Lucky Eagle Tattoo lands in Brookings

Tattooed right between Parry Depot and Main Street Pub is Brookings' newest hidden gem: Lucky Eagle Tattoo Company.

Lucky Eagle moved to Brookings a few months ago from Watertown, setting up shop at 408 Main Ave.

Co-owners Josh Birrittieri and Dustin "DJ" Eckman opened their doors in May and specialize in traditional and modern artwork.

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The pair did talk about those three weeks from deciding to go into business together to opening their doors. Both have operated and owned tattoo shops in the past and had much of their own equipment and knowledge to get a shop up and running.

"We want to be a company, we were looking to start a new business, so we were both actually looking at this building for a shop and the landlord liked us," Eckman said.

Birrittieri, originally from San Antonio, first opened Lucky Eagle two years ago in Watertown, where he not only worked, but lived — sleeping on an air mattress at night after closing. Eckman, from Columbus, Ohio, also has experience operating a tattoo shop, having owned one himself in Sioux Falls price. He also has a business degree from Lake Area Technical Institute.

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Greek Man, Woman of the Month: March

Graham Wrightson shows some of the weapons students made last semester for one of his classes, which focused on ancient Greek military history April 3.

Dr. Graham Wrightson is a professor in the history department at SDSU.

HUNTER DUNTEMAN

Reporter

The “Five minutes with” series focuses on SDSU faculty, student or member of the Brookings community. The interviewer spends five minutes getting to know another person and discovering what specialty or something they are passionate about.

Q: What is the value in teaching ancient Greek military history today?
A: Teaching ancient history in general is that everything comes from there. The further back you go the more things can trace influences. The influences today from ancient times are classics the legal system, the language, through to traditional ways of viewing things. Everything comes from the Greeks, the Romans, even the Egyptians. It’s interesting to compare long-term. People don’t change, the actual characteristics of humans don’t change over time. We’re all human, whether we’re born 4000 years ago or now. You can understand the human experience more from looking at history.

Q: What brought you to Brookings?
A: I’ve been able to step into being a leader, as well as numerous opportunities to utilize them,
**Meditation Club brings zen, community to campus**

MIRNA NAGEL  Reporter

Starting his personal journey with meditation about a year and a half ago, Eckman began by incorporating about five minutes of practice into his daily routine.

"After I got into the habit of it, meditation became more enjoyable and I started to see the benefits that came with it, I became more content," MaHoney said.

"A lot of people are interested in meditation," Eckman said. "It helps you to see your emotions and change how you deal with those negative emotions and change the pattern habit of your brain in a way that you can really change the quality of your life." MaHoney said.

Eckman, a junior psychology major, said he has been following a new diet and exercise plan, which he doesn’t get to do often.

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Mahoney added a master’s degree in clinical psychology.

"I think a lot of people who start meditating feel like a really good tattooing your hands is doing this," MaHoney said. "But you can’t expect to be good at something if you’ve never practiced it." Mahoney said.

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Eckman leans toward neo-traditional, saying he has a passion for meditators. "You start meditating, and I couldn’t find anything realistic — richer colors, accent with brighter tones and to provide people who are not into mediation to start meditation," he said.

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The 2018 Student Organization Awards Outstanding Organization is the SDSU Investment Club. The club is the only organization on campus that focuses on an investment education, stock and derivative trading facilitation and offers networking opportunities with financial industry leaders and professionals.

The club recognizes student leadership and outstanding performance of members through the direct linkage of highly motivated and talented students with the Student Managed Investment Fund. This serves as a bridge between two organizations and provides a foundation for preparing students for careers in the financial sector. The achievements of club members have increased the prestige and outreach of the club as well as making it known to prominent finance and business schools.

In March 2017, 18 students of the Investment Club and SMIF were invited to participate in the world’s largest student-managed investment fund competition in New York City. This was the first time SDSU students were able to attend a competition of this magnitude. The team was one of 18 scheduled to present and won first place in the undergraduate competition. The club’s membership has increased 108 percent and now involves younger students.

The Exercise Science Club is the runner-up for the 2018 Student Organization Award for Outstanding Organization. The Exercise Science Club provides opportunities to students through various events, meetings and trips held throughout the year. Opportunities range from mentorship guidance, networking around campus and the Brookings community, and building professional development skills. The opportunities center around the club’s purpose of generating interest in exercise science throughout SDSU and the Brookings communities as well as promoting general wellness through exercise and meaningful educational experiences. The guidance and skills provided by the club encourages them to set themselves apart from their peers.

This year’s runner-up for the 2018 Student Organization Outstanding Member is Jessica Meendering, advisor of the SDSU Exercise Science Club. Meendering has advised the club since its beginning in 2011. Since that time she has helped the group grow and flourish, facilitating establishment of a platform to encourage students to gain leadership experience, professional development skills and opportunities that are major providers. Since its creation the service opportunities available with club membership include engagement with Feeding Brookings, Health Movement, Sanford Children’s Hospital and the annual SDSU Wellness Fair. Professional development opportunities have also increased with speaker panels, resume and interview workshops and two professional development trips per year. All of these events were encouraged and developed by Meendering’s desire for her students to succeed. This year’s runner-up for the Student Organization Outstanding Advisor Award is Nicole Graves, advisor of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences/ Family, Community, Career Leaders of America. Graves has made it her mission to bring club members together and increase money available for club activities.

Asuka Ohno is the 2018 Student Organization Awards Outstanding Member. Ohno is the treasurer of the International Relations Council. She started on campus as an English Language Learner and established herself quickly as a leader and role model. She organizes financial accounts and allowances given to student organizations that IRC oversees including the Indian, Bangladeshi, Sri Lankan, Chinese, Nepalese, Saudi Arabian and African Student Associations. IRC and each of these organizations hold major events for the SDSU and the Brookings communities each year. Aside from completing her financial role Ohno is a tireless advocate for the smaller countries represented by IRC, who do not have enough student representatives to form student organizations. Ohno created an opportunity for representation of those students to perform and share recipes at International Night. She also created a photo booth for the event underrepresented students could use to highlight international diversity on campus.

Pratiksha Khanal is the runner-up for the Student Organization Awards Outstanding Member. Khanal served as president of the Nepalese Student Association during the 2017-2018 academic year. She took over leadership of the club during a difficult period in the organization’s history. Member morale and funds were both low. Through her natural leadership abilities and commitment to transparency, she restored member morale and enthusiasm for club activities.

Through her ideas and positive attitude, encouragement and leadership, the club was able to raise enough money to achieve all programming goals for the year. She introduced the idea to sell Mo-Mos (Nepalese style dumplings) at the 2017 Student Engagement Expo. The group also sold T-shirts from Nepal. Additional fundraising efforts helped to bring club members together and increase money available for programming.
The winner of the 2018 Student Organization Award for Outstanding Program is Alpha Psi Omega. Each year the theatre honors fraternity involves 100 students in its annual production of Capers. The show is done in a revue style similar to Saturday Night Live that includes skits, dances and musical numbers. The show is performed each January, Planning for the next year begins as soon as the current year’s show closes in January.

Every aspect of Capers is conceived and produced by students from brainstorming the theme each year to selecting performers, selling tickets, writing the script, choreography, and set design. The group has two weeks to rehearse the show after auditioning more than 100 students from all majors and social groups on campus. Everyone gets a part and can participate in Capers. On top of rehearsing with the cast and working to keep up the momentum and enthusiasm needed for such a large undertaking, students staff tables in the Union promoting the event and market the show on social media and other traditional forms of advertising.

On the evening of the performance, APO members usher people to their seats, run the light and sound board and make sure everyone is ready to go. It gives students experience in creating a show from start to finish. APO members sell APO T-shirts and all passes for the event.

Ag Day is funded by industry sponsors students connect with via mailings and phone calls asking for support. Team members do sponsorship follow-ups, ordering supplies for the free meal, design the free T-shirts and everything else that goes into planning the event. Sponsors contribute enough funding to distribute 2,500 free Ag Day T-shirts to students and community members to show their support of agriculture. The event includes activities that allow students from varied backgrounds to learn more about agriculture, and an evening banquet opens that opportunity to interact with industry professionals.

Members agree to participate by shaving their heads and raising $100, as well as nominating other chapter members who raise money to nominate someone else. Local businesses also contribute.

FARMHOUSE Fraternity awarded for fundraiser

This year’s winner of the Student Organization Outstanding Service Award is Totally Baldacious, a fundraiser organized by FARMHOUSE Fraternity. Members of FARMHOUSE raise money to help individuals fight cancer by shaving their heads. This year’s effort will support Ona Mohelnhoft, who was diagnosed with cancer in 2011. In 2017 another mass was discovered in her brain. It was discovered that she has an aggressive form of cancer that resulted in several brain tumors at the base of her brain and brain stem. Her radiation treatment has so far been successful.

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Bluestem Bicycles hosts first concert

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Tuffih Balloum Club

Evenson said he knows the value of having space and props to try connecting with an audience their own age to see if the younger generation likes their music.

There were remote-controlled light balls set up throughout the bike shop so the band could match the color of the room to the tone of the song.

“Mark’s a chill dude so a lot of what he writes is very indie, chill lyrics,” Ann said. “They’re the type of songs that you don’t know the meaning of but they make you think.”

Evenson through the SDSU Cy Club Facebook page.

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"Lettin' it All Hang Out: An Alternative Performance Venue"

HALEY HALVORSON Lifestyles Editor

"We're been baked, and the rest is drag," Baldwin said in "Lettin' It All Hang Out: An Autobiography.

Shoes like "Bo Peep's Drag Race" and "The Queens of Drag: NYC," makes drag less uncommon as it was many years ago.

The event allows individuals to perform in this utmost drag for one night a semester.

The Gender and Sexualities Alliance will host its annual spring drag show to introduce professional king and queen performers. The show also includes students performing in drag.

Tuffih Balloum Club’s set list consists of 18 original songs, most of which were written by Mark.

"I've never heard a harp before coming from Minneapolis," Baldwin heard about the show from a friend and decided to check it out.

"It's not just about connecting when they're performing, but also important for people to write the lyrics for their songs.

It takes months for tickets are $10 at the door.

Student tickets are $7 at April 4 at Jack's Place.
Remo Drive mixes pop music, indie rock elements in latest EP

JAY SANCHEZ
Music Critic

Editor’s Note: The grading system used here is similar to the 10-point scale used in SDSU courses.

Album: Pop Music
Artist: Remo Drive
GRADE: A

Remo Drive, a rock band from Bloomington, Minnesota, released a new EP with a different sound and style. The band released its first full-length album “Greatest Hits” in 2017 and released the EP “Pop Music” last month. Remo Drive has seen significant success since releasing their first album, mostly because Anthony Fantano, the internet’s busiest music nerd, reviewed it. Currently, they have over 2.6 million subscribers on YouTube and 2.6 million views on their original “Blue Ribbon” video on YouTube.

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Remo Drive is one of those bands you listen to when you want to have a good time or rock out to some bangers. Their lyrics aren’t anything super complex. “Blue Ribbon” is about momentary pleasures, eating candy and drinking Pabst Blue Ribbon. “Song of Summer” is about being disappointed by your idols. “Heartstrings” sounds like it’s about the unease of not knowing what your relationship with a person is. The band is especially strong when it comes to instruments. Listen to Remo Drive to sing along and have a good time, not to over-analyze the meaning of the lyrics. “Song of Summer” has a surf vibe and is faster in tempo. They also changed the lyrics from, “eat out your heart, swallow it whole” to “reach for my heart, knowing I won’t.” It has a much cleaner sound overall.

Remo Drive is doing some great things. I hope they keep evolving their sound and making music.

The band likes to associate themselves with emo revival, but because of the way they write the songs and use instrumentation, it sounds more indie rock than anything else. They’re more of a mixture of indie rock, pop punk and emo rather than any singular genre.

The first song on the EP, “Blue Ribbon,” is my favorite, but I’m also really fond of “Song of the Summer” and “Heartstrings.” “Blue Ribbon” has a very distinct sound to it. It’s very indie rock-alternative. The three consecutive electric guitar strums played before the beginning of a new verse gain my attention like, “oh here we go.” Guitarist and vocalist Erik Paulson uses suspended chords throughout really adds a lot to the song. If he would have just left it in a normal major chord, it wouldn’t have sounded as great as it does.

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Crisis is real; South Dakota State gymnast has been diagnosed with PTSD

Bruce Rosen left South Dakota State University last year but not just for the University of Wisconsin. The Big Ten March 24, not long after SDSU Grosse on SDU’s first NCAA Division I Championship. It all happened so fast. There was no confusion, a little bit of heart break, but not at all time there’s gratitude for Bruce Rosen and his assistant coach Jon Reader, who is leaving for Wisconsin as well. For a few, in honor of everything Bruce has done at SDSU, The Collegian wanted to say thank you and we’ll miss you.

Thank you for your dedication.

Bruce has been wrestling since he was five years old. This dedication to wrestling has won him many awards from high school to collegiate championships to being a three time world wrestling team member. This dedication also called him back into the sport after selling his medical equipment for his retirement. “When you put your head on the mat at night, you know where you want to be and for it me it was always getting back into wrestling,” Rosen said. We also give major props to Bruce for getting up at 4:30 a.m. every day to work out. That’s truly a dedication.

Thank you for your passion.

Bruce was first fired up, there is never a time where you don’t that,” Rosen said. Even just through photos and videos, Bruce’s energy and intensity is always evident. “I’m probably not all there,” Bruce said, “It’s whatever it takes.” His passion showed through his relationship with the team, the SDSU campus and the wrestling community, too. He really wanted to have some time off, and he did, so we get a chance to work out. That’s true what he said.

Thank you for your sacrifices.

It seems to me that resorting to blaming others is a deeply dangerous sentiment. The reality of tragic events because it makes them feel threatened. People don’t want to accept the people continuing to perpetuate and the national school walk out and remember that you can stop yourself from being overwhelmed by the breakups blues.

Embracing the single life
The best remedy I found is so far is hypothetically “dating myself.” But when you’re ready, you can do to while embracing my new single status.

Embracing the single life can boost your self-confidence and remind you it’s OK to focus on yourself and what you want to gain from your new status. It can be a well-needed reminder of your worth.

Getting back out there.

As the saying goes: “There are many fish in the sea.” Don’t jump into something new right to the hay because that can have bad outcomes. More on your own pace and get back out in the dating world. Your choices and experiences are worthy of a relationship and love.

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REAL GREYSON

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This past year I have watched $400 billion of new movies in the theater for only $60. That is a deal that any film-lover would go crazy for.

Just to dispel any initial notions—I achieved this feat with 100 percent of the money that my parents gave me. I am sure you are shocked.

But there are many people who know about this service that no one else is aware of.

MoviePass is an American subscription-based movie ticketing system.

MoviePass has two different options. One is a monthly subscription for $9.95, plus and explore their film screening options. A one-time source it allows you to watch any movie you want.

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**Former Jacks pitcher finds success in MLB**

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Jacks lose two out of three against Omaha, prepare for Fort Wayne

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**Sports Reporter**

South Dakota State dropped two of three games to the Omaha Mavericks this weekend, but managed to avoid a sweep. The Jacks (4-9, 2-5) had 26 hits in the three games but they were unable to capitalize on their opportunities. SDSU left 35 runners stranded on base.

"There were a couple cases where we hit the ball right on the nose, but they made great plays," head coach Rob Bishopp said. "Instead of focusing on getting hits, it needs to be good plate appearances." Junior Nick Smith was absent from the lineup against the Mavericks and hasn't played since March 17 against Oral Roberts when he had just one at bat.

When he has been at the plate, Smith has made a difference for the Jacks. He is hitting at a .200 mark and has had a few extra base hits with two doubles and a triple.

Sophomore Landon Badger was back in the lineup against Omaha and started, according to Bishop, still isn't healthy. Badger has hit at a .235 batting average mark and has walked four times this season.

"Those two guys change our team when they are clicking," Bishop said. "There is no question in my mind that if we get those two guys back we'll be an extremely, especially against right-handed pitching.

The weather, continues to define the Jacks season as the games against Omaha were made up due to weather. The weather's impact has been felt the Jacks as they move their practices indoors to the Sanford Jackrabbit Athletic Complex.

"Obviously it's a great facility, but it's not as far as seeing the ball in the air and playing on dirt so much different than playing on turf," Bishop said. "Until we get into a pattern where we can be outside and doing those things we will struggle for consistency." The weather continues to define the Jacks season as they try to recover from a 4-19 record.

Up next for the Jacks, they will host Fort Wayne, who is last in the Summit League. The series is going to be in Sioux Falls and start on Friday.

Fort Wayne (6-17, 2-7) has struggled this year, especially in the Summit League. The Jacks are coming off a series win over the Western Illinois Leathernecks.

Keeping runs off the board has been a weak spot for the Jacks this season as they have scored 170 runs against their pitching staff.

The lineup for the Mastadons features two batters that can get a high volume of hits and rank among the top four in the Summit League batting average.

"I think what you will see from us, in the last six weeks, hopefully we will be playing our best ball outside," Bishop said. "At the end of the day, so long as we are in that Conference-tournament with the chance to play our way back to earn a spot in the regional, that's what we are aiming for every day.

The series with Fort Wayne will start at 3 p.m. April 6 in Sioux Falls.
Softball home opener postponed, will play in Sioux Falls

Head coach Krista Wood said the game will be played on May 6 instead. She explained, "We need to move on and play these games when we're allowed to, and wherever we're allowed to." SDSU improved to 15-10 on the season after defeating the Omaha Mavericks in two out of three games. The Jacks outscored the Mavericks 26-8. "It was a good weekend. Our team fought hard, even in the game we came up short. To come out and get the win in our first series in Summit League play was important," Wood said.

Senior pitcher Madison Hope had a career-high nine strikeouts in the first game and followed it up with seven in the second game. "She's doing a great job getting ahead in the count and mixing her pitches and putting them where she wants them," Wood said. "She's also done a good job at commanding her pitches and putting them wherever we want them."

South Dakota is 13-24 overall and 3-3 in the Summit League. SDSU is second in all of those categories. "They have some kids that can swing the bat and we're going to have to outscore them," Wood said. "We do have things roll our way, but we need to stay focused during the first few innings, so that we're not trying to battle back in the end and fall short," Wood said. "More than anything, we need to continue to get better and not be satisfied where we're at and what we're doing now, because we do want to be the best."
ATHLETE OF THE WEEK:
MADISON HOPE

TRENTON ABREGO
Sports Reporter

As the search for Chris Bono’s replacement continues, here’s a look at some of the possible candidates that could fill in the position nicely for SDSU wrestling.

Mike Zadick, Iowa State Associate Head Coach

The Great Falls, Montana, native, Zadick, has put together an impressive resume, both on the mat during his wrestling career and as an assistant coach.

As a wrestler with the Iowa Hawkeyes, Zadick was an All-American three times and won the 149-pound Big 12 title in 2002.

Zadick spent 10 years on the Hawkeyes staff after his wrestling career ended and filled three roles as an interim assistant, volunteer assistant and a strength coach.

More recently, Zadick was an assistant with Virginia Tech from 2015 to 2017, the Hokies went 34-3 and had 11 All-Americans in his two-year stint in Blacksburg, Virginia. Zadick spent the 2017 season at Iowa State as an associate head coach.

After all of his assistant head coach success, you have to wonder, is it time for him to be the head man at a prominent program? Will South Dakota State again recruit from the Iowa State coach mine that brought them Chris Bono?

Sammie Henson, former West Virginia Head Coach

In late March, West Virginia announced they would not be renewing the contract of then-head coach, Sammie Henson. Henson just couldn’t get going at West Virginia. During his four years as the head of the Mountaineers program, Henson compiled a 27-39 record.

The former Missoula, Montana alumnus could be looking for another job and just might find himself back in the Big 12.

Steve Costanzo, Saint Cloud State Head Coach

SDSU could shift its focus to a Division II powerhouse coach in Steve Costanzo of SCSU. During his 12-year tenure at Saint Cloud, Costanzo has put together an impressive 188-28 record.

In the past four years, Costanzo has won three National Championships with the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference squad.


The question remains, can Henson find success in coaching at the Big 12 level?

Andrew Holtan
Sports Editor

The South Dakota State softball team went 2-1 against the Omaha Mavericks over the weekend.

Madison Hope pitched in all three games. She had a career-high nine strikeouts in the first game and had seven strikeouts in the second game. For this performance, Hope has been named The Collegian Athlete of the Week.

The City of Brookings annual spring clean up for city residents.

The program allows the residents to place their solid waste and yard waste in front of their home and pick up the trash. The program is for anyone residing within the city limits. Commercial haulers and businesses do not have free access to the program.

Recycling and Separation of Items

The City of Brookings landfills regulate and recycle paper and many types of items that have a cost.

Items that Must be Hauled to Landfill for a Fee

Tree Branches:

Please place branches lengthwise on the sidewalk in the same direction as the fire hydrant.

SCHEDULE FOR CURBSIDE PICKUP

Note: Please claim the Free Brookings Radio Sticker to find the locations of the free stuff.

PARK EXCHANGE PROGRAM

The Annual Paint Exchange program will be held on Saturdays, April 8th, 2017 at the Brookings Regional Landfill. The chimneys, lawn mowers from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to the depot.

Sanford Jackrabbit Athletic Complex, Brandon

Junior Brendan Brandon pole vaults during the Last Chance track meet Feb. 16 in the Sanford Jackrabbit Athletic Complex. Brandon placed fourth with a mark of 4.46 meters. The Jacks will travel to Vermillion for the Dakota Duals meet Saturday, April 7.