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a Powerpoint presentation.”

The four judges who critiqued their culinary skills Thursday visited VHS the week before to grade the management portion of the competition. The team of LeCates, Rernleitner, Christensen and Robinson were named management winners.

Last Tuesday, the two teams faced off to see who would claim the honors awarded in the culinary competition.

Winners of the local culinary and management contests move on to state competition, scheduled Tuesday, March 23 at Mitchell Vocational Technical Institute.

“There was another class, called Cook’s Training, that was a precursor to this,” Lerseth said. “ProStart has only been offered in the state for about five years. The state competition is put on by the South Dakota Retailers Association, and this is the third year that they have offered the state competition.”

All of the participating students from Vermillion had practically no culinary experience when they enrolled in Lerseth’s class at the beginning of the school year.

By March, all were able to

demonstrate a high level of skill in tastefully preparing and presenting a variety of rather complicated dishes.

“We do reviews of articles and recipes in magazines,” Lerseth said, “and we try to look at photos that show how different dishes should look. Some kids do watch some of the programs on the Food Network, and I think that has helped create some interest in fields like this.”

At least of the students involved in the ProStart competition, Megan and Nichole, have only been part of Lerseth’s class since this semester began in January.

“I’ll be willing to start with students at almost any skill level,” Lerseth said. “I think this whole class is about bringing their levels up, so they don’t necessarily have to be proficient at cooking to participate in this class.”

Topics of the class include knife skills, serving food safely, different food preparation techniques – from sautéing and steaming to poaching, and we also have textbooks provided by the National Restaurant Association that support all of that.”

Good old hands’ on experience also serves as a good teaching tool. Lerseth’s classroom, while not set up to resemble the typical kitchen fit for a chef, does offer appliances, utensils and other equipment to allow her students to learn by cooking.

The students also look for unique opportunities to practice the various cooking techniques they have learned.

“During the first semester, we set up a restaurant of our own, and we would prepare a breakfast once a month,” she said. “That’s an awful lot of fun. And we do some local catering; we just got done with parent-teacher conferences, and my students made about 400 cookies, and we prepared a staff meal for about 40 teachers last week one night.”

The panel of judges also serves as the ProStart class’ advisory council.

“They are a huge support to my students,” Lerseth said. “They would come in and demonstrate knife skills, they would help show them the proper way to plate food, and one day Mark came in and talked with them about different recipe combinations. They are very active in help-

ing our students learn.”

Thursday, the panel of judges graded each team on their appearance, organization and cooperation. They noted how well the students used proper cooking procedures and followed safety and sanitation procedures.

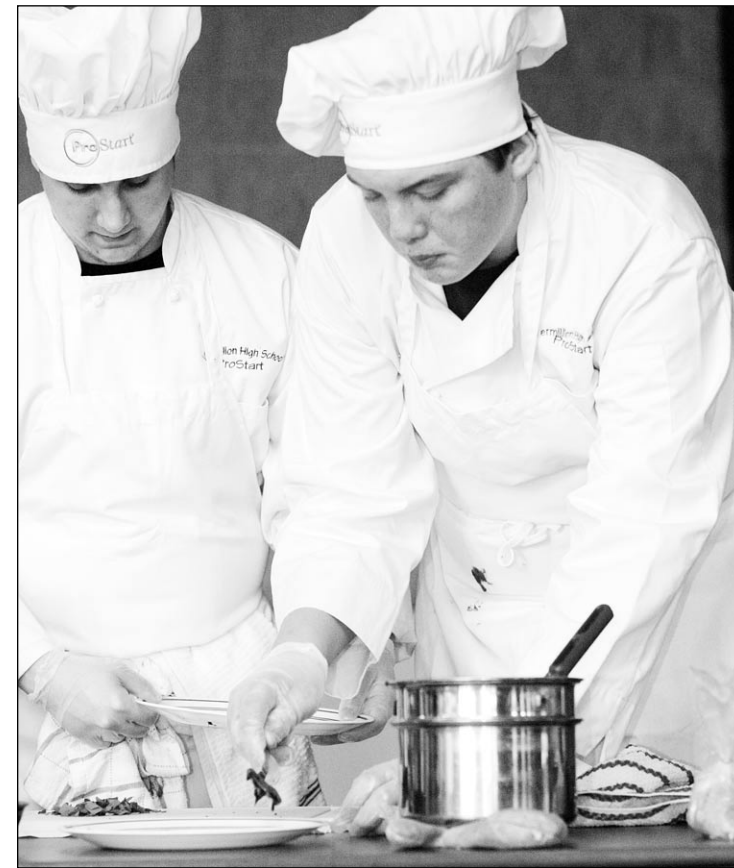
After the final dish was plated and set on a table in the high school commons, only one highly important task remained for the judges – tasting.

“Product taste is 40 percent of the total score,” Lerseth said. “They are graded on appearance, taste and product difficulty. So if you have a team that is trying something more difficult, they are going to get points for that.”

The members of the two teams each formulated the menus of the various dishes they prepared and served Thursday morning, without guidance from Lerseth.

Deciding the various selections for each menu, she said, comes about after students experience creating a wide variety of different food items.

“We start by trying some different main courses, and then we’ll throw a side in there, we’ll try some different salads and soups, and some



James Protzman and Joe Peterson keep their cool during the intense pressure of Thursday’s competition. The two worked on plating their team’s dessert of grilled pineapple, which featured chocolate, hazelnuts, and mascarpone. (Photo by David Lias)

different desserts,” she said. “It’s very much a process of trial and error and tasting

and seeing what they like and how they can improve each dish.”

## PUBLIC NOTICES

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#### STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF CLAY: SS IN CIRCUIT COURT FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

##### PRO. 10- ESTATE OF MARJORIE GUSTAFSON- HAIGH.

#### Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Notice is given that on the 1st day of March, 2010, EVELINE HAIGH, 3516 West Hughes Place, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57108 and Elizabeth Haigh Petrick, PO Box 74, LaSalle, MN 56056 were appointed as Personal Representatives of the estate of MARJORIE GUSTAFSON-HAIGH.

Creditors of decedent must file their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or their claims may be barred.

Claims may be filed with the personal representative or may be filed with the clerk and a copy of the claim mailed to the personal representative.

Dated this 1st day of March, 2010.

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#### Invitation To Bid

Sealed bids will be received by the State Engineer on behalf of the Board of Regents at the Office of the State Engineer, Joe Foss Building, 523 East Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-3182 until 3:00 PM CT Thursday, March 18, 2010 for labor and materials to Replace Roof on Slagle Hall and SD Union Building, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota, OS#R0609-13X.

Copies of the Plans and Specifications may be obtained by bidders at the office of Howard R Green Company, Court International Building, 2550 University Avenue West, Suite 400N, St. Paul, Minnesota 55114, telephone number 651.644.4389. Copies are on file for viewing purposes at the Office of the State Engineer, Joe Foss Building, 523 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-3182.

Anyone requesting, reviewing, or copying Plans and Specifications for this project (such individual is hereinafter referred to as “bidder”) agrees that they are doing so for the sole purpose of submitting a bid on the project. In consideration of the State of South Dakota providing such Plans and Specifications for the purpose of preparing a bid, bidder further agrees:

A. The Plans and Specifications are the sole property of the State;

B. Any copies of the Plans and Specifications obtained directly from the State will be returned to the office of Howard R Green Company, Court International Building, 2550 University Avenue West, Suite 400N, St. Paul, Minnesota 55114 immediately after the State provides notice that bidder will not be awarded a contract, or thirty (30) days after the bid opening for the project, which ever occurs first;

C. Any copies of the Plans and Specifications made by the bidder will be destroyed immediately after the State provides notice that bidder will not be awarded a con-

tract, or thirty (30) days after the bid opening for the project, which ever occurs first;

D. If bidder does not submit a bid, bidder will fulfill the requirements of B and C above on or before the date of the bid opening;

E. The Plans and Specifications are to be used only with respect to this project and are not to be used for any other project or purposes other than preparing a bid for this project;

F. The Plans and Specifications will not be disseminated to any person or entity for purposes other than obtaining pricing information without the express written approval of the state;

G. All information contained in the Plans and Specifications is confidential; and

H. Should the bidder disseminate the Plans and Specifications to an individual or entity for purposes of obtaining pricing information, the bidder will require that individual or entity to adhere to the terms set forth herein. The bidder, however, assumes no liability for the misuse of the Plans and Specifications by such third party or such third party’s failure to comply with the provisions contained herein.

Should bidder be awarded a contract for construction of the project, bidder does not need to return or destroy Plans and Specifications until after completion of the project.

Each bid in excess of \$50,000.00 must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier’s check or draft in the amount of 5% of the base bid and all add alternates and drawn on a State or National Bank or a 10% bid bond issued by a surety authorized to do business in the State of South Dakota and made payable to the Board of Regents of the State of South Dakota.

The Board of Regents reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities therein.

KRISTI HONEYWELL, P.E.  
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#### Financial Statement 2009 Soil Conservation District Clay County, SD

Beginning Balance, 217.08  
Revenues 29,000.00  
County Appropriations 13,646.35  
Tree cultivation program 4,935.00  
Grass drilling program 9,022.00  
Miscellaneous income 1,097.69  
Interest 19.09  
Other income 0.65  
Total 57,720.78

Expenses 4,165.78  
Office 221.00  
Personnel 34,912.69  
Administrative/miscellaneous/membership dues 437.00  
Information and education 594.44  
Tree planting 8,639.02  
Tree cultivation 2,037.82  
Grass drilling 6,881.80  
Other expenses 00.00  
Total 57,889.55

Ending Balance, 48.31  
December 31, 2009

Submitted by Clay County Auditor  
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#### Request for Design-Build Proposals

The Office of the State Engineer on behalf of the South Dakota Board of Regents is requesting Design-Build Proposals from established climbing wall contractors, with a minimum of 5 years experience, for the University of South Dakota Wellness Center Climbing Wall, Vermillion, South Dakota, OS#R0608-09X.

Design and construction of a climbing wall facility will be construction of a new 61,000 SF Wellness Center located adjacent to the Warren M Lee Center for Fine Arts on the University of South Dakota campus. The climbing wall facility will include a freestanding pinnacled wall and will be freestand-

ing bouldering wall.

A Design-Build Project Manual is available from the Office of the State Engineer, Joe Foss Building, 523 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-3182, or telephone number (605) 773-3466. The Project Manual includes General Requirements, Performance Criteria and procedures for developing and submitting a Design-Build Proposal for consideration. Design documents for the Wellness Center structure are available by contacting Erin Harkness, Henry Carlson Company (HCC), 605-336-2410.

Proposals will be scored based on technical qualifications (83%) and management capabilities (17%). A technical review committee may select a short list of up to two Firms for follow up campus interviews. The budget for this design-build project is not-to-exceed \$250,000. The state will negotiate with the firm receiving the highest interview score. Should the state fail to negotiate an acceptable agreement in good faith it may negotiate with the firm receiving the second highest score.

The contract for this project will be held by the Wellness Center project Construction Manager at Risk (HCC). The State intends to use the Best Value Selection and Award for Design Build-Service procedure.

Design-Build Proposals will be accepted until 3:00 PM CDT, March 16, 2010 at the Office of the State Engineer, Joe Foss Building, 523 East Capitol Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-3182.

The South Dakota Board of Regents reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any irregularities therein.

KRISTI HONEYWELL, P.E.  
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#### March 02, 2010 Commissioner Meeting

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday March 2, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. Members present: Powell, Wilson, Kephart, Sommerfeld and Passick.

Sommerfeld moved, seconded by Kephart and carried to approve the agenda with the addition of the Andy Howe Sheriff/Cash Report at 9:05 a.m.

Minutes of the February 24th meeting were approved with a motion by Passick, seconded by Wilson and carried.

Andy Howe/Sheriff met with the Board explaining updates to the Monthly Cash Report. The Monthly report for February was accepted and placed on file.

The Board discussed information on animal cruelty from the February 24th meeting and it was the consensus of the Board that the current state statutes in place are adequate to cover animal concerns in the county and the Board in not in favor at this time of passing a special ordinance concerning one type of animal for isolated incidents.

Rod Polley/ Highway Superintendent met with the Board to discuss highway matters. Propane, gasoline and Diesel #2 fuel quotes were reviewed.

Kephart moved, seconded by Wilson and carried to accept low quote on Propane submitted by Butches Propane, Obert, Ne for \$1.65 per gal. Wilson moved, seconded by Kephart and carried to accept low quote for Gasoline as submitted by Bruistik Service, Vermillion for \$2.47 per gallon on 1600 gallons. Sommerfeld moved, seconded by Passick and carried to accept low quote for Diesel #2 as submitted by Jerry’s Service, Hardington, Ne for \$2.1045 per gal (transport).

Sommerfeld moved, seconded by Wilson and carried to authorize the Chairman to sign Striping Agreement with the DOT for 67 (+/-) miles of County Roads at a cost of \$21,677.54 to Clay County. The program is a 60/40 match.

The Board discussed grant information where the county has been approved for receiving SIB Funds in advance (loan) if it becomes necessary, to finish the 302 St Project. It was the consen-

sus of the Board that they put the grant on hold until bids come in for the project.

County load limits were discussed and whether the county gravel roads should also be posted due to the amount of snow and the condition they are in. It was the consensus of the Board that the Hwy Supervisor posts the roads as he sees fit.

Dennis Ganschow/ Weed Supervisor met with the Board. At 9:45 a.m. Sommerfeld moved, seconded by Kephart to adjourn and convene as Weed Board. The Annual Weed Board Meeting was discussed. It was the consensus of the Board to set March 30th at 10:30 a.m. for the Annual Meeting in the Commissioners’ Room. Summer workers for 2010 were discussed. It was the consensus of the Board that the Weed Department rehire those who wish to work again this season and to find new summer workers where needed at \$10.50 per hour with a .50 cent bonus, if they finish out the season as recommended by the Weed Supervisor.

The Weed Department will continue to spray the levied ditches as in the past.

It was reported that the Application for FY2011 Competitive Weed and Pest Grant has been approved for \$33,500 to be shared by Yankton and Union County for the spraying of Purple Loose Strife along the Missouri River. Various meeting will be scheduled to include the landowners along the river before the spraying begins.

At 9:42 a.m. Passick moved, seconded by Wilson and carried to adjourn as Weed Board and reconvene as Board of Commissioners.

At 9:45 a.m. Wilson moved, seconded by Sommerfeld and carried to adjourn and convene as Ditch Board to discuss the cleaning of the Yankton/Clay Ditch.

Specs for cleaning, Notice of Bid and Yankton/Clay Ditch maps were reviewed. It was the consensus of the Board that they will work on needed information and revisit the work to be done at the next meeting, Sections 3 & 4 (1-1/2 miles +/-) in Norway Township in the area being reviewed for cleaning.

At 10:20 a.m. Passick moved, by Wilson and carried to adjourn as Ditch Board and reconvene as Board of Commissioners.

The Register of Deeds Statement of Fees Collected for February 2010 for \$5955.30, and the following Auditor’s Account with the County Treasurer for February 2010 were accepted and placed on file.

#### AUDITOR’S ACCOUNT WITH THE COUNTY TREASURER

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Clay County Items in the hands of the County Treasurer as of January 31, 2010

I hereby submit the following report of my examination of the cash and cash

Total amount of deposits in banks 1,533.95  
Amount of actual cash \$,015.13  
Total amount of checks and drafts in treasurer’s possession not exceeding three days

Itemized list of all items, checks and drafts which have been in the Treasurer’s possession over three days 1,378.56  
Checks returned and not deposited 851,000.00  
Cash Items Investments

Cash Variation 3,957,154.47  
Total  
Dated this 1st Day of March 2010.

Ruth A. Bremer, County Auditor  
Sommerfeld moved seconded by Passick and carried to authorize the Chairman to sign Fiscal Year 2010 WIC Contract Amendment, total contract not to exceed \$11,522.

Ray Hofman/Zoning Director met with the Board. Passick moved, seconded by Wilson and carried to set March 30th at 10:00 for the following Public Hearing:

#### PUBLIC NOTICE Appeal Decision of the Clay County Board of Adjustments To the Clay County Commission

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held before

the Clay County Commission at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday March 30th, 2010 at the Clay County Courthouse for the following Appeal:

Conditional Use Permit for the placement of a mobile home on Agriculture Land owned by Cheryl Seney for the property located at Hillsdale Addition Lot 1 of SE 1/4 of 24-92-51 Fairview Township, Clay County, South Dakota.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend this public hearing. Those interested persons not able to attend are invited and encouraged to send written comments before the 29th day of March, 2010 to the Clay County Auditor, 211 W. Main Street, Suite 200, Vermillion, SD 57069.

Ruth Bremer  
Clay County Auditor

Gary Welter/Wellmark met with the Board to discuss the renewal of the county’s health insurance coverage for 2010. The county is looking at a 13.5% increase for the coming year and reviewed its options for keeping costs down without hurting the benefits of the employee’s yearly expenses. Passick moved, seconded by Sommerfeld and carried to remain with the same policy with the option to revisit the policy during budget hearings this year. The county is looking at holding budget share against the following resolution approving mobile homes moved to the uncollectible list.

#### RESOLUTION #10-14 Mobile Homes moved to Uncollectible Tax List

WHEREAS, pursuant to SDCL 10-22-32, the Board of Clay County Commissioners may by resolution after examination of unpaid tax list, transfer to the uncollectible tax list:

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Clay County Commissioners hereby authorizes the Clay County Treasurer by Resolution to move the following Mobile Homes to the Uncollectible Tax List, as in their judgment these mobile home taxes cannot be collected. (Further collection effort not required)

List of the Mobile Homes to be moved to the Uncollectible Tax List located in Clay County Treasurer’s Office are as follows:

#### Mobile Homes moved to Uncollectible Tax List

Name/Address	MH#	& Year	County	2008	2009	Amount
Bill & Jeff Seales	04615	01.02,	County	2008	2009	\$135.07 \$85.47
Dacy, Michael,Diane	05155	15, 05,	County	2009		\$276.51
Linda Dodson, B.Thomas Pamdale, CA						
Caton Calab	00000	11, 05,	County-	2008	2009	\$169.06 \$80.20
Blaine, Sarah M.	01090	15, 05,	County	2009		\$73.99
909 Tom St, Vermillion						
Goeden, Jeremy	04310	15,05,	County	2008		\$59.92
P.O.Box 63, Volga, SD						

Dated this 2nd day of March 2010 at Vermillion, South Dakota.  
Commissioner

moved for the adoption of the foregoing resolution, motion seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_  
Vote of Commission: Aye \_\_\_\_\_  
Nay \_\_\_\_\_

Upon which voting the foregoing resolution was declared, passed and adopted.

#### Board of County Commissioners Clay County, South Dakota

Leo F. Powell, Chair  
Attest:

Ruth A. Bremer,  
County Auditor

The Treasurer asked if it would be possible that the affidavit required by SDCL 32-5-16.3 would be required to be presented prior to any mobile home being accepted into the Landfill. If the required affidavit cannot be produced then the mobile home would not be allowed into the Landfill until such affidavit is presented. There are mobile homes being removed from the county making it difficult if not impossible to collect taxes on as no one knows where the mobile

home is or who moved it. It was the consensus of the Board that the county works with the City/County Landfill Officials to get something in place to control the moving of these mobile homes into the Landfill without notifying the county.

The Monthly Extension Activities Report for February and travel request for March was accepted and placed on file. Wilson moved, seconded by Sommerfeld and carried to approve travel expenses paid as presented.

At 11:06 a.m. Kephart moved, seconded by Passick and carried to adjourn and reconvene Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

#### Leo F. Powell, Chairman Board of County Commissioners ATTEST:

Ruth A. Bremer, County  
Auditor

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#### NOTICE OF RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS AND DECLARED PESTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN this 5th day of March, 2010, pursuant to SDCL 38-22 as amended to all owners, occupants, agents and public officials in charge of lands in Clay County, South Dakota, that they are responsible of the suppression, control, and eradication of noxious weeds and declared pest infestations that may exist on such lands.

Chemical, biological, and/or cultural control methods used for the suppression, control and eradication of noxious weed and declared pest infestations shall be those approved for such purposes by the Clay County Weed and Pest Supervisor, County Agricultural Extension Agent or the South Dakota State University Experiment Station.

Upon failure to observe this notice, the county weed and pest board is required to proceed pursuant to the law and have the noxious weeds or declared pests destroyed by such methods as they may find necessary, the expense of which shall constitute a lien and be entered as a tax against the land, and be collected as other real estate taxes are collected, or by other means as provided by law.

Plant and animals designated as being noxious weeds and declared pests in the state of South Dakota are Leafy Spurge, Salt Cedar, Perennial Sow Thistle, Russian Knapweed, Hoary Cress, Canada Thistle, Purple Loosestrife, Prairie Dogs, and Gypsy Moth.

In addition, Musk Thistle and Plumless Thistles have been approved by the State Weed and Pest Control Commission as locally noxious weeds and are subject to the same suppression, control and eradication requirements as the before mentioned plants and animals.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that upon establishing probable cause to believe a noxious weed or declared pest infestation exists upon any property in Clay County, a representative of the Clay County Weed and Pest Control Board will enter upon said property for the purpose of inspecting and confirming that such infestation actually exists.

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