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The 2016 Senior Snow Queen Jasmine Schaller came to hand over her crown to the new Snow Queen. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

Lone, Kucker are new Snow Queens

The 2017 Snow Queen Royalty Court are pictured above. In back, left to right, are senior snow queen candidates Keri Pappas, daughter of Valerie and Kelly Pappas; Erin Smith, daughter of Carol and Steve Smith; Miss Congeniality Jessica Adler, daughter of Lisa Adler, first runner-up Alexis Harder, daughter of Brenda and Corey Harder, pages Shane Simon and McClain Lone, junior Snow Queen runner-up Kaycie Hawkins, daughter of Kristie and Lance Hawkins, Nicole Marzahn, daughter of Renee and Wade Marzahn, Payton Colestock, daughter of Michelle and Craig Muilenburg and Roger Colestock; and Caitlynn Barse, daughter of Pam and Chris Barse. In front is Snow Princesses Abby Fjeldheim, daughter of Susan and Ryan Fjeldheim, Senior Snow Queen Heather Lone, daughter of Barbara and Michael Lone; Junior Snow Queen Kaylin Kucker, daughter of Amy and Chris Kucker; and Snow Prince Korbin McKane, daughter of Ashley and JB McKane. The event was livestreamed at GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Dakota Risk Management and ML Real Estate of Bristol. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



The 2016 Junior Snow Queen Alexis Simon came to hand over her crown to the new Junior Snow Queen. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Talent Show Winners

The talent show winners were Tylan Glover in the senior division and Anna Bisbee in the junior division. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Robert Wegner was this year's Frosty as he was unveiled by his guard, Steve Giedt. Three people guessed Frosty this year and the lucky winner of \$25 was Marjae Schinkel. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Adam Franken asked the Prince and Princess candidates questions. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Adam Franken was the Master of Ceremonies. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

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Anna Bisbee took first place in the junior division of the talent contest. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Emerlee Jones competed in the junior division of the talent contest. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Shane Simon and McClain Lone were the pages this year. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Tylan Glover took first place in the senior division of the talent contest. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Audrey Wanner was not only the senior division talent contest winner last year, but she also took first place in the state competition. Because of the rules of the Snow Queen Festival, Wanner was unable to compete this year; however, she did sing for the audience. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Mike Ehresmann was helping to take the ramp down after the Snow Queen Contest. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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By Richard P. Holm M.D.

About Acne and Mirrors

Some say that humans are the only animals that are able to achieve self-consciousness, and one can argue that great social good and bad has resulted from this human self-awareness. However, for the individual, there are several reasons why it can be very harmful to spend too much time looking into a mirror, and the obvious one is called acne.

Think about the overwhelming self-consciousness you experienced as a teenager while hormones were raging at the same time that acne was blossoming all over your face. Can you remember looking into a mirror before that first date, seeing a rosy red bump growing right on the tip of your nose, and then making it so much worse by squeezing it? I can.

Something like 89% of all adolescents grow up with acne problems and frequently it con-

tinues into adulthood. It is interesting to note that typical acne in youth is appropriately named acne vulgaris, and the version of such a chronic facial skin infection in adults is given the nicer name acne rosacea. I think the heaviest toll from acne by far is psychological, and all the consequences of reduced self-esteem. What could be more important to any young individual than to develop a healthy sense of self worth?

It appears the treat-

ment for acne vulgaris and rosacea is pretty much the same. There are anti-infectious lotions, creams, and pills that can help, and I prescribe them when necessary. Primary care providers can handle most of it, and a referral to a dermatologist occasionally is needed. I especially like Vitamin A cream called tretinoin, which has the fortunate side effect in adults of decreasing wrinkles. I think more important, however, is that one should learn to prevent drying out the natural oils and harming the normal flora of the skin with too much washing and the overuse of soap. Certainly much of the scarring, which can follow acne is a consequence of picking, so that should also be avoided.



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Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

The Minnesota Vikings ruined yet another holiday, losing to the Detroit Lions 16-13 on Thanksgiving. The only explanation I can think of is that the team had Thanksgiving dinner before the game and didn't have a chance to take a nap before playing. That's the only reason that makes sense as to why the Vikings were so lethargic.

The two teams were evenly split in most of the important categories. The Lions had 308 total yards compared to Minnesota's 306. The Lions had one more first down than the Vikings, and had a very slight edge in time of possession. The biggest difference between the two teams came in turnovers and desire. There was only one turnover in the game, a very poor decision by Sam Bradford with the game tied and less than a minute left on the clock. The interception led to a Detroit field goal as time expired. Even though the game was close, it was apparent Detroit wanted to win the game more than Minnesota.

For the first time all season, the Vikings actually had a productive running game. The team averaged over five yards per carry, with Asiata and McKinnon combining for 14 carries and 58 yards. Cordarrelle Patterson also added a carry that went 22 yards. With Stefon Diggs out due to injury, the Vikings made a concerted effort to get Patterson involved. Besides the carry, Cordarrelle had five catches, third on the team behind Kyle Rudolph and Adam Thielen.

With the Vikings' offense matching the Lions, the game essentially came down to the two team's defenses. Minnesota's defense was unable to come up with a big, game-changing play, and that was ultimately the downfall of the team. When the defensive line got pressure on Matthew Stafford, he was clearly uncomfortable and made poor decisions. That pressure was rare, however, and the team only finished with two sacks.

The player of the game was hard to identify this week. Sam Bradford completed 31 of 37 passes, but had zero touchdowns and the untimely interception. Matt Asiata scored a touchdown and earned 5.4 yards per carry, but he only carried the ball five times. Cordarrelle had the 22-yard carry and five catches, but only 15 receiving yards. Danielle Hunter had a half-sack and two quarterback hits, but he (along with the rest of the defensive line) was unable to get pressure on Stafford when it counted the most. At the end of the day, I have to give the award to the Vikings' offensive line. This unit has lost an incredible number of players to injury, yet they didn't give up a single sack on Thursday. Nobody is going to confuse the Vikings' o-line for the one in Dallas, but they stepped up and played one of their best games of the season.

The player who needs the most improvement is Everson Griffen. When the Vikings needed the defense to step up and put pressure on Stafford, Griffen was nowhere to be found. At the end of the day, he only had one tackle and one quarterback hit. Going against a rookie left tackle, Griffen should have been able to single-handedly take over the game. But instead, he disappeared or got lost in the shuffle. The Vikings are counting on the defense to keep them in games, and it all starts up front with the defensive line. With performances like Griffen's on Thanksgiving, the Vikings won't win many more games this season.

Looking ahead, the Vikings return home and welcome the Dallas Cowboys on Thursday, December 1. The Cowboys are the hottest team in the NFL, having won their last 10 in a row. Tony Romo is finally healthy, but the team appears to belong to rookie Dak Prescott now. Ezekiel Elliott, another rookie, leads the league in rushing yards with 1,199 yards and appears to be the next coming of Adrian Peterson. This will be a difficult game for the Vikings, and will likely end up on the losing end.



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**Brown County
Nov. 22**

**General Meeting
NOVEMBER 22, 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 Sutton, Fischbach and Fjeldheim. Commissioner Hansen was absent. Commissioner Fjeldheim led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to approve the General Meeting Minutes of November 15, 2016. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

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Other: Pizza Ranch \$72.45. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

BID DATE SET – STATES ATTORNEY/SHERIFF/JAIL LIGHTING PROJECT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fjeldheim to authorize advertising for sealed bids for labor and material to replace all light fixtures in the States Attorney Department, Sheriff Department and Jail in accordance with the specifications, to be opened and considered in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD at 8:45 A.M. on December 13, 2016 (2017 project). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PLATS: Commissioner Fischbach offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #86-16. BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission of Brown County, SD, that the plat showing "D Lloyd Addition in the W 1/2 of Sec 26-T128N-R62W 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 Sutton. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-absent, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted. Commissioner Fischbach offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #87-16. BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission of Brown County, SD, that the plat showing "Winburn Houghton Addition to the town of Houghton in the NE 1/4 of Sec 6-T126N-R61W 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 Sut-

ton. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-absent, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted. Commissioner Fischbach offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #88-16. BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission of Brown County, SD, that the plat showing "Ochsner/West Addition in the NE 1/4 of Sec 24-T123N-R65W 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 Sutton. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-absent, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted. Commissioner Fischbach offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #89-16. BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, SD, that the plat showing "Roesch Subdivision in the SW 1/4 and SE 1/4 of Sec 17-T126N-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 Sutton. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-absent, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted.

VACATE PLAT – SET HEARING: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to set hearing date to consider petition to vacate the following plat: Lot 1 L and L Krause Subdivision in the NW 1/4 of Sec 22-T121N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (14536 377th Ave), to be held in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota at 8:45 A.M. on December 6, 2016. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ABATEMENTS: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Sutton to approve and authorize the Chair sign the following Abate-ments: Derik Bretsch @ \$320.33 (mobile home moved); Jason Podoll @ 6.99 (mobile home moved). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FAIR CONTRACT: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the following contract for the 2016 Brown County Fair: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (grounds cleanup) @ \$3,000.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORD 106 – SET HEARING DATE: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to set public hearing for consideration of Ordinance #106, which corrects the legal description on Ordinance #103, adopted October 25, 2016. The correct legal description is Lot 2, Klipfel Subdivision in the N 1/2 SE 1/4 of Sec 8-T123N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (10858 Ro-Ju-Os Place), to be held in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD at 8:50 a.m. on December 13, 2016. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FAIR TICKETS: Sheila Ender-son, County Treasurer and Chief Deputies Dorene Borchard and Patricia VanMeter met to discuss the need to settle the 2016 Fair Tickets prior to selling the 2017 Fair Tickets. Derek Ricci, Fair Manager was also in attendance.

CITIZENS CORP: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve revamping the composition of the Citizens Corp, shifting one law enforcement position to an additional first responder position. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EQUIPMENT PURCHASE: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Sutton to authorize Scott Meints, Emergency Management Director to purchase a thermal imaging camera for the drone system from Arial Horizons at \$12,075.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Sutton to go into executive session for personnel discussion, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) and to consult with council on a legal matter and a 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.

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

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**Brown County
Ord. 106
General Meeting
NOTICE**

A public hearing will be held in the Brown County Commission Chambers at 8:50 a.m. on December 13, 2016 for consideration of Ordinance No. 106, which corrects the legal description on Ordinance No. 103, adopted October 25, 2016. The correct legal description is Lot 2, Klipfel Subdivision in the N 1/2 SE 1/4 of Sec 8-T123N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. (10858 Ro-Ju-Os Place). Ordinance No. 106 changes R61W to R65W.

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the correction to the legal description contained in Ordinance No. 103. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Brown County Commission may adopt first reading of Ordinance No. 106.

ATTEST:
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**Brown County
Ord. 106
General Meeting
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**

that sealed bids will be received in the Chambers of the Brown County Board of Commissioners at the Brown County Courthouse Annex, 25 Market St Suite 1, Aberdeen, South Dakota; until the hour of 8:45 A.M. on December 13th, 2016, at said time and place all bids will be publicly opened, read and considered by the Brown County Board of Commissioners for labor and material required for LED Lighting Replacement Project-replacement of Light Fixtures in the States Attorney Department, Sheriff Department and Jail in accordance with specifications.

Envelopes containing bids shall be addressed to the Brown County Auditor, 25 Market Street Suite 1, Aberdeen, South Dakota 57401 and be marked on the envelope. "LED Lighting Replacement Project (SA/Sheriff/Jail)" to be opened on December 13, 2016.

A pre-bid walk thru will be held on December 5th at 2 PM and December 6th at 9:00 A.M. Bidders should meet at East entrance of the Jail. Bidders are encouraged to attend at least one pre-bid walk thru.

On-site work to commence after January 1, 2017 and completion of all work shall be before May 30, 2017. After May 30, 2017 contractors may be assessed up to a maximum penalty of \$500 per week.

PROPOSAL GUARANTY: No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by a certified check, a cashier's check, or bank draft for 5% of the amount of the bid, such check to be issued by either a state or national bank and payable to Brown County, or in lieu thereof a bid bond for 10% of the amount of the bid, such bond to be issued by a surety company authorized to do business in South Dakota and payable to Brown County.

PERFORMANCE BOND: Brown County will give notice to the successful bidder that the proposal has been accepted, and said bidder shall within ten (10) days thereafter enter into a contract with Brown County and furnish a performance bond in an amount equal to the contract price.

The Brown County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids that they deem to be in the best interest of Brown County, and to waive any informalities of irregularities therein.

Electronic Specifications are on file at Mettler Schiemler Engineering, 801 Railroad Ave. SE Aberdeen, South Dakota. Please call 605-225-4344 to request a copy by e-mail.

ATTEST:
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor
(1128.1207)
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**Brown County
Vacate Plat
Notice**

HEARING NOTICE TO VACATE PLAT
Notice is hereby given by the Brown County Commission of a hearing to receive testimony pertaining to a petition to vacate

plat, described as follows:
Lot 1, L and L Krause Sub-division in the NW 1/4 of Sec 22-T121N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (14536 377th Ave)

Said hearing shall be held in the Commissioner's Cham-bers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota at 8:45 a.m. December 6, 2016. At said hearing the Board shall consider a resolution to accept or reject the petition to vacate. Any person unable to attend the hearing may submit written testimony to the Brown County Auditor, 25 Market Street, Ste 1, Aberdeen, South Dakota.

ATTEST:
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor
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**Groton City
Nov. 21
General Meeting**

November 21, 2016
The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at the Groton Community Center for their regular second month-ly meeting with the following members present: Flihs, Opp, McGannon, Glover, Peterson, Blackmun, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were: Finance Officer Lowary, Attorney Johnson, Paul Kosel, and Kathy Sundermeier.

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

Moved by Peterson and se-cended by McGannon to authorize the following bills for payment. All members present voted aye.

First State Bank 7,328.12 ss & wh; Consolidated Fed Cr Union 1,125.00 emp savings; April Abeln 982.35 med flex,dep flex; AFLAC 749.62 emp ins; Car Quest 417.16 repairs; Cole Paper 122.53 bags; Colonial Research Co 168.51 digester; Dakota Fluid Power 1,415.59 cylinders; Dearborn National Life 88.00 life ins; Groton Independent 17.53 publishing; Guardian Ins 245.30 emp ins; Harry Implement 71.00 hose; Heartland Cons Power Dis-trict 32,721.41 power; Paul Kosel 254.32 mileage, meals, med flex; Macs 26.61 ratchet; Matheson Tri-Gas 73.91 welding wire; Mike N Jos 159.10 fender liner;

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<p>Shurfine Brown or Powdered Sugar 2 Lb. Bag 99¢</p>	<p>Nestle's Toll House Morsels 10-12 Oz. Pkgs. 2 for \$5</p>	<p>Shurfine All-Purpose Flour 5 Lb. Bag \$1.29</p>
<p>General Mills Chex Cereals 12-14 Oz. Boxes 4 for \$10</p>	<p>Shurfine Granulated Sugar 4 Lb. Bag \$1.69</p>	<p>Shurfine Vegetable Oil 48 Oz. Bottle \$1.99</p>
<p>USDA Choice Boneless Top Round Steak Per Lb. \$2.99</p>	<p>Assorted Poinsettias Ea. \$6.99</p>	<p>Land O' Lakes Cottage Cheese 24 Oz. Ctns. 2 for \$5</p>
<p>Windsor 1.75 Ltr. \$15.95</p>	<p>Bud, Bud Light, Select 55 18 Pk. Cans or Bottles \$14.99</p>	<p>Shurfine Original Crust Pizza 20.5-22.2 Oz. Pkg. \$2.99</p>

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Executive Session Results

After an executive session from the Nov. 21 meeting, the council gave first reading to the salary ordinance:

- ◆ Gave all employees a 75¢ an hour raise.
- ◆ The mayor's wage increased from \$400 to \$625 a month.
- ◆ The councilmen annual wages increased from \$1,200 to \$3,000.
- ◆ Councilmen will be paid \$125 for special meetings instead of \$30.
- ◆ When the council meets as the Board of Equalization, the board will get \$200 instead of \$100.
- ◆ Planning and Zoning Commissioners will remain at \$25 per meeting with special meetings increasing to \$50.
- ◆ When an elected official attends a meeting other than council meetings, the full day rate will be \$300 per day instead of \$100 per day and the evening meetings will increase from \$25 to \$100.

Groton Garden Club

The November 21st meeting of the Garden Club was held at the Golden Living Center with Eunice McCollister and Elda Stange hosting. Pledges were recited and roll call was answered by 11 members with the Thanksgiving plans. Smokey Bear -Woodsy Owl Poster rules will be delivered to the Elementary School next week, while the checks for the 3 top posters from last year contest will be delivered. The December meeting will be a Christmas party with a potluck supper at Linda Gengerke at 5:30 p.m. on December 19. Christmas readings will be the program. Following the meeting Ruby Donovan gave the program "Columbines."

Adult Birthday Club

The Adult Birthday Club met in November with Lorraine Sippel as hostess. Prizes were awarded to Darlene Fischer, Mary Blackmun and Grace Albrecht. The honor was awarded to Mary Blackmun. The December 6 meeting will be held at the Groton Dairy Queen at 10 a.m. with Grace Albrecht as hostess.



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