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Highschool Student of the Month

Staff Reporter: Ryder Hutcheson

This month's Student of the Month is Mara Church. Some of her favorite hobbies are swimming, reading, and playing games with her friends and family. When she grows up, she wants to be a marine photographer because she wants to take pictures of so many cool things. She has a secret talent, and it is that she can make a three-leaf clover with her tongue. Her family consists of her parents, Cody and Erin Church, and her siblings, Hadassah, Malachi, and Obadiah Church. She has some pets; these are a dog named sage, and a leopard gecko named Steve. A funny school memory is her pulling a chair from under Matthew in band class. Her favorite school teacher is Ms. Buxengard because she is a fun teacher and shares stories in class. Her goal for this year is to spread hope and kindness to everyone around her and make them feel proud. Student of the month means that she is trusted and having responsibility with classmates and is kind overall to everyone.



Pictured above are the Students of the month: High schooler Mlles Belt-Hanson and Middle schooler Mara Church.



Pictured above is the All State Choir and Orchestra event.

All State Choir

Staff Reporter: Colbie Eichmann

All-State Choir and Orchestra is an event with around 900 choral members and around 150 orchestra members, for a combined total of over one thousand participants. Each school may bring at least one quartet consisting of one soprano, alto, tenor, and bass, with total enrollment determining how many quartets a school can bring. Students left Thursday morning, and the first official all-day rehearsal was Friday the 30th in preparation for the concert the next night. There was also another rehearsal on Saturday beginning in the morning and running until the late afternoon. But preparation starts long before the group rehearsals. Traditionally, teachers select students to make up a quartet in early September. Some schools will choose to audition for their spots. Then students spend their time memorizing and becoming familiar with their parts. Then there are several unrequired “practice days,” of which Canistota attended one at USD on Wednesday, October 7th, and DWU on Tuesday, October 20th. This year, the event was held at The Monument in Rapid City over the weekend of Halloween.

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November 20th - 27th

November 20:

JH BBB vs MCM (Home) 7th grade - 4pm , 8th grade - 4:45pm

November 23:

JH BBB vs Viborg Hurley (Away) 7th grade - 4pm , 8th grade - 4:45

November 25:

No School

November 26:

No School

November 27:

No School

The CHS Press

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Highschool Student of the Month

Staff Reporter: Alina Bertelson

Miles Belt-Hanson is the highschool student of the month for November. His family consists of Doreen, step dad Craig and sister Kenzie. He has 3 dogs Zoey, Tank and Sally. Some of his hobbies are basketball, video games and watching the NFL. His dream job is to become a teacher, his main reason for waiting to be a teacher is so that he can help the younger generation and be a person that they can look up to. The funniest school memory is that Miles takes place in Ms. Panhoff's classroom when Jayze said water is dry. Miles' favorite class is creative writing because multiple of his friends are in that class and it's really easy if you do your work. His favorite teacher is Mr Schumacher because he is funny and plays basketball with us at our open gyms. Miles' goal for the year is to maintain at least all As. To Miles, student of the month means really one thing to him, it means that he is getting recognized for the work he puts in.

Senior Spotlight

Staff Reporter: Kynlee Kennedy

Emma Lou Carter was born to Megan Carter and William Carter. She has two siblings, Wyatt and Rhett Carter. Some of her favorite hobbies are sleeping, drawing, reading, baking, spending time with friends and family, and driving. Emma is involved in Educator Rising, Color Guard, FBLA, One Act, Student Council, Hope Squad, and Yearbook. Her favorite food is chicken, her favorite restaurant is Johnny Carnios, her favorite season is fall, and her favorite holiday is Christmas. Her favorite sport is Wrestling. After high school, Emma plans to pursue either elementary education or social work. In 15 years, Emma sees herself as a teacher or social worker at a school, which is also her dream job. She said that she's pretty prepared for the future, but she also doesn't know what it could bring, and she is open to anything. One of her favorite classes was Human Development with Miss Knox. She thought it was super fun and interesting. The things she would miss most about high school would be going into Mrs. Keogh's office and annoying her every morning. The advice she has for underclassmen is to care about your grades, do your homework, and have fun too! Emma's brother, Wyatt, made a huge impact on her. Her brother, Wyatt, is Emma's best friend, and she learned so much from him. He's Emma's biggest supporter, and she wouldn't be where she is without Wyatt. One of Emma's favorite quotes is "When things go wrong, don't go with them." - Elvis Presley.

