

# The Pirate Journal

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## Flaen works towards basic training for National Guard

Megan Brummel  
Tyra Flaen chose to support our country by joining the National Guard. Since she joined, she has been fulfilling her guard duties while finishing her last year of high school.

Flaen joined the National Guard because she has relatives in the military and she was always interested in being in the military as she grew up. In addition to this she said, "I get to be a part of something that not everybody can be a part of."

Flaen has to work out a lot (five days a week), attend RSP (recruit sustainment program) once a month, and keep her grades up to graduate before going

to basic. Once she gets to college- after basic and AIT (advanced individual training) she can apply for housing assistance and college benefits.

Her view of the world has changed since going into the National Guard. "Before I joined I was kind of knowledgeable about things going on in the world but now that I've been in the reserves and have spoken with cadre who have been deployed and active I understand it better."

Flaen goes to basic training June 5 for 10 weeks in Ft. Sill, Oklahoma. She is expected to graduate from basic training August 20 where she will start AIT in San Antonio, Texas.



Students get prepped for 2018 prom

Taylor Chavez  
Highmore-Harrold high school students attended prom on April 28. Many students were up early to get ready for this big day.

Madison Bollweg, a junior said it was a very long morning for her and her friends because they were just about late for the party bus. "I first went to Highmore to get my hair done at the Kut Hut. Then I went back to my house where I helped my friends Taylor and Ashlyn get their makeup and hair ready. After I got my makeup done and my jewelry and dress on, my date and I took pictures and headed off to hop on the party bus."

Oakley Jandreau, sophomore, said she woke up at 8:00 am and drove to Fort Pierre to get her hair done. She also said her hair ended up taking two hours. Then, she got some breakfast at TJ's. After that she went home and did her makeup and grabbed her dress and headed to Onida. "It was a blast with my date and I am happy that I attended."

Lainey Aasby, sophomore said she was up early and Veronica came over and did her hair. "I ate some food. I went to Sierra Oakley's house where she did my makeup. Then I did my nails, put my dress on, and some jewelry. I went to go take pictures with my friends and I was on my way to Miller."

Blake Feller, junior, said he took a shower, combed his hair. "I washed my pickup and picked up my prom date and left the county." He said he had to change in the Hall's bathroom because he was running late.

Despite the wind on prom day it was an overall good experience for most students attended.

## Seniors take trip to San Antonio, Texas

Halle Kroepelin  
The class of 2018 flew to San Antonio on April 21 for their senior trip. The seniors and their chaperones, Quinton and Georgette Cermak, drove to the Sioux Falls Airport. The class arrived in San Antonio later that night. A full week of activities were planned out for the next few days.

The first day in San Antonio, the class went to K1 Speed for a competitive go-kart race. Josiah Hanson said, "My favorite part was go-kart racing. I would have been happy with eating from In & Out Burger and racing each day." After racing the class went

to Sea World. While in Sea World, they could go on roller coasters, go to a waterpark, look at different aquatic creatures, or even swim with dolphins. After a long day everyone cleaned up and went to the Sumo Japanese Steakhouse, where the class sat around a grill and was entertained by the chef cooking their meals. Jace Baloun said his favorite part of that night was when Elora Domke asked the chef why you could eat raw fish but not raw chicken. He then explained salmonella.

The river walk in downtown San Antonio was the first item on the

agenda for the next day. After experiencing the river walk, the class met back up and went to the canopy challenge. While there, everyone got to go on a zip line over the park and go onto the four-story obstacle course to test their balance.

In the morning the class went to the Alamo. "The Alamo was something everyone should experience," stated Dusty McCauley. After experiencing the Alamo, the class took a drive and arrived at Corpus Christi, where they spent the rest of the day on a beach. After many sunburns, everyone had pizza back at the hotel and got ready to wake up bright and early. Leaving the hotel at 4:00 in the morning, the class made their way home.

The senior trip was one to remember. From swimming with dolphins to trying the first taste of In and Out Burger, many memories were made. Shantay Werdel described the experience by saying, "Holy cow, it was really hot."

## Summer means making plans

Kassidy Dyer  
The end of the school year brings so much to look forward to for many students: warm weather, sleeping in, and making plans with family and friends! When there's no school, there are more opportunities to make plan without much interference. There are concerts, road trips, shopping sprees, games, and much more.

For some students, their trips involved school and educational aspects. Riley Aasby said, "I have National FCCLA in Atlanta, Georgia. I also have Girls State at USD and a music camp in Los Angeles. I'm really excited because they're all places I've never been before. Exploring new places is a lot of fun."

Halle Tvedt said, "I'm going to Germany to play basketball from July 15 through July 30. I think it'll be really exciting."

Treymaine Eagle Thunder-Alger said, "I might be going to a big music festival called Electric Forest for my 18 birthday. It's in Missouri in June for three days. I'm pretty stoked." Summer birthdays bring different activities to do.

## Dear Pete (The Pirate)

Dear Pete,  
What do I wear to the spring concert?  
Sincerely, a girl in need of some fashion advice

Dear a girl in need of some fashion advice,  
For the spring concert there are a variety of outfits you could wear. Since it is spring there are a lot of options, but it is best not to wear jeans. Comfort is a major role when picking out what to wear. If you aren't comfortable it will ruin your whole mood. Dresses are always a good go-to option. They are easy to wear because you don't have to pick out a shirt and pants that match. However, if you are not a big dress kind of girl, a nice dress shirt and pants or a skirt would be a good option for you. If you would feel more comfortable wearing a skirt, that would also be another fashionable option for you. You'll look great in whatever you choose!  
Sincerely, Pete

Dear Pete,  
How can I get a summer job?  
From a poor high school student

Dear a poor high school student,  
Highmore has a lot of places to work during the summer. There are many businesses, ranches, farms, and babysitting jobs. The newspaper also has ads in the classifieds where you can look. Once you find a job you want you

can ask if there are any positions open and fill out an application. Just asking around town and knowing where there's always help needed is a great way to get started. So my advice to you is go out and look for a job before they all get filled.  
Sincerely, Pete

Dear Pete,  
Should I compete to be a FFA officer?  
Sincerely, a dirt judger

Dear dirt judger,  
Being an FFA officer is a great way to become more involved in the organization and school. You handle more things within the organization rather than just being a member. You can also put it on resumes and applications. You have to do an interview so be prepared for FFA related questions. Even if you don't get a position it will be great practice for future interviews and you get more experience. You can't go wrong competing for it.  
Sincerely, Pete



Congratulations to the Class of 2018!



Question of the Month

If you could be any fictional character or mythical creature

who or what would you be and why?

Shelby Isburg



Sylvia Rodriguez  
"I want to be Chester the Cheetah. I'm a Cheeto fanatic. He's cool and I want to be as cool as him. He probably has all the Cheetos in the world. I want eat them all. Puffy Cheetos are the best. Everybody underestimates the power of Cheetos."



Denver Henry  
"I would be a Wyvern, though not as large as dragons they can be cross bred and it results in a dragon sized Wyvern. The reason I want to be one is because they are fast, families are important to them and they can breathe fire, bio electricity, or acid."



Madison Wieseler  
"I'd be a dragon so I could breathe fire."



Mrs. Knox  
"Ariel from the Little Mermaid. She gets to live in the water and on land. She also gets married to Prince Eric and he's pretty good looking for a cartoon character."



**HIGHMORE HARROLD DRAMA DEPARTMENT PRESENTS THREE-ACT PLAY ...** Students from Highmore Harrold performed their play, "Virgil's Wedding" on April 20 at the Hyde County Memorial Aud in Highmore. The play takes place in Lickskillit, USA, a small rural town in the South. "Virgil's Wedding" starred Virgil Sludge, played by Henry Knippling, a groom and a southern man with a knack for catching lizards, forgetting the origins of the Pope, and struggling with punctuality. It also stars Margaret Hooper, played by Shantay Werdel, a bride, who's a southern girl that dreams of finding "Mr. Right," has trouble keeping her hair done, and struggles with cold feet in the worst times. A woman from the city named Ms. Delanie, played by Emily Semmler, was put in charge to get their wedding together. The play tells a story about city life and rural life, two complete opposites, clashing and butting heads while trying to plan a wedding. Lainey Aasby, a fellow cast member, said, "Shantay and Henry really got into their roles, and exceeded the expectations on their last play as seniors. I had a really fun time participating with them in the play. Emily did an amazing job at memorizing her lines and dedicated herself to her role." This year was the play directors', Jay and Jackie Miller, last year of directing. Jackie Miller said, "It's very bittersweet. We've had an amazing run, and winning a superior award this year in the One Act competition was just like icing on the cake." They had been doing the job for over 30 years. The play members would like to thank them for all the time and dedication they've put into the program, and will miss them very dearly. Veronica Knippling



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