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Groton's ICU program is helping students

Groton's ICU program has been an incredible program this year, said Kristin Sombke at the school board meeting Monday night. About 27 students are in ICU and it is based on the student's needs and Groton is a small enough district to individualize the program. The ICU helps students who need help in certain classes. Superintendent Joe Schwan said, "Mrs. Sombke has put a lot of hours in during the week and over the weekend to make the program a success." Sombke added, "The teachers are so organized to have the assignments worked out."

Jodi Sternhagen, 9-12 Guidance Counselor, talked about the number of changes done in the testing program. She said there are some new tests this year and other tests are being replaced. She talked about the dual credit program and how students can save money by taking these courses. She reported that the state has a shortage of labor and an effort is in place to try and get students enrolled in two-year education programs and to keep them in the state.

Ashley Seeklander talked about the K-8 guidance counseling program. She has developed a K-8 school counseling plan and a K-5 Developmental Curriculum.

Smarter Balance testing is a new form of testing and some states have seen a dip in the scores. "We will have to wait and see what they expect on the tests and then make some adjustments," Sternhagen said.

Chuck Padfield talked about the new program he is using that calculates the nutritional values of the menus. Several schools in the area are already using the program called myONCore.com. Once it is all set up, the system will create accurate ordering information and provide the proper nutritional values of the meals. The start-up fee is \$1,200 with an annual \$700 fee. Padfield also talked about the new regulations just released from the United States Department of Agriculture on the professional standards for school cooks. Padfield said he is grandfathered in, but future school cooks will be required to have a high school diploma and three years of school nutrition program. In addition, they will need six hours of continuing education next year, which Padfield will have to do, and then 10 hours each year thereafter. For staff members with 20 hours or more, they will need four hours of education next year and six hours per year thereafter. Those with less than 20 hours of work will need four hours of continuing education each year. Padfield also reminded the board that he will be retiring in two years.

There are several projects in the works for capital outlays. Superintendent Joe Schwan reported that the scoreboard at the football field will need to be replaced. The stage lights in the GHS Gym are in dire need of either replacement or fixing. He said that they will try to get the lights in working order for the POPS Concert, but then a decision will need to be made to either change them out to LED lights, which will consume much less power, or to replace the existing fixtures. Also discussed was the sound system at the football field and the locks on the rest of the doors that do not have the security locks.

The board gave second reading to the Spectator Conduct at School Activities policy.

Barring any additional school cancellations, Superintendent Joe Schwan will propose at the next school board meeting that the last day of school will be Tuesday, May 19. The teacher's last day would be Wednesday, May 20.

Elementary Principal Dan Dalchow reported that the elementary students raised \$1,394.70 in the boxtop collection program this year. The first grade had the most boxtops.

The track and field day/elementary health fair, will be held May 8th with Grades 3-5 doing track and field in the morning and K-2 in the afternoon.

Middle/High School Principal Anna Schwan reported that there are about 25 students registered for school internship per semester. "This is huge compared to years past," Schwan said. "We went out in the community and worked with the businesses to provide these opportunities."

Schwan reported that the Health Fair/Mock Crash exercise will be held April 16 at 8 a.m. and the National Honor Society will be held March 30 at 7 p.m.

Business Manager Mike Weber reported that Wells Fargo Bank had reduced the Client Service Fee from .6 percent to .2 percent, but the local branch did not let the district know about the change. As a result, Wells Fargo will refund the \$600 fee to the district. Weber suggested reviewing the rates from the banks effective July 1.

The board approved the Natural Gas contract for the upcoming year. Last year it was .58/therm and the rate for next year will be .439/therm.

Dana Dargatz, GHS Wrestling Coach, talked about the funds that the school did not use for an assistant wrestling coach this year. He said that he would like to carry over the \$2,560 into next year's budget. Business Manager Mike Weber said that there are no more Trust and Agency Accounts for various activities. In order to have a Trust and Agency Account, they have to have elected officers. Funds left over in any of the extra curricular activities will be rolled over into the general fund at the end of the year. Superintendent Schwan suggested that when Dargatz puts in his budget request for next year, that he add the \$2,560 as a one-time addition. Dargatz said that he would prefer to have a paid assistant next year.

The board approved for St. John's Lutheran Church preschool to use a bus for a field trip on April 23. They will pay for the use of the bus.



Above: Langford Area's Bo Fries was awarded the Spirit of Su Award at the South Dakota High School State B Boys' Basketball Tournament.

Below: CJ Steiner and Bo Fries were named to the All Tournament Team. (Photos by SDPB)



Langford Area defeated Gregory in the first game, 49-36. Then the Lions defeated White River, 42-35, in overtime. In the championship game, Hanson edged out Langford Area in overtime, 47-44.

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Friends Near and Far

Editor's Note: This is the second in a series featuring your friends, near and far.

Frances (Prunty) Brooks

Where do you live now?

Hutchinson, MN - 1 hour West of the Twin Cities

JobWise what are you doing today? Also list title if you have one.

3M Engineer - Quality Specialist

How long have you been working at the current job?

With 3M for 26 years

What year did you graduate from high school?

1981

Where did you attend college and what was your degree?

SDSU in Brookings, SD. Mechanical Engineering/1985. At the time there were only a handful of female mechanical engineering students - around 3%.

What advice would you give the high school students today?

Get your education! Education is something no one can take away from you and you will benefit from for years!
A college education today is comparable to a high school education was 30 years ago - necessary! Even if you don't work in the field of your study your education will still open doors. Finish!

List your major accomplishments that you have had so far in life.

Have balanced life/career and had fun at both. Busy = Good!

Are you married? If so what is your spouses name and where was he from?

Married - 26 years to Doug Brooks, also an engineer at 3M. He is from Iowa

How did the two of you meet?

at Work - lived in Iowa then.

Do you have any children? If so what's their names and ages and if they are no longer staying at home where are they at and what are they doing today.

Jesse - 22 / graduating from NDSU in Fargo in May 2015 (Mechanical Engineering Degree). Will work for 3M in Ames Iowa as an engineer.
Rochelle - 19 / Engineering Student at U of M Twin Cities. Will work for NASA this summer.

Last question: do you feel that your high school and college education prepared you adequately for post education life?

Yes! GHS prepared me well for college and I am thankful for that! I feel college is more about proving you have the skills to learn and succeed. I don't use the calculus or other technical subjects in my daily job as an engineer.



**Doug and Frances Brooks on the left
Jesse and Rochelle on the right
Their Golden Retrievers and Molly and Peety.**

Easter Cantata to be Presented in Groton Palm Sunday

Many Christians do not realize that nationally known pastor Jack Hayford wrote one of the most beloved choruses in recent choral music, 'Majesty'. At Easter this wonderful Worship chorus is totally appropriate as the center piece for the celebration of the Resurrection of our LORD and Savior Jesus Christ from the grave.

On Palm Sunday evening, March 29, at 6:30 pm the Groton Christian and Missionary Alliance Choir, 706 N. Main Street, will present this Russell Mauldin/ Sue Smith Easter cantata centered around this anthem of praise from the beginning to the end of their concert. The cantata 'Majesty' is a combination of the contemporary and traditional Christian anthems that share the tragedy and the awesome love of our precious Savior and LORD. The public is invited to this special evening service as the twenty-five voice choir directed by Carrie Olson shares through these beautiful medleys the walk Jesus began on Palm Sunday. He then brought to each one of us

new life when He accepted the cross and our sins, died for those sins, then arose from the grave so that we may live in the newness of life with Him and the Father forever in Heaven. Truly He is worth of our worship, honor, praise, and love.

The twenty-five member choir includes SO-PRANOS: Linda Bahr, Nancy Cutler, Darby Duncan, Moira Duncan, JoAnne Ehresmann, Deb Jacobs, and Sierra Tunby; Altos: Amy K. Duncan, Jana Duncan, Joyce Grenz, Katie LaMee, Krista Tunby, Shawna Tunby, Andy Hailey Unzen; Tenors: Rick Buhler, Bill Duncan, and Adam Franken; Bass: Doug Duncan, Zeke Duncan, Dale Grenz, Matt Knecht, Paul Perkins, Larry Remington, Dawson Tunby, and Lars Tunby. Narration is being provided by Connie Stauch.

Following the concert presentation everyone is invited to a fellowship time in the Social Hall.

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Wednesday, April 1 Birthdays: Cody Hanson, Jake McKiver, Melanie Ros-SOW
5:00 p.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Sarah Circle
7:00 p.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Confirmation & Leagues both meet at SEAS for Stations of the Cross
Large Group Music Contest at NSU, Aberdeen
School Breakfast: Breakfast bagel, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Chicken noodle soup, grilled cheese, apple sauce, fresh fruit, carrots and dip.

Thursday, April 2 MAUNDY THURSDAY Birthdays: Doug Doeden, Vera Musil, Randy Jaeschke
9:30 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran India Circle
2:00 p.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Nigeria Circle
7:00 p.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship and first communion for Fifth Grade
School Breakfast: Pancake on stick, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, fruit.

Friday, April 3 GOOD FRIDAY
No School
Birthdays: Adlyn Larsen, Haley Unzen, Marc Johnson, Randy Jaeschke, Sue Stanley
12:00 p.m.: Community Good Friday Worship at United Methodist Church
7:00 p.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship

Saturday, April 4 Birthdays: David Krueger, Desiree Morehouse, Mitchell Madsen, Sandy Strom

Wednesday, March 25 Anniversary: Samantha & Andy Jondahl
Birthdays: Brent Wienk, Keri Pappas, Keri Pietz, Laurel McNickle, Murdock McNickle, Patrick Gengerke, Sherri Profeta, Larae Taylor
School Breakfast: Cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Mini corn dog, baked beans, veg cup, fruit.
Senior Menu: BBQ Chicken, rosemary red potatoes, old fashioned slaw, strawberry Jell-O dessert, whole wheat bread.
6:00 pm: Emmanuel Lutheran lenten meal (HS youth serve)
7 p.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship

Thursday, March 26 Birthdays: Bob Wegner, Clare Davidson, Jonathan Cutler, Justin Morehouse, Mark Thompson, Noah Thurston, Scott Kettering, Clayton Kurtz, Samantha Menzia
Senior Menu: Lasagna rotini, tossed salad with dressing, Ambrosia fruit salad, oatmeal spice cookie, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Mini pancakes, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Italian dunker, tater tot, carrots and dip, fruit.

Friday, March 27 Birthdays: Dwight Strom, Gail Schinkel, Michelle Walter
Senior Menu: Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, peach cobbler, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Fish nuggets, French fries, romaine salad, fruit, muffin.

Saturday, March 28 Anniv: Gail & John Zeck
Birthdays: Craig Dunker, David Johnston, John Wheeting, Lana Jondahl, Neil Warrington, Riley Thurston, Bennett Suther
State DI in Huron

Sunday, March 29 Birthdays: Alexander Kern, Darcy Albrecht, Sharon Wheeting, Tyrel Telkamp
9:00 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Sunday School
9:15 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Fellowship
10:00 a.m.: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Bethlehem Church, Pierpont.
10:15 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship with Communion (SS Sings, Procession of Palms)
3:30 p.m.: Fellowship at Golden Living Center (Confirms Serve)

Monday, March 30 Birthdays: Bonnie Cooper, Gordon Nelson, Jessica Osterman, Lori Seelye, Melenie Sombke, Sandy Tullis, Taylor Schmidt, Vickie Sippel
6:30 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study
10:00 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study leaders meet
Student Congress at Milbank High School
Senior Menu: Chicken Alfredo, Lemon buttered broccoli, fruit dessert, French bread.
School Breakfast: Cheese omelet, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Chicken wings, sweet potato tot, veggie cups, fruit.

Tuesday, March 31 Birthdays: Abby Cutler, Aiden Strom, Barb Waage, Brett Sombke, Caralee Heitmann, Megan Cutler, Rick Carlson, Renee Hanlon
Senior Menu: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, squash, Pineapple Strawberry Ambrosia, Whole Wheat bread.
School Breakfast: French toast, links, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Taco salad, bread sticks, carrots and dip, fruit.
1:00 pm: NSU Indoor track meet for throwers and jumpers only


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by Beverly Patterson

Not because I was trying in any way, but as of this morning, I have discovered a brand new way to be 100% awake and more alert than you ever imagined possible with that very first step out of bed. It works better than Folgers in your cup. It works better than having someone give you a "THE HOUSE IS ON FIRE!" shake and even better than having cold water dumped on your head. It's not complicated and there are no expensive supplies to purchase. If you have a really bad memory like me, you can install it yourself the night before and forget by morning which is the method I chose. If you're pretty sharp the second your eyelids slide open you'll need to have a friend install this proven method of miraculous consciousness for you and trust me, it works!

Okay, now that I've aroused your curiosity let me tell you what happened and how this newly found sensation came to be. My other half told me that he was on his way home to spend Valentine's Day evening with me. I wasn't expecting him home until the next day so I was excited but realized I needed to get his gift wrapped and set up the unique way I thought he should find it. I gathered my supplies and first I slid some gigantic bubble variety bubble wrap under the throw that was stretched across the bed where he would sit down to open his gift. This would give things a little "fireworks" sort of flair when he plopped down, I thought. I placed his gift on top of the throw near where he would be sitting along with his card and two balloons and then I scattered chocolate hearts all around. Lastly, I took a roll of curling ribbon and taped one end to his gift and then proceeded to unroll approximately 70 feet of ribbon throughout the house ending up by the front door that he would be walking through in just a few short minutes. I taped a note to it that read, "Follow me baby!"

says the ribbon. He's a pretty good sport when it comes to my hi-jinks so he started his journey that led him into the living room, then the dining room, kitchen, hallway, bathroom, spare bedroom and finally to our bedroom. So he wouldn't miss out on the "fireworks" part I put a sign on the bed where I wanted him to sit that read, "Butt goes here." He found that quite amusing but unfortunately bubble wrap on a mattress doesn't pop all that easy so the fireworks fizzled. No POP! No POW! No BANG! but he loved his card, his gift, the balloons and the chocolates. We shared some hugs and kisses and then went into the dining room to enjoy some fabulous grilled steaks. We played cards and consumed a few adult beverages and around midnight we headed to bed. His gifts were still there so I gathered them up and took them into the kitchen and the next thing we knew, it was morning and time to rise and shine. He got up and headed to the bathroom and I decided to follow. I was still a bit groggy as I sat up and slid my legs over the side of the bed and then.....my left foot headed to the floor. My right foot followed and the EXPLOSION that took place once my feet hit the floor nearly put me in an early grave! I had forgotten all about that crazy bubble wrap I had slipped under the throw and during the night it found it's way to the floor and waited patiently for me to "light the fuse!!!"

They say some of the best inventions happen by accident. I'll bet statistically, emergency rooms meet a lot of inventors!



By Paul Irvin Kosel

Crossing the food culture line

This past week was indeed a brand new experience for me. What makes it even more interesting is that this German guy was busy in the church kitchen making a Norwegian Kumla dinner. Talk about a cross-culture experience that had many people wondering.

Our church in Pierpont, Heaven Bound Ministries, AKA Bethlehem Lutheran

Church, is low on numbers and finances. There was discussion of closing the church at the end of December. It was then when I formed Heaven Bound Ministries and our family took over the operations of the church and decided to keep it going.

A few weeks ago I came up with the idea of having a Kumla dinner. The cafe in Pierpont is closed and they used to serve Kumla dinners. Some of the initial reaction was, "Do you know how much work that is?" and "Do you have any idea of how to make it?" The short answer was no and no. Nevertheless, I was bound to give it a try. We had enlisted a resident expert to assist us in the first dinner. Then I got a phone call and the expert decided not to help.

I did some research on-line and read where a 15-year-old made Kumla for the first time and she was successful. So I figured if a 15-year-old can do it, so can I.

I tried to remember how they served the Kumla at the cafe and tried to get the food and supplies needed. I finished by shopping on Friday and Saturday, spent most of the day peeling potatoes. Julianna, Jeslyn and Tina also helped with some of that chore. Tina was in charge of coleslaw. I had to work Saturday night at the Dairy Queen, so that put a crimp in my time.

Sunday morning rolls around. I get done with my paper routes, then I load up the Pathfinder with buckets of peeled potatoes, ham broth, cooked ham and various of other things. Let's just say the Pathfinder was full from front to back.

I arrived at the church at 7:45 a.m. The first thing I grabbed was the ham broth and got a roaster out to get it heated up. We had three roasters and Mary Bucholz was kind enough to loan us her roaster as well, so we had four all together.

Then came the moment of truth. Making the Kumla balls. I got out my grinder and started grinding potatoes. I mixed up the flour and baking powder and then mixed the ground potatoes with the flour. So far, so good.

I put about 20 Kumla in the first roaster and waited to see what would happen. I lifted a couple of Kumla to see how they were cooking - and oh my! It started to fall apart. Panic city had set in! I grabbed the nearest phone book and called one of our parishioners, Mary Bucholz, who knew how to make Kumla. She said to add to more flour. So I did that in the second roaster and whew! It did the trick. Now I'm a pro! Well, not really. I was trying to follow the directions I had, cup by cup and that seemed very awkward. I finally got the feel of how to have the right mixture, but I was still having some issues. Mary came to church (yes, we had church in the midst of my trying to make Kumla) and she quizzed me afterwards. There was one step I was not doing. While I was straining the water, I was not squeezing it out. Once I started doing that, things got really good.

The next moment of truth - how would they taste? I started to get some positive feedback. One of my parishioners said it was the best Kumla she ever had. Others said it was really good. The Kumla passed the test!

We did have one funny incident. It had been a few years since we had a fund-raiser at the church. Someone got Tina's attention. The salt in the salt shakers was harder than a rock. Every one of them. I virtually had Mary on speed dial and I told Tina to call her and ask if she had any salt. (She wasn't able to stay for Kumla as she had company, but she wanted us to save her some.) So Mary saved the day once again!

We also had a major blessing with my dad and stepmom coming up this weekend. They came to church and helped with the dinner. Shirley (my stepmom) started washing dishes. By the end of the event, I was soooo glad that she helped. Tina had to leave early as she had to work at 2 p.m. Julianna and Jeslyn stayed and helped at the church. My dad helped with the salt shaker incident. And Doris Townsend helped a lot as well.

We served about 50+ people, which was just perfect for our first run. LaVonne Raap asked if I was going to do this again. At the time she asked, I really wasn't sure. But looking back, there were a lot of hurdles jumped and we now know what to expect. So yes, we will do it again sometime in April.

And now I'm going to put a plug in for our church. Here are a few items that we need:

Roasters (Four will not be enough as our crowd size gets bigger)

Salt and pepper shakers (We just need some newer ones)

And if anyone has a bone-in ham they would like to contribute, let us know. And we could use some potatoes. Then we'll be all set for round 2. We'll decided on a date after church on Sunday.

And one more plug, we have worship at 10 a.m. on Sundays.

Thank you to all who came!



The work on the concrete backstop was completed Friday by employees of the city.

Groton Garden Club

The Groton Garden club met at the Golden Living Center on March 16, with Linda Anderson and Pat Larson hosting.

Following supper, 13 members and one guest, Ruby Miracle, answered roll call with a spring project.

Members were reminded that dues are due at the April 20th, meeting. They are \$9. Arbor day will be April 24th. Plans will be finalized at the next meeting. The city will be informed that we have money that is to be used for planting trees. The groups will have a plant exchange at the May meeting. Hostess for the April 20th meeting will be either Linda Gengerke or Janice Flihs. Linda Anderson will give the program.

Deb Olson gave the program on a new petunia variety-“Flash Mob.”

Bowdle CDE Results

Congratulations to the following individuals and teams for placing in the Bowdle CDE on Tuesday!

Milk Quality - 1st Place Team: (Nicholas Achen - 2nd Place, Paityn Bonn - 5th Place, Tori Bjerke - 8th Place, Audrey Wanner)

Farm Business Management - 2nd place team: (Lucas Sternhagen - 1st Place, Sheldon Herr - 4th Place, Adam Herman, Landon Larson, Chance Strom)

Floriculture - 2nd Place Team: (Nicole Lewandoski - 3rd Place, Haley Unzen - 10th Place, Michaela Cutler, Katie LaMee)

Livestock - 2nd Place Team: (Hailey Hanson - 7th Place, Carly Wheeting - 8th Place, Maryn Howard, Braiden Craig, Colt Hokana, John Jensen)

Natural Resources - 2nd Place Team
(Brody Sombke - 6th Place, Kyle Miller, Hayden Anderson, Tevin Abeln)

Vet Science: (Trey Wright - 5th Place, Kate Helmer - 11th Place)

Meat Evaluation: (Madilyn Wright - 11th Place)

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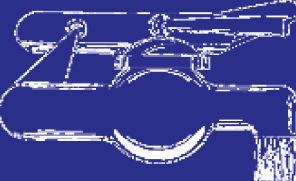


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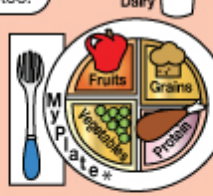
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What's On Your Plate?

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meals can be a tasty treat, but home-cooked meals are less expensive, and we know exactly which ingredients we're using.

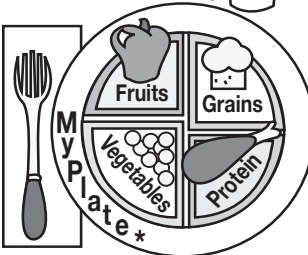
When families plan menus together we can choose our favorite meals. When we shop together we can look for the freshest foods – vegetables and fruits – and everyone can choose the kinds that he likes the most. By checking labels on packages, we can learn which foods have the best ingredients.

When we cook at home we can adjust our recipes to use small amounts of healthful oils, salt or sugar. Some families are steaming or baking part of their favorite meals.

Read the clues to fill in the crossword:

- Choose foods from each of the food _____ every day: vegetables, fruits, grains, proteins and dairy.
- _____ are low in fat, sugar and calories and high in fiber and vitamins, like vitamin A, which is good for our eyes and skin.
- Many fruits have _____ and are famous for vitamin C, which helps to repair body tissue and heal cuts.
- Low-fat milk and cheeses will give you _____ for strong bones and teeth.
- Meat, fish, beans, eggs, peanut butter and nuts have lots of protein to help build _____. Choose lean cuts of meat if possible.
- Oats, brown rice, popcorn and buckwheat are whole grains with lots of fiber and carbohydrates that give us _____.
- "My _____" lets us see at a glance what, and how much, we are eating.

* plate based on USDA source



Moderate amounts of fat are good for your brain!

I've "bean" here before.



Nutritious and Delicious

Eat lots of brightly colored fruits and veggies.

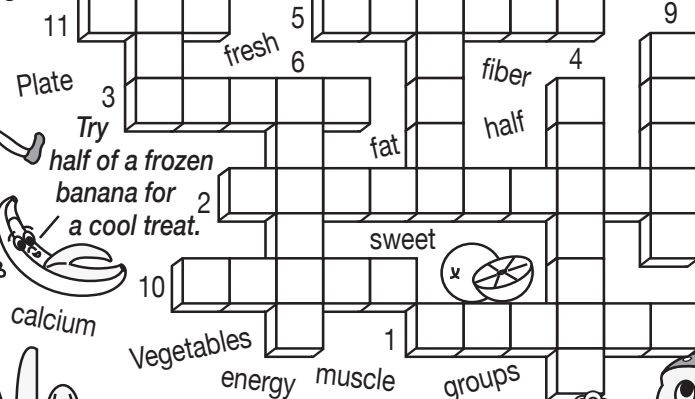


March into good nutrition!

I'm so "beat."



We're good sources of protein.

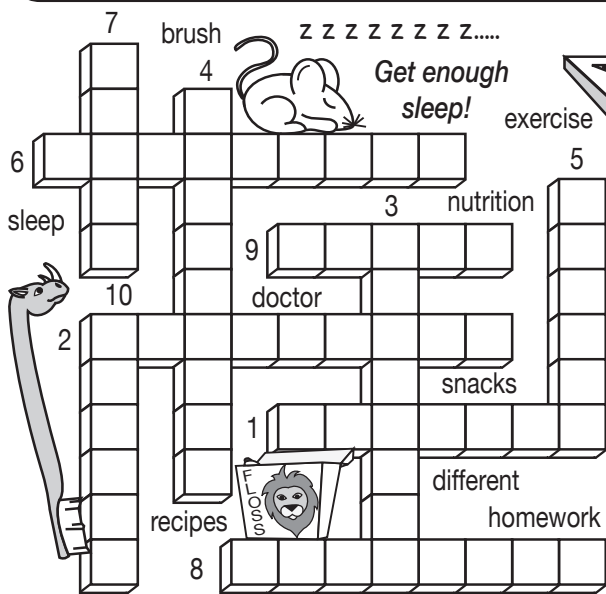


- Notice that _____ of the area of MyPlate is for vegetables and fruits.
- We can buy _____ vegetables, ones that were frozen right after picking or canned soon after – they are all good for us.
- We can use less _____, go light on the salt shaker and add flavor to our cooking by adding herbs like basil and spices like cinnamon.
- Some _____ is needed for our body and brain to function well. Choose liquid fats like olive oil rather than solid ones.
- Eat _____ treats in small amounts: dark chocolate, half of a frozen banana, a yogurt or low-fat ricotta cheese parfait with nuts and fruit.

It's easier to keep on a healthful track if your family and friends do too. It's fun to cook and exercise with others. We're checking out the sports and activities at our school and local Parks and Recreation Department for upcoming spring months. That will keep us moving!



Healthful Fun with Family and Friends

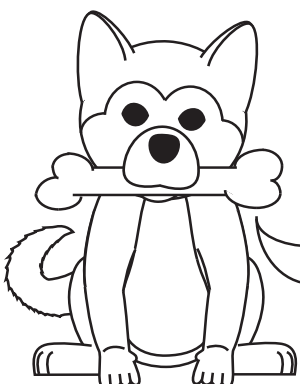


Read the clues to fill in our healthful habits crossword, then find and circle the words!

- Check out some new, healthier _____ for favorite comfort foods like macaroni and cheese.
- Try some _____ vegetables like *kalettes* – (a cross between Brussels sprouts and kale) or purple potatoes or rainbow carrots (orange, red, purple, white).
- Play soccer, dance, fly kites – find a type of _____ you like and have fun with it for 30 - 60 minutes a day.
- Spark your energy each morning with a good _____.
- Eat three meals and don't forget 2 - 3 small _____.
- Choose snacks that will give you lots of _____: nuts, veggies with low-fat dip, fruit.
- _____ your teeth twice a day and floss too.
- Get your _____ done, then, if allowed, enjoy playing a computer or video game.
- _____ is important for resting and repairing our bodies, so get a good night's sleep.
- Visit a _____ for a checkup and an eye exam; and the dentist to check your teeth.

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Ideas To "Chew" On!



Every day we make choices about the food we eat. We may grab something tasty that is not very nutritious. If we keep lots of healthful food choices around the house it will be easy to grab a tasty bite that is better for us. Here are some choices for meals and snacks. **Do you know which one would be a better choice? Circle it.**

Breakfast:

- A. bacon, eggs, fried potatoes
B. oatmeal, fruit, milk
- A. pancakes with fruit
B. fried egg, bacon and cheese sandwich

Lunch:

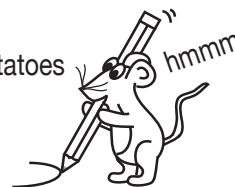
- A. corndog, french fries, soda
B. boiled hotdog, baked beans, milk
- A. grilled chicken patty, salad, milk
B. chicken nuggets, onion rings, milk shake

Snacks:

- A. nacho chips with cheese dip
B. baked tortilla chips with salsa
- A. chocolate chip cookies
B. rice cakes with a little peanut butter

Supper:

- A. cheeseburger, fries, soda
B. turkey burger, fruit salad
- A. pepperoni and cheese pizza
B. vegetable and cheese pizza



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In back, left to right, are Maggie Simon, Carly Wheeting, Lily Cutler and Matt Knecht; in front, left to right, are Hailey Hanson, Megan Unzen, Marlee Jones and Katie Miller.

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The new members of NHS were selected from a field of eligible students by a ten-member committee. Eligibility is based on a 3.0 grade point and then the students are evaluated further on the basis of their completed application. This evaluation considers each student's accomplishments in the areas of academics, character, leadership, and service.

The current members of the Groton Area Gold Key Chapter of the NHS are Gabriel Dohman, Kathleen Groeblichhoff, Taylor Gustafson, Breanna Marzahn, Kaitlin O'Neill, Luke Smith, Lucas Sternhagen, Haley Unzen, and Kasey Waage. The students who will be inducted this year are senior Matt Knecht, son of Mick and Becky Knecht, and juniors Lily Cutler, daughter of James and Lisa Cutler, Hailey Hanson, daughter of Jeff and Shawn Hanson, Marlee Jones, daughter of Jim and Mendy Jones, Maggie Simon, daughter of Steve and Peggy Simon, Carly Wheeting, daughter of John and Chris Wheeting, Katie Miller, daughter of Kenneth and Lynn Miller, and Megan Unzen, daughter of Jake and Tiffany Unzen.

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