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Local artist Kimberly Herman with a work in progress in charcoal and pencil. Visit [www.portraitartloft.com](http://www.portraitartloft.com) to see more.

## Portrait Art Loft website launched

by Garrick Moritz

Local artist Kimberly Herman has launched a new website, to promote and sell her artwork. Herman is a native of Britton and has lived in Faulkton for the past two years. Her significant other is Jay Jahnig and they live in the former Johnston home, a historic home in Faulkton.

"I've been drawing since I was five," said Herman. "It all started for me with Capitan Kangaroo and The Magic Drawing Board that kept you guessing what the drawing would be. I watched it before school, and from then on I was hooked on art. My parents did the rest, supplying me first coloring books and crayons and Etch-A-Sketch, and then sketch books with pencils. Mom also took me constantly to many art museums and that only stimulated my young mind and made me even more enam-

ored with art."

Herman went to college at N.S.U. in Aberdeen.

"I originally started in college with a double major in fine arts and psychology, but on the advice of my parents I pursued a degree in business administration instead, mostly because they didn't want their daughter to end up as a starving artist. Even so I never stopped doing art, I simply kept it up as a hobby, and continued it when I

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## Town/school board spots open to elective process

While the public is focused on the Republican presidential primary races . . . democracy at a local level is also open to the elective process.

Faulk County towns and the Faulkton Area Schools District have openings on governing boards.

Nominating petitions can be picked up beginning Friday, Jan. 27 and need to be filed by Friday, Feb. 24.

**Cresbard Town:** The three year position of Street Commissioner, now held by Judy Toenies is subject to election. A petition can be obtained from Finance Officer Marilora Nipp.

**Chelsea Town:** A trustee position for a three year term is opening. A petition can be picked up from Finance Officer Jo Mallett.

**Faulkton City:** Three ward

spots and the mayor's office are subject to election. Those whose terms expire this year are Mayor Tim Bormann, Ward I Councilman Slade Roseland, Ward II Councilwoman Kathy Biedenfeld, and Ward III Councilman David Hadrick. All petitions are for two year terms. Remaining on the council are Ward I Bill Kalkman, Ward II Gene Traver and Ward III Steve Wanner. Petitions can be picked up at Faulkton City Hall, Finance Officer Lisa Raethz.

**Faulkton School:** One three year term is subject to election. The current office holder is Kelly Aesoph. Remaining on the board are Grady Heitmann, Heather Bode, Diane Beidler and Gary Bowar. Petitions can be picked up at the school office, Business Manager Cindy Kopecky.

## Mitchell Tech will roll into town with two big rigs this Thursday

Mitchell Technical Institute will be sending two large semi trailers full of technological goodies to the Faulkton Area Schools on Thursday, Jan. 19 this week.

"I assume they will arrive before school and I know that they plan to stay all day," said FHS science teacher Norby Reuer. "We plan to send 6-12 grade students on activities all day long."

Groups of students will take a walk-through of the trailers and learn about various careers through presentations and equipment demonstrations. The students will then conduct hands on learning activities with the equipment present in the trailers, as activities designed to explore real world applications for the math and science concepts they learn in

school.

In the Energy and Construction trailer there are lab demonstrations set up for electrical systems, wind power, photovoltaic, gas furnace and geothermal systems. In the Communications Technology trailer there are labs set up for computer networking, telephone transmission, smart electric grid, robotics, satellite communications, and voice over Internet phone.

All of this comes at no cost to the school.

"Mitchell tech is actively recruiting students here, but that's not a bad thing, because we're happy to have them here," said Norby Reuer. "It's good to give students as much hands on learning as we can."



The cast and crew of "Ten Actors in Search of a Cell Phone." Front row are Zach Price, John Cassens, and Michael Lee. Middle row are Emily Meyer, Kaitlin Heitmann, Katie Redden, and Taylor Melius. Back row are Dade Monroe, Sami Carlson, Matt Holsing, Ethan Barondeau, and Molly Lee. Not pictured Kyle Ortmeier.

## Ten Actors in search of a cellphone

The community is invited to the public performance of this year's one-act comedy "Ten Actors in Search of a Cell Phone" by James Rayfield on Sunday, Jan. 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the old gymnasium. Admission will be charged.

The setting for this play is a stage where several actors are preparing for a performance. However, the performance cannot begin until one cast member finds her missing cell phone. The humor continues with the quest to find her missing phone. The quest is a trip through a tangle of who said what to whom. It is funny how gossip gets started and where it goes. Heard any good gossip lately?

The cast and crew are rehearsing for this performance before school each morning in preparation for the region contest which will be held at the Aberdeen Community Theater on Wednesday, Jan. 25. Faulkton has been selected as the first play to perform beginning at 9 a.m. with six schools participating. In addition to Faulkton Area other schools assigned to the region are: Clark,

Northwestern, Rosholt, Warner and Waubay. Jody Moritz is the region chairperson for the one-act play contest this year.

*Cast: (in order of appearance)*

Kaitlin Heitmann – Brandy, a high school student in a play.

Taylor Melius – Stage Manager (Celia) of play.

Katie Redden – Katie, a friend of Brandy's and in the play.

Kyle Ortmeier – Kevin, Brandy's boyfriend.

Ethan Barondeau– Tony, a student in the play.

Emily Meyer – Christine, a student in the play as an alien.

Dade Monroe – Trey, a student in the play.

Molly Lee – Nicky, Trey's secret girlfriend.

Sami Carlson – Toni, a student not in the play.

Matt Holsing – Pizza delivery boy.

*Crew*

John Cassens – sound.

Michael Lee – curtain and sets.

Zach Price - lights.

Jody Moritz, director.

Janet Reed, adult assistant.

## RECORD NOTES

### Weather

	H	L	P
Tues., Jan. 10	57*	17	.09
Wed., Jan. 11	21	1	
Thurs., Jan. 12	11	-3	
Fri., Jan. 13	30	9	.04
Sat., Jan. 14	35	16	
Sun., Jan. 15	37	8	
Mon., Jan. 16	11	-8	.05

Tom Bartholomew, Observer

The total amount of moisture in 2012 is .18. Total moisture to date in 2011 was .59.

\*: New record high.

For current weather conditions:  
[climate.sdstate.edu/awdn/current/realtime.asp](http://climate.sdstate.edu/awdn/current/realtime.asp)

**Another record breaker . . . then 65° temperature swing**  
Faulkton experienced another record high on Jan. 10, 57°. That makes a total of four record breaking days this January. But old man winter returned with three light snowfalls, a pleasant weekend and finally a dip to -8° early Tuesday morning. That is a 65° difference from the 57° day just one week ago.