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Members of the Groton Area football team stand outside of the charter bus as they prepare to leave Saturday morning from GHS.

## Gridiron team completes season with second trek to the west

Groton Area completed its season Saturday with a 38-7 loss to St. Thomas More in the state championship semifinal game played in Rapid City.

Turn to pages 6-7 for coverage of the game.

## Four named to All-State Soccer Team

Landon Larson and Jacob Milbrandt have been selected to the All State Soccer team. Luke Sternhagen and Wyatt Kurtz were named to the second team.

## Becker chosen Coach of the Year



**Mike Becker**

The primary purpose of the Coach of the Year award is to acknowledge coaches who get the most out of what they have in terms of player resources and school support. As the legendary coach Ronnie Theisz said, coaches should not be judged



The players were greeted by their fans as they walked to the locker room. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Seniors Jackson Doeden, Logan Lane, Wyatt Larson and Spencer Knecht walk on the field for the last time as Captains of the GHS football team. (Photo By Paul Kosel)

solely by what they did with the great players they had, but how they helped those players who needed help.

Frankly, Mike Becker has fit that role his entire coaching career at Groton Area. Like many A Division coaches, Becker has had to work productively with rosters listing players who varied not only widely in age, but in ability as well. It's like putting a big, active jigsaw puzzle together every week.


With a core of strong players this year, Groton Area marched through most of the competition, losing only to AA sides Pierre and Aberdeen Central and to James Valley Christian, a loss they avenged when it mattered in the semifinals. In mid-season, the Tigers drew with Sioux Falls Christian, which created a great atmosphere for the final.

The 2014 A Boys final exemplified what Becker brings every year to his teams. There's the never-say-die attitude that each player brings to the pitch, then there's the hard work and expectations. But the main ingredient for Becker's recipe for success is teamwork. He coaches for his team and each team member plays for the guys beside them.

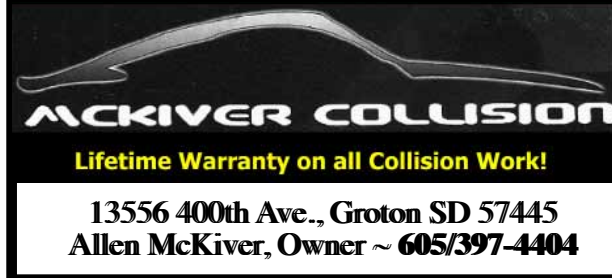
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## Soccer605 Announces Elite Eleven

Soccer605 is pleased to announce the players who have been selected for the 2014 Elite Eleven Teams for Class A and AA, along with the Player of the Year and Coach of the Year for each team.

At Soccer605, we are often asked, "How are players selected for the Elite Eleven teams?" First, to be considered for Elite Eleven, a player must demonstrate respect and sportsmanship. Does the player show respect for the game, teammates, coaches, officials and opponents?

Second, the player must demonstrate leadership, character and integrity on the team. When the chips are down, does the player pick his head up and do his best to help his team get back in the game? Does she support and encourage her teammates, even when they make mistakes? Does he hold himself and his teammates to a high standard, demanding the best of himself and bringing out the best in those around him on the pitch?

Third, does the player demonstrate a high level of competency on the field and leave a lasting impression on her teammates, her opponents, coaches and officials? Does she have a reputation as being an impact player, someone to watch – or watch out for – in a match?

While these aren't the only factors, they are key factors that can get a player noticed for the Elite Eleven "long list" during the first half of the season. Once the long list is compiled, at Soccer605 we reach out to our Elite Eleven Selection Panel across the state – high school coaches, college coaches, club coaches and referees – to gather more input, see if we are missing players, and begin narrowing down the long list to a short list.

Just as in forming any soccer team, based on the identified talent on the short list, we begin to conceive the formation we will use for the final team. If we have a lot of great midfielders who have been identified, we might go with a 3-5-2 formation. If we have some outstanding defenders, we might go with a 4-4-2. In some cases, a player may have played a different position during the high school season than we ultimately see him or her playing on the Elite Eleven team. Finally, using the input from observations of players during games, as well as other information, including statistics, we work our way to the final Elite Eleven. And while we receive and value input from folks across the state, the final decisions fall on us at Soccer605.

It isn't an easy process – there are so many more than eleven great players in each division across the state. With all of the teams not playing each other this year, it made it even more difficult to compare players who were never matched up on the pitch this season. Ultimately, as with any player selection process, the Elite Eleven decisions are subjective, and while you may not agree with our selections, we are sure you will agree that these teams would be formidable on the pitch! Please join us in congratulating the 2014 Elite Eleven Teams and the Coaches of the Year!

### Goalkeeper

- Chance Strom Senior Groton Area

### Defenders

- Sam DeSautel Senior Sioux Falls Christian
- Landon Larson Senior Groton Area
- Jayden Waldner Junior James Valley Christian

### Midfielders

- Lee Wynja Senior Sioux Falls Christian
- Tim Wager Junior James Valley Christian
- Joey Ten Napel Senior Sioux Falls Christian
- Jacob Milbrandt Senior Groton Area

### Forwards

- Ty Wynia Senior Hot Springs
- Spencer Lund 8th Grader St. Thomas More
- Paul Eide Junior Sioux Falls Christian

2014 Boys "A" Player of the Year – Lee Wynja of Sioux Falls Christian

2014 Boys "A" Coach of the Year – Coach Mike Becker of Groton Area

### Goalkeeper: Chance Strom Senior Groton Area

In the closest contest ever for an Elite Eleven keeper, Strom was on the radar all year as his team dispatched opponent after opponent. Playing in a system that likes to get lots of numbers forward presents a special situation for the keeper. Strom's save-per-shot ratio was better than any other keeper in the state. But it was his blocked PK in the championship shootout against Sioux Falls Christian while injured that propelled him above the competition. When his team needed him to perform, Strom was there every time for them.

### Defender: Landon Larson Senior Groton Area

Possibly the most feared defender in A Boys division, Larson was the guy who ran down through balls and took care of any attackers. Physical, fast and responsible, Larson anchored his team to allow numbers forward and went forward himself to take advantage of his height on corners and other set pieces.

### Midfielder: Jacob Milbrandt Senior Groton Area

A tough, smart, hard-working midfielder, Milbrandt is the kind of player they describe as making up the engine room in the middle of the park. Groton Area play an in-your-face style of soccer and Milbrandt exemplified that mentality – winning balls in the middle, supporting play going forward and finishing chances his team created.

## Friendly Fellows and Daisy 4-H

The Friendly Fellows and Daisy 4-H club met Nov. 2, 2014 at the Methodist Church in Claremont. The meeting was called to order by Dylan Frey. The American Pledge was led by Nicole Marzahn and the 4-H pledge was led by Colin Frey. Roll call topic was Favorite Halloween Candy. The Secretary's and Treasures reports were approved by Colin Frey and Braden Boe. There was no old business that followed. For new business Mike Frey discussed the Christmas party. Andrew Marzahn motioned to close new business and Kennedy Anderson seconded. The meeting was adjourned by Landen Marzahn and seconded by Mallory Miller. Kamryn Flihs gave a demonstration speech on Crazy Looms. Lunch was served by Kaitlyn and Kennedy Anderson. The next meeting will be December 2 at the Claremont Legion.

Submitted by Kaitlyn Ringgenberg

## Jills & Jeans 4-H

The November 9 meeting of the Jill's & Jeans 4-H club was called to order by president Emily Schwab. Flag pledges were led by Nick and Chris Schwab. Roll call, "What am I thankful for?" was answered. Secretaries and treasures reports were give and approved. Discussion about carnival was held. Thanks to everyone for all the hard work.

In new business 4-H online is open for reenrollment. Needs to be done the the end of December.

The Empty Bowls Build is November 15 at noon at the AARC Aberdeen.

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Character counts activity was led by Caitlyn Barse.

Next meeting is December 14 at 2:30. We will be Angel Tree Shopping.

Talk & lunch was served by Kansas Kroll

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## Getting a possible Million Dollar Bird



Philip Remington of Hutchinson, Minn., son of Larry and Glenna Remington, Groton, shot a banded pheasant on Oct. 24th, from the one hundred Brown county pheasants that were released in the Million Dollar bird contest. He won \$100 and was also entered in to the Million dollar drawing which will be in January.

The Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce is the sponsor of the contest. Each pheasant is worth at least \$100-\$500. In addition one band will be drawn for a chance to win one million dollars.

Philip is pictured with his son, Wyatt.



Colin Herron also shot a banded bird and he won \$100.

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## What to do with Bus #92

Randy Hjermstad hit a deer with Bus #92 and is in for repair. But the EMC Insurance Company had other ideas for the former Conde School activities bus. "It's one of the lowest mileage buses in the fleet," said Superintendent Joe Schwan. "It's 20 years old and is a stick shift, but it's one of the better buses we have and it's a dependable bus." The bus has 80,000 miles. The estimate of the repairs is \$4,264.

EMC wrote a letter to the school giving them two options. One was to total the bus at a cash value of \$4,000 and the deductible and fees, the school would get a check for \$3,500 and lose the bus. The second option was to get a check for \$2,100 with a \$1,400 salvage value and the school would keep the bus.

Board member Kelly Kjelden asked, "They (Harlow's of Webster) have our bus?" (yes) "They bought our surplus buses?" (yes) "And they won't play ball?"

Harlow's has bought the last two buses, but have not picked them up yet nor have they paid for them. Board member Merle Harder asked if the district could keep those two buses and use them for scrap to fix up Bus #92. "They're not going to resell them back to the school," Schwan said.

The board gave Superintendent Schwan the authority to work with the insurance company and come up with a way that the district can keep and repair Bus #92.

Elementary Principal Dan Dalchow reported that 33 bags of food are being delivered to students each week. Each bag costs \$7. The Foster Grandparent has worked with over 100 students through supplementary activities.

Middle/High School Principal Anna Schwan reported on the presentation given by Jamie Utt. She also reported that the American Legion flag burning ceremony scheduled for Veteran's Day has been cancelled due to the cold weather. The Veteran's Day program will be presented at 2:15 p.m. at the GHS Gym.

Superintendent Joe Schwan said if Groton's volleyball team makes it to state, decisions about the school schedule will be made, depending on when Groton would play.

Julie Erdmann, Emily Eichler, Anne Zoellner and Lynette Grieve are currently pursuing their Teaching and Learning Master's Degree through Northern State University. They gave the school board members a tablet where they had to complete a survey. It is part of a Needs Assessment program they were working on and their subject is the RtI program. They will use the results of the survey and put together a presentation for the next school board meeting.

The board approved the resignation of Ann Thorson as the cheerleading advisor for this season.

The board approved the use of a bus for St Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church for a youth event in Brookings on November 15. The cost is \$1.56 per mile for a total of \$396.24.

- Paul Kosel



**Anne Zoellner, Emily Eichler, Lynette Grieve and Julie Erdmann are pursuing their Master's Degree in education. They will be putting together a Needs Assessment for the RtI program at the next school board meeting.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Grant Rix takes a survey of the RtI questions presented at the school board meeting Monday night.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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## Groton School Honor Roll

### Seniors

4.0 GPA: Natalia Dohman, Kathleen Groeblichhoff, Luke Smith, Maryn Howard, Gabriel Dohman, Madison Colestock, Taylor Gustafson, Jacob Milbrandt, Sydney Thorson, Haley Unzen, Kasey Waage, Nicole Lewandowski, Rachel Blackmun, Lucas Sternhagen, Kaitlin O'Neill, Jackson Doeden, Kennedy Clark, Matthew Knecht, Jocelyn Peterson, Danielle Schinkel, Alyssa Sippel

3.99-3.50: Courtney Kurtz, Wyatt Larson, Brittany Kjelden, Tori Bjerke, Katherine LaMee, Sheldon Herr, Breanna Marzahn, Ashley Gibbs, Amanda Koens, Logan Lane, Michaela Cutler, Austin Merkel, Kyler Ell, Spencer Knecht, Nicholas Dalchow, Ethan Braun, Dylan Vogel

3.49-3.00: Kiana Kokales, Tyler Scott, Christine Herr, Chance Strom, Stormy Bahr, Landon Larson, Paige Pray

### Juniors

4.0 GPA: Maggie Simon, Marlee Jones, Martin Rygg, Megan Unzen, Lily Cutler, Hailey Hanson, Emily Raap, Carly Wheeting

3.99-3.50: Kiernan McCranie, Dustin Denson, Katie Miller, Jasmine Schaller, James Thompson, Laura Garcia, Mikaela Blumhardt, Jaden Oliver, Allison Weber, Jayleen Lier

3.49-3.00: Kari Hanson, Brady Graf, Kyle Miller Josephine Doeden, Adam Herman, Kaili Aberle, Angela Locke, Christopher Zarycki, Aubray Harry, Brody



**Landon, Nicole, Andrew and Breanna Marzahn were busy shoveling snow on their day off from school this afternoon. School was called off on Monday, Nov. 10, because of the storm that dropped six inches of snow on Groton. There was 0.56 inch of moisture in the snow. Superintendent Joe Schwan said this was probably in the running for the earliest that Groton has called off school. Former Superintendent Laura Schuster said she had called off school early in November as well. A severe winter storm hit the area on November 10, 1998.**

Sombke, Hayden Anderson

### Sophomores

4.0 GPA: Landon Marzahn, Erin Smith

3.99-3.50: Keri Pappas, Kelby Hawkins, Paityn Bonn, Nathan Fjellstad, Alexis Harder, Jessica Adler, Patrick Gengerke, Kate Helmer, Macy Knecht, Gabrielle Kramer

3.49-3.00: Shane Simon, Sean Schuring, Bennett Shabazz, Braiden Craig, Tevin Abeln, Kellyn Fluke, Katlyn Idt, McClain Lone, Whitney Voss, Emily Locke, Nicholas Achen, Tate Carda, Katelyn Koehler, Trey Wright, Halley Cranford

### Freshmen

4.0 GPA: Jenifer Fjellstad, Alexis Gustafson, Madilyn Wright

3.99-3.50: Madison Sippel, Marshall Lane, Alexandra Stange, Emilie Crosby, Brandon Keith  
3.49-3.00: Gia Gengerke, Emma Donley, Jackson Oliver, Erika Herr, Hattie Weismantel, Hannah Lewandowski, Anthony Sippel, Luke Thor-

son, Jessica Bjerke, Mitchel Thurston

### Eighth Grade

4.0 GPA: AnneMarie Smith

3.99-3.50: Cassandra Townsend, Kaitlyn Anderson, Tylan Glover, Alexis Simon, Ashley Garduno, Emily Thompson, Taylor Holm, Micah Poor, Wesley Jacobs

3.49-3.00: John Achen, Paige Snyder, Jennie Doeden, Lucas Hinman, Kylie Kasube, Shyla Larson, Samantha Menzia, Maggie Crosby, Kaitlyn Kassube

### Seventh Grade

4.0 GPA: Kayla Jensen

3.99-3.50: Kaycie Hawkins, Nicole Marzahn, Tadyn Glover, Katlyn Kyar, Rylee Rosenau, Madeline Schuelke

3.49-3.00: Payton

Colestock, Ashley Fliehs, Kya Jandel, KaSandra Pappas, Austin Jones, Grady O'Neill, Peyton Johnson

### Sixth Grade

4.0 GPA: Isaac Smith

3.99-3.50: Tanae Lipp, Erin Unzen, Trey Gengerke, Alexis Hanten, Kale Pharis, Sage Mortenson, Tessa Erdmann, Jasmine Gengerke, Grace Wambach, Alexa Herr, Samantha Pappas

3.49-3.00: Tiara DeHoet, Kaden Carda, Dragr Monson, Lucas Simon, Brooklyn Gilbert, Chandler Larson, Alyssa Fordham, Gabriella Merkel, Steven Paulson, Grace Wiedrick, Jack Achen, Alex Morris

### Groton Prairie Mixed

**Team Standings:** Jackelopes 7, Chipmunks 6, Pocket Gophers 4, Killer Chihuahuas 3, Foxes 3, Coyotes 1

**Men's High Games:** Roger Colestock 245, Brad Waage 203, Randy Stanley 199, Brad Larson 199

**Women's High Games:** Dar Larson 170, 166, Vicki Jorgensen 167, 158, Vicki Walter 158,

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**Women's High Series:** Brenda Waage 465, Vicki Jorgensen 463, Dar Larson 448

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# Groton stuns Milbank

## Advances to Region 1A Title Game against Sisseton

Milbank jumped out to a 4-1 lead before Groton scored 12 unanswered points to take a commanding 13-4 lead. The stunned Bulldogs were unable to over the deficit and Groton went on to win the first game, 25-17.

Milbank scored first in the second game, but the game was close through the first half with the game being tied eight times and there were three lead changes. When it was 13-12, Groton scored five straight points to take an 18-12 lead. The Bulldogs closed to within two, 21-19, but Groton scored the last four points to win, 25-19.

Milbank took a 3-0 lead in the third game. The momentum had shifted to Milbank as Groton never had the lead in the third game. The Bulldogs won, 25-17.

Groton came out in the fourth game and took the early lead, 4-1. The game was tied at 7, 8, 9, 15, 16 and 17 and the lead changed hands twice. Groton scored five straight points to take a 22-17 lead. A serving error and a hitting error by Groton and three kills by Milbank tied the game at 22. Josie Doeden had a kill to give the lead back to Groton, 23-22. Doeden followed with a block to make it 24-22. Ashley Gibbs had a kill and the Tigers upset the number one seed team of the regions with a 25-22 win.

Coach Chelsea Hanson said, "This was a big win for us. We really hadn't beaten a team that was ranked higher than us or had a better record than us all year and we pulled it off. We have been heading in the right direction for the last 6-7 games and with this team. We have been riding the peaks and the valleys. We played with composure, when we had them up 21-17 in the fourth set, Milbank rallied to tie the game. At the beginning of the season we would have not been able to stop their run and win, but we have come a long ways and reversed the trend. I am so proud of these girls, they've really pulled together the last few weeks and put the team first and they are starting to reap the benefits of that. It feels great to be in the Region Championship. We knew going into this tournament anybody could win on any night and the girls came out ready to play. I'm excited for them. They deserve to have some success for how hard they have



**Tori Bjerke scored on this hit to cut Milbank's lead to one, 14-13, in the fourth game.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)

worked."

Groton was 79 of 91 in serving with 15 ace serves. Audrey Wanner was 22 of 27 with seven ace serves and Marlee Jones was 16 of 18 with four ace serves.

In sets, Groton was 140 of 140 with 34 assists. Courtney Kurtz had 136 sets and 33 assists.

The Tigers were 133 of 155 in spikes with 36 kills. Josie Doeden was 36 of 44 with 15 kills and Ashley Gibbs was 36 of 43 with 11 kills.

Doeden had three of the team's four blocks and Tori Bjerke had one. Ashley Gibbs led Groton in digs with 36 while Kasey Waage had 26 and Audrey Wanner 19. Groton had a total of 133 digs.



Groton now plays Sisseton on Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Roncalli gym in the Region 1A championship game.



**This was the winning kill as Ashley Gibbs gives the ball a good hit and the Tigers stun Milbank with a 25-22 win in the fourth game.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Josie Doeden scored on this hit to cut the Milbank lead to 19-13 in the third game.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**The photo tells the story after Groton upset Milbank in the regions.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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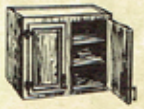
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# Groton Football Ends Season 7-4

It was 2011 when Groton played in a quarterfinal playoff football game. This year, the Tigers made it to the championship semifinals, but it was a journey, literally. Groton traveled nearly 1,500 miles within six days, first 391 miles to Custer on Monday, then 352 miles to Rapid City on Saturday. "We had a good crowd," said 14-year head Coach Shaun Wanner. Wanner has served as football coach longer than another other coach. "I'd like to thank everyone for come. It says something about our school and our communities. It meant a lot for the team to come that far to support them."

This journey was not as fruitful for the Tigers as St. Thomas More won, 38-7. "We knew we were going to struggle with their passing game," Wanner said. But even with the loss, Wanner had high praise for the Tigers. "We wouldn't have been playing in this game tonight if the kids weren't playing their best."

Groton had the first possession of the game. The Tigers were faced with a tough defensive line and on fourth and five, Groton had to punt. The Cavaliers fumbled the ball on the punt as Austin Merkel jumped on the lose ball. The Tigers were at their own 46 yard line, but again, on fourth and five, Groton punted. Once again, the Cavaliers fumbled the ball, but this time, they recaptured the ball, starting at their own 28 yard line.

Adam Herman broke up a deep pass, coupled with an unsportsmanship

penalty on the Cavaliers forced them to punt on fourth and 11.

Groton took over on its own 38 yard line. On fourth and one at its own 45 yard line, Groton punted.

St. Thomas More took over on its own 23 yard line. The Cavaliers got a pair of first downs before fumbling the ball, but they recovered it. A pass was broken up by Rayce Harder and on fourth and 11, St. Thomas More punted the ball.

Groton started at its own 12 yard line as the first quarter ended scoreless. Deep in its own territory, Groton had to punt on fourth and five. The ball went out bounds and the Cavaliers had excellent field position at the Groton 38 yard line with 10:39 left in the half. The first play of 10 yards was recalled by a Cavalier penalty. St. Thomas More got three first downs before Travis Mills scored on a four yard run. Luke Julian kicked the PAT and the Cavaliers held a 7-0 lead. That drive of 38 yards lasted 2:39 and there were five plays.

The Cavaliers kicked off and Spencer Knecht returned it to the Groton 31 yard line. He later got a first down as did Rayce Harder as Groton penetrated Cavalier territory at the 43 yard line. The snap was overthrown on third and nine and Groton was faced with fourth and 27 as the Tigers punted.

St. Thomas More started at its own 39 yard line. Wyatt Larson deflected a pass and Adam Herman had a throw-down tackle that knocked the wind



**Bennett Shabazz gains a few yards on this run.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Adam Herman made this catch to get the ball down close to the endzone before being tackled.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Jacob Milbrandt helped to make this tackle. On the other side helping was Rayce Harder.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)

out of the Cavalier player. St. Thomas More ended up punting on fourth and two.

Groton had the ball on its own 24 yard line with 1:59 left in the half. St. Thomas More called two time-outs to stop the clock. On third and eight, there was a late hit that was not called and as a result, the Tigers had to punt on fourth and four. St. Thomas More took over on its own 29 yard line. On the next play, Jake Aanderud caught the ball and ran the distance for a 71-yard touchdown with 38 seconds left. The PAT kick by Julian was good and St. Thomas More held

a 14-0 lead at halftime.

"That touchdown hurt us right before the half," Wanner said. "You have to play four good quarters with this team. They were very physical and they got after us. We played a good football team and our kids played hard."

Groton kicked off to start the second half. The Cavaliers had a huge kick-off return, starting from their own two yard line and returning it to the Groton 30 yard line. A penalty on Groton put the Cavaliers on the Tiger 13 yard line. On second and five, Travis Mills scored on an eight yard run. The PAT kick was wide left

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**Brian Schuring gave Gabe Dohman some tips as Dohman kept track of defensive stats. Schuring did the offensive stats in the absence of Tom Woods.**  
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and the Cavaliers led, 20-0, with 11:19 left in the third quarter.

Knecht caught the ball in the endzone, so Groton took over on its own 20 yard line. Knecht ran for a first down, but then the Tigers had to punt on fourth and five.

St. Thomas More started at its own 21 yard line. A seven yard gain was recalled because of a facemask penalty. Logan Lane then had a sack and it was third and 21. Adam Herman deflected a long pass and the Cavaliers punted as Groton took over on the Cavalier 45 yard line. Knecht ran for a first down. Then with 5:30 left in the third quarter, Adam Herman caught a pass to score on a 30-yard play. Jacob Milbrandt kicked the PAT and it was 20-7. The Tiger drive went 55 yards in three plays in 1:27.

The Groton excitement was quickly drowned up as the Cavaliers quickly scored on a 22 yard pass play to Cole Thompes. The Cavaliers ran in the PAT and it was 28-7 with 2:47 left in the third quarter.

Groton started at its own 36 yard line, but the Tigers had to punt on fourth and 10. A bad snap by the Tigers put St. Thomas More on the Groton 22 yard line. Four plays later, Cole Thurness was all alone in the corner of the endzone as he caught the ball for the touchdown. The PAT kick was good and it was 35-7 with 23 seconds left in the third quarter.

Groton started out at its own 26 yard line. Doeden was sacked and on fourth and 14, Groton had to punt. The Cavaliers took over on its own 49 yard line. It took a measure-

ment to give the Cavaliers a first down to the Groton 39 yard line. Thurness caught the ball at the Tiger four-yard line. The Tiger defense tried to stop St. Thomas More. Knecht had a sack. Carter Jondahl had a sack. Alec Voss grabbed the feet of a runner to stop an escape. The Cavaliers ended up going for a field goal as Luke Julian kicked a 22 yard field goal with 7:34 left in the game.

The Tigers ended up punting on fourth and five on its next possession. St. Thomas more got a first down on third and 13 and they got another first down putting the Cavaliers at the Tiger 31 yard line. On fourth and third, St. Thomas More attempted a field goal which was way short. The Tigers put in a few reserve players during its last drive of 1:18 as the game ended.

Groton had five first downs, carried the ball 40 times for 63 yards with Spencer Knecht having 22 carries for 56 yards and Bennett Shabazz having five carries for 19 yards. Jackson Doeden completed three of seven passes for 49 yards. Adam Herman had one catch for 30 yards, Spencer Knecht had one for 10 yards and Rayce Harder had one for nine yards. The Tigers had no fumbles and had five penalties for 48.5 yards. Leading tacklers were Knecht with 11, Carter Jondahl nine, Doeden eight, Shabazz six and Alec Voss five.

St. Thomas More had 15 first downs and carried the ball 32 times for 151 yards with Matthew Eastmo having nine for 41 yards, Travis Mills 11 carries for 40 yards and Cole Thurness two car-



**Notice the St. Thomas More defender reaching right through Jackson Doeden and grabs ahold of Spencer Knecht. Knecht escapes the hold to gain a few yards on the run.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Late in the game, Kelby Hawkins handed the ball off to Seric Shabazz.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)

ries for 23 yards. Eastmo completed 11 of 14 passes for 229 yards and Preston Prity completed one pass for 20 yards. Jake Randerud had one catch for 71 yards, Alex Keegan had three for 60 yards and PJ Freidel had one catch for 20 yards. The Cavaliers lost one of two fumbles and had six penalties for 62.5 yards. Leading tacklers were Lincoln Feist with 11, Hunter Collins 10 and Cameron Fees and Cole Thurness each had six.

Despite the loss, the Groton fans showed their support for their team. It became an emotional time, especially for the seniors, who had played their last football game for GHS. Brittany Kjelden ended her seven-year run as the Tiger's water girl. "It's been a good year," Wanner said. "After being 0-2 to start the season, we came back and played well the rest of the season. We got better as the year went on and this is one they will always remember." The Tigers

also were the runner-up in the Northeast Conference. Groton finishes the season with a 7-4 record. "Now the underclassmen will have to go to work and get ready for next year."

- Paul Kosel



**Rayce Harder made the catch and got a first down for the Tigers.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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**Brown County Nov. 4 General Meeting**



NOVEMBER 4, 2014 – GENERAL MEETING

Meeting called to order by Chairman Sutton at 8:45 A.M. in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Hansen, Fischbach, Kippley and Wiese. Chairman Sutton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MINUTES:** Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to approve the Joint City/County Meeting minutes of October 28, 2014. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to approve the General Meeting minutes of October 28, 2014, with the following addendum: Richard Hilgamann reported that the driver's license number on the copy of the voter registration card issued on Feb 14, 2000 that he had requested was a social security number. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS:** Moved by Kippley, seconded by Wiese to approve the following claims:

**Payroll:** Commission \$3,527.51; Commission Assistant/Human Resources \$3,992.74; Auditor \$7,327.72; Treasurer \$11,647.67; Data Processing \$3,186.40; State's Attorney \$14,554.69; Blood Draws \$500.00; SVA-WA Grant \$1,825.94; Maintenance \$6,049.45; Assessor \$12,733.30; Register of Deeds \$8,440.47; Veterans Service Office \$3,467.74; GIS \$2,147.60; Sheriff Admin \$31,330.89; Jail \$33,135.05; Coroner \$0.00; JDC \$15,818.62; HD \$5,217.06; Welfare Office \$3,404.47; Museum \$6,928.16; Parks & Fairgrounds \$5,048.04; Fair Board \$3,991.24; 4-H \$0.00; Weed \$2,796.80; Planning and Zoning \$1,538.46; Highway \$49,921.78; Communications \$22,850.95; Emergency Management \$3,209.72; Teen Court \$79.43; 24/7 \$2,683.54; Landfill \$12,550.29

**Matching Benefits:** FICA \$17,354.15; Medicare \$4,058.60; Life \$682.08; Dental \$6,373.04; Health Insurance \$106,501.04; Retirement \$49,873.82

**Insurance:** SD Public Assurance Alliance \$200.00.

**Professional Fees:** Avera St. Luke's \$14,880.06; Denise Cody \$15.00; Dakota Plain Surgical \$493.09; Joan Kittelson \$15.00; Kozetzky Law Office \$214.00; LGB \$6,013.51; Lucy Lewno \$150.49; Lincoln Co. Treasurer \$18.00; Midstates Printing \$75.00; SDN Communications \$312.50; Sivertsen Technology \$4,825.00; Yankton Co. Sheriff Office \$25.00; Sara Zahn \$38.00.

**Publishing:** Aberdeen American News \$360.16; Dex Media \$53.55.

**Rentals:** Jerke Rentals \$150.00.

**Repairs & Maintenance:** Butler Machinery \$106.19; Cunningham Electric \$607.38; Dakota Tree Co. \$5,000.00; Double D Body Shop \$45.60; G & R Controls \$575.00; Graham Tire \$666.74; Great Western Tire \$149.00; Marco \$87.12; SD Dept. of Transportation \$55,990.76.

**Supplies:** A & B Business \$273.07; Bonnie Bitz \$216.00; Brite Computers \$55.00; Butler Machinery \$66.22; CNA Surety \$50.00; Crawford Trucks & Equip. \$1,264.60; Cunningham Electric \$8,248.38; DSG \$324.50; Domino's Pizza \$246.24; FedEx \$20.59; Fire Safety First \$105.95; GovConnection \$284.69; Great Western Tire \$12,478.66; J. Gross Equip. \$680.96; Kessler's \$98.78; Lien Transportation \$15,217.71; Mac's \$774.15; Marco \$136.76; Menards \$108.71; Nat'l 4-H Council \$19.11; Premier Biotech \$702.71; Running's \$224.23; SD Dept. of Public Safety Office \$2,340.00; TrueNorth Steel \$244.00; VanDiest Supply Co. \$6,955.68.

**Travel & Conference:** Execu-

tive Mgmt. \$980.42; Barry Kusler \$129.72; Leo Leshner \$380.70; Gene Loeschke \$265.55; Russell Metz \$279.18; Pennington Co. Sheriff's Office \$453.06; Cathy Sauer \$9.87.

**Utilities:** AT & T \$231.03; BDM Rural Water \$35.00; CenturyLink \$289.96; Midcontinent \$128.79; NWPS \$8,445.68; Web Water \$68.83. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL:** Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Wiese to approve the following employee step increases, effective November 9, 2014: Andrew Janusz @ \$14.68 per hour, Sheila Anderson @ \$18.35 per hour, Michael Ernst @ \$16.93 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Wiese, seconded by Hansen to amend the meeting minutes of October 28, 2014 to approve employee classification change from part-time to regular part-time for 24/7 Coordinator Teresa Gauer at \$11.94 per hour, to add effective of November 9, 2014. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Wiese, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign request to fill vacancy for a part-time Corrections Officer. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**LIBRARY AGREEMENT:** Moved by Kippley, seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize the Chairman sign agreement with the City of Aberdeen for the purpose of having unified library service for the residents of Brown County for 2015 in amount of \$12,000.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**COLUMBIA AREA RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT:** Time and place, as advertised for public hearing to consider the petitions filed by qualified voters in the proposed district for the establishment of the Columbia Area Rural Fire Protection District. Kari Bartling, Attorney, Cory Mitchell, Trevor Meints and Brian Dennert were in attendance to answer questions. After discussion the following action ensued:

Commissioner Kippley offered the following Resolution: **RESOLUTION #77-14. ORDER ESTABLISHING COLUMBIA AREA RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BROWN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.** WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, acting upon Notice of Hearing on Petitions for the formation of the proposed Columbia Area Rural Fire Protection District, having been given by the County Auditor of Brown County, South Dakota under date of the 14th day of October 2014, and WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, in regular session, this 4th day of November, 2014 at 9:00 o'clock A.M., in the Commissioners Chambers, Brown County, South Dakota, having met, and all persons residing in or owning taxable property within the proposed district having had an opportunity to be heard respecting the formation of said District or the location of the boundaries thereof, and WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, have determined that the proposed Columbia Area Rural Fire Protection District is suited to the general fire protection policy of Brown County, South Dakota, as a whole, and having determined the boundaries of the proposed district are determined and established as embracing and including all or a portion of the area and real properties within the boundaries of the City of Columbia, Town of Westport; Westport, Garland, Columbia, Ordway, Cambria and portions of Shelby and Brainerd Townships; and all plats and subdivisions within said area, as set forth in the Petition in this matter, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, that the proposed Columbia Area Rural Fire Protection District is suited to the general fire protection policies of Brown County, South Dakota, as a whole, and that the boundaries

of said Columbia Area Rural Fire Protection District be, and they are, determined and established as embracing and including all or a portion of the area and real properties within the boundaries of the City of Columbia, Town of Westport; Westport, Garland, Columbia, Ordway, Cambria and portions of Shelby and Brainerd Townships; and all plats and subdivisions within said area, and all plats and subdivisions within said area, such area covering 240 square miles more or less, specifically described as:

**Brainerd Township:** Sections 13, 14, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 34, 35, and 36, Township 126N, Range 63 West of the 5th P.M. and Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 29, 30, 31 and 32, Township 126N, Range 62 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota.

**Shelby Township:** Sections 13, 14, 15, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35 and 36, Township 126N, Range 62 West of the 5th P.M. and Sections 17, 18, 19, 20, 29, 30, 31 and 32, Township 126N, Range 61 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

**Westport Township:** Sections 1 through 24 (except Town of Westport), Township 125N, Range 64 West of the 5th P.M. and Sections 6, 7, 18, 19, and 30, Township 125N, Range 63 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

**Garland Township:** Sections 1-5, 8-17 and 20-29, Township 125N, Range 63 West of the 5th P.M., and Section 5, 6, 7 and 18, Township 125N, Range 62 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

**Columbia Township:** Sections 1-4, 8-17, and 19-36 (except the City of Columbia), Township 125N, Range 62 West of the 5th P.M. and the W 1/2 and the NE 1/4 of Section 11; the W 1/2 and the NE 1/4 of Section 15; Sections 16-20; the N 1/2 of Section 21; the W 1/2 and the NE 1/4 of Section 29; Sections 30 and 31, all in Township 125N, Range 61 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

**Ordway Township:** Sections 1 through 36 (except Prairiewood Township located in Section 33), Township 124N, Range 63 West of the 5th P.M., and Sections 31 and 36, Township 125N, Range 63 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

**Cambria Township:** Sections 1 through 36, Township 124N, Range 62 West of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota;

**Town of Westport:** Brown County, South Dakota;

City of Columbia: Brown County, South Dakota. and that the said Columbia Area Rural Fire Protection District be, and the same hereby is, established as aforesaid, pursuant to SDCL 34-31A. That the County Auditor is hereby directed to designate a time and place for an election, pursuant to law to determine if the organization of the Columbia Area Rural Fire Protection District shall be completed. Dated this 4th day of November 2014 at Aberdeen, Brown County, South Dakota. Seconded by Commissioner Hansen. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Wiese-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:** Moved by Kippley, seconded by Wiese to go into executive session to discuss personnel, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) with Larry Lovrien and Gary Vetter in attendance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chairman declared the executive session closed, with no action taken as a result of the discussion. Moved by Wiese, seconded by Fischbach to go into executive session to discuss personnel, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) with Tom Schmitt, Kathy Neitzel, Larry Lovrien and Gary Vetter in attendance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chairman declared the executive session closed, with the following action taken as a result of the discussion: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to approve employee classification change for Sandy Woytassek from part-time to regular part-time, effective

November 9, 2014 @ \$13.58 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**KNIGHT TRUCKING:** A representative from Knight Trucking informed the Commission that a request to place a sign on the closed portion of the S Hwy 281 service road had been denied by the City Planning Commission. Gary Vetter, Commission Assistant will research lease options and inquire about the sign denial.

**LIVE STREAMING OF COMMISSION MEETINGS:** Mike Wiese presented a cost estimate of \$1,433.00 prepared by Paul Sivertsen for recording the Commission Meetings and publishing the information to the Web. Moved by Wiese to approve proposal in estimated amount of \$1,433.00 for equipment for recording the Commission Meetings and publishing them to the Web. Motion died for lack of a second. The topic will be on the agenda next week for further discussion.

**BCCHC REPORT:** DeAnna Kyburz presented the Brown County Community Health Center Report for July – September 2014.

**P/Z DISCUSSION:** Scott Bader, Planning and Zoning Director discussed condition of County owned vehicle and requested permission to apply for the ASFPD Certified Floodplain Manager Program. The Commission authorized routine maintenance to the County owned vehicle transferred to Planning & Zoning, with budget to be supplemented if needed. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to approve and authorize the Chairman sign application for Scott Bader's participation in the ASFPD Certified Floodplain Manager Program. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**RECESS:** The Chairman declared the Commission recessed until Monday, November 10, 2014.

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**Brown County Nov. 4 Joint Meeting**



NOVEMBER 4, 2014 - JOINT CITY/COUNTY MEETING

The Brown County Commission and the Aberdeen City Council met in joint session at 8:45 A.M. in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present from City were Council Members Bunsness, Johnson, Ronayne, Rux and Mayor Levsen. Absent were Council Members Campbell, Remily, Slaight-Hanson and Swanson. Present from County were Commissioners Hansen, Kippley, Fischbach, Wiese and Sutton.

**ORDINANCE #14-10-01/440:** On motion by Rux and seconded by Johnson, the City unanimously voted to adopt Ordinance #14-10-01/440.

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Wiese to adopt Ordinance #14-10-01/440, An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (R-2) Medium Density Residential District, said property being described as follows: Lot 1, Parkway Subdivision in the SE 1/4 of Sec 20-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (1760 S Melgaard Road). Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Wiese-aye, Sutton-aye. Ordinance adopted.

**ORDINANCE #14-11-02/441:** On motion by Bunsness and seconded by Ronayne, the City unanimously voted to set hearing date for Ordinance #14-11-02/441, to be held in the Brown County Commission Chambers at 8:45 a.m. on November 25, 2014.

Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Wiese to set public hearing for Ordinance #14-11-02/441, an Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described

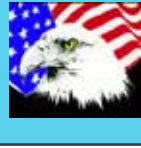
property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (R-2) Medium Density Residential District: Lot 8, Auditor's 2nd Subdivision in the SE 1/4 of Sec 27-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (2728 S Hwy 281), to be held in the Brown County Commission Chambers at 8:45 a.m. on November 25, 2014. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

The City Council adjourned and the County Commission continued in regular session.

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**Brown County Columbia Fire Dist V.Reg.**



**NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR VOTER REGISTRATION**

Voter registration for the Columbia Area Rural Fire Protection District Election to be held on December 11, 2014, will close on November 26, 2014. Failure to register by this date will cause forfeiture of voting rights for this election. If you are in doubt about whether you are registered, call the Brown County Auditor at (605) 626-7110.

Registration may be completed during regular business hours at the county auditor's office, municipal finance office, secretary of state's office and those locations which provide driver's licenses, food stamps, TANF, WIC, military recruitment, and assistance to the disabled as provided by the Department of Human Services. You may contact the county auditor to request a mail-in registration form or access a mail-in form at www.sdsos.gov or www.brown.sd.us

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**Brown County Malsam Rezoning Notice**



**NOTICE OF JOINT HEARING OF THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL**

**AND THE BROWN COUNTY COMMISSION**

**REGARDING PETITION TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY**

A public hearing will be held by the Aberdeen City Council and the Brown County Commission on the 25th day of November 2014, beginning at 8:45 a.m. in the Brown County Commission Chambers, 25 Market Street, to consider the Petition filed by Jon Malsam to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (R-2) Medium Density Residential District, said property being described as follows:

Lot 8, Auditor's Subdivision in the SE 1/4 of Sec 27-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (2728 S Hwy 281)

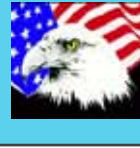
The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present testimony and comments pertaining to the Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the above described property. At the conclusion of the hearing, the council may adopt first reading of Ordinance #14-11-02/441 granting Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 and granting the Petition to Rezone said property. Dated this 4th day of November 2014.

ATTEST: Karl Alberts, Finance Officer

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (1111.1118)

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**Brown County Ord. 440 Approved Rieger**



**ORDINANCE #14-10-01/440 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1164**

**TO REZONE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Aberdeen, South Dakota, that the Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property filed by Dwight Rieger of Rieger Associates, Inc. is hereby granted and Ordinance No. 1164 is hereby amended to change the zoning on the following described property from (A-1) Agricultural District to (R-2) Medium Density Residential District, said property is described as follows:

Lot 1, Parkway Subdivision in the SE 1/4 of Sec 20-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD, (1760 S Melgaard Road).

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Aberdeen, South Dakota, that the zoning official for the County of Brown is hereby authorized to change the official zoning map for the County of Brown to reflect this Ordinance.

Notice of Hearing: October 15 & 22, 2014

Passed First Reading: October 28, 2014

Passed Second Reading: November 4, 2014

Published: November 12, 2014

Effective Date: December 2, 2014

Duane Sutton, Chairman Brown County Commission

ATTEST: Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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**Larry Leidholt Estate Notice**



**STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF BROWN IN CIRCUIT COURT FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LARRY J. LEIDHOLT, DECEASED.**

PRO. 014-095

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is given that on the 22nd day of September, 2014, James B. Leidholt, whose address is 624 7th St., SE, Devils Lake, ND 58301 and Tabitha A. Leidholt Gonnerman, whose address is 511 Westridge, Carroll, Iowa 51401, were appointed as personal representatives of the estate of Larry J. Leidholt.

Creditors of the decedent must file their claims within four (4) months after the date of the appointment of the personal representative on the 4th day of November, 2014, or within sixty (60) days after the date of mailing or delivery of this written notice, whichever is later, or be forever barred.

Claims may be filed with the personal representative or may be filed with the Clerk of Courts and a copy of the claim mailed to the personal representative.

Dated this 4th day of November, 2014.

/s/ James B. Leidholt

James B. Leidholt  
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Devils Lake, ND 58301

701/350-2754

/s/ Tabitha A. Leidholt Gonnerman

Tabitha A. Leidholt Gonnerman

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## Groton City Outer Most Point of Structure



ORDINANCE No. 697

An Ordinance Entitled: "An Ordinance Amending the 2012 Revised Planning and Zoning Ordinance For the City of Groton As It Pertains To Definition of Terms."

Be It Ordained By the City of Groton that the following paragraph be added in Section 5.01 Definitions to read as follows:

5.0102 Specific Terms.

Outer Most Point of Structure. The point of the structure that extends closest to the outside measurement of the lot. This would include a wall, overhang, decorative projections attached to the structure, bay windows, egress windows wells, decks, or entry steps. But it would not include patios, driveways, sidewalks, or detachable equipment such as a heat pump or air conditioner or similar utility equipment.

Passed First Reading - 10/20/14

Passed Second Reading - 11/3/14

Published - 11/12/14

Effective Date - 12/3/14

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## Groton City Sidewalk Repair Ordinance



ORDINANCE NO. 696

An Ordinance Entitled: "An Ordinance Amending the 2012 Revised Ordinances For the City of Groton As It Pertains To Sidewalks."

Be It Ordained By the City of Groton that the following paragraph be amended in section 9-2-4 to read as follows:

924 Property Owner Responsible for Sidewalk Repair. It shall be the duty of the person in possession of any lot, parcel, or plot of ground fronting or abutting upon any sidewalk, to keep such sidewalk in repair as provided by SDCL 9462. Once a sidewalk has been placed along a property it can not be removed without replacement.

Passed First Reading - 10/20/14

Passed Second Reading - 11/3/14

Published - 11/12/14

Effective Date - 12/3/14

Published once at the total approximate cost of \$5.84.

## Groton City Nov. 3 Meeting Minutes



November 3, 2014

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7pm at City Hall for their regular first monthly meeting with the following members present: Opp, Glover, Muilenburg, McGannon, Flihs, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Councilman Blackmun was absent. Also present were: Attorney Drew Johnson, Shawn Lambert, Finance Officer Lowary and representatives from the press.

The minutes were approved as read on a motion by Glover and seconded by Opp. All members present voted aye.

A change order for a reduction of \$49,235.83 which are the final quantities on the West Street Reconstruction with Robert Johnson Construction was approved on a motion by McGannon and seconded by Flihs. All members present voted aye.

The financial report was approved on a motion by Muilenburg and seconded by McGannon. All members present voted aye.

Councilman Blackmun enters the meeting at this point.

The following bills were approved for payment on a motion by Muilenburg and seconded by Opp. All members present voted aye.

Executive Payroll 646.47 salaries; Administrative Payroll 5,876.87 salaries; Public Safety Payroll 13,328.87 salaries; Public Works Payroll 13,900.30 salaries; Cult & Recr Payroll 446.74 salaries; 1st State Bank 7,180.39 ss & wh; City of Groton 702.51 dep ref, postage, util; US Post Office 205.91 postage; Jerry Sundling 11.44 dep refund; Steve Tewsbury 50.00 dep refund; 1st State Bank 30.00 fees; Safety Benefits 65.00 conf; April Abeln 218.50 dep flex; Buhls 30.50 rug rent; Chase Visa 1,779.61 motels, post, tools, bks, supp, regist; Colonial Research 172.70 grease; Dakota Electronics 148.00 wire, mic; Dakota Press 715.68 publishing; Duanes 680.40 gas, tire repair, filter; Farmers Union Coop 920.22 dsl; Galls 132.44 boots, light; Heartland Waste 6,170.22 garbage hauling; Hydro Klean 6,579.17 sewer cleaning; J & M Aircraft Supply 48.78 windsock; J Gross Equipment 371.45 cylinder; James Valley Tele 727.84 phone, internet; Jensen Feed & Grain 1,129.98 road salt; Johnson, Drew 1,200.00 legal services; Robert Johnson Const 28,739.90 st const; Liquid Engineering 2,480.00 reservoir insp; Locators & Supplies 122.09 paint, flags; NW Energy 1,123.05 nat gas; Olson Backhoe 162.75 digging; Patios Plus 5,435.88 footings; Runnings 83.48 fluid, tire; S & S Lumber 510.76 tools, supplies; SD Dept of Health 52.00 testing; SD Federal Surplus Property 74.00 tank, tools; SD Retirement 7,803.18 retirement; St Paul Stamp Works 102.01 dog tags; Steven Lust Automotive 134.34 repairs; Verizon Wireless 41.61 gate comm.; WEB Water 12,513.59 water; Wells Fargo Securites 8,182.00 06 C&G; Wesco 132.00 supplies

Repairs to the brick on the jail were discussed. The quote from an out of town masonry was double the local quote. The building is used only for storage and concerns on costs were expressed. If the repairs are not made, Opp suggested selling the lot and building as is. The discussion was tabled until more information is available.

A study on Grotons water rates was presented. Moved by Glover and seconded by Muilenburg to give 1st Reading on Ordinance No. 700, Water Rates. All members present voted aye.

The 2015 street project was discussed. Moved by McGannon and seconded by Glover to proceed with bidding the 3 blocks of W 5th Ave with an asphalt surface as an alternative. All members present voted aye.

Moved by McGannon and seconded by Opp to give second reading to Ordinance No. 696, Sidewalk Replacement Regulations. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Glover and seconded by Opp to give second reading to Ordinance No. 697, Definition of the Outermost Point of a Structure. All members present voted aye.

At 8:02pm the Council adjourned into executive session to discuss personnel and benefits on a motion by Opp and seconded by Flihs. All members present voted aye. At 9:48pm Council reconvened into regular session. A special meeting was set for Nov 10 at 7pm to continue discussion of the insurance renewal and wages for 2015.

Meeting adjourned. Scott Hanlon, Mayor Anita Lowary, Finance Officer Published once at the total approximate cost of \$26.48.

## Groton City Nov. 6 Meeting Minutes



November 6, 2014

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 9:22am at City Hall for a special meeting regarding airport regulations with the following members present: Opp, Glover, Muilenburg, Blackmun, Flihs and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Councilman McGannon was absent. Also present were: Finance Officer Lowary, and Paul Kosel.

Jason Engbrecht, SD Dept of Transportation, met with

the Council to discuss concerns regarding the Groton airport. Since the runway does not currently meet length and width regulations, Groton had been removed from the South Dakota listing and the FAA did not plan to certify it as an airport. The runway will be brought back to original length before the flooding. The renter will be notified to not plant crops as close to the runway as this year. New markers will be ordered. Approval will be sought from the FAA for the Gengerke bins in the airport air space. Brown County will be notified of need to notify Groton City of any building permits in a three mile radius of the airport. Meeting adjourned. Scott Hanlon, Mayor Anita Lowary, Finance Officer Published once at the total approximate cost of \$7.67.

## Groton City Nov. 10 Meeting Minutes



November 10, 2014

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7pm at City Hall for a special meeting regarding personnel, wages, and insurance with the following members present: Muilenburg, Blackmun, Flihs, Glover and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Councilmen McGannon and Opp were absent. Also present was Finance Officer Lowary.

Moved by Flihs and seconded by Blackmun to adjourn into executive session to discuss personnel. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:13pm.

Moved by Flihs and seconded by Blackmun to give 1st Reading or Ordinance 699, 2015 Salary Ordinance. All members present voted aye.

Meeting adjourned. Scott Hanlon, Mayor Anita Lowary, Finance Officer Published once at the total approximate cost of \$5.66.

## Merle Hanson Estate Notice



STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF BROWN IN CIRCUIT COURT FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MERLE L. HANSON, DECEASED.

PRO. 014-113

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that on the 4th day of November, 2014, Ty Hanson, whose address is 2005 Ashwood Drive, Aberdeen, SD 57401, was appointed as personal representative of the estate of Merle L. Hanson.

Creditors of the decedent must file their claims within four (4) months after the date of the appointment of the personal representative on the 4th day of November, 2014, or within sixty (60) days after the date of mailing or delivery of this written notice, whichever is later, or be forever barred.

Claims may be filed with the personal representative or may be filed with the Clerk of Courts and a copy of the claim mailed to the personal representative.

Dated this 4th day of November, 2014.

/s/ Ty Hanson

Ty Hanson

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We went shopping and counted...



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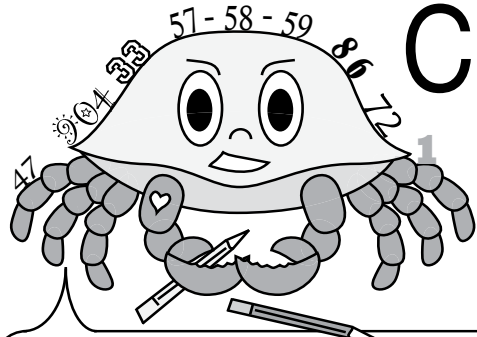
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Kids:  
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## Count on Me!



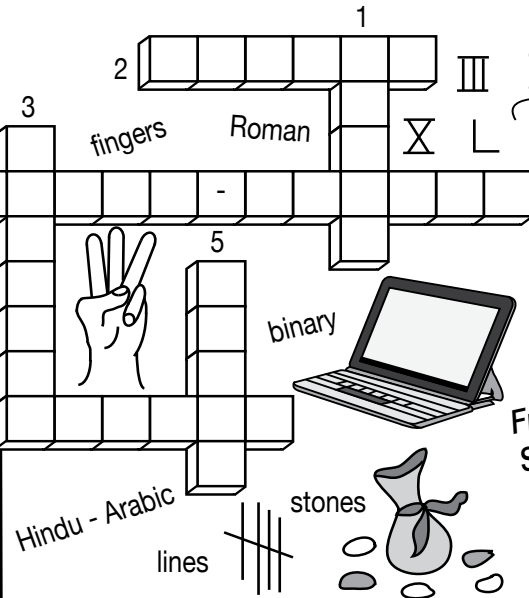
I'm not sure how I got stuck with this job, but **you can count on me** when you need help counting. If you need to know *how many* of something you have, you must *count* the items.

Throughout history, people all over the world have counted items using different systems. Once they know the number of their items, they use a symbol to mark it down or enter it into their computers. Just think of all the counting of merchandise that must be done in stores or all the counting of money in banks.

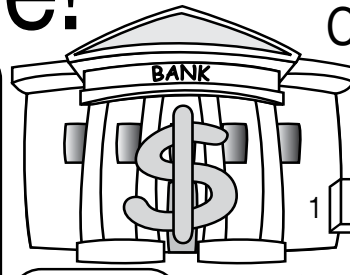
### Counting Systems

Read the clues to fill in the puzzle:

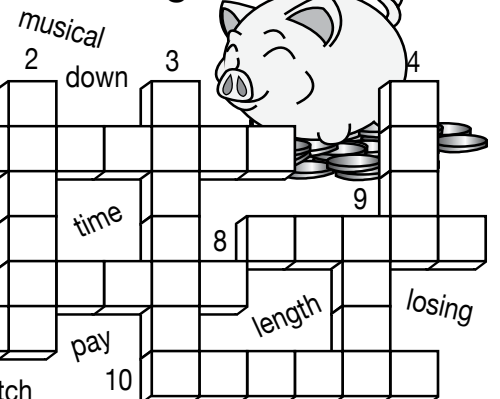
- \_\_\_\_\_ numerals
- \_\_\_\_\_ system - used in computers
- \_\_\_\_\_ and toes
- 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7...
- tally marks or \_\_\_\_\_ in sand
- \_\_\_\_\_ in leather pouch



## Why People Count Things



Count your money so it doesn't just "fly away"!



Read the clues to fill in the puzzle:

- count spoonfuls, cups to \_\_\_\_\_ the right amount when baking
- we use rulers, yardsticks to count inches to measure \_\_\_\_\_
- count \_\_\_\_\_ beats to keep time - all musicians on same timing
- we organize our \_\_\_\_\_ by counting hours, days, weeks
- we count to \_\_\_\_\_ items up...for three dogs need three leashes
- count money to \_\_\_\_\_ or make change
- to keep \_\_\_\_\_ of items like the inventory in a store
- to keep \_\_\_\_\_ - 24 stitches in each row of knitting
- we count \_\_\_\_\_ before a rocket takes off or a race starts
- to keep from \_\_\_\_\_ things: keys; puzzle or game pieces

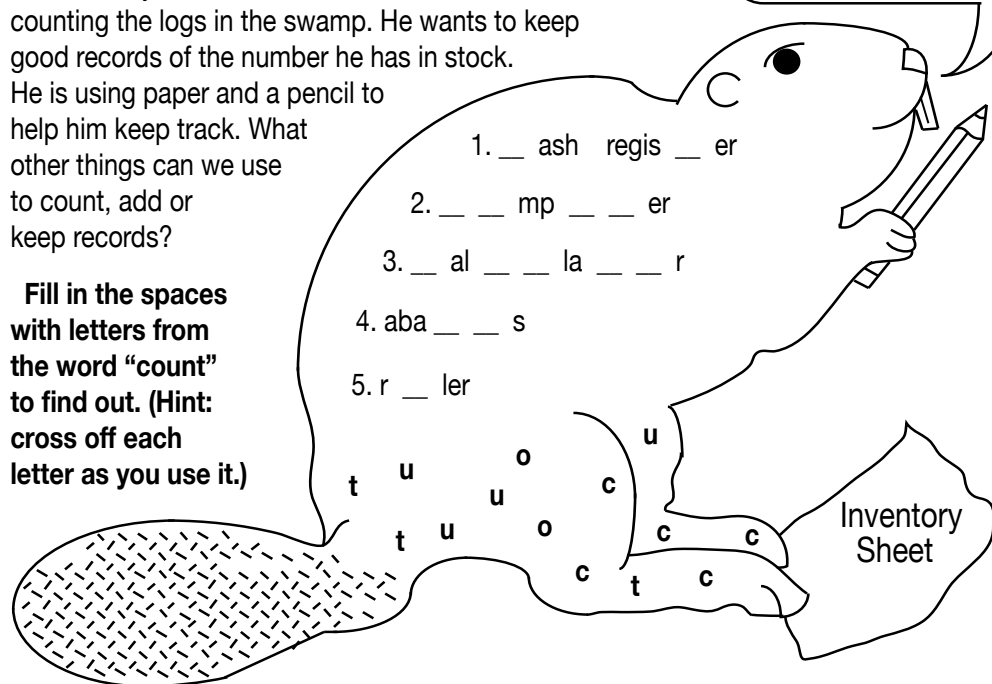
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## You Can Count On Me, Boss!

This busy beaver works hard for his boss. He is counting the logs in the swamp. He wants to keep good records of the number he has in stock. He is using paper and a pencil to help him keep track. What other things can we use to count, add or keep records?

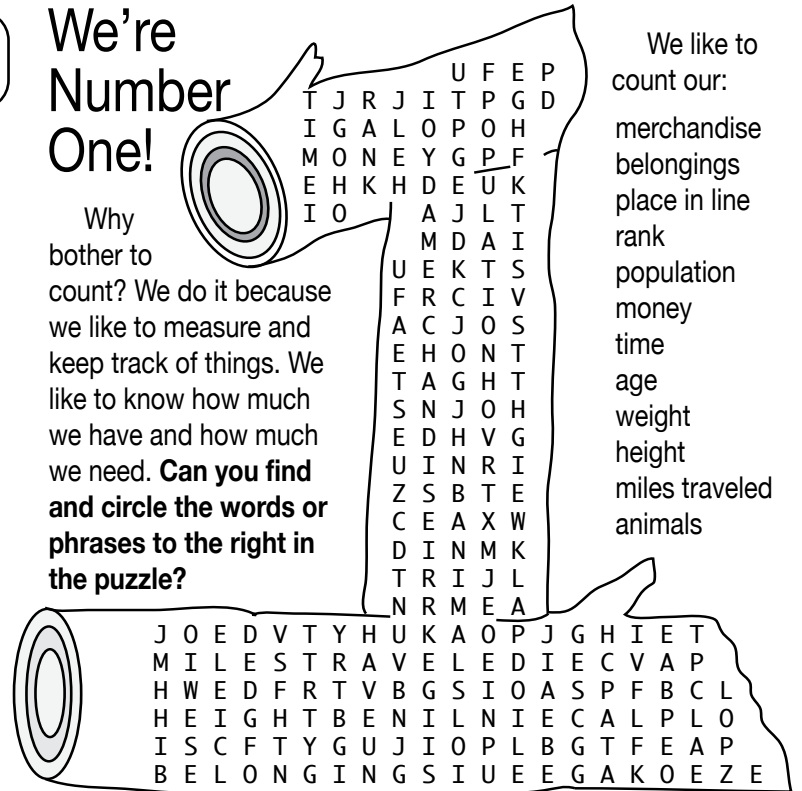
Fill in the spaces with letters from the word "count" to find out. (Hint: cross off each letter as you use it.)



2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12...  
a dozen maple logs!

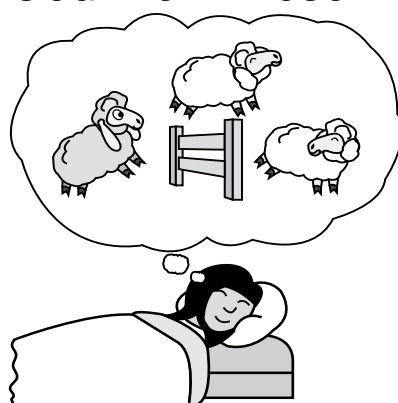
## We're Number One!

Why bother to count? We do it because we like to measure and keep track of things. We like to know how much we have and how much we need. **Can you find and circle the words or phrases to the right in the puzzle?**



We like to count our:  
merchandise  
belongings  
place in line  
rank  
population  
money  
time  
age  
weight  
height  
miles traveled  
animals

## Count on These! Match each of these expressions to its meaning!



- don't count your chickens before they hatch
- countdown
- taking a head count
- count me in
- counting sheep
- "I can count on one hand how many times..."
- count on him
- every second counts
- don't count on it
- down for the count

- cannot sleep so person counts animals one by one to relax
- not likely to get back into the game or get back up
- the last few seconds before a big event
- don't plan on the best possible outcome - it might not happen
- trust a person to help you do something
- checking to see that all are present
- the outcome you wish for probably isn't going to happen
- I want to be part of your plan
- every moment is important
- something that happens rarely



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## Simon, Hanten model at Garden Club

The October meeting of the Groton Garden Club was held at the home of Linda Gengerke with 10 members present. Guests included Jamie Simon accompanying her daughter, Alexis Simon and Alexis Hanten, both members of the Putney Putovers 4-H Club.

The girls were purple ribbon winners at the Brown County Fair on their constructed clothing projects which they modeled for the group. Alexis Simon modeled a dress and Alexis Hanten a skirt. The girls were thanked by the club members for coming and talking about their projects and were excused for other evening commitments.

Invited guests were Sandy Strom, Eunice Alberts, Jody Bull, Mel Eikamp and Sherrie McKiver. All enjoyed a fall harvest potluck supper served by Linda Gengerke and Janice Flihs.

Projects and activities of the club were reviewed and seasonal readings were presented by several of the members.



Pictured are Alexis Hanten and Alexis Simon.

### South Dakota Pump Prices Falling as Fast as Temperatures

Drivers in South Dakota are experiencing one of the largest week-over-week pump price declines in the nation, AAA reports. Tuesday's state average, \$3.03 per gallon is 11 cents below the price recorded one week ago. Oklahoma had the largest decline falling nearly 15 cents, Minnesota's price average has fallen about 13 cents over this same seven-day period and North Dakota's average is down 12 cents.

## Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

### Our National Parks

I love visiting National Parks. There are so many cool things to see and do.

### Animals in the Parks

1. F, 2. C, 3. A, 4. B, 5. D, 6. E

sand boarding  
 wildlife viewing  
 rock climbing  
 cross-country skiing

### Fun in the Parks

fishing  
 rafting  
 diving  
 hiking

orienteering  
 photo graphy  
 auto touring  
 spelunking

### Who Came Back?

wolves

1. DENALI  
 2. YOSEMITE  
 3. ARCHES  
 4. DEATH VALLEY  
 5. CANYON  
 6. SHERMAN  
 7. SEQUOIA  
 8. ZION  
 9. MOUNT RAINIER  
 10. GRAND CANYON  
 11. GRAND CANYON  
 12. SMOKEY

