

•Freshman football 4:15 p.m. at O'Gorman
 •Girls tennis vs. Lincoln 4 p.m.—varsity, junior varsity at WHS, freshman at Lincoln
 •Presidents' Bowl choir rehearsal 4 p.m. at Howard Wood Field

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Weather

Today: Thunderstorms.
High 78°.

Tonight: Rain. Low 62°.

Thursday: Rain. High 72°.

Campus

Lunch today: Chicken nuggets

A la carte lines: Pepperoni pizza, chef salad, hard shell taco

Thursday: Barbeque ribbette sandwich

In the counseling center:

•Information is now available on the "Spirit of Dakota" Scholarship for senior girls in South Dakota. The application deadline is Sept. 19.

•Applications to become a Peer Helper are now available. See counselor Patti Lake-Torbert for information.

Meeting announcements:

•All students who wish to compete on the WHS gymnastics team will meet at 3:05 p.m. today in A-223.

•Respect Committee members will meet at 3:10 p.m. Thursday in Conference Room A.

•Renaissance Committee members will meet at 7:30 a.m. Friday in A-221.

•First Priority, a Christian prayer and fellowship group, will hold an organization meeting at 7:30 a.m. Friday in A-210. All are welcome.

•Improv members will meet at 8 a.m. Monday in B-203. All students interested in participating this year are invited to attend.

FBLA officers elected

The FBLA organization recently elected officers for the new year.

Junior Amanda Mattheis was elected president. Senior Jared Montgomery will serve as vice-president. In other offices, juniors Emily Andersen will serve as secretary, Mark Magidson as treasurer, Kathryn Thomas as reporter, Annetret Nautsch as historian and Heather Barthelman as Parliamentarian.

The group will hold installation of new officers at 6 p.m. Sept. 25 at The Pizza Inn on east 10th Street. Dues of \$10 for members are due soon.

Freshmen not to blame for crowded hallways this year

By Sara Hughes and Meaghan Gordon

This year it seems there is less space in the hallways and commons of WHS, and rumor has it that our current freshman class is the biggest to ever walk the halls of the new building.

This would not be so unexpected for us, as Lincoln and Roosevelt both have a record-breaking class of 2007.

Many students have taken notice of these cramped situations as well. Senior Brandon Clark said he has noticed an uncanny amount of freshmen.

"It seems like there are more freshmen this year than there are seniors," Clark said. "All you ever see is freshmen."

The truth of the matter is, however, that our freshmen class is of average size. The biggest classes are, in fact, the sophomore and junior classes at WHS.

"The freshman class is only about 500, which is smaller than last year and the year before," principal Bill Hoff said.

So why does this school seem to be packed like a can of sardines, so to say? The reason is simple enough. The entire student body is the biggest the new WHS has ever seen.

With a school built to accommodate 1,700 students at most, and with a student body of over 2,000, the halls should seem a bit crowded. The school district is taking actions to help the situation, however. The new addition on to the



Photo by Pat McCann
CROWDED HOUSE—Freshmen and others crowd into the hallways between second and third periods this morning.

A Wing, for example, should provide significant help in dealing with WHS's overpopulation. In the meantime, though, the construction is simply concentrating students in the commons before and after school.

With the super-sized student body, the best advice for everyone is to be cautious and courteous of others trying to get to class, Hoff said.

Other tips for not getting stressed in the crowds include not stopping in the middle of any high-traffic areas and getting here earlier to get a parking spot.

Otherwise, just grin and bear it!

Boys golf team takes third in city

Golf

By Anne Duncan and Mandy Bell

The varsity boy's golf team took third in the opening round of the city meet, scoring a 158 Tuesday at Minnehaha.

O'Gorman won the meet with a 147, and Roosevelt took second with a 150.

The team will next play in

Yankton at 10 a.m. Friday in the Hillcrest Invitational.

Tennis

By Haley Vellinga

The varsity girls tennis team beat the Brandon Valley Lynx 8-0 Tuesday at WHS.

Senior Chris Lanpher, juniors Katy Jelsma and Victoria Zawada and freshmen Emily Gaster, Brittany Gaster and Kylie Huether walked

away with wins in the meet.

Head coach Chad Weber said he is now looking to tonight's meet.

"We need to keep improving and working hard because we have a very difficult part of our schedule coming up," Weber said. "We host Lincoln tonight at the WHS courts. It will also be WHS Alumni and senior Night."