



## Friday's sun dogs

This photo was taken by Teresa Lutz near Henry Friday morning as the sun dogs were out in full force, which means colder temperatures are on the way. According to Wikipedia: A sun dog or mock sun, formally called a parhelion in meteorology, is an atmospheric optical phenomenon that consists of a bright spot to one or both sides of the Sun. Two sun dogs often flank the Sun within a 22° halo.

## Gear Heads earn Judge's Award at Regional Robotics

The Gear Heads team of Jackson Dinger, Kamryn Fliehs, Ethan Clark and Axel Warrington won the Judge's Award at the Regional Robotics competition held at Rapid City. The G-Force team of Tannor McGannon, Travis Townsend, bottom Dan Feist and Corbin Reich was a Regional Tournament Finalist.

(Laura Clark Facebook photos)



These are close-up photos of the awards.

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# Galaxy Robotics Team in Finals at Mitchell

Traveling to Mitchell Sat., Nov. 3 for their first out-of-town competition of the year, two of GT Robotics' five teams were matched against each other and tied twice during the semi-finals. But only Groton's Galaxy team (River Pardick, Alex Dutchuk and Isaac Higgins) advanced to the final competition of the day. Galaxy and their aligned team from Mitchell battled against an alliance of two other Mitchell teams in the final competition of the day, with the Mitchell duo the victors.

The other Groton team scoring well in the semi-finals was G.A.T. Wrenches (Noah Tullis, Thomas Cranford and Adrian Knudson). At the end of the qualifying rounds, standings of the GT Robotics teams out of the participating 23 teams were:

- Galaxy, 3rd
- G.A.T. Wrenches, 16th
- Geek Squad, 18th (Isaac Smith, Steven Paulson and Lee Iverson, Nick Morris)
- Gear Heads, 19th (Ethan Clark, Jackson Dinger, Axel Warrington and Kamryn Fliehs)
- G-Force, 22nd (Travis Townsend, Tannor McGannon, Danny Feist and Corbin Reich).

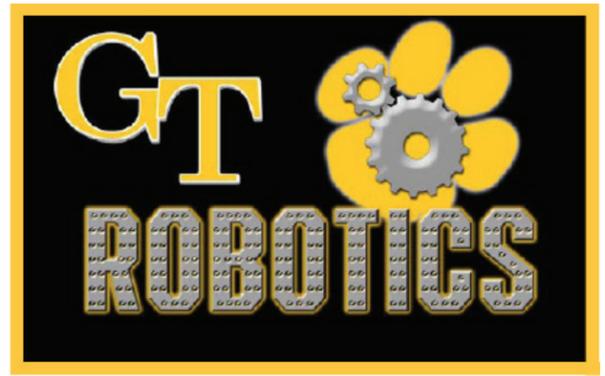
It was another learning day for Groton robotists, who will return to their work tables to modify their robots and re-program their functionality so they can compete even better at their next event in Harrisburg Nov. 17.

Rankings of GT Robotics teams at the end of qualifying rounds for the tournaments

Tournament	Groton	Mitchell
Number of teams in Tourney	11	23
9050A G-Force	2	22
9050B Gear Heads	10	19
9050C G.A.T. Wrenches	11	16
9050D Geek Squad	7	18
9050E Galaxy	5	3

How far did GT Robotics team get in elimination rounds (playoffs)?

Tournament	Groton	Mitchell
9050A G-Force	Champion	
9050B Gear Heads		
9050C G.A.T. Wrenches	Final	Semi
9050D Geek Squad	Semi	
9050E Galaxy	Semi	Final



## Geek Squad

Left to right are Nick Morris, Steven Paulson, Lee Iverson and Isaak Smith.

(Courtesy Photo)



## Galaxy

Left to right are Alex Dutchuk, River Pardick and Isaak Higgins.

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**Awards at Mitchell South Dakota VRC Tournament:** Judges Award (VRC/VEXU), Tournament Finalists (VRC/VEXU)



## G.A.T. Wrenches

Pictured left to right are Noah Tullis and Thomas Cranford; not pictured is Adrian Knudson.

(Courtesy Photo)

**Award at 6th Annual Harrisburg VRC State Qualifier:** Tournament Finalists (VRC/VEXU)

**Award at Mitchell South Dakota VRC Tournament:** Sportsmanship (VRC/VEXU)

**Award at GT Robotics October VEX Robotics Tournament:** Tournament Finalists (VRC/VEXU)



## G-Force

Back, left to right: Tannor McGannon and Travis Townsend; in front, left to right, are Dan Feist and Corbin Reich.

(Courtesy Photo)

**Award at Rapid City Regional:** Tournament Finalists (VRC/VEXU)

**Award at 6th Annual Harrisburg VRC State Qualifier:** Tournament Champions (VRC/VEXU)

**Award at GT Robotics October VEX Robotics Tournament:** Tournament Champions (VRC/VEXU)



## Gear Heads

Left to right are Jackson Dinger, Axel Warrington, Ethan Clark and Kamryn Fliehs.

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**Award at 2018 Rapid City Regional:** Judges Award (VRC/VEXU)

## THE WORLD'S LARGEST ROBOTICS COMPETITION

The VEX Robotics Competition, presented by the Robotics Education & Competition Foundation, is the largest and fastest growing middle school and high school robotics program globally with more than 20,000 teams from 50 countries playing in over 1,700 competitions worldwide. Each year, an exciting engineering challenge is presented in the form of a game. Students, with guidance from their teachers and mentors, build innovative robots and compete year-round.

In addition to learning valuable engineering skills, students gain life skills such as teamwork, perseverance, communication, collaboration, project management, and critical thinking. The VEX Robotics Competition prepares students to become future innovators with 95% of participants reporting an increased interest in STEM subject areas and pursuing STEM-related careers.

### CURRENT CHALLENGE: TURNING POINT

VEX Robotics Competition Turning Point is played on a 12'x12' square field configured as seen above. Two (2) Alliances – one (1) "red" and one (1) "blue" – composed of two (2) Teams each, compete in matches consisting of a fifteen (15) second Autonomous Period, followed by a one minute and forty-five second (1:45) Driver Controlled Period.

The object of the game is to attain a higher score than the opposing Alliance by High Scoring or Low Scoring Caps, Toggling Flags, and by Alliance Parking or Center Parking Robots on the Platforms.

# THINKING ABOUT HEALTH District Court Ruling Against the ACA Would End Popular Benefits

By Trudy Lieberman, Rural Health News Service

Right before Christmas a U.S. District Court Judge in Texas ruled the Affordable Care Act, also called Obamacare, was unconstitutional. What's more the judge didn't just throw out the controversial provision that nearly every American is required to carry health insurance, he tossed out the entire law with its myriad provisions.

"Nearly everyone would be affected in some way if the Texas judge's ruling that the entire ACA is unconstitutional is upheld," says Larry Levitt, senior vice president of the Kaiser Family Foundation. "It would also be a big deal if only the ACA's preexisting conditions were thrown out as the Trump administration has argued."

Indeed, it would. Although I've argued there are many flaws in the Affordable Care Act, its greatest contribution may be that it opened the door for sick people to get insurance. Until the ACA came along, anyone who needed to buy coverage in the individual insurance market had to pass tough medical scrutiny by insurers. Even a seemingly minor condition like ear infections could disqualify someone from getting a policy.

There's no going back to the past on this one. The principle that everyone needs health insurance, whether sick or well, and has a right to get it is now becoming more firmly planted in American health insurance. As proof, we have to look no further than the public outcry that surfaced when Congress tried to repeal the law in 2017 and the importance it took on all over the country in the November midterm elections when candidates who were on record as opposing the ACA tried to convince voters they really were for letting sick people buy health insurance after all.

The law also established that people with lower incomes needed subsidies to help buy health insurance. Families and individuals with incomes below 400 percent of the federal poverty level get help that would disappear should the ACA be struck down.

Perhaps its most far-reaching and arguably most humane benefit was to expand Medicaid benefits to nearly 13 million Americans with very low incomes. The 2012 Supreme Court decision that allowed the ACA to take effect gave states the option of expanding Medicaid to cover exactly those people. Many did not, and that battle is still being fought in many states.

A lot of other provisions would go away, too. There are no lifetime limits on coverage meaning that a family with a catastrophic illness won't have to worry about their insurance disappearing if their spending exceeds a certain threshold as was the case in the bad old days. And it allowed young adults up to age 26 to stay on their parents' insurance. That has helped a lot of young people starting their careers.

The ACA also established required minimum benefits that included coverage for mental health, prescription drugs, and maternity care that were often missing from individual market policies before the ACA was passed. While some of those coverages were controversial because they added to the cost of a policy, they've provided needed help to many families.

Medicare beneficiaries, too, have benefited in ways that might not be obvious. The financing deal that the Obama administration made with the country's hospitals also has helped shore up the Medicare Part A trust fund, which pays for hospital charges, and prolong its solvency for more years. That arrangement could unravel if the law ultimately is struck down.

And, as part of the final deal, pharmaceutical companies agreed to pay part of the cost of brand name prescription drugs for seniors with high drug expenses when they reached the so-called donut hole of Medicare's drug benefit. Once they reach the donut hole amount, seniors must pay for their drugs until they reach the catastrophic limit of coverage. Provisions of the ACA allow them to pay a lower percentage of their drug expenses while in the donut hole.

We don't know how the courts will rule when the Texas judge's decision is appealed, although liberal and conservative legal experts predicted the decision will be overturned and law will ultimately be upheld. One thing is for sure. The Affordable Care Act has had nine lives. It's possible it will have a tenth. The law has proven to be more durable than many predicted. That speaks to the great need that the law, even with its many imperfections, has addressed.

Has the ACA helped you? Write to Trudy at [trudy.lieberman@gmail.com](mailto:trudy.lieberman@gmail.com).

## Groton School 2018 Audit Report

Notice of Audit of the Fiscal Affairs of Groton Area School District No. 06-6

Notice is hereby given that the records and books of account of Groton Area School District No. 06-6 of Brown County, South Dakota have been audited by Eide Bailly LLP for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018 and that a detailed report thereon is filed with the governing board, the Director of Finance, and the Department of Legislative Audit, 427 South Chappelle, Pierre, South Dakota, for public inspection.

This notice is published in compliance with the provisions of SDCL 4-11-7.2.

Current Audit Findings and Recommendations

Finding 2018-A Preparation of Financial Statements and Footnotes, and Material Proposed Adjustments to the Financial Statements

Criteria: The School District's internal control structure should be designed to provide for the preparation of the financial statements and footnotes, which includes having an adequate system for recording and processing entries material to the financial statements being audited in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Condition: Groton Area School District 06-6 requested the external auditors to assist in the preparation of the financial statements and related footnotes for the year ended June 30, 2018. As part of the financial statement preparation process, at times we propose material audit adjustments that are not identified as a result of the School District's existing internal controls and, therefore, could result in a misstatement of the School District's financial statements.

Cause: The limited size of the School District's staff and resources cause the inability to prepare the financial statements and footnotes and could cause

the need for auditors to at times propose material journal entries.

Effect: This condition may affect the School District's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

Recommendation: This circumstance is not unusual in an organization of this size. It is the responsibility of management and those charged with governance to make the decision whether to accept the degree of risk associated with this condition because of cost or other considerations. Also, a thorough review of the transactions in each fund should take place prior to the beginning of the audit, to ensure generally accepted accounting principles have been followed for each fund type, especially for transaction types infrequent in occurrence.

Views of Responsible Officials: Management agrees with the finding.

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Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor  
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**Brown County  
Ord. 128  
Eidahl Notice**

ORDINANCE #128  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 4, SECOND REVISION BROWN COUNTY ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED TO REZONE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY BE IT ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Dakota, that the Petition to Amend Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, as amended, to rezone the following described property filed by Doug Eidahl is hereby granted and Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances is hereby amended to change the zoning on the following described property from Chapter 4.06 Agricultural Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.07 Mini-Agricultural District (M-AG), said property described as follows:  
Lot 1 Schuring Addition in the SW ¼ of Sec 32-T123N-R60W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. (40706 136th Street)  
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Dakota that the zoning official for the County of Brown is hereby authorized to change the official zoning map for Brown County to reflect this Ordinance.  
Notice of Hearing: December 5 & 12, 2018  
Passed First Reading: December 18, 2018  
Passed Second Reading: December 27, 2018  
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Doug Fjeldheim, Chair  
Brown County Commission  
ATTEST:  
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor  
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**Brown County  
Ord. 129  
Gebhart Notice**

ORDINANCE #129  
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Clays Outlot A in the SE ¼ of Sec 20-T128N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. (38945

104th Street)  
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**Brown County  
Ord. 130  
Larson Notice**

ORDINANCE #130  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 4, SECOND REVISION BROWN COUNTY ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED TO REZONE CERTAIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY BE IT ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Dakota, that the Petition to Amend Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, as amended, to rezone the following described property filed by Josh Larson is hereby granted and Title 4, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances is hereby amended to change the zoning on the following described property from Chapter 4.06 Agricultural Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.07 Mini-Agricultural District (M-AG), said property described as follows:  
Lot 1 Larson-Johnson Addition in the SW ¼ of Sec 26-T125N-R62W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. (12284 398th Ave)  
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Brown County Commission  
ATTEST:  
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor  
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**Brown County  
Ord. 131  
Helm Notice**

NOTICE  
Application has been made by Michael Paul Helm 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 January 15, 2019 at 8:45 A.M. for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Chapter 4.06 Agricultural Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.14 Highway Commercial District (HC): Levey's Outlot 4 in the SE ¼ of Sec 24-T123N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. (13397 382nd Ave)  
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. 131.  
ATTEST:  
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor  
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**Brown County  
Ord. 132  
Stoeber Notice**

NOTICE  
Application has been made by Lance Stoeber 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



**The city crew has been busy hauling off many truck loads of snow off of Groton's Main Street.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**The Groton Area Elementary School has snow banks around its building from the recent blizzard that hit the area.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Raging blizzards immobilizes region**

A raging blizzard set in the day after Christmas, reducing visibility to a couple of blocks in town and forcing state snow plows off the roads. By night fall, major highways were drifting in as mother nature had a ball as 10 inches of snow fell in the Groton area. Another clipper system hit the area on Monday with strong wind and another 3-4 inches of snow.

January 15, 2019 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): E ½ NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Sec 26-T124N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. (12825 393rd Ave)  
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. 132.  
ATTEST:  
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**Brown County  
2017  
Audit Notice**

NOTICE OF AUDIT OF THE FISCAL AFFAIRS OF BROWN COUNTY  
Notice is hereby given that the records and books of account of Brown County, South Dakota, have been audited by the Department of Legislative Audit for the year ended December 31, 2017, and that a detailed report thereon is filed with the county auditor of Brown County and the Department of Legislative Audit in Pierre, South Dakota, for public inspection.  
This notice is published in compliance with the provisions of SDCL 4-11-12.  
MARTIN L. GUINDON, CPA  
AUDITOR GENERAL  
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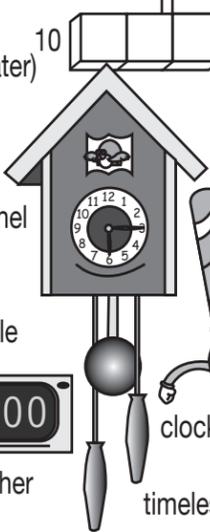


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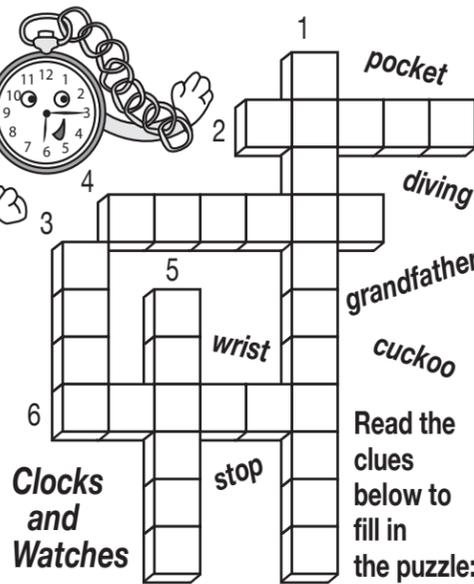
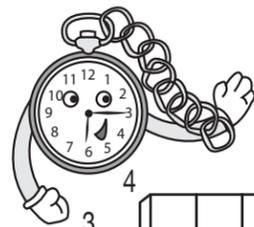
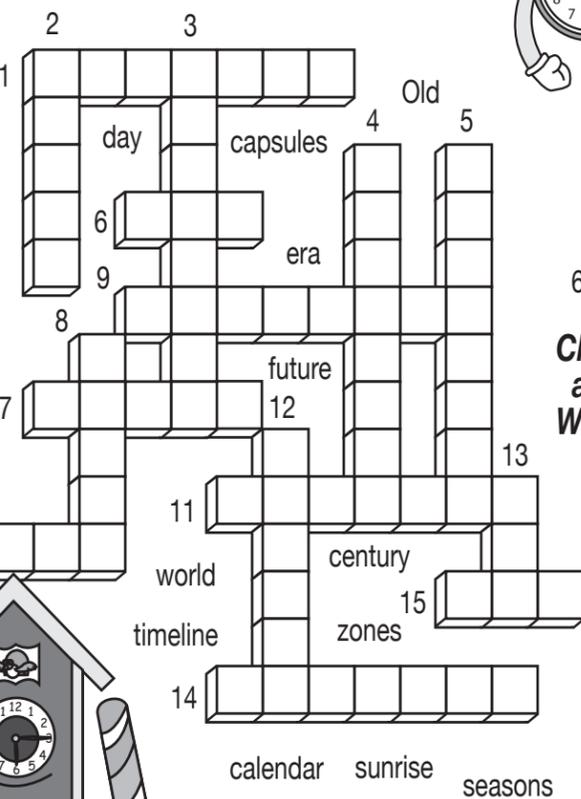
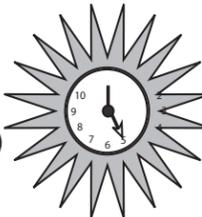
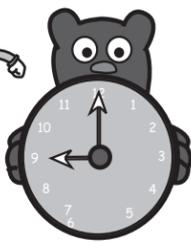
When we speak about time we talk about the past, present or the future.

Read the clues to fill in the puzzle:

- one hundred years
- common way to tell time
- shows events in order of when they happened
- tool to keep track of activities, days and months
- fun way to capture a moment in time (item is dug up later)
- Baby \_\_\_\_\_ Year is full of energy to start the year
- there are 24 time \_\_\_\_\_ throughout the world
- \_\_\_\_\_ clock shows what time it is anywhere on the planet – often shown by a series of clocks on a panel
- something that isn't affected by the passage of time
- \_\_\_\_\_ Father Time is tired after working all year; he is often shown with a long beard, sundial and sickle
- the start of each morning, dawn
- time that has yet to pass
- period of time marked by important events
- parts of the year that mark the temperature and weather
- twenty-four hours



clock  
timeless



Clocks and Watches

Read the clues below to fill in the puzzle:

Many kinds of clocks and watches have been invented through the years. A watch was even made for engineers to help them run the trains on time.

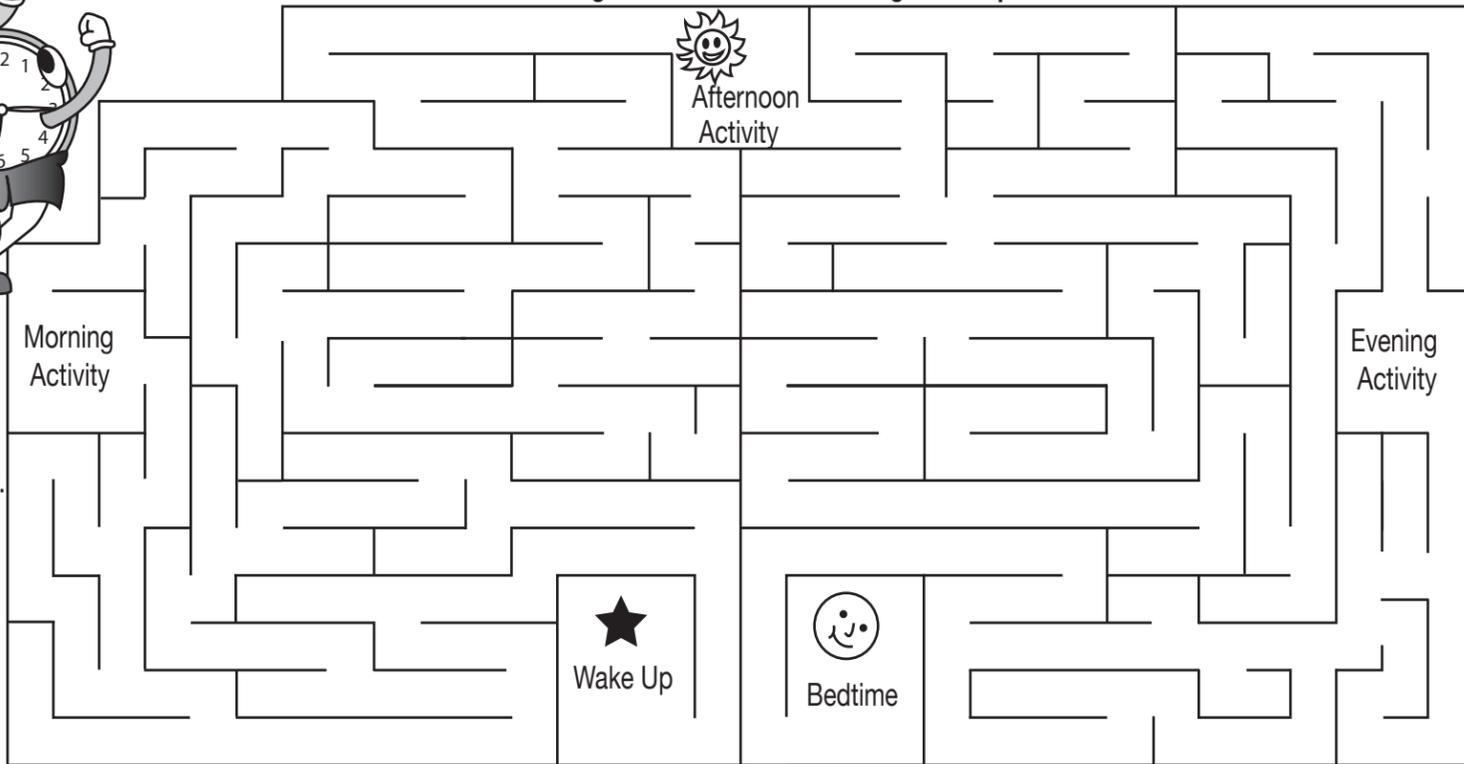
- \_\_\_\_\_ clock, tall standing clock with swinging pendulum
- \_\_\_\_\_ watch, timepiece you can wear to school
- \_\_\_\_\_ watch, great for measuring races
- \_\_\_\_\_ watch, can be underwater without being damaged
- \_\_\_\_\_ clock, hangs on the wall and sings a song every hour
- \_\_\_\_\_ watch, often on a chain and kept in a small pouch on vest

## A Race Against Time!

Every day is packed with chores, activities and fun. Can you find the shortest way through this maze from morning wake-up to bedtime?



- Start at the star ★ wake up to a new day!
- Next, find your way to the *morning activity*.
- Then, go to the *afternoon activity*.
- Travel along to your *evening activity*.
- Finally, end your day at *bedtime*!



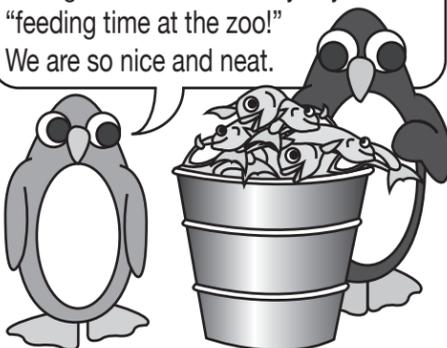
## Time Talk

Match up each saying about time to its meaning:

- A. a race against time
- B. all the time in the world
- C. waste of time
- D. time flies
- E. time out
- F. it's feeding time at the zoo
- G. a stitch in time saves nine

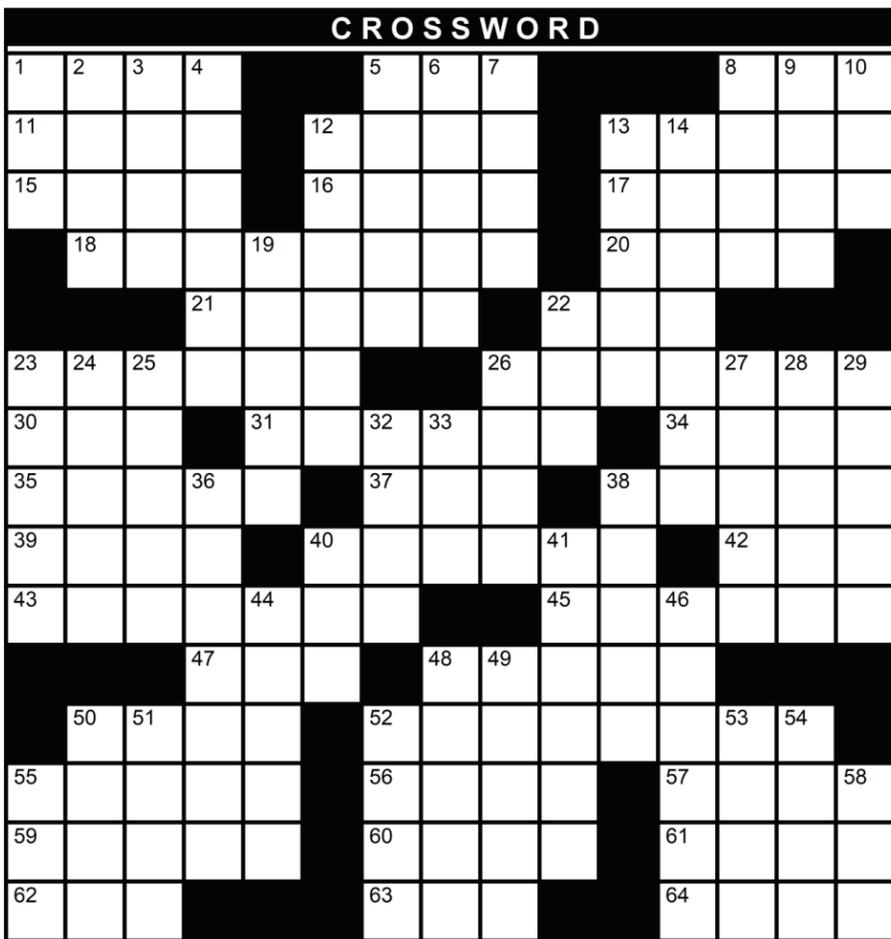
- not worth the effort
- a break in the action
- doing a task well now can save effort later
- group of people eating in a noisy, untidy way
- life moves quickly
- rush to beat a deadline
- plenty of time

Geesh! Please tell me that they aren't talking about us when they say "feeding time at the zoo!" We are so nice and neat.



- A. there's no time to lose
- B. time is up
- C. pressed for time
- D. not given the time of day
- E. give a hard time
- F. time to call it a day
- G. have a whale of a time

- cause someone trouble
- no time left
- stop working on something
- enjoy yourself
- be rushed to do something
- you need every moment
- not getting attention



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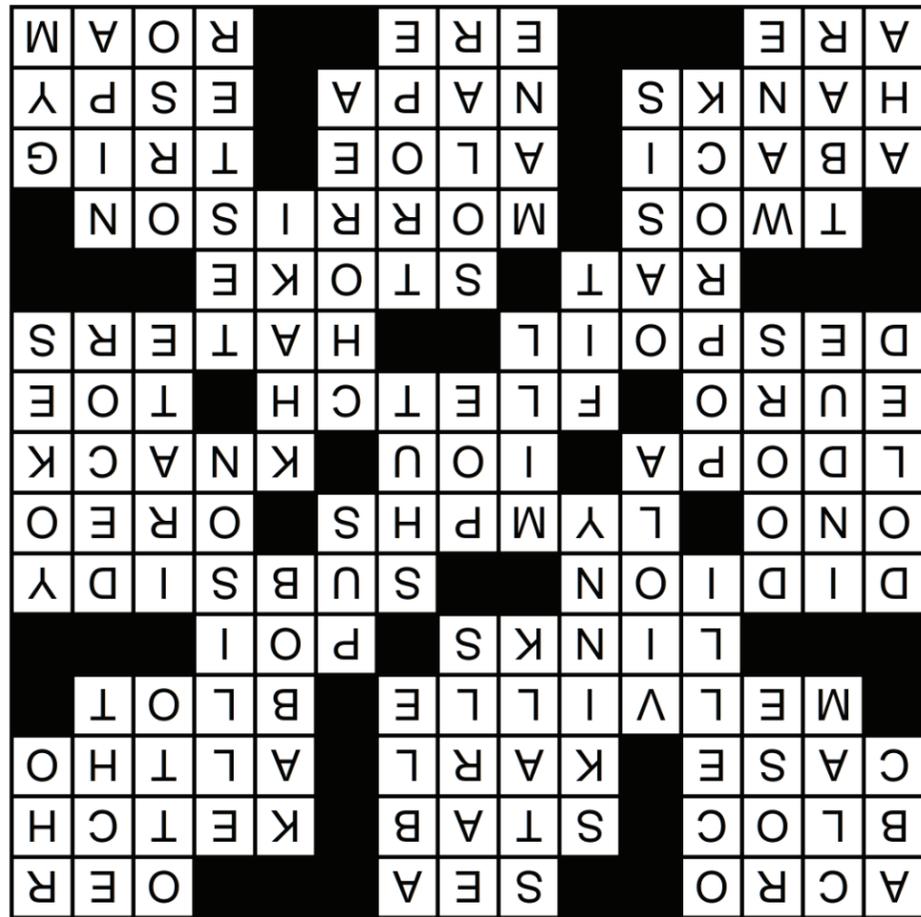
**ACROSS**

1. \_\_\_\_bat or \_\_\_\_phobe
5. \*Old Man's turf
8. Old-fashioned "over"
11. Group of countries
12. Bayonet action
13. Sailing vessel with two masts
15. \*"Up the Down Stair \_\_\_\_" by Kaufman
16. Philosopher Marx
17. Poetic although
18. \*Whaling writer
20. Soak some ink
21. Golf course
22. Hawaiian dish
23. \*"Slouching Towards Bethlehem" essayist
26. Tax break
30. Singer Yoko
31. Bodily fluids
34. Three-ply snack
35. Parkinson's disease drug
37. Debt acknowledgement
38. Special way of doing something
39. EU money
40. Chevy Chase's 1985 comedy
42. One little piggie?
43. Plunder
45. Bias crime perpetrators
47. Pied Piper's follower
48. Feed the fire
50. Rare bills
52. \*Female Nobel winner
55. Olden day calculators
56. Home-grown healer
57. H.S. math class
59. Azaria and Aaron
60. Known for its cabs
61. Sports award
62. `re
63. "But I heard him exclaim, \_\_\_\_ he drove out of sight, Merry Christmas to all..."
64. Wander about

**DOWN**

1. \*"Dr. Seuss's \_\_\_\_" alphabet book
2. Chowder protein
3. "A \_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_..."
4. Plural of ocellus
5. Corn holder
6. British peers
7. Having the means
8. Doctor Octopus' first name
9. Not counterfeit
10. Greek R
12. Fit for some jeans
13. Shish \_\_\_\_
14. \*"Invisible Man" author
19. Actress Davis
22. Product of inflammation
23. Dished out
24. Empower
25. Morrison's "The \_\_\_\_"
26. "Open and \_\_\_\_" case
27. About to explode
28. Joanna Gaines' concern
29. Ox connectors
32. Grain grinder
33. \*Master of the macabre
36. \*"American Authors" genre
38. Shade of Dockers
40. In good shape
41. Movement disorder
44. Desert mirage
46. SAT administrator
48. Type of renewable energy
49. Figure of speech
50. Type of ski lift
51. Do like the moon
52. Lion's do
53. Guesstimate phrase
54. Australian palm
55. Norwegian band
58. Sweaty spot

**Solutions**



**It's About Time!**

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**Clocks and Watches**

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**A Race Against Time!**

**Time Talk**

Set #1 A. 6, B. 7, C. 1, D. 5, E. 2, F. 4, G. 3

Set #2 A. 6, B. 2, C. 5, D. 7, E. 1, F. 3, G. 4

# Groton Area Schedule of Events

Thursday, January 3, 2019

School Resumes  
6:00pm: Wrestling: Boys Varsity Triangular vs. Redfield-Doland, Webster Area High School @ Webster Area High School

Friday, January 4, 2019

4:00pm: Basketball: Girls Varsity Double Header vs. Hamlin @ Hamlin High School (JV Girls game at 4pm, Boys C game at 4pm, JV Boys game at 5:15pm, Varsity Girls game at 6:30pm, Varsity Boys game at 8pm)  
5:00pm: Wrestling: Boys JH Tournament vs. Milbank @ Milbank High School

Saturday, January 5, 2019

Robotics at Canton High School  
10:00am: Wrestling: Boys Varsity Tournament @ Miller High School  
11:00am: Basketball: Girls Varsity Classic vs. Wolsey-Wessington @ Redfield Jr-Sr High School  
3:30pm: Basketball: Boys Varsity Classic vs. Viborg-Hurley @ Sanford Pentagon in Sioux Falls

Sunday, January 6, 2019

2:00pm- 6:00pm: Open Gym at GHS Arena (Grades JK-8 2pm - 4pm; Grades 6-12 4pm - 6pm)

Monday, January 7, 2019

5:15pm: Boys Basketball at Webster Area High School (C game at 5:15 p.m. followed by JV and Varsity games)  
6:00pm: Wrestling: Boys JH Tournament vs. TBA @ Groton Area High School  
7:00pm: City Council meeting at Groton Community Center

Tuesday, January 8, 2019

6:30pm: Girls Basketball vs. Waubay-Summit at Waubay.

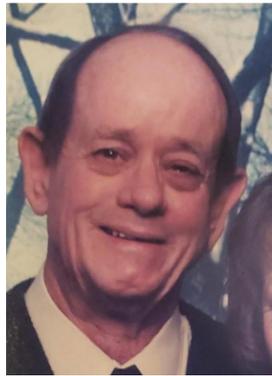
Thursday, January 10, 2019

6:00pm: Girls Basketball at Sisseton

Friday, January 11, 2019

Debate Silver Bowl at Sioux Falls  
5:15pm: Boys Basketball hosts Sisseton. (C game at 5:15 p.m. followed by junior varsity and varsity)

# The Life of Harold Stout



Harold Calvin (Butch) Stout passed into eternal life with his savior, Jesus Christ, on Friday December 21, 2018 in Las Vegas after a short hospitalization. A memorial Service will be held at 11 AM, Saturday December 29, 2018, at First Baptist Church, 5360 Calle Valle Vista, Fort Mohave AZ. Burial will be at a later date.

Butch was born on Feb 25, 1943 in Needles California. He was raised in the Needles area by Harold and Bea Stout and spent nearly all of his life living in the Valley. He worked at Mohave Farms for 30 years until his retirement. For the past 25 years, he has been an active member of First Baptist Church, Ft. Mohave, serving as Deacon, Elder and bible study leader. Butch was a man of integrity, who led strongly, loved passionately and served God and his Family faithfully

Grateful for having shared his life are: His loving wife of 41 years, Karen Stout of Ft. Mohave; Children Linda (Edward) Leonard of Seattle WA, Richard (Paula) Stout of East Amherst NY, Louise (Carl) Schwab of Andover SD, Julie Stout of Groton SD, and Patricia (John) Pappas of Ft. Mohave AZ; Sisters, Becky (Ray) Fradette of Kent WA, Carol (Stan) Crabtree of Ceres CA and 1 brother Virgil Stout of Phoenix AZ, and 17 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

Butch was preceded in death by his parents and one daughter Darlene Jaekley

# The Life of Olga Grandpre



Olga Hynes Grandpre made her final journey home on December 28, 2018, surrounded by her husband and children, at Mother Joseph Manor in Aberdeen SD. Services will be 10:30 a.m., January 4th at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Groton. Father Mike Kelly will officiate.

Visitation will be held at the church on Thursday from 5-7 p.m. with a rosary at 5:00 and wake service at 7:00 p.m.

Inurnment will be held at a later date in St. John's Catholic Cemetery, Conde.

Olga Marie Hynes was born on August 9th, 1927, and was the beloved only child of Edward and Mary (Loftus) Hynes. She grew up on their farm near Conde where she developed her love for all animals, especially cats. She attended Conde School and drew all of the illustrations for the yearbook the year that she graduated. After graduation, she attended Northern State College in Aberdeen for the program that was dubbed the Six Week Wonder that served to get teachers quickly out to communities during and after World War II. She taught the one room school houses at the Righnier and Miles Schools. She loved teaching and her students. In later life, she would substitute teach at the Conde Schools.

About that time, she reconnected with a young veteran who had grown up down the road. Earl proposed on Christmas Eve 1949 and they were married September 6th, 1950. Together they built a life on the family farm and reared a family of six children. Olga was Earl's partner in all aspects of life and they most enjoyed visiting with each other and their children. Along with acting as best friend, confidant and counselor to her husband and children, Olga was active in Legion Auxiliary and Altar Society. She formed a lifelong bond with her group of friends in birthday club and they shared their life journey monthly for over 50 years.

Her family called her "the nicest person we know." She will always be remembered for her love of family and friends, her pride in her Irish heritage, and her furry friends.

Olga was preceded in death by her parents Edward and Mary Hynes, her Godmother Ada Hynes, her Godfather Leonard Gavin and her son-in-law James Thomas.

She is survived by her husband of 68 years Earl Grandpre, Aberdeen. Children: Paula Thomas, Fargo; Suzanne (Kim) Gross, Sioux Falls; Bob (Becky) Grandpre, Elkhorn, NE; Donn (Renee) Grandpre, Aberdeen; Brian Grandpre, Aberdeen; Joan (James) Monson, Aberdeen. Grandchildren: Michael, Nikki, Ramey, Jessica, Kelli, Patrick, Nathan, Jenny, Ryan, Lisa, Andrew, Brian and Parker. Great Granchildren: Diem & Wrenley; Evan and Ali; Gavin, Cory & Jordyn; Josiah, Maddie, Zelda and Finley.



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