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Dell Rapids Public Schools

Dell Rapids, South Dakota

4th Quarter 2016-17

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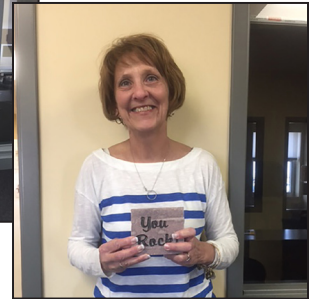
ELEMENTARY

Maddie Merriam - She's so kind and creative! Ms. Merriam has her own lively way of teaching. She deserves a "YOU ROCK" because she does ROCK!

Dawn Sorenson - Dawn has been a great mentor/collaborator, lots of fun to work with, and is always willing to help. She is wise beyond her years regarding special education students, paperwork, protocol and adaptive instruction. Dawn loves her job and loves the kids she helps.



Maddie Merriam



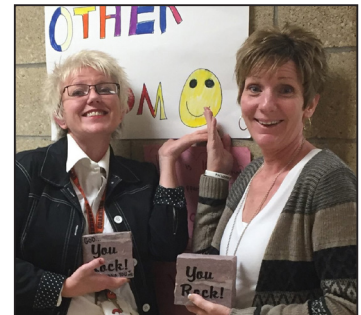
Dawn Sorenson



MIDDLE SCHOOL

Peggy Hancock - Peggy has made significant positive changes in the lives of not only our Special Education Students, but many other students as well. She has encouraged students to take responsibility for their learning and has a very special knack of figuring out what motivates each individual student. It is very obvious that Peggy enjoys working with kids and the students can see that. Peggy has a wealth of knowledge and experience and we are very lucky to have her at DRMS.

Bonnie Archer - Bonnie is a joy to work with. She's always willing to help out and be flexible. She gets along great with the students and staff and is a great example of what it means to have "Quarrier Pride".



Peggy Hancock & Bonnie Archer



HIGH SCHOOL

Jann Saxon - Jann has been the most amazing mentor! She is extremely helpful, flexible, and accommodating. She has helped me feel more confident with my teaching under her leadership and guidance. We are so lucky to have her and her support.

Eve Pickard - Eve came to our class to discuss the history and importance of sign language to our deaf community. She took time out of her day to spend an hour with us demonstrating sign language to the students. Eve did an awesome job and the students loved having her in class. Eve is a very important part of DRHS and the Psychology Class would like to say..."Eve Pickard, YOU ROCK!"



Jann Saxon



Eve Pickard

DRMS proudly announces & congratulates the Students of the Month.

These individuals have demonstrated positive behavior reflective of the Pillars of Character: trustworthiness, responsibility, respectfulness, fairness, good citizenship, and care for others. Thanks to Lunchtime Solutions, Video Plus and Pizza Ranch, Students of the Month recipients will receive gift certificates!



Congratulations to our February Students of the Month:

- 5th - Cooper Hauglid & Jaxon Cynkar
- 6th - Braden Fersdahl & Austin Harvey
- 7th - Victor Knuppe & Luke Randall
- 8th - Jakob Letche & Connor Rentz



Congratulations to our March Students of the Month:

- 5th Grade - Ashlynn Bitzer and Jayda Royer-Kerns
- 6th Grade - Maya Lee and Ryler Evans
- 7th Grade - Chloe Jorgensen and Graci Crosby
- 8th Grade - Kenzie Apland and Katie Pulscher



Congratulations to our April Students of the Month:

- 5th - Ryder VanZee and Konrad Richeal
- 6th - Kade Kremer and Carter Traill
- 7th - Olivia Vera and Cara Rice
- 8th - Zach McKee and Rachael Vietor



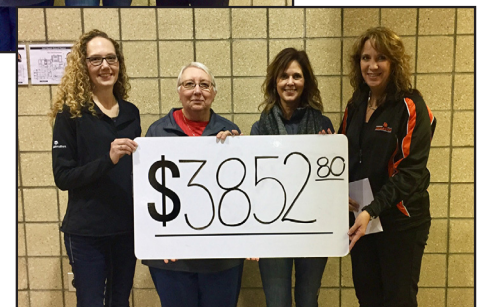
Congratulations to our May Students of the Month:

- 5th - Sydney Bisson and Claire Wynja
- 6th - Desmond Rice and Haley Larson
- 7th - Tori Lodmell and Kylie Prochaska
- 8th - Caleb Harkema and Sami Schmidt

FIRST NATIONAL BANK HAS A LONG HISTORY OF GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITIES; STEWARDSHIP IS ONE OF THEIR FIRST VALUES. WHETHER IT IS SHARING TIME OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT, THERE IS A WAY TO GET INVOLVED.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK COMMUNITY CARDS SUPPORT LOCAL COMMUNITIES BY DONATING A PORTION OF THE PURCHASE AMOUNT TO THE SCHOOL ON THE CARD. THE MORE THE CARDS ARE USED FOR A SIGNED PURCHASE THE MORE MONEY THE SCHOOL RECEIVES.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK THANKS ALL OF YOU FOR SHOWING YOUR SUPPORT AND USING YOUR COMMUNITY CARD. EARNING REDEEMED TOTAL \$3,852.80. A TOTAL OF \$7,991 HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE DELL RAPIDS PUBLIC SCHOOL SINCE THE INCEPTION DATE OF THE COMMUNITY CARD.



WAY TO GO QUARRIERS!!!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING THIS SUMMER? Join the FUN AT HAVEN!

2017 Summer Haven Programs

- All Summer Programs are open to students who have completed Kindergarten through age 12
 - Flexible scheduling and rates
 - Open 6:45 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Monday-Friday except holidays
 - \$15 one-time Registration Fee per participant (\$30 after April 30)
- Weekly tuition fees are based on Full Day & Half Day Rates. Full Day: \$21; Half Day (6 hrs or less): \$13
 - Reduced fees are available for those who qualify for free or reduced school lunches.
 - Tons of fun activities planned including: local and area Field Trips, Art & Craft Projects, Sports, Food Fun, Board & Card Games, Indoor & Outdoor Games, Science Experiments, Multicultural Activities, Special Events, Visitors, Community Service Projects and time to just have fun with friends!

SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM



- * Sponsored by the City of Dell Rapids
- * \$15 Registration Fee/child (\$30 after Apr 30)
- * Eleven-week program, from May 31-August 11, features a different sport each week
- * Learn or develop skills in: Outdoor Games, Hockey, Football, Team Building, Track & Field, Dance, Rugby, Badminton & Tennis; Volleyball, Lacrosse, and an Olympic Style Fitness Challenge!
- * Meets Monday-Thursday mornings at River Community Church Gym (old elementary)

Times TBD based on enrollment. Schedules will be provided to participants in late May.



FRIDAY FIELD TRIPS

- * Transportation Sponsored by the City of Dell Rapids
- * Leave at 9:00 a.m. and return at 4:00 p.m. each Friday
- * Visit and explore places like: Skyzone, Ice Skating, Ingalls Homestead, DR Quarries, Bowling, State Parks, Great Plains Zoo, DR Museum, Prehistoric Indian Village, SD Children's Museum, Wild Water West, Mary Jo Wegner Arboretum, & lots of area Aquatic Centers!
- * Full Day tuition rates apply plus applicable entrance fee for the day. Entrance Fees will vary each week.
- * Join us for one trip or all of them! Prior registration is required.
- * Drop-ins are welcome as space is available. Deadline to sign-up is on Wednesday for each week.

Registration is due.

SIGN UP TODAY!

On-going enrollment will be accepted as space is available.

Summer Enrollment Packets are available at:
(1) Haven, before or after school, (2) St. Mary's Elementary School Office, (3) Public Elementary School Office, (4) Public Middle School Office, (5) Dell Rapids City Hall (Rec. Program Only), (6) <http://haven-dellrapids.k12.sd.us>
or Call us at 366-8612

**Dell Rapids Haven,
A Great Place For YOUth!**

Junior Achievement (JA) teaches students about money, careers and owning a business. Thanks to more than 2,100 JA classroom volunteers who committed to teaching JA programs, over 52,000 South Dakota students are being inspired and prepared to succeed in a global economy.

By sharing their personal and professional experiences, JA volunteers guide students to make the connection between what they are learning in school and what they will need to succeed in work and life.

Please take a moment to extend a special thank you to the volunteers and teachers listed below who participated in JA during the 2016-17 school year. Because of this teacher/JA volunteer partnership, our

future leaders are being educated and empowered. JA is giving students hope for a better future and preparing them to achieve their dreams.

If you would be interested in sharing your knowledge and business experience with students in our community, or would like to sponsor a student for \$25, please contact the JA office at (605)336-7318 or jasd@ja.org. A Junior Achievement experience will leave you feeling proud, energized, and hopeful about a better future for our young people.



Dell Rapids 2016-17 Junior Achievement Volunteers and Teachers

Dell Rapids Elementary School

Grade	Teacher	JA Program	JA Volunteer	Employer
1	Tasha Davis	JA Our Families	Jessica Borns	Esurance
1	Tasha Davis	JA Our Families	Susie Hanson	Wells Fargo
1	Pam Leib	JA Our Families	Marcia King	Wells Fargo Home Mortgage
1	Phyllis Schaefer	JA Our Families	Karen Hilmoe	Wells Fargo Consumer Credit Solutions
2	Marcy Anderson	JA Our Community	Jody Heinemann	Wells Fargo
2	Emma Budahl	JA Our Community	Lisa Doppenberg	Speedy Cash
2	Katie Wolff	JA Our Community	Michelle Vanderwerf	Sanford Health
3	Karla Gruis	JA Our City	AliceAnn Krantz	BX Civil & Construction, Inc.
3	Theresa McMahan	JA Our City	Michelle Bunkers	The First National Bank
3	Nichole North	JA Our City	Joan Murphy	PREMIER Bankcard
4	Sarah E. Anderson	JA Our Region	Tracy Welbig	Wells Fargo
4	Ryan Kooima	JA Our Region	Melissa Van't Hof	Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
4	Maddie Merriam	JA Our Region	Trista Bruhn	Labor Ready
4	Michelle Wharton	JA Our Region	Tylene Schwebach	Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
Fall Semester	Joseph Brisbois	JA Excelling Through Ethics	Kari Karst	BX Civil & Construction, Inc.
Fall Semester	Darwin Daugaard	JA Excelling Through Ethics	Michelle Bunkers	The First National Bank
Fall Semester	Steve Hansen	JA Personal Finance	Resa Kirchhevel	Junior Achievement of South Dakota
Fall Semester	Jeff Welbig	JA Excelling Through Ethics	Dan Ahlers	Video Plus - Dell Rapids

2016-17 Quarter 3 - DR Middle School Honor Roll

6th Grade

GOLD

Anstine, Jade
Downs, Hannah
Greenhoff, Abigail
Heinemann, Zachary
Jaton, Will
Jones, Chase
Kreul, Katrina
Lee, Maya
Mathis, Dylan
North, Adam
Rice, Desmond
Stadem, Adisen
Traill, Carter
Van Regenmorter, Emma

SILVER

Andrews, Makaylynn
Boyle, Kelli
Chamley, Gunnar
Clark, Gabe
Dearduff, Jake
Downs, Addyson
Ellis, Max
Evans, Ryler
Fersdahl, Braden
Foster, Rileigh
Geraets, Trevor
Godwin, Olivia
Harvey, Austin
Hatting, Shaylynn
Kindopp, Kerrigan
Koster, Kamren
Larson, Haley
Lefebvre, Lizebeth
Nelsen, Kaeley
Nelson, Owen
Nirva, Braeden
Pankonen, Brayden
Price, Elizabeth
Randall, Luke
Schaaf, Ashton

Schmitt, Sam
Van Liere, Hannah
Xavier, Callista

BRONZE

Cavigielli, Sam
Dennis, Maxwell
Kremer, Kade
Millman, Leah
Ness, Shane
Nygaard, Jaycie
Olson, Maxwell
Renken, Dawson
Scotting, Charles

7th Grade

GOLD

Braach, Cassidy
De Stigter, Alli
Gill, Aaron
Goeken, Matthew
Hohn, Landon
Holm, Charlie
Jensen, Dylan
Larson, Faith
Lodmell, Tori
Montgomery, Cariss
Pickard, Miriam
Ruesink, Landon
Schmidt, Jayme
Schmidt, Maggie
Spoonemore, Brooklyn
Sterud, Paige
Stone, Shane
Van Zee, Peyton
VanOverbeke, Madysen

SILVER

Anderson, Alex
Bittner, Kylie
Crosby, Graci
Davidson, Logan
DeKnikker, Joshua

Duinkerken, Makayla
Garcia, Yazmin
Garry, Mackenzie
Geraets, Josie
Golden, Kate
Henry, Austin
Hilmoe, Zoey
Horton, Desirae
Jorgensen, Chloe
Knappe, Victor
Krempges, Mallory
Krumm, Payton
Lacey, Leigha
LaDeaux, Alexyss
Ljunggren, Madison
Mason, Ian
Mason, Weston
Merry, Michael
Montgomery, Cariss
Person, Taina
Randall, Luke
Reider, Cassandra
Saxon, Aaron
Stroschein, Drew
Tiernan, Lilly
VanOverbeke, Hanna
VonHoltum, Landon
Witte, Michaela

BRONZE

Krantz, Sidney
McDaniel, Tristen
Miller, Caden
Prochaska, Kylie
Rice, Cara
Rinehart, Rylee
Shellum, Zach
Tomes, Autumn
Trewin, Ashlynn
Vera, Olivia

8th Grade

GOLD

Dorn, Becky
Fletcher, Kathryn

Kringen, Madeline
Price, Samantha
Rentz, Colin
Schmidt, Samantha
Schmitt, Sadie

SILVER

Apland, Mackenzie
Berg, Lucas
Cross, Trevon
Downs, Olivia
Eastman, Kaeden
Fiddelke, Ellie
Gee, Brayden
Geraets, Mitch
Griebel, Eli
Hackett, Ian
Hilmar, Danek
Hurlburt, Hannah
Larson, Brady
Lensing, Asher
Letsche, Jakob
Maeschen, Coby
Nirva, Justin
Prasek, Olivia
Pulscher, Katy
Rentz, Connor
Schrad, Logan
Vietor, Rachael
Weiland, Andrew
Wilber, Maddy

BRONZE

Andersen, Logan
Cross, Trevon
Flaskey, Tate
Hahn, Jordyn
Nelson, Carter
Pedde, Austin
Schultz, Cody
Sundt, Lathan
Vanderloo, Veronica

Ag In Action



Water, forestry and soils along with careers in agriculture will be the final units for the twenty-three Introduction to Agriculture, Food and Natural Resource students.

The Wildlife and Fisheries class has been busy going over birds and will finish out the year covering various information relating to fishing and careers in wildlife and fisheries.

The twenty students in Fundamental Animal Science will cover livestock diseases and livestock marketing to finish out the semester.

The Ag Power Technology students have gained knowledge related to engine construction and the principles of operation. They will have the opportunity to start working on various engine projects in the shop. Those projects range from simple maintenance to more in-depth repairs.

In the FFA, members had opportunities to develop skill in various areas and test those skills in events in Flandreau, Howard, Tri-Valley, Little International and Lennox. All of those in preparation for the state event. Participating in Natural Resources were Trevor Pulscher, Jesse Michel, Logan Ruesink, Cheyenne Adams and Kenyon Shellum. In the Horse Judging area were Cheyenne Adams and Mason Machmiller. In the Ag Mechanics area, the participants were Justin Huss, Kyle Steineke, Kenyon Shellum, and Evan Brown. Lexi Klein, Clare Klein, Riley Anderson and Justin Huss were the members participating in the Livestock Evaluation event. In the Milk Quality and Products area we had Noah Randall and Karsen Welbig participating. At the first event hosted by Flandreau, Justin Huss placed 3rd and Evan Brown placed 7th with the Ag Mechanics team placing 2nd. The Livestock judging team placed 10th. At the Howard event, Justin Huss placed 8th and the Ag Mechanics team finished 3rd. At Tri-Valley, Clare Klein placed 10th in Livestock Evaluation event with the team placing 9th. The Tri-Valley event is also considered our district event so all of the results are recalculated using only the 10 schools within our FFA district. That moved Clare Klein into 1st place and Lexi Klein into 3rd place in Livestock Evaluation. Kyle

Steineke moved into 4th place in the Ag Mechanics event. The Little International event held on the campus of SDSU had the Natural Resources team finishing in 28th place and the Livestock Judging team finishing in 38th place. At Lennox, Kenyon Shellum placed 10th, Kyle Steineke placed 11th, Evan Brown placed 13th and Justin Huss placed 23rd the in Ag Mechanics event with the team finishing 5th. Cheyenne Adams placed 17th in the Horse Evaluation event.

The members tested their skills at the State FFA Convention held in Brookings on the campus of SDSU on April 23, 24 and 25. On Sunday afternoon, the Natural Resource team completed their entire event. The Ag Mechanics team also completed part of their event on Sunday by taking the written test and completing the team activity. On Monday morning they completed the remaining portions of the event. The other events on Monday included Livestock Evaluation, Horse Evaluation and Milk Quality and Products. South Dakota Farmers Union sponsored a Team Up for Safety Quiz Bowl with Dell Rapids competing against Kimball.

The FFA Chapter Parent/Member banquet will be held on Sunday, April 30 to recognize members for their accomplishments during the 2016-17 year.

The school year may be drawing to a close, but FFA continues with many activities throughout the summer. Activities that members can participate in are: the Jackrabbit Dairy Camp in Brookings on June 8-10; the SDSU Youth Livestock Judging camp in Brookings on June 4-6 and June 8-10; South Dakota Range Camp in Sturgis on June 7-9; the South Dakota Soil Days in Wall on June 20 & 21; Leadership Retreat at Swan Lake near Viborg on June 27-30 or the other Leadership Retreat at Bob Marshall near Custer on July 11-14 (registration is due May 31); Sioux Empire Fair August 4-13; Dakotafest Farm Show August 15-17; and the SD State Fair August 31-September 4 (registration due Aug. 19). The FFA division at the state fair has more than just livestock, it includes: chapter exhibits; ag mechanics exhibits which include small and large wood projects, small and large metal projects and home accessory projects; agri-science exhibits which include divisions of plant/soil science, animal science/zoology, environmental science, mechanical/engineering science, food science/biochemistry. Of course what is a fair without livestock which includes rabbits, market barrows and gilts, rams, breeding ewes and lambs as well as market lambs and breeding heifers, market heifers and steers and

dairy heifers and cows and goats. Anyone enrolled in a high school agriculture class either first or second semester is eligible to join the FFA. FFA is not just for students who want to be production farmers; FFA also welcomes members who aspire to careers as teachers, doctors, scientists, business owners and more. For this reason, the name of the organization was updated in 1988 after a vote of national convention delegates to reflect the growing diversity and new opportunities in the industry of agriculture. Today, the National FFA Organization remains committed to the individual

student, providing a path to achievement in premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. FFA continues to help the next generation rise up to meet those challenges by helping its members to develop their own unique talents and explore their interests in a broad range of agricultural career pathways. So today, we are still the Future Farmers of America. But, we are the Future Biologists, Future Chemists, Future Veterinarians, Future Engineers and Future Entrepreneurs of America, too.

TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

In observance of the American Heart Association Awareness months of February and March, Dell Rapids Middle School students in grades 5 through 8 competed in a dodge ball tournament on February 10th, 2017. In order to raise money to support one of the leading causes of death in the United States, students donated money toward socks or a shirt which they could wear for the tournament. The students enjoyed the tournament and raised \$1,627.00 for the American Heart Association. Each class was divided into teams and played against one another.

The \$1,627.00 raised this year beat last year's record number of \$1,315.00.



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Dell Rapids Middle School Physical

Education teacher Julie Barber said, "Thank you to these DRMS students and their families for supporting this worthy cause and raising such a large amount of money! This was a great exercise in community service and working with each other in an effort to address an important issue facing our society."

As part of the fundraising efforts, a pizza party was awarded to the class that had the highest amount of donations. This year's winning class was Mrs. Gruneich's PE class. As for the winners of the tournament in each grade level, Mrs. Gruneich's team won the 5th grade tournament, Mrs. Hettinger's team won the 6th grade tournament, the orange team won the 7th grade tournament, and the orange team won the 8th grade tournament.

2017-18 REGISTRATION BE THERE OR BE²

Wednesday, August 9th

High School Registration,
Grades 9-12th - 8am-3pm.

Middle School Registration
Grades 5-8th - 8am-3pm.

Elementary School Registration
8am-3pm.



**Home of the
QUARRIERS**

2017 State FCCLA Leadership Conference News Release

Members from the Dell Rapids FCCLA Chapter joined over 1,500 members, advisors, and guests who attended the South Dakota FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) Leadership Conference held on April 2-4 at the Denny Sanford Convention Center/Sheraton Hotel in Sioux Falls. The “Unlimited Possibilities- It’s UP to You” themed event was a big success. Members attended workshops, competed in STAR (Students Taking Action with Recognition) Events, and ran for leadership positions. Alexyss La Deaux was a candidate for the position of Junior High Representative. Jessie Funk, who is an award winning singer and author of six books, was the keynote speaker on Sunday night during the opening general session. On Sunday and Monday students had the opportunity to attend workshops presented by leadership team members, FCCLA members and officers, and other groups and organizations.

On Monday evening during the second general session, awards and recognition were announced. The Dell Rapids Chapter received the Gold Star Merit Chapter Award for their overall participation and involvement in national and state projects. They received a Silver rating for projects completed in the focus areas sponsored by the Lead2Feed and the Outreach program. They were also recognized for the projects in the community service area of the Current Trends program.

FCCLA Serves Breakfast at the Banquet

On Thursday morning, April 20, the Dell Rapids FCCLA Chapter provided breakfast for guests at the Banquet in Sioux Falls. Twenty-one members and other volunteers with their advisor left at 5 am to prepare, serve, and clean-up for the breakfast meal. Over 230 guests were provided with a meal to start the day. This is one of the community service projects the chapter does during the year. In October they also provided a breakfast for their guests. In the picture below are the students from the middle and high school who participated in the project.



On Tuesday morning results of the conference’s STAR Events participants were announced. Local results from the Dell Rapids Chapter included Faithe Larson who received a Top Superior in the Recycle and Redesign category and receiving Gold rating on their Illustrated Talks were Janae Hahn, Alexyss La Deaux, Cariss Montgomery, and Desirae Horton. Receiving a Silver rating were Beth Bruggeman and Stephanie Dennis in the Sports and Nutrition category, Veronica Vanderloo in the National Programs in Action category and Rylee Rinehart on her Illustrated Talk.

FCCLA is the only youth-led organization with family as its central focus. Members learn how to be active community leaders, become caring family members, and prepare for life beyond high school.



Pictured above in the front row are: Desirae Horton, Cariss Montgomery, Veronica Vanderloo, and Beth Bruggeman. In the back row are: Faithe Larson, Rylee Rinehart, Stephanie Dennis, and Alexyss La Deaux. Missing in the picture is Janae Hahn.

THE COLORFUL (AND NOT SO COLORFUL) EARLY DAYS OF TRACK & FIELD IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Little Piece of History reprinted from the Tribune by Craig Kumerfield

The high school basketball season has wrapped up, spring has sprung, and the new track season is underway.

Interscholastic Track and Field officially kicked off in South Dakota when Yankton College sponsored a meet in 1903. The meet was held in College Park in Yankton. Before that, however, most track and field events were held as a part of local fairs and celebrations. High schoolers were thrown in with older men at these events, and there was often a large financial prize awarded to the winners.

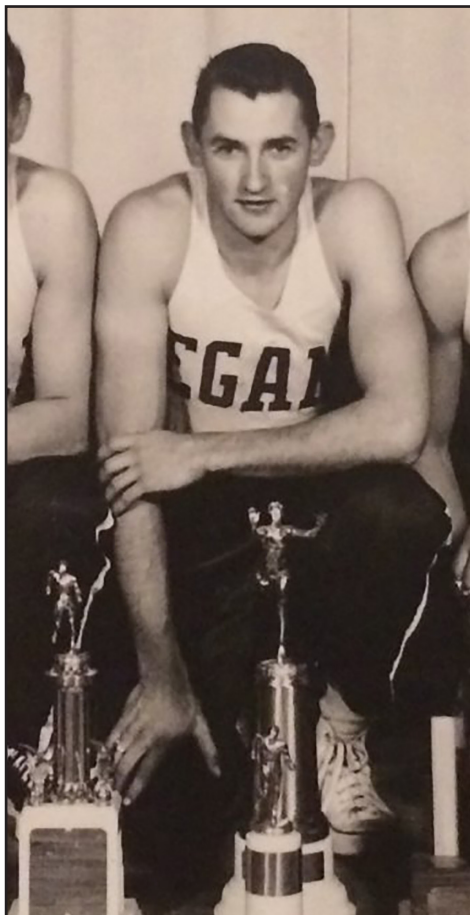
Most communities had at least one outstanding sprinter who would be matched up with a sprinter from another town. The race duals were often bet on very heavily. For example, in 1890 a Faulk County race was run by two outstanding sprinters, and there were bets as high as a thousand dollars!

After the 1903 interscholastic meet at Yankton College, interest in track and field grew steadily among high schools. But, in the early days, the sport was not without heavy criticism. Some felt the boys risked developing an "athletic heart," while others thought the sport was a "waste of time." Moreover, in 1910, a group of Sioux Falls ministers condemned the sport because "it was indecent for boys to run around so scantily dressed."

The Yankton event was such a success that it became an annual event and was referred to as the state meet. The first one, in 1903, was easily won by Tyndall, scoring 54 points. Other scores were: Vermillion 26, Pierre 21, Dell Rapids 16, and Yankton 11. None of the other schools scored.

The next year, 1904, there were 72 boys from ten

schools competing. Dell Rapids was the easy winner, scoring 43 points. Other scores were Tyndall 27, Vermillion 26, Huron 13, Yankton 11, Pierre 5, and Aberdeen 3.



**Local resident Dave Chamley,
winner of several state
titles in 1950.**

The following year, 1905, Dell Rapids was again the winner with 31 points. Twelve schools, including Sioux Falls and Aberdeen, competed, with scores of 5 and 6, respectively.

Following the success of the Yankton meets, other towns throughout the state began to sponsor their own meets. In May 1905, there was a dual meet between Sioux Falls College and Washington High School. The two teams were tied when the meet was called due to darkness.

Colleges in South Dakota and surrounding states had a huge influence in creating interest in high school track. In fact, most of the meets between 1903-1925 were sponsored by colleges. After the Yankton meet, Morningside College began sponsoring meets, and this continued through 1915.

In December 1905, superintendents and principals met in Brookings to form the South Dakota High School *Continued...*

Athletic Association. Then, in the spring of 1906, the first state meet sponsored by the new association

was held. Sioux Falls won the event, followed by Huron, Mitchell, Dell Rapids, Aberdeen, and Yankton. Gold and silver cups were presented to the winners.

Howard Wood organized the first Dakota Relays in May 1923. Wood, who was born in Canada, was recognized as the most famous coach in the Midwest. He began coaching at Washington High School in 1908 and continued until his death in 1949. During

his career, he coached all three major sports and was also the school's athletic director. His first Dakota Relays consisted of entries from twenty-seven grade schools, high schools, and colleges. By 1955, there were 891 entries.

Today, the Howard Wood Relays is one of the largest track meets in the Midwest. In May 2017, the 92nd running of the Dakota Relays took place with an astounding 3000 entries!

Through the years, many great athletes have made their mark in this area. In the early days, though, two

local men are of particular interest. In 1906, Huntimer from Dell Rapids was the state champion in the 440 yd. dash, the 880 yd. dash, and the Mile Run. And long-time Dells resident, Dave Chamley (recently passed away), who ran for Egan in 1950, won the state title in the 100 yd. dash, the 220 yd. dash, the 880 yd. relay, and the broad jump. Two time periods, two great athletes!

SCHOOL MEAL PROMOTION

FREE STUDENT LUNCHES AND BREAKFASTS MAY 18 - 23

To promote participation in the school lunch and breakfast programs, the school board has approved offering free student meals on May 18-23, 2017. If a student takes the full reimbursable breakfast or lunch, there will be no charge for the meal. Normal charges will apply to a la carte items, extras, and adult meals.

MEDICATIONS

Parents, if your child has medication stored in the nurse's office, please pick up the remaining medication by the last day of school. Any medication not picked up by the last day of school will be destroyed. Thank you. Have a great summer! ~ Jill Dvorak, RN

TRAILL ELECTED TO SCHOOL BOARD

An election was held on April 11, 2017 to fill the school board position being vacated by Tom Morris. With approximately 6.5% of registered voters casting ballots, Jeff Traill received 185 votes and Kevin Mattern received 76 votes. Traill will take the oath of office and be seated on the school board during the July 10, 2017 annual meeting.

SUMMER MEALS

Summer meals for kids and teens are being served in or near your community. Meals are open to all children 18 and younger, with no enrollment and no cost.

To find a nearby site: Call 1-866-348-6479 or go to www.fns.usda.gov/summerfoodrocks, or text FOOD to 877-877, operated by a USDA partner

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Attention 6th Grade Parents/Guardians:

2017-2018 - 6th Grade Immunizations

*In 2016, legislation passed that requires all incoming 6th Graders (age 11 years) to receive the Meningococcal (MCV₄) and TDAP (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis) immunizations prior to entry into 6th Grade. **If a child is 10 years old when entering 6th grade, he/she has 45 days after their 11th birthday to be immunized. Please forward immunization records verifying the completion of this requirement to Dell Rapids Middle School prior to the start of the 2017-2018 school year.*

Thank you.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

May 12-14 - School Musical - **The Lion King**

Friday, May 12 - All Sport Awards - 6pm

Sunday, May 16 - Evening of the Arts - 7pm

Sunday, May 20 - Graduation

Friday, May 23 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

May 30-June 2 - Drivers Education Classroom 8am-4pm



Reminder: Students eligible for free or reduced price lunch are also eligible for free or reduced price breakfast.



**HAVE AN IMPORTANT EVENT OR
ARTICLE YOU WOULD LIKE POSTED?
PUT IT IN THE WISE OWL.**

**Please check the Dell Rapids
School Website (dr-k12.org)
for School Lunch Menus and
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