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Nerd Day

Back row: in 12th grade winner is Jenifer Fjelstad, 11th grade winner is Mitchell Koens, 10th grade winner is Kaycie Hawkins, 9th grade winner is Lucas Simon. Front Row: 7th grade winner is Shaylee Peterson, 6th grade winner is Carly Guthmiller, and 8th grade winner is Tatum Wright. (Photo by Tina Kosel)



The GHS Homecoming Royalty

In back are Alex Stange, Marshall Lane, Jessica Bjerke, Luke Thorson, Gia Gengerke, Seric Shabazz, Hannah Lewandowski and Brandon Keith. In front are Abby Fjeldheim (scroll carrier), Queen Harleigh Stange, King Jackson Oliver and Logan Olson (scroll carrier). (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



These juniors put on a skit. They are Wyatt Locke, Lucas Hinman and Korbin Blackmun. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



The flashing lights at US12 and SD37 were officially turned on late on Thursday. (Photos by Paul Kosel)



Two queens chosen by Groton Senior Citizens. They are DeLoris Knoll and Elda Stange. (Photo by Tina Kosel)



Volunteers recognized Tony Goldade, 10 years; DeLoris Knoll, 15 years and received a pin; and Don Fauwe, 5 years, were recognized by the RSVP of Aberdeen for their years of volunteering. (Photo by Tina Kosel)

Did you miss the homecoming coronation? Watch it at GDILIVE.COM.



Weekly Road Work Update

Work continues on the SD37 and US12 highway project as the October 15th deadline nears. The blinking lights at the junction of SD37 and US12 were activated on Thursday. It was reported at the Webster Scale weekly meeting on Thursday that the street lights for US12 will not be done for some time. There has been a delay from the manufacture in delivering the anchors for those poles.

Phase six has started with dirt work between Railroad Avenue and Aspen Avenue. In the near future, a milling machine will arrive to take off the asphalt in that area.

Meanwhile on the north end of the project, Lien Transportation is expected to arrive Tuesday or Wednesday to start laying down asphalt. First the patch work will be done and the asphalt will be laid. The road between US12 and Fifth Avenue is ready for asphalt and dirt work will also be beginning as the final stretch of work begins.

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Netters take down Hamlin in fifth game

It was an exciting night of volleyball action at the Groton Area Arena. The Lady Tigers posted a 3-2 win over the Hamlin Chargers.

The first game featured the game being tied twice and there were two lead changes. Groton Area had rallies of eight and six points for the 25-14 win. Hamlin jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the second game and held a 5-1 lead. Groton would rally to come back and tie the game at 10 and the Tigers took an 11-10 lead. The game was tied at 11, 12, 13, 15 and 17 before Hamlin regained the lead and jumped out to a 24-19 lead. Groton Area closed to within one point, 24-23, but the Chargers got the last point for the win, 25-23.

The third game was tied eight times and there were four lead changes. Groton held a 13-8 lead, but Hamlin came back and took a 22-19 lead and went on to win, 25-22.

Hamlin took a 6-3 lead in the fourth game, but Groton scored six straight points to take a 9-6 advantage. The Tigers took a 10-point lead, the biggest of the match by either team, at 19-9 and 20-10. Then Hamlin scored six straight points to close to within four, 20-16, and then within two, 22-20. Groton would close off the game with a 25-21 win, to tie the match at two games apiece.



Jennie Doeden gets ready to return the ball. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



Miranda Hanson sets up the play for Taylor Holm. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)

Hamlin posed no threat in the final game as Groton never trailed and ended with a 15-8 win.

In serving, Groton Area was 106 of 108 with eight ace serves.

Eliza Warner was 16 of 16 with four ace serves and Jennie Doeden was 20 of 21 with three ace serves.

Hamlin was 86 of 91 with three ace serves. Logan Keszler had two ace serves.

In attacks, Groton Area was 181 of 214 with 54 kills. Gia Gengerke was 38 of 39 with 19 kills and Taylor Holm was 30 of 35 with 11 kills. Hamlin was 121 of 139 with 40 kills. Lexi Wadsworth had 14 kills and Faith Leiseth had 10.

Groton Area was 210 of 213 in sets with 49 assists. Miranda Hanson was 188 of 192 with 48 assists and Jessica Bjerke was two of two with one assist. Hamlin's Logan Keszler had 19 assists and Kylee Wadsworth had 17.

Groton had 129 digs with Payton Maine having 32, Jessica Bjerke 27 and Jennie Doeden 23. Hamlin had 67 digs with Ashtyn Abraham having 22.

Gia Gengerke had six solo and two assists blocks.

Groton Area, now 6-1, will travel to Warner on Tuesday and will host Sisseton on Thursday.

The junior varsity team won its match, 25-19 and 15-11, and the C team made it a clean sweep by winning its match, 19-25, 26-24 and 16-14.



Gia Gengerke returns the ball to the Hamlin side. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



The C team shows their excitement after winning the third game, 16-14, in the photo above. The photo on the right shows the varsity players who were cheering them on during the game. (Photos by Paul Kosel)



Tiger gridiron on a 3 game winning streak

Lucas Hinman rushed for 135 yards and caught for 23 yards to help propel Groton Area to a 17-7 win over Chamberlain in Friday night's football game played in Groton.

Groton Area scored first on a four yard run by Marshall Lane with 8:31 left in the first quarter. The PAT kick was blocked and Groton Area took a 6-0 lead. On a fourth down, but close to the end zone, Groton opted to kick a 35-yard field goal and Hunter Schaller made it through the uprights as Groton took a 9-0 lead with 4:26 left in the first quarter.

Chamberlain would score with 11:16 left in the second quarter on a nine-yard pass from Jazz Dominguez to Riggs Priebe. The PAT kick by Max Donovan was good and it was 9-7. The Tigers would score once more before the end of the first half on a 13-yard pass play from Marshall Lane to Jonathan Doeden. The PAT kick was no good and it was 15-7 at half time.

A couple of big plays pushed Chamberlain way back in their territory. On fourth down and attempting to punt with the ball right at the goal line, the Cubs bobbled the ball and



Andy Rintala carries the ball as he is led by Lucas Hinman. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Marshall Lane gets ready to throw the ball. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

(Jett Evans 16-57, Jazz Dominguez 6-(-25), Marc Schwenk 2-(-24).

Passing: Groton (Marshall Lane) completed 4 of 8 passes for 46 yards, 1 interception, 1 touchdown. Chamberlain (Jazz Dominguez) completed 16 of 31 for 172 yards, 1 interception, 1 touchdown.

Receivers: Groton: Lucas Hinman 2-23, Jonathan Doeden 1-13, Brandon Keith 1-10. Chamberlain: Carson Powers 4-56, Riggs Priebe 4-46, Marc Schwenk 5-47.

Fumbles: Groton had 2, lost 1. Chamberlain had 1, lost 1.

Penalties: Groton Area: 10-120, Chamberlain: 8-70.

Defense: Groton Area: Brandon Keith 14 tackles and 1 fumble recovery, Luke Thorson 10 tackles and 2 sacks for a minus 14 yards, Peyton Johnson 3 sacks for a minus 7 yards, Brandyn Anderson 1 sack for a minus 4 yards and Andy Rintala 1 interception returned for 7 yards.

Record: Groton Area: 3-2. Chamberlain: 2-2.

Next Games: Groton Area hosting Mobridge-Pollock (homecoming). Chamberlain hosting Woonsocket/Wessington Springs/Sanborn Central

Luke Thorson was right there to get the safety for Groton to make it 17-7 which stood for the final score.

First Downs: Groton Area 16, Chamberlain 14.

Rushing: Groton Area 46-201 (Lucas Hinman 22-135, Marshall Lane 18-28, Andy Rintala 3-27, Brandon Keith 3-11). Chamberlain 24-8



Peyton Johnson get ready to punt the ball. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



The Groton Area and Chamberlain lines prepare to engage each other. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

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Faith Keepers to be shown at C&MA Church

The public is cordially invited to the Groton Christian & Missionary Alliance Church who will be showing the movie (Faith keepers, Be Your Brother's Keeper) at 7pm on Sept. 20th at the church at 706 N Main. This is most suitable for adults or older youth. The movie was produced by Roma Downey.

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Groton Administrator resigns

Jessica Muellenberg, administrator of the Groton Care and Rehabilitation Center, announced on Facebook that she will be resigning.

Here is what she posted on Facebook.

"It is with mixed emotions to announce that I have resigned my position as Nursing Home Administrator in Groton. I am sad to leave my staff and our residents. I have had a great experience in long term care and am so thankful for the opportunity that was given to me,

many years ago. I fell in love with the industry and was blessed to take part in so many aspects of all of it. A big piece of my heart will remain at Groton Care and Rehabilitation Center. Those of you that have ever been given the opportunity to work in long term care, will understand that we all become a big family and its what makes the work so meaningful!

With that, I am happy to add that I will be working where I live, in Redfield. I was given the opportunity to join the ladies at

Dakota Tan and Hair. I will be providing full hair service, facials, waxing, manicures, and pedicures at this time. I am so excited to join all of them and I look forward to serving all of you! I will be starting this new journey at the beginning of October. Please call me anytime at 605.460.2575 to make your appointment. I will be taking appointments, starting Oct. 2nd and will start reserving your spots, today."

Redfield Golf Tourney

Four Groton Area golfers took part in the Redfield Golf Tourney held Tuesday. Cade Guthmiller shot a 99 with 49 in the front nine and 50 in the back nine. Tristan Traphagen shot a 49 in the front nine and a 51 in the back nine for a score of 100. Hunter Kassube shot a 51 in the front nine and a 50 in the back nine for a total score of 101. Lucas Simon shot a 51 in the front nine and a 51 in the back nine for a total score of 103.

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Tom Mahan was program leader for Wednesday's Kiwanis Club meeting. Tom introduced Emily Richardt, from Aberdeen. Emily is the head of the senior meals program in Aberdeen. Their program actually covers thirteen counties, but operates out of the Aberdeen senior center. All meals are prepared by a registered dietician. They operate on donations, and Federal funding.

Twelve members and two guests were present for the noon meal, prepared and served by Tom Paepke.

Lee Schinkel turned a new petition and membership fees for Kiersten Sombke, GHS principal.

The annual homecoming cookout before the football game, is September 22, chaired by Lori Giedt and Chuck Padfield.

Roger Rix has made arrangements for a convertible, for the Snow Queens in the homecoming parade.

Next week's program leader is Roger Rix followed by Orville Schaller.

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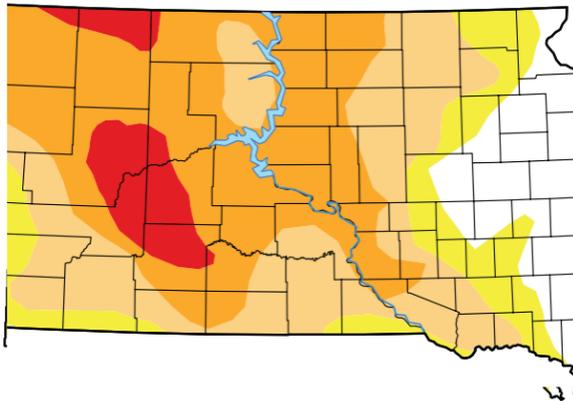
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Eggs, Sausage, and Running with a Friend

The other day, I was on a run with a scientist friend who recently had suffered a small heart attack. During our run, we talked about cardiac rehabilitation and safe running practices that could help his recovery. He was happy to be back running, and as I was recovering from cancer surgery, I was also happy to be back running. If not over-done, we know that those with or without heart disease benefit from regular exercise. I could feel the run was rebuilding my strength and savored the social time with my friend. When we finished, energized and happy, a short cool-down walk brought us to his home.

There, his wife prepared a light morning breakfast of two eggs, nicely spiced with salt and pepper, a small patty of pork sausage, sliced fried bell-peppers, pieces of fresh melon on the side, and coffee. It was delicious and just the right amount. Twenty years ago, having eggs and sausage for breakfast was thought to be a big no-no. Now, new science has discovered it is NOT the fat and protein in a diet that causes atherosclerosis, but rather the excessive calories. What is more treacherous than the



By Richard P. Holm M.D.



type of food is actually the quantity. If this doesn't shake your world enough, we have also learned that processed carbohydrates are bad, while a balanced diet of proteins, fats, and small amounts of non-processed carbohydrates are good. For example, large helpings of carbohydrates like potatoes, pasta, pancakes, bread, or donuts can be harmful. Smaller amounts of foods like eggs and sausage are safe. That morning, the calorie count for each of us was about 300 and we both felt great.

Every day there seems to be another study that advises the opposite of what we used to think: eat less salt, now salt to taste unless the heart is weak; don't eat butter, now butter is caloric but safe; don't exercise too much, now do it every day; don't drink alcohol, now a daily glass of wine is good; don't eat fatty meals, now eat fewer calories and avoid processed carbohydrates. That being said, we have always known about the health benefits of friendship, and no one has refuted that.

In summary, researchers have made headway in understanding what is good for us. May we embrace the science that supports eating fewer calories, less processed carbohydrates, and more fruits and vegetables. If we can also find time for 30 minutes of daily exercise and some quality time with friends, then we have the perfect formula for good health.



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Meeting Minutes

SEPTEMBER 12, 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, Sutton, Fischbach and Fjeldheim. Commissioner Kippley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to approve the General Meeting Minutes of September 5, 2017. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

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ics \$1,418.00; DFP \$3,693.63; Dakota Oil \$1,031.30; DSG \$136.70; Dean Foods \$751.93; DMI \$1,513.24; Earthgrains \$1,086.01; Farm Power Mfg. \$94.63; Farnam's \$99.41; GCR Tires & Service \$415.80; Geffdog \$98.10; Gordier Supply \$332.25; GovConnection \$555.04; Heartland Paper \$1,364.72; Hedahl's Auto \$345.51; HF Jacobs & Son Construction \$2,488.64; House of Glass \$3,058.65; Interstate Battery \$229.90; J. Gross Equip. \$697.07; Ken's \$1,973.68; Kessler's \$59.74; Kyburz-Carlson Construction \$200.00; Lar-Jo's \$410.84; Lucy Lewno \$12.92; Lien Transportation \$19,741.15; Marco \$8.57; Matthew Bender & Co. \$98.08; Menards \$58.01; Midstates Printing \$1,043.85; NCFE - Warner \$10,804.04; Oban Construction \$243.23; Pantorium \$7.00; Parcel-Erickson \$125.00; Pepsi Beverage \$716.22; Pierson-Ford \$492.84; PowerPlan \$1,095.95; Pressure Washer Central \$106.47; Pro-Build \$4,353.07; Public Safety Equip. \$71.90; Sherri Rawstern \$195.23; RR Events \$159.11; Running's \$870.35; S & S Lumber \$117.60; Schwan Welding \$54.95; Sewing Shoppe \$130.00; Sheehan Mack \$2,956.55; Tri-State Water \$26.00; Web Water Bottling Co. \$39.00.

Travel & Conference: Conald Burgard \$14.00; Greg Markley \$191.66; Pennington Co. Jail \$205.35; Derek Ricci \$86.48; Ernest Thompson \$25.38; Tyler Technologies \$500.00.

Utilities: Aberdeen City Treasurer \$1,961.95; AT&T \$69.99; Economy Propane \$651.20; Midcontinent \$82.47; Northern Electric \$80.00; NWPWS \$3,661.16; Town of Frederick \$48.00; Verizon Wireless \$200.05; Web Water \$70.36. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

AUDITORS REPORT OF ACCOUNT: Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the August 2017 Auditor's Report of Account with the County Treasurer in total amount of \$12,397,001.02 (total amount of actual cash @ \$4,850.00, Cash items (bad checks) @ \$150.00, US Bank @ \$68,731.45, Dacotah Bank @ \$4,446,491.88, Petty Cash/Change Funds @ \$2,600.00, Fund Investments @ \$7,874,177.69). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEASE AGREEMENT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chair sign the following agreement: Jamie Moulsoff for lease of the Grandstand October 6-7, 2017. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SHERIFF REPORTS: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Hansen to approve the following August 2017 Sheriff Reports: Incidents and offenses, Prisoner care, JDC, and Money deposited with the County Treasurer. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

RFP BROWN COUNTY FAIR CONCESSIONS: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to authorize advertising public hearing to open, read and consider proposals for the Brown County Fair concessions sold at the Fair Clubhouse (Beer Gardens) during Fair week, to be held on October 17, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. All members present voting aye.

PARTIAL VACATION OF PLAT: Commissioner Sutton offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #63-17 WHEREAS, Loren Locken, pursuant to SDCL 11-3-21.1, presented an Application for Partial Vacation of Plat legally identified as: Adler's First Subdivision in S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec

35-T123N-R62W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD WHEREAS, the petitioner is requesting Lot 2 be vacated from said plat; and WHEREAS, the granting of the request will not authorize the closing or obstruction of any public highway according to law, and all property taxes on such plat are paid. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to SDCL 11-3-23.1: Lot 2 Adler's First Subdivision in S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec 35-T123N-R62W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (13581 399th Ave) is hereby vacated. Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted.

VACATE PLAT: Commissioner Sutton offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #64-17

WHEREAS, Brian Schuring, pursuant to SDCL 11-3-21.1, presented an Application for Vacation of Plat legally identified as: Schuring/Strom Track 1 in the NW 1/4 of Sec 34-T123N-R60W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (40925 135th Street) WHEREAS, the granting of the request will not authorize the closing or obstruction of any public highway according to law, and all property taxes on such plat are paid. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to SDCL 11-3-21.1, the plat legally identified as: Schuring/Strom Track 1 in the NW 1/4 of Sec 34-T123N-R60W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (40925 135th Street) is hereby vacated. Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted.

SPECIAL MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE HEARING: Time and place, as advertised for public hearing to consider the approval of a Special Malt Beverage License. Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the Chair sign the Special Malt Beverage License Permit, submitted by SPURS Therapeutic Riding Center, 1006 130th St., for an event to be held on the N 1/2 of Lot 1, Spurs 2nd Addition NW 1/4 of Sec 6-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD, effective September 16, 2017 (map indicating specific area on file with application). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

GRANARY LAWN SERVICE CONTRACT: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to approve the renewal option submitted by Jones Lawn Service to provide lawn and grounds maintenance at the Granary Rural Cultural Center for the 2018 growing season. Roll call vote: Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Kippley-aye. Motion carried.

DOE CAMA SYSTEM DISCUSSION: Michael Hauke, Director of Equalization met to discuss Devnet CAMA (based on Marshall Swift value system) currently in use and Vanguard CAMA (based on Vanguard value system). No action was taken at this time.

APPLICATIONS FOR OCCUPANCY: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Fischbach to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the following application, submitted by James Valley Communications for occupancy of the following: Brown County Hwy #10 in Sec 1-123N-R64W and Hwy #13 in Sec 36-124N-R64W, to provide telecommunications. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS: Moved by Hansen, seconded by Sutton to go into executive session for personnel discussion, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) and consultation with legal counsel, per SDCL 1-25-2(3) with Larry Lovrien and Gary Vetter in attendance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

The Chair declared the executive session closed, with the following action taken as a result of the discussion.

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

Approve the following Employee Step Increases, effective September 24, 2017: Dennis VanHeerde at \$18.47 per hour; Danica Hillestad at \$18.37 per hour; Jessica Rychlik at \$16.27 per hour.

Acknowledge resignation of Deputy Sheriff Ross Erickson, effective Friday, September 22, 2017 and request to fill Deputy Sheriff Vacancy.

Approve the lateral transfer of Adult Correctional Officer John Clark from Jail to JDC, effective September 12, 2017.

Acknowledge resignation of Deputy Sheriff Ryan McClain, effective September 12, 2017 and reinstate him as an Adult Correctional Officer Step 5 in the Jail at \$17.18 per hour and request to fill vacancy of a second Deputy Sheriff.

Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Hansen to authorize the Director of Communications to prepare and sign for all departments the Verizon Wireless monthly billing voucher.

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

Sara Swisher, Brown County Deputy Auditor
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Claremont Town Sept. 12, 2017 Meeting Minutes

The board of trustees for the town of CLAREMONT met in regular session on 9-12-17 at 7:00 pm in the hall. President Johnson called the meeting to order with trustees SPENCER and Rasmussen present. The minutes of the August meeting were read and on a motion by Rasmussen and seconded by SPENCER approved as read. On a motion by Spencer and seconded by Rasmussen the following warrants were allowed: General:

First State Bank, mower Loan, 817.63; SD Public Assurance Alliana, insurance, 2,695.53; NWE, lights, 319.36; BRIAN. co. Auditor, mosquito spraying , 1061.20; Hanse Service , gas, 25.46; James valley , phone and computer , 86.68; Charla Rye, wage, 350.00; Shane Johnson, part for mower, 541.29; Brown Co. Highway, partial pay chipseal, 2100.00; Missi Smith, mowing 12 hrs, 110.82; WSSW: BDM, water used, 1446.0; Eco-lab, pest elimination, 165.58; Dept. of Revenue, water sample, 15.00; NWE, water and sewer, 342.54; Oschsner Construction, tin roof, 3,534.98; Melinda Spencer, meter reading, 18.52; Due to Lagoon and sewer issues the Board has no choice but o raise the sewer rate. On a motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Spencer the sewer rate will be \$40.00 a month. This will go in to effect on 1-1-18. Appropriation Ordinance 2018 budget was placed on its first reading. The letter to Robin Green was approved and mailed. With no further business before he Board a motion was made by Rasmussen to adjourn and seconded by Spencer. Motion carried.

CRye, F.O.
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Frederick Town Water Resolution

RESOLUTION #202
THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WAS MOVED BY _Troy Millard, Board Member, AND SECONDED BY R. Scott Campbell, Board Chairman.

WHEREAS, it has been found that the present water rates must be adjusted to reflect the increase of the WEB Water, Inc., rates for the town's water usage.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Frederick will increase the charge for overage use from \$2.50 to \$3.00 for each 1000 gals. of water. The base charge of

\$25.00 for 1st 2000 gallons will raise to \$27.00, for 1st 2000 gallons.

Upon being put to a vote the above RESOLUTION was unanimously adopted.

Campbell Aye
Schlosser Aye
Millard Aye
R. Scott Campbell, Board Chairman

ATTEST:
Diane Bruns, Finance Officer
Dated: First Reading: August 7, 2017

2nd Reading: September 6, 2017

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Frederick Town Sept. 6, 2017 Meeting Minutes

September Minutes
Town of Frederick

The Frederick Town Board meeting began Wednesday night, September 6, 2017, at 7PM, in the Frederick Community Center. Chairman R. Scott Campbell opened the meeting by leading the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Those attending with Chairman Campbell included Board Members Troy Millard and Gary Schlosser, Finance Officer Diane Bruns, Utility Manager Rich Bakeberg, Fire Chief Kevin Barton, Frederick Forward President Krysti Mikkonen, and later, citizen Robert Campbell. Minutes of the August meeting were read and approved

with a motion by GS/TM. Motion Carried.

The Financial Report for August including the Accounts Receivable and current bank balances were approved with a motion by TM/GS. Motion Carried.

Approval of the Accounts Payable for September along with an additional bill for a Sewer Study by Helms and Associates was approved with a motion by GS/SC. Motion Carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Aberdeen Asphalt, Inc. chip sealing St Repair \$15,950; D. Bruns wage CC \$76.58; D. Bruns, Finance Officer wage FO \$1147.90; DSG curb stops Wtr \$8009.17; E Head, Supervisor LF \$286.28; FDC Econ Dev Econ Dev \$1200; G. Schlosser, Board Member wage Gen'l \$23.09; GDI legals Gen'l \$59.11; HD Supply Waterworks manhole covers Sts \$566.95; I. Morlock mowing Gen'l \$120.05; JVT phones, services, Internets FO/EBL/Wtr/Gen'l \$301.88; M. Cox, Librarian wage EBL \$594.30; MDU electricity Sts/FO/CC/EBL/B Park/S Park/Fire/Wtr/Swr \$1207.21; Menard's supplies Sewer \$44.31; Newnan Traffic Signs street signs Sts \$69.72; R. Bakeberg Veh Allow Wtr/Sts/Swr \$75; R. Bakeberg, UT Mgr wage Sts/Wtr/Swr \$448.77; R.S. Campbell, Chairman wage Gen'l \$46.17; SD Dept of Rev Sales Tax Garb \$73.70; SD Dept of Rev Lab Wtr \$15; T. Millard, Brd Mem Gen'l \$23.09; USDA-RD AP Water Loan Water Repair \$475; WEB Water 731,800 gallons Wtr \$2429.87; Helms & Associates sewer study Swr \$12,000. Total Accounts Payable \$33,243.15.

OLD BUSINESS:
Rich Bakeberg's Utility Report included reporting on the lead and copper lab tests returned from State Health Lab, all good, Acid and Lead report good also; talked about laying down gravel and where; new street signs are going up and more new water hydrants going in next month; UT Mgr Bakeberg is working with Fire Chief Barton to burn Landfill with water truck present; WEB Water gallon difference was noted.

Krysti Mikkonen of Frederick Forward, noted the playground equipment will be shipped on 9/11/2017. She would appreciate all whom would be able to help set-up and install the equipment, to be at Simmons Park on Saturday, September 23, 2017. She will email the bill to the city to write the check for the equipment and then the city will be reimbursed by Frederick Forward's fund raising and grants collected. She will also get the city a bill for the port-a-potties which the city will pay half of from Finn Fest. Mikkonen also left a list of Budget requests for funds from the city for FF efforts.

The bill left with the Frederick Board for sidewalk repairs by President R. Mikkonen of the Historical Society was tabled as no one was present to request funds. Hist Soc Auction is Oct 15.

No representation from Emma Burnham Library.

No requests from Frederick Development Corporation.

OTHER OLD BUSINESS:

Annual Report, tabled; fire-place granite, tabled; No hard-copy of WW Study in FO, noted; No grant info on RR Ave road from DOT; Chairman Campbell talking to Brown County Equalization Office on roads and vacated alleys, believe RR Avenue was Grandfathered in; overhead exhaust fan in CC needs new motor, J&M Elect., Inc. has checked it out.

NEW BUSINESS:

After presentation and discussing general tax income and other, the 1st Reading of Appropriation Budget Request was passed with a motion by TM/SC including a date of September 19, 2017, 7 PM, set for 2nd Reading. Motion Carried.

The 2nd Reading of Water Rate Resolution #202 was passed with a motion by GS/SC and a roll call vote. The Resolution states water rates to increase from \$25 to \$27 basic rate, and from \$2.50 for each 1000 gallons over to \$3.00 for each 1000 gallons over. The increase is due to increased rates from WEB Water. Roll call vote included Chairman Campbell, Aye; Board Member Millard, Aye; Board Member Schlosser, Aye. Motion Carried. The Ordinance will be published in the Groton Independent Newspaper and will go into effect October 1, 2017.

Interest about informational city highway sign sitting on private property next to highway, has been inquired about. Interested party would like to change information for their use. The Frederick City Board will approve transfer if landowners approve and Frederick Forward Board approves. K. Mikkonen will contact Frederick Forward/Horizons, to see if they are willing to give up the space.

A Certified letter plus a letter through regular mail to request Frederick citizen license his

animals after showing current rabbi shot certifications, will have 10 days from date of letter to complete action. This action is being taken proposing fines/jail time, after numerous leash law and viciousness complaints have been received in the city office and at city board meetings. Frederick City Dog Ordinance will be enforced.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Speed Limits in Frederick were discussed. Board Member Schlosser will inquire about having a flashing, temporary, "Show your Speed" sign on Main Street.

John Deere safety notice for new lawn mower was presented.

2017 Law Review Symposium on September 28th, in Vermillion was noted.

Pittsburgh Tank & Tower ad was presented.

Beaver control by the Maple River was discussed and tabled.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss the September meeting was adjourned with a motion by TM/SC at 8:45 PM. Motion Carried

The next regular scheduled town board meeting is October 2, 2017 at 7PM in the Frederick Community Center.

Finance Office number 605-329-2242.

Diane Bruns
Frederick Finance Officer

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Mud Creek Provisional

Budget Notice

PROVISIONAL BUDGET FOR BROWN COUNTY MUD CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT, BROWN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

FOR THE YEAR JANUARY 1, 2018 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2018

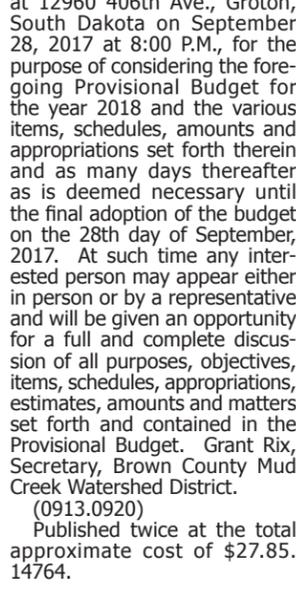
General Fund: Legal fees, \$1,000.00; Advertising, \$1,500.00; Insurance and Bonds, \$1,500.00; Engineering and Projects, \$66,338.85;

Administration and Office Expenses, \$1,500.00; Miscellaneous Expense, \$2,000.00.

ADOPTION OF PROVISIONAL BUDGET FOR BROWN COUNTY MUD CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That the Managers of the Brown County Mud Creek Watershed District, will meet in the Roger Rix Shop, located at 12960 406th Ave., Groton, South Dakota on September 28, 2017 at 8:00 P.M., for the purpose of considering the foregoing Provisional Budget for the year 2018 and the various items, schedules, amounts and appropriations set forth therein and as many days thereafter as is deemed necessary until the final adoption of the budget on the 28th day of September, 2017. At such time any interested person may appear either in person or by a representative and will be given an opportunity for a full and complete discussion of all purposes, objectives, items, schedules, appropriations, estimates, amounts and matters set forth and contained in the Provisional Budget. Grant Rix, Secretary, Brown County Mud Creek Watershed District.

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Only two students dressed up for Toga Day at the middle/high school on Tuesday. So the seventh grade winner was Chase Gackle. Not pictured is the sixth grade winner, Anna Bisbee. (Photo by Tina Kosel)

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**Frederick School
Sept. 1, 2017
Meeting Minutes**

OFFICIAL BOARD PROCEEDINGS
FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2
SEPTEMBER 11, 2017

The meeting was called to order on September 11, 2017 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Rich Schlosser. Members present were Dan Nickelson and Eric Sumption. Members absent were Jon Ellwein and Alex Hart. Others present were Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director Jeff Koster, Business Manager Janel Wagner and Crystal Arthurs.

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

Chairman Schlosser welcomed visitor Crystal Arthurs.

Action 17-32 Motion by Nickelson, second by Sumption to approve the agenda as presented. All aye, carried.

Action 17-33 Motion by Sumption, second by Nickelson to approve consent agenda which included the following items:

A. Minutes of meeting held August 14, 2017;

B. Financial Statements as presented;

C. Bills.

FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2 SEPTEMBER CLAIMS

Vendor Name, Description, Total

Fund Number 10 GENERAL FUND: ABERDEEN AMERICAN NEWS, SUBSCRIPTION, 173.63; AMAZON, SUPPLIES, 193.78; ARTHURS, CRYSTAL, SUPPLIES, 239.91; BLEDSOE FAMILY CHIROPRACTIC, DOT PHYSICAL, 75.00; BROTZEL, JUSTIN, REPAIRS, 49.92; CLIMATE CONTROL INC., REPAIRS, 190.36; COLE PAPERS, INC., PAPER, 560.54; CRAWFORD TRUCKS & EQUIP, REPAIRS, 10.08; CUSTOM SHEET METAL, INC., REPAIRS, 70.00; CWD-ABERDEEN, FOOD, 575.58; DALLMANN, JENNIFER, CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT, 175.00; DON'S BUILDERS HARDWARE, KEYS, 10.00; DREAMBOX LEARNING, SUBSCRIPTION, 250.00; EDGEUNITY, SITE LICENSES, 1,200.00; ELLENDALE TRUE VALUE, SUPPLIES, 19.69; FARMERS UNION OIL ELLENDALE, PROPANE, 68.31; FARNAM'S GENUINE PARTS INC, REPAIRS, 76.31; FOREMAN SALES AND SERVICE, REPAIRS, 104.61; GREEN IRON EQUIPMENT, REPAIRS, 193.29; GROTON INDEPENDENT, INC, PUBLISHING, 112.23; HOBBY LOBBY, SUPPLIES, 41.18; JAMES VALLEY COOP. TELE. CO., TELEPHONE, 158.93; LEARNING A-Z, SOFTWARE, 399.90; MAC'S INC., REPAIRS, 56.31; MATHESON TRI-GAS INC., INSPECTION, 386.15; MEIDINGER, MELISSA, CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT, 350.00; MENARDS ABERDEEN, REPAIRS, 266.20; MERTZ LUMBER & SUPPLY, SUPPLIES, 42.06; MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., ELECTRICITY, 79.96; MORLOCK, MARTY, CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT, 350.00; NORTH CENTRAL FARMERS ELE, FUEL, 3,391.00; NORTH CENTRAL SPEC ED COOP, FEES, 5,000.00; O'REILLY AUTO PARTS, REPAIRS, 3.99; PANTORIUM CLEANER INC., SUPPLIES, 278.05; PLANK ROAD PUBLISHING, INC, MUSIC, 225.94; POSTMASTER, POSTAGE, 6.58; RUNNING'S SUPPLY

INC., SUPPLIES, 72.12; SANFORD HEALTH, DOT PHYSICAL, 100.00; SCHOOL SPECIALTY, INC., SUPPLIES, 58.66; SOUTH DAKOTA DEPT OF TRANS SIGN FEE, 24.00; TOWN OF FREDERICK, UTILITIES, 186.36; TRUST AND AGENCY FUND, IMPREST REIMBURSEMENT, 336.45; ULMER, MAGGIE, CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT, 315.81; UNITED STATE POSTAL SERVICE, POSTAGE, 299.54; WALMART, SUPPLIES, 10.00; WOODMAN REFRIGERATION, INC., REPAIRS, 522.53; ZINTER, TONYA, CREDIT REIMBURSEMENT, 350.00.

Fund Number 21 CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND: A & B BUSINESS, INC, SERVICE CONTRACT, 589.66; AMAZON, BOOK, 91.60; BSN SPORTS, INC, BBB UNIFORMS, 4,738.00; DAKOTA STORAGE BUILDINGS, STORAGE SHED, 8,749.90; DEUBROOK AREA SCHOOL DIST, WIRELESS CONTROLLER, 100.00; PEARSON EDUCATION INC., CURRICULUM, 957.33; SCHOLASTIC, INC., BOOKS, 65.95.

Fund Number 22 SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND: APPLE, IPAD COVER, 4,929.50; AVERA ST LUKES, OCCU THERAPY, 224.00; BAIN, LARISSA, MILEAGE, 184.80; NORTH CENTRAL SPEC ED COOP, FEES, 8,587.35.

Fund Number 51 FOOD SERVICE: BERNARD FOOD INDUSTRIES, INC., FOOD, 311.36; PANTORIUM CLEANER INC., SUPPLIES, 84.70; COMMUNITY STORE, FOOD, 61.58; CWD-ABERDEEN, FOOD, 4,922.34.

All aye, carried.

Salaries: General: Administration/teachers, 107,146.41; Support, 6,880.00; Social Security & Medicare, 24,199.62. The following benefits and salaries are included in the above totals: AFLAC, ins, 631.82; American Funds, retirement, 1,000.00; Delta Dental, ins, 1,167.42; ReliaStar Life, ins, 146.21; SDRS Supplemental, retirement, 460.50; Security Benefits, retirement, 312.50; SDRS, retirement, 10,391.71; VSP, ins, 172.63; Wellmark, ins, 14,476.08. Jon Ellwein, board, 61.72; Alex hart, board 55.00; Marty Morlock, driving 566.01; Richard Schlosser, board, 61.30; Eric Sumption, board, 65.08. Special Education: Teachers, 10,176.13; Support 238.05; Social Security & Medicare, 2,309.44. The following benefits and salaries are included in the above totals: AFLAC, ins, 30.08; Delta Dental, ins, 180.06; ReliaStar Life, ins, 1.39; SDRS Supplemental, retirement, 250.00; SDRS, retirement, 924.62; VSP, ins, 29.73; Wellmark, ins, 1,351.92. Food Service: Support, 1,046.98; Social Security & Medicare, 275.40. The following benefits and salaries are included in the above totals: SDRS, retirement, 116.36; VSP, ins, 22.64.

The following reports were given at this time:

A. Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director

Action 17-34 Motion by Nickelson, second by Sumption to accept the following Employee Agreement: Jim Dumire, bus driver, \$33.50/route. All aye, carried.

Action 17-35 Motion by Nickelson, second by Sumption to accept the following coaching contract: Sarah Sumption, Junior High Girls Basketball, \$1598.00. All aye, carried.

Action 17-36 Motion by Sumption, second by Nickelson to declare items listed on 8-A-18 as

	GENERAL FUND	C.O. FUND	SP. ED. FUND	PENSION
Beginning Balance	\$344,341.31	\$1,075,069.63	\$505,990.59	\$42,471.24
Receipts				
Taxes	\$2,814.58	\$1,768.88	\$993.65	\$7.08
Local Sources	\$16,045.40		\$50.00	
Interest	\$78.98			
Federal & State	\$57,046.49			
Investments	\$340,922.46	\$540,429.40	\$256,175.05	\$45,189.23
Disbursements	\$146,283.47	\$131,768.84	\$11,928.84	
Closing Balance	\$614,965.75	\$1,485,499.07	\$751,280.45	\$87,667.55
	TRUST & AGENCY FUND	ENTERPRISE DRIVERS ED	FOOD SERVICE FUND	UNEMPLOYMENT FUND
Beginning Balance	\$66,007.03	\$275.09	-\$7,770.16	\$19,090.52
Receipts	\$1,691.44	\$0.00	\$4,615.50	
Disbursements	\$13,480.84	\$0.00	\$1,864.31	
Closing Balance	\$54,217.63	\$275.09	-\$5,018.97	\$19,090.52

surplus and authorize the Business Manager to dispose of the items. All aye, carried.

Exit Crystal Arthurs at 7:57 pm.

BE IT RESOLVED that the school board of the Frederick Area School District 6-2, after duly considering the proposed budget and its amendments thereto, does hereby adopt its annual budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 as published with the approved amendments: General Fund Revenue - increase 104151914 by \$93.00; increase 104158901 by \$9,111.00; increase 104159901

by \$7,189.00; decrease 105110 by \$82,578.00; decrease 105110106 by \$5,649.00. General Fund Expenditures - decrease 101111000111 by \$5,500.00; increase 101111000240 by \$295.00; increase 101273901111 by \$5,500.00; increase 102213902319 by \$3,465.00; increase 102213902412 by \$6,865.00; decrease 102227000113 by \$10,000.00; increase 102227902113 by \$10,000.00; increase 102227902334 by \$800.00; increase 102319000651 by \$29,040.00; decrease 107000000690 by \$21,000.00;

increase 108110000690 by \$30.00. Capital Outlay Expenditures - increase 211121000422 by \$2,000.00; increase 212549000549 by \$8,750.00; increase 212559000550 by \$500.00; decrease 216100000542 by \$3,545.00; increase 216100000549 by \$3,545.00; decrease 218110000690 by \$192,086.00. Special Education Expenditures - increase 221221000411 by \$100.00. Pension Fund Expenditures - increase 248110000690 by \$68,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Frederick Area School

District 6-2 does hereby authorize the County Auditor to spread a tax levy upon the assessed valuation of the Frederick Area School District 6-2. Schlosser - aye, Nickelson - aye, Sumption - aye.

Discussion was held regarding VSP vision insurance coverage. Continued coverage will not be available when employment has ended with the school district.

Thank you to Taylor and Cassandra Sumption for offering freezer space at the Community Store while the school district's freezer was being repaired; congratulations to Homecoming Royalty King Alex Sumption and Queen Keely Podoll; congratulations to the football team for their Homecoming game win against Northwestern; and thank you to Mrs. Ringgenberg for the organization of the homecoming parade.

The October regular meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10, 2017.

Action 17-38 Motion by Nickelson, second by Sumption to adjourn at 8:18 pm. All aye, carried.

Chairman
Business Manager
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**Weekly Vikings Roundup
By Jordan Wright**

After coming off a dominant performance in the week 1 against the New Orleans Saints, the Minnesota Vikings traveled to Pittsburgh, trying to make it two wins in a row. Unfortunately for the Vikings, week 1 MVP Sam Bradford was having issues with his surgically repaired knee and ended up missing the game. The combination of using a backup quarterback and facing the Steelers in Pittsburgh was too much for the Vikings to overcome, and they lost 26-9.

The Vikings offense, led by Case Keenum, was unable to get anything going on Sunday. After racking up 470 total yards in week 1 against the Saints, the Vikings could only muster 237 yards against the Steelers. Keenum completed 20 of 37 passes for 167 yards, no touchdowns and no interceptions. Dalvin Cook was limited to 64 yards on the ground, while Stefon Diggs and Adam Thielen were held to 71 total receiving yards. Overall it was an uninspiring performance by the offense, but it was to be expected with Bradford out.

The Vikings defense did a much better job than the offense, but they were far from perfect. Steelers running back Le'Veon Bell, one of the best in the NFL, got 27 carries but only amassed 87 yards on the ground. Antonio Brown, one of the best receivers in the league, was blanketed by Xavier Rhodes for most of the game and was limited to only five catches (11 targets) for 62 yards. While the Vikings did a good job against one of the most potent offenses in the NFL, they also shot themselves in the foot on multiple occasions with penalties - both of Pittsburgh's touchdowns in the first half were assisted by pass interference calls on the Vikings defense.

The play of the game for Minnesota came at the hands of tight end Kyle Rudolph. Case Keenum threw a pass Rudolph's way, but the pass was too high. Rudolph was able to leap, get a finger on the ball, tip it into the air, and somehow bring in the pass. In the end, it didn't mean much, but it was a great catch nonetheless.

Looking ahead, the Vikings will return home and prepare to host the Tampa Bay Buccaneers (Sunday, September 24). The two teams have plenty of history, as they used to be in the same division - the NFC Central. Tampa Bay was unable to play their week 1 game because of the hurricane in Florida, but they beat the Chicago Bears in week 2, 29-7. The Bucs will be without starting running back Doug Martin, who is serving a three-game suspension for performance enhancing drugs, but their offense is still potent. Quarterback Jameis Winston is very similar to Ben Roethlisberger, as he is capable of making any throw and doesn't take a lot of sacks because his large frame is hard to bring down. The Bucs also have two great receivers who bring different skills to the table and will make life miserable for the Vikings cornerbacks. Mike Evans is big enough to leap over just about anyone, and he is strong enough to come down with most passes thrown his way. DeSean Jackson, on the other hand, is one of the fastest receivers in the league.

If Sam Bradford is able to play, the Vikings should be able to handle the Buccaneers. If he is unable to play because of his knee, it will likely be up to the defense to win this game. Either way, I think the Vikings will be 2-1 after week 3. Skol!

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Yard of the Week

The Groton Community Center was chosen as the Yard of the Week last week by the members of the Groton Garden Club. Pictured are Lee Schinkel and Ruby Donovan, care-takers of the flowers around the Groton Community Center. (Photo by Tina Kosel)

Groton Area wins battle of the Tigers

Groton Area's volleyball team went to 5-1 on the season with a 3-0 win over Moberge-Pollock in a match played in Groton on Tuesday.

The varsity match was carried live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Olson Developmen, Allied Climate Professionals with Kevin Nehls, Grain Solutions with Jesse Zak, Blocker Construction, Groton Ford, John Sieh Agency, Milbrandt Enterprises Inc., Hanlon Brothers of Groton and Verdon, James Valley Seed with Doug Jorgensen, Erickson Insurance Agency and Bahr Spray Foam and Construction. Make sure you tell these sponsors thank you and that you patronize them as well.

Game scores were 25-9, 25-12 and 25-17. Groton Area won the junior varsity match by game scores of 25-8 and 25-11. Moberge-Pollock won the C match by game scores of 14-25, 25-19 and 15-7.

In the varsity match, Groton Area was 64 of 75 in serving with 16 ace serves. Jennie Doeden was 14 of 16 with five ace serves, Jessica Bjerke was 11 of 13 with four ace serves and Gia Gengerke was 10 of 13 with four ace serves. Moberge-Pollock was 29 of 32 with two ace serves. Molly Lahren was five of six with two ace serves.

In sets, Groton Area was 71 of 74 with 35 assists. Miranda Hanson was 64 of 66 with 33 assists. Moberge-Pollock was 40 of 41 with seven assists. Alex Steiger was 40 of 41 with seven assists.

Groton Area was 76 of 82 in attacks with 37 kills. Jessica Bjerke was 19 of 21 with nine kills and Nicole Marzahn was 15 of 15 with eight kills. Moberge-Pollock was 33 of 43 in attacks with nine kills. Kaycee Redmond was three of seven with three kills and Molly Lahren was seven of nine with two kills.

Groton Area had 36 digs with Payton Maine and Jessica Bjerke each having eight. Moberge-Pollock had 19 digs with Molly Lahren having seven.

Groton Area had four blocks with Nicole Marzahn having one solo and one assist, Gia Gengerke had three blocks and Taylor Holm had one. Moberge-Pollock had two blocks by Megan Zahn.

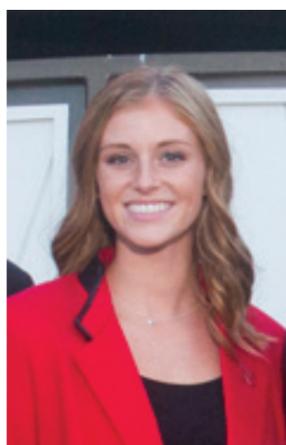
Groton Area will host Hamlin on Thursday.



Logan Olson and Abby Fjeldheim presented the scrolls. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



The cheerleaders put on several performances at the homecoming coronation. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Camille Sippel of Groton chosen as Homecoming royalty finalist at Nebraska

LINCOLN, NE (09/12/2017)-- Camille Sippel of Groton has been selected as a candidate for Homecoming queen at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Sippel, a senior economics major, is the daughter of Marc and Franne Sippel.

The Homecoming king and queen will be elected by the student body in an on-line vote Sept. 21. They will be crowned Sept. 23 at halftime of the Nebraska-Rutgers football game, which kicks off at 2:30 p.m. at Memorial Stadium.

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