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URGENT!

The National Finals Rodeo, NFR, is held in Las Vegas every year in December. Few people get the honor of singing the national anthem at one of the NFR rodeos.

This year, students Taylor Brekke and Abi Fred joined up with their two older sisters, who were also students at MPHS, Lauren Brekke and Kayla Fred. The group of girls sang this year at the Mobridge Sitting Bull Stampede Rodeo over the 4th of July.

Now the girls need your help to get them to sing at the NFR. They have made it passed the first round of judging and now they need you to **vote for their video**. Go to the link addressed

<http://woobox.com/ugbwrh> and search for the video under the name Lauren Brekke. If you need more help, log onto Facebook and go to Taylor Brekke's profile for a step by step process of how to find the video and vote. Please help support these girls and let's get them as many votes as we can!

-Taylor Brekke

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MPHS Students Elect Class Officers

The race was on for class officers. As in the past, those who wanted to run for office completed an application and poster in order for their name to appear on the ballot.

Two students ran for freshman class president, Brady Greger and Dakota Nickels. Fortunately, all freshmen positions were filled by nomination during the class meeting, saving the class from shambles due to the unfilled positions.

The sophomore class was not far behind with only two people running for president. Jessica Mahar and Lauren Henderson stepped up to the plate to lead their class. Other positions were also filled by nomination during the class meeting.

The junior class didn't even need an election because there was only one person running for each spot. Running unopposed were President Madyson Aberle, Vice President Grace Jensen, Secretary Madison Rau, and Treasurer Cassi Heumiller.

Now for the main event. The senior class had some grudge matches going on for class officers, but only the strong survived with Hudson Shillingstad running solo for President. Alexis Frey, Tanner Jerome and Brandi Martian scrapped it out for



"I'm proud to serve as the senior class president," commented Hudson Shillingstad.

vice president, while Keely Moriarty also ran solo for secretary. Joey Heil, Sadie Pollock, and Chase Schoenhard ran for the money spot, Treasurer.

Full results of the class elections are as follows:

Seniors—President Hudson Shillingstad, Vice President Tanner Jerome, Secretary Keely Moriarty, Treasurer Chase Schoenhard.

Juniors—President Madyson Aberle, Vice President Grace Jensen, Secretary Madison Rau, Treasurer Cassi Heumiller.

Sophomores—President Jessica Mahar, Vice President Lauren Henderson, Secretary Morgan Dienert, Treasurer Aryn Looyenga.

Freshmen—President Brady Greger, Vice President Dakota Nickels, Secretary Dylan Cerney, Treasurer Josh Chase.

-Hudson Shillingstad

Mr. Lenz Serves as Two Principals

Who can be in two places at once? Superman? Flash? Well, the new principal for Mobridge-Pollock High School, Joe Lenz, seems to be doing a superb job at it! Here's what Mr. Lenz had to say about his new position.

It all started with the question, what's the most challenging thing about your job? Lenz answered, "Being in two hallways at once is definitely a challenge." He was also asked, what have you learned so far? He answered with a bit of a shock saying, "First week and a half on the job?! Well, it has to

be that it's the same being the high school principal as the middle school."

One last thing he was asked was, what do you want all of the students to understand? "I'd like them to understand that just because you can't see me doesn't mean I don't know what's going on. I'm always available if needed." Being a high school and middle school principal can have its challenges, but Mr. Lenz has it under control.

-Autumn Schlomer

Are Student Planners Being Used?

"We think the only students who need planners are those who don't get their homework done."

This year, the freshmen and sophomores were given planners provided by the school. The school used to provide planners to students in grades 9-12, but haven't in awhile.

About one-third of the sophomore and freshmen students were asked to share their thoughts and ideas about the use of their planners.

When the freshmen were asked, how often do you use them? Out of 21 freshmen, 14 said they used them. Most of the replies given about usage

said they were used every other day, 3 of 14 used one every day, and only 3 of them said that they would buy their own if the school didn't provide one.

For those who said they don't use them, they were asked why. Most said that they would probably lose them, wouldn't want to write in them, and only would use them for a calendar.

The sophomores were asked the same questions and also added some ideas. Only 4 out

of 20 said they used their planners. When the students, who said they don't use planners, were asked why, they replied, "We think the only students who need planners are those who don't get their homework done." They thought the students who are consistently in ICU should use them.

The next question is, will students change how they use their planners as the year progresses? Let's wait and see.

-Keely Moriarty

Meet the New Assistant Volleyball Coach

Assisting the new head coach, Rose Henderson, is Kara Piatt. Kara is originally from Mount Lake, Minnesota. She and her husband, Steve Piatt, who is from Mobridge, have two beautiful daughters, Abigail, who is almost 2 years old, and Allison, who is 1 month old. Kara is a stay-at-home mother

for her two daughters.

Kara's goals for the season are for her freshmen and JV teams to improve their skills and for the entire Mobridge-Pollock volleyball team to stay positive.

She also wants to teach the players what she knows about

volleyball and to most importantly, have a fun season.

Meet Coach Henderson in our next issue.

-Brandi Martian

Players Nominated for Ice Bucket Challenge

The MPHS football team was nominated by several people to take the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge. They accepted and in return nominated the Roncalli and Winner football teams and staff.

The ALS Ice-Bucket Challenge has gone viral on Facebook. The challenge is to dump a bucket of ice cold water over yourself to generate awareness for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

-Alexis Thompson

New Student Profile

Who is ready to jump in and help with concessions? That would be Shayla Gasser, one of the new students here at MPHS. Shayla, a junior, was asked a couple of questions about school and her life.

When asked how she likes MPHS so far, her response was that it is pretty good. She said her favorite teacher is Mrs. Wells because she is

awesome and her favorite subject is chemistry.

Shayla's hobbies are drawing, working, running, fishing, talking, working at Scarecrow Hollow, and eating!

Before coming to Mobridge, Shayla attended school in Selby. Welcome to MPHS Shayla!

-Lisa Wientjes



Coach Henderson and Coach Piatt enjoy their coaching duties.

Lisa Wientjes shares the

spotlight with new Student, Shayla Gasser



Lady Tigers Continue to Bank Volleyball Wins

The Lady Tiger Volleyball Team began their season with a dominating 3-1 win over Herreid-Selby Area. They continue to burn up the courts, bringing them to an 8-0 record.

After losing the first match to Herreid-Selby at a score of 23-25, the Tigers battled back and won the next three sets with scores of 25-19, 25-16, and 25-22.

The next two wins were against Chamberlain and Eureka-Bowdle.

They went on to win the tournament on their home court Saturday, September 13, beating Timber Lake, McLaughlin, CEB, and Leola-Frederick. All games were won in 2 matches, except for the last game, which was won in the 3rd match 23-25.

The matches against Groton, bring the Lady Tigers to the record of 8-0.

The next game will be Monday, September 22, at home against Ipswich.

-Skyler Meyer



Coach Henderson has a good reason to smile—a hard-earned win over Herreid-Selby.

Sports: Germany and America... What's the Difference?

Coming to another country involves a lot of changes, one of them being the way sports are handled. The biggest difference is the fact that in Germany you don't play for your school. If you want to play sports you have to join a club.

Some schools offer extracurricular sports, mostly for some sort of tournament, though never for a season. Anyone can join a club, provided their parents pay a small monthly fee.

There are no physicals and rarely try outs.

The sports you can choose from depend on the area in which you live. Common are soccer, handball, volleyball, tennis, gymnastics and track; basketball and golf in some places. American football is known, but nobody plays it.

The teams are divided into kids, E-, D-, C-, B- and A-youth, depending on age and you are not allowed to officially play on the

team if you are older than the given age range. Once you joined a club practice is once or twice a week all year long, exceptions are holidays, though some coaches offer extra training during those.

Games are played seasonal, fall to spring, and each team plays against every team of the league twice: Once home and once as guests.

-Celine Baumbach

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Tiger Golfers are Looking Good

We've been seeing great things from Senior David Jensen lately. David got an overall score of 85 on Tuesday, September 3, at the Hub City Invitational in Aberdeen. His score was good enough to land him the 13th spot. Freshman Dalton Faehnrich took 34th place with a score of 94. Seniors Joey Heil and Tanner Jerome both scored 99. Heil took 42nd place and Jerome took 43rd place. Noah Fried shot a score of 109 and took 52nd place. Connor Preston of

Aberdeen Central took 1st place with a score of 74. The Tigers took 8th place at the Hub City Invitational.

David scored 75 and took 5th place at the Pierre Boys Invite. Golf skills seem to run in the family with the Jensens. Stone Jensen led the Tigers and took 9th place at the Milbank POET invite with a score of 88. David Jensen scored 92, Dalton Faehnrich scored 99, Joey Heil scored 103, and Tanner Jerome scored 105.

-Jesse Nobles

Rocky Start for MPHS Football

The Tiger's Football team opened the season with a loss to Linton HMB. The final score was 20-6, but the Tigers put up a good fight. Mason Keller led the team in rushing yards with 109 yards off of 22 carries. Lucas Ulmer passed and completed 12 passes for 21 yards.

The following week the Tigers had a bye, and a loss to Groton.

-Killian Warner



New JOM Director at Mobridge Schools

The new director for the JOM program is Monica Weninger-Schmaltz, also known as MJ.

Ms. Schmaltz is originally from Mobridge and has worked at Lind's Hardware and Leonard's Studio before accepting the JOM position. Ms. Schmaltz has also been on the Lakota Education committee for the past 3 years, so she is familiar with some of the families and students.

She will be serving as director for Freeman Davis, upper elementary, middle school and high school and will be holding

weekly Culture Club meetings.

Ms. Schmaltz looks forward to helping the kids understand about community service and giving. She also hopes to get more parents involved with their children in the JOM program.

Monica has been very impressed with the turn out for Culture Club already this early in the year. You can stop by Ms. Schmaltz's office for more information about the Culture Club.



JOM Director Monica Weninger-Schmaltz

-Juliette Two Lance

"I'm looking forward to a great year with the kids and their families," said Ms. Schmaltz.

Students Create Sketches



The art appreciation students are drawing shoes this week in Deb Walker's art class. Mrs. Walker is teaching the students how to shade by using the value scale. There are different shades that show dark, medium, light and very light values.

It's an interesting project that begins with the students bringing a shoe from

home. Students brought many different types of shoes, all of which have many different color values.

After the drawings are completed, the shoes will also be used to plaster and then decorate.

This is a creative and fun project for many students.

-Ronna Moser

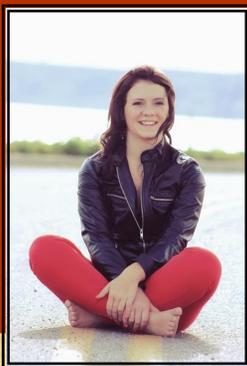
What's Happening in Welding II

This week in Welding II, students are helping out the janitors with some carts. The janitors were in need of more efficient carts to haul the folding chairs. So, they asked the welding class to make some for them. The carts are now finished and ready for the janitors to use! GO Welding Class!

-Tara-Claire Whalen

A Senior Profile

Senior Lisa Wientjes



Our first senior profile features Lisa Wientjes. The first question asked of Lisa, is one seniors hear often throughout their senior year, which is, what are your plans for college? She said, "I want to go to school for criminal justice."

She plans on going to Lake Area Tech in Watertown or Western Dakota Tech in

Rapid City.

One of her favorite things to do is hang out with some friends. Her favorite subject is construction class with Mr. Goehring.

Some advice she is giving underclassmen is to try your best because it'll pay off in the end.

-Jessica Mahar



The janitors now have a cart to haul extra folding chairs, thanks to the Welding II class, taught by Phillip Russell.