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Geographic Victory

Seventh grader Skyler Oberg was recently named a semifinalist eligible to compete in the 2014 South Dakota Geographic Bee. Skyler is the son of Michael and Tessie Oberg.

This is the second level of the National Geographic Bee competition. Bees were held in grades 4-8 throughout the state to determine each school's Bee winner. School-level winners then took a qualifying test, which was submitted to the National Geographic Society. The National Geographic Society invited the students with the top 100 scores in each of the states to compete at the state level.

The 2014 South Dakota Geographic Bee will be held at Northern State University in Aberdeen on Friday, April 4. The state winner will receive $100 and a trip to Washington, D.C., to represent South Dakota in the National Geographic Bee finals to be held at National Geographic Society headquarters May 19-21. The national winner will receive a $50,000 college scholarship and will also travel to the Galapagos Islands where he or she will experience geography firsthand through up-close encounters with the islands' unique wildlife and landscapes.

EPJ wishes Skyler the best of luck as he enters the next level of competition.

MS Choir gets Festive

EPJ choir students from the 7th and 8th grade traveled to Vermillion on March 19 for the annual Junior High Choral Festival. The festival consisted of 7 schools and a total of 250 junior high students. Junior high choir students from Elk Point-Jefferson, Vermillion, Irene-Wakonda, Avon, Lennox, Viborg-Hurley, and Centerville attended this year's festival. These choirs had been preparing songs on their own for the festival. At the concert, they performed five songs as a collective group. Unlike previous years, when the concert was performed in the evening, this year's final concert was performed for the public at 3:30 in the Vermillion High School Auditorium. The festival gives students the opportunity to connect with other students and perform a well-practiced concert for the community.

Peirce in Pierre for All State

By: Elena Giorgio

EPJ ninth grader Emily Peirce recently performed in High School All State Band. The event was held in Brookings the weekend of March 27-29.

Auditions were taken at six different locations in South Dakota during the month of January. Emily, who plays clarinet, started the preparation for All State in October. She perfected a chromatic scale over three octaves, two pages of major and minor scales, a solo, and sight-reading for two small etudes at the live audition. The audition also included a fifty-question test over music vocabulary, dynamics, and the circle of fifths.

All State Band was split into two bands, Lewis Band and Clark Band. Emily was chair fourteen out of twenty-one in the Clark Band.

This is not the only All State Band into which Emily has been accepted. During both her seventh and eighth grade years, she earned a place in Middle School All State Band and Middle School Region One Honor Band. It is quite an accomplishment to have also made it into Quad State Honor Band, Region One Honor Band, and High School All State Band as a freshman playing a competitive instrument like clarinet.

All of Emily's hard work and talent has definitely paid off. All State Band members practiced for three days leading up to a concert of both Lewis Band and Clark Band which was held on Saturday.

Going for Gold at Science Olympiad

By: Mariah Heckathorn

A total of 11 middle and high school students participated in the State Science Olympiad at USD in Vermillion on March 22. Led by middle school science teacher Mrs. Angela Peirce, EPJ earned fifth place or higher in eight of the thirteen events. In addition to this, three teams won special awards. Daniel Petra received second place in *Can't Judge a Powder,* Eric Nelson also placed second in *Rotor Egg Drop*. Emily Peirce, Morgan Smith, and Lynsey Klunder took third place in *Experimental Design*.

Science Olympiad has existed for 30 years, beginning with just a small core of science teachers at its inception. Today, Science Olympiad is one of the major competitive science events, attended by approximately 7,000 teams nationwide.

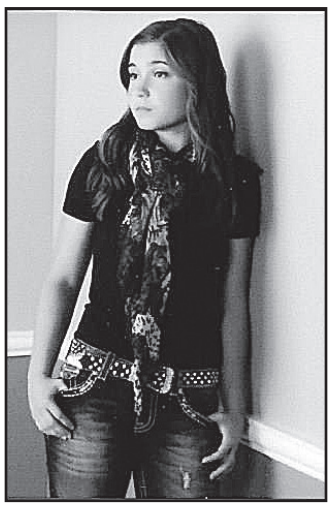
Science Olympiad exposes students to both scientists and career choices, and it provides content-enhancement experiences to assist classroom teachers in their curriculum delivery.

Senior Spotlights

This week our spotlights shine on Elysia Christine Buehner and Hannah Grace Stone. Ely and Hannah are two of the 46 talented seniors who will graduate this May. EPJ wishes both Ely and Hannah a bright future filled with opportunities.

Elysia Buehner

Parents: Chris and Cliff Haines; Duane and Lisa Buehner
Sibling: Eric Haines
Birthday: March 31, 1996
Future Plans: attend the University of South Dakota majoring in molecular biology and physiology
HS Activities: band, jazz band, show choir band, drumline, theatre production, National Honor Society
Little-known Fact about Me: I started playing piano in kindergarten.
Role Models: my parents and my brother
Advice for Underclassmen: Always do what you love to do, and always have fun.
FAVORITES:
Quote: "People who shine from within don't need the spotlight."
School Memory: All of the fun experiences and stories that happened while on jazz band and show choir trips.
Superhero: Batman
Movies: *The Sandlot, Up, The Lion King,* and *The Heat*
TV Shows: *The Mentalist, Person of Interest, Cake Boss,* and *How It's Made*
Food: macaroni and cheese
HS Class: any class with Mr. Haberling
Song/Artist: The Beatles
School Lunch: nachos
Holidays: Christmas and the 4th of July
Animal/Pet: dog
Music Genre: classic rock
Restaurants: Qdoba, Famous Dave's, Red Lobster, and Carlos O'Kelly's



Hannah Stone

Parents: Darrell and Nancy Stone
Sibling: MacKenzie Stone
Birthday: June 5, 1996
Future Plans: go to college and become a physical therapist
HS Activities: volleyball, boys basketball manager, golf, softball
Little-known Fact about Me: I used to live in Sioux Falls, and my mother would always take me to Chuckie Cheese if I didn't get in trouble in daycare.
Role Model: my mother, Nancy, and my grandmother, Joan
I've Always Wanted to Visit: Alaska--just to see if it's as bad as everyone says.
Age I'd Love to be Forever: 22, because you're not really old, but you can still make your own decisions
Advice for Underclassmen: Don't stress too much over school; you'll be fine!
FAVORITES:
Quote: "Open your eyes, look within. Are you satisfied with the life you're living?"
- Bob Marley
School Memory: sophomore PE class when I ran into the bleachers
Superhero: Batman
Movies: *Batman Rises, Pitch Perfect,* and *Coach Carter*
TV Show: *The Walking Dead*
Book/Author: *The Notebook;* Nicholas Sparks
Food: chicken
Song/Artist: Wiz, Drake, A$AP
Sports Team: Huskers

High School Quarter 3 Honor Roll

To earn a place on the A Honor Roll, a student's grades must average 3.5-4.0 GPA with no grade lower than a B. To make the B Honor Roll, a student's grades must average 3.0-3.49 with no grade lower than a C. An asterisk denotes all A's.

Freshman A Honor Roll: Matthew Ambrose*, Brady Bosse, Dylan Colt*, Kylee Donnelly*, Rachel Geary*, Elena Giorgio*, Kimberly Hansen, Mariah Heckathorn, Lynsey Klunder, Aaron Koupal*, Emily Mickelson*, Alexander Norby, Emily Peirce*, Daniel Petra, Katelyn Reynolds, Bradie Timmins, Erin Weightman, Emma Wilkinson.

Freshman B Honor Roll: Tiffany Bonham, Kelsey Campbell, Katelyn Carter, Emily Crabree, Emma Dawdy, Collin Elkins, Jackson Grassel, Destiny Love, Alexa Montagne, Katelyn Richards, Raquel Rosenbaum, Sean Schmidt, Karlee Shatswell, Morgan Smith, Alexander Wu

Sophomore A Honor Roll: Rebecca Brewer, Justin Broekemeier*, Peyton Donnelly, Andrew Flannery*, Alexis Flynn*, Caitlin Fornia, Alex Hoffman*, Jared Hueser*, Victoria Johnson*, Cody Kneip, Kelly Kramer, Kristen Leitru, Ariana Limoges, Bailey Lynch, Keegan Mahin, Samantha McInerney, Tania Nuno*, Madalyne Schuldt*, Andrew Teply*, Bailey Weavill, Briley Weidner, Brooke Westcott, Irene Williams*

Sophomore B Honor Roll: Angel Marie Abraham, Caleb Ambrose, Bethany Dennison, Morgan Flynn, Lorin Gregg, Josie Heeren, Connor Henze, McKenzie Mennenga, Michael Murphy, Alicia Nelson, Brooks Rich, Jessica Riley, Jasmine Rosenbaum, Kelsey Rosenbaum, Peyton Swanson, Szaniszla Szabó, Christopher Wiseman

Junior A Honor Roll: Maria Corio*, Jennifer Dailey*, Jessica Fejfar, Conner Finken, Lukas Forsling, Katherine Giorgio*, Amber Hanson, Shannon Hennessey*, Damian Hilton, Ulrike Hovland*, Zach Hurley, Drew Keuck, Brandon Koupal*, Hannah North, Connor Pedersen, Mikkel Rasmussen, Abel Sanchez, Meghan Schenk*, John Schuh, Bryce Taylor

Junior B Honor Roll: Jalissa Connors, Dalton Croy, Cody Davis, Alicia Gregg, Alyssa Gregg, Jacob Herrity, Calvin Johns, Jami Johnston, Kerrey Jorgensen, Kayla Kayl, Chyenne Markee, Samantha Merkley, Denielle Minor, Robert Ortiz, Hunter Paulsen, Jordan Peirce, Benjamin Roberts, James Smith

Senior A Honor Roll: Keely Bertram*, Breanna Bintz, Jordan Brandon, Elysia Buehner, Jessica Cox, Skylore Curry, Hope Erickson, Maya Fehr, Ian Grassel, Brittany Hanson, Steven Honomichl, Daniel Howe*, Conner Kneip*, Jarod Mau, Emma McInerney, Alex McLaury*, Stacie McLaury*, Katherine Mickelson*, Lynette Moreland, Cody Reed*, Daniel Roggenbauer, Adam Shanks, Dillon Streets, Hunter Welch, Amy Zeller*

Senior B Honor Roll: Andrew Flynn, Cody Geary, Amber Kelly, Nicholas Kraayenbrink, Alex Lawler, Matthew Mahoney II, Victoria Navarro, Jade Rosenbaum, Jessica Schirber, Cheyenne Steemken, Hannah Stone, Saundra Terrell

Husky Events This Week

Thursday (4/3):	9:00 Girls Golf at EPJ
	Optimist Jazz Festival at Brookings
	Preschool Screening
Friday (4/4):	The Chili Cup at The Pointe
Tuesday (4/8):	3:30 Track at EPJ
	9:00 Girls Golf at Hartford

Reminder: Purchase your tickets for the All School Play Dinner Theater byTuesday, April 8. Call 356-5950 for reservations.

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