## The Scratchin' Post

## Northwestern places second at state art

By Caitlyn Fischbach

The state visual arts event was held March 18 in Rapid City. A group of talented young artists from Northwestern entered their pieces into the South Dakota High School Activities Association, competing against other high schoolers around the state.
Northwestern went into the competition with two state titles in their back pocket. Having these two titles helped the students have a goal and work hard for it.
Students who entered pieces into the competition included seniors Alexandria Johnson in three dimensional and Klaryssa Schnoor in functional pottery, juniors Megan Heidenreich in both oil painting and mixed media, Peyton Groft in both multimedia and print making, Mackenzie Engels in crafts and Jaidyn Kramp in water color, sophomore Danny Orr in drawing and freshmen Hailey

Boekelheide in photography, Miranda Thorson in colored drawing and Cassidy Frericks in traditional culture art.
"It was fun and a great experience. There was a lot of interesting art to look at. It was cool to look at all the different art and see other perspectives from other people's work," Schnoor said.
The visual arts team received runner-up as a team and also had students place in individual categories: third in three dimensional, third in multimedia, first in crafts, third in photography, second in colored drawing, first in print making and third in watercolor.
"I was so proud of all of our artists efforts. We had students placing all the way from champion to fourth, fifth and sixth place. Believe me, ALL points mattered in the competition," art director Mrs. Jennifer Schell said.


Students who participated in state art include seniors Ali Johnson and Klaryssa Schnoor, juniors Mackenzie Engels, Peyton Groft and Megan Heidenreich, sophomore Danny Orr and freshmen Hailey Boekelheide, Miranda Thorson and Cassidy Frericks with art teacher Mrs. Jennifer Schell.

## Chorus students sing at girls' state Bs <br> By Fernanda Orsi and Riley Grandpre



Courtesy Photo Students who sang at the state girls' Class B games include sophomore Moira Duncan, freshman Zeke Duncan, junior Sadie Vander Wal, Mrs. Amy Heinz. Back row: senior Darby Duncan, freshman Chrissy Stoltenberg, Miranda Thorson and Tomlyn Toy.

Seven Northwestern choir students attended the Class B State Girls' basketball tournament in Huron on March 11 to sing the National Anthem. The members who attended included senior Darby Duncan, junior Sadie Vander Wal, sophomore Moira Duncan and freshmen Zeke Duncan, Chrissy Stoltenberg, Tomlyn Toy and Miranda Thorson.
"We audition for it, found out we made it, went there and sang out hearts out. We did not sound too bad either. We all had a fun time together and made memories that will last a life time," freshman Chrissy Stoltenberg said.

The chorus traveled to Huron by van, once they got there they warmed up their voices, then watched the basketball warm-ups, sang before the starting line-ups, then had the chance to watch the game and go eat.
"I enjoyed going to Huron and singing for the audience for the basketball game. We had to try out to sing at state. We had to record us singing the Nation Anthem, then summit that to sing at the boys' and girls' state basketball, but we only qualified to sing at the girls' state game," freshman Tomlyn Toy said.


By Caitlyn Fischbach
Riley Grandpre has received the student of the month for March. Grandpre's parents are Troy and Heather Grandpre. Her siblings include Haley and Emma.
Grandpre's activities
include volleyball, bas-
ketball, Future Business
Leaders of America and
Fellowship of Christian
Athletes.
Her hobbies include
hanging with friends and
family, sleeping, eating
and watching Netflix.
Grandpre's future plans are to go play college volleyball somewhere.
Her favorite quote is
"Guard your heart above
all else, for it determines
the course of your life."
Grandpre's role model
is her older sister Haley
because she is always
willing to do anything to
help anyone.
Her favorite class is
student aiding.
"I like cleaning Mrs.
Schell's room instead of
my own," Grandpre said.
Grandpre's most em-
barrassing moment
was during sixth-grade
literature class with
Mr. Chris Osborn, and he asked who traveled with Sacagawea, and she responded, with confidence, "the Wright brothers."

## NSU SCIENCE FAIR RESULTS

By Fernanda Orsi and Josie Clemens
Northwestern students International Science travelled to Northern Fair as JH Observer State University in Aberdeen, SD to com- Individual Senior pete in the regional sci- High Project Winners ence fair and science bowl competitions.
The high school Science Bowl team of Boekelheide, Vet Medical Alliance Josie Clemens, Sadie Award
VanderWal and Jarret Tyler Braun - ASM Haven took second in a Materials Education triple tie-breaking match. Foundation Award

JarretHaven-Anderson
Individual Junior High Project Winners are as follows:
Mitchell Vander Wal -
NSU Award
Bailey Heim - NSU
Award
Jayden Mielke - SD
Academy of Science
Cash Award
Tanner Ewalt - US
Navy Award
Hannah Schentzel 2nd Place in Category Jace Haven - 2nd Place in Category
Emma Grandpre - 2nd Place in Category
Jace Haven - 2nd Place in Category
Brooke Heim - 1st
Place in Category
Justin Haven - SD As a whole, Academy of Science \& 1st Place in Category
Alexis Rahm - 1st Place in Category, EPScOR winner with an AllExpense paid trip to

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 Biology Award, 1st Place in Category and Student Observer for International Science Fair Northwestern School also received the EPSCoR school award of $\$ 750$ for lab materials.

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## Lions Club hosts Carnival

By Caitlyn Fischbach
 Northwestern, the Plains Lions Club holds a carnival for all ages. The car $\neg$ nival was held on Sunday, March 19. This event helped raise money for the junior class and the Lions Club. Many different varieties of games and activities are available for all ages of people.
"It was fun to watch all the kids playing games and running around in the carnival. As snow queen I was able to help draw for and hand out prizes. I went around and got to talk to people. It was an exciting new experience," senior Fernanda Orsi said.

Elementary February Students of the Month:

By Josie Clemens


The elementary teaching staff voted on nominations for grades K-2 and 3-5 for the awards.

## Freshmen take field trip to Watertown

By Caleb Schentzel
On Wednesday, Equity Days serves to al options in order to March 1, the fresh- explore different pos- expand the students' man class went to sible careers pursued understanding of Lake Area Technical in a two-year program. careers available to Institute for Equity They offer tradition- them. Days in Watertown. al and nontradition-

## Vander Wal excels at small-group contest

By Caleb Schentzel

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On Wednesday, Feb. 22, junior Sadie Vander Wal competed at region small-group ensemble

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## Northwestern saves lives

By Riley Grandpre
Once again the Northwestern Future Business Leaders of America chapter had its semiannual blood drive on March 6. This was the last blood drive of the school year.

This blood drive had 33 out of 48 appointments filled. 38 volunteers had been willing to donate their blood. 31 volunteers donated the regular amount and seven gave doubles. This blood drive only had one first-time donor.
"I was happy to be able to give a double. The needle is a LOT smaller when you give that way. It makes me happy that Amy calls me a Hero all day for giving! I have made 45 or 46 donations in my life. I am almost to my 6th gallon. That's right! Six milk jugs of my blood have been donated!," Mr. Doug Duncan said.

The FBLA members hope to see more people within the school and community keep participating in such a wonderful event.
"Giving blood is one of my favorite ways to give back because I know it could be impacting a life greatly. I've given one single and a double," junior Megan Heidenreich said.


Mr. Doug Duncan donates his blood at the FBLA


FBLA members juniors Dawson Smith and Isaac Bauer help with the blood drive.

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## Students attend Women in Science conference

By Caitlyn Fischbach

The 2017 Women in Science conference was held Tuesday, March 7 in Aberdeen. Girls in grades seven through 12 had the option of attending.
During the beginning part of the day the students were able to choose four different speakers to listen to. These speakers included dermatology PA-C, aircraft mechanic engineer, urologist, audiologist, respiratory therapist and a dentist.
"My favorite speaker was the respiratory therapist. I think it was really interesting, and it helped me figure out what field I'm most interested in. All the speakers were very nice," senior Ferdanda Orsi said.
After listening to four different speakers with science related jobs, the

Names appear alphabetically.

## Middle school:

6th Grade:
Straight A: Ethan Boekelheide, Tanner Ewalt, Ella Haven, Jude Ortmeier;
"A": Trey Bourelle, Brooke Heim, Emmylea Robeson;
"B": Fatafehi Faonelua, Quintin Fischbach, Rian Gehring, Brooklinn Halvorson, Maren Hansen, Bella Hartman, Olivia Heidenreich, Preston Martin, Jayden Mielke, Chase Neiber.
7th Grade:
Straight A: Jessica Boekelheide, Landen Melius, Megan Nash, Sawyer Styles;
"A": Samuel Groft, Justin Haven, Teryn Sparling, Nicholas Troske;
"B": Morgan Gehring, Emma Grandpre, Haiden
students were able to listen to the main speaker of the day. The main speaker for the 2017 conference was Stephanie Arne, a Wildlife Host/ Conservationist.
"I really enjoyed listening to Stephanie Arne. You could tell just by listening to her, she really likes her job. Stephanie


Logo contest winner junior Peyton Groft stands next to her design at the conference.
was very energetic and animated throughout her whole speech, which made it interesting to listen to. I was laughing the whole time. One thing I took from her keynote speech, was not to settle, and that a girl does not need a guy to be happy," sophomore Riley Grandpre said.

## Third quarter honor roll proves student success <br> By Caleb Schentzel

Grandpre, Dominic Clemens, Ezekiel Kaderabek, Logan Duncan, Talley Sparling, Rausch, Mackenzie Eleanor Tonga, Danielle Stoltenberg, Brandon Toennies, Christopher Toennies, Maddie Williams. 8th Grade:
Straight A: Hayden Bohl, Bailey Heim, Jackson Mielke, Sydney Schell, Hannah Schentzel, Mitchell Vander Wal;
" $\mathrm{A}^{\prime}$ : Jace Haven, Alexis Rahm;
"B": Joclyn Haven, Seth Heidenreich, Kamimila Iron Cloud, Teagan Jost, Kyle Peterson, Cody Rausch, Samantha Rush, Hunter Schipke, Kiarra Stuck, Ethan Walter.

## High school:

9th Grade:
Straight A: Hailey Boekelheide, Cassidy Frericks, Madalyn Groft, Christine Stoltenberg, Tya Weideman;
"A": Miranda Thorson; "B": Zechariah


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By Fernanda Orsi

Members of the Northwestern Area Future Farmers Chapter competed at the South Dakota FFA Career Development Events in Redfield on March 3, in Watertown on March 7 and in Miller on March 21.

## CDE on March 3

Team Results: Agronomy- 7th Farm Business Management- 7th Floriculture- 7th Horse Judging- 2nd Livestock Judging10th
Middle Quality and Products- 9th
Vet Science- 9th Individual Results: Livestock Judgingsophomore Jarret Haven- 1st Horse Judging -eighth-grader Peyton Heitzman and sev-enth-grader Maddie Williams-10th
Floriculture- senior
Ali Johnson-10th

CDE on March 7
Team Results:
Ag Mechanics- 10th Agronomy- 6th Farm Management10th
Floriculture-8th Food Science-8th Horse Judging- 4th

CDE on March 21
Team Results: Ag Mechanic-7th Agronomy- 8th Horse Judging- 3rd Livestock Judg-ing-5th Meats Judging- 8th Milk Quality and

Products-10th
Vet Science-10th Individual Results: Ag Business Man-agement-freshman $C$. Stoltenberg-10th Horse Judging-eighth-grader M. William-1st

Vet Science- Sadie Vander Wal- 3rd

The top four participants of each team are going to continue on to State competition in April 23 to April 25.


Members of the Northwestern Area FFA program in the high school prepare for National FFA Week.

Individual Results: Livestock JudgingJarret Haven-2nd Farm Manage-ment-Chrissy Stol-tenberg- 9 th


Junior Tyler Braun cooks pancakes that the FFA served one morning.


Seventh-grader Maddie Williams


Eighth-grader Mitchell Vander Wal brings in the calf for the fundraiser.


Mrs. Nora Groft's jar had the most money for the Kiss the Calf Fundraiser.


Junior Sadie Vander


## Wednesday, February 22

Drive your Tractor to School Day
Turkey Bowling - 12:00-12:50 - Small gym

- \$1-3 bowls
- High school and middle school students can bowl a frozen turkey for chances to win 2-liter pop of choice.


## Thursday, February 23

Butterbraid delivery to local businesses - 7:45

## Friday, February 24

SDSU ice cream - lunchroom - 3:25 and during game

- \$1 per scoop
- Money goes to Feeding South Dakota



Left: FFA members junior Sadie Vander Wal, freshmen Chrissy Stoltenberg and Tomlyn Toy and sophomore Erin Sully clean out the skillets after the pancake breakfast.

Right: Sophomore Jarret Haven received his award at one of the CDE events in March.


## Boys end season in semifinal game of districts

The Northwestern Wildcats boys' basketball team ended its season in the second round of districts.
The first game against the Leola/Frederick Titans had proved challenging. Each team giving and taking as many points as the other until the final buzzer. The Wildcats and Titans went neck-and-neck throughout the entire game, but the Wildcats ended on top with a score of 52-51.
Sophomore Jarret Haven's clutch free throws in the final seconds of the game had put the Wildcats on top. Sophomore Caleb Schentzel helped lead the team with 15 points and nine rebounds. Senior Derek Boekelheide also contributed 15 points and ended the night with eight rebounds.
In the second round game the following day, the team had to face the Langford Lions.

The Wildcats had been defeated, 47-63. They were led by Boekelheide with 14 points, followed closely by freshman Zec Clemens with 12 points. Schentzel grabbed seven rebounds for the team.
"I am glad we came out with a win in or close firstround game. We didn't beat Langford, but I feel like we went out with a fight," Boekelheide said. Overall, the season had its ups and downs, but the Wildcats persevered. They ended the season with an 8-14 record.


Sophomore Jarret Haven


Northwestern boys' basketball team

## Girls fall to the Titans in post season

## By Caleb Schentzel

The Northwestern Wildcats had a tough battle, losing their first game of districts to the Leola/Frederick Titans 34-51.
At halftime, the Wildcats were only down by four points, but the Titans came out fast and hard in the third quarter and the Wildcats struggled to score.
Northwestern started to come back in the fourth quarter but simply ran out of time.
The Wildcats were led by senior Josie Clemens who had 12 points and three assists. Clemens also had six steals. Junior Addison Sparling chipped in with 10 points, and she pulled down nine rebounds. Junior Evy Peterson also added four points, and senior Darby Duncan grabbed

## five rebounds.

All photos by Roxane Beardemphl
"It was a hard-fought a part of such a special game, but we never gave team. The moments we up. I am very proud of have shared together how we did this sea- will never be forgotten," son and enjoyed being Clemens said.


Junior Peyton Groft dribbles down the court.


Northwestern girls' basketball team

## Athletes race into track and field season

By Riley Grandpre

With the warm weather coming, Northwestern Wildcats' track and field team raced into its first practice on March 14
The returning tracksters include seniors Darby Duncan, Josie Clemens and Derek Boekelheide, juniors Peyton Groft and Daniel Tonga, sophomores Caleb Schentzel, Jarret Haven, Caitlyn Fischbach and Moira Duncan, freshmen Hailey Boekelheide, Miranda

Thorson, Madalyn Groft, Noa Tonga, Christine Stoltenberg, Dani Watson, Ezekiel Duncan and Zechariah Clemens and eighth-grader Sydney Schell. Mr. Scott Boone, Mr. Wade Rozell and Mrs. Jennifer Schell will coach the team.
Several new athletes have joined the team in recent weeks, and time will tell how those athletes will contribute to the overall success of the
squad.
"I am excited about the track season, lots of new students are going out. We have all the bases covered: distance runners, sprinters, throwers and jumpers. We are going to a new track meet in DeSmet and going to a brand new track at Webster. Both boys and girls should do very well this year," Coach Boone said.
"I am excited to com-
pete again, and I hope I is as follows: can bring my times down more than last year. I hope our team can compete well at the meets, also," P. Groft said.
"I'm looking forward to improving my personal records and getting the opportunity to defend my state tittle," D. Boekelheide.

The first track meet is March 28, at Northern State University.
The rest of the schedule

April 13 at DeSmet April 20 at Redfield April 28 at Sisseton May 2 at Miller
May 5 and 6 at Howard Wood in Sioux Falls Lake Region Conference on May 9 at Ipswich May 13 at Webster Region meet on May 18 at Groton

State track meet on May 26 and 27 in Sioux Falls.

## Netflix N Chill

By Fernanda Orsi

"Arrow,"
an
American action crime television show, is a modern retelling of the DC Comics series Green Arrow.
The television series first premiered in 2012 and has five seasons so far, four of those available on Netflix.
The story follows Oliver Queen, a multi-millionaire playboy played by Stephen Amell, five years after being stranded on a dangerous island, returning home to fight crime and corruption as secret vigilante of Starling City and using his weapon of choice, the arrow.
The show has won several awards and has had great critiques over the years. If you like superheroes and action shows I highly recommend watching "Arrow."

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# Lawsuit filed against students in Northwestern journalism class <br> <br> Staff Editorial 

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APRIL FOOLS' JOKE: Students in the journalism class at Northwestern Area School District in Mellette, S.D., face an intentional tort lawsuit filed by one of their peers, according to the reporters on Monday. A 16-year-old boy from Northwestern Area has filed a case against his classmates, claiming they
have caused him immense emotional distress and have been telling lies that have damaged his reputation.
Names of the classmates and the boy who filed the claims will not be revealed because of their rights as minors.

The lawsuit accuses six girls in the journalism class of inflicting inten-
tional emotional distress and defamation.
Defamation in this case bases itself on the slander the boy faces during this particular class setting.
As the only male in the classroom, the boy feels as if the girls overlook his opinion and intelligence. According to him the classmates consis-
tently banter about every mistake he has, making up fictional stories about his failure and spreading the lies around the school.
Prosecutors hope to gain enough evidence to prove that the girls' actions had neither been done intentionally or with malice.
The teenager filing this
lawsuit hopes to be compensated for his feelings that have been hurt due to the slander and intentional emotional distress caused by his classmates.

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## Caleb's Cartoon



## IT'S A MATCH!

Can you match the student to their pet?
By Josie Clemens


# In the Hallway... 

## In the Elementary

If you can be any teacher at NW, who would it be?

"Mrs. [Amanda] Gauer because she is funny," fourth-grader Mia Yockey said.

"Mr. [Doug] Duncan because he is smart," second-grader Allie Hoekman said.

"Mr. [Doug] Duncan because I want to do harder work," first-grader Colton Smith said.

"Mr. [Doug] Duncan because he is funny," second-grader Broden DeYoung said.

"Mrs. [Jacky] Fortin because it is sometimes fun to read," fourth-grader Cole Caulder said.

## In the Middle School

What is your favorite joke?
"Knock knock. Who's there. Interrupting cow. Interrupting cow who.. moo," seventh-grader Teryn Sparling said.

"I don't know any jokes because I'm not funny," eighth-grader Joclyn Haven said.

"Why don’t bears wear socks? Because they have bare feet," sixth-grader Ella Haven said.

"What do you call a cow with two legs? Lean beef," eighth-grader Chase Neiber said.

"Iron man is female. Female, $\mathrm{Fe}=$ iron and male = man," seventh-grader Nick Troske said.

## In the High School

 What is your favorite pickup line?
"You know what I'm missing on my phone? Your number," senior Ali Johnson said.

"If you were a triangle, you would be acute one," sophomore Danny Orr said.

"I went to the doctor, and they told me I'm lacking Vitamin U," sophomore Caleb Schentzel said.

"Are you from Tennesse because you are the only 10 I see," sophomore Sean Shepherd said.

"If you were a transformer, you would be Optimus Fine," freshman Chrissy Stoltenberg said.

Caitloyns Cuticles
By Caitlyn Fischbach

## Uses of Tape

Tape is usually something everyone has lying around their house, so why not use it for your nails? The first method is used when doing a French tip; simply place the tape where your line will be and paint. Other ways to use tape are when you need a straight line. Tape can also be used when making triangles, or any other design with straight lines. When using tape, be creative and explore your own designs!

## Cookin' with Calch

By Caleb Schentzel

## Banana Bread

Ingredients:
$13 / 4$ cups flour
$1 / 4$ cup sugar
1 tspn baking powder
$1 / 4$ tspn baking soda
1 tspn cinnamon
$1 / 4$ cup confectioners' sugar

$1 / 2$ cup brown sugar 2 eggs<br>1 tspn vanilla extract<br>4 ripe bananas, smashed



Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Butter a 9- by 5-inch loaf pan.

Heat the butter over medium-low heat in a small saucepan until the milk solids are deep golden-brown and the butter smells toasted, 15 to 20 minutes.

Whisk together the flour, granulated sugar, baking powder, baking soda, cinnamon and salt in a medium bowl.

Stir the brown butter so that any milk solids that have fallen to the bottom are distributed equally throughout the butter. Reserve 4 tablespoons of the brown butter for the glaze. Whisk together the remaining brown butter, brown sugar, eggs and vanilla in a medium bowl, then fold in the mashed bananas.

Fold the banana mixture into the flour mixture until just combined (it's okay if there are some lumps). Transfer the batter to the prepared loaf pan, and bake until the bread is golden brown and a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, 1 hour to 1 hour 10 minutes. Run a knife around the edges and let cool completely in the pan on a rack.

Enjoy!

## Riley's Closet

By Riley Grandpre
April is now upon us; this school year has surely flown by. Since spring is here, let's start dressing like it is spring. Flowered print shirts have become a widely popular design recently. Another in-style of shirts are the open shoulder, nice dress shirts. These come in many different designs: plain, colorful or printed. Ripped jeans are now very popular to wear as well. If you would wear a heavily printed shirt, I would suggest not wear super glinged out jeans. If you choose to wear skinny jeans, white vans or a pair on high heels would go well with this outfit. For jewelry, nothing too big or fancy will compliment this outfit perfectly. That is a wrap on the month for April, enjoy spring and get ready for summer!

Josie's Jigsaw TRACK WORD SEARCH

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