

What's coming up

THURSDAY, DEC. 21

School dismisses at 1 p.m.; Christmas break begins

MONDAY, DEC. 25

Christmas Day

THURSDAY, DEC. 28

Boys basketball at Wolsey-Wessington Classic in Wolsey, time TBA

TUESDAY, JAN. 2

School back in session
Basketball doubleheader vs. Wilmot, 4 p.m. at Wilmot

THURSDAY, JAN. 4

Junior high boys basketball vs Aberdeen Roncalli, 5 and 6 p.m. at Roncalli
Boys basketball vs. Aberdeen Roncalli, 6:30 p.m. at Roncalli; C game at 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, JAN. 6

Basketball doubleheader vs. Waverly-South Shore, 1 p.m. at Frederick

MONDAY, JAN. 8

Junior high boys basketball vs. North Central at North Central (Roscoe), 5 and 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN. 9

Basketball doubleheader vs. North Central, 4 p.m. at Eureka

THURSDAY, JAN. 11

Girls basketball vs. Strasburg/Zeeland, 6 p.m. at Leola

FRIDAY, JAN. 12

Junior high boys basketball vs. Northwestern, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. at Frederick. C game at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JAN. 13

Girls basketball at Hanson Classic in Mitchell, time TBA
Boys basketball vs Ellendale, 1 p.m. at Ellendale

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SMILING SNOW QUEENS



PHOTO BY MICHELLE SUMPTION

Morgan Sumption was awarded the title of Frederick Area Snow Queen and Adalynn Lloyd received the title of Frederick Area Junior Snow Queen during the annual contest on Nov. 26.

Olivia Morlock was also a candidate in the senior contest. Other candidates in the junior contest were Karli Achen, Samantha Dallmann, and Katie Bretsch. The contest was held jointly with Leola's contest. Emily Anderson is Leola's Snow Queen, and Tayler Vetter was named Leola's Junior Snow Queen. Frederick's 2023 Senior Snow Queen was Cole Peterson who was not in attendance, and Alivia Little was present as Frederick's 2023 Junior Snow Queen. Frosty was revealed during the afternoon program as Justin Brotzel.

The coronation of the Junior Snow Queen in the South Dakota Snow Queen Festival will be 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 6, and the Snow Queen coronation will be at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13. Both will take place at the Aberdeen Civic Theatre. "I am excited to be able to represent Frederick at the state coronation and reconnect with girls I met during my freshman year as junior snow queen!" Sumption said.

The contest was sponsored by the Frederick Area Booster Club.

Sumption honored for service to rural youth

BY LURA ROTI
for South Dakota Farmers Union

Educating youth is something Margaret Sumption has been passionate about most of her life.

"I have always enjoyed kids, and as a teacher I found that they are generally happy and certainly every day is different," Sumption explains.

Sumption was recognized by South Dakota Farmers Union for her service to rural youth as a volunteer, with the

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CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Margaret Sumption was recognized by South Dakota Farmers Union for her service to rural youth as a volunteer, with the esteemed Minnie Lovinger Award. She was presented with the award November 30 during the organization's State Convention in Huron. Margaret Sumption is pictured here with Aerial Eitheim, left, Senior Advisory Council member from Sioux Falls; and Cadence Konechne, right, Junior Advisory Council member from Kimball.

November Students of the Month



FASD PHOTOS

Junior high/high school Students of the Month for November, based on the trait of determined, were Noah Kippley, Gabby Millard, Howard Sumption, and Chloe Arneson.



Elementary Students of the Month for November were, front row, Drew Wolbeck, Avery Jones, and Elijah Ellwein; and back row, Charlie Foley, Arabella Dosch, Anna Wilson, and Beckham Sumption. The trait for the month was determined.

December Students of the Month



FASD PHOTOS

Junior high/high school Students of the Month for December, based on the trait of reliable, were Winston Clark, Eden Podoll, Maddie Sumption, and Katie Bretsch.



Elementary Students of the Month for December were, front row, Ellie Ulmer, Hadlie Pashen, and Carlin Sumption, not pictured is Weston Jolma; and back row, Dawson Clark, Fred Sumption, and Colin Foley. The trait for the month was reliable.

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Watch for a survey about upgrading school building

When this column comes out, the first semester of the school year will nearly be complete, with staff and students finishing up on Thursday, December 21. I am not sure where the time went, but at least for me, this past fall went by unbelievably fast! School will resume with the start of the second semester on Tuesday, January 2.

Gov. Kristi Noem gave her annual budget address recently and she is recommending an increase of 4 percent for education. Efforts will be made to try and get that number up a little bit during the upcoming legislative session, but that is going to be a tough hill to climb. We will have to wait and see where things end up at the end of the upcoming legislative session.

As some of you may be aware, the Frederick Area School Board has been in communication with an architectural firm for quite a few months now in what I would



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say has been an exploratory phase of looking at options for potentially upgrading our current high school building. It is well over 100 years old and has been showing signs of its age more and more over the past several years. Recently, you should have received a mailing from the school with a survey enclosed. If you haven't received it yet, it will most certainly be coming. We would greatly appreciate it if you would take the time to fill that out and send it back to us so that we can gauge public opinion with

the process we are currently in. We value your feedback, whether positive or negative, as it will help guide us in our decision-making process as we continue down this path.

Boys and girls basketball seasons have begun across the state. The girls began practices on Monday, November 20, and the boys on Monday, November 27. Brock Pashen and Alex Sumption are coaching the boys, while Sarah Sumption and I are coaching the girls. There are a total of 19 boys participating, with fourteen from Frederick and five from Leola. There are a total of 17 girls participating, with thirteen from Frederick and four from Leola. Mother Nature was not good to us at the beginning of the season last year, with three of the first four games being postponed due to inclement weather. It appears that we will be much more fortunate this time around, at least early in the seasons anyway.

The Frederick Area athletes in grades nine through twelve who participated in football, volleyball, and cross country this past fall have all qualified their respective activities for the "Academic Achievement Team Award." To qualify, the collective average GPAs for all student-athletes involved in the varsity sport must be at or above 3.0. The football team, volleyball team, and both boys' and girls' cross-country teams were all well above that mark, with the lowest average being 3.78. Our student-athletes are doing extremely well academically!

We look forward to resuming school and the activities that come with it and here's to hoping for a wonderful spring semester! May your holidays be safe and may your time spent with friends and family be enjoyable! From everyone here at Frederick Area School, we wish you all a very merry Christmas!



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Schwan Electric looks to future under new owners

By DONNA SUMPTION

In 2003, Troy Millard started his career in the electrical industry at Schwan Electric Inc. working under Larry Mettler. He gained valuable knowledge and experience under Mettler's leadership, but after 10 years of working for the family-owned business, he feared his chance for future advancement was at a standstill. In May 2013, he started JM Electric Inc. out of his garage in Frederick. As the business grew, he rented a shop space in Aberdeen for a few years before making the move into the shop building in Frederick. JM Electric's service area mainly consisted of Brown County, McPherson County and some areas of North Dakota. In 2016, Jaime Taylor of Leola joined the JM Electric team and has been a great asset to the growth of the company.

At the end of 2022, Troy was presented with the opportunity to advance once more when Schwan Electric was looking for an electrical contractor to take over the business. At that time Schwan Electric was owned by Travis Sichmeller, who also operates Sichmeller Engineering out of the same location in Aberdeen. Troy, Jaime Taylor, Travis Sichmeller, and Mitch Truebenbach took over ownership of

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Schwan Electric in January 2023. They are pleased to say that they have kept the current staff on board from both Schwan and JM Electric, some of whom have been with Schwan for 30 years. Schwan Electric celebrated its 50th Anniversary in June and is excited to see what the future has in store.

Schwan Electric offers commercial, residential and agricultural electrical services and pairs with Sichmeller Engineering on projects as well. Some of their recent completed projects include the Northwestern High School remodel and addition, Meat House in Andover, Dakota Pet Care, Dakotaland Federal Credit Union and Dacotah Bank.

Looking to the future, Schwan is seeking more full-time and temporary employees. While



PHOTO BY DONNA SUMPTION

Troy Millard works from two locations — one in Aberdeen, pictured above, and one in Frederick, below.



electrical experience is helpful, it is not a necessity as they are willing to train. By attending career fairs at Mitchell Tech and North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton, N.D., they recruited students to work in the summer months, gaining great

hands-on experience. Housing is provided for these students in the living quarters of the Frederick shop as part of the summer program. Anyone considering a career in the electrical industry is welcome to reach out to Troy or Jaime for more information.

What's coming up

TUESDAY, JAN. 16

Girls basketball vs Ellendale, 6 p.m. at Ellendale

THURSDAY, JAN. 18

Basketball doubleheader vs. Northwestern, 4 p.m. at Frederick

FRIDAY, JAN. 19

Junior high boys basketball vs. Trinity Lutheran, 5:30 p.m. at

Trinity

SATURDAY, JAN. 20

Junior high boys basketball vs. Ellendale, 10 and 11 a.m. at Ellendale

TUESDAY, JAN. 23

Basketball doubleheader vs Britton/Hecla, 5 p.m. in Britton

THURSDAY, JAN. 25

Basketball doubleheader vs. Faulkton Area, 4 p.m. at Leola

SATURDAY, JAN. 27

Basketball doubleheader vs. South Border, 1 p.m. at Leola

TUESDAY, JAN. 30

Girls basketball vs. Ipswich, 6:30 p.m. at Ipswich

THURSDAY, FEB. 1

Basketball doubleheader vs. Warner, 4 p.m. at Warner

SATURDAY, FEB. 3

Varsity basketball at Highmore Classic, time and opponent TBA in Highmore

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7

Region IV Music Contest in Aberdeen

THURSDAY, FEB. 8

Girls basketball vs. Herreid/Selby Area, 6:30 p.m. at Herreid

SATURDAY, FEB. 10

Basketball doubleheader vs Webster, 1 p.m. at Webster

THURSDAY, FEB. 15

Girls basketball vs. North Central (Senior Night), 6:30 p.m. at Leola

Sumption: ‘Realize that each farm and farmer is unique’

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esteemed Minnie Lovinger Award. She served as the Brown County Education Director for several years. She was presented with the award November 30, during an awards banquet held during the South Dakota Farmers Union State Convention in Huron.

“Thanks to the efforts of volunteers like Margaret, each summer hundreds of rural youth attend camps where they receive education on farm safety, team work, cooperatives and have the opportunity to develop leadership skills,” said Karla Hofhenke, Executive Director of South Dakota Farmers Union.

More about Margaret Sumption

Sumption decided to become a teacher because she always enjoyed school and her teachers. She taught grade school for a few

years before she and her husband, John, had children of their own.

When her five sons were school age, Margaret substitute taught and later returned to work in the Frederick Area School District full-time as a para and then served as the school secretary until she retired in 2001.

Raising their sons on the family farm, Margaret and her husband, John, were always in church and active in the Frederick community. And because of her farming background, Sumption said she looked for ways to expose students to agriculture beyond Brown County.

“I always told students, farmers across America don’t just raise corn, cows, wheat and soybeans. You eat strawberries and lettuce too. Farmers had to grow that too.”

About the time their youngest son, Warren, graduated, the couple became more involved in

Farmers Union.

“John came home from a county meeting one day and said, “Margaret, you are the new education director.” I said, “OK.”

Throughout the years, Margaret said she appreciated the way Farmers Union youth programming taught rural kids about so many aspects of agriculture.

“Farmers Union helped broaden their horizons. It helped them realize that each farm and farmer is unique,” she said.

One by one, all five of their sons joined the family farming operation. Margaret said she enjoyed having her grandchildren close to home and getting to be involved their lives.

“All our grandchildren attended Farmers Union Camp. It was fun to see them with other kids and make friends,” she said.

Today, Farmers Union member Mike Traxinger serves as the

Brown County Education Director. Sumption asked him to take over for her when he returned to his family’s Brown County farm. “He has done a great job and expanded the program even more,” she said.

More about the award

Established in 2004, the South Dakota Farmers Union Foundation instituted the Minnie Lovinger Award in recognition of the founder of all Farmers Union education programs.

Minnie Lovinger passed away more than 70 years ago, but not before she laid the foundation for all subsequent Farmers Union education efforts. As historian Lyn Oyos wrote, Minnie Lovinger “snatched the thorny chance and broke the trail that others followed. Her soul has never left them in their sowing and reaping.”

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BIG Idea honorable mention



PHOTO BY SHAUNA SEVERSON

Sofia Losure received an Honorable Mention for her BIG Idea, "Hometown Helpers." The BIG Idea Competition's purpose is to foster entrepreneurship by getting high school students to think about business opportunities and the possibility of creating those opportunities in their communities. "Hometown Helpers" would assist elderly small-town residents with transportation, meal delivery, and house-cleaning services. Sofia had the honor of pitching her idea at the competition on Dec. 6 with other Honorable Mention awardees.

FCCLA honors



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Members of the Frederick FCCLA Chapter competed in the event category Professional Presentation at the regional FCCLA competition on Dec. 8. Leah Groteleschen, right, received gold and will advance to the state competition. Ruby Dallman, left, received silver.



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A house in Frederick that had become uninhabitable was torn down on Dec. 8. The house, at 303 2nd Ave., was acquired by the city after the city sent a condemnation notice to the owner due to the condition of the structure. The owner did not want to make the needed repairs and offered to deed the property to the city, which accepted the offer. The Frederick Development Corporation is in the process of purchasing the deed with the intention of building a new structure on the property. The development corporation board will focus on plans for this property next year, ideally after the remaining twin home that the corporation built this year has been sold.

Howard Sumption's lighting displays draw drive-by viewers and publicity



IMAGE FROM VIDEO

Howard Sumption, a 13-year-old from rural Frederick, has been putting together a fantastic lighting display at his family's home for at least five years now, and the size of the display and the attention it has received has grown every year. On Dec. 13, *The Aberdeen Insider* featured his display in a story about area Christmas lighting displays to visit. Howard puts up the whole display almost entirely by himself, including the lights on the roof. The display includes a nativity scene and many inflatable decorations, and the lights change in tune with music that viewers can tune into on the radio. The display at 11275 389th Ave. is on from 5:30 till about 10 p.m.

Scholarship honors Bernice Rollo

A scholarship fund has been started to honor longtime Frederick high school teacher Bernice Rollo, who died in September at the age of 101. Contributions can be sent to the Frederick Area School District. Put "Bernice Rollo Scholarship" in the memo line.

DO YOU HAVE COMMUNITY NEWS TO SHARE? Please send photos or news items of interest to the community to news@fredericksd.com.

Senior Snow Queen candidates



Among two schools, three seniors were candidates for senior Snow Queen: from left, Emily Anderson, Olivia Morlock, and Morgan Sumption. Anderson was crowned Leola Snow Queen, and Sumption was crowned Frederick Area Snow Queen.

PHOTO BY MICHELLE SUMPTION

Athletes in fall sports receive honors

A number of Frederick Area athletes in fall sports received conference and state honors upon the conclusion of their seasons.

In volleyball, Sofia Losure and Jocelynn Ellwein were second-team All-Lake Region Conference selections.

In football, McKinley Koters, Austin Mantei, Connor Spitzer, Brayden Sumption, and Gavin Nickelson were named to the Lake Region Conference all-conference team, and Levi Little received honorable mention recognition. Austin Mantei and Brayden Sumption were also named to the Class 9AA All-State team.

See how much
the fund has grown!



**The match required us to raise \$150,000 in three years, by June 2021. The amount in the fund before we started the challenge—\$5,600—did not count toward the challenge goal.*

***The amount available to give is based on a four-year rolling average of the fund balance; it will take a few years to get to this donation amount.*

\$8,000 donated to community

The North Brown Community Foundation's growth has been of the "slow but steady" variety again in 2023. The fund has received \$1,158.32 in donations so far in 2023, with a few days remaining in the year.

These donations, and all of the other donations that have gone into the fund since its inception in 2014, add to the fund's principal balance, from which the grant amount is calculated. Each year, 4.5 percent** is available to the board of the foundation to distribute to community needs. As of Dec. 19, the balance of the principal is \$230,182.29. This is a significant figure for a community with a small population and shows gratitude for the community's past, love for the community at present, and a belief in the community's future.

The NBCF awarded \$8,000 in donations to community projects in 2023, up from \$6,400 in 2022:

- \$1,000 to the Frederick Athletic Association (via the Town of Frederick) for improvements to the baseball field
- \$4,500 to the Frederick Area Volunteer Firefighters in support of the asphalt project at the new fire hall
- \$2,500 to Frederick Forward for the continuation of Frederick Area F.Y.I.

Please consider giving to the foundation in 2024. One method of giving is memorials: Donating in memory of community members who have died

is a lasting way to honor their legacy. A donation to the North Brown Community Foundation gives back to our communities every year, as far into the future as you can imagine!

The grant application period is now open. Projects should benefit people in the geographic area of the Frederick Area School District, including the communities of Barnard, Elm Lake, Frederick, and Westport.

An application form can be found on the facing page or downloaded from www.fredericksd.com/nbcf. Applications can be submitted to First National Bank in Frederick or emailed to nbcf@fredericksd.com. The deadline for this round of grant-giving is **Feb. 1, 2024.**

Applicants must be nonprofits with 501(c)3 tax-exempt status to be eligible to receive grants. Nonprofits that are not 501(c)3s must have a 501(c)3 as a fiscal sponsor for the project.

Contact Heidi Marttila-Losure at the e-mail above or 605-290-3335 if you have questions about the grant application process. Please encourage the nonprofits you care about to apply.

The North Brown Community Foundation works like an endowment for the communities of Barnard, Elm Lake, Frederick, and Westport. It's one of nearly 80 community savings accounts of the South Dakota Community Foundation. Learn more and donate at www.fredericksd.com/nbcf.

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NORTH BROWN COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

2024 GRANT APPLICATION

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2 GRANT INFORMATION

What amount of grant money are you requesting from the foundation? _____

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Please provide a clear description of the project, including time period and place, if applicable.

Why is this project needed?

2 GRANT INFORMATION *(continued)*

What community support does this project have?

What results do you expect from this project?

If this project continues beyond the proposed grant period, how will the continuation of the project be funded or otherwise supported?

Does this project involve collaboration with other organizations? If so, list them here.

3 SIGNATURE

I acknowledge that the information in this grant application is true to the best of my knowledge.

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Date

JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS BASKETBALL

Junior high girls have a strong basketball IQ

By HEIDI MARTTILA-LOSURE

Some Leola-Frederick girls basketball players are “playing up” this season, resulting in more of a challenge for the players on the court.

The girls junior high season started in late October. When the JV/varsity season started in late November, two eighth-graders went up to that level, leaving one eighth-grader, three seventh-graders, and seven sixth-graders at the junior high level.

“We have played partial sixth- and eighth-grade games due to numbers,” said junior high coach Troy Podoll. “In our seventh-grade games, which were full games, our record is 6-2. We won two eighth-grade games early, and have lost four partial games.”

Podoll says the strength of this group is their basketball IQ. “We watch film of every game at the following day’s practice,” he said. “They are beginning to understand team concepts on both ends of the court and have done a good job executing.”

The team is working on improving individual skills. “Our shooting and ball handling skills as a team are not where I’d like,” Podoll said. “Improving our strength and athleticism is crucial as well.”

“I plan to offer off-season skill development and strength training for the girls. I hope they will utilize it. We have a good group that has the potential to be very competitive if we improve those two areas.”



Ruby Dallmann drives to the hoop.



Addison Wolbeck evades the defense.



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TOP: Mileah Holmes dribbles around a Britton-Hecla defender on Dec. 12.

BOTTOM: Eden Podoll goes for a layup.



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The following reports were presented:

- Dan Miller: JLG Architects A memorandum of understanding for the church property has been signed by both parties.
- Jeff Koters: Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director
- Shauna Severson: Business Manager
- Achen/Hart: Building/Co-op

2024-044 Motion by Hart, second by Ellwein to approve the custodial account addition - FBLA. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

2024-045 Motion by Sumption, second by Achen to approve the intent to receive property/liability, workers compensation and cyber liability insurance bids or quotes. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

The Board would like to recognize the following accomplishments: Jocelynn Ellwein and Sofia Losure were named to the Lake Region Conferences Second Team in volleyball; Brayden Sumption, McKinley Koters, and Gavin Nickelson received All-Conference football recognition, and Levi Little received Honorable Mention. Brayden Sumption was also named to the 9AA All-State team; the 7th grade Math Counts team placed third, while Andrew Schlosser placed sixth individually. The Boys Cross Country team placed sixth at the state meet, while Milo Sumption placed 25th.

2024-046 Motion by Hart, second by Sumption to adjourn at 6:54 p.m. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Rich Schlosser, President
Shauna Severson, Business Manager

Titans have a full roster of contributors this season

BY HEIDI MARTTILA-LOSURE

Talented starters and a deep bench could combine to give the Leola-Frederick boys basketball team a successful season.

Nineteen student-athletes are out for basketball this year: four seniors, four juniors, eight sophomores, two freshmen, and one eighth-grader.

Depth and experience are two of the team's strengths this year, along with length and athletic ability.

"Practices have been competitive, and we are looking to pressure the whole court," Coach Brock Pashen said. "We are looking to see how deep we can go off our bench while still getting production. We are looking to grind teams down and force them to play at a pace where they are not comfortable."

Players to watch include Noah Kippley, who was second-team all-conference last year as a sophomore, and seniors Brayden Sumption and Connor Spitzer, who were starters last year and have played significant minutes since their sophomore years.

Last season ended earlier than the team had hoped, with a close loss to Hitchcock-Tulare in their first region game. "That was gut-wrenching and left a kicked-in-the-stomach feeling for us after winning 11 games during the regular season," Pashen said, adding that it's motivating them this season. "We want to make sure we are getting better every day

and forcing our opponent to play at our pace and tempo."

Some of the opponents in their sights are the historically top teams in Region 1B. "The LRC and Region 1B will be solid," Pashen said. "We feel we are in the mix with Aberdeen Christian, Warner, and Northwestern for those top seeds when region play comes around."

A promising season is ahead for the team because of the work that is behind them.

"We had excellent turnout for our K-12 individual skills camps/workouts over the summer as we are always looking to build our program and future. Thank you, parents," Pashen said. "We hosted a team camp of area teams and went to Waconia, Minnesota; Fergus Falls, Minnesota; and the Sanford Pentagon for team camps. We played teams from schools much bigger than us and are expecting that competition to pay dividends this season. We had several kids also play in the James Valley Thunder summer program."

"I'm very thankful for the kids and parents who put in the time they do with our offseason program and then so many of them that put in time individually shooting and working on their skills in their own time," he added. "We have many kids in the boys and girls program coming in before school or staying after practice to shoot, and I see our elementary kids watching them. These seniors and upperclassmen for the boys and girls are excellent role models for our youth."



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Brayden Sumption throws down a dunk after getting a steal against Oakes Dec. 12.



Noah Kippley puts up a shot against Langford Area on Dec. 9.



Milo Sumption goes for a rebound during the Titans' game against Langford Area on Dec. 9.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Langford Area	W	58-28
Oakes, ND	W	70-56
Aberdeen Christian	W	66-56
Waubay/Summit	W	58-51
Dec 19 8:00 PM	vs Potter County	Leola
Dec 28	vs TBD	Wolsey-Wessington
Jan 2 8:00 PM	@ Wilmot	Wilmot
Jan 4 7:30 PM	@ Aberdeen Roncalli	Aberdeen Catholic Schools
Jan 6 5:00 PM	vs Waverly-South Shore	Frederick Area
Jan 9 8:00 PM	@ North Central	Eureka
Jan 13 2:30 PM	@ Ellendale, ND	Ellendale
Jan 18 8:00 PM	vs Northwestern	Frederick Area
Jan 23 8:00 PM	@ Britton-Hecla	Britton-Hecla
Jan 25 8:00 PM	vs Faulkton Area	Leola
Jan 27 5:00 PM	vs South Border, ND	Leola
Feb 1 8:00 PM	@ Warner	Warner
Feb 3	vs TBD	Hyde Co Memorial Auditorium
Feb 10 5:00 PM	@ Webster Area	Webster Armory
Feb 16 8:00 PM	vs Herreid/Selby Area	Leola (Senior Night)
Feb 23 8:00 PM	@ Ipswich	Ipswich
Feb. 26-29	Region 1B Tournament	
March 5	SoDak 16	
March 14-16	Class B State Tournament	

Westyn Thorpe puts up a shot over a Langford Area defender on Dec. 9.



These Titans have traveled a long way

Players went from 0-21 season as eighth-graders to notable contenders to start senior year

BY JEFF KOSTERS
Girls Basketball Head Coach

The Leola/Frederick Titans girls basketball season got its start back on Nov. 20. I have 17 girls participating this year, and seven of those are seniors. Laura Sumption returns as the co-MVP of the conference and a first-team selection last year. Sofia Losure also returns as a first-team all-conference selection last year. Chloe Arneson was a second-team pick last year, but unfortunately, she suffered a torn ACL back in June at a team camp in Brookings, and it appears that she will be unable to make it back to the court this season. The other four seniors include Jocelynn Ellwein, Olivia Morlock, Morgan Sumption, and Maddie Sumption. Juniors include Zoe Cox and Sam Geffre; sophomores include Kalyce Achen and Kaitlyn Mueller; freshman include Karli Achen, Ella Kempf, and Tayler Vetter; and eighth-graders include Jillian Ellwein, Arabella Clark, and Parker Hoffman.

The girls have been working hard these past two weeks of practice, and we attended four team camps this past summer to help prepare as well. Those included SDSU in Brookings, NSU in Aberdeen, DWU in Mitchell, and the last one in Alexandria, Minnesota. When these seniors were eighth-graders, we suffered through an 0-21 season and have won five, nine, and sixteen games each year since. With the amount of experience returning, we have high expectations for ourselves, and I would imagine the fan base will as well. We were conference champions last season and advanced to our first SoDak16 game since that format was introduced back in 2017.

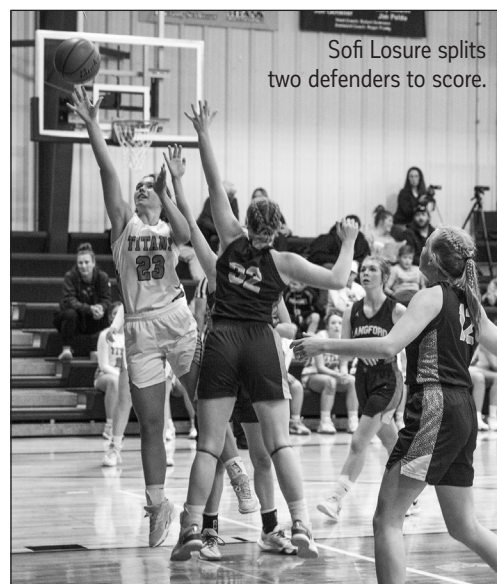
Our biggest strength this season will no doubt be our experience. For the past several years, that was somewhat of an Achilles heel for us, but you could see things turning around during the season last year. After a loss to Potter County right before Christmas, we wouldn't lose another game until early February, winning a dozen straight, I believe. We are excited for the season and can't wait to get things going!



Laura Sumption drives to the hoop during the Titans' game against Langford Area Dec. 9.



Jill Ellwein passes downcourt to Sofi Losure.



Sofi Losure splits two defenders to score.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Langford Area	W	41-37
Aberdeen Christian	W	43-41
Waubay/Summit	L	41-44
Dec 19 6:30 PM	vs Potter County	Leola
Jan 2 6:30 PM	@ Wilmot	Wilmot
Jan 6 3:30 PM	@ Waverly-South Shore	Frederick Area
Jan 9 6:30 PM	@ North Central	Eureka
Jan 11 7:30 PM	vs Strasburg/Zeeland, ND	Leola
Jan 13 TBD	vs TBD (Hanson Classic)	Corn Palace, Mitchell
Jan 16 7:30 PM	@ Ellendale, ND	Ellendale
Jan 18 6:30 PM	vs Northwestern	Frederick Area
Jan 23 6:30 PM	@ Britton-Hecla	Britton
Jan 25 6:30 PM	vs Faulkton Area	Leola
Jan 27 3:30 PM	vs South Border, ND	Leola
Jan 30 7:30 PM	@ Ipswich	Ipswich
Feb 1 6:30 PM	@ Warner	Warner
Feb 3 TBD	vs TBD (Highmore Classic)	Hyde County Mem. Auditorium
Feb 8 8:00 PM	@ Herreid/Selby Area	Herreid
Feb 10 3:30 PM	@ Webster Area	Webster Armory
Feb 15 8:00 PM	vs North Central	Leola School (Senior Night)
Feb 19, 20, 22	Region 1B Tournament	
Feb 29	SoDak 16	
March 7-9	State Tournament	



Olivia Morlock hits for 3.

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Karli Achen hit three 3-pointers during the JV against Langford Area. At right, her team celebrates after the third one went in.





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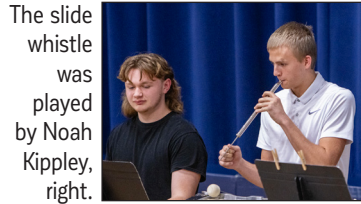
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Fifth-grade band members performed together, as well as solos.

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The slide whistle was played by Noah Kippley, right.

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SOUNDS OF THE SEASON



Frederick Area's kindergarten through senior students entertained community members during the annual holiday concert on Dec. 7. **LEFT:** Elementary students performed a story about a little bell that didn't ring. **ABOVE:** Sixth- and seventh-grade musicians played recorders. **BELOW:** The high school chorus sang several numbers.



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ABOVE: Kindergartners accompanied their singing with jingle bells. **RIGHT:** The sixth- and seventh-grade band had 12 members performing.



ABOVE: Students added some dramatic actions to the story of the little bell. **RIGHT:** A rendition of "Feliz Navidad" by the high school band got the audience into a festive mood.

