



Second floor deck is erected

The upstairs floor of the building located between the Corner Diner and Ken's Food Fair, where the Clark Flower and Gift is located on the ground floor, is being remodeled. The building, owned by Cyrus Mahmoodi, is being remodeled on the upper floor, to house hunters. A deck is being added to the back side, pictured.

BIG snow is in the forecast

How much snow will there be Thursday? How hard will the wind blow?

Another 'bomb cyclone' is slated to hit the Midwest this week, prolonging winter and adding excessive moisture. This term is rather dramatic, but an intense moisture event, with very strong winds are forecast for Wednesday into Thursday, bringing about potential blizzard conditions.

A big snowstorm is headed our way, with strong winds and some places could receive more than a foot of new snow.

"It's going to be historic because there's a lot of juice associated with it," said meteorologist Mike Connelly of the National Weather Service in Aberdeen. The juice to which he's referring is the intense low pressure moving our way along

with moisture from the Gulf of Mexico.

"With these spring systems we tap into the Gulf moisture. Normally during the winter, there's not quite as much moisture to convert to snow, but we're now looking at heavy, wet snow. This is a very dynamic, a very strong system. It's going to have a lot of energy to work with."

Connelly said the Gulf moisture isn't usually present during the coldest months of the winter. In April, May and June, however, warmer temperatures increase the amount of precipitation moving our way, resulting in more rain, or snow if the moisture collides with one of the last cold fronts coming from Canada.

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Roger Collins has retired as City of Clark employee

Long-time Clark city street superintendent employee Roger Collins has announced his retirement resignation. This came Wednesday at the April meeting of the Clark City Council. This resignation is effective as of April 15, 2019.

As the mayor and council approached this agenda item, they went into executive session with city employee Darin Altfillisch.

After a 20-minute closed meeting, the council then acted upon two proposals. The first proposal dealt with replacing Roger Collins with a full-time city employee position, with a pay amount to be set, along with benefits, testing and everything that goes with a new hire.

The second proposal by the council makes Altfillisch the senior city employee, in charge of road/water/sewer/swimming pool/dumpgrounds, etc. Mayor John Pollock added that funding for this position will be available with the opening caused by Collins' resignation retirement. Pollock also added that this action will be done with the guidance of fellow city employee Tyler Silkman.

Med Van rates

Beginning May 1, 2019, the city of Clark will be adopting a new med van fee schedule. The new rates are: In-town trips will be free. Per person, per trip, riding to Watertown, \$15.00. Per person, per trip, riding to Redfield or Webster, \$20.00. Per person, per trip, riding to Aberdeen, \$80.00. Per person, per trip, riding

to Sioux Falls, \$100.00. Trips to anywhere else will have comparable charges to the other trips, with the same range in miles and will be at the City's discretion.

This van is for City of Clark residents only, for transportation of the elderly (60 years of age and older)

mer recreation employees.

At the swimming pool, Dawn Clayton and Nan Bell will be the co-managers and lifeguards include seven returnees and six new ones. Returning lifeguards include: Paige Rahm, Janae Kolden, Bradyn Rusher, Zach Kuno, Kolby Merkel,

11-12); Shannon Huber, girls softball (9-10); Raegan Florey, girls softball (11-12); Teagan Ortberg, girls coach pitch (6-8); Jay Huber, boys coach pitch (6-8); Ashley Dandurand, T-ball (5-7); Brock Greenfield and Chris Bokinskie, teenagers (13-14 & 15-16).

In other business:

▲ Arbor Day is Friday, April 26. On that day the city will coordinate, with elementary class assistance, the planting of trees at a park, or the golf course, in Clark.

▲ The city is looking for an individual to help with summer help.

▲ Police chief Jeremy Wellnitz gave the March police report. Miles traveled were 1,016. Calls for service were 43 with nine of them being 911 abandoned/nuisance calls. There were six traffic stops, three traffic complaints and four ambulance calls. The police department also assisted other agencies three times and investigated two thefts.

▲ Ullyot Building waterline repairs totaled \$4,200.

▲ The city blue semi was surprised, with Jamie Gloe the winning bidder at \$1,800.

▲ The city approved \$2,854 for the fence topper at the baseball park.

▲ The city approved May 18 as the Free Dump Day, in Clark.

▲ Fred Rosenau will be the dump ground attendant this summer, but currently the dump is awfully muddy.

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Arbor Day Foundation names Clark Tree City USA

Clark, SD, was named a 2018 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management.

Clark achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: a tree board of department, a tree care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

"Tree City USA communities see the impact an urban forest has in a community first hand," said Dan Lambe, presi-

dent of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Additionally, recognition brings residents together and creates a sense of community pride, whether it's through volunteer engagement or public education."

Trees provide multiple benefits to a community when properly planted and maintained. They help to improve the visual appeal of a neighborhood, increase property values, reduce home cooling costs, remove air pollutants and provide wildlife habitat, among many other benefits.

Sydney Fjelland and Regan Burke.

New lifeguards, who are going through training, include: Hunter Lee, Macy Steen, Tyler O'Neil, Hayse Steffen, Felicity Oster and Desi Swedeen.

Coaches for summer recreation include: Casey Olson, minors (boys 8-10); Troy Mudgett, majors (boys

Summer recreation

City finance officer Jackie Luttrell updated the council on sum-

mer or handicapped (temporary or permanent), to medical appointments only. It is not public transit. The Med Van will not transport anybody who is in isolation either in their homes or a facility.

Senior Feature

Anna Foster - worked her way through Clark High School

Anna Marie Eggena began her life on a farm in Owasa, Iowa and six months later moved to a farm by Melham, Clark County.

Melham was a booming town on the railroad line in the very southern part of Collins township. It had a depot, lumber hard, elevator and many businesses up until a fire in 1930 started the decline of the small town which up until then had a population of approximately 45.

"When we moved, everything from our furniture to farm machinery was moved on the train," recalled Foster. "We moved to a farm by Melham and I went to half of my first year of school there at the Telford school near Willow Lake and then we moved to a farm eight and a half miles south of Clark."

Anna had two older brothers, Curtis and Fred and all of them were about a year and a half in age from each other. "My parents held Curtis back one year so he and Fred could go to school together the next year," explained Foster. "So I started first grade and the boys were both in second grade when we attended the SW Merton Country school near our home."

Anna's parents were Herman and Effie (Bates) Eggena. Herman had immigrated to Iowa from Germany when he was 18 years old. His brother Harm had come to Iowa previously. Harm and Herman both worked for farmers in Iowa.

Herman met his wife by working with her brothers on the farm. Herman and Effie, after their marriage got their own farm and raised grains and hay, cattle, pigs, chickens and sheep in addition to three children.

Anna never knew or met her paternal grandparents in Germany, but she did have the chance to meet her mother's father once when she was 15

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Born in September of 1920, Anna Foster of Clark has seen a lot of changes in her lifetime. Growing up on farms in Collins and Merton townships in Clark County, her high school years were spent in Clark where she graduated in 1939 with a class of 40 students. She lived in her own home, being self sufficient, until the age of 97 when due to health concerns, she moved in to Wookey's Assisted Living.

Having a green thumb over the years, she's kept her poinsettia looking good since December.

Churches celebrate the resurrection of Christ

Through the Grace of God and belief in his son Jesus Christ, who rose from his death on Easter Sunday, all sinners are given the chance to come home. Like the words in the song 'Softly and Tenderly' by Will Thompson which give the Easter message of hope to all Christians.

"Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling. Calling for you and for me. See on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me. Come home, come home. Ye who are weary come home. Earnestly tenderly Jesus is calling. Calling O sinner come home."

Easter's story of resurrection through faith in Jesus Christ will be celebrated at area churches as follows.

Maundy Thursday

Churches having a Maundy Thursday service in the area on Thursday, April 18, include in Clark: The Plymouth UCC Church will host a community Maundy Thursday service with members of the ministerial association and host Pastor Fawn Lamb leading the service at 7:00 p.m.

In Clark at Peace Lutheran a Tri-Parish Maundy Thursday worship will be held at 7:00 p.m. with Communion.

Saint Michael Catholic Church



will celebrate with a Holy Thursday of the Lord's supper mass with members of the Saint Henry Catholic Church at the church in Henry at 7:00 p.m. on April 18.

Members of the Prairie Star Lutheran parish will gather at Bethlehem Lutheran Church on Thursday, April 18 at 7:00 p.m. for worship.

Members of the Lake Gospel Church will be attending the Spirit Lake Presbyterian Church's 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday service.

At Crocker Lutheran in Crocker, a 7:00 p.m. joint worship will be held including members of St. John's Lutheran in Bradley.

Good Friday

In Willow Lake, the schedule for Good Friday includes a service to be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Willow Lake Lake Evangelical Lutheran Church with members from the Bethlehem

Lutheran in Raymond and Peace Lutheran in Clark joining them for their Tenebrae (service of shadows) communion worship.

The Lake Gospel Church will be hosting a 7:00 p.m. Good Friday service.

In Carpenter, members of the United Methodist Church will have a 7:00 p.m. service.

In Clark, a Community Good Friday worship is being planned at the St. Paul Lutheran Church at 7:00 p.m. Members of Saint Michael parish are planning a 3:00 p.m. Good Friday worship for Good Friday at their church.

In Bradley, members of Crocker Lutheran and St. John's will have their service at St. John's at 7:00 p.m.

Prairie Star Lutheran members will attend a 7:00 p.m. Good Friday service at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Bryant.

At Saint Henry Catholic Church in Henry, a 7:00 p.m. Good Friday service will be held on April 19.

Easter Sunday

In Clark, the Easter service at the Plymouth UCC church will be at 9:30 a.m. with Pastor Fawn Lamb. At St. Paul Lutheran, at 9:00 a.m. the youth will officiate at an earlier Easter service to be followed by

a coffee fellowship. At 10:30 a.m. an Easter service with Communion will be held with Pastor Mindy Erhke officiating. A flower procession will also be held.

Reverend Randy Bader will host an Easter Resurrection Festival service at 9:00 a.m. at Bethlehem Lutheran in Raymond which also includes members of Peace Lutheran in Clark.

At the Clark and Garden City United Methodist Churches the Reverends Mark and Joy Tracy will present the Easter message at the 9:00 a.m. service in Garden City and at the 11:00 a.m. service in Clark.

In Clark at Saint Michael Catholic Church, Father Daniel Smith will host an 11:00 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday.

Pastor Mark Cronauer will officiate at their Easter service which will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Assembly of God Church.

Pastor Marion Grimes will celebrate their Easter festival service at Crocker Lutheran at 8:00 a.m. with Holy Communion and a brunch will follow.

The Reverend Roger Shepherd will host Easter services at 10:30

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Snow days are still being discussed by Clark School

The Clark School Board thought it would be an easy discussion and decision finalizing the end of year calendar.

At Monday's meeting of the April School Board, a decision was made, but as the area is bracing for a blizzard this week, another snow day is eminent for Thursday. Over a foot of snow is predicted for this northeast South Dakota area along with 40-50 mph winds, scheduled for Wednesday into Thursday.

At the April board meeting it was approved to extend the school year for students to May 22, 2019. Teachers will add one more in-service day after school is out to fulfill their (175) contract obligations.

Superintendent Luanne Warren explained the snow day make-up day situation to the board, prior to the aforementioned motion. What Warren put out to the board, is that if a day is missed this Thursday, it would be problematic.

Students will have surpassed the allotted hours quota easily, but with 25 junior high age students leaving for their east coast trip May 25, could the teachers be forgiven one day of contractual teaching?

Graduation is still set for May 11.

If need be this matter will be taken up at the May board meeting after another snow day is actually needed.

In other business:

▲ An hour and fifteen minute executive session was called for negotiation strategies and personnel matters. No motion followed the closed session. A special executive board meeting will be held next Tuesday to start negotiations with the certified staff.

▲ A calendar adjustment was needed for the 2019-20 calendar, as

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Robert Cole - Official Weather Observer			
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Apr. 2.....	36	26	.01
Apr. 3.....	48	26	0
Apr. 4.....	48	26	0
Apr. 5.....	41	35	.01
Apr. 6.....	65	37	0
Apr. 7.....	59	43	.01
Apr. 8.....	67	44	0
2019 precipitation to date	4.51		
2018 precipitation to date	1.65		