



Sadie Streff did a lot of walking and met a lot of people as she was chosen to be a part of the Rural Electric Youth Tour 2019. Her essay on networking earned her the coveted spot of representing Codington Clark Electric on the tour. Streff joined 37 others in visiting the nation's capital, the war memorials and monuments, Fort McHenry, Mount Vernon, the Smithsonian Institute, the Newseum, the Holocaust Muse-

um and other places of interest. Above, Streff is pictured at the front gate of the White House - the closest the public can get since the terrorist bombings on 9/11, 2001. They were also given a tour of the U. S. capitol by Rep. Dusty Johnson and photo opportunities with Senators John Thune and Mike Rounds.

## Sadie Streff visits our nation's capital

Clark High School soon to be junior Sadie Streff recently returned from a one week, all expense paid trip, seeing the sights in Washington, D.C. She was the winner of Codington Clark Electric's essay contest to represent them in the National Rural Electric Cooperative Associations Youth Tour 2019. Her essay was on how important networking is in a young person's life and how it can help when looking for a job for example. The topic for the essay was 'Why should we choose you for the Rural Electric Youth Tour'.

Networking and meeting other students from all around the United States in addition to the others from South Dakota who went were the best parts of the experience noted Streff. "Networking in general helps you learn from others how to deal with situations in everyday

life," stated Streff. "I discovered that Pennsylvania is the most like our state with the same sports in school, rural areas and similar livestock. Hawaii seemed to be very different in comparison. We met four students from Hawaii, where it is 'touristy' all the time with many making their income in the tourist business."

The group including their chaperones flew out of Minneapolis and arrived at Baltimore International airport on Flag Day - June 14. Their first stop was at Fort McHenry in honor of Flag Day and the origin of the Star Spangled Banner. There they had a chance to see Vice President Mike Pence from a distance as he was heavily guarded at the time.

Saturday was spent at the War Memorials, the National Archives and the Kennedy Center for the performing arts.

On Sunday - they saw the Washington National Cathedral and George Washington's Mount Vernon home. The day ended with a cruise on the Potomac River with other students from Kansas, South

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### WEATHER

Robert Cole - Official  
Weather Observer

	HI	LO	PR
June 25 .....	78	55	.18
June 26 .....	78	55	.26
June 27 .....	84	55	0
June 28 .....	83	66	0
June 29 .....	85	66	0
June 30 .....	95	72	0
July 1 .....	87	65	1.04
2019 precipitation to date	15.76		
2018 precipitation to date	6.76		



Even with wet conditions in our unusually wet spring planting season, the corn is playing catch-up pretty fast with recent rainfall in the area.

Above the children of Jordan and Aleigha Hallberg sit amongst the healthy looking corn stalks approximately four miles east of Clark. Young soon-to-be three month old son Warick - looks content in the

arms of his sisters. Emersynn on the left is two and a half and Blakely on the right will soon turn four years old.

The corn is approximately three feet tall and 'looks good' as July is here along with some heat units to go with the rains that drenched some areas of the county earlier in the week.

### Wet conditions continue

## Some corn is knee-high by the 4<sup>th</sup> of July

"This year is different," stated South Dakota Agronomy specialist David Karki from the Watertown Regional Extension Center.

What he is referring to is this year's planting season in the county. High water and saturated soil in many townships in the county have delayed planting.

### Rainfall going back

One will notice in the *Clark County Courier's* weather report according to their official weather observer, the total from January first to June 24, is 14.28 inches of rain versus 6.60 at this time in 2018.

Going back a few more years: in 2017 it was 10.02; in 2016 - 7.92;

in 2015 - 10.30; in 2014 - 10.10; in 2013 - 12.41; in 2012 - 11.49; in 2011 - 13.13; in 2010 - 13.18 and in 2009 - 8.24.

### Soybeans

According to agronomist David Karki, soybeans don't like the cool-

**Knee-high**  
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The Clark City Council appointed Terry Schlagel to fill Brian Cook's position on the city council. Schlagel began his council duties Monday and has a good laugh after being sworn in by city finance officer Jackie Luttrell.

## Schlagel replaces Cook on city council

The July meeting of the Clark City Council was a fairly short meeting, thirty-five minutes in length, with a new councilman coming on board.

Brian Cook resigned from the city council as he is leaving the community and his replacement in Ward I is Terry Schlagel. Schlagel will fill out this year and be up for re-election next April. The council unanimously appointed Schlagel to

fill Cook's seat on the council.

During the department updates, city finance officer Jackie Luttrell brought the significant water loss situation to the council's attention.

The city is losing significant dollars monthly in water loss, causing quite a concern. City lead employee Darin Altfillisch pointed out that it

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## Going, going, gone...



Last Wednesday this Scotch Pine tree was taken down by Beld Tree Service, of Hayti. The tree stood by itself behind the Jennen Law Office, in Clark, a half block west of Commercial Street, on the street behind the building on US Highway 212.

Owners of the property, Alan Yexley and Susan Yexley Jennen, had the tree taken down before it fell down, due to a strong wind. One cannot even tell that anything was there, as it looks now like bare asphalt.

David Moritz, who owned Moritz Printing/*Clark County Courier*, for basically a half century and grew up in Clark was asked what he knew about this tree, just to the west of his former property.

"It was big from as far back as I can remember," said Moritz. "When we were kids, I know it was the Peterson's and Hulscher's basketball court with the tree providing the backboard."

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