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Christmas Bags Delivered

Enrich Groton SoDak Inc. board members and volunteers worked alongside Dacotah Bank employees Thursday morning packing Christmas food bags. Bags included all items for a full Christmas dinner with some food purchased by a Thrivent Action Team. Food items were delivered Thursday by city employees. Please contact Nancy at 605-397-7097 or Diane at 605-216-2350 if you would like to be included in future deliveries.

Pictured: Board Members: April Abeln, Nancy Larsen, Diane Warrington; Volunteers: Sue Stevenson, Ruby Larson, Lori Westby, Pam Heiser; Dacotah Bank Employees: Tammy Locke, Heidi Locke. (Courtesy Photo)



Rayna Loeschke and Emery Blackwood enjoy the sunshine on the rink Sunday. (Photo courtesy Bruce Babcock)



Opening Groton Ice Rink weekend was enjoyed by all!!! L-R Hazel Hill. Haley Erickson. Ellie Lassel. Sisters - Mya Flihs. Emme Flihs. Sisters - Brielle Dunbar. Collyns Dunbar. Maci Dunbar (Photo courtesy Bruce Babcock)



The local girls enjoying a fun hockey game! (Photo courtesy Bruce Babcock)



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January 2025 Groton Community Events

Thursday, Jan. 2

Senior Menu: Chicke strips, tri-tators, peas and carrots, fruit, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza.
School Lunch: Lasagna bake, garlic toast.
School resumes
Emmanuel Lutheran: Nigeria Circle, 2 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 3

Senior Menu: Chili, corn bread, winter blend, oranges.
School. Breakfast: Egg wraps.
School Lunch: Popcorn chicken, tri taters.
Girls Wrestling at McCook Central/Montrose (Salem), 2 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 4

Boys Wrestling Tournament at Webster, 10 a.m.
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., 209 N Main
Basketball Double Header hosts Redfield ((Boys Girls JV at 1 p.m.; Boys JV/ at 2 p.m.; Girls Varsity and Boys Varsity to follow)

Sunday, Jan. 5

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:15 a.m.; Choir, 6 p.m.
United Methodist: Communion Sunday: Conde worship, 8:15 a.m.; Groton worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee Time, 10:30 a.m.; Britton worship, 11:15 a.m.
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m.; SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.
First Presbyterian Church: Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.
Groton CM&A: Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m.;
Pancake Sunday: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Groton Community Center (proceeds benefit the Historical Society's jail restoration.

Monday, Jan. 6

Senior Menu: Beef tips on rice, mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Breakfast sliders.
School Lunch: Turkey gravy over mashed potatoes.
Boys JV/JH Wrestling at McCook Central/Montrose (Salem), 5 p.m.
Pantry, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Groton Community Center
Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 7

Senior Menu: Chicken fried steak, masehd potato with gravy, oriental blend, cinnamon apple sauce, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Egg omelets.
School Lunch: Pasta with meat sauce, bread sticks.
Basketball Double Header hosts Warner ((Girls JV at 4 p.m.; Boys JV at 5:15 p.m.; Girls Varsity and Boys Varsity to follow)
Common Cents Thrift Store, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., 209 N Main.
Pantry, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Groton Community Center
City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 8

Senior Menu: Baked turkey crunch, Italian blend, fruit, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Cereal.
School Lunch: Cheese stuffed breadsticks, marinara sauce.
Groton Chamber Board Meeting, 6 p.m., at City Hall

Emmanuel Lutheran: Confirmation, 4 p.m.; Sarah Circle, 5 p.m.; League, 6:30 p.m.

Groton United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.

Groton C&MA: Kid's Club, Youth Group, Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 9

Senior Menu: Spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, peaches, garlic toast.
School Breakfast: Pancake on a stick.
School Lunch: Sweet and sassy chicken, rice.
Girls Basketball hosts Clark/Willow Lake (JV at 6 p.m., varsity to follow)
Groton Lions Club meeting, 6 p.m., 104 N Main

Friday, Jan. 10

Senior Menu: Breaded chicken on bun, oven roasted potatoes, peas and carrots, honey fruit salad.
School Breakfast: Egg bake.
School Lunch: SOup and sandwich.
Boys Basketball at Clark (JH in Field House - 8th at 4 p.m., 7th at 5 p.m.; C at 5 p.m., JV at 6:15 p.m., varsity to follow)
Girls Wrestling at Miller, 4 p.m.
Silver Skates costumer handout, 4-7 p.m., Emmanuel Lutheran

Saturday, Jan. 11

Boys JV Wrestling at Madison, 9 p.m.
Boys Varsity at Garretson, 9:30 a.m.
Girls Varsity Wrestling at Lyman, 10 a.m.
Basketball Double Header hosts Lennox ((Boys C/Girls JV at 1 p.m.; Boys JV/Girls C at 2:15 p.m.; Girls Varsity and Boys Varsity to follow)
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., 209 N Main

Sunday, Jan. 12

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship with communion, 9 a.m. (Milestones 6th graders and sophomores), Sunday School, 10:15 a.m.; Choir, 6 p.m.
United Methodist: Conde worship, 8:15 a.m.; Groton worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee Time, 10:30 a.m.; Britton worship, 11:15 a.m.
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m.; SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.
First Presbyterian Church: Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.
Groton CM&A: Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m.;

Monday, Jan. 13

Senior Menu: Chicken and rice casserole, mixed vegetables, tropical fruit, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: French toast.
School Lunch: Corn dog, baked beans.
Boys JH/JV hosting Invitational Tournament, 5 p.m.
School Board Meeting, 7. p.m.
Pantry, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Groton Community Center
Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.
United Methodist: PEOPLE Meeting (outside group), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 14

Senior Menu: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, mandarin orange salad, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Scones.
School Breakfast: Chicken strips, fries.
JH Basketball hosts Roncalli (7th at 6 p.m., 8th at 7 p.m.)

Common Cents Thrift Store, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., 209 N Main.

Pantry, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Groton Community Center

Emmanuel Lutheran: Council meeting, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 15

Senior Menu: Vegetable soup, ham salad sandwich, peaches, cookie.
School Breakfast: Oatmeal.
School Lunch: Cheese quesadilla, corn.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Confirmation, 4 p.m.
Groton United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Groton Ad Council, 7 p.m.
Groton C&MA: Kid's Club, Youth Group, Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 16

Senior Menu: Lasagna rotini bake, salad with dressing, baked apples, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Biscuits.
School Lunch: BBQ Chicken sandwich, puzzle tots.
Basketball Double Header at Tiospa Zina (Girls JV 4 p.m., Boys JV at 5 p.m., Girls Varsity and Boys Varsity to follow)
Triangular Wrestling at Groton Area with Redfield and Webster, 6 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 17

Senior Menu: Oven baked chicken, sweet potato, carpri blend, pineapple, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Breakfast cookie.
School Lunch: Garlic cheese bread, cooked carrots.
Girls Varsity Wrestling at Harrisburg, 2 p.m.
Boys JH Basketball hosts Milbank, 7th at 5 p.m., 8th at 6 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 18

Girls Basketball at the Hanson Classic at the Corn Palace, Mitchell
Boys Basketball at Dakota Valley
Girls and Boys Varsity Wrestling and JV./JH Wrestling at Gettysburg, 10 a.m.
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., 209 N Main

Sunday, Jan. 19

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:15 a.m.; Choir, 6 p.m.
United Methodist: Conde worship, 8:15 a.m.; Groton worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee Time, 10:30 a.m.; Britton worship, 11:15 a.m.
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m.; SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.
First Presbyterian Church: Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.
Groton CM&A: Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m.;

Monday, Jan. 20

MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY
School Breakfast: Stuffed bagels.
School Lunch: Chicken legs, mashed potatoes.
Boys JV/JH Wrestling at Redfield, 5:30 p.m.
Pantry, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Groton Community Center
Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 21

Senior Menu: Creamed chicken, mixed vegetables, fruit, biscuits.
School Breakfast: Waffles.
School Lunch: Hot dots, tater tots.
Boys JH Basketball hosts Northwestern, 7th at 4 p.m., 8th at 5 p.m.

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Girls Basketball hosts Northwestern (JV at 6 p.m., varsity to follow)
 Boys Wrestling Tri-angular at Clark with Clark/Willow Lake and Hamlin, 6 p.m.
 Boys JH Invitational Wrestling at Simmons Middle School, 4 p.m.
 Common Cents Thrift Store, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., 209 N Main.
 Pantry, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Groton Community Center
 City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
 United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 22
 Senior Menu: Roast beef, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, fruit cocktail, whole wheat bread.
 School Breakfast: Muffins.
 School Lunch: Chicken Lo Mein, mixed vegetables.
 Emmanuel Lutheran: Confirmation, 4 p.m.; League, 6:30 p.m.
 Groton United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.
 Groton C&MA: Kid's Club, Youth Group, Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 23
 Senior Menu: Baked pork chop, creamy noodles, normandy blend, pineapple, whole wheat bread.
 School Breakfast: Breakfast pizza.
 School Lunch: Beef sticks, baby bakers.
 Basketball Double Header at Milbank (Boys C/Girls JV at 4 p.m.; Boys JV/Girls C at 5:15 p.m.; Girls Varsity and Boys Varsity to follow)

Friday, Jan. 24
 Senior Menu: Beef stew, Waldorf salad, peas, whole wheat bread.
 HOSA Winter Formal, GHS Gym
 No School (Staff Development Day)
 Boys JH Basketball hosts Redfield, 7th at 4 p.m., 8th at 5 p.m.
 Girls Wrestling at Pierre, 4 p.m.
 Boys Varsity Wrestling hosts Deuel, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25
 HOSA Winter Formal, GHS Gym
 Girls and Boys Varsity Wrestling at Arlington, 10 a.m.
 Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., 209 N Main
 United Methodist: PEO (outside group), 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 26
 Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship, 9 a.m.; annual meeting; no Sunday School; Choir, 6 p.m.
 Groton Robotics Pancake Feed 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Groton Community Center
 Carnival of Silver Skates, 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
 United Methodist: Conde worship, 8:15 a.m.; Groton worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Coffee Time, 10:30 a.m.; Britton worship, 11:15 a.m.
 Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m.; SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.
 First Presbyterian Church: Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.
 Groton CM&A: Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; worship, 10:30 a.m.;

Monday, Jan. 27
 Senior Menu: Tater tot hot dish, mixed vegetables, vanilla pudding with oranges, whole wheat bread.
 School Breakfast: Breakfast sliders.
 School Lunch: Chicken patty, tiny whole potatoes.
 Boys JH Wrestling at Ipswich, 6 p.m.
 Pantry, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Groton Community

Center
 Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 28
 Senior Menu: Parmesean chicken, baked potato, peaches, California blend, whole wheat bread.
 School Breakfast: Oatmeal.
 School Lunch: Tacos.
 Girls Basketball hosts Aberdeen Roncalli (JV at 6 p.m. followed by Varsity)
 Common Cents Thrift Store, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., 209 N Main.
 Pantry, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Groton Community Center
 United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 29
 Senior Menu: Breaded cod, rice pilaf, tomato spoon salad, blushing pears, whole wheat bread.
 School Breakfast: Cereal.
 School Lunch: Chicken pasta, cooked brocoli.

Strange but True

By Lucie Winborne
 * Jim Cummings, who voices Winnie the Pooh, calls sick children in hospitals and talks to them in the character's voice. He once phoned a little girl who was fighting cancer, and her mother told him it was the first time the child had smiled in six months.

* The odds of giving birth to a baby at 12:01 a.m. on Jan. 1 are around 1 in 526,000 -- roughly the same as the odds of getting struck by lightning.

* In ancient Greece, throwing an apple at a woman was considered a marriage proposal.

* Iceland has one of the largest gun ownership rates in the world, but one of the lowest crime rates in the world.

* The dragon tree of the Canary Islands is famous for its thick, deep-red sap. Called dragon's blood, the resin might be responsible for the intense hue of the famous Stradivarius violins built in the 17th and 18th centuries.

* All telephone service in the U.S. and Canada was silenced for one minute on Aug. 4, 1922, to mark the funeral of Alexander Graham Bell.

* Lawyer James Thornton successfully sued the U.K. government to admit that it was breaching legal limits for air pollution.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Confirmation, 4 p.m.
 Groton United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.
 Groton C&MA: Kid's Club, Youth Group, Adult Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 30
 Senior Menu: Goulash, corn, pineapple, breadstick.
 School Breakfast: Pancake on stick.
 School Lunch: Hamburgers, fries.
 Boys JH Basketball hosts Webster in the GHS Gym, 7th at 4 p.m., 8th at 5 p.m.
 Girls Basketball hosts Webster (C-5 p.m., JV-6:15, varsity to follow)

Friday, Jan. 31
 Senior Menu: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, creamed peas, fruit, whole wheat bread.
 School Breakfast: Egg bake.
 School Lunch: Pizza crunchers, green beans.
 Groton Quad Wrestling, boys and girls, 6 p.m.

King Crossword

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- 1 Airport screening org.
- 4 Out of control
- 8 Appear ominously
- 12 Pioneering ISP
- 13 Kid's plea
- 14 "The Music Man" setting
- 15 Oafs
- 17 Daniel Craig role
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- 19 Devious
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- 32 Sleep acronym
- 33 Dick Tracy's love
- 34 Consumed
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Answer

Answers

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NOTICE OF HEARING FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE TEMPORARY PERMIT FOR SPECIAL EVENT

Notice is hereby given according to SDCL 35-2, a Public Hearing on the following Alcoholic Beverage Temporary Permit in conjunction with a Special Event for Malt Beverage and Wine to be used by Aberdeen Area Chamber of Commerce will be held on December 31, 2024 in the Chambers of the Brown County Commissioners, in the Court-house Annex, Brown County, South Dakota, at which time any interested persons wishing to register complaint on their approval may appear.

Aberdeen Area Chamber of Commerce, Aberdeen, SD for Business After Hours: Lt 2 SDWG Bath - Grebner Terminal Add (Lt A 1st Repl SDWG Add S2 14-123-63) (39278 133rd St., Aberdeen) Brown County, SD. Temporary Special Event Alcohol License effective January 9, 2025.

ATTEST: Lynn Heupel, Brown County Auditor

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December 17, 2024

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Wambach, Wells, Cutler, Bahr, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were Attorney Drew Johnson, Douglas Heinrich, Elizabeth Varin, Dwight Zerr, Jordan Hintz, April Buller, Ken Hier, and Todd Gay.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Wambach to approve the agenda with no changes or additions. All members present voted aye.

Public comments were welcomed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1, but none were received. The public hearing for the wastewater improvement project took place. Buller and Hier outlined the plans for the project and Hintz discussed funding scenarios.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Bahr to approve Resolution No. 20244 authorizing an application for financial assistance, authorizing the execution and submittal of the application, and designating an authorized representative to certify and sign payment requests. All members

present voted aye. Resolution No. 20244 reads as follows: WHEREAS, the City of Groton (the "City") has determined it is necessary to proceed with improvements to its Wastewater System, including but not limited to replace one of the lift stations, adding a new force main to the lagoon and adding on a new wastewater cell and wetlands to the lagoon in the city (the "Project"); and, WHEREAS, the City has determined that financial assistance will be necessary to undertake the Project and an application for financial assistance to the South Dakota Board of Water and Natural Resources (the "Board") will be prepared; and, WHEREAS, it is necessary to designate an authorized representative to execute and submit the Application on behalf of the City and to certify and sign payment requests in the event financial assistance is awarded for the Project, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City as follows:

1. The City hereby approves the submission of an Application for financial assistance in an amount not to exceed \$6,587,000 to the South Dakota Board of Water and Natural Resources for the Project. 2. The Town President is hereby authorized to execute the Application and submit it to the South Dakota Board of Water and Natural Resources, and to execute and deliver such other documents and perform all acts necessary to effectuate the Application for financial assistance. 3. The Town President is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the City to do all things on its behalf to certify and sign payment requests in the event financial assistance is awarded for the Project.

Buller, Hier, Hintz, and Zerr exited the meeting. Discussion took place regarding electric and water metering options. Gay will seek out a third metering option.

Gay exited the meeting. The second reading of Ordinance No. 783 - Supplemental Appropriations No. 2 was approved on a motion by Bahr and seconded by Cutler. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Cutler to apply a 20% discount to the Legion reimbursement for 2024 baseball season. The adjusted amount is \$9,369.14. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Wells to deny the request from BNSF to close the railroad crossing at East Aspen Avenue. All members present voted aye. Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to authorize the cash fund transfer of \$250,000 to the Debt Service Fund from the Electric Fund. All members present voted aye.

The loss recap from SDPAA regarding the hail damaged buildings was reviewed. Moved by Bahr and seconded by Wells to authorize the signing of the proof of loss. All members present voted aye.

The November finance report was approved on a motion by Cutler and seconded by Wells. All members present voted aye.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on

a motion by Wells and seconded by Bahr. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to authorize the following bills for payment. All members present voted aye.

Payroll, \$30,008.33, Employee salaries; Administrative, \$4,743.83, ; Public Safety, \$10,893.91, ; Public Works, \$14,370.59, ; Dwight Zerr, \$85.71, Med flex; SD Retirement System, \$11,785.92, Employee retirement; Dacotah Bank, \$6,322.00, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dakotaland FCU, \$730.00, Employee savings; Dacotah Bank, \$647.90, HSA contributions; USPS, \$386.40, Utility billing postage; WEB Water, \$20,748.39, Water services - November 2024; City of Groton, \$95.78, Utility deposit applied to bill; Open Heaven, LLC, \$154.22, Utility deposit refund; Dale & Sandra Carr, \$159.60, Utility deposit/overpayment refund; Payment Service Network, Inc., \$205.50, PSN gateway & eBill fees; Dacotah Bank, \$3,569.75, Withholding/SS/Medicare; Dacotah Bank, \$50.00, HSA contributions; SD State Treasurer, \$7,796.98, Sales and Excise Tax for November 2024; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$290.00, Supplemental retirement; WAPA, \$23,703.66, Power services - November 2024; Heartland Energy, \$53,129.76, Power services - November 2024; The Groton Independent, \$374.90, Publishing fees; A&B Business Solutions, \$378.66, Printer lease - City Hall; J's Superior Cleaning, \$200.00, Commercial cleaning services - City Hall; Darrels LLC, \$75.90, Tire repair and fuel filter - Electric & Street Dept.; Badger Meter, \$154.70, Cellular service fee - Water Metering; Galls, LLC, \$186.85, Flashlight batteries, gloves, boots - Police Dept.; Heartland Waste Management, \$10,204.32, Garbage hauling; Chris & Dan's Tarp & Canvas Repair, \$240.00, Repair to umbrella - Swimming Pool; Greg's Repair, \$536.85, x3 batteries - City Shop; Altac Capital Services, LLC, \$2,189.93, Digger truck lease; Dacotah Bank Visa, \$1,240.44, Funnel, christmas tree supplies, yearly planners, sewer sample postage, water sample postage, transformer oil sample postage, family fun fest supplies, aluminum adapter, Office 365 fee, pizza for Cleveland's 20yr anniversary, fuel purchases, hands free clip for power drill - Multiple Depts. ; Weber Landscaping, \$239.63, Excavator rental on 12/12/24 - Electric Dept.; Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc., \$111.61, Cylinder of weld mix - City Shop; Schwan Welding & Boiler Repair, \$720.00, (4) posts for soccer gate; T&R Electric Supply Co, Inc., \$55,433.50, New transformers - Electric Dept.; Vestis, \$67.26, Rug rent - City Hall; Alternative Technologies, Inc., \$137.50, Oil testing - Electric Dept.; AutoZone, Inc., \$226.41, Oil and oil filters - City Shop; Dennis "Mike" Olson, \$477.46, Code enforcement services - 11/1/24 thru 12/16/24; NW Energy, \$9.68, Natural gas service - water tower; Dan Richardt, \$100.00, Reimbursement for Santa Day at PMS; Ken's Fair Foods, \$190.75, Fuel purchases, baking supplies for Tour of Trees - Multiple Depts.; MJ's Sinclair, \$1,489.27, Fuel purchases - Multiple Depts. ; James Valley Telecommunications, \$794.94, Telephone and internet services; Announcement: City offices will be closed on January 1st, 2025, for New Years Day.

Reminder: Holiday Lighting Contest on December 19th at 7:00pm. \$100, \$75, and \$50 bill credits to be given away.

Reminder: 2025 dog licenses are due by December 31st, 2024.

Moved by Cutler and seconded by Bahr to authorize Landon Johnson to attend Joint Utility Training School in Sioux Falls, South Dakota on January 21st through January 23rd, 2025. All members present voted aye.

Varin exited the meeting. Moved by Wells and seconded by Wambach to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal matters 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 8:53pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:12pm.

Varin reentered the meeting. Moved by Bahr and seconded by Cutler to promote Leah Jones to Skating Rink Manager at a

wage of \$12.75 per hour plus \$250 per month. Skating Rink Attendants will have a wage of \$11.50 per hour plus \$.25 per year of experience. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Wambach and seconded by Wells to adjourn the meeting at 9:15pm. All members present voted aye.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor
Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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NOTICE OF AUDIT OF THE FISCAL AFFAIRS OF THE GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6-6

Notice is hereby given that the Groton Area School District No. 6-6, Groton, South Dakota, has been audited by Cahill Bauer & Associates, LLC for the year ended June 30, 2024. A detailed report thereon is available for public inspection, during normal business hours, at the business office of the School District, and also available at the Department of Legislative Audit in Pierre, South Dakota or on the Department of Legislative Audit website at http://www.state.sd.us/legislativeaudit/Reports/reports_all.htm.

The following findings and recommendations provide a brief description of material weaknesses in internal control that are described in more detail in the audit report. Finding: A lack of segregation of duties over revenues and expenditures exists, which could result in errors not being found in a timely manner. Recommendation: We recommend a high level of awareness be maintained by management to assist in preventing, detecting, or correcting matters that may arise due to this internal control weakness. Compensating controls should be implemented as necessary. Finding: We proposed material audit adjustments that would not have been identified as a result of the School District's existing internal controls, and therefore could have resulted in a material misstatement of the School District's financial statements. Recommendation: It is the responsibility of management and those charged with governance to make the decision whether to accept the degree of risk associated with this condition because of cost and other considerations. Finding: The School District does not have an internal control system designed to provide for the preparation of the annual financial statements being audited, including required footnotes and disclosures, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. As auditors, we were requested to draft the financial statements. Recommendation: It is the responsibility of management and those charged with governance to make the decision whether to accept the degree of risk associated with this condition because of cost or other considerations. Finding: The School District is required to properly calculate payroll deductions based on the appropriate compensation as defined by law. Recommendation: The School District should implement a review process for payroll that can identify errors and/or miscalculations in payroll. CAHILL BAUER & ASSOCIATES, LLC

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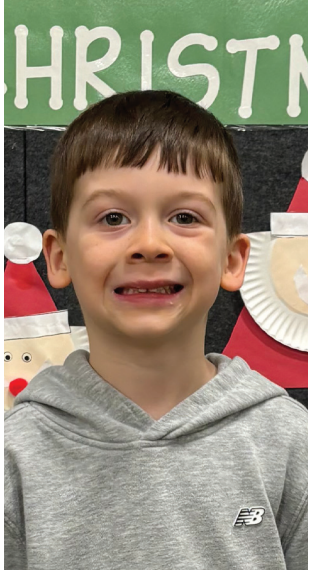


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Groton Area Kindergarten Students



Ollivander Folden, son of Cody and Josie, of Aberdeen. What does Christmas mean to me? I like getting toys. I like Santa bringing presents to me.



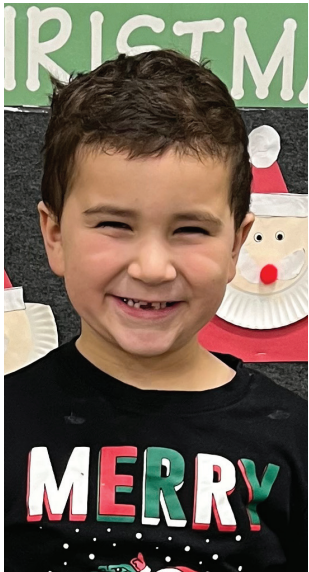
Kyle Tarpein, son of Ryan and Amanda Tarpein, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? You wrap presents, making a snowman, decorating a Christmas tree.



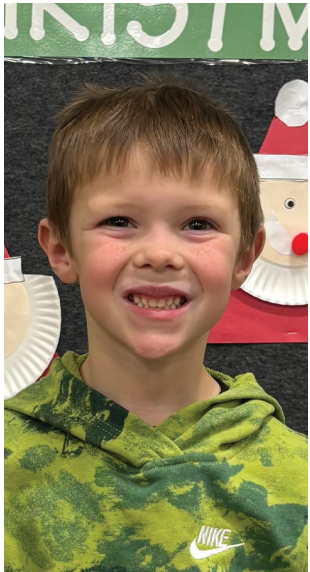
Kaden Stoltenburg, son of Geoff and Laura Stoltenburg, of Bath. What does Christmas mean to me? It means joy and playing in the snow.



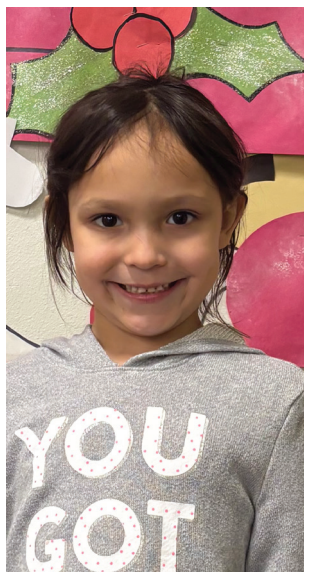
Harper Boerger, daughter of Jayme and Kristen Boerger, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? It means about sharing joy. It's about giving presents to other people and seeing the smile on their faces.



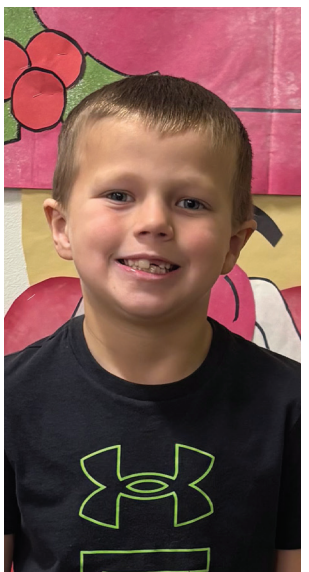
Granger Hansen, son of Brain and Katie Hansen, of Bath. What does Christmas mean to me? Fun facts, getting new toys, stuff that you figure out, stuff that you feel good about.



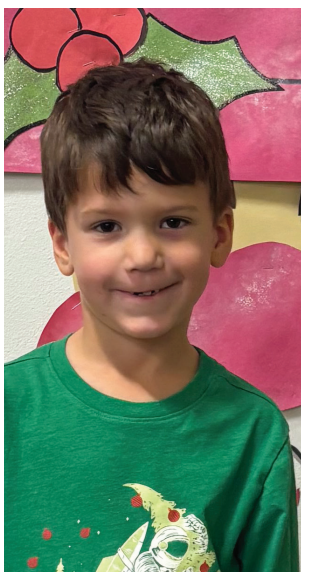
Clayton Morehouse, son of Amanda Morehouse, Pierpont, and son of Justin and Jeanne Morehouse, Andover. What does Christmas mean to me? It means having fun by playing in the snow and having hot chocolate.



Esther Lone, daughter of Damon and Andrea Lone, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Snow falls down.



Brooks Vedvei, son of Scott and Sarah Vedvei, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? You get presents at Christmas and you have an elf who does all kinds of silly things.



Brecken Swanson, son of Scott and Jenna Swanson, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Santa Claus comes and elves come.

Groton Angel Tree Thanks You All

I would really like to thank the people for the donations and help with making this the best Christmas for the children again. Thanks to Lori's Pharmacy and City Hall for hosting the Angel Tree this year. It just melts my heart when I pull up to a house or apartment and see the smiles of the children and telling me that they will get a Christmas this year and it will be their best. It is so special to see all the smiles I see from them. I have been doing the Angel Tree since 2007.

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Zoey Strom, daughter of Nick and Jenna Strom, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? It means that Santa and presents are nice and they have elves. It's good that we have Christmas trees, decorations and a star and reindeer. If we didn't have them Santa couldn't fly!



Scarlett Stubbs, daughter of Krystina McCollum, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? It means giving friends presents and being nice to your friends. And giving them what they want if they are nice. They don't need to be nice just to me, they need to be nice to everyone!



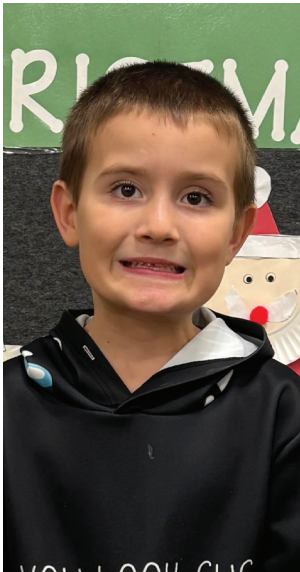
Roscoe Rix, son of Grant and Tracy Rix, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? I like the presents. Santa brings me a. Present and I get to go somewhere for Christmas.

There may be beauty in the season, but the reason reaches deep into our hearts!

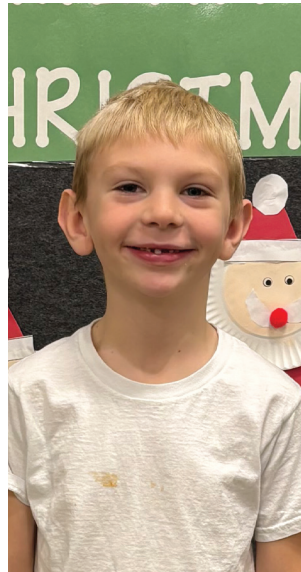
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Jackson Steffes, son of Jared and Jennifer Steffes, of Bristol. What does Christmas mean to me. Love and Spirit.



Huntley Frost, son of Chris and Samantha Frost, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Opening presents.



Harper Harry, daughter of Kris and Alison Harry, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? You get presents and you can give a present away to somebody else.

For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him.

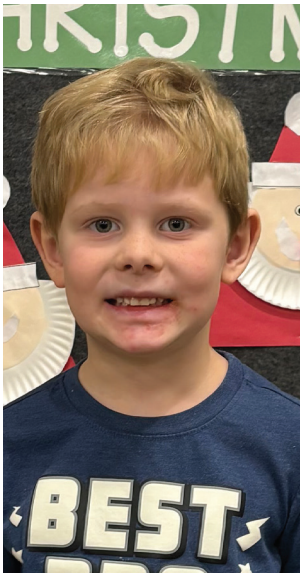
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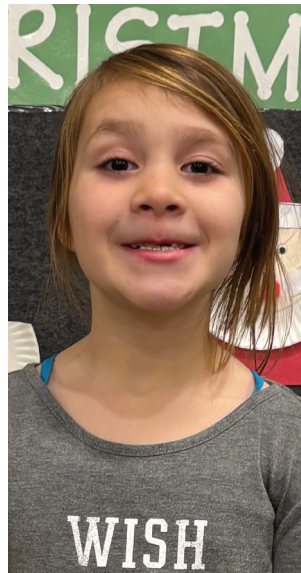
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Beckett Rose, son of Ian and Karen Rose, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? You open presents and you have a Christmas tree.



BayleeAnn, daughter of McKenzie and Chris West, of Groton, and Jacob and Tara Kupcho of Aberdeen. What Christmas means to me? When Santa gives you presents.



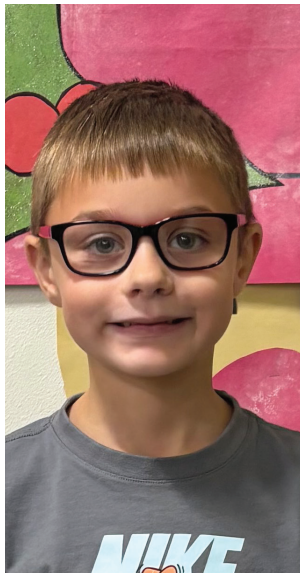
Andi Kampa, daughter of Cole and Jordan Kampa, of Columbia. What does Christmas mean to me? You spend time with your family.

*It was a Holy Night
So special -
So calm -
So bright*

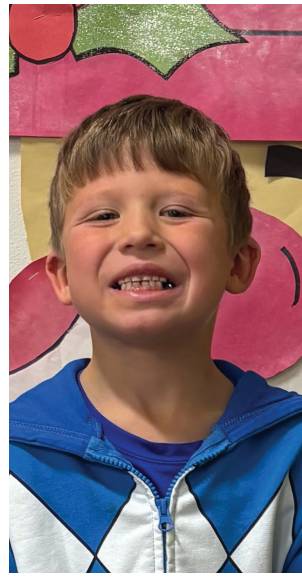
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Cannon Bonn, son of Cody and Kristi Bonn, of Groton. What Christmas means to me? It is Jesus' birthday and presents.



Jaiden Johnson, son of Jerry Ray and Becky Johnson, of Groton. What does Christmas means to me? You will get toys.



Graham Locken, son of Chad and Britt Locken, of Groton. What Christmas means to me? Jesus' birthday and Santa comes.



Ava Wiseman, daughter of Dustin and Kandi Wiseman, of Groton. What Christmas means to me? We get presents, we eat and get snacks



Regan Lemke, daughter of Jon and Jordan Lemke, of Groton. What Christmas means to me? Going to my grandmas house.



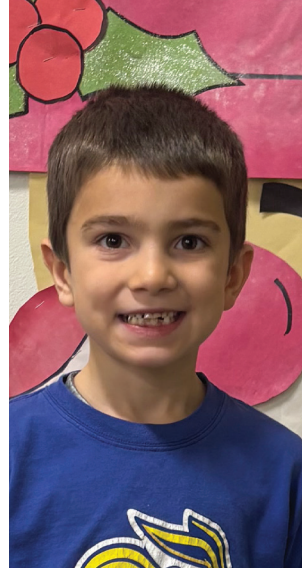
Brooks Sombke, son of Brett and Steph Sombke, of Conde. What Christmas means to me? Fun, we get to open presents.



Hazel Giedt, daughter of Heath and Katelyn Giedt, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Celebrate Jesus' birthday and you get to spend time with your family.



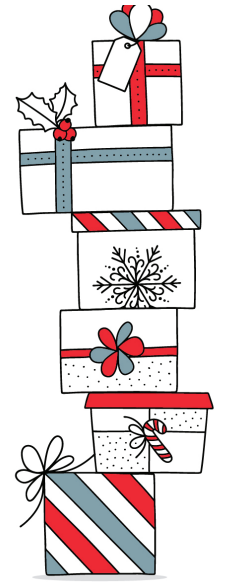
Veda Stiegelmeier, daughter of Jordan and Whitney Stiegelmeier, of Columbia. What Christmas means to me? It is Jesus birthday and Santa comes to your house.



Briggs Eichler, son of Collin and Emily Eichler, of Columbia. What Christmas means to me? We open presents and play with new toys. We get to see our grandmas and grandpas too.



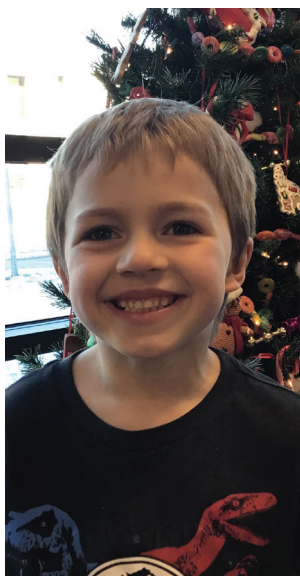
Laiken Neigel, son of Tyler and Autumn Neigel, of Conde. What does Christmas means to me? You get gifts and you can play in the snow.



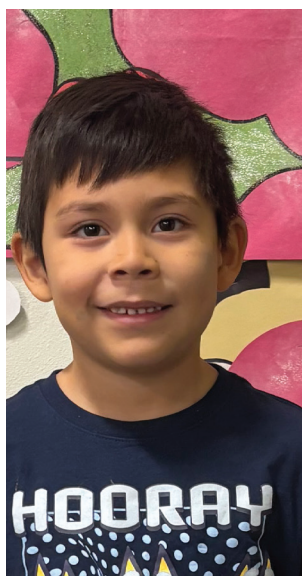
Merry Christmas



Joey Bosmoe, son of Gabriella Cutler and Justin Bosmoe of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? You get presents from Santa



Mikkal Neel, son of Michael and Kayla Neel, of Groton. What does Christmas means to me? Happy fun, and Santa comes.



Dylan Roble Rodriguez, son of Ivan Olivia and Anna Rodriguez, of Groton. What does Christmas mean to me? Santa comes and you get presents

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Groton Area's boys wrestling team takes second at Sioux Valley Tournament

Groton Area had 12 wrestlers place at the Cossack Avalanche Tournament held Saturday at Sioux Valley. The number of wins racked up points for the Tigers and it boosted them to a second place finish. Kingsbury County won the tournament with 217.5 points while Groton Area had 209.5 followed by Aberdeen Central JV with 140.5, Sioux Valley 122, Chamberlain JV 92, West Central JV 78.5, Brookings JV 70.5, Deuel/Deubrook Area 68.5, Tri-Valley 38.5, Canton JV 26.5, Yankton JV 19, Mitchell JV 10.5, and Dell Rapids JV 3.

Placing first were Christian Ehresmann at 157 and Korbin Kucker at 175; in second place were Kyson Kucker at 120, Chris Schwab at 144, Walker Zoellner at 150, Gavin Englund at 285; those taking third were Wyatt Hagen at 106, Keegen Kucker at 113 and Donavon Block at 132; and in fourth place were Noah Scepaniak at 120, Lincoln Krause at 126 and Ben Hoeft at 165.

106 Wyatt Hagen (5-3) placed 3rd and scored 16.0 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Wyatt Hagen (Groton) 5-3 received a bye () (Bye)
Quarterfinal - Wyatt Hagen (Groton) 5-3 won by fall over Micah Bennett (Mitchell JV) 1-2 (Fall 1:07)

Semifinal - Bailey Gillen (Aberdeen Central JV) 7-1 won by decision over Wyatt Hagen (Groton) 5-3 (Dec 4-1)

Cons. Semi - Wyatt Hagen (Groton) 5-3 won by fall over Spicer Johnson (West Central JV) 2-2 (Fall 2:27)

3rd Place Match - Wyatt Hagen (Groton) 5-3 won by decision over Gavin Mattson (Deuel/Deubrook Area) 5-2 (Dec 11-9)

113 Keegen Kucker (6-2) placed 3rd and scored 18.0 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Keegen Kucker (Groton) 6-2 received a bye () (Bye)
Quarterfinal - Keegen Kucker (Groton) 6-2 won by fall over Carter Radel (Mitchell JV) 0-2 (Fall 0:55)

Semifinal - Chase Henriksen (Kingsbury County) 9-3 won by fall over Keegen Kucker (Groton) 6-2 (Fall 2:40)

Cons. Semi - Keegen Kucker (Groton) 6-2 won by fall over Colton Bairey (Chamberlain JV) 1-2 (Fall 3:39)

3rd Place Match - Kucker 6-2 won by fall over Bentley Fokken (Deuel/Deubrook Area) 6-5 (Fall 4:02)

120 Kyson Kucker (5-2) placed 2nd and scored 18.0 team points.

Quarterfinal - Kyson Kucker (Groton) 5-2 won by fall over Briggs Archer (Brookings JV) 3-1 (Fall 3:25)

Semifinal - Kyson Kucker (Groton) 5-2 won by fall over Noah Scepaniak (Groton) 3-4 (Fall 3:53)

1st Place Match - Mason Backous (Aberdeen Central JV) 6-2 won by fall over Kucker (Groton) 5-2 (Fall 4:36)

120 Noah Scepaniak (3-4) placed 4th.

Quarterfinal - Scepaniak (Groton) 3-4 won by fall over Erich Fokken (Deuel/Deubrook Area) 1-4 (Fall 3:17)

Semifinal - Kyson Kucker (Groton) 5-2 won by fall over Noah Scepaniak (Groton) 3-4 (Fall 3:53)

Cons. Semi - Noah Scepaniak (Groton) 3-4 won by fall over Hunter Mellon (Brookings JV) 1-6 (Fall 3:58)

3rd Place Match - Briggs Archer (Brookings JV) 3-1 won by tech fall over Noah Scepaniak (Groton) 3-4 (TF-1.5 3:59 (21-1))

126 Lincoln Krause (6-4) placed 4th and scored 16.5 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Krause (Groton) 6-4 won by fall over Kaeden Needham (Yankton JV) 1-6 (Fall 4:56)

Quarterfinal - Aiden Warren (Deuel/Deubrook Area) 5-5 won by fall over Krause (Groton) 6-4 (Fall 1:31)

Cons. Round 2 - Krause (Groton) 6-4 won by forfeit over Logan Heier (Aberdeen Central JV) 3-4 (For.)

Cons. Round 3 - Lincoln Krause (Groton) 6-4 won by tech fall over Stratton VanOverschelde (Mitchell JV) 3-7 (TF-1.5 2:22 (18-0))

Cons. Semi - Krause (Groton) 6-4 won by fall over Deegan Goodman (Chamberlain JV) 2-2 (Fall 0:20)

3rd Place Match - Karsten Lerwick (Kingsbury County) 7-6 won by fall over Krause (Groton) 6-4 (Fall 4:40)

132 Donavon Block (7-2) placed 3rd and scored 19.0 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Donavon Block (Groton) 7-2 won by tech fall over Haiden Baxter (Brookings JV) 2-2 (TF-1.5 4:19 (17-1))

Quarterfinal - Donavon Block (Groton) 7-2 won by tech fall over Jaxton Rinehart (Tri-Valley) 3-6 (TF-1.5 3:14 (16-1))

Semifinal - Cody Zell (Kingsbury County) 6-3 won by major decision over Donavon Block (Groton) 7-2 (MD 8-0)

Cons. Semi - Donavon Block (Groton) 7-2 won by fall over Haiden Baxter (Brookings JV) 2-2 (Fall 2:35)

3rd Place Match - Donavon Block (Groton) 7-2 won by fall over Tyson Hagberg (Deuel/Deubrook Area) 7-6 (Fall 3:43)

138 Kason Oswald (1-4) scored 3.0 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Evan Hirsch (Mitchell JV) 2-2 won by fall over Kason Oswald (Groton) 1-4 (Fall 1:02)

Cons. Round 1 - Kason Oswald (Groton) 1-4 won by fall over Kayden Chaulk (Canton JV) 0-2 (Fall 1:22)

Cons. Round 2 - Hunter Opitz (Aberdeen Central JV) 3-2 won by tech fall over Kason Oswald (Groton) 1-4 (TF-1.5 2:46 (15-0))

144 Chris Schwab (5-3) placed 2nd and scored 18.0 points.

Champ. Round 1 - Chris Schwab (Groton) 5-3 received a bye () (Bye)
Quarterfinal - Chris Schwab (Groton) 5-3 won by fall over Prestyn Haugen (Chamberlain JV) 8-7 (Fall 2:39)

Semifinal - Chris Schwab (Groton) 5-3 won by decision over Wyatt Tuntland (Canton JV) 3-2 (Dec 6-5)

1st Place Match - Greyson Nielson (Kingsbury County) 11-3 won by tech fall over Chris Schwab (Groton) 5-3 (TF-1.5 4:16 (17-1))

150 Walker Zoellner (6-2) placed 2nd and scored 22.0 points.

Champ. Round 1 - Walker Zoellner (Groton) 6-2 won by fall over Slayton Swenson (Canton JV) 0-2 (Fall 1:38)

Quarterfinal - Walker Zoellner (Groton) 6-2 won by fall over Cyrus Blum (Chamberlain JV) 0-2 (Fall 1:10)

Semifinal - Walker Zoellner (Groton) 6-2 won by fall over Vanden Virchow (Sioux Valley) 10-5 (Fall 1:43)

1st Place Match - Blake Jennings (Kingsbury County) 10-2 won by decision over Walker Zoellner (Groton) 6-2 (Dec 1-0)

157 Christian Ehresmann (5-0) placed 1st and scored 24.0 team points.

Quarterfinal - Christian Ehresmann (Groton) 5-0 won by fall over Tyler Glammeier (Dell Rapids JV) 0-2 (Fall 1:58)

Semifinal - Christian Ehresmann (Groton) 5-0 won by fall over Donovan Sandven (Kingsbury County) 4-3 (Fall 0:14)

1st Place Match - Christian Ehresmann (Groton) 5-0 won by fall over Peyton Haugen (Chamberlain JV) 9-6 (Fall 1:59)

165 Ben Hoeft (4-4) placed 4th and scored 11.0 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Ben Hoeft (Groton) 4-4 received a bye () (Bye)

Quarterfinal - Gabe Sumner (Aberdeen Central JV) 4-1 won by fall over Ben Hoeft (Groton) 4-4 (Fall 1:41)

Cons. Round 2 - Ben Hoeft (Groton) 4-4 won by decision over Gile Rud (Sioux Valley) 2-4 (Dec 11-4)

Cons. Round 3 - Ben Hoeft (Groton) 4-4 won by forfeit over Caden Walsh (Brookings JV) 0-2 (For.)

Cons. Semi - Ben Hoeft (Groton) 4-4 won by fall over Colten Walsh (Brookings JV) 2-2 (Fall 2:53)

3rd Place Match - Gabe Sumner (Aberdeen Central JV) 4-1 won by major decision over Ben Hoeft (Groton) 4-4 (MD 13-1)

175 Korbin Kucker (6-0) placed 1st and scored 22.0 points.

Champ. Round 1 - Korbin Kucker (Groton) 6-0 received a bye () (Bye)
Quarterfinal - Korbin Kucker (Groton) 6-0 won by major decision over Hunter Frederick (Chamberlain JV) 4-8 (MD 13-1)

Semifinal - Korbin Kucker (Groton) 6-0 won by major decision over Isaac Price (Aberdeen Central JV) 7-3 (MD 15-2)

1st Place Match - Korbin Kucker (Groton) 6-0 won by decision over Wyatt Hardt (Sioux Valley) 8-8 (Dec 10-3)

190 Layne Johnson (1-4).

Quarterfinal - Harvey Hardt (Sioux Valley) 5-9 won by decision over Layne Johnson (Groton) 1-4 (Dec 8-1)

Cons. Round 1 - Damian McIntosh (Aberdeen Central JV) 3-3 won by fall over Layne Johnson (Groton) 1-4 (Fall 0:37)

285 Gavin Englund (5-1) placed 2nd and scored 22.0 points.

Champ. Round 1 - Gavin Englund (Groton) 5-1 won by fall over Tytian Lauseng (Deuel/Deubrook Area) 3-6 (Fall 1:21)

Quarterfinal - Gavin Englund (Groton) 5-1 won by fall over Gabe Armstrong (Brookings JV) 0-2 (Fall 1:43)

Semifinal - Gavin Englund (Groton) 5-1 won by fall over Grady George (Chamberlain JV) 8-6 (Fall 1:19)

1st Place Match - Owen Vandeweerd (Sioux Valley) 13-2 won in tie breaker - 1 over Gavin Englund (Groton) 5-1 (TB-1 2-1)

285 Charlie Frost (2-2)

Champ. Round 1 - Owen Vandeweerd (Sioux Valley) 13-2 won by fall over Charlie Frost (Groton) 2-2 (Fall 4:58)

Cons. Round 1 - Charlie Frost (Groton) 2-2 received a bye () (Bye)
Cons. Round 2 - Charlie Frost (Groton) 2-2 won by fall over Gabe Armstrong (Brookings JV) 0-2 (Fall 0:18)

Cons. Round 3 - Charlie Frost (Groton) 2-2 won by fall over Drace Gaskins (Yankton JV) 2-6 (Fall 1:28)

Cons. Semi - Wyatt Nelson (Sioux Valley) 6-3 won by fall over Charlie Frost (Groton) 2-2 (Fall 2:41)

Tuff Tigers

Friday in Madison:

Braxten Sombke - 1st Place
Brooks Sombke - 5th Place

Sunday in Volga:

Watson Herron - 1st Place
Roman Bahr - 1st Place
Ryker Herron - 4th Place
Brooks Vedvei - 4th Place

Groton Area Pulls Away in Fourth Quarter to Defeat West Central

In a hard-fought matchup, the Groton Area girls' basketball team outlasted West Central, 45-35, on a night marked by gritty defense, frequent turnovers, and clutch fourth-quarter play.

The lone tie of the game came early at 2-2, and West Central seized the early momentum, building a 10-6 lead after the first quarter. Both teams struggled offensively in the opening period, with Groton shooting just 9% (1 of 11) from the field while West Central managed 21% (3 of 14). However, Groton's ability to get to the free-throw line (4 of 6) kept them within striking distance.

The second quarter saw Groton Area come alive, capitalizing on West Central's shooting woes. West Central shot just 10% (1 of 10) from the field in the period, while Groton improved to 27% (4 of 15). Groton's aggressive defense led to three lead changes in the quarter, and by halftime, they had secured a 19-13 advantage.

The third quarter featured more back-and-forth action. Groton extended its lead to as much as eight points but saw West Central rally late in the period. West Central shot 25% (2 of 8) from the field in the third but stayed in the game with a strong showing at the free-throw line (5 of 8). Groton, shooting 31% (4 of 13), maintained a slim 28-23 lead heading into the final quarter.

The fourth quarter was where Groton Area took control. Building on their biggest lead of the game (35-23), Groton capitalized on key defensive stops and efficient shooting. They posted their best shooting percentage of the game at 44% (4 of 9) and were steady at the free-throw line, converting 8 of 13 attempts. Meanwhile, West Central continued to struggle from the field, shooting 25% (3 of 12) and ultimately couldn't close the gap.

Turnovers plagued both teams throughout the game, with Groton committing 24 and West Central 20. Both squads shot 14 of 23 (61%) from the free-throw line, but Groton's ability to convert in the fourth quarter proved decisive.

Groton's victory was a testament to their resilience and defensive intensity. The team showed grit in overcoming a slow start and executed well in the game's critical moments to secure the 10-point win.

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Groton Area: Jaedyn Penning: 14 points, 8 rebounds, 1 assist, 5 fouls.

Jerica Locke: 11 points, 4 rebounds, 7 assists, 2 steals, 3 fouls.

Kennedy Hansen: 7 points (1 3-pointer), 4 rebounds, 1 steal, 4 fouls.

Taryn Traphagen: 5 points (1 3-pointer), 2 rebounds, 3 steals, 2 fouls.

Faith Traphagen: 3 points (1 3-pointer), 1 steal.

Rylee Dunker: 2 points, 10 rebounds, 2 assists, 3 fouls.

Chesney Weber: 2 points 4 rebounds, 1 assist, 1 foul.

Laila Roberts: 1 point, 3 rebounds, 2 fouls.

Totals: Field Goals: 11-28 39 percent, 3-pointers: 3-22 14 percent, Free Throws: 14-23 61 percent, 36 rebounds, 25 turnovers, 11 assists, 8 steals, 23 fouls.

West Central: Kacey Juton 15 points (2 3-pointers), Abbi Thornton 7, Ruyha Goehring 6, Bailey Stallman 3 (1 3-pointer), Marci Schultz 2, Ayla Kramer 2.

Field Goals: 9-44 20 percent, Free Throws: 14-23 61 percent, 22 fouls and 20 turnovers.

West Central Secures Victory Over Groton in Boys Basketball

The West Central boys basketball team jumped out to an early lead and never looked back, holding off a fourth-quarter surge from Groton to secure a 54-38 victory.

West Central set the tone early, using aggressive defense and efficient scoring to take a 14-8 lead after the first quarter. Their momentum carried into the second quarter, where they unleashed a 10-0 scoring run, building a commanding 29-10 advantage by halftime.

Coming out of the break, West Central extended their lead to its largest margin of the night at 31-10. However, the Tigers refused to fold. Groton began chipping away at the deficit, spurred on by a determined effort from Ryder Johnson. By the end of the third quarter, Groton had cut the lead to 36-24, setting the stage for an intense final period.

In the fourth quarter, Groton inched closer, narrowing the margin to 37-27. Johnson was electric, scoring 10 points in the quarter and finishing with a game-high 20 points. Despite his efforts, West Central's steady free-throw shooting and composure under pressure kept the Tigers at bay.

Will Kuhl led West Central with a standout performance, tallying 23 points and anchoring the offense throughout the contest. West Central capitalized on their opportunities at the line, converting 15 of 26 free throws, while Groton managed just 4 of 8.

West Central's discipline and defensive intensity were key, overcoming 30 team fouls to maintain control. Groton, battling through 22 team fouls of their own, fought valiantly but couldn't overcome the early deficit.

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Ryder Johnson: 20 points (4 3-pointers), 3 rebounds, 1 steal, 4 fouls.

Karson Zak: 10 points, 7 rebounds, 1 assist, 3 fouls, 1 block.

Keegen Tracy: 2 points, 3 rebounds, 3 assists, 1 steal, 3 fouls.

Becker Bosma: 2 points, 3 rebounds, 2 assists, 1 steal, 3 fouls.

Easton Weber: 2 points, 1 turnover, 3 fouls.

Turner Thompson: 2 points, 1 rebound, 2 fouls.

Jayden Schwan: 1 foul, 1 block.

Gage Sippel: 4 rebounds, 1 foul.

Blake Pauli: 1 steal, 2 fouls.

Totals: Field Goals: 8-27 29%, 3-Pointers: 6-17 35%, Free Throws: 4-8, 50%, 21 rebounds, 11 turnovers, 6 assists, 4 steals, 22 fouls, 2 blocks.

West Central: Will Kuhl 23 points (2 3-pointers), Kolte Garry 8 points, Carter Gross 7 (1 3-pointer), Hayden Heier 5, Luke Knight 4, Connor Mebius 3, Carter Tetzlaff 2.

Free Throws: 15-26, 30 fouls.

Both Varsity games were broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Agtegra, Avantara Groton, Bierman Farm Service, BK Custom T's & More, Blocker Construction, Dacotah Bank, Groton Ag Partners, Groton Chamber, Groton Ford, John Sieh Agency, Jungle Lanes & Lounge, Locke Electric, Krueger Brothers, R&M Farms/Rix Farms, The Meathouse in Andover. Shane Clark called the girls game and Paul Kosel the boys game. Jeslyn Kosel operated the camera.

West Central Edges Groton Area in Nail-Biting Junior Varsity

In a thrilling boys' junior varsity basketball game, West Central overcame Groton Area with a 41-36 victory in a contest that was tightly contested from start to finish.

The game began with Groton jumping out to a quick 7-4 lead, but West Central answered with a strong push to close out the first quarter, surging ahead 8-7.

The back-and-forth battle continued in the second quarter. The game saw three ties, but West Central never relinquished its lead, heading into halftime with a 20-15 advantage.

West Central seemed poised to pull away early in the third quarter, opening up a 24-15 lead. However, Groton Area responded with an impressive 8-point run, briefly taking a 27-26 lead. West Central reclaimed the lead before the end of the quarter, holding a slim 28-27 edge heading into the final frame.

The fourth quarter was a rollercoaster of emotions for both teams. The lead changed hands four times, and the score was tied on three separate occasions, the last coming at 36 with less than a minute remaining. With the game on the line, West Central delivered clutch baskets down the stretch to secure the hard-fought victory.

Ethan Kroll led Groton Area with 11 points followed by Easton Weber with 10, Anthony Tracy 5, Jayden Schwan 4, Logan Warrington 4 and Jace Johnson 2. Carter Gross led the way for West Central with 11 points followed by Tanner Wagner with 9, Hayden Heier 8, Bubba Kono 6, Dylan Bettcher 3, Boche Knight 2 and Elliot DeJong 2.

The game was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by an anonymous person.

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West Central wins boys C game

Scoring for Groton Area: Jace Johnson 12, Zac Flihs 3, Anthony Tracy 4, Asher Johnson 12, Ethan Kroll 4.

Groton Tigers Secure Thrilling Victory Over West Central in JV Basketball Clash

The Groton Area Tigers and West Central Trojans squared off in an exhilarating junior varsity girls' basketball game that kept fans on the edge of their seats from start to finish. With momentum swinging back and forth, the Tigers came out on top, edging the Wildcats 29-27 in a nail-biting finish.

The game began with intensity, as both teams traded baskets in a first quarter that featured three lead changes. Groton managed to gain the upper hand late in the quarter, taking a slim 9-6 lead into the break.

In the second quarter, the Tigers found their rhythm. A 7-point scoring run extended their lead, and their defense held firm. Despite a push from West Central, Groton maintained a 16-12 advantage heading into halftime, with Chesney Weber leading the charge offensively.

The third quarter saw a determined West Central team claw their way back into the game. The Trojans tied the score at 18 and again at 20, matching Groton's defensive intensity and making clutch plays on both ends of the court. Neither team could pull away, and the quarter ended in a deadlock, 20-20.

The fourth quarter was a test of composure and grit. West Central struck first, taking an early lead and maintaining it for much of the period. Groton, however, refused to back down. The Tigers showed their poise at the free-throw line, going 7-for-10 in the quarter to keep the game within reach. With just two minutes remaining, Groton tied the game at 27, setting the stage for a dramatic finish.

With time winding down, Groton's McKenna Tietz stepped up in the clutch, sinking the Tigers' only field goal of the quarter with 34 seconds left on the clock. Her basket gave Groton a 29-27 lead, and their defense held strong in the final moments to secure the hard-fought victory.

Chesney Weber led the Tigers 12 points followed by McKenna Tietz with eight, Kella Tracy four, Makenna Krause 3 and Talli Wright 2.

Aubrey Borns led West Central with nine points followed by Bailey Stallman and Avery Eberhard with six each, Kaylie Schultz had three and Elisabeth Miller 2.

The game was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Dorene Nelson.

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Groton Area has three NEC Wrestling Champions

The Northeast Conference Wrestling Tournament was held Friday at the GHS Gym with Groton Area having three champions, one runner-up, two in third place and two in fourth place.

The champions were Liza Krueger in the girl's division at 107 pounds, Korbin Kucker in the boys 175 division and Gavin Englund in the boys 285 pound division. Christian Ehresmann placed second at 157 pounds. Those in third were Wyatt Hagen at 106 pounds and Kyson Kucker at 120 pounds. In fourth place were Lincoln Krause at 126 pounds and Donavon Block at 132 pounds.



Groton's Gavin Englund vs. Milbank's Lawson Navy. Englund won. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



Groton's Liza Krueger vs. Clark-Willow Lake's Emma Bochek. Krueger won. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



Groton's Kyson Kucker vs. Milbank's Tayson Tillma. Kucker won. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



Groton's Donavon Block vs. Clark-Willow Lake's Isaac Johnson. Johnson won. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



Groton's Ben Hoeft vs. Milbank's Reese Rabe. Rabe won. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



Groton's Chris Schwab vs. Hamlon's Dante DeGeest. Schwab won. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



Groton's Korbin Kucker vs. Britton-Hecla's Ben Suther. Kucker won. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



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Groton's Christian Ehresmann vs. Deuel's Gavin Klaus. Ehresmann won. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



Groton's Layne Johnson vs. Sisseton's Taylor Snaza. Snaza won. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)

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Groton's Wyatt Hagen vs. Sisseton's Aykre Piottner. Hagen won. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



Groton's Lincoln Krause vs. Milbank's Jacob Giles. Krause won. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)

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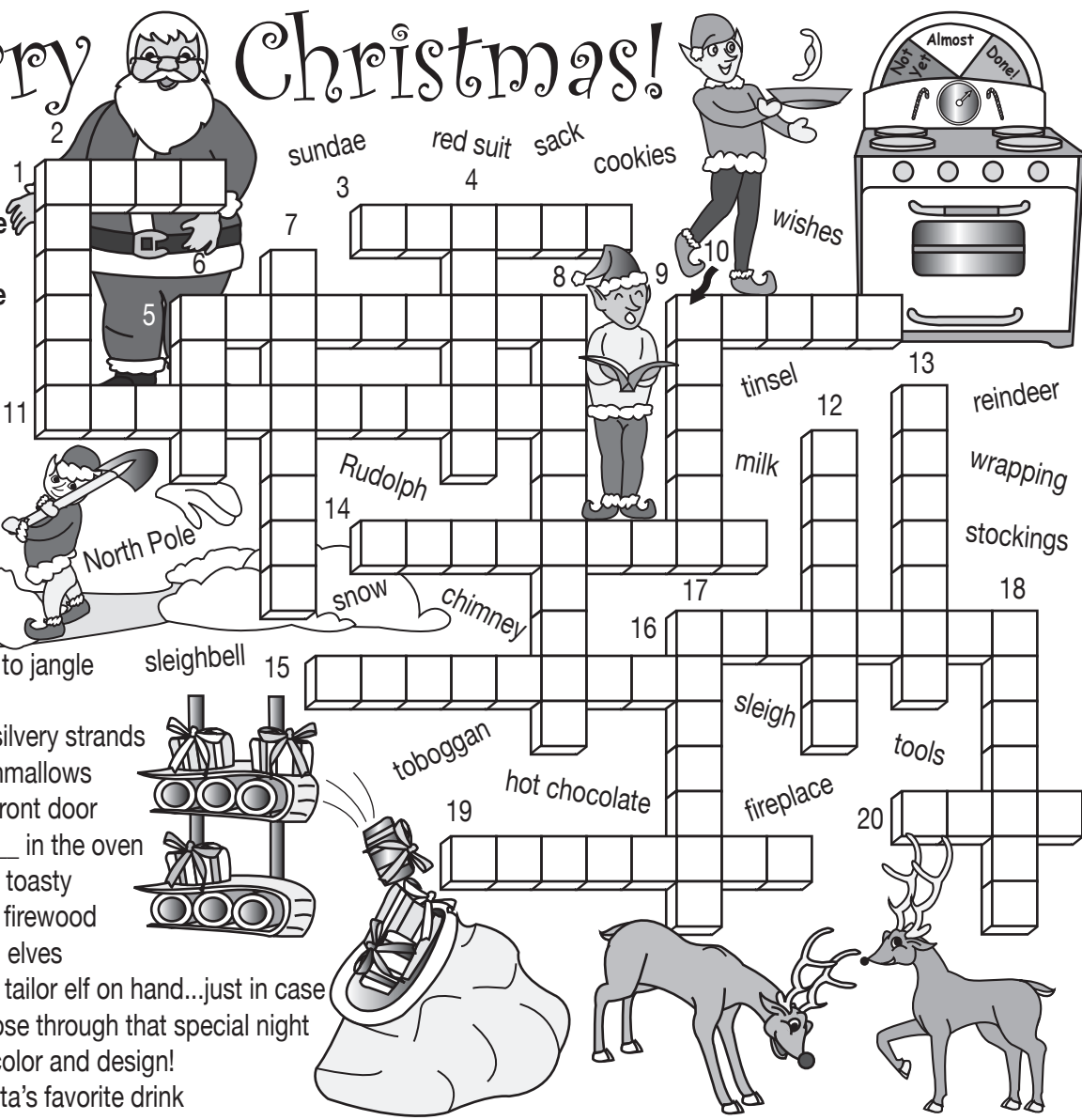
Kids: color stuff in!



Merry Christmas!

Read the clues to fill in the puzzle with things you may see in Santa's workshop:

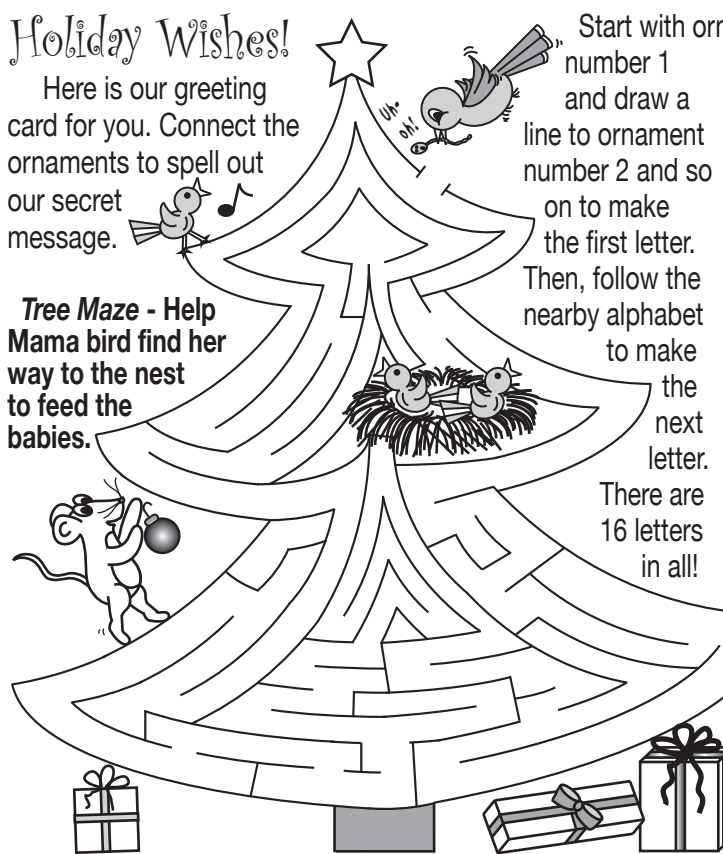
- soft, white blanket of this, frosting the top of buildings
- elves making upgrades to this in the garage
- a huge scroll of paper listing these of every girl and boy
- station overflowing with ice cream and every topping
- elves hang up their own on the special night
- wrapped toys tossed into a magic _____ for delivery
- elves travel by this and magic
- elf checking each _____ to make sure its jingle is ready to jangle
- elves using _____ to make hand-crafted wooden toys
- haywire _____ - making machine, covering shop with silvery strands
- dispensers mounted on the walls, complete with marshmallows
- a massive stone _____, but Santa enters through the front door
- Mrs. Claus' special kitchen always has a batch of _____ in the oven
- the _____ is a chilly place, but the workshop is always toasty
- each room has a working _____ that never runs out of firewood
- each of the _____ cared for by at least 3 animal-loving elves
- a special closet just for Santa's _____ - with a tailor elf on hand...just in case
- _____ eating big meals to have energy to power his nose through that special night
- giant rolls of _____ paper hanging from walls - every color and design!
- every refrigerator has at least 2 gallons of _____ - Santa's favorite drink



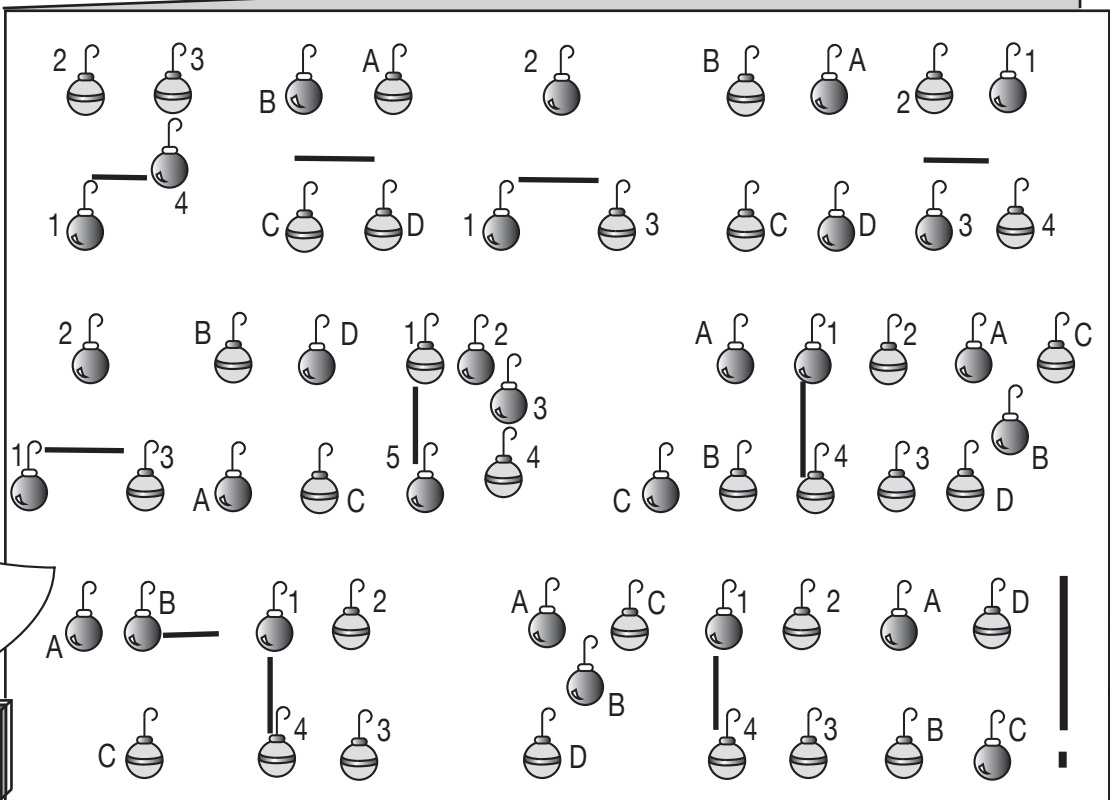
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Here is our greeting card for you. Connect the ornaments to spell out our secret message.

Tree Maze - Help Mama bird find her way to the nest to feed the babies.

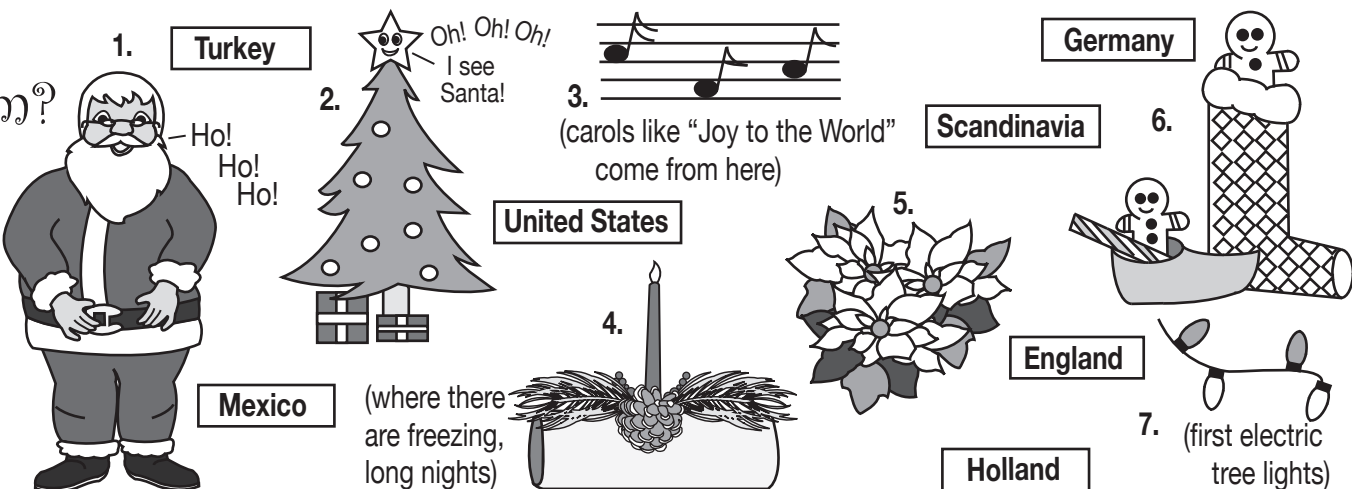


Start with ornament number 1 and draw a line to ornament number 2 and so on to make the first letter. Then, follow the nearby alphabet to make the next letter. There are 16 letters in all!



Where Do Our Customs Come From?

American Christmas customs and traditions come from all over the world. The very beginnings of most are hard to trace, but many were made popular in a known place. **Can you draw a line from each illustration of a custom to match it to the place that we probably borrowed it from?** (We put a few hints in the puzzle too.)



Groton Area Elementary Christmas Program



The Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten students sang, "Jingle Bells" and "We Wish You A Merry Christmas." (Photos by Elizabeth Varin)



The first grade students sang, "Go Tell It On The Mountain" and "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer." (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



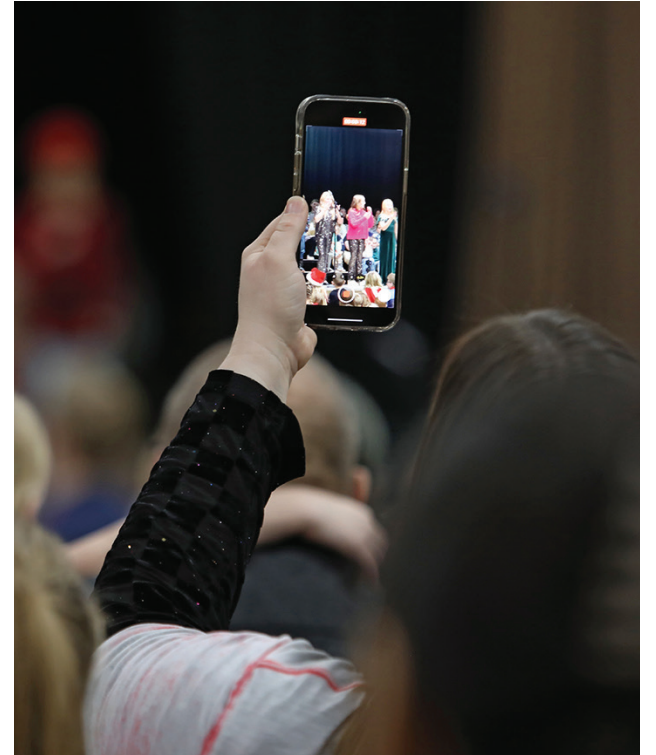
The second grade students sang, "We Three Kings" and "Joy to the World." (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



The third grade students sang, "Angels We Have Heard on High" and "Deck the Halls." (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



Landon Brown was the director for the Elementary Christmas Program. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



There were lots of phones being used to record the children during the Elementary Christmas Program held Friday. (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



Macee Benthin (on top) and Maci Dunbar during the class' performance of "The Twelve Days of Christmas." (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



ORDINANCE NO. 783
2024 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE #2
SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Groton, South Dakota that the following sums are supplementally appropriated to meet the obligations of the City of Groton and shall be effective immediately following passage.
E 101-41920 General Gov't Buildings: \$8,357.00
E 101-42100 Police: \$14,000.00
E 101-43100 Streets: \$2,700.00
E 101-45130 General Baseball: \$8,800.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS: \$33,857.00

SOURCE OF FUNDING
E 101-41110 City Council: \$2,500.00
E 101-41150 Contingency: \$4,646.00
E 101-41300 Elections: \$1,500.00
E 101-41410 Legal: \$4,500.00
E 101-41470 General Fin. Admin.: \$3,000.00
E 101-45123 Soccer: \$6,211.00
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The fifth grade students sang, "Camouflage and Christmas Lights" which was dedicated to all the people who may not get to be home for Christmas, "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree." (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)



The fourth grade students sang, "The Twelve Days of Christmas" and "My Favorite Things." (Photo by Elizabeth Varin)

Groton Prairie Mixed Bowling Week #7

Team Standings: Jackelopes 17, Shihtzus 15, Coyotes 15, Foxes 13, Cheetahs 12, Chipmunks 12 (Jackelopes won the first third!)

Men's High Games: Tony Waage 214, Roger Spanier 213, Butch Farmen 207

Women's High Games: Hayley Johnson 186, Alexa Schuring 181, Vicki Walter 174

Men's High Series: Butch Farmen 573, Tony Waage 554, Roger Spanier 537

Women's High Series: Alexa Schuring 481, Vicki Walter 474, Hayley Johnson 466

Fun Game – Least Strikes – Cheetahs with 17!

We will bowl again on the 8th of January at 7:30 PM!

Conde National League

Dec. 23 Team Standings: Giants 11, Braves 8, Cubs 5, Pirates 5, Mets 5, Stooges 2

Men's High Games: Dalton Locke 192, Chad Furney 176, Keith Baker 155

Men's High Series: Chad Furney 469, Dalton Locke 462, Skip Kettering 401

Women's High Games: Joyce Walter 189, Vickie Kramp 175, Nancy Radke 158

Women's High Series: Joyce Walter 475, Vickie Kramp 437, Nancy Radke 437, Suzi Easthouse 402

Krueger takes first at 3rd Annual Girls' Border Brawl

Liza Krueger took first place at the Girls' Border Brawl held Saturday at Ashley, N.D. She won two matches with a major decision and one with a pin.

106 Liza Krueger (14-1) placed 1st and scored 24.5 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Liza Krueger (Groton Area) 14-1 received a bye () (Bye)

Quarterfinal - Liza Krueger (Groton Area) 14-1 won by major decision over Vivian Backer (Bismarck Century) 7-8 (MD 11-3)

Semifinal - Liza Krueger (Groton Area) 14-1 won by tech fall over Lucia Cheverie (Dickinson) 7-3 (TF-1.5 3:29 (17-0))

1st Place Match - Liza Krueger (Groton Area) 14-1 won by decision over Monica Boakye (Minot) 9-2 (Dec 7-4)

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Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

The Minnesota Vikings traveled to Seattle to clash with the Seahawks on a rainy Sunday afternoon. Despite being up by 10 points in the first half, the Vikings found themselves down by three points with less than five minutes to go in the game. A masterful drive by Sam Darnold, combined with a game-sealing interception by Theo Jackson (who was filling in for an injured Harrison Smith), gave Minnesota the win. At 13-2, the Vikings are tied with the Lions for the top spot in the NFC, adding even more intrigue to their week 18 matchup in Detroit.

The Vikings got the ball to begin the game and marched 70 yards down the field on a 12-play drive that took nearly seven minutes off the clock and culminated in a Jordan Addison TD reception. Minnesota's defense was also locked in on their first drive, forcing the Seahawks to punt after a three-and-out.

A minute and a half into the second quarter, however, the Seahawks found the endzone to tie the score at 7-7. The two teams traded three-and-outs on the next two possessions, then the Vikings found their groove (and the endzone) again, with Darnold hitting Justin Jefferson for a 14-yard TD. On the first play of Seattle's next drive, Dallas Turner intercepted a Geno Smith pass giving the Vikings great field position which they turned into three points, making the score 17-7. After both teams traded punts again, Seattle put together a five-play, 88-yard TD drive, cutting the lead to three points going into halftime.

The Seahawks got the ball to start the second half and had an eight-play, 40-yard drive which ended with a field goal to tie the game. The Vikings responded with their own eight-play, 40-yard drive for a field goal to take back the lead. The rest of the third quarter was a snooze-fest, with four consecutive punts.

Down by three points in the fourth quarter, Seattle put together a great drive – going 68 yards on 11 plays that took 6:16 off the clock and found the endzone to give them a four-point lead. The Vikings wasted little time responding, going 70 yards in thirty seconds to score a TD and retake the lead. Seattle's ensuing drive stalled at the Vikings' 42-yard line and their 60-yard field goal attempt was short. The Vikings got the ball back at midfield with under two minutes left in the game, but couldn't sustain a drive and had to punt the ball back to the Se-

ahawks. The Vikings needed a stand by the defense, and they got it, as Theo Jackson intercepted a Geno Smith pass and sealed the game.

Sam Darnold completed 22 of 35 passes for 246 yards and three touchdowns.

Aaron Jones carried the ball 18 times for 67 yards and added another 26 yards on three catches.

Justin Jefferson had 10 receptions for 144 yards and two touchdowns, Jordan Addison had five receptions for 35 yards and a touchdown, and T.J. Hockenson only had two catches for 27 yards but they were both crucial for sustaining drives.

Blake Cashman led the defense with 12 tackles, Andrew Van Ginkel had both of Minnesota's sacks, and Dallas Turner and Theo Jackson each had an interception.

Looking ahead, the Vikings return home to battle a familiar foe when the Green Bay Packers come to town. The two teams met in week four, with the Vikings winning a close contest. This time the game is in Minnesota, which should give the Vikings an edge, but these divisional matchups are always unpredictable. If the Vikings bring their cheese graters and shred the Packers, it will set up a division-deciding week 18 matchup against the Lions. Skol!

"FDA Approval"

Most of my family dreads the thought of going to a museum with me. It really doesn't matter what the museum is, or how interested they might be in the subject, they'd prefer to do something, perhaps anything, else.



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I recognize that I am the problem. I love museums. One of my early memories is of exploring the King Tut exhibition at the Chicago Field Museum, and being drug out by my exasperated parents long before I was ready to leave. I wasn't done reading all that fascinating information.

Perhaps this explains why my Apple News Feed often presents me with historical trivia. Recently, I encountered a description of a patent medication marketed well into the 20th century that almost stopped my doctor heart. This particular product was targeted to parents, promising a myriad of benefits from soothing their fussy infant to freshening his breath. I have no doubt those fussy babies stopped crying. The combination of alcohol and opioids is generally pretty sedating. It is also pretty dangerous, and some of those babies never woke up.

It wasn't until the Pure Food and Drug Act of 1906 that companies were required to specifically identify the presence and amount of certain ingredients, at least in products sold across state lines. Importantly, this law did not prohibit the sale of ingredients like cocaine, chloroform, or formaldehyde in over the counter medications. It simply said that if those ingredients were present, and the product wasn't being sold in the same state where it was manufactured, the label had to say so. At least now those parents knew they were giving morphine to their children!

This same act prohibited "filthy, decomposed, or putrid animal or vegetable" material in food products. Admittedly, this applied only to items transported from out of state. If your groceries came from your own state, you were on your own.

Over time, amendments to that original law, court decisions, and new laws brought us to the expectations we as consumers have today:

- That manufacturer claims about food and medication are true
- That medications and medical devices are safe and effective
- That we can find information about the potential risks and side effects of a treatment
- That product labels are accurate
- That common allergens are identified
- That imported foods and medicines are held to the same standards as domestically produced products
- That ongoing monitoring of products occurs

Still, the system is imperfect. There aren't enough inspectors, and there isn't enough post-market testing. Changes in drug manufacturing processes have introduced risky chemicals that go undetected for years. Contaminated foods sicken and kill before they are identified and pulled out of the food chain.

Concerningly, people are often unaware that many products aren't regulated even to these imperfect standards. Herbal and nutritional supplements aren't reviewed even for safety prior to sale. Most skin and hair care products are classified as cosmetics and can also be marketed without any FDA approval (sunscreen is an exception).

History has important lessons to teach us. Maybe I should be dragging my family along to those museums after all.

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