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March Students of the Month
Back - Jackson Bahr, Tanae Lipp, Hattie Weismantel, Kya
Jandel

Front - Kate Helmer, Cassandra Townsend, Trista Keith

The student council is sponsoring Student of the Month. Each month the faculty select students who show outstanding academic achievement. These students receive certificates and have an end of the year lunch with the principal.

Jackson Bahr, sixth grader, is the son of Damian and Erica Bahr, Groton. His sister is London Bahr. Jackson likes to go outside and play sports with his dad and go camping. He loves to be outside. His accomplishments are taking his dad's position and trying to be successful and get good grades. He doesn't really have any interests right now. Math and science are his favorite subjects. His future plans, he said, "I will go with the flow. I have a lot of time to decide what I want to do." His dad is his role model because "he is never, ever, lazy, he is hard working and usually keeps a positive attitude."

Trista Keith, seventh grader, is the daughter of Bary and Tricia Keith, Groton. Her siblings are Brady, 19, and Brandon, 17. Trista is a percussionist, involved in basketball, soccer, gymnastics, track, volleyball, softball and St. John's Lutheran youth group. Her accomplishments are taking first and all-around in every gymnastics meet in her seventh grade year, got a I rating at the music contest in her sixth grade year. She loves animals, sports and hanging out with friends. Math is her favorite subject and she would like to be a dentist or physical trainer. Her mom is her role model.

Tanae Lipp, eighth grader, is the daughter of Kami and Tom Lipp, Groton. Her siblings are Reilly Ell, Kyler Ell, Eric Lipp and Amanda. Her activities are Living Arts Dance, volleyball and band and she placed in MathCounts. She is interested in hanging out with friends, watching Netflix and reading. FACS is her favorite class and she plans to attend college to get a degree and work to make money. Her mom is her role model.

Kya Jandel, freshman, is the daughter of Cole and Heather Jandel, Bath. She has two sisters, Rease and Shea. Kya is involved in volleyball and 4-H and she has been on the honor roll and the Principal's Honor Roll. Reading, writing and baking are her interests and her favorite subject is history. Her future is undecided, but said, "I hope I will enjoy whatever job I choose." Will Smith is her role model.

Cassandra Townsend, sophomore, is the daughter of Dean and Kellie Townsend, Andover. Travis is her brother. Cassandra's activities are FFA, FCCLA and horse showing. Her accomplishments are the honor roll, Principal's honor roll, top finishes at FFA CDE's and top places at horse shows. Her interests are showing horses, training animals and photography. She plans to be a veterinarian or equine sports medicine and her tole model is her dad.

Hattie Weismantel, junior, is the daughter of Marty and Amy Weismantel, Columbia. Her sister is Elliana in the sixth grade. Hattie's activities are Jazz Band, show choir, dance, dance team, piano, girls' basketball stats, track stats, one-act play student director and stage technician, and an OST worker. Her accomplishments are National Honor Society, first place in state show choir in 2016, third place in state show choir in 2017, superior small group choir in 2015, 2016 and 2017, superior small group band in 2015 and 2016, excellent group piano in 2017 and state one-act in 2017. Her interests are bead craft, dance, singing, playing piano and watching movies. Choir is her favorite class and she plans to be a teacher of some sort in the future. Her role model is her dance teacher, Vicki Stuchl.

Kate Helmer, senior, is the daughter of Loren and Alicia Helmer, Andover. Her siblings are Josey and Riley. Kate's activities are 4-H, FFA and rodeo. Her accomplishments are honor roll, FFA President Groton Chapter and National Honor Society. She is interested in roping, raising cattle and riding horse. Horticulture is her favorite subject and she plans to attend SDSU and major in animal science and to be a large animal vet. Kayde Wiedrick is her role model



Groton Garden Club plants two trees
The members of the Groton Garden Club planted two trees
on Saturday as part of the Arbor Day tradition. One flowering
tree was planted by the nursing home in memory of Gladys
Dirks and an Amur Maple was planted at the baseball park in
member of Hazel McKittrick. After the tree planting, Mayor
Scott Hanlon read a proclamation and the members read a
couple of poems. You can watch the ceremony held at the
baseball park on GDILIVE.COM. It is a neat ceremony so make
sure you watch it. Pictured are Elda Stange, Linda Anderson,
Pat Larson, Arlys Kluess, Deb McKiver, Eunice McCloister, Pam
Rix, President Deb Sombke and Mayor Scott Hanlon.

The Groton Garden Club was established in 1951. It plants and takes care of the flower garden in the middle of the city park, sponsors the Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl contest and also the Yard of the Week from June 1 through September 30.



The planting of this tree at the nursing home in memory of Gladys Dirks features Janice Fliehs, Arlys Kluess, Mayor Scott Hanlon, Garden Club President Bev Sombke, Eunice McCloister, Pat Larson, Pam Rix, Elda Stange, Linda Anderson, Charlie and Jen Dirks in back, the gal in front of them is Charlie's sister, Mary Fruedenthal and her husband in front, Gene

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City Finance Officer Anita Lowary issues the Oath of Office to Karyn Babcock. Then the rest of the council was issued a renewal of their oath of office. Pictured left to right are President David Blackmun, Vice President Jay Peterson, Finance Officer Anita Lowary, Mayor Scott Hanlon, City Attorney Drew Johnson, Eddy Opp, David McGannon and Karyn Babcock. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Anderson thanks city workers for great snow removal

Norman Anderson came before the Groton City Council Monday night to say the city workers are doing a great job. He said the snow removal was excellent and as a token of his appreciation, he presented a check to the city for \$1,000.

The 129th city council was "killed" with the Sine Die and the 130th council was convened. David Blackmun was elected as president and Jay Peterson as vice president. Drew Johnson was appointed as city attorney. Karyn Babcock was sworn in as the new councilman.

The new appointments by the mayor were announced and they are as follows:

NECOG representative: Jay Peterson

Planning and Zoning Representative: David Blackmun

Electric, transit, insect and weed control and airport: David McGannon, chairman; Blackmun, co-chairman.

Water, swimming pool, skating, economic development: Babcock, chairman; Burt Glover, co-chairman.

Streets, baseball, storm drainage, other recreation: Blackmun, chairman; McGannon, cochairman.

Waste water, cemetery, civil defense, community center: Eddy Opp, chairman; Peterson, co-chairman.

Finance office, legal, library, insurance, general administration, elections, code enforcement: Peterson, chairman; Babcock, co-chairman.

Solid waste, rubble site, parks, forestry, liquor: Glover, chairman; Opp, co-chairman.

Police: Blackmun, chairman; Opp, co-chairman.

The new playground equipment for the baseball complex is expected to arrive on May 23. The council declared the Rainbow equipment at the ballpark as surplus at a value of \$100 and to open bids at the next council meeting. The Rainbow equipment was donated in 1991 when the ballpark was opened.

The council reviewed a letter from Northwestern Energy about the gap facilities between the Southwest Power Pool and the City of Groton, which is still owned by Northwestern Energy. It includes three switches in the substation. The council decided to lease the switches at a rate of 3 cents per KW each month which will be an average of \$90.57 per month. That way any maintenance on the switches will remain with Northwestern Energy. The other option was to buy them for \$3,504.78.

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WE'RE TICKLED PINK! AND HAPPY TO SAY A BABY GIRL IS ON THE WAY!

Mayor Scott Hanlon accepts a gift of

\$1,000 from Norman Anderson for the

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did this winter. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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Groton Kiwanis Club

Tom Paepke, president; led the short business session for the Groton Kiwanis Club, on Wednesday noon.

The annual Kiwanis sponsored track meet, set for Tuesday, April 25, was cancelled due to bad weather.

Monday, May 1, was the annual Kiwanis athletic banquet at GHS.

Lee Schinkel introduced his guest, Anita Lowary, and proposed her for membership.

Anita spoke on her retirement on June 30, and some of those experiences in 36 years, working for the city. She has worked for five different mayors.

Anita stated that the new playground equipment will be installed at the ballpark soon.

She will be writing for a grant for a new water tower, which is 97 years old. Anita praised the baseball association for all they have done.

The Kiwanis Club thanked Anita for speaking, and her 36 years of dedication to the city of Groton.

Can You Coupon Without the Extreme? By Nathaniel Sillin

Following the Great Recession, it seemed liked extreme couponing was a competitive sport. You could watch on TV as shoppers armed with binders full of clipped coupons and an indepth knowledge of stores' policies would get incredible discounts at the checkout counter.

Extreme couponing may not be as popular today, but the Recession gave many people an appreciation for living a frugal lifestyle. That's a good thing. Living within one's means is a core tenant of practicing good financial habits and couponing can help you achieve this goal. However, as with most things in life, you want to try and find a healthy balance and look for ways to coupon without the extreme.

Make the most out of your couponing. Whether you're on your weekly grocery run or making a major purchase, a discount can always be helpful. However, be wary of buying products you don't regularly need or use simply because you have a coupon or there's a sale.

Some people might choose to avoid temptation by looking for coupons after the items are in their cart. With a smartphone in hand, you can use a savings app to look for savings while you're waiting to check out.

Another option, that might require a bit more time and strategy, is to plan your meals for the week ahead of time. You can write down your shopping list and spend five or ten minutes looking for applicable coupons before heading to the store. You might also choose to look at the coupons available and plan your meals for the week based off of what's on sale.

No matter what tactics you use, the point is to save money on items that you will use, not to purchase merchandise simply because it's discounted.

Invest your time proportionately to the potential saving. The time investment that an attempt at extreme couponing can require doesn't always match the potential savings. Spending hours couponing and winding up saving \$1.50 probably isn't worth the time commitment.

A less extreme method is to consider the potential savings and spend a proportional amount of time researching products and looking for savings opportunities. But many people don't take this approach. A survey conducted by Ipsos on behalf of Zillow in 2016 found that on average, people spent eight hours researching mortgages or mortgage refinancing; 11 hours researching a new car or truck; and four hours researching a new phone, tablet or TV. Almost a fifth of those surveyed spent an hour or less shopping for their home mortgage.

Learning about and comparing options before making major purchases, such as a home or car, makes sense. A small change in your mortgage's interest rate could save or cost you tens of thousands of dollars. Comparing two new phones could save a few hundred dollars when it comes time to purchase.

Smaller recurring savings, such as the previously mentioned grocery runs, can certainly add up in the long run. If you've got a tried-and-true method that's working for you, go for it. Just make sure you get a good return on the time and effort you put in.

If you find joy in the hunt that's okay too. There are always exception and there are times when putting the extreme in couponing makes perfect sense. For example, there are extreme couponers who view their interest and practice as a hobby and coupon because it can be enjoyable to hunt for deals. While most hobbies cost money – this is one that could actually lead to savings.

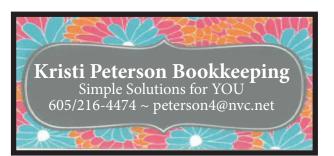
There are also extreme couponers who figure out ways to get free products and then donate them to a local charity. It's a win-win for the couponer and those in need.

Bottom line: While saving money is important, and can be fun, try not to become so enthralled by potential savings that you lose sight of the purpose – to spend less money on what you want or need. If you are going to invest your time in money-saving endeavors, make sure you can potentially get a good return on your investment.

Nathaniel Sillin directs Visa's financial education programs. To follow Practical Money Skills on Twitter: www.twitter.com/PracticalMoney.











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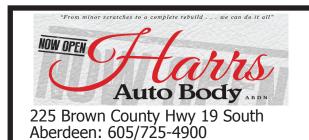






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Brown County April 25

Meeting Minutes APRIL 25, 2017 - 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. Fischbach and Fieldheim. Commissioner Sutton was absent. Commissioner Hansen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Moved by Fieldheim, seconded by Fischbach to approve the Joint City/County Meeting Minutes of April 17, the General Meeting Minutes and Brown County Board of Equalization Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2017. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Professional Fees: Brick's TV & Appliance \$2,763.75; Dean Schaefer Court Reporting \$369.00; Horn Law Office \$131.60; Jimmy Johns \$134.86; Mark Katterhagen \$60.00; Kuck Law Office \$744.00; LBG \$6,954.66; Lewis & Clark BHS \$320.00; Lucy Lewno \$621.00; Multi-Cultural Center of Sioux Falls \$82.50; NE Mental Health Center \$884.00; Richardson, Wyly, Wise & Sauck \$2,024.79; Rogers Law Office \$1,104.00; Christy Griffin-Serr Law Office \$92.00; Stoddard Law Office \$266.02; Jodi Sudweeks \$27.20; Karen Swanda \$60.00; Yankton Co. Sheriff \$100.00; Yankton Co. Treasurer \$261.00; Marla Zastrow \$30.54.

Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$418.90; Groton Independent \$53.36.

Repairs & Maintenance: 446-Praxair \$6.45; Aberdeen Plumbing & Heating \$653.39; Advance Auto \$82.35; Dakota Tree Co. \$450.00; Farm Power Mfg. \$366.00; Kone \$1,081.14; Leidholdt Tool Sales \$41.00; Mardian Scrap Recycling \$433.16; Midwest Pump & Tank \$136.55: Overhead Door \$127.55; Performance Oil & Lubricants \$1,500.00; Pierson-Ford \$96.90: Running's \$82.04; Harvin Schlosser \$300.00.

Supplies: 446-Praxair \$719.41; A & B Business \$81.59; Century Business Products \$628.78; Crescent Electric \$35.78: DFP \$24.10; Fire Safety First \$980.90; Gall's \$91.75; GovConnection \$1,223.20; IDC \$772.36; LG Everist \$1,461.46; Leidholdt Tool Sales \$250.39; Lucy Lewno \$25.84; Mac's \$10.53: Marco \$343.58: Menards \$109.84: Midstates Printing \$39.45; Pro Ag Supply \$56.41; Running's \$37.92; Sherwin Williams \$124.96; West Payment Center \$1,737.48.

Travel & Conference: Maxine Fischer \$51.05; SDSU Extension

Utilities: Dependable Sanitation \$451.00; James Valley Telecommunications \$218.30; Montana-Dakota Utilities \$27.88: NWPS \$2,124.56; Verizon \$60.05.

Other: Advantage Land Co. \$250.00; JRWD \$11,378.15; Pizza Ranch \$76.45; Safe Harbor \$735.00; SDACC \$21,035.83. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

HR REPORT: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to approve the Commission Assistant/HR Office Report, which includes the following personnel

-Approve and authorize the Chair sign agreement with Medica to provide group health coverage for county employees, effective July 1, 2017 thru June 30, 2018.
- Approve an agreement with Guardian to provide voluntary Vision coverage for county employees, effective July 1, 2017 thru June 30, 2018, as a payroll deduction.
- Approve hiring Robert Baumgartner as Landfill Office Manager, effective May 8, 2017 at \$20.00 per hour.

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEASE AGREEMENTS: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chair sign the following agreements: Web Water for lease of the Richmond Lake Youth Camp on August 12, 2017; Cub Scouts of America Troop 887 for lease of the Richmond Lake Youth Camp on May 6-7, 2017. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FAIR CONTRACTS: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chair sign the following contracts for the 2017 Brown County Fair: Karen Mikkelson and Ellen Schlosser @ \$40.00 each (judges). All members present voting ave. Motion carried.

PLATS: Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #23-17. BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commission of Brown County, SD that the plat showing "Inman Irrigation Addition in the SW 1/4 of Sec 14-T123N-R63W 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-absent, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution ad-Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #24-17. BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, SD that the plat showing 'Roger Arlt Fourth Addition in the SW 1/4 of Sec 25-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-ave, Sutton-absent, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution ad-Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #25-17. BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, SD that the plat showing Dorn Subdivision in the NW 1/4 of Sec 23-T123N-R63W 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-absent, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution ad-

TOWNSHIP BONDS: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve the following Township Bonds (Treasurer and Clerk): PORTAGÈ #1- Mary A Ewing Thorpe, Tonya Hansen; GREENETELD #2 – Valerie Weisser, Karen Lunzman; FREDERICK #3 - Dennis Walworth, Jill Gisi; ALLISON #4 - Dillon Cutler, Arlene Hixon; LANSING #5 - Dixie Clark; ONEOTA #6 - Karla Engelhart, Neil Schaunaman; BRAIN-ARD #7 - Charles Dennert, Diane Bruns; SHELBY #8 - Michael Knecht, William Colby Crawford; NORTH DETROIT #9 - Candie Beck, Sandra Dinger; CLARE-MONT #10 – Donald Wegleitner, Justin Wegleitner; COLUMBIA #11 Marty Weismantel, Patricia L Daly; WESTPORT #12 - Guyna Dehne, Doug Fjeldheim; CARL-ISLE #13 - Ashlee Nelson; OR-DWAY #14 - Kerry Howell, Mike McHugh; CAMBRIA #15 – Monte McNickle, Brenda Johnson; RIV-ERSIDE #16 - Steve Simon, Bruce Sippel; GROTON #17 - Allen Walter, Jeff Howard; HENRY #18 - Matt Oswald, Darlene Sass: BATH #19 - David Stahl, Scott Sperry; ABERDEEN #20 -William Donaldson, Marguirete Donaldson; MERCIER #21 Jerry Streckfuss, Daryl L Rieck; NEW HOPE #22 - Alan Borchard, Milton Haselhorst: WARNER #23 Bey Graham, Robert Seaton: GEM #24 - Loel Schott, Bob Simon; EAST HANSON #25 -Lyncee Monson, Betty Schinkel; GARDEN PRAIRIE #26 – Craig Dunker, Todd Osterman; EAST RONDELL #27 - Dennis Rossow, Kathy Williams; PALMYRA #28 – Joanne Berheim, Greta Thorpe; OSCEOLA #29 - Lonny Mikkonen, Chris Sumption; SAVO #30 - Calvin Raisanen, Judy Bretsch; LIBERTY #31 - Todd Lunzman, Rollin Stearns; RA-VINIA #34 – Chad Nelson, Patrick Keatts; HIGHLAND #35 - Dan Misslitz, Deanna Nel-son; FRANKLYN #36 – Chelsea Gappa, Shirley Stein; RICHLAND

#49 - Maralyn Hoops, Darlys Kampa; HECLA #50 - Susan Rosendahl, Mary Tisher; PRAI-RIEWOOD #53 – Heidi Carrels, Robert Jensen; SOUTH DETROIT #59 - Mark Perkins, Faye Hoines. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

- Margaret Sumption, Deb

Heine; LINCOLN #39 – Jamie

Drageset, Ronald Kaaz; BATES

#44 – Kathy Dobberpuhl, Betty Geist; GARLAND #46 – Lloyd

Buntrock, Derek Kiefer; PUT-NEY #48 – Bill Schuelke, Mark

Thompson; WEST HANSON

ORD #108 - FIRST READING: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve First

Reading of Ordinance #108, an Ordinance amending Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, Title 4, Chapter 4.23, Section 4.2301 Proceedings of the County Planning and Zoning Commission. All members present voting aye. Motion Carried.

FAIR BOARD POLICY: Derek Ricci, Fair Manager discussed a proposed draft of policies regarding ticketing and/or execution of ticket redemption during the week of the Fair. Afinal draft will be presented for approval at a later date

SPEED ZONE DISCUSSION: Dirk Rogers, Highway Superintendent discussed a request for a speed zone change on Roosevelt Street from 55 mph to 35 mph 1/2 mile south of Prairiewood Road to Fairgrounds Road Resident Kylie Waldo and Aberdeen City Councilmen Clint Rux and David Bunsness presented points in favor of the change.

BCCHC REPORT: DeAnna Harber presented the Brown County Community Health Center Report for January - March 2017.

ABATEMENT REQUEST: Kimberly Dorsett, Attorney representing Drew Becker (Freedom Worship Church) discussed an abatement of 2016 payable 2017 taxes on a parcel purchased by Freedom Worship Church in March of 2016, stating the Church is entitled to Tax Exempt status for a portion of the year. After discussion, the Director of Equalization was directed to establish the percentage of the property used as a rental unit to determine the amount of the taxes eligible for abatement. An abatement reflecting same will be presented next week

QUOTES CHILLER COMPRES-SOR: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chair sign Acceptance Proposal of low quote, submitted Woodman Refrigeration in amount of \$6,600.00 to furnish and install a new Danfoss Compressor on the York Chiller: rejecting quote submitted by Custom Sheet Metal, Inc in amount of \$6,990.00. All members present voting aye. Motion

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

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 9:50 A.M. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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Brown County April 25 Consolidated

APRIL 25, 2017 - CONSOLI-DATED BOARD OF EQUALIZA-

TION Meeting called to order by Commission Chair Fieldheim at 10:00 A.M. in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Fischbach and Kippley, Aberdeen School Board Member Alm and Aberdeen City Mayor Levsen. Michael Hauke, Russell Metz, Gene Loeschke and Kathy Fischer from the Director of Equalization Office were also in attendance. Oath of Office was taken by Commissioner

APPEALS: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Levsen to approve the following recommendation from the Director of Equalization: #1.Todd Campbell-Lt 17 Blk 10 Sullivan & Easton Addn from 109,555 to 102,281 and remove owner/occupied status (adjust

after review). All members pres-

Rachel Kippley.

ent voting aye. Motion carried. Moved by Levsen, seconded by Fischbach to approve the following recommendation from the Director of Equalization: #2.Menard Inc-Lt 1 Menards First Subd SE 17-123-63 (Lt 2 Taylor) @ 6,765,885 (no change). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Alm, seconded by Fischbach to approve the following recommendations from the Director of Equalization: #3.Michael Kwasniewski-Lt 4 Ashwood Heights 9th Subd SW 8-123-63 from 413,909 to 350,000 (adjust after review).

#4.Torian Mitchell-Lt 4 Hedgers OL Ex S 63' of N 315' from 207,702 to 186,812 (adjust after review). #5.Aberdeen Shopping Centeres Corp-Blk A Super City Corner Subd from 3,984,112 to ,955,334 (adjust after review). #6.TKO Office Real Estate LLĆ-Lt 2 Jewett-Koehler Subd (Lt 1 Palmers 1st Addn) from 720,253 to 639,195 (adjust after review). #7 Roger A Barondeau-100' S of N 850' of F 233' NF 18-123-63 F of Moccasin Creek Ex Hwy from 63,694 to 52,394 (adjust after review). #8.Rockstep Aberdeen LLC-Lť 2A Dial 3rd Addn SE 17-123-63 from 6,949,273 to 6,201,053 (adjust after review). #9.James H Bomar-S 45' Lt 1 Blk 55 2nd Addn from 8,663 to 4,631 (adjust after review). #10-21. Lamont Development LLC-Lt 1 Lamont 10th Addn N 1/2 20-123-63 from 856,567 to 771,257; Lt 2 Lamont 10th Addn N 1/2 20-123-63 from 857,439 to 773,223; Lt Lamont Companies 1st Addn (Blk 10 Nicollet Park Addn) from 248,471 to 230,655; Lt 1 Lamont Office Building Addn (Blk 106 H & L Addn & Blk 32 Thomas Addn from 1,140,035 to 1,061,249; Lt 5 Lamont 5th Addn N ½ NÉ 20-123-63 from 1,280,785 to 1,121,869; Lt 3 Lamont 6th Addn NE 20-123-63 from 2,394,037 to ,214,037; Lt 1 Lamont 9th Addn NE 20-123-63 from 225,220 to 124,400; Lt 1 Lamont 7th Addn NE 20-123-63 from 12,900 NAD to 3,225 AGD; Portion Lt A Blk Willowwood 3rd Addn from 11,720 NAD to 5,675 AGD; Unplatted part of NE 20-123-63 @ 12.500 from NAD to AGD: W ½ W ½ NE NW 20-123-63 @ 12,500 from NAD to AGD; Lt 6 Blk 6 Willowwood 3rd Addn (Lt A Blk 3 Willowwood 1st Addn) from 600 NAD to 375 AGD (adjust after review). #22.Gary Wald-Lt 1 Dummer 1st Addn (Blk 31 Corrected Plat of Highlands & N 'vacated 12th Ave NE from 141,916 to 122,139 (adjust after review). #23.Steven Morlock-N 40' Lt 17 Lawsons 1st Replat Blk 10 Woolverton Addn from 52,560 to 19,589 (adjust after review). #24.Aberdeen City-Lt 1 Blk 2 HAPI 3rd Central Subd W ½ NE 30-123-63 from 500 to 0 (holding pond). #25.Justin and Katherine Scott-Lts 1- 2 Blk 27 Thomas Addn from 288,075 to 213,547 (adjust after review). #26.Daniel J Heinz-E 233' of 100' S of N 950' NE 18-123-63

Ex Hwy from 59,086 to 43,875 (adjust after review). ÁDJOURN: Moved by Alm, seconded by Levsen to adjourn the Consolidated Board of Equalization at 10:10 A.M. All members present voting ave. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer - Brown County Auditor

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Brown County April 24 Joint Meeting

APRIL 24, 2017 - JOINT AB-ERDEEN CITY/BROWN COUNTY MEETING

The Brown County Commission and the Aberdeen City Council met in joint session at :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, Rux, Slaight-Hansen and Mayor Levsen. Present from County were Commissioners Hansen, Fieldheim and Fischbach Commissioners Kippley and Sutton

ORDINANCE #17-04-01/467: On motion by Remily, seconded by Bunsness, the City unanimously voted to approve First Reading of Ordinance #17-04-01/467. Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to approve First Reading of Ordinance #17-04-01/467, 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-ÀG) 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 the Road; Part of 1115 392nd Ave). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #17-04-02/468: On motion by Rux, seconded by Remily, the City unanimously voted to approve First Reading of Ordinance #17-04-02/468 Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve First Reading of Ordinance #17-04-02/468, An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (R-2) Médium 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). All members present voting aye. Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Hansen to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 5:35 p.m. All members present voting. Motion carried.

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Brown County Voter Registration Notice Deadline

NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR VOTER REGISTRATION

Voter registration for the Combined Election to be held on June 6, 2017, will close on May 22, 2017. Failure to register by this date will cause forfeiture of voting rights for this election. If you are in doubt about whether you are registered, check the Voter Information Portal at www.sdsos.gov or call the county auditor at (605) 626-7110.

Registration may be completed during regular business hours at the county auditor's office, municipal finance office, secretary of state's office and those locations which provide driver's licenses, SNAP, TANF, WIC, military recruitment, and assistance to the disabled as provided by the Department of Human Services. You may contact the county auditor to request a mail-in registration form or access a mail-in form at www.sdsos.gov.

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

Maxine Fischer, County Audi-

Brown County, South Dakota (0503.0510)

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Groton City April 3 Meeting

April 3, 2017 The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00pm at the Groton Community Center for their regular first monthly meeting. The following members present were: Fliehs, Opp, Peterson, Blackmun, McGannon, Glover, and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were: Finance Officer Lowary, Attorney Johnson, Paul Kosel, Kathy Sundermeier, and Chelsey Sheridan. Also present were: Dan Protast, Tim and Faye Berndt.

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

The financial report was approved on a motion by Peterson and seconded by Glover. All

members present voted aye. Moved by McGannon and

seconded by Opp to authorize the following bills for payment. All members present voted aye. Executive Payroll 1,860.51

salaries; Administrative Payroll 4,353.69 salaries; Public Safety Payroll 12,547.72 salaries; Public Works Payroll 16,774.61 salaries; First State Bank 8,068.03 ss & wh; City of Groton 1,298.78 dep ref,post,util,phone,sav; Cons Fed US Post Office 188.53 postage; April Abeln 60.93 med, dep flex; Paul Kosel 30.00 med flex; Stacy Mayou 50.00 med flex; Dwight Zerr 54.02 med flex; MGM 1,071.45 overpayment, deposit refunds; Jeff Reber 104.10 deposit refund; Jody Fiedler 250.00 deposit refund; Guardian Insurance 13.23 emp ins; SD Municipal League 78.00 SDML meeting reg; SD Dept of Revenue 3.20 lic plates postage; 1st National Bank 4,344.69 RR crossing sewer loan; 1st National Bank 6,975.69 west sewer loan; April Abeln 545.25 dep flex; AmeriPride 31.70 rug rent; David Blackmun 21.40 mileage: Border States 501.88 materials; Chase Visa 139.81 supplies, motel; Chief's Supply 123.49 boots; Clark Engineering 2,700.00 maps; Dahme Const 1,443.87 water repair: Dakota Electronics 88.75 move antenna; Darrel's Sinclair 124.95 tire repairs, battery; Dollar General 50.25 towels, water, cups; Harry Implement 177.62 fittings, blades; Heartland Waste 6,557.20 garbage hauling; Irby 37.06 testing; James Valley Tele 536.28 phones, internet; Drew Johnson 625.00 legal services; Kens 628.59 gas, towels, bags;

Anita Lowary 1,282.50 med flex; Matheson 29.84 oxygen, anti spatter; Stacy Mayou 107.20 med flex: McLeods 15.83 forms: Midstates Org Crim Info Center 100.00 dues; Mobile Electronic ervice 3,938.86 car camera; NW Energy 10.55 nat gas; Jay Peterson 85.60 mileage; Riteway 687.84 bill forms; Sanitation Products 593.99 brushes; S & S Lumber 244.46 supplies; SD Dept of Health 87.00 testing; SD Retirement 7,816.04 retirement; Dan Sunne 361.26 med flex; T & R Electric 20,381.00 transformers: T & R Service 530.00 transformer disposal chq; Verizon Wireless 41.81 dump gate comm

Terry Herron enters the meet-

ing at this point.

Don Protast, Tim Berndt and Fave Berndt spoke against starting the Safe Route to School project because so many of their trees were being taken down for the sidewalk positioning; and they stated that they were never notified of the 2014 hearing. Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Glover to cancel the Safe Route to School for those two blocks or all the project if needed. All members present voted ave. Mr & Mrs Berndt and Mr. Protast leave the meeting at this point.

Dwight Zerr enters the meeting at this point.

Herron and Zerr gave department appointments on street sweeping, sewer lift problems, Hwy 37 project updates; detours; and Hwy 12 light that will be down due to project; notices on sump pump operation needed to be moved out of the sanitary sewer immediately. Herron and Zerr leave the meeting at this

Moved by McGannon and seconded by Glover to authorize Flectric Sunt Lambertz and Finance Officer Lowary to attend the Heartland Power Annual Meeting on April 20 in Madison, SD. All members present voted

A request from NW Energy to sell Groton City the 3 substation switches for \$4,000 in their substation was denied.

Electric Demand Rates were discussed. Moved by McGannon and seconded by Blackmun to hire Banyon Data Services to include in the utility billing program and option to have the computer determine each month if a customer should be on demand rate or commercial rate. This service will cost between \$800 and \$1,200. All members present voted aye.

The police officers will be assigned to check for code enforcement violations before the annual cleanup week of April 29 to May 6 and notices will be sent on a motion by Peterson and seconded by Opp. All members present voted aye.

Baseball playground equipment design and order will be ready by April 17 on a motion by Glover and seconded by Opp. All members present voted aye.

Peterson, Hanlon, and Lowary reported on the district SD Municipal League meeting they

Council was reminded to get out the vote for the April 11 Election.

Mayor Hanlon read the letter of resignation effective June 30, 2017 from Finance Officer Anita Lowary. Moved by Peterson and seconded by Glover to accept the resignation. Members voting ave were: Peterson, Glover, Blackmun, Fliehs, and McGannon. Opp voted nay. Motion carried.

At 8:11pm the Council adjourned into executive session on a motion by Blackmun and seconded by Glover to discuss legal matters SDCL 1-25-2 (3) and personnel matters under SDCL 1-25-2 (1). All members present voted aye. Council reconvened at 8:45pm.

Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Glover to give 1st Reading to Ordinance No. 711, 2017 Summer Salary Amendment. All members present voted ave.

Meeting adjourned. Scott Hanlon, Mayor Anita Lowary, Finance Officer Published once at the total approximate cost of \$34.97. 14069



Groton Senior Citizens

Groton Senior met April 10 at the community center. Twenty one members were present. President Ruby Donavan opened the meeting with the flag pledge. Lee Schinkel played "America" and "In a Garden" for Holy Week. A get well card was sent to Jan Raap. Cards were played winners from each game. pinochle -Alan Zoellner, bridge-Wally Fischer, whist- Tony Goldade and Grace Albrecht. Door prizes- Lee Schinkel, Alan Zeollner and Ruth Pray. Lunch was served by Ruby Donavon Mary Walker and Lee Schinkel.

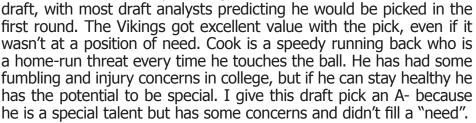
April 17 was the pot lunch dinner. Twenty members attended, one visitor Bob Berg. President opened with the flag pledge. Get well cards were sent to DeLoris Knoll and Lorraine Sippel. Sec. read the March minutes treasurer report read. Both were accepted. Bingo was played. Ruth Pray won black out. Door prizes- Pat Larson, Darlene Fischer and Evan Morehouse. Serving committee-Tony Goldade, Marian Raines and Mary Walker.

Seniors met April 24. present were twenty two members. DeLoris Knoll thanked everyone for her card. Lorraine Sippel is in the hospital. Cards were played the winners of the games Pinochle-David Kleinsasser, bridge-Darlene Fischer, whist- Marian Raines, Ella Johnson, Canasta-Beulah Hoops and Eunice McColister, door prizes- Lois Pasch, Pat Larson, and Mary Larson. Lunch was served by Bev Sombke Pat Larson, and Grace Albrecht.

Weekly Vikings Roundup **By Jordan Wright**

The NFL draft was Thursday, but since the Vikings didn't have a first-round pick, the first evening was pretty uneventful for fans of the purple and gold. The Vikings entered the second day armed with eight draft picks, but thanks to Rick Spielman and his love for trading draft picks, the Vikings ended up selecting eleven players (not including rookie free agents).

In the second round, the Vikings drafted Dalvin Cook, a running back from Florida State. Cook was one of the top running backs in the



In the third round, the Vikings selected Pat Elflein, a guard/center from Ohio State. I touched on Elflein in my article last week, and I'm glad the Vikings selected him. He brings leadership qualities and a nasty demeanor to the Vikings offensive line, both of which were missing last season. He played right guard through most of his college career before switching to center his senior season and winning the Remmington award (best center in college football). This pick is an A, as Elflein fills a huge need and the Vikings were able to get him in the third round even though most analysts had him in the second.

In the fourth round, the Vikings selected Jaleel Johnson, a defensive tackle from Iowa. With Shariff Floyd's injury concerns, defensive tackle suddenly became a position of need. Linval Joseph is a beast, but he needs a running mate who can rush the passer and take up multiple blocks. Enter Jaleel Johnson. There were some analysts who said Johnson has first-round talent, but he slipped to the fourth round because of motivational issues. If he can put it together, he has the potential to be an above-average defensive tackle next to Linval Joseph. This pick gets a B because he will need to prove his value before he begins to see the field.

With their second pick of the fourth round, the Vikings picked Ben Gedeon, a linebacker from Michigan. Since Chad Greenway retired, the Vikings had a vacancy at linebacker they had to fill. The team already has Anthony Barr and Eric Kendricks who are the linebackers in the nickel package, so they needed a linebacker who can come in and provide run support, which is where Gedeon excels. He will start out on special teams, but should be able to earn playing time quickly. This pick gets a C, as I think the Vikings could have gotten Gedeon later in the draft.

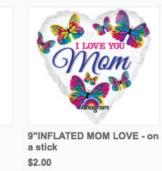
With their first pick in the fifth round, the Vikings selected Rodney Adams, wide receiver from South Florida. Adams is 6'1" and ran a 4.44 second 40-yard dash at the combine. His speed shows up on film, and he's another player who is a home-run threat every time he touches the ball. He needs to bulk up a lot in the NFL, as his smaller frame won't be able to hold up to the punishment of the pros. Adams will immediately compete for the kick returner position which is open now that Cordarrelle Patterson took his talents to Oakland. This is another C grade, since I don't see him contributing at wide receiver, but he'll show his value on special teams.

With their other fifth round selection, the Vikings got Danny Isidora, an offensive guard from Miami. It isn't often that a starting-caliber guard can be found in the fifth round, but that might be the case here. Isidora played his entire career at right guard, and will compete right out of the gate at the same position in Minnesota. Isidora has an edge to him, similar to Elflein, which will help him in the pros. The plan will be to play Elflein at center, which leaves Isidora and Joe Berger to battle it out at right guard. Berger will likely win, but he is 33 and on the last year of his contract. This draft pick earns the team a B+, as I think Isidora can develop into an above-average guard.

Check out the article next week, as I'll break down the rest of the Vikings' draft picks. I'll also let you know who the team signed as rookie free agents. Until then, if you have any questions, reach out to me on Twitter: @SkolJWright







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GREAT WEST CASUALTY COMPANY	of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota:	Real Estate Income Due and Accrued	14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft
Home Office Address: 1100 West 29th Street	NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws,	Other Assets 17,909,941 TOTAL ASSETS 40,064,814	16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail 18. Livestock
South Sioux City,NE 68776-3130 Mail Address:	do hereby certify that the above named Company is fully empowered through its authorized agents	LIABILITIES, SURPLUS, OTHER FUNDS Reserve for Losses	19. Title 20. Var. Annuities
PO Box 277 South Sioux City, NE 68776-0277 ASSETS	to transact the numbered lines of business listed below: -1-	Adjustment Expenses 0 Other Expenses (excluding taxes, licenses and fees) 0	21. Variable Life in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked,
Bonds	1. Life 2. Health	Taxes, Licenses and Fees (excluding Federal and	suspended or withdrawn. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate0 Real Estate Owned35,832	Fire & Allied Lines Inland & Ocean Marine Workmen's Compensation	Foreign Income Taxes)	set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this 1st day of May, A.D., 2017. LARRY DEITER
Cash and Bank Deposits 28,296,031 Agents Balances or	Bodily Injury Liability (Other than Auto)	Income Taxes 186,600 Unearned Premiums 0 All Other Liabilities 14,806,184	Director of Insurance
Uncollected Premiums	 Property Damage (Other than Auto) Auto Bodily Injury Auto Property Damage 	TOTAL LIABILITIES	64246
Due and Accrued	10. Auto Physical Damage 11. Fidelity & Surety	Capital Paid Up or Statutory Deposit	FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016 GUARDIAN LIFE INSURANCE
TOTAL ASSETS 2,015,895,179 LIABILITIES, SURPLUS, OTHER FUNDS Reserve for Losses 659,596,034	12. Glass 13. Burglary & Theft 14. Boiler & Machinery	Contributed Surplus 2,500,000 Unassigned Funds (Surplus) 19,626,797	COMPANY OF AMERICA Home Office Address:
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Other Expenses (excluding taxes, licenses and fees)8,350,039 Taxes, Licenses and Fees	17. Crop-Hail 18. Livestock 19. Title	BUSINESS IN SOUTH DAKOTA 2016 Direct Premiums Written 2,421,956	Mail Address: 7 Hanover Square New York, NY 10004-4025
(excluding Federal and Foreign Income Taxes) 8,287,406	20. Var. Annuities 21.	Direct Premiums Earned 2,282,725 Direct Losses Paid 1,286,215 Direct Losses Incurred 1,649,118	ASSETS Bonds
Federal and Foreign Income Taxes	in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked, suspended or withdrawn.	STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA DIVISION OF INSURANCE	Stocks 1,522,148,781 Mortgage Loans on Real Estate 3,471,561,692 Real Estate Owned 374,200,533
All Other Liabilities	IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this	STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY	Policy Loans
Special Surplus Funds	1st day of May, A.D., 2017. LARRY DEITER Director of Insurance	WHEREAS, the Grinnell Select Insurance Company, a Corporation organized under the	Deferred and Uncollected Premiums 1,057,512,808 Investment Income
Gross Paid In and Contributed Surplus	14117	Laws of lowa, has complied with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota:	Due and Accrued
Unassigned Funds (Surplus) 560,393,824 Surplus as Regards Policyholders 622,307,728	FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016	NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South	TOTAL ASSETS\$51,883,712,173 LIABILITIES, SURPLUS, OTHER FUNDS Reserve for Life
TOTAL	GRINNELL MUTUAL REINSURANCE COMPANY	Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company is fully empowered through its authorized agents	Policies & Contracts \$35,678,952,886 Reserve for Accident
Direct Premiums Written	Home Office Address: 4215 Highway 146	to transact the numbered lines of business listed below:	& Health Policies 3,713,234,025 Policy and Contract Claims Life
Direct Losses Falu	Grinnell, IA 50112-0790 Mail Address: 4215 Hwy 146, P.O. Box 790	8-9-10 1. Life 2. Health	Accident and Health 501,478,150 General Expenses
DIVISION OF INSURANCE STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE	Grinnell, IA 50112-0790 ASSETS	Fire & Allied Lines Inland & Ocean Marine Workman's Companyation	Due or Accrued 1,007,263,175 Taxes, Licenses & Fees Due or Accrued
OF AUTHORITY WHEREAS, the Great West Casualty	Bonds	Workmen's Compensation Bodily Injury Liability (Other than Auto)	Federal Income Taxes Due or Accrued0
Company, a Corporation organized under the Laws of Nebraska, has complied with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State	Real Estate 0 Real Estate Owned 16,159,150	7. Property Damage (Other than Auto) 8. Auto Bodily Injury 9. Auto Property Damage	All Other Liabilities
of South Dakota: NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned,	Cash and Bank Deposits	10. Auto Physical Damage 11. Fidelity & Surety	Capital Paid Up0 Gross Paid In and
Director of Insurance of the State of South Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company	Interest, Dividends and Real Estate Income	12. Glass 13. Burglary & Theft 14. Boiler & Machinery	Contributed Surplus
is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed	Due and Accrued 8,928,449 Other Assets 39,067,056 TOTAL ASSETS 1,104,343,674	15. Aircraft 16. Credit	Policyholders
below: 2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-17 1. Life	LIABILITIES, SURPLUS, OTHER FUNDS Reserve for Losses 206,658,976	17. Crop-Hail 18. Livestock 19. Title	BUSINESS IN SOUTH DAKOTA 2016 Direct Premiums Received
Health Fire & Allied Lines	Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses 50,524,948 Other Expenses (excluding	20. Var. Annuities 21.	Losses Incurred
Inland & Ocean Marine Workmen's Compensation Bodily Injury Liability	taxes, licenses and fees)10,681,394 Taxes, Licenses and Fees	in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked, suspended or withdrawn.	STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA DIVISION OF INSURANCE STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE
(Other than Auto) 7. Property Damage (Other than Auto) 8. Auto Bodily Injury	(excluding Federal and Foreign Income Taxes) 296,195 Federal and Foreign	IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this 1st day of May, A.D., 2017.	COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
Auto Property Damage Auto Physical Damage	Income Taxes 0 Unearned Premiums 180,270,950 All Other Liabilities 66,008,285	LARRY DEITER Director of Insurance	WHEREAS, the Guardian Life Insurance Company of America, a Corporation organized under the Laws of New York, has complied with
11. Fidelity & Surety 12. Glass 13. Burglary & Theft	TOTAL LIABILITIES	78778	all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota: NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned,
14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft	Capital Paid Up or Statutory Deposit 0 Gross Paid In and	FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016	Director of Insurance of the State of South Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws,
16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail 18. Livestock	Contributed Surplus0 Unassigned Funds (Surplus) 588,902,926	GUARDIAN INSURANCE & ANNUITY CO., INC.	do hereby certify that the above named Company is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed
19. Title 20. Var. Annuities 21.	Surplus as Regards Policyholders 589,902,926 TOTAL 1,104,343,675	Home Office Address: 2711 Centerville Road, Ste 400	below: 1-2 1. Life
in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked,	BUSINESS IN SOUTH DAKOTA 2016 Direct Premiums Written 8,194,353	Wilmington, DE 19808 Mail Address: 7 Hanover Square	Health Fire & Allied Lines
suspended or withdrawn. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this	Direct Premiums Earned 7,597,357 Direct Losses Paid 2,902,029 Direct Losses Incurred 4,306,713	New York, NY 10004-4025 ASSETS Bonds	 Inland & Ocean Marine Workmen's Compensation Bodily Injury Liability
1st day of May, A.D., 2017. LARRY DEITER Director of Insurance	STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA DIVISION OF INSURANCE STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE	Stocks	(Other than Auto) 7. Property Damage (Other than Auto) 8. Auto Bodily Injury
71480	COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY	Real Estate Owned 0 Policy Loans 81,995,237 Cash and Bank Deposits 125,624,131	Auto Property Damage Auto Property Damage 10. Auto Physical Damage
11-00	WHEREAS, the Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance		
FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016	Company, a Corporation organized under the Laws of lowa, has complied with all requirements	Deferred and Uncollected Premiums (2,834,666)	11. Fidelity & Surety 12. Glass
FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016 GREAT WESTERN INSURANCE COMPANY	Laws of lowa, has complied with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota:		11. Fidelity & Surety 12. Glass 13. Burglary & Theft 14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft
FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016 GREAT WESTERN INSURANCE COMPANY Home Office Address: 3434 Washington Blvd	Laws of lowa, has complied with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State of South	Uncollected Premiums (2,834,666) Investment Income	 11. Fidelity & Surety 12. Glass 13. Burglary & Theft 14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft 16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail
FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016 GREAT WESTERN INSURANCE COMPANY Home Office Address: 3434 Washington Blvd Ogden, Utah 84401 Mail Address: 3434 Washington Blvd.	Laws of lowa, has complied with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota: NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company is fully empowered through its authorized agents	Uncollected Premiums	 11. Fidelity & Surety 12. Glass 13. Burglary & Theft 14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft 16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail 18. Livestock 19. Title 20. Var. Annuities
FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016 GREAT WESTERN INSURANCE COMPANY Home Office Address: 3434 Washington Blvd Ogden, Utah 84401 Mail Address:	Laws of lowa, has complied with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota: NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed below: 3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15	Uncollected Premiums (2,834,666) Investment Income	11. Fidelity & Surety 12. Glass 13. Burglary & Theft 14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft 16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail 18. Livestock 19. Title 20. Var. Annuities 21. in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked,
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Special Surplus Funds \$0	FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016 GUIDEONE MUTUAL	Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company	Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses 0
Capital Paid Up	INSURANCE COMPANY	is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed	Other Expenses (excluding taxes, licenses and fees)0 Taxes, Licenses and Fees
Contributed Surplus	Home Office Address: 1111 Ashworth Road West Des Moines. IA 50265-3538	below: 2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18 1. Life	(excluding Federal and Foreign Income Taxes)
Surplus as Regards Policyholders	Mail Address: 1111 Ashworth Road	2. Health 3. Fire & Allied Lines	Federal and Foreign Income Taxes 5,377,130
TOTAL	West Des Moines, IA 50265-3538 ASSETS	4. Inland & Ocean Marine 5. Workmen's Compensation	Unearned Premiums 0 All Other Liabilities
Direct Premiums Received \$2,793,178 Direct Losses Paid	Bonds	Bodily Injury Liability (Other than Auto)	TOTAL LIABILITIES
Life Insurance in Force 0 STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA	Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	7. Property Damage (Other than Auto) 8. Auto Bodiy Injury	Capital Paid Up or Statutory Deposit 4,230,000 Gross Paid In and
DIVISION OF INSURANCE STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE	Real Estate Owned	Auto Property Damage Auto Physical Damage Fidelity & Surety	Cross Paid in and Contributed Surplus 21,925,835 Unassigned Funds (Surplus) 21,841,705
COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY	Uncollected Premiums 150,969,731 Interest, Dividends and	12. Glass 13. Burglary & Theft	Surplus as Regards Policyholders
WHEREAS, the Guggenheim Life and Annuity Company, a Corporation organized under the Laws of Delaware, has complied with all	Real Estate Income Due and Accrued 3,846,510	14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft	TOTAL
requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota:	Other Assets	16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail	Direct Premiums Written 5,773 Direct Premiums Earned
NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South	LIABILITIES, SURPLUS, OTHER FUNDS Reserve for Losses	18. Livestock 19. Title 20. Var. Annuities	Direct Losses Paid
Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company	Reserve for Loss Adjustment Expenses	21. in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless	STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA DIVISION OF INSURANCE STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE
is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed	taxes, licenses and fees)32,600,169 Taxes, Licenses and Fees	this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked, suspended or withdrawn.	COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
below: 1-2-20-21 1. Life	(excluding Federal and Foreign Income Taxes) 2,429,766	IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this	WHEREAS, the Harleysville Preferred Insurance Company, a Corporation organized
2. Health 3. Fire & Allied Lines	Federal and Foreign Income Taxes	1st day of May, A.D., 2017. LARRY DEITER	under the Laws of Pennsylvania, has complied with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the
Inland & Ocean Marine Workmen's Compensation	Unearred Premiums 164,093,954 All Other Liabilities 234,883,416	Director of Insurance	State of South Dakota: NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South
6. Bodily Injury Liability (Other than Auto)	TOTAL LIABILITIES	23582 FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT	Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company
7. Property Damage (Other than Auto)8. Auto Bodily Injury9. Auto Property Damage	or Statutory Deposit0 Gross Paid In and	Year Ending December 31, 2016 HARLEYSVILLE	is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed
Auto Physical Damage Fidelity & Surety	Contributed Surplus	INSURANCE COMPANY Home Office Address:	below: 3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14
12. Glass 13. Burglary & Theft	Surplus as Regards Policyholders	355 Maple Avenue Harleysville, PA 19438	1. Life 2. Health 3. Fire 9. Allied Lines
14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft	TOTAL 1,214,660,024 BUSINESS IN SOUTH DAKOTA 2016	Mail Address: One W Nationwide Blvd 1-04-701	3. Fire & Allied Lines 4. Inland & Ocean Marine 5. Workmen's Compensation
16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail	Direct Premiums Written 1,460,693 Direct Premiums Earned	Columbus, OH 43215-2220 ASSETS Bonds	6. Bodily Injury Liability (Other than Auto)
18. Livestock 19. Title 20. Var. Annuities	Direct Losses Paid	Stocks	7. Property Damage (Other than Auto) 8. Auto Bodily Injury
20. Var. Annutites 21. Variable Life in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless	STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA DIVISION OF INSURANCE STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE	Real Estate 0 Real Estate Owned 0	9. Auto Propérty Dámage 10. Auto Physical Damage
this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked, suspended or withdrawn.	COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY	Cash and Bank Deposits4,351,469 Agents Balances or	11. Fidelity & Surety 12. Glass
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this	WHEREAS, the GuideOne Mutual Insurance Company, a Corporation organized under the	Uncollected Premiums105,140,534 Interest, Dividends and	13. Burglary & Theft 14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft
1st day of May, A.D., 2017. LARRY DEITER	Laws of lowa, has complied with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State of South	Real Estate Income Due and Accrued	15. Aircraft 16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail
Director of Insurance 42803	Dakota: NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South	Other Assets	17. Grop-Hall 18. Livestock 19. Title
FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016	Director of Insurance of the State of South Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company	LIABILITIES, SURPLUS, OTHER FUNDS Reserve for Losses	20. Var. Annuities 21.
GUIDEONE ELITE	is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed	Adjustment Expenses 0 Other Expenses (excluding	in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked,
INSURANCE COMPANY Home Office Address:	below: 3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14	taxes, licenses and fees) 0 Taxes, Licenses and Fees	suspended or withdrawn. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto
1111 Ashworth Road West Des Moiles, IA 50265-3538	1. Life 2. Health	(excluding Federal and Foreign Income Taxes) 0	set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this 1st day of May, A.D., 2017. LARRY DEITER
Mail Address: 1111 Ashworth Road West Des Moines, IA 50265-3538	Fire & Allied Lines Inland & Ocean Marine	Federal and Foreign Income Taxes	Director of Insurance
ASSETS Bonds	Workmen's Compensation Bodily Injury Liability (Other than Auto)	Unearned Premiums 0 All Other Liabilities 131,798,935	26182 FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT
Stocks	7. Property Damage (Other than Auto) 8. Auto Bodily Injury	TOTAL LIABILITIES	Year Ending December 31, 2016 HARLEYSVILLE WORCESTER
Real Estate 0 Real Estate Owned 0 Color of Board Particles 417,100	9. Auto Property Damage 10. Auto Physical Damage	or Statutory Deposit 2,612,500 Gross Paid In and	INSURANCE COMPANY Home Office Address:
Cash and Bank Deposits 417,108 Agents Balances or Uncollected Premiums 0	11. Fidelity & Surety 12. Glass	Contributed Surplus	355 Maple Ave Harleysville PA 19438-2297
Interest, Dividends and Real Estate Income	13. Burglary & Theft 14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft	Surplus as Regards Policyholders	Mail Address: One W Nationwide Blvd 1-04-701
Due and Accrued	16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail	TOTAL	Columbus, OH 43215-2220 ASSETS
TOTAL ASSETS	18. Livestock 19. Title	Direct Premiums Written 583,009 Direct Premiums Earned 756,536 Direct Losses Paid 297,177	Bonds
Reserve for Losses	20. Var. Annuities 21.	Direct Losses Incurred. (44,066) STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA	Real Estate
Adjustment Expenses	in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked,	DIVISION OF INSURANCE STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE	Cash and Bank Deposits2,655,492 Agents Balances or
taxes, licenses and fees) 0 Taxes, Licenses and Fees (excluding Federal and	suspended or withdrawn. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this	COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY	Uncollected Premiums 108,177,031 Interest, Dividends and
Foreign Income Taxes) 0 Federal and Foreign	1st day of May, A.D., 2017. LARRY DEITER	WHEREAS, the Harleysville Insurance Company, a Corporation organized under the	Real Estate Income Due and Accrued
Income Taxes	Director of Insurance	Laws of Pennsylvania, has complied with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota:	Other Assets
All Other Liabilities	14559 FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT	NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South	LIABILITIES, SURPLUS, OTHER FUNDS Reserve for Losses
Special Surplus Funds0 Capital Paid Up	Year Ending December 31, 2016 GUIDEONE SPECIALTY	Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company	Adjustment Expenses 0 Other Expenses (excluding
or Statutory Deposit 5,037,810 Gross Paid In and Contributed Surplus 1,709,308	MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. Home Office Address:	is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed	taxes, licenses and fees) 0 Taxes, Licenses and Fees
Unassigned Funds (Surplus) 18,306,965 Surplus as Regards	1111 Ashworth Road West Des Moines, IA 50265-3538	below: 2.3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-17	(excluding Federal and Foreign Income Taxes) 0
Policyholders	Mail Address: 1111 Ashworth Road West Des Moines, IA 50265-3538	1. Life 2. Health 3. Fire & Allied Lines	Federal and Foreign Income Taxes
BUSINESS IN SOUTH DAKOTA 2016 Direct Premiums Written	West Des Molnes, IA 50265-3538 ASSETS Bonds	Inland & Ocean Marine Workmen's Compensation	All Other Liabilities <u>137,517,061</u>
Direct Premiums Earned	Stocks	6. Bodily Injury Liability (Other than Auto)	TOTAL LIABILITIES
Direct Losses Incurred	Real Estate 0 Real Estate Owned 0	7. Property Damage (Other than Auto) 8. Auto Bodily Injury	or Statutory Deposit 3,500,000 Gross Paid In and
DIVISION OF INSURANCE STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE	Cash and Bank Deposits6,300,215 Agents Balances or	Auto Property Damage Auto Physical Damage Side Surety	Contributed Surplus
OF AUTHORITY WHEREAS, the GuideOne Elite Insurance	Uncollected Premiums	11. Fidelity & Surety 12. Glass 13. Burglary & Theft	Surplus as Regards Policyholders
Company, a Corporation organized under the Laws of Iowa, has complied with all requirements	Real Estate Income Due and Accrued	14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft	TOTAL
of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota:	TOTAL ASSETS	16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail	Direct Premiums Written
NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South	Reserve for Losses 83,176,667 Reserve for Loss	18. Livestock 19. Title	Direct Losses Falu
Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company is fully considered the control of the contro	Adjustment Expenses 7,305,055 Other Expenses (excluding	20. Var. Annuities 21.	DIVISION OF INSURANCE STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE
is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed below:	taxes, licenses and fees)1,544,492 Taxes, Licenses and Fees	in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked, suspended or withdrawn.	COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-12-13-14 1. Life	(excluding Federal and Foreign Income Taxes) 607,442	IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this	WHEREAS, the Harleysville Worcester Insurance Company, a Corporation organized under the Laws of Pennsylvania, has complied
Health Fire & Allied Lines	Federal and Foreign Income Taxes	1st day of May, A.D., 2017. LARRY DEITER	with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the
4. Inland & Ocean Marine 5. Workmen's Compensation 6. Redity leips Liability 6. Pacific Leips Liability 6. Redity Leips Lei	All Other Liabilities	Director of Insurance	State of South Dakota: NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South
Bodily Injury Liability (Other than Auto) Property Damage (Other than Auto)	Special Surplus Funds	35696 FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT	Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company
Auto Bodily Injury Auto Property Damage	or Statutory Deposit 0 Gross Paid In and	Year Ending December 31, 2016 HARLEYSVILLE PREFERRED	is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed
10. Auto Physical Damage 11. Fidelity & Surety	Contributed Surplus0 Unassigned Funds (Surplus)87,987,778	INSURANCE COMPANY Home Office Address:	below: 3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14
12. Glass ´ 13. Burglary & Theft	Surplus as Regards Policyholders	Home Office Address: 355 Maple Avenue Harleysville, PA 19438-2297	1. Life 2. Health 3. Fire & Allied Lines
14. Boiler & Machinery 15. Aircraft	TOTAL	Mail Address: One W Nationwide Blvd 1-04-701	Fire & Allied Lines Hand & Ocean Marine Workmen's Compensation
16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail 18. Livestock	Direct Premiums Written 205,565 Direct Premiums Earned 205,534 Direct Losses Paid 35,287	Columbus, OH 43215-2220 ASSETS	6. Bodily Injury Liability (Other than Auto)
18. Livestock 19. Title 20. Var. Annuities	Direct Losses Paid	Bonds	7. Property Damage (Other than Auto) 8. Auto Bodily Injury
21. in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless	DIVISION OF INSURANCE STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE	Mortgage Loans on Real Estate0 Real Estate Owned0	9. Auto Property Damage 10. Auto Physical Damage 11. Eigleity 8. Surphy 12. Eigleity 8. Surphy 13. Eigleity 8. Surphy 14. Eigleity 8. Surphy 15. Eigleity 8. Surphy 16. Surphy 17. Eigleity 8. Surphy 18. Surphy
this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked, suspended or withdrawn.	COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY	Cash and Bank Deposits	11. Fidelity & Surety 12. Glass 13. Burglary & Theft
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this 1st day of May, A.D., 2017.	WHEREAS, the GuideOne Specialty Mutual Insurance Co., a Corporation organized under the Laws of Iowa, has complied with all requirements	Uncollected Premiums 57,263,496 Interest, Dividends and	14. Boiler & Machinery
LARRY DEITER Director of Insurance	of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota:	Real Estate Income Due and Accrued	Continues on next page
		TOTAL ASSETS	ww.397news.com ♦ Wed., May 3, 2017 ♦ 7

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15. Aircraft16. Credit17. Crop-Hail

18. Livestock 19. Title

20. Var. Annuities

in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked, suspended or withdrawn

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this 1st day of May, A.D., 2017.

LARRY DEITER Director of Insurance

19682 FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016 HARTFORD FIRE **INSURANCE COMPANY**

Home Office Address: One Hartford Plaza Hartford CT 06155 Mail Address: One Hartfor Plaza T-1-2 Hartford, CT 06155-0001

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OF AUTHORITY
WHEREAS, the Hartford Fire Insurance Company, a Corporation organized under the Laws of Connecticut, has complied with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota:

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

DIVISION OF INSURANCE STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE

THEREFORE. the NOW undersigned NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the surboard lies of husiness listed. to transact the numbered lines of business listed

2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-17-18

2. Health

Fire & Allied Lines
 Inland & Ocean Marine

5. Workmen's Compensation 6. Bodily Injury Liability

(Other than Auto)

7. Property Damage (Other than Auto)
8. Auto Bodily Injury

9. Auto Property Damage

10. Auto Physical Dama 11. Fidelity & Surety 12. Glass

13. Burglary & Theft 14. Boiler & Machinery

15. Aircraft

16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail 18. Livestock

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in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked, suspended or withdrawn.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this 1st day of May, A.D., 2017.

LARRY DEITER

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37478 FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016 HARTFORD INSURANCE **COMPANY OF THE MIDWEST**

Home Office Address One Hartford Plaza Hartford CT 06155 Mail Address: One Hartford Plaza T-1-2 Hartford, CT 06155-0001

ASSETS

Stocks
Mortgage Loans on
Real Estate0
Real Estate Owned 0
Cash and Bank Deposits 4,638,133
Agents Balances or
Uncollected Premiums 2,931,965
Interest, Dividends and
Real Estate Income
Due and Accrued 5,686,246
Other Assets
TOTAL ASSETS 617,181,474
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS, OTHER FUNDS
Reserve for Losses
Reserve for Loss
Adjustment Expenses 16,053,883
Other Expenses (excluding
taxes, licenses and fees)1,008,005
Taxes, Licenses and Fees
(excluding Federal and
Foreign Income Taxes) 698,265
Federal and Foreign
Income Taxes
Unearned Premiums
All Other Liabilities
TOTAL LIABILITIES
Special Surplus Funds0

or Statutory Deposit 4,200,000 Gross Paid In and Contributed Surplus. 159,820,459 Unassigned Funds (Surplus) 327,405,037 Direct Losses Incurred. . 575,730

requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State

of South Dakota:
NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned,
Director of Insurance of the State of South
Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed

3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-17

1. Life 2. Health

3. Fire & Allied Lines

Inland & Ocean Marine
 Workmen's Compensation

Bodily Injury Liability
 (Other than Auto)
 Property Damage (Other than Auto)

Auto Bodily Injury
 Auto Property Damage
 Auto Physical Damage

11. Fidelity & Surety12. Glass13. Burglary & Theft14. Boiler & Machinery

16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail 18. Livestock

19. Title

20. Var. Annuities

in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked, suspended or withdrawn.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto

set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this 1st day of May, A.D., 2017.

LARRY DEITER Director of Insurance

88072 FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016 HARTFORD LIFE **INSURANCE COMPANY**

Home Office Address: One Hartford Plaza Hartford, CT 06115 Mail Address: 200 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06089 ASSETS

D1
Real Estate Owned
Policy Loans
Cash and Bank Deposits 477,908,994
Deferred and
Uncollected Premiums 70,887
Investment Income
Due and Accrued 293,911,463
Other Assets
TOTAL ASSETS \$111,449,826,857
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS, OTHER FUNDS
Reserve for Life
Policies & Contracts \$11,891,636,445
Reserve for Accident
& Health Policies 0
Policy and Contract Claims
Life
Accident and Health 0
General Expenses
Due or Accrued 126,271,132
Taxes, Licenses & Fees
Due or Accrued
Federal Income Taxes
Due or Accrued0
All Other Liabilities
TOTAL LIABILITIES \$107,051,918,220
Special Surplus Funds
Capital Paid Up 5,690,000 Gross Paid In and
Contributed Surplus 3,020,701,945
Unassigned Surplus 1,371,516,685

TOTAL. 111,449,826,857

BUSINESS IN SOUTH DAKOTA 2016

Direct Premiums Received \$7,274,657

Direct Losses Paid 18,060,013

Losses Incurred 3,118,832

Life Insurance in Force 57,298,149

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

DIVISION OF INSURANCE

STATE CAPITOL, PIERRE

COMPANY'S CERTIFICATE

OF AUTHORITY

OF AUTHORITY
WHEREAS, the Hartford Life Insurance
Company, a Corporation organized under the
Laws of Connecticut, has complied with all
requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State

NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned Director of Insurance of the State of South Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed

1-2-20-21

1. Life

2. Health 3. Fire & Allied Lines

Surplus as Regards

4. Inland & Ocean Marine Workmen's Compensation
 Bodily Injury Liability

(Other than Auto)

7. Property Damage (Other than Auto)
8. Auto Bodily Injury

9. Auto Property Damage 10. Auto Physical Damage 11. Fidelity & Surety

12. Glass

13. Burglary & Theft 14. Boiler & Machinery

15. Aircraft

16. Credit 17. Crop-Hail

18. Livestock

19. Title 20. Var. Annuities 21. Variable Life

in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked, suspended or withdrawn.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this 1st day of May, A.D., 2017.

LARRY DEITER

70815 FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT Year Ending December 31, 2016 **HARTFORD LIFE & ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY** Home Office Address:

One Hartford Plaza Hartford, CT 06115 Mail Address: 200 Hopmeadow Street Simsbury, CT 06089 ASSETS

. \$6,675,699,978

Bonds . .

Stocks	93,869,052
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate.	
Real Estate Owned	C
Policy Loans	
Cash and Bank Deposits	243,243,259
Deferred and	
Uncollected Premiums	305,089,928
Investment Income	
Due and Accrued	73,254,640
Other Assets	521,345,786
TOTAL ASSETS	. \$8,785,878,300
LIABILITIES, SURPLUS, OT	
Reserve for Life	
Policies & Contracts	\$791,867,523
Reserve for Accident	
& Health Policies	4,943,402,997
Policy and Contract Claims	

General Expenses

Due or Accrued Taxes, Licenses & Fees Due or Accrued . . . Federal Income Taxes . 12.475.878 TOTAL LIABILITIES \$7,162,028,370

OF AUTHORITY
WHEREAS, the Hartford Life & Accident

Insurance Company, a Corporation organized under the Laws of Connecticut, has complied with all requirements of the Insurance Laws of the State of South Dakota:

NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned, Director of Insurance of the State of South Dakota, pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named Company is fully empowered through its authorized agents to transact the numbered lines of business listed

1-2-20 1. Life 2. Health

3. Fire & Allied Lines

Inland & Ocean Marine
 Workmen's Compensation

Bodily Injury Liability
 (Other than Auto)
 Property Damage (Other than Auto)

8. Auto Bodily Injury

Auto Property Damage
 Auto Physical Damage
 Fidelity & Surety

12 Glass 13. Burglary & Theft14. Boiler & Machinery

15. Aircraft 16. Credit

17. Crop-Hail 18. Livestock

20. Var. Annuities

in this State according to the Laws thereof, unless this Certificate of Authority is otherwise revoked, suspended or withdrawn

N TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, S. D., this 1st day of May, A.D., 2017.

LARRY DEITER Director of Insu

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The Frederick Farmers Basketball Team won 1st Place in the Aberdeen City League, Division D, at the Roosevelt gym recently, March 30. Winners of the 1st half of play challenge winners of the 2nd half for the Championship. Teammates are back, L to R; David Bretsch, Seth Klippfel, Troy Telin, Eric Bergan. Front row, L to R; Logan Weisser, Wyatt Sumption, Cody Bruns, Josh Peldo.

Lot for Sale

Great building lot in Groton located on the North side of HWY 12. Mature trees surround the south and east of the lot for extra privacy. New move on stick built homes allowed! Seller will look at all reasonable offers.\$35,000 Contact Eric Vetter Century 21 Investment Realtors 605-380-0031

Governor's Mansion **Tours To Resume**

PIERRE, S.D. – The seventh season of free weekly tours at the South Dakota Governor's Mansion will begin next month.

First Lady Linda Daugaard said she and the Governor are happy to again open the home on the shore of Capitol Lake to the public.

"We are pleased to host another year of summer tours," Mrs. Daugaard said. "The Governor's mansion belongs to the people of South Dakota, and Dennis and I invite every South Dakotan to enjoy this special home.'

Beginning June 7, weekly public tours will be conducted each Wednesday in June, July and August. This year's tours will feature Native American art from South Dakota artists, including a print of the Dignity sculpture gifted by Dignity artist Dale Lamphere, South Da-

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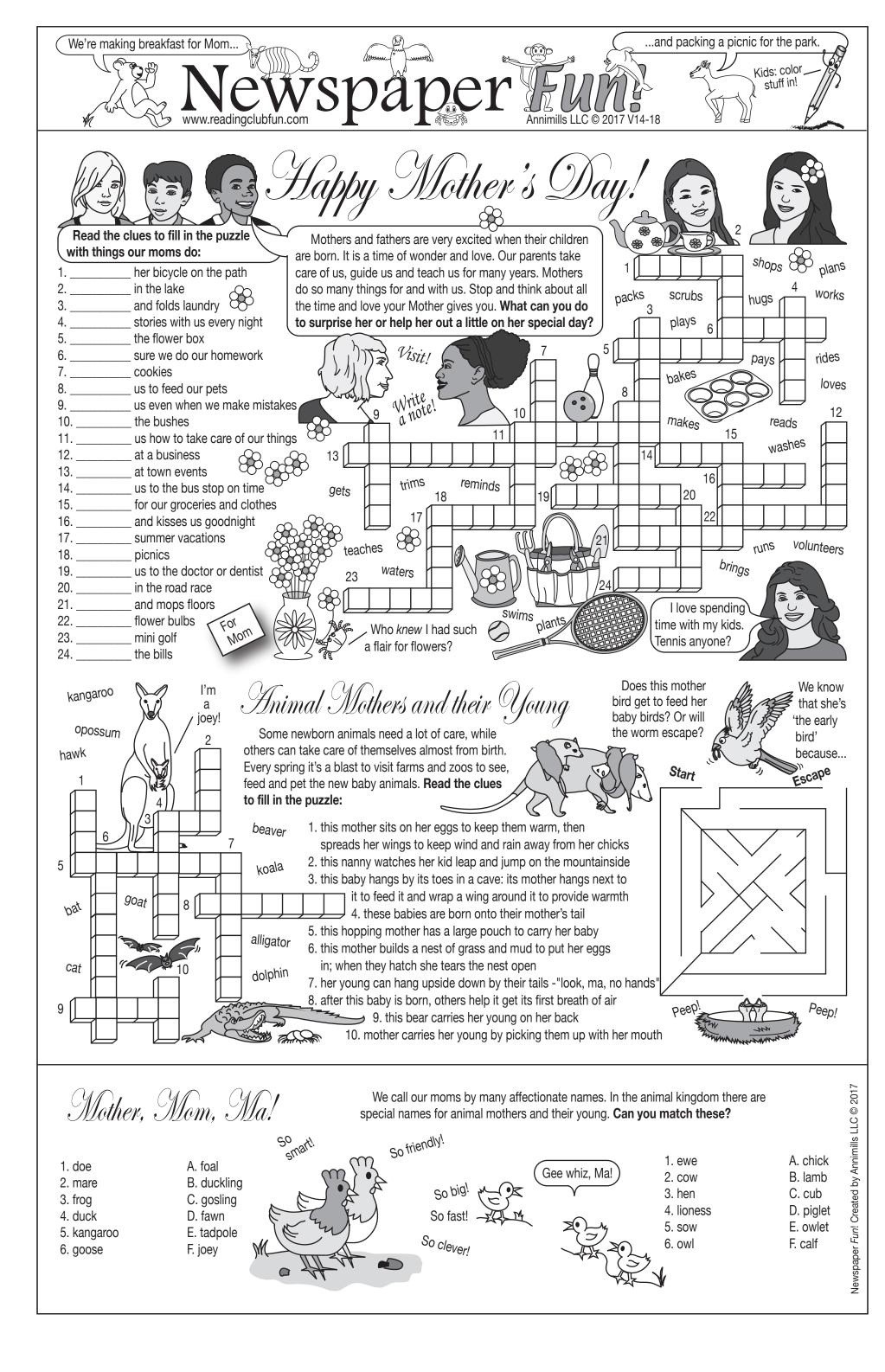
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"It's truly a pleasure to welcome quests to the Governor's mansion. I know visitors will appreciate the talented display of artwork showcased on this year's tours," added Mrs. Daugaard.

The 30-minute tours will begin at 1 p.m. CDT and will be conducted by volunteers, including the First Lady. Tour groups will consist of up to 40 people.

Public tour tickets, at no charge, must be obtained in advance and will be available only from the Pierre Area Chamber of Commerce. Those interested in a tour should call the Chamber at 605-224-7361.



Community Calendar



Wednesday, May 3

School Lunch: Taco salad, refried beans, fruit, garlic toast.

School Breakfast: Egg sausage, biscuit, fruit, milk, juice.

Senior Menu: Bratwurst with bun, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut, green beans, German chocolate cake.

St. John's Lutheran: Ladies Aid/LWML at bread. 1:30 p.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Sarah Circle at 5 p.m., League at 6:30 p.m., Confirmation at

United Methodist: Wednesday coffee at 9 a.m., UMW Salad Luncheon at 11 a.m., Confirmation at 6 p.m.

Thursday, May 4

School Lunch: Cheese sticks, broccoli and at 7 p.m. dip, fruit.

School Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, yogurt, Prayer Group at 7 p.m. fruit, juice, milk.











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Senior Menu: Meatloaf, baked potato with sour cream, creamed peas, Fruited Jell-O, whole wheat

St. John's Lutheran: Nursery circle and good cheer circle at 1:30 p.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Nigeria Circle at 2 p.m.

Groton School: MS/HS Spring Concert

United Methodist:

HOT DEAL OF

THE WEEK!!

Friday, May 5

School Lunch: Hamburgers, French fries, carrots and dip, fruit.

School Breakfast: Cheese omelette, muffin, fruit, milk,

Senior Menu: Taco salad, Mexican rice, seasonal fresh fruit, breadstick.

Groton School: Track at Sisseton at 4 p.m.

United Methodist: MOMS Group at 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, May 6

MS Band Contest at Webster

Sunday, May 7

United Methodist Church: Conde worship with communion, 9 a.m.; coffee fellowship time, 10 a.m., Confirmation Sunday, 10 a.m.; Groton wora.m.; NO Sunday School.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship, 9 a.m. (Milestones, FF Scholarship awards); Sunday School, 10 a.m.

St. John's Lutheran: Worship with communion, 9 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.

First Presbyterian: Bible Study at 9:30 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m.

Heaven Bound Ministries: Worship in Pierpont at 10 a.m. with Communion.

Monday, May 8

Senior Menu: Spaghetti with meat sauce, broccoli, garlic toast, orange sherbet.

School Lunch: Chicken nuggets, tri tater, romaine salad, fruit, bread sticks.

School Breakfast: Mini pancake, fruit, juice, milk.

Groton Schools: GIrls golf meet in Groton at 10 a.m., 7th/8th grade track at Aberdeen Central HS at 4 p.m., School Board Meeting at 7 p.m.

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United Methodist: Evening Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.

Tuesday, May 9

Senior Menu: New England ham dinner, fruit cocktail cake, ice cream, whole wheat bread.

School Lunch: Submarines, sweet tots, fruit.

School Breakfast: Boscos stick, fruit, juice, milk.

Groton Schools: Track at Britton, 2 p.m.

United Methodist: Bible Study,

Emmanuel Lutheran: Church

Council, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 10

Senior Menu: Lemon baked fish, ship with communion at 11 rice pilaf, peas, peach crisp, whole wheat bread.

> **School Lunch:** Garlic cheese bread, broccoli and dip, mixed vegetables, fruit.

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

> **United Methodist:** Wednesday coffee time, 9 .m.; Finance meeting,

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

Thursday, May 11

Senior Menu: Turkey, mashed potatoes with gravy, baby glazed carrots, cheesecake with strawberry glaze, dinner roll.

School Lunch: Cook's choice.

School Breakfast: Cereal, yogurt, fruit, milk, juice.

Groton Schools: Girls golf at Madison, 11 a.m.

Friday, May 12

Senior Menu: Hearty Vegetable Beef SOup, chicken salad sandwich, Mandarin oranges, Oatmeal raisin

cookie.

School Lunch: Ham and cheese, smiley potato, carrots and dip, fruit.

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

Groton Schools: NEC Track at Clark, 11 a.m.; D.A.R.E. graduation at 2 p.m.



