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Science Bowl returns Saturday to Event Center

HURON — A scant two weeks after Huron hosted the teachers from across the state at the 2023 STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Educational Conference, several of their students will travel to the Fair City for this weekend's Science Bowl.

The event is open to the public.

The competition, open to high school teams from across the state, is hosted by the Western Area Power Administration (WAPA). Huron is the state site, with the winner going on to the national science bowl, which is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Science.

"Right now we have nine teams signed up to compete," said Amber Lonas, the Huron coordinator for WAPA, "although we may see additional teams register at the last minute."

Teams check in Saturday. SCIENCE — PAGE 3



BENJAMIN CHASE/PLAINSMAN

Beadle County Commission chairman Doug Ramsell, standing, opens the joint county/township meeting Tuesday in the Beadle County Courthouse. Seated, from the left are fellow commissioners Dennis Meyer, Denis Drake.

County holds department head, township meetings

BY BENJAMIN CHASE OF THE PLAINSMAN

heads to review general policies that were approved at the Jan. 31 meeting.

HURON — The Beadle County Commission opened its morning meeting Tuesday with a get-together with all of the county department

The commissioners expressed thanks to all of the present department heads for their hard work and

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Long time Beadle County Commissioner passes away

BY BENJAMIN CHASE OF THE PLAINSMAN

HURON — Former Beadle County Commissioner Larry Mattke passed away Sunday, Feb. 12. He was 84 years old.

Former commissioner Mattke's obituary can be found on Page 2.



On Jan. 6, 2003, Mattke was sworn in as a commissioner, and he served diligently in the role, even serving as the auctioneer at the land sale held by the commission at his last official meeting on Dec. 29, 2022, after serving 20 years as a commissioner.

Commissioner Rick Benson noted that he and Larry worked together as 4-H leaders prior to working to-

gether as commissioners to develop a relationship. Mattke was elected to the 4-H Hall of Fame in 2008 after years of volunteering and leadership.

Benson and other commissioners recalled that Mattke was focused on the business of the county.

"This is a political position here, and Larry was the lone Democrat all the time," county commissioner Denis Drake recalled. "We never once had an argument over political stuff. It was always county business, never politics."

Fellow commissioners noted that Mattke's experience from nearly 30 years working in the banking industry gave

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JOHN LOCHER/AP FILE PHOTO

Former U.N. Ambassador Nikki Haley speaks at an annual leadership meeting of the Republican Jewish Coalition in Las Vegas. Haley became the first candidate to take on former President Donald Trump, as she announced her bid for the Republican nomination.

Nikki Haley announces run for president, challenging Trump

BY MEG KINNARD ASSOCIATED PRESS

ing heels," Haley said. "I'm Nikki Haley, and I'm running for president."

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — Nikki Haley, the former South Carolina governor and United Nations ambassador, announced her candidacy for president on Tuesday, becoming the first major challenger to former President Donald Trump for the 2024 Republican nomination.

The announcement, delivered in a tweeted video, marks an about-face for the ex-Trump Cabinet official, who said two years ago that she wouldn't challenge her former boss for the White House in 2024. But she changed her mind in recent months, citing, among other things, the country's economic troubles and the need for "generational change," a nod to the 76-year-old Trump's age.

"You should know this about me. I don't put up with bullies. And when you kick back, it hurts them more if you're wear-

Haley, 51, is the first in a long line of Republicans who are expected to launch 2024 campaigns in the coming months. Among them are Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, former Vice President Mike Pence, former Secretary of State Mike Pompeo and Sen. Tim Scott of South Carolina.

President Joe Biden has said he intends to seek reelection in 2024, stalling any jostling for the Democratic nomination.

Haley has regularly boasted about her track record of defying political expectations, saying, "I've never lost an election, and I'm not going to start now."

If elected, Haley would be the nation's first female president and the first U.S. president of Indian descent.

The daughter of Indian immigrants, Haley grew up endur-

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Noem signs transgender youth health care ban into law

PIERRE — Gov. Kristi Noem signed a bill into law Monday that would ban some forms of health care for transgender youth.

HB 1080 is dubbed the "Help Not Harm" Bill by proponents. When it takes effect July 1, it will ban health care professionals who treat transgender children from prescribing drugs such as puberty blockers and performing some types of surgeries. Health care providers could lose their license if caught providing the banned services and could also be held liable in lawsuits.

However, there are several exemptions in the legislation, including one for children who are "born with a medically verifiable disorder of sex development," which proponents say covers medical situations when a child's physical sex is unclear.

"South Dakota's kids are our future. With this legislation, we are protecting kids from harmful, permanent medical procedures," Noem

said in a news release. "I will always stand up for the next generation of South Dakotans."

The bill has been met with resistance from LGBTQ advocacy groups, medical professionals and concerned citizens. Opponents argue the bill violates the rights of transgender children and their parents.

"It's a huge government overreach into the patient-provider relationship," Samantha Chapman, of the American Civil Liberties Union of South Dakota, told legislators during a committee hearing.

During the past several years, the World Health Organization changed its classifications. People who have a gender identity that does not match their physical, sexual characteristics are no longer classified as having a mental or behavioral disorder. They're regarded as having a condition related to sexual health.

This is the 34th bill Noem has signed into law this year.

Police seek motive of gunman who killed 3 at Michigan State

BY JOEY CAPPELLETTI AND MIKE HOUSEHOLDER ASSOCIATED PRESS

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) — The 43-year-old gunman who killed three students and wounded five others at Michigan State University had no apparent connection to the campus, police said Tuesday as they searched for a motive for shootings that terrified the community for hours.

Investigators were sorting out why Anthony McRae fired inside an academic building and the student union just before 8:30 p.m. Monday. An hourslong lockdown at the campus in East Lansing ended when he killed

himself miles away while being confronted by police.

The shooting happened the day before the fifth anniversary of the Parkland, Florida, school shooting that killed 17 and is the latest in what has become a deadly new year in the U.S.

"We have to do something to stop the gun violence that's ripping apart our communities," President Joe Biden said in a speech Tuesday, mentioning Michigan State.

Meanwhile, a school district in Ewing Township, New Jersey, closed for the day after investigators said that McRae, who lived in the area years ago, had a note in his pocket indicating a

threat to schools there. But it was determined there was no credible threat, local police said later in a statement shared by the superintendent.

The dead and injured in the gunfire at Berkeley Hall and the MSU Union, a popular place to eat and study, were all Michigan State students. Five remained in critical condition at Sparrow Hospital, said Dr. Denny Martin, who fought back tears during a news conference Tuesday.

"We have absolutely no idea what the motive was," said Chris Rozman, deputy chief of campus police, adding that McRae, of Lan-

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Weather forecast for today, Thursday, and Friday. Today: Low clouds and windy, 15°-1°. Thursday: Windy with clouds and sun, 17°-0°. Friday: Breezy, not as cold, High 34 / Low 20.

Deaths section listing obituaries for Josh Trandall, Larry Mattke, and Joan Mueller.

Inside section listing various articles and their page numbers, such as Abby & Comics (10), Church (7), and Sports (9&14).



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ing racist taunts in a small South Carolina town and has long referenced that impact on her personal and political arc.

In the three-and-a-half minute video, Haley referenced that past, saying she grew up “not Black, not white — I was different.”

Despite that, Haley insisted that America is not a racist country: “Nothing could be further from the truth.” Playing in the background of her video were images of media reports related to The New York Times Magazine’s Pulitzer Prize-winning “1619 Project” — which centered the country’s history around slavery.

Haley never mentions Trump by name in the video, instead saying “the Washington establishment has failed us over and over and over again.” Haley leans into a call for “a new generation of leadership,” which has become the refrain of her messaging leading up to the launch.

There appears to be openness among Republicans to new leadership, according to a new poll from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research. In an open-ended question asking Republicans to choose who they want to lead their party, a majority of Republicans didn’t choose either Trump or De-

Santis, considered the former president’s top rival. But they also didn’t have a clear alternative in mind.

Eleven other politicians, including Haley, are named by just 1% of Republicans as their preferred leader.

In a statement, Taylor Budowich, spokesman for Trump’s super PAC, said Haley was “just another career politician.”

“She started out as a Never Trumper before resigning to serve in the Trump admin,” he said. “She then resigned early to go rake in money on corporate boards. Now, she’s telling us she represents a ‘new generation.’ Sure just looks like more of the same, a career politician whose only fulfilled commitment is to herself.”

Before entering politics, Haley was an accountant. She defeated the longest-serving member of the South Carolina House in 2004 in her first bid for public office. Three terms later and with little statewide recognition, Haley mounted a long-shot campaign for governor against a large field of experienced politicians.

She racked up a number of high-profile endorsements, including from the sitting South Carolina governor, Mark Sanford, and former Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, a tea party darling.

Judge to release parts of Georgia special grand jury report

BY KATE BRUMBACK ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA (AP) — A Georgia judge ordered the partial release later this week of a report by a special grand jury that investigated efforts by former President Donald Trump and his allies to overturn his 2020 election loss.

The report’s introduction and conclusion, as well as a section in which the grand jurors expressed concerns that some witnesses may have lied under oath, will be released on Thursday, said Fulton County Superior Court Judge Robert McBurney.

Any recommendations on who should or should not be prosecuted will remain secret for now to protect their due process rights, McBurney wrote.

McBurney’s order came three weeks after hearing arguments from prosecutors, who urged the report be kept secret until they decide on charges, and a coalition of media organizations, which pressed for its release.

The release is a significant development in one of several cases that

threaten legal jeopardy for the former president as he ramps up a 2024 White House campaign. The special grand jury spent about seven months hearing testimony from witnesses including high-profile Trump allies, such as attorney Rudy Giuliani and Sen. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina, and high-ranking Georgia officials, such as Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger and Gov. Brian Kemp.

McBurney wrote that the report includes recommendations for Fulton County District Attorney Fani Willis, including “a roster of who should (or should not) be indicted, and for what, in relation to the conduct (and aftermath) of the 2020 general election in Georgia.” The special grand jury did not have the power to issue indictments, and it will ultimately be up to Willis to decide whether to seek indictments from a regular grand jury.

The special grand jury’s final report was requested by Willis and is meant to inform her investigative decision-making process, McBurney wrote, adding that

the panel’s investigation was largely controlled by the district attorney and her team and was “a one-sided exploration.”

There was “very limited due process” for people for whom the grand jurors recommended charges, McBurney wrote. Some may not have had the opportunity to appear before the panel, and those who did appear did not have the right to have their lawyers present or to offer any rebuttal.

For that reason, the judge concluded, it is not appropriate to release the full report at this time.

It is not clear if or when Willis will present the case to a regular grand jury with the purpose of getting one or more indictments. At a Jan. 24 hearing, she said decisions are “imminent” but did not elaborate.

Trump told The Associated Press last month that he did “absolutely nothing wrong.” He said he felt “very confident” that he wouldn’t be indicted.

At the January hearing, Willis had argued against the immediate release of the report, say-

ing it could violate the rights of potential defendants and negatively affect the ability to prosecute those who may be charged with crimes.

“We want to make sure that everyone is treated fairly and we think for future defendants to be treated fairly, it is not appropriate at this time to have this report released,” Willis said during the hearing.

A group of news organizations, including the AP, argued in favor of releasing the report immediately in full, saying that public interest in the report is “extraordinary.”

“The discomfort of the prosecuting authority in disclosing court records isn’t enough to make them sealed,” said attorney Tom Clyde, representing the media. “It has to be significant, identifiable evidence that’s going to cause a problem.”

Willis said in an emailed statement Monday that she believes McBurney’s order is “legally sound and consistent with my request” and that she has no plans to appeal. Clyde declined to comment.

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day morning and after opening ceremonies, the teams will begin six rounds of competition, using a round-robin format.

After a break for lunch the finalists are announced, then the double-elimination finals begin, with an

awards ceremony planned immediately afterward.

Lonas will hand out the hardware to the winning team, which will qualify for the National Science Bowl, set for April 27 - May 1, in Washington, DC.

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him background on contracts and financials that were valuable many times through the years.

Commissioner Doug Ramsell cited Mattke’s knowledge as an asset when he began as a commissioner.

“He was good to go to because of his experience on different issues,” Ramsell recalled. “I learned a lot from Larry, especially on car rides to meetings.”

Mattke’s funeral service is 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, at American Lutheran Church. Visitation, with family present, is Friday from 4 to 6 p.m. at Welter Funeral Home.

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communication with the commission on any issues that do come up.

The commission completed the day with the annual towns and township meeting in the large courtroom Tuesday evening.

The morning meeting opened with a moment of silence for recently-deceased former commissioner Larry Mattke, who passed away Sunday.

Highway superintendent Jason Fritzsche brought the recently-opened fuel quotes, supply bids, and gravel bids to the commission. Each bid has gone up significantly for the county. Fritzsche reported that doing chip sealing for the planned miles in

2023 will cost nearly twice the cost of the same miles would have cost in 2022.

The commission approved fuel quote, supply bids, and gravel bids.

The commission approved retaining IMEG to do bridge inspections for the county. A resolution was also approved that allows the highway department to put load limits into place on county roads as soon as is appropriate.

Fritzsche presented a pay request of \$144,024.09 to Raeco for work done on the new highway building. He explained that the building should be ready for full move-in by early March. The furniture has been installed and flooring has been installed in the locker room and break room. Fritzsche noted that the pay request was submitted in early December, but that the site architecture insisted that certain work be completed before the request was paid. This work has now been completed, and the commission approved the request.

The commission approved a plat of land at Lake Byron to clear a “gen-



PHOTOS BY BENJAMIN CHASE/PLAINSMAN
Beadle County department heads Kim Eichstadt (Equalization, above) and Taylor Jans (Emergency Management) speak during Tuesday evening’s meeting.

tleman’s agreement” on land as a piece of land is sold.

Commissioners approved the resignation of Debbie Jungemann, clerk in the auditor’s office, effective June 30.

The commission will meet next on Tues., Feb. 28, at 9 a.m. in the commission room on the second floor of the courthouse.



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sing, was not a student or Michigan State employee.

“This is still fluid,” Rozman said. “There are still crime scenes that are being processed, and we still are in the process of putting together the pieces to try to understand what happened.”

The dead were all from the Detroit area. Two graduated from separate high schools in the Grosse Pointe district: Brian Fraser, president of Phi Delta Theta fraternity, and Arielle Anderson. Alexandria Verner, a graduate of

Clawson High School in another Detroit suburb, also died.

“If you knew her, you loved her and we will forever remember the lasting impact she has had on all of us,” Clawson Superintendent Billy Shellenbarger said in an email to families.

The shootings took place in an area of older, stately buildings on the northern edge of the Michigan State campus, one of the nation’s largest at 5,200 acres.

Just across busy Grand River Avenue lies East Lansing’s downtown, teeming with restaurants, bars and shops.

“Our Spartan community is reeling today,” Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, a Michigan State graduate, said at the morning briefing.

Biden pledged his support during a phone call, she said.

“We mourn the loss of beautiful souls today and pray for those who are continuing to fight for their lives. ... Another place that is supposed to be about community and togetherness is shattered by bullets and

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bloodshed,” Whitmer said.

Michigan State has about 50,000 students, including 19,000 who live on campus. As hundreds of officers scoured the campus, about 90 miles northwest of Detroit, students hid where they could Monday night.

At 11 p.m., police were still searching for McRae when he turned up on school security cameras, and his image was quickly released to news media. An “alert citizen” saw the picture, recognized him in the Lansing area and contacted police within minutes, Rozman said.

Officers confronted McRae about five miles from campus in an industrial area, where he killed himself, Rozman said.

In 2019, McRae was accused of illegally possessing a concealed weapon, according to the state Corrections Department, but pleaded guilty to having a loaded gun in a vehicle, a misdemeanor. He completed 18 months of probation.

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Markets

NEW YORK (AP) — Several sharp reversals for stocks left Wall Street mixed on Tuesday after a report showed inflation is continuing to slow, but perhaps not as quickly or as smoothly as hoped.

Tuesday's report showed that inflation slowed to 6.4% in January from its peak of 9.1% in June. The hope on Wall Street has been for a continuing slowdown to get the Federal Reserve to pause its hikes to interest rates and perhaps begin contemplating cuts to them.

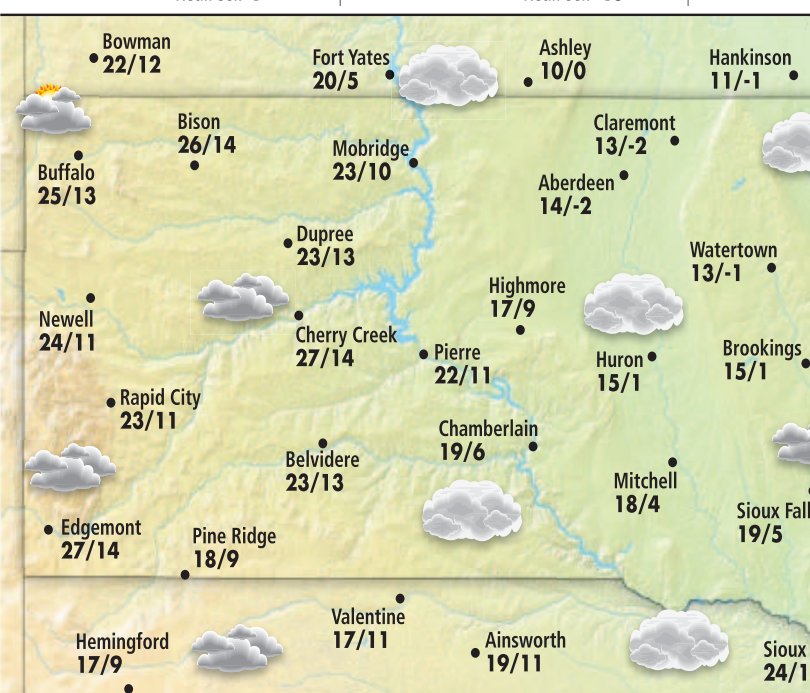
Nearly half of January's month-over-month inflation came from an area where Fed Chair Jerome Powell has said he sees easing pressure in the pipeline: housing and other shelter-related prices.



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WEATHER HISTORY

In 1980, a series of storms brought heavy rain to California, Oregon and Washington in mid-February. Mount Wilson, Calif., had 9.00 inches of rain in two days.

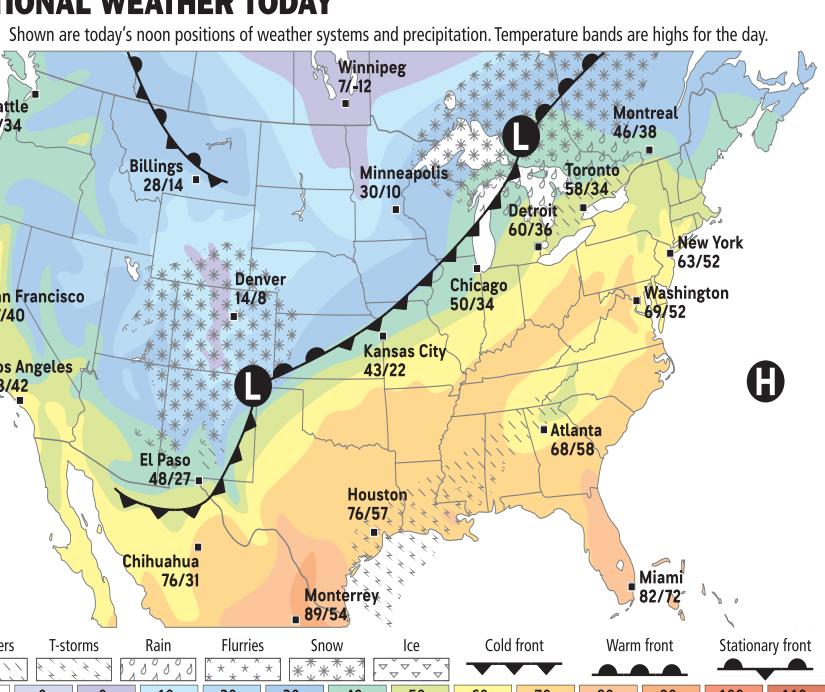
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HRMC employees participated in Go Red for Women day on Friday, Feb. 3, by wearing red and participating in a heart healthy walk.

HRMC plans American Heart Month events

To celebrate American Heart month, Huron Regional Medical Center (HRMC) is encouraging the community to protect themselves from the crippling effects of heart attack or stroke through education and prevention.

Dr. Kevin Vaska, cardiologist, will provide a "Love your Heart" presentation at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 20, at the HRMC Legacy Plaza (110 Fourth St. S.E.)



Dr. Kevin Vaska
Cardiologist

A light lunch will be offered to those who register by Wednesday, Feb. 15.

Dr. Vaska will share information about heart health, signs of stroke or heart attack and living life after a heart-related event. HRMC will offer basic cardiac risk assessments including blood pressure checks at the event. Visit huronregional.org/hrmc-events or call 605-353-6573 to sign up.

In addition, Sanford Heart will offer heart and vascular screenings on Feb. 22 and 23 at the HRMC Legacy Plaza at 110 Fourth St. S.E. Walk-ins will be accepted, however, appointments to ensure availability can be made by calling 605-312-2150.

A heart attack occurs when the

blood supply to part of the heart muscle (the myocardium) is severely reduced or stopped because one or more of the heart's arteries is blocked. If the blood supply is cut off for more than a few minutes, heart muscle cells suffer permanent injury or die. A heart attack can cause death or disability, depending on how much heart muscle is damaged.

The best protection against heart attack is to be aware of your risks, know the signs and symptoms of heart disease and the steps you can take to reduce your risk. Having an annual physical is a good place to start, with blood pressure checks beginning annually at age 20 and cholesterol testing every five years, depending on health and family history.

UPCOMING EVENTS

BCHS fundraiser set

HURON — A silent auction and bake sale fundraiser, along with Bingo games, to benefit the Beadle County Humane Society will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 19, at the Nordby Exhibit Hall on the S.D. State Fairgrounds.

Valentine social planned

HURON — Delta Chapter is hosting a Valentine social for prospective members from 5 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, at the Cornerpost Grapefarm and Winehouse, 39379 209th St., Huron.

The meeting is open to anyone interested in exploring membership in DKG. Delta Kappa Gamma promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Grant and scholarship opportunities, chapter projects, and member benefits will be highlighted. For more information call 605-354-0162.

CLUB NEWS

P.E.O. Chapter AN meets

HURON — Chapter AN P.E.O. met Feb. 6, at the home of Jayne Shaffer, with Molly Lamont as co-hostess. Margaret Lehr was acting President as Louise Bauman had to be out of town.

We had eight members present. Our Founder's Day Program was entitled "Back in the Day" and was given by Betty Krutzfeldt.

Our next meeting is at 1:15 p.m. Monday, Feb. 20, at Gigi's Restaurant.

SCHOOL NOTES

Let me introduce myself, my name is Tisha Harvey and I am the new school nurse at Madison 2-3 Center. I am excited to be at Madison and enjoy seeing all the students. We have had a busy school year so far with vision screening, hearing screenings and illness.

In October, all the students had their vision screened. More than 400 students were screened. Approximately 100 of those students needed to have a complete eye exam and were referred. To quote a teacher "If the student cannot see well, they cannot learn."

Also, in October, 2nd grade students had their hearing tested by the South Dakota School for the Deaf (SDSFD). So thankful that the SDSFD could do the testing this year. Out of those students tested, two needed full evaluations and were referred.

Finally, illness. Please follow the guidelines below to help prevent the spread of illness in school. Definitely keep your child at home if he or she has any of these symptoms:

- Fever (100.0 degrees or greater... your child may return to school only after his or her temperature has been consistently below 100.0 degrees for a minimum of 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medicine)
- Vomiting (even once)
- Diarrhea
- Chills
- General malaise or feelings of fatigue, weakness or muscle aches
- Frequent congested (wet) or croupy cough

To help prevent the flu / colds, re-enforce your child's good hygiene habits:

- Wash hands frequently
- Do not touch eyes, nose or mouth
- Cover mouth and nose when sneezing or coughing, use a paper tissue, throw it away and then wash hands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick

Thank you for allowing me to take care of your students this year and I hope everyone stays happy and healthy.

*Tisha Harvey RN
Madison 2-3 Center*

In Mrs. Alves' Pre-Algebra classes, we just finished up Chapter 5, which was solving one-step equations, evaluating algebraic expressions, and order of operations. We reviewed for the test by playing a Trashketball game. The kids really enjoyed this review game and their competitive side really came out!

We are now working on ratios, unit rates, and proportions. We have been figuring out real-life situations when it comes to finding unit rates, for example: if someone earned \$112.80 for working 8 hours, how much would they make per hour?

*Mrs. Lindsey Alves
Mathematics Department, HHS*

The Huron Public Special Olympics team has had and is going to have a busy February. We held our annual Polar Plunge fundraiser on Feb. 4. We were able to raise over \$16,500 in funds, a third of which our Huron Public School Special Olympics team will receive to use to pay for equipment, uniforms, and hotel rooms at our state tournaments. We will attend the Northeast Regional Special Olympics Basketball Tournament at Hamlin High School on Feb. 17, with one basketball team composed of both Special Olympic Athletes and unified partners that compete. We will also have a Special Olympics cheer team attending to cheer on that basketball team. Special Olympics is available for any student in the Huron Public School District with an intellectual disability who is at least eight years old.

Students who do not have a disability and are willing to help those with a disability compete, may sign up as a unified partner. If any student is interested in joining, please contact Amanda Katzenberger at amanda.katzenberger@k12.sd.us.

*Amanda Katzenberger
Special Education Teacher
Huron Special Olympics Head Coach
Huron Middle School*

Armed for St. Valentine's Day...

The Washington 4-5 Center Tiger After-school Program students recently participated in the "Cupid's Quiver Challenge."

The students used paper, pipe cleaners, tape and scissors to create five 'arrows' and a quiver in which to carry them. Each student designed his or her own quiver and arrows, with a wide range of interesting results.

COURTESY PHOTOS



Heartland Cuisine: Holy Trinity Catholic Play: 'The Alibis'

Performances at
2 and 7 p.m.
Feb. 25
Fine Arts Center



Bailey Harvey, Claudia Perez and Ken Peterson rehearsing a scene at the Fine Arts Center.

Fundraising play set Feb. 25

What do Star Wars, a handsome butler, a French chef, a birthday hamster, badgers, Good-N-Plenty, a billionaire (and much, much more) all have in common? The upcoming production of "The Alibis" of course.

The comedy thriller, directed by Mike Lyon, is a fundraiser for the Holy Trinity Catholic School.

The family-friendly play will be performed on Feb. 25 at the Fine Arts Center. There will be two performances, at 2 and 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased at both the Holy Trinity School and Holy Trinity Church. Tickets are only \$15. Bever-

ages and appetizers will be served.

"The Alibis" has a big cast ranging from all ages — featuring Diane Clayton, Robert Dunn, Tessa Gogolin, Bailey Harvey, Chuck Mahowald, Natalee McGaugh, Claudia Perez, Ken Peterson, Ranae Puterbaugh, Ann Blondhiem and Crystal Whitney.

Also helping out with this production are Teagan Peterson and Shelby VandenHoek.

For additional information or if you would like to help out or make a donation to Holy Trinity, please call at 352-2203. Come out and support the Holy Trinity School and enjoy live local theatre.

Cinnamon Roll Cake

From Ranae Puterbaugh

Batter:

- 3 cups flour
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 cup sugar
- 4 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 ½ cups milk
- 2 eggs
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- ½ cup melted butter

Topping:

- 1 cup softened butter
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 2 Tablespoons flour
- 1 Tablespoon cinnamon

Glaze:

- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 5 Tablespoons milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Preheat oven to 350 F degrees and spray large glass baking dish with nonstick cooking spray.

In electric mixer, add flour, salt, sugar, baking powder, milk, eggs, and vanilla. Once combined, slowly add melted butter. Spread batter evenly into baking dish.

For the topping, in a large bowl, mix butter, brown sugar, flour, and cinnamon together until creamy. Drop evenly over the batter mixture by the tablespoonfuls and use a knife to marble through the cake batter.

Bake for 35-40 minutes.

For the glaze, in a medium bowl, mix powdered sugar, milk, and vanilla together with a whisk. Drizzle evenly over the cake while still warm.

Pixie

From Natalee McGaugh

- 4 ounces unsweetened chocolate
- 1/2 cup shortening
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 4 eggs
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 2 cups flour

Melt chocolate and add shortening. Add eggs, beat, then add flour and soda. Chill. Roll dough into 1-inch balls. Roll in powdered sugar. Bake at 350 degrees F for 5 to 7 minutes.



Above: Natalee Mc-Gaugh and Ranae Puterbaugh going over lines for the upcoming production of "The Alibis."

Left: Cast member Crystal Whitney trying on different costumes.

Right: From left, Tessa Gogolin, Diane Clayton and Robert Dunn rehearsing a scene.



Beef and Bean Enchiladas

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 package taco seasoning mix
- 16-ounce can refried beans
- 10.5-ounce can beef Consomé
- 1 package corn tortillas
- 10-ounce can enchilada sauce
- 1 large tomato
- 8 ounces shredded cheddar cheese

Brown ground beef and onion in large skillet. Drain fat. Stir in taco seasoning mix, refried beans and 1/2 cup beef consome. Cook over medium heat until thickened, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat. Fry tortillas, one at a time in hot oil for a few seconds on each side, until limp. Drain on paper towels.

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. Fill each tortilla with 1/4 cup meat mixture. Roll tightly and place seam-side down in 13-by-9-inch pan. Combine remaining Consomé with enchilada sauce and pour over enchiladas. Sprinkle with tomato and cheese. Bake for 15 to 20 minutes. Cool slightly before serving. Top with sour cream if desired. Makes 6 to 8 servings.



SPORTS

AREA BASKETBALL

James Valley Christian 61, Sanborn Central/Woonsocket 45

HURON — The James Valley Christian Vikings pulled away in the second quarter and kept the Sanborn Central/Woonsocket Blackhawks at roughly the same distance throughout the second half on the way to a 61-45 victory Tuesday at the JVC gym.

The win moves the Vikings to 16-3 and drops the Blackhawks to 6-12.

Landon Wager led the way for the Vikings with 16 points. Landon Wallman hit four 3-point baskets as part of 14 points for JVC, and Jerrad Wallman came off the bench to add 11 points.

Jeff Boschee led the Blackhawks with 19 points. Cody Slykhuus added 13 points.

The Vikings close out the regular season at Wessington Springs Friday while the Blackhawks travel to Iroquois

to play Iroquois/Lake Preston on Thursday.

Sanborn Central/Woon 10 22 39 45 James Valley Christian 13 34 48 61 Sanborn Central/Woonsocket (6-12): Brady Larson 1 0-0 2, Jeff Boschee 9 1-1 19, Mike Hoffman 0 1-2 1, Hayden Beigh 2 0-0 6, Bryce Larson 1 0-0 2, Toby Kneen 1 0-0 2, Cody Slykhuus 4 3-4 13. Totals: 18 5-7 45.

James Valley Christian (16-3): Dax Frandsen 3 0-0 8, Landon Wager 5 4-4 16, Landon Wallman 5 0-0 14, Ethan Bartholow 2 4-4 8, Isaac Korell 1 0-1 2, Brennen Hood 0 2-2 2, Jerrad Wallman 5 1-3 11. Totals: 21 11-14 61.

Northwestern 73, Redfield 56

REDFIELD — The Northwestern Wildcats exploded for 25 points in the fourth quarter, and pulling away for a 73-56 win over the Redfield Pheasants in non-conference boys' basketball action Tuesday night. Northwestern moves to 14-5 with the win, while Redfield falls to 8-11.

Northwestern held a slim lead throughout, but outscored Redfield 25-13 in the final quarter to pull away for the win. Quintin Fischbach led the Wildcats with 26 points, including



MIKE CARROLL/PLAINSMAN

Sanborn Central/Woonsocket's Hayden Beigh handles the ball against defensive pressure by James Valley Christian's Dax Frandsen during their game Tuesday at the JVC gym.

seven three-point field goals. Nathan Melius added 16 points and grabbed eight rebounds, while Lincoln Woodring notched 13 points.

For Redfield, Nolan Gall had 20 points and Mitchell Mack added 18. Justin Ratigan led all rebounders with 11.

The Pheasants host Tiospa Zina Friday night.

Northwestern 19 32 48 73 Redfield 14 25 43 56 Northwestern (14-5): Lincoln Woodring 5 0-0 13; Nathan Melius 6 3-3 16; Quintin Fischbach 8 3-3 26; Reily Schmitt 0 1-6 1; Chase Neiber 2 4-6 9; Jude Ortmeir 2 2-3 6; Tanner Ewalt 1 0-0 2. Totals: 24 13-21 73. Redfield (8-11): Nolan Gall 6 7-14 20; Jerron Haider 3 1-2 8; Mitchell Mack 7 4-8 18; Justin Ratigan 2 0-0 4; Tristen O'Daniel 3 0-0 6. Totals: 21 12-24 56.

Sully Buttes 68, Sunshine Bible Academy 43

MILLER — The Sully Buttes Chargers notched a 68-43 win over the Sunshine Bible Academy Crusaders Tuesday night in boys' basketball action.

Weslery Wittler scored 22 points and Thomas Farries chipped in 11 to led the Chargers, now 4-12, to the win, while Tyler Marshall snagged nine rebounds.

Daniel Gerbracht had 14 points and six rebounds for the Crusad-

ers, while Owan Watson added 11 points.

SBA, now 1-13, travels to North Central on Friday.

Sunshine Bible Academy 11 21 31 43 Sully Buttes 22 44 59 68 Sunshine Bible Academy (1-13): Owan Watson 4 1-2 11; Daniel Gerbracht 7 0-2 14; Parker Jones 3 2-2 9; Nolan Triebwasser 1 0-2 2; River Jones 0 0-2 0; Anthony Mitchell 3 0-2 6; Jensen Wipf 0 1-3 1. Totals: 18 4-15 43. Sully Buttes (4-12): Marshall Wittler 1 0-0 3; Landon Hepker 2 0-0 5; Wesley Wittler 8 1-2 22; Thomas Farries 5 0-1 11; Tyler Marshall 1 0-0 2; Logan Severson 2 0-0 4; Logan Severson 2 0-0 4; Trevor Marshall 3 1-1 8; Gavin Colson 3 0-0 6; Gavin Barber 0 0-1 0; Teghan Westphal 3 0-0 7. Totals: 28 2-5 68. FG: SBA - 18-38 47%; SB - 28-59 48%. 3-pt FGL: SBA - 3-10 (Watson 2, Jones); SB - 10-21 (W. Wittler 5; M. Wittler, Hepker, Farries, Tr. Marshall, Westphal). Rebounds: SBA - 27 (Gerbracht

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Huron girls fifth in ESD wrestling tournament

BY PLAINSMAN STAFF

MITCHELL — The Pierre Governor ran away with the team title at the inaugural Eastern South Dakota Conference girls' wrestling meet Tuesday.

The Governors rolled up 152 points, nearly double the total of runner-up Harrisburg, who ended with 69. Aberdeen Central was third with 66, followed by Brookings with 47 points, narrowly edging the Huron Tigers, who ended with 46.

Huron had four wrestlers finish in the top-four of the meet, with two grapplers earning runner-up finishes in very close matches.

At 132 pounds, senior Ehler Clay narrowly lost in the title match to Johanna Steinlicht of Brookings, by a 6-5 decision that went right down to the wire.

Huron's 126-pounder, senior Htee Htoo lost an 11-7 decision to Dani Ringstmeyer of Pierre, while at 106 - Chalie Sah, an 8th grader, defeated Avery Bendewald of Aberdeen by a 5-3 decision.

At 170 pounds, Kaitlyn Flory lost by pin to Fantasia Felcher of Brandon Valley in the 3rd place match.

The next action for the Huron wrestlers will be the state tournament, set for Feb. 23-25 in Rapid City.

Pitt wins sixth straight and is alone in first place in ACC

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Blake Hinson made six 3-pointers in scoring 21 points and Pittsburgh left Boston College behind in the second half to win 77-58 on Tuesday night and take a half-game lead in the ACC.

The Panthers (19-7, 12-3) won their sixth straight game, set a program record for most ACC wins in a season, and gave themselves at least a 24-hour perch alone atop the conference standings. No. 7 Virginia (11-3) plays at last-place Louisville on Wednesday.

Hinson was 6 of 11 on 3-pointers, Greg Elliott added four more and the Panthers finished 11 of 25 from the arc. Elliott scored 14 points and Nelly Cummings added 11.



MIKE CARROLL/PLAINSMAN

Sanborn Central/Woonsocket's Liz Boschee heads for the basket after getting past James Valley Christian's Rhyonna Hood during their game Tuesday at the JVC gym.

SPORTSSTATS

NHL

Monday's Games Ottawa 4, Calgary 3, OT Arizona 4, Nashville 2 Florida 2, Minnesota 1, SO Detroit 6, Vancouver 1 Los Angeles 5, Buffalo 2

Tuesday's Games Montreal 4, Chicago 0 Carolina 3, Washington 2 New Jersey 3, Columbus 2 Ottawa 3, N.Y. Islanders 2, SO St. Louis 6, Florida 2 Winnipeg 3, Seattle 2, SO Boston 4 Dallas (n) Tampa Bay at Colorado (n) Pittsburgh at San Jose (n)

Wednesday's Games Chicago at Toronto, 6 p.m. Tampa Bay at Arizona, 8 p.m. Colorado at Minnesota, 8:30 p.m. Detroit at Edmonton, 8:30 p.m. Buffalo at Anaheim, 9 p.m. N.Y. Rangers at Vancouver, 9 p.m. Thursday's Games Florida at Washington, 6 p.m. Montreal at Carolina, 6 p.m. Winnipeg at Columbus, 6 p.m. Boston at Nashville, 7 p.m. Detroit at Calgary, 8 p.m. New Jersey at St. Louis, 8 p.m. Philadelphia at Seattle, 9 p.m. San Jose at Vegas, 9 p.m.

NBA

Monday's Games Philadelphia 123, Houston 104 Cleveland 117, San Antonio 109 Charlotte 144, Atlanta 138 Utah 123, Indiana 117 Denver 112, Miami 108 New York 124, Brooklyn 106 Orlando 100, Chicago 91 New Orleans 103, Oklahoma City 100 Minnesota 124, Dallas 121 Portland 127, L.A. Lakers 115 Golden State 135, Washington 126

Tuesday's Games Toronto 123, Orlando 113 Milwaukee 131, Boston 125, OT Sacramento at Phoenix (n) Golden State at L.A. Clippers (n) Washington at Portland (n)

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Thursday's Games Milwaukee at Chicago, 6:30 p.m. Washington at Minnesota, 7 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Top 25 Fared Tuesday

No. 1 Alabama (22-3) did not play. Next: at No. 10 Tennessee, Wednesday. No. 2 Houston (23-2) did not play. Next: at SMU, Thursday. No. 3 Purdue (23-3) did not play. Next: at Maryland, Thursday. No. 4 UCLA (21-4) did not play. Next: vs. Stanford, Thursday. No. 5 Kansas (20-5) at Oklahoma St. Next: vs. Baylor, Saturday. No. 6 Texas (20-6) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma, Saturday. No. 7 Virginia (19-4) did not play. Next: at Louisville, Wednesday. No. 8 Arizona (22-4) did not play. Next: vs. Utah, Thursday. No. 9 Baylor (20-6) did not play. Next: at No. 5 Kansas, Saturday. No. 10 Tennessee (19-6) did not play. Next: vs. No. 1 Alabama, Wednesday. No. 11 Marquette (20-6) did not play. Next: vs. No. 16 Xavier, Wednesday. No. 12 Kansas St. (19-6) at Oklahoma. Next: vs. No. 19 Iowa St, Saturday. No. 13 Gonzaga (21-5) did not play. Next: at Loyola Marymount, Thursday. No. 14 Indiana (18-7) did not play. Next: at Northwestern, Wednesday. No. 15 Miami (21-5) did not play. Next: vs. Wake Forest, Saturday. No. 16 Xavier (19-6) did not play. Next: at Marquette, Wednesday. No. 17 Saint Mary's (Cal) (22-5) did not play. Next: at No. 21 San Diego St., Thursday. No. 18 Creighton (17-9) lost to No. 24 Providence 94-86, 2OT. Next: at St. John's, Saturday. No. 19 Iowa St. (16-8) did not play. Next: vs. 22 TCU, Wednesday. No. 20 UConn (19-7) did not play. Next: vs. Seton Hall, Saturday. No. 21 San Diego St. (20-5) did not play. Next: at Fresno St., Wednesday. No. 22 TCU (17-8) did not play. Next: at No. 19 Iowa St., Wednesday. No. 23 NC State (20-7) lost to Syracuse 75-72. Next: vs. North Carolina, Sunday. No. 24 Providence (19-7) beat No. 18 Creighton 94-86, 2OT. Next: vs. Villanova, Saturday. No. 25 FAU (24-2) did not play. Next: at Middle Tennessee, Thursday.

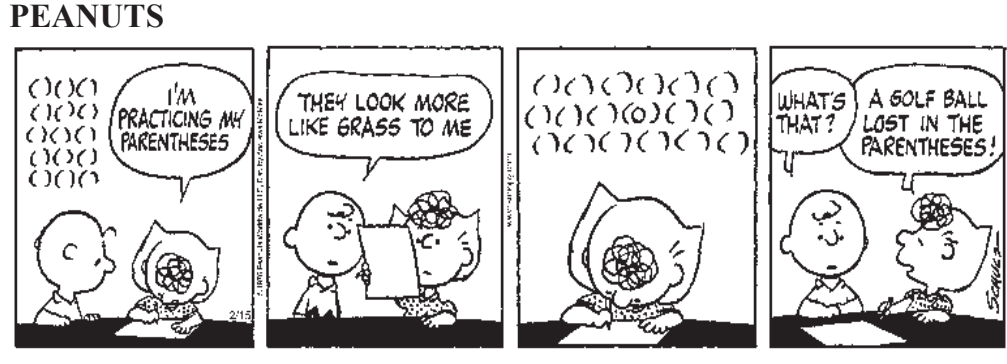
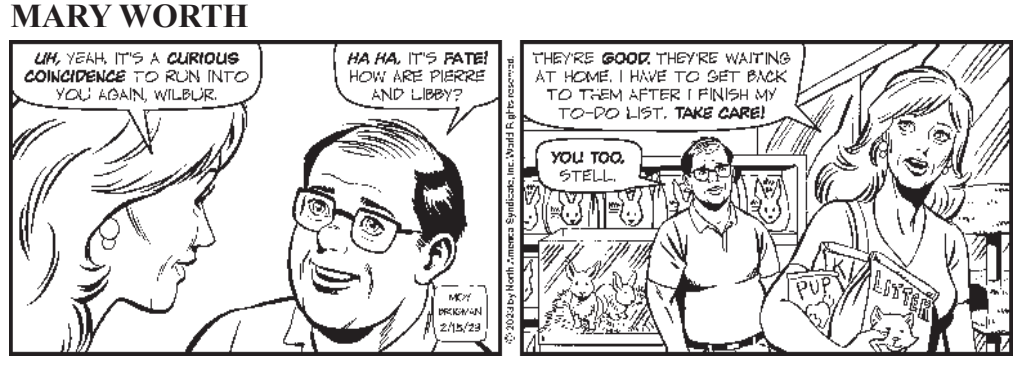
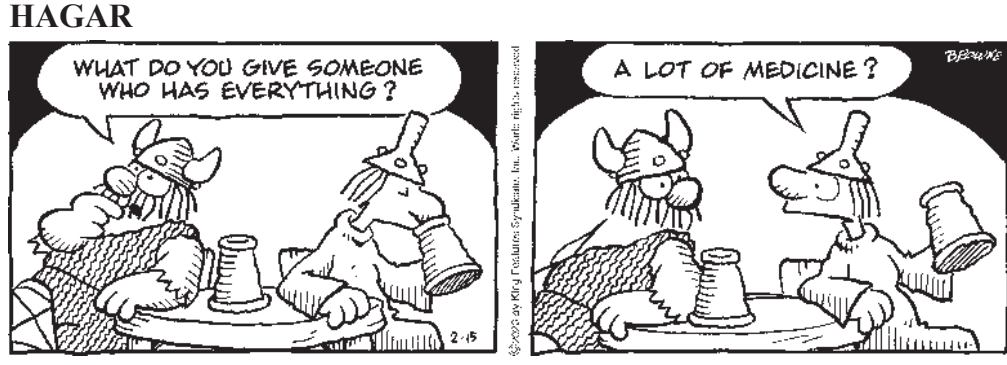
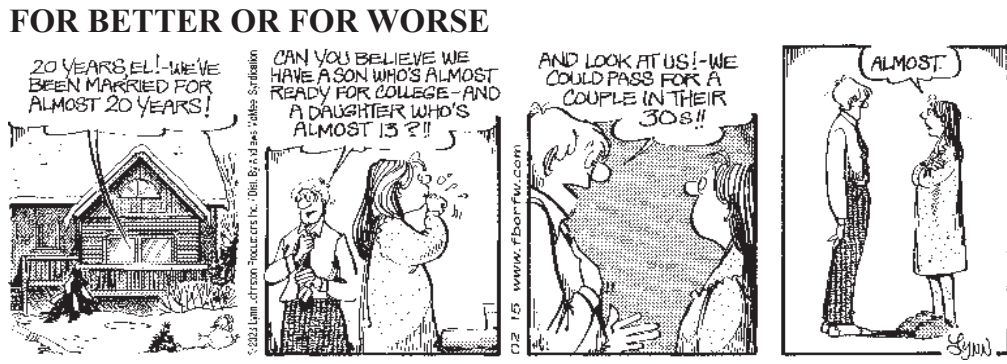
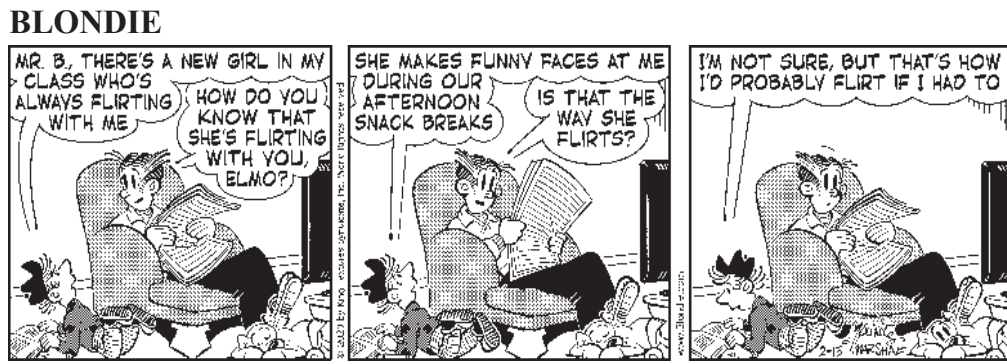
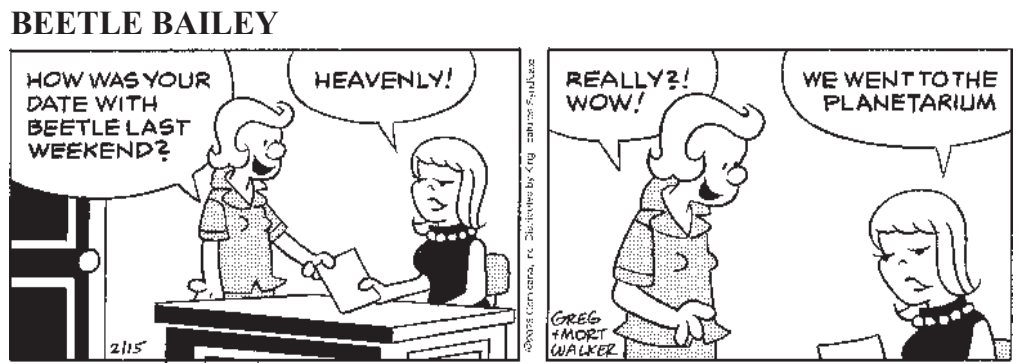
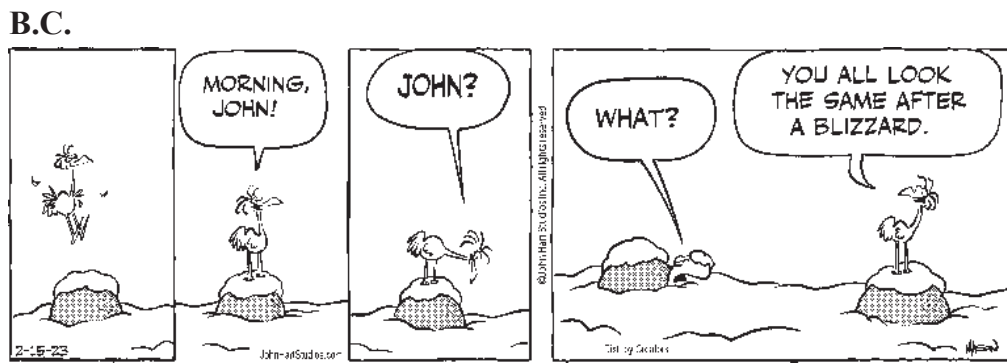
STATE SCORES

Tuesday's Scores The Associated Press BOYS PREP BASKETBALL Bridgewater-Emery 57, Irene-Wakonda 32 Canistota 61, Howard 56 Chamberlain 67, Hanson 62 Chester 59, Arlington 40 Flandreau 55, Baltic 44 Lennox 56, Beresford 24 Milbank 56, Waverly-South Shore 47 Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 79, Bon Homme 39 Parker 62, Garretson 34 Pierre 73, Brookings 43 Sioux Falls Washington 47, Mitchell 42 Sioux Valley 73, Castlewood 48 Tri-Valley 52, McCook Central/Montrose 41 Vermillion 64, Wagner 42 Wall 70, Lyman 57

GIRLS PREP BASKETBALL Alcester-Hudson 51, Freeman Academy/Marion 26 Andes Central/Dakota Christian 55, Gregory 52 Arlington 57, Chester 52 Belle Fourche 45, Newcastle, Wyo. 42 Colman-Egan 66, Iroquois/ Lake Preston Co-op 30 Corsica/Stickney 54, Tripp-Deimont/ Armour 31 Estelline/Hendricks 52, Flandreau Indian 30 Ethan 63, Freeman 55 Flandreau 46, Baltic 15 Garretson 68, Parker 43 Highmore-Harold 44, Ipswich 33 Irene-Wakonda 70, Bridgewater-Emery 46 James Valley Christian 42, Sanborn Central/Woonsocket 25 Lennox 62, Beresford 41 Moberidge-Pollock 71, Stanley County 36 Mt. Vernon/Plankinton 65, Bon Homme 46 Pierre 57, Brookings 31 Rapid City Christian 45, Spearfish 37 Redfield 55, Northwestern 49 Sioux Falls Christian 54, Yankton 23 Sioux Falls Washington 52, Mitchell 39 Sioux Valley 51, Castlewood 49 Sully Buttes 59, Sunshine Bible Academy 22 Viborg-Hurley 68, Menno 32 Wall 67, Lyman 48 Wessington Springs 41, Kimball/ White Lake 37 West Central 55, Canton 43 Winner 59, Platte-Geddes 35

Sports Calendar

Table with columns for Today, Thursday, Friday, and Television/Wednesday/Auto Racing. Includes events like Boys' Basketball, Girls' Basketball, Tennis, and College Basketball (Men's and Women's).



Friend's frisky husband makes his desires clear

DEAR ABBY: My married friend is a swinger. She says her husband's sex drive has declined lately, but it hasn't. He keeps trying to get me to talk "naughty" with him, but I always refuse. To me, that would be betraying my friend. He has encouraged her to get a live-in girlfriend for herself. I asked her what she thinks would happen if she did and he decided to do the same. She doesn't believe he would, but I do.

Abby, I value our friendship. If I tell her about his late-night habits, it would hurt her. If I don't and she finds out, it will also hurt her. He always apologizes after each attempt. Apologies mean nothing if he continues to repeat his actions. Lately, I have avoided spending time with her because of his late-night requests. What should I do? -- TURNED OFF IN THE SOUTH

DEAR TURNED OFF: Tell him his advances are not welcome and to stop calling you, and that if he doesn't, you will tell your friend. If he persists, inform your friend how long this has been going on and that you have been reluctant to tell her, but it has reached the point that it is making you not want to be around her either. After that, the ball will be in her court.

DEAR ABBY: My adult son is married with a newborn son. I recently learned that he is the victim of spousal abuse. He was keeping it a secret from us, but we found out when authorities became involved. My son loves his wife and wants to make it work. I have no idea how to navigate holidays and special occasions when we will see them. Knowing your adult son is being harmed by his wife, how would you interact with this woman? -- UNEASY IN ARIZONA

DEAR UNEASY: Be glad that the fact your daughter-in-law is a spousal abuser is now on

Dear Abby



ABIGAIL VANBUREN

record. Before the next holidays, you and your husband should have a talk with your son about why he has tolerated the abuse and WHAT HIS OPTIONS ARE. Is she so out of control that she could hurt the baby in a fit of rage? Are they receiving counseling? Has he spoken to an attorney about this?

A support group your son would find helpful is Stop Abuse for Everyone (stopabuseforeveryone.org). Once he gets in touch, he will realize that he's far from the only husband who has been battered. He also needs to know you are there for him regardless, so when the holidays roll around, be "cordial" -- and keep your eyes open.

DEAR ABBY: I have two friends whose daughters will be married this fall, both for the second time. I have given gifts to both women for their first marriages. What is the rule of etiquette for the second time around? -- WANTS TO KNOW IN MONTANA

DEAR WANTS: If you plan to attend the weddings, the rule is to give something less expensive this time around, along with your good wishes for a happy future.

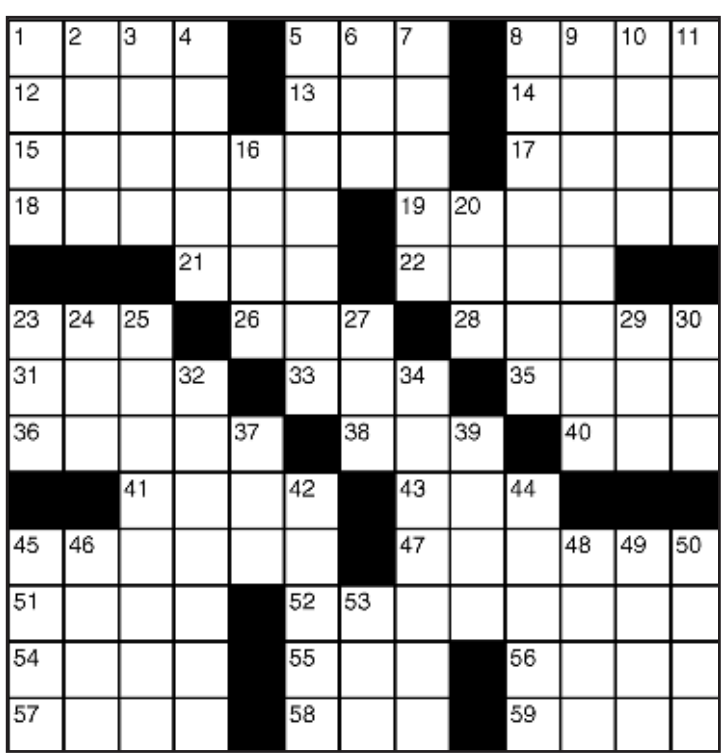
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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHEN THEY HEARD I WAS PICKED FOR THE BASKETBALL TEAM, MY FRIENDS CHEERED "HOOOP HOOORAY!"
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: L equals W

THE PLAINSMAN CROSSWORD BY EUGENE SHEFFER

- ACROSS**
- "Young Frankenstein" role
 - Crater edge
 - Writer Kingsley
 - Only
 - Yale grad
 - React in horror
 - Facial treatments
 - Sofa brand
 - TV detective Remington
 - Lustrous fabric
 - Young bloke
 - Pro votes
 - Kippur
 - PBS supporter
 - March honoree, for short
 - Art colony in New Mexico
 - 24 horas
 - Jug handles
 - Celtic priest
 - AOL rival
 - Shred
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 - Short trip
 - Black Sea port
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 - Final Four org.
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 - DDE's opponent
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 - Recipe abbr.
 - Naps
 - Hindu re-treats
 - ER workers
 - Yuletide tune
 - Disney deer
 - Kate Middleton's sister
 - Has
 - 1920s art style
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STAR TRACKING

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might be feeling a bit lonely or forgotten today. Look to your friends for some cheering up or support.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Be mindful of extending yourself or your resources to people who can but won't return the favor.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Don't jeopardize your integrity or reputation to make someone else happy. Also, try not to take advantage of an opportunity that might prove to be shady.
CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Take care not to start a project that will be tough to finish or begin something new without closing out the old stuff.
LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) A budding love connection could fizzle out just as quickly as it started. If you want something long-term, look elsewhere. With an existing connection, recapture the romance.
VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) It might be a good idea to hold off on a potential business agreement or commitment until you're sure it's really a good fit.
LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Don't plan out or jump into your schedule for today without setting some time aside that's just for you.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) With a new love

interest, make sure you're not compromising on your values or self-worth. The same goes for your creative talent; know how special you are.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You might be feeling some tenderness or disappointment around a family-related matter. Perhaps it's time to discuss it, rather than just hoping things will get better.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Try not to spend too much time lamenting about what you don't have. Consider what you do have and practice gratitude.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Be mindful of your online security. Make sure your sensitive information is protected.
PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) While it may be easy for you to take care of others, don't pressure or guilt yourself into people-pleasing.
FOR TODAY'S BIRTHDAY Your kindness and generosity know no bounds. You always come through for a friend, a loved one or just about anyone in need. You wear your heart on your sleeve. You're creative and deeply intuitive. You know that the world can be better for everyone, and you're usually doing what you can to make it that way.

News That Hits Home!

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