

SPORTS CALENDAR

Thursday, Nov. 12
VB (ABC) vs. Marshall
FB (A) at Fairmont

Friday, Nov. 13
No events

Saturday, Nov. 14
No events

Sunday, Nov. 15
No events

Monday, Nov. 16
VB (AB) at Luverne
FB (JV) at Pipestone

Tuesday, Nov. 17
FB - Section 3AAA tourney

Wednesday, Nov. 18
No events

BSC STANDINGS

VOLLEYBALL

West Team	BSC	All
Marshall	5-0	6-0
Redwood	5-1	5-1
JCC	4-2	5-2
Windom	2-3	2-3
Pipestone	3-5	4-5
Luverne	2-5	2-5
Worthington	1-6	1-7

East Team	BSC	All
New Ulm	4-0	4-1
St. Peter	7-1	8-1
Waseca	3-4	3-6
St. James	3-4	3-6
BEA	1-5	1-5
Fairmont	0-4	0-4

SECTION 3AAA STANDINGS

FOOTBALL

Team	All
Luverne	4-1
Sibley East	4-1
JCC	2-3
Tri-City United	2-3
Fairmont	1-2
Worthington	1-4

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Doing the Monster Mash way too often

Do you ever get up out of your recliner, take a few steps and realize you just might be the long-lost son of Frankenstein? I do.

Even though Mom has said I would forget my head if it was not screwed on — yes I know I have a few loose screws that could use a quarter turn or two of tightening — I do not have any bolts sticking out the sides of my neck.

And, I am not 7 feet whatever. Or talk with a low guttural monosyllable grunt. I am up to two syllables. I do not even feel like death warmed over. Usually.

But those first few lumbering, non-joint bending steps sure make me wonder. And the creaking! My joints creak louder than the hinges on the coffin my parts came out of. The moaning and groaning is definitely from some long abandoned spider-webby mansion.

With my luck, if I was the son of Frankenstein, my brain would be from that guy named Abby — Abby Normal in Mel Brooks' "Young Frankenstein." So yeah, that is further evidence of my lineage.

The Frankenstein-like walk has to be genetic; it certainly would have nothing to do with age. I certainly do not remember either Dad or Mom doing the monster dance every time they stood up when they were my age.

I do not even remember seeing either of them un-kinking their back every time they got out of the car. Even in their 80s. I am only 61 and I am the poster boy of every kinky human alive. Or at least

the un-kinking humans.

I have to sway back so far I look like the Gateway Arch in St. Louis. A sway-backed horse would be proud.

But then, Mom and Dad might have been in better shape, walking 10 miles uphill through 10 feet of snow on their way to school every day. I only had 5 feet of snow. But my uphill was pretty steep.

I suppose by now, as it is already mid-November, I should be thinking turkeys and other Thanksgiving thoughts instead of thinking of Frankenstein while still lingering in the Halloween aisle. But I never was all that great at supposing. Yet, I am pretty good at reposing.

At least I should be thinking of the things I am thankful for. For me, I am the most thankful for life's little celebrations. The happy moments in life.

Like the feeling of exaltation I feel every time I get out of my recliner on the first attempt.

As I stretch to my full height knowing I was successful getting up — on the first attempt mind you — I want to jump up and thrust my fist into the air letting Sir Isaac Newton know I defied gravity once more.

But I settle for a raised index finger as I say to myself, "Made it! Ah!" And then I hope I do not fall on the next step. Or walk like Frankenstein's son.

Thanksgiving is getting close. I suspected it before I knew it by the lack of wild turkeys hanging around. During most of the year, while doing driver ed lessons, I see

flocks of wild turkeys along with deer, pheasants and all other sorts of wildlife. Even bald eagles.

However, I have not seen any turkeys gobbling around for a few weeks. I am sure they will come out of hiding on Black Friday.

Unless they are currently being dressed for the Thanksgiving feast. If that is the case, there is no need to see them later; we will already be seeing them. In the roaster.

The Jackson County Central teachers will not be seeing their students tomorrow (Friday) as there is no school scheduled.

It seems the way 2020 has been going with all the COVID-19 and what all, the powers that be were not going to take any chances by having school on Friday the 13th. Smart choice.

Also, Thanksgiving break will begin Wednesday, Nov. 25. Classes are scheduled to resume Nov. 30.

And now it is time for me to do the Monster Mash and lumber my way away from my keyboard for this week. Until next week, celebrate the little things. Like cheering our Huskies on to victory. Go, Huskies!



WIDE WRITE
Stephen A. Condon

Klipsic wins tough Week 4 of football contest

Week 4 of the Pilot/Standard Football Contest proved to be another tough one at all levels.

The Game of the Week between Jackson County Central and Pipestone was pretty split, as were Minnesota games in college and the NFL, respectively. Florida and Notre Dame pulled off slight upsets in college football and wins by Buffalo and New Orleans proved tough to pre-

dict in the NFL.

Tony Klipsic was the only entrant to pick eight games right this week and only three others got seven right.

Klipsic's only incorrect picks were Clemson — which lost in overtime — and Tampa Bay — which lost to New Orleans. Michael Dempster, Chad McCarthy and Douglas Pronk each picked seven games right. Getting six

right were Brody Anderson, Angela Hinkeldey, Curt Pronk, Matt Romo, Nolan Schuller and Todd Thompson.

For the second straight week, five correct picks were the most common score. A dozen people had five right.

This week's games are on B4 and online at jacksoncountypilot.com and lakefieldstandard.com.



NEXT STOP: THE BANK

One year ago, Nov. 14, 2019

The Jackson County Central football team erased an early 14-0 deficit to beat Waseca 31-21 in the Class AAA state quarterfinals. The Bluejays turned a pair of turnovers into two quick touchdowns, but Bradley Buhl capped a 71-yard drive with a touchdown run and Rudy Voss ran for a 62-yard score to tie the game. Voss then put the Huskies ahead for good when he ran for a 20-yard touchdown on fourth-and-2. Keaton Storm, who added the extra point after every JCC touchdown, kicked a 27-yard field goal in the third quarter. After Waseca got within three, Buhl ran for a touchdown in the fourth to seal the win. Buhl ran for 150 yards on 33 carries and Voss rushed for 122 yards on nine carries.

HUSKIES TAKE IT TO THE BANK

Five years ago, Nov. 12, 2015

All of the usual suspects were at it again as the Jackson County Central football team beat Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton 30-14 in the Class AAA state semifinals. Keegan Moore and Avery Henderson were unstoppable running the ball, Easton Bahr made plays with his arms and legs and Ryan Salzwedel caught everything he got his hands on. Jacob Christopher made one of the biggest plays of the game, intercepting a pass near the goal line to keep the Huskies ahead 10-7. JCC then drove 98 yards, capped with a 5-yard Moore touchdown run, to lead 17-7. Dwuan Campbell opened the scoring with a 22-yard field goal and Henderson put the Huskies ahead for good with a 2-yard touchdown run ahead of Moore's score. Moore added two touchdown runs in the second half to seal the win. Moore ran for 192 yards and Henderson 169 in the win.

BURMEISTER, BENSON EARN ALL-STATE HONORS

10 years ago, Nov. 18, 2010

JCC juniors Whitney Burmeister and Kaylee Benson both earned all-state honors, with Burmeister being named to the first team and Benson earning honorable-mention honors. Burmeister, Benson, Courtney Donnelly and Sarah Darling were also named to the first-team all-Southwest Conference team and Michelle VanEpps was named to the honorable-mention team. Head coach Teresa VanEpps was named the Section 3AA coach of the year and assistant Deidre Wierson was named the Section 3AA assistant coach of the year.

VOGELAAR FINISHES THIRD IN NATIONAL SPRINT POINTS

25 years ago, Nov. 16, 1995 - Jackson County Pilot

Members of the Summer Racing Group recently attended the WISSOTA national points banquet in Minneapolis. The WISSOTA sanctions races in six classes, including championship sprint, which is run at the Jackson Speedway. The Summer Racing Group's 75 sprinter, driven by Gordy Vogelaar, finished in a three-way tie for third in the final national sprint point standings. Lou Kennedy Jr. won the national title, with Donny Schatz second. Vogelaar tied Kent Winters and Randi Miller. Vogelaar was first in WISSOTA points and second in over points in Jackson. He won the track points championship in Worthington.

SIX BULLET SPIKERS HONORED ON ALL-RRC SQUAD

25 years ago, Nov. 16, 1995 - Lakefield Standard

Heron Lake-Okabena-Lakefield, which won its fifth straight Red Rock Conference volleyball title, had five players named to the first-team all-conference squad and another honorable mention. Seniors Michelle Hummel and Becky Pelzel and juniors Lindsay Voss, Brandi Zishka and Sue Resch all earned first-team honors. Freshman Katie Hansen was named to the honorable-mention team.



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Nov. 5, 8:56 p.m.

Just like when they played earlier this season in Jackson, JCC and Redwood Valley are going to a fifth set.

Nov. 5, 9:20 p.m.

JCC wins a marathon over Redwood Valley. Huskies win the fifth set 21-19 on an ace serve by Grace Brinkman.

Nov. 6, 10:12 a.m.

The JCC football cheerleading team will get to do a halftime performance for the first time tonight as the Huskies host Pipestone.

Nov. 6, 7:11 p.m.

JCC answers with an 8-play, 75-yard drive, capped by a 31-yard touchdown run by William Freking. Levi Lindley runs for two and JCC leads 8-7.

Nov. 6, 8:08 p.m.

Damian Meyer-Andre caps an 11-play, 70-yard drive to open the second half with a 10-yard touchdown run. Levi Lindley runs for the conversion and JCC leads 16-7.

Nov. 6, 8:45 p.m.

Travis Rogotzke intercepts a pass and that could seal it for the Huskies. JCC leads 16-7 with less than three minutes left.

Nov. 6, 9:30 p.m.

William Freking (who wears No. 68 because he was a lineman) ran for 103 yards and a touchdown on 19 carries tonight against Pipestone.

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Name: Grace Brinkman
Grade: 12
Sport: Volleyball
The week that was: Brinkman had 30 set assists and 13 digs in a five-set win over Redwood Valley.
Coach's comments: "Grace has a competitive edge and really brings energy to her team," Deidre Wierson said. "She is a leader for her team and pushes her team to be better every chance she gets."



Name: William Freking
Grade: 11
Sport: Football
The week that was: William Freking Freking ran for 103 yards and a touchdown on 19 carries in a win over Pipestone.
Coach's comments: "William rushed for more than 100 yards as a fullback — while wearing No. 68," Tom Schuller said. "He did a nice job at defensive end and played almost every snap of the game."

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HL-O CORNER

Coyotes stay unbeaten with convincing win

The Heron Lake-Okabena/Fulda football team took command early and never relinquished control in a 44-26 win over Westbrook/Walnut Grove Saturday in Westbrook. The Coyotes scored a trio of first-quarter touchdowns and led 30-6 at the half. HL-O/F led 44-12 in the fourth quarter before the Chargers scored the last two touchdowns.

Eli Fest had a hand in the first two Coyote touchdowns, first running for a 42-yard score before throwing a 26-yard touchdown to Matt Madsen. Madsen added the two-point conversion after the first touchdown.

Brayden Peil then scored from 2 yards out and Fest hit Isaiah Schmid for the two-point conversion for a 22-0 first-quarter lead.

After the Chargers scored in the second quarter, Madsen ran in from 4 yards out and added the two-point conversion for a 30-6 lead the Coyotes took into the half.

WWG scored to open the third quarter, but Madsen again found paydirt, this time from 15 yards out. Fest completed the two-point conversion with a pass to Dominic White.

The final Coyote touchdown came on a 33-yard touchdown pass from Parker Murphy to Logan Erdmann in the fourth quarter.

Fest completed nine-of-11 passes for 82 yards and a score. He also ran for 119 yards and a touchdown on 11 carries.

Madsen rushed for 109 yards and two touchdowns on 15 carries. Peil ran for 22 yards. Eight different Coyotes had at least one catch. White hauled in three passes for 31 yards. Erdmann had one catch for 33 yards and Madsen had one reception for 26 yards.

Peil had a team-high 15 tackles, including five solo stops. Jaeden Strandberg had 11 tackles and force a fumble. Trevor King and Zach Thier each had 10 tackles, Cody Hennings had six and White had five. Madsen, Thier, Aiden Lang and Ryder Henning also forced fumbles. Henning also intercepted a pass.

HL-O/F improves to 3-0 on the season with the win. The Coyotes finished the regular season last night (Wednesday) against Red Rock Central and open the playoffs next week.

Coyotes are still perfect after another sweep

The Heron Lake-Okabena/Fulda volleyball team stayed perfect on the season with a sweep of Hills-Beaver Creek last Thursday. The Coyotes are now 5-0 on the season and 15-0 in sets.

The Coyotes were without starting setter Ellyson Bang and starting outside hitter Meakin Bang, but still got the sweep.

Chrissy Hermeling played setter and had 29 set assists in the win. Marissa Becker just returned from an injury to play outside hitter. Becker had 10 digs and a pair of aces.

Hailey Liepold had 11 kills, two blocks and two ace serves. Taryn Evers hammered 10 kills and had three solo blocks.

"Taryn Evers played the best game I have seen her play in a Coyote uniform," head coach Jason Fisher said.

Sam Untiedt had eight kills and 16 digs. Grace Kilian had a team-high 18 digs and was a perfect 20-for-20 serving with an ace.

The Coyotes play tonight (Thursday) at Red Rock Central and host Edgerton in a doubleheader Friday. The Coyotes then host Westbrook-Walnut Grove Tuesday.

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