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# Independent

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## Elementary Cross Walk is back

**The cross walk on First Street across from the Groton Area Elementary School is back. The street was redone this summer with chip and seal and after the extra chips were picked up, Paul Kosel began to paint the cross walk. According to Elementary Principal Brett Schwan, he does not plan to have cross walk guards. Motorists are urged to stop for those walking across the street and for the students to use the cross walk.**

## City airport rent drops, so does farmable acres

Finance Officer Anita Lowary reported that Gary Thurston had stopped in at city hall and explained that the acreage of farmable property around the airport was reduced by 10 acres because of the enlarged boundary required by the South Dakota Aviation. "He did not ask for a reduction of rent," Lowary said. "He just pointed it out to us. I propose giving him a refund of rent from this past year's rent." The amount of the refund was \$2,170 and was approved in the bills. The total acreage that the city collects rent on is 109 acres, down from 119 acres. The bid prices for rent were also lower than they were three years ago. Thurston had paid \$217 an acre. The bids this year came in at \$147 an acre from Thurston and \$205 an acre from Shawn Gengerke. The bid was awarded to Gengerke.

The city's property insurance actually went down by \$1,700 when the vehicles were changed from building contents to having comp put on them. The group rate for the city employee insurance will also go down.

Shawn Lambertz was authorized to attend the South Dakota Municipal League Conference on Tuesday and Wednesday in Watertown.

Lowary reported that there is \$79,000 in the checking account and the council approved \$138,489.05 in bills. "I will send out the checks as the money comes in," Lowary said.

Six fines were issued for noncompliance of house numbers. The fine was \$25. Another \$25 fine could be imposed if the house numbers are not up by bill time this month.

The cross at the cemetery has been removed. It has been in the road and it has been getting old. The city was instructed to remove the old and a new one will be installed in the future, more off the road.

In-house safety meetings will be done to make up for the points lost by not attending the safety conference this year.

Dick Kolker had presented the city with a letter representing the Jack Dixon estate. They have a house on Main Street that the estate is trying to sell. Kolker is trying to clear up the title, which has many liens against the property, including \$6,728.90 of special assessment and interest of curb and gutter and sidewalk from the city. Kolker was asking for forgiveness of the special assessment. The city, at one time, had forgiven the payments of the curb and gutter do to Dixon's medical problems, but the policy stated that when the property is sold, the special assessment, with interest, must be made at the time of the sale. Several council members stated they were not very excited about forgiving what was due, as none in the past had been forgiven. "We'd be opening up a can of worms," said Councilman Eddy Opp. The city council tabled any decision until the next meeting.

The city is still at a stand-still for its bonding issue. Lowary reported that the state had approved their part of the bond, but the resolution from Todd Meierhenry has not arrived in Groton, yet.

The council approved to cancel nine checks that have not been canceled since December 2013.

The utility rates for the Groton Community Transit were discussed. For the past year, the average monthly bill for the transit was \$205.77 for utilities. Councilman David McGannon said, "More and more seniors are using the service. There are an average of 40 to 60 riders per day. I feel this is a huge benefit to our community," McGannon said. Councilman Burt Glover added, "It's a huge deal for them." The council voted not to charge the transit for any city utilities for 2016.

## Groton Hosts the Annual Lake Region Marching Band Festival

On Friday, October 9th the Groton JH/HS Bands, fifteen area school bands, and the SDSU Pride of the Dakotas Marching Band will converge in Groton for the Lake Region Marching Band Festival. The parade of bands will travel from South to North on Groton's Main Street from Railroad Avenue to 9th Avenue, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Following the parade, the SDSU Pride of the Dakotas will present a field marching show for all bands in attendance.

This festival originated in Milbank then moved to Waubay for 11 years. Since 2013 Groton has hosted the festival and it plans to remain there for the foreseeable future. Bands will be evaluated on their performance by a panel of three judges. The bands will be judged by Aaron Ragsdale and Jacob Wallace music faculty from SDSU, and Al Stewart current superintendent from Grant-Deuel and former Milbank Band Director. Stewart started the Lake Region Marching Band Festival in Milbank before it moved to Waubay. Awards will be given to the top two bands in each of three categories: high school bands, middle school bands, and combined bands. A "People's Choice" award will also be awarded by a separate, secret judging panel placed throughout the parade route.

The festival has become a premier marching event in Northeast South Dakota, attracting bands and spectators from towns across the region. The public is invited to watch the parade of bands on Main Street as well as the SDSU Pride of the Dakotas field marching show and awards at the football field. Concessions will be available both on main street during the parade and at the football field.

Attending the festival are bands from Aberdeen Roncalli, Warner, Leola, Langford, Milbank, Watertown, Ipswich, Waubay, Wilmot, Great Plains Lutheran, Aberdeen Simmons and Holgate, Hoven, Northwestern, Selby, and Webster.

Primary sponsors of the festival are the Groton Dairy Queen and the Groton Chamber of Commerce.

## Coming Up on The Cube

Lake Region Marching Festival and the Groton Area vs. Wagner Football Game

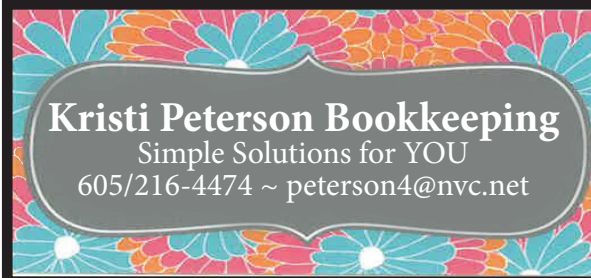
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## Lions Club hosts fall zone meeting

The Groton Lions Club hosted the fall zone meeting, with a supper, last Tuesday evening, at Topper Tastad's business, uptown Groton. Topper was the main chef. Chris Frost, local president, was host. Chuck Welke, Warner; zone chairman, introduced past zone chairmen, including Lee Schinkel. Clubs represented were NSU, Aberdeen, Milbank, Britton, Warner-Stratford, and Groton. Groton had the largest number of members present.

## Public Power Week

Heartland Consumers Power District and the city of Groton are celebrating Public Power Week Oct. 4-10, along with more than 2,000 other community-owned, not-for-profit electric utilities that collectively provide electricity to 48 million Americans.

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## Junior High Football

7th grade vs. Milbank won 24 to 0. Alex Morris scored 3 touchdowns for the Tigers, while Jack Achen scored one. Lucas Simon had an interception on defense.

8th grade vs. Milbank lost 6 to 12. Johnny Doeden had the only TD for Groton.

7th grade vs. Aberdeen Central won 20 to 0. Alex Morris had 2 touchdowns and 1 conversion, and Jack Achen had another TD as well. Lucas Simon also had another interception.

8th grade vs. Aberdeen Central lost 16 to 26. After AC jumped out early scoring touchdowns, the Tigers clawed back making it a good game. Big Cole Johnson had a rushing TD and two rushing conversions, Austin Jones had a pass reception for a TD as well.

7th grade vs. Roncalli won 16 to 0. Chandler Larson scored a touchdown on a long passing reception from Alex Morris. Morris got the conversion on a rushing attempt. Alex Morris then scored the second TD for Groton on a long run off of a reverse, Lucas Simon got the conversion on a pass reception.

8th grade vs. Roncalli won 20 to 7. Darien Shabazz had 2 touchdown and Johnny Doeden had one and a conversion. Shabazz also had an interception. Peyton Johnson had a lot of tackles on defense.

## Netters beat Langford Area

Groton Area netters defeated Langford Area in three games, 25-21, 25-15 and 25-9. The match was played Monday night in Langford.

In serving, Groton Area was 59 of 67 with three ace serves. Katie Koehler was 17 of 20 with nine ace serves and Payton Maine was 11 of 13 with six ace serves. Langford Area was 42 of 46 with two ace serves. Wendy Barrett was 12 of 13 and Chezney Olson was 10 of 12 with two ace serves.

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Groton Area was 70 of 72 in sets with 20 assists. Marlee Jones was 59 of 61 with 18 assists and Koehler was eight of eight with one assist. Langford Area was 50 of 53 with seven assists. Olson was 27 of 28 with two assists and Madison Nelson was 23 of 25 with five assists.

In spikes, Groton Area was 63 of 80 with 30 kills. Carly Wheeting was 11 of 14 with eight kills and Gia Gengerke was nine of 11 with seven kills. Langford Area was 29 of 41 with eight kills. Adyson Dwight was 10 of 15 and Wendy Parrett was 10 of 13 with five kills.

Groton Area won the junior varsity match by game scores of 25-19 and 25-21.



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**A prayer for aging**

In recent years, I've learned of wonderful aspects of Native American culture, especially their sacred medicine wheel or hoop of life. There are variations in colors and meanings according to each tribe and Nation. The following interpretation combines several and comes partly from my Native American Sioux friend.

I believe the medicine wheel brings a high wisdom explanation for aging, which I find deeply consoling. Please forgive my taking liberty with this sacred circle, however I believe interpretation of metaphor is what personal spirituality is all about.

First we get down on our knees and feel the soil, the sacred Mother Earth, bringing the world around us, the animals, plants, prairies, lakes, mountains, the environment of our planet from where all food and sustenance comes; earth is foundation. Then we stand up on our tip-toes, and raise our arms to sacred Father Sky, the sun, stars, clouds, rain, wind, air and breath of life, light and dark; from where all energy flows and ebbs; sky is infinity. Earth and sky: the beginning and the end.

Then we turn and bow east, symbolized by the color red, the rising sun, springtime, birth, the very young; a sense of innocence, youth. May we have hope for a future with an open mind to all things new and true.

Then we bow south, symbolized by the color yellow, the full sun, summer, sexuality, the anticipating young maiden and young warrior; a sense of unconquerable power and invulnerability, early adulthood. May we have the courage to fight for justice with strength.

Then we bow west, symbolized by the color black, the setting sun, autumn, resignation, the reality filled warrior chief and medicine woman-midwife; a sense of the horrors of war and reality of loss, mature adulthood. May we have the gravity to protect freedom of choice and face vulnerability with honest eyes.

And finally we bow north, symbolized by

**ON CALL**  
  
 By **Richard P. Holm M.D.**

the color white, winter, nighttime, old age, wisdom, the sagacious elder and teacher; a sense of beauty, grandchildren and the circle of life, release from fear of change and death, an aged and experienced body and mind. May we have the insight to deeply savor family and friendship, and the know what it's like to walk in another's moccasins.

Inside the circle we sense the self, our tribe, our community, our connection to all direction.

Dear Mother/Father of the Earth and Sky, thank you for your blessing, the sacred hoop of life, and especially the wisdom to sense at least some release from the fear of death. May our sisters and brothers of all clans realize our sacred connection and savor the joy and yes, even sorrow in our circle of life and aging.

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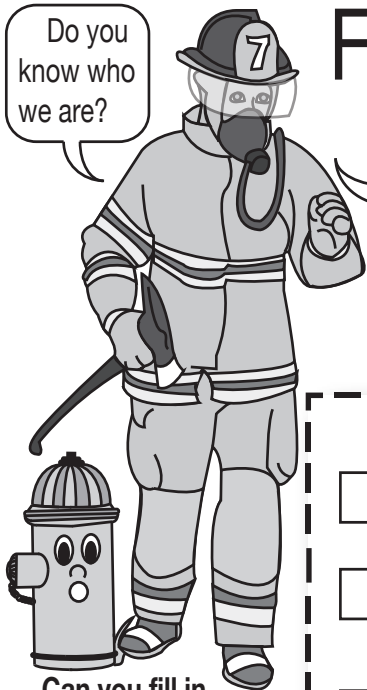
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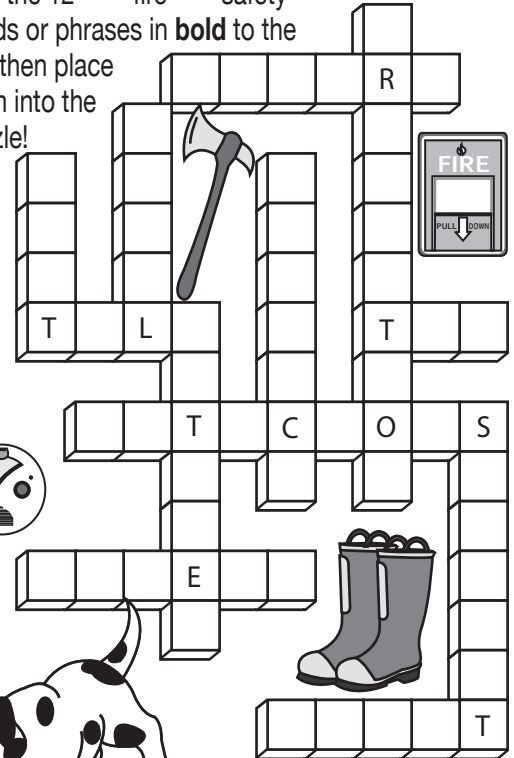
## Fire Prevention and Safety!

We are your community's firefighters. We visit schools to talk to students about fire **prevention** and **safety**. We show the special clothing we wear to **protect** us from the smoke and heat of fire. We may look a bit scary, but we are not. We are here to help you.

This is a chart for you to use to **talk** with your family about fire prevention and safety. Cut it out and hang it on your refrigerator!

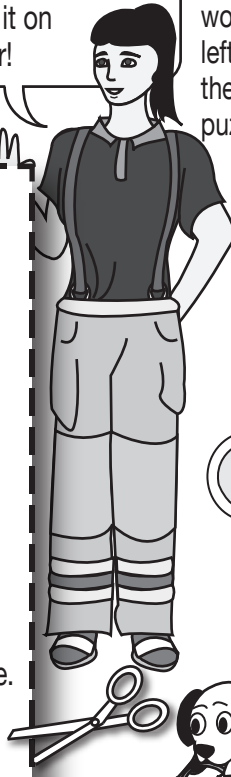


Find the 12 "fire safety" words or phrases in **bold** to the left, then place them into the puzzle!



### Family Fire Safety Checklist

- Only cook in the **kitchen** when an adult is helping you.
- Don't touch matches, lighters or candles. They are for **adult** use only.
- Do you have smoke **detectors** on every level of your home? Test them monthly and change the batteries at least once a year.
- Do you know **two** or more ways out of the house?
- Never use elevators (**stairs** are much safer) if there is a fire.
- Smoke rises, so if there is a fire, stay low: **crawl** under the smoke.
- Have you picked a place to **meet** the rest of your family once you are all out of the house?
- Once you are out of the house, **stay out** of the house.



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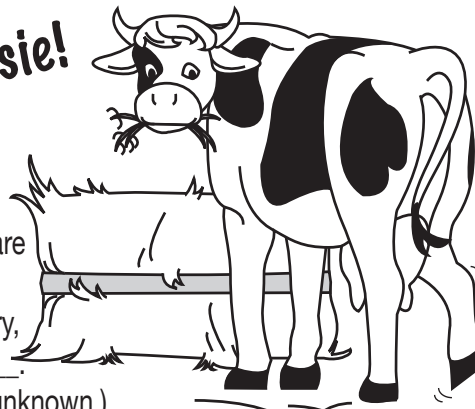
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## The Great Chicago Fire (And the Lessons We Learned)

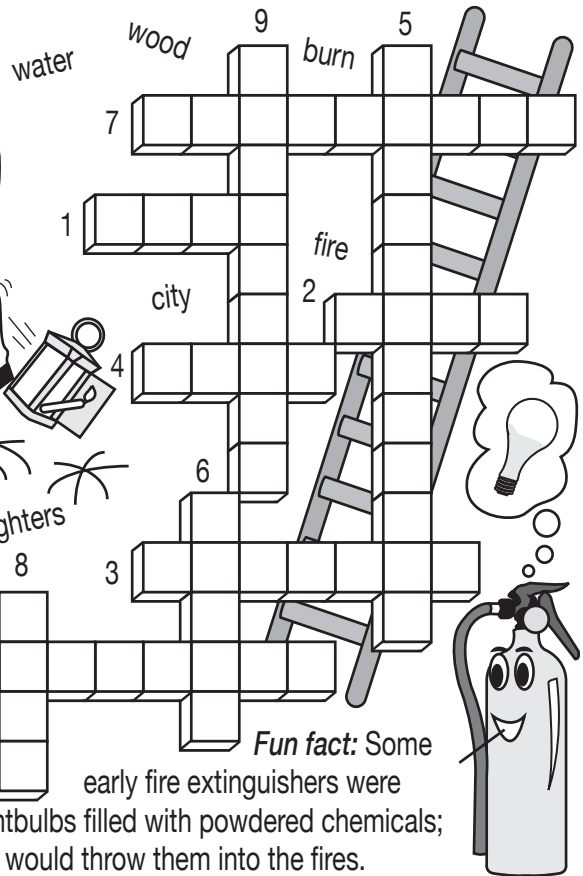
Read about the fire to fill in the crossword puzzle:

1. Have you ever heard of the Great Chicago \_\_\_\_\_ (1871)?
2. It was a fire so big and out of control that it burned almost 4 square miles of the \_\_\_\_\_ and even jumped across the Chicago River!
3. One story says that it started when a woman, named Mrs. O'Leary, went to her barn to milk a cow and the cow kicked over her \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The buildings in the city were mostly made of \_\_\_\_\_ and were built very close together, so it was easy for the fire to spread.
5. It is said that people didn't react right away and that the \_\_\_\_\_ were tired from fighting a different fire the day before and made some mistakes.
6. The blaze grew so big that it destroyed the pumps for the waterworks (the place that supplied the water to fight the fire) and the \_\_\_\_\_ was cut off.
7. Finally, after two days, the fire burned itself out, after destroying over 17,000 \_\_\_\_\_, killing hundreds of people and leaving about 90,000 others homeless.
8. Oddly, one of the buildings that didn't \_\_\_\_\_ was the waterworks tower. It is still there today!
9. Today, we space buildings in the city farther apart and use more \_\_\_\_\_ materials like metals.
10. Firefighters today are better trained and have \_\_\_\_\_ that helps them fight fires more quickly.

Whoopsie!



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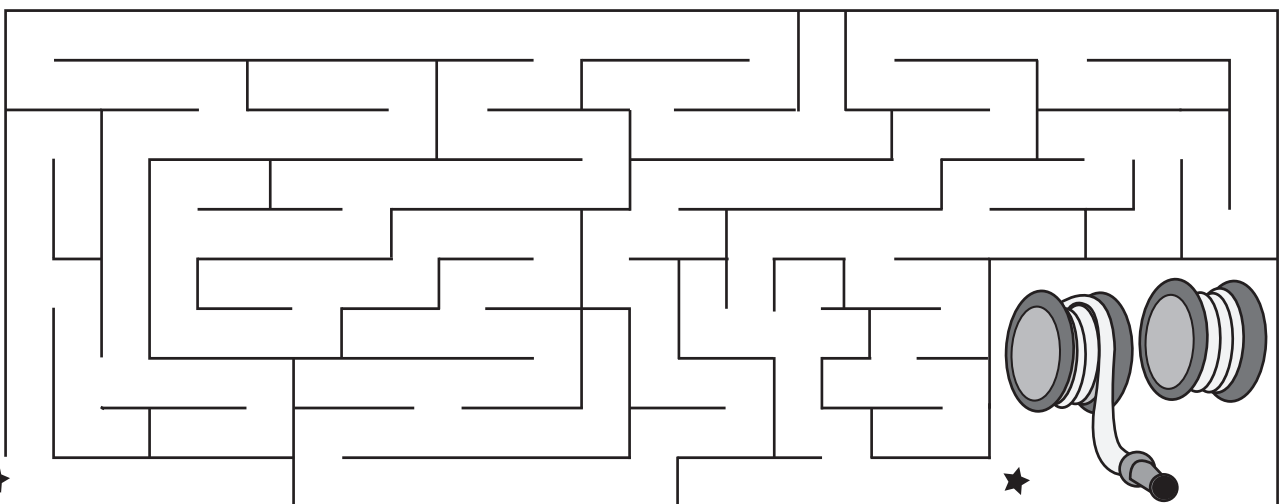
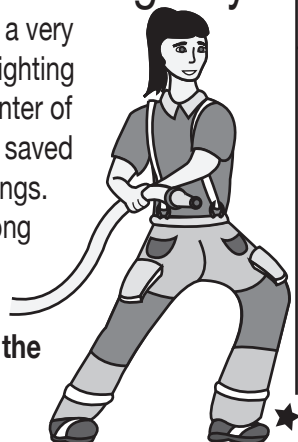


**Fun fact:** Some early fire extinguishers were like lightbulbs filled with powdered chemicals; people would throw them into the fires.

## At the End of a Long Day!

The firefighters had a very dangerous, long day fighting a blazing fire in the center of town. Their hard work saved almost all of the buildings.

At the end of the long day, the equipment is being cleaned and stored. **Can you help the firefighter put the equipment away?**





# Community Calendar

**GROTON VET CLINIC**  
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Houdek • Grady O'Neill  
7:00am: United Methodist Men's Bible Study  
12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center  
3:45pm: St. John's Lutheran Confirmation  
6:45pm: Emmanuel Lutheran League  
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9:00am: St. John's Lutheran Worship  
9:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Fellowship  
10:00am: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Pierpont Church  
10:00am: St. John's Lutheran School  
10:15am: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship  
11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship  
5:00pm: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Trinity  
6:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Adult Bible Study

**Thursday, October 15**  
**School Breakfast:** Cinnamon roll, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Submarines, potato chips, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Breaded codfish, parsley buttered potatoes, creamy coleslaw, orange sherbet, whole wheat bread.

**Anniversary:** Mark & Tamie Hanson

**Birthdays:** • Brad Morehouse • Kourtnei Stumpf • Rhonda Foote • Teal Schinkel • Jaymie Overacker • Russell Davidson

9:00am: Rachel's Challenge at Aberdeen CC Lee Elementary Gym

1:30pm: Emmanuel Lutheran WELCA

3:30pm: Region Cross Country at Webster

4:00pm: 7th Grade VB at Ipswich, 8th Grade at 5 pm, JV/C at 6 pm followed by varsity match

**Friday, October 16**  
**School Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Cheese pizza, green beans, romaine salad, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Beef stroganoff noodles, mixed vegetables, cake with strawberries, whole wheat bread.

**Anniversary:** John & Chris Wheeting

**Birthday:** Nancy Larsen

**Saturday, October 17**  
Oral Interp at NSU Festival  
**Birthdays:** • Gladys Dirks • Judy Flihs • Laura Ptacek • Dylan Krueger • Tyler Rossow • Jackson Bahr

10:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran Pastor at Rosewood Court  
4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

**Sunday, October 18**  
**Birthday:** Chelsey Wolthuisen

9:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran School

**Wednesday, October 7**  
MS/HS Picture Day

**School Breakfast:** Breakfast bagel, fruit, juice, milk.  
**School Lunch:** Cheese sticks, broccoli and dip, fruit, mixed vegetables.

**Senior Menu:** Roast pork, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas, tomato spoon salad, carrot bar, whole wheat bread.

**Anniversary:** Cal & Billie Wagner

**Birthdays:** Allen Walter • Brenda Craig • Lance Flihs • Ramona Helgeson

7:00am: United Methodist Men's Bible Study

12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center

12:30pm: MathCounts at GHS

1:00pm: St. John's Lutheran Ladies Aid LWML

3:45pm: St. John's Lutheran Confirmation

5:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Sarah Circle

6:45pm: Emmanuel Lutheran League

7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Confirmation

**Thursday, October 8**  
**School Breakfast:** Pancake on a stick, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Lasagna hot dish, romaine salad, corn, tea bun, fruit.

**Senior Menu:** Ranch chicken, boiled potato, green beans, cake with strawberries, whole wheat bread.

**Anniversary:** Lars & Kelli Hanson

**Birthdays:** Christopher Podoll • Gloria Pharis • Scott Vedvei • Shane Reich

9:20am: Juniors to DACAC Career Fair in Aberdeen

1:30pm: St. John's Lutheran Nursery Circle

3:30pm: NEC Cross Country Meet in Webster

4:30pm: 7th/8th VB at Sisseton

6:00pm: C/JV Volleyball match at Sisseton followed by varsity match

**Friday, October 9**  
**School Breakfast:** Cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.  
**School Lunch:** Hot dog, baked beans, fruit, carrots and dip.

**Senior Menu:** Tuna noodle casserole, broccoli, Swedish Apple Pie Square, whole wheat bread.

**Birthdays:** • Clint Jacobson, Jr. • Jerry Johnson • Eileen Schuelke • Janet Harder • London Bahr • Joseph Smith

10:00am: Lake Region Marching Festival in Groton

7:00pm: Football hosts Wagner

**Saturday, October 10**  
**Birthdays:** • Jenn Gustafson • Erica Swisher • Mandilyn Krueger Flihs • Megan Erickson

9:00am: VB Tourney at Redfield

4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

**Sunday, October 11**  
**Birthdays:** Ricky Thurston • Donna Bahr

9:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran School

9:00am: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

**Monday, October 12**  
NO SCHOOL - Native American Day  
Columbus Day (regional holiday)

**Senior Menu:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, parsley buttered carrots, banana cake with icing, whole wheat bread

**Anniversaries:** Marc & Jane Johnson • Charles & Sabrina Padfield

**Birthdays:** • Tyler Holm • Heather Merkel • Carroll Nehls • Cadance Jo Tullis • Michaela Kavanaugh

6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study  
7:30pm: School Board Meeting

**Tuesday, October 13**  
Oral Interp at Milbank

**School Breakfast:** Mini pancakes, fruit, juice, milk.  
**School Lunch:** BBQ, French fries, fruit, carrots.

**Senior Menu:** Baked pork chops, au gratin potatoes, peas and carrots, iced honey cookie, whole wheat bread.

**Birthdays:** • Carna Atherton-Pray • Carter Jondahl • Michael Shilhanek • Kay Olson

10:00am: United Methodist Women's Bible Study  
4:15pm: 8th Grade VB at Tulare

5:15pm: C VB Match at Tulare followed by JV at 6:30 followed by varsity match

7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Council

**Wednesday, October 14**  
PSAT Testing for sophomores and juniors

**School Breakfast:** Egg and cheese omelet, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Soft shell tacos, refried beans, fruit, bread stick.

**Senior Menu:** Baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, California blend vegetables, lemon tart bar, whole wheat bread

**Birthdays:** Angel Lorenz • Lois Pasch • Laverna

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# Netters rally past Webster

Groton Area netters put the pressure on and handed the second seeded Webster Area Bearcats a 3-1 loss in volleyball action held Thursday in Groton.

In the first game, Webster Area jumped out to a 2-0 lead, but Groton came back to tie the game at four, five and six before taking the lead for good and having a 25-15 win.

Webster Area gained a 4-0 lead and upped it to 11-2 before Groton scored 10 straight points to take a 12-11 lead. The game was tied at 12 and 15 with the Bearcats still holding on to the lead. Groton rallied to tie the game at 21 and closed to within one down the stretch, 24-23, but Webster scored the last point for the 25-23 win.

After the game was tied four times, Groton Area took command of game three with a 25-17 win. Groton never trailed in the fourth game and posted a 25-16 win.

Coach Chelsea Hanson said, "We had a good game tonight and we needed that! We had a lot of energy and played hard and the ball just seemed to fall in our favor. We've been preaching all season that we need to move on to the next point when we make mistakes and tonight we were able to do that which was a big area of improvement for us. I was really impressed with how the girls communicated with each other and our defense was scrappy. We had a lot of girls step up tonight and play well which is what we need right now while Josie is out. We're hoping to have her back in the next few weeks and continue to get better as a whole. We're gaining experience with some younger players and they're doing a nice job playing in big games."

In serving, Groton Area was 72 of 85 with 10 ace serves. Katie Koehler had four ace serves and Wanner had three. Webster Area was 62 of 72 with eight ace serves. Shae Sichmeller was 17 of 18 with 1 ace serve.

Groton Area was 146 of 147 in sets with 34 assists. Marlee Jones had 29 assists and Koehler had five. Webster Area was led by Devin Spindler with 11 assists and Sichmeller with eight.

Groton Area was 75 of 88 in spikes with 42 kills. Audrey Wanner had 12 kills and Carly Wheeting had 11. Webster Area had 24 kills with Lindsey Schoenbeck being 25 of 27 in spikes with seven kills.

Groton Area had three blocks - two by Gia Gengerke and one by Wheeting. Webster Area had seven blocks - four solo and two assisted blocks by Lindsey Schoenbeck.

In digs, Groton Area had 83 with Payton Maine and Koehler each having 19 while Kayla Bremmon having 29 for Webster.



Carly Wheeting



Audrey Wanner



Paityn Bonn



Gia Gengerke



Macy Knecht sang the National Anthem at the start of the Webster Area volleyball match.

## Groton Band Marches at the 100th Annual Gypsy Days Parade

The Groton High School Marching Band took home a Gold Award from the Gypsy Day Parade on Saturday September 26th. This year the bands were not given a total point system, just the ratings. Groton was judged in Class B and out of five bands Groton and Aberdeen Roncalli were the only ones that received a Gold Award in their class.

18 area bands marched in the parade and were judged in areas of music execution, marching and maneuvering, and music general effect. Also receiving gold awards were bands from Langford, Aberdeen Roncalli, Simmons/Holgate Middle School, Ipswich, Watertown, Leola, and Aberdeen Central.

Bands from Hoven, Bowdle, Warner drum line, Milbank, Frederick, Northwestern, Sully Buttes, and Edmunds Central were given Silver Awards.

Bands from Webster, Britton-Hecla, Redfield, Selby, and Eureka were given Bronze Awards.

The Groton High School Marching Band will march in its final parade this year on Friday, October 9th as they host the Lake Region Marching Band Festival in Groton. The parade will start at 10:00, beginning at the south end of Main Street and finishing at the north end of the city park.

## September was very warm and dry

September 2015 was a very warm and dry month across most of central and northeast South Dakota as well as west central Minnesota. All locations except for Pierre had one of their top ten warmest Septembers on record. Average temperatures were anywhere from four to seven degrees above normal for the month. Timber Lake had their second warmest September on record while Mobridge had their third warmest. Average September temperatures for Watertown were the fourth warmest with Sisseton the fifth warmest on record. Finally, Aberdeen and Kennebec had their eighth and ninth warmest Septembers on record, respectively. Highs for the month were in the 90s with Pierre reaching 100 degrees on the third. Also, no freezing temperatures occurred at each of the locations with lows only in the mid to upper 30s for the month.

As far as precipitation, all locations had below normal rainfall except for Kennebec. Locations in northeast South Dakota and west central Minnesota were very dry with rainfall amounts all under one inch or from nearly two to two and half inches below normal.

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**Brown County**  
**Sept. 29, 2015**  
**Meeting Minutes**

SEPTEMBER 29, 2015 - GENERAL MEETING

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

**MINUTES:** Moved by Kippley, seconded by Hansen to approve the Joint City/County Meeting Minutes of September 22, 2015 and the General Meeting Minutes of September 22, 2015, with correction of township from Ordway to Franklyn in denial of Application for Occupancy action. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Professional Fees: Adam Altman \$4,444.45; Avera St. Luke's \$1,907.52; Denise Cody \$15.00; Dean Schafer Court Reporting \$192.00; Christopher Dohrer \$5,069.45; Fox & Youngberg \$900.00; James & Larson Law \$211.50; KCH Law \$126.00; Kuck Law Office \$4,444.45; Language Line Services \$306.74; Lucy Lewno \$144.00; Lincoln Co. Treasurer \$106.25; Richardson, Wyly, Wise, Sauck & Hieb \$4,444.45; Ronayne Law Office \$4,444.45; Christy Serr \$5,069.45; SHRM - Society for Human Resources \$190.00; Kristi Spitzer \$1,159.00; Karen Swanda \$15.00; Yankton Co. Sheriff Office \$50.00.

**Publishing:** Aberdeen American News \$211.08; Dakota Press \$5,466.86; Dex Media \$63.12; Groton Independent \$401.85.

**Rentals:** Gilbert Davis \$260.00; Larson Rentals \$150.00.

**Repairs & Maintenance:** Aberdeen Asphalt \$321,081.86; Aberdeen Plumbing \$1,219.34; Eugene Dennert \$895.00; Walsh Safety Service \$253.85.

**Supplies:** 446-Praxair \$57.00; Brite Computers \$82.00; DPM Mercantile \$33.45; Fire Safety First \$22.15; Fox & Youngberg \$29.28; Galls \$318.60; Gardner Locksmithing \$50.00; Harr Motors \$110.00; Hoven Auto Repair \$87.72; James & Larson Law \$10.75; Jarman's Water System \$47.40; KCH Law \$4.59; Lucy Lewno \$6.49; Lien Transportation \$226,888.20; Marco \$353.72; NADA Used Car Book \$105.00; NCFE \$19,712.34; Pitney Bowes \$5,045.00; SD SOS \$30.00; Sherwin Williams \$119.00; Van Diest Supply \$7,853.52; Vision Business Products \$537.10.

**Travel and Conference:** Assn of SD Museums \$75.00; C. Scott Bader \$182.40; City of Groton \$121.73; Exec. Mgmt. \$2,268.50; Doug Fjeldheim \$168.84; Aaron Gasser \$450.15; Nancy Hansen \$139.51; Derek Jangula \$449.33; Patricia Kendall \$186.12; Leo Leshar \$345.45; Gene Loeschke \$248.16; Cathy McNickle \$24.66; Rachel Kippley \$238.14; Duane Sutton \$136.50.

**Utilities:** AT & T Mobility \$153.18; CenturyLink \$2,561.17; Montana Dakota Utilities \$20.88; NWPS \$1,983.31; Verizon \$4,849.77.

**Other:** Pizza Ranch \$57.46. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**PERSONNEL:** Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to acknowledge resignation of Ashley Bennett from the Fair Board, effective September 17, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to authorize advertising to fill Weed & Pest Supervisor position vacancy. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to accept resignation of Carol Wolf (Sheriff Department), effective October 23, 2015 and approve request to fill vacancy. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to authorize advertising to fill Teen Court Coordinator position vacancy. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve hiring Derek Ricci as Fair Manager, effective October 12, 2015 at annual pro-rated salary of \$43,750.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**RELIEF LIEN:** Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #64-15. WHEREAS, Brown County has filed a Relief Lien in total amount of \$1,466.40, and WHEREAS, Brown County has determined it to be in the best interest of the taxpayers to release certain property from the effect of said lien. The individual's

indebtedness to the County shall remain in effect until paid and will attach to other property owned by the debtor. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following real property, described as follows:

is hereby released from the effect and force of said lien. The individual's indebtedness to the County shall remain in effect until paid and will attach to other property owned by the debtor. Dated this 24th day of September 2015. Seconded by Commissioner Fjeldheim. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.

**POLICY MANUAL AMENDMENT:** Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to amend C-9) Overtime and Exemptions. Vacation, sick, and holiday used on normally scheduled work days will be counted as time worked when calculating overtime for Sheriff Field Deputies, Jail/JDC/HD Correctional Officers and Communications Center Dispatchers only. All other Employee's vacation, sick leave, and Holiday benefit cannot be used to extend the length of a normal work day or incur overtime, effective September 29, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**FAIR CONTRACT:** Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chairman sign the following contract for the 2015 Brown County Fair: NVC (tent sponsorship) @ recognition in all ads. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**CAPITAL ACCUMULATION:** Commissioner Kippley offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #65-15. WHEREAS, the Resolution #67-09 was adopted on October 6, 2009 in regard to the accumulation of funds for capital outlay purposes for the completion of Phase III at the Brown County Jail (remodel kitchen, control room, install elevator, excavate old garage and floor system), and WHEREAS, when Resolution #67-09 was adopted SDCL 7-21-51 authorizing the accumulation of funds for capital outlay purposes read "The funds to be accumulated shall be expended within sixty months from the date of the resolution", and WHEREAS, SDCL 7-21-51 was amended by the 2008 Legislature, as follows "The funds to be accumulated shall be expended within eighty-four months from the date of the resolution". NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution #67-09 be amended in compliance with SDCL 7-21-51, as follows: "that a maximum of \$1,000,000.00 shall be accumulated over a period not exceeding seven years for the completion of Phase III at the Brown County Jail (removal kitchen, control room, install elevator, excavate old garage and floor system). Dated this 29th day of September 2015. Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.

**TAX DEED SALE:** Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Hansen to authorize the Chairman sign Warranty Deed to Patricia J Mehlhaff, a married person for tax deed property sold at public auction on August 21, 2015. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**QUOTE SEWER LINE:** Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to accept low quote, submitted by Dahme Construction Co, Inc in amount of \$20,736.00 for labor and material to replace the sanitary sewer service from the main in First Ave SE to the west side of the Jail Complex (approximately 90'); rejecting the following: B&B Contracting @ \$25,584.74, Schmidt Construction and Jacobs Construction did not submit quotes. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**ORD 096:** Moved by Kippley, seconded by Fischbach to adopt Ordinance #096, 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 4.10 (R3) Lake Front District: Lots 1 and 2, RO-JU-OS Park Second Subdivision in the SE 1/4 of Sec 8-T128N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (10188 and 10192 RO-JU-OS Place). Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Ordinance adopted.

**EXPENSE POLICY AMENDMENT:** Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to amend the Mileage Rate in the January 6, 2015 minutes, as amended June 9, 2015, as follows: Mileage Rate, effective October 1, 2015: Reimbursement for use of personal vehicle for County business, as follows: All county

employees and officials, except the sheriff shall be paid for traveling expenses for each mile traveled in the discharge of their official duties at 47 cents per mile. Miles to be determined by the assistance of Map Quest or similar web site; Odometer readings required for all destinations not available on web site; Odometer reading only required once to establish routine destination routes, i.e. per diem for board members. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**SOFTWARE UPDATE:** Paul Sivertsen, IT Manager shared preliminary plans for the purchase of software for a countywide document management system, with proposed implementation at the States Attorney's Office by January 1. The document management system will be explained to all involved and opened for discussion at the next Department Head Meeting.

**CROW CREEK DITCH UPDATE:** Brown County resident Roger Schuller thanked the Commission for taking action to replace the Crow Creek gates on the James River. The landowners adjacent to the Crow Creek Ditch plan to have controlled burns in the slew area when conditions are acceptable to prevent wild fires in the future. Mr. Schuller distributed pertinent historical information published in the 1940's in regard to the Crow Creek Ditch.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Moved by Hansen, seconded by Kippley to go into executive session for personnel discussion, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) and to consult with legal counsel, per SDCL 25-2-1(3) 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.

**2016 PROVISIONAL BUDGET AMENDMENTS:** Moved by Kippley to remove the new part-time investigator position from the 2016 Provisional Budget. Motion died for lack of a second.

Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to amend the 2016 Provisional Budget line items, as follows: Governmental Funds: Board of County Commissioners from 446,156 to 316,632; Human Resources from 0 to 129,524; Aspire from 8,400 to 8,600; Dakotabilities from 200 to 0; Fair Board from 1,181,896 to 1,000,000; Operating Transfer Out from 6,065,438 to 4,757,938; Cash applied from \$4,495,034 to \$2,876,036; Current Property Tax Levy from \$13,452,355 to \$13,454,751; Charges for Goods & Services from 2,132,157 to 2,189,657; Other Financing Sources from 1,467,000 to 1,432,000; Less 5% from \$1,118,092 to \$1,038,387; Total Means of Finance /Total Appropriations from \$21,243,751 to \$19,729,354. Special Purpose Funds: Road and Bridge: Cash applied from 0 to 400,000; Other Financing Sources from 5,541,250 to 4,246,250; Total Means of Finance/Total Appropriations from \$10,000,000 to \$9,105,000. E911 Fund: Cash applied from 175,000 to 200,000, Intergovernmental Revenue from 640,914 to 628,415. Other Financing Sources from 240,915 to 228,415. All other line items remaining as stated in the Provisional Budget. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**2016 ANNUAL BUDGET:** Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: ANNUAL BUDGET FOR BROWN COUNTY, SD. For the Year January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016. RESOLUTION #66-15.

**ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET FOR BROWN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA.** Whereas, (7-21-5 thru 13), SDCL provides that the Board of County Commissioners shall each year prepare a Provisional Budget of all contemplated expenditures and revenues of the County and all its institutions and agencies for such fiscal year and, Whereas, the Board of County Commissioners did prepare a Provisional Budget and cause same to be published by law, and Whereas, due and legal notice has been given to the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for the consideration of such Provisional Budget and all changes, elimination's and additions have been made thereto. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That such provisional budget as amended and all its purposes, schedules, appropriations, amounts, estimates and all matters therein set forth, SHALL BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED AS THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURES FOR BROWN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA and all its institutions and agencies for calendar year beginning January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2016 and the same is hereby approved and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, this 29th day of September, 2015. The

Annual Budget so adopted is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the County Auditor, Brown County, South Dakota. The accompanying taxes are levied by Brown County for the year January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

**COUNTY TAX LEVIES WITHIN LIMITED LEVY Dollars \$/S/1,000**

\*General County Purposes (10-12-9) \$13,454,751 - 3.816  
**TOTAL TAXES LEVIED BY COUNTY: \$13,454,751 - 3.816**

\*These amounts include the 25% to be distributed to cities.

Seconded by Commissioner Fjeldheim. Roll call vote: Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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**Brown County**  
**Sept. 29, 2015 Joint**  
**Meeting Minutes**

SEPTEMBER 29, 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 Bunnness, Campbell, Ronayne, Rux and Swanson. Absent were Council Members Johnson, Remily, Slight-Hansen and Mayor Levsen. Present from County were Commissioners Hansen, Kippley, Fischbach, Fjeldheim and Sutton.

**ORDINANCE #15-09-05/449:** On motion by Bunnness, seconded by Campbell, the City unanimously voted to adopt Ordinance #15-09-05/449. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to adopt Ordinance #15-09-05/449, An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District and (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District: Lot 1, P and L Aman Addition in the SE 1/4 of Sec 2-T122N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (13659 387th Avenue). Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Kippley-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Sutton-aye. Ordinance adopted.

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

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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**Groton City**  
**Sept. 21, 2015**  
**Meeting Minutes**

September 21, 2015

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at the Groton Community Center for their regular second monthly meeting with the following members present: Flihs, Blackmun, McGannon, Opp, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Glover & Peterson were absent. Also present were: Finance Officer Lowary, Attorney Johnson and Kathy Sundermeier.

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

Moved by McGannon and seconded by Opp to authorize the following bills for payment. All members present voted aye.

First State Bank 8,558.88 ss & wh; Consolidated Fed Cr Union 975.00 emp savings; Paul Kosel 30.00 med flex; Office of Child Support 334.31 emp child support; 1st National Bank 9,604.27 lagoon loan payment; AFLAC 782.32 emp ins; Car Quest Auto Parts 252.35 repairs; Chief Supply 41.19 pants; City of Groton 343.88 postage, Fam Cr util,sav  
 Colonial Research 116.76 cleaner; Dakota Supply Group 213.88 materials; Dearborn Natl Ins 85.50 life ins; Diamond Vogel 16.01 paint; Ecolab 94.70 pest control; Fordham Signs 245.00 sign; Pat Foster 510.00 HWH sales incentive; Guardian Ins 233.63 emp ins; Heartland Cons Power District 42,584.68 power; Terry Herron 240.07 med flex; Paul Kosel 449.19 med flex; NWPS 3,419.02 power delivery; Pepsi Cola 923.83 pop; SD State Treasurer 6,535.43 sales tax; SD Supplement Retirement 1,100.00 emp retirement; Craig Speich 300.00 HWH sales incentive; St Elizabeth Ann Seaton Cath Church 300.00 HWH sales incentive; Wellmark Blue Cross/

Blue Shield 13,833.72 health ins; Western Area Power Adm 26,741.52 power

Swimming Pool managers, Brenda Madsen, Kami Lipp, and Karla Pastuer, came before the Council to review the 2015 swimming season and discuss needs for 2016 pool operation.

The fee for a non-sufficient funds check was raised from \$30 to \$40 on a motion by Flihs and seconded by Blackmun. All members present voted aye.

Progress on the bond resolution for refinancing was discussed.

Discussion on the 2016 budget was held. Moved by Opp and seconded by Blackmun to give 2nd reading to Ordinance 700, ?The 2016 Appropriation Ordinance?. All members present voted aye.

At 7:20pm Sue Fjeldheim from the Groton Carnival of Silver Skates came before the Council to announce plans for the 2016 Carnival. The free Skate Clinic is scheduled for December 29, 2015. The Carnival will be held January 31, 2016 at 2pm and 6pm.

At 7:30pm the bids for the rental of the airport farm land were opened and read aloud.

Thurston Cattle Co. - \$147.00 per acre

Shawn Gengerke Farms - \$205.00 per acre

Moved by Opp and seconded by McGannon to award the 3 year contract to Shawn Gengerke. All members present voted aye.

Flowers at the cemetery will be removed for the winter.

Councilman Blackmun announced that the Groton Baseball/ Softball Foundation will be meeting on the 2nd Wednesday

of the month at the Professional Management Services office.

At 8pm no one appeared at the public hearing on the 2015 Special Assessment Roll. Moved by McGannon and seconded by Blackmun to pass the following resolution to accept the 2015 Curb & Gutter Special Assessment Roll.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE 2015 CURB AND GUTTER PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Groton City Council deemed it necessary to install curb and gutter on certain streets within the municipality, and

WHEREAS, the City Council has provided that said assessments shall be payable in 10 installments, payable under Plan 1, "Collection by County Treasurer", and

WHEREAS, the City Council has set the interest rate at 4.5 % commencing 30 days from and after the date of approval of this resolution and certification of the assessment roll by the municipal Finance Officer, and

WHEREAS, the whole of such assessment or any installment thereof may be paid at any time and that all installments paid prior to their respective due dates shall be deemed paid in inverse order of their due dates, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Groton, South Dakota does hereby approve the Special Assessment Roll for the 2015 Curb and Gutter Project.

Meeting adjourned.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor  
 Anita Lowary, Finance Officer  
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# Tigers march on with 5-1 record and win over Sisseton

Groton Area improved its football record to 5-1 with a 21-0 win over Sisseton Friday night. The game was played in Sisseton.

The Tiger defense was king for the night, coming up with three interceptions, four fumble recoveries and had seven sacks in the Northeast Conference contest. However, penalties ruled the night as Groton had 18 for 145 while Sisseton had seven for 45. "We've done more conditioning this year than we ever have," said Coach Shaun Wanner. "We had 18 penalties so now I have to come up with conditioning for them. I have some pretty good ideas and after this week, they will want a bye to week. We need to clean those up. We can't have that many penalties when it comes to the playoffs."

Sisseton's first possession did not fare well. On third and 13, the Redmen took to the air for the first time and Lucas Hinman was right there to intercept the ball and he returned it for 13 yards, putting the Tigers on their own 46 yard line. Groton was unable to capitalize on its possession and punted on fourth and five. Sisseton punted on fourth and 12. The Tiger line had a tough time holding off Sisseton on its next drive. Sacks of seven and four yards put Groton Area at third and 21 before Adam Herman broke free after making a catch from Bennett Shabazz and scored on a 67-yard play with 5:46 left in the first quarter. James Thompson kicked the PAT and Groton Area took the lead, 7-0. "Adam Herman had a good game," Wanner said. "He had over 200 yards of total offense which was nice to see." Herman had four carries for 101 yards and had two catches for 108 yards.

The Redmen failed to move the ball on the next drive, having to punt on fourth and 20. The dreaded yellow flags started to fly as the Tigers' next drive started at first and 20. Groton ended up punting on fourth and 10. Sisseton's next drive was stopped when Joe Groeblichoff recovered a fumble, putting the Tigers on the Sisseton 15 yard line. Three plays later on second and 22, Herman scored on a 27 yard run with 43 seconds left in the first quarter. Thompson kicked the PAT and Groton Area took a 14-0 lead.

Sisseton ended up punting on fourth and 11. Going into the second quarter, the Tigers got their first non-touchdown first down when Herman caught the ball to put the Tigers down to the Sisseton nine-yard line. Penalties reversed the flow and Groton ended trying a field goal on fourth and 26 which fell short.

Sisseton got its first first-down of the game with 9:08 left in the half, but ended up punting on fourth and two. Groton's next drive went four plays and the Tiger punt was blocked on fourth and 10 and the Redmen had their first golden scoring opportunity at the Tiger 18

yard line. Sisseton got a first down and was down to the Tiger five yard line. Going for the touchdown on fourth and five, the Redmen were stopped and Groton took over on its own nine yard line with 1:56 left in the half. Groton got a first down thanks to a Bennett Shabazz 15-yard run and the Tigers ran out the clock to end the first half.

Groton received the kick-off to start the second half. On second and 12, Sisseton's Hunter Ryan intercepted the ball and returned it 17 yards. Once again, Sisseton was knocking on the door, starting its drive at the Groton nine yard line, but when the door opened up on



**Lucas Hinman snatched the ball away from Sisseton's Logan Grimm.**



**James Thompson kicks the ball on the opening kickoff of the game.**

third and 11, Carter Jondahl stepped in to intercept the ball to return the favor. Groton now had the ball on its own 24 yard line.

Groton ended up punting on fourth and 14 and Sisseton started its drive on its own 37 yard line. The Redmen fumbled the ball on second and 10 and Stevie Fey was right there to pounce on the loose ball. Groton's drive went four (well five if you include penalties) plays and Groton punted on fourth 12. It was the same situation for Sisseton as the Redmen punted on fourth and six.

Groton had the ball on its own 49 yard line. Herman had a nice run down to the Sisseton 30 yard line, but a penalty recalled the ball and Tigers were now on its own 37 yard line instead. On second and 22, Herman broke free and dashed 64 yards to score for the Tigers with 2:49 left in the third quarter. Thompson kicked the PAT and Groton took a 21-0 lead.

Sisseton was third and 15 and got a first down, but with 22 seconds left in the third quarter and second and four, Lucas Hinman recovered the fumble on the Tiger 32. Going into the fourth quarter, the Tigers were fourth and four before punting the ball away.

Sisseton started on its own 47, securing three first downs and getting the ball down to the Tiger 21 yard line. The Redmen tried for the touchdown pass, but Marshall Lane was right there to intercept the ball. Groton Area took over on its own eight yard line with 6:02 left in the game. Groton got a first down. Then on fourth and fifth and lining up for the punt, Bennett Shabazz, instead, passes the ball to Patrick Gengerke who went right up the middle to get a first down and the ball to the Tiger 45. Groton ended up punting on fourth and five and the Redmen did the same on fourth and fifth as the game ended.

In addition to penalties plaguing the Tigers, injuries are also taking its toll. Groton's starting center Brandyn Anderson suffered a broken finger this past week and may end up having surgery. Seric Shabazz is still out for a couple of weeks. Wanner said they found out on Thursday that Chris Zarycki will be out until near playoff time. Stevie Fey got hurt so we had to put another player in. "I have to give a lot of credit to our coaching staff," Wanner said. "They know where to put the kids. Scott (Thorson) is doing a great job moving the kids around and Travis (Kurth) is doing a great job with our defense. We also have to credit the kids for stepping up to fill the voids. This week, we put a lot of emphasis on Marshall Lane. He had to make the calls at the line of scrimmage and he did a great job making the calls for us."

Bennett Shabazz completed four of nine passes for 133 yards and he had 27 carries for 71 yards along with eight tackles. "Bennett had a good night passing and he had

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some nice runs too as we tried to mix it up a little bit," Wanner said. "Carter (Jondahl) ran the ball hard up the middle." Jondahl had five carries for 14 yards and he also had 10 tackles for the night.

For the game, Groton had eight first downs compared to five for Sisseton. The Tigers carried the ball 40 times for 194 yards while Sisseton carried the ball 24 times for only four yards of net gain. In addition to the leaders, Lucas Hinman had three carries for eight yards and Marshall Lane had one carry.

Leaders for Sisseton were Hunter Medenwald with 10 carries for 10 yards and Justin Brockel with nine carries for eight yards. Medenwald completed 13 of 34 passes for 75 yards. Receivers for Sisseton were Logan Frinn with four catches for 36 yards and Andrew Fritz with four catches for 20 yards.

Other receivers for Groton were Patrick Gengerke with one catch for 21 yards and Lucas Hinman with one catch for four yards.

Leading the defense for Groton Area was Brandon Keith with 12 tackles and two sacks; Carter Jondahl had 10 tackles, an interception, a fumble recovery and three sacks; Bennett Shabazz had eight tackles; Patrick Gengerke had eight tackles; Lucas Hinman had one interception and one fumble recovery; Marshall Lane had an interception; Joe Groeblichhoff and Stevie Fey each had a fumble recovery and McLaine Lone and Jack McKiver each had a sack.

Sisseton was led by John Meland with 14 tackles and Dustin Moshier with 10. Groton had no fumbles while Sisseton lost all four of its fumbles.

Groton, now 5-1, will host Wagner on Friday. Sisseton, now 2-3, will travel to Roncalli.

"Wagner has traditionally had a good football program," Wanner said. "I don't know a lot about them - we have never played them before. We have to get through next week and then go through the bye week to start the run at the end of the season."

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**Bennett Shabazz runs to escape the clutches of Sisseton's Colbey Lehrke.**



**Adam Herman's wheels were too fast for Sisseton's Josh Currence. Currence took a dive to try to get Herman to no avail. Herman had a nice run, but it was recalled because of a penalty.**



**Lucas Hinman is on the move for the Tigers.**

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It's not uncommon to find myself in conversations about how much fun it is to accomplish something using scraps from a left over project or better yet, creating something that cost nothing. It's pretty safe to say thoughts like that are formed from a childhood that involved a wealth of imagination due to the fact that there was nothing else available. These thoughts often times lead us into a bit of reminiscing about our younger days and it's not uncommon to discuss all the mud pies, breads and cookies we created as a part of our regular routine.

I remember our "sand" box. It was a big old tractor tire filled with mostly gravel, a bit of dirt and sand if you were willing to dig deep enough. We knew the sand was in short



## Bevitized: The sands in my hourglass

by Beverly  
Patterson

supply so we learned not to waste it. The one thing I distinctly remember using it for were the loaves of banana bread I prepared. The sand became the cinnamon and sugar I would sprinkle ever so lightly on those loaves before they were set in the sun to "bake."

Some of the other things discussed are the ways we would spend our summer vacation. I remember walking a lot and I also remember putting a ton of miles on my bike. Learning to drive before I hit double digits just didn't happen and even after I did learn to drive, the car wasn't something I was going to be using for short trips around town when I had two feet and a bike. I remember spending time with my friends from sun up to sun down. I remember swinging on the swings, bouncing up and down on the teeter totter, sliding down the slide, slipping a loop around my ankle that had a string attached and a bell at the other end and I remember swinging that bell and hopping over it several hundred times before summer vacation came to a close. I remember playing with my Barbies and baby dolls and drawing numbers on the sidewalk so that my friends and I could attempt to hop on one foot all the way to 10! I remember sitting on the tire hump in the back of the old pickup hanging onto the five gallon buckets while we bounced down the road searching for plums and chokecherries. I remember playing "Don't Break The Ice," "Don't Spill The Beans" and "Ants In The Pants" too but those were saved for rainy days. We ate Popsicles and Mr. Freezes and watched in total disbelief when

the swirled tin foil cover on the Jiffy Pop popcorn began to rise right before our very eyes!

I'm sure the kids today will have a comparable amount of fond memories from their childhoods. They'll most likely be considerably different than

what I remember from mine and that's okay. I just hope the magnetic charm of technology doesn't completely replace the honest to goodness feel you can only get from actually doing something rather than watching someone else do it "online."

There really is nothing like the smell of a bucket of plums sitting in the back porch waiting to become jelly or the feel of dirt packed tightly under each fingernail after a hard day at the "bakery" and there's nothing more worth hanging onto than a time in your life when everything about it was sweet and innocent and filled with heaping helpings of unimaginable joy!

## The Life of Charles Meister

Services for Charles Meister, 77, of Groton were held Saturday, October 3, 2015 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Groton. The Rev. Craig Grams officiated. Burial followed in Union Cemetery, Groton.

Charles died September 29, 2015 at Avera McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls.

Charles Alvin Meister was born on May 20, 1938 to Erwin and Georgia Meister. He attended school in Groton. He was united in marriage Virginia Hauck on November 5, 1961 in Roscoe. Charles worked for Purina in Aberdeen prior to his career at Northern State University. He was Power Plant Supervisor for 20 years. Charles also did farming and mechanic work through the years.

Charles was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Groton. He enjoyed fishing and reading along with hunting, in earlier years.

Celebrating his life are his children: Jim Meister of New Ulm, Minnesota, David (Karen) Meister of New Orleans, Louisiana, Debra (Wayne) Rose of Redfield, his grandchildren: Christen (David) Bult, Jamie Scarborough, Melinda Robertson, Charles Meister, Josh (Amy) Martell, step-grandchildren: Deseri Gonyon,

Randall Richmeyer, Chavon Richmeyer, Renia Richmeyer, and Nathan Rose. Charles is also survived by his great-grandchildren, Dominic, Camyron, Bradon, Kylie, Rose, Bridgett, Rose, Autumn, Aubrey, Haidyn, Jase, Nathan, Noah, Allison, Grystal and Liam. Also survived by his brothers, Mervin, Robert, Denny, Terry and sisters, Burness Ageton, Ila Jesme, Maxine Haywood.

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