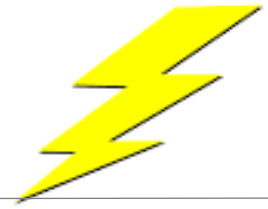


# CHARGER CHATTER



Hamlin Education Center

## Junior Class College Tours



A group of 14 juniors went to the LATC career fair. Their first stop was the National Guard Readiness Center, they saw a few of the vehicles and got a ride on a tank. They also got to try the MRE. After they went to the career fair at Watertown high school, to get entered into a drawing for a gift card they had to get five stamps from the booths. A few businesses that were there were Terex, Kibble, nursing, LATC's robotics and machining. At LATC there was the college fair, there were colleges from all over the midwest.

SDSU is a great college. While we were there we toured almost all the buildings. The main reason we were there was because of the college fair. There were many great colleges to choose from. Each college you went and talked to you would receive a pen. There are high class dorms and low class dorms. They are made that way so you can afford either one. Walking is something you need to be prepared for because there is a lot of walking at SDSU. They also have an awesome ice cream shop and the ice cream there is delicious. The hall that you go to eat in has many different options so you can choose where you want to eat that day. SDSU also has a medical aid center so when you are not feeling well you do not have to leave campus.



Dusty Johnson came to Hamlin High School and talked to the high schoolers about his job. He told them about a normal week and his life before. He answered questions and took pictures after.



## Senior Spotlight: Lynnae Beld



Lynnae Ardith Beld was born on January 23rd, 2007. She has seven siblings, three sisters and four brothers. Her most embarrassing school memory was the Oreo challenge, as well as in 8th grade having Evan and Turner tell her to sit in the teachers chair, which later turned into her staying after school having to talk about peer pressure. The most influential person in her life is Mrs. Krumm, she has taught Lynnae to love what you do. Mrs. Krumm puts her heart into teaching and makes each of her students know they matter. Lynnae wouldn't like to change any school rule, we have Mr. Sheehan for that. Lynnae's greatest accomplishment is waking up every morning to go to school. After high school Lynnae plans to go with the flow like a raging river headed towards a waterfall. She decided not to go to college because there was no stay-at-home-mom class. Advice to her younger self is "You should've saved all that birthday money." Lynnae will always remember the hard work she put into graduating.

# New Teacher Spotlights



Nathan McMullen teaches Building Trades, Woodworking, and Shop Skills. He has over 5 years of experience in construction. The students, community, and the great opportunity inspired him to come teach at Hamlin. In his free time, Mr. McMullen spends time with his family, identical triplets, Rylee, Letty, Allie, his wife Tiffany, and his dogs, Bear and Ajax. His favorite quote is by Abe Lincoln, "Give me 6 hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first 4 hours sharpening the ax."

## Girl's Volleyball Interview

### Are you feeling confident about playing Sioux Valley?

Girls: We are confident in our abilities but we understand that we need to show up.

Coach: I am feeling confident because these girls are gamers and they show up big against big opponents.

### How do you respond to the Sioux Valley coach calling you out?

Girls: We use it as motivation.

Coach: We definitely used that as motivation to make sure we show them the quality of team we are.

### Are you feeling confident of your chances of going to state?

Girls: We know we are capable just by showing up every game to prove ourselves.

Coach: I am feeling confident that if these girls continue to show up and practice and play they way the have all season, we are have a really good chance of making it to state this year.

### How have you worked as a team so far?

Girls: We have adjusted to showcase each other's talents.

Coach: I think these girls have done an excellent job of creating a team chemistry that continues to get better every day. They really know how to play on each other's strengths and that makes us a really good team.

### Are you having fun?

Girls: Yes.

Coach: Of course! Who wouldn't have fun coaching a group of girls as awesome as they are!

### What's your favorite team meal?

Girls: Heathers cheesecake

Coach: Heather's cheesecake and the soups.



## Senior Spotlight: Alissa Lehtola

Alissa Dorothy Lehtola was born on July 6th, 2007 and has four sisters and three brothers. The most influential people in her life are her parents. Her greatest accomplishment is passing English 11 and 12 during Junior year. If she could change one school rule it would be that all highschoolers should have open campus during lunch. Her advice for her younger self is, "Always do what is best for yourself." In her free time she hangs out with her friends and family. She will always remember Mr. Dufek, Mrs. Shultz and English 12 second semester with Mrs. Shultz. Her plans for after high school are to work as a CNA and travel until it's time to get married and have kids.



## Senior Spotlight: Erin Kangas

Erin Arline Kangas was born on August 21, 2007. She is the oldest of her 8 siblings, Luke, Alyssa, Cheryl, James, Jill, Diana, Earl, and Ryan. The most influential people in her life are her siblings because they always expect the most from her. Erin's greatest accomplishment is buying her car without a loan of any sort. If Erin could change one school rule it would be that high-schoolers could play on the playground during dual credit, study hall, or any free periods. Her advice to her younger self is "Have fun in elementary, because in middle school and high school you don't get to go outside hardly at all". In her free time Erin likes to work and read. Erin will always remember the good teachers she had that made class fun and enjoyable, and that also put up with everyone's senioritis all of high school. She will also always remember powder puff junior year. Erin's plans after high school are to attend LATC for livestock production and management, and go on to be a vet tech.



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## Senior Spotlight: Paola Gallardo Zamora

Paola Gallardo Zamora was born on October 3rd, 2006. She has 7 siblings: Lizbeth, Anayeli, Alondra, Nicole, Aylin, Melanie, and Victoria. Paola's most embarrassing school memory was when she spilled chocolate milk on herself in kindergarten. The most influential person in her life is her dad. "He has taught me so many things. He's there when I need him, and anytime I need someone to talk to he's there to listen." If Paola could change one school rule it would be that any kind of presentation would be banned. Her advice to her younger self is "Always be confident and trust in yourself". In her free time, she likes to get her nails done, help her dad fix cars, and hangout with her family. Paola will always remember Mrs. Eckman from high school because, "She is an awesome teacher, and has helped me a lot through high school". She will also always remember her amazing friends, and math class with Alissa in Jensen's. Paola's plans after high school are to become a cosmetologist.



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## Senior Spotlight: Joel Kangas

Joel Patrick Kangas was born June 26, 2007. He has twelve siblings. The most influential person in Joel's life is his dad because he is very encouraging and hard working. Joel's most embarrassing school memory is when he and Tommy glued their butts to the chairs in first grade. His greatest accomplishment is that he has a good job and a nice pickup. If Joel could change one school rule, he would allow students to have their phones in class. He would also allow senior pranks. Joel's advice to his younger self is "Always have a positive attitude and work hard." In his free time Joel hangs out with friends and likes to play volleyball and hockey. He also enjoys hunting. Joel will always remember the teachers who had to put up with him in high school.



# Journalism Class:

## Halloween Memories

My favorite Halloween memory is when Chloe and I went around Hayti last year and went as an Angel and Devil, it was so fun. We went around town and then it got so cold we had to get into my mom's best friend's car. It was my favorite outfit. -Hailey

I never really went trick or treating on Halloween. I always went hunting and fishing because trick or treating wasn't fun for me. I look at the spiritual part. It is All Saints Day.

On Halloween I would trick or treat with my sisters late into the night. After we were done, we would sort our candy and sometimes trade if we didn't like what we got.

My favorite Halloween memory was dressing up as a hockey player with my older brother. I dressed up as a hockey player for Halloween.

My favorite Halloween memory is getting a whole bunch of candy to satisfy my sweet tooth for the rest of the day.

One Halloween my older sister was dressed up in a gorilla costume and we went and visited my grandma we knocked on the window.

My favorite Halloween memory is when I was in third grade. Tommy and I both had ghillie suits so everyone gave out candy thought we were the same person coming back.

My favorite memory of Halloween is dressing up as a cowgirl in first grade. I have never celebrated Halloween outside of that. It was fun to get tons of candy and good food at school in elementary on Halloween.

In kindergarten I dressed up as a care bear, and we had a Halloween party with our class.

I never really did anything for Halloween, but my mom bought candy. At school we had Halloween parties, but I didn't ever dress up.

I carved pumpkins. I dressed up as a unicorn. I went trick or treating. - Emily

My favorite part of Halloween is seeing how excited the little kids are to get candy and wear their costumes. My favorite costume was when I would dress up in a kimono costume. I love pumpkin seeds.

My favorite Halloween memory is when Hailey and I walked around Hayti last Halloween. We dressed up as an angel and a devil. We went around the town, though I was wearing heels and we ended up having to get in her mom's friend's car because my feet hurt. Later that night we had to roam around the entire night trying to find my phone, while my feet hurt. It was a very eventful night.

In elementary school we had many Halloween parties, but second grade was special. I dressed up as Winnie the Pooh and we had the best time. We watched a movie, ate popcorn and colored.

My favorite Halloween memory was when I was in kindergarten. I dressed up as a princess and we had a party with lots of candy. We also walked around the school and then a photo was taken of me and put in the paper. I will always cherish that moment because it was a part of my childhood that I will always remember.

My favorite Halloween memory is when my sister turned one and she had her first Halloween. She was dressed as a unicorn, we went to Watertown to go trick-or-treating, she was so happy and so cute. That is my favorite Halloween that I remember.

I remember making candy boxes in elementary and having competitions. Mine never won.

