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OPINION | WE SAY

Star Power



THUMBS UP to this week's appearances of Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) star Shoni Schimmel at the Marty Indian School and the Wagner school district. Schimmel and her parents, Rick Schimmel and Ceci Moses, provided an entertaining and inspirational program on overcoming obstacles, achieving your dreams and understanding different cultures. Shoni Schimmel, who holds both white and American Indian heritage, appeared before largely Indian audiences but provided a message for persons of all ages.

The Hunt



THUMBS UP to the encouraging rise in pheasant numbers across South Dakota here on the eve of the 2014 pheasant season. According to the story in today's *Press & Dakotan*, surveys of pheasant numbers show an increase of more than 100 percent in the Yankton area over last year, which was probably one of the worse pheasant years in memory. Last year's drop was largely due to the drought the preceding year; likewise, this year's rebound can be attributed to much better weather conditions for the birds. On a more anecdotal note, we know the pheasant numbers are better because, this year, we are actually seeing and hearing birds in the fields. Last year, we rarely saw birds or heard that familiar cackle of the roosters.

Making Winter Bright(er)?



THUMBS UP to a somewhat more encouraging winter weather forecast issued by the weather service this week. The new forecast calls for below-normal precipitation (which may or may not be a good thing), but also sees equal chances of above-normal, normal and below-normal temperatures. The latter item is a change from earlier forecasts put out by at least one other weather service calling for a brutally cold winter. Indeed, Accuweather updated its forecast Thursday, noting: "The northern Plains will be somewhat inconsistent (this winter) with variable, back-and-forth temperatures and below-normal snowfall." That offers a little more hopeful news for those of us who are gearing up for a deep freeze in the months ahead.

The Rule Of Law



A THUMBS DOWN to the line of sympathy for college football players recently caught breaking the rules. There's no doubt the NCAA has been a lightning rod for its harsh and, at times, inconsistent application of its rules. While there are strong arguments to be made for reform and relaxing of some of these by-laws — including allowing players to profit from the sale of their autographs — at this time it is a rule, right or wrong. It is a rule the NCAA has made abundantly clear to incoming athletes and coaches. So why does it seem every time one of them gets caught breaking a rule they KNEW was in place and KNEW the consequences for violating, people rush to the player's defense saying the big, bad NCAA is out to get them? There's opportunity to speak out against and even drum up support for relaxing such rules that don't involve risking their college careers. And yet the likes of Todd Gurley and now, seemingly, Jameis Winston choose to try and go behind everyone's back.

ONLINE OPINION

The results of the most recent Internet poll on the *Press & Dakotan's* Web site are as follows:

LATEST RESULTS:

Who do you support in the Yankton County Commission race for the two-year term?

Cheri Loest	46%
Don Kersting	32%
Not sure	22%
TOTAL VOTES CAST	282

The Press & Dakotan Internet poll is not a scientific survey and reflects the opinions only of those who choose to participate. The results should not be construed as an accurate representation or scientific measurement of public opinion.

CURRENT QUESTION:

Who do you most strongly support in the Yankton County Commission race for the three 3-year terms?
To vote in the *Press & Dakotan's* Internet poll, log on to our website at www.yankton.net.

ON THIS DATE

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Oct. 17, the 290th day of 2014. There are 75 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 17, 1814, the London Beer Flood inundated the St. Giles district of the British capital as a vat at Meux's Brewery on Tottenham Court Road ruptured, causing other vats to burst as well and sending more than 320-thousand gallons of beer into the streets; up to nine people were reported killed.

On this date: In 1610, French King Louis XIII, age 9, was crowned at Reims, five months after the assassination of his father, Henry IV.

In 1777, British forces under Gen. John Burgoyne surrendered to American troops in Saratoga, New York, in a turning point of the Revolutionary War.

In 1807, Britain declared it would continue to reclaim British-born sailors from American ships and ports regardless of whether they held U.S. citizenship.

In 1919, Radio Corp. of America was chartered.

In 1931, mobster Al Capone was convicted of income tax evasion. (Sentenced to 11 years in prison, Capone was released in 1939.)

In 1933, Albert Einstein arrived in the United States as a refugee from Nazi Germany.

In 1939, Frank Capra's comedy-drama "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington," starring James Stewart as an idealistic junior senator, had its premiere in the nation's capital.

In 1941, the U.S. destroyer Kearny was damaged by a German torpedo off the coast of Iceland; 11 people died.

In 1956, the all-star movie "Around the World in 80 Days," produced by Michael Todd, had its world premiere in New York.

In 1961, French police attacked Algerians protesting a curfew in Paris. (Reports of the resulting death toll vary widely, with some estimates of up to 200.)

In 1979, Mother Teresa of India was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

In 1989, an earthquake measuring 7.1 on the Richter scale struck northern California, killing 63 people and causing \$6 billion worth of damage.

Ten years ago: The Iraqi militant

group of terror mastermind Abu Musab al-Zarqawi declared its allegiance to Osama bin Laden. (Al-Zarqawi was killed in a U.S. airstrike in 2006.) Betty Hill, who claimed that she and her late husband, Barney, had been abducted, examined and released by extraterrestrials in 1961, died in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, at age 85.

Five years ago: Pakistani soldiers attacked militant bases in the main al-Qaida and Taliban stronghold along the Afghan border. Songwriter Vic Mizzy, 93, who'd composed the catchy themes for the 1960s sit-coms "The Addams Family" and "Green Acres," died in Bel Air, California.

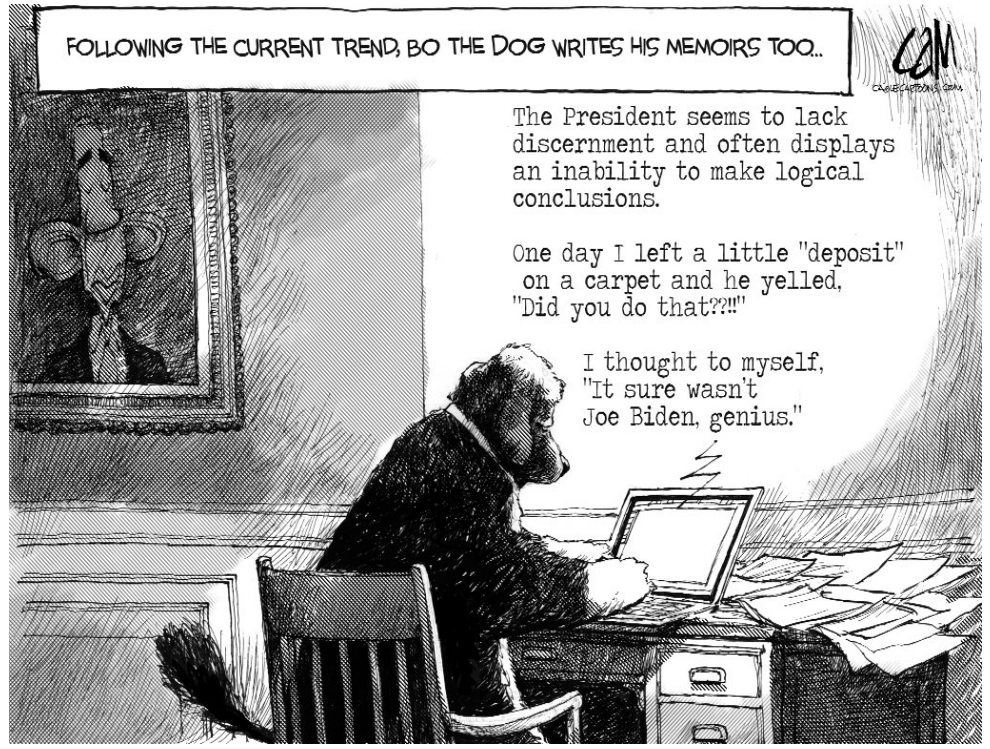
One year ago: The government reopened its doors hours after President Barack Obama signed a bipartisan congressional measure passed the night before to end a 16-day partial shutdown. The Boston Red Sox edged the Detroit Tigers 4-3 for a 3-2 lead in the AL championship series.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Marsha Hunt is 97. Actress Julie Adams is 88. Newspaper columnist Jimmy Breslin is 84. Country singer Earl Thomas Conley is 73. Singer Jim Seals (Seals & Crofts) is 72. Singer Gary Puckett is 72. Actor Michael McKean is 67. Actress Margot Kidder is 66. Actor George Wendt is 66. Actor-singer Bill Hudson is 65. Astronaut Mae Jemison is 58. Country singer Alan Jackson is 56. Movie critic Richard Roeper is 55. Movie director Rob Marshall is 54. Actor Grant Shaud is 54. Animator Mike Judge is 52. Rock singer-musician Fred LeBlanc (Cowboy Mouth) is 51. Actor-comedian Norm Macdonald is 51. Singer Rene' Dif is 47. Reggae singer Ziggy Marley is 46. World Golf Hall of Famer Ernie Els is 45. Singer Chris Kirkpatrick ("N Sync) is 43. Rapper Eminem is 42. Singer Wyckle Jean is 42. Actress Sharon Leal is 42. Actor Matthew Macfadyen is 40. Rock musician Sergio Andrade is 37. Actor Chris Lowell is 30. Actor Dee Jay Daniels is 26.

Thought for Today: "The philosophies of one age have become the absurdities of the next, and the foolishness of yesterday has become the wisdom of tomorrow." — Sir William Osler, Canadian physician and educator (1849-1919).

FROM THE BIBLE

[The kingdom of God] is like a grain of mustard seed. Luke 13:19. Portals of Prayer, Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis



An Edible Solution?

BY KELLY HERTZ
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I guess we could feel a little optimistic about any problem whose solution might include eating.

The problem that prompts that thought is the Asian carp, that flying flash of silver that launches itself from waterways like the Missouri and James rivers when agitated by boat motors. I saw these creatures firsthand during a tour on the James in June, during which time I nearly got my head taken off. And I'm told now that the action on the river is far heavier now than it was back then.

Asian carp are pretty much public enemy No. 1 in terms of invasive species on the rivers. These fish move in and, without any natural predators, often overwhelm bodies of water, choking out the rest of the species that are there. This carp was one of the reasons why Lake Yankton was recently poisoned and renovated. Waterways throughout Illinois are utterly infested with the fish; it's estimated that there are at least 1 billion of these carp in that state's lakes and streams.

That's the bad news. The good news? These fish don't taste too bad.

That's what I found out last week out at Gavins Point Dam. Some members of local Game, Fish and Parks Department were there grilling up some breaded Asian carp for the paddlefish anglers who were casting through the tailwater.

This was more than a gesture of hospitality by the GF&P staff. I was told it was a demonstration of how the Asian carp could be harvested as a food source. And they really aren't bad eating. Unlike more common carp, which have a very heavy and muddy taste, Asian carp have a delicate taste — not unlike walleye — that accents the taste of the breading. One of the GF&P personnel told me they grilled some Asian carp without breading and they tasted fine, too. Also, they don't have the issue with bones that many carp have. The pieces I ate were referred to as "wings," which basically looked like breaded sticks. I was instructed to break them apart in the middle, which exposed a couple of large bones that were easily pulled out.

The fish weren't exactly "caught" for this meal. The GF&P cooks said the carp had been taken from the James a day or two before: They

literally jumped into the boat, making for an easy harvest, not to mention a hardcore angler's dream.

So, could there be a market for these fish? There is in Asia — which I guess is fitting — but one wonders if demand for the fish could develop here, as well.

If so, it probably wouldn't completely solve the Asian carp problem, but it could help.

Frankly, it's difficult to see much optimism in this issue otherwise. The carp are so invasive and aggressive that they threaten to change the entire ecosystem of some waterways. I was told that they've choked out paddle-fishing in other areas, and are now multiplying in the Gavins Point tailwaters. I saw at least two paddlefish anglers snag carp during the few minutes I was out there last week. I fear that it's only a matter of time before they find their way into Lewis and Clark Lake, and then explode from there.

But harvesting them for consumption has possibilities.

There was a report this week out of WGN in Chicago about the American Heartland Fish Plant in Grafton, Illinois, which processes 60,000 pounds of Asian carp each day to produce a protein-rich fish meal as well as a high-quality fish oil. The meal can be made both for human consumption and as a feed additive for livestock, the latter of which one company official believes would be a faster and easier way to reduce the runaway Asian carp population in Illinois.

Thus, there is economic potential with the harvest of these fish. And since there are no proven natural predators to these carp thus far (humans notwithstanding), the supply will likely keep replenishing itself, which is the problem — and, thus, a potential solution.

Whether something like that could be feasible here is unclear, since we do not have the near the problem that Illinois faces — yet. However, the ingredients for trouble are already at hand and surging dramatically. Indeed, one of the GF&P staffers told me that the carp are also found swimming in some of the lower, deeper reaches of Marne Creek. "There are Asian carp in Yankton," he said.

The question is, could there be opportunity here, too?

You can follow Kelly Hertz on Twitter at twitter.com/kelly_hertz/. Discuss this story at www.yankton.net/.

Point Of View

A Heritage Worth Celebrating

BY ROBERT F. LYONS

Yankton High School alumnus

Since the arrival of the *Press & Dakotan's* special issue "Heritage — Education: Past, Present & Future" (Sept. 29), there has been time for little else here in our home in Maine. The *P&D's* multiple sections are a superb, almost overwhelming review of education — public and private — in Yankton County. It has stimulated numerous telephone calls and emails among my brothers and family who are beneficiaries of that system.

My own educational heritage began in 1943 at Willowdale District No. 3, the one-room school on my parent's farm, east of Yankton off Highway 50 (William and Mary Lyons) where all seven of us Lyons children were educated. In "The Mission Live On," Kelly Hertz writes: "These school houses were essential hubs of education in rural locales meeting a mission of building for the future ..." I should rather add, my education began in my home with my mother and father, she a former school teacher and he on the school board for decades.

When I read of the dazzling array of digital learning devices and the IT opportunities available in today's schools, I acknowledge that much has changed since I graduated from Yankton High School in 1955. And there have been dozens of nephews and nieces and great-nephews and nieces who still partake of the legacy of fine education in the Yankton school system. But I hope all might recognize that it is the quality of the teaching and the teacher's relationship with the student that nurtures the learning, along with the daily support of learning in the home. The most valuable lesson of schooling is that we can learn and that we can continue to seek out learning opportunities throughout our lives.

I have always taken sharp exception to Harvard President James Conant's report which argued that all high schools should have a

graduating class of 100 students, for only then could they provide a diverse curriculum with demanding courses for college. Small schools have too few choices to brag, according to this study of the American High School in 1959. Thus, Conant's idea was that the bigger the school, the better its sports, theater, arts and music presentations. My 1955 YHS graduating class had only 81 students. My family gives the lie to Conant's assertion. All seven of us did go on to college and several obtained advanced degrees. Although Conant's concern had some validity, most graduates of Yankton's school system were well equipped for life because of its dedicated teachers and because of the parents who invested so much in education. It was the size of their investment, not the size of the graduating class, that counted most.

My mother, Mary Donohoe Lyons, (YHS 1914, Yankton College 1920) would be pleased that after 140 years, YHS enjoys the leadership of a woman principal, Dr. Jennifer Johnke, who promises that the experience will provide "a firm foundation for a lifetime of success!"

Woksape editor Jacob Selgestad writes, "Perhaps the opportunity that most excites me is becoming editor of the school newspaper ..." I too enjoyed "this once-in-a-lifetime experience" as editor of the *Woksape* in 1954-55. If Jacob keeps his ear to the ground, listens to the rhythms of the students and seeks out the unique offerings of the faculty and reports on them, he will be a very wise lad, well equipped for a rewarding future of lifelong learning. It will be a legacy worth remembering of Yankton's educational heritage, as this special edition of the *P&D* celebrates.

Thanks for the memories and the legacy of our heritage.

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YOUR LETTERS

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