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Seventh grade MathCounts wins Groton Competition

The Groton Area Invitational MathCounts Competition was held on Wednesday, October 7, 2015 in the high school gym.

87 students from six Aberdeen area schools (Britton-Hecla, Frederick, Holgate, Simmons, Warner, and Groton) participated in the event, which was sponsored by 3M of Aberdeen. Tanae Lipp, Samantha Pappas, Isaac Smith, and Erin Unzen won the seventh grade team competition. Isaac Smith earned second place, and Samantha Pappas earned fourth place in the seventh grade individual portion of the competition. Kayla Jensen placed third, and Austin Jones placed fifth in the eighth grade individual division.

MathCounts is a nationwide coaching and competition program

for middle school students that promotes excellence in mathematics. Area competitions consisting of several types of tests are held monthly.

The next junior high competition will be the Roncalli Invitational MathCounts Competition on Wednesday, November 4.



7th Grade Team Awards

Front row from left. Groton, 1st place, Tanae Lipp, Samantha Pappas, Isaac Smith, Erin Unzen. Back row from left: Holgate, 2nd place, Greta Adolf, Brianne Barstad, Courtnie Gergen, Melanie Jacobs.



8th Grade Individual

Awards Front row from left: Abe Wieland, Simmons, 1st place; Travis Sharp, Holgate, 2nd place; Kayla Jensen, Groton, 3rd place. Back row from left: Jen Appl, Holgate, 4th place; Austin Jones, Groton, 5th place; Logen Snell, Holgate, 6th place.

Groton Garden Club

The Groton Garden Club met at the Golden Living Center October 19 at 5:30 p.m. Hosting the meeting were Pat Larson, Deloris Knoll and Hazel McKittrick.

Ten members answered roll call with how they met Gladys Dirks, a member who celebrated her 100th birthday.

There will be a fall area meeting for the SDF-GC on Saturday, Oct. 24, in Watertown. Eunice McCollister will attend. She also reported that the Smokey Bear poster contest information has been distributed to the elementary school. The posters are to be returned by November 20th.

The next meeting will be November 16 at Marj Overacker's home at 5 p.m. Linda Anderson will give the program.

Following the meeting, Eunice McCollister gave the program, "Why You Should Leave the Leaves."

Rounds Introduces Fall Semester Interns

WASHINGTON—U.S. Senator Mike Rounds (R-S.D.) introduced two South Dakota college students as fall 2015 interns in his Washington, D.C., office.

Sophie Doeden is from Beresford, SD, and is the daughter of Troy and Christine Doeden of Beresford and the granddaughter of Arlis and Doug Doeden of Groton. She is a junior at Northern State University in Aberdeen. Sophie is majoring in political science and minoring in history and economics. She is involved in Girls State and teaches Sunday school at her church.

Kristi Blackler is from Rapid City, SD, and is a senior at the University of South Dakota in Vermillion. Kristi is majoring in political science and international studies. She is active in Model United Nations and College Republicans.

Intern duties include tracking legislation, researching bills, attending committee hearings and briefings, leading tours of the U.S. Capitol, handling constituent phone calls, sorting mail and providing legislative support. Interns work closely with constituents and staff, polish their research and writing skills and gain an in-depth understanding of a U.S. Senate office.

The fall internship program in Sen. Rounds' office lasts through December. College students interested in a spring 2016 semester internship in the Washington, D.C. office or in one of Sen. Rounds' state offices can visit www.rounds.senate.gov, call Erin Budmayer at (605) 224-1450, or email a resume and cover letter to erin_budmayer@rounds.senate.gov. College credit is available.



Sophie Doeden with U.S. Senator Mike Rounds (R-S.D.)

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THINKING ABOUT HEALTH

Seniors Face Higher Medicare Premiums, Deductibles Next Year

By Trudy Lieberman, Rural Health News Service

The last couple of weeks have brought unexpected and unwelcome news to millions of seniors and disabled people on Medicare. Their already high out-of-pocket costs are going to get higher. For some, premiums for Medicare Part B coverage that pays for doctor and outpatient services will go up as much as 52 percent. For everyone Part D premiums, which cover drug benefits, will increase an average of 13 percent, and everyone will see their annual Part B deductible rise from \$147 to \$223.

These are not trivial amounts considering that half of all people on Medicare are living on annual incomes of \$24,150 or less. In 2010 about 7 million people covered by the program lacked supplemental insurance such as Medigap policies, which cover what Medicare doesn't. By 2013 the number of people without the additional coverage had more than doubled, most likely because they couldn't afford to buy it.

What's going on here? Weren't Medicare's costs supposed to go down thanks to the Affordable Care Act?

These increases have nothing to do with Obamacare and everything to do with the laws governing Medicare and Social Security. Each year the Secretary of Health and Human Services examines the spending for Part B services which actually has risen this past year. By law premiums paid by everyone on Medicare must cover 25 percent of the program's cost. (General tax revenues cover 75 percent.) And each year the Social Security Administration determines the cost-of-living increases (COLA) for seniors based on the Consumer Price Index. There will be no increase for the coming year.

All this means about 30 percent of beneficiaries will see increases for Part B. Most people have their premiums deducted from their Social Security checks, but the law prohibits any Part B premium increase that would result in a reduction in their Social Security benefits. Without a COLA increase, a higher premium means a smaller Social Security check.

Because Medicare premiums must cover 25 percent of Part B costs, the government has to find the money somewhere. So four groups of people will have to shoulder the added financial burden.

They include those who begin receiving Medicare benefits in 2016, those over age 65 who are on Medicare but who have not taken their Social Security benefits yet; wealthier beneficiaries (individuals with incomes above \$85,000 and couples with \$170,000) and low-income people eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid. State Medicaid programs pay those increases and they, too, are grumbling.

Increases in Part D premiums stem from higher costs for both brand and generic prescriptions and particularly for specialty drugs like Sovaldi to treat hepatitis C.

Will Congress fix these inequities and find other funds to protect everyone from these increases? "It's very hard to predict what Congress will do," says Tricia Newman, senior vice president at the Kaiser Family Foundation. Newman points out this year's higher premiums and deductibles may be temporary and are expected to come down in 2017.

The other day I explained all this on a New York City radio show along with Joe Baker who heads the Medicare Rights Center, which helps beneficiaries from all over the country understand their options. Callers on fixed incomes and tight budgets drove home the point: The increases will pinch. One woman told of a \$300 rent increase she had to absorb along with higher prices for food and medicines.

Another said her husband had cancer, and the family had been socked with high medical costs. She said they had to pay a \$3,000 deductible before insurance kicked in. Most likely she

meant the requirement to pay \$3,000 out of pocket before her Medicare Advantage plan pays benefits. That's a common out-of-pocket limit for these types of plans. Even if she didn't label the source of the problem correctly, she knew the family budget was in trouble.

That led to a discussion of the how the COLA adjustment is calculated and whether it is fair to seniors because they spend money on a different market basket of goods than younger Americans do. They spend more on healthcare, for example, and less on gasoline, which is heavily factored into the cost-of-living calculations. But despite years of talk and experiments with a more accurate cost of living index for seniors, the government has yet to implement one.

Years ago healthcare expert Marilyn Moon, who served as a public trustee

of the Social Security and Medicare Trust Funds, urged Americans to save their money because they were going to need it for medical care when they got older. This year's situation shows how right she was.

How much do you pay for healthcare even with Medicare? Write to Trudy at trudy.lieberman@gmail.com.

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What Are You Afraid Of?

It's time for bed...um, may I leave the light on?
 Sure, you can! I'll turn it off after you fall asleep.

When I have been scared, have you felt:

- chills?
- cold feet?
- shaky knees?
- your heart thump?
- speechless?
- sweaty palms?
- yourself tremble?
- butterflies in your stomach?

When I do, I talk to my brother, Forest. He always makes me feel better.

I have felt almost all of these things at one time or another!

I am afraid of other snarling, barking dogs and hissing cats.

Spiders frighten me!

Do You Like a Good Scare?

Yes, most of us like to be frightened a little (as long as we know we are safe). Some people even take risks to get a thrill. Did you match up these things people do, watch or read about to get a fright?

1. haunted
 2. roller
 3. ghost
 4. horror
 5. auto
 6. bungee
 7. Franken...

A. racing
 B. jumping
 C. houses
 D. ...stein
 E. coasters
 F. stories
 G. movies

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Council gives okay to refinance and bond up to \$3 million

The Groton City Council approved a bond resolution refinancing the city's debt to the tune of up to \$3 million. The council will review the final numbers once all of the payoff amounts are received. Once the resolution is published, the city has to wait for 20 days in case someone wants to take the resolution to a vote of the people. Once that time period has passed, the council can move forward with the refinancing option.

The council grappled with the proposal presented by Paul Kosel, publisher of the Groton Daily Independent. He proposed live streaming the council meetings on-line through The CUBE. There were pros and cons about the proposal. "I probably could come in and just do it, but I would rather have your blessings on this," Kosel said. "I feel we need to work together on this and not buck heads."

Mayor Scott Hanlon said people are always welcome to come to the meeting. "If you want to be part of the meeting, you need to be here," he said.

"I could see this being a good thing," said Councilman Burt Glover. "But I think it's more for bigger cities. The interaction during the meeting is much different than the interaction tomorrow or the next day after someone has watched the meeting."

Councilmen Mary Flihs and Eddy Opp were opposed to the live stream. "We should just keep it the way it is," Opp said.

Councilman David Blackmun said he liked the idea of going live. "I like the idea of getting the discussion into the people's homes," he said. "It's technology."

Councilman Jay Peterson said he sided with those not in favor of it. "This is Groton and not Sioux Falls," he said. "I like the small town participation and to have people here to participate nose to nose."

Betty Breck was also at the meeting and she video taped that part of the meeting. She also presented cases in favor of live videoing. "I urge you to allow live videoing to get more public interaction," she said.

It was also said that someone may see something from the meeting on the video and they may decide to come to the next meeting to further discuss an issue, as a way to get more people involved.

The council took no action on the request.

The city is still waiting for a reply from the state on the status of the airport. Phone calls and emails have gone unanswered so there are no updates from the state. Councilman Eddy Opp said he was concerned about the airport if the inspector came now. "There are tall weeds on the border line and it has not been cultivated," he said. "I don't think he would like to see that if he came to inspect it right now."

Higher electric bills are on the way to the city. Heartland, WAPA and other electric companies in this part of the United States have joined the Southwest Power Pool. All wheeling charges that are being charged right now will be eliminated and all costs will be averaged and assessed to each entity. For Groton, that will see a wheeling rate increase from \$1.19 per KW to \$4.60 per KW. On a month where the city peaks at 3,000 KW, the city currently pays \$3,570 in wheeling charges. Under the new rate, it will be \$13,800. Heartland will absorb the increase from October, November and December, but starting in January of 2016, the wheeling charges will be added. The council will have to mull over what to do with the rate increase. City Finance Officer Anita Lowary said at the city's current financial condition, it cannot absorb those rate increases. Heartland will be hosting a meeting at the Groton American legion on November 18 to go over the rate increase.

The council was also given something else to chew on until the next meeting. What do to about overhead electrical services? One electrical customer incurred a charge of \$377 because of a downed electrical line and another customer incurred a \$150 charge because a tree was rubbing in the line creating sparks.

The council reviewed the delinquent utility bills, which is about 3 percent. Many other towns are running around 7 percent.

City Attorney Drew Johnson talked about the forgiveness request of the Jack Dixon property where there is \$6,700 in curb and gutter/sidewalk special assessments on the property. Johnson said the improvement is there for the new owners to enjoy so the special assessment should stay.

The possibility of the city accepting credit cards for payments was discussed. Lowary said she is getting two to three requests per week on taking credit cards. It is something the council will consider after finding out what the fees will be and how to pass them along to the card holder.

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Bevitized: Our Candid Camera Moment



by Beverly Patterson

Have You Ever Wondered What Causes Cracks In Plaster? Do you remember watching the television show entitled Candid Camera? If you do, you will understand what I mean when I tell you why I was looking for the little light in the dark window hiding the camera that had just taped a new episode of the show while I and several others ate lunch in the break room the other day. The incident involved a sweet young girl, two women closer to my age and myself. I had just sat down at the table with several coworkers I had just met at my new job. We've been working on getting to know one another so we've talked about all kinds of different things. The sweet young girl that sat down across from me and over one chair tossed a glance at my sandwich and asked if it was peanut butter. I said that it was and she proceeded to tell me that she has an incredibly severe allergy to peanuts and any contact with them would kill her.

Judging by the look on her face I decided to ask if smelling them would put her in any immediate danger. She offered a convincing "no" so I opened the twin zippered bag and began enjoying my first bite. By this time another woman had positioned herself directly in front of me and there was another beside me. I'm typically never at a loss for words and the women that sat down near me weren't either so we began a friendly chat. The "peanut allergy" was munching on the sandwich she had just prepared and washed each bite down with a rather hefty gulp of Diet Coke. Before long our conversation was interrupted by a belch that would have made the makers of Diet Coke blush. There was a short pause as we waited for the appropriate, "Oh, excuse me." but it never arrived.

We started chatting again when another belch presented itself. The pause happened again but no "excuse me" followed. There were several more loud belches before the last drop of Diet Coke rolled out of the can and into the tunnel that proved capable of producing plaster cracking belches. "Excuse me" never followed. Not only did I call upon every ounce of available control I had within myself but I also witnessed two grown women stifle their desire to burst into knock down, drag out, fall off your chair kind of laughter. We all maintained our composure which was, in my opinion, admirable, but I couldn't help but wonder when the crew from Candid Camera planned to tell us when our episode would air!

Netters lose to Hamlin

Groton Area's volleyball team dropped a tough match to Hamlin Thursday night at Hayti. Hamlin edged out Groton Area, 3-2. Game scores were 25-27, 15-25, 26-24, 25-20 and 12-15.

Groton was 97 of 106 in serving with six ace serves. Marlee Jones was 21 of 21 in serving. In sets, Groton Area was 238 of 240 with Jones being 177 of 178. Groton Area was 175 of 196 in spikes with 62 kills. Audrey Wanner was 54 of 60 with 20 kills. Josie Doeden had all seven blocks and Katie Koehler had 27 of the team's 102 digs.

Groton Area won the junior varsity match by game scores of 27-25 and 25-18, and the C match 26-24 and 22-17.

Groton FCCLA

The Groton FCCLA Chapter met on October 6, 2015 in the Facs room. FCCLA President, Hannah Webb, called the meeting to order, there were 35 members present. We opened the meeting with our opening ceremony, minutes of the previous meeting were not read. No corrections were made. The Treasurer's report was read by Treasurer, Lexi Harder. Old business included the Homecoming fundraisers of Kiss the Pig and temporary tattoo sales; both were very successful, proceeds will be donated to new playground equipment in the spring. New business included passing out the FCCLA T-shirt order forms, pink "eyeblocks" will be sold for Pink Night at the football game and volleyball game, fruit sales will start on October 13 and finish on November 3, and our annual Food drive is November 11 T 6:00p.m. The meeting adjourned with the closing ceremony. The secretary's record was submitted by Kelllyn Fluke. Lexi Harder, officer of the month, provided the snacks.

Volleyball team beats Hitchcock-Tulare

The netters defeated Hitchcock-Tulare in a match played October 13, 3-2. Game scores were 17-25, 25-22, 25-14, 25-27 and 15-4.

Groton was 150 of 173 in spikes with 44 kills. Audrey Wanner was 36 of 45 with 16 kills and Josie Doeden was 33 of 40 with 11 kills. The Tigers were 210 of 215 in sets with 35 assists. Marlee Jones was 165 of 169 with 33 assists. Groton Area was 94 of 105 in serving with 18 ace serves. Katie Koehler was 19 of 22 in serves with five ace serves and Miranda Hanson was 14 of 17 with four ace serves. The Tigers had 114 digs with Koehler having 33 and Wanner 16. Gia Gengerke had seven and Josie Doeden six of the team's 13 blocks.

Hitchcock-Tulare won the junior varsity match by game scores of 21-25, 25-20 and 6-15. Groton won the C match by game scores of 25-18 and 25-21.

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What Are You Afraid Of?

Ugh...a snake!

Everyone is a little afraid of something...spiders, the dark, the unknown! It's okay to be afraid sometimes. In fact it's smart to be a *little* afraid when facing a dangerous situation or a problem that you need help with. A house on fire, a lost pet, strange sounds in the dark: all would cause anyone's heart to beat a little faster.

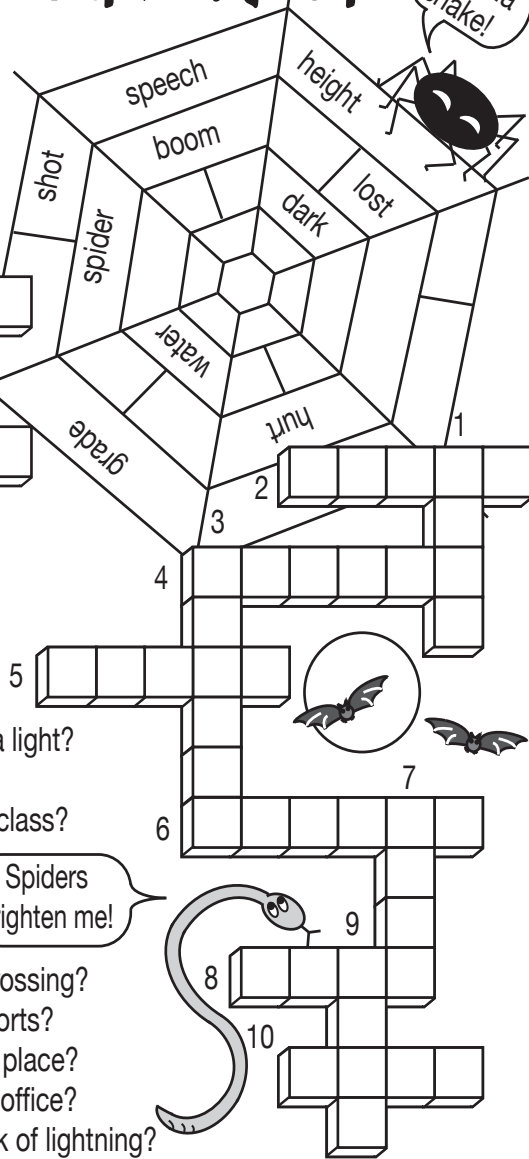
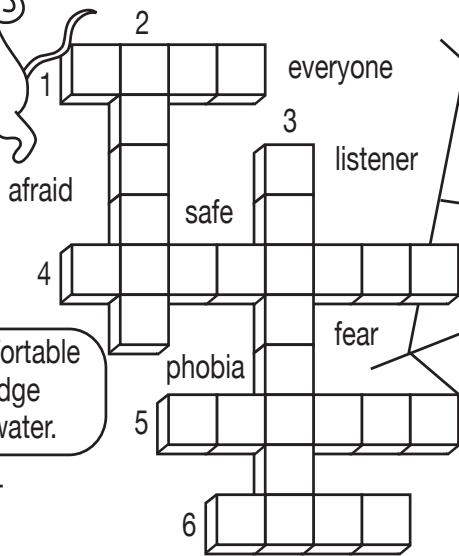
Once in a while someone might *learn* to be afraid of something. If you had a bad reaction to a bee sting, it would make sense and be smart to be afraid of going near a flowering bush full of bees.

Some people are so afraid of something that they cannot live normal lives. This much fear is a major problem. Strong fears are called "phobias" Have you ever heard of "*claustrophobia*?" It is the fear of being in tight or closed places.

If you are afraid of something, then you should find a good listener - a parent, teacher, doctor - and talk to him or her about your feelings. If they have had a similar fear, they can tell you how they were able to deal with it. Or they may explain why something happens - like thunder and lightning - and take the scary edges off your fear.



I'm not comfortable crossing the bridge above rushing water.



Look inside the spider's web to find words to fill in the puzzle.

Are you afraid of ...

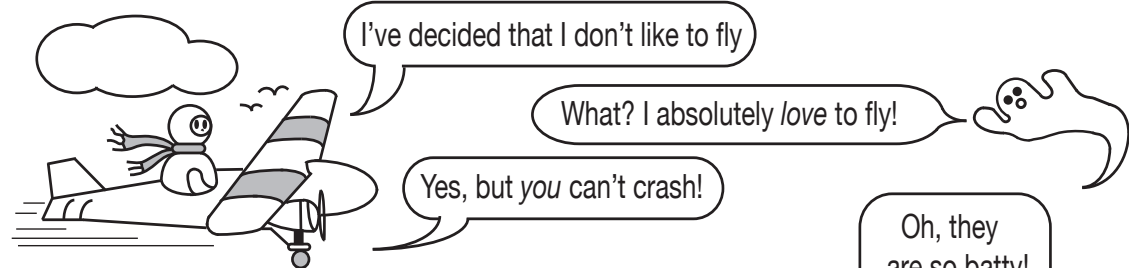
1. sleeping in the _____ without a light?
2. getting a poor test _____?
3. giving a _____ in front of your class?
4. a _____ spinning a web?
5. strong _____ currents or blazing fires?
6. the _____ of a bridge you're crossing?
7. getting _____ while playing sports?
8. becoming _____ in a crowded place?
9. getting a _____ at the doctors office?
10. the _____ of thunder or streak of lightning?

Read the clues to fill in the puzzle at the top of the page.

1. it's good to know your limits when swimming, climbing or doing other activities so you stay _____
2. to be scared
3. _____ gets frightened at some time
4. person who will hear you and help with your problem
5. strong fear that gets in the way of normal life
6. to worry or feel that something bad may happen

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I've decided that I don't like to fly

What? I absolutely love to fly!

Yes, but you can't crash!

Oh, they are so batty!

Do You Like a Good Scare?

Yes, most of us like to be frightened a little (as long as we know we are safe). Some people even take risks to get a thrill. Match up these things people do, watch or read about to get a fright.

1. haunted
2. roller
3. ghost
4. horror
5. auto
6. bungee
7. Frankenstein

- A. racing
- B. jumping
- C. houses
- D. and other monsters
- E. coasters
- F. stories
- G. movies



By the way, you are not really afraid that I would tangle myself up in your hair... are you?



I am afraid of other snarling, barking dogs and hissing cats.

When you have been scared, have you felt:

- chills?
- cold feet?
- shaky knees?
- your heart thump?
- speechless?
- sweaty palms?
- yourself tremble?
- butterflies in your stomach?

When I am afraid I talk to my brother, Forest. He always makes me feel better.

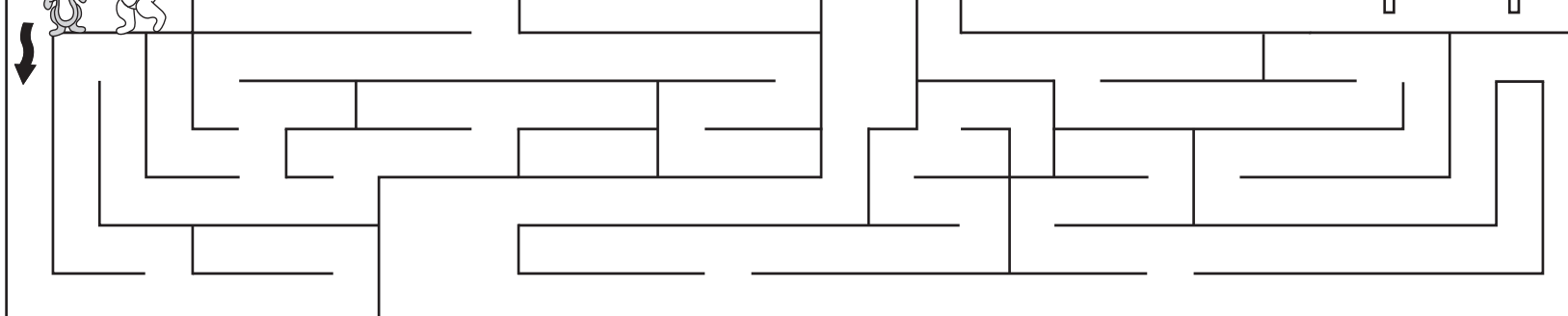


Treat Yourself!

Can you find your way through this fun (but a little scary) farm maze to get to the table filled with apple cider and doughnuts?

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dip.
Senior Menu: Turkey and dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, broccoli, pumpkin bar with topping or carrot bar
Anniv: Dick & Judy Flihs • Lars & Darinda Tunby
Birthdays: Tina Kosel • Matt Groeblichoff • Randy Hjermstad • Dylan Anderson • Molly Jordan • Lars Tunby
10:00am: United Methodist Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, October 28
National FFA Convention
School Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Garlic cheese bread, mixed veggies, broccoli and dip, fruit.
Senior Menu: Ham loaf, sweet potatoes, peas, acini de-Pepi fruit salad, whole wheat bread.
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
7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Confirmation

Thursday, October 29
National FFA Convention
School Breakfast: French toast sticks, sausage links, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Meatballs, tiny potato, green peas, bread stick, fruit.
Senior Menu: Hot pork combination, mashed potatoes and gravy, carrots-raisin salad, pear halves, whole wheat bread.
Anniv: Gilbert & Rochelle Hinkelman
Birthdays: Connie Nilsson • Sheryl Hanlon • Shelby Hjermstad • Jeremy Price • Butch Radke • Marcene Bruckner
6:00pm: Volleyball at Redfield (JV/C matches at 6 pm followed by varsity match)

Friday, October 30
National FFA Convention
School Breakfast: Breakfast bagel, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Halloween

Wednesday, October 21
School Breakfast: Pancake on a stick, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Taco salad, bread stick, fruit, tri potato.
Senior Menu: Hamburger with multigrain bun, coleslaw, baked beans, ice cream sundae.
Birthdays: Gary Heitmann • Mary Rix • Paige Harris • Jackie Hein • Kathleen Engel • Tony Lyren
7:00am: United Methodist Men's Bible Study
12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center
12:30pm: Sixth Grade MathCounts at Warner
3:45pm: 3:45 pm: St. John's Lutheran Confirmation
6:45pm: Emmanuel Lutheran League
7:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Confirmation

Thursday, October 22
END OF FIRST QUARTER
School Breakfast: Cereal, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Hamburgers, French fries, fruit, romaine salad.
Senior Menu: Lasagna rotini, tossed salad with dressing, Ambrosia fruit salad, oatmeal spice cookie, whole wheat bread.
Birthdays: Adam Grams • Margaret Sippel • Savannah Larson • Kara Kettering • Dustin Falk • Bill Shilhanek • Kara Pharis Zimmerman • Nathaniel Geist • Janice Hanson • Sherry Hanson • Shane Haskell • Bill Shilhanek
7:00pm: Football at Parkston

Friday, October 23
NO SCHOOL - INSERVICE
St. John's Youth Group to Valley Fair

Senior Menu: Hot roast beef combination, carrots, Mandarin oranges, peanut butter cookie
Birthdays: Duane Kurtz • Carrie Cole • Melodee Lane • Brooklin Nordine • Tricia Kurth • Whitney Krueger • Shay Rossow • Kassie Dunbar • Randy Stanley
4:30pm: Volleyball hosts Britton-Hecla (7th grade at 4:30, JV/C matches at 6 pm, varsity to follow)

Saturday, October 24
State Cross Country at Sioux Falls
St. John's Youth Group to Valley Fair
Birthdays: Robbie Thurston • Darac Harry • Barb Leshner • Beth Ankeny • Nick Weber • Karla Davidson
8:00am: ACT Testing in Groton
9:00am: Robotics at GHS Gym
4:30pm: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass

Sunday, October 25
Anniv: Brad & Darliss Larson
Birthdays: Lars Hanson • Sarah Leonhardt • Tasha Dunker • Joshua Dennert • Paige Heintzman • Alan Bell

9:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran School
9:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship, too!
9:00am: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Mass
9:00am: St. John's Lutheran Worship
10:00am: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Pierpont Church
10:00am: St. John's Lutheran School
10:15am: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship ant Rite of Confirmation
11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship
3:00pm: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Golden Living Center
5:00pm: Heaven Bound Ministries worship at Trinity
6:00pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Adult Bible Study

Monday, October 26
National FFA Convention
School Breakfast: Egg and cheese omelet, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Turkey gravy, mashed potatoes, corn, tea bun, fruit.
Senior Menu: Chicken rics casserole, green beans, spinach salad, chocolate pudding with bananas, whole wheat bread.
Anniv: Harry & Gloria Pharis
Birthdays: Ethan Charles Briggs • Marie Sternhagen
6:30am: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study
3:30pm: 5th Grade Band Instrument Introduction
6:30pm: Emmanuel Lutheran Bible Study
7:30pm: School Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 27
First Round of Football Playoffs
National FFA Convention
School Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, yogurt, fruit, juice, milk.
School Lunch: Chili, corn bread, fruit, carrots and

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accomplished by book entries made by DTC and, in turn, by DTC Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. SO LONG AS CEDE & CO., AS NOMINEE FOR DTC, IS THE REGISTERED OWNER OF THE BONDS, THE REGISTRATION AGENT SHALL TREAT CEDE & CO., AS THE ONLY HOLDER OF THE BONDS FOR ALL PURPOSES UNDER THIS RESOLUTION, INCLUDING RECEIPT OF ALL PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS, RECEIPT OF NOTICES, VOTING AND REQUESTING OR DIRECTING THE REGISTRATION AGENT TO TAKE OR NOT TO TAKE, OR CONSENTING TO, CERTAIN ACTIONS UNDER THIS BOND RESOLUTION.

Payments of principal, interest, and redemption premium, if any, with respect to the Bonds, so long as DTC is the only owner of the Bonds, shall be paid by the Registration Agent directly to DTC or its nominee, Cede & Co., as provided in the Letter of Representation. DTC shall remit such payments to DTC Participants, and such payments thereafter shall be paid by DTC Participants to the Beneficial Owners. Neither the City nor the Registration Agent shall be responsible or liable for payment by DTC or DTC Participants, for sending transaction statements or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing records maintained by DTC or DTC Participants.

In the event that (1) DTC determines not to continue to act as securities depository for the Bonds or (2) the City determines that the continuation of the Book-Entry System of evidence and transfer of ownership of the Bonds would adversely affect their interests or the interests of the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, the City may discontinue the Book-Entry System with DTC. If the City fails to identify another qualified securities depository to replace DTC, the City shall cause the Registration Agent to authenticate and deliver replacement Bonds in the form of fully registered Bonds to each Beneficial Owner.

NEITHER THE CITY NOR THE REGISTRATION AGENT SHALL HAVE ANY RESPONSIBILITY OR OBLIGATIONS TO ANY DTC PARTICIPANT OR ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER WITH RESPECT TO (i) THE BONDS; (ii) THE ACCURACY OF ANY RECORDS MAINTAINED BY DTC OR ANY DTC PARTICIPANT; (iii) THE PAYMENT BY DTC OR ANY DTC PARTICIPANT OF ANY AMOUNT DUE TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER IN RESPECT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS; (iv) THE DELIVERY OR TIMELINESS OF DELIVERY BY DTC OR ANY DTC PARTICIPANT OF ANY NOTICE DUE TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER THAT IS REQUIRED OR PERMITTED UNDER THE TERMS OF THIS BOND RESOLUTION TO BE GIVEN TO BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (v) THE SELECTION OF BENEFICIAL OWNERS TO RECEIVE PAYMENTS IN THE EVENT OF ANY PARTIAL REDEMPTION OF THE BONDS; OR (vi) ANY CONSENT GIVEN OR OTHER ACTION TAKEN BY DTC, OR ITS NOMINEE, CEDE & CO., AS OWNER.

SO LONG AS A BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM OF EVIDENCE OF TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF ALL THE BONDS IS MAINTAINED IN ACCORDANCE HERewith, THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE DELIVERY OF PHYSICAL BOND CERTIFICATES SHALL BE DEEMED INAPPLICABLE OR BE OTHERWISE SO CONSTRUED AS TO GIVE FULL EFFECT TO SUCH BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM. IF THE PROVISIONS OF THE LETTER OF REPRESENTATION SHALL BE IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION AS SAID PROVISIONS RELATE TO DTC, THE PROVISIONS OF THE LETTER OF REPRESENTATION SHALL CONTROL.

Section 4.6. Mutilated, Lost, Stolen, or Destroyed Bonds.

(a) In the event any Bond is mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed, the City may execute, and upon the request of an Authorized Officer of the City the Registration Agent shall authenticate and deliver, a new Bond of like maturity, interest rate, and principal amount, and bearing the same number (but with appropriate designation indicating that such new Bond is a replacement Bond) as the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Bond, in exchange for the mutilated Bond or in substitution for the Bond so destroyed, lost, or stolen. In every case of

exchange or substitution, the Bond holder shall furnish to the City and the Registration Agent: (1) such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless from all risks, however remote; and, (2) evidence to their satisfaction of the mutilation, destruction, loss, or theft of the subject Bond and the ownership thereof. Upon the issuance of any Bond upon such exchange or substitution, the City and the Registration Agent may require the Owner thereof to pay a sum sufficient to defray any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses, including printing costs and counsel fees, of the City and the Registration Agent. In the event any Bond which has matured or is about to mature shall become mutilated or be destroyed, lost, or stolen, the City may, instead of issuing a Bond in exchange or substitution therefore, pay or authorize the payment of the same (without surrender thereof except in the case of a mutilated Bond) if the Owner thereof shall pay all costs and expenses, including attorney's fees, incurred by the City and the Registration Agent in connection herewith, as well as a sum sufficient to defray any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and shall furnish to the City and the Registration Agent such security or indemnity as they may require to save them harmless and evidence to the satisfaction of the City and the Registration Agent the mutilation, destruction, loss, or theft of such Bond and of the ownership thereof.

(b) Every Bond issued pursuant to the provisions of this section shall constitute an additional contractual obligation of the City (whether or not the destroyed, lost, or stolen Bond shall be found at any time to be enforceable) and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Bond Resolution equally and proportionately with any and all other Bonds duly issued under this Bond Resolution.

(c) All Bonds shall be held and owned upon the express condition that the provisions of this Section are exclusive, with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen Bonds, and, to the maximum extent legally permissible, shall preclude all other rights or remedies, notwithstanding any law or statute now existing or hereafter enacted to the contrary.

Section 4.7. Authentication. The Registration Agent is hereby authorized to authenticate and deliver the Bonds to the Underwriter or as it may designate upon receipt by the City of the proceeds of the sale thereof, to authenticate and deliver Bonds in exchange for Bonds of the same principal amount delivered for transfer upon receipt of the Bond(s) to be transferred in proper form with proper documentation as hereinabove described. The Bonds shall not be valid for any purpose unless authenticated by the Registration Agent by the manual signature of an officer thereof on the Bond set forth herein on the Bond form.

Section 4.8. Qualification for DTC.

The Registration Agent is hereby authorized to take such actions as may be necessary from time to time to qualify and maintain the Bonds for deposit with DTC, including but not limited to, wire transfers of interest and principal payments with respect to the Bonds, utilization of electronic book entry data received from DTC in place of actual delivery of Bonds and provision of notices with respect to Bonds registered by the DTC (or any of its designees identified to the Registration Agent) by overnight delivery, courier service, telegram, teletype or other similar means of communication. No such arrangements with DTC may adversely affect the interest of any of the Owners of the Bonds, provided, however, that the Registration Agent shall not be liable with respect to any such arrangements it may make pursuant to this section.

Section 4.09. Rating Agency. The City authorized to enter into an agreement with a Rating Agency as may be required under the Purchase Agreement. Any terms or conditions of the Rating Agency shall be attached to this resolution and incorporated herein as if stated in full.

Section 4.10. Bond Counsel. The Mayor and Finance Officer are authorized to retain Meierhenry Sargent LLP as Bond Counsel upon such terms as they

approve.

Section 4.11. Underwriter. The Mayor and Finance Officer are authorized to retain Dougherty & Company LLC as Underwriter upon such terms as they approve.

Section 4.12. Dissemination Agent.

The City authorizes the Authorized Officer of the City to retain a dissemination agent with regard to the written undertaking authorized in Section 11.7 hereof.

ARTICLE V REDEMPTION OF CERTIFICATES PRIOR TO MATURITY

Section 5.1. Optional Redemption

The redemption provisions of the Bonds shall be set forth in the Purchase Agreement.

Section 5.2. Notice of Redemption.

(a) Notice of call for redemption, whether optional or mandatory, shall be given by the Registration Agent on behalf of the City not less than thirty (30) nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for redemption by sending an appropriate notice to the registered owners of the Bonds to be redeemed by first-class mail, postage prepaid, at the addresses shown on the Bond registration records of the Registration Agent as of the date of the notice; but neither failure to mail such notice nor any defect in any such notice so mailed shall affect the sufficiency of the proceedings for redemption of any of the Bonds for which proper notice was given. The Registration Agent shall mail said notices, in the case of mandatory redemption of term Bonds, as and when provided herein and in the Bonds, and, in the case of optional redemption, as and when directed by the City pursuant to written instructions from an Authorized Representative of the City given at least forty-five (45) days prior to the redemption date (unless a shorter notice period shall be satisfactory to the Registration Agent).

(b) Each notice required by this Section shall state: (1) the Bonds to be redeemed identified by CUSIP number and called amounts of each bond (for partial calls), date of issue, interest rate, and maturity date; (2) the date fixed for redemption; (3) that such Bonds will be redeemed at the principal corporate trust office of the Registration Agent; (4) the redemption price to be paid; and, (5) that from and after the redemption date interest thereon shall cease to accrue. If at the time of notice of optional redemption, the City shall not have deposited with the Registration Agent monies sufficient to redeem all the Bonds called for optional redemption, such notice may state that it is conditional, that is, subject to the deposit of the redemption monies with the Registration Agent not later than the opening of business on the redemption date, and such notice shall be of no effect unless monies are so deposited.

Section 5.3. Payment of Redeemed Bonds.

(a) If notice of redemption shall have been given in the manner and under the conditions provided in Section 5.2 hereof and if on the date so designated for redemption the Registration Agent shall hold sufficient monies to pay the redemption price of, and interest to the redemption date on, the Bonds to be redeemed as provided in this Resolution, then: (1) the Bonds so called for redemption shall become and be due and payable at the redemption price provided for redemption of such Bonds on such date; (2) interest on the Bonds so called for redemption shall cease to accrue; and, (3) such Bonds shall no longer be outstanding or secured by, or be entitled to, the benefits of this Resolution, except to receive payment of the redemption price thereof and interest thereon from monies then held by the Registration Agent.

(b) If on the redemption date, monies for the redemption of all Bonds or portions thereof to be redeemed, together with interest thereon to the redemption date, shall not be held by the Registration Agent so as to be available therefor on such date, the Bonds or portions thereof so called for redemption shall continue to bear interest until paid at the same rate as they would have borne had they not been called for redemption and shall continue to be secured by and be entitled to the benefits of this Resolution.

ARTICLE VI REGISTRATION AGENT, ESCROW AGENT AND VERIFICATION AGENT.

Section 6.1. Appointment and

Acceptance of Duties.

The City hereby authorizes the Finance Officer to appoint the Registration Agent with respect to the Bonds and authorizes and directs the Registration Agent to maintain bond registration records with respect to the Bonds, to authenticate and deliver the Bonds as provided herein, either at original issuance, upon transfer, or as otherwise directed by the City, to effect transfers of the Bonds, to give all notices of redemption as required herein, to make all payments of principal and interest with respect to the Bonds as provided herein, to cancel and destroy Bonds which have been paid at maturity or upon earlier redemption or submitted for exchange or transfer, to furnish the City at least annually a certificate of destruction with respect to Bonds canceled and destroyed, and to furnish the City at least annually an audit confirmation of Bonds paid, Bonds Outstanding and payments made with respect to interest on the Bonds. The Mayor and the Finance Officer, or either of them is hereby authorized to execute and the Finance Officer is hereby authorized to attest such written agreement between the City and the Registration Agent as they shall deem necessary or proper with respect to the obligations, duties and rights of the Registration Agent. The payment of all reasonable fees and expenses of the Registration Agent for the discharge of its duties and obligations hereunder or under any such agreement is hereby authorized and directed.

Section 6.2. Permitted Acts and Functions.

The Registration Agent may become the Owner of any Bonds, with the same rights as it would have if it were not a Registration Agent. The Registration Agent may act as an underwriter or fiscal agent in connection with the sale of the Bonds or of any other securities offered or issued by the City.

Section 6.3. Resignation or Removal of the Registration Agent and Appointment of Successors.

(a) The Registration Agent may at any time resign and be discharged of the duties and obligations created by this Bond Resolution by giving at least sixty (60) calendar days' written notice to the Finance Officer. The Registration Agent may be removed at any time by the Finance Officer, provided that such removal does not constitute a breach of any contractual agreement with any such Registration Agent, by filing written notice of such removal with such Registration Agent. Any successor Registration Agent shall be appointed by the Finance Officer and shall be a trust company or a bank having the powers of a trust company, having a combined capital, surplus, and undivided profits aggregating at least Seventy-Five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000), willing to accept the office of Registration Agent on reasonable and customary terms and authorized by law to perform all the duties imposed upon it by this Bond Resolution.

(b) In the event of the resignation or removal of the Registration Agent, such Registration Agent shall pay over, assign and deliver any monies and securities held by it as Registration Agent, and all books and records and other properties held by it as Registration Agent, to its successor, or if there be no successor then appointed, to the Finance Officer until such successor be appointed.

Section 6.4. Merger or Consolidation of Registration Agent.

Any corporation or association into which the Registration Agent may be converted or merged, or with which it may be consolidated, or to which it may sell or transfer its trust business and assets as a whole, or substantially as a whole, or any corporation or association resulting from any such conversion, sale, merger, consolidation, or transfer to which it is a party shall be and become successor Registration Agent hereunder and shall be vested with all the trusts, powers, discretion, immunities, privileges, and other matters as was its predecessor, without the execution or filing of any instrument or any further act, deed, or conveyance on the part of any of the parties hereto, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding. Upon any such conversion, merger, consolidation, sale or transfer, the Finance Officer shall have the right and option, upon notice to such converted, merged, consolidated or acquiring entity, to remove such entity and appoint a successor thereto pursuant to

the procedures and requirements set forth in Section 6.3 hereof.

ARTICLE VII DEFEASANCE OF BONDS

Section 7.1. Defeasance of Bonds.

If the City shall pay and discharge the indebtedness evidenced by any of the Bonds in any one or more of the following ways, to wit:

(a) By paying or causing to be paid, by deposit of sufficient funds as and when required with the Registration Agent, the principal of and interest on such Bonds as and when the same become due and payable;

(b) By depositing or causing to be deposited with any trust company or financial institution whose deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or similar federal agency and which has trust powers ("an Agent"; which Agent may be the Registration Agent) in trust or escrow, on or before the date of maturity or redemption, sufficient money or Federal Obligations, as hereafter defined, the principal of and interest on which, when due and payable, will provide sufficient moneys to pay or redeem such Bonds and to pay premium, if any, and interest thereon when due until the maturity or redemption date (provided, if such Bonds are to be redeemed prior to maturity thereof, proper notice of such redemption shall have been given or adequate provision shall have been made for the giving of such notice);

(c) By delivering such Bonds to the Registration Agent, for cancellation by it;

and if the City shall also pay or cause to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the City with respect to such Bonds, or make adequate provision therefor, and by resolution of the City Council instruct any such escrow agent to pay amounts when and as required to the Registration Agent for the payment of principal of and interest and redemption premiums, if any, on such Bonds when due, then and in that case the indebtedness evidenced by such Bonds shall be discharged and satisfied and all covenants, agreements and obligations of the City to the holders of such Bonds shall be fully discharged and satisfied and shall thereupon cease, terminate and become void.

If the City shall pay and discharge the indebtedness evidenced by any of the Bonds in the manner provided in either clause (a) or clause (b) above, then the registered owners thereof shall thereafter be entitled only to payment out of the money or Federal Obligations deposited as aforesaid.

Except as otherwise provided in this Section, neither Federal Obligations nor moneys deposited with the Registration Agent pursuant to this Section nor principal or interest payments on any such Federal Obligations shall be withdrawn or used for any purpose other than, and shall be held in trust for, the payment of the principal and premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds; provided that any cash received from such principal or interest payments on such Federal Obligations deposited with the Registration Agent, (A) to the extent such cash will not be required at any time for such purpose, shall be paid over to the City as received by the Registration Agent and (B) to the extent such cash will be required for such purpose at a later date, shall, to the extent practicable, be reinvested in Federal Obligations maturing at times and in amounts sufficient to pay when due the principal and premium, if any, and interest to become due on said Bonds on or prior to such redemption date or maturity date thereof, as the case may be, and interest earned from such reinvestments shall be paid over to the City, as received by the Registration Agent. For the purposes of this Section, Federal Obligations shall mean direct obligations of, or obligations, the principal of and interest on which are guaranteed by, the United States of America, or any agency thereof, obligations of any agency or instrumentality of the United States or any other obligations at the time of the purchase thereof are permitted investments under South Dakota Law for the purposes described in this Section, which Bonds or other obligations shall not be subject to redemption prior to their maturity other than at the option of the registered owner thereof.

ARTICLE VIII ADDITIONAL

BONDS

This Resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds permits the issuance of additional capital outlay Bonds payable from the Sales tax as set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement.

ARTICLE IX SALE OF BONDS AND DEPOSIT OF PROCEEDS

Section 9.1. Sale of Bonds.

The Bonds shall be sold to the Underwriter at a price to be set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement. The Mayor and the Finance Officer, or either of them, in consultation with the Underwriter, are authorized to make such changes in the structuring of the terms and sale of the Bonds as they shall deem necessary. In this regard, they, or either of them, in consultation with the Underwriter, are authorized to cause to be sold an aggregate principal amount of the Bonds less than that authorized herein, cause fewer than all the Refunded Bonds to be refunded, to sell any or all of the Bonds as term Bonds with annual mandatory redemption requirements which will produce substantially the same annual principal reductions as authorized herein, to change the dated date of the Bonds to a date other than Closing Date, and to adjust principal and interest payment dates and redemption dates of the Bonds. The form of the Bond set forth in Exhibit A on file with the business manager and open to public inspection shall be conformed to reflect any changes, if any, as hereinbefore mentioned. The Mayor and the Finance Officer, or either of them, are hereby authorized to execute and the Finance Officer is authorized to attest the Purchase Agreement with the Underwriter providing for the purchase and sale of the Bonds. The Purchase Agreement shall be in form and content acceptable to the Mayor and Finance Officer, the execution thereof by either of them to constitute conclusive evidence thereof, and approved as to form and legality by the City's attorney; provided the Purchase Agreement effects the sale of the Bonds in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution, and is not inconsistent with the terms hereof. The Mayor and the Finance Officer are authorized to cause the Bonds to be authenticated and delivered by the Registration Agent to the Underwriter and to execute, publish, and deliver all certificates and documents, including the Official Statement, and closing certificates and documents, as they shall deem necessary in connection with the sale and delivery of the Bonds.

Section 9.2. Official Statement.

The Mayor, Finance Officer, and the Underwriter are hereby authorized and directed to provide for the preparation and distribution of a Preliminary Official Statement describing the Bonds (the "Preliminary Official Statement"). After the Bonds have been sold, the Mayor and Finance Officer shall make such completions, omissions, insertions and changes in the Preliminary Official Statement not inconsistent with this Resolution as are necessary or desirable to complete it as a final Official Statement for purposes of Rule 15c2-12(e)(3) of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

To comply with paragraph (b) (3) of Rule 15c212 of the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule") and with Rule G32 and all other applicable rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board, the City agrees to deliver to the Underwriter, the Official Statement (which shall be a final official statement, as such term is defined in the Rule, as of its date) in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB.

Section 9.3. Disposition of Bond Proceeds.

The proceeds of the sale of the Bonds shall be disbursed as follows:

(a) An amount which, together with other legally available funds of the City, if any, and investment earnings thereon and on said Bond proceeds, will be sufficient to pay the termination value or principal coming due and called and interest on the Refunded Bonds to and including the redemption date of the individual Refunded Bonds, shall be transferred to the paying agent of the respective Refunded Bonds;

(b) The remaining proceeds

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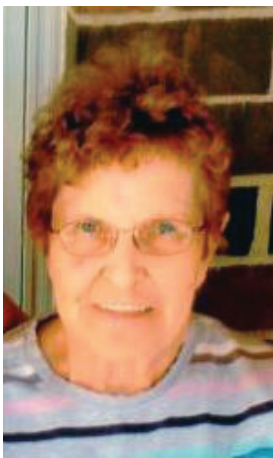


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The Life of Ramona Rossow



Memorial services for Ramona Rossow, 75, of Groton will be 10 a.m., Friday, October 23, 2015 at the Presbyterian Church, Groton. The Rev. Terry Kenny will officiate. Inurnment will follow in Union Cemetery.

Visitation will be held on Thursday from 5-7 p.m. at Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.

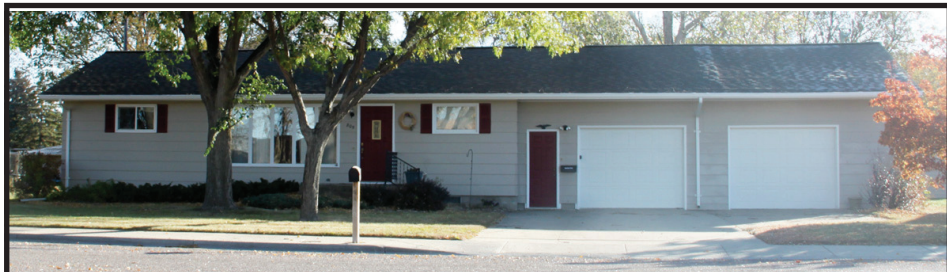
Ramona died Sunday, October 18, 2015 at Golden Living Center in Groton.

Ramona Kay was born on September 16, 1940 in Aberdeen to Carl and Alma (Breheim) Liebel. She attended school in Groton and continued her college education in Minnesota. On December 23, 1959 she was united in marriage with Gerald Rossow at the Presbyterian Church in Groton. Together, they were blessed with four boys. Ramona worked over 30 years in the laundry department at Golden Living Center. She enjoyed spending time with her family and attending activities and sports events for her children and grandchildren.

Celebrating her life is her husband, Jerry of Groton, her sons, Rick (Melanie) Rossow of Glenwood Springs, CO; Marc (Jayne) Rossow of Austin, TX; Jamie Rossow of Groton, her grandchildren: Morgan, Tyler, Jeraka, Shay, Sydney, Parker and Taryn. Ramona is also survived by her sisters, Linda Donovan of Vermillion and JoAnn Dietrich of Flandreau.

Preceding her in death was her infant son, Roger, her parents, her sister, Verna Mae and brothers, Gene, Melvin, Charles and Duane.

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