



**Today:**  
Sunny.  
Calm.  
High 42°.

**Tonight:**  
Mostly clear.  
Low 21°.  
**Wednesday:**  
Sunny.  
High 44°.

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## Happening NOW

- Bowling:** vs. Harrisburg 4 p.m. at Eastway Bowl
- Football:** End-of-season banquet 6 p.m. in commons
- No School:** For Thanksgiving break Wednesday-Friday—school will resume at 8:30 a.m. Monday following first day of the week schedule

## Lunch Time at WHS

- Today's lunch:** Chicken strips
- A la carte lines:** Spaghetti, chef salad, barbecue beef sandwich, taco fixings
- Representatives visiting WHS:**  
Today & Dec. 9 . . . S.D. State U.-Brookings  
Monday . . . . . St. Cloud State U.-Minn.  
Dec. 4 . . . . . Augustana C.-Sioux Falls  
Dec. 9 . . . . . Mount Marty C.-Yankton  
Dec. 10 . . . . . U. of Sioux Falls  
Dec. 10 . . . . . N.D. State U.-Fargo  
Dec. 11 . . . . . Dakota Wesleyan U.-Mitchell

## Group Meetings

- Girls:** Who plan to play golf for WHS this spring will meet at 3:10 p.m. today in A-237.

## Other Reminders

- Students:** Who have not seen a dentist in two or more years may be eligible for free care when the Ronald McDonald Dental Van visits Dec. 1-3. See a counselor or the school nurse for more information.
- Winter Formal:** Is set for 8-11 p.m. Dec. 6 at WHS. Tickets will be sold beginning Monday at lunch—\$10 in advance or for \$15 at the door.

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# Rubik's Cube makes a surprise comeback New Speed Cubing Club founded by WHS senior

By Luke Steinborn and Tim Fagerness

**R**ubik's Cubes are not a thing of the past. Students at WHS now have the opportunity to be active in a new group called Speed Cubing Club.

The group is supervised by biology teacher Brent Eliason and was started by senior Max Pruner, an avid cuber. The club meets every other Tuesday after school. Speed Cubing Club consists of students solving the many variations of the Rubik's Cube and discussing strategy.

Freshman Jack Gordon, a member of the club and club record holder, said he enjoys playing around with the cubes.

"I sometimes will fall asleep cubing, and then I will wake up with the cube in my hands and I'll start cubing again," Gordon said.

The group was designed to help people figure out this 3-D puzzle while showing off some of their skill on how fast they can complete it. The members in the group are increasing due to the rising fad—currently there are 20 members with Gordon having the fastest time of 17.49 seconds on a traditional cube.

Eliason said he is proud of Gordon's record.

"It's pretty incredible, considering you could count my time with a sun dial," Eliason said. "My goal by the end of the school year is under



Photo by Sam Stanley  
**SOLVE IT—Senior Max Pruner (left) and freshman Jack Gordon compete to solve Rubik's Cubes this morning in the commons.**

two minutes."

Pruner said he likes the group and is happy he started it.

"I looked around the commons and noticed a lot of people that were cubing, and I just thought we should get together and help each other out," Pruner said. "The challenge makes cubing enjoyable."

The next Speed Cubing Club meeting is set for Dec. 2. All interested are invited to attend.

## Winter Formal tickets discounted with donated socks

By Kory Thorstenson, Tyler Haigh, Nick George, Jordan Risse and Austin Ashlock

Student council members will hold a sock drive in conjunction with Winter Formal ticket sales Dec. 2 during lunch periods in the commons.

Students who decide to bring in one or more pairs of new, clean socks will be able to receive \$1 off their advance tickets to the Winter Formal. With the discount, tickets will be \$9 each.

The socks will go to The

Banquet in Sioux Falls to benefit families who seek clean socks. It is becoming cold outside, and the goal of the sock drive is to keep less fortunate families warm with new socks.

Junior student council member Sam Hoskins said the sock drive will be a big help for the community.

"It will benefit all of the sockless people out there," Hoskins said.

Junior Molu Molu said he plans to participate in the sock drive.

"I think it would be great to donate some socks," Molu said. "It will be nice to get a dollar off my dance ticket as well."

Senior student council representative Emily Ordal said she thinks the students will be encouraged to bring socks by knowing that they will receive \$1 off their tickets.

"This is a good motivation for students to bring socks," Ordal said. "It allows them to get a discount on their ticket, too."

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**Warrior opinions**

Joey Ukbazghi  
Freshman



"My favorite Thanksgiving food is ham, because it's juicy and delicious."

Hannah Gacke  
Sophomore



"I love biscuits, because my cousin and I always have a contest to see who can eat the most."

Kasi Mays  
Junior



"I'm looking forward to eating pumpkin pie this Thanksgiving because it is really yummy."

Travis Hartle  
Senior



"I enjoy mashed potatoes because you can pile on the butter, which is good for clogging the arteries."

Scott Guse  
Teacher



"I love my mother in law's pecan pie, because you can smother it in vanilla ice cream."

What is your favorite Thanksgiving meal food?

Assembled by Kailee Olson, Shannon O'Connor and Lauren Callis

**Test your knowledge of the new James Bond**

**McClatchy-Tribune (MCT)**  
Daniel Craig was catapulted to super-stardom when he starred in "Casino Royale" after assuming the mantle of James Bond. The new Bond flick, "Quantum of Solace," is out now. How much do you know about the latest man to play the dashing secret agent?

**QUESTIONS:**

1. What year was Craig born?  
A. 1971  
B. 1963  
C. 1968  
D. 1957

**Trivia Time**



2. From which United Kingdom country does Craig hail?  
A. England  
B. Northern Ireland  
C. Scotland  
D. Wales
3. What British film series is considered to have been young Craig's "big break"?  
A. "Speed"  
B. "Raiders of the Lost Ark"  
C. "Blackadder"  
D. "Our Friends in the North"
4. How many actors officially played Bond before Craig?  
A. Five  
B. Four  
C. Six  
D. Seven
5. As a young actor, what theatre group did Craig join?  
A. The Atlantic Mechanics  
B. National Youth Theatre  
C. Tower Theatre Company  
D. Gecko

- ANSWERS:**
- 1.-C. 1968
  - 2.-A. England
  - 3.-D. "Our Friends in the North"
  - 4.-A. Five
  - 5.-B. National Youth Theatre

**Thanksgiving—the vacation with it all**

On yeah—only two days of school this week! I consider this time off for Thanksgiving a well deserved break. It seems I had about nine hours of procrastinated homework due today, and I am tired of this madness that teachers assign. This break will provide me with much glee and the rest I need, but have not experienced in a while.



Hear me...



Gabe Steinborn

I feel fortunate to be able to stay in town over the break so I don't have to sit in a car going to Grandma Olga's for the day with nothing to do but play Pinochle with an incomplete deck. But I do have some relatives coming to town, though, and they can be quite fascinating.

My plans for Thanksgiving break? Eat, sleep and probably a nice nap. Not to mention some power-shopping

on Black Friday to help out our bleak economy. Hey, I do what I can to help. I cannot wait for my alarm to go off for that 5 a.m. shopping.

But why exactly is it called Black Friday? Black Friday has consistently fallen in the top 10 of the busiest days of the year, and has been No. 1 in some recent years.

Truth be told, I don't actually participate in this event—I just have my mom do it. I cannot compete with the blood thirsty mothers brawling for the big buys. One needs to be fit and feisty to have a chance, and let's face it—I'm a kicker and 5 a.m. is not considered my prime time of day.

Bottom line, this break has got it all—good food, football, sleep and shopping. So when you are a sitting around disappointed that you are not doing anything exciting, just realize that you get some time off of school to catch up on the important things in life.

Oh, and don't forget family and giving thanks.

Senior Gabe Steinborn cannot wait for his Aunt's Jell-O mold.

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