



Huntley Overacker was looking for the right white pumpkin at the Pumpkin Patch. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Groton holds third Pumpkin Fest



Serving the meal at the Pumpkin Fest were Doris Foertsch, Lori Wiley, Kami Lipp and Karyn Babcock. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Topper Tastad was busy making lots of hot chocolate during the Pumpkin Fest held Saturday at the City Park. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Mike Wiley had a busy day driving the train around the city park. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Brooklyn Spanier was busy painting her pumpkin during the Pumpkin Fest held Saturday in Groton. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



The Groton Kiwanis Club is celebrating its 65th anniversary this year and they served cake at the Pumpkin Fest. The servers were Reed Litch and and Kathy Sundermeyer. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

April Abeln, Tammy Guthmiller, Kayleigh Englund and Brenda Englund were going through the entries of guessing the weight of the pumpkin. The actual weight was 247 pounds and four people guessed 250 pounds. A drawing was held of the four and Caelynn Pullan won the main prize. Haddie Miller, Skyler Vensel and Justin Dewey also won prizes for their lucky guesses. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Hope Block and Lori Westby were busy with face painting. Block is pictured painting on her son's face, Donovan. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Once the lid was opened on the grill, lots of hands were available to quickly flip the burgers. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



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The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the amendment to Second Revision Brown County Ordinances pertaining to rezoning the described property. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Brown County Commission may adopt first reading of Ordinance No. 126.

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Brown County Bitz Rezoning Notice

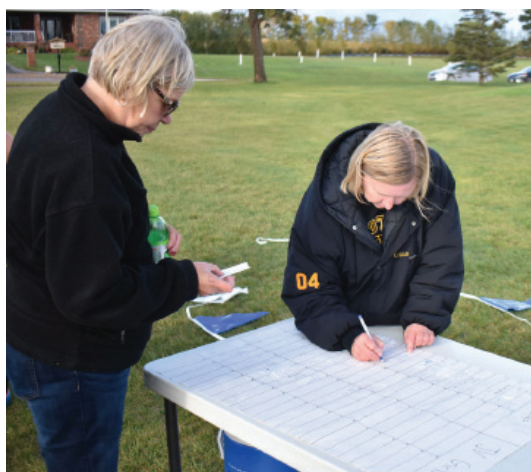
NOTICE
Application has been made by Bonnie Bitz to the Brown County Board of Commissioners for a change of zoning. Hearing to be held in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota on October 16, 2018 at 8:45 A.M. for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Chapter 4.06 Agricultural Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.07 Mini-Agricultural District (M-AG): The North 568.7' of the East 766.0' of the West 906.0' of the NW ¼ of Sec 12-T122N-R64W and Himle Tract 1 in the NW ¼ Sec 12-T122N-R64W, both of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. (38711 and 38721 137th Street)

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Lynette Grieve runs the machine that keeps track of the time and then prints off a ticker tape at the Groton Cross Country Meet. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Angela Carlson reads off the times as Sue Stanley writes them down on the sheet at the Groton Cross Country Meet held Tuesday. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Brown County Voter Registration Notice

NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR VOTER REGISTRATION
Voter registration for the General Election to be held on November 6, 2018 will close on October 22, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. 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.

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Any voter who needs assistance, pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, may contact the county auditor for information and special assistance in voter registration.

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Brown County Gauer Rezoning Notice

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Groton Area Schedule of Events

Thursday, October 11, 2018

All-State Chorus Day at South Dakota State University
1:30pm- 8:30pm: Parent/Teacher Conferences GHS Gymnasium, Groton Area Elementary School

3:30pm: Cross Country: Varsity Regional at Webster

6:45pm: Senior Scholarship Info Night at GHS Groton Area High School

Friday, October 12, 2018

10 a.m.: Marching Festival in Groton

7:00pm: Football hosts Redfield/Doland at Doney Field, Groton

Saturday, October 13, 2018

Oral Interp at Florence High School
Soccer: Boys Varsity Championships at Rapid City

9:00am: Volleyball: Girls Varsity Tournament at Redfield.

Monday, October 15, 2018

JH Choral Festival at Britton-Hecla High School

6:00pm: Langford Area at Groton Area for volleyball with JV match at 6 p.m. followed by varsity match.

7 p.m.: City Council Meeting at Groton Community Center.

Tuesday, October 16, 2018

5:00pm: Volleyball at Northwestern. 7th grade at 5 p.m., 8th grade at 6 p.m. JV at 6:30 p.m. followed by varsity match.

Wednesday, October 17, 2018

MathCounts at Warner High School

Thursday, October 18, 2018

First Round of Football Playoffs

LifeTouch Pictures

Friday, October 19, 2018

6:00pm: Volleyball at Milbank. C and JV matches at 6 p.m. followed by varsity match.

Saturday, October 20, 2018

State Cross Country at Sioux Falls.

Oral Interp at Florence

Robotics at Groton Area

Columbia Bank is closing

According to the official minutes of the Columbia City, the First State Bank of Claremont has announced that it will be closing the Columbia branch. It was stated in the minutes that, "There was much discussion about how this would poorly affect the community's residents. The council has planned a community meeting to voice concerns over this situation set for October 15th - 7:00 pm at the Columbia Legion Hall."

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Frederick Town Ord. 208

2019 Budget

Town of Frederick
2nd Reading of Ordinance 208
Budget and Appropriations 2019

The 2nd Reading of the 2019 Budget and Appropriations was held at the Community Center on September 24, 2018, at 7:05 PM. Board members present were R. Scott Campbell, Chairman; Gary Schlosser, Board Member; Diane Bruns, Finance Officer; Mariah Heine, Assistant Finance Officer. Chairman Campbell called the meeting to order. The Board gave final review of the 2019 budget. The following Ordinance was offered:

Ordinance #208
2019 Appropriations
Be it ordained by the City of Frederick that motion has been made by Gary Schlosser and seconded by R. Scott Campbell to adopt the 2019 Budget and Appropriations as presented. The total budget is \$287,509.00 for the 2019 budget year for

maintenance and operations of the Town of Frederick and to meet its obligations.

Roll call vote: Schlosser - aye; Campbell - aye, motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM, motioned by Schlosser/Campbell. Motion Carried.

Diane Bruns
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It's time we begin to think for ourselves!

I stood with a blue marker in my hand writing on the white flip chart paper as I facilitated a community group that was brainstorming all the factors that needed to be true to accomplish their purpose of building stronger community connections. As they named multiple statements, I wrote them on the flip chart – “strong communication, hosting hard conversations ... and lastly, people must have their own thoughts and ideas.” The last statement had me curious and needed some clarity from the group. I asked for an example of why people currently aren't thinking for themselves. A member of the group spoke up, “When the negative voices in our community start to make noise it pulls us away from our purpose and each other... pretty soon people start believing what is the loudest rather than search for the facts.” This breakthrough led me to do some of my own research to discover an answer to the question, “How can we help people learn to think for themselves?”

My research led me to a 2014 study by a group of University of Virginia researchers. Participants were asked to just sit in a room and think. Easy enough, right? The researchers quickly found the task of sitting alone to think wasn't as simple as they assumed. Participants in the study struggled to sit with their thoughts for a limited time of 15 minutes. Left in a room with nothing else but their thoughts, participants could sit quietly or choose to receive one stimulus, an electric shock. Astonishingly, 70% of the male participants and 25% of the female participants administered electric shocks to themselves, rather than taking a few minutes to think.

It appears from the research that we may be living in a world of non-thinkers. Ultimately, this deficiency leads to a population who cannot determine the difference between fact and opinion.

We all face day-to-day problems in our personal lives and in our communities. These problems require us to think through a solution, whether it's who to vote for, what job offer to accept, or how to deal with a negative community member. These opportunities to make decisions should lead us to examine the facts, ask questions, seek counsel and take wise action.

If you're someone who would rather receive an electric shock than think for yourself, then I invite you to consider these questions to start the process:

What are the facts? If someone is trying to convince you of something, then seek evidence to prove the facts being shared. Demand to be convinced and do some of your own research using reliable sources.

What do I value? (and Why?) You might be surprised to learn how many of your cultural values have been shaped by family, community, religion, schools, organizations, or employers. Write down a list of things you value as a member of those groups. Then decide whether you truly believe those values or not.

What are the opposing viewpoints? One good way to form your own opinion is to make sure you're getting input from a lot of different viewpoints, not just one person's opinion. Document the viewpoints, give yourself time to sort through it, and then make your own decision.

How can I resist peer pressure? If you have a lot of friends saying the same thing, resist making your decision based on peer pressure. Sometimes it's best to not respond, because the more you do, the more others might try to convince you of their point of view.

How do my values align with this decision? Learning to think for yourself isn't going to have much of an impact if you don't act on what you value and believe. Once you've had time to think about things decide about how you'll act and stick to it.

How do I track my progress? Keep a journal. Begin by describing a situation that is significant to you. Next, write in detail how you responded to the situation. Then, write how you will respond in the future.

If you've had a hard time thinking for yourself in the past, you might find that you're swayed by other people the first few times you try. That's okay! Changing habits of thoughts are some of the hardest habits to change. Give yourself time to learn how to resist other people's opinions, seek out evidence and think for yourself!

I have you thinking now... don't I?

Having a passion for community leadership and development is what drives Paula Jensen's personal and professional life. Paula resides in her hometown of Langford, South Dakota, population 318+. She serves as a grant writer and community coach with Dakota Resources based in Renner, South Dakota. Dakota Resources is a 501c3 Community Development Financial Institution with the purpose of stimulating financial and human investments in rural communities that are invested in themselves. Contact her at paula@dakotaresources.org.



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Amendment W offers tougher ethics enforcement

By Dana Hess

For the S.D. Newspaper Association

BROOKINGS — This November, South Dakota voters will once again decide on an ethics measure. As with Initiated Measure 22 in 2016, backers of Amendment W say it is a needed safeguard to ensure ethical behavior in Pierre. Opponents say it is a dangerous overreach, giving unchecked power to a new ethics board.

If approved by voters on Nov. 6, the amendment would go into effect on July 1, 2019.

“It's a bad solution for the problem, even as they define it,” said David Owen, president of the S.D. Chamber of Commerce and Industry. “This is like chemotherapy for the cold.”

The wide-ranging amendment would:

- lower campaign contribution amounts.
- prohibit campaign contributions from being spent on personal use.
- place restrictions on lobbyists.
- replace the government accountability board with a new board with broad powers.
- limit the votes necessary for the passage of an initiated measure.
- require voter approval for any changes to the initiated measure or referral process.

According to Attorney General Marty Jackley's ballot explanation, if it is approved by voters, Amendment W will likely be challenged in court on constitutional grounds.

Voters were angry after the Legislature repealed Initiated Measure 22, according to Mitch Richter, co-chairman of Represent South Dakota.

“They repealed what the citizens had voted in,” Richter said.

The ethics panel in Amendment W has been “supplemented with things the Legislature didn't go far enough on,” Richter said, referring to ethics bills lawmakers endorsed in the wake of the repeal of IM 22. “We're one of only seven states that doesn't have an ethics commission.”

The powerful ethics panel and the amendment's claim to overrule other parts of the state constitution worries Owen.

“This new article has control over the rest of the constitution,” Owen said. “We don't have any way for other branches to issue opinions or make changes.”

According to Richter, anyone who disagrees with a decision made by the ethics panel can take their concerns to court.

“That's a red herring they're throwing out there,” Richter said of the criticism.

Owen agrees with Jackley, that if it passes, Amendment W is likely to be challenged in court. Owen said a judge must decide if Amendment W has sway over the rest of the constitution or if the document's 125 years of precedence will rule.

According to Richter, Amendment W's language was written to conform to the rest of the state's constitution.

“It doesn't conflict with other parts of the constitution,” Richter said.

Owen admits that South Dakota's one-party rule may cause some frustration, but as a lobbyist in the state since 1999, he hasn't seen the widespread corruption that the amendment tries to address.

“In this day and age, I think we have a tendency to confuse disagreement with corruption,” Owen said. “They must show evidence of corruption, and up to this point haven't.”

Richter points to the list of organizations opposing Amendment W and says that many of them have members who hold contracts with state government.

“I think they're really afraid of transparency and open government,” Richter said. “They don't want the rules of the game to change.”

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Pumpkin Fest Thank You

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Pictured in back, left to right, are Topper Tastad, April Abeln, Bruce Babcock, Heather Nelson, Peggy Locke and behind her is David McGannon, Karyn Babcock, Joe Foertsch and Joel Bierman; in front, left to right, are Tyrel Telkamp, Kayleigh Englund, Brenda Englund and Justin Buckley. (Courtesy Photo)

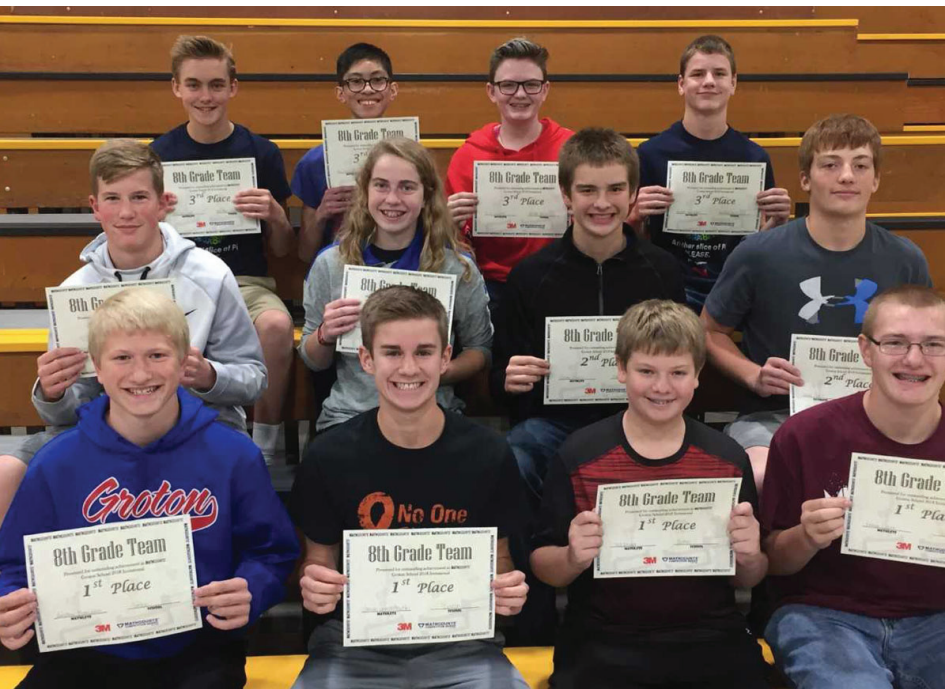


Three people movers from the Brown County Fair were used to shuttle the people to and from the Pumpkin Patch.

(Photo by Paul Kosel)



Despite the cool weather, a good crowd attended the third Pumpkin Fest held Saturday at the City Park. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Groton Eighth Grade MathCounts places first

The Groton Area Invitational MathCounts Competition was held on Wednesday, October 3, 2018 in the high school gym.

Ninety-eight students from seven Aberdeen area schools (Britton-Hecla, Holgate, Northwestern, Roncalli, Simmons, Warner, and Groton) participated in the event, which was sponsored by 3M of Aberdeen. Groton students, Ethan Clark, Jackson Dinger, Jacob Lewandowski, and Andrew Marzahn earned first place in the eighth grade team division. Ethan Clark received recognition for placing second and Jackson Dinger received recognition for placing third in the individual eighth grade portion of the competition.

MathCounts is a nationwide coaching and competition program for middle school students that promotes excellence in mathematics. The next junior high competition will be the Roncalli Invitational MathCounts Competition on Wednesday, October 31.

Front row from left: Groton, 1st place, Andrew Marzahn, Jacob Lewandowski, Jackson Dinger, Ethan Clark

Middle row from left: Warner, 2nd place, Levi Scepaniak, Allison Ray, Carter Moen, Isaac Hoelt

Back row from left: Britton-Hecla, 3rd place, Will Schuller, Dyl Nebriada, D.J. Fischer, BoDell Davidson



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But Heartland also operates by a mission that includes making sound decisions today for a brighter tomorrow.

With that in mind, Heartland recently sold

one their longest-held assets, and is now looking toward a more stable future.

Heartland sold its share of the Missouri Basin Power Project, namely its 51 MW ownership of Laramie River Station.

According to Heartland CEO Russell Olson, the sale provides numerous benefits, including rate stability for customers.

"Divesting of LRS achieves many of the long-term goals we set forth in our strategic plan. Most importantly, it gives wholesale customers such as Groton steady rates and more certainty about the future."

Goals outlined in Heartland's strategic plan included stabilizing rates, enhancing customer relations and maintaining sound financial health. A resource divestiture was identified early on as the best way to achieve Heartland's goals.

"Our strategic plan was adopted after soliciting feedback from our customers, ensuring it was in line with their needs," said Olson. "We worked with outside consultants to determine the best way to accomplish our goals and a divestiture was kind of our silver bullet."

Heartland was previously looking at excess capacity of 30% after the year 2020, which would have to be sold in the market, presumably at a loss.

"This sale brings us into balance, with our load more equally matching our generation and reducing our reliance on the market."

It also decreases the company's coal exposure, providing a more balanced mix of resources and reducing risk of future regulation costs and will help the company's continual operation with sound financial metrics.

"At Heartland, our motto is the power of forward thinking. We couldn't sit back knowing we would have to substantially increase rates. We also weren't willing to sacrifice our financial health. We turned over every stone possible looking for savings. Divestiture was always the goal, and everyone here worked tirelessly to make that a reality."

Laramie River Station in Wheatland, WY was constructed as part of the Missouri Basin Power Project, which also includes Grayrocks Dam and Reservoir and nearly 650 miles of high voltage transmission line.

Heartland had a 3% undivided ownership share of MBPP, including 51 MW from LRS. LRS was the first resource in Heartland's generating portfolio and began supplying electrical power to their customers in 1980.

"LRS has been reliable and low-cost for the past 40 years," said Olson. "It's also a marketable resource for those same reasons. It simply no longer fit in our portfolio."

Heartland is selling its interest in MBPP to Tri-State Generation & Transmission, a cooperative based in Colorado. Tri-State previously held a 24% ownership share in LRS.

The unit sale will consist of Heartland's ownership share in MBPP, retroactive to July 1, 2018, including capacity and energy from Heartland's MBPP entitlement of LRS, transmission and substation facilities, associated land, property and inventory.

Heartland's baseload resource now consists of 80 MW from Whelan Energy Center Unit 2, which became operational in 2011. Heartland

has a 36% entitlement share in the 220 MW plant located near Hastings, Nebraska. It meets or exceeds all current pollution control standards and is well-positioned to meet any future proposed rules.

A purchased power agreement with NextEra Energy provides 51 MW of wind energy from the Wessington Springs Wind Energy Center. Heartland also utilizes contracts with customers and other utilities to acquire low-cost capacity resources.

Olson is excited about what the future holds for Heartland and their customers.

"We look forward to a strong future for our company and for our customers. Now that we've accomplished one of our most important goals, we can focus on providing excellent customer service and low-cost power and fulfilling our vision of being a trusted partner to our customers."

Heartland Consumers Power District is a non-profit, public power utility located in Madison, S.D. Heartland provides reliable power as well as energy services and community development programs to the city of Groton.

City to get on state water plan for new water tower project

Northeast Council of Government's representative, Ted Dickey, introduced the state water plan. Groton must participate in the state water plan in order to be eligible for state funding for a new water tower. The City will most likely only be eligible for loans for the project, and not grant money. Loans would be available at 2.5% for a thirty-year term, and 2.25% for a twenty-year term. The council authorize Mayor Hanlon to sign the state water plan application with secondary looping projects which will include installing a water main going south of Railroad Avenue.

Airport land rent sealed bids were opened and read aloud. Thurston Cattle Company offered 185.00 per acre. Rix Farms Inc. offered 187.57 per acre. Shawn Gengerke Farms offered 170 per acre. The council accepted the high bid from Rix Farms Inc. Three years ago the price was \$203 per acre.

The council decided to consolidate the City's Wells Fargo checking account and the First State Bank savings account into the City's SD FIT savings account.

The following streets will be closed for the Festival of Bands on October 12th: 2nd Street, Main Street, Railroad Avenue, Ninth Avenue and any other streets necessary to reach the nursing home.

The City's 2003 White Chevrolet Silverado 1500 1/2 ton with 77,184 miles was declared surplus with a value of \$5,500. Sealed bids will be opened at the October 15th Council meeting.

The second reading of the increased water rates was approved.

United Blood Services will be able to use the Groton Community Center free of charge as needed.

The council approved to send Hope Block and one other city employee to the Safety and Loss Control Training Conference to be held Nov. 7-8 in Pierre.

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Pictured: Groton Metering Technician Paul Kosel, Assistant Finance Officer April Abeln and Finance Officer Hope Block

Everyone scores in Groton's 3-0 win over Tiospa Zina



Indigo Rogers returns the ball.

(Photo by Sierra Bohlmann)



Taylor Holm gets ready to hit the ball with Jennie Doeden in the background. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)

Everyone who played Thursday night scored at least one point in Groton Area's 3-0 win over Tiospa Zina.

In the first game, Groton Area earned 20 of 25 points while Tiospa Zina did not earn a point. The Tigers scored the last 13 points of the game to post a 25-3 win.

The second game was tied 10 times and there were six lead changes before Groton Area scored seven straight points to take the lead and go for the win, 25-16. Groton Area earned 17 of the 25 points while Tiospa Zina earned eight of its 25 points.

Groton Area jumped out to an 18-2 lead in the third game en route to a 25-5 win. The Tigers earned 20 of their 25 points and the Wambdi earned three points.

In summary, Jennie Doeden had 9 kills, 4 ace serves and 1 block; Nicole Marzahn had 6 kills, Indigo Rogers had 5 kills, Payton Maine had 4 kills and 3 ace serves, Kaylin Kucker had 3 ace serves and 1 kill, Taylor Holm had 5 kills, Eliza Wanner added 1 ace serve and 4 kills, Miranda Hanson had 2 ace serves, Portia Kettering had 2 kills, Tady Glover had 3 ace serves, and Payton Colestock had 1 kill.

Payton Maine was 11 of 11 in serving with 3 ace serves, was 6 of 6 in attacks with 4 kills and 14 digs.

Nicole Marzahn was 15 of 15 in attacks with 6 kills and 4 digs.

Tady Glover was 12 of 12 in serving with 3 ace serves, had 2 assists and had 5 digs.

Portia Kettering was 2 of 2 in serving, was 9 of 11 in attacks with 2 kills and had 2 digs.

Indigo Rogers was 3 of 3 in serving, 15 of 17 in attacks with 5 kills and had 1 assist.

Miranda Hanson was 10 of 11 in serving with 2 ace serves, was 2 of 2 in attacks, had 17 assists and had 2 digs.

Payton Colestock was 5 of 6 in attacks with 1 kill.

Eliza Wanner was 8 of 8 in serving with 1 ace serve, was 11 of 12 in attacks with 4 kills and had 16 digs.

Taylor Holm was 9 of 10 in attacks with 5 kills and had 2 dig.

Kaylin Kucker was 16 of 16 in serving with 3 ace serves, was 2 of 2 in attacks with 1 kill, had 15 assists and had 3 digs.

Jennie Doeden was 14 of 15 in serving with 4 ace serves, 16 of 18 in attacks with 9 kills, had 1 block and had 3 digs.

Doeden leads Groton Area with win over Florence/Henry



Jennie Doeden going after the ball in the volleyball match against Florence/Henry.

(Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)

Jennie Doeden had 13 kills, five ace serves and two blocks as the Groton Area Volleyball team defeated Florence/Henry Monday night in Groton, 3-0. Game scores were 25-22, 25-9 and 25-12.

The first game was tied three times at the beginning before the Falcons took the lead and held a six-point advantage at one point, 11-5. Groton Area rallied to tie the game at 15, but did not take the lead until 21-20. Groton Area won, 25-22. The Tigers had 11 kills led by Doeden with four and Nicole Marzahn with three. Florence/Henry had 10 kills and one block.

Groton Area took charge of the second game, jumping out to a 10-0 lead en route to a 25-9 win. The Tigers had 15 kills with Doeden having five kills, two blocks and an ace serve in the second game while Eliza Wanner had five kills. Florence/Henry was limited to three kills in the second game game.

Groton Area got the early lead again in the third game at 4-0 and went on for the 25-12 win. Groton Area had 13 kills and five ace serves with Doeden having four kills and four ace serves in the final game and Indigo Rogers and Wanner each had three kills. The Falcons had five kills and an ace serve.

For the match, Groton Area was 65 of 72 in serving with 10 ace serves. Doeden was 14 of 16 with five ace serves and Payton Maine was 15 of 16 with two ace serves. Florence/Henry was 32 of 36 with one ace serve by Carlie Moe.

In sets, Groton Area had 35 assists with Kaylin Kucker having 33. Florence/Henry had 89 assists with Brooke Stevens having 14.

In attacks, the Tigers were 96 of 110 with 39 kills. Doeden was 29 of 35 with 13 kills, Eliza Wanner had nine kills, Nicole Marzahn seven, Indigo Rogers five, Portia Kettering two and Maine and Miranda Hanson each had one. Florence/Henry was 71 of 91 with 14 kills. Jacey Orthaus was 21 of 28 with six kills and Mykcel Sprung was 19 of 24 with five kills.

Doeden had two blocks and Maine had 17 digs while Kucker had seven digs. Florence/Henry had one block by Sprung and Orthaus had 23 digs.

Groton Area won the junior varsity match, 25-19 and 25-13, and the C match by game scores of 25-22 and 26-24.

-Paul Kosel

Cade Guthmiller at state



Groton Area's Cade Guthmiller placed 44th at the state golf meet held in Dell Rapids. (Courtesy Photo)

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Groton Area netters beat Leola/Frederick

Groton Area defeated Leola/Frederick in volleyball action Tuesday night in Frederick, 25-14, 25-18 and 25-16.

In the first game, Groton Area scored with last five points to win the game, 25-14. Jennie Doeden had three kills and two ace serves in that game for Groton Area while Miranda Lai had four kills to lead Leola/Frederick.

Groton Area scored five straight points early in the game and went on to win, 25-18. Nicole Marzahn had five kills in that game while Jennie Doeden had four kills and Indigo Rogers had two blocks. Leola/Frederick was led by Maddie Nordine with one kill and two ace serves.

Groton Area scored five straight points late in the game to post a 25-16 win. Nicole Marzahn had eight kills in that game and Jennie Doeden had four while Payton Maine and Miranda Hanson each had two ace serves and Indigo Rogers had a block. Leola/Frederick was led by Avery Wolff with a kill and an ace serve, Maddie Nordine with a block and a kill and Miranda Lai with two blocks.

Attacks: Nicole Marzahn 39 of 41 with 12 kills, Jennie Doeden 21 of 23 with 11 kills, Eliza Wanner 14 of 22 with 5 kills, Kaylin Kucker 4 of 4 with 4 kills, Payton Maine 5 of 5 with 3 kills, Indigo Rogers 15 of 16 with 2 kills. Team: 104 of 117 with 37 kills. Leola/Frederick: 50 of 59 with 15 kills. Miranda Lai 11 of 12 with 6 kills and Maddie Nordine 14 of 16 with 3 kills.

Serving: Miranda Hanson 7 of 9 with 4 ace serves, Payton Maine 12 of 14 with 2 ace serves, Jennie Doeden 17 of 19 with 2 ace serves, Eliza Wanner 15 of 16 with 1 ace serve, Tadyn Glover 9 of 9, Kaylin Kucker 6 of 6. Team Total: 66 of 73 with 9 ace serves. Leola/Frederick: 42 of 47 with 4 ace serves. Maddie Nordine 11 of 12 with 1 ace serve, Avery Wolff 6 of 7 with 1 ace serve.

Blocks: Indigo Rogers had 4 blocks. Leola/Frederick: Miranda Lai had 1 solo block.

Digs: Payton Maine 17, Eliza Wanner 13, Jennie Doeden 7, Kaylin Kucker 5, Miranda Hanson 5, Tadyn Glover 4, Nicole Marzahn 3, Portia Kettering 1. Leola/Frederick: 107. Audree Berreth 31, Brooke Podoll 18.

Sets: Kaylin Kucker had 29 assists. Leola/Frederick: 46 of 48 with 6 assists. Avery Wolff 26 of 26 with 4 assists. Brooke Podoll 13 of 15 with 2 assists.

Junior Varsity Match: Groton Area won, 25-11 and 25-12.

Groton Area is 14-7 while Leola/Frederick is 7-15.



Kaylin Kucker sets the ball for Jennie Doeden. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



Nicole Marzahn goes high in the air to get the kill. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



Lauren Geranen sets the ball for Leola/Frederick. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



Indigo Rogers goes for the hit. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



Leola/Frederick's Brooke Podoll returns the ball. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



Eliza Wanner is serving the ball. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



Miranda Hanson receives the ball and pops it back up in the air. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)



Portia Kettering returns the ball. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)

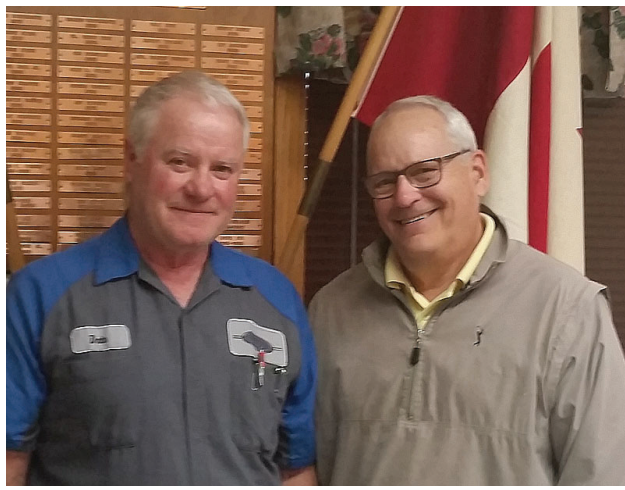


Maddie Nordine of Leola/Frederick goes for one of her kills. (Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)

Lake Region Marching Festival will be broadcast 10 a.m. Friday at GDILIVE.COM



Roger Rix (right), Groton Kiwanis acting president, introduced his speaker at the September 26 Kiwanis weekly dinner meeting, Ruby Donovan (left.) Donovan spoke on suicide. (Courtesy photo)



Lee Schinkel introduced Dale Ringgenberg, as guest speaker for the Groton Kiwanis Club, on October 3. Dale has been on the Groton fire department since 1974. Dale gave details on the Groton fire department and rescue squad, and the many charities they give to. Pic L-R is speaker Dale, and Tom Mahan, Kiwanis Club president. (Courtesy photo)



Lee Schinkel's guest at a recent Groton Kiwanis meeting was Groton Area Elementary Principal Brett Schwan. Pictured on the right is acting Groton Kiwanis President Roger Rix. (Courtesy photo)

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When the temperature hit 22 degrees Wednesday morning, the trees have been giving up their leaves very quickly. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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