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Team Awards

Back row from left - 4th place Groton Gold: Tylan Glover, Kayla Jensen, Alexis Simon, Isaac Smith

Front row from left - 3rd Place Groton Black: Jennie Doeden, Micah Poor, Anne Marie Smith, Cassandra Townsend

Two Groton teams place at Simmons Invite

The Simmons Invitational MathCounts Competition was held on Wednesday, January 14. 80 students from ten Aberdeen area schools (Britton-Hecla, Eureka, Frederick, Holgate, Milbank, Northwestern, Roncalli, Simmons, Warner, and Groton) participated in the event, which was sponsored by 3M of Aberdeen.

Both Groton teams were awarded trophies in the competition. The third place team members were Jennie Doeden, Micah Poor, AnneMarie Smith, and Cassandra Townsend. The fourth place team members were Tylan Glover, Kayla Jensen, Alexis Simon, and Isaac Smith. Milbank placed first and Simmons placed second in the event.

Three Groton individuals earned recognition in the countdown portion of the competition. AnneMarie, Micah, and Jennie earned second, eighth, and ninth place medals, respectively.

MathCounts is a nationwide coaching and competition program for middle school students that promotes excellence in mathematics. Ten Groton Area Middle School students will be attending the Northeastern South Dakota Chapter Competition at the Main Building on the campus of Presentation College on Wednesday, February 4. The top teams and individuals from the chapter competition advance to the state competition in Pierre on Saturday, March 14.

It's the last straw for the Stearns mobile home

Jim Stearns appeared before the council to discuss his trailer house at the corner of West Third Avenue and North Washington Street. Stearns said that he has been trying to get ahold of companies to move the house. "The mobile home companies have laid off their employees for the winter and won't rehire until spring," Stearns said. "There is no way I can get it moved in a week."

City Attorney Drew Johnson said, "We've been hearing about these delays since last fall and it just doesn't float with the city council. You either have to tell us you're going to move the trailer house off in the lot or we'll take it off for you."

Councilman Eddy Opp said, "We've been going back and forth on this for a long time and it's time we either do it or don't. Whatever the lawyer said is what's going to get done. I'm sorry, but that's the way it is,"

Stearns emphasized that he's trying to get someone to move it, but one mover is a month behind. Attorney Johnson then said, "We want to help you save your trailer, but it has got to get moved. If you could get a contract that states it will be moved in a month or so, bring it to the next meeting. But just so you know, this is the final straw." Stearns will have to bring a signed contract with a mover by the February 2, 2015 council meeting.

City doesn't want Sixth Street for a detour

The state has proposed a detour of Railroad Avenue, then north on Sixth Street to US Highway 12 during the 2016 reconstruction of SD Highway 37 through Groton. The council had concerns that there is a lot of walking traffic on Sixth Street plus it is a narrow street with families living the street. The council will reply to the state turning down the proposed detour in hoping they will consider Railroad Avenue all the way to US 12.

Groton to hold 77th Annual Carnival of Silver Skates

Groton will host the 77th annual Carnival of Silver Skates featuring more than 100 figure skaters on January 25, 2015. Two performances of this unique outdoor ice skating show will be held at the Groton ice rink at 2:00 PM and 6:30 PM. All are invited to attend.

The rink is located on the west side of town, near the baseball complex. This year's theme is "Friends Through Thick and Thin." It celebrates the 77th performance of the Carnival of Silver Skates. The theme is a tribute to families and friends of the Carnival and community who enjoy spending time together as friends. There are many area community members who have participated and those who continue to participate in the annual carnival and continue to improve their figure skating skills through hard work and determination while enduring freezing South Dakota temperatures and wind.

"Friends Through Thick and Thin" will feature more than 100 Groton area figure skaters from preschool to high school age. There will also be several specialty acts.

The show promises to be entertaining and inspiring, with beautiful costumes and fun and upbeat music related to the theme. An all-boys group dressed in black leather jackets with white turtlenecks and blue jeans will skate to "The Boys Are Back In Town". The youngest skaters, called the Snowflakes, will skate to The Spongebob "Fun" song while wearing rainbow vests over red fleece costumes. The Seniors will be skating to the "Friends' Theme Song" while wearing a colorful tiered dress with silver bands. Other songs will include "The Adams Family", "Lean On Me", "Me and My Gang", and "Friend Like You" to name just a few. New spectators to the show each year often marvel at the beautiful, professional-looking costumes, thanks in large part to costume committee chair Pam Barse.

Following tradition, 2014 Carnival of Silver Skates Queen Breanna Marzahn, daughter of Wade and Renee Marzahn, of Groton, will crown the 2015 queen during the 2:00 PM performance. This year's candidates are seniors Alyssa Sippel, Danielle Schinkel, Haley Unzen, Kaitlin O'Neill, Katie LaMee, Kiana Kokales, Rachel Blackmun, and Taylor Gustafson. It also includes juniors Allison Weber, Aubray Harry, Jamie Krueger, Jasmine Schaller, and Josie Doeden.

Admission for the show is just \$3.00 for those 13 and older, \$2.00 for those six to 12, and free for children five and under. Plan now to watch "Friends Through Thick and Thin" in Groton on January 25th at 2:00 PM or 6:30 PM. Watch from the comfort of your own vehicle, listening to music and narration from your radio. There will be plenty of parking, with only cars allowed on the ice and larger vehicles allowed on upper tiers. Attendees are asked to limit vehicles to one per family, please. Parking on the ice will begin at 10 a.m. Sunday for the first show and 4:30 p.m. for the evening show. Or, dress for the weather of the day and enjoy the show from the bleachers which will be provided.

Clark-Willow Lake girls beat Groton Area

Clark-Willow Lake girls defeated Groton Area, 58-45, in girls basketball action played January 15 in Clark. The Cyclones led at the quarterstops at 11-10, 26-16 and 42-28.

Courtney Kurtz led the Tigers with 14 points, including three three-pointers as Katie Koehler made two three-pointers to add 10 points, Carly Wheeting and Audrey Wanner each had eight and Ashley Gibbs made one three-pointer and added five points to the tally.

Mackenzie Huber led the Cyclones with 29 points, including nine of 10 free throws. Janae Kolden had 12 points while MiKayla Prouty and Taylor Hartley each had 10 points, Kandace Kolden had four, Raegan Florey had two and Angela Young added one.

Groton Area made 17 of 43 field goals for 40 percent, had 16 rebounds with Wheeting having six and Wanner five, Kurtz had five of the team's eight assists and five of the team's 13 steals. Groton had 14 turnovers. Clark-Willow Lake made 12 more free throws than Groton, making 17 of 21 while Groton was five of 17. Groton had 18 team fouls and the Cyclones had 15 team fouls.

The Cyclones won the junior varsity game, 40-22. Harleigh Stange and Gia Gengerke each had four points, Emily Locke and Madison Sippel each had three points and adding two points each were Marlee Jones, Alexis Stange, Jasmine Schinkel and Lexi Gustafson.

Tiospa Zina boys beat Groton Area

The Groton boys made only 25 percent of their field goals as Tiospa Zina defeated Groton in basketball action played January 12, 44-31.

Tiospa Zina led at the quarterstops at 11-3, 24-15 and 36-22.

Kyler Ell led the Tigers with eight points followed by Bennett Shabazz and Wyatt Larson with five each, Hunter Lerew and Landon Larson each had four, Lucas Sternhagen and Gabe Dohman each had two and Spencer Knecht added a free throw.

Bruce Gunderson led Tiospa Zina with 18 points as Kobe Carlson followed with 11, Gabe Desrosiers had five, Jarod Appency and Dion Iyarpreya each had three and Jefferey Max Jr and Austin Shepherd each added two points.

Bennett Shabazz had the only three-pointer for Groton Area. Tiospa Zina outrebounded Groton Area, 43-32, with Hunter having six rebound for Groton and Gunderson and Max Jr. each having eight for Tiospa Zina.

Groton Area made six of 18 free throws off of Tiospa Zina's 15 team fouls while Tiospa Zina was five of 10 from the line off of Groton Area's 17 team fouls. Groton had 10 turnovers with two of them being steals. Tiospa Zina had 14 turnovers with eight of them being steals - five by Sternhagen. Knecht and Lerew each had one block. Tiospa Zina had the edge in assists, 8-7.

Groton won the junior varsity game, 41-31. Seric Shabazz led Groton Area with 16 points while Sean Schuring had 10, Aaron Severson had seven and Adam Herman and Bennett Shabazz each had four points.

Seric Shabazz had 10 of the team's 30 rebounds, Herman had two of the team's four assists, Seric Shabazz had seven of the team's 15 steals and Schuring and Seric Shabazz each had a block.

Tigers run past Wildcats

Groton Area defeated Custer at the boys basketball classic held in Redfield on Saturday, 53-23. Groton led at the quarterstops at 14-7, 29-10 and 45-13.

Coach Greg Kjellsen said, "We played very solid defense, holding them to 13 points through three quarters. Offensively, we shot the ball better, 16 of 39."

Kyler Ell led the Tigers with 12 points followed by Bennett Shabazz with 11, Hunter Lerew had nine, Lucas Sternhagen seven, Gabe Dohman six, and adding two points each were Sean Schuring, Seric Shabazz, Spencer Knecht and Adam Herman.

Sternhagen had three of the team's 11 assists. On the boards, Dohman had nine and Lerew seven of the team's 33 rebounds. Groton had 10 turnovers.

Sternhagen made one three-pointer, Ell made two and Bennett Shabazz made three. Groton had 11 assists with Sternhagen, Ell and Dohman each having three. Custer had more turnovers, 11-10.

Blake Martinz led Custer with nine points followed by Patrick Witt and Ryan Jorgenson with three each and adding two points each were Sloan Shorb, Noah Zacher, Sam Mertz and Joel Thomsen.

Both teams had 12 team fouls with Groton making three of six free throws and Custer making six of 16.

Groton is now 5-2 on the season and Custer falls to 3-7.

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SDHSAA Football Classifications for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 seasons

The new football alignments for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 seasons have been released by the South Dakota High School Activities Association.

A couple of notes referring to the alignments:

- * This is the first cycle where male-only student average daily membership totals are being used
 - * Regions are not set as of yet and will be determined at the March SDHSAA Board of Directors meeting
 - * 40% of Nine-Man teams will change classifications from the last cycle to the next, including:
 - ** Defending 9A Champion Howard (to 9B)
 - ** Defending 9A Runner-Up Wolsey-Wessington (to 9AA)
 - * Two new programs will join the Eleven-Man ranks: Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan and new co-operative Jones County/White River
 - * Two programs are moving to nine-man after previously competing in eleven-man: Bon Homme & Tiospa Zina (TZ will be ineligible for the post-season due to their enrollment figure still classifying them as an eleven-man school)
- With Tiospa-Zina dropping down to nine-man, Groton will have to pick up another long-distance team to play - perhaps Parkston again, or Flandreau.

11AAA

Aberdeen Central
Brandon Valley
Rapid City Central
Rapid City Stevens
SF Lincoln
SF O'Gorman
SF Roosevelt
SF Washington
Watertown

11AA

Brookings
Douglas
Harrisburg
Huron
Mitchell
Pierre T.F. Riggs
Spearfish
Sturgis Brown
Yankton

11A

Belle Fourche
Canton
Cheyenne-Eagle Butte
Dakota Valley
Dell Rapids
Hot Springs
Lennox
Madison
Milbank Area
Pine Ridge
Sioux Falls Chrisitan
St. Francis Indian
St. Thomas More
Tea Area
Todd County
Vermillion
West Central

11B

Aberdeen Roncalli
Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan
Bennett County
Beresford
Chamberlain
Crow Creek
Custer
Elk Point-Jefferson
Flandreau
Groton Area
Jones County/White River
Lead-Deadwood
Little Wound
McCook Central/Montrose
Mobridge-Pollock
Parkston
Red Cloud
Redfield/Doland
Sioux Valley
Sisseton
Tri-Valley
Wagner
Winner

9B

Alcester-Hudson
Avon
Bison
Burke/South Central
Centerville
Colome
Corsica-Stickney
Crazy Horse
De Smet
Dell Rapids St. Mary
Dupree
Edgemont
Faith
Faulkton
Freeman
Hamlin
Harding County
Hitchcock-Tulare
Howard
Langford
Leola/Frederick
Lower Brule
Northwestern
Oldham-Ramona/Rutland
Sunshine Bible
Timber Lake
Wall

9AA

Arlington/Lake Preston
Baltic
Bon Homme
Britton-Hecla
Chester Area
Clark/Willow Lake
Deubrook Area
Deuel
Florence-Henry
Garretson
Great Plains Lutheran
Gregory
Herreid/Selby Area
Hill City
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Kimball/White Lake
Lyman
McLaughlin
Miller
Mt. Vernon/Plankinton
Rapid City Christian
Stanley County
Tiospa Zina
Webster
Wilmot/Waubay/Summit
Wolsey-Wessington
Woonskt/WessSpr/SanCentral

9A

Andes Central/Dakota Chr.
Canistota
Castlewood/Estelline
Colman-Egan
Elkton-Lake Benton
Eureka/Bowdle
Gayville-Volin
Hanson
Highmore-Harrold
Irene-Wakonda
Kadoka
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Marty Indian
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Brown County
Jan. 13 Meeting Minutes

JANUARY 13, 2015 – 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, Kippley, Fischbach and Fjeldheim. Commissioner Sutton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve the Reorganizational Meeting Minutes of January 6, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Payroll: Commission \$3,767.51; Commission Assistant/Human Resources \$4,088.74; Auditor \$6,286.07; Treasurer \$12,031.67; Data Processing \$3,282.40; State's Attorney \$15,169.69; Blood Draws \$150.00; SVAWA Grant \$1,873.94; Maintenance \$6,451.68; Assessor \$13,104.50; Register of Deeds \$8,758.87; Veterans Service Office \$3,563.74; GIS \$2,195.60; Sheriff Admin \$33,057.25; Jail \$37,517.22; Coroner \$1,490.00; JDC \$17,179.44; HD \$5,026.41; Welfare Office \$3,500.48; Museum \$7,194.96; Parks & Fairgrounds \$4,390.44; Fair Board \$4,135.24; 4-H \$828.24; Weed \$40; Planning and Zoning \$1,586.47; Highway \$44,486.46; Communications \$24,256.25; Emergency Management \$3,331.32; Teen Court \$51.12; 24/7 \$3,053.52; Landfill \$10,660.87.

Matching Benefits: FICA \$16,626.07; Medicare \$3,888.33.

Professional Fees: Aberdeen American News \$188.00; AOSNC \$3,411.09; Kristi Brandt \$37.50; Colleen Brazil \$200.00; Denise Cody \$22.50; DevNet \$3,281.25; Lewis & Clark BHS \$320.00; LexisNexis \$145.30; Lucy Lewno \$172.99; Midstates Printing \$75.00; NECOG \$23,177.99; Schneider Corp. \$2,265.00; SD Dept. of Revenue \$446,077.26; Sivertsen Technology \$700.00; Karen Swanda \$22.50; Sara Zahn \$61.20; Christopher Dohrer \$4,375.00; Kuck Law Office \$3,750.00; Richardson, Wyly, Wise, Sauck \$3,700.50; Ronayne Law Office \$3,750.00; Christy Serr \$4,375.00.

Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$310.16; Hub City Radio \$400.00; Midstates Printing \$325.00; Victor Fischbach \$376.37.

Rentals: Advantage Self Storage \$1,656.00; Danne \$128.05; Goldade Properties \$300.00; Rollie White \$300.00.

Repairs & Maintenance: Dakota Electronics \$37.50; Dakota Tree Company \$679.00; Lien Transportation \$522.50; Parcel Erickson \$302.39; SD Dept. of Public Safety \$5,650.00; Steven Lust Automotive \$54.00; US Bank \$625.52.

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Travel & Conference: SD Assoc. of Assessing Officers \$330.00; Assoc. of SD County Weed & Pest \$315.00; Allie Ryckman \$17.00; US Bank \$1045.00.

Utilities: Aberdeen City Treasurer \$713.46; Exec. Mgmt.

\$75.54; James Valley Telecommunication \$221.50; Mid-continent \$718.46; Midwest Alarm \$51.50; Northern Electric \$59.80; NVC \$2,306.73; Richmond Lake Sanitary Dist. \$2,700.00; US Bank \$741.48.

Other: Mattern Electric \$5,500.00; SD Assoc. of County Officials \$1,042.00; US Bank \$3,215.24;

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the following employee step increases, effective January 18, 2015: Jesse Milbrandt @ \$17.35 per hour, Brian Bahr @ \$17.02 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

STORM READY AWARD: Jim Scarlett, National Weather Service presented the "Storm Ready" Award for Brown County to Scott Meints, Emergency Management Director; and further congratulated Scott for his efforts as the Storm Ready/Weather Ready Nation Ambassador for the residents of Brown County.

HOSPITAL CLAIM: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fischbach to deny payment of the following hospital claim: 34 year old male @ \$19,727.40, as the individual has not provided sufficient information to determine if indigent. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

USE OF MEETING ROOM: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fischbach to waive fee for use of an office at the 1st Ave Office Building several days each week during the Affordable Care Act enrollment period as an outreach program for the residents of Brown County. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PROBATION OFFICE PROJECT: Judy Dosch, Maintenance Superintendent presented draft plan for revamping space to provide additional offices for use by Probation Officers when implementing the Drug Court Program later this year.

LF LEACHATE PUMPING SYSTEM: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to authorize Mike Scott, Landfill Manager to proceed with Leachate Pumping System Project on the west side of Unit 2 Cell 1at the Landfill, as proposed by Houston Engineering to enhance monitoring procedures and methane gas emissions. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LANDFILL AGREEMENT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign 2015 agreement with Leggette, Brashears and Graham, Inc. for Environmental Monitoring, Investigations and Permit Consultation at the Brown County Landfill at an estimated cost of \$62,000.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY UPDATE: Dirk Rogers, Highway Superintendent discussed several bridges and preliminary plans for construction of an addition to the existing shredder building to house equipment.

RECESS: The Chairman declared the Commission recessed until January 20, 2015.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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ABATEMENTS: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Kippley to amend amount on Abatement approved on January 6, 2015 from \$1,097.43 to \$632.86 (Brown County – difference previously deposited in Treasurers Trust); and approve and authorize the Chairman sign abatement in amount of \$360.00 (Westport Sewer transferred from BOLS to land). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION, MINIMUM BID
 Ravina Township
 LT 4 KEATTS 3RD SUBDIVISION NE 22-124-65: \$7,500
 127131 378TH AVE (BARE LOT – 1.33AC)
 Frederick City
 LT 2 BLK 1 SIMMONS ADDITION: \$500
 603 4TH ST (BARE LOT – 50X142)
 Columbia City
 LTS 201, 203, 205, 207, 209, 211, 213 & 215 BROADWAY PECK'S 1ST ADD: \$2,000 (BARE LOT – 200X140)
 W 130' LTS 202, 204, 206, 208 & 210 & S 15' OF W130' LTS 212, 214 & 216 JAMES STREET PECK'S 1ST ADDITION
 204 N JAMES ST (BARE LOT): \$2,000
 Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (0120.0127)

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recording fee shall be paid in full on the day of the sale and a Quit Claim Deed will be issued to the successful bidder. Property offered for sale is as follows:

Brown County Liebelt 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 26th day of January 2015, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 123 South Lincoln Street, First Floor of the Municipal Building, to consider the Petition filed by Charlotte A Liebelt to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (R-2) Medium Density Residential District, (A-1) Agricultural District, and (R-5) Trailers, Trailer Parks and Planned Residential Area Trailers District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District, said property being described as follows:

Outlot C in the NW ¼ of Sec 26-T123N-\$64W and the East 1185' of the N ½ of the SW ¼ of Sec 26-T123N-R64W except Lot B and except the West 294' of the North 860', Brown County, SD (2130 12th Street South and adjacent land to South)

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 and commission may adopt first reading of Ordinance #15-01-01/442 granting Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 and granting the Petition to Rezone said property. Dated this 6th day of January 2015.

ATTEST: Karl Alberts, Finance Officer

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (0113.0120)

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Groton Prairie Mixed
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Women – Darci Spanier 199, Vicki Walter 193, Dar Larson 177

High series: Men – Roger Spanier 615, Brad Waage 585, Roger Colestock 518

Women – Vicki Walter 497, Darci Spanier 468, Tasha Dunker 467

Presentation College President's and Dean's List

The following are on the President's List at Presentation College in Aberdeen for the Fall 2014 Semester. In order to be on the President's List, students must maintain a 4.0 grade point average for the semester. They are Keely Geffre of Frederick, Angela Goodall of Westport, Cole Lewandowski of Groton and April Wegleitner of Claremont.

Those on the Dean's List at Presentation College, with a grade point average of 3.5 or better, are Caitlyn Fluke of Aberdeen, Kylie Hawkins of Groton and Austin Hoerner of Frederick.

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Frederick School Jan. 12 Meeting Minutes



OFFICIAL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2
JANUARY 12, 2015

The meeting of the Board of Education of the Frederick Area School District #6-2 was called to order on January 12, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Rich Schlosser with Jeff Forsting and Jon Ellwein present. Others present were Justin Downes, Jessica Ringgenberg, Deb Klapperich and Rick Downes.

The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Enter Dan Nickelson
Action 14-50 Motion by Forsting second by Ellwein to approve the amended agenda. All aye, carried.

Action 14-51 Motion by Forsting second by Nickelson to approve the consent agenda which included the following items:

Minutes
Financial Statements as presented.

Bills. All aye, carried.
FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL, JANUARY CLAIMS

GENERAL FUND: A & B BUSINESS, INC, SUPPLIES, 3.02; BUTLER, TRACI, DRIVING, 117.50; CEDAR SHORE, LODGING, 81.95; COLE PAPERS, INC., SUPPLIES, 807.75; COMMUNITY STORE, SUPPLIES, 207.60; CRAWFORD TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT, REPAIRS, 310.05; DAKOTA ELECTRONICS, FEES, 20.00; DAKOTA OIL, FILTERS, 111.18; EIDE BAILLY LLP, AUDIT, 2,500.00; FARMERS UNION OIL ELLENDALE, REPAIRS, 16.00; FARNAM'S GENUINE PARTS INC, REPAIRS, 67.96; FLINN SCIENTIFIC INC., SUPPLIES, 209.36; HUB AREA TECHNICAL SCHOOL, FEES, 1,718.00; JAMES VALLEY COOP. TELE. CO., TELEPHONE, 364.10; JM ELECTRIC INC., REPAIRS, 1,408.18; KESSLER'S GROCERY, SUPPLIES, 123.59; LABESKY, ELIZABETH, SUPPLIES, 31.45; MARC, SUPPLIES, 251.21; MENARDS ABERDEEN, REPAIRS, 192.29; O'REILLY AUTO PARTS, REPAIRS, 44.64; OAKES TRUCK AND TRAILER CENTER, REPAIRS, 770.85; PANTORIUM CLEANER INC., FEES, 98.00; PODOLL, LANCE, MILEAGE, 272.32; POMP'S TIRE SERVICE, INC, TIRES, 547.37; RICK'S HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING, REPAIRS, 326.75; SANDER'S SEW-N-VAC, REPAIRS, 104.64; SD DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, FEES, 290.00; TAYLOR MUSIC, INC, SUPPLIES, 67.00; TRUST AND AGENCY FUND, REIMBURSEMENT, 323.62; WELLS FARGO BUSINESS CARD, SUPPLIES, 196.89; DAKOTA OIL, FILTERS, 42.90; FIRST NATIONAL BANK, POSTAGE, 6.51; MARC, SUPPLIES, 405.76; MENARDS ABERDEEN, SUPPLIES, 56.78; MORLOCK, MARTY, BOOSTER CABLES, 13.98; PANTORIUM

CLEANER INC., FEES, 106.35; PODOLL, LANCE, MILEAGE, 221.26; POSTMASTER, STAMPS, 9.80; STAMP FULFILLMENT SERVICES, ENVELOPES, 521.10; SUPERIOR-SHOWBOARD CO., SUPPLIES, 149.00; TSCHOSIK, PAULA, SUPPLIES, 69.42.

CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND: A&B BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, RENT, 531.19; BYTESPEED LLC, SECURITY CAMERA SERVERS, 1,098.00; DAKOTA OIL, DIESEL SUPP, 125.52; FARMERS UNION OIL ELLENDALE, GAS, 60.00; HUB AREA TECHNICAL SCHOOL, FEES, 786.00; MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., ELECTRICITY, 4,674.96; NORTH CENTRAL FARMERS ELEVATOR, FUEL, 3,262.90; TOWN OF FREDERICK, WATER, 188.44; WDC SERVICES, SECURITY CAMERAS, 12,352.50; WELLS FARGO BUSINESS CARD, MOUNTING BRACKETS, 31.78; BONN EXPRESS, GAS, 38.00; WELLS FARGO BUSINESS CARD, SECURITY CAMERAS TV'S, 336.00.

SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND; LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES OF SD, FEES, 140.00; FIRST NATIONAL BANK, POSTAGE, 6.50; STAMP FULFILLMENT SERVICES, ENVELOPES, 50.00.

Fund Number 51: COMMUNITY STORE, FOOD, 27.52; CWD-ABERDEEN, FOOD, 2,089.70; KESSLER'S GROCERY, FOOD, 24.36; PANTORIUM CLEANER INC., FEES, 46.67; SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF ED, PROCESSING, 81.11; BERNARD FOOD INDUSTRIES, INC., FOOD, 122.24; PANTORIUM CLEANER INC., FEES, 70.01.

Salaries: General: Adm. & Teachers, 95,228.99; Support, 12,308.56 SS & Med, 22,500.76. The following benefits and salaries are included in the above totals. General: SDRS, retirement, 8435.42; Delta Dental, ins. 1109.88; AFLAC, insurance, 321.26; SDRS Supplemental, retirement, 297.03; SD District Benefit Fund, ins, 9883.59; VSP Vision, ins, 145.94; Security Benefit, retirement, 216.91; American Funds, retirement, 2449.88; Centerstone Ins., ins, 186.22; Caitlin Beckman, sub, 40.00; Jim Dumire, bus driving, 260.44; Jon Ellwein, board salary, 60.92; Jeff Forsting, board salary, 63.88; Jordan Foster, driving, 140.00; Lynnette Hertel, driving, 31.89; Dan Nickelson, board salary, 55.00; Tamie Nickelson, driving, 30.00; Brock Pashen, driving & ref. 50.00; Carma Ruenz, sub, 480.00; Ellen Schlosser, sub, 80.00; Richard Scholsser, board salary, 60.55; Eric Sumption, board salary, 63.88; Michelle Sumption, sub, 160.00; Stephanie Sumption, sub, 50.00; Julie VanDover, sub, 100.00; Ann Wampler, sub 100.00; Renata Winburn, sub, 80.00. Special Ed: Teachers, 14,892.24; Support, 3977.14; SS & Med, 3567.84; Delta Dental, ins, 141.84; SD District Benefit fund, ins, 1479.20; Security Benefits, retirement, 33.09; SDRS, retirement, 1365.08; SDRS Supplemental, retirement, 389.19; VSP Vision, ins, 30.04; Carma Ruenz, sub, 270.00; Ann Wampler, sub, 100.00. Food

Service: 3761.07; SS & Med, 1009.64; SDRS, retirement, 421.99; VSP, ins, 14.04

The following reports were given at this time:

Justin Downes – Superintendent/AD
Jessica Ringgenberg – K-12 Principal
Rick Downes – Grounds and Maintenance
Justin Downes – Athletic Coach

Richard Scholsser – Hub Area Vo Tech
Action 14-52 Motion by Nickelson, second by Ellwein to set June 2, 2015 as the board election date. All aye, carried.

Action 14-53 Motion by Forsting, second by Nickelson to change the P/T Conferences date from February 19, 2015 to February 12, 2015 on the 2014-15 school calendar. All aye, carried.

Action 14-54 Motion by Forsting, second by Ellwein to accept the resignation of Amanda Kallas from the position of Assistant Volleyball coach. All aye, carried.

There was no strategic planning held in January. The next meeting is set for February 2, 2015.

Scholarship criteria and application for the Gelling and Ovid Stevens trust funds will be typed modeled after the example presented at the December meeting. The board members will review for additions or corrections and will approve at the February meeting.

Superintendent Downes presented duties to be assigned for the shared counselor/AD position being considered to hire.

A discussion was held concerning the future of the federal Perkins Grant dollars. Qualification of these funds was through the Hub Area Vo Tech and will no longer be available unless our district joins another vocational education consortium. Superintendent Downes was instructed to contact other schools and present options at the next meeting.

A discussion was held concerning the intent to renew administrative contracts. Action will be taken at the February meeting.

Enter Marty Morlock.

Mr. Morlock requested that the board consider hiring a third track coach as he anticipates 30-35 participants. After discussion the instructed Superintendent Downes to advertise for a JH position.

Thank you and congratulations were read and will be posted on the school web site.

Action 14-55 Motion by Forsting, second by Ellwein to enter into executive session at 7:15 PM. All aye, carried.

Chairman Schlosser declared executive session out at 9:07 PM.

Action 14-56 Motion by Forsting second by Nickelson to adjourn. All aye, carried.

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Frederick Town Notice of Vacancy



NOTICE OF VACANCY MUNICIPALITY OF FREDERICK

The following offices will become vacant due to expiration of the present term of office of the elected officers.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
1 YEAR TERM
3 YEAR TERM

Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on January 30, 2015, and petitions may be filed in the Finance Office located at 406 1/2 3rd Avenue, Frederick, SD, between the hours of 9:15 AM and NOON (Central Standard Time), on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday, not later than the 27th of February, 2015, at 5 PM.

Diane Bruns
Frederick Finance Officer
(0120.0127)

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Groton School Notice of Vacancy



NOTICE OF VACANCY ON SCHOOL BOARD GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 06-6

The following school board positions will become vacant July 1, 2015, due to the expiration of the present terms of office of the following school board members:
Kelly Kjelden, 3-year term
Martin D. Weismantel, 3-year term

Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on January 30, 2015, and petitions may be filed in the office of the business manager located at Groton Area High School between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., central standard time not later than February 27, 2015, at 5:00 p.m., or mailed by registered mail not later than February 27, 2015, at 5:00 p.m.

Michael J. Weber, Business Official
Groton Area School District
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(2t. Jan 19 & Jan 26, 2015)

Groton City Notice of Vacancy



NOTICE OF VACANCY MUNICIPALITY OF GROTON

The following offices will become vacant due to the expiration of the present term of office of the elective officer:
Councilman Ward I (two year term)
Councilman Ward II (two year term)
Councilman Ward III (two year term)

Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on January 30, 2015 and petitions may be filed in the office of the Finance Officer located at 209 N Main St., Groton, SD between the hours of 8am and 5pm central standard time not later than the 27th day of February, 2015 at 5pm.

Anita Lowary
Finance Officer
(0120.0127)

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	GENERAL FUND	C.O. FUND	SP. ED. FUND	PENSION
Beginning Checking Bal.	\$271,475.67	\$391,240.83	\$130,106.51	\$83,901.77
RECEIPTS:				
Taxes	\$61,761.13	\$48,057.23	\$24,299.43	\$4,809.26
Local Sources		\$20.00		
Interest	\$35.17			
Federal & State	\$55,552.93			
Investments	\$823,489.16	\$40,429.40	\$256,175.05	\$45,189.23
Disbursements	\$115,726.76	\$29,143.10	\$15,188.76	\$0.00
CLOSING BALANCE	\$1,096,587.30	\$450,604.36	\$395,392.23	\$133,900.26
	TRUST & AGENCY FUND	ENTERPRISE DRIVERS ED	FOOD SERVICE FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT FUND
Beginning Balance	\$96,436.20	\$275.09	-\$11.96	\$19,090.52
Receipts	\$12,225.30	\$0.00	\$7,371.50	
Disbursements	\$6,967.82	\$0.00	\$8,641.30	
CLOSING BALANCE	\$101,693.68	\$275.09	-\$1,281.76	\$19,090.52

Groton City is seeking proposals for operating the baseball concession stand from May to August, 2015. Please contact any City Council member or City Hall at 397-8422

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Sunday, Jan. 27
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Groton boys hold off second half Cyclone rally

Groton Area held off a second half rally by Clark-Willow Lake as the Tigers hung on to win, 41-37.

Five different players scored in the first quarter as Groton took a 10-4 first quarter lead. Then Groton scored nine straight points early in the second quarter to take a 19-6 lead. Chance Strom hit a three-pointer with three seconds left in the half as the Tigers took a 23-9 lead at half time.

Kyler Ell opened the third quarter with a three-pointer as Groton took a 26-9 lead. Then the tide changed and things got more interesting. "We didn't want to make it interesting," said Coach Greg Kjellsen, "but they're a good team and they picked up the defense in the second half. We didn't take the best shots."

A pair of three-pointers, a pair of two-pointers and a 10-second call on Groton allowed the Cyclones to score 12 unanswered points as Groton's lead was sliced to five, 26-21, with 3:16 left in the third quarter. The five-minute drought on the Tigers finally cleared when Lucas Sternhagen made two free throws. Spencer Knecht converted a three-point play and Groton was back on top by 10, 31-21. The Cyclones ended the third quarter with five points as Groton took a 31-26 lead into the fourth quarter.

It took the Cyclones five possessions before they finally scored, causing Coach Greg Kjellsen to call time-out as Groton's lead was now three, 31-28. "We were making offensive and defensive switches," Kjellsen said. "I was very proud of our defensive effort."

Cooper Hartley hit a three-pointer with 67 seconds left to make it a one-point game, 33-32. Clark-Willow Lake called time-out. The Cyclones fouled Lucas Sternhagen twice and he was four for four from the line as Groton led a 37-34 lead with 33 seconds left. The Cyclones missed two free throws with 18 seconds and Groton also missed two free throws with 18 seconds left. Hunter Lerew made two free throws with eight seconds left on the clock. Bradyn Rusher hit a three-pointer for the Cyclones with 1.4 seconds left to make it 39-37. Lucas Sternhagen was fouled and made two free throws with less than a second left on the clock as Groton went on to win, 41-37.

Kyler Ell led the Tigers with 10 points followed by Lucas Sternhagen with nine, Chance Strom had six, Spencer Knecht and Hunter Lerew each had five and Wyatt Larson added two.

Both teams made 26 percent of their field goals, but Clark-Willow Lake put up 12 more shots than Groton. Clark-Willow Lake had 21 team fouls which allowed the Tigers to make 19 of 24 free throws for 79 percent. Groton had 15 team fouls as Clark-Willow Lake made seven of 12 free throws for 58 percent. The Cyclones had 18 turnovers as Groton stole the ball eight times with Sternhagen having three steals. Groton had 14 turnovers as Clark-Willow Lake stole the ball five times, twice by Cooper Hartley.

Groton had three blocks, one each by Sternhagen, Ell and Lerew. Five different players had one assist for Groton. The Cyclones out-rebounded the Tigers, 33-24, with Sternhagen having five for Groton and Tyson Jenkins having nine for Clark-Willow Lake.

Ell and Sternhagen each made two three-pointers for Groton. The Cyclones made six three-pointers.

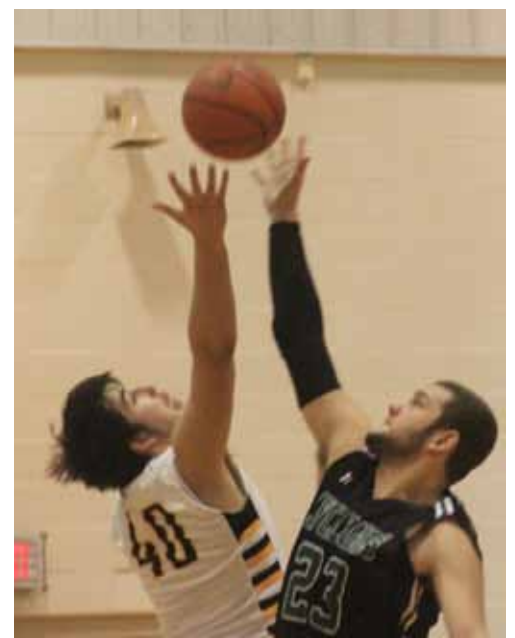
Groton will be hosting Ipswich on Tuesday and Webster Area on Friday. Kjellsen said, "This season, so far, our offense has been a work in progress. We're getting better, but still need to shoot the ball better. The second half of the season, we're looking to get better each game

and will try to find some better rhythm offensively."

Sean Schuring powered in six three-pointers as he scored 30 points to lead Groton Area to a 57-42 junior varsity win. Seric Shabazz added 11 points followed by Brady Keith had seven points, Adam Heramn six, Aaron Severson two and Jackson Oliver added one. Bennett Shabazz had seven rebounds and six assists and Adam Herman had two steals.



Landon Larson dribbles past Tyson Jenkins as he drives to the basket.



Hunter Lerew and Tyson Jenkins battle for the ball in the opening tip off.



Lucas Sternhagen scored on a steal to give Groton a 17-6 lead with 4:42 left in the first half.



Wyatt Larson dribbles his way closer to the basket.



The Sugar Babes performed at half time of the varsity Groton Area and Clark-Willow Lake basketball game Friday night.

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Groton Area vs. Sisseton
 106: Dane Christopherson, S, pinned Thomas Cranford, G, 1:36.
 113: Trevor Pray, G, pinned Colbey Lehrke, S, 3:21.
 126: Wyatt Locke, G, decisioned Carl Hoernis, S, 12-10 (OT).
 138: Kelby Hawkins, G, pinned Jason Simon, S, 3:23.
 220: Brady Kirk, S, pinned Brandyn Anderson, G, 5:10.

Groton Area vs. Webster Area
 106: Sterling Rausch, W, pinned Thomas Cranford, G, 0:44.
 113: Trevor Pray, G, decisioned Cade Shoemaker, W, 9-2.
 132: Joe Hubsch, W, decisioned Wyatt Locke, G, 8-6.
 138: Kelby Hawkins, G, pinned Levi Johnson, W, 0:45.
 220: Brandyn Anderson, G, decisioned Colton Koslowski, W, 1-0.



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Brown County Historical Society To Hold Annual Meeting

The Brown County Historical Society will hold its annual meeting and luncheon at noon on Saturday, January 24, 2015, at the Alexander Mitchell Library. Reservations are required for the lunch portion of the event and can be made by calling the Dacotah Prairie Museum at 605-626-7117 prior to Thursday, January 22. The cost of the lunch is \$10 per person payable at the door.

A program entitled "The Fischer Five: Surviving the spotlight in small town South Dakota" will be presented by Jessica Massa, winner of the Society's research and writing contest, will begin at 12:45 p.m. with the meeting of the Society scheduled to begin after the program.

The lunch and program are open to the public; the meeting is for Society members only. Memberships can be purchased the day of the meeting for \$10 per individual or \$20 per family.

Cheer up, things could be worse.....

Back when I was in the third grade I was hospitalized and while in the hospital I received a card from one of my classmates. It read, "Cheer up, things could be worse". I opened it and it finished with, "So I cheered up and sure enough, things got worse". The Governor's Budget Address took me back to that statement. I had been disappointed about losing the election but I began to cheer up because by losing I will have more time to see my elderly parents and my seven grandchildren. But then I listened to the speech and "sure enough, things got worse". In that speech, and in his more recent State of State Address, Governor Dugaard talked about his priorities and not one thing was mentioned about the teacher shortage. Very little was said about education except that he plans to accelerate the shift of our tax burden onto our local property owners. The state government will continue to inadequately fund education so the burden will fall more and more to local sources. We have already seen the need for opt outs and dipping heavily into capital outlay but now he will accelerate this process by shifting other needs to the local taxpayer. He talked about changing long established formulas that send funds to local schools for technology, assessment, and transportation and having those funds replaced by local revenues. We see the state government, again, not living up to the commitments that have been made to our schools. We have heard the need and yet his response is to double down on the poor decisions of the past few years. We have a crisis in our schools and we will not have the teachers and programs that we need for our children. Please urge your legislators to adequately fund our schools.

Chuck Welke, Warner, SD



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Brandyn Anderson tries to roll over Brady Kirk of Sisseton.

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