Rome, Italy where they spent four days and nights. They toured the Vatican Museums, St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel.

"Pictures just don't do it justice," said Streff. "Everything is so much bigger and prettier and more elaborate than what you see in pictures. Every square inch is detailed. One church was completely covered in paintings. In the Sistine Chapel, the figures looked 3-D almost. They

looked like statues up there on the ceiling.'

All three said they'd like to go back there someday. "What impressed me was the Sanctuary of the Eucharistic Miracle," said Looney. "The miracle is the turning of the bread and wine into actual heart muscle and blood. It is on display and studies have shown it is actually heart muscle and the AB type blood that matches it. I also liked the Shrine of the Holy House - the house that Jesus was raised in by Mary. This was in Loreto. It has been moved several times. We were told the story of how during WW II, angels picked the house up and moved it to a safer place. The house has a church built around it."

Helkenn's favorite was the Church of Jerusalem. "It had the actual relics of Jesus' Crucifixion. They had pieces of the cross, a nail, thorns from the crown he wore and the plaque that was on the cross that Pontius Pilate wrote on," stated Helkenn.

The group attended the Papal Audience in Vatican City. "Pope Francis is called 'Papa Francesco' there. At St. Peter's Basilicas church, there is an altar reserved for only Pope Francis," said Streff.

The group toured the Basilicas of St. Mary Major, St. John Lateran

and St. Paul outside the Walls and the Montecassino Abbey. The fifth night, they stayed in San Giovanni

Rotondo, Italy. From there they toured Santa Maria Della Grazie, the Shrine of Padre Pio and the Sanctuary of St. Michael the Archangel in Foggia.

Lanciano, Loreto and Assisi were destinations the next day where they toured the Sanctuary of the Eucharistic Miracle and the Shrine of the Holy House in Loreto. In Assisi, they took the guided tour and visited the Basilicas of Assisi, St. Francis, St. Clare and St. Mary of the Angels.

They also climbed the peak of St. Peters, climbing 551 steps. "It was

Clark youth

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Ryan Eggleston - Official Weather Observer

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