



Henry High School Homecoming royalty candidates for 2023 have been selected. Coronation of the King and Queen will be held on Tuesday, September 26 at 7:00 p.m. Queen candidates in the front row, from left to right are Caylin Kelly, Katelyn Mischke, Taylor Watson and Allison Stark. King candidates in the back row are Tate Hartley, left and Jaden Thomas, right.

Photo by Tyler Thue

Henry School's Homecoming is September 29

Henry High School's Homecoming festivities start next week. The celebration starts Monday, September 25 and goes through Friday, September 29.

The King and Queen will be crowned at the Coronation ceremony on Tuesday, September 26 beginning at 7:00 p.m. with a bonfire to follow.

During Homecoming week, the students are allowed the opportunity to dress up. Every day has a different theme. The elementary students have 'Pajama Day' on Monday, 'Class Color Day' on Tuesday, 'Wacky Wednesday,' 'Anything but a Backpack Day' for Thursday and of course 'Spirit Day' on Friday for Homecoming.

The dress up day themes for Henry High School students are 'Future Career Day' on Monday, 'Western vs. Rock N' Roll Day' for Tuesday, 'Dress Like your Parent Day' on Wednesday, 'Hippie Day' for Thursday and again 'Spirit Day' on Friday for Homecoming.

The Henry Homecoming Parade is scheduled for Friday, September 29 in the afternoon. The Falcons football game will take place in Florence against the Great Plains Lutheran Panthers starting at 7:00 p.m.

King Candidates

Tate Hartley is the son of Adam and Laci Hartley and a brother to Brodie and Aubrie. At Henry, Tate is involved in football, basketball, FFA, student council and NHS. Outside of school, Tate can be found hunting, fishing and hanging out with friends. Following graduation, Tate plans to attend LATC for Building Trades.

Jaden Thomas is the son of Kevin and Pamela Thomas and a brother to Darin, David and Natalie. He is involved in track, football, oral interp, Spring play, one act play, NHS and band. Outside of school, Jaden enjoys playing the drums, working out at the wellness center and going to the movies. Following graduation, Jaden plans to attend Augustana College to continue expanding his knowledge of music.

Queen Candidates

Allison Stark is the daughter of David and Shannon and younger sister to Ryan. She is involved in volleyball, track, FCA, NHS, student council and band. Outside of school, Allison enjoys playing softball and reading. Following graduation, Allison plans to attend college for an undergrad degree in Exercise Science, before continuing her education in pursuit of a Doctorate in Physical Therapy.

Taylor Watson is the daughter of Troy and Nicky Watson and a sister to Trinity and Teagan. She is involved in volleyball, basketball, track, NHS, FCA and student council. Outside of school, Taylor enjoys reading and camping. Following graduation, Taylor plans to attend college in pursuit of a degree in either Pharmacy or Physical Therapy and play basketball.

Katelyn Mischke is the son of Ashley and Brett Mischke and a sister to Konnor and Kason. At Henry, she is involved in cheer, band, choir and NHS. Outside of school, you will find Katelyn hanging out with her friends and dog. Following graduation, Katelyn plans to attend Grand Canyon University to major in Psychology.

Caylin Kelly is the daughter of Tom and Angie Kelly and a sister to Charlie, Chase and Carson. Caylin is involved in basketball, volleyball, track, student council, FCA and NHS. Outside of school, Caylin enjoys playing basketball, shopping and hanging out with friends. Following graduation, Caylin plans to attend Minnesota State University - Moorhead to major in Elementary Education and play basketball.

Clark High School Alumni weekend full of events

Clark High School Alumni will enjoy a full weekend of events to reconnect with friends and classmates during Alumni Weekend this coming weekend. Many of the CHS Alumni Association's events will take place Friday, September 22 and Saturday, September 23, in conjunction with Clark School's Homecoming. The Clark Golf Club will be the main gathering place again this year.

"Alumni Homecoming weekend is a special time for local and returning alumni, as well as the community, to celebrate their connection to Clark and Clark High School," Jennifer Severson, Clark High School Alumni Association board member said. "The activities we started three years ago continue to gain interest. It's so much fun to see everyone celebrating together."

The Alumni Association kicks off the weekend with a burger feed prior to the parade and has activities throughout the weekend. The group continues to gain momentum as they add new activities around the high school's Homecoming events.

The Homecoming Parade will run along Highway 212 and Main Street starting at 1:00 p.m. on Fri-

day. Other events on Friday include the all-school "meet and greet" at the Clark Golf Club and the tailgate party at the CHS football field in the north parking lot. The Clark-Willow Lake homecoming football game kicks off at 7:00 p.m. against the Mobridge-Pollock Tigers.

Severson said, "We encourage alumni to attend the Clark School activities like the home cross country meet on Thursday and the football game on Friday." During halftime of the football game, the Alumni Association will recognize alumni celebrating milestone reunions, as well as Jerry Sjoberg, Class of 1983, who was the Boys Golf Individual State Champion 40 years ago.

Saturday's events begin at the Clark Golf Club with the three-person golf scramble. Check-in begins at 9:00 a.m. with a shotgun start at 10:00 a.m. Registration is through the Clark Golf Club and there are still openings.

"Our grand finale is Saturday evening starting with the new scholarship raffle drawing at 6:00 p.m. where we'll give away over \$4,000 in cash prizes. The alumni and community were amazingly

generous, and the 160 tickets that were available are all sold."

The raffle drawing is followed by a live auction of Comet and Cyclone items and other donations and then a DJ from 8:00 p.m. to midnight. The community is invited.

"The raffle, live auction and other events help fund Alumni Association Scholarships. Last year, we awarded four scholarships, and in 2024, we hope to do more," Severson said.

To wrap up the weekend, the Alumni Association is hosting a breakfast on Sunday morning from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the American Legion. The menu will feature biscuits and gravy, eggs, sausage, ham and beverages. A free-will offering will fund a special one-time scholarship in honor of local businesswoman and Class of 1988 graduate, Heather Johannsen who passed away in July.

Alumni Association board members include: Lonna (Sjoberg) DesLauriers, Jerry Hartley, Cassi (Schlagel) Kotke, Desi (Weber) Lamb, Sharon Larson, Megan (Benson) Merkel, Jackie (Forest) Schlagel, Jenn Severson and Julie (Bjerke) Zubke.

C.H.S. 2023 Homecoming royalty chosen

Anticipation was in the air during the 2023 Clark High School Homecoming Coronation ceremony on Tuesday night in the Clark High School gym. Crowned as this year's Homecoming royalty were Marshal Christian Gonzalez and Queen Madison Pickrel. The two will reign over the rest of the remaining Homecoming festivities.

The other candidates nomi-



Marshal Christian Gonzalez



Queen Madison Pickrel

Homecoming Spirit Week

'Spirit Day' helps make Homecoming week special with different themes throughout the week.

Beginning on Monday, September 18 the theme was 'Pajama Day'. The fun continued on Tuesday with the theme being 'Dress as a Teacher Day'. Wednesday, the theme is 'Jersey Day,' and then on Thursday, the theme is 'Dress in a Decade.' Friday is the traditional 'Cyclone Spirit Day' showing school spirit with the school colors, black, green and silver.

nated to succeed 2022 Marshal Trey Huber and Queen Summer Seefeldt were Ella Wellnitz, Ne-

vaeh Rusher, Sara Thonvold, Jack Helkenn, Tyson Huber and Collin Gaikowski. The Clark Homecoming football game will be Friday, September 22 at the Clark High School Sports Complex against the Mobridge-Pollock Tigers.

Parade a highlight

The Homecoming Parade will be at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, September 22.

Parade entries are asked to line up on Idaho Street, starting at the Catholic Church, north past the elementary school and around the swimming pool park. Starting at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, the parade route will be south past the Catholic Church to Highway 212, east to Commercial Street, then north to the nursing home. Entries may return on Idaho Street, and floats should be dismantled following the parade.

The theme this year is 'Toys'. Entries will be divided into three

categories - A: elementary school walking; B: elementary and middle school floats and C: high school class and organization floats.

The entries will be judged on the basis of originality, beauty and adherence to theme. Winners will be announced at half-time of the football game.

WEATHER

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Sept. 12	69	44	T
Sept. 13	82	43	0
Sept. 14	78	57	T
Sept. 15	77	48	0
Sept. 16	73	44	0
Sept. 17	75	39	0
Sept. 18	78	53	0
2023 precipitation to date	15.73"		
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Area high school seniors partake in Government Day in Clark

High school seniors from Clark, Willow Lake and Henry were invited to Clark American Legion Post 60's annual Government Day experience on Monday, also known as Constitution Day. This year, Constitution Day landed on Sunday, so the Government Day experience was held Monday.

Clark had 22 seniors attending the day-long event. They were led by Dave Severson. Willow Lake had 12 seniors led by Brook Begeman, and Henry had eight students that were led by Matt Mohr.

During the day, the students had the opportunity to learn about county government, which included touring the various courthouse offices and observing meetings and court sessions.

According to Dave Adam of Cagley-Smith Post #60, there is no other community legion in the country that holds Government Days.

After lunch, the students visited Flat Iron Park, above, where they were able to see the Charters of Freedom, which house the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and the Declaration of Independence. The newest addition to Flat Iron Park was also viewed, the Prisoner of War Bench that was dedicated in July. Adam stated, "The Charter of Freedom setting is a unique and appropriate location to educate local high school students."

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