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OST rate adjustment

Superintendent Schwan reported on the OST program. The OST program had a \$3,000 drop in the past year. Groton's rates were \$2.50 for the first child and \$2.25 for each additional child. Schwan suggested making it a flat rate of \$2.50 per child. Which child to assign the \$2.50 rate or \$2.25 rate has been a challenge and when a student goes into the sixth rate at the \$2.50 rate while a younger one is at \$2.25, the older student never uses OST so the program only gets \$2.25. A flat rate for everyone will solve that dilemma. Meanwhile, Kim Weber, the new OST program coordinator, has discovered why the labor cost has been so high. Children are coming, then going to baseball practice or swimming lessons and they check out during that time, and then check back in when they return. Schwan proposed that next summer, the children will check in during the morning and will stay checked in until they leave at the end of the day. Schwan said it takes a lot of labor time to get the kids ready for swimming and make sure everyone has their gear and they get on the transit.

During the approval of the bills, Board Member Merle Harder asked if the garbage service could be bid. "It seems kind of high," Harder said. "I wouldn't be opposed to taking a look," said Superintendent Joe Schwan.

Superintendent Schwan reported on the audits of the checking account and credit cards and all looked well.

The afternoon of school is out until school starts, the custodial staff is in full gear trying to get everything done. Superintendent Schwan said they did a great job. "Make sure you tell them thank you when you see them," he said.

"I really like what they did this year with the chip and seal project," Schwan said. The scoreboard will be shipped August 13th. The stage lighting is about 60 percent. The football field sound system will be installed on August 18th. The locates are done for the new football field sidewalk. All of the district bus drivers and substitutes will be attending training on Tuesday night in Warner. State law requires minimum training every five years.

Elementary Principal Brett Schwan reported on the OST program. The software program will be using finger prints instead of phone numbers. Kim Weber, the OST program manager, said that parents need to bring their children in and check them in before leaving. A Minion Scavenger hunt will be held August 20th and OST will be closed Aug. 24 and 25. Schwan said they are looking at having two lunch sessions instead of three to give the students a longer lunch time.

Middle/High School Principal Dr. Anna Schwan reported on the music schedule. Desiree Yeigh will teach fifth grade band, middle school band and high school band; Bailey Geist will be a lesson teacher and will work with Yeigh to develop a lesson schedule; and Cody



Helen and Spike Nehls at 905 N. Third St., Groton is this week's Yard of the Week by the Groton Garden Club. Helen does the trimming and takes care of the flowers while Spike does the general mowing and working with the rocks. This was taken in their back yard.



Nehls has Yard of the Week

Helen is watering her flowers in the front of the house. She says there is a lot of work to keep up the yard, but added, "It's good therapy."

Swanson will teach Pre-K through 12 vocal music. "Everyone is willing to work together to make this work," Dr. Schwan said. The district is still short a band teacher.

Dr. Schwan reported that the School Performance Index will be released on September 18; however, she cautioned not to compare the scores to the previous Dakota STEP test scores.

Business Manager Mike Weber reported on the update of the insurance change. He reported on the number of people on each of the six different plans.

Loren Bahr came before the board to discuss the bus routes for the upcoming school year. One road in the Columbia area is under water which will create an issue with access. There are seven bus routes in the Groton Area School District. The board will review the routes in September after the routes have run

for a couple of weeks. The district pays \$33 a mile for the year to the bus drivers.

The following were approved: Kim Weber was hired as a paraprofessional for three hours a day at \$12.50 an hour, a lane change from Lynette Grieve from BS+30 to MS+30, resignations of Barb Wacholz and Jacky Fortin, Bertha "Lea" Wimmer was hired as a full time custodian at \$11 and hour effective July 29, Molly Ringgenberg was hired as a MS/HS Paraprofessional at \$10.50 an hour, Craig Sternhagen as a volunteer assistant boys soccer coach, and Chris Kucker and Barb Lone as volunteer assistant girls soccer coaches.

Public School exemptions were recognized for a students in each grade K, 2, 4, 6, 8 and 12. Open enrollments were approved from Aberdeen for a seventh grader, a sophomore and two seniors.

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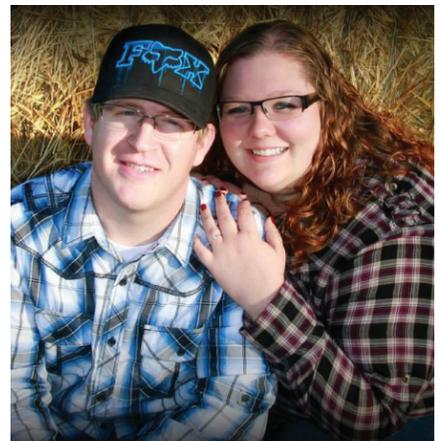
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The above photo is an image from Google Earth of the property along Railroad Avenue on the south side. The bottom right is a photo of the cleanup work in progress by Scott Hanlon. The bottom left is the area all cleaned up. Hanlon Brothers have recently purchased the property.



50th Anniversary
Bob and Shirley Meister of Groton celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on August 8th. Greetings may be sent to 602 N. 4th St. Groton, SD 57445



Scherbenske, Geist are engaged

Jamie Scherbenske and Shanna Geist of Roscoe, SD are engaged and plan a September 12th wedding at United Methodist Church in Conde, SD. Parents of the couple are Ernest & Gail Scherbenske of Roscoe, SD and Tim & Betty Geist of Conde, SD. The Groom-to-be graduated from Western Dakota Tech and is employed at Schurr's Manufacturing. The Bride-to-be graduated from Lake Area and Presentation College and is employed at Avera St. Luke's.

Friendly Fellows and Daisies

The Friendly Fellows and Daisies club met August 2nd at Wylie Park. The meeting was called to order by Dylan Frey. American Pledge was led by Cassidy Larson and the 4-H pledge was led by Kamryn Flihs. Roll call topic was Favorite food. There were no communications. Treasures Report was approved by Nicole Marzahn and second by Logan Ringgenberg. Secretaries Report was approved by Hannah Sumption and second by Madelyn Sumption. Old Business was the rocket launch and ice cream social. Trey Wright closed Old Business and Kaitlyn Ringgenberg second. New Business is the Brown County Fair. Andrew Marzahn closed New Business and Hannah Miller second. Other Business is the launched rockets and Wylie park activities. Meeting was adjourned by Landon Marzahn and seconded by Mallory Miller. Talks and demos were given by Nicole Marzahn on how to make a God's Eye and Breanna Marzahn on Glass Etch. Lunch was served by the pot lock. Submitted by Kaitlyn Ringgenberg

ABC News

The Adult Birthday Club met at Rosewood Court for the month of July. Darlene Fischer, as hostess. prizes were awarded to Delores Knoll, LaVonne Helmer, and Mary Jo Ball. Ella Johnson received the honor prize. Guess was Merry Jo Ball. An August 4th meeting was at 1pm at Marion Raines home. She was the hostess.



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Friends . . . Near and Far

Editor's Note: This is the 34th in a series featuring your friends, near and far.

Bethany Abeln

JobWise what are you doing today? I am a production artist at Super Studio in Fargo, ND.

How long have you been working at the current job? Two years

How did you get your current job? I applied to work for here after graduating college and was hired on as a graduate intern. After my internship ended I was offered a full-time position.

If you have previous employments list them and how long you were there. University of North Dakota, College of Business & Public Administration - Student Graphic Designer, 2 years

What year did you graduate from high school? GHS 2009

Where did you attend college and what was your degree? University of North Dakota, I graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design & New Art media

What advice would you give the high school students today? Dream big! Set high goals for yourself and work hard to achieve them!

List your major accomplishments that you have had so far in life. Graduating Summa Cum Laude from UND, and becoming a home-owner last year.



Do you feel that your high school and college education prepared you adequately for post education life? I don't think anything can prepare you for post education life! The real world is much bigger and more exciting than an educational institute can prepare you for, but it's all an adventure and it's important to just enjoy life every step of the way.

BROWN COUNTY 4-H FASHION REVUE RESULTS

The 2015 Brown County 4-H Fashion Revue was held Wednesday, July 15th. Primrose Retirement Community graciously offered their facility for the event. Ashley Farrand, the 4-H Summer Assistant narrated, while six models modeled 8 constructed and selected outfits.

In the early afternoon, Pat Dennert of Frederick and Diane Steinheiser of Redfield judged the



Back Row from left to right: Alexis Hanten, Portia Kettering, Ashley Gibbs, Alexis Simon; Front Row from left to right: Alicia Davis, Jillian Hughes

models. The models were judged on the following criteria: the fit and style of the garment, as well as the accessories; the individual's modeling ability; the construction of the garment; and the garments cost and care. Each model was given a ribbon placing. Senior and Junior participants will represent Brown County at the South Dakota State Fair.

RESULTS:
Beginners:
Purple Ribbon- Alicia Davis and Jillian Hughes

Juniors:
Purple Ribbon- Alexis Hanten and Portia Kettering (2)

Seniors:
Purple Ribbon-Ashley Gibbs (2) and Alexis Simon

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Back to School!

People have different needs, dreams and goals. There are many kinds of schools and programs to help people achieve what they want to do.

Can you match each school in the apple above to its purpose below? Write the number (1, 2, 3,...) of each purpose in the correct box.

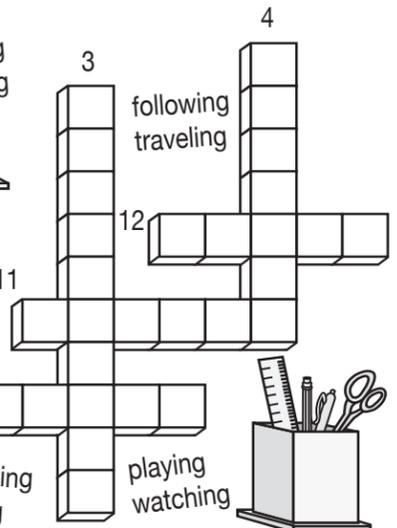
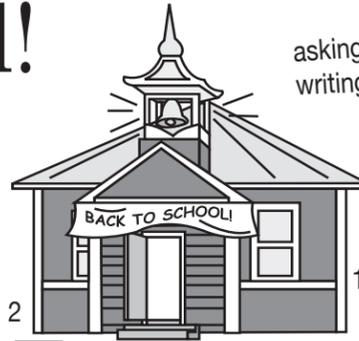
<p>1. teaches a skill or trade to help you on a job or career path</p>	<p>2. teaches how to get along with others and other pre-kindergarten skills</p>
<p>3. for people who work or take care of children during the day</p>	<p>4. prepares people for service and leadership in the armed forces</p>
<p>5. lets people keep on learning and trying new things</p>	<p>6. lessons taught and completed on a computer</p>
<p>7. business, recording arts, how to set up live events</p>	<p>8. safety, vehicle care, skid control, driving awareness</p>

People of all ages are going back to school! Yes, all ages! Some are getting a basic education, some are preparing for kindergarten or college, and others are interested in learning skills and trades to help them land a better job or build a career. It doesn't matter how old we are - we all can learn something new to help ourselves.

Some of the words on this page are hard! Don't let it bug you.

Take good notes!

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Schools are busy places. What is everyone doing? Read the clues below to fill in the crossword.

- _____ about feelings
- _____ on field trips
- _____ ideas through art and music
- _____ books
- _____ games
- _____ to teachers and classmates
- _____ rules
- _____ experiments
- _____ films
- _____ stories
- _____ questions
- _____ software and computers

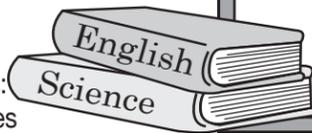
School Days Around the World



Students in countries all over the world are excited to be starting a new school year. Read the fun clues, then match each one to the country it describes.

- strict dress code that even limits hair styles; sometimes pack lunches in 'bento' boxes: rice, meat, soup and vegetables
- boys and girls in separate classrooms; enjoy spiced meat and noodles for lunch; some live far away so a bus with books is used to reach them
- students have the same classmates from grades 1-10; no uniforms, students told to dress warmly; schools serve beet soup, bread, meat and a grain
- students enjoy a long 2 hour lunch break often with bread, cheese and a salad; school year is in 4 sessions
- in southern hemisphere so summer vacation is December and January; lunch: meat pies, egg and lettuce sandwich
- school year is January to December, with a month break each semester; classes are in one of three languages: Hausa, Yoruba or Ibo; bread, vegetables and fruit for lunches

- France
- Australia
- Japan
- Iran
- Nigeria
- Russia

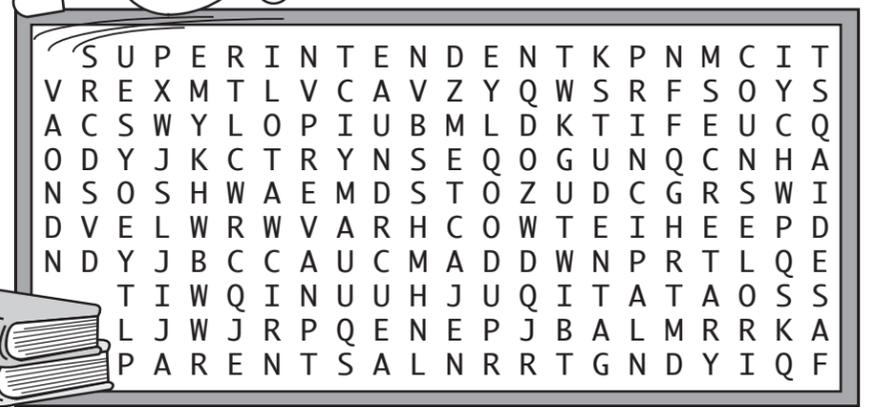


Get off to a running start!

What Makes a School Run?

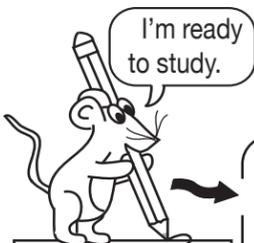
It takes many people to make a school run smoothly. Do you know who they are? Twelve staff members and class helpers are hidden in the puzzle. Can you find and circle them?

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| teacher | cooks | librarian | custodian |
| student | nurse | secretary | superintendent |
| aides | parents | principal | counselor |

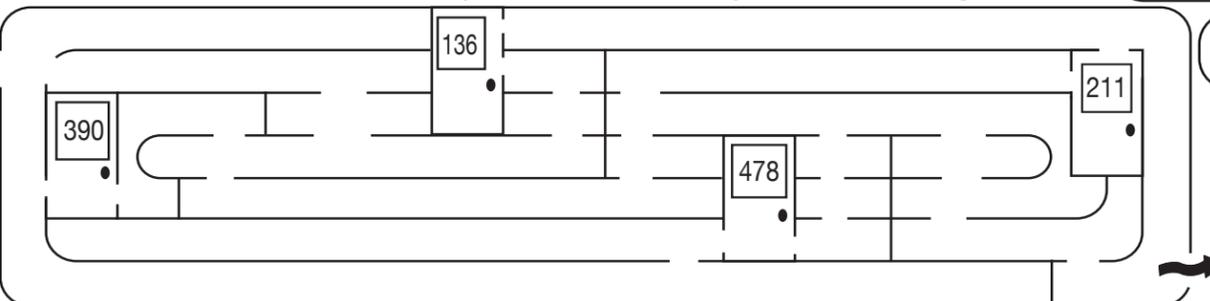


Set a Goal and Go For It

Help little mouse find his way into and out of the doors of each classroom. Visit them in the order listed on his schedule. Then, help little mouse find his way out of the maze to graduate.



Schedule	Room
Science	136
English	211
Math	390
History	478



You don't have to be a bookworm to hunger for books.

Set your goal and go for it!

- Learn to Draw
- Auto Mechanics
- World History

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Community Calendar

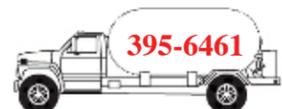
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10:00am: C&MA Ladies Bible Study
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Wednesday, August 19
Senior Menu: Baked chicken breast, noodles roman, lemon buttered broccoli, pineapple strawberry ambrosia, whole wheat bread.
Anniv: Sherwin & Christine Nyberg
Birthdays: Michelle Leonhardt • Helen "Pat" Nehls • Blake Anderson
7:00am: United Methodist Men's Bible Study
12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center
7:00pm: C&MA Adult Bible Study, Youth Group, Kids Club

Thursday, August 20
Senior Menu: Roast beef, potatoes/carrots/onions, gravy, honey dew melon or peaches, dinner roll.
Anniv: Bob & Laurie Pray • Doug & Heidi Krueger

Wednesday, August 12
Senior Menu: Baked pork chop, macaroni salad, pineapple strawberry ambrosia, whole wheat bread.
Anniv: Shawn & Michelle Kelly
Birthdays: Alexa Nilsson • Amber Wolken • Haida Boyd • Jadyn Geffre • James Westby • Fern McPartland
7:00am: United Methodist Men's Bible Study
12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center
7:00pm: C&MA Adult Bible Study, Youth Group, Kids Club

Anniversary: James and Linda Stearns
Birthdays: • Raevin Wall-Larson • Carla Kittelson • Lisa Harry • Adam Sippel • Bryce Winther • Lisa Snyder • Kathy Walker
6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study
10:00am: Boys Golf at Milbank

Tuesday, August 18
Senior Menu: Meatloaf, baked potato with sour cream, creamed peas, Jell-O with fruit, whole wheat bread.
Birthday: • Jason Osterman

Thursday, August 13
Senior Menu: Spaghetti with meat sauce, broccoli or carrots, garlic toast, sherbet.
Anniv: Jonathan & Mandilyn Flihs
Birthdays: Logan Nilsson • Sam Furman • Mike Weber • Ralph Merkel • Jennifer Neff • Dee Riley • Don Hepola

Friday, August 14
Senior Menu: Lemon baked fish, rice pilaf, California blend veggies, peach crisp, whole wheat bread.
Birthdays: Doug Bahr • Tammy Voss • Jean Peterson • Annette Helm
6:30am: C&MA Men's Bible Study at Dairy Queen

Saturday, August 15
Anniv: Craig & Jodi Sternhagen • Wayne & Marsha Wienk
Birthdays: Mary Flihs • Margie Washnok • Becky Morris • Elizabeth Gustafson • Nichol Townsend
10:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran Pastor at Rosewood Court
4:00pm: Girls Soccer at Garretson
4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

Sunday, August 16
Birthdays: • Jim Jones • Nate Gellhaus • Rose Tewksbury • Jennie Doeden • Merle Harder • Marc Rossow
9:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship with Communion
9:00am: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass
9:15am: C&MA School
10:00am: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Pierpont Church
10:15am: C&MA Fellowship time
10:45am: C&MA Worship
11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship
3:30pm: Emmanuel Lutheran fellowship at Golden Living Center (Council Serves)
5:00pm: HBM worship at historic Trinity Church

Monday, August 17
Senior Menu: Goulash, green and gold beans, apple crisp, whole wheat bread.

Webster Theatre
Theatre opens at 7 pm with movies starting at 7:30 pm, Friday through Monday.
8/14 – 8/17 Trainwreck R
8/21- 8/24 Faith of our Fathers PG 13

Back to School!

School Days Around the World

- dress code
- library bus
- same classmates
- 2 hour lunch break
- meat pies / egg and lettuce sandwiches
- classes taught in one of 3 languages

A. France
B. Australia
C. Japan
D. Iran
E. Nigeria
F. Russia

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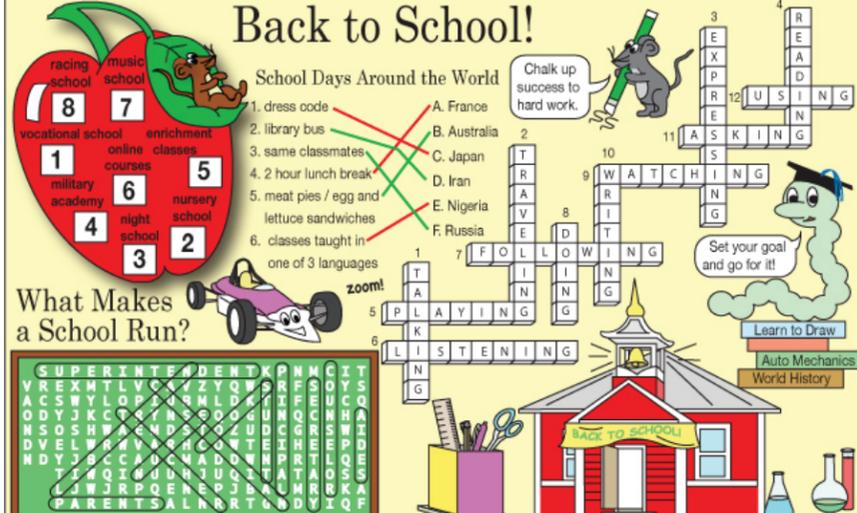
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Aug. 4 Meeting Minutes

AUGUST 4, 2015 – GENERAL MEETING

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

MINUTES: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the Joint City/County Meeting Minutes and the General Meeting Minutes of July 28, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Professional Fees: Adam Altman \$4,444.45; Christopher Dohrer \$5,069.45; Kuck Law Office \$4,461.45; Richardson, Wyly, Wise, Sauck & Hieb \$4,444.45; Ronayne & Cogley Law \$8,337.80; Christy Serr \$5,069.45; Avera St. Luke's \$9,309.92; Clark Engineering \$1,652.50; Dental Center \$153.07; Express Employment Professionals \$263.28; James & Larson Law \$238.50; Language Line Services \$90.00; LBG \$8,428.33; Midstates Printing \$75.00; NCS \$192.00; Northern Plains Oral Surgery \$80.24; Kristi Spitzer \$1,159.00; Thurman Law Office \$189.00; UND \$4,000.00; Yankton Co. Sheriff \$25.00; Yankton Co. Treasurer \$609.25.

Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$548.75; Dex Media \$53.55.

Rentals: Tammy Buck \$200.00; Monte & Laurel McNickle \$250.00; Pat Preston \$310.00; T & J Rentals \$310.00; Trust of Hollis Hurlbert \$250.00; Wolfson Apartments \$260.00.

Repairs & Maintenance: C & L Plumbing \$269.89; Diamond Mowers \$10.90; GCR Tires \$67.50; Graham Tire \$272.44; House of Glass \$35.48; Hoven Auto Repair \$626.68; JDH Construction \$10,959.00; Jebro \$6,232.85; Lawson Products \$35.21; Marco \$124.42; Midwest Pump & Tank \$112.50; Nelson Sales & Service \$20.00; PowerPlan \$8,808.36; Sander's Sew 'n' Vac \$99.21; Schwan Welding \$297.00; SD Dept. of Public Safety \$7,740.00; Sheehan Mack \$39,706.23; Vosika Fencing \$3,120.00; Weigel Construction \$4,998.99.

Supplies: A & B Business \$415.17; Aberdeen Area Chamber of Commerce \$140.00; Aberdeen Asphalt \$34,793.88; Ameripride \$40.24; Dakota Broadcasting \$6,000.00; DSG \$169.56; Danko \$28.27; Diamond Mowers \$121.20; Ashley Farrand \$31.20; FedEx \$69.51; Gardner Locksmithing \$25.00; Geffdog \$4,587.50; James & Larson Law \$11.25; Jebro \$95,795.40; Kessler's \$26.40; Lawson Products \$473.92; Marco \$32.50; Menards \$39.32; Midstates Printing \$69.40; Midwest Pump & Tank \$216.14; NCFE – Warner Elevator \$7,425.36; Network Services \$424.48; NWPS \$226.51; PowerPlan \$2,646.13; SD Secretary of State \$37.00; Steven Lust Automotive \$236.14; Thurman Law Office \$7.70.

Travel and Conference: Becca Tullar \$127.17.

Utilities: Aberdeen City Treasurer \$3,488.25; AT & T Mobility \$451.02; BDM Rural Water \$30.00; CenturyLink \$2,710.28; Midcontinent \$525.62; Montana-Dakota Utilities \$17.95; NWPS \$14,454.30; Verizon Wireless \$30.06; Web Water \$68.18.

Other: Aberdeen City Fire Dept. \$73,387.57; Aberdeen Rural Firefighters \$12,839.25; Claremont Fire Dept. \$2,876.63; Columbia Fire Dept. \$6,670.60; Conde Fire Dept. \$597.51; Frederick Fire Dept. \$5,032.59; Grotton Fire Dept. \$13,509.93; Hecla Fire Dept. \$4,090.24; Hutterville Fire \$464.94; Leola Fire Dept. \$178.28; Stratford Fire Dept. \$5,180.70; Warner Fire Dept. \$5,441.18. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve overtime wages during the fair for 4H Secretary and Summer Assistant. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Hansen to approve the following employees to work security during the Brown County Fair – August 10-16, 2015: Brady Berg, Brent Koens, Dale Farnen, Eldon Reich, Gavin Larson, Jeff Carlson, Kyle Stoddard, Melissa Arnold, Mike Burns, Mike Weise, Nick Cochran, Nicole Foote, Robert Graham, and Tanner Jondahl @ \$18.00 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to acknowledge

resignation of Michele Cogley (Part-time Home Detention) effective July 24, 2015; and further to approve request to fill vacancy. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to approve hiring the following temporary employees to work during the Brown County Fair-August 10-16, 2015: Jan Erickson, Mavis Kempf, Julie Van Dover, Donna Helm, Heather Koens, Austin Vetter at \$14.18 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LOTTERY APPLICATIONS: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve the following applications: Brown County Democrats for raffle to be held at the Brown County Fair August 16, 2015; Aberdeen Hockey Association for raffle to be held at the Brown County Fair August 17, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FAIR CONTRACTS: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chairman sign the following contracts for the 2015 Brown County Fair: Northern Plains Animal Health (Veterinary services) @ 4 General Admission tickets; Grotton Vet Clinic (Veterinary services) 4 General Admission tickets; Strongheart Martial Arts Academy (Martial Arts Performances) @ sound equipment and advertising; Piles of Smiles Entertainment (Face painting) @ hotel room and indoor location for face painting; Elm Valley Community Club (Provide Picnic Tables) @ 18 General Admission Tickets; Shad Woods (announcing) @ 1 General Admission Ticket; 4-H (new members) @ 10 Carnival tickets; COTTH Pastors Fellowship (church service) @ tent space and advertising; Kyburz Carlson Company (work trailer) @ \$100.00; Sewer Duck (portable toilets) @ \$7,200.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fischbach to accept quote submitted by Cunningham Electric, Inc in amount of \$19,034.69 for labor and material for completion of electrical projects for the Brown County Fair; rejecting Muth Electric, Inc @ \$22,785.00, Swanson Electric did not submit quote. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

UNCOLLECTIBLE TAXES: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to declare the real estate taxes as uncollectible on the following: 1972 Indy Mobile Home (previously destroyed) for 2012 and 2013; 1971 Dickman Mobile Home (previously destroyed) for 2012 and 2013; Airflight for 2012. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

TAX DEED PROPERTY DISCUSSED: Sheila Anderson, Brown County Treasurer discussed legal description on tax deed document not matching warranty deed. No action taken.

BCCHC REPORT: DeAnna Kyburz presented the Brown County Community Health Center Quarterly Report for April May and June 2015.

APPLICATION FOR OCCUPANCY: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chairman sign application, submitted by Northern Natural Gas for occupancy of Brown County Highway 23 in Sec 1-T121N-R63W of the 5th P.M. Brown County, SD for gas pipeline maintenance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chairman sign application, submitted by WEB Water Development Association for occupancy of Brown County Highway 16 in Sec 28-T125N-R62W of the 5th P.M. Brown County, SD to provide potable water line. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-abstain, Kippley-absent, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chairman sign application, submitted by WEB Water Development Association for occupancy of Brown County Highway 23B (aka Center Street) in Sec 31-T122 N-R60W of the 5th P.M. Brown County, SD to provide potable water line. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-abstain, Kippley-absent, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY UPDATE: Dirk Rogers, Highway Superintendent discussed the department five year plan and gave a department update.

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC ASSURANCE ALLIANCE BOARD MEMBER NOMINATION: Commissioner Sutton offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #47-15. RESOLUTION TO NOMINATE SDPAA BOARD MEMBER. WHEREAS, the South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance requires that a prospective member be nominated by their governing body to act as a

representative on behalf of the entity. ..NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Brown County hereby nominates Mike Wiese to enter the election for a seat to serve on the South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance Board of Directors on behalf of Brown County. Dated this 4th day of August, 2015. Seconded by Commissioner Hansen. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-absent, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to go into executive session for personnel discussion, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) with Larry Lovrien and Gary Vetter in attendance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chairman declared the executive session closed, with no action taken as a result of the discussion.

ASSESSMENT APPEALS: Mary Worlie, Director of Equalization discussed outcome of the 2015 OHE assessment appeals.

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

Cathy McNickle, Brown County Deputy Auditor

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Brown County

Aug. 4 Joint Minutes

AUGUST 4, 2015 - JOINT CITY/COUNTY MEETING

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

ORDINANCE #15-06-01/445: On motion by Johnson and seconded by Ronayne, the City unanimously voted to adopt Ordinance #15-06-01/445.

ORDINANCE #15-06-01/445: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to adopt Ordinance #15-06-01/445, An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District, said property being described as follows: Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, Auditor's Subdivision in the SE ¼ of Sec 27-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (1932 135th Street SW, 1946 135th Street SW and 2012 135th Street SW). Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-absent, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Ordinance Adopted.

ORDINANCES #15-08-02/446 and # 15-08-03/447:

On motion by Remily, seconded by Swanson, the City unanimously voted to set public hearing for Ordinances #15-08-02/446 and # 15-08-03/447.

ORDINANCE #15-08-02/446 and #15-08-03/447: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to set public hearing for Ordinance #15-08-02/446, An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (R-2) Medium Density Residential District: Lot H, Pendroy's Green Acres Subdivision in the SW ¼ of Sec 21-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (1635 N Melgaard Road South); Ordinance #15-08-03/447, An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District: Lot 26, Evelo's Outlot in the NE ¼ of Sec 2-T122N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (13645 Pontiac Drive), to be held in the County Commission Chambers on August 25, 2015 at 8:45 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion Carried.

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

Cathy McNickle, Brown County Deputy Auditor

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Brown County

Ord. 445

ORDINANCE #15-06-01/445 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1164

TO REZONE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY BE IT ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Aberdeen, South Dakota, that the Petition to Amend Ordinance

No. 1164 to rezone the following described property filed by Darwin Kane and Diana Johnson is hereby granted and Ordinance No. 1164 is hereby amended to change the zoning on the following described property from (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District, said property is described as follows: Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, Auditor's Subdivision in the SE ¼ of Sec 27-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD, (1932 135th Street SW, 1946 135th Street SW and 2012 135th Street SW) BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Aberdeen, South Dakota, that the zoning official for the County of Brown is hereby authorized to change the official zoning map for the County of Brown to reflect this Ordinance.

Notice of Hearing: June 10 & 17, 2015

Passed First Reading: July 28, 2015

Passed Second Reading: August 4, 2015

Adopted: August 4, 2015

Published: August 12, 2015

Effective Date: September 1, 2015

Duane Sutton, Chairman Brown County Commission

ATTEST: Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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Brown County

Ord. 446 Notice

NOTICE OF JOINT HEARING OF THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

AND THE BROWN COUNTY COMMISSION

REGARDING PETITION TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY

A public hearing will be held by the Aberdeen City Council and the Brown County Commission on the 25th day of August 2015, beginning at 8:45 a.m. in the County Commission Chambers, 25 Market Street, to consider the Petition filed by Curtis L Merkel to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (R-2) Medium Density Residential District, said property being described as follows:

Lot H, Pendroy's Green Acres Subdivision in the SW ¼ of Sec 21-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., ..Brown County, SD (1635 Melgaard Road South)

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present testimony and comments pertaining to the Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the above described property. At the conclusion of the hearing, the council and commission may adopt first reading of Ordinance #15-08-02/446 granting Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 and granting the Petition to Rezone said property. Dated this 4th day of August 2015.

ATTEST: Karl Alberts, Finance Officer

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (0811.0818)

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Brown County

Ord. 447 Notice

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AND THE BROWN COUNTY COMMISSION

REGARDING PETITION TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY

A public hearing will be held by the Aberdeen City Council and the Brown County Commission on the 25th day of August 2015, beginning at 8:45 a.m. in the County Commission Chambers, 25 Market Street, to consider the Petition filed by Kirby Smith to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District, said property being described as follows:

Lot 26, Evelo's Outlot in the NE ¼ of Sec 2-T122N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (13645 Pontiac Drive)

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present testimony and comments pertaining to the Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the above described property. At the conclusion of the hearing, the council and commission may adopt first reading of Ordinance #15-08-03/447 granting Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 and granting the Petition to Rezone said property. Dated this 4th day of August 2015.

ATTEST: Karl Alberts, Finance Officer

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Westport Town

July 27 Meeting

Town of Westport General Meeting

July 27th, 2015

The Town of Westport met on July 27th, 2015 (Instead of August 3rd to be able to have a Quorum met.) with John Bain, Jan Ellefson, Wyatt Wilson being replaced by Mike Wilson, Doreen Hertel and 11 community members present.

The following expenses were presented:

City General NWPS (\$192.29), Grotton Independent (\$24.33), Brown County Treasurer-Mosquito Spraying (1,023.04), Intuit-Checks & supplies (\$154.46), Northstar Energy- propane for town hall (\$120.42), Runnings (\$29.99), Payroll -Spenser Vetter-Mowing (\$451.00), Todd Hertel-Mowing, payroll and Gift (\$530.94).

Sewer NWPS (\$43.27) NRWA -loan repayment (\$210.13).

Water WEB (\$1,054.63), Dept. of Revenue (\$15.00), Water Maintenance District (\$321.43), Clark Engineering (\$2,400.00).

The following deposits were presented:

City General Interest (\$14.28), Brown County Collections (\$258.21), Cemetery fund (\$75.00), Building Permit (\$10.00), State of South Dakota (1,568.38).

Sewer Resident Payments- (\$1,545.00), Brown Co Collections (\$360.00).

Water Resident Payments - (\$2,197.23).

NEW BUSINESS:

Wyatt Wilson presented his resignation and it was accepted by the board. Jan nominated Mike Wilson to be his replacement on the board and John Bain seconded the motion. Mike Wilson is the new town board member.

Jan Ellefson was nominated town board president by John and seconded by Mike. Mike Wilson was nominated for Vice President by Jan and seconded by John. The new town president is Jan Ellefson and Vice President is Mike Wilson. Banyon software was discussed for use as the new software for the new water and sewer billing. The board will get together to look at this software before the next meeting.

A motion was made by Jan to charge a \$100 deposit for the rental of the town hall. This will be returned to the renter once the hall has been cleaned and Mike has checked it over. Mike seconded the motion.

Jan made a motion to change the city attorney from Drew Johnson to Rob Ronayne and Tom Cogley. John seconded the motion.

The water/ sewer are now being paid as one bill. If one of the utilities is not paid, it will be considered a late payment for both utilities. Once payments are late for 2 months the water will be shut off. It will not be turned back on until the bill has been paid in full with the hookup fee.

Larry Huettl thanked the 3 new members of the board for stepping up to be on the board.

Jan reported that the Westport community club had only 5 members at the last meeting and were looking at disbanding the group. She asked them to come to the next meeting and hopefully they will meet after the town meeting and have people stay and volunteer to help with the WCC. As the WCC helps with paying the bills of the town hall and has given donations to other activities in the community. They are an important part of our community, the club is needed.

It was brought up that Todd Hertel had put in a lot of extra hours to help the city and the city would like to thank him and give him a gift of \$400.00 in appreciation for the work he has done for the City of Westport. Doreen Hertel, Finance Officer Published once at the total approximate cost of \$31.69.

Frederick Town

Aug. 3 Meeting

Town of Frederick August Minutes

The Frederick Town Board held their monthly meeting Monday evening, August 3, 2015, in the Frederick Community Center. The meeting was called to order by Chairman R. Scott Campbell at 7 PM. Those in attendance included Board Members Tom Meyer and Richard Osborn, Utility Manager Richard Bakeberg, Finance Officer Diane Bruns, FF Representative Krysti Mikkonen, Craig Larson and Gary Schlosser. Minutes of the July meeting were reviewed with a motion made by Meyer/Osborn to accept. Motion Carried.

The Financial Report for July was reviewed and a motion was made by Osborn/Meyer to ac-

cept. Motion Carried.

Approval of the Accounts Payable was made with a motion by Osborn/Meyer. Motion Carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

AB Business Sup Genl \$330.95; R. Bakeberg VA Sts/Wtr/Swr \$75; R. Bakeberg UT Mgr wage Sts/Wtr/Swr \$397.11; Bower Tree Service removal Sts \$1400; Community Store Sup CC/FO \$51.27; M. Cox Librarian EBL \$524.96; D. Campbell mowing Genl \$32.33; D. Bruns mileage, sup Genl/Ed \$256.52; D. Bruns wage CC \$133.91; D. Bruns Finance Officer wage+workshops FO \$1108.20; E. Head Supervisor Landfill \$193.94; Farmers Union Oil Co Propane/Unleaded CC/ Firehall \$1053.62; FDC Econ Dev \$1500; James Moore mowing Genl \$364.79; JVC phones, Internet, services Genl/EBL/Wtr/FO \$296.04; MDU elect Fire/Wtr/S. Park/B. Park/CC/FO/Sewer/Sts \$1110.44; R.S. Campbell, Chairman Genl \$46.17; R. Osborn Brd Mem Genl \$23.09; SD Dept Rev ST Garb \$69.40; SD Dept of Rev lab Wtr \$30; SDML workshop Genl \$50; T. Cox maint CC \$8.50; T. Meyer Brd Mem Genl \$23.09; True Value Hardware sup Genl \$3.87; USDA-RD water loan Wtr Repair AP \$475; USPS box rent Genl \$114; WEB Water 848,900 gals Wtr \$2687.49. Total A/P \$12,359.69

OLD BUSINESS:

Utility Report - Manager Bakeberg will be attending training for the newly Revised Total Coliform Rule in August. He mentioned the testing of the Hydrant Flow w/DENR Rep Rob Holso, which showed the output has more than doubled in all locations. He will be adding a padlock to the Lagoon gate due to trespassing and, he began burning at the Landfill. After some discussion a motion was made to order 4 or 5 loads of gravel to be placed on 1 Street East, the Nickelson road. Motion was made by Meyer/Osborn. Motion Carried. Individual water use and overdue utility accounts were presented to the Board.

Frederick Forward - Mikkonen stated Finn Fest went well; good turnout, good comments. Mikkonen asked that the Board consider giving FF \$2800 of 2016 Budget to help cover expenses of the FYI. She also presented a copy of the Income/Expense sheets

Historical Society - is putting out a fund-raising letter for new siding on the West side of the Historical Society building.

Emma Burnham Library - Have bid for rubber roof and will be getting 2 more before next months' meeting.

Frederick Development Corporation - no representation

Also in Old Business was a letter from AJ Michels, Environmental Scientist, covering the inspection at the Landfill; misc street work; Citizen Complaint letter sent 7/24/15; resolve of Schlosser land possibly in August; shale needed behind school; and how can Frederick & FDC help with start-up of Enterprise businesses in our area?

NEW BUSINESS:

A Boundary Map for Frederick produced by the Brown County Planning and Zoning Office was reviewed for the straightening of boundary lines around Frederick. The line now goes 1/2 mile from the edge of town and runs through the middle of some fields. New boundary lines following 'straight lines' need to be established in the next few months.

Mid-year Balances were presented but before reviewing Chairman Campbell asked for Enterprise Income.

CPI (Consumer Price Index) for 2016 was reviewed.

FO gave brief summary of Elected Officials Workshop and the Budget Workshop - and recommends all of the Board attend next year, if possible.

Noise Issue - Numerous complaints associated with the Kick N K Moto Cross high-volum noise, were heard by various Board Members. Had they realized how expensive, and noisy, the track was going to get there may not have been a permit issued. There was discussion about a "Sound-wall", or some other solution. No action taken.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter from Mid Continent was reviewed, they want to offer Home alert systems to customers in Frederick.

SDML's 82nd Annual Conference is Oct 6-9 in Watertown - no attenders

Two letters need to be sent asking that lawns/lots be taken care of.

Septembers' Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2015, at 7 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM. SDCL 1-25-1

Diane Bruns

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The other day I was approached by a woman that was in need of my help. She was hoping to create the dress of her dreams and wasn't able to find the fabric like the one she had pictured in her mind. Her English was a bit broken and I could tell she was feeling somewhat overwhelmed. At one point when I was attempting to understand what type of fabric she was looking for she apologized for her bad English. I was able to decipher what she had pictured in her mind but it was unfortunately something we didn't have. She eventually tweaked her plan a bit and we were able to find fabric that would work out quite well for her. As our conversa-

tion went on I learned that she was from Brazil. She exuded an incredibly kind and pleasant demeanor and I knew she was someone I could easily establish a friendship with and it didn't matter that she wasn't from America and she wasn't from a small town and she wasn't all that easy to understand. There's a chance I will never see her again, which is fine, but if I do I know I'll enjoy hearing about the beautiful dress she created from the fabrics I helped her to choose. There was a bit of a language barrier but we were able to bridge that gap and she left feeling very excited about her new dress.

Tonight I stepped up to the registers to give the cashier a break and while I was there I could see a very innocent young face approaching the check out. I would guess she was around 14 years old. She had beautiful light brown hair swirled into several loose curls that sort of playfully bounced around her pleasant face. At first

I was busy entering her items into the register and I have a tendency to visit while I do this. I immediately gathered that she was someone that appeared to be a lot of fun as her voice was so sweet and upbeat. I remembered her being as cute as a button when I saw her approaching the register but when I looked up to give her the receipt I noticed something about her I wasn't expecting. She had scars that covered the entire outer surface of both of her arms. You could tell they were the result of some very deep cuts. I was surprised but I had no desire to make her feel uncomfortable and by the pleasant smile she gave me when she left, I think I did okay. I thought about her after she left and a part of me wanted to sit down and cry. I have no way of knowing what that beautiful young girl has been through and I never will but in my heart I knew those scars led the way to some very painful days that were inevitably a

Bevitized: Bridging the gap

part of her past.

After work I stopped into a store that was open until 11pm to pick up some inserts for the very expensive shoes I have that are just not performing as well as I had hoped. There were two check outs open and they were quite full. I saw a guy pushing some carts back to where the others were. Due to the fact that he had bleach blonde hair in back and on the sides of his head and a tuft of jet black hair on top and a very unusual outfit he caught my eye. I had no plans of staring at him and no intentions of making him feel uncomfortable. For whatever reason he caught my eye and said, "I can help you over here if you'd like." I stepped over and thanked him and he displayed the demeanor of a dog that had been beaten many, many times. He was very timid and shy and he couldn't thank me enough for my purchase. After helping me he left the check outs. I'm not sure why he decided to just help me but I'm glad he did. It got me home a few minutes sooner and after standing on my feet for 9 hours, I was very thankful. There will never be more pages added to his story in my mind but I couldn't help but wonder what they may have revealed.



by Beverly Patterson

I realize there's no fix to all the broken in this world and there never will be. There will always be hatred and prejudice no matter what and there will always be voices that fear they will never be heard. Some would say I'm a bit too naive to be a city girl and that there aren't enough hours in a day to address all the issues people have. I won't say they're wrong but the one thing I can do is offer an encouraging word to a lovely woman that struggled with her English when she realized what she had pictured in her mind wasn't available in our store. I can offer a pleasant smile to a very timid young man that most likely had no desire to help one more person that had plans of judging him by his appearance and I can say a prayer for a beautiful young girl that had spent some very agonizing days healing from wounds that may have only healed on the outside. As time goes on I'm becoming more aware of just how truly blessed I am and how blessed I have always been.

The Life of Raymond Alberts



Services for Raymond Alberts, 94, of Groton were held Monday, August 10, 2015 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Pastor Elizabeth Johnson officiated. Burial followed in Sunset Memorial Gardens, Aberdeen.

Raymond died Thursday, August 06, 2015 at Avera St. Lukes, Hospital, Aberdeen.

Raymond was born on December 27, 1920 in Groton to George and Alma (Yelkin) Alberts. He attended grade school in Putney and later graduated from Groton High School. Ray and his brother traveled to San Francisco, California, where they lived and worked for several years. Ray returned home to South Dakota and began his lifelong career in farming. He farmed in partnership with his brothers, Kenneth and George for many years. Raymond was united in marriage with Eunice Hein on March 4, 1962 at

Zion Lutheran Church in Andover. Together they were blessed with two daughters. Following his retirement, the couple moved into Groton.

Raymond was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Groton. He enjoyed his work on the farm, and had a love for the outdoors. In later years, he began repairing and refinishing woodwork and furniture pieces. He collected antiques and could often be found at local auction sales.

Celebrating his life is his wife, Eunice of Groton, his daughters, Karen (Scott) Phillips of Colton, SD; Diane (Dean) Heimann of Omaha, NE, his grandchildren: Patrick Phillips, Kevin Phillips, Emily Heimann, Nathaniel Heimann, Raymond Phillips, his brother, George (Doris) Alberts of Groton, sisters, Lusena Manning of Aberdeen, Mavis (Julius) Kirschenman of Aberdeen, his sister-in-law, Arliss Alberts of Aberdeen and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents, three brothers, Kenneth, Jess, Clarence and his sister, Leona.

Honorary Casketbearers were Emery Sippel, Harry Pharis, Gary Sumption, Gerald Osterman, Herman Lier, Wayne Hein and Ka Alberts.

Casketbearers were Scott Phillips, Dean Heimann, Patrick Phillips, Kevin Phillips, Emily Heimann, Nathaniel Heimann and Raymond Phillips.

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