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organizational skills, and kids can be very creative when playing. Games like chess are a great way to decrease screen time and connect with friends face to face."

Wolf, who lives in Bismarck, champions the game across the state. A three-time state chess champion, he was inducted into the North Dakota Chess Association Hall of Fame in 2018.

"I've been playing since I was probably 6 or 7 years old, because I had three older brothers that played and my dad played," he says.

After chaperoning some students at the State Scholastic Chess Tournament for K-12 students in 1990, he entered the open state tournament the next month.

Another tournament prompted him to start

sharing his skills with students.

"My son won the state high school tournament his freshman year and played in a national tournament. And when he played in that, I saw how far behind the North Dakota students were. So, the very next year, I started running chess camps in the summertime. ... That's what got me started is wanting to improve the chess in North Dakota," Wolf says.

Now, he travels to schools across the state to share his passion for the game.

During his second visit to the Elgin-New Leipzig Elementary School, he explains the chessboard, how each piece can move or attack and the basic principles, then students start

playing.

"They get a chance to play and ask questions while they're playing," he says.

"Some of the benefits are when kids start to grasp what's going on, and they get some of those 'aha' moments. It helps them self regulate. It helps them learn to focus," he says. "When we learn fundamental ideas, like in basketball or football or volleyball, there are certain things that you want to do that'll help you be more successful."

"When I go out to schools, I see the excitement and the focus when I'm presenting," Wolf says. "Once they start playing, they realize how much fun it can be and you don't have to be good to enjoy playing, as long as you can find somebody to play with that is around your level. You can have a lot of fun playing the game."

"If anybody learns the fundamentals, anybody can play a reasonably decent game of chess," Wolf says. And the secret to being a good player?

"Just playing and being willing to play, not being afraid to lose," he says.

Wolf is willing to share more with those interested in pursuing the game, including sharing information about sites such as chess.com or chesskid.com.

"I'm more than happy to be a resource for people," he says. He can be reached through email at wolfpack@bis.midco.net.

### St. Jude Novena

To St. Jude, Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in Miracles, near kinsman and Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need.

To you I have recourse from the depths of my heart and humbly beg to who God had given such great power to come to my assistance.

Help me in my present and urgent petition. In return I promise to make known your name and cause you to be involved. St. Jude, Pray for us and all who invoke your aid.

Amen

Say three (3) Our Fathers, three (3) Hail Mary's and Glory Be. Publication must be promised. My request has been granted.

Say this Novena on nine (9) consecutive days.

### Carson Chiropractic Clinic

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### Slope-Hettinger Soil Conservation District

4th Annual

Must be 18+

## Winter Ball

Semi Formal Dress Code  
Men- Nice jeans, collared shirt & optional sports jacket  
Women- Black Tie/ Cocktail Dress

Ticket Prices  
\$60--Single \$360--Table 6  
\$120--Couple \$480--Table 8  
Tickets are Non-Refundable  
Last day to purchase tickets  
January 13<sup>th</sup>

5:00 P.m. social/silent auction  
6:00 p.m. Dinner  
6:30 P.M. Comedian  
7:30 P.M. Calcutta  
9:00 p.m. live music

Date: January 31<sup>st</sup> 2026  
Enchanted Castle  
Regent, ND

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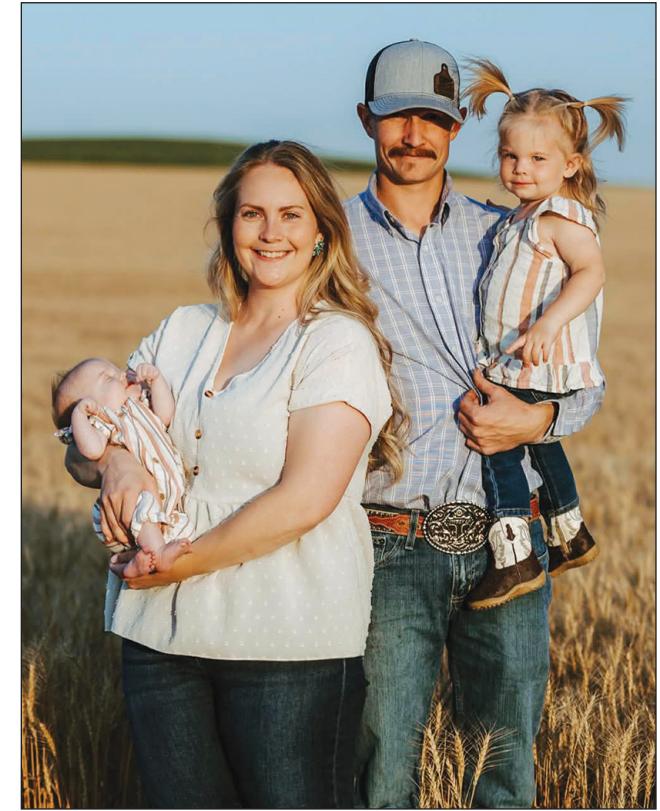
at a time and offer her community delicious foods with simple ingredients. "It's a way to bring people together, slow down, and reconnect with where your food comes from," she says.

The farm stand is currently operating on a winter schedule and Jochim is only accepting pre-orders to ensure quality. "I didn't want all of my stuff out there in the cold months because I want to offer the best goods I can," she explains.

Each month, Jochim carefully curates a pre-order menu featuring a variety of baked goods. Sourdough loaves, muffins, coffee cakes, and cinnamon rolls are staples of the stand. Her recipes are a blend of cherished hand-me-downs, original creations, and favorites she has discovered and grown to love.

"We offer comfort, quality, and consistency," says Jochim. "From homemade sourdough and baked goods to farm-fresh eggs and seasonal offerings, everything is made or sourced with intention. We focus on simple ingredients and traditional methods that fit naturally into everyday family life," she added.

During the spring and fall months, the Jochim Farm Stand will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Central Time, Saturday and Sundays. It is a fully functioning



ASHLEY AND JOSH JOCHIM with their two daughters on their family farm/ranch.

self-serve stand with a lock box for payment. Eggs can be ordered through Jochim or be found in the mini fridge at the Farm Stand during operating hours in the spring and fall.

Summertime hours will vary depending on heat and Jochim plans to adjust operating hours accordingly to ensure the quality of her products. Follow the Jochim Farm Stand – Flasher, ND on Facebook for updates, pre-order menu, and pricing and ordering information.

January pre-ordi-

der pickup dates are January 17-18 and 24-25 between 9:00 am-12:00 pm. Order's must be placed by 6:00 pm the Wednesday before pick up. Orders can be placed through email at [jochimfarmstand@outlook.com](mailto:jochimfarmstand@outlook.com) or through their Facebook page.

"Supporting the Farm Stand also means supporting local agriculture, small-batch production, and a stronger local economy, keeping dollars, relationships, and care right here in our community," Jochim says.

## Election Notice

Notice is hereby given that the Western Heart River Irrigation District will hold a mail election to elect two members to the Board of Directors.

Any elector desiring to have their name on the ballot must file a request in writing with the Secretary of the District by January 21, 2026.

Ballots will be mailed to each elector and must be returned to the District Secretary postmarked no later than February 10, 2026.

Audrey Skretteberg, Secretary  
PO Box 142  
Carson, ND 58529

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## Help Wanted:

### Plant Operator

Looking for a self-motivated team player to fill an entry-level position at the Glen Ullin plant for all phases of year-round plant operations and product packaging. Forklift and loader experience desired or a willingness to learn. Competitive wage, full health, dental, life, short-term disability, holiday pay, vacation pay and Employee Share Ownership. This is an opportunity to grow with an expanding local company. Competitive pay DOE.

Please send applications and resumes to: Abrasives, Inc., ATTN: Russ Schroeder, 4090 Hwy. 49, Glen Ullin, ND 58631 or [rschroeder@abrasivesinc.com](mailto:rschroeder@abrasivesinc.com). Applications can be found on our website at [www.abrasivesinc.com](http://www.abrasivesinc.com) or call 701-348-3610.

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## Elgin/New Leipzig Public School PARAPROFESSIONAL

The Elgin/New Leipzig School is seeking applicants for a Paraprofessional. Salary is dependent on experience and education. This position is open until filled. If interested, please contact Gayle Beyer, Business Manager at 701-584-2374, or at [gayle.beyer@k12.nd.us](mailto:gayle.beyer@k12.nd.us).

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