



Today:

Partly cloudy.
Afternoon showers.
High 79°.

Tonight:

Thundershowers.
Low 65°.

Saturday:

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High 79°.

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Happening now

- Warrior Club:** Induction ceremony third period in commons
- Football:** Varsity 6 p.m. MDT in Sturgis; freshmen 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Brookings
- Cross Country:** 9 a.m. Saturday in Huron
- Volleyball:** Freshmen 9 a.m. Saturday in Luverne, Minn.
- Soccer:** Boys and girls varsity vs. Sioux Falls Christian 1 p.m. Saturday at Yankton Trail Park

Lunch Time at WHS

- Today's lunch:** Chicken strips
- A la carte lines:** Pepperoni hot pocket, chef salad, sandwiches, taco
- Monday:** Barbecue beef sandwich
- Representatives visiting WHS:**
Today U. of St. Thomas, Minn.
Tuesday U.S. Navy

Group Meetings

- Anime-Manga Club:** Will hold an organizational meeting at 3:10 p.m. Tuesday in the library computer lab.
- Young Republicans:** Will conduct an organizational meeting at 3:15 p.m. Tuesday in A-118.

Other Reminders

- Help Others:** By participating in the Sioux Falls AIDS walk Sept. 23. Register at www.aidswalksiouxfalls.org.
- Seniors:** Please pay for homecoming shirts by Thursday. Pay the person you ordered the shirt from.

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Warriors try to improve to 2-2 at Sturgis tonight

Conference opponents each have one win so far this season

By Corey Backer, Colin Brunick and Michael Callis

The once hapless Sturgis Scoopers may not be so hapless, anymore. Going into tonight's Greater Dakota Conference game with WHS, the Scoopers have the same record as the Warriors, 1-2. Sturgis defeated Rapid City Stevens 22-20 Sept. 1 for their first win in 80 games. The win left the Scoopers four games shy of the national loss record.

It is a long road back for the Scoopers, however, as they lost their other two games so far this season by a combined 63-0 to Yankton and Rapid City Central.

Meanwhile, the Warriors are coming off a tough loss at the hands of O'Gorman in the

Dakota Bowl last weekend. The Warriors are hoping to get back to an even record with some team-building exercises in practice this week to help them reach that goal, including a game of tug of war that hopefully will go a long way in building team unity for the rest of the year.

Coach Brian Hermanson said the team responded well after the O'Gorman game, and he has high hopes for tonight.

"The team had a good week of practice and we are expecting to come back from Sturgis with a win," Hermanson said.

Junior Joey Stupka said he feels there will be consequences if the team does not return to Sioux Falls with a win.

"We win or walk home," Stupka bluntly stated.

Tennis team sweeps Brookings

Girls Tennis

By Duncan DeVries

The varsity girls tennis team blew the Brookings Bobcats out of the water Thursday in a 9-0 victory at WHS.

Senior Emily Gaster said the team was tired after playing two matches the two previous days.

"We played very well even though we have been very tired out from the last two days," Emily Gaster said. "I think the conference tournament next week is going to be a good chance to see what we can do."

The team plays west-river Greater Dakota Conference opponents Monday and Tuesday at WHS.

Boys Golf

By Gina Burns and Lauren Callis

The boys varsity golf team hit the tees at Prairie Green early yesterday afternoon and took second in a triangular meet.

Leading the Warriors were sophomores Kyle Cooper and Levi Smith, each shooting a 77. Other leading scorers included juniors Jon Wallner with 82, Corey Backer with 84

and seniors Caleb Meyer and Steve Lindquist with 86.

The team's final scores were Lincoln 319, WHS 320 and Yankton 329.

The team will next tee off on Monday in the Greater Dakota Conference meet at Elmwood Golf Course.

Football

By Miki Hopp and Andrew Cunningham

The sophomore football team fell to the O'Gorman Knights 14-7 Thursday at WHS.

Freshman Trevor Gebhart scored the WHS touchdown.

The Warrior Score Box Thursday's Results at a Glance

Boys Golf	WHS 320	WHS 9	O'Gorman	Girls JV vs.
Varsity Lincoln	Yankton 329	Brookings 0	O'Gorman 14	Watertown
Triangular	Girls Tennis	Football	WHS 7	WHS 5
Lincoln 319	Brookings Dual	Sophomores vs.	Soccer	Watertown 0

Don't see your team's score? Make sure your scores are submitted by 6 a.m. the day of publication to jason.lueth@k12.sd.us.

Please share—leave on tables until 5B

Q Warrior & A

A profile of a WHS staff member

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.*

•Name: Alison Ter Horst
•Subjects taught: Government and psychology
•Family: My parents' names are Marcia and Tim, and I have a sister named Chelsey. I recently got married, and my husband's name is also Tim.
•Hometown: I was born in Fort Dodge, Iowa
•College: I graduated from Northwestern, in Orange City, Iowa.
•Why did you decide to become a teacher? My mom always encouraged me to go into teaching, but after becoming a teacher, I realized I loved working with youth. Besides, how could I pass up the extravagant salary?



Alison Ter Horst

•Fun Fact: My mom is one of sixteen kids!
•Favorite Movie: "Pretty Woman" is always a classic.
 Assembled by Joanna Halverson

Symbols believed to be earliest writing in Western Hemisphere

By Manasee Wagh and Tom Avril
The Philadelphia Inquirer (MCT)
 PHILADELPHIA—Weathered and pitted with the passage of 3,000 years, a rock slab found in southern Mexico shows clear evidence of a script that anthropologists say is the oldest writing ever found in the Western Hemisphere.
 In Friday's issue of the journal *Science*, researchers identified the carved symbols as those of the Olmec civilization, an urbanized people who lived along the Mexican Gulf Coast from about 1200 B.C. to 400 B.C.

Science Friday



Deciphering the mysterious script, which includes apparent depictions of fish, maize, dart tips and insects, will be a big challenge even if other examples of it can be found. But the discovery nevertheless provides fascinating new clues about the first complex civilization in this part of the world—a society of kings and priests that is poorly understood.

"This find knocked us off our feet," said Brown University anthropology professor Stephen D. Houston, who helped Mexican experts analyze the find. "Writing systems of the ancient world are discovered once in a lifetime."

The 26-pound slab was discovered accidentally in April 1999, in a town called Lomas de Tacamichapa. Road workers unearthed the tablet and other artifacts in a gravel quarry that was both a source of building materials and a known archaeological site. Although archeologists were not able to view the objects in the positions they were found, the researchers said there is no doubt of their authenticity.

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SIoux FALLS HAS ZERO TOLERANCE FOR ILLEGAL USE OF DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

It's hard not to be a Twins fan now

This year's Major League Baseball season has been one that will be remembered for a long time—from the Yankees and Marlins coming back from huge deficits in their divisions to the close wild card races in both the AL and NL.



Hear me...

Blake Berke

Yet, I feel that the best part of this season has been the Minnesota Twins' amazing run to gain the

wild card lead and draw within one game of the division leading Detroit Tigers.

As many followers remember, the Twins started the season off terribly, beginning with a 1-5 record and eventually falling eight games under .500 at 25-33. Even as a beloved

Twins fan, I found myself losing faith. That is, until they finally showed their true capabilities and players started to step up and fill major roles. Joe Mauer is on his way to becoming the first catcher to lead the majors in batting average in a long time, Justin Morneau has hit 33 home-runs and has 130 RBI's (MVP-like stats), Brad Radke has pitched all season with a bad shoulder, and Johan Santana leads the league in wins and strikeouts. That's not even mentioning "The Piranhas," also known as the bottom of the Twins lineup, or pitchers Boof Bonser, Matt Garza and Pat Neshek. It's no wonder why they were capable of winning an amazing 19 out of 20 games and eventually 32 out of 39 games.

Even if you didn't begin this season as a Twins fan, their exciting play should be enough to persuade you to cheer for them. Maybe this is the Twins' year.

Junior Blake Berke votes Justin Morneau and Johan Santana as Co-MVP's.

Soccer teams in action Saturday

By Michael Callis

The Warrior varsity soccer teams will be in action this weekend as they take on the Sioux Falls Christian Chargers on Saturday at Yankton Trail Park.

Varsity games will begin at 1 p.m.

The boys and girls varsity soccer teams are both coming off strong victories over cross-town rivals Lincoln on Tuesday out at

Howard Wood Field.

Junior Scott Ritter of the boys varsity squad said he is hoping the team comes out strong and improves on its recent success.

"We're hoping to come out and perform well to extend our current winning streak, which will hopefully give us a lot of momentum going into next week's game against O'Gorman," Ritter said.

Sudoku Solution

Here is the solution to Thursday's Sudoku puzzle. Look for another challenging puzzle next week in Thursday's NOW.

5	6	8	4	7	2	3	1	9
2	3	9	6	5	1	8	4	7
1	4	7	8	3	9	6	5	2
6	2	1	3	8	5	7	9	4
7	9	3	1	4	6	2	8	5
4	8	5	9	2	7	1	3	6
9	7	6	5	1	3	4	2	8
8	1	2	7	9	4	5	6	3
3	5	4	2	6	8	9	7	1

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