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## Groton CCD presents 17th Annual Living Stations

This was the 17th year for the Living Stations event held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Groton. According to Father Mike Kelly, Tom Woods started the event 17 years ago. Then when Tom retired from teaching CCD (Confraternity of Christian Doctrine), Woods had suggested that the seniors could be in charge of the event each year, and it has worked out well. This year, Shane Simon was the director with the juniors assisting. This year's event was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM.

**Front Row: Fr. Mike Kelly, Luke Thorson, Jessica Bjerke, Shane Simon, Emily Locke, Hannah Lewandowski, and Carol Smith. Second Row: Erika Herr, Anne Marie Smith, Alexis Simon, Emily Thompson, Wyatt Locke, Erin Smith, Kaden LaBrie, and Steve Smith. Back Row: Jackson Oliver, Joe Groeblichhoff, Shyla Larson, Nicole Marzahn, Ashley Fliehs, Garrett Schroeder, Sean Schuring, Korbin Blackmun, and Landon Marzahn.** (Photo by Renee Marzahn)

## Bond Issue Fails

The Groton School Board held at least 11 community outreach meetings throughout the district, trying to get input about the proposed district building projects. Only until a couple of weeks ago was there a push to vote no on the middle/high school project and at the vote on Tuesday, the district patrons overwhelming voted no.

With 651 no votes to 336 yes votes, the measure fails with 38.4 percent of the eligible voters taking part in the election.

Election Superintendent Mike Weber said, "Although the election outcome was somewhat disappointing, the voter turnout was strong and patrons of the Groton Area School District have spoken. I anticipate the school board will put this issue to voters again as some of our existing school debt expires and the agriculture economy rebounds. The current 1934 school building has issues and they must be addressed soon. For the few patrons that were disappointed in not having more input on the building design, the board will most likely ask them to serve on the building committee for the next proposal."

	"YES"	"NO"	TOTAL CAST
ANDOVER	17	42	59
BRISTOL	40	180	221*
GROTON	243	361	606**
COLUMBIA	36	68	105***
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>991</b>

PERCENTAGE      33.9%      65.7%      **ISSUE "FAILS"**

\*one ballot un-voted

\*\* two ballots provisional, one spoiled un-voted

\*\*\* one ballot provisional

Eligible voters – 2,583    Total Votes Cast – 991    Percentage of patrons voting – 38.4%

## Babcock wins Ward 3 race

Karyn Babcock will be the new councilman from Ward 3. Babcock received 66 votes to incumbent's Mary Fliehs' 58 votes. Voter turnout in Ward 3 was 41 percent.



**Karyn Babcock**  
New Councilman,  
Ward 3

## Blood Drive set for April 17th

The Groton blood drive is set for Monday April 17, 2017, from 11:30 a.m. to 6:00p.m. at the Groton American Legion. Contact June Ackman at 605-397-8369 or Eunice Alberts at 605-397-8485 to make an appointment.

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**Groton Area Third Quarter Honor Roll**

**Seniors**

4.0 GPA: Thane Henschel, Erin Smith, Megan Malsam, Keri Pappas, Nathan Fjelstad, Landon Marzahn, Trey Wright, Macy Knecht, Whitney Voss, Kate Helmer, Patrick Gengerke, Alexis Harder  
 3.99-3.50: Paityn Bonn, Shane Simon, Turner Webb, McClain Lone, Katelyn Koehler, Heather Lone, Sean Schuring Braiden Craig, Tage Taylor

3.49-3.00: Emmalea Watje, Emily Locke, Jessica Adler, Kellyn Fluke, Colton Hokana, Trevor Pray, Tevin Abeln, Halie Yarborough, Bennett Shabazz, Nicklos Menzia, Katlyn Idt, Audrey Wanner, Gabrielle Kramer

**Juniors**

4.0 GPA: Jenifer Fjelstad, Marshall Lane, Madilyn Wright, Alexis Gustafson, Madison Sippel  
 3.99-3.50: Alexandra Stange, Insa Deden, Brandon Keith, Jackson Oliver, Hattie Weismantel  
 3.49-3.00: Hunter Monson, Harleigh Stange, Gia Gengerke, Anthony Sippel, Jessica Bjerke, Erika Herr, Hayden Pigors, Brenna Johnson, Luke Thorson

**Sophomores**

4.0 GPA: Shyla Larson, Alexis Simon, AnneMarie Smith, Emily Thompson, Cassandra Townsend  
 3.99-3.50: Ashley Garduno, Kylie Kassube, Micah Poor, Taylor Holm, Tylan Glover, Jillian Barton, Kaitlyn Kassube, Kaitlyn Anderson, Jennie Doeden, Samantha Menzia, Payton Maine, Maggie Crosby

3.49-3.00: Shannon Wiedrick, Portia Kettering

**Freshmen**

4.0 GPA: Kaycie Hawkins, Kayla Jensen  
 3.99-3.50: Nicole Marzahn, KaSandra Pappas, Payton Colestock, Kaylin Kucker, Madeline Schuelke

3.49-3.00: Tadya Glover, Katlyn Kyar, Indigo Rogers, Kya Jandel, Caitlynn Barse, Austin Jones

**Eighth Grade**

4.0 GPA: None  
 3.99-3.50: Isaac Smith, Erin Unzen, Jasmine Gengerke, Tanae Lipp, Sage Mortenson, Samantha Pappas, Grace Wambach, Alexis Hanten, Alexa Herr, Tessa Erdmann, Regan Leicht, Trey Gengerke, Hailey Monson, Grace Wiedrick, Brooklyn Gilbert

3.49-3.00: Alyssa Fordham, Steven Paulson, Gabriella Merkel, Chandler Larson, Lucas Simon, Lee Iverson, Alex Morris, Kale Pharis, Eh Tha You Say, Kenzie McInerney, Dragr Monson, Tiara DeHoet, Braden Freeman, Hunter Kassube, Paxton Bonn, Chloe Crosby, Kaden Carda

**Seventh Grade**

4.0 GPA: Stella Meier  
 3.99-3.50: Madeline Fliehs, Seth Johnson, Allyssa Locke, Jackson Cogley, Riley Gengerke, Trista Keith, Travis Townsend, Lane Krueger, Madisen Bjerke, Hannah Gustafson, Pierce Kettering, Jordan Bjerke, Kaden Kurtz, Kennedy Anderson, Jayden Zak, Megan Fliehs, Kansas Kroll, Rease Jandel, Macine McGannon

3.49-3.00: Julianna Kosel, Trey Johnson, Jackson Becker, Andrea Davidson, Jace Kroll, River Pardick

**Sixth Grade**

4.0 GPA: None  
 3.99-3.50: Jackson Bahr, Ethan Clark, Caleb Hanten, Andrew Marzahn, Jackson Dinger, Jacob Lewandowski, Kaleb Antonsen, Cole Bisbee, Kamryn Fliehs, Brooke Gengerke, Cole Simon, Ava Tunheim

3.49-3.00: Cade Larson, Carter Barse, Cadance Tullis, Shallyn Foertsch, Aspen Johnson, Eliana Weismantel, Tate Larson, Aeydon Johnson



Work is progressing on an east-bound turning lane on US 12 in north Groton. There is two-way traffic for several blocks going through town on US 12 as well as two-way for 150 feet going north on SD 37.

There are weekly construction meetings on Thursdays at 1 p.m. at the Groton Community Center. The public can attend these meetings. They are also livestreamed on GDILIVE.COM. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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## Doeden, Wanner are state qualifiers

Two Groton Area athletes met the state qualifying standard at the Groton Invitational Track Meet held Tuesday. Jonathan Doeden took second in the 110m Hurdles and qualified for state and Audrey Wanner won the triple jump and qualified for state in that event. Wanner was picked as the Dick Donovan Field Events MVP as she won the long jump and the triple jump.

Others taking first were Sean Schuring in the 800m run, the boys 400m relay team of Trevor Pray, Bennett Shabazz, Jackson Oliver and Lucas Hinman, and Jessica Bjerke in the discus.

### Boy's Division

**110m Hurdles:** 2, Jonathan Doeden, 14.74 (SQ); Garret Schroeder, 19.3.

**300m Hurdles:** 7, Garret Schroeder, 51.28.

**100m Dash:** 5, Lucas Hinman, 11.78; 7, Jackson Oliver, 11.92.

**200m Dash:** 6, Thomas Cranford, 24.54; 8, Jackson Oliver, 24.81; Garret Schroeder, 27.7.

**400m Dash:** 7, Treyton Diegel, 58.66; 8, Austin Jones, 58.91; Brandon Keith, 1:00.

**800m Run:** 1, Sean Schuring, 2:12.61; Mitchell Koens, 2:31.

**1600m Run:** 3, Sean Schuring, 5:09.84.

**400m Relay:** 1, (Trevor Pray, Bennett Shabazz, Jackson Oliver, Lucas Hinman), 46.28.

**800m Relay:** 3, (Trevor Pray, Jonathon Doeden, Thomas Cranford, Lucas Hinman), 1:39.13.

**1600m Relay:** 8, (Treyton Diegel, Austin Jones, Brandon Keith, Sean Schuring), 3:57.42.

**3200m Relay:** 5, (Mitchell Koens, Austin Jones, Brandon Keith, Treyton Diegel), 9:35.25.

**High Jump:** 3, Bennett Shabazz, 5'7"; 8, Austin Jones, 5'1".

**Long Jump:** Thomas Cranford, 17'5"; Lucas Hinman, 17'4 1/4"; Bennett Shabazz, 17'8 1/2".

**Triple Jump:** 4, Bennett Shabazz, 36'11".

**Discus:** 5, Luke Thorson, 120'3"; McClain Lone, 99'4"; Grady O'Neill, 90'6".

**Shot Put:** 3, McClain Lone, 44'5"; 7, Luke Thorson, 38'4".

### Girl's Division

**100m Hurdles:** 7, Eliza Wanner, 19.88; Emerald Sturdevant, 28.9.

**300m Hurdles:** 3, Payton Maine, 52.84; Jodi Hinman, 59.9; Emerald Sturdevant, 1:21.3.

**100m Dash:** Tadyn Glover, 14.05; Kaylin Kucker, 15.16.

**200m Dash:** Kaylin Kucker, 32.73; Jodi Hinman, 30.9; Nicole Marzahn, 30.4.

**1600m Run:** Emily Thompson, 6:41.

**400m Relay:** 3, (Audrey Wanner, Heather Lone, Eliza Wanner, Harleigh Stange), 54.59.

**800m Relay:** 2, (Harleigh Stange, Payton Maine, Katie Koehler, Audrey Wanner), 1:55.89.

**Medley Relay:** 5, (Tayden Glover, Eliza Wanner, Kenzie McInerney, Regan Leicht), 5:22.15.

**1600m Relay:** 6, (Harleigh Stange, Katie Koehler, Payton Maine, Eliza Wanner), 4:40.65.

**Long Jump:** 1, Audrey Wanner, 15'4 1/2"; 7, Nicole Marzahn, 13'10 1/4"; Tadyn Glover, 12/10 3/4"; Jodi Hinman, 10'11"; Harleigh Stange, 12'6 1/4".

**Triple Jump:** 1, Audrey Wanner, 34'1 1/2" (SQ); Katie Koehler, 28'4"; Nicole Marzahn, 27'9"; Tayden Glover, 26'3".

**Discus:** 1, Jessica Bjerke, 109'4"; 3, Taylor Holm, 93'10"; 4, Jennie Doeden, 91'4"; Madison Sippel, 64'5".

**Shot Put:** 2, Jessica Bjerke, 32'8 3/4"; 5, Taylor Holm, 31'8"; Kaycie Hawkins, 29'8"; Jennie Doeden N/A; Madison Sippel, 29'6".

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## Vikings or Packers? That is the question!

There were two baskets at the POPS Concert that would be classified as opposites. One was a Minnesota Vikings basket and the other a Green Bay Packers basket. The Schwans bid on the Green Bay one as that is "their team." However, someone put down Joe Schwan on the Vikings basket. Joe Schwan is proudly (probably not proudly!) holding his Vikings basket that he "won". JD is holding the Green Bay basket won by Jodi with Jordan pictured in front right. Now if the truth be told, Marty Weismantel said it was the best \$30 he ever spent!

(Photo by Paul Kosel)



## Brown County April 3

### Meeting Minutes

APRIL 3, 2017 - JOINT ABERDEEN CITY/BROWN COUNTY MEETING

The Brown County Commission and the Aberdeen City Council met in joint session at 5:30 P.M. in the Aberdeen City Council Chambers, 123 S Lincoln Street, Aberdeen, SD. Present from City were Council Members Bunsness, Campbell, Johnson, Olson, Remily, Ronayne, Slaight-Hansen and Mayor Levsen. Council Member Rux was absent. Present from County were Commissioners Hansen, Sutton and Fischbach. Commissioners Kippley and Fjeldheim were absent.

**ORDINANCE #17-03-01/465:** On motion by Bunsness, seconded by Johnson, the City unanimously voted to adopt Ordinance #17-03-01/465.

Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to adopt Ordinance #17-03-01/465, An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (M-AG) Mini Agricultural District and (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini Agricultural District: Lots 11-13, Block 2, DeVaans Villa Rancheras Subdivision in the S 1/2 of Sec 31-T124N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (2101 NE 130th Street). Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansens-aye, sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-absent, Kippley-absent. Ordinance adopted.

**ORD #17-04-01/467 AND ORD #17-04-02/468 SET HEARINGS:** On motion by Campbell, seconded by Ronayne, the City unanimously voted to set public hearings for Ordinance #17-04-01/467 and Ordinance #17-04-02/468.

Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to set public hearings for the following: Ordinance #17-04-01/467, an Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to consider petition filed by Prairie Hill Farms LLC to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District: Proposed Lot 1, Dorn Subdivision in the NW 1/4 of Sec 23-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (approximately 1/2 mile South of Hwy 12 and 392nd Ave on the East side of road; Part of 1115 392nd Ave); and Ordinance #17-04-02-468, an Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to consider petition filed by Doug Roethler to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (R-2) Medium Density Residential District: Lot C in the SW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec 21-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (1519 S Melgaard Road), to be held in the City Council Chambers on April 24, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**WEB WATER:** Mayor Levsen in reference to a recent meeting between the County and Web Water stated all water source issues are very important to the City and offered support in preserving our rural water systems.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to adjourn the Brown County Commission. All members present voting. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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## Brown County Ord. 108 Title 4

NOTICE OF HEARING OF THE BROWN COUNTY COMMISSION

REGARDING AN AMENDMENT TO SECOND REVISION BROWN COUNTY ORDINANCE, TITLE 4

A public hearing will be held by the Brown County Commission on the 25th day of April 2017 beginning at 8:45 a.m. in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, to consider an ordinance amending Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, Title 4, Chapter 4.23, Section 4.2301 Proceedings of the County Planning and Zoning Commission, as follows:

CHAPTER 4.23 COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION/ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

4.2301 Proceedings of the County Planning and Zoning Commission. The County Planning and Zoning Commission shall serve as a Zoning Board of Adjustment as provided by SDCL 11-2-25.1 SDCL 11-2-2. The County Planning and Zoning Commission shall adopt rules necessary for the conduct of its affairs and keeping with the provisions of Title 4. The County Planning and Zoning Commission shall keep a record of all proceedings. Meetings shall be held at the call of the Chairman, and at such other times as the Planning Commission may determine. The Chairman, or in his absence the Acting Chairman, may administer oaths and compel the attendance of witnesses. All meetings shall be open to the public.

The County Planning and Zoning Commission shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member upon each question, or if absent or failure to vote indicating such fact, and shall keep records of its examinations and other official actions, all of which shall be a public record and be immediately filed with the Secretary of the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission shall adopt from time to time, sub-regulations as it may deem necessary to carry appropriate provisions of this Title into effect.

a) Unless otherwise specified by the Zoning Board of Adjustment at the time it approves an Application for a Variance or for a Special Exception/Conditional Use, any Approved Application shall be valid, for a period of two years following the date said Application was approved by the Zoning Board of Adjustment as shown in its official minutes.

b) At the end of that two year period, or such other time as specified by the Zoning Board of Adjustment as provided herein, any Approved Application which has not resulted in a Permit, will expire and become null and void.

c) If an Approved Application has expired as provided herein, a Petitioner may re-apply with a new application. This new application will be subject to the same process, review, consideration and payment of fees as any other new application.

d) Any Approved Application granted before this revised Ordinance takes effect will continue to be valid for a period of two years following the effective date of this revised ordinance. At the end of that two year period, any Approved Application, which has not resulted in a Permit, will expire and become null and void. The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the amendment of Title 4 Zoning, Chapter 4.23, Section 4.2301. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Brown County Commission may adopt first reading of Brown County Ordinance No. 108.

Dated this 4th day of April 2017

**ATTEST:**  
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor  
(0412.0419)

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## Brown County Ord. 465

### Meyer's Rezoning

ORDINANCE #17-03-01/465  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1164

TO REZONE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Aberdeen, South Dakota, that the Petition to Amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property filed by Paul Meyers, is hereby granted and Ordinance No. 1164 is hereby amended to change the zoning on the following described property from (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District and (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District, said property is described as follows:

Lots 11 - 13, Block 2, DeVaans Villa Rancheras Subdivision in the S 1/2 of Sec 31-T124N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (2101 130th Street NE)

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Aberdeen, South Dakota, that the zoning official for the County of Brown is hereby authorized to change the official zoning map for the County of Brown to reflect this Ordinance.

Notice of Hearing: March 15 & 22, 2017

Passed First Reading: March 27, 2017

Passed Second Reading: April 3, 2017

Adopted: April 3, 2017

Published: April 12, 2017

Effective Date: May 2, 2017

Rachel Kippley, Chair

Brown County Commission

**ATTEST:**  
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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## Brown County Prairie Hills

### Rezoning Notice

NOTICE OF HEARING OF THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

AND THE BROWN COUNTY COMMISSION

REGARDING A PETITION TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY

A public hearing will be held by the Aberdeen City Council and the Brown County Commission on the 24th day of April 2017, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Aberdeen City Council Chambers, 123 S Lincoln Street, to consider the petition filed by Prairie Hill Farms LLC, 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, said property being described as follows:

Proposed Lot 1, Dorn Subdivision in the NW 1/4 of Sec 23-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (approximately 1/2 mile South of Hwy 12 and 392nd Ave on the East side of road; part of 1115 392nd Ave)

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present testimony and comments pertaining to the petition to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the above described property. At the conclusion of the hearing, each board may adopt first reading of Ordinance #17-04-01/467 granting petition to amend Ordinance No. 1164 and granting the petition to rezone said property. Dated this 3rd day of April 2017.

**ATTEST:** Karl Alberts, Finance Officer

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor  
(0412.0419)

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## Brown County Roethler

### Rezoning Notice

NOTICE OF HEARING OF THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

AND THE BROWN COUNTY COMMISSION

REGARDING A PETITION TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY

A public hearing will be held by the Aberdeen City Council and the Brown County Commission on the 24th day of April 2017, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the Aberdeen City Council Chambers, 123 S Lincoln Street, to consider the petition filed by Doug Roethler, to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (R-2) Medium Density Residential District, said property being described as follows:

Lot C in the SW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec 21-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (1519 S Melgaard Road)

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present testimony and comments pertaining to the petition to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the above described property. At the conclusion of the hearing, each board may adopt first reading of Ordinance #17-04-02/468 granting petition to amend Ordinance No. 1164 and granting the petition to rezone said property. Dated this 3rd day of April 2017.

**ATTEST:** Karl Alberts, Finance Officer

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor  
(0412.0419)

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## Frederick Town April 3

### Meeting Minutes

Town of Frederick  
April Minutes

The Town of Frederick monthly Board meeting was held Monday night, April 3, 2017, opening at 7 PM. The meeting began with Chairman R. Scott Campbell leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Attending the meeting with Chairman Campbell were Board Members Gary Schlosser and Troy Millard, Utility Manager Richard Bakeberg, Senior Citizen Association members Coralie Anderson and Janet Burkhardt and Finance Officer Diane Bruns.

The Minutes of the March meeting were reviewed and approved and a motion by GS/TM. Motion Carried.

The Financial Report for April was reviewed and approved with a motion by TM/GS. Motion Carried.

Accounts Payable, with additions, was approved with a motion by GS/TM. Additions

included a WEB Water addition to the estimated total, and SDML WC insurance premium.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

Badger Meter fees Wtr \$115.70; Dependable Sanitation 1st Qtr pickup Garb \$4,235; Brown County Treasurer taxes EBL \$21; D. Bruns, wage CC \$124.91; D. Bruns, wage+mtgs+OT FO/Wtr \$1055; D. Bruns sup Gen/CC \$101.72; Don Maunu citizen mowing Genl \$375; FDC Econ Dev Econ Dev \$1200; FU Oil Co propane EBL \$287.50; G. Schlosser wage Genl \$69.26; GDI subscptn \$35; JVT phones, Internets, services FO/Wtr/EBL/Genl \$301.56; M. Cox wage EBL \$639.93; MDU elect Fire/B Park/Wtr/S Park/EBL/Firehall/Sewer/FO/CC/Sts \$1590.53; Menard's sup CC/Genl/FO \$65.92; R.S. Campbell wage Genl \$138.52; R. Bakeberg wage Sts/Wtr/Swr \$265.64; R. Bakeberg Veh Allow Sts/Wtr/Swr \$75; SD Dept Rev lab Wtr \$15; SD Dept Rev Sales Tax Garb \$91.30; T. Millard wage Genl \$69.26; US Treasury 941 1st Qtr Cem/Genl/EBL/FO/CC/Sts/Wtr/Swr \$1945.61; US DARD AP Water Repair \$475; USPS postage Sts/Wtr/Swr \$147; WEB Water Water \$2605.65; SDML WC Ins Genl \$528.00. Total A/P \$16,574.01.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Rich Bakeberg, Utility Manager, reported some street signs are missing and will be working on replacing them. Scott has rescued one of them he found. Rich will be attending a Waste-Water seminar in Pierre April 18-20. He talked about roads that need to be bladed and graveled and some that need milling and resurfaced, and the board all talked about blacktopping on 1st Avenue behind school. He talked about cleaning up behind the CC building and will haul scrap iron to Meyers Tractor Salvage including surplus manhole covers. He is going to learn how to fix a fire hydrant on U Tube and needs to replace a shut-off valve in a water pit with no curb-stop. Also on Manager Bakeberg's agenda is painting the old Jailhouse when the weather permits.

Frederick Forward sponsored Day of Champions is April 22, 2017. The City of Frederick will pay for half cost of the dumpsters in use this year believing there will be 3.

One or 2 may be placed on Main Street. A motion to pay half of the cost was made by TM/SC. Motion Carried.

Insurance, implementation and upkeep on park equipment was discussed. The City's general liability will cover equipment.

Frederick Historical Society had no representation. Board Member Schlosser is looking into the mud nests.

Emma Burnham Library had no representation.

Frederick Development Corporation had nothing.

**OTHER OLD BUSINESS:** Chairman Campbell will be working with the Brown County Equalization Office about vacated alleys and streets in Frederick and the City Limits. A map of Frederick is hanging in the Community Center; the DENR WM Landfill report was discussed. Chairman Campbell will ask Mr. Cutler about turning LF pile over; an informational letter was given to each board member about the Beacon Website (properties).

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Senior Citizen Association members Anderson and Burkhardt brought up Fredericks' sidewalks. Information has been received from Senator John Thune's office, NEOG and locally from CWF Concrete & Masonry, Inc. (Cory Foley). There was much discussion but it is unknown on Main Street, if the city or the county would replace sidewalks when done and maybe even put in a curb. Rule of thumb is landowner is responsible for the sidewalk on their property, where there is one. No action taken.

The 1st Quarter Emma Burnham Library Report was accepted as read with a motion by TM/SC. Motion Carried.

Resolution #468 was passed authorizing the City of Frederick to become a member of the SDML Worker's Compensation Fund effective 4/1/2017. The motion to approve the resolution authorizing the city was made by GS/TM. Motion Carried. A bill was presented in the Accounts Payable to pay premium.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

There will be no local election; a letter from Bituminous Paving, Inc. from Ortonville, MN, was presented as info; the Annual Drinking Water Report was presented and is available to read in the Finance Office; a questionnaire from the US Dept

of Commerce, 2017 Census of Government Survey of Public Employment & Payroll is being completed; Community Center support has come from Allison, Brainard, Osceola, Palmyra and Savo Townships.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The next regularly scheduled monthly Frederick Board meeting will be Thursday evening at 7 PM, May 4th, 2017, in the Community Center.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 with a motion by GS/TM. Motion Carried. FO Office 329-2242. SDCL 1-25-1

Diane Bruns, Frederick Finance Officer

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## Frederick School April 8

### Meeting Minutes

OFFICIAL BOARD PROCEEDINGS

FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2

April 8, 2017

The special meeting of the

Board of Education of the Frederick Area School District #6-2 was called to order on April 8, 2017 at 10:52 a.m. by Chairman Rich Schlosser with Jon Ellwein and Eric Sumption present. Other present was Janel Wagner.

The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Schlosser called for Conflict of Interest Disclosures. None were acknowledged.

Action 16-99 Motion by Ellwein, second by Sumption to approve the agenda. All aye, carried.

Action 16-100 Motion by Sumption, second by Ellwein to enter into executive session at 10:53 a.m. to interview a Superintendent Candidate. All aye, carried.

Chairman Schlosser declared executive session over at 11:47 a.m.

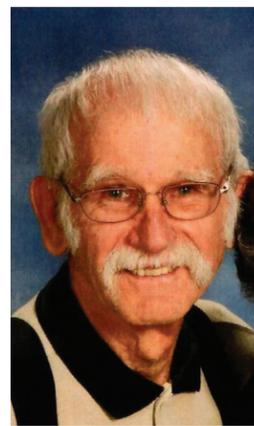
Action 16-101 Motion by Ellwein, second by Sumption to adjourn at 11:53 a.m. All aye, carried.

Chairman

Business Manager

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## The Life of Dwayne Coon



Memorial services for Dwayne Coon, 80, of Groton, was held Monday, April 10 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Groton. Rev. Craig Grams officiated. Inurnment with military honors followed in Groton Union Cemetery.

Dwayne passed away April 6, 2017 at Groton Care and Rehabilitation Center.

Dwayne L. Coon, son of Albert & Grace (Marxen) Coon, was born April 22, 1936, in Watertown, SD.

As a child, his family lived

in housing on the de-commissioned air base near the Watertown airport. Because he loved anything to do with airplanes, living at the air base was a dream come true. He played with the air base gang of boys, enjoying roller skating, going to movies, and tinkering with cars. While attending Watertown High School, he joined the Civil Air Patrol.

His years at the air base were short, but his love of aircraft led him to join the Air Force. He was an Airman 2nd Class, specializing in communications, and he served from 1954-58. Over the course of his service, he was stationed in Cheyenne, WY; Labrador, Newfoundland; and Peoria, IL. After an honorable discharge, he relocated to Rapid City, SD, married and had a daughter, Jolene. He met and married the love of his life, Marlene Schuelke Ahern, on May 29, 1965, the mother of 3 children, Wallace, Richard, and Patti Ahern. Living in Rapid City, he worked for Air Products and Chemicals for thirty years.

After his retirement in 1992, Dwayne and Marlene moved to Hastings, MN, to be closer to their son, Richard and his family. In 1995, the couple relocated to the Schuelke family farm north of Groton, SD, and Dwayne worked at Darrel's Sinclair in Groton for 10 years. He enjoyed helping on the farm with harvest, yard work, and mowing.

His fascination with airplanes continued in his adult life and he was an enthusiastic member of model radio-controlled airplane clubs. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, was an avid golfer, and thoroughly enjoyed his coffee groups.

Dwayne survived by his loving wife, Marlene, of Groton; daughter, Jolene (Joseph) Shear, of Clarksville, TN; son, Richard (Kristine) Ahern, of Maiden Rock, WI; daughter, Patti Hergenreder, of Nashville, TN; daughter-in-law, Christina Ahern, of Cape Coral, FL; grandchildren, Mikel Ahern, of Mobile, AL; Linda (Travis) Downes, of Cape Coral, FL; Patrishia (Jeff) Hickcox, of Fort Myers, FL; Brianna Ahern, of St. Paul, MN; and Jameson (Naquita) Ahern, of Stevensville, MT; two great-grandsons, Kaiden and Declan Hickcox, of Fort Myers, FL; two brothers, Roger (Judy) Coon, of Duluth, MN, and Harlan (Marla) Coon, of Webster, SD; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Bill & Eileen Schuelke, of Groton, SD; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Gerald Coon and Milton Coon; and four sisters, Betty Decker, Gene Dahl, Mildred Bowman, and Audrey Sweet; one son, Wallace Ahern; two granddaughters, Leslie and Alicia Shear; and a son-in-law, Wilbert Hergenreder.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial gifts to the Preschool of St. John's Lutheran Church.

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## Groton Kiwanis Club

Fourteen members attended the Wednesday weekly Kiwanis Club meeting.

Tom Paepke, president; led the short business session. Plans are being made for the annual Kiwanis sponsored GHS track meet, set for April 25, and the annual GHS athletic banquet, set for May 1.

Sharon Simon was the program leader, and introduced Shannon and Grace Weidrick, who gave a travelogue on their last February trip to Jamaica. A couple facts given about Jamaica was that they are all about singing, dancing, and having fun; and they only have one airport, along with quite a bit of severe poverty.

Steve Simon is next week's program chairman, followed by Mike Ehresmann.

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## Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

There are a few positions in the NFL where you can never have enough good players. Cornerback is one of them. The Vikings are very lucky, as the cornerback position is one of the deepest on the team (even after losing Captain Munnerlyn in free agency).



Before Mike Zimmer came to the team, the Vikings had one of the worst pass defenses in the league. Every year since Zimmer has arrived, pass defense has gotten better and is finally one of the team's strengths. In 2016 the Vikings pass defense ranked third in the league, giving up only 207.9 yards per game through the air. The team was also fourth in the league, allowing opposing quarterbacks an 83.0 passer rating.

The best cornerback on the team is Xavier Rhodes. Rhodes was asked to shadow the opposing team's best wide receiver most games, and he excelled when going against the best of the best. Xavier is only 26 years old, and will be entering the last year of his rookie contract. The Vikings will likely look to lock him up long-term this summer. I expect Rhodes to get a contract that is close to what the Falcons gave Desmond Trufant (5 year, \$69 million).

Terence Newman is a player who defies father time. The cornerback played most of 2016 at 38 years of age, and had perhaps his best season. Pro Football Focus gave him a grade of 86.4, which was the 9th best grade in the league and the highest grade of Newman's career. He decided to come back for one more year, and will be doing everything he can to bring a championship trophy to Minnesota.

Trae Waynes was a first-round pick in 2015, but didn't play much his rookie season. Waynes saw the field more in 2016, and started to show why the Vikings spent a high draft pick on him. I fully expect him to take another step forward this upcoming year and challenge Newman for the starting spot across from Xavier Rhodes.

The Vikings likely knew they would lose Captain Munnerlyn in free agency, which is why they spent a 2nd round pick on Mackensie Alexander last year. While Rhodes and Waynes are better suited to play on the outside, Mackensie has the skills required to play on the inside, against the opposing team's slot receiver. Expect a jump in playing time, similar to what happened with Waynes between his rookie and sophomore seasons.

The top of the Vikings' cornerback depth chart is set, with Rhodes, Newman, Waynes and Alexander. There will be some competition, however, as Marcus Sherels, Jabari Price, Tre Roberson and Terrell Sinkfield will be battling for the remaining one or two roster spots.

Marcus Sherels seems to have the inside track to a roster spot, as he is the team's primary punt returner. He might not be a great cornerback, but he is reliable on special teams. The Vikings were top 10 in punt return yardage, and Sherels led the league with two punt return touchdowns. Sherels has been an underdog his entire career, and every year he gets counted out before surprising everyone by making the team. This year will likely be no different.

If I had to guess, I would assume the Vikings will be moving on from Jabari Price, Tre Roberson and Terrell Sinkfield. Price is the only one of the three who has seen actual game time, and that was back in 2014. It also wouldn't surprise me to see the Vikings spend a middle to late round draft pick on a cornerback who can sit for a year and hopefully make the roster next season when Newman retires.



**The garage area on the south side of the Groton Area Elementary School was demolished this week. A safety fence has been installed separating the playground area from the work site.** (Photos by Paul Kosel)

## Sombke threatens district with temporary injunction

Doug Sombke came before the Groton Area School Board Monday night and said he may be filing a temporary injunction on the school building projects. Sombke had submitted an open records request to Superintendent Joe Schwan on Friday asking for bidding materials and documentation. Schwan said his request does not require board action and that he will get his records either Tuesday or Wednesday. According to state law, a public entity has up to 10 days to provide materials for an open records request.

Sombke alleged that the district was at fault on two counts of the bidding process. One on the general contractor - the site contractor, and the other on Section 25 where several bids were hidden in other sections when they should have been clearly listed in Section 25.

The board did not comment on Sombke's potential of a temporary injunction. Board President Steve Smith said, "That's what attorneys are for. We can't discuss this tonight."

"After visiting with my attorney in the morning," Sombke said, "we will probably file a temporary injunction and that you don't go any further with this project than what you already have."

Schwan said there are over 900 pages to Sombke's request and the district charges 25 cents a page.

As of press time, there was no temporary injunction issued.

Then Bob Swisher came before the board and urged them to slow up on their building plans, especially during these uncertain times in the agriculture community. "There is an agriculture disaster that the farming economy is in right now," Swisher said. "Timing in life is everything. Timing results in good projects that are done well, and done on time and done under budget. This doesn't look like a project that is going to work well."

Swisher talked about the tornado that hit Groton in 1969. He said if an F5 tornado would hit the school and said, "If you had a school that was 2 story made of steel and sheet metal, it would no longer be here. Glass would have been spread all over Groton. That school, right there (pointing to the 1934 edition) would remain standing. That old girl is a good school. It just needs a little help."

Swisher pointed out that when the tornado hit Groton, it was the farmers that were called on to come and help. He also said five or six years ago when there was flooding, it was the farmers who showed up. He said that millions of dollars could be saved by doing things differently. He questioned why the meetings were held in July when everyone is busy. "We're all in this together," Swisher said. He urged people in Groton to vote no and to come up with better plans.

Later in the meeting, board member Merle Harder said he wanted to make a point. "I attended all but one meeting. There were two in October, four in November, one in December, two in February and two in March. I'm not sure which July meetings he was referring to."

There will be a lot of things going on during the last two months of school. They are the Math Contest on April 19, Middle School Talent Show at 7 p.m. on April 21, FCCLA Style Show at 7 p.m. on April 27, FFA Banquet at 6:30 p.m. on April 28, Girls golf in Groton on May 8, Track in Groton April 11 and April 25, Fifth Grade field trip to Sisseton on May 4, Fourth Grade field trip to the AG Fair in Aberdeen on April 11, Third Grade to Langford for the school play on April 19, Kindergarten trip to Aberdeen on April 28, Junior Kindergarten to the Dacotah Prairie Museum on April 19, Track and Field Day for JK through fifth grade on May 17 at 12:30 p.m., Health Fair for the first or second Friday in May, Elementary Spring Concert at 7 p.m. on May 2.

The board accepted the resignation of Becky Erickson as eighth grade girls' basketball coach pending suitable replacement. Erickson has been coaching eighth grade for seven years.

## Groton Area wins three events at Oakes

Groton Area placed first in three events at the Oakes Invitational Track Meet held Thursday. The boys 3200m Relay team of Sean Schuring, Austin Jones, Brandon Keith and Treyton Diegel ran over 2 seconds faster than the runner-up team of Oakes. Payton Maine easily won the 300m Hurdles and Audrey Wanner was over a foot further to win the long jump.

### Boy's Division

**Team Points:** MWL 149.5, Lisbon 118, Sargent County 56, Groton 52, Wahpeton 47.5, Langford Area 42, Richland 36, Ellendale 33, Oakes 29, Hankinson 6, Valley City 6, Montpelier 4, Lamour-LM 3, Edgeley-Kulm 1, BCN 0.

**110m Hurdles:** 2, Jonathan Doeden, 16.69; Garrett Schroeder, 20.84.

**200m Dash:** Jackson Oliver, 24.68; Lucas Hinman, 25.15; Garrett Schroeder 28.28.

**400m Dash:** 6, Treyton Diegel, 57.74; Brandon Keith, 58.84.

**800m Run:** 5, Sean Schuring, 2:16.55.

**400m Relay:** 4, (Jonathan Doeden, Bennett Shabazz, Jackson Oliver, Lucas Hinman), 47.52.

**800m Relay:** 3, (Jonathan Doeden, Garret Schroeder, Jackson Oliver, Lucas Hinman), 1:42.33

**1600m Relay:** 4, (Austin Jones, Brandon Keith, Treyton Diegel, Sean Schuring), 3:57.18.

**3200m Relay:** 1, (Sean Schuring, Austin Jones, Brandon Keith, Treyton Diegel), 8:59.40.

**High Jump:** 6, Bennett Shabazz, 5'6"; Austin Jones, 5'4"; Jonathan Doeden, 5'2".

**Long Jump:** Bennett Shabazz 17'5"; Lucas Hinman 17'4".

**Triple Jump:** 4, Bennett Shabazz, 39'3".

**Discus:** 2, McClain Lone, 129'7"; Luke Thorson, 123'5"; Grady O'Neill, 83'5".

**Shot Put:** McClain Lone 39'6"; Luke Thorson, 38'11"; Grady O'Neill 29'9".

### Girl's Division

**Team Points:** Lisbon 107, MWL 102.5, Groton Area 76, Wahpeton 65.5, BCN 55, Oakes 42, Edgeley-Kulm 34, Lamoure-LM 23, Sargent County 13, Valley City 12, Hankinson 10, Langford Area 10, Ellendale 6, Richland 6, Montpelier 0.

**100m Hurdles:** 4, Eliza Wanner, 20.55; Emerald Studerant, 23.56.

**300m Hurdles:** 1, Payton Maine, 53.47; Jodi Hinman, 1:00; Emerald Studerant, 1:09.24.

**100m Dash:** Tadyn Glover, 14.64; Kaylin Kucker, 15.42.

**200m Dash:** Nicole Marzahn, 31.18; Tadyn Glover, 31.97; Jodi Hinman, 32.62; Kaylin Kucker, 33.22.

**400m Relay:** 3, (Audrey Wanner, Heather Lone, Payton Maine, Harleigh Winther), 55.34.

**800m Relay:** 3, (Audrey Wanner, Eliza Wanner, Katie Koehler, Harleigh Winther), 1:57.53.

**1600m Relay:** (Harleigh Winther, Katie Koehler, Payton Maine, Eliza Wanner), 4:49.81.

**High Jump:** Katie Koehler, 44"; Nicole Marzahn, 44".

**Long Jump:** 1, Audrey Wanner, 15'10"; Harleigh Winther, 14'7"; Nicole Marzahn, 14'1"; Jodi Hinman, 11:10.25"; Tadyn Glover, 12'.

**Triple Jump:** 2, Audrey Wanner, 33'8.5"; Katie Koehler, 27'10"; Nicole Marzahn, 29'7.5".

**Discus:** 2, Jessica Bjerke, 100'3"; 3, Taylor Holm, 95'4"; 4, Jennie Doeden, 95'0"; Madison Sippel, 62"; Kaycie Hawkins, 79'.

**Shot Put:** 4, Jessica Bjerke, 31'9.5"; Jennie Doeden, 28'10"; Kaycie Hawkins, 30'2"; Taylor Holm, 29'6"; Madison Sippel, 28'6".

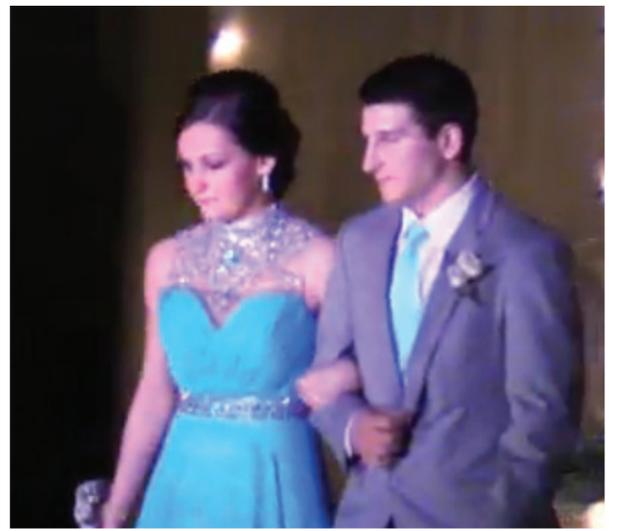
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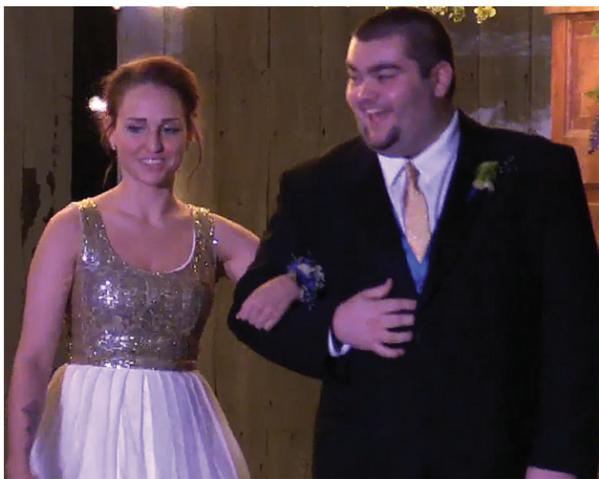
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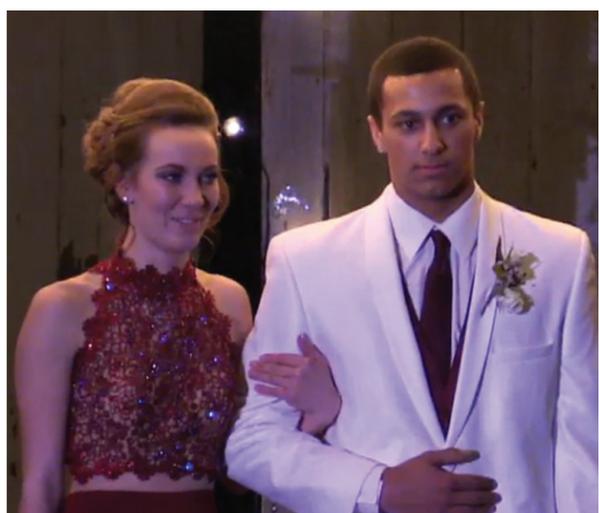
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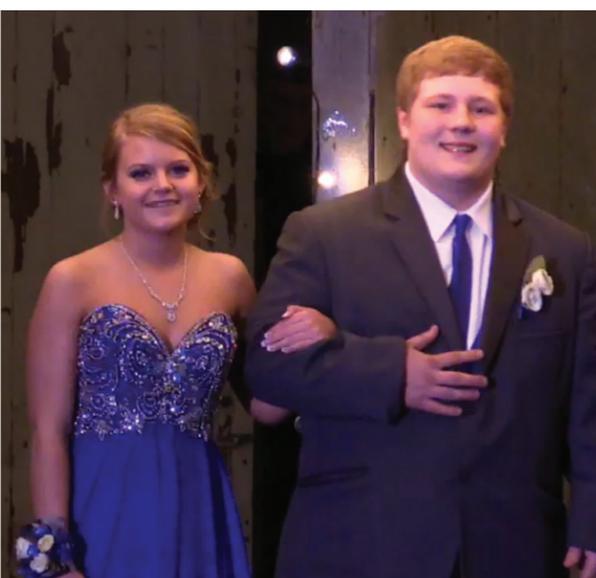
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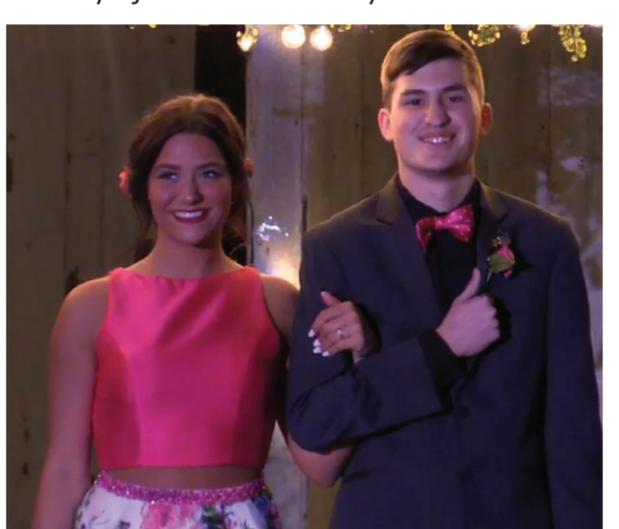
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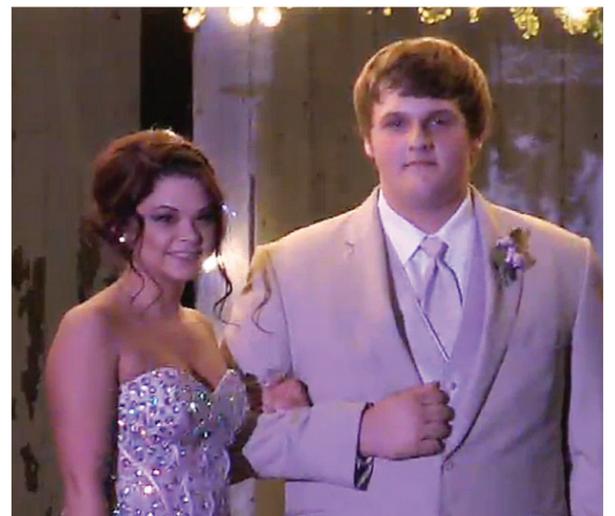
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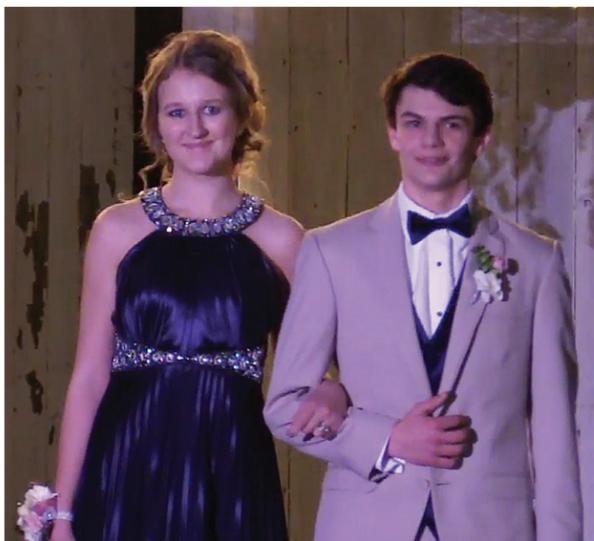
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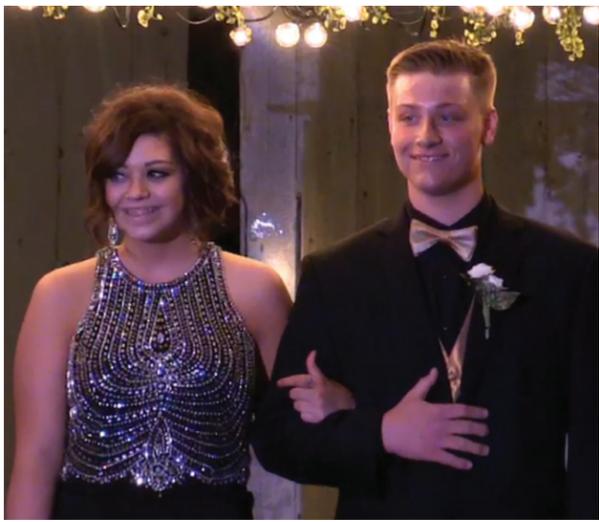
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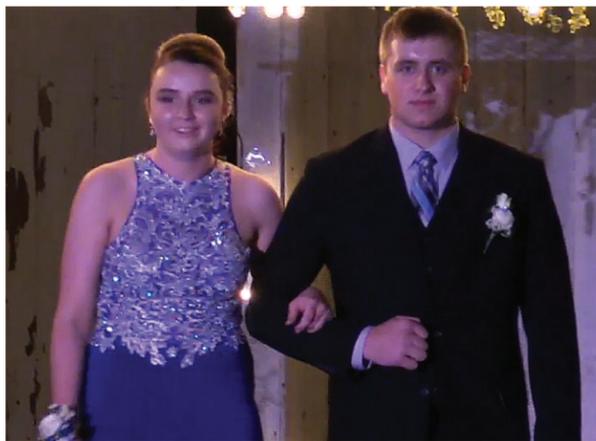
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Mitchel Thurston escorting Kaelyn Somsen.



Lexi Gustafson escorted by Harley Gibbs.



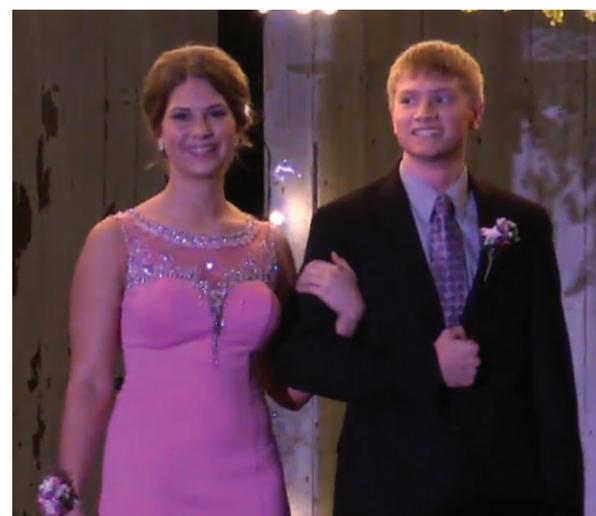
Madison Sippel escorted by Landon Werdel.



Jessica Bjerke escorted by Luke Thorson.



Harleigh Stange escorted by Bennett Shabazz.



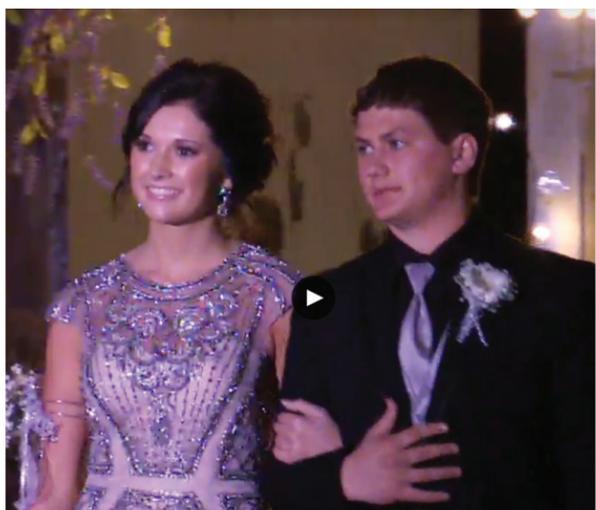
Hannah Lewandowski escorted by Landon Marzahn.



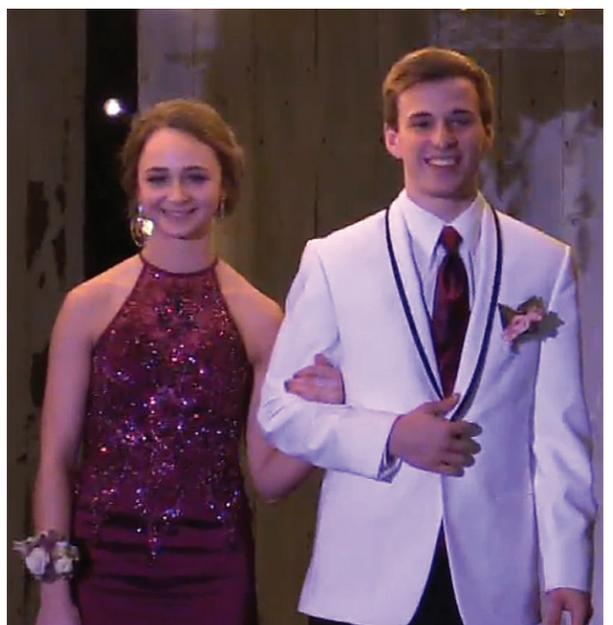
Senior Class President Macy Knecht escorted by Jackson Oliver.



Seric Shabazz escorting Cassidi Schimmel.



Patrick Gengerke escorting Jacey Williams.



Junior Class President Marshall Lane escorting Maria Barker.

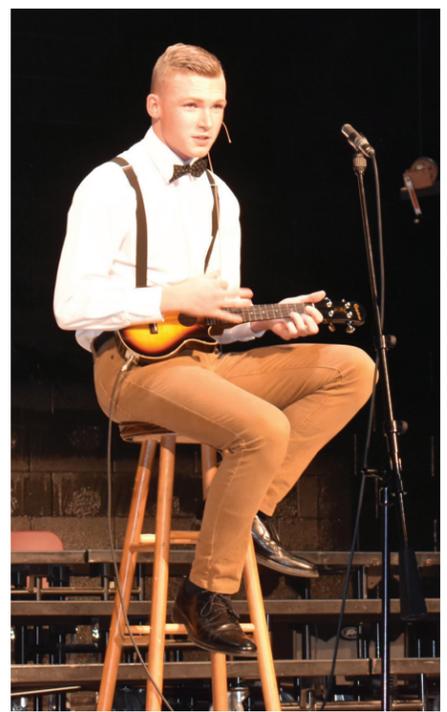


**Thane Henschel and Erin Smith were the Masters of Ceremony for the POPS Concert held Sunday.**

Groton Area High School music department put on the 2017 Groton POPS Concert. The events were held Sunday. The directors are Austin Fordham, Cody Swanson and Desiree Yeigh, assisted by Emily Cruse, Sanessa Lindemann and Ron Parker.

The Jazz Band is made up of Samantha Pappas on alto sax, Hattie Weismantel on tenor sax, Whitney Voss on bari sax; trumpets are AnneMarie Smith, Micah Poor, Ashley Garduno and Noah Poor; trombones are Korbin Blackmun and Nathan Fjelstad; Erin Smith is on the piano and percussion is Tylan Glover and Emily Thompson.

Show Choir members are Insen Deden, Emma Donley, Jenifer Fjelstad, Ashley Garduno, Ashley Flihs, Gabrielle Kramer, Jasmine Schinkel, Madeline Schuelke, AnneMarie Smith, Erin Smith, Hattie Weismantel, Aleaya Worlie, Madilyn Wright, Korbin Blackmun, Tylan Glover, Thane Henschel, Austin Jones, Alex Kern, Mitchell Koens, Marshall Lane, Micah Poor and Anthony Schinkel. Pit and tech crew is Ron Parker, Austin Fordham, Desiree Yeigh, Jake Palmer, Megan Flihs, Indigo Roges, Madison Sippel, Kaitlyn Anderson, Hannah Lewandowski, Maggie Crosby and Shannon Wiedrick.



**Tylan Glover sang, "Somewhere Over the Rainbow."**



**Thane Henschel, AnneMarie Smith and Madeline Schuelke did, "Turning Tables."**



**Audrey Wanner sang, "Stone Cold."**



## GHS POPS Concert

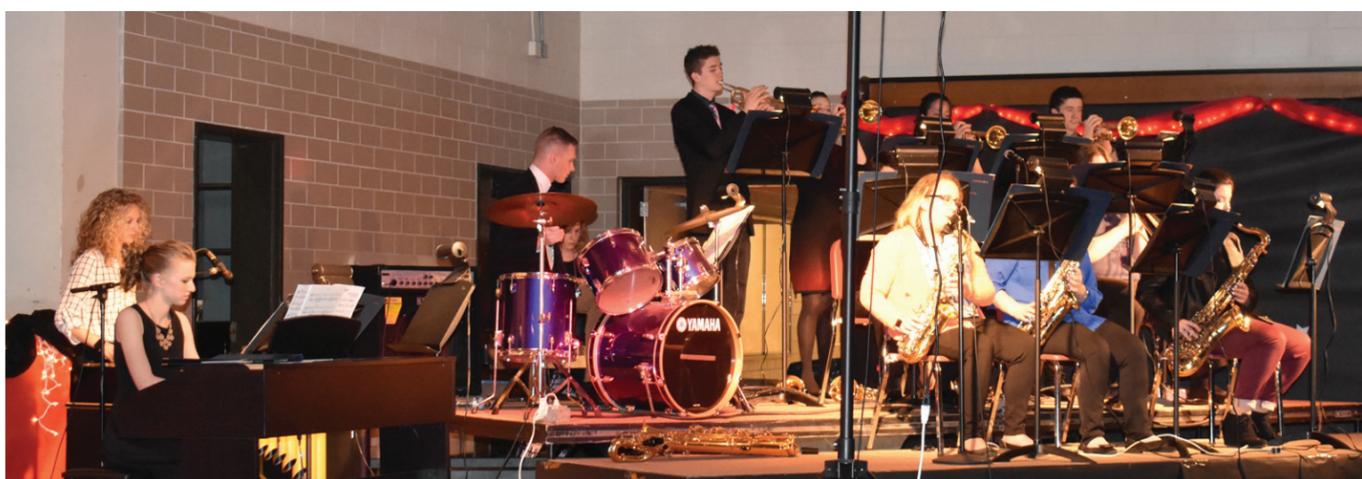
**The Chamber Choir sang, "Hallelujah."**



**Macy Knecht sang, "In My Daughter's Eyes."**



**The Show Choir performed a number of selections and at the end, held up the State Third Place Trophy from the Show Choir Competition held Saturday in Aberdeen.**



**The Jazz Band opened up both the first and the second half with several selections.**



**Dillon Freeman performed, "Air and Bourree" on the Tuba.**

# Community Calendar



**GROTON VET CLINIC**  
1503 N Broadway, Groton, 605/397-8145

## Friday, April 14

Community Good Friday service at Groton Christian & Missionary Alliance Church at noon

GOOD FRIDAY - NO SCHOOL  
No Senior Meal

**Emmanuel Lutheran:** Worship at 7 p.m.

**St. John's Lutheran:** Service at 7 p.m.

**United Methodist:** Conde Good Friday Service at 5:30 p.m., Groton Good Friday Service at 7:30 p.m.

## Saturday, April 15

**Emmanuel Lutheran:** Worship at Rosewood Court at 10 a.m.

## Sunday, April 16

EASTER SUNDAY

**St. John's Lutheran:** Worship with Communion at 9 a.m. (No Sunday School)



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**Emmanuel Lutheran:** Sunrise service at 7 a.m., Breakfast by League at 8 a.m., Worship with communion at 10:15 a.m., Sunday School serves at nursing home at 3 p.m.

**Heaven Bound Ministries, Pierpont:** Worship at 10 a.m.

**United Methodist:** Sunrise service at 7 a.m., Easter Egg Hunt after lunch at 8

a.m., UMW Easter Brunch at 8 a.m., Conde Worship at 9 a.m., Coffee Fellowship at 10 a.m., Groton worship at 11 a.m.

**Catholic Parish:** Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church at 9 a.m., then at St. Joseph in Turton at 11 a.m.

**Monday, April 17**  
EASTER MONDAY - NO SCHOOL

**Senior Menu:** Spanish rice with hamburger, green beans, Mandarin oranges, chocolate pudding, whole wheat bread.

**Emmanuel Lutheran:** Bible Study at 6:30 a.m.

**St. John's Lutheran:** Christian Literature Circle at 7:30 p.m.

**United Methodist:** Evening Bible Study at 7 p.m.

## Tuesday, April 18

**Senior Menu:** Hot turkey combo, mashed potato and gravy, 7 layer salad, peaches.

**School Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Chicken strips, French fries, fruit, romaine salad.

Varsity track at Webster  
7th/8th grade track at Ipswich, 3 p.m.

**United Methodist:** Bible Study at 10 a.m.

## Wednesday, April 19

NSU Match Contest, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Senior Menu:** Scalloped potato with ham, peas, sunset salad, cookie, whole wheat bread.

**School Breakfast:** French toast sticks, links, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Tater tot hot dish, corn, fruit, carrots and dip.

**Emmanuel Lutheran:** League at 6:30 p.m., Confirmation at 7 p.m.

**St. John's Lutheran:** Confirmation at 3:45 p.m.

**United Methodist:** Wednesday Coffee at 9 a.m., Kid Zone at 3:30 p.m., Confirmation at 6 p.m.

## Thursday, April 20

**Senior Menu:** Ranch chicken breast, boiled potato, baby carrots, cake with strawberries, whole wheat bread.

**School Breakfast:** Egg Sausage biscuit, fruit, juice, milk.

**School Lunch:** Super nachos, fruit, broccoli and dip.

**St. John's Lutheran:** Quilting at 9 a.m.

**United Methodist:** UMW at 1:30 p.m.

## Friday, April 21

Middle School Talent Show, 7 p.m., GHS Gym

**Senior Menu:** Meatballs, mashed potato and gravy, mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail, whole wheat bread.

**School Breakfast:** Pancake on stick, fruit, juice, milk.

EASTER CELEBRATION  
Set the holiday table with traditional family favorites!



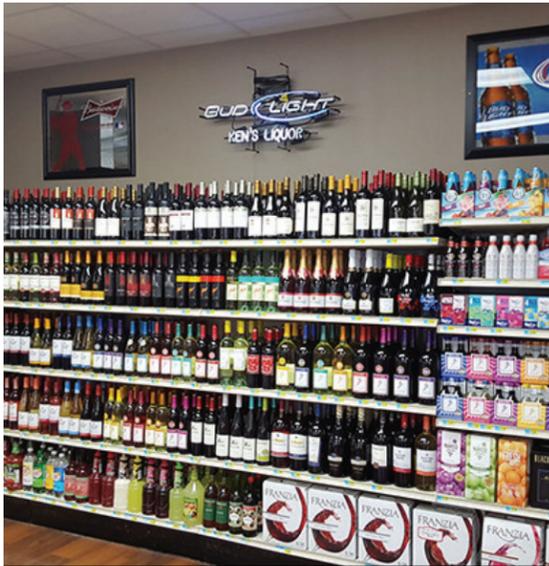
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## The Life of Ralph Sippel



Services for Ralph Sippel, 90, of Groton were held Monday, April 10 at Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton. Rev. Bill Duncan officiated. Burial with military honors followed at Augustana Lutheran Cemetery.

Ralph passed away April 6, 2017 at Groton Care and Rehabilitation Center.

Ralph Ruben Sippel was born on April 18, 1926, to Albert J. and Bertha (Johnson) Sippel in Groton. He attended school in Riverside Township and graduated from Groton High School in 1944. Ralph farmed with his father and brothers. He served in the US Army from October of 1950 until his honorable discharge in October of 1952. In 1958 he brought in the first Charolais cattle and continued raising this type of livestock until 1978.

He was a member of the Augustana Lutheran Church. He was also a member of the Claremont Sportsman Club, the Claremont Legion, and served in the U.S. Army.

Ralph enjoyed buying gifts for his many great nieces and nephews, hunting, fishing, collecting coins, and having coffee with friends both in Claremont and Groton.

Survivors include his brother, Emery Sippel of Groton, sister-in-law, Hilda Sippel of Groton, nephews, Marc (Fanne) Sippel and Monte (Sandi) Sippel of Groton; nieces, Meri (John) Erickson, Marjae (Dan) Schinkel, Mendy (Jim) Jones, and Melissa (Neil) Gilbert, all of Groton, 17 great nieces and nephews, and 2 great-great nieces.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Lester and Arnold, sister, Edith, infant sister, Irene, brother-in-law, Frank Hughes, and sister-in-law, Marlys Sippel.