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Middle School Student of the Month

By Staff Reporter: Clara Remacle

The middle school Student of the Month for March is Anna Haag. Her hobbies include reading, drawing, gaming, and sleeping. Currently, Anna is participating as a track and field statistician. Anna doesn't know what her dream job is, but when she was younger, she dreamed about being a vet so she could help animals. She does not have a secret talent, but Anna states, "No, just a normal person who happens to be unflexible." Her family includes her mom and dad, brother, and sister. She is the youngest of the family. Anna also has two awesome chickens and plans to add more this coming summer! Anna's favorite middle school memory is when they got to go on the field trip last year because they scored well on tests. She doesn't have any favorite teachers, she says, "I honestly don't have favorites, like yeah, some might be more fun than others, but all the teachers are pretty nice." Her favorite subject has to be either math or geography. Being the student of the month means so much to Anna because it's an honor to her. Congratulations on this incredible honor, Anna!



Hidden Talents

By Staff Reporter: Roo Acheson

Everyone has something that makes them unique, and this group of individuals is no joke! Here at Canistota, our staff members have some incredible hidden talents! Mr. Blide stands out for his unbelievable bowling talent, even earning second place in the state, an impressive accomplishment that shows both skill and dedication. Meanwhile, Mr. Jacobsen, our shop teacher, shines in a com-

pletely different way, known for being an excellent cook who can create delicious meals with ease. Lori, our office lady, has a rare and interesting trait: she has two of the small, dangling structures in the back of the throat, which most people don't have. Adding to this bunch, Mrs. Marquardt can proudly say she can touch her tongue to her nose. Who knew these fun facts about our CHS staff members!

Senior Spotlight: Malachi Weber

By Staff Co-Editor: Ellie Becker and Reporter: Miles Belt-Hansen

Canistota student Malachi Weber has been actively involved in his senior year, participating in football, National Honor Society, track and field, journalism, and oral interpretation. Malachi was born in Sioux Falls, but has grown up in Canistota all his life with his parents and three brothers. After graduation, he plans to attend South Dakota State University (SDSU) to pursue a bachelor's degree in journalism with a focus on sports reporting. When asked how prepared he was for his future Malachi responded, "I feel prepared for the future and excited for the independence college will bring." Malachi is very passionate about reporting and you may have seen him at basketball games reporting from the statisticians table. He even has started a blog to write reports on recent sporting events in Canistota and neighboring towns. This is



a passion he hopes to continue into the future as he sees himself in fifteen years married to his girlfriend Cadynce, living in a nice house in Brookings, and working as a sports anchor at KELOLAND. However, Malachi has even bigger goals of someday becoming a TV play-by-play commentator for the Minnesota Timberwolves, which is his dream job. He knows the journey will not be easy but he is inspired everyday by his mother. Malachi credits his mom as his hero for teaching him kindness and pa-

tience during tough times. During his free time, Malachi enjoys reading, writing, video games, and family movie nights, and loves everything related to the beach. Some of his favorite things are spaghetti with meatballs, Olive Garden, Basketball, Fall, and Christmas. While still in high school, Malachi enjoys Mr. Deckers chemistry class. He admires Mr. Decker as a teacher and will miss him greatly next year. His advice to underclassmen is, "be kind to everyone, even those they might not agree with."

Mark Your Calendar

March 24

3:00 PM HS and MS Conference Quiz Bowl

March 26

HS All State Band

11 AM Mount Marty

Track Invite

March 27

HS All State Band

March 28

HS All State Band

Canistota 3-on-3 tournament

JH Oral Interp in Brookings

March 30

6:00 PM Girls BB Mandatory Parent & Player Summer Meeting in the Barn for grades 4-11

8:00 AM FFA in Lennox CDE

Gas Laws are Lit Spring Activities

By Staff Co-Editor: Ellie Becker

This week in Mr. Decker's chemistry class, the students learned all about gas laws. In this experiment, they took an empty tea bag and watched it turn into a flying lantern! By lighting the tea bag, the heat allows the air inside the bag to heat up. The air molecules then start to move more quickly and spread out inside the standing tea bag. Since the air molecules are much more spread out than the outside air molecules, the heat allows the bag to become lighter than air. This awesome science allows the tea bag to soar up into the air. What an amazing experiment to show how cool science is. The Chemistry students will continue to learn about gas laws throughout the next week. Stay tuned for more lit science knowledge.



Pictured Above: Senior Allison Leber lighting her tea bag Pictured R: Senior Hadassah church seeing the effects of the gas laws

Spring is finally here along with some beautiful South Dakota weather. The past weekend received highs up to eighty degrees! With the gorgeous weather below is a list of fun spring activities to do outside.

- Go for a bike ride
- Get ice cream from total stop
- Take a walk
- Dye easter eggs
- Have a campfire and roast marshmallows
- Have a picnic

- Play pickleball
- Read a book outside
- Do arts and crafts
- Go stargazing



Hawk Updates

Spring is a chaotic and busy time for many folks in Canistota. Check out the information below to stay updated on school events and information!

- The track season is underway with the first indoor meet on Thursday March 26 at Mount Marty. Check out the Canistota track and field website for meet results.
- The school is hiring for the 2026-2027 school year! Check out Facebook or the school website if you are interested in applying.
- The Den coffee truck comes every Tuesday by the nursing home if you want a sweet treat or delicious coffee.
- Junior high Oral Interp. will host their showcase night on Monday, March 23rd. Stay tuned to hear how the night went!
- The National Honor Society has been making an impact on the community by volunteering at Kids Against Hunger along with attending a Lions Club meeting to learn about more volunteer opportunities.
- Prom is approaching quickly!
- The 3 on 3 tournament is being hosted again in Canistota on March 28 for an FBLA/Prom fundraiser. If you would like to volunteer talk to prom advisor Morgan Larson!



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