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 Mostly sunny.
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Happening NOW

- Boys Basketball:** District II third place game vs. Brandon Valley 7:30 p.m. in Brandon
- Debate:** State Tournament through Saturday in Huron
- Show Choirs:** At Emmetsburg Show Choir Invitational in Emmetsburg, Iowa Saturday

Lunch Time at WHS

- Today's lunch:** Popcorn chicken
- A la carte lines:** Cheese pizza, chef salad, taco
- Monday:** Barbecue beef sandwich

Group Meetings

- SADD:** Members will meet at 3:10 p.m. Tuesday in A-113.

Other Reminders

- A DVD:** Of the two videos shown at the WHS 100 Year Birthday Assembly is available. Bring a check for \$10 made out to "WHS" to the Administration Office this week in an envelope with your name and first period teacher's name on it.
- Summer School:** Forms are now available in the counseling office. New courses are available for the first time this year, check them out.
- Josten's:** Will visit during lunch periods and after school until 4 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday across from the gym to deliver graduation orders to seniors.

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Warrior girls defeat Lynx, win District II championship
Team earns spot in State AA Tournament

By Gabe Steinborn and Dan Enright

The Warrior girls basketball team pulled off an impressive overtime win over Brandon Valley Thursday to win the District II title.

Following the victory, the team will leap into the State AA Tournament in Rapid City as the No. 1 seed March 6-8. This will be the first time the Warriors have been to the big tournament since 2000.

After a 55-55 regulation finish, the Warriors out-scored the Lynx 19-11 in overtime Thursday night to win 72-66.

Leading the way for the Warriors was junior Ashley Eide with 28 points and 12 rebounds. Also contributing was senior Becky Tesch with 12 points and junior Kacey Meeker and freshman Rachel Walters each with 11 points.

Eide said the game was fun to play and win. "It was an enjoyable game to be in and it was a very intense environment out there," Eide said. "We are hoping to do well from here and take it one game at a time. If we play our style like we



Photo by Scott Ritter for the Warrior Yearbook **DISTRICT CHAMPIONS—Senior Stevie Knutson hoists the District II trophy after the Warriors' overtime win Thursday.**

did most of the year, maybe we will end in the championship game, which is something all of our girls want."

The Warriors will play their first game Thursday at noon in Rapid City.

Boys also face Brandon Valley tonight

By Molly Sohlt and Kourtney Kuyper

The Warrior boys basketball team will attempt the leap from District II to the regions as they take on Brandon Valley at 7:30 p.m. tonight in Brandon to keep their season alive.

A win tonight would send the team to the Region I game Tuesday for one last chance to make it to state. A loss tonight will signal the end of the boy's season.

Senior Scott Ritter said he feels the team is ready.

"We put in new defenses and drew up new offensive plays to try and surprise Brandon," Ritter said. "We are planning on executing our offence more efficiently and bringing intensity on defense up to another level tonight."

Highsteppers compete for last time

By Matt Herbert

On Saturday the WHS Highsteppers will leap into their final competition of the season at The Holidazzle Dance Competition in Brandon.

Not a celebration of St. Patrick's Day, the competition was rescheduled from

December due to weather.

The Highsteppers recently returned from the UPA competition in Minneapolis where they placed first in hip-hop and second in jazz and pom.

Sophomore Rachel Prodanovich said it has been a great season.

"This season was awesome," Prodanovich said. "We are extremely lucky to have such amazing seniors. It was so much fun!"

The event starts at 10 a.m. at Brandon Valley High School with awards around 4 p.m. Saturday in Brandon.

Watch a new "NOW at WHS" on-line today!

Q Warrior & A

A profile of a WHS staff member



Sheila Flynn

- Where did you go to high school?** I am a Warrior, a proud graduate of Washington High School.
- And college?** I have attended the University of South Dakota, Augustana College and the University of Sioux Falls.
- Who does your family consist of?** My family includes my husband, four daughters, one son and a little white dog.
- What's your favorite thing about leap year?** Leap year gives us another chance to celebrate the end of February.
- What's your advice to the readers of the NOW?** Be kind to each other and keep reading.

Assembled by NOW staff

Editor's note: The Warrior Q & A is a weekly profile of a Warrior staff member with the goal of helping members of the WHS community come to know each other better. Subjects are chosen at random by the NOW staff.

Clinton aides threaten lawsuit over Texas caucus

By Jay Root
McClatchy Newspapers (MCT)

AUSTIN—The Texas Democratic Party warned Thursday that election night caucuses scheduled for next Tuesday could be delayed or disrupted after aides to Hillary Clinton threatened to sue over the party's complicated delegate selection process.



In a letter sent out late Thursday to both the Clinton and Barack Obama campaigns, Texas Democratic Party lawyer Chad Dunn warned a lawsuit could ruin the Democrats' effort to re-energize voters just as they are turning out in record numbers.

Spokesmen for both campaigns said there were no plans to sue ahead of the March 4 election.

Texas has 228 delegates, the biggest single cache remaining. But only 126 delegates are doled out based on the selection voters make at the ballot box. Another 67 delegates—more than in many states—are to be apportioned based on the number of people who participate in the caucuses that begin in more than 8,000 precincts once the polls close at 7 p.m. (The remaining 35 are so-called "superdelegates," free to support whomever they choose).

Clinton campaign aides have argued that caucuses favor Obama, whose campaign organization has turned out overwhelming numbers at caucuses in other states.

Democrats have described the enthusiasm in Texas, as evidenced by the record turnout among early voters in the most populous counties, as a sign that the party is undergoing a revival after years of decline under virtually unchallenged Republican rule.

Jinx! You owe Parker another pop

Way back when all of us attended the elementary school of our parents' choosing, there were certain games that were played that seem to have disappeared with age.

Maybe we now think we are just too cool. Maybe we think these games are immature. Regardless, there is one game that needs to make a comeback.



Hear me...



Parker Hanson

On the rare occurrence that you and someone else have the same idea and say the same exact thing at the same exact time, you must

leap into action and call them out on a good ol' jinx.

I have talked to many different students about the origin of this game and the rules. There were many similar

stories about how they discovered the game, but in the area of rules the answers were a little harder to find. According to Wikipedia, "A Jinx can be initiated when at least two people in casual conversation unintentionally say (or type, in the case of Internet Jinx) the same phrase at the same time." You must also remember that when you attempt to jinx someone it cannot be a planned statement.

Surprisingly, at no point in the explanation of the rules was the infamous "one, two, three... you owe me a pop." I don't know about you guys, but when you are triumphant in "jinxing" someone, how many times have they actually bought you a pop? This is the most frustrating part of the game and I believe a strong reason no one plays it anymore.

After being jinxed, the cursed person cannot talk until someone says their name three times. It's good, clean fun. Junior Parker Hanson is going to be "jinxing" like its going out of style.

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