

Send check for \$3.75 to

The Groton Independent, 110 N Washington St., Groton SD 57445.

Then after the first month, payments will be made with e-check for \$3.75 per month.

You can cancel any time!

Or call 397-6397 to pay with a credit card.

\$2



Vol. 132 No. 35 ♦ Groton, Brown County, South Dakota ♦ Tuesday, April 28, 2015 ♦ Established in 1889

Special Ed/Title programs highlighted at board meeting

Six instructors from the K-12 Special Education program and three from K-5 Title/RtI program gave their program overviews. They talked about how successful the programs are and how the support staff are making it all successful.

Elementary Principal Dan Dalchow reported on the basketball hoops in the elementary gym. He said that all of the hoops were loose and the person who had installed them was concerned at the very beginning that they may not hold up. Dalchow said Mike Nehls and Don Donley fixed them and as a result saved the district a lot of money.

Middle/High School Principal Anna Schwan reported on the recent lock-down. "It's a very, very routine procedure," she said. "I was blown away at how smoothly it went. I'm relieved that everyone knows what to do during a lock-down."

Schwan also reported that more parental support is needed for all aspects of the prom. She said it is too much for three advisors to prepare for the prom and post-prom activities and decorating.

Taylor Gustafson earned the Student's Choice award for her colored pencil drawing, "Forte," as well as the Student's Choice Award for her charcoal drawing "Why Me." It was part of the All-Dakota High School Fine Arts Exhibition held April 24 at the Granary.

There was discussion on the elementary math curriculum and it was recommended to stay with the current math program. Programs in Ipswich and Britton were evaluated.

Greg Kjellsen talked about 7-12 math. He said the current program is "challenging and practical in every day application."

The math books for K-12 are 12-15 years old and will need to be replaced in the near future. Darlene Johnson said the sixth graders need updated math



A large group of instructors were on hand to give the program overview for the Special Education and Title/RtI programs at the school board meeting Monday night.

books and to transition into the Chicago series.

The board approved the resignation of Cheryl Hanson as middle school math instructor and has accepted a position at Aberdeen Central High School. She has been in Groton for 22 years.

The resignation/retirement of Doug Bahr as custodian was accepted and will be effective at the end of this school year.

The board accepted the resignation of Jill Hansmeier as a para at the end of the school year.

Desiree Yeigh was hired as a middle school instrumental teacher. Yeigh has previously taught at Viborg-Hurley for three years and the last two years in Miller.

Kim Weber was hired as the OST coordinator for the 2015-16 school year.

Business Mike Weber talked about the health insurance changes. Double premiums will be taken out in June. Employees will have the option to take out the whole double payment in June or have payments for four months and that decision will need to be made by May 20th or the whole payment will be taken out in June.

The board adopted a six-tier plan that employees can choose from for health insurance.



Left to right: Alexis Simon, Jenifer Fjelstad, AnneMarie Smith, Cassandra Townsend

Several students place at NSU MathCounts

Twenty students in grades eight through twelve from the Groton Area School District participated in the 62nd Annual Northern State University Mathematics Contest held Wednesday, April 15, 2015, in the Barnett Center at NSU in Aberdeen, South Dakota. They were among 438 contestants representing 25 schools from North Dakota, South Dakota, and Minnesota, who participated in the event and tested in four divisions: Elementary Algebra, Geometry, Advanced Algebra, and Senior Math. Out of the 101 students taking the Elementary Algebra test, AnneMarie Smith earned the third place trophy, and Cassandra Townsend and Alexis Simon received certificates of honorable mention. Of the 133 students taking the Geometry test, Jenifer Fjelstad received a certificate of honorable mention.

As a school, Groton tied for third place with Milbank in the Class AA/A division. To determine school rank, the highest score in each of the four divisions was taken to compute each school's result.

"From minor scratches to a complete rebuild... we can do it all!"

NOW OPEN

Harris

Auto Body ABON

225 Brown County Hwy 19 South
Aberdeen: 605/725-4900

BLOCKER

NEW CONSTRUCTION
REMODELING
HOOP BARN

(605) 216-2677 (605) 226-4062



Oven Fresh Sandwiches | Hot Desserts | Snack Melts

DQ BAKES!
OVEN FRESH

DQ
Grill & Chill
Orange Julius

11 E Hwy 12, Groton ~ 397-8627

Bevitized: Rainbow Tumblers Have The Power To Surprise!



by Beverly Patterson

When I was little we would sit in the living room, as a family, every Sunday night and watch Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom followed by Walt Disney. Sometimes dad would stop at the little beer joint in town and bring home an assortment of some of the most disgusting ready made sandwiches ever created. They couldn't have been wrapped in air tight packaging as they always tasted like cigarette smoke. All mom needed to do was slide them onto a cookie sheet and pop them in the oven to warm them up and before we knew it, supper was ready. She would always pick up a six pack of those large returnable quart bottles of pop when she did her weekly grocery shopping and treat us to pop with our supper on the weekends. It was so exciting. She would get out the rainbow colored Tupperware tumblers and fill each one with some ice cubes and some bubbly, delicious, very much anticipated pop. It kind of made the sandwiches a bit more palatable and before we knew it, the sandwiches and pop were gone and our eyes were glued to the television set watching the best choice of shows between the 2 and 1/2 channels we had. When I say 2 and 1/2 channels I mean CBS, NBC and then half the time public broadcasting would come in but only if the wind wasn't out of the west and it wasn't cloudy.

When my pop had washed down the last bite of my sandwich I continued to hold the glass up to my mouth and found that if I sucked all the air out, it would stay on my face like magic! This was so cool. Becky and Jr took turns grabbing onto it and pulling it off so each time I put it back on, I would suck even more air out of it. There was a kind of tingly feeling and obviously I enjoyed it because I kept doing it for quite some time. Eventually it was time to head upstairs for bed which meant fighting to see who got to use the bathroom first. I'm not sure what place I came in that night but I do remember getting off the toilet and tossing a glance at myself in the mirror above the sink and something immediately caught my attention which prompted my brain to take another look.

O-H M-Y G-O-S-H!!!!!! WHAT'S WRONG WITH MY FACE???? I had a reddish ring all the way around my mouth that reached down to the bottom of my chin!!! Immediately, I was terrified! My heart began to pound and my palms got clammy and I recruited Becky to examine the situation. It wasn't long before she was ready to deliver her diagnosis. She could tell I was hanging on her every word as I was sure I had only days left to live. At this point, I'm doubting I'll ever forget the words that came out of her mouth. It was like one of those scenes from a movie when everything begins to happen in s-l-o-w m-o-t-i-o-n. She said, "You gave yourself a hickie with that stupid Tupperware glass!" The wave of relief that swept over my body was amazing! I knew, at the very second she delivered my fate, she was indeed, right as right can be!

This story may be an interesting angle for the Tupperware company to use in their advertising. For years they've promoted their extraordinary seals and the freshness locked inside their "burped bowls" but not once have they said anything about the tremendous seal their glasses have when sucked to a person's face! Heck, I didn't need a boyfriend to give me hickies when I became a teenager. We had a set of rainbow tumblers!



DQ DI Night

Two Groton Destination Imagination teams going to the Global Finals were helpers at the Groton Dairy Queen Thursday night. A percentage of the proceeds will go towards the Groton DI program.

In back, left to right, are Nathan Fjelstad, Trey Wright and Luke Smith; in front are Keri Pappas, Lily Cutler, Katie LaMee, Breanna Marzahn, Jenifer Fjelstad and Erin Smith. In the far back middle is Dale Grenz. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

MEYERS

TRACTOR SALVAGE

ABERDEEN, SD

- 1000+ Salvaged Tractors & Combines
- 400+ Reground Crankshafts
- 500+ Tractor Tires
- 300+ Rebuilt Radiators

Large Line of Swather, Baler & Cutter Parts.

GREAT BUYS & SERVICE!

WANT TO BUY TRACTORS, COMBINES & SWATHERS FOR SALVAGE



Phone (605) 225-0185
5 Miles North & 1 Mile West of CASE-IH

Thinking of a deck?



We can help with the plans!

S & S Lumber
HARDWARE **HANK**

North Groton

Parts • Sales • Service

ABERDEEN - 800-843-1865
4935 6th Ave. SE
Aberdeen, SD 57401

REDFIELD - 800-247-4650
17440 - US HWY 281
Redfield, SD 57469

WEBSTER - 800-658-2252
901 W. Highway 12
Webster, SD 57274




Community Calendar

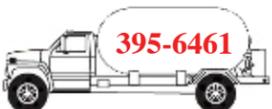
Cutler Family Hair Care
603 N 2nd St, Groton
605/397-2629



DACOTA BANK Here for you.
Member FDIC

POET™
biorefining
Groton
397-2726

Farmers Union CO-OP
101 S 1st Ave., Ferney



BASIN ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE
A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative
Basin Electric owns and operates the Groton Generation Station that is part of a power supply network for 135 member electric cooperatives in nine states. One of these member systems is Northern Electric.

GROTON VET CLINIC
1503 N Broadway, Groton, 605/397-8145



Wheat GROWERS
Connecting Solutions

AMERICAN FAMILY INSURANCE
All your protection under one roof™
Ryan Likness Agency Inc.
American Family Mutual Insurance Company and its Subsidiaries 717 Main St., Britton • 448-2357
American Family Insurance Company 702 Main St., Webster • 345-4860
Home Office - Madison, WI 53783
©2014 006441 - 9/12
riikness@amfam.com

RDO EQUIPMENT CO.
Aberdeen 225-6772 1-800-843-1865
Redfield 1-800-247-4650
Webster 1-800-658-2252



Thursday, May 7
School Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, fruit, yogurt, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Italian dunker, tots, fruit, romaine salad.

Senior Menu: Lasagna rotini, tossed salad with dressing, Ambrosia fruit salad, oatmeal spice cookie, whole wheat bread.

9:30 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran India Circle

10:00 a.m.: NEC Girls Golf at Aberdeen Roncalli

2:00 p.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Nigeria Circle

3:45 p.m.: Junior High Track at Milbank

Friday, May 8
School Breakfast: Cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Hot dog/brat, potato chips, baked beans, brownie.

Senior Menu: Roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, peach cobbler, whole wheat bread.

Elementary Health Fair and Track and Field Day

10:00 a.m.: Girls golf at Britton

Wednesday, April 29

School Breakfast: Pancake on stick, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Chicken quesadilla, green beans, carrots, fruit.

Senior Menu: Baked pork chop, baked potato with sour cream, green beans, cake, whole wheat bread.

7:00 p.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran confirmation and league.

Thursday, April 30

Birthdays: Heather Feser, Logan Lane

School Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Meatballs, mashed potatoes, corn, fruit, tea bun.

Senior Menu: Turkey chow mein, rice/chow mein noodles, broccoli, bread sticks, sour cream apple pie square.

10:00 a.m.: Girls golf meet at Redfield

3:30 p.m.: JH Track meet in Groton

7:00 p.m.: FCCLA Style Show

Friday, May 1

School Breakfast: Cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Softs shell taco, tater tots, fruit, bread sticks.

Senior Menu: Baked fish, au gratin potatoes, 3-bean salad, peach cobbler, whole wheat bread.

Howard Wood Relays at Sioux Falls

1:00 p.m.: Track at Sisseton

Saturday, May 2

Howard Wood Relays at Sioux Falls

Sunday, May 3

9:00 a.m.: St. John's Lutheran worship with communion and confirmation.

9:00 a.m.: Emmanuel Luther-

an Sunday School.

9:15 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Fellowship

10:00 p.m.: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Pierpont Church with fellowship to follow

10:15 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Baptism, Holy Communion, HS Seniors blessed and Milestones

Monday, May 4

School Breakfast: Mini pancakes, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Chicken nuggets, sweet tots, fruit, veggie cup.

Senior Menu: Meatballs, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots, fruit cocktail, whole wheat bread.

6:30 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible study

10:00 a.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran WELCA Bible Study Leaders

10:00 a.m.: Girls Golf at Aberdeen Roncalli

2:00 p.m.: Junior High track at Redfield

6:00 p.m.: Kiwanis Athletic Banquet

7:00 p.m.: City Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 5

School Breakfast: French toast sticks, links, juice, fruit, milk.

School Lunch: Pizza, green beans, romaine salad, fruit.

Senior Menu: Tuna noodle casserole, beets, Swedish apple pie square, whole wheat bread.

1:30 p.m.: St. John's Lutheran Good Cheer Circle.

3:00 p.m.: Track at Milbank

7:00 p.m.: Elementary Spring Concert

Wednesday, May 6

School Breakfast: Breakfast bagel, fruit, juice, milk.

School Lunch: Chicken tenders, French fries, carrots, fruit.

Senior Menu: BBQ Chicken, Rosemary red potatoes, old fash-

ioned slaw, strawberry Jell-O dessert, whole wheat bread.

St. John's Lutheran Ladies Aid LWML

5:00 p.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Sarah Circle.

7:00 p.m.: Emmanuel Lutheran Confirmation with youth and parents. Sixth graders join at 7:45 p.m.

3:30 p.m.: Staff Retirement celebration

Driver Wanted
Harry Implement, Ferney, is looking for a Truck driver for pickup and delivery of equipment. Contact Steve at 605-395-6421 or e-mail s.harry@harrysinc.com

PARTS COUNTER SALES

Self motivated individual needed to fill our Parts Counter Sales position. Duties include parts sales, display stocking, shipping and receiving. Sponsored training, excellent benefits package and the possibility for advancement. Contact Steve at 605-395-6421 or email resume to s.harry@harrysinc.com.

Harry Implement Inc.

PO Box 841
Ferney, SD
57439



Region's leading ENT SPECIALISTS in Aberdeen

Pictured L to R: Greg DeSautel, MD, Pat Riedmann, PA-C, and Kelly Seifert, PA-C

Expert ear, nose and throat care isn't far from home. Sanford Aberdeen Clinic offers complete ENT care for patients of all ages, from children to seniors.

Our team provides comprehensive diagnostic, medical and surgical treatments including:

- General ear, nose and throat care
- Ear infections, tonsillectomies and voice conditions
- Sinus problems and allergies
- Hearing and ear disorders

Call (605) 328-8200 for an appointment.

sanfordaberdeen.org

SANFORD
Aberdeen

018002-00333 4/15

0414.0505

Harry Implement
 "Family Owned & Operated Since 1935!"

CERTIFIED DEALER
 AFS
 ADVANCED FARMING SYSTEMS

(605) 395-6421
 Ferney

Put our experienced team to work for you!

GROTON
 Ford

GROTONFORD.COM 605-397-2311

FROST
 CONSTRUCTION INC.
 GENERAL CONTRACTOR

605.290.1535
 custom homes | remodels | additions

Friends . . . Near and Far

Editor's Note: This is the 17th in a series featuring your friends, near and far.

Austin Luecke

JobWise what are you doing today? I am currently a personal trainer and nutrition coach at Results Personal Training in Sioux Falls.

How long have you been working at the current job? Close to 2 years.

How did you get your current job? Through a connection I made with my strength and conditioning coach while I was at Augustana College.

What high school did you attend and what year did you graduate? Groton Area and 2008

Where did you attend college and what was your degree? Augustana College and majored in Exercise Science and Fitness Management with a minor in Business Administration

What advice would you give the high school students today? Set your goals high and work hard to reach them.

List your major accomplishments that you have had so far in life. Getting engaged as well as graduating college and playing 5 years of college football.

Are you married? I am engaged and getting married this upcoming August. Her name is Kate Sturgeon and she is originally from Gretna, NE.

How did the two of you meet? Kate played soccer at Augustana so we had a lot of mutual friends and met through them.

Do you feel that your high school and college education prepared you adequately for post education life? Absolutely....I am very thankful for both my high school and college experiences.

ABC Birthday Club

The ABC met at the Dairy Queen for the month of April with Deloris Knoll as hostess.

Prizes were awarded to Darlene Fisher, Mary Jo Ball and Audrey Padfield. The honor was awarded to Amy Flemmer. The guests were Merry Jo Ball, Gloria Pharis and Arlene Anderson. The May 5 Monday will be held at Dairy Queen at 1 o'clock with LaVonne Helmer as hostess.

Large Rummage Sale

511 1st Ave East

Sat., May 2, 7:30 to 2:00

Tools, screws, leaf blowers, children's toys, numerous drills, bikes, and much more.



From left to right is Kate Sturgeon, Austin Luecke, Brady and Hannah Edgar, Dave Hunter, Beckey Hunter, Chelsey Wolthuizen, Braxton Wolthuizen, Justin Wolthuizen

Colestock ties for second at Milbank

Maddie Colestock tied for second at the Milbank Poet Invitational Golf Meet held April 23. She shot a 92 on the day. The winner, Samantha Langford of Madison shot an 83.

Kasey Waage shot a 106, Payton Colestock a 133 and Ashley Flihs a 149.

Colestock wins Groton meet

Maddie Colestock shot an 87 to win the Groton Invitational Golf Tournament held April 27 at the Olive Grove Golf Course. Kasey Waage placed eighth with a 99, Payton Colesock shot a 112 and Ashley Flihs a 122.

Time for a Spring Cleaning

Groton City Spring Cleanup
 May 2-9 2015



Bring Anything You Wish to dispose of to Dumpsters located at the City Shop
 10 E Railroad Ave

Or Call City Hall at 397-8422 for free hauling May 4-8

Business Cards
 \$10 for 250
 Call 397-6397
 or email
 sales@grotonsd.net

AGRICULTURE ISN'T JUST ABOUT WHAT YOU BUILD, BUT WHAT YOU LEAVE BEHIND.

In the life of every farm and ranch, there's a time when a plan changes from building a future to leaving a legacy. We understand that plan - we know what you're working for today and we'll be there for the generations to come. When you're in agriculture for keeps, your lender should be, too.

WATERTOWN OFFICE: 605-882-4030

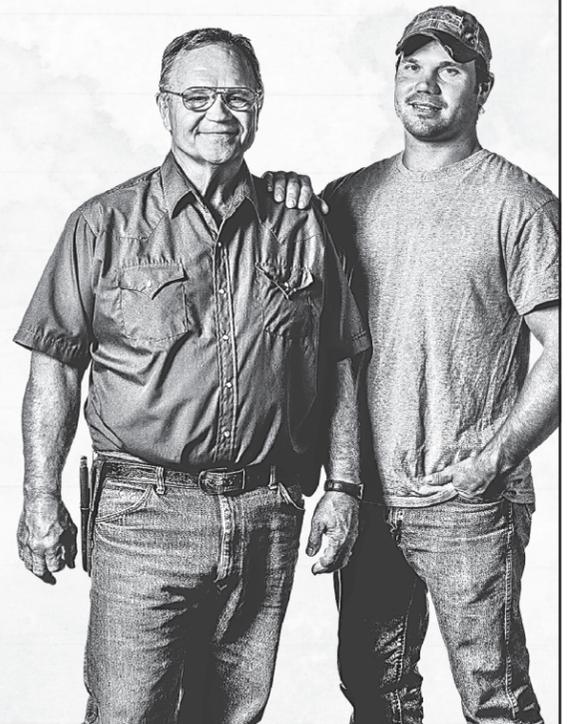
ABERDEEN OFFICE: 605-225-1030

MOBRIDGE OFFICE: 605-845-7224



Farm Credit Services of America

AGRICULTURE WORKS HERE.



FCSAMERICA.COM

TITAN CASE IH
MACHINERY
 Justin Hanson, Field Marketer
 justin.hanson@titanmachinery.com
 605-380-1120

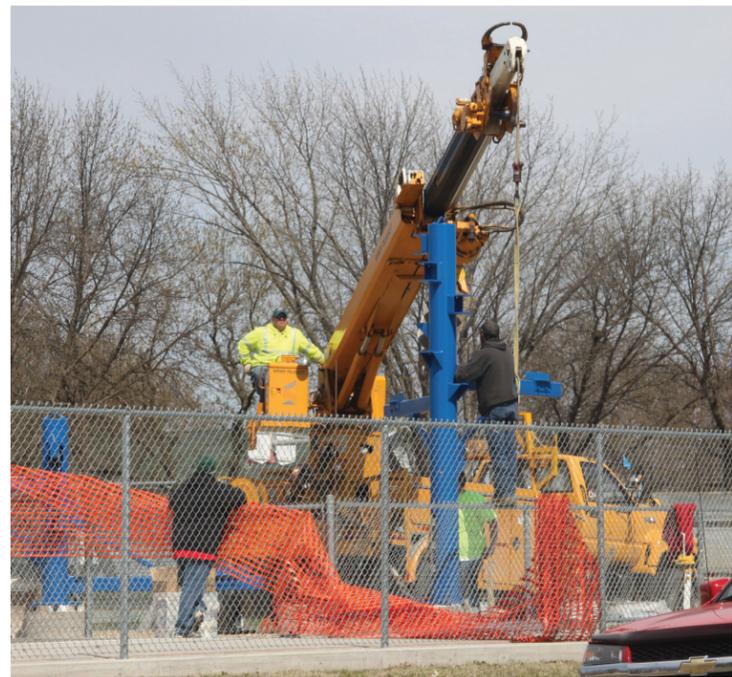
Dakota Outdoors

 Erik Dean
 402 N Main St
 Aberdeen, SD 57401
 605.229.0123
 dakoutdoors@midconetwork.com

SCHULTZ
 CONSTRUCTION LLC
 CARPENTRY • CONCRETE
 • BATH, SD •
 Check out our portfolio on Facebook at
 Schultz-Construction-LLC
 ~ New Construction and Remodeling-
 renovations, additions, and carpentry
 work
 ~ Concrete- foundations, flatwork,
 decorative concrete surfaces.
 605-380-1717
 www.shawnschultzconstruction.com



New fence is up
 The new outfield fence at Locke-Karst Field was completed this week. A new feature is a higher fence at center field. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Beams going up
 Ward Gilchrist uses the digger truck to lift up a beam as Shawn Lambertz is in the bucket truck and Joe Foertsch is on the top beam getting ready to put the next beam on. (Photo by Nick Olson)

Slide going up
 Shawn Lambertz is running the digger truck as Joe Foertsch helps to set one of the arms on the slide at the Groton Swimming Pool. (Photo by Tina Kosel)



Ward Gilchrist is guiding Branden Abeln in unloading parts of the slide at the pool on Thursday. (Photo by Tina Kosel)

JOIN THE CONTEST!!!!

WHO WILL BE THE 1st PERSON TO GO DOWN THE NEW SWIMMING POOL SLIDE IN GROTON??

For a donation of at least \$10 to the swimming pool slide you can nominate your friend, your child, your brother, your boss, your co-worker, or anyone (must be 48 inches tall) for the honor of being the first person to go down the slide. Send the name and \$10 donation to Groton City Hall at PO Box 587, 209 N Main St, Groton, SD 57445

Donations to the slide can be made under each person's name as votes. \$1 equals 1 vote. Votes can be cast for any candidate until May 20 when the winner will be announced.

Each week the leading vote getters will be posted.




Paul Kosel was installing two new bricks at the Groton Swimming Pool on Thursday. Bricks for Jody Opp and Boston Kurth were installed. There is still time to get your brick for this season. Contact City Hall at 397-8422 to order your brick. (Photo by Justin Olson)

Kristi Peterson Bookkeeping
Simple Solutions for YOU
605/216-4474 ~ peterson4@nvc.net

**Mowing ~ Trimming
Edging ~ Fertilizing
Spring/Fall Cleanups**
Travis Kurth, Licensed and Insured
Free Estimates ~ 605/397-7469
Cutting Edge Lawn Care
Quality Lawn Care At Affordable Prices

Midwest Masonry & Concrete Pumping
Greg Heilman, owner
405 E 1st Ave., Groton
Greg: 253/929-9137
Mike: 605/492-7041
midwestmasonry1@yahoo.com

**Groton Chiropractic
Clinic**
Carol McFarland-Kutter, D.C.
1205 N 1st St., Groton 397-8204

Fresh flowers, silks, home decor
Olde Bank Floral
71 More & so much more
101 N. Main St., Groton ~ 397-8650

Webster Theatre
Theatre opens at 7 pm with movies starting at 7:30 pm, Friday through Monday.
May 1-4: Do You Believe PG13
May 8-11: Home PG

Celebrate Arbor Day
Plant A Tree

Whereas, In 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and
Whereas, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and
Whereas, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife, and
Whereas, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and
Whereas, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and
Whereas, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal,
Now, Therefore, I, Scott Gordon, Mayor of the City of Groton, do hereby proclaim Friday - April 24, 2015 as
Arbor Day
In the City of Groton, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and
Further, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.
Dated this April 24 day of 2015
Mayor Scott Gordon

Bahr Family News

On April 11 there was a funeral held for Art Bahr at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Ferney. Among those in attendance were Kris Bahr and John Clay, Mesa, Arizona; Todd and Jeannine Elmquist and sons, Federal way, Washington; Diane Lewandoski and sons, Langford; Alvin and Donna Bahr, Turton; Marvin Bahr, Brookings; Lori and Janice Bahr, Ferney; Mike and Roxanne Fey and children Ferney; Landal Leonhardt, Ipswich; Tommy Leonhardt, Manfield; Dale Dobberpuhl and Loretta Shato, Sioux Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Don Miles, Doland; Jeff Miles, Conde; Ann Miles, Turton; Henry Nowak, Moorehead, Minn; Delores Leonhardt, Bristol

On April 18 there was a funeral for Bentley James Bahr son Ashley Bahr held at Calvary Baptist Church, Aberdeen. He was the great grandson of the late Art and Jeanne Bahr, Ferney. Among those in attendance were Jeannine Elmquist, Federal way, Washington; Kris Bahr and John Clay, Mesa, Arizona; Mr. and Mrs. Dean Bahr, Timber Lake; Chris and Amy Red Owl, Summerset, SD; Chad Getscher, Devils Lake, N.D.; Just in and Amanda Getscher and daughter, Walcott, N.D.; Nathan Bahr, Minn; Alvin Bahr, Turton; Marvin Bahr, Brookings; Mike and Roxanne Fey, Ferney

Groton wins four events at Redfield Relays

Groton Area had four first-place winners at the Redfield Relays Track meet held Thursday. The girls 800m relay team and shuttle hurdle relay team both took first as did Carly Wheeting in the discus and Nick Dalchow in the discus.

Girl's Division

100m Hurdles: 4, Josie Doeden, 18.03.
300m Hurdles: 6, Josie Doeden, 53.26; Audrey Wanner, 54.86.
100m Dash: Jasmine Schinkel, 14.92.

200m Dash: 2, Harleigh Winther, 27.36.
400m Dash: Alex Stange, 1:14.32; Hannah Lewandowski, 1:14.88.
800m Run: 7, Hannah Lewandowski, 3:03.5; 8, Alex Stange, 3:05.07.
800m Relay: 1, Groton (Courtney Kurtz, Heather Lone, Harleigh Winther, Mckenzie Menzia), 1:55.57. 1600m Relay: Groton (Josie Doeden, Katie Koehler, Jasmine Schinkel, Jasmine Schaller), 5:53. Medley Relay: Groton (Courtney Kurtz, Heather Lone, Mckenzie Menzia, Jasmine Schaller), 4:57.52. High Jump: 8, Taryn Rossow, 4-1.

Long Jump: Audrey Wanner, 14-0.25; Katie Koehler, 13-0.25; Taryn Rossow, 11-11.75.

Triple Jump: 7, Audrey Wanner, 31-2.5; Katie Koehler, 28-9; Taryn Rossow, 26-7.25.

Discus: 1, Carly Wheeting, 104-5; 5, Jessica Bjerke, 94-2; Marlee Jones, 88-11; Alyssa Sippel, 85-4. Shot Put: 2, Tori Bjerke, 32-11; Marlee Jones, 29-5; Jessica Bjerke, 27-0.

Boy's Division

300m Hurdles: 7, Bennett Shabazz, 46.92.
100m Dash: Tyler Iverson, 14.26; Jackson Oliver, 12.71.

200m Dash: Trevor Pray, 25.31; Jackson Oliver, 26.47; Tyler Iverson, 30.11.

400m Dash: Jackson Oliver, 1:01.25.

800m Relay: 2, Groton (Jackson Doeden, Trevor Pray, Zack Crosby, Landon Larson), 1:37.20. Medley Relay: 3, Groton (Jackson Doeden, Zack Crosby, Martin Rygg, Lucas Sternhagen), 4:01.74. 1600m Relay: Groton (Lucas Sternhagen, Martin Rygg, Sean Schuring, Brandon Keith), 4:88. 3200m Relay: 2, Groton (Bennett Shabazz, Sean Schuring, Brandon Keith, Lucas Sternhagen), 9:12.47. Long Jump: Adam Herman, 17-6.5; Bennett Shabazz, 17-0; Trevor Pray, 16-11.

Triple Jump: 6, Adam Herman, 38-3; Trevor Pray, 34-1.5.

Discus: 1, Nick Dalchow, 141-4; 3, McLane

Lone, 122-9; Stevie Fey, 105-2.

Shot Put: 2, Nick Dalchow, 40-9; 5, Stevie Fey, 38-8.

Yes! You Can Celebrate!
Effective May 1, 2015
Groton City Garbage pickup service will return to curbside on ALL streets.
Thank you for your cooperation the last 2 months by hauling your garbage to our truck routes.
Groton Street Department

A child's Special Gift for Mom Event

Reserve your child's opportunity to plant a 4" blooming or green plant in a fun, colorful container just in time for Mother's day! Reserve a spot for your child(ren) to create a special gift for their mom or grandmother!

May 2nd
10-11am
or
2-3pm
\$20 per child/
per plant

Each paid reservation (by April 30) receives a 20% off one reg price item coupon (one per family)
Oldebankfloral@nvc.net
605-397-8650

Bristol Greenhouse
Now Open for our 18th Season!
Monday-Saturday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Sunday: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Offering

- ◆ Spring bedding plants
- ◆ Succulents
- ◆ Perennials
- ◆ Potted containers
- ◆ Hanging baskets.

Have Memorial planters or large containers for your yard? Bring them to us early for best choice and we'll plant them for you!

Call Lynn at 605/467-3841 (Cell)

Latex and Mylar Balloons
Groton Daily Independent
110 N Washington St., Groton
605-397-NEWS (6397)
Delivery in the Groton area

JOHNSON AGENCY

Real Estate & Insurance
Jay Johnson, Broker

www.johnsonagencygroton.com

102 N Main St. Office: 605/397-2424
Groton, SD 57445 Home: 605/397-8565



www.harmotors.com

605-225-3078 ~ 1-800-658-3463

Dakota Brush

Brooms, Brushes, Mops, Can Liners, Paper Products.

Brushes & Squeegees
and Snow Shovels

397-9337

104 N. Main, Groton

We enjoy word playing with words...



Newspaper Fun!

www.readingclubfun.com

...jokes, puns, riddles and rhymes.



Kids:
color
stuff
in!

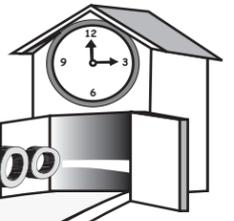


We use words when we speak or write. We use them in songs, stories, poems, letters and speeches! We use words to tell others what we are thinking, how we are feeling or how things work. We use words for fun too! We love to "play" on words in jokes and riddles, and in other ways.



Don't be chicken! Some of the words are long, but I sprinkled in letters to help you fit them into the crossword!

personification
onomatopoeia



eponym

Read the clues to fill in the crossword puzzle with different kinds of word play that we have fun with:

- a _____ word shrinks a word making it easier to say; *airplane = plane*
- word that is spelled the same backwards and forwards; *kayak*
- series of words with the same starting sound; *big bad boy*
- words with the same letters, but moved around; *cat - act*
- words that resemble the sound they are talking about; *whiz, bang*
- set of "opposite" words; *jumbo shrimp, small crowd*
- swapping of letters or syllables in words;
bunny rabbit = runny babbit
- a tongue _____ puts together words that are hard to say in a row;
Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers
- an exaggerated statement; *I died laughing*
- putting two words together to make a new word; *squeeze + crunch = scrunch*
- words that have the same ending sound; *very merry cherry*
- a humor-filled story or trick; *knock, knock!*
- giving human-like abilities to something non-human;
the wind howled, time marches on
- a word named after a real person; *teddy bear* (Theodore Roosevelt)
- a clever question that needs thought to be answered; *What loses its head each morning, and gets it back in the evening? A pillow!*



I have a **bill** in my **bill** to pay my **bill**.

Play On Words

alliteration 3 4 palindrome
twister
clipped
anagram
portmanteau
riddle
rhyme
oxymoron
spoonerism

Come to print out free puzzles: **Just Move It Around, We Can Reuse Lots of Things (Earth Day), Spring Sports Compound Words and Springtime Puzzling Bookmarks @ www.readingclubfun.com**

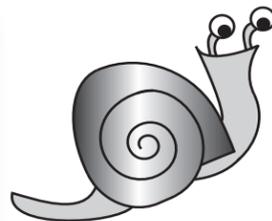
Dear Forest,

At the picnic today, a fast **pitch** from the baseball **pitcher** broke a **pitcher**, and the pieces flew into a warm **pitch** patch that sealed a hole in the walkway! A bowl of **squash** skidded off the table and **squashed** tomatoes in a basket. After I clean the mess and the **rest** I will need a **rest**!

And so I **seal** my letter with a **seal** to send to you!
P.S. Follow the numbers to see it.
Your Pal,
Squeak

Word Ex-Change!

You can make a play on words just by exchanging letters in words. After you finish the activity below, try to write one of your own and share it with a friend.



- Change the "sn" to "tr" and see the "goo". snail

- Add an "n" to this word and you'll know what the cow said and what she jumped over. moo

- Change the first letter to "b" and you'll know what happened to my car. fender

- Change the "k" to "t" and you'll see what a dog gave me as I was riding by. bike

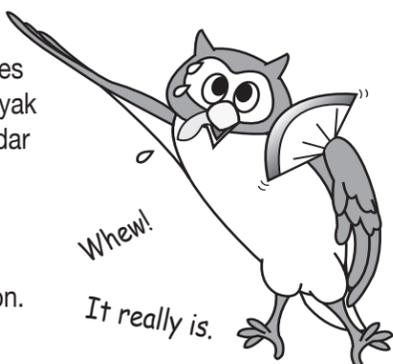
- Change the "ch" to "cl" and it will close your snack bag. chip



Too Hot to Hoot!

A '**palindrome**' is a word that can be read forward and backward. Sometimes a person thinks up a sentence that can be read forward and backward too! **Read these words and sentences, then find them in the puzzle!**

- | | | | |
|-----|---------------------|---------|-------|
| mom | noon | | |
| dad | deed | level | sees |
| pop | peep | racecar | kayak |
| did | toot | madam | radar |
| eve | | | |
| dud | Step on no pets. | | |
| nun | Was it a rat I saw? | | |
| eye | No lemon, no melon. | | |
| bob | Too hot to hoot! | | |
| tot | | | |



T	G	R	M	A	D	A	M	Y	X	U	C	X	W	D	E	E	D	F	I	G	F	P	N	T	S
T	O	O	H	O	T	T	O	H	O	O	T	V	L	J	S	W	K	W	F	H	R	L	O	O	P
K	S	T	A	E	R	W	X	K	R	P	O	P	F	O	B	R	F	V	J	Y	A	L	O	O	E
U	K	B	A	B	T	S	I	K	A	Y	A	K	O	N	O	B	W	A	A	D	D	E	N	T	E
P	R	E	O	S	F	W	P	H	Y	E	R	A	C	E	C	A	R	J	N	A	A	V	N	D	P
U	S	C	E	B	A	D	U	N	D	I	D	L	C	O	C	H	T	Y	F	D	R	E	E	U	B
N	E	E	C	P	U	E	W	A	S	I	T	A	R	A	T	I	S	A	W	Z	A	L	M	T	N
V	S	Y	O	D	N	O	L	E	M	O	N	N	O	M	E	L	O	N	M	J	M	O	M	I	W
O	U	P	E	V	E	S	T	E	P	O	N	N	O	P	E	T	S	P	O	N	G	Z	Y	B	M

**Brown County
April 21
Meeting
Minutes**



APRIL 21, 2015 – GENERAL MEETING

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

MINUTES: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the General Meeting Minutes, Brown County Board of Equalization Meeting Minutes and the Consolidated Board of Equalization Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Payroll: Commission \$3,767.51; Commission Assistant/Human Resources \$4,088.74; Auditor \$7,399.67; Treasurer \$12,612.49; Data Processing \$5,531.88; State's Attorney \$16,169.69; Blood Draws \$300.00; SVA-WA Grant \$1,873.94; Maintenance \$6,424.38; Assessor \$13,104.51; Register of Deeds \$8,758.88; Veterans Service Office \$3,563.74; GIS \$2,195.60; Sheriff Admin \$32,273.46; Jail \$33,444.50; Coroner \$0.00; JDC \$14,858.71; HD \$5,182.47; Welfare Office \$3,500.47; Museum \$7,658.94; Parks & Fairgrounds \$4,895.97; Fair Board \$4,238.11; 4-H \$1,113.60; Weed \$50.93; Planning and Zoning \$1,586.47; Highway \$48,076.46; Communications \$20,031.50; Emergency Management \$3,331.32; Teen Court \$220.22; 24/7 \$2,874.82; Landfill \$11,359.30

Matching Benefits: FICA \$16,533.19; Medicare \$3,866.66; Life \$685.45; Dental \$6,732.00; Health Insurance \$107,786.84; Retirement \$33,327.19

Professional Fees: Avera St. Luke's \$13,948.96; Matthew Berry \$37.76; Br Co Treasurer \$11.00; Dean Schaefer Court Reporting \$222.00; Language Line Service \$90.00; Lincoln Co Treasurer \$9.00; Sanford Clinic \$8.61; SD Dept of Revenue \$735.00; Spitzer Miller Funeral Home \$1,200.00; Jennifer Stippich \$20.00; Tammy Stolle Court Reporting \$110.00; US Bank \$61.68; Christopher Wright \$20.00; Yankton Co Sheriff \$25.00; Yankton Co Treasurer \$450.50;

Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$311.82;

Repairs & Maintenance: A & B Business \$29.99; A-1 Sanitation & Recycling \$193.00; Auto Glass Solutions \$467.19; C & L Plumbing & Heating \$488.53; Gary Snow and Assoc \$550.00; Graham Tire \$307.60; Hoven Auto Repair \$25.00; Sewer Duck \$250.00; US Bank \$192.34;

Supplies: A & B Business \$1,905.80; American Alliance of Museums \$250.00; Behnke Pit \$4,785.49; Best Business Products \$176.80; Black Book \$108.00; Double D Body Shop \$133.00; Monte Wahl \$26.50; Aberdeen Medical Center Pharmacy \$617.95; Ecobal Pest Elimination \$201.13; MB LLC \$440.20; Govconnection \$109.80; Indata Corp \$159.00; Dan Higgins \$50.00; Marco \$86.58; Matthew Bender & Co \$125.52; Menards \$143.37; Midstates Printing \$432.46; Mark Milbrandt \$75.00; NCFE Warner \$4,987.30; Nelson Sales & Service \$7.14; Northern Lights USA \$3,430.00; Pitney Bowes \$5,045.00; Sanders Sew-n-Vac \$53.98; SD Assoc of Fairs & Celebrations \$250.00; SD Continuing Legal Education \$53.00; US Bank \$10,797.47; Patty Woods \$39.90; Zones \$561.60

Travel and Conference: Jodi Brown \$863.30; Jefferson Lines \$224.50; Andrea Sjomeling \$36.00; US Bank \$3,829.31; Chris White \$21.00; Patty Woods \$23.50

Utilities: Century Link \$1,178.58; State of SD \$80.95; Northwestern Energy \$2,219.95; Northwestern Public Service \$402.29; US Bank \$628.16; Verizon Wireless \$230.11;

Other: SD Public Assurance \$446.73. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve the following employee step increases, effective April 26, 2015: Monte Podoll @ \$15.88 per hour, Kathy Fischer @ \$21.21 per hour, Dan Schlosser @ \$15.03 per hour, Terry Lout @ \$15.69 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to acknowledge resignation of Jamie Bretsch as Blood Draw Technician, effective

April 21, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to acknowledge payroll audit conducted on the January 18 – 31, 2015 pay period. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve summer hours for the Highway Department (four ten-hour days, Monday thru Thursday), effective April 27, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SICK BANK: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to adopt the revised Brown County Sick Leave Bank Ground Rules, effective April 21, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEASE AGREEMENTS: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign the following agreements: Blazer/Sartorius Wedding for lease of the Granary Rural Cultural Center on September 6, 2015; Jark Auction for lease of area east of Expo Building at the Fairgrounds on May 8, 2015; Northeast Area Horse Racing Inc for lease of the Fairgrounds on May 1–28, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SPECIAL MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve the following application for Special Malt Beverage License, submitted by SD Snow Queen Festival: Brown County Fairgrounds (Expo Building) SW ¼ Sec 1-T123N-R64W, effective May 2, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

9-1-1 SYSTEM: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chairman sign Next Generation 9-1-1 System User Agreement with the SD Department of Public Safety. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SURPLUS CASH ANALYSIS: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve the General Fund Surplus Cash Analysis Report for March 31, 2015 @ \$1,553,639.69 (8.85%). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIM ASSIGNMENT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign documentation to assign claims against individuals to Credit Collections Bureau for purpose of collecting a lien. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CROW CREEK STRUCTURE PAY REQUEST #2: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign Crow Creek Control Structure Project Pay Request #2 (total bill \$6,750.00), as follows: James River Water Development District @ \$3,375.00 (50%); SD Department of Environment and Natural Resources @ \$2,700.00 (40%); County match @ \$675.00 (10%). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

UNCOLLECTIBLE TAX LIST: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to acknowledge uncollectible tax list (five parcels), as submitted by Sheila Anderson, Brown County Treasurer. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

RFP RADIO CONSOLE PROJECT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to authorize advertising Request for Proposal for all hardware and software required for the replacement of the current radio console system by November 31, 2015, including but not limited to all related training, installation, and maintenance support to the Brown County Communications Center, to be opened and reviewed on June 16, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT PURCHASE: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve purchase of a 2001 International Model 4900 Oil Distributor VIN#1HTSHAAR314386486 from Beadle County @ \$30,000.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORD 092: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to adopt Ordinance #092, an Ordinance to amend Title 4 – Zoning, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of Chapter 4.06 (AG-P) Agricultural Preservation District to Chapter 4.34 (M) Municipal, State and County Use District: The N ½ of the SW ¼ of Sec 15-T124N-R63W and Outlot 1 in the S ½ of the SW ¼ of Sec 15-T124N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (12668 391st Ave). Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-absent. Ordinance adopted.

MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE APPLICATION HEARING: Time and

place, as advertised to consider application for Retail (on-off sale) License. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve the following application: RETAIL (ON-OFF SALE) MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE. Todd, Scott and Troy Neundorf DBA Bullet Sports LLC, 715 17th Ave NE (PO Box 786), Aberdeen, SD 57402-0786, Brown County Fairgrounds SW ¼ of Sec 1-Twp123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (Grandstand for car racing – specific location designated on map attached to application). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

APPLICATIONS FOR OCCUPANCY: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Hansen to approve the following applications submitted by Northern Electric for occupancy of the following: Hwy 27 in SE 31-T121N-R63W; Hwy 6 in Sec 24-T122N-R65W; Hwy 13 in SW 15-T124N-R62W; Hwy 13 in SE 15-T124N-R61W; Hwy 13 in SE 14-T124N-R62W (east and west side of Tacoma); Hwy 13 in SW 14-T124N-R62W; Hwy 13 in SE 15-T124N-R61N; Hwy 21 in SE 12-T122N-R61W, Brown County, SD to provide electrical service. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SURPLUS PROPERTY: Dirk Rogers, Highway Superintendent recommended using Purple Wave as means of disposing of the 2015 surplus property. Board concurred.

SA EQUIPMENT PURCHASE: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve low quote, submitted by Century Business Products for a Kyocera TAS-Kalfa 3501i Copier in the States Attorney's Office in amount of \$6,747.05; rejecting quote submitted by A&B Business Inc for Toshiba Estudio 357 @ \$8,241.94. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LANDFILL EQUIPMENT PURCHASE: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to approve purchase of a 1981 T-6 OshKosh ARFF Fire Truck from the City of Aberdeen (Airport) @ \$7,000.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LANDFILL SPRING RESIDENTIAL CLEANUP: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve waiving fees on all material types from Residential Users only during the Spring Residential Cleanup at the Brown County Landfill, to be held from April 24 thru May 9, 2015. Tires are limited to car/pickup tires only with a maximum of 4 tires per customer for event period. Fees will apply to commercially generated tires and other tire sizes. No free waste will be accepted from commercial contractors or businesses (including mobile homes). In the event circumstances beyond the control of Brown County (flood, tornado, fire, other) would occur during the FREE Cleanup period the Brown County Commission would reserve the right to end the free cleanup period at such time and implement the regular fee structure. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

GRANARY MOWING: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to authorize the Museum cost share insurance for individual to maintain the grounds at the Granary during the 2015 growing season. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

MARKET STREET ENTRANCE PROJECT: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to accept the low quote, submitted by HKG in amount of \$14,500.00 for architectural and engineering fees for the Market Street Entrance Project; rejecting quote submitted by CO-OP in amount of \$18,000.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to adjourn the Brown County Commission. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor
Published once at the total approximate cost of \$102.91.



APRIL 21, 2015 – BROWN COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Meeting called to order by Chairman Kippley at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Kippley, Fischbach and Fjeldheim. Commissioner Sutton was absent. Mary Worlie and Gene Loeschke from the Director of Equalization Office were also in attendance.

APPEALS: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the following recommendations from the Director of Equalization: #1-2.Cody Braun S 200'

NE of SE 11-125-64 from 79,000 to 88,640; 3.03 ac of N end SE of SE 11-125-64 from 3,000 to 5,920 (appeal back). All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Kippley to approve the following recommendations from the Director of Equalization: #3.Allen Ryckman S ½ S ½ 12-121-63 from 327,201 to 136,467 (flooded farm land). #4-6.Geraldine Duncker c/o Allen Ryckman NE 13-121-63 from 177,504 to 69,325; N ½ S ½ 13-121-63 from 271,716 to 208,960; NW 13-121-63 ex land platted from 270,324 to 212,200 (flooded farm land). All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Kippley to approve the following recommendations from the Director of Equalization: #7.Brian Hertel Lt 2 Mattesons Addn Westport from 56,750 to 67,030 (appeal back). #8.Tanya Svendsen Lt 5 Matteson's 2nd Subd of Lt 1 ex N 42' Westport from 38,752 to 40,482 (appeal back). #9.Gengerke Farms Inc SE 5-124-60 from 181,389 to 389,636 (incorrect soil survey). #10.Gary Schlosser Schlosser's Lt A ex land deeded Frederick from 8,559 to 10,694 (adjust after review). #11-12.Full Circle Ag Scotts OL A Hecla from 25,333 to 27,352; Scotts OL C Hecla from 830 to 1,656 (lot value missed). #13.Gene Skoglund W 50' Lt 2 and Lt 3 Blk 17 of Plat 17-26 inclusive Hecla from 3,765 to 4,765 (lot value missed). #14.Eugene Buro Lt 7-9 Blk 55 Hecla from 12,300 to 13,800 (lot value missed). #15.Hecla Manufacturing Co Lahman OL 2 Hecla from 50,260 to 51,249 (lot value missed). #16.Jay Osterloh Balance of OL M Hecla from 49,300 to 52,296 (lot value missed). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the following recommendation from the Director of Equalization: #17.Dwight Buntrock SE 3-125-63 ex land deeded @ 213,727 (uphold local board). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Fjeldheim to approve the following recommendation from the Director of Equalization: #18.John Kippley Lt 1 Kippley 1st Conservation Subd Raetzmanns Richmond Lake Subd (Lt 2-4 Raetzmanns) from 103,336 to 87,931 (buildings gone). Roll call vote: Commissioners Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-abstain. Motion carried.

Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the following recommendations from the Director of Equalization: #19.Tim Carda Lt 2 Jones 2nd Subd SE 22-123-62 from 7,320 to 5,600 (adjust after review). #20.Doreen Davis NW 30-125-63 from 283,293 to 282,293 (building gone). #21.Jason Feickert NE 15-124-65 ex lake from 57,130 to 45,169 (crop/grass adjustment). #22.Beverly Halvorson Tacoma Park 23-124-62 BOLS from 23,530 to 7,865 (adjust after review). #23.Mark Daniels BOLS OL P Hecla Village 1985 Moduline MH from 500 to 0 (MH demolished). #24.Paul Estwick Lt A & B Doeringsfeld OL 3 Groton from 102,787 from 88,867 (adjust after review). #25-28.Mark Hoines NW 1-126-60 from 342,904 to 244,787; NW 11-126-60 from 347,387 from 316,502; S ½ NE 11-126-60 from 197,347 to 187,565; N ½ NE 11-126-60 from 191,031 to 183,058 (adjust after review). #29.Kelly Kenser SW 32-125-64 from 67,367 to 34,924 (change land to AG). #30-31.John Pulver SE 3-126-60 from 304,919 to 186,788; SW 3-126-60 from 340,437 to 264,081 (adjust after review). #32.Monte Sippel Lt 1 Sippel Addn SW 9-123-60 from 68,705 to 74,578 (missed bin). #33.Susan Stanley Lt 2 Randy Stanley Replat Stanley's OL 1 SW 13-125-61 from NAC to AGC (reclassified to AG). #34.Donald Widstrom NE 34-128-62 ex land platted from 184,633 to 163,930 (correct error). #35.Thomas Luzier Lts 3, 4 & W 50' Lt 5 Blk 11 Prairieewood Village SE 33-124-63 from 330,520 to 165,870 (destroyed by fire). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

RECESS: The Chairman declared the 2015 Brown County Board of Equalization recessed until April 28, 2015.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor
Published once at the total approximate cost of \$39.80.



NOTICE TO RADIO CONSOLE SYSTEM CONTRACTORS
Notice is hereby given that a Request for Proposal (RFP) will be received in the Chambers

of the Brown County Board of Commissioners at the Courthouse Annex, 25 Market Street, Aberdeen, SD., until the hour of 5:00 P.M. on June 15, 2015. All Request for Proposals will be publicly opened and reviewed by the Brown County Commission for all hardware and software required for the replacement of the current radio console system by November 31, 2015, including but not limited to all related training, installation, and maintenance support to the Brown County Communications Center located at 25 Market Street, Aberdeen, SD.

Envelopes containing proposals shall be addressed to the Brown County Auditor, 25 Market Street, Ste 1, Aberdeen, SD., and be marked on the envelope: "Brown County Communications Radio Console Project" to be opened on June 16, 2015.

This RFP is an invitation for qualified persons to submit a proposal to complete the listed work. Submission of a proposal constitutes recognition by the proposer that this is not being submitted as a part of a bid process. Brown County is not under any obligation for cost of time and materials for the preparation of any proposals. Submission of a proposal is completely at the expense of the proposer.

The Brown County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all proposals in part or in whole, and accept the proposal they deem to be in the best interest of Brown County. Brown County is exempt from all Federal Excise Tax and State Sales Tax.

PERFORMANCE BOND: The successful proposer will be required to furnish a performance bond written in favor of Brown County, South Dakota in the full amount of the contract price. This bond must be furnished within 10 days of the award and shall remain in force throughout the life of the contract and its warranty period or at least one year after acceptance whichever is shortest.

Specifications are on file and may be obtained at no charge at the Brown County Communications Center, 25 Market Street, Aberdeen, SD. 57401 Phone: 605-626-7000

ATTEST:
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor
(0428.0505)
Published at the total approximate cost of \$41.06.



NOTICE OF RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS AND DECLARED PESTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN this 14th day of April, 2015 pursuant to SDCL 38-22 as amended to all owners, occupants, agents and public officials in charge of lands in Brown County, South Dakota, that they are responsible for the suppression, control, and eradication of noxious weed and declared pest infestations that my exist on such lands.

Chemical, biological and/or cultural control methods used for the suppression, control and eradication of noxious weed and declared pest infestations shall be those approved for such purposes by the Brown County Weed and Pest Supervisor, Regional Extension Educator or the South Dakota Department of Ag.

Upon failure to observe this notice, the county weed and pest board is required to proceed pursuant to the law and have the noxious weeds or declared pests destroyed by such methods as they may find necessary, the expense of which shall constitute a lien and be entered as a tax against the land, and be collected as other real estate taxes are collected, or by other means as provided by law.

Plants and animals designated as being noxious weeds and declared pests in the state of South Dakota are Leafy Spurge, Salt Cedar, Perennial Sow Thistle, Russian Knapweed, Hoary Cross, Canada Thistle, Purple Loosestrife, and Gypsy Moth.

In addition, Absinth Wormwood, Musk and Plumelless Thistle, Yellow Toadflax and Bull Thistle have been approved by the South Dakota Weed and Pest Control Commission and are subject to the same suppression, control and eradication requirements as the before mentioned plants and animals.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that upon establishing probable cause to believe a noxious weed or declared pest infestation exists upon any property in Brown County a representative of the Brown County Weed and Pest

Board will enter upon said property for the purpose of inspecting and confirming that such infestation actually exists.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

Published once at the total approximate cost of \$20.56.



NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR VOTER REGISTRATION

Voter registration for the Combined Election to be held on June 02, 2015 will close on May 18, 2015. 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, check the Voter Information Portal at www.sdsos.gov or call the 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, SNAP, 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.

Voters with disabilities may contact the county auditor for information and special assistance in voter registration, absentee voting, or polling place accessibility.

Maxine Fischer, County Auditor

Brown County, South Dakota (0428.0505)

Published twice at the total approximate cost of \$21.80.



Notice to Bidders Bid on School Buses

The Board of Education, Frederick Area School District 6-2, Brown County, State of South Dakota, will receive sealed bids at the office of the Business Manager of Frederick Area School District 6-2, Frederick, SD, until 6:00 PM on May 11, 2015 for the following items to be billed and delivered after July 1, 2015:

A. 2014 or newer 14 passenger gas powered mini bus with trade-in of 2010 BBCV 71 passenger bus with approximately 118,000 miles.

B. 2014 or newer 70+ passenger with underneath luggage storage diesel powered bus with trade-in of 2010 BBCV 71 passenger bus with approximately 98,000 miles.

C. 2014 or newer 14 passenger gas powered mini bus and 2014 or newer 70+ passenger with underneath luggage storage diesel powered bus with trade-in of both buses listed in options A and B.

Each bus must meet or exceed all federal and state specifications.

Bids for buses must be individually submitted and specifically identified by letter A, B or C. Bids will be opened, read aloud and recorded for action at the regular board meeting scheduled for May 11, 2015 at 7:30 PM. The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Full specifications are on file in the office of the business manager for the Frederick Area School District 6-2 and in the office of the Superintendent for the Frederick Area School District 6-2. You may obtain a copy of the specs by requesting an email copy.

By the order of the Board of Education, Frederick Area School District 6-2, Brown County, Frederick, South Dakota.

Dated at Frederick, South Dakota, this 13th day of April 2015.
Deb Klapperich
Business Manager
Frederick Area School District 6-2

202 East Main Street
P O Box 486
Frederick, SD 57441-0486
605-329-2355
(0421.0428)

Published twice at the total approximate cost of \$15.97.

Dr. Geoffrey Rath - Optometrist

Eye Exams Glaucoma Tests Rx's Filled
- All Types Contact Lenses -

Doctor here Mondays Only - Office open Thursdays.
701-349-3223 to make appointments & adjustments

Hours at Ellendale, N.D. are:
Monday 9 - 12 & 1 - 5 Thursday 1:00 - 4:00

Sperry Stump Removal Tyler: 605/216-8431
Over 30 Years of Combined Experience!
TJ: 605/380-7915 **TreeLine Tree Service**

ACKIVER COLLISION
Lifetime Warranty on all Collision Work!
13556 400th Ave., Groton SD 57445
Allen McKiver, Owner ~ 605/397-4404

Local Classified and Card of Thanks Rates

The following rates are for Classifieds published in both the Groton Daily Independent and the Groton Independent, and posted online at www.grotonsd.net. Cut rate in half if you just want it in the GDI or just the weekly.

1 Week: \$9 for first 30 words, 20¢/word thereafter
2 Wks: \$17 for first 30 words, 38¢/word thereafter
3 Wks: \$24 for first 30 words, 54¢/word thereafter
4th consecutive week is free

605/397-NEWS (6397)

110 N Washington St., Groton SD 57445



By Richard P. Holm M.D.

Shut-down schnozzle

Spring is the time of the year when people come into the clinic because of a plugged proboscis, a stuffy schnozzle, a nasty nose.

An obstructed nasal airway becomes particularly troublesome when we are trying to sleep and nasal passageways deny us enough air to achieve that forget-about-it-all state in order to drift off into dreamland. Luckily, even with a totally plugged upper airway, adults can open their mouths, allowing breath to come in an alternate way, which is an option not available to infants, I should add... but that is another story.

A seasonal allergic cause for stuffy nose happens when prairie winds blow pollen into our homes and sleeping spaces: from trees in spring, grasses in summer, or weeds in early autumn. Symptoms of such an allergy include itchy and watery eyes, sneezing, congestion, runny nose and wheezing that generally last for more than two weeks.

This is in contrast to a stuffy nose from a viral infection or cold, which starts with a sore throat, full-body-aches for one to two

days followed by nasal-passage swelling and a dry hacking cough that can last for one to two weeks.

So, what are we to do about a stuffy nose? I suggest only blowing the nose gently since forceful blowing can and will cause painful packed sinuses. Hot liquids like lemon-honey tea can be helpful. Almost all the drugs we used to prescribe for allergies are now available over-the-counter. Long-acting non-sedating antihistamine tablets or nasal spray steroids and antihistamines can help for both causes, but are particularly helpful when the cause is allergic. These are gentle medicines and they take a while to kick-in, so be patient.

My favorite advice is for continuous stimulation of the most powerful nose and throat clearing substance: saliva. This is best done by stimulating salivary glands with lemon or cough drops.

Some warnings: Short acting and sedating antihistamines like Benedryl are no more effective than the long acting type. The decongestants like Sudafed can cause people to become jittery, agitated, and can irritate the heart, so use them very judiciously. Decongestant nasal sprays like Afrin can cause dependency and should not be used more than twice a week. And remember, whether a viral infection or an allergy is causing the stuffy nose, antibiotics rarely will help, and can be harmful.

So when your noble nose becomes a shut-down schnozzle, there are methods you might use to bring you safe relief.

EMPLOYMENT

Seeking applications for a full time custodian beginning July 1st, 2015. Salary DOE/Benefits included. Please send a letter of application along with a resume to Superintendent Justin Downes. Frederick Area School District #6-2, PO Box 486, Frederick, SD 57441 (0421.0428)

Andover Bar & Grill is looking for a cook. Contact Stacy at 605/298-5252 or Randy at 605/216-2595.

FOR RENT

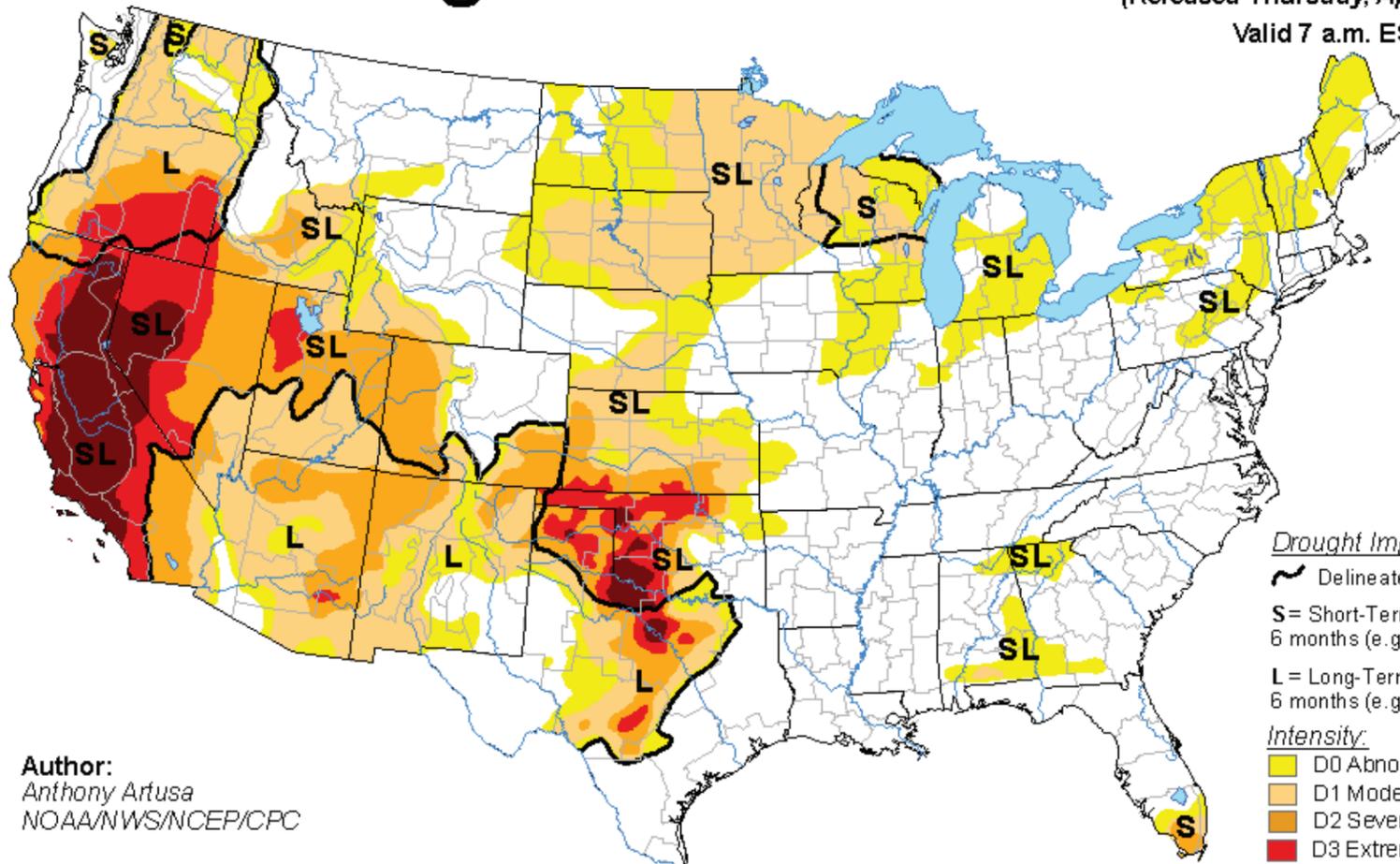
ONE AND TWO bedroom apartment for rent. HDS subsidized. Rent includes utilities and heat. No smoking. Pets okay. Contact Darlene Daly at 605/380-0571 or Arlys Kluess at 605-216-8399.

U.S. Drought Monitor

April 21, 2015

(Released Thursday, Apr. 23, 2015)

Valid 7 a.m. EST



Author:
Anthony Artusa
NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC

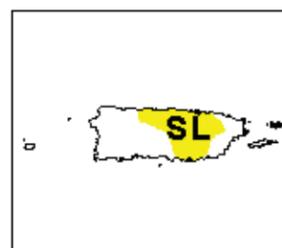
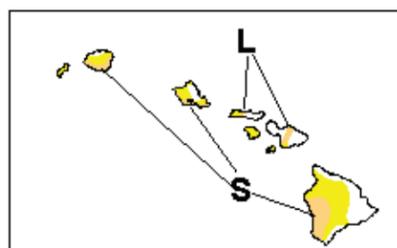
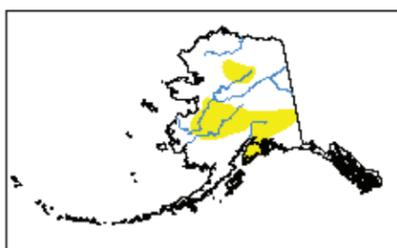
Drought Impact Types:

- ~ Delineates dominant impacts
- S= Short-Term, typically less than 6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)
- L= Long-Term, typically greater than 6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)

Intensity:

- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.



<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>

Hanlon Brothers
Gravel Hauling
 New & Cleaning of Stockdams with our 60' reach trackhoe
605/395-6531

Mark Malmberg, DDS
 19 North 6th St.
 Oakes, N.D.
 701-742-3401

Removal, Grinding, Chipping, Trimming
605-725-WOOD
 Mason Dinger: 605-216-6098
 Trevor Zeck: 605-216-8910
DAKOTA TREE COMPANY

Milbrandt honored during Scholar of the Year Banquet



Jacob Milbrandt

WATERTOWN — Touchstone Energy® Cooperatives in eastern South Dakota and

western Minnesota honored some of the area's most impressive high school seniors Saturday, April 25, during the annual Touchstone Energy Scholar of the Year banquet and recognition on the campus of Lake Area Technical Institute.

The event honored the 36 high school students who were chosen each week throughout the school year as the Touchstone Energy Scholar of the Week. It's a program which recognizes students for aca-

ademic achievement, co-curricular involvement and community service. The students are featured in weekly segments which air on KSFY Television and each student receives a \$100 scholarship from their local Touchstone Energy Cooperative for being chosen as the Scholar of the Week.

Jacob Milbrandt, a senior at Groton Area High School, was selected during the week of Jan. 18-Jan. 24, 2014, as the Touchstone Energy Scholar of the Week.

Milbrandt, who plans to attend the South Dakota School of Mines & Technology in the fall, received a \$100 scholarship from Northern Electric Cooperative, a local Touchstone Energy Cooperative.

Lake Area Technical Institute's President Michael Cartney was

the keynote speaker for the Scholar of the Year banquet. KSFY News anchor Brian Allen served as the master of ceremonies.

Touchstone Energy Cooperatives in eastern South Dakota and western Minnesota provide safe and reliable electricity to more than 113,000

homes and businesses. The cooperatives have sponsored the Scholar of the Week program since 2002. In that time Touchstone Energy Cooperatives have awarded over \$70,000 in scholarships as part of the Scholar of the Week program.

We live for *the little things.*

Avera Medical Group
 Avera.org/live
 Live better. Live balanced. Avera.

Ken's SUPER FAIR FOODS
STOCK YOUR CAMPER & CABIN
 ABERDEEN • GROTON • CLARK • IPSWICH • EUREKA • BRITTON

GROUND FRESH DAILY
\$3.99
Ken's Fresh 85% Lean Ground Round
 VALUE PACK Per Lb.

U.S.D.A. CHOICE
\$7.99
U.S.D.A. Choice Boneless Whole New York Strip
 Per Lb.

Ken's BIG VIP ITEM
\$1.79
Chilean Red Seedless Grapes
 Per Lb.

Peter Pan Peanut Butter
 13-16.3 Oz. Jar
\$1.49

Kauk's Smoked Brats
 Assorted Varieties
 Per Lb.
\$3.99

Too Hot to Hoot!
 Palindromes - words that can be read forward and backward.

Shurtine Granulated Sugar
 4 Lb. Bag
\$1.69

Hunt's Squeeze Ketchup
 44.5 oz. Bonus Size Bottles
2 for \$3

Large Slicing Tomatoes
 Per Lb.
99¢

Kool-Aid Unsweetened Drink Mix
 2 Qt. Envelopes
8 for \$10

Tide 2x Liquid Laundry Detergent
 46-50 Oz. Jug
\$5.99

Banquet Meals
 3.2-10.1 Oz. Pkgs.
10 for \$10

A&W, 7UP, Sunkist or Squirt
 6 Pack .5 Liter Bottles
5 for \$10

Coors, Coors Light
 24 Pack 12 oz. Cans
\$16.99

Crystal Farms Chunk or Shredded Cheese
 7-8 Oz. Pkg.
\$1.79

Windsor
 1.75 Liter
\$15.95

Play On Words

1. Change the "sn" to "tr" and see the "goo".
 2. Add an "n" to this word and you'll know what the cow said and what she jumped over.
 3. Change the first letter to "b" and you'll know what happened to my car.
 4. Change the "k" to "t" and you'll see what a dog gave me as I was riding by.
 5. Change the "ch" to "cl" and it will close your snack bag.

snail
 t r a i l
 moo
 m o o l
 fender
 b e e
 bike
 b i t e
 chip
 c l i p

Too Hot to Hoot!
 Whew! It really is.

Palindromes - words that can be read forward and backward.

The Groton Independent

605/397-NEWS (6397)
 Fax: 1-775-459-6259
 Paul Irvin Kosel, Publisher
 paperpaul@grotonsd.net ~ 605-397-7460
 Tina Kosel, Office Manager
 office@grotonsd.net ~ 605-397-7285
 Notices: legals@grotonsd.net
 News Items: news@grotonsd.net
 Deadline to submit items: Monday at noon
 Yearly Subscription Rates: 12 Month Rate: \$35
 Groton Daily Independent internet paper: \$31.80.
 Tax included in rates.
 The Groton Independent (USPS# 230-440) is published weekly with its periodicals postage paid at Groton, SD.
Postmaster: Send address changes to Groton Independent
 110 N Washington St., Groton, SD 57445

Find us on Facebook | Twitter | ABERDEEN | BRITTON | CLARK | EUREKA | GROTON | IPSWICH
 We accept VISA, M.C., AMEX, DISCOVER, ATM, EFT, MONEY ORDER