



Fr. Kelly celebrates 40 years

Celebrating 40 years of priesthood in honor of Fr. Mike Kelly at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, 803 North 1st Street, Groton. Please join us for an Open House on June 12th from 2-4 pm with a short program at 3pm. Hors d' oeuvres and cupcakes will be served.

South Dakota sales tax increases on June 1

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota state sales and use tax rate will increase from 4 percent to 4.5 percent on June 1.

The new state sales and use tax rate applies to sales and rentals of tangible personal property, products transferred electronically, services, farm machinery purchases and amusement devices.

The rate increase also applies to transactions which occur within the special jurisdictions on Indian country. Municipal sales taxes are not affected by this tax increase.

"During the planning and implementation for the new sales tax rate, our goal has been to make the transition as easy as possible for taxpayers," Department of Revenue Secretary, Andy Gerlach said.

Doug Schinkel, Director of Business Tax said, "Simply put, all transactions that are currently subject to the 4 percent state sales or use tax rate, will be subject to the 4.5 percent sales or use tax rate effective June 1, 2016."

Taxpayers with questions may call the South Dakota Department of Revenue Taxpayer Assistance Center at (800) 829-9188.

Seven boys and seven girls qualify for state

The regional track meet was held Thursday in Groton with seven boys qualifying for the state track meet in eight events. Seven girls have qualified for the state meet in seven events.

Adam Herman qualified in both the 100m dash and the long jump; Lucas Hinman qualified in the 100m dash, Bennett Shabazz qualified in the high jump and 300m hurdles, Steven Fey qualified for both the discus and shot put, Treyton Diegel and Brandon Keith in the 800m run, and the 3200m relay team of Sean Schuring, Treyton Diegel, Brandon Keith and Bennett Shabazz qualified for the state meet. The seniors on the team are Herman and Fey.

In the girl's division, Audrey Wanner qualified for state in the long jump and the triple jump, Harleigh Stange qualified in the 100m dash, Jessica Bjerke and Carly Wheeting both qualified in the discus and shot put, the girls 800m relay team of Audrey Wanner, Payton Maine, Eliza Wanner and Harleigh Stange and the girls 400m relay team of Audrey Wanner, Katie Koehler, Eliza Wanner and Harleigh Stange. Wheeting is a senior on the girls' track team.

The state track meet will be held May 27th in Madison and May 28th in Sioux Falls.



Last Friday, Groton senior citizens planted flowers, as they do every year, at the Groton Community Center. Workers pictured in back, left to right, are Beulah Hoops, Elda Stange, Eunice McCollister, Jan Raap and Ella Johnson, president. In front, Pat Larson. Sitting on ground is Lee Schinkel. Missing is Tony Goldade.



One of the umbrellas at the Groton Swimming Pool lost its top. The strong wind on Sunday was too much for the aging umbrella and it tore across the top and slid down the pipes. The pool is about eight years old, which is also the age of the canvas umbrellas. We were hoping to get one more year out of them, but it does not look to be the case!

There will be lifeguard training today and tomorrow at the Groton Pool with the pool scheduled to open on May 30th.

Camille Sippel of Groton elected to UNL student government

LINCOLN, NE - Camille Sippel of Groton has been elected to the Association of Students of the University of Nebraska, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's student government body.

Sippel, a junior economics major, was elected senator. She will represent the College of Business Administration through April 2017.

Sippel is the daughter of Marc and Franne Sippel of Groton.

GROTON LIONS CLUB

The Groton Lions Club met last Thursday evening, for their May monthly meeting.

Justin Olson, vice president; led the business session.

Committee reports were given by Justin, very successful annual spring rummage sale. Michelle Mullenburg was the chairman.

Lee Schinkel, final scholarship committee report. Nine high school seniors received each, a \$500 college scholarship.

Topper Tastad, car show at Terry Thompson's farm, June 12.

Lee and Justin Kerstan, 80 and over ice cream social.

Brock Abeln, ATV plans. July 4 will be ride the first trail ride.

Several members reported on the fun ditch cleanup.

Nancy Larsen, secretary; read minutes of the last meeting.

Lee presented membership for Landon Larson, and Jeremy Sheridan. Both were voted upon to become the latest new members of the Groton Lions Club.

Lee and Topper served lunch.



Jeff Bompous, Groton Lions Club member, presenting a \$500 Groton Lions scholarship to his son, Zack. Zack graduated from Aberdeen Central High School.

Groton Community Historical Society plans open house

The newly-formed Groton Community Historical Society cordially invites the public to a come-and-go Open House Celebration at the Historic Trinity Church, 3rd Street and 3rd Avenue, Groton, on Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, from 3 to 5 pm.

The Society has many reasons to celebrate! They include:

- 1) Formation of a local nonprofit organization (the Groton Community Historical Society) to maintain and preserve the Historic Trinity Church;
- 2) Transfer of ownership of the Church from the Brown County Historical Society to the Groton Community Historical Society;
- 3) Award of a Historic Preservation Grant from the SD State Historical Society, matched by the Brown County Historical Society, to repair the beautiful altar window in the Church;

May is Historic Preservation Month, and the SD State Historical Society encourages local communities to plan activities in celebration of their locally significant historic places. Trinity Church, built in 1884, is the oldest historic monument in Groton. It was built as a community gathering place and an Episcopal Church, but several denominations held services in it until they could build their own churches. It was deconsecrated from the Episcopal Diocese of South Dakota in 1975 when it was deeded to the Brown County Historical Society. It is now a historic monument, belonging to the entire community of Groton through the Groton Community Historical Society.

2016 is the 50th anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act, recognizing the value of historic preservation and creating the federal framework supporting the preservation of the irreplaceable buildings, landscapes, and archaeology across the United States.

The Director of the SD State Historical Society said "This annual celebration serves as a showcase for local communities to honor their past and help build their future. It brings historic preservation to the forefront of our daily lives."

Visitors will be able to closely examine the beautiful stained glass windows and see for themselves the need for their repair. They will see the exquisite hand hewn ecclesiastical furnishings that Groton pioneers created with their own hands. They can learn about the history of this local landmark and about the famous architect who designed it. Visitors will have an opportunity to join the Groton Community

Historical Society and to learn about how they can become involved in the preservation of this historic gem.

Please join us!

Groton Kiwanis Club

Groton Kiwanis met last Wednesday noon, with Larry Wheeting, program leader School experiences. Larry introduced his granddaughter, Carly Wheeting, Groton Kiwanis Club scholarship winner.

Carly thanked the club for her college scholarship, and related some of her Groton High School experiences, and plans for the future, including attending Northern State University, Aberdeen

Groton Pool Summer 2016

★ **Pool opens for the season: May 30** ★

Season Passes: Family Pass (must be immediate family only - max 10) = \$100.00 (Immediate Family = Mother, Father, Biological Children, Adopted Children, and Step Children living in one household)



Special Vacation Family Pass (up to 5 persons for 1 week) = \$30.00

Senior Pass (62 & Over) = \$30.00

Adult Pass (18-61yrs) = \$60.00

Youth Pass (6-17 yrs) = \$40.00

Youth Pass (0-5yrs) = \$20.00

Lap Swim Pass - \$4.00 per session or \$30.00 per summer

Aerobics Pass - \$4.00 per session or \$30.00 per summer

Lap AND Aerobic Pass - \$50.00 per summer

*Any child under 6yrs must have an adult (at least 18yrs of age) with them when they are in attendance. See Managers for more information.

***ALL PATRONS HAVE TO PAY TO GO INSIDE THE POOL AREA. THIS IS NO DIFFERENT THAN GOING TO ANY OTHER FACILITY OR EVENT TO WATCH THE ACTIVITY/EVENT.**

Daily Admission Per Session: Seniors (62 and Over) = \$3.00 Adults (18-61) = \$5.00

Youth (6-17 yrs) = \$3.00 Youth (0-5yrs) = \$1.00

HOURS

Open Swim Daily: 1:00 - 4:50pm & 6:40 - 8:50pm

Family Swim is every Saturday and Sunday from 5:45 - 6:30 (each child must have a family member/parent with them who is 18 yrs or older - This is a great family time!

FUN Night is every Friday from 6:40-8:50pm - ALL pool toys are allowed at this time!

Adult Water Aerobics: Monday thru Thursday - 8:00am - 8:45am AND 5:45pm - 6:30pm

Adult Lap Swim: Monday thru Thursday - 7am - 8am & 5pm - 5:45pm - Friday 7am-8am & 5pm-6:30pm Saturday and Sunday - 5pm - 5:45pm

*Hours are subject to change

Pool Rental for Private Parties: - \$150.00 - 2 hours which includes 2 lifeguards

Swimming Lessons: \$20.00 per two-week session - due on first day or prior to first day of lessons, payable at the pool

Mon - Thurs with Friday being a rain/make-up day

Session 1- June 6 - 16

Session 2 - June 20 - June 30

Session 3 - July 11 - July 21

Private Lessons - \$10.00 per 30 minutes with a minimum of 5 lessons and a maximum of 10 consecutive lessons during non-open swim times.

*All parents must provide an accurate phone number to call in case of inclement weather for possible cancellations



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Swanson, Kappes engaged
Kevin and Jeannine Swanson of Langford, SD, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Emily Swanson, to Andrew Kappes, son of Rodney and Patricia Kappes, Groton, SD. Emily graduated from Langford High School and received her doctorate of pharmacy from SDSU in May. Andrew graduated from Groton High School and graduated from SDSU with a degree in agronomy, and is currently employed as an agronomist for SD Wheat Growers in Langford, SD. Emily and Andrew will be married August 13.

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Diegel, Wheeting are double champions at regions

Two Groton Area athletes were double winners at the regional track meet held in Groton on Thursday. Diegel won the 800m run and was also on the winning 3200m relay team made up of Diegel, Sean Schuring, Brandon Keith and Bennett Shabazz. Carly Wheeting won both the shot put and the discus events.

Boy's Division

Team Points: Milbank Area 173, Aberdeen Roncalli 152.5, Groton Area 118.5, Webster Area 100, Sisseton 89, Britton-Hecla 71, Tiospa Zina 11.

100m Dash: Prelims: 8, Jackson Oliver, 11.67. Finals: 8, Jackson Oliver, 11.72.

110m Hurdles: Prelims: 7, Tylan Glover, 18.48. Finals: 6, Tylan Glover, 18.20.

300m Hurdles: 2, Bennett Shabazz, 43.90; 4, Tylan Glover, 45.33.

200m Dash: 6, Lucas Hinman, 24.07.

400m Dash: 4, Franklin Wuestewald, 57.37.

800m Run: 1, Treyton Diegel, 2:16.24; 2, Brandon Keith, 2:17.10.

1600m Run: 9, Mitchell Koens, 5:31.76.

3200m Run: 5, Micah Poor, 11:58.08.

400m Relay: 5, Groton Area (Jackson Oliver, James Thompson, Joy Htoo, Lucas Hinman), 47.64.

800m Relay: 6, Groton Area (Jackson Oliver, James Thompson, Tylan Glover, Joy Htoo), 1:40.33.

1600m Relay: 5, Groton Area (Franklin Wuestewald, Sean Schuring, Treyton Diegel, Joy Htoo), 4:02.45.

1600m Sprint Relay: 3, Groton Area (Bennett Shabazz, Adam Herman, Lucas Hinsman, Sean Schuring), 3:56.26.

3200m Relay: 1, Groton Area (Sean Schuring, Treyton Diegel, Brandon Keith, Bennett Shabazz), 8:58.00.

High Jump: 2, Bennett Shabazz, 5-9.

Long Jump: Franklin Wuestewald, 15-11.75.

Triple Jump: 4, Adam Herman, 39-7.75.

Pole Vault: 4, Tylan Glover, 8-0.

Discus: 2, Steven Fey, 125-4; 3, McClain Lone, 124-11; 4, Luke Thorson, 114-7

Shot Put: 2, Steven Fey, 46-8.5; 8, Carter Jondahl, 36-2.

Girl's Division

Team Points: Aberdeen Roncalli 157, Milbank Area 156, Britton-Hecla 112, Groton Area 101, Webster Area 98, Sisseton 53, Tiospa Zina 4.

100m Hurdles: 3, Josie Doeden, 16.43; 6, Cassandra Townsend, 19.17.

300m Hurdles: 4, Payton Maine, 51.95; 7, Josie Doeden, 53.70; Cassandra Townsend, 55.77.

100m Dash: Prelims: 2, Heather Lone, 13.51. Finals: 8, Heather Lone, 16.38.

200m Dash: 6, Eliza Wanner, 28.90; 7, Miranda Hanson, 29.29; Emily Blocker, 31.81.

400m Dash: Jodi Hinman, 1:11.96.

800m Run: Hannah Lewandowski, 3:00.15; Tessa Erdmann, 3:12.78.

1600m Run: Emily Thompson, 6:48.80.

400m Relay: 2, Groton Area (Audrey Wanner, Katie Koehler, Eliza Wanner, Harleigh Stange), 53.03.

800m Relay: 2, Groton Area (Audrey Wanner, Payton Maine, Eliza Wanner, Harleigh Stange), 1:54.93.

3200m Relay: 4, Groton Area, 12:13.67.

High Jump: 5, Katie Koehler, 4-5.

Long Jump: 4, Katie Koehler, 15-0; Miranda Hanson, 12-8.

Triple Jump: 4, Katie Koehler, 31-1.5; Miranda Hanson, 26-2.75.

Discus: 1, Carly Wheeting, 106-5; 3, Marlee Jones, 90-5;

Shot Put: 1, Carly Wheeting, 34-5.5; 2, Jessica Bjerke, 34-2; 6, Marlee Jones, 30-5;

Pole Vault: 5, Emily Thompson, 6-0; 6, Jasmine Schaller, 6-0.

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Ehresmann wins region poster contest

Jon Livermore of Watertown came to Groton and talked to the third graders about trees and the different tree parts he had with him. Jon went to college in Iowa for four years and he works for the Department of Agriculture Conservation and Forestry out of Watertown. Livermore and the Groton Garden Club presented Christian Ershmann with a certificate for winning 1st place in the Rocky Mountain Region Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl contest for the 3rd grade.

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DVDs of Groton's Graduation, music concerts, banquets, and prom are available for \$25 each (\$30 each if mailed). Call 397-6397 to place your order.



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These are the 2015-2016 Groton Area FFA chapter officers: Kaitlyn Ringgenberg (reporter), Katie Miller (secretary), Hailey Hanson (vice president), Nicholas Achen (treasurer). back: Hayden Anderson (sentinel), Brody Sombke (student advisor), Carly Wheeting (president). (Photo by Paul Kosel)



These are the 2016-2017 Groton Area FFA chapter officers: Miranda Hanson (treasurer), Madilyn Wright (sentinel), Josie LaMee (student advisor). back: Kate Helmer (president), Trey Wright (vice president), Brenna Johnson (reporter), Emma Watje (secretary). (Photo by Paul Kosel)



These are the Groton Area FFA Greenhand Degree recipients: John Achen, Cassandra Townsend, Miranda Hanson, Josie LaMee, Allison Wilson, Brenna Johnson. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



These are the Star Award recipients: John Achen - Star Greenhand, Kate Helmer - Star Ag Placement, Patrick Gengerke - Star Farmer. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



These are the Groton Area FFA chapter degree recipients: Nicholas Achen, Madilyn Wright. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Building Academic Groton Students for Tomorrow Receives a \$2,000 grant for Food Bags

Grant provided by Farm Credit Services of America - Working Here Fund for Hunger Nutrition

Building Academic Groton Students for Tomorrow received a \$2,000 Working Here Fund grant to fund food bags to distribute to students. The grant is provided through Farm Credit Services of America's (FCSAmerica) Working Here Fund.

Building Academic Groton Students for Tomorrow provides a bag of easy to prepare grocery items to low income students each week. Many students have no food when they are home on the weekends, so these bags are distributed allowing the students to return to school on Monday with a full stomach, which will improve their learning experience.

"Our group hopes to improve their growing up experience and help them learn more when their stomachs are not demanding food and attention," said Anita Lowary, Building Academic Groton Students for Tomorrow.

"We are proud to support organizations dedicated to addressing food and hunger issues in our local communities," said Matt Lindgren, vice president of retail operations at FCSAmerica's Aberdeen office.

Building Academic Groton Students for Tomorrow is one of 107 organizations to receive a Working Here Fund grant in the first quarter of 2016. FCSAmerica awarded \$179,000 during the latest grant cycle ending March 31, 2016.

DENR recognizes BDM for Drinking Water Compliance

PIERRE - The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) announced that the Brown-Day-Marshall RWS public water system and the system's operation specialists have been awarded a Drinking Water Certificate of Achievement Award.

"We cannot live without water; it is just that simple," said DENR Secretary Steve Pirner. "With these awards, DENR salutes the best-of-the-best drinking water systems and operation specialists who deliver water every day to their customers. The Brown-Day-Marshall RWS has successfully met all of the requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act all year long."

The system's operation specialists are Peter Hesla, Darin Roehr and Jim Hagen.

To qualify for the Drinking Water Certificate of Achievement Award, public water systems and their system operations specialists had to meet all of the following requirements for 2015:

- compliance monitoring and reporting,
- drinking water standards, and
- certification requirements.

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**Brown County
May 17, 2016
General Meeting**

MAY 17, 2016 – GENERAL MEETING

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

MINUTES: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve the General Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2016. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Sutton to approve the following claims:

Payroll: Commission \$5,069.97; Auditor \$7,661.35; Treasurer \$13,034.01; States Attorney \$17,618.75; Blood Draws \$700.00; SVAWA Grant \$1,892.08; Maintenance \$6,889.55; Assessor \$12,124.07; Register of Deeds \$8,166.55; Veterans Service Office \$4,088.58; GIS \$2,261.47; Information Technology \$7,387.17 Human Resources \$3,022.21; Sheriff Admin \$33,665.91; Jail \$35,827.81; JDC \$16,219.40; HD \$5,392.63; Welfare Office \$3,581.57; Museum \$7,816.70; Parks & Fairgrounds \$6,108.27; Fair Board \$3,063.92; Weed \$3,659.30; Planning and Zoning \$1,826.02; Highway \$46,579.45; Communications \$21,491.40; Emergency Management \$3,880.14; Teen Court \$583.20; 24/7 \$3,026.51; Landfill \$12,964.52.

Matching Benefits: FICA \$17,418.79; Medicare \$4,073.80 Professional Fees: Adam Altman \$265.20; Animal Care Clinic \$37.10; Child's Voice \$550.00; Denise Cody \$30.00; Day Co. – Sheriff \$846.00; Marv Ekere \$15.00; Vic Fischbach \$600.00; Michelle Gaikowski \$181.20; William Gerdes \$4,470.80; Horn Law Office \$211.60; Kuck Law Office \$726.80; Lewis & Clark BHS \$1,120.00; Lucy Lewno \$288.00; Lincoln Co. Treasurer \$360.13; One Source \$65.00; Richardson, Wyly, Wise & Sauck \$570.40; Michael Roemmich \$2,486.56; Ronayne Law Office \$6,487.50; Sanford Health Occupational Medical \$50.00; SD Dept. of Revenue & Regulation \$9,724.69; SDN Communications \$1,497.01; Christy Serr Law Office \$92.00; Siegel, Barnett & Schutz \$1,260.40; Kristi Spitzer \$425.00; Jennifer Stoddard \$1,521.68; Karen Swanda \$15.00.

Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$2,057.45; Aberdeen Parks & Rec \$550.00; Dakota Broadcasting \$1,400.00; Groton Independent \$395.16; Tammy Stolle Court Reporting \$67.50.

Repairs & Maintenance: A & B Business \$32.99; Aberdeen Area Radiator \$45.00; B & B Contracting \$2,000.00; CarQuest \$34.64; G & K Services \$337.23; GovConnection \$30.58; Sterling Solutions \$700.00; US Bank \$664.00.

Supplies: 446-Praxair \$2,511.12; A & B Business \$171.10; Aberdeen Area Radiator \$1,310.00; Joseph Adam \$30.86; Ameripride Services \$294.13; Cash-Wa \$4,220.46; Dakota Valley School \$5,000.00; Dawn Sahli Photography \$50.00; GovConnection \$306.23; Horn Law Office \$4.00; Intoximeters \$2,000.00; Kuck Law Office \$1.80; L.G. Everist \$2,994.90;

Lar-Jo's \$444.47; Lucy Lewno \$11.42; Lincoln Co. Treasurer \$66; Menards \$30.77; Moore Medical \$390.08; North Star Energy \$28.00; Joann Paulson \$1,287.50; Eugene Pence \$5.08; Michael Roemmich \$101.78; Schaeffer's Mfg. Co. \$427.92; Traf-O-Teria \$245.70; True-North Steel \$2,758.17; US Bank \$12,570.30; Web Water Bottling Co. \$16.50; Western Hotel Supply \$885.00.

Travel and Conference: Sheila Anderson \$195.22; Tracy Engquist \$26.00; Jason Herbeck \$253.00; Derwin Kampa \$253.00; Larry Lovrien \$371.38; Scott Meints \$75.00; Dave Meyer \$253.00; Michael Roemmich \$196.56; Tom Schmitt \$253.00; Jeff Simmons \$253.00; Ernest Thompson \$85.00; US Bank \$2,126.38; Patty VanMeter \$153.22; Ryan Vogel \$392.38; Chris White \$85.00.

Utilities: Aberdeen City Treasurer \$275.10; AT & T \$154.52; CenturyLink \$1,125.30; City of Hecla \$200.17; Exec. Mgmt. \$70.46; Northern Electric \$1,428.76; NWPS \$337.94; US Bank \$602.01; Verizon \$200.05.

Other: Safe Harbor \$1,211.41. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the following employee step increases, effective May 22, 2016: David Bruckner @ \$20.10 per hour, Tracy Engquist @ \$15.74 per hour, Christeen Krahl @ \$16.01 per hour, James Harpel @ \$16.68 per hour, Erin Bacon @ \$17.96 per hour, Jonathan Waller @ \$16.63 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Hansen to approve hiring Jessica Foster as IT Intern, effective May 16, 2016 @ \$11.13 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to approve hiring Brady Graf as Seasonal Highway Employee, effective May 23, 2016 @ \$11.30 per hour. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fjeldheim to authorize hiring up to eight seasonal employees (some to be shared) at the Fair/4-H Office. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SPECIAL MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE HEARING: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to approve the following applications for Special Malt Beverage License, submitted by Northeast Area Horse Racing, Inc - Brown County Fairgrounds (Clubhouse) SW ¼ Sec 1-T123N-R64W, effective May 21, 22, 28, 29 and 30, 2016; Brown County Fairgrounds (Grandstand) SW ¼ Sec 1-T123N-R64W, effective May 21, 22, 28, 29 and 30, 2016 (map indicating specific buildings on file with applications). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FAIR CONTRACTS: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the following contracts for the 2016 Brown County Fair: Taylor Wolff, photographer @ \$800.00; 4-H Leaders, premiums @ \$5,350.00; Frederick Vet Clinic, check in @ 4 general tickets; SD Snow Queen, Gate C @ \$1,000.00; T&K Tent Rental, 13 tents @ \$13,950.00; Greg Gilbertson, photographer @ \$400.00 plus use of golf cart; Dakota Pedal Pulls @ \$500.00; Nelson Talent Agency @ 1,000.00; Bobby Vee @ \$3,000.00; Bob & Beachcombers @ \$3,000.00; Vi-

sion Communications, radios @ \$1,942.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEASE AGREEMENTS: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to approve the following agreements: Terry Thompson for lease of one people mover on June 12-13, 2016; Relay for Life for lease of the Expo Building on June 3-4, 2016; Andrea Sjomeling for lease of the Club House with permission to serve alcoholic beverages on September 3-4, 2016. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SURPLUS PROPERTY: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to declare an Office Max Paper Shredder #TC14 surplus for disposal at the Landfill. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORD 100 – FIRST READING: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve First Reading of Ordinance #100, 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 4.07 (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District: Lots 1-8 Ramsdell's First Subdivision in the NE ¼ of Sec 23-T122N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (13903 387th Ave.). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

4-H RODEO INSURANCE: Becca Tullar, Brown County 4-H Coordinator informed the Commission that Insurance Plus will provide insurance for the 4-H Rodeo to be held on July 2 & 3, 2016 in amount of \$513.38 in addition to the Korkow policy.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to go into executive session to discuss contract, per SDCL 1-25-2(3) with Larry Lovrien and Gary Vetter in attendance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chair declared the executive session closed, with no action taken as a result of the discussion.

BID COUNTY ROAD 16 PROJECT: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to authorize advertising public hearing to open, read and consider sealed bids for the County Road 16 Project, to be held in the Brown County Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD on June 21, 2016 at 8:45 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

BID AMENDMENT – HIGHWAY VEHICLE: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to approve increasing State Contract amount from \$26,270.00 to \$28,889.00, due to removal of vendor from State Contract for the purchase of a 2016 Chevrolet Silverado ¾ ton 4x4, extended cab, short box Pickup for the Highway Department (original motion in minutes of October 27, 2015). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FAIR BOARD BY-LAW AMENDMENTS: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to approve the following amendments to the Brown County Fair Board By-Laws: Article II – Board, Section 1, Membership: The Brown County Fair Board shall consist of up to twenty-five (25) voting members. Article V, Section IV Vacancy, A. Officers, #2. Election will be held by ballot at the October regular meeting of the Brown County Fair Board with newly elected officers taking seat following the election. All

members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FAIR TICKET CREDIT CARD PROVIDER: Derek Ricci, Fair Manager distributed several proposals from credit card providers for review and recommendation.

PHASE III JAIL PROJECT CHANGE ORDER #4: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chair to sign Change Order #4 for the Phase III Jail Project, which includes items 11-16 and signage allowance with \$8,140.00 as total deduct from contingency. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 10:00 A.M. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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**State of S.D.
Earl L. Fjelstad
Estate Notice**

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF BROWN IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Earl L. Fjelstad, DECEASED IN CIRCUIT COURT FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 06PRO 16 - 000049 NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is given that on the 21st day of April, 2016, Norman E. Fjelstad, whose address is 1801 12th Avenue SE, Aberdeen, South Dakota 57401, was appointed as personal representative of the estate of Earl L. Fjelstad.

Creditors of the decedent must file their claims within four (4) months after the date of the appointment of the personal representative, or within four (4) months of the first publication of this notice, if any, or within sixty (60) days after the date of mailing or delivery of this written notice, whichever is later, or be forever barred.

Claims may be filed with the personal representative or may be filed with the Clerk of Courts and a copy of the claim mailed to the personal representative.

Dated this 21st day of April 2016

/s/ Norman E. Fjelstad
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**State of S.D.
Bert Rystrom
Estate Notice**

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA COUNTY OF BROWN IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BERT E. RYSTROM, DECEASED

IN CIRCUIT COURT FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 06PRO 16 - 000056 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that on the 3rd day of May, 2016, Judy Bell whose address is 39392 116th Street, Columbia, South Dakota 57433, and Clinton Sieber whose address is 20 South Summit, New Castle, Wyoming 87701 were appointed as personal

representatives of the estate of Bert E. Rystrom.

Creditors of the decedent must file their claims within four (4) months after the date of the appointment of the personal representative, or within four (4) months of the first publication of this notice, if any, or within sixty (60) days after the date of mailing or delivery of this written notice, whichever is later, or be forever barred.

Claims may be filed with the personal representative or may be filed with the Clerk of Courts and a copy of the claim mailed to the personal representative.

Dated this 3rd day of May 2016

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NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION

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9. Claremont Fire Station, 505 6th Street, Claremont SD
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Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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**Groton City
May 16
Meeting Minutes**

May 16, 2016

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: Opp, Flieds, McGannon, Peterson, Blackmun, Glover, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were: Finance Officer Lowary, Attorney Johnson, Betty Breck, Terry Herron, and staff from 3 newspapers.

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

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

1st State Bank 7,435.12 ss & wh; Consolidated Fed Cr Union 1,100.00 emp savings; SD State Treasurer 7,146.71 sales tax; A-1 Sanitation 1,160.00 cleanup hauling; AFLAC 782.32 emp ins; Border States 1,330.03 materials; Car Quest Auto Parts 31.84 filters, oil, cleaner; Dearborn Life Ins 88.00 life ins; Full Circle Ag 217.79 herbicide; Galls 49.79 belt; Groton Ford 485.55 repairs; Groton Independent 41.63 publishing; Guardian Ins 245.30 emp ins; Harry Imp 26.89 ends; Heartland Cons Power District 52,055.53 power; Kens 746.27 gas,dsl, paper products, water; Paul Kosel 95.00 med flex; Leidholdt Tool 328.45 ratchet, wrench; MJ's Sinclair 593.19 gas, dsl, tire repair, battery; Michael Todd 271.52 lightbar, shovels; RDO 67.12 filter elements; Riteway 678.07 util bill forms; SD Supplement Retirement 1,160.00 emp retirement; Share Corp 182.85 cleaner; Specialty Mfg 52.80 hot rod; TW Services 999.60 transformer oil disposal; Watertown Baseball 250.00 Jr Teener tour fee; Wellmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield 12,548.62 health ins; Western Area Power Adm 24,263.09 power

Terry Herron explained that the Railroad well was free flowing and it was ruining the well-house floor and walls. Quotations for capping the well are being obtained and other alternatives were discussed. Moved by Glover and seconded by Blackmun to table any action until another quotation is received. All members present voted aye.

Dr. Steve Smith, Chelsea Hanson, Doug Jorgenson, and Jason Holm enter the meeting during the discussion.

Since the current water tower is over 95 years old, the need for a water tower reserve fund was explained as grants require matching funds and the cost of a new tower will be hard to work into one or two budgets. Additional funds could come from the water charges, or other sources. Moved by Opp and seconded by Peterson to table until the next meeting. All members present voted aye.

Mayor Hanlon reminded everyone that the ordinance restricting any yard waste from being blown into the street or alley while mowing has been in effect for over a year. Costs for cleaning storm sewers, and street sweeping were reviewed. Warnings and fines will be implemented.

Blackmun reported on meeting with the school board regarding the lease for soccer field. Cost sharing for upkeep and rates still need to be negotiated.

Chelsea Hanson, Jason Holm, and Doug Jorgenson came before the Council to request 3 way stop signs to be located at the corner of N State St and W 3rd Ave due to additional traffic from the baseball complex. Police Officer Jerry Bjerke also spoke in favor of the signs. The request was tabled.

Doug Sombke enters the meeting during the discussion.

Rules for videoing the meeting were suggested. Betty Breck addressed the Council on her objections and interpretations of the terms reasonable and not disruptive from state law. Moved by Glover and seconded by Flieds to table the proposed rules. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Peterson and seconded by Opp to hire Rebecca Flieds to assist with teaching swimming lessons at the pool. All members present voted aye.

At 7:56pm the Council adjourned into executive session on a motion by Opp and seconded by Flieds to discuss legal matters. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened at 9:03pm.

Meeting adjourned.
Scott Hanlon, Mayor
Anita Lowary, Finance Officer
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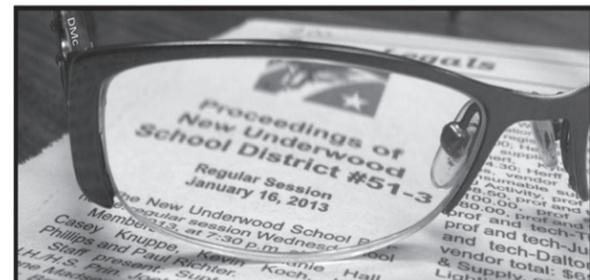
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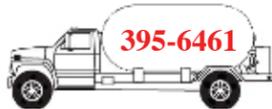
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Wednesday, May 25

Senior Menu: Scalloped potatoes with ham, peas, sunset salad, oatmeal raisin cookie, whole wheat bread.

Anniversary: Troy and Rhonda Carda

Birthdays: Jon Voss • JR Johnson • Kayla Fordham • Joni Groeblichhoff • Peggy DeHoet • Chris Kassube, Jaela Flihs • Sandy Knudson

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

9:00am: St. John's Lutheran Vacation Bible School with program at 6 pm: 12:00pm: Kiwanis meets at the Community Center

Thursday, May 26

Senior Menu: Hot turkey combo, mashed potatoes and gravy, 7 layer salad, fruit.

Birthdays: • Heather McDonald • Stephanie Vedvei • Beth Gustafson • Drake Peterson

10:00am: Girls Golf at Sisseton

Friday, May 27

Senior Menu: Lemon baked fish, rice pilaf, California blend veggies, peach crisp, whole wheat bread.

State Track Meet at Madison

Birthdays: • Dean Kramer • Susan Knudsen • Shirley Meister

Saturday, May 28

State Track Meet in Sioux Falls

Birthdays: • Kim Zerr • Darliss Larson • Lora McMahon • Marty Sippel • Jim Stearns • Joyce Grenz • Steven Jones • Braeden Flihs

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

Sunday, May 29

Birthdays: Clare Brotherton • DeLoris Knoll • Howard Gengerke • Jerry Ray Johnson • Jeff Ringgenberg • Michelle Osterman

9:00am: Emmanuel Lutheran Worship

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

11:00am: United Methodist Church Worship

Monday, May 30

Memorial Day

Birthdays: • Hazel McKittrick • Kami Lipp • Kellie Townsend • Teresa Krueger

Tuesday, May 31

Senior Menu: Baked pork chop, mixed vegetables, pineapple strawberry ambrosia, whole wheat bread.

Anniversary: Steve & Tami Herron

Birthdays: Joyce Schaller • Linda Anderson • Carol Osterman • Josephine Doeden

10:00am: Region Girls Golf at Madison

10:00am: United Methodist Women's Bible Study

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A weekend food program, Home PLATE (Promoting Learning and Teaching Everywhere), operates through the Claremont United Methodist Church for students

The Life of Gladys Dirks



Services for Gladys Dirks, 100, of Groton will be 2 p.m., Thursday, May 26 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Groton. Rev. Craig Grams will officiate. Burial will follow in Union Cemetery, Groton.

Visitation will be held at Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel on Wednesday from 5-8 p.m. with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m.

Gladys fell asleep Monday, May 23, 2016 at Golden Living Center, Groton.

Gladys was born on October 17, 1915 at her home near Watertown, SD to Bessie Martin. She attended school in Florence, SD. At the age of 14, she moved to Groton and lived with relatives. As a young woman on the farm, she was very involved in the farming operation. Working in the fields and handling teams of horses. She loved sharing stories of 'the old days'.

Gladys was united in marriage with Martin J. Dirks on October 16, 1949 in rural Groton. They were blessed with two children, Charles and Mary Ann. Gladys worked at home taking care of her family. She tended an extensive garden, growing produce & canning much of her crop. To supplement the family income, Gladys did ironing, garment alterations & mending for many local families. She was also leader of the Hummingbird 4-H Club throughout the 1960's & 1970's. Gladys loved to bake, and will be fondly remembered for her apple pie and jelly rolls. She enjoyed flowers and was an active member in the Andover and Groton Garden Clubs.

After Martin fell asleep on October 23, 1999, Gladys moved to Hecla for several years. In 2004, she became a resident of Golden Living Center. She was a well known resident who enjoyed visiting with residents & staff. She had a kind word for all & made the most of her time with various activities. Gladys never missed bingo, it was one of her favorite games & she was pretty good at it! She enjoyed scrapbooking, making cards and many different types of arts and crafts. She was skilled at crochet, embroidery and quilting.

Celebrating her life are her children, Charlie (Jennifer) Dirks of Groton, and Mary Ann (Gene) Freudenthal of Hecla, her grandchildren, Kari and Korey (Wanda) Freudenthal and great-grandchildren, Kristofer, Faith and William.

Preceding her in death was her husband of 50 years and her mother.

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