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Domestic Violence Month Is Observed at AC

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Everyday, millions of families across the United States are affected by domestic violence. Of those victimized partners, eighty-five percent are women and fifteen percent are men. Women the age of sixteen to twenty-four are most likely to be victimized by their intimate partner. Domestic violence may include physical, sexual, emotional or financial abuse.

In October of 1987 the first domestic violence month was observed. In the year 2004 South Dakota had over 6700 women reported to being victimized with emotional and physical assault by their partner. As of 2005 15% of inmates in South Dakota prisons were serving time for sex offenses and battery of their partners.

Domestic Violence is a very serious thing. A lot of people around the world have to deal with abuse in their relationships. They feel a lot of depression and hopelessness. If one has to deal with domestic violence, it is advisable to always have a safety plan. And it would be wise to notify someone trustworthy like a family member.

South Dakota has provided many sources for women in danger. They have crisis phone lines, counseling, and women's shelters for battered women and their children.

The National Coalition against Domestic Violence solicits donations for the victims. It's good to remember that everyone has the right to live without fear and violence.

Source: NCADV.com

Plagiarism is a Crime

By Mr. Janes

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Andes Central October School Board Meeting Plans Swing into Gear

By Sashen Thin Elk and Tabbatha Miller Administration, students, faculty, school board members and the some of the local community attended the October 9 monthly school board meeting.

This was the second meeting of the year. This meeting covered current issues and plans, whereas the first meeting of the year covered every year issues like getting to know the school board or beginning of the year business.

Current business that is still being carefully looked at is football team status. This matter has been looked at before but is being reviewed once again. "A lot of schools have been thinking about it," Mr. Brinkman states about the current football situation. AC is considering moving to an independent status to play schools of similar size. When Mr. Evans was asked about changing football status he said it was a good idea. UPDATE: As the Eagle Times went to press. it was announced that the Great Plains Conference has been dissolved, meaning the State will decide who plays whom based on school size

Another issue that was discussed was the heating and cooling system. The school system is on summer mode, which means every time it gets cold the air conditioner comes on. To turn off the air conditioner, one would have to turn each dial manually. Johnson Controls came to AC to correct the heating and cooling problem.



Photo by Tabbatha Miller

Gas Prices Continue To Decline

By Janie Konyek and Patrisse Vasek
According to
consumeraffairs.com, "Gasoline
prices have fallen for nine weeks and
continue to tumble despite reports
that the Organization of Petroleum
Exporting Countries will cut
production."

The difference in gas prices was noticed especially throughout September and October, but also the past year. One year ago, a gallon of gas cost \$2.94. One month ago, the average was \$2.74 a gallon. This month, there has been an average national price of \$2.28.



Photo by Janie Konyek

An American Automotive Association spokesperson stated, "The downturn in gas prices has been aided by lower crude oil prices, rising inventories of oil, a relatively mild hurricane season had a decrease in demand."

Even though gas prices are declining, this doesn't mean that people should go out and drive all the time. Everyone needs to realize that the environment is still here and needs to be protected. If people don't respect the environment and waste oil by driving all of the time, the environment could become worse than it is now. The ozone also has a high probability of depleting more.

This decline in prices is wonderful for America and many other countries that need oil to use for daily tasks. Gas prices are low at this moment; however, conservation is still very important.

Source: consumeraffairs.com

AC FCCLA Members Attend Workshop

By Sasheen Thin Elk and Janie Konyek

Six FCCLA rookie members and Mrs. Parker had the opportunity to attend a state workshop in Huron on October 15 and 16.

New members of FCCLA included: Lauren Bryant, Megan Swanson, Sarah Perry, Megan Herrold, Janie Konyek and Patrisse Vasek. These six members were drawn from a list of other rookie FCCLA members.

The members stayed at the Crossroads Hotel at the convention center in Huron, South Dakota where the workshops and schools were held.

Various schools around South Dakota attended the workshops Some of the schools that were present at the workshops were: Webster, Brookings, Sioux Falls, Elkton, Baltic, Freeman, Alcester-Hudson, DeSmet, Emery/Bridgewater, Mitchell, Bellforche, Irene/Wakonda, Crow Creek, Winner, Eureka, Dolland, Clark, Andes Central, and Pierre.

Workshops lasted all day and were separated with meals. "It was like another day at school," Patrisse Vasek explained when questioned about the workshop.

After the two days of learning and discussion, AC FCCLA members packed up and made their way home.

One can look forward to these rookie members improving or creating new projects for Andes Central.



Photo by Sasheen Thin Elk

Rest Haven, Memories Forever Lost

By Amber Medicine Horn and Bobbi Hakl



Photo courtesy of Elenora Kisley

In a long visit with Mrs. Elenora Kisley, this reporter discovered many new things about the Lake Andes area and a place once called Rest Haven. The original Rest Haven was established in 1914 by H. Z. Miller on the western shore of Andes Lake. Rest Haven was a resort, dance hall, and also a skating rink.

On July 8, 1922 a tornado demolished the buildings of Rest Haven. In late 1922 and early 1923, Henry Miller then purchased land three and one half miles east of Lake Andes and two and one half miles northwest of Ravinia. Henry Miller and his family ran the new and improved Rest Haven.

Rest Haven had dances at least every Friday and roller skating on Saturdays and Sundays. Mrs. Kisley recalls having all the school picnics there and the teachers buying five gallon buckets of ice cream from Mr. Miller for the children before they would go home. Mrs. Kisley said many, many wedding dances were held at Rest Haven.

The Millers sold Rest Haven to the Kelly family. Mrs. Kisley said, "(The Kellys) never had the crowds because (they) tried to make money fast and (the) Millers were there for the people."

Rest Haven burned down on a summer night in 1984. A dance was in progress when the flames engulfed the building. Ironically, that night the Firemen's Dance was being held at the high school in Lake Andes.