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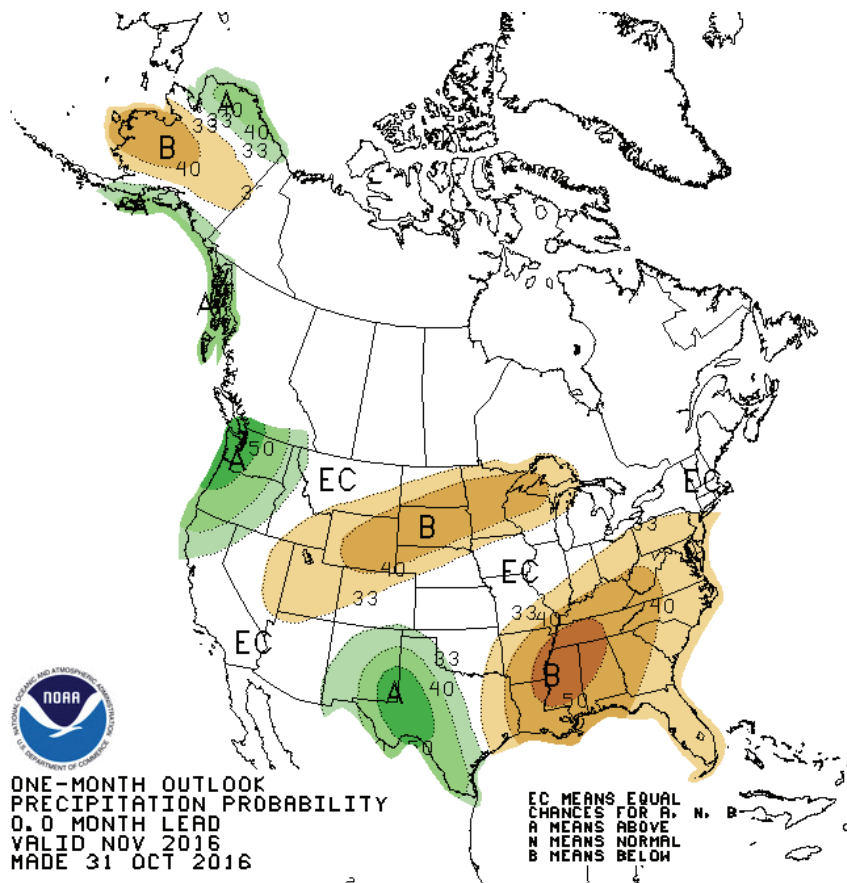
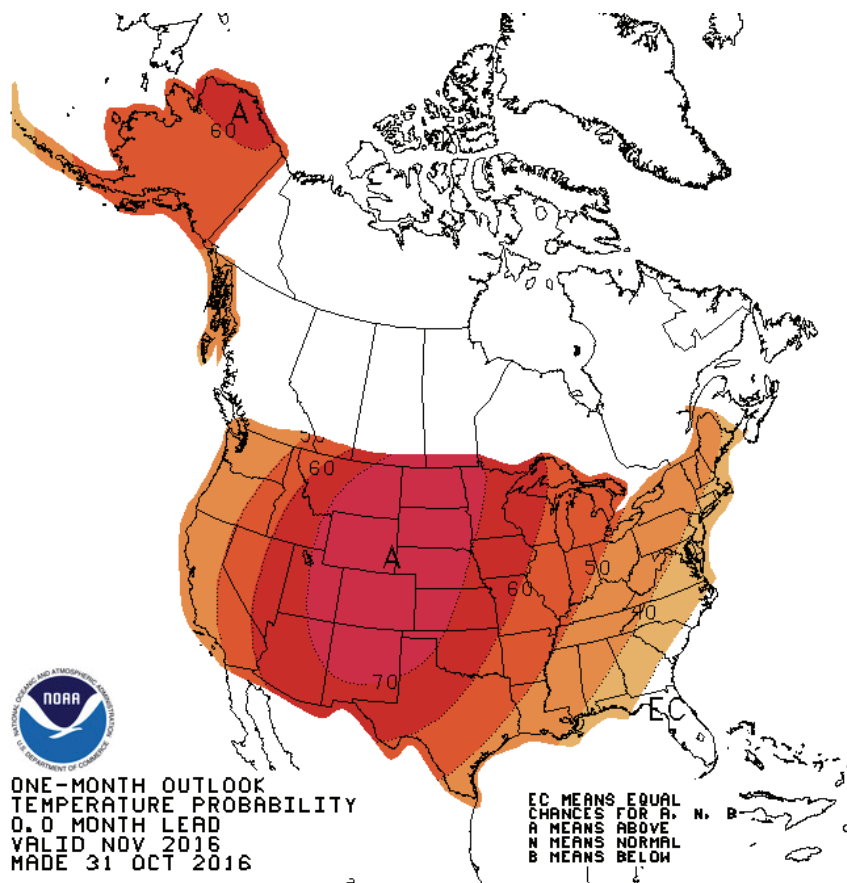
**Football Fever in Groton!**  
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**Pictured are Lars Hanson, President of the Groton Youth Baseball/Softball Association, and Brenda Waage, GROW South Dakota Housing Loan Officer.**

GROW South Dakota has been helping communities for fifty years, and to celebrate that milestone, each staff member and board member has received \$50 to donate to a community organization. GROW SD Housing loan officer Brenda Waage donated \$50 to the Groton Youth Baseball/Softball Program in honor of her own sons' participation in the program and in recognition of the contributions the program makes to the community. "Supporting our youth and community pride within our ball program brings the kids and community together to support the game. Our facility is undergoing major updating to become a top notch facility which shows the commitment our community is investing in our kids," said Waage.

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"We value our board members and staff and the passion they have for the communities we serve. This Pay-It-Forward event is a small token of our appreciation toward all of the local organizations that make communities better places to live and work," said GROW South Dakota CEO Marcia Erickson.

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**High Series:** Joyce Walter 471, Vickie  
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**Oct. 24 Team Standings:** Giants 18, Pi-  
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**Men's High Games:** Lance Frohling 220,  
 201, 194; Larry Frohling 182; Bryce Dargatz  
 178; Justin Kesterson 178

**Men's High Series:** Lance Frohling 615,  
 Bryce Dargatz 489, Bruce Herman 488

**Women's High Games:** Mary Larson 186,  
 Joyce Walter 165, Nancy Radke 164

**Women's High Series:** Mary Larson 496,  
 Joyce Walter 461, Vickie Kramp 422



**Briggs, Davis married**

Amanda Briggs and Jason Davis of  
 Sioux Falls, were married October 21st  
 in the courtyard at the Old Courthouse  
 Museum in Sioux Falls. Amanda is the  
 daughter of Shirlee Briggs, Groton.

**Flihs Family News**

Janice Flihs and Shirlee Briggs drove to  
 Sioux Falls Friday where they attended the  
 wedding of Shirlee's daughter and Janice  
 grand daughter Amanda Briggs to Jason  
 Davies Friday evening October 21 at the Old  
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 members attending the garden ceremony in-  
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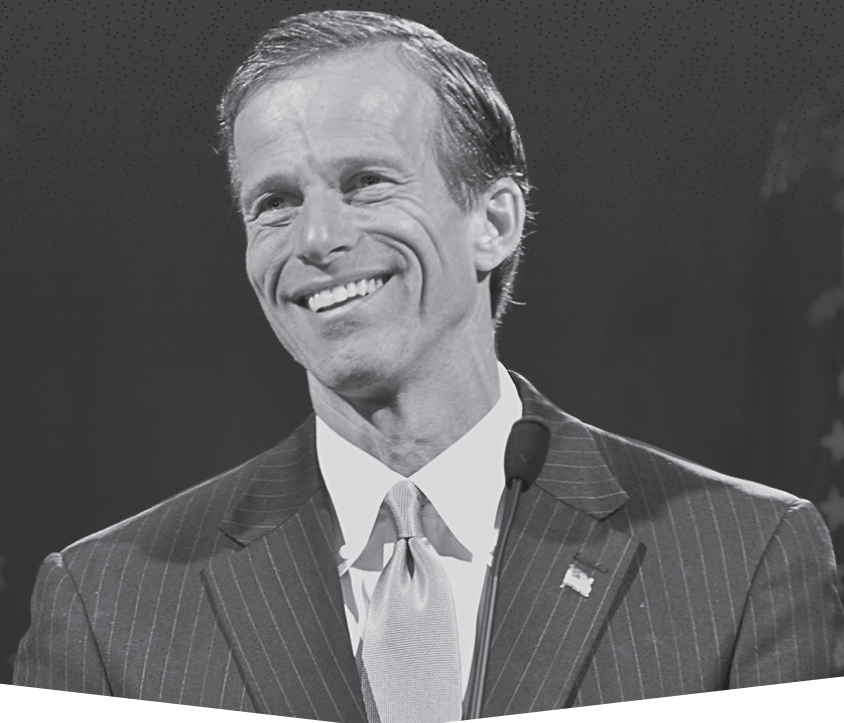
**Groton  
 Lions ditch  
 clean-up**

Four members of  
 the Groton Lions Club  
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 side of Groton on  
 Thursday afternoon.  
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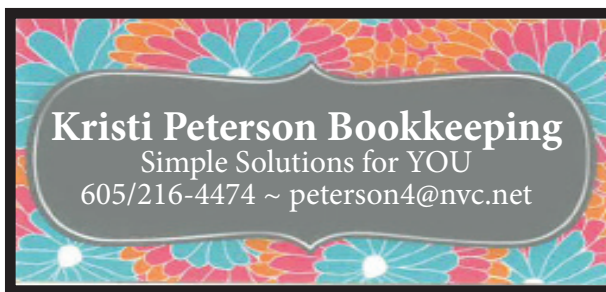
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### Election Tuesday, November 8th:

The polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Local Time

### Voter ID Requirements:

South Dakota protects against voter fraud on Election Day:

Voter ID is a requirement to vote. You must present some type of government issued ID, such as a SD drivers license, A state issued non-drivers license ID, tribal ID, passport, regents university photo ID, high school photo ID.

If you do not have an acceptable form of ID you must be presented with a personal identification affidavit that you will sign under the penalty of perjury in which you state you are who you are.

### Poll Watcher:

We encourage citizens to become involved on Election Day, as anyone can be a poll watcher or poll observer.

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### Voter Hotline Number:

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### No Ballot Selfies:

Any voter who shows his/her voted ballot to another person is in violation of South Dakota Codified Law 12-18-27. Do not photograph a marked ballot for distribution on social media.

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## Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

On Monday, the Minnesota Vikings traveled to Chicago and got dominated by the Bears 20-10. The Vikings were heavy favorites entering the game, but for the second straight week the team looked overwhelmed in all three phases of the game. It might have been Halloween, but somebody should have informed the Vikings they weren't supposed to dress up until after the game. Instead, the entire team acted as if they were the Cleveland Browns.

The offensive line was once again truly terrifying. It has gotten to the point where Sam Bradford is incapable of feeling secure in the pocket, leading to panic which in turn leads to unnecessary sacks and errant throws. Bradford was still able to pass for 228 yards and a touchdown, but he seems to be a different player than the one we saw in the beginning of his Vikings career.

The Vikings' defense has regressed some, and they are no longer an elite unit. With superstars at every level and a head coach who specializes in defense, there is no excuse to be playing this poorly. The Bears had over 400 yards on offense, running the ball at will and making plays through the air when they needed to. With a rookie center and backups in at both guard positions, the Bears were vulnerable along the interior of their offensive line. The Vikings' defense should have had a field day, but were unable to capitalize.

The player of the game was Everson Griffin. The defensive end was the only Vikings player to have a sack in the game, and he also had half of the team's quarterback hits. Griffin was the only player who made a difference on defense, but Zimmer's scheme requires the players to act as a single unit. Griffin had a great, individual performance, but it wasn't enough to overcome the slack from the players around him.

The player who needs the most improvement is TJ Clemmings. Newly-acquired Jake Long got the start at left tackle, which slid Clemmings back to the right side. TJ played there last season, so the transition should have been smooth for the offensive tackle. Unfortunately, the second-year player appears to be bone-chillingly bad on both sides of the line. Long played better this week, and the interior positions have been average. Clemmings is clearly the weakest link along the offensive line, and hopefully we'll see a change sooner rather than later.

Looking ahead, the Vikings welcome the Detroit Lions to US Bank Stadium on November 6. Quarterback Matthew Stafford has been on fire this season, and is tied for fifth in the league with 16 TD passes. Marvin Jones, who was just sign this past offseason, is fifth in the NFL with 656 receiving yards. The 4-4 Lions will be a test for the Vikings. If Minnesota can play like they did in the first five weeks, they should handle Detroit handedly. However, if the team plays like they have the last two weeks, the Lions have a realistic shot of handing the Vikings their third straight loss. That's frightening.



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# Groton football heads to the semifinals

Groton's offense dominated the game and the Tigers advanced to the final four in South Dakota football playoffs with a 55-0 win over Bennett County. The Tigers scored on eight of its 10 possessions of the game.

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In the other playoff game in this bracket, Aberdeen Roncalli defeated Red Cloud, 68-18. Groton Area will host Aberdeen Roncalli in the championship semifinal game on Saturday.

Groton Area scored three times in the first quarter, four times in the second quarter and once in the third quarter as the game ended with 8:38 left in the third quarter.

The Tiger defense held Benentt County to just one first down in teh game while the Tigers racked up 16.

Groton Area carried the ball 17 times for 89 yards and three touchdowns.

Trevon Tuggles had nine carries for 56 yards and one touchdown, Bennett Shabazz had seven carries for 36 yards and two touchdowns and Trevor Pray had one carry for a minus three yards. Bennett County had 21 carries for 22 yards. Daniel Winsand had six carries for 19 yards and Tee Allen had nine carries for nine yards.

Bennett Shabazz completed nine of nine passes for 171 yards and four touchdowns. Receivers were Seric Shabazz with two catches for 79 yards and one touchdown, Trevor Pray had three catches for 49 yards and one touchdown, Jackson Oliver had two catches for 21 yards, Brandon Keith had one catch for five yards and one toudhdown and Trevon Tuggles had one catch for seven yards and one touchdown.

Shawn Saxton completed one of three passes for no gain and Isaiah Johnson completed one of three passes for three yards. Elwood Curdy had two catches for three yards. Bennett Shabazz intercepted the ball on the last play of the first half and scored to make it 49-0 at half time.

Groton had one fumble and lost it. Bennett County had two fumbles and lost one into the hands of Shane Simon.

Groton Area had five penalties for 49 yards and Bennett County had nine for 87 yards.

Leading tacklers for Groton Area were Brandon Keith with seven and Patrick Gengerke and

Luke THorson with six each. James Nelson had five for the Warriors.

Groton Area is now 9-1 on the season while Bennett County ends its season at 6-4.

- Paul Kosel

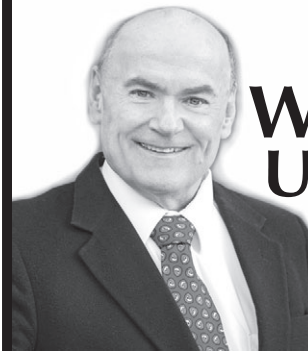


**Bennett Shabazz jumped into the air and threw the opening touchdown to his brother, Seric Shabazz.**

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Lionel Bruemmer, manager of Ken's Food Fair of Groton, presents a check to Groton Area School Elementary Principal Brett Schwan for the Benny Program. The donation is from everyone who donated their dollars during the Dash for Cash promotion that just ended. Bruemmer said, "We greatly appreciate the customers for the donations from the dash for cash."

The Benny Program at the elementary School is used to help students who need financial assistance with the school's lunch program.



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# The Many Nicknames of South Dakota



The Mount Rushmore State.  
 The Sunshine State.  
 The Swinged Cat State.  
 Of all the nicknames for South Dakota, perhaps none is more unusual than "The Swinged Cat State."  
 This nickname originated from remarks made by South Dakota's first governor, Arthur C. Mellette, according to an article from the South Dakota State Historical Society – State Archives.

In 1890, South Dakota was in the midst of a drought. Mellette was doing everything in his power to help settlers and keep them from leaving the state. On a trip to Chicago for aid, Mellette was met by Moses P. Handy, a friend and newspaperman. Handy asked Mellette, "Well, governor, how is South Dakota?"

Mellette replied, "Oh, South Dakota is a swung cat, better than she looks."  
 By swung, Mellette meant "burnt" or "singed," according to the article.  
 The next day, the Chicago Inter Ocean newspaper had a story about Mellette, governor of the "swinged cat State."

"Coyote State" might have been its first nickname, and while most people probably assume the nickname was inspired by the state animal, it may actually have been inspired by a horse.

According to Volume IX of South Dakota Historical Collections Compiled by the State Department of History, a race took place in October 1863 at Fort Randall between horses owned by two soldiers from Company A Dakota Cavalry and a major from the 6th Iowa Cavalry.

The major's horse was badly beaten.  
 A soldier from the Iowa infantry remarked "that the Dakota horse ran like a coyote." The owners immediately gave their horse that name, which became applied to the entire Dakota

Company and to all residents of the state.  
 With a nod to the number of artesian wells in the state, another South Dakota nickname is "The Artesian State."

With plains, hills, mountains, cities, towns, farmland, pasture, lakes, rivers, hot weather and freezing cold, South Dakota has also been called "The Land of Infinite Variety" and "The Land of Plenty."

Weather is a factor in two of South Dakota's nicknames. As "The Blizzard State," it shares a nickname with Texas because of both states being subject to frequent storms.

And while "The Sunshine State" is Florida's official nickname, it was also South Dakota's slogan for decades.

In 1992, the sun set on "The Sunshine State" as South Dakota's official nickname. State Rep. Chuck Mateer, a Republican from Belle Fourche, introduced legislation that year to change the state's nickname from "The Sunshine State" to "The Mount Rushmore State."

"Everybody's got a lot of sunshine, but we're the only ones who've got Mount Rushmore," he was quoted as saying in an article in the Jan. 26, 1992, Sioux Falls Argus Leader.

Getting the bill passed wasn't all sunshine for supporters. Opponents argued that dropping the nickname

"The Sunshine State" would cause people to think the state was in a "frozen tundra," according to Republican Rep. Mary Edelen of Vermillion in the Feb. 1, 1992, Argus Leader. Others in favor of keeping the sun shining on South Dakota said that the state's American Indian population did not want South Dakota to be known as "The Mount Rushmore State."

The legislation did pass and was signed into law by Gov. George S. Mickelson, who favored the new nickname.

Who knows what the future will hold for South Dakota's nicknames? While "The Mount Rushmore State" might seem set in stone, clearly nicknames come and go.

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**1st Round**  
 Tuesday, October 25th

**Quarterfinal Round**  
 Monday, October 31st

**Semifinal Round**  
 Saturday, November 5th

**Championship Round**  
 Friday, November 11th

## Region 1

7:00 p.m. CT @ Groton

#1 Groton Area	
#4 Redfield/Doland*	

7:00 p.m. CT @ Swisher Field

#2 Aberdeen Roncalli	42
#3 Mobridge-Pollock	0

## Region 2

7:00 p.m. CT @ Volga

#1 Sioux Valley	35
#4 Flandreau*	14

7:00 p.m. CT @ Tri-Valley

#2 Tri-Valley	36
#3 McCook Central/Montrose	6

## Region 3

7:00 p.m. CT @ Winner

#1 Winner	52
#4 Parkston*	0

7:00 p.m. CT @ Chamberlain

#2 Chamberlain	0
#3 Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan	53

## Region 4

2:00 p.m. MT @ Red Cloud

#1 Red Cloud	40
#4 Custer*	28

6:30 p.m. MT @ Martin

#2 Bennett County	35
#3 Lead-Deadwood	16

7:00 p.m. CT @ Winner

#1 Winner	40
#8 Tri-Valley	0

7:00 p.m. CT @ Bridgewater

#4 Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan	6
#5 Sioux Valley	2

7:00 p.m. CT @ Groton

#2 Groton Area	55
#7 Bennett County	0

5:00 p.m. CT @ Swisher Field

#3 Aberdeen Roncalli	68
#6 Red Cloud	18



## 2016 Class 11B Football Playoffs

7:00 p.m. CT @ Winner

#1 Winner	
#4 Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan	

1:00 p.m. CT @ DakotaDome


6:00 p.m. CT @ Groton

#2 Groton Area	
#3 Aberdeen Roncalli	

### Quarterfinal Teams

Winner	47.250
Groton Area	43.000
#Aberdeen Roncalli	42.125
Bridgewater-Emery/Ethan	42.125
Sioux Valley	41.000
^Red Cloud	40.675
Bennett County	40.675
Tri-Valley	40.000

\* Denotes at-large team (cannot host 1st round game)

> Teams are re-seeded after 1st Round

# tie broken by average of opponents' seed points  
 ^ tie broken by result of head-to-head competition

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**Brown County  
Oct. 25**

**Meeting Minutes**

OCTOBER 25, 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 Kippley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to approve the General Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2016. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Professional Fees: Avera St. Luke's \$298.00; Bantz, Gosch & Cremer \$1,509.41; Blue Earth County \$65.00; Kristi Brandt \$126.40; Brevik Law Office \$193.20; Brick's TV & Appliance \$5,481.25; Lynnel Bruemmer \$20.40; Dakota Co. Sheriff \$70.00; Dependable Sanitation \$24,749.58; Dohrer Law Office \$46.00; Fox, Youngberg & Lewno \$878.60; MD Investigations \$2,043.75; Ronayne Law Office \$800.40; SD Dept. of Revenue & Regulation \$4,620.99; SD State Treasurer-UCP \$388.69; Christy Griffin-Serr Law Office \$437.00; Jennifer Stoddard \$1,044.20; Tammy Stolle Court Reporting \$267.20; Taliaferro Law Firm \$3,799.60; Wadena Co. Court Administration \$16.00; Sara Zahn \$218.00.

Jury: Erin Auble \$14.20; Kevin Bice \$10.84; Marcie Big Eagle \$351.16; Chelsea Decker \$10.84; Donovan Dekrey \$31.00; Jason Devine \$10.84; Kenneth

Edgmon \$14.20; Lori Edman \$11.68; Nicholas Falk \$35.20; Aric Frost \$12.52; Donna Galimore \$11.68; Rebecca Gruba \$10.84; Kathryn Gunderson \$362.92; Richelle Harris \$10.84; Molly Hausmann \$11.68; Brad Huck \$11.68; Roberta Huck \$11.68; Jason Jones \$13.36; Lori Kauk \$11.68; Deedee Kingsbury \$14.20; Rodney Larson \$10.84; James Lewis \$333.52; Amber Mason \$14.20; Zachary Merrill \$11.68; John Miller \$11.68; Ryan Noyes \$13.36; Steven Pirner \$11.68; Jennifer Rancour \$14.20; Dudley Rumill \$10.84; Joan Schueller \$11.68; Shawna Sengelmann \$11.68; Robert Souvignier \$10.00; Paige Sperry \$474.64; Charlene Squires-Keller \$10.84; Joan Sterling \$10.84; Nancy Surprenant \$11.68; Leah Svendsen \$15.88; Robert Tinker \$10.00; Robert Travis \$11.68; Julie Volmer \$10.00; Sara Wylie \$10.84; Gerard Yeager \$34.36; Glennis Zarecky \$12.52; William Anderson \$27.64; Philip Baker \$10.84; John Bartel \$333.52; Rosemary Berg \$22.60; Chris Bondy \$11.68; Kimberly Brakke \$10.84; Wanda Breeschoten \$10.84; Roberta Brown \$10.84; Bruce Crist \$15.88; Kaitlin Cummings \$10.84; Dana Edwards \$339.40; Charles Fergen \$10.84; Lesa Fischer \$15.88; Jordan Hammer \$11.68; Todd Hanson \$368.80; Jeffrey Hauck \$345.28; Debra Hillmer \$25.96; Brad Hipple \$12.52; Thomas Huber \$10.84; Norman Humphrey \$11.68; Derek Hunsley \$345.28; Tia Kafka \$345.28; Joseph Kelley \$11.68; Dawn Kleinsmidt \$40.24; Deborah Krull \$39.40; Wade Kuipers \$10.84; Irma LaFaive \$10.00; Renae Lehman \$18.40; John Linn \$333.52; Janell Lovell \$339.40; Jennifer Newcomb \$10.84; Ann Norden \$10.00; Kelcey Nordvold \$10.84;

Travis Paulsen \$20.92; Nancy Pitlick \$11.68; John Richardson \$19.24; Susan Ridgway \$14.20; Karen Ritchie \$10.00; Timothy Svare \$11.68; Daniel Svingen \$327.64; Nancy Towe \$10.00; Cody VanHouten \$14.20; Marva Vogel \$357.04; Jerri Williams \$10.84.

Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$257.86; Les Frohling \$200.00; H & H Farms \$250.00; Ron Jacobson \$250.00; Rapid City Journal \$27.99; The Pulse \$50.00.

Repairs & Maintenance: 446-Praxair \$23.67; Aberdeen Plumbing & Heating \$355.82; Asphalt Zipper \$137.96; Cedar Shore Resorts \$4.00; Ecolab \$215.77; EPG \$1,034.62; Hanlon Brothers \$1,060.00; HF Jacobs & Son \$310,500.46; JDH Construction \$1,140.00; Kone \$3,241.80; Leidholt Electric \$153.06; Mator Detailing \$225.00; Newman Signs \$7.61; NSU Foundation \$35.00; Schwan Welding \$89.50.

Supplies: 446-Praxair \$893.16; A & B Business \$1,772.98; Asphalt Zipper \$2,335.00; Brevik Law Office \$8.73; Century Business Products \$8,796.41; Crescent Electric \$136.45; DSG \$14.69; DSS Image Apparel \$260.66; DT Pharmacy \$155.64; Ferguson Enterprises \$19.00; Fox, Youngberg & Lewno \$29.28; GovConnection \$278.80; Hanlon Brothers \$4,135.56; HF Jacobs & Son \$198,082.68; Kessler's \$13.57; LabSource \$327.04; Lar-Jo's \$516.07; Lien Transportation \$128,541.28; Malchow's \$175.00; Marco \$417.12; Menards \$613.39; Midstates Printing \$92.00; NADA Appraisal Guides \$294.00; NCFE - Truck & Auto Center \$15,201.16; NCFE - Warner Elevator \$3,883.69; Network Services \$2,221.01; Newman Signs \$448.11; Production Mon-

keys \$83.81; Sander's Sew 'n' Vac \$1,398.00; Share Corp. \$372.00; Software Unlimited \$657.00; South Brown Conservation \$2,625.00; Van Diest Supply Co. \$10,962.30; West Payment Center \$40.90.

Travel and Conference: Cedar Shore Resorts \$171.90; Sarah Hartje \$32.90; Gene Loeschke \$157.17; Scott Meints \$32.00; Russell Metz \$11.00; SD Planners Assoc. \$180.00; Sarah Swenson \$11.00; Ernest Thompson \$64.00; Ryan Vogel \$214.40; Chris White \$64.00; Mary Worlie \$170.33.

Utilities: Aberdeen City Treasurer \$26.58; Dependable Sanitation \$165.00; Northern Electric \$80.00; NWPS \$1,528.50.

Other: Cary Bruckner \$5.00; Peggy Hallstrom \$5.00; Piz-za Ranch \$72.45; Katie Steen \$10.00; Heidi Swanhorst \$5.00; Carol Wolf \$5.00.

Buildings: Geffdog \$134.69; Ladner Electric \$8,004.06. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve the Commission Assistant/HR Office Report. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PLATS: Commissioner Sutton offered the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION #79-16. BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission of Brown County, SD, that the plat showing "Al Nordstrom Addition in the SE 1/4 of Sec 28-T124N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD", having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof. Seconded by Commissioner Hansen. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted. Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #80-16. BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, SD, that the plat showing "Blake Subdivision in the NE 1/4 of Sec 19-T124N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD", having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3, and any amendments thereof. Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted. Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #81-16. BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission of Brown County, SD, that the plat showing "Jack Walter's North Outlots in SE 1/4 Sec 27-T123N-R60W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD", having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof. Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted. Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #82-16. BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission of Brown County, SD, that the plat showing "New Angus First Subdivision in N 1/2 Sec 36-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD", having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof. Seconded by Commissioner

Fischbach. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted. Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #83-16. BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission of Brown County, SD, that the plat showing "Rohr Third Subdivision in the SW 1/4 of Sec 36-T124N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD", having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof. Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted. Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #84-16. BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, SD, that the plat showing "Rich Olson Addition in the SE 1/4 of Sec 35-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD", having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof. Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted.

ORD 105 - ADOPTION: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to adopt Ordinance #105, 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 & 2, Biegler Richmond Lake Third Subdivision in the SW 1/4 of Sec13-T124N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (126694 & 126998 East Shore Drive). Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Ordinance adopted.

BCCHC REPORT: DeAnna Harber presented the Brown County Community Health Center Report for July - September 2016.

EQUIPMENT PURCHASE: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to authorize Chris Hemen, Weed & Pest Supervisor accept quote from AgTerra Technologies, Inc. for Spray/Logger Units in amount of \$11,240.00; rejecting quote from Reds Fixit Shop LLC @ \$11,000.00 (did not include units for Mosquito Foggers). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Sutton to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 9:20 A.M. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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Johnson, Remily and Deputy Mayor Ronayne. Council members Olson, Rux, Slaughter-Hansen and Mayor Levens were absent. Present from County were Commissioners Hansen, Sutton, Fischbach, Fjeldheim and Chair Kippley.

ORDINANCE #16-10-02 /460: On motion by Remily and seconded by Bunsness, the City unanimously voted to approve first reading of Ordinance #16-10-02 /460.

ORDINANCE #16-10-02 /460: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve first reading of Ordinance #16-10-02/460, An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District: Lots 1 and 2, Rohr Third Subdivision in the SW 1/4 of Sec 36-T124N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (12989 and12993 Rohr Drive). All members present voting aye. Motion carried

The City Council adjourned and the County Commission continued in regular session.  
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**Brown County  
Ord. 105  
Fonder Rezoning**

ORDINANCE #105  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 4, SECOND REVISION BROWN COUNTY ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED TO REZONE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY  
BE IT ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Dakota, that the Petition to Amend Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, as amended, to rezone the following described property filed by Matt Fonder is hereby granted and Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances is hereby amended to change the zoning on the following described property from Chapter 4.06 Agricultural Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.07 Mini-Agricultural District (M-AG), said property described as follows:

Lots 1 and 2 Biegler Richmond Lake Third Subdivision in the SW 1/4 of Sec 13-T124N-...R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (126694 and 126998 East Shore Drive)

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Dakota that the zoning official for the County of Brown is hereby authorized to change the official zoning map for Brown County to reflect this Ordinance.  
Notice of Hearing: October 5 & 12, 2016  
Passed First Reading: October 18, 2016  
Passed Second Reading: October 25, 2016  
Adopted: October 25, 2016  
Published: November 2, 2016  
Effective Date: November 22, 2016  
Rachel Kippley, Chair  
Brown County Commission  
ATTEST:  
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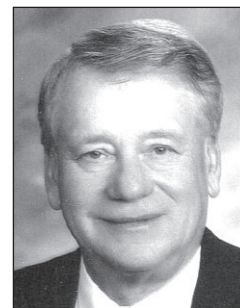
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# Volleyball team advances in region play

The Groton Area Lady Tigers Volleyball team opened region play on Tuesday with a 3-0 win over Tiospa Zina.

In the first game, the game was seven times and there were five lead changes before Groton Area scored eight straight points to take an 18-11 lead. The Tigers went on to win the first game, 25-18. Gia Gengerke had the only ace in the first game.

The close game in the second contest was short lived. After the game was tied twice and there were two lead changes, Groton scored five straight points to take a 7-2 lead. The Tigers went on to win, 25-8. Tayden Glover, Katie Koehler and Audrey Wanner each had an ace serve in the second game.

Groton jumped out to a 5-0 lead in the third game en route to a 25-4 win. Katie Koehler had two more ace serves in the third game.

The Groton game was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Blocker Construction, Groton Ford, Hanlon Brothers, Hefty Seed - Justin Hanson, Harry Implement of Ferney, James Valley Seed - Doug Jorgenson, McKiver Collision, Milbrandt Enterprises Inc., Producer's Hybrids - John Wheeting and Weber Landscaping. Make sure you tell these sponsors "Thank You" and that you patronize them as well.

Groton Area was 66 of 68 in serving, 86 of 97 in hitting with 39 kills. Audrey Wanner had 13 kills, Gia Gengerke had 12 and Jessica Bjerke and Taylor Holm each had five. In sets, Groton Area was 86 of 86 with 31 assists. Katie Koehler was 72 of 72 with 25 assists. The Tigers had 27 digs with Audrey Wanner having 10 and Payton Maine six. Groton Area had three blocks with Taylor Holm having a solo and an assist, Gia Gengerke had a solo and Katie Koehler had an assist.

The Tigers will play Webster in the second game on Thursday. The first game will feature Milbank taking on the winner of Sisseton and Roncalli.

The two winners on Thursday will then qualify for the Sweet 16 round set for Nov. 10. This is a new bracket. The 16 remaining teams will be seeded as follows: #1 seed hosting #16 seed, #2 seed hosting #15 seed, #3 seed hosting #14 seed, #4 seed hosting #13 seed, #5 seed hosting #12 seed, #6 seed hosting #11 seed, #7 seed hosting #10 seed and #8 seed hosting #9 seed. The eight winners will then be reseeded for the state tournament

set for Nov. 17-19 in Watertown.



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## Region 1A Volleyball Tournament

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Webster Area	3	42.11
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Aberdeen Roncalli	4	41.83
Sisseton	5	37.46
Britton-Hecla	6	36.91
Tiospa Zina	7	36.78

## FCCLA September Meeting

On September 13, 2016, Groton FCCLA chapter met for the September meeting in the FACS Room at 12:30pm. There was an opening ceremony led by Madison Sippel. There was a treasurer's report read by Lexie Harder. New business includes members paying chapter dues, kiss the pig contest, sell tattoos to elementary and high school, and sign up for FCCLA float for homecoming. The FCCLA Officers provided lunch for all FCCLA members. Unfinished business included T-shirts was due the 23rd but was pushed to a different date after meeting was closed. Meeting was closed by President Madison Sippel.

# KEEP UNIONS OUT OF YOUR POCKET

## VOTE NO ON IM-23

- IM-23 will force South Dakota workers to pay fees to unions, even if they don't want to. Today, it's your choice.
- IM-23 would allow any organization to bill citizens or customers for services provided, apparently whether the people agreed to those services or not.

# VOTE NO ON 23

RIGHT TO WORK. NOT PAY TO WORK.



Coalition members listed at [www.voteno23.net](http://www.voteno23.net)  
Paid for by No on 23, 222 E Capitol Ave, Suite 15, Pierre, SD 57501






**You don't have to join or pay dues to a union.**  
That is known as Right to Work and it is in our State Constitution's Bill of Rights. IM-23 will change that.

# Election Day - Tuesday, Nov. 8

## SAMPLE GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT (Front Side)

A	November 8, 2016	B	South Dakota	C	Brown County
<b>INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER:</b> To vote for a group of presidential electors <b>FILL IN</b> the oval (●) next to the names. Use only a pencil or pen. If you make a mistake, give the ballot back and get a new one. <b>DO NOT</b> cast more votes than are allowed in each race.		For County Commissioner At Large You may vote for up to <u>two</u> or leave it blank.  <input type="radio"/> Rachel A. Kippley Republican Party <input type="radio"/> Duane Sutton Republican Party <input type="radio"/> Kris Gunther Democratic Party		<b>D3 Conservation</b>	
For Presidential Electors You may vote for <u>one</u> slate or leave it blank.  <input type="radio"/> <b>Trump &amp; Pence Electors</b> Republican Party Dennis Daugaard Matt Michels Marty Jackley  <input type="radio"/> <b>Johnson &amp; Weld Electors</b> Libertarian Party Jon Boon McNutt Elaine Kub Richard Shelatz  <input type="radio"/> <b>Clinton &amp; Kaine Electors</b> Democratic Party JR LaPlante Susan Kelts Ann Tornberg  <input type="radio"/> <b>Castle &amp; Bradley Electors</b> Constitution Party Frank Howe Joel Bergan Melvin Van Den Top		<b>NONPOLITICAL BALLOT</b>  See Special Districts Column 		<b>Constitutional Amendments</b> The following amendments to the State Constitution are submitted to the voters by a petition. The amendments will not become effective unless approved by majority vote.	
<b>INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER:</b> To vote for a person <b>FILL IN</b> the oval (●) next to the name. <b>DO NOT</b> cast more votes than are allowed in each race.		<b>INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER:</b> To vote on a ballot question <b>FILL IN</b> the oval (●) next to "yes" or "no". <b>DO NOT</b> cast more votes than are allowed in each race.		<b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT S</b> <b>Title:</b> An initiated amendment to the South Dakota Constitution to expand rights for crime victims <b>Attorney General Explanation:</b> Currently, state statutes provide certain rights to crime victims. This measure expands these rights and places them in the State Constitution. Under the amendment, the rights provided to a victim generally include: protection from harassment or abuse; the right to privacy; timely notice of all trial, sentence, and post-judgment proceedings including pardon or parole; the right to confer with the attorney for the government; and the opportunity to provide input during all phases of the criminal justice process. Victims will be given written notification of their rights. The rights may be enforced by the victim, the victim's attorney or representative, or the attorney for the government. They may be enforced in any trial court, appeals court, or other proceeding affecting the victim's rights. The definition of "victim" includes a person who suffers direct or threatened harm as the result of any crime, attempted crime, or act of juvenile delinquency. It also includes that person's spouse, children, extended family members, guardians, and others with a substantially similar relationship. If a victim's rights provided by this amendment conflict with a criminal defendant's rights under the South Dakota and United States Constitutions, a court may determine that the defendant's rights take priority.	
For United States Senator You may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank.  <input type="radio"/> John R. Thune Republican Party <input type="radio"/> Jay Williams Democratic Party		<b>Constitutional Amendment</b> The following amendment to the State Constitution is submitted to the voters by the Legislature. The amendment will not become effective unless approved by majority vote.		<input type="radio"/> <b>Yes</b> A vote "Yes" is for expanding statutory rights of victims and placing the rights in the Constitution.  <input type="radio"/> <b>No</b> A vote "No" will leave the Constitution as it is.	
For United States Representative You may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank.  <input type="radio"/> Kristi Noem Republican Party <input type="radio"/> Paula Hawks Democratic Party		<b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT R</b> <b>Title:</b> An Amendment to the South Dakota Constitution regarding postsecondary technical education institutes. <b>Attorney General Explanation:</b> Under the South Dakota Constitution, the Board of Regents is responsible for postsecondary educational institutions funded entirely or in part by the State. Constitutional Amendment R applies to postsecondary technical education institutes that receive state funding and offer career and technical associate of applied science degrees, certificates, or their equivalents. Currently, there are four such institutes: Lake Area Technical Institute, Mitchell Technical Institute, Southeast Technical Institute, and Western Dakota Technical Institute. Under the amendment, postsecondary technical institutes will be governed separately in a manner to be determined by the Legislature. The amendment also clarifies that the Board of Regents retains control over state-funded postsecondary educational institutions offering associate of arts, associate of sciences, bachelor's, and postgraduate degrees.		<input type="radio"/> <b>Yes</b> A vote "Yes" is for adding a provision to the Constitution regarding postsecondary technical educational institutes.  <input type="radio"/> <b>No</b> A vote "No" will leave the Constitution as it is.	
For Public Utilities Commissioner You may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank.  <input type="radio"/> Chris Nelson Republican Party <input type="radio"/> Henry Red Cloud Democratic Party  See Special Districts Column 		<b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT T</b> <b>Title:</b> An initiated amendment to the South Dakota Constitution to provide for state legislative redistricting by a commission <b>Attorney General Explanation:</b> State senators and representatives are elected from within legislative districts. The South Dakota Constitution currently requires the Legislature to establish these legislative districts every ten years. This measure removes that authority from the Legislature and grants it to a redistricting commission. The commission is made up of nine registered voters selected each redistricting year by the State Board of Elections from a pool of up to 30 applicants. This pool consists of applicants registered with South Dakota's two largest political parties (ten from each), and ten not registered with either of those parties. A commission member must have the same party registration, or be registered as unaffiliated with a party, for three continuous years immediately prior to appointment. No more than three commission members may belong to the same political party. For three years immediately prior to and three years immediately after appointment, commission members may not hold office in certain state or local public offices, or in a political party organization. The commission will redistrict in 2017, in 2021, and every ten years thereafter. The commission must produce a draft map and allow for public comment. The districts must be drawn in compliance with state and federal law.		<input type="radio"/> <b>Yes</b> A vote "Yes" is for changing the Constitution to provide for state legislative redistricting by a commission.  <input type="radio"/> <b>No</b> A vote "No" will leave the Constitution as it is.	

<b>Special Districts:</b>  <b>Legislative and Conservation Districts</b>		<b>South Brown Soil Conservation District</b>  Precincts: 1-12, 14, 16-19  Partial precincts 13 and 15  Precinct 13 Townships:  Ordway and Cambria  Precinct 15 Townships:  Mercier, Ravina, Lincoln	
<b>Legislative District 1</b>  Precincts: 14,15,21,22	For State Senator District 1 You may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank.  <input type="radio"/> Jason Frerichs Democratic Party	<b>Conservation District</b>  For South Brown Conservation District Supervisor, Taxpayer of Real Property You may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank.  <input type="radio"/> Larry Stroschein  <input type="radio"/> Scott Sperry	
<b>Legislative District 2</b>  Precincts: 8, 13, 16, 17-20	For State Representatives District 1 You may vote for up to <u>two</u> or leave it blank.  <input type="radio"/> Steven D. McCleerey Democratic Party <input type="radio"/> Susan Wismer Democratic Party	For State Senator District 2 You may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank.  <input type="radio"/> Brock L. Greenfield Republican Party	
For State Senator District 2 You may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank.	For State Representatives District 2 You may vote for up to <u>two</u> or leave it blank.  <input type="radio"/> Burt Tulson Republican Party <input type="radio"/> Lana Greenfield Republican Party <input type="radio"/> John Graham Democratic Party	<b>Legislative District 3</b>  Precincts: 1-7, 9-12	
For State Senator District 3 You may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank.	For State Representatives District 3 You may vote for up to <u>two</u> or leave it blank.  <input type="radio"/> Drew Dennert Republican Party <input type="radio"/> Daniel Kaiser Republican Party <input type="radio"/> Brooks Briscoe Democratic Party <input type="radio"/> Nikki Bootz Democratic Party		
For State Senator District 3 You may vote for <u>one</u> or leave it blank.	For State Representatives District 3 You may vote for up to <u>two</u> or leave it blank.		
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**PLEASE READ**

To vote at your polling place, you must either: Present a photo ID, or if not able to do so, Sign an affidavit, which will be given to you

Accepted forms of photo identification include any one of the following:

- A SD driver license or non-driver ID card; or A US government photo ID; or A tribal photo ID; or
- A current student photo ID from a SD high school or SD accredited institution of higher education.

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# Election Day - Tuesday, Nov. 8

## SAMPLE GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT (Back Side)

<p>November 8, 2016</p> <p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER:</b> To vote on a ballot question <b>FILL IN</b> the oval (●) next to "yes" or "no". <b>DO NOT</b> cast more votes than are allowed in each race.</p> <p><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT U</b> <b>Title:</b> An initiated amendment to the South Dakota Constitution limiting the ability to set statutory interest rates for loans <b>Attorney General Explanation:</b> Under this constitutional amendment, there is no limit on the amount of interest a lender may charge for a loan of money if the interest rate is agreed to in writing by the borrower. If there is no written agreement, however, a lender may not charge more than 18% interest per year. A law setting an interest rate for loans is not valid unless the law gives the lender and borrower the ability to agree to a different rate. If an interest rate for loans is established by law, it must apply to every type of lender. The amendment eliminates the ability to set statutory interest rates that are inconsistent with this amendment.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>Yes</b> A vote "Yes" is for adding provisions to the Constitution that limit the ability to set statutory interest rates for loans.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>No</b> A vote "No" will leave the Constitution as it is.</p> <p><b>CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT V</b> <b>Title:</b> An initiated amendment to the South Dakota Constitution establishing nonpartisan elections <b>Attorney General Explanation:</b> Currently, most general election candidates for federal, state, and county offices are selected through a partisan primary or at a state party convention. This Constitutional amendment eliminates those methods by establishing a nonpartisan primary to select candidates for all federal, state, and county elected offices. This amendment does not apply to elections for United States President and Vice President. Under the amendment, candidates are not identified by party affiliation on the primary or general election ballot. All qualified voters, regardless of party affiliation, may vote for any candidate of their choice. The two candidates with the most votes advance to the general election. For certain offices where more than one candidate is elected at the general election, the number of candidates advancing to the general election will be double the number of seats to be filled. If the amendment is approved, a substantial re-write of state election laws will be necessary.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>Yes</b> A vote "Yes" is for adding provisions to the Constitution to establish nonpartisan elections.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>No</b> A vote "No" will leave the Constitution as it is.</p>	<p>South Dakota</p> <p><b>Initiated Measures</b> The following initiated measures were proposed by petition for submission to the voters. These initiated measures will not become effective unless approved by majority vote.</p> <p><b>INITIATED MEASURE 21</b> <b>Title:</b> An initiated measure to set a maximum finance charge for certain licensed money lenders <b>Attorney General Explanation:</b> The initiated measure prohibits certain State-licensed money lenders from making a loan that imposes total interest, fees and charges at an annual percentage rate greater than 36%. The measure also prohibits these money lenders from evading this rate limitation by indirect means. A violation of this measure is a misdemeanor crime. In addition, a loan made in violation of this measure is void, and any principal, fee, interest, or charge is uncollectable. The measure's prohibitions apply to all money lenders licensed under South Dakota Codified Laws chapter 54-4. These licensed lenders make commercial and personal loans, including installment, automobile, short-term consumer, payday, and title loans. The measure does not apply to state and national banks, bank holding companies, other federally insured financial institutions, and state chartered trust companies. The measure also does not apply to businesses that provide financing for goods and services they sell.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>Yes</b> A vote "Yes" is for prohibiting certain money lenders from charging more than 36% interest on loans.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>No</b> A vote "No" is against the measure.</p> <p><b>INITIATED MEASURE 22</b> <b>Title:</b> An initiated measure to revise State campaign finance and lobbying laws, create a publicly funded campaign finance program, create an ethics commission, and appropriate funds <b>Attorney General Explanation:</b> This measure extensively revises State campaign finance laws. It requires additional disclosures and increased reporting. It lowers contribution amounts to political action committees; political parties; and candidates for statewide, legislative, or county office. It also imposes limits on contributions from candidate campaign committees, political action committees, and political parties. The measure creates a publicly funded campaign finance program for statewide and legislative candidates who choose to participate and agree to limits on campaign contributions and expenditures. Under the program, two \$50 "credits" are issued to each registered voter, who assigns them to participating candidates. The credits are redeemed from the program, which is funded by an annual State general-fund appropriation of \$9 per registered voter. The program fund may not exceed \$12 million at any time. The measure creates an appointed ethics commission to administer the credit program and to enforce campaign finance and lobbying laws. The measure prohibits certain State officials and high-level employees from lobbying until two years after leaving State government. It also places limitations on lobbyists' gifts to certain state officials and staff members. If approved, the measure may be challenged in court on constitutional grounds. <b>Legislative Research Council's Prison/Jail Population Cost Estimate Statement:</b> The penalties in this Act are administrative misdemeanors, with one class 5 felony. Their purpose is to enforce compliance with the provisions to which they adhere. These crimes are presently in statute, and past violations of these statutes show minimal charges and even fewer convictions. It is the opinion of the Legislative Research Council that the nature of these laws encourages regular compliance. When an offense is prosecuted, it will not likely result in a jail sentence. Hence, the impact on jail populations is likely negligible.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>Yes</b> A vote "Yes" is for revising State campaign finance and lobbying laws.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>No</b> A vote "No" is against the measure.</p>	<p>Brown County</p> <p><b>INITIATED MEASURE 23</b> <b>Title:</b> An initiated measure to give certain organizations the right to charge fees <b>Attorney General Explanation:</b> The measure gives corporate organizations and non-profit organizations the right to charge a fee for any service provided. This measure takes effect on July 1, 2017.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>Yes</b> A vote "Yes" is for allowing certain organizations the right to charge fees.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>No</b> A vote "No" is against the measure.</p> <p><b>Referred Laws</b> The following laws were adopted by the Legislature and referred to the voters by petition. These laws will not become effective unless approved by majority vote.</p> <p><b>REFERRED LAW 19</b> <b>Title:</b> An Act to revise State laws regarding elections and election petitions <b>Attorney General Explanation:</b> Currently, primary election candidates for certain offices must circulate and submit nominating petitions between January 1 and the last Tuesday in March. Referred Law 19 changes that timeframe to between December 1 and the first Tuesday in March. The referred law also changes other election-related submission deadlines, adjusting them from the last Tuesday in March to the first Tuesday in March. Certain election-related documents, including nominating petitions, are currently considered timely submitted if sent by registered mail before the deadline. The referred law changes this to require that these documents be received by the submission deadline. It also changes the method for calculating the number of signatures required on nominating petitions for certain elective offices. The referred law prohibits a person registered with a recognized political party from signing an independent candidate's nominating petition. The current law does not contain that prohibition. Under the referred law, an independent governor candidate cannot appear on the ballot if the corresponding lieutenant governor candidate withdraws and a replacement is not certified by the second Tuesday in August. It also restricts the circumstances under which a political party may replace a candidate who has withdrawn from consideration after the primary election.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>Yes</b> A vote "Yes" is for revising State laws regarding elections and election petitions.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>No</b> A vote "No" is against the referred law.</p> <p><b>REFERRED LAW 20</b> <b>Title:</b> An Act lowering the State minimum wage for non-tipped employees under age 18 <b>Attorney General Explanation:</b> State law requires employers to pay all non-tipped employees a minimum wage, with limited exceptions. Currently, that amount is \$8.55 per hour. State law also requires that the minimum wage be adjusted, effective on January 1 of each year, by any increase in the cost of living as measured by the U. S. Department of Labor's Consumer Price Index. Referred Law 20, if approved, would lower the existing State minimum wage to \$7.50 per hour for non-tipped employees under age 18. In addition, no annual cost-of-living wage adjustment would be required for the youth minimum wage. The referred law would also prohibit employers from taking any action to displace an employee or reduce an employee's hours, wages, or benefits, in order to hire someone at the youth minimum wage.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>Yes</b> A vote "Yes" is for lowering the minimum wage to \$7.50 per hour for non-tipped employees under age 18.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> <b>No</b> A vote "No" is against the referred law.</p>
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### INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTERS

#### VOTING RIGHTS

Any voter who can't mark a ballot because the voter has a physical disability or can't read, may ask any person they choose to help them vote.

Any voter may ask for instruction in the proper procedure for voting.

Any voter at the polling place prior to 7:00 p.m. is allowed to cast a ballot.

If your voting rights have been violated, you may call the person in charge of the election at 605-626-7110, the Secretary of State at 888-703-5328, or your state's attorney.

A felon who receives a sentence of imprisonment to the adult penitentiary system, including a suspended execution of sentence, loses the right to vote. Felons so sentenced may register to vote following completion of their sentence. Further information is available at [www.sdsos.gov](http://www.sdsos.gov).

#### ELECTION CRIMES

Anyone who makes a false statement when they vote, tries to vote knowing they are not a qualified voter, or tries to vote more than once has committed an election crime.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor



**NOTICE OF TESTING**  
**AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT**  
NOTICE is hereby given that the automatic tabulating equipment will be tested to ascertain that it will correctly count the votes for all offices and measures that are to be cast at the

General Election held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 2016.

The test will be conducted on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 2016, at 4 o'clock p.m. at the following location:

Brown County Auditor's Office  
25 Market Street, Ste 1  
Aberdeen, SD 57401

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November 2016.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

### NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

A General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at all Vote Centers in Brown County. The election Vote Centers will be open from seven a.m. to seven p.m. central standard time on the day of the election. No longer are voters required to vote within precinct jurisdictions.

Voters can cast ballots at any of the following Vote Centers in Brown County:

- AmericInn Event Center, 301 Centennial St. S., Aberdeen SD (NE entrance )
- Best Western Ramkota Hotel and Convention Center 1400 8th Ave NW, Aberdeen, SD
- Courthouse Community Room, 25 Market Street, Aberdeen SD
- Columbia Legion, 102 N Broadway, Columbia SD
- Westport Town Hall, 13 W. Main, Westport, SD
- Warner Community Center, 11 W. Main St. Warner, SD
- Stratford Community Center, 293 E. Rondell Ave, Stratford SD
- Groton Community Center, 109 N 3rd St., Groton, SD
- Claremont Fire Station, 505 6th St., Claremont, SD
- Hecla Community Center, 206 Main St., Hecla, SD
- Frederick Community Center, 2nd Ave, Frederick SD

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

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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# The Life of Audrey Thurston



Audrey Thurston, 91, of Groton fell asleep October 25, 2016 at Golden Living Center, Groton.

The funeral was held Saturday October 29, 2016 at the United Methodist Church in Groton. Pastor Thomas Carlson officiated. Burial was at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Aberdeen.

Audrey Marie Thompson was born to Chester and Florence (Waggoner) Thompson on November 29, 1924. She attended grade school Thompson Country School two miles from her home. She later attended and graduated from Groton High School in 1942.

Audrey was the secretary for the Credit Manager at Sacony Vacuum Oil Company in Aberdeen for three years. She was united in marriage to Norman Thurston on December 14, 1945. The couple lived at Tinley Park, Illinois for one year until returning to Groton. The couple began farming in the Putney area until 1980, when the couple

retired and built a home in Groton.

Audrey was a lifetime member of the Groton United Methodist Church. She was active in UMW, the church choir, and also taught both Bible School and Sunday School for many years. She was a communion steward and past member of the Administrative Board. Audrey was also a member of Putney Ladies Aid and PEO. She volunteered at Golden Living Center, assisting with BINGO and other activities with the residents.

Celebrating her life is her son, Gary (Linda) Thurston of Groton, three grandsons: Todd Thurston, Rob Thurston, and Rick (Kate) Thurston, nine great-grandchildren: Mitchel, Riley, Emily, Drew, Madison, Kennedy, Kamden, Taylor, and Asher. She is also survived by her sister Sondra (Rex) Peckham and her lifelong friend, Doraine Green. Preceding her in death were her parents, her husband Norm, two brothers, Ivan and Darwin, and her sister Shirley Sueltz.

# Youth Rally is November 16th

The Groton Youth Rally will feature the Bruce Crevier family and their Spin-tacular Basketball program called Champions Forever, at the Groton Area High School Arena. The Rally will be on Wed., Nov. 16th at 7pm. Doors will open at 6:30pm. They will be sharing a message of hope for this troubled world.

Bruce Crevier has traveled all over the world, performing in over 35 countries. They were also finalists on America's God Talent. The Crevier's were also featured in Sports Illustrated. Bruce and family speak, and perform in schools, camps, prisons, and basketball halftime shows. Bruce is a five time Guinness World Record holder for spinning basketballs, and has spun as many as 21 basketballs at once. He also holds the world record endurance spin where he spun one basketball for 22 hours and 12 minutes without a break! He has appeared on numerous television shows, and in magazines, and newspaper articles across the country. Bruce and his wife Diane have twelve children. When his family is with him, they are part of an energetic program that is truly inspirational as well as motivational. Youth and adults will be challenged to take their lives to the next level! They invite you to be a part of this Spin-tacular event! We are calling this a "Family Night of Champions"

Please reserve this night for a great time here in Groton and bring the whole family. Tickets will be sold for \$5 in advance at the Groton Dairy Queen and Aberdeen Anchors of Faith, and \$5 at the door, family rate- \$20. You may call for tickets or more information at 887-7730 or 397-8647. All ages are welcome!

Sponsored by:  
Groton Youth Rally Committee

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<p><b>Hormel Boneless Country Style Pork Ribs</b> Per Lb. <b>\$1.79</b></p>	<p><b>Dole Leafy Romaine, Italian, Field Green, 50/50 Blend</b> 5-9 Oz. Pkg. <b>2 for \$4</b></p>	<p><b>Shurfine Granulated Sugar</b> 4 Lb. Bag <b>98¢</b></p>
<p><b>Campbell's Condensed Soup</b> Selected Varieties 10.5-11.5 Oz. Can <b>99¢</b></p>	<p><b>Keebler Zesta Saltines</b> 1 Lb. Box <b>\$1.99</b></p>	<p><b>General Mills Chex Cereal</b> 12-14 Oz. Boxes <b>4 for \$10</b></p>
<p><b>Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, or Mt. Dew</b> 12 Pack, 12 Oz. Cans or 8 Pack, 12 Oz. Bottles <b>3 for \$11</b></p>	<p><b>DiGiorno 12" Rising Crust Pizza</b> <b>2 for \$10</b></p>	<p><b>Shurfine Cottage Cheese</b> 24 Oz. Ctn. <b>\$1.99</b></p>
<p><b>Charmin Essentials Bath Tissue</b> Extra Soft or Strong 12 Double Roll Pkg. <b>\$4.99</b></p>	<p><b>Bud, Bud LT</b> 24 Pack, 16 Oz. Cans <b>\$18.99</b></p>	<p><b>Windsor</b> 1.75 L. <b>\$15.95</b></p>



**DON'T LET  
OUTSIDERS HARM  
SOUTH DAKOTA**



**VOTE NO on Amendments V and T,  
and Initiated Measures 22 and 23**

Out-of-state money and failed Democratic candidates are trying to rewrite South Dakota's Constitution. Why? Because their ideas and policies are repeatedly rejected here. They want to skew our elections in their favor.

South Dakota's system works. We don't need liberal partisanship rewriting the rules.

**VOTE NO on Amendments V and T, and Initiated Measures 22 and 23**

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