

## From a Facebook Page

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Cindy Haskell of Conde took this cool photo Monday morning.

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This Groton Area boys sixth grade team took first place Saturday at a tournament played in Langford. Pictured left to right are Logan Pearson, Caden McInerney, Blake Pauli, Payton Mitchell, Tuner Thompson, Carter Simon and Teylor Diegel. (Photo by Corey Mitchell)

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# Sippel Farm featured on American Pickers

The Bruce and Vickie Sippel farm, rural Groton, was featured Monday on on American Pickers. This is a show on the History Channel. Bruce and his son, Adam, were featured on the show.



Adam is pushing a door open so the American Pickers could get a prized item out of the shed. (Photos taken from the History Channel Show)



The middle photo features Adam (wearing the white shirt) and Bruce (wearing the red hat) as they were introduced to the hosts of the show. (Photos taken from the History Channel Show)

The main blizzard hit Sunday evening, but with all of this snow, a little wind can create issues. Lindsey Tietz said on her Facebook Page about this photo, "Holy ground blizzard and blinding sun....this wind picks up so fast!"

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Tylan GLover accepted to AMDA:

Angela Glover posted this on her Facebook Page: The answer we have been waiting for is officially in...as hard as it will be to move him to the big city I am so extremely proud of him and excited for him to follow his dream..Tylan's accepted to AMDA (The American Musical and Dramatic Academy)!

## **Record Low Temps** January 30, 2019

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## DeHoet has double-double night against Vermillion Brodyn DeHoet had 19 points and 20 rebounds,

Brodyn DeHoet had 19 points and 20 rebounds, far exceeding anyone else on either team, in Groton Area's 58-45 loss to Vermillion. It was part of the Dak12 vs. NEC games played in Madison. Webster, Redfield-Doland and Deuel were vic-

torious for the NEC. Game scores were: Dakota Valley 64, Hamlin 60 Dell Rapids 65, Sisseton 54 Devel 60, Canton 40



Vermillion 58 Groton Area 45

#### quarterstops at 12-11, 25-13 and 40-25. Gracie Traphagen led the Tigers with eight points followed by Eliza

Wanner and Jennie Doeden with six each, Miranda Hanson had five, Kaycie Hawkins four, Tadyn Glover, Kenzie Mc-Inerney and Allyssa Locke with three each and Maddie Bjerke added two points. Doeden and Wanner each had nine rebounds.

Janae Kolden led the Cyclones with 18 points followed by Abbie Bratland with 16, Charity Kabwe six, Saylor Burke five, Jaycie Forbes three, Olivia Sass two and Chayla Vig and Allison Kannegieter with one apiece.



Groton made 40 percent of its field goals and was **Clark/WL 53** one of two from the line off of the Cyclone's 10 **Groton Area 40** team fouls. Clark/Willow Lake made 12 of 19 free

Clark/Willow Lake came to town Tuesday evening where the Cyclones posted a 53-40 win over the Lady Tigers. Clark/Willow Lake led at the

throws off of Groton Area's 14 team fouls. The Tigers had 16 turnovers while the Cyclones had eight.

The game was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Allied Climate Professionals, Bahr Spray Foam, Blocker Construction, Doug Abeln Seed Company, James Valley Seed - Doug Jorgensen, John Sieh Agency, Locke Electric, Milbrandt Enterprises, Inc.; Northeast Chiropractic Clinic, Professional Management Services, Inc.; Sanford Health, Tyson DeHoet Trucking and Weber Landscaping. Make sure you tell them thank you and patronize them as well.

Groton Area won the JV game, 24-17. Caitlynn Barse led the Tigers w with six points followed by Gracie Traphagen with five, Allyssa Locke had four, Maddie Bjerke three and Trista Keith, Kenzie McInerney and Brooke Gengerke each had two points.

## Cyclones score 18 straight to beat Groton Area boys team

Cyclones remain undefeated with win over Groton Area Clark-Willow Lake scored 18 straight points to take the thunder out of Groton Area and control of the game to post a 72-49 win. The Cyclones remain undefeated at 10-0. The Tigers drop to 4-8 on the season.



Brodyn DeHoet scored 13 points in the first quarter which included three three-pointers as he led the Tigers with 19 points. Kaden Kurtz made

led the Tigers with 19 points. Kaden Kurtz made **Clark/WL 72** two three-pointers in the second half and finished **Groton Area 49** with eight points. Treyton Diegel also made two

three-pointers and finished with eight points. Jayden Zak had one three-pointer and five points. Cyruss DeHoet made a three-pointer in the fourth quarter for three points. Cade Guthmiller, Austin Jones and Tristan Traphagen each had two points.

Grayson Florey led the Cyclones with 23 points while Micah Burke had 18, Stone Burke had a doubledouble night with 15 points and 11 rebounds and Jacob Prouty had 13 points.

Groton Area made 19 of 51 field goals for 46 percent, was two of two from the line, had 14 assists with B. DeHoet and Kurtz each having four. Groton Area had nine fouls for the game and Clark-Willow Lake had six. The The Tigers had 14 turnovers with seven of them being steals. The Cyclones had 15 turnovers with five of them being steals as Diegel and Kurtz each had two. Clark-Willow Lake had the edge on the boards, 33-26. B. DeHoet had six rebounds.

Groton Area started out strong, taking a 6-0 lead and led it, 10-5. The Cyclones came back to tie the game at 10 and then there were three lead changes before Clark-Willow Lake took a 21-18 lead after the first quarter. Groton Area closed to within one, 21-20, to start the second quarter before the Cyclones made 18 straight points to take a 39-20 lead, leading 37-30 at half time and 56-39 after three quarters.

The game was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by the Aberdeen Chrysler Center.

Clark-Willow Lake won the junior varsity game, 42-31. Jayden Zak led the Tigers with 12 points while Cole Simon had five, Tristan Trap-

Deuel 60, Canton 40 Lennox 70, Britton-Hecla 32 Madison 59, Worthington, Minn. 45 Redfield/Doland 53, Tri-Valley 45 Sioux Falls Christian 72, Aberdeen Roncalli 41 Tea Area 69, Clark/Willow Lake 51 Vermillion 58, Groton Area 45 Webster 93, Elk Point-Jefferson 90, 20T West Central 45, Milbank 34 Groton Area jumped out to a 5-0 lead before W

Groton Area jumped out to a 5-0 lead before Vermillion rallied to tie the game at eight and took an 11-8 lead. Groton Area tied the game at 11, but then the Tanagers scored nine straight points to take a 20-11 lead. Later in the second quarter, Vermillion had a seven point run and held a 13-point lead at 32-19. The half time score was 32-21. Dillon Gestring, who was chosen as the Player of the Game, scored all eight of Vermillion's points in the third quarter as Groton Area chipped away at the lead to make it a 40-35 Vermillion lead at the break. (The athletic directors have 2 AD's assigned to each game, 1 NEC and 1 Dak12, and they choose the player of the game)

Dak12, and they choose the player of the game) The Tigers rallied to within one at 41-40 and 43-42, and had opportunities to retake the lead, but the ball refused to drop in the hoop and Vermillion went on to win. In the fourth quarter, the Tanagers were 10 of 13 from the free throw line.

In the first quarter, Groton Area was four of 13 from the field for 31 percent while Vermillion was eight of 20 for 40 percent. Tommy Nikkel came off the bench to score nine points for Vermillion while DeHoet had seven points and Diegel had a three-pointer.

In the second quarter, the Tigers were three of 14 for 21 percent and Vermillion was six of 18 for 33 percent. Groton Area was three of eight from the free throw line, Cade Guthmiller had six points for Groton Area and Vermillion's Max Mayer had seven points.

The Tigers were five of 16 in shooting in the third quarter for 31 percent and Vermillion was four of 14 for 29 percent. Treyton Diegel made two three-pointers and Kaden Kurtz made one three-pointer. Dillon Gestring had all eight of Vermillion's points.

In the fourth quarter, the Tigers were four of 12 for 33 percent while Vermillion was four of nine for 44 percent. DeHoet had seven points and Diegel had a three-pointer. Vermillion was 10 of 13 from the line.

Others scoring for Groton Area were Treyton Diegel with 12 points (four three-pointers), Cade Guthmiller with eight, Kaden Kurtz five and Austin Jones one. For Vermillion, Dillon Gestring and Max Mayer with 11 each, Tommy Nikkel had nine, Jakob Dobney, Noah Gilbertson and Connor Saunders with seven each, and Cael Mockler and Sam Ward with three points each.

Groton Area was even of 27 in three-pointers for 26 percent while Vermillion did not make any three-pointers in their 10 attempts. The Tigers shot 28 percent for the game, making 16 of 57 shots while Vermillion shot 32 percent for the game, making 22 of 67 shots. Groton Area was six of 14 from the line for 43 percent off of Vermillion's 13 team fouls. Vermillion was 14 of 18 for 78 percent off of Groton Area's 19 team fouls. Vermillion had the edge on offensive rebounds, 17-12, and Groton had the edge on defensive rebounds, 28-27. Kurtz had six rebounds and Guthmiller had five. Groton Area had twice as many assists than Vermillion, 12-6, with Guthmiller having three and DeHoet, Diegel, Jones and Kurtz each having two. Groton Area had 17 turnovers with eight of them being steals as Dobney and Nikkel each had three. Vermillion had 12 turnovers with seven of them being steals as Guthmiller had four. Groton Area, now 4-8 on the season, will be at Langford Area on Tuesday. The game was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by the Aberdeen Chrysler Center.

## Lazy Farmers 4-H

The January 6th meeting place was changed to Northern Electric and the time changed to 4:30. Cassandra and Travis Townsend were the hosts. Porter Jones lead us in the US pledge and Kayla Leir lead us in the 4-H pledge. Logan Peterson did a demonstration on how to make Monster Cookies, Travis Townsend did a talk about 3-D printing, Cassandra Townsend did a demonstration on how to make a Mason Jar Recipe, Faith Fliehs did a talk on The Parts of a Bow, Jayla Jones did a talk on How a herd can benefit a Horses Health, Lexi Osterman did a demonstration on How to Make Ice Cream Cubes, and she also did a talk about Water usage, Alica Davis did a demonstration on Creating Faux Finishes, Journey Zieroth did a demonstration on how to make a paper snowflake, Delayne Jones did a talk about Coon Coon Pigs, Devan Howard did a talk about Driving Tips in the Winter, Tessa Erdmann did a talk on 4-H ambassador. The next meeting will tentatively be held Febuary 10th at Jameson Stanges starting with crafts at 1:00pm and meeting at 2:30 Respectfully, Faith Fliehs reporter

hagen four, Lane Tietz

and Chandler Larson each had three and Wyatt Hearnen and Isaac Smith each had two points.



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## Governor to address nursing home funding crisis in S.D.

#### **By: Bart Pfankuch**

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In her first budget address on Wednesday, Gov. Kristi Noem will discuss the under-funding of South Dakota nursing homes that has led to a recent wave of closures.

The governor's speech is part of a growing momentum toward reform of nursing home funding during the ongoing legislative session in Pierre.

Three nursing homes closed over the past three years and two more are slated for closure next month, causing a loss of jobs and putting a hardship on displaced elderly and disabled residents and their families.

Another 17 former Golden Living Centers in South Dakota are facing financial challenges and are being operated by a state-approved receivership created after the New Jersey firm running the homes went bankrupt last year.

Industry officials say more closures are likely unless South Dakota improves its payment rate under Medicaid, which pays for the care of about 55 percent of the patients in the state's roughly 110 nursing homes.

South Dakota has the lowest Medicaid reimbursement rate in the country, causing homes to lose \$35 a day for each Medicaid patient and resulting in a \$42 million overall annual funding shortfall for long-term care facilities across the state.

Randy Bury, president of the Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society, which runs 32 senior care facilities in South Dakota including several nursing homes, said more homes are sure to close if state funding doesn't increase more like clubhouses with mostly able-bodied soon.

"It's not a risk of more closures, it's a certainty," said Bury, who became president of the society after its recent merger with Sanford Health. "It's simple math. If you're running a business and with over half of that business you're losing money every day, you can Band Aid and cost cut and everything, but over time looked very different," he said. "Now, you see you're going to end up in the red."

governor, confirmed in an email to News Watch on Tuesday that Noem "intends to address nursing home funding and larger model of care much of the basic patient care in nursing issues in her budget address."

Wileman did not provide specific details about what Noem will say or ideas she may put forward.

In a recent interview, however, Noem expressed a strong interest in helping nursing homes stay afloat. Noem said she was sad to

stability of nursing homes both in small towns Dakota News Watch and other media.

"It is a concern," Noem told the radio station. "It's something I'm seriously looking at what we can do to continue to keep those services in our smaller communities. But ... it's not unique to a certain size of town or community in our state."



Nursing home costs have risen as home health care options have grown. Those care options have kept elderly residents at home longer. Now those entering nursing homes have more serious medical conditions requiring constant care, industry officials say.

#### Patient care costs have risen

The recent nursing home closures in Bryant, Rosholt and Tripp and the pending home closures in Madison and Mobridge have shone a light on the financial vulnerability of long-term care facilities in South Dakota.

Bury acknowledged that to some people the \$181 per-day cost of care for a nursing home patient might seem high, and that he thought so, too, until he visited long-term care facilities.

Bury said that years ago nursing homes were residents. Now, he said, with greater patient access to health care and home care prior to arriving at a nursing home, residents come with more frequent and intensive medical needs that raise the cost far beyond providing room and board.

"The same facility that my parents went into lots of people bed-bound, limited to a wheel Kristin Wileman, a spokeswoman for the chair and with serious medical conditions that take constant care."

> The Certified Nursing Assistants who do homes are generally underpaid, leading to extremely high position turnover and difficulty in attracting qualified employees, said Mark Deak, executive director of the South Dakota Health Care Association.

The average wage for CNAs in South Dakota is \$12.47 an hour, or about \$26,000 a year, the 46th lowest in the nation. lifting and they're there emotionally for the Meanwhile, the thin margin at many nursing homes has reduced the ability of ownership to improve facilities. Most nursing homes in South Dakota are 40 years old, while the average in the Midwest is only 12 years old. Deak has been meeting with lawmakers and affecting the ability of nursing homes to recruit other officials in Pierre to convince them to support meaningful and immediate funding reform for long-term care facilities across the state. "This is a crisis that could turn into a statewide disaster if something isn't done," said Deak, who was scheduled to meet with Gov. Noem to discuss the topic on Tuesday. Deak said awareness of the nursing home funding problems has heightened across the state recently, in part due to the closure of several homes and due to reporting by South

Deak said that he has been encouraged by recent discussions with lawmakers and state officials that some form of legislation or a funding source to boost Medicaid reimbursements will be found this session.

"There's a lot of rumblings and it's on folks' minds and I'm very encouraged by appropriators I've spoken to," said Deak. "My hope is that they will muster the will and identify the resources to do that so they can to help the folks who care for our elderly or disabled residents."

#### South Dakota lowest in Medicaid funding

Nursing homes are essentially funded by two groups of patients, those who can pay full price on their own and lower-income patients whose care is paid for through the federal Medicaid and Medicare programs. Medicaid funding, which pays for more than half the nursing home residents in South Dakota, comes from both federal and state governments. South Dakota funds the program at the lowest per-patient rate in the nation, according to the South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations.

Here is how the state compares in per-day funding to neighboring states and to the daily cost of patient care.

State	. Per-day pay rate
North Dakota	\$270.71
Minnesota	\$246.24
Wyoming	\$186.89
Daily care cost	
Nebraska	\$180.78
Montana	\$175.09
Iowa	
South Dakota	\$146.38
Source: South Dakota Association of	Healthcare Organizations

#### Several funding options available

Deak said early projections of a revenue surplus in state coffers in the coming fiscal year could provide an opportunity to raise the Medicaid pay rate. He also mentioned the possibility that the new revenues from sales taxes collected on online retail sales could be a source of funding for nursing homes.

Nursing homes and agencies that provide community services to people on Medicaid did receive a funding bump of about 2 percent over the past couple sessions, according to state Rep. Sue Peterson, R-Sioux Falls.

Peterson, who sits on the Joint Committee on Appropriations, said she is hopeful lawmakers can find a more permanent solution either "We think the world of the CNAs; they're by increasing funding for Medicaid providers or reducing regulations that remove flexibility from operators. "We need to make sure we're doing it in a magnitude so it makes a difference," Peterson said. "It's a matter of not only doing something about it, but also doing the right thing with reimbursement rates and regulations or a combination of both." Peterson said that when former Gov. Dennis Daugaard implemented a 10 percent funding reduction for all state departments shortly after taking office, Medicaid funding never rose back to pre-cut levels. Peterson said money could be allocated by the Legislature in one of three basic ways. A standalone bill to increase funding could be filed by a lawmaker prior to the Jan. 30 individual bill filing deadline or through a committee by Jan. 31.

see the recent closure of the nursing home in Bryant, S.D., the hometown of her husband, Bryon, where they have a strong family con- really angels," Deak said. "They do the heavy nections.

"People want their families to be cared for residents." and cared for in their communities close to them so they can be with them," Noem said in an interview last month on WNAX Radio 570.

In that interview, Noem said the low Medicaid reimbursement rate is putting nursing homes at risk and that low pay is negatively qualified employees.

"If a big population in those nursing homes is on Medicaid, they're losing money every day their doors are open," Noem said. "They can't recruit nurses and aides and doctors and professionals into those communities and pay them enough to be competitive."

Noem, who will give her first budget address at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, hinted that she would support legislation to improve the financial

A funding amendment could also be added

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to an existing bill throughout the session.

Peterson said a funding mechanism could also be inserted to the general spending bill that will be crafted by the Joint Appropriations Committee that then requires the approval of both chambers.

Any increase in state Medicaid funding likely would be matched at some level by the federal government, she said.

Peterson said she has studied Medicaid funding during her legislative career and supports funding reform for Medicaid service providers.

"I am keenly in tune to the problem, and very

much focused on doing something about it," she said. "I will use my position on the appropriations committee to try to right what is not right."

If Gov. Noem indicates her support for increased funding for nursing homes and community service providers, it increases the chance money will be found, Peterson said. "If the case is made and she supports it, we know it's more likely to be signed when it gets to her desk," she said.

Bury said he senses that lawmakers are beginning to understand the depth of the nursing care crisis in South Dakota and he remains optimistic funding reform will take place this session to provide more financial stability for homes well into the future.

"Nobody is asking the government to come in and provide the profit margin or flip the scenario," Bury said. "We're simply asking the government to pay its fair share."

#### **About Bart Pfankuch**

Bart Pfankuch, Rapid City, S.D., is an investigative reporter for South Dakota News Watch. A Wisconsin native, he is a former editor of the Rapid City Journal. Bart has spent almost 30 years as a reporter and editor.

## Three grapplers take first at Groton Tourney

Three Groton Area wrestlers took first place at the Groton Wrestling Tournament held Saturday. Dragr Monson took first at 113 pounds, Garret Schroeder took first at 152 pounds and Wyatt Locke took first at 285 pounds.

Also placing were Adrian Knutson, second at 285 pounds, Thomas Cranford, second, at 182 pounds, and Grady O'Neill fourth at 195 pounds.

Groton Area placed fourth in the tournament.

#### 106: Porter Johnson (12-6)

Champ. Round 1 - Porter Johnson (Groton Area) 12-6 received a bye () (Bye)

Quarterfinal - Ethan Opitz (Webster Area JV) 5-9 won by fall over Porter Johnson (Groton Area) 12-6 (Fall 1:35)

Cons. Round 2 - Porter Johnson (Groton Area) 12-6 received a bye () (Bye)

Cons. Round 3 - Jacob Johnson (Milbank JV) 5-3 won by fall over Porter Johnson (Groton Area) 12-6 (Fall 1:10)

## 113: Dragr Monson (29-8) placed 1st and scored 28.0 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Dragr Monson (Groton Area) 29-8 won by fall over Josh Roth (Viborg/ Hurley) 2-6 (Fall 0:23)

Quarterfinal - Dragr Monson (Groton Area) 29-8 won by fall over Troy Fastnacht (Wessington Springs/Woonsocket/Wolsey-Wessingtonjv) 1-5 (Fall 0:15)

Semifinal - Dragr Monson (Groton Area) 29-8 won by fall over Jackson Maag (Watertown JV) 13-7 (Fall 1:05)

1st Place Match - Dragr Monson (Groton Area) 29-8 won by fall over Cody Larson (Warner/Northwestern) 15-11 (Fall 4:55)

152: Garret Schroeder (9-12) placed 1st and scored 26.0 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Garret Schroeder (Groton Area) 9-12 received a bye () (Bye)

Quarterfinal - Garret Schroeder (Groton Area) 9-12 won by fall over Cole Wilkie (Warner/Northwestern) 3-12 (Fall 0:18)

Semifinal - Garret Schroeder (Groton Area) 9-12 won by fall over Beau Williams (Canton JV) 16-6 (Fall 3:08)

1st Place Match - Garret Schroeder (Groton

O`Gorman JV) 5-11 won by decision over Evin Nehls (Groton Area) 4-4 (Dec 7-0)

## **182:** Thomas Cranford (9-13) placed 2nd and scored 16.0 team points.

Quarterfinal - Thomas Cranford (Groton Area) 9-13 received a bye () (Bye)

Semifinal - Thomas Cranford (Groton Area) 9-13 won by fall over Isaac Suter (Canton JV) 22-2 (Fall 1:32)

1st Place Match - Brodie Holtquist (Milbank JV) 7-8 won by fall over Thomas Cranford (Groton Area) 9-13 (Fall 1:10)

195: Grady O'Neill (10-18) placed 4th and scored 11.0 team points.

Quarterfinal - Grady O'Neill (Groton Area) 10-18 won by fall over Conner Kessler (Viborg/Hurley) 1-6 (Fall 4:28)

Semifinal - Elijah Isais (Canton JV) 16-6 won by decision over Grady O'Neill (Groton Area) 10-18 (Dec 12-9)

Cons. Semi - Grady Oneill (Groton Area) 10-18 won by fall over Avery Nichols (Clark/ Willow Lake JV) 9-10 (Fall 2:33)

3rd Place Match - Sam Loecker (Sioux Falls

O'Gorman JV) 8-16 won by fall over Grady O'Neill (Groton Area) 10-18 (Fall 2:43)

**285: Adrian Knutson (14-14) placed 2nd.** 

Quarterfinal - Adrian Knutson (Groton Area) 14-14 won by fall over Hunter Shoemaker (Huron JV) 5-7 (Fall 2:39)

Semifinal - Adrian Knutson (Groton Area) 14-14 won by injury default over Jake Scheafer (Sioux Falls O'Gorman JV) 10-16 (Inj. 2:26)

1st Place Match - Wyatt Locke (Groton Area) 20-2 won by fall over Adrian Knutson (Groton Area) 14-14 (Fall 1:41)

## 285: Wyatt Locke (20-2) placed 1st and scored 24.0 team points.

Quarterfinal - Wyatt Locke (Groton Area) 20-2 won by fall over Lucas Rowland (Ipswich/ Leola/Bowdle) 2-9 (Fall 0:12)

Semifinal - Wyatt Locke (Groton Area) 20-2 won by fall over Ethan Engen (Viborg/Hurley) 7-3 (Fall 2:36)

1st Place Match - Wyatt Locke (Groton Area) 20-2 won by fall over Adrian Knutson (Groton Area) 14-14 (Fall 1:41)

## G.A.T. Wrenches and G-Force are champions of Groton Robotics Tournament

Groton Robotics' G-Force team (Travis Townsend, Tannor McGannon, Dan Feist, Corbin Reich) and their alliance partner G.A.T. Wrenches (Noah Tullis, Thomas Cranford, Adrian Knutson) were victorious over an alliance of Groton Robotics' Gear Heads (Ethan Clark, Jackson Dinger, Axel Warrington, Kamryn Fliehs) and a Britton-Hecla team in the championship robotics match Saturday, January 19 in Groton.

The fast moving, cap flipping robot of Gear Heads added a defensive cap-descoring arm for this tournament. This added another dimension to their game strategy, making them more competitive and helping them advance to tournament finals for the first time this year. The teams' efforts are paying off.

Teams came from Eureka, Britton-Hecla and Sioux Falls to compete with Groton. Due to the weather, Box Elder, Mitchell, Harrisburg and Menno were not able make it to the tournament. In South Dakota right now there are 43 teams registered from 15 different communities competing in VEX middle/high school robotics. Other communities are Canton, Rapid City, Lead/ Deadwood, North Sioux City, Spearfish, Jefferson and Vermillion

If you want to know more about Vex Robotics, here are a couple of websites to check out: www.robotevents.com and www.roboticseducation.org . You also may talk to any GT Robotics member or their coach, Jim Lane.

The Kiwanis club has asked the GT Robotics club to partner with them at their annual pancake brunch. Please come to the community center January 27 for pancakes. Tickets are on sale now from either Kiwanis or GT Robotics members or available at the door.

Results from the Groton competition for all five of GT Robotics' teams are below, along with results for this year's prior tournaments. Not to brag, but Groton has had a team in the championship match in every tournament so far this year! Please pat these young robotists on the back for their work all year long.

Area) 9-12 won by fall over Dillon Schneck (Milbank JV) 13-19 (Fall 0:44)

` 160: Lane Krueger (11-13) scored 8.0 team points.

Champ. Round 1 - Lane Krueger (Groton Area) 11-13 won by decision over Jehova Ortega (Britton/Hecla) 1-11 (Dec 7-4)

Quarterfinal - Chase Mundt (Britton/Hecla) 10-8 won by major decision over Lane Krueger (Groton Area) 11-13 (MD 11-0)

Cons. Round 2 - Lane Krueger (Groton Area) 11-13 won by fall over Josh Green (Viborg/ Hurley) 1-7 (Fall 2:07)

Cons. Round 3 - Lane Krueger (Groton Area) 11-13 won by fall over Levi Weidebusch (Warner/Northwestern) 7-18 (Fall 3:35)

Cons. Semi - Jayden Cordell (Watertown JV) 14-2 won by fall over Lane Krueger (Groton Area) 11-13 (Fall 4:16)

#### 170: Evin Nehls (4-4)

Quarterfinal - Tyler Rudebusch (Watertown JV) 12-2 won by fall over Evin Nehls (Groton Area) 4-4 (Fall 0:23)

Cons. Round 1 - Berent Tarabelsi (Sioux Falls

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

	Tournament	Groton	Mitchell	Harrisburg	Rapid City	Canton	Groton
Number	of teams in Tourney	11	23	24	20	16	13
9050A	G-Force	2	22	7	3	2	3
9050B	Gear Heads	10	19	6	9	16	4
9050C	G.A.T. Wrenches	11	16	2	n/a	3	1
9050D	Geek Squad	7	18	15	17	15	9
9050E	Galaxy	5	3	19	13	12	11

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

	Tournament	Groton	Mitchell	Harrisburg	Rapid City	Canton	Groton
9050A	G-Force	Champion		Champion	Finals	Finals	Champion
9050B	Gear Heads		Quarter	Quarter	Semi	Semi	Finals
9050C	G.A.T. Wrenches	Finals	Semi	Finals	n/a	Finals	Champion
9050D	Geek Squad	Semi	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
9050E	Galaxy	Semi	Finals	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	Semi

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OF BOARD OF EDUCATION GROTON AREA SCHOOL DIS-TRICT NO. 06-6

**REGULAR MEETING** January 14, 2019

President Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Conference Room. Members present: Fjel-stad, Gengerke, Harder, Pharis, Rix, Smith and Weismantel. Others present were Supt. J. Schwan, Principals B. Schwan and Sombke, and Business Manager Weber.

Moved by Rix, second Weismantel to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Pursuant to SDCL 23-3, there was no potential conflict disclosure reported.

Moved by Rix, second Harder to approve consent agenda items as follows: North Central Special Ed Coop school of record agenda items, December 10 minutes, and bills. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND: Net Salary - 181,182.52; FIT - 16,806.46; Medicare - 6,809.86; FICA -29,117.72; American Funds – 313.90; Washington National
– 98.40; SDRS – 29,113.02; Health Savings Account Contributions - 100.00; Waddell & Reed – 1,465.00; Horace Mann

1,111.61; Thrivent - 228.90; AFLAC – 3,032.47; Delta Dental – 4,036.28; SD Supplemental Retirement - 981.19; GASD Lunch Donation - 230.87; Wellmark - 59,976.00; Reliastar – 603.33; GASD Health defer-ral – 190.25; Avesis – 239.37; Advance Auto – supplies, 82.26; Agency Fund – advance pays, 29,841.06; Allied Climate Pros repairs, 4,777.16; Avera - fee, 45.00; Boston Fern - flowers, 78.50; CHS - registration, 250.00; Cintas Corporation – rugs, 607.87; Brooke Compton – mileage, 22.68; Crawford Trucks - parts, 72.99; Dakota Brush - supplies, 241.00; Dakota Power – parts, 140.25; Days Inn Brookings – rooms, 386.00; Dependable Sanitation – service, ,238.00; Eide Bailly – audit, 312.15; Farnam's - supplies, 601.24; Susan Fjeldheim – supplies, 20.50; Great American Opportunities – resale items ,184.22; GASD – food, 123.11; GDI - dvds, 30.00; Justin Hanson - clothing, 2,416.13; Hillyard – supplies, 639.32; JW Pepper – music, 407.01; Jostens – diplomas, 182.02; Ken's – sup-plies, 242.66; McGannon P&H service, 408.16; MJ's - fuel, 6,278.96; Northside Implement repairs, 2,245.60; NWE natural gas, 4,934.11; NSU - fee, 70.00; Otis Elevator - repairs, 768.00; Pfitzer – pest control, 213.00; Playscripts – supplies, 412.75; Region Music - entries, 342.50; School Specialty - supplies, 71.32; SD Dept of Revenue plates, 187.15; Cody Swanson clothing, 815.48; Taylor Music – supplies, 341.14; Washington HS – registration, 250.00. Total General Fund – \$403,916.45.

CAPITAL OUTLAY: A&B Business - copier lease, 1,845.49; Acme Tools – IA Tools, 208.99; Agency Fund – advanced pays, 8,898.92; Ewell Educational Services – subscription, 295.00; Follett School Solutions - books, 1,369.50; House of Glass -repairs, 4,446.67; Junior Library Guild - subscriptions, 655.00. Total Capital Outlay – \$17,719.57.

SPÉCIAL ED: Net Salary 28,767.77; FIT – 2,205.33; Medicare – 1,058.84; FICA – 4,527.72; SD Retirement – 4,570.78; Waddell & Reed – 200.00; AFLAC – 774.68; Delta Dental – 707.34; SD

Supplemental Retirement -100.00; Wellmark - 10,057.00; Reliastar – 141.79; Avesis 53.45;

Avera St. Luke's - services, 9,171.00; Ken's - supplies, 67.02; Judy Williamson - mileage, 529.20.

Total Special Ed – \$62,931.92. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND:

Total Capital Projects – \$0.00. ENTERPRISE: Food Service Net Salary – 6,092.29; FIT – 352.27; Medicare – 215.20; FICA – 920.22; SD Retirement – 615.08; AFLAC – 252.67; Wellmark – 1,526.00; Reliastar - 1.30; Avesis – 54.74; Agency

Fund – advanced pays, 234.31; Cintas – cleaning service, 147.42; CWD – food, 2,638.68; Dean Foods – milk, 1,059.60; Earthgrains - food, 60.16; Hillyard/SF supplies, 462.56; Nardini Fire Equipment - service, 247.50; Reinhart – Food, 4,707.61; US Foods – Food, 2,862.24. Total Food Service – \$22,449.85. OST Net Salary – 2,059.11; FIT – 121.09; Medicare – 72.56; FICA - 310.20; SD Retirement – 230.66; AFLAC – 163.93; Wellmark – 671.00; Reliastar 15.44; Agency Fund - advanced pays, 212.92; Angela Antonson – OST order, 689.00; CWD – snacks, 413.28; Ken's – OST snacks, 68.93; Lori's – poster board, 10.94. Total OST \$5,039.06. Total Enterprise

Funds – \$27,488.91. AGENCY FUND: Total – \$75,518.15.

RECEIPTS: Local Sources, Taxes – 464,981.23; Other Lo-cal Sources – 96,583.92; County Sources - 2,978.28; State Sources – 0.00; Federal Sources 14,932.39; Other Sources 150,000. Total Receipts \$729,475.82.

Members of the public were allowed five minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. With no public members wishing to speak, the board moved on with their remaining agenda items Weber and J. Schwan present-

ed the mid-year financial report, agency report, transportation

report and school lunch report. Moved by Weismantel, second Pharis to approve the financial report, agency accounts and investments as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Rix, second Fjelstad to approve the transportation as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Fjelstad, second Rix to approve the school lunch report as presented. Motion carried.

There were no committee reports given.

The following items were discussed in administrative reports: School Success Launch meeting, NCSEC Inservice, State of the State Address, 2019 Legislative Session NSU Teacher Job Fair, teacher evaluations, OST fundraising, Renaissance Program on-site seminar, National Assessment of Educational Progress, elementary principal's confer-ence, NAEP testing, Vision of Hope Presentation, One Act Play performance times, ACT testing dates, Financial Aid information, spring class registration, SASD salary survey website and state

minimum wage. Moved by Weismantel, second Pharis to set April 19, 2019, as Annual School Board Election Day and authorize Weber to designate election officials and voting precincts at Andover, Bristol, Columbia and Groton. Motion carried. Three-year terms are

expiring for Deborah Gengerke, Clint Fjelstad and Merle Harder. A petition for school board can be circulated between January 25th and February 22nd.

Weber presented the FY 2018 School District Audit. Moved by Harder, second Rix to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Superintendent Schwan presented the 2018 School & District State Report Cards. No action was taken.

The 2019-20 School Calendar was distributed for review. Moved by Weismantel, second Rix to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Gengerke, second Pharis to go into executive session at 8:52 pm pursuant to SDCL 1-25-2(2) for a student issue SDCL 1-25-2(1) to discuss personnel issues. Motion carried. President Smith declared the board out of executive session

at 10:00 pm. The board took no action on New Business Item #6 - Intent to Return to Resident District Notification #19-01.

Moved by Weismantel, second Gengerke to adjourn at 10:02 pm. Motion carried.

M. J. Weber, Business Manager Steven R. Smith, President

The addition of signatures to this page verifies these minutes as official.

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MONTHLY DISTRICT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 06-6 For the reporting period beginning July 1, 2018, and ending December 31, 2018

	General	Restricted	Capital	Special	Pension	Bond	Capital	Enterprise	Agency	Total for
	Fund	Gen Funds	Outlay	Education	Fund	Redemption	Projects	Fund	Fund	District
1. Beginning Balance	897,628.74	32,052.21	489,434.08	12,306.23	0.00	134,552.63	1,314,764.45	48,128.70	247,806.64	3,176,673.68
a. cash	897,628.74	32,052.21	489,434.08	12,306.23	0.00	134,552.63	1,314,764.45	48,128.70	247,806.64	3,176,673.68
b. petty cash	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2. Transfers in										
<ol><li>Revenue to date</li></ol>	2,691,157.45	0.00	815,590.22	494,639.32	557.46	120,292.23	0.00	143,454.91	465,602.55	4,731,294.14
<ol> <li>Total accounted for</li> </ol>	3,588,786.19	32,052.21	1,305,024.30	506,945.55	557.46	254,844.86	1,314,764.45	191,583.61	713,409.19	7,907,967.82
5. Transfers out										
<ol><li>Expenditures to date</li></ol>	2,062,566.15	0.00	1,153,281.54	296,079.44	0.00	210,266.25	295,932.50	147,541.54	543,880.00	4,709,547.42
a. encumbrances	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
b. disbursements	2,062,566.15	0.00	1,153,281.54	296,079.44	0.00	210,266.25	295,932.50	147,541.54	543,880.00	4,709,547.42
7. Ending Balance	1,526,220.04	32,052.21	151,742.76	210,866.11	557.46	44,578.61	1,018,831.95	44,042.07	169,729.19	3,198,620.40
a. checking	1,526,220.04	32,052.21	151,742.76	210,866.11	557.46	44,578.61	1,018,831.95	44,042.07	169,529.19	3,198,420.40
b. petty cash	(0.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00
December Receipts	389,184.27	0.00	146,144.63	84,106.22	401.80	20,896.02	0.00	23,222.83	65,520.05	729,475.82
December Expenses	399,325.88	0.00	774,993.65	64,720.33	0.00	210,266.25	23,904.95	24,821.68	75,518.15	1,573,550.89
Agency Checking	169,529.19									
District Checking	3,028,891.21									
Certificate of Deposit	0.00									
Agency Cash on Hand	200.00									
Total all Funds	3,198,620.40									

### **Brown County** Jan. 22, 2019 Meeting Minutes JANUARY 22, 2019 - GEN-

ERAL MEETING

Meeting called to order by Commission Chair Fieldheim at 8:45 A.M. in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Sutton, Wiese and Kippley. Commissioner Feickert was absent. Commissioner Sutton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve the General Meeting Minutes of January 15, 2019. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Wiese to approve

Tank \$660.47; Olson's Pest Technicians \$225.00; CNH Industrial America LLC \$2,631.98; Scott Demery \$6,587.23; US Bank \$434.63.

Supplies: Praxair Distribution \$24.95; Advance Stores Company \$376.01; Century Business Products \$712.33; Dacotah Prairie Mercantile \$125.73 Dakota Supply Group \$366.22: Danko Emergency Equipment Co \$28.05; Govconnection Inc \$482.75; Great Western States carried. Supply Co \$1,266.95; Green Iron Equipment \$221.50; Heartland Paper \$251.98; Kesslers \$34.87; Menards \$97.78; Midstates Printing \$12.00; Mídwest Pump & Tank \$202.32; Nalco Company \$892.50; Pantorium Cleaners Inc \$28.00; Pizza Ranch \$76.45: Share Corp \$183.00; US Bank \$8,791.68; West Payment Cen-1,733.34; Jennifer White strong Shows, In \$42.60. of sales (carnival). All members Travel & Conference: Aaron Gasser \$181.34; Sarah J. Jesz \$217.06; Patrick Keatts \$22.74; carried. Gene Loeschke \$42.30; Sarah Swnson \$66.74; US Bank \$1,329.71. Utilities: Qwest Corporation \$127.92; Dependable Sanitation \$451.00: James Valley Telecommunication \$213.90; Northern Electric COOP \$2,270.61; Northwestern Energy & Communica-tion \$3,510.76; Northern Valley Communication \$704.85; US Bank \$557.33; Verizon Wireless \$100.06. Machinery & Equipment: US Bank \$2,002.73. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

effective February 2, 2019. All members present voting ave. Motion carried.

FAIR CONTRACTS (BOOTH, CAMPER, SPONSORSHIP): Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to authorize the Chair to sign Booth Rental Contracts, Camper Space Rental Contracts, and Sponsorship Agreements for the 2019 Brown County Fair, as they are presented. All members present voting aye. Motion

FAIR CONTRACTS: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize the Chair sign the following contract for the 2018 Fair: Dakota Running Irons @ \$250.00 (entertainment); 2019 Fair: Bob Bohm @ \$4,000.00 (entertainment), PRCA Sutton Rodeo @ \$42,000.00, TAS, Inc Todd

w percent

Clifford Rhodes, Brown County Welfare Director recommended changes to the fees contained in Appendix A – Income Eligibility/Determination Tests. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Brown County Commission amend the fees contained in Appendix A – Income Eligibility/ Determination Tests, as follows: Appendix A - Income Eligibility/Determination Tests Poverty Guidelines

1.....\$1,040 2.....\$1,409 3.....\$1,778 4.....\$2,146 5.....\$2,514 6.....\$2,883 7.....\$3,251 8.....\$3,619 (each additional household member - add \$348/month). ing designation of Chapter 4.06 (AG-P) Agricultural Preservation District to Chapter 4.14 (HC) Highway Commercial District Levey's Outlot 4 in the SE 1/4 of Sec 24-T123N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (13397 382nd Avenue). Roll call vote: Commissioners Feickert-absent, Sutton-aye, Wiese-aye, Kippleyaye, Fjeldheim-aye. Ordinance adopted.

ORD 132 - SECOND READ-ING/ADOPTION: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to approve Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance #132, An Ordinance to amend Title 4 - Zoning, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, to rezone the following described property from its present zoning designation of Chapter 4.06 (AG-P) Agricultural Preservation District to Chapter 4.07 (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District: E 1/2 NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Sec 26-T124N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (12825 393rd Avenue). Roll call vote: Commissioners' Feickert-absent, Sutton-aye, Wiese-aye, Kippleyaye, Fjeldheim-aye. Ordinance adopted. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to go into executive session to consult with attorney, per SDCL 1-25-2(3) and to discuss person-nel, per SDCL 1-25-2(1) with Chris White, Gary Vetter and Maxine Fischer in attendance. All members present voting ave. Motion carried. The Chair declared the executive session closed, with no action taken as a result of the discussion. TAX DEED PROPERTY RECON-VEYANCE: No action was taken at this time in regard to reconveyance of a tax deed property. ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 10:02 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

#### Groton School **Notice of Vacancy**

NOTICE OF VACANCY ON SCHOOL BOARD

GROTON AREA SCHOOL DIS-TRICT NO. 06-6

The following school board positions will become vacant July 1, 2019, due to the expiration of the present terms of office of the following school board members:

Clint Fjelstad, 3-year term Deborah Gengerke, 3-year

term Merle Harder, 3-year term

Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on January 25, 2019, and petitions may be filed in the office of the business manager located at Groton Area High School between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., central standard time not later than February 22, 2019, at 5:00 p.m., or mailed by registered mail not later than February 22, 2019, at :00 p.m.

Family Size..... Monthly

the following claims:

Professional Fees: Avera Medical Group University \$5,141.70: Avera St. Lukes \$56.50; Certified Languages International \$935.55; Dependable Sanitation \$22,174.46; Dohrer Law Office \$677.80; Govconnection Inc \$3,230.37; Kuck Law Office \$10,106.80; Pauer Sound & Music \$78.00; Christy Griffin-Serr Law Office \$1,339.50; Siegel, Barnett & Schutz \$676.87; US Bank \$1187.00; Mitch Vilhauer \$489.50; Yankton County Sheriff Office \$150.00.

Publishing: Aberdeen Ameri-can News \$723.94; Aberdeen Community Theatre \$250.00; MediaUSA Advertising \$540.00 Rentals: Praxair Distribution \$132.07.

Repairs & Maintenance: B&B Contracting \$170,614.64; Brown County Treasurer \$14,276.52; Cintas Corporation \$136.48 DIGI Security Systems \$297.00; Double D Body Shop \$6,903.58; Ecolab Pest Elimination \$459.43; Timothy C. Gardner \$60.00; Geospatial Experts \$597.00; Hase Plumbing & Heating \$1,102.53; Midwest Pump &

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

Approve the following Employee Step Increase, effective January 27, 2019: Ben Smith @ \$26.21 per hour.

Acknowledge resignation of Benefits Specialist Patti Marshall,

present voting aye. Motion

ABATEMENTS: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Sutton to approve the following Abatements: Olive Drive Rentals @ \$764.18 (tax exempt); Shirley Johnson @ \$4,716.65 (tax deed); Rapid City, Pierre Eastern Railroad @ \$203.62 (RR tax credit); Burlington Northern Santa Fé Railroad @ \$42,128.47 (RR tax credit). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

APPENDIX A - WELFARE GUIDELINES: Commissioner Kippley offered the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION #6-19** 

WHEREAS, Title 2, Second Revision Brown County Ordinance, as amended, required the Brown County Commission, to adopt rules, regulations and appendices necessary for the implementation of a County Welfare Program, in accordance with SDCL 28-13, and WHERE-AS, the rules, regulations and appendices necessary for the implementation of a County Welfare Program were adopted by Resolution #23-16, dated April 5, 2016, and WHEREAS,

Dated this 22nd day of January, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Weise. Roll call vote: Commissioners Feickert-absent. Sutton-aye, Wiese-aye Kippleyaye Fjeldheim-aye. Resolution

adopted. MEMORANDUM SDSU 4-H: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize the Chairman sign Memorandum of Understanding between SDSU Extension to provide guidance and active assistance to the

4-H Advisor; and further that Brown County reimburse SDSU \$20,020.00 for cost share of 4-H Advisor 2019 salary. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SALARY SCHEDULE CHANGE: Moved by Wiese, seconded by Sutton to amend error in the Salary Schedule for Jodi Brown @ \$696.16 for States Attorney portion of wage. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. ORD 131 - SECOND READ-

ING/ADOPTION: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to approve Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance #131, An Ordinance to amend Title 4 – Zoning, Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, to

rezone the following described property from its present zon-

Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor

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Michael J. Weber, Business Official

Groton Area School District Published twice at the total approximate cost of \$11.50. 7048

(2t. Jan 21 & Jan 28, 2019)

#### **Claremont Town** Notice of Vacancy

Town of Claremont

Notice of Vacancy The following office will be-come vacant due to the expiration of the present form office. Three year trustee term currently held by Shane Johnson. Cirulation of nominating petition may beain on 1-25-19 and petitions may be filed with the finance officer at 507 6th St. in Claremont, SD 57432. Petitions must be filed not later than 5 pm on 2-22-19. Published once at the total approximate cost of \$5.55. 17054

#### **Brown County** Ord. #131 Helm Rezoning ORDINANCE #131

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 4, SECOND REVISION BROWN COUNTY ORDINANC-

ES, AS AMENDED TO REZONE CERTAIN DE-

SCRIBED 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 Michael Paul Helm 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 4.14 Highway Commercial District (HC), said property described as follows:

Levey's Outlot 4 in the SE 1/4 of Sec 24-T123N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. (13397 382nd Ave)

BE IT FURTHÉR ORDAINED by the Brown County Commission, Brown County, South Da-kota 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: January 2 & 9, 2019 Passed First Reading: January

15, 2019 Passed Second Reading: Jan-

uary 22, 2019 Adopted: January 22, 2019

Published: January 30, 2019 Effective Date: Fébruary 19, 2019

Doug Fjeldheim, Chair Brown County Commission ATTEST:

Maxine Fischer, Brown County

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#### **Brown County Ord. #132**

#### Stoeber Rezoning ORDINANCE #132

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 4, SECOND REVISION BROWN COUNTY ORDINANC-

ES, AS AMENDED TO REZONE CERTAIN DE-SCRIBED 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 Lance Stoeber 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:

E 1/2 NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Sec 26-T124N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. (12825 393rd Ave)

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: January 2 & 9, 2019

#### **Frederick School** Jan. 14, 2019 Meeting Minutes OFFICIAL BOARD PROCEED-

INGS FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2

JANUARY 14, 2019

The meeting was called to order on January 14, 2019, at 6:00pm by President Rich Schlosser. Members present were Dan Nickelson and Alex Hart. Rich Achen and Jon Ellwein were excused. Others present were Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director Jeff Kosters and Business Manager Janel Wagner.

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

President Schlosser welcomed visitor Marty Morlock.

Members of the public were allowed three minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. With no public members wishing to speak, the board moved on with their remaining agenda items.

Action 18-091 Motion by Nickelson, second by Hart to approve the agenda as presented. All aye, carried.

Action 18-092 Motion by Hart, second by Nickelson to approve consent agenda which included the following items as presented: minutes of meeting held December 10, 2018; December 2018 financial report, agency accounts and investments; District bills and December 2018 payroll. All aye, carried.

December Payroll - General Fund salaries 72,369.73; Special Education salaries 9,796.45; Food Service salaries 2,123.97 EFTPS, federal income tax/Social Security/Medicare 22,340.33; AFLAC, supplemental insurance 837.01; American Funds, retirement 1,115.50; AMI, garnishment 314.17; Delta Dental, insurance 1,612.74; Midwest Credits, garnishment 423.99; Reliastar Life, insurance 220.44: SD Retirement 12,898.68; SD Retirement Supplemental, 465.50; Security Benefits, retirement 417.50; VSP, vision insurance 279.16, Wellmark, health insurance 18,640.00.

General Fund: Aberdeen Chrysler Center, repairs 6.25; Aberdeen School District 6-1, ATEC tuition 3,048.00; Agteg ra, heating fuel/diesel/gasoline 405.05; Amazon, supplies 114.91; Auto Value Aberdeen, repairs 5.35; Beck, Bo, BB ref 180.00; Beutler, Glenn, . BB ref 168.72; Cole Papers Inc, supplies 401.89; CWD, Fresh Fruits & Vegetables 362.53; Dakota Electronics, alarm maintenance 60.00; Dakota Supply Group, repairs 182.96; Evan-Moor Educational, supplies 149.85; Farmers Union Oil, repairs 20.82; Farnam's Genuine Parts Inc, repairs 32.97; Foreman Sales Service, repairs 1,389.84; G & N LLC, training 50.00; Graves IT Solutions, computer support 630.00; James Valley Telecommunications, telephone 268.27; JM Electric Inc, repairs 534.19; Johnson Controls, repairs 3,898.49; JW Pepper & Son Inc, music 155.28; Kusler, Jay, BB ref 180.00; Mac's Inc, repairs 16.78; Main Street Station, repairs 565.00; Menards, supplies 123.05; Merchant Services, lunch payment fees 44.37; Mid west Pest Control, pest control 126.00; Montana-Dakota Utilities Co, electric 4,549.94; Opp, Jordan, BB ref 176.28; O'Reilly Auto Parts, repairs 137.79; Pantorium Cleaners Inc, supplies 253.40; Pearson Education Inc, workbooks 43.24: Podoll, Lance mileage 289.80: Running Supply Inc, repairs 59.98; Sanford Pentagon, coach training 54.25; ...

School Specialty, supplies 76.47; SD Department of Revenue, license plates 75.35; Steinwandt Tim, BB ref 120.00; Town of Frederick, utilities 188.33; Trust & Agency Account, Dec 2018 Imprest reimbursement 1,153.42 Ulrich, Mark, BB ref 267.36; United States Postal Service, postade 77.05; Zimmerman, Kim, BB ref 120.00.

Capital Outlay Fund: A&B Business Solutions, printer contract 630.34; Amazon, books 48.87; CommTech, security equipment 5,953.90; Connecting Point Computer Center, filtering software 4,360.00; DRN, laptops 40,350.00; Hase Plumbing, Heating & Air, water heater 1.400.00.

Special Education Fund: Avera St Lukes, occupational/physi-cal therapy 2,272.00; parent, parent mileage 88.20; United States Postal Service, postage 7.83.

Food Service Fund: Bernard Food Industries Inc, food 434.90; Community Store, food 6.27; CWD, food/supplies 4,557.87; Pantorium Cleaners Inc, supplies 49.15.

The following reports were presented:

A. Jeff Kosters - Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director Action 18-093 Motion by Nickelson, second by Hart to approve the purchase of a 2018 Chevrolet Collins 14 passenger mini bus from Foreman Sales & Service

for \$49,900.00. All aye, carried. Action 18-094 Motion by Hart, second by Nickelson to approve the resignation and early retirement request from Elizabeth Labesky effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year. All aye, carried.

Action 18-095 Motion by Nick elson, second by Hart to approve Open Enrollment application #19-15 for four students. All

Ending December 31, 2019General 	Capital Outlay \$319,697.05	Special Education \$645,113.72	Pension Fund \$7,666.76	Food Service Fund \$7,115.97	Drivers Ed Fund \$96.38	Trust & Agency \$46,130.08
Revenue:	1 /	, ,	<i>4.7000110</i>	<i></i> ,,,	420100	+ .0,200.00
Taxes	\$67,669.32	\$40,668.35		\$2,922.00		\$11,758.43
Interest\$50.35						\$2.01
Federal & State	\$67,669.32	\$190.55 \$40,858.90	\$0.00	\$2,778.48 \$5,700.48	\$0.00	\$11,760.44
Disbursements	\$07,009.52	340,000.90	\$ <b>0.</b> 00	\$5,700.40	<b>φ</b> 0.00	\$11,700.44
Bills	\$3,352.18	\$1,934.00		\$4,227.47		\$4,929.80
Payroll\$124,394.20 Total Disbursements\$149,921.13	\$3,352.18	\$15,372.93 \$17,306.93		\$4,088.04 \$8,315.51		\$4,929.80
Transfers	<i>40,002110</i>	<i>q</i> 17,000199		40/010101		<i>q 1125100</i>
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Agency(\$1,772.66) Total Net Transfers(\$5,815.43)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$1,772.66 \$5,815.43
Total checking balance\$291,246.35	\$384,014.19	\$668,665.69	\$7,666.76	\$4,500.94	\$96.38	\$58,776.15
Beginning investment balance .\$353,899.42 Interest \$2,359.39	\$1,493,634.20	\$456,175.05	\$45,189.23			
Total investment balance\$356,258.81	\$1,493,634.20	\$456,175.05	\$45,189.23			
Ending Balance\$647,505.16	\$1,877,648.39	\$1,124,840.74	\$52,855.99	\$4,500.94	\$96.38	

aye, carried.

Action 18-096 Motion by Hart, second by Nickelson to approve Open Enrollment application #19-16 for one student. All aye, carried.

Action 18-097 Motion by Nickelson, second by Hart to approve Open Enrollment application #19-17 for one student. All ave, carried.

Áction 18-098 Motion by Hart, second by Nickelson to approve Open Enrollment application #20-1 for one student. All aye, carried.

Action 18-099 Motion by Nickelson, second by Hart to set the 2019 school board election date for April 9, 2019. All aye, carried.

Action 18-100 Motion by Hart, second by Nickelson to close the dormant Fitness Center account in the Trust & Agency account. All aye, carried.

Action 18-101 Motion by Nickelson, second by Hart to enter Executive Session pursuant SDCL 1-25-1(1) for Personnel matters at 7:06pm. All aye, carried.

Schlosser declared board out of Executive Session at 7:49pm. Action 18-102 Motion by Nickelson, second by Hart to intend

to renew Superintendent contract for Jeff Kosters in 2019-2020. All aye, carried. The school board would like

to congratulate Marissa Sumption for being selected as fourth runner up at the SD Junior Snow Queen contest, and the football and volleyball teams for earning the Academic Team Award this past fall.

Action 18-103 Motion by Hart, second by Nickelson to adjourn at 7:54pm. All aye, carried.

Richard Schlosser, President Janel Wagner, Business Manager

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Frederick Town Notice of Vacancy

MUNICIPALITY OF FRED-ERICK The following offices will be-

come vacant due to expiration of the present term of office of the

elected officers. BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1 YEAR TERM 2 YEAR TERM

Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on January 26, 2018, and petitions may be filed in the Finance Office located at 406 1/2 3rd Avenue, Frederick, SD, (behind the Community Cen ter) between the hours of 9:15 AM and 11 AM (Central Standard Time) on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday. Final day for turning in petition is February 23, 2018, when the Finance Office will be

open until 5:00 PM. Diane Bruns Frederick Finance Officer

(0123.0130)

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## Frederick School

Notice of Vacancy NOTICE OF VACANCY ON SCHOOL BOARD

FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6-2 The following school board

positions will become vacant due to the expiration of the present terms of office.

Alex Hart, board member, 3 year term Richard Achen, board mem-

ber, 2 year term

Richard Schlosser, board member, 2 year term Circulation of nominating

petitions may begin on January 25, 2019 and petitions may be filed in the office of the business manager located at 202 E Main St, Frederick, SD between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., central time, not later than February 22, 2019, at 5:00 p.m., or mailed by registered mail not later than February 22, 2019, at

5:00 p.m. Janel Wagner

Business Manager (0123.0130)

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#### Columbia City Notice of Vacancy

NOTICE OF VACANCIES FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBIA

The following offices will become vacant due to expiration of the present term of office of the elected officers. COUNCILMEN 2 YEAR TERM &

3 YEAR TERM

MAYOR 2 YEAR TERM Circulation of nominating petitions may begin on Monday, January 28, 2018, and petitions may be filed in the City Hall Office

located at 25 N Broadway and put in the drop box at any time.

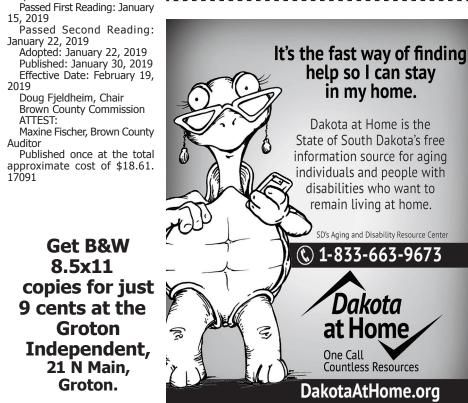
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• making lanterns

• watching dragons dance in a parade

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Newspaper Fun! Created by Annimills LLC © 2019 Success and Happiness When you finish the puzzle below you will see the reason behind the "dragon's" dance in New Year's parades. You also will see the wish behind the money given in little red packets (called Hongbao or Lai See). Red is a color of joy and this generous wish. Follow the color key to fill in the puzzle and see what everyone is wishing for... R = Red 0 = Orange 2019...it's 'R R  $\overline{\mathscr{V}_{\mathsf{R}}}$ %  $\mathcal{Y}_{R}$ % 0/ R R R R my year R R R R R R R R to shine! R R R R R R R R R R R R ROR R R R R R R R R R RO R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R R .<u>⊘</u>R' ۱<sub>R</sub> ١R ١R R R R R R R R R R R R R Ò 0` 0` 



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## **THEME: CIVIL RIGHTS**

#### ACROSS

- 1. Forever and a day
- 5. Organ of balance
- 8. What Jack Sprat couldn't eat
- 11. Quinceanera or bat mitzvah
- 12. Wagon part
- 13. You can count on these
- 15. Heart of the matter
- 16. Perceive by touch
- 17. Fedora part, pl.
- 18. \*Voter test, now illegal
- 20. Ireland's other name
- 21. Written corrections
- 22. One from Laos
- 23. Kind of acid
- 26. \*Segregation laws
- 30. \*Stop segregation, e.g.
- 31. 40 winks
- 34. Zeus' wife
- 35. Nadya Suleman's children, e.g.
- 37. Subject of "Philadelphia" movie
- 38. Kind of southern pie
- 39. Chico or Groucho
- 40. Cured sausage
- 42. Member of Shoshonean people

- 2. Lena Dunham or Allison
- 4. The Brady Bunch children,
- e.g.
- 5. Permission for absence from a college
- 6. Smart \_\_\_ \_, pl
- 7. Be dependent
- 8. \* \_ Housing Act
- 9. Climber's destination
- 10. " \_\_\_\_ the season ..."
- 12. \*Mandela presided over
- its southernmost country
  - 13. Perpendicular to the keel
  - 14. French bun
  - 19. Authoritative proclama-
- tion
- 22. Not to be given to those in authority
- 23. Manhattan Project inven-
- tion
  - 24. Chocolate tree
  - 25. "Dear Diary..." note 26. Cup of joe

## Groton Prairie Mixed

#### **Team Standings:**

Chipmunks 52, Cheetahs 47 1/2 Foxes 42, Jackelopes 37 1/2 Shih Tzus 34, Coyotes 27 Men's High Games: Brad Waage 233, 204, Mike Siegler 225, Chris Kassube 220, Roger Spanier

200 Women's High Games: Lori Giedt 190, Nicole Kassube 154, Karen Spanier 151

Men's High Series: Brad Waage 617, Mike Siegler 589, Brad Larson 518

Women's High Series: Lori Giedt 458, Karen Spanier 439, Nicole Kassube 415

#### NOTICES

**GUN SHOW:** Dakota Territory Gun Collectors Association 17th Annual **ABERDEEN Gun** Show. New location. Saturday, February 2, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, February 3, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dakota **Event Center on** LaMont East. Laura Ennen 701-214-3388. (0109.0130)

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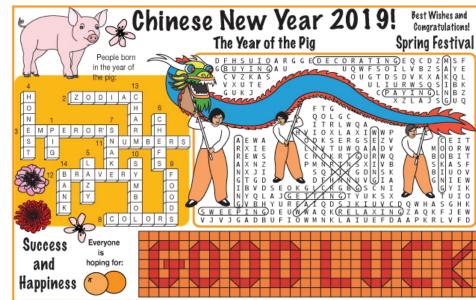
43. \*Montgomery Bus 45. Produced by inbreeding 47. Brown league 48. Kind of ray 50. Flying toy 52. \*He challenged nonviolence 55. Juice alternative 56. Craving 57. Evening in Italy 59. Dead to the world 60. Harry Potter's mark 61. Wet nurse 62. Ottoman officer title 63. CafÈ alternative 64. Kind of bean

#### DOWN

1. \*"The of the moral universe is long but it bends toward justice"

27. Happen again 28. Do like Demosthenes 29. What moon did 32. Not this 33. Bupkis 36. Oscillator, e.g. 38. '70s Ford model 40. Farm pen 41. Meat grinder, e.g. 44. For all to see 46. Model-builder's wood of choice, pl. 48. \* on Washington 49. Blue-Green scum 50. \*Nobel Peace Prize winner 51. Light bulb 52. Necessary thing 53. Office dispatch 54. Roentgen's machine 55. Langley, VA org. 58. "Eureka!"

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## **Groton Area Schedule of Events** Thursday, January 31, 2019

4:00pm: Basketball: Boys 7th/8th Game vs. Webster Area High School @ Webster Armory (7th grade at 4 p.m., 8th grade at 5 p.m.) 6:30pm: Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Tiospa Zina @ Groton Area High School

#### Friday, February 1, 2019

Boys Basketball at Tiospa Zina. (C game at 5:15 p.m. followed by junior varsity and varsity games)

#### Saturday, February 2, 2019

10:00am: Basketball: Groton Area girls vs. Dakota Valley @ Madison High School main gym. (DAK 12 vs NEC Conference Clash)

10:00am: Wrestling: Boys Varsity Tournament @ Stanley County High School

#### Monday, February 4, 2019

Junior High Boys Basketball at Britton-Hecla. (7th grade at 4 p.m., 8th grade at 5 p.m.)

#### Tuesday, February 5, 2019

Girls' Basketball hosts Aberdeen Roncalli. (JV at 6:30 p.m. followed by varsity game.)

#### Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Small Group Music Contest at Northern State University 10:15am- 3:10pm: MathCounts at Northern State University (Northeastern South Dakota Chapter Competition)

#### Thursday, February 7, 2019

1:30pm- 8:30pm: Parent/Teacher Conferences at GHS Gymnasium and Groton Area Elementary School

#### Friday, February 8, 2019

Rushmore Challenge Debate at Harrisburg High School Faculty Inservice - No School

Doubleheader Basketball with Warner in Groton. (Girls JV at 4 p.m., Boys JV at 5 p.m., Varsity girls at 6:30 p.m. followed by Varsity boys game.)



## The Life of Denny Davies

Services for Dennis "Denny" Davies, 63, of Groton was held Saturday, January 26, 2019 at the United Methodist Church, Groton. Pastor Brandon Dunham officiated. Burial will take place at a later date in Wilmot.

Denny passed away January 22, 2019 at his home.

Dennis Wavne was born on November 30, 1955 in Minneapolis, MN to Evan and Maxine (Caldwell) Davies. His early years were spent in Minneapolis. They later moved to Waubay where Denny attended school. He graduated from Sisseton High School and enlisted in the US Navy in November of 1973. Following his honorable discharge in 1977, he returned to South Dakota. On September 29, 1979 he was

united in marriage with Teresa McFarlane in Wilmot. That same year, Denny enlisted in the Army National Guard and served for the next 18 years. In 1980, they moved to Groton where Denny was employed at Darrel's Sinclair. Years later he began a 23 year career at the Groton Area School District as a custodian.

Dennis loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. He enjoyed the outdoors and could often be found fishing or hunting. He was an avid Notre Dame football fan, along with a Garth Brooks fan. His dog, Bo also held a very special place in his heart.

Celebrating his life is his wife, Teresa, children, Jessica (Allen) Ekern of Watertown, Traci (Dale) Kramer of Groton, Andrew (Amanda) Davies of Sioux Falls, grandchildren; Abby and Evan Ekern, Emma Davies, Gabbie, Ava and Skyler Kramer, his siblings, Gary Davies of Fayetteville, NC, Darrell Davies (Sharon Wattier) of Webster, Linda (Virgil) Lewandowski of Waubay, Tammy Red Wing of Choctaw, OK, Grace (Jim) Brian of Meriden, KS.

Preceding him in death were his parents, one brother, Evan and a brother-in-law, Tim.

Honorary Casketbearers were Staff at Groton Area High School, Merle Harder, Tom Pigors, Butch Farmen, Groton Transit Employees,



Avera St. Lukes Dialysis Team and Former Employees of Darrel's Sinclair.

Casketbearers were Mike Davies, J.R. Lewandowski, Jim Gerdes, Alan McFarlane, Dana McFarlane and Mike Nehls.

## Presentation College **Fall Lists**

Presentation College has announced the President and Dean Lists for the Fall 2018 semester. To qualify for the President's List, students must earn a 4.0 grade point average for the semester. Students maintaining a 3.5 grade point average or greater are included on the Dean's List. Groton Area Students: President's list: Jamie Krueger Dean's List: Sean Schuring



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