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 Sunny. Cool.
 Light S. wind.
 High 57°.

Tonight:
 Mostly clear.
 Low 31°.
Saturday:
 Sunny.
 Light NW wind.
 High 61°.

WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL • SIOUX FALLS, SD

Happening NOW

- All State:** Chorus and orchestra through Saturday in Aberdeen
- Speech:** Teams at Pumkinstakes Tournament Saturday in Watertown
- Volleyball:** Freshman City Tournament Saturday 8 a.m. at WHS

Lunch Time at WHS

- Today's lunch:** Hamburger
- A la carte lines:** Cheese pizza, taco, chef salad
- Representatives visiting WHS:**
 Monday..... U.S. Army
 Thursday..... U. of S.D.-Vermillion
 Nov. 9..... S.D. State U.-Brookings
 Nov. 10..... Grinnell C.-Iowa

Group Meetings

- Translators of Cultures:** Will meet at 3:10 p.m. today in the counseling conference room.
- Oral Interp:** Students helping with Spooky Science Night will meet at 4:30 p.m. today in the Schulte Room of the Washington Pavilion.
- Freshman Girls:** Planning to go out for basketball will meet at 7:45 a.m. Wednesday in A-124.

Other Reminders

- Red Ribbon Week:** Concludes today with "Super Heros Don't Do Drugs" day. Students must have a sticker from SADD to participate in the dress-up event.

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Highsteppers sweep Sioux Falls Invitational at WHS

Cheerleaders take third at event with teams from across state

By Christina Eriksen and Kelsey Kading

The Warrior competition cheer and dance teams hosted the Sioux Falls Cheer and Dance Invitational for the first time Thursday at WHS.

A total of 16 schools in the AA division and seven in the A division competed at the major event as the Warrior dance team swept the competition and earned the Grand Champion Award. The Warriors placed first place in kick with a score of 241, pom with 243.5, hip-hop with 228 and jazz with 265.5 for an average of 250. Yankton took second with 213.83.

Junior Alyssa Hustrulid could not be happier with the team's performance.

"With many members of our team sick, we still put everything into it," Hustrulid said. "We also had a lot of fans there to support us, which got us pumped and raised our energy."

In the cheer competition, the Warriors received third place with 195.5 points, falling to Brandon Valley with 197 and Sioux Valley with 203.5.

Sophomore Torri Kevan said she enjoyed hosting the event.



Photo by Cole Mayer

KICK IT—Highsteppers kick it during their pom routine Thursday at WHS. The team took the Grand Championship.

"It was a fun competition, but we were a little disappointed with our third place finish," Kevan said. "We hope to keep improving, as state is coming soon."

The teams will next compete in Brandon Nov. 6 and at state in Yankton Nov. 13.

Volleyball team defeats No. 2 Huron in final match of regular season

By Ty Wiley and Kellen Schmidt

The varsity volleyball team ended the regular season with a bang as they took down the No. 2 rated Huron Tigers in five games Thursday in Huron.

The match went back and forth 25-12, 18-25, 25-18, 25-27 and 15-13. Leading the way for the Warriors were sophomore Emma Hanson and junior Ashlyn Hazard, each with 13 kills. Hazard also had six blocks. Adding to the cause were seniors Stacy Marlette

with 11 kills and Lacey Lewis who had 31 assists and five aces.

Marlette said she knew the team could pull off the upset.

"We came into the game with the right mindset, and we had to think we could beat them," Marlette said. "We took them one match at a time, and in the end came out with a victory."

The Warriors will take their momentum boost into District 2 play next week, and Hanson said she is excited to start post-season play.

"Districts are coming up, and I think we are very prepared for the Brandon Valley Lynx," Hanson said. "We have worked hard throughout the year and hopefully it pays off."

The Warriors are the top seed in District 2 and will host No. 4 seed Brandon Valley Thursday at WHS.

In other action Thursday, both the Freshmen A and B teams lost in two sets 7-25, 16-25 and 11-25, 16-25. The sophomores won in three 16-25, 25-23, 25-17 as did the JV 25-15, 18-25, 25-17.

We're NOW on-line at whsnow.com!

Renaissance



Department of the Month

Editor's note: The department of the month is a profile of a WHS academic department with the goal of helping members of the WHS community come to know each department better. Subjects are chosen at random by the Renaissance Committee.



Marion Sorlien
Fine Arts Department Chairperson

•**Department:** Fine Arts
•**Teachers:** Nine total at WHS, including department chairperson Marion Sorlien, Jennifer Hawkinson,

Nathan Bleeker, Karla Chiarello, Bonnie Hale, Geneva Twedt, Matt Schuldt, Leann Lothrop and Kirk Schjodt.

•**Courses Offered in Fine Arts:** The fine arts department offers classes which include instrumental and vocal music, theatre, and art classes such as 3D design and photography. Students need one full credit of fine arts classes for graduation in the Sioux Falls Public School District.

•**Department chairperson says:** "There are so many exiting, new things happening in the fine arts department and I see so much talent in both the students and the staff. I encourage people to take a look at the display cases."

-Marion Sorlien

Amazon species discovered every 3 days for a decade

By Renee Schoof
McClatchy Newspapers (MCT)

WASHINGTON — Scientists searching the Amazon have discovered new species — creatures such as a baldheaded parrot, a blue-fanged tarantula and a bright red catfish — at the rate of about one every three days for the past 10 years, the World Wildlife Fund reported Monday.

"What we say now, and we're very conservative, is one in 10 known species is found in the Amazon," said Meg Symington, a tropical ecologist and the fund's managing director for the Amazon. "We think when all the counting is done, the Amazon could account for up to 30 percent of the species on Earth."

Science Friday



The great diversity of life in the Amazon includes species and habitats that have direct benefits for people worldwide, Symington said. Compounds found on the skin of the poison dart frog, for example, turned out to be important for anesthesia and other medical products.

The Amazon rainforests also have an impact on the regional and global climate. Some climate models show that the Amazon influences rainfall in the U.S. Midwest.

The World Wildlife Fund reviewed scientific literature and counted more than 1,200 new species — including 637 plants, 257 fish, 216 amphibians, 55 reptiles, 16 birds and 39 mammals — that were discovered in the Amazon from 1999 to 2009.

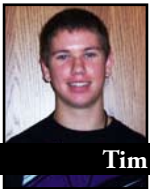
The full count would be much higher, because the report didn't include the vast majority of newly found invertebrates.

The report was released as the 193 member countries of the U.N. Convention on Biological Diversity meet in Japan on ways to protect the diversity of life on Earth.

Big, strong guys can get frightened at movies, too

WHS, let me take you back—back to exactly a week ago today.

I had the plan all day to go see the sequel to the then scariest movie I have ever seen, "Paranormal Activity."



Hear me...



Tim Fagerness

As I was walking into the new theater on the east side of town, I was getting scared just thinking about it. My friends

and I had just sat down in our plushy seats, when we saw seniors Brandon Mohr and Derek Farniok walk into the theater.

Brandon came to talk to us and said, "If you hear a

scream from the front row, it's me. At least I have Derek to protect me when I get scared."

Well, Brandon's perception of Derek was wrong. When Brandon needed Derek the most, Derek wasn't there.

Attention! Spoiler Alert! At the scariest part of the movie, when the Dad goes down to the basement to try and get the baby from the demon mother, when the camera was in night vision mode and you just knew that the demon was going to pop out, but you just didn't know when, I see some huge 6'9" 320 pound Oklahoma recruit stand up and yell some explicit words and run out of the theater.

Now, I have played basketball and football with Derek, but never in my life have I seen him run that fast! I think he should take that time for his 40-meter dash.

Senior Tim Fagerness didn't close his eyes during the movie. Just kidding!

All-State Chorus, Orchestra concert Saturday in Aberdeen

By Nick George,
Komal Shah
and Jack Wolstenholm

All-State Chorus and Orchestra is currently under way at Northern State University in Aberdeen and will conclude with a Grand Concert Saturday.

Qualifying from WHS in All-State Chorus are sophomores Logan Smith, Phosalae Suriyasak and Erik Blegen; juniors Kristine Zimmerman, Sarah Boadwine, Aaron Allen, Ali Hefner, Sydnie Daniels, Erica Sandoval, Hayley Schmidt and Jeff Larsen and seniors Nicole Elbers, Sarah Noordermeer, Matt

Steinhouse, Tessa Ehlers, Andy Steinhouse, Logan Meeker, Mason Calhoun, Taryn Hogarth and Logan Rahn. In orchestra, WHS participants include juniors Jeremy Laird and Thomas Norland and seniors Eric Moore, Stacey Bautista, Lynnea Eckhoff, Shelby Pofahl and Morgan Dresch.

After rehearsing Thursday-Saturday, the students will join others from around the state in performing a grand concert at 8 p.m. Saturday in Aberdeen. General admission tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for students.

Health Happenings

November 11, 2010
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Check in 8:30 – 9 a.m.

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