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PHEASANT FOCUS

Cory Greenwood Speaks to Students

by Kaitlyn Rozell

On Sept. 27, Cory Greenwood and his band performed for the middle and high school students. Then Greenwood took the stage and shared his message with the students.

Greenwood started by sharing a story about collecting rocks for his daughter, taking Instagram pictures, and almost missing his flight. He shared that when he tried to feel sorry for himself, his friend simply stated that he doesn't have bad luck; the consequences he faced were due to his priorities.

Greenwood encouraged students to give themselves permission to say "no." According to Greenwood, everyone - no

matter what age - has the ability to step away from negative things that make an impact on their life.

"I appreciated his comments about giving yourself permission to say no to things, to make changes, and not allow friends to influence your decisions," Principal Kendra Becker said.



Take 2. Cory Greenwood returned to Redfield to speak to middle school and high school students. Greenwood first shared his message last year.

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RHS Journalism Students Attend State Convention at USD in Vermillion

by Jadie Turner

On Oct. 16, the Redfield newspaper and yearbook staff traveled to Vermillion to attend the South Dakota State Press Convention.

The 2023 Pheasant yearbook was one of the 21 books submitted for judging in the state, and only four scored a Superior rating. Redfield had the second highest score of all books; other Superior books included those from Sioux Falls Jefferson, Sioux Falls Washington and Aberdeen Roncalli.

Some of the items that the yearbook was judged on in-

cluded coverage, writing, photography, unifying concepts, editing and design.

The school newspaper, The *Pheasant Call*, received an Excellent rating.

Students started their day off by attending the opening session with Marina Hendricks from the South Dakota High School Press Association and guest speaker Jackie Hendry from South Dakota Public Broadcasting.

The conference had six breakout sessions the students could attend that focused on different journalistic

categories and photography skills.

Representatives from SDSU and USD were available for students to talk to about educational opportunities. Students later came together for the awards and closing session.

The students' individual work was submitted in advance to be judged and scored based on state rubric.

Receiving an excellent rating in photography were Jadie Turner, Brooklyn Rische, Hayden Gall and Gracie Fast.

Scoring a superior rating in photography included Brooklyn Rische (2), Addi-

syn Evans and Jadie Turner.

Nine 2023 staff members received excellent ratings with their news-writing skills: Gracie Fast, Emma Frewaldt, Murphy Lewis, Brooklyn Rische, Jadie Turner (2), Addisyn Evans, Siobhan Phillips, Brynnley Neuharth and Hayden Gall.

"I thought it was really nice to see the USD campus for the first time. I also thought that the convention was very well-organized, and I had a lot of fun," junior journalism staff member Brynnley Neuharth said.



Journalism Staff. Journalism staff attending the SD High School Press Convention at USD in Vermillion on Oct. 16 included (front) Kendyl Siebrecht, Lorena Evans, Brynnley Neuharth, Carmen Herrera, Brooklyn Rische, (back) Charli Jungwirth, Kinley Smith, Addisyn Evans, Hayden Gall and Jadie Turner.

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New Members Inducted into National Honor Society

by Charli Jungwirth

On Tuesday, Oct. 17, six new members were inducted into the National Honor Society at Redfield High School.

The new members are Addisyn Evans, Carmen Herrera, Jaci Hofeman, Brooklyn Rische, Adalyn Stoner and Jadie Turner.

The new members joined second year members: Grady Fey, Chase McGillivray, Elijah Morrisette, Jersey Morrison, Katie Rozell, Kevin Weller and Chloe Zens.

President Grady Fey led the ceremony with assistance from other officers Elijah Morrisette,

Vice President, and Chase McGillivray, Secretary.

Elementary teacher Mrs. Jodi Miles gave a speech to the audience about the pillars of NHS.

Eligible students applied to join NHS and were then chosen by a committee of faculty members based on the 4 pillars of NHS, which are represented by candles at the ceremony.

The 4 pillars include Scholarship, represented as a red candle; Leadership, as a blue candle; Service, as a purple candle; and Character, represented as a green candle.

"The new members

will be a great addition to NHS. I look forward to what this group of juniors and seniors will accomplish throughout this year," Mrs. Mara Fredrick, NHS adviser, said.

NHS was founded in 1921 to recognize high school students with high scholastic standards.

Throughout the year, these students will have to maintain good grades in school, as well as follow all the pillars of NHS.

The students will participate in many service projects in and out of school as the year goes on to fulfill their minimum hours required.

ALL IN: Be Your Best Self

Many kids wonder what one character trait makes a good student; however, being a good student can consist of many different features. Students can think that having good grades or studying extra hard will inevitably make a good student, yet it can also include other things.

Being involved in school activities is a first step to take when trying to be a good student. For example, being involved in school organizations and sports are huge responsibilities. Many good students are included in clubs, activities, or something such as community service. Being involved in extracurricular activities can teach you skills that can translate into your school day, essentially helping you become a better student.



National Honor Society. Newly inducted RHS National Honor Society members (front) Jaci Hofeman, Addisyn Evans, Jadie Turner, Adalyn Stoner, Carmen Herrera and Jadie Turner join 2nd year members (back) Chloe Zens, Elijah Morrisette, Kevin Weller, Chase McGillivray, Grady Fey, Kaitlyn Rozell and Jersey Morrison.

What Charactersitic Is Most Important to Have in Order to Consider Yourself a Good Student?

by Kendyl Siebrecht



Mady Morrisette, freshman

"Showing gratitude toward peers and teachers."



Ian Jungwirth, sophomore

"A good characteristic to have to be a good student is to be a hard worker."



Mady Siebrecht, junior

"Dedication and time are important when being a good student."



David Lopez, sophomore

"To work hard on homework is important to be a good student."



Jakobe Hvam, senior

"Being dedicated to showing up and putting in effort is important."



Autum Olsen, senior

"A good student is responsible and gets things done on time."

Humanity Launch Brings Program to Redfield MS/HS

by Charli Jungwirth

Students in middle school through seniors had the opportunity to listen to and participate in The Humanity Launch program on Wednesday, Oct. 11, in the Ken Greeno Building. Grades 9-12 attended a morning session, and middle school students attended a session in the afternoon.

The Humanity Launch is a program with a focus on developing a vibrant classroom culture.

The presentation for the Humanity Launch program is created to empower

the audience.

The mission of the program is “To take people on a journey to discover a dynamic culture that fosters excellence in their environment and the development of a better world.”

Their vision is “To empower individuals to lift their personal and professional community by celebrating and engaging the “human” in “humanity.” Their why is “To provide a tangible working platform igniting individual passion and organizational pride.

The Humanity

Launch understands that a successful culture requires action and interaction.” (<https://www.thehumanitylaunch.com/>)

Leading The Humanity Launch are Kim Bartling and Dr. Gregg Talcott, whose goal for the presentation is to lead individuals on a journey to learn about a more vibrant culture that encourages excellence in their surroundings and the creation of a better society. They do this to offer a practical working environment that drives employee en-

thusiasm and organizational pride.

Bartling has over 34 years in education in both public and private settings in primary, secondary and higher education and in two countries.

Talcott has 37 years of experience as a teacher, coach and administrator in South Dakota schools.

Together, they lead student groups in conversations and dance activities while talking about things including being interested, being the light, and telling truths.



Follow the Moves! RHS dances to “Can’t Stop This Feeling” during Humanity Launch.

RHS Band Marches in Gypsy Day Parade and Roncalli Parade

GYPSY DAY PARADE

by Emeri Hofeman

On Oct. 7, the high school band went to Aberdeen and marched in the annual Northern State University Gypsy Day Parade.

They were 1 of the 132 entries, 18 of which were bands from the local area. Each band got judged on their performance and Redfield received a silver tier award. This was the first award received under the direction of Mr. Dylan Unruh.

“I think the band did amazing! They kept the straightest lines I’ve ever seen them do and everybody was exhausted afterwards, but

it was all worth it because we got free pizza.

We were so excited about the silver award that I ran up with my arms in the air when I brought it back. All the kids passed it around and touched it to celebrate our hard work. Most definitely one of my top 5 moments teaching so far,” Mr. Unruh said.

RONCALLI PARADE

by Lorena Evans

The RHS marching band, directed by Mr. Dylan Unruh, has been working on their skills this fall.

They marched in the Redfield Homecoming parade, and they recently traveled to Aberdeen as they marched their

way through the Roncalli Parade.

Seventeen total bands participated in the event, and each band was judged and given a score; the RHS band scored a total of 318 points.

When asked what he thought about how the RHS band played, Mr. Unruh responded, “At the Roncalli parade, the band sounded amazing. We achieved 318 points in music execution which lands us in the superior category.

It was great to be 1 of the 17 bands who marched and were judged. One of the judges was even former Redfield band director Dale Fiedler who said, ‘Great energy, the band is developing well.’”



In Sync. RHS band marches in the Gypsy Day Parade in Aberdeen on October 7.



Earned It. Band receives a second tier award for their performance in Gypsy Day Parade.

Seniors Attend College Planning Event at NSU

by Carmen Herrera

College applications, career choices, and scholarship opportunities are just a few of the things going through the seniors' minds as they come to the end of the first quarter of their last year of high school.

Northern State University held an event on Wednesday, Oct. 4, to help explore the different programs and scholarships that colleges and universities have

to offer.

The seniors traveled to Aberdeen to meet at the NSU Barnett Center with other juniors and seniors from area high schools to take advantage of the opportunity to meet the different college admission reps.

The event helped them focus and start thinking about where they might want to attend college and what program might interest

them to pursue in the future.

NSU hosted a career fair at the same time to give those attending a look at the different businesses and job industries they might be interested in working at.

"I wanted our seniors to attend this event because it gives them an opportunity to explore different careers," middle school/high school counselor Mr. Hank Brassilio said.



Think it Out. Senior Kaitlyn Rozell and Mr. Hank Brassilio plan for her future by looking at the available opportunities for her after attending the career fair at NSU.

FCCLA Chapter Attends Leadership Conference

by Addisyn Evans

On Oct. 1, eleven members from the local Redfield FCCLA Chapter traveled to Sioux Falls with their adviser, Ms. McCarthy, to attend the annual Fall Leadership Conference.

Students attended Power Training to gain new leadership skills, network with members from other schools, and brainstorm ideas to bring back to their local community.

Redfield chapter members in attendance include, Jerica Ratigan, Lilly Blume and Amelia Sjurseth who serve on the State FCCLA Leadership Team. These girls worked with leaders from other schools to develop a plan for the lead-

ership team to carry out this year. These plans include activities that are participated in by members and chapters across the state.

"Fall Leadership was a great experience! It gave new members a chance to start their leadership career and make new friends. I really enjoyed getting to meet new people in different FCCLA chapters," sophomore Jerica Ratigan said.

Adviser Aliesha McCarthy, would like to inform community members of the ongoing fundraiser.

She stated, "The FCCLA chapter conducted a fundraiser of Elieen's cookies and Hot Stuff Pizza in October and also



sold fun socks, along with pink socks for breast cancer awareness on October

20th at the volleyball game. Thank you for supporting our local FCCLA Chapter!"

Striving for Success. FCCLA members who attended the annual Fall Leadership Conference in Sioux Falls on Oct. 1 include (back) Jerica Ratigan, Lilly Blume, Jessie Ratigan, Chase Harr, Hannah Schlechter, (middle) Amelia Sjurseth, Kayleigh Disbrow, Lily Parisien, Makayla Schultz, (front) Lorena Evans and Ashlee Stroud.

Lady Pheasants Host Pink Night

by Hayden Gall

Friday, Oct 20 the Lady Pheasants hosted the Groton Tigers on the annual breast cancer awareness Pink Night.

The Pheasants lost in four sets to the Tigers (25-23, 16-25, 21-25, 18-25). Cecilia Suchor had 8 kills, Chloe Zens had 24 digs, and Katie Rozell had 5 aces.

"I think we played really well as a team. There are some things we could work on, but we are

getting better together," Suchor said.

The Pheasants hosted a tournament on Sept. 30 and placed 1st in the silver division. The first match of pool play was against Potter County, and the Pheasants came on top (25-10, 25-20). Then the Pheasants fell to Belle Fourche (20-25, 19-25). As the Pheasants entered tournament play, they dominated over Aberdeen Christian in two sets

(25-13, 26-24). Then in the championship match of the silver division, the Pheasants faced the Beresford Watchdogs and won in 2 sets (25-19, 25-21) winning the silver division. Ten players were selected for the all-tournament team including two from Redfield: Chloe Zens and Katie Rozell.

The Pheasants collected a win while on the road against Clark/Willow Lake (25-12, 25-21, 25-

16). Other recent games for the Pheasants that ended up in a loss were Milbank (23-25, 24-26, 23-25), Northwestern Area (17-24, 14-25, 10-25), Hamlin (22-25, 25-27, 24-26), Warner (10-25, 10-25, 15-25), and Webster (25-16, 25-20, 21-25, 22-25, 9-15).

Making a Move.

During Pink Night against Groton, sophomore Hayden Gall sets the ball, as freshman Charli Jungwirth and sophomore Kinley Smith get ready to hit the ball.



Pheasants Defeat Grizzlies

by Emeri Hofeman & Lorena Evans

In a season marked with losses along the way, the highlight came on Parents' Night on Oct. 6 when the Pheasants triumphed over the Dakota Hills Grizzlies, 37-3.

The first quarter of the game was scoreless for both teams, but in the second period, Ethan Falk sent a pass to McGillivray, which resulted in a 21-yard

touchdown for the first score of the game. An interception by junior Camden Murray put the Pheasants back on offense, and Chase McGillivray rushed for 32 yards on 3 carries. The Pheasants pulled ahead of the Grizzlies, which put them ahead at halftime 16-0.

McGillivray carried the ball 21 times making for a total of

204 yards plus three touchdowns.

On Sept. 29, the Pheasants chalked up a loss against the Parker Pheasants with a score of 6-28.

The last game of the season had the Pheasants traveling to compete against the Deuel Cardinals on Oct. 13. The Cardinals shut out the Pheasants with a score of 50-0.



Making the Tackle. During the last home game against the Grizzlies, seniors Justin Ratigan and Chase McGillivray make the tackle on the Dakota Hills player, as senior Jakobe Hvam brings up the back to ensure the take-down.

FFA Treats Local Farmers

by Charli Jungwirth

On Tuesday, Oct. 25, farmers waiting in line at the scale at the ethanol plant may have been surprised by Redfield FFA students coming to their semis to hand out a bag of treats and say "thank you" to them.

Students who attended Mr. Cihak's classroom in the morning made up the sandwich bags for the farmers and truckers who would be coming through the lines at the ethanol plant.

The sandwich bags included a couple pieces of candy along with chips and mustard and mayo for the sandwiches. The meals were sponsored by Redfield Energy and Agtergra.

"Being able to give back to the farmers and producers from



Helping Hands. Junior Brooklyn Rische and senior Justin Ratigan stand at the scales at the ethanol plant to greet farmers and hand out a lunch bag. The FFA, Agtergra and Redfield Energy joined to give 250 bags out.

our local community is something I think is very important, so being able to just do something as small as these meals during their busy season is nice. Our local farmers support our

school and community functions, and also FFA, so as an officer, being able to give back on behalf of our chapter is just one we can say thank you," junior Brooklyn Rische said.

Senior Spotlight

Dalton Sattler is the son of Ryan and Kellie Sattler.



He has three siblings: Emerson (15), Ainslee (14), and Kaidence (11). Dalton is involved in golf (3 years) and basketball (1 year). He enjoyed golf the most because Mr. Cihak was a good

coach and practice was fun. Some of Dalton's hobbies include hunting, fishing, working with cattle, and being with friends. Dalton plans to attend Lake Area to be a heavy equipment operator.

Ruthie Croeni is the daughter of Tonya Odland, Shane



and Ashley Croeni. She has five siblings: Lance Stephens, Allysen Croeni, Logan, Carson and Keegan Jessen. Extra-Curricular activities Ruthie has been involved in include FCCLA (4

years), Dance (Preschool-12th grade), Track (7th-11th grade), and church youth group (6th-12th grade). When Ruthie graduates she plans to attend Lake Area for dental assisting.

Chase McGillivray is the son of Drew McGillivray



and Theresa and Greg Levitzow. An accomplishment that Chase is proud of is being in NHS and placing at state wrestling. He has been involved in football

(10 years), wrestling (14 years), NHS (2 years), NJHS (2 years), and baseball (5 years). Some words of wisdom that Chase would give to underclassmen are "Stick with the things you enjoy, because before you know it, it will be over."

Kaitlyn Rozell is the daughter of Mark and Julie



Rozell. She has three siblings: Sarah, Drew, and Addie Rozell. Something that Katie will miss at RHS after she graduates is seeing her friends every day and having great teachers that help

her. A class that Katie has enjoyed the most at RHS was English because she really likes reading and writing. A quote that she lives by is, "Before I do anything I ask myself, would an idiot do that?" – Dwight Schrute. After Katie graduates she plans on attending USD.

Moore Competes at State XC Meet

by Jadie Turner

On Oct. 21, sophomore Payton Moore traveled to Sioux Falls to compete in the SDHSAA Class A State Cross Country Meet at the Yankton Trail Park.

Moore ran in the varsity race finishing in 103rd place and ran a time of 19:20.35.

For boys' varsity in the Class A division, there were 125 runners from 42 different teams.

"I thought that my cross-country season this year went really well. One goal that I have for myself for next year's season

is that I would like to keep improving every day," Moore said.

On Oct. 5 the JV and varsity cross country runners traveled to Webster for the NEC meet. At this meet runners battled 24 mph wind, 56-degree weather and even a down-pour.

Runners competed against the same people they would be competing against at their upcoming region meet to determine who would qualify for State.

For varsity girls, Jadie Turner ran a time of 26:23.18 finishing in 33rd.

Running in the varsity boys division Moore ran a time of 19:25.45 placing 14th.

Finishing up the meet in junior varsity Emma Fugman ran a time of 19:25.45 and finished in 18th.

The cross-country team was flexible as the original region meet in Webster was scheduled to be on Oct. 19, but due to the predicted weather, the meet was changed to Oct. 18.

This meet was important for the varsity runners, as the top 20 places would qualify for state.

Running in the

varsity girls division was Turner running a time of 24:49.47 placing 34th. Moore ran in the varsity boys race, running a time of 19:19.43 finishing in 15th and qualifying for state.

JV finished out the season running in junior varsity with Fugman running a time of 18:50.61 placing 28th and Aly Gruenwald running a time of 16:04.60 placing 11th.

Running for junior varsity boys was Christian Peterson with a time of 16:09.23 placing 29th.

Four Senior Golfers Attend State Tournament

by Addisyn Evans

On Sept. 18, the varsity golf team traveled to Pierre where 29 golfers participated in pre-regions.

Golfers used this as an opportunity to golf the course, where regions would be held, before competing at the regional meet.

Regions took place at Lake-View golf course in Pierre.

Tristen O'Daniel, Jaxen Campbell, Kevin Weller, Seth

Domke and Micah Zastrow represented the team.

Overall, there were 32 golfers competing in regions, with the top 3 teams and the top 55% (32) of individuals qualifying for State.

All four senior members qualified for State, while Zastrow was only 2 places short.

The boys competed at the State level on Oct. 2-3 in Rapid City at the Heart Ranch Golf Course.

To end the first round of State, Campbell shot a 93 and O'Daniel shot a 100. One stroke behind O'Daniel, Domke shot a 101, and Weller finished with a 114.

The second round of State finished out the 2023 Boys' State Golf Tournament. O'Daniel shot a 99, Campbell with a 93, Domke shot a 106 and Weller finished with a 122.

In total, Campbell shot a 196 placing

81st and O'Daniel finished with a 199 placing 84th. Domke finished State with a 207 placing 91st and Weller shot a 236 finishing in 95th place.

Jaxen Campbell said, "State was a fun experience and since all the seniors made it, it was even more fun. Throughout this season, there were lots of memories made and we all had fun this season."

State Qualifiers.

Four seniors compete at the State Golf Tournament Oct. 2-3.

(Left) Assistant coach Clay Hoots, Kevin Weller, Tristen O'Daniel, Seth Domke, Jaxen Campbell and head coach Bradley Cihak.



Aug./Sept. Students of the Month

by Kinley Smith

Grade 12: Carmen Herrera



Carmen Herrera

Carmen Herrera is the daughter of Josh and Viviana Appel. She has four siblings: Victoria (13), Julianna (7), Edward (6), and Sophia (4). Carmen also has a dog named Duke. Her favorite class is journalism with Mrs. Frost because she likes the people in the class with her and she like contributing to the yearbook. The class Carmen struggles the most with is pre-calculus because she is not good with numbers when letters get added, but she overcomes the struggle by asking many questions. Advice Carmen would give to underclassmen is to not be afraid to try something new and try to make as many memories with your friends as you can.

Grade 11: Maxson Sandoz



Maxson Sandoz

Maxson Sandoz is the son of Saisha Sandoz. He has six siblings: Terri (24), Luann (22), Lola (21), Jacksen (16), Boomer (8), and Bruno (6). He has two hermit crabs, one dog, and two cats. In his free time, Maxson works at Leo's Good Food. He also enjoys lifting weights and playing video games. Maxson's advice to underclassmen would be to always work hard. His favorite class is math because it is easy for him to understand. The class he struggles the most with is Earth Science, but he overcomes it by working hard. Maxson's favorites include winter because it is cold, spaghetti, and blue. A goal he has set for himself is to get better grades this year.

Grade 10: Conner Zens



Conner Zens

Conner Zens is the son of Chris and Angela Zens. Conner has two sisters: Chloe (17) and Brinley (8). He also has a dog named Champ. Conner works on the farm, and his favorite part is the meals his great-grandmother makes. He is involved in student council, wrestling and football. Conner's hobbies include hunting, fishing, and playing sports. The class he struggles the most with is Honors English with all the English rules there are to follow. He overcomes this by learning the content in small amounts. Conner's favorite season is spring because everything is new and fresh, and all the plants are growing.

Grade 9: Layla Hardie



Layla Hardie

Layla Hardie is the daughter of Matt and Jamie Mogen. She has two brothers: Mason (11) and Leo (6). She also has a dog, Harvey. Layla's favorite part about her babysitting job is getting to hang out with the kids. Layla is involved in volleyball, basketball, softball, NJHS and Confirmation group. Advice she would give to the underclassmen is to try your hardest in all your classes, even the easy ones. Layla's favorite class is art because she is able to have fun and be with her friends. Her favorite season is winter because it is Christmas time, and she enjoys the snow. One goal she has set is to study for all tests.

Grade 8: Riley Frewaldt



Riley Frewaldt

Riley Frewaldt is the son of Kristen and Robert Frewaldt. He has two sisters: Emma (15) and Isabel (10). Riley also has two cats. He works at the Redfield Food Center and enjoys stocking the shelves. His favorite season is fall because of the weather and the colors.

Grade 7: Claricee Wurtz



Claricee Wurtz

Claricee Wurtz is the daughter of Heather Wurtz and Jermeny Dustan. She has five siblings: Breanna (20), Kalie (20), Tori (18), Lanie (12), and Grace (11). Claricee's favorites include pizza and donuts, the class band, the movie *The Little Rascals*, and the color teal.

Grade 6: Taelyn Lewis



Taelyn Lewis

Taelyn Lewis is the daughter of Jenna and Jessi Lewis. She has three siblings: Teige (16), Randen (6), and Renleigh (2). Taelyn has two dogs, Berkley and Toby. Taelyn is involved in volleyball. Her favorite class is social studies because she enjoys learning history.