



The Snow Price was Gavin Hanten, son of Cody and Sarah Hanten; Senior Snow Queen was Gia Gengerke, daughter of Shawn and Lara Gengerke; Junior Snow Queen was Tanae Lipp, daughter of Tom and Kami Lipp; and Snow Princess was Rowan Patterson, daughter of Drake and Jacquelyn Patterson. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Senior Snow Queen: Madison Sippel was the second runner-up, Gia Gengerke was the senior snow queen and Hannah Lewandowski was the first runner-up. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



Junior Snow Queen: First Runner-up was Alexis Hanten; Junior Snow Queen was Tanae Lipp; Second Runner-up was Tiara DeHoet. (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

## Snow Queen Contest held

The 71st Annual Snow Queen Pageant was held Sunday evening.

In the senior snow queen division, Gia Gengerke was named the senior snow queen, Hannah Lewandowski was the first runner-up, Madison Sippel the second runner-up, and Alexandra Stange was named Miss Congeniality.

In the junior snow queen division, Tanae Lipp was named junior snow queen, Alexis Hanten was named first runner-up and Tiara DeHoet was named second runner-up.

Rick Carlson was the mystery Frosty. Teresa Davies was the winner of the \$25 for making the correct guess.

The snow prince was Gavin Hanten and the snow princess was Rowan Patterson.

Anna Bisbee won the junior division talent contest and Madeline Schuelke won the senior division talent contest.

## GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #06-6 School Board Meeting

**November 13, 2017 – 7:00 PM – GHS Conference Room**

### AGENDA:

1. Call to Order with members present. Approve agenda as proposed or amended.

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS DISCLOSURE PURSUANT SDCL 23-3

### CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approval of minutes of October 9, 2017 school board meeting as drafted or amended.

2. Approval of October 2017 Financial Report, Agency Accounts, and Investments

3. Approval of October 2017 School Transportation Report

4. Approval of October 2017 School Lunch Report

5. Approval of North Central Special Education Co-Op (NCSEC) agenda items...as fiscal agent.

6. Approval of October District bills for payment.

### OLD/CONTINUING BUSINESS:

1. Open Forum for Public Participation...in accordance with Board Policy & Guidelines.

2. School Board Committee Reports:

a. Building, Grounds, & Transportation: Clint Fjelstad, Merle Harder, Marty Weismantel

b. Personnel, Policy, & Curriculum: Deb Gengerke, Grant Rix

c. Negotiations: Steve Smith

3. Election of School Board Vice President.

4. Update on Elementary project progress with discussion from representatives from FJJ and JLG.

5. Consideration of Change Orders.

a. CCO #019: Boiler Room Door Threshold and Sweeps

b. CCO #004: New Exterior Lighting

c. CCO #007: Canopy Lighting

d. PR 21: Replacement of Interior Doors

6. Administrative Reports: (a) Superintendent's Report; (b) Principal's Reports; (c) Business Manager Report

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approval of volunteer assistant coaches.

a. Boys Basketball: Drake Patterson, Jeremy Weber

b. Wrestling: Parker Kroll, Scott Thorson, Troy Zoellner

2. Acknowledge receipt of public school exemption notification #18-11.

3. Executive session pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(1).

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# Groton Area heads to the Sweet 16

It was exciting volleyball action Thursday night in the Groton Area arena as it was a rematch between Groton Area and Milbank for the rite to advance to the Sweet 16 round. After losing the first game, 25-23, the Tigers rallied to win the next three games, 25-13, 25-18 and 25-22 to win the match.



**Payton Colestock goes for the dig.** (Photo by Julianna

The match was carried live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by the Aberdeen Chrysler Center.

Molly Rick dominated the first game for Milbank with seven kills. The Bulldogs jumped out to a 5-1 lead. Groton Area would rally to tie the game at 14, 15 and 16 before taking the lead at 21-18. Milbank came back to tie the game at 22 and 23 and scored the last two points to win the game, 25-23.

Jennie Doeden four ace serves, three blocks and a kill to help lead Groton Area to the second game win. The Tigers jumped out to an 8-0 lead and Milbank never threatened as the Tigers easily won game two, 25-13.

Groton Area jumped out to a 4-0 third game lead, but Milbank tied the game at nine and took the lead. The game was tied five times and the lead changed hands four times. Groton Area had a rally of four straight points to take a 19-17 lead. Milbank closed to



**Jessica Bjerke serves the ball.** (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

within one, 19-18, but would remain scoreless for the rest of the game. The game ended with Miranda Hanson having three straight ace serves and Nicole Marzahn having the game winning kill for the final, 25-18. Payton Colestock had four kills and an ace serve in the game while Marzahn and Doeden each had three kills and Gia Gengerke had two blocks.

The fourth game was intense and fierce with the game being tied eight times and the lead changed hands four times. Each team had the biggest lead of the game at three points. Marzahn had the game winning kill to give Groton the 25-22 win. Gengerke had five kills, an ace serve and a block in the final game and Marzahn had three kills for the leaders.

"It was definitely a hard fought win for us and a definite confidence booster moving into the sweet 16!" said Coach Chelsea Hanson. "We had everyone contributing tonight with four girls having right around 10 kills each!" The Tigers were 184 of 201 in attacks with 43 kills. Gia Gengerke

was 36 of 40 with 12 kills, Jennie Doeden was 42 of 49 with 11 kills, Nicole Marzahn was 41 of 42 with 10 kills and Payton Colestock had eight kills."

"Everyone did their part and aside from getting off to a weak start we really kept our heads in it and competed and for that I'm very proud!" Hanson said. "We also hit a milestone. I've never had it where we went 106-106 from the service line with 8 aces, that's huge. "A missed served is a definite momentum killer and I'm glad we stayed focused back there." Jennie Doeden was 24 of 24 with two ace serves, Miranda Hanson was 14 of 14 with three ace serves and Gia Gengerke was 21 of 21 with two ace serves. "It's really the one part of the game that never changes and we have total control over so we should do well with those things."



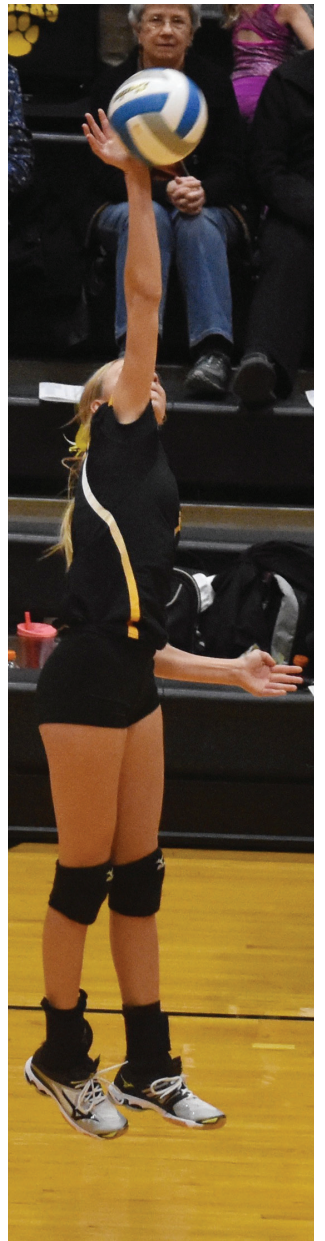
**Gia Gengerke goes for the block.** (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

"We will have McCook/Montrose in the sweet 16, so now it's time to start preparing for them!"

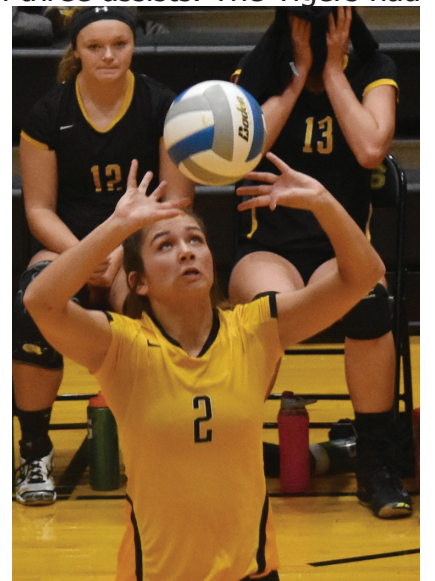
Groton Area was 173 of 174 in sets with 36 assists. Miranda Hanson was 149 of 150 with 32 assists and Payton Maine was 12 of 12 with three assists. The Tigers had 135 digs with Maine having 30, Doeden 25 and Jessica Bjerke 20. In blocks, Gengerke had four solo and one assisted block, Doeden had three blocks and Jessica Bjerke had one block.

Milbank had three missed serves with Jaecy Engebreston having two ace serves. Molly Rick was 72 of 78 in attacks with 25 kills

while Engebreston had 13 kills and MaKayla Johnson had eight. Rick led the Bulldogs with 39 kills while Maty Lightfield had 26 and Gabbi Cummins 25. Cummins had three blocks and Jaden Hoek had two.



**Nicole Marzahn goes for the kill.** (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



**Payton Maine sets the ball.** (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



# It was not a Sweet 16

"The season didn't end the way we wanted it to end," said Coach Chelsea Hanson after the Lady Tigers lost a hard fought battle to the McCook Central-Montrose Fighting Cougars in the Sweet 16. Groton won the first game, but Morgan Koepsell and McKenna Kranz played hard ball and it caused problems for the Tigers. The two Fighting Cougars hit the ball hard and often and Koepsell's height didn't help the Tiger cause either. The Fighting Cougars won the match, 3-1.

Groton won the first game, 25-23, with a game that was tied four times and there were three lead changes before the Tigers rallied to take a 20-14 lead. McCook Central-Montrose closed to within one, 22-21, and after a Groton Area time-out, the Tigers put the game away with the two point win.

The Fighting Cougars jumped out to a 6-0 lead in the second game. Groton closed to within two, 7-5, but after that, it was McCook Central-Montrose going for the 25-16 win.

McCook Central-Montrose jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the third game and went on several rallies to post a 25-17 win.

Groton Area kept the game close for the first part of the match with the game being tied five times and there were two lead changes. Groton led, 9-8, but the Fighting Cougars went ahead, 12-9. The Fighting Cougars held a 21-15 lead before Groton got a rally going to close the game to within two, 21-19, before McCook Central-Montrose called time out. It was 22-21 before the Fighting Cougars scored the last three points to post the 25-21 win.

"I couldn't be any more proud of the way we competed at the match and all season," Hanson said. "There were so many positives this season that it makes the sting of defeat a little less. We won the conference, made it to the Sweet 16, and ended the season with the most wins (18-6 record) since I've been here for sure and possibly in school history. We had some great senior leadership and we will miss them very much next season, they're part of the Groton Volleyball family forever, and when we make a state tournament they can take pride knowing they were part of it! I'm sad to have the season over, but it was sure a lot of fun for all of us!"

The game was carried lived on GDILIVE.COM with over 1,600 viewers. broadcast was sponsored by Bahr Spray Foam & Construction, Blocker Construction, Bunke Storage Units, Dakota Brush, Erickson Insurance Agency, Farmers Union Insurance - JR Johnson , Groton Chiropractic Clinic, Groton Ford, Hanlon Brothers, James Valley Seed with Doug Jorgenson , John Sieh Agency, Lori's Pharmacy, KR Body Shop, McGannon Plumbing, Heating, Cooling & Sheet Metal; Mike-N-Jo's Body-N-Glass, Producer's



**Jessica Bjerke returns the ball with Miranda Hanson also pictured (#8) and Coach Chelsea Hanson in the back right.**

(Photo by Julianna Kosel)



**Jessica Bjerke saves the ball with a return in the back.** (Photo by Julianna Kosel)



**Gia Gengerke gets a good hit near the net.** (Photo by Julianna Kosel)

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Jennie Doeden finished the match with 21 of 27 attacks and 12 kills, 14 of 14 serves and one ace serve and 17 digs. Gia Gengerke was 28 of 33 in attacks with 10 kills, was 16 of 17 in serves with three ace serves and had three solo blocks. Nicole Marzahn was 32 of 35 in attacks with nine kills, Miranda Hanson had 18 digs and was 118 of 118 in sets with 30 assists and Payton Maine had 39 digs. Jessica Bjerke had two kills and Payton Colestock had one kill.

Koepsell led the Fighting Cougars with 16 kills and four blocks and Kranz had 14 kills.

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## Brown County Oct. 31, 2017 Meeting Minutes

OCTOBER 31, 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 and Fischbach. Commissioner Fjeldheim was absent. Commissioner Kippley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was held in remembrance of Larry Mitzel, who began his 36 year career with Brown County as Highway Bookkeeper in 1960 and was appointed Highway Superintendent in 1977, serving in this position until his retirement in 1996.

**MINUTES:** Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to approve the Joint City/County Meeting Minutes and the General Meeting Minutes of October 24, 2017. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

**Payroll:** Commission \$5,289.97; Auditor \$7,970.06; Treasurer \$13,507.61; States Attorney \$22,348.97; SVAWA Grant \$1,282.08; Maintenance \$7,675.70; Assessor \$13,831.27; Register of Deeds \$9,281.34; Veterans Service Office \$3,975.09; GIS \$2,301.47; Information Technology \$8,175.42; Human Resources \$3,082.21; Sheriff Admin \$34,842.84; Jail \$55,554.64; JDC \$24,267.81; Welfare Office \$3,669.57; Museum \$8,106.92; Parks & Fairgrounds \$5,331.69; Fair Board \$3,830.15; 4-H \$624.72; Weed \$5,749.70; Planning and Zoning \$1,866.02; Highway \$49,919.55; Communications \$23,468.56; Emergency Management \$3,960.14; Teen Court \$505.18; 24/7 \$3,207.41; Landfill \$10,427.63.

**Matching Benefits:** FICA \$19,784.65; Medicare \$4,627.07; SDRS \$39,560.14; Health Ins \$131,579.01; Life Ins \$975.60; Dental Ins \$7,042.95; HAS \$100.00.

**Insurance:** SDACC \$8,426.78. **Professional Fees:** Bantz, Gosch & Cremer \$464.52; Kristi Brandt \$337.40; Dohrer Law Office \$517.00; Haar Law Office \$474.70; Mark Katterhagen \$15.00; Kuusakoski \$3,580.89; LBG \$1,894.78; Lucy Lewno \$144.00; Lincoln Co. Treasurer \$129.60; Darcy Lockwood \$15.00; Marco \$675.00; Richardson, Wyly, Wise & Sauck \$122.20; Christy Griffin-Serr Law Office \$1,267.00; Kristi Spitzer \$1,562.00; Yankton Co. Sheriff Office \$50.00; Yankton Co. Treasurer \$475.00; Zylstra Investigations \$487.50.

**Jurors:** Richard Anderson \$11.68; Taylor Anderson \$26.80; Mikayla Arechigo \$155.04; Janelle Barondeau \$93.00; William Bates \$23.36; Tim Beck \$32.52; Jerrod Becker \$162.60; Anthony Belluso \$160.40; Julie Berry \$23.36; Christopher Bertsch \$10.84; Kari Bierman \$50.84; Jacquelyn Braun \$67.80; Michele Bretsch \$32.52; Jaclyn Brownson \$36.80; Trista Bunke \$23.36; Stephanie Burilovich \$80.08; Tracy Christensen \$35.04; Marlo Cloud \$14.20; Douglas Cooke \$103.36; Shawn Cutler \$23.36; Ernie Dinger \$35.04; Melissa Ellwein \$26.80; Michael Erickson \$23.36; Betty Even \$155.04;

Mary Ewing-Thorpe \$107.36; Brian Falcon \$155.04; Jagger Ferguson \$23.36; Randolph Fischer \$36.80; Kari Fleegel \$155.04; Kymerly Gasser \$11.68; Clarice Gauer \$117.56; James Gauer \$142.76; Kenneth Gillespie \$23.36; Daniel Glover \$23.36; Taylor Gosch \$52.68; Adam Griese \$167.64; Kim Habeck \$26.72; Charles Habhab \$155.04; Diane Hansen \$21.68; Bruce Hartje \$115.04; Amber Haselhorst \$145.60; Kendall Hedges \$42.60; Debora Heine \$23.36; Mary Hill \$23.36; Constance Hoeft \$80.40; Laurie Jacobsen \$115.04; Duane Jark \$51.92; Rebecca Jeschke \$115.04; Bruce Johnson \$65.36; Joan Jundt \$152.52; Patrick Keatts \$45.20; Jamie Kenny \$23.36; Scott Kettering \$80.40; Charles Knecht \$238.20; Stanley Knudsen \$43.52; Stacy Kokales \$77.56; Denise Krueger \$104.00; Betty Kukla \$72.52; Kathleen Larson \$25.04; Todd Lechner \$42.60; Mark Lehrkamp \$77.56; Alexandra Little \$40.16; Kevin Lock \$33.44; Scott Lohman \$23.36; Fred Ludwig \$30.08; Kristine Maag \$155.04; Yvonne Malsam \$37.56; Linda Marko \$45.12; Dana Martin \$55.20; Cody Mehlhaff \$58.64; Kathy Mertz \$63.36; Kerri Minder \$122.60; Alexander Mitchell \$155.04; Torian Mitchell \$51.68; Shannon Morrison-Johnson \$23.36; Jane Nehlich \$120.08; Gary Nelson \$40.08; Bonita Nesby \$152.52; Carmen Nikolas \$75.04; Kathy Nipp \$25.04; Jamie Osterloo \$32.52; Taylor Patterson \$95.20; Kris Pearson \$35.04; Raymond Pierloni \$23.36; Brenda Reich \$36.80; Ryan Reinhardt \$21.68; Justin Roll \$52.68; Heather Rowen \$23.36; Deborah Ruder \$155.04; Joshua Rux \$21.68; Michael Sawatzky \$32.52; Alan Sayer \$25.04; Kimberly Schauanman \$36.80; Patricia Schwan \$25.04; Lydia Scoby \$23.36; Matthew Senger \$31.76; Dennis Sieler \$177.72; Carol Smith \$75.36; Ryan Smith \$21.68; Tom Snyder \$12.52; Patricia Stib \$155.04; Richard Stugelmayer \$108.40; Wayne Tobias \$23.36; Joanne Traphagen \$21.68; Cole Truenbach \$70.40; Larry Vietmeier \$26.80; Jeffrey Voigt \$23.36; Dean Weismantel \$57.72; Jerome Weiszhaar \$32.52; Jordan Wilkie \$21.68; Corey Wipf \$25.04; Duane Witte \$23.36; Lynn Zoellner \$185.28.

**Publishing:** Aberdeen American News \$229.60. **Repairs & Maintenance:** Aberdeen City Treasurer \$9,740.00; Aberdeen Plumbing & Heating \$1,283.89; Ace Refrigeration \$132.60; Advance Stores \$41.07; Asphalt Zipper \$94.28; Diamond Mowers \$28.48; Do-All Insulation \$2,300.00; Farnam's \$29.99; HDR Engineering \$6,130.00; Holloway Construction Co. \$94,971.58; House of Glass \$132.99; ITS \$11,935.41; JDH Construction \$550.00; Leidholdt Electric \$81.51; Pierson-Ford \$48.45; Quality Welding \$1,140.00.

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Menards \$140.23; NCFE – Warner \$3,616.32; Pantorium Cleaners \$84.00; Pheasantland Industries \$438.04; Sander's Sew n' Vac \$57.50; Sherwin Williams \$30.29; Van Diest Supply \$1,596.00.

**Travel & Conference:** Stan Beckler \$18.33; Darwin Bettmann \$15.24; City of Groton \$60.48; Clubhouse-Pierre \$2,115.00; Kathy Fischer \$294.70; Patrick Keatts \$34.11; Dale Kurth \$238.19; Barry Kusler \$294.70; Jeannette McClain \$89.86; David North \$70.32; Jerry Streckfuss \$34.98; SD Assoc. of Fairs & Celebrations \$2,375.00; Sarah Swenson \$342.64.

**Utilities:** CenturyLink \$178.04; Dependable Sanitation \$286.00; Midcontinent \$121.46; Montana-Dakota Utilities \$26.20; NWPS \$8,433.66.

**Machinery & Equip.:** A & B Business \$899.80.

**Other:** Pizza Ranch \$78.46; SDACO \$2,228.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

Approve hiring Barry Braaten as full-time Landfill Equipment Operator (Highway Equipment Operator Grade 4 classification), effective November 20, 2017 @ \$18.02 per hour.

Approve hiring Wes Graff as fill-time Sheriff Deputy, effective November 1, 2017 @ \$19.93 per hour.

Approve the following Employee Step Increases, effective November 5, 2017: Andrew Janusz @ \$16.83 per hour, Michael Ernst @ \$19.27 per hour, Sandra Woytaszek @ \$16.03 per hour, Bill Rohrbach @ \$15.10 per hour.

Acknowledge the following miles driven and amount to be taxed for personal use of County vehicles during the month of September: Kendell Titze- 114 @ \$60.99, Dirk Rogers- 570 @ \$304.95, Mike Scott- 150 @ \$80.25, Gary Vetter- 116 @ \$62.06.

Approve hiring Jon Damaska, effective November 3, 2017 for purpose of prisoner transport.

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**CONSOLIDATED BOARD OF EQUALIZATION:** Commissioner Hansen offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #78-17. A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH CONSOLIDATED BOARD OF EQUALIZATION PURSUANT TO SDCL 10-11-66 THROUGH 10-11-77. BE IT RESOLVED that a consolidated Board of Equalization as authorized by 10-11-66 shall be established pursuant to the Resolution of the Governing Boards of Brown County, City of Aberdeen, and the Aberdeen School District 6-1. The consolidated Board of Equalization as created by this Resolution shall be authorized to exercise all powers contained in SDCL 10-11. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that three members from the Brown County Commission and one member of the Aberdeen City Council and one member of the Aberdeen School District 6-1 School Board shall constitute a consolidated Board of Equalization as provided by SDCL 10-11-66. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Aberdeen City Council, Brown County Commission and the Aberdeen School District 6-1 shall be responsible for the per diem and salary and mileage costs of the respective members that serve on the Consolidated Board of Equalization. Brown County Commission shall be responsible for the ordinary and customary expenses associated with the equalization of property including appeals to the State of South Dakota Office of Hearing Examiners. The financial responsibilities contained in this resolution shall remain unless either the Aberdeen City Council, Brown County Commission or the Aberdeen School District 6-1 shall request that they be modified prior to December 1st of each year. THIS RESOLUTION shall be binding upon the Brown County Commission, Brown County, SD and upon each governing body adopting this Resolution according to law.

Seconded by Commissioner Fischbach. Roll call vote: Commissioners Hansen-aye, Sutton-aye, Fischbach-aye, Fjeldheim-absent, Kippley-aye. Resolution adopted.

**ORD 110 FIRST READING:** Moved by Fischbach, seconded by Sutton to approve First Reading of Brown County Ordinance #110, an Ordinance to amend Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, Title 16, Chapter

16.06, Section 16.06.04(6) – Contracts to Operate Certain Concessions During Fair Week. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to go into executive session for contract discussion, per SDCL 1-25-2(3) with Larry Lovrien, Gary Vetter and Derek Ricci in attendance. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chair declared the executive session closed, with no action taken as a result of the discussion.

**BCCHC REPORT:** DeAnna Harber presented the Brown County Community Health Center Report for July – September 2017.

**AGREEMENT – 391st AVE RAILROAD CROSSING:** Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to approve and authorize the Chair sign Agreement with the SD Department of Transportation to rehabilitate the one (1) track highway-rail grade crossing, DOT 067592A, located on 391st Ave (10% County Match). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Moved by Sutton, seconded by Hansen to go into executive session for personnel discussion, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) 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. Moved by Sutton, seconded by Fischbach to close all county offices on December 26th due to State also being closed (note: Brown County Commission will meet Wednesday, December 27, 2017 at 8:45 a.m.). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Hansen, seconded by Fischbach to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 9:35 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor  
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1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District, said property is described as follows:

Lot 1, Andy & Cindy Meyers Addition in the N ½ SW ¼ of Sec 8-T124N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (12856 390th Avenue)

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

Notice of Hearing: October 11 & 18, 2017

Passed Second Reading: October 31, 2017

Adopted: October 31, 2017  
Published: November 8, 2017  
Effective Date: November 28, 2017

Rachel Kippley, Chair  
Brown County Commission  
ATTEST:  
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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## Groton City Nov. 6, 2017 Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2017  
The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00 pm at the Community Center for their first monthly meeting with the following members present: Opp, Blackmun, Babcock, Peterson, Glover and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were: Finance Officer Hope Block, Attorney Drew Johnson, Justin Olson, Kathy Sundmeyer, Dwight Zerr, Shawn Lambertz and Jerry Bjerke.

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

Moved by Peterson and seconded by Glover to authorize the following bills for payment. All members present voted aye.

**Bills November 6, 2017:** Payroll, \$33,658.40, Employee salaries; Executive, \$567.61; Administrative, \$5,952.15; Public Safety, \$7,273.93; Public Works, \$18,710.34; Culture & Recreation, \$1,154.37; First State Bank, \$13,118.90, SS and WH; Consolidated Fed Credit Union, \$2,300.00, Employee savings; April Abel, \$390.52, Dep flex, med flex; Jerry Bjerke, \$165.06, Night sight reimbursement; Car Quest, \$345.40, Oil, fuel pump, wiper blades; City of Groton, \$184.74, Fam crisis utility bill; Colonial Life, \$320.78, Employee ins; Colonial Chemical, \$270.47, Grease; EMC, \$93.10, Employee ins; GDI Fitness, \$440.00, Heartland commercial light rebate; Jim Gerdes, \$409.00, Med flex; Groton Schools, \$2,205.00, Heartland commercial light rebate; Groton Independent, \$110.21, 3 receipt books; Guradian Insurance, \$258.53, Employee ins; Perry Huber, \$880.00, Heartland and City HWH rebate; Shawn Lambertz, \$100.00, Heartland LED light rebate; Leidholdt Tool, \$98.96, Conversion timer; Tom Mahan, \$480.00, City HWH rebate; NW Energy, \$10.46, Nat gas; Payton Maine, \$180.00, Lifeguard training; SD Dept of Health, \$211.00, Water testing; SD Retirement system, \$7,970.86, Employee retirement; SD State Treasurer, \$8,860.81, Sales tax; SD Supplemental Retirement, \$530.00, Employee supp retirement; Share Corp, \$264.09, Silicizing snow plow coating; Verizon Wireless, \$41.80, Dump cam con; Shaun Wanner, \$480.00, City HWH rebate; Chase Visa, \$1,761.42, Postage, police medical bag supplies, lift station pump at pool, lodging SDML annual conference, gas; Darrel's Sinclair, \$110.90, Tire repairs; Drew Johnson, \$750.00, Legal fees; S&S Lumber, \$472.40, Pool pump, hoses, grease, redi mix, mouse poison; A&B Solutions, \$174.85, Copier rent; Kens, \$1,133.97, Gas, water, paper products; Lien Transportation, \$174.00, Hot mix 3 ton @ 58; RDO, \$2,849.91, Front mount, bearings for blade; Wright & Sudlow, \$2,750.00, Remove & replace curb & gutter on Main St & Olson development; Clark Engineering, \$743.89, Survey cemetery; Hope Block, \$218.95, Election workshop mileage and meal in Pierre, SD; Fire Safety First, \$63.70, First aid kit supplies; Tactical Solutions, \$9,890.00, 2 speed trailers (2472.50 city pays, 7417.50 grant pays); Dougherty & Company, \$159,900.00, Refinance loan payment.

Zerr gave his department report on how the lifts are operating and the annual airport

inspection. He left the meeting at 7:09.

Lambertz spoke about the lights, house checks and Heartland security options. He left the meeting at 7:15.

Bjerke discussed the change in traffic since Highway 37 has reopened, patrol vehicle updates, and left the meeting at 7:25.

Council decided to advertise in the newspaper and online for the openings at the skating rink this season and will hire employees the first meeting in December.

Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Glover to hire John Gasco to strip, wax and seal the community center floor for \$1500; with the appropriate fund to be supplemented when needed. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Glover and seconded by Babcock to allow finance officer to attend the 2018 Annual Report Workshop in Huron. All members present voted aye.

Council reviewed the list of 2018 liquor licenses to be renewed. Mayor Hanlon agreed to sign and submit the documents.

Moved by Glover and seconded by Opp to allow Larry Nielson to be Groton's official delegate for the Mid-West Electric Consumers Association meeting in Denver, Colorado on December 11-14, 2017. All members present voted aye.

Council discussed health insurance renewal options for employees for 2018. A decision will be made regarding health insurance at the next council meeting.

Moved by Peterson and seconded by Babcock to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal items 1-25-2 (1) & (3) 7:58 pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 9:05 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor  
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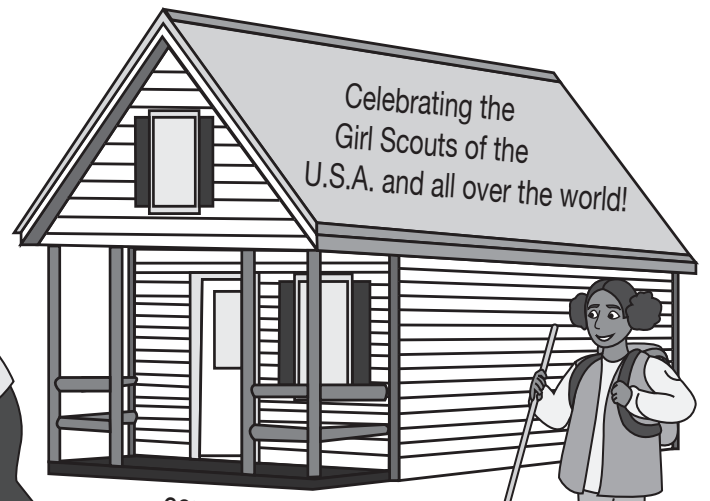




## Girls In Action!



Have you ever thought about joining a Girl Scout group? Millions of girls and women across the United States gather to have meetings, plan their schedules and then spring into action! Girl Scouts can work in groups to help their communities and take part in fun activities. They also can choose areas of interest of their own and work by themselves to build skills and earn badges. Some of the scouts I know are interested in the fields of science, technology and engineering. They are designing or programming robots. I like to learn about and cook up dishes from around the world. There's something for everyone.



Read the clues to learn about the Girl Scouts and to fill in the puzzle:

1. in Savannah, Georgia in 1912, Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low held the first meeting (18 girls) of what would become the Girl \_\_\_\_\_ of the USA
2. in the U.S. there are over three \_\_\_\_\_ members (including adults); worldwide there are 10 million girls and adults in 146 countries
3. \_\_\_\_\_ are grouped by grade: Daisies (K-1), Brownies (2-3), Juniors (4-5), Cadettes (6-8) Seniors (9-10), Ambassadors (11-12)
4. they meet in groups at schools, churches and homes and are led by adult scout leaders who help them \_\_\_\_\_ what they want to do
5. Girl Scouts keep learning and doing; they earn \_\_\_\_\_ of their choice
6. they learn about \_\_\_\_\_ and wildlife while having fun – hiking, camping
7. they gain \_\_\_\_\_ skills by selling cookies and earning money
8. they take field trips to visit places and mingle with \_\_\_\_\_ everywhere
9. Girl Scouts try to be honest, friendly, caring, \_\_\_\_\_ and respectful...
10. they learn \_\_\_\_\_ tips, how to live well, and even learn some first aid
11. \_\_\_\_\_ service projects, like food drives, are high on their lists
12. Girl Scouts work to "...make the \_\_\_\_\_ a better place"

## Learning and Earning!

Girl Scouts can choose areas of interest, like **photography**, and work on skills that will earn badges for those areas. During the first years of the Girl Scouts, there were about 25 badges to choose from. Today there are hundreds of badges offered, ranging from cooking and product design to entertainment technology and programming robots. You can even create and design your own badge (to build a skill)!

Fill in the blanks to spell the names of some of the badges girls can work on and earn. Then, find and circle all of the subjects in the "badge."

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## Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

The Minnesota Vikings got a chance to rest this past weekend, as the team was in their bye week. The Vikings have played eight games so far this season, with six wins and two losses. The team will look to use this week off to get some players healthy, and to re-focus their efforts so they can make a playoff push. The Vikings will also look to avoid collapsing after the bye week like they did last season, when the team was 5-0 entering the bye week and ended the season 8-8.

Since Mike Zimmer took over the reigns as head coach, the Vikings are a team that relies on defense to win most games. The Vikings offense has taken a big step forward this season, however, and are ranked 11th in the NFL with 358.5 yards per game. The team is also 13th in points per game, scoring an average of 22.4 per contest. For the first time in what seems like forever, the Vikings have a good passing attack – even though most of the season has been with Case Keenum, the team's third string quarterback, at the helm. The Vikings are 14th in the NFL with 238.5 passing yards per game. Last season, the Vikings were a dink and dunk team, meaning they would consistently throw short, easy passes. That has changed this year, as the team is tied for 14th in yards per attempt at 7.2. The team is throwing deeper passes, which are riskier, but there are only three teams in the NFL who have thrown for less than the Vikings' three interceptions.

Defense is where the Vikings really shine, and this year has been Zimmer's best season yet. The defense is 4th in the NFL, only allowing 282.1 yards per game. The team is also third in the league in points allowed, only giving up 16.9 points per game. One big reason for Minnesota's success on defense is how stingy they are on third downs, where they are the second-best team in the NFL – they only give up third downs to opposing offenses 28 percent of the time. The Vikings haven't been getting as many turnovers this year – they only have seven interceptions (15th in the league) and four forced fumbles (28th) – but that's ok when they are only giving up a league best of 4.6 yards per play.

The Vikings have one of the best defenses in the NFL, and now that they have a competent offense to match, the team has their eyes set firmly on bringing home it's second league championship and first Lombardi Trophy.

The offensive MVP though the first half has to be Adam Thielen. At the halfway point of the season, Thielen has 627 yards and a touchdown, which would give him 1,254 for the season if he maintains his current pace. That would be the most receiving yards for a Minnesota Viking since Sidney Rice had 1,312 in 2009 when Brett Favre was slinging the pigskin for the purple and gold.

The defensive MVP so far is Everson Griffen, who has 10 sacks and two forced fumbles through eight games. Griffen has a sack in every game so far this season, which ties an NFL record. He is a one-man wrecking crew along the Vikings defensive line, and even though other teams are game planning to stop him, he is still creating havoc. Griffen is also the emotional leader of the defense, and sets the tone both in games and in every practice.

Looking ahead, the Vikings will play the Washington Redskins (4-4), Los Angeles Rams (6-2), Detroit Lions (3-4), Atlanta Falcons (4-4), Carolina Panthers (6-2), Cincinnati Bengals (3-5), Green Bay Packers (4-3), and the Chicago Bears (3-5).

There is no doubt the Vikings schedule gets more difficult after the break. The Rams are suddenly the hottest offense in the league, the Lions have already beaten the Vikings, the Falcons and Panthers are the two most recent NFC Champions, and the Packers might have Aaron Rodgers back by the time the Vikings face them again in week 16. While the schedule may be getting tougher, the Vikings have some good news to look forward to with the return of Teddy Bridgewater. If the Vikings can get Bridgewater back and he picks up where he left off (which admittedly is a big question mark), the Vikings should be the favorites to win their remaining games.

This season is already half over, and it has been a wild ride so far, but the team is far from finished and has big dreams that are within reach. So strap in, because the second half of the season is shaping up to be even better, and will hopefully end with the Vikings playing in the Super Bowl in front of the home crowd at U.S. Bank Stadium. Skol!

### Groton Prairie Mixed Bowling

**Team Standings:** Jackelopes 5, Shih Tzus 5, Coyotes 5, Cheetahs 4, Chipmunks 3, Foxes 2

**Men's High Games:** Brad Waage 221, 220, 212, Ron Beldon 205, Roger Colestock 202

**Women's High Games:** Michelle Johnson 175, Nicole Kassube 171, Lori Wiley 163

**Men's High Series:** Brad Waage 653, Ron Beldon 546, Roger Colestock 532

**Women's High Series:** Michelle Johnson 475, Nicole Kassube 469, Vicki Walter 461

### Groton Coffee Cup League

**Nov. 6 Team Standings:** James Valley 23, Ten Pins 19, Kens 16 1/2, Jungle Lanes 13 1/2

**High Games:** Sandi Bistodeau 253, Joyce Walter 189, Angie Carlson 174.

**High Series:** Sandi Bistodeau 555, Joyce Walter 490, Vickie Kramp 414.

### Conde National League

**Nov. 6 Team Standings:** Giants 21, Mets 20, Cubs 18 1/2, Pirates 15 1/2, Colts 15, Braves 14.

**Men's High Games:** Butch Farmen 242, 219; Troy Lindberg 202, 191; Topper Tasdad 179

**Men's High Series:** Butch Farmen 613, Troy Lindberg 504, Topper Tastad 468.

**Women's High Games:** Michelle Johnson 195, 189; Nancy Radke 194; Vickie Kramp 167.

**Women's High Series:** Michelle Johnson 502, Nancy Radke 498, Vickie Kramp 478.

## GROTON KIWANIS CLUB

Fifteen members of the Groton Kiwanis Club were present for Wednesday's Kiwanis noon meal meeting.

Steve Simon was program leader, and introduced his brother, Father Brian Simon, now serving at Eden, So. Dak. Fr Simon gave a travelogue of his recent trip to Greece, and Qatar, in the Middle East.

Roger Rix gave a report on the very successful Snow Queen and talent contest, last Sunday. Michelle Mullenburg, Kiwanis Club member, is to be thanked for her work in every aspect of the show.

President Reid Litch will have the program for next week.



During the month of October, Groton Area K-12 students collected 1,518 pairs socks for Journey Home, Safe Harbor, and the Salvation Army.

Mrs. Swisher's Kindergarten class collected the highest percentage of socks at the elementary. At the Middle School the 6th graders ran away with the most socks. Both classes will receive a party and the traveling Socktober trophy. .

To put the magnitude of their collection efforts in to perspective our school alone will help over 1,500 men, women, and children, of all ages, keep their feet warm this winter! Last year Groton Area Schools collected 927 pairs of socks. How amazing are those statistics!

Socktober is sponsored by the Groton Area Elementary Student Council.

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## The Life of Milbert Kappes

Funeral services for Milbert Kappes, 86, Aberdeen formerly Long Lake were held Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at First Reformed Church, Aberdeen, Pastor Hank Bowen officiated. Burial was at Green Mound Cemetery, Leola military honors by Roy S. Hickman American Legion Post 78, Leola. Milbert died Saturday, November 4 at ManorCare Health Services surrounded by his loving family.

A memorial has been established.

Milbert Kappes was born on July 8, 1931 in rural Long Lake, SD to Christian and Louisa (Ehresman) Kappes.

Milbert attended rural grade school through 8th grade. He worked on the family farm until drafted into the U.S. Army in April 1953. He served until his honorable discharge in April 1955. Milbert was united in marriage to Donna (Graff) June 12, 1955. The couple made their home on the original homestead by Long Lake where they farmed and ranched for many years.

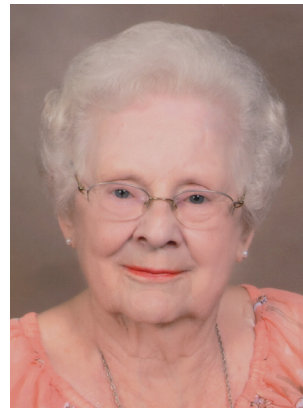
Milbert was a lifetime member of the Long Lake Legion Post 276. He served as a school board member for the Leola School District. In addition, he was a member of the Oranien Reformed Church in Leola, SD and served as a Deacon, Elder, and Sunday School Teacher. Later, he became a member of the Salem Reformed Church in Ashley, ND. Milbert was a man strong in his faith and led his family by example.

Milbert was a hardworking, dedicated farmer and rancher. He found his passion working the land and raising cattle. He also spent time as a Conklin distributor. Milbert started artificially inseminating his cow herd in 1973 to the following breeds: Blonde D Aquitaine, Gelbvieh, Maine An Jou and Simmental. He became a member of the American Simmental Association in January of 1975 and began registering half-blood Simmental heifers. This enterprise evolved into selling private treaty bulls followed by 30 years of production sales.

Blessed to have shared Milbert's life is his wife, Donna, of 62 years. To this union were born nine children: James (Tracy) Kappes of Kerk-



## The Life of Dorothy Schaller



Dorothy A. Schaller, 87, of Brookings, formerly of Bruce, passed away Sunday, November 5, 2017 at the Brookings Hospital. Funeral services were held Thursday, November 9, 2017 at Grace Free Lutheran Church, in Bruce, SD.

Dorothy Schaller was born on January

26, 1930, in Groton, SD, the daughter of Herman "Boots" and Evelyn (Semm) Schinkel. Dorothy received her education in Groton, SD, and was a graduate of the Groton High School in 1948. After receiving her education she taught school for several years, worked as a Kirby Vacuum Sales person and then was employed at the Aberdeen National Bank. She was united in marriage to Kenneth Schaller on September 11, 1951, in Groton, SD. After their marriage they farmed near Stratford, SD and later near Ferney, SD. In 1975, they moved to Bruce, SD, where they continued to live until moving into Brookings, SD in 2009.

Dorothy was a member of Grace Lutheran Church where she also served as Deacon, the church circle, American Legion Auxiliary, the Birthday Club, Coffee Club, and the Banner Committee. She spent many hours volunteering at the Neighborhoods at Brookview, where she lived during her final three years. She enjoyed baking, crafts, oil and water painting and especially spending time with family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth Schaller, of Brookings, SD; her two sons, Scott (JoAnn) Schaller, of Volga, SD and Loren (Peggy) Schaller, Rapid City, SD. eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Dorothy is preceded in death by her parents and her daughter, Carol McKiver.

hoven, MN; Sandra (Gene) Buck of Bangor, ME; Steven (Diane) Kappes of Elkridge, MD; Rodney (Patricia) Kappes of Groton, SD; Patricia (Kevin) Vaughn of Warner, SD; Neal Kappes of Long Lake, SD; Bruce (Nancy) Kappes of Aberdeen, SD; and Nathan Kappes of Clark, SD. Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren: Thomas and Christopher Kappes; Michelle Chapman, Braiden, and Blake; Matthew Kappes; Amanda(Jarett) Zimmerman, Asher, and Brody; Andrew (Emily) Kappes; Tina (Cody Oswald) Vaughn; Megan (Jeremy) Smidt; Sterling Kappes, Kaylee (Jesse) Babcock.

Milbert was preceded in death by his son, Dale; a grandson, John; his parents, two sisters, and one brother.

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