



**Today:**  
 Partly cloudy.  
 Scattered showers.  
 High 84°.

**Tonight:**  
 Mostly cloudy.  
 Low 61°.  
**Tuesday:**  
 Cloudy. Rain.  
 High 69°.

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**Happening now**

- Girls Tennis:** Freshman city doubles tournament 4 p.m. at WHS
- Boys Golf:** State meet through Tuesday in Pierre
- Softball:** vs. Lennox 6 p.m. at Sherman Park

**Lunch time at WHS**

- Today's lunch:** Hamburger
- A la carte lines:** Spaghetti, sandwich, chef salad, foot-long hot dog, soft shell taco
- Tuesday:** Pizza burger
- Representatives visiting WHS:**  
 Tuesday.....U. of Minn.-Twin Cities  
 Friday.....U.S. Air Force  
 Oct. 19.....Bethany Lutheran, Minn.

**Group meetings**

- Booster Club:** 7 p.m. in library
- SADD:** Cabinet will meet Tuesday and all members Wednesday at 7:45 a.m. in A-113
- Peer Helpers:** 7:30 a.m. Thursday in A-251
- SALSA:** 3:15 p.m. Thursday in A-201—all students are welcome
- Improv:** Kick-off meeting 3:30 p.m. Thursday in staff dining room—sign up by Tuesday to attend

**Other reminders**

- Hurricane Relief:** Participate in the "dime-a-day" drive by donating 10 cents each morning this week.

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**Football team dominates Sturgis in big 70-9 OLD win**  
**McKnight, Vellinga crowned in coronation Thursday**

By Gina Burns, Riley Conklin, Ben Matchan and Collin Fields

The 83rd Orange Letter Days homecoming at WHS ended with a 70-9 stomping of hapless Sturgis at Howard Wood Field and a crowded dance at WHS Friday.

Prior to that, seniors Ryan McKnight and Haley Vellinga were crowned as the homecoming King and Queen Thursday night.

McKnight said he was honored.

"It was a tremendous honor and I'm humbled by the chance to represent such a great school," McKnight said. "It was an all around great experience and I would like to thank the student body."

Vellinga also said it was a great honor.

"It was a humbling honor to be voted first by the senior class and the rest of the school," Vellinga said. "The rest of the candidates looked gorgeous and handsome on Thursday."

On Friday, the festivities continued with the pizza feed, variety show and pep rally before the 5 p.m. game with Sturgis.

McKnight said the team did a good job and had a good time, as well.

"We played really well," McKnight said, "and it was a really fun game because everybody got to play. We are now going to have to practice



Photo by NOW Staff  
**A ROYAL PAIR—Seniors Haley Vellinga and Ryan McKnight beam with pride after being crowned King and Queen Thursday at WHS.**

really hard because we have a tough game coming up."

The Warriors will next be in action at 8 p.m. Friday at Howard Wood as they host Brandon Valley.

**Waseca wins top honors at Festival of Bands**

By Alison Harkness and Ashley Harkness

Marching bands from a four state region were in action Saturday as part of the 18th annual Festival of Bands in Sioux Falls.

The final competition, which normally features 10 bands, had two extra bands due to a disagreement between judges. The overall Grand Champion honors went to Waseca, Minn. The Grand Champion is determined by combining the parade and field competition. Waseca took

top honors in the parade and Rosemont, Minn., in the field competition.

Because all four Sioux Falls schools hosted the event, none of them were eligible to compete. All four schools did, however, perform. The event included a parade down Main Ave., preliminary competition at O'Gorman and WHS and finals at a packed Howard Wood Field Saturday night.

Junior Mason Boutros, who plays tenor saxophone, said the WHS band did well in exhibition.

"I feel the band did an awesome job hosting," he said. "Our performance was amazing and a great way to end the competition."

Senior Seth Honerman said that the band performed well.

"I believe that the band started the day off well with a good performance and rocked the evening with one of the best shows we've put on this year," Honerman said.

The band will return to competition Saturday in Eden Prairie, Minn., at the Prairie Colors Festival.

**Please share—leave on tables until 5B**

# Q Warrior & A

A profile of a WHS student

**Editor's note:** The Warrior Q & A is a weekly profile of a Warrior student 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.

•**What is your name?** I am Miranda Rise.

- What grade are you in?** I am a junior this year.
- Do you have a nickname?** No, I don't have one.
- What are your hobbies?** I really enjoy doing calligraphy.
- What CD is in your CD player right now?** I am currently listening to a CD with a mix of music.
- What is your favorite thing to eat for lunch at school?** I think the salads and sub sandwiches are very tasty.
- If you could eat lunch with anyone, who would it be?** I think I would like to eat lunch with Marilyn Monroe just because everyone seemed to adore her.
- If you could give a message to the**



Miranda Rise

readers of the NOW, what would it be? Do not do drugs and stay in school.

Assembled by Brandon Blide

## Acclaimed playwright August Wilson dies at 60

By Michael Phillips  
Chicago Tribune (KRT)

August Wilson, who expanded the reach of African-American dramatic literature more so than any other playwright in history, died Sunday morning. He was 60.

He was surrounded by family when he died in Seattle's Swedish Medical Center of liver cancer, diagnosed in June, according to his personal assistant Dena Levitin.

When he went public with his diagnosis in August, the Pittsburgh native said simply: "I've lived a blessed life. I'm ready."

His early work as a poet shone through everything he wrote, making him the most lyrical American dramatist since the heyday of Tennessee Williams.

This summer Wilson continued revising his final play, "Radio Golf," prior to and after a production at the Mark Taper Forum in Los Angeles. Wilson enjoyed steady and mutually beneficial relationships with many of the country's major non-profit regional theaters, including Chicago's Goodman Theatre. In January 2007 the Goodman will host a production of "Radio Golf," prior to the play's spring 2007 bow in New York City.

"Radio Golf" is the coda of Wilson's signature achievement: a 10-play chronicle of black life, "in all its richness and fullness," as Wilson liked to say, across a 20th century longer on promises made than on promises kept.

The decade-by-decade cycle introduced a memorable array of African-American characters to the world stage. The cycle's later plays, including "Gem of the Ocean," were met with mixed critical and audience favor. The sum total, however, marks a unique, soaringly expressive achievement in the American theater.

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## Post-season baseball promises excitement

After a long and grueling 162 game season, eight teams now remain in this year's major league baseball playoffs.

There are some great divisional series match upsets. In the American league, the Boston Red Sox—the defending champions—go up against the Chicago White Sox, the team with the best record in the American league this season. Both

playing very good baseball as of late. This series will come down to who has better pitching, because both teams have tremendous offenses.

In the National league the San Diego Padres—who have the worst record of any team in the playoffs—will play the St. Louis Cardinals, the team with the best record in the league this year. The Padres will need a great effort out of their starting pitchers to even have a chance. In the other National league series, the Houston Astros will take on the Atlanta Braves, winners of the National league east division. Both teams have great pitching, but are suspect offensively. This looks to be a close, hard fought series that may come down to the final game.

I encourage everyone to tune in to the playoffs this year and see who gets crowned the champion.

Senior Aaron Bute wants Boston to win it all.



Hear me...



Aaron Bute

of these teams have explosive offenses and great pitching, which should make for an exciting series. The New York Yankees also square off against the Los Angeles Angels. The Angels have home field advantage, but the Yankees are

## Varsity volleyball team falls to Watertown

By Sarah Jamison and Sam Holsen

The Warrior volleyball team fell to the Watertown Arrows in four games, 25-23, 18-25, 25-27 and 19-25 Saturday night at WHS.

In the effort, junior Jamie Rasmussen led the team with 10 kills and also had three aces for the Warriors. Senior Shana Green had two blocks and 12 digs. Also helping the Warriors was junior Sarah Hitchcock with 24 assists and sophomore Molly Soholt with 12 digs.

In sub-varsity action the junior varsity volleyball team fell in two 23-25 and

19-25.

The bright side of the day was that the sophomores won in three games, 26-24, 18-25 and 26-24.

The freshman 'A' Team lost in two 17-25 and 16-25, while the freshman 'B' Team split their two games but won by total points, 25-20 and 22-25.

Sophomore Chelsea Cadwell said she thought the team did well, overall.

"I thought we started out very well and then faded off, but we gave it a good effort," Cadwell said.

All varsity and sub-varsity teams will be in action at Yankton on Thursday.

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