



the Pheasant Call

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Mark Your Calendar

Thursday, April 18:

Redfield Relays: Canceled

HS Play Practice @ Bird Feeder 7:00PM

Friday, April 19:

NO SCHOOL- Easter Vacation

Saturday, April 20:

Easter Egg Hunt @ City Park 10-11:30

Sunday, April 21:

Happy Easter!

Monday, April 22:

SNOW MAKE-UP DAY

Gr. 8-11 Testing

Prom Meeting @ Mrs. Storley's

HS Play Practice @ Bird Feeder

Tuesday, April 23:

Gr. 8-11 Testing

HS SADD meeting @ 3:30pm

Wednesday, April 24:

Gr. 8-11 Testing

Saturday, April 27:

Prom: Banquet @ 6pm; Grand March @ 8pm

Pheasant Call

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Kopplin selected as State FCCLA President

by Skyann Stroud

On March 21, FCCLA members gather in the Redfield High school lunchroom to show off their projects and collect their awards. They presented their projects for upcoming state to their parents and some judges who volunteered.

After the judging, people were offered free root beer floats if they wanted one provided by the Redfield FCCLA Chapter. Once everyone had their refreshments, they handed out the awards.

Jayde O'Daniel got the local scholarship award, which is a \$400 scholarship given to one senior each year.

O'Daniel said, "I appreciate the scholarship and it will help me toward earning my degree in

Human Services."

For the Outstanding Sr. Member, Breanna Roth was chosen. Foreign exchange student, Emma Reif, was awarded a 1st year member award.

On March 31-April 2, members of the FCCLA chapter went to Sioux Falls for the state meeting. Some ran for office, others presented their projects, and the rest just went to workshops.

Some of the workshops were CPR, National Guards, and

Career Readiness.

There were college booths set up for the opportunity to get information about those colleges.

On Monday night, there was a dance held that the members could go to.

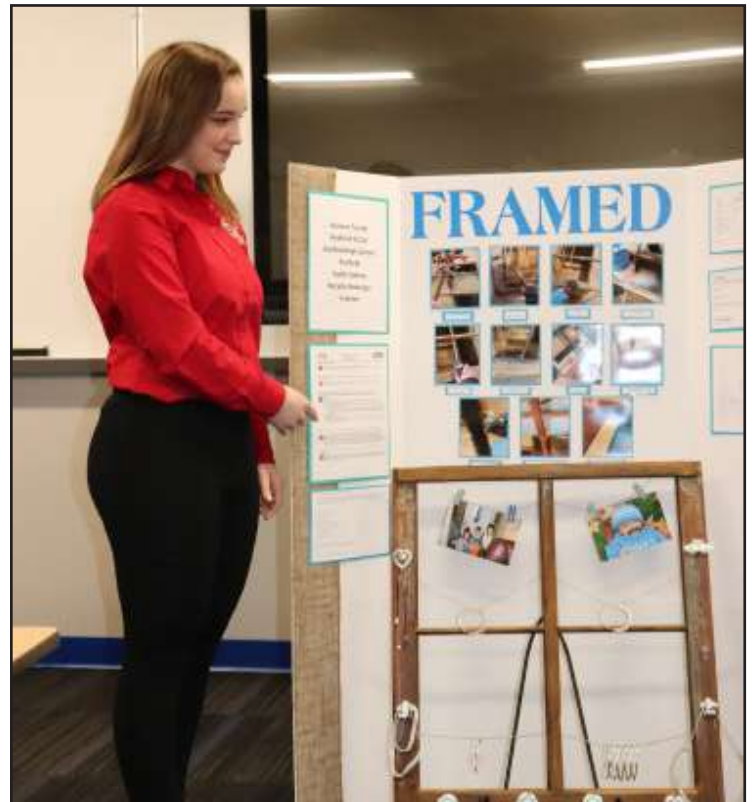
Emma Kopplin was selected as the 2019-2020 State FCCLA President; Breanna Roth got onto the Advocacy Team, and Kevin Weller won the Jr. Chapter Service Project which qualifies him for na-

tionals.

Gwen Johnson won the FCCLA Japanese Exchange Scholarship that is a national exchange program.

Johnson said, "I am very excited to get to fly to Japan and experience the culture there."

Johnson will be there for 6 weeks with a host family who will take her around the country. She will be experiencing some of the country's schooling.



Putting in the Work.

FCCLA puts on a parents' and awards night every year to allow the opportunity for parents to see state star events and give the members a chance to practice in front of a judge. Senior Geneva Talcott has been a member for 6 years and competed in Recycle and Redesign for her final year.

Spring Blizzard Adds to Sports Season Delays

by Sara Sattler

Due to the extreme weather this spring, the sports of track, golf, and baseball have had to start their seasons off by practicing indoors. These sports usually do not start off indoors; however, the rain and snow have really affected the spring sports and their schedules.

The boys' and girls' track teams have attended indoor meets at both NSU and SDSU, but the Redfield Relays, along with several other high school meets, have been canceled because the track and field areas are either covered in snow or are flooded.

Practicing indoors has its limits. "It's hard to do things inside that we usually like to do for our outside practices. This year has

been somewhat of a struggle due to weather, but I think it will be a great season," sophomore Faith Jandel said.

Junior Allysen Croeni adds, "Inside practices are a lot harder than our normal outside practices; even though they are a lot harder I still enjoy them."

There can be some benefits to having to practice inside. "It's nice because you don't have to worry about the weather being bad and having practices canceled," John Jungwirth said.

Even though the spring sports season has been a struggle this spring, the athletes and their coaches are hopeful that the weather will straighten out and they can resume their normal routines.



The streets of Redfield were piled high with snow after the latest blizzard that dumped approximately 24 inches of snow. School was cancelled for three days on April 10, 11 and 12.

The Rising Flooding Problem

I have recently been very concerned with the rising waters that is currently happening around me. This can easily become a major issue in such a short time. Due to the snow melting



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Sara Sattler, journalism staff

it's causing the water levels to rapidly rise. In precaution to this, people have had to sand bag around their houses. It has also caused some of the water lines to become contaminated around

town. Some of the town has had to use bottled water because of it; they couldn't drink the water and they couldn't use it to cook, but the people could still shower.

Recently the water has went down but now we are supposed to get another snow / rain storm, which could cause the water levels to increase again. Which could cause some more problems of pipes breaking again and people not being able to use their water again.

FFA CDEs Finally Take Off

by Kylie Risetter

With winter seeming to be subsiding, Redfield FFA was able to attend their second CDE this year. On April 2, Redfield FFA went to Howard. In agronomy Redfield placed 5th overall, with Jaxon Frankenstein placing 10th, Jacob Fehlman placing 17th and Mason Fey placing 23rd.

On April 29, the FFA went to Brookings to participate in Little I. In agronomy, Redfield placed 7th, with Jaxon Frankenstein placing 20th and Jacob Fehlman placing 21st. Lester Beckler placed 15th in livestock. In Natural resources Redfield placed 3rd overall, with Drew Masat placing 11th, Barrett Nelson placing 14th, and Joseph Woodring placing 22nd. In nursery landscape Redfield placed 9th but 4th out of all the chapters. Justine Jacobs placed 26th, Jasmine Banister placed 29th, Tyler Esser placed 31st and Zachary Akin placed 33rd.

The weather finally cleared up and gave Redfield the chance to go to their first CDE in Miller on March 20th. Our Redfield natural resources placed 1st as a team (Drew Masat, Joseph Woodring, Zachary Jordan, and Brandon Akin). Drew Masat placed 2nd, Zachary Jordan placed 4th, and Joseph Woodring placed 8th. In nursery landscape Redfield placed 1st as a team (Justine Jacobs, Zachary Akin, Brady Jordan, Gage Ratigan, Seth Siebrecht, Elliott Komraus, and Jasmine Banister). Justine Jacobs placed 3rd, Brady Jordan placed 5th, Gage Ratigan placed 6th, Elliott Komraus placed 7th, Zachary Akin placed 8th, Seth Siebrecht placed 9th, Jasmine Banister placed 10th, Bridgette Lambert placed 11th, Riley Brabant placed 14th and Tyler Esser placed 15th. In milk quality and products Barrett Nelson placed 4th.



(Left). Seniors Zachary Jordan, Joseph Woodring, Drew Masat and sophomore Brandon Akin accept their award for placing first in natural resources.

Band and Choir Perform for Contest and Concert

by Kiara O'Daniel

On Wednesday, March 27, the Band and Choir traveled to NSU to take part in the Region 4 Large Group Music Contest. Both groups received a Superior (I) score.

There they had many different schools competing to get the highest score. The band director Mr. Kenny said, "The high

school performed for their large group contest at the Jewett Theater at NSU. I am pleased with how the high school band sounded at contest! These last few months have been hard with all of the days of school missed due to weather, but the students handled it very well and knew how to pre-

pare even having less rehearsals. It was our first time since I have been at Redfield that the band received a 1 rating (superior) and I could not be happier with the hard work they put into getting that rating. I am really looking forward to hearing how much they improve by next year's large group contest."



Brass Section.

Daniel Shine, Dillon Fliehe, Dylan Stephens and Kaleb Schutte perform at the contest concert on March 25 in the Ken Greeno Building.

Track Team Begins Their Season

by Katelyn Nelson

On April 5, the varsity track team attended their first outdoor event the Huron Invitational track meet. Allysen Croeni won the girls' 3200 meter run with a time of 13:14.77 with Kayla Jordan and Kyra Utecht behind her finishing third and fourth. Gannon Pudwill placed third in the boys' 400 meter dash with a time of 53.87 seconds. Joseph Woodring placed second in the boys' 800 meter run. The boys' 4x400 meter relay team placed second with a combined time of 3:44.03.

The team had also competed with 30 others schools at the indoor track meet at SDSU.

The team kicked off their season on March 26, by attending the 2019 Wolves Invite track

meet at the NSU Barnet Center. Camryn Rohlf placed first in the girls' 55 meter dash. Allysen Croeni placed first in the girls' 3200 meter run with a time of 12:20.00. The girls' 4x400 meter relay team 'A' placed

third overall with a combined time of 4:35.00.

"I was very proud the team effort and the younger kids really stepped up to help us. I look forward to the rest of the year," Faith Jandel said.



On the Home Stretch.

Junior Gannon Pudwill strides out to finish the 400 meter dash during the indoor meet in Brookings. Pudwill placed 7th in his heat and 8th overall.

January Students of the Month



Carsten McNeil, senior

Carsten is the son of Dan and Sara McNeil. He has 2 brothers, Caleb and Cullen and one sister, Cambree. Carsten is involved in football, wrestling, cross country, track, FBLA, Student Council, National Honor Society, and CCD. Carsten's advice to underclassmen is, "Don't stress about things you can't change. Make the best of every situation." Carsten will attend the School of Mines for Mechanical Engineering.



Damion Dey, sophomore

Damion is the son of Thomas and Kalie Dey. He has two siblings, a brother Darien and a sister Liliana. Damion is involved in art, chorus, and band and enjoys golf and robotics. He works at the grocery store and likes being able to help others. His favorite thing to do on the weekends is to relax at home and take care of his dog and his lizard. His hobbies include playing the cello and guitar, playing video games, and golfing.



Brynnley Neuharth, 6th grade

Brynnley is the daughter of Brandi and Miles Neuharth. She has one sibling, Tate. Brynnley's favorite class is math. She is active in volleyball and dance. She enjoys camping during the summer and going to visit her grandparents on the weekends. The hardest thing for her in school is to stay focused, and she overcomes this by telling herself that she can do it.

Also nominated for March Student of the Month:

Autumn Olson (7th grade)

Kaylin Kraft (8th grade)

Luke Nelson (10th)

Four RD Athletes Named to ALL-NEC Teams

by Sydney Smith

The boys and girls Pheasant basketball teams had the honor of two players each being selected on to all-conference teams for their respective 2018-2019 seasons.

Senior Micaiah Utecht and junior Max Baloun were chosen to represent the Pheasants on 3rd team all-conference after finishing their season with a 12-10 record and an appearance in the SoDak 16.

Utecht finished the season with a team high 292 points and team high 72 assists in his final season as a Pheasant.

Baloun contributed to the team's success by ripping down 232 rebounds and putting up 267 points on the season.

"Making all-conference team is a really big honor. I felt that this season we made tons of improvements and we are continuously getting better; I can't wait till next season," said Max Baloun about the boys' basketball season.

The Lady Pheasants had senior Eve Millar and junior Kailee Clausen elected to 2nd team all-conference after ending their season in the SoDak 16 in Mitchell with a 15-7

record.

Millar collected a team high 136 rebounds and team high 122 assists in her contribution while also nearly breaking the Redfield-Doland record for career assists.

Clausen led the team in scoring and

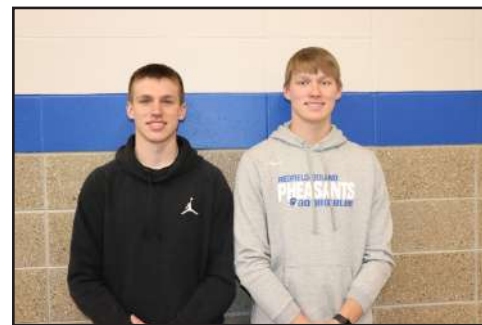
steals with a solid 290 points and 65 takeaways on the year.

"I felt our season went very well. We had a great group of girls out this year and they pushed me to get better every day in practice. I do believe that they

helped me make 2nd team all-conference this year," Kailee Clausen said about her junior season honor.

Both boys' and girls' all conference teams have fifteen

players from the North East Conference to represent the best of the participating teams. The players are then divided into three teams of five based on their skill set.



Boys All Conference Selections.

Micaiah Utecht and Max Baloun represented the Redfield-Doland boy's basketball team on the all-NEC teams. Both Utecht and Baloun were honored with third team selections.

Girls All Conference Representatives.

Eve Millar and Kailee Clausen were chosen from the RD girl's basketball team for the all-NEC teams. Millar and Clausen were elected onto the second team.

Coach Tommy Gregg Recognized as GBB Region 3 Coach of the Year

by Sydney Smith and Morgan Gall

Girls' basketball head coach Tommy Gregg was named the Region Three Coach of the Year by the South Dakota Coach's Association after qualifying for the SoDak 16 for the second year in a row and ending their season with a 15-7 record.

The Pheasants fought hard through a year troubled with injuries to capture

two wins in the Region 1A tournament before falling short of a state tournament bid against the eventual Class A girls' state champions from Winner.

Gregg has been coaching the Redfield-Doland girls' basketball team for the past ten seasons.

His tenure with the Lady Pheasants has been highlighted by back-to-back SoDak 16 appearances, 111 career wins, and

having 13 players being elected to the girls' NEC all-conference teams.

"I do think that he definitely is deserving of this award. He puts a lot of time and effort into the team to make sure that we're successful. I've really enjoyed playing under him for the last four years. He's definitely helped mold me into the player I am today and I hope he and the rest of the Pheasants

have success in the future," said senior captain Eve Millar when asked about her coach.

"This coach of the year award is a nice honor that is well appreciated. I do think, though, that this is more of a reflection on our kids and the quality of players that we have at here Redfield more than anything," Coach Gregg said about his regional coaching honor.



Region Honoree.

Redfield's own Mr. Tommy Gregg was announced at the Region Three Girls' Coach of the Year. He has been the RD head coach for the past 10 years.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: Redfield High School Class of 2019

Dillon Fliehe



Dillon Fliehe is the son of Darwin and Denise Fliehe. After high school he plans to attend Lake Area Technical Institute to earn a degree in Energy Technology. Dillon is involved in band, football, track, robotics club. Dillon's advice for younger students: "Take your time to enjoy high school, it goes by faster than you think."

Chris Rothacker



Chris Rothacker is the son of Wesley Rothacker II and Michelle Franks. After high school he plans to attend Lake Area Technical Institute to earn a degree in Welding. Chris's advice for younger students: "Don't fall behind in classes." Chris's favorite class was Physics with Mr. Hochstatter because "It's pretty easy and we mess around alot of the time."

Micaiah Utecht



Micaiah Utecht is the son of Pete and Rachel Utecht. After high school he plans to attend Black Hills State University to earn a degree in Science Education. Micaiah is involved in Golf, basketball, track, FBLA, NHS, and band. Micaiah's advice for underclassmen: "Be involved in stuff it makes high school more fun."