



Small Group Music Contest Results

CONGRATULATIONS to all HS students that attended Small Group Music Contest in Aberdeen! Out of 23 entries- 18 were Superior Ratings (7 of them were perfect scores), and 5 Excellent Ratings

VOCAL RESULTS:

All 4 Vocal Ensembles received Superior Ratings (Deep River Ensemble receive a superior plus!)

Superior Plus Solos: Ashley Garduno, AnneMarie Smith

Superior Solos: Alexis Hanten, Alex Schwab, and Tylan Glover

Excellent Solos: Ashley Fliehs

INSTRUMENTAL RESULTS:

Saxophone Ensemble received a Superior rating

Percussion Ensemble received an Excellent plus rating

Superior Plus Solos: Emily Thompson (Marimba), Ashley Garduno (French Horn & Piano), AnneMarie Smith (Piano)

Superior Solos: Emily Thompson (Timpani), Samantha Pappas (Bari Sax), Braden Freeman (Tuba), Stella Meier (Piano)

Excellent Plus Solos: Kylie Kassube (Clarinet)

Excellent Solos: Rease Jandel (Bass Clarinet), Stella Meier (Alto Sax)



State Wrestling Qualifiers

Wyatt Locke, Dragr Monson and Grady O'Neil will represent Groton Area at the state wrestling tournament this weekend in Rapid City. (Photo by Wendy Monson)



Mayor Scott Hanlon (right) accepts a \$1,000 check from Norman Anderson as his way for saying "Thank You" to the City of Groton for their fine job. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Norman Anderson says, "Thank You!"

Norman Anderson came before the Groton City Council Tuesday evening to thank the city and also his neighbors and friends for helping him out after he had his fall earlier this winter. He said that he is thankful for living in such a good community as Groton. He contributed \$1,000 to the city for their fine work, especially with snow removal. He had given \$1,000 earlier this fall as well. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Special Olympics Unified Cheerleading

Ashley Fliehs, Tatum Wright, Missy Hill and Madeline Schuelke were cheering for the Special Olympics basketball games in Redfield. They were cheering for the Hub City Express. (Photo by Becky Erickson)



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Brown County Ord. 481 Rohr Rezoning

NOTICE OF JOINT HEARING OF THE ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL AND BROWN COUNTY COMMISSION REGARDING A PETITION TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY

A public hearing will be held by the Aberdeen City Council and the Brown County Commission on the 25th day of February, 2019, beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 123 South Lincoln Street, First Floor of the Municipal Building, to consider the petition filed by Todd Rohr, to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the following described properties:

Proposed Lot 2, Rohr Fourth Subdivision from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District and (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District to (A-1) Agricultural District and Proposed Lot 1, Rohr Fourth Subdivision from its present zoning designation of (A-1) Agricultural District to (M-AG) Mini-Agricultural District, all located in the SW ¼ of Sec 36-T124N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, SD (12989 and 12994 Rohr Drive)

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present testimony and comments pertaining to the petition to amend Ordinance No. 1164 to rezone the above described property. At the conclusion of the hearing, each board may adopt first reading of Ordinance #19-02-01/481 granting the petition to amend Ordinance No. 1164 and granting the petition to rezone said property. Dated this 5th day of February 2019.

ATTEST: Karl Alberts, Finance Officer
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (0213.0220)
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Brown County Rental Equipment Bid Notice

NOTICE TO ROAD CONTRACTORS AND MACHINERY DEALERS

Sealed bids will be received in the Chambers of the Brown County Board of Commissioners at the Court House Annex, Aberdeen, South Dakota, until the hour of 9:05 A.M. on February 26, 2019. At said time and place all bids will be publicly opened, read and considered for furnishing Full Operation Rental Services of Gravel Trucks and Road Machinery for construction and maintenance repairs on Brown County Road Projects for the year 2019. Successful bidders will be working along with Brown County Highway Department Forces, Brown County Landfill Forces and the Brown County Fairground Forces to complete the projects.

Proposal Guaranty: No deposit or bond will be required at time of bid opening.

Performance Bond: Brown County will give notice to the successful bidder that his proposal has been accepted, and said bidder shall within ten (10) days thereafter enter into a contract with Brown County and said bidders shall then be required to furnish the following: Certificates of Insurance as per Bid Specifications or Requested from Brown County. Brown County must be listed as additional insured on all Certificates of Insurance.

Contract for Rental Equipment shall be firm and will be in effect for a period of one year from April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020.

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Bids shall include all applicable taxes and fees for materials furnished and/or installed by the Contractor and all applicable taxes and fees for materials supplied by the County. Brown County is exempt from all Federal Excise Tax and State Sales Tax. (0213.0220)
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor
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Brown County Hay Cutting Bid Notice

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS HAY CUTTING ON COUNTY LAND RICHMOND YOUTH CAMP

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be opened for consideration at 8:50 a.m. on February 26, 2019 in the Brown County Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD for hay cutting on County land - approximately 21 acres at Richmond Youth Camp - Sec 24-T124N-R65W; with no minimum amount per acre. Two additional one-year options (2020, 2021) may be exercised, provided the Brown County Commission is notified in writing by November 1 of the year preceding the option.

Envelopes containing proposals shall be addressed to the Brown County Auditor, 25 Market Street, Aberdeen, SD 57401, and are to be clearly marked on the outside of the envelope "Proposal for Hay Cutting at Richmond Youth Camp."

ATTEST:
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (0213.0220)
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Westport Town Feb. 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Town of Westport General Meeting
February 4th, 2019
The Town of Westport met on February 4th 2019 with Tim Selzler, Shane Storm, Doreen Hertel, and Don Schlosser present.

The following expenses were presented:
City General
NWPS (\$545.21), Groton Independent (\$19.39), Intuit-checks, Envelopes (\$226.57) & B&B contracting-snow removal (\$1,498.75)
Sewer
NWPS (\$47.82) & NRWA-loan repayment (\$210.13)
Water
WEB (\$1,297.76), Dept. of Health (\$15.00) & Water Maintenance District (\$408.16)
Tim Selzler made motion to pay all bills; second by Shane Storm.

The following deposits were presented:
City General
Brown County Collections (\$63.02), State of SD (\$3,856.02), Interest (\$30.90).
Sewer
Resident Payments - (\$2,515.00).
Water
Resident Payments - (\$3,903.20).

NEW BUSINESS:
Contract was approved for the year with Water Maintenance District for \$400 a month.
Resolution 9 was passed. This is to raise the sewer rates to \$35.00 a month. This was needed for the sewer project that we will be doing this year.
Doreen Hertel, Finance Officer
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Item (A) Cutback Asphalt Road Oil - MC-70
Item (B) Cutback Asphalt Road Oil - MC-3000
Item (C) Emulsion Asphalt Road Oil- CSS1H
Maxine Fischer, Brown County Auditor (0213.0220)
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Lazy Farmers February Meeting

The Lazy Farmers meeting was held Monday the 4th of February at Northern Electric. Faith Fliehs lead the club in the US pledge, and Logan Person lead the club in the 4-H pledge. There was one talk which was read by Kayla Lier about parts of a soccer field. Some topics that came up where about-H Fruit sales the next meeting which will be held Sunday the 3 of March we are planning on doing welding and crafts at 1pm and the meeting at 3pm.

Sincerely, Faith Fliehs

Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

With the regular season behind us, we'll continue our look at the Vikings roster, breaking it down by position. We'll take a look at how those players did last season, as well as their contract situation heading into 2019. We have already covered the quarterback position, now we turn our attention to the running backs.

The Minnesota Vikings were not very productive on the ground in 2018, even though head coach Mike Zimmer consistently stated he wanted to run the ball more. The team finished 30th in the league with only 1,493 rushing yards. The Vikings only mustered 4.2 yards per carry, which was 21st in the NFL. Only three teams had fewer rushing touchdowns on the season than the Vikings' nine. All in all, it was a poor effort on the ground, mostly due to the Vikings horrible offensive line situation.

Second year running back Dalvin Cook led the team in rushing yards, even though he only played in 11 games. Cook finished with 615 yards on 133 carries (4.6 ypc) and two touchdowns. He was also fourth on the team in receiving yards, finishing with 305 yards and two touchdowns on 40 catches. Dalvin is entering the third year of his four-year rookie contract and will make \$1.73 million this upcoming season. He has shown he can be a dynamic player with the ball in his hands, but he needs to stay healthy. If he can play a full season, and the Vikings can improve the offensive line, Cook should emerge as one of the best running backs in the NFL this season.

Latavius Murray was the only Vikings' running back to play in all 16 games last season. He finished with 578 yards on 140 carries (4.1 ypc) and six touchdowns. Murray also added 141 receiving yards on 22 catches. The Vikings have voided the last year in Murray's contract, so he is now a free agent, but there is some hope he may return to the team as a backup to Cook.

The only other two running backs who carried the ball for the Vikings in 2018 were Mike Boone and Roc Thomas. Boone finished the season with 47 rushing yards on 11 carries (4.3 ypc) in the eight games he played in last season. Thomas played in only five games in 2018, ending with 30 yards on eight carries (3.8 ypc). Boone is entering the second year of the three-year contract he signed, and he will make \$572,500 this season. Thomas also has two years left on his contract and will make \$570,000 this season. Both players are capable running backs who should have no problem backing up Dalvin Cook if Latavius Murray doesn't re-sign this offseason.

The Vikings have some solid running backs on the roster, but none of that will matter unless the team upgrades the offensive line. Mike Zimmer is an old-school coach who would prefer the team to run the ball, control the clock, and win a low scoring game. Look for the team to follow his lead this season, and if Dalvin Cook can stay healthy, look for him to make his first pro bowl appearance.

Check back next week, as we break down the wide receivers from last season. And as always, if you have any questions or comments, reach out to me on Twitter (@JordanWrightNFL). Skol!

Girls' Basketball

Doeden's free throws lift Groton Area past Tiospa Zina

Jennie Doeden made three of four free throws with less than six seconds left in the game as Groton Area's Lady Tigers defeated Tiospa Zina, 39-36. The game was played Tuesday as a make-up game in Groton.

The lead changed sides three times in the first quarter before the Wambdi took a 9-7 lead at the end of the first quarter. The Tigers tied the game at nine and Tiospa Zina tied the game at 11 before the Tigers took a 19-13 lead at half time.

The Tigers had a comfortable, but close lead through the third quarter, leading by as much as six points several times in the quarter include the 31-24 lead at the break. Tiospa Zina's Lexus Redthunder scored 10 of her 19 points in the fourth quarter and the Wambdi tied the game at 34 and took a 35-34 lead just two minutes left in the game. The Wambdi went up by two, 36-34. Doeden was then fouled with 55 seconds left and she made both free throws to tie the game at 36. The Wambdi tried to take as much time off the clock, going for a shot, but the Wambdi threw the ball away with 26 seconds left. The Tiger brought the ball upcourt and Doeden went for a shot, was fouled and was sent to the free throw line with 3.5 seconds left. She made one of two free throws to give Groton Area the lead; but when she missed the second free throw, she got into the thick of things battled for the rebound. The result was a foul on Tiospa Zina. Groton Area got the back with 2.5 seconds left and the inbound pass went to Gracie Traphagen who made a shot at the buzzer as Groton Area secured the win, 39-36.

Doeden had a double-double night with 13 points, 10 rebounds and five assists. Eliza Wanner had seven points, Payton Maine had five, Gracie Traphagen and Allyssa Locke each had four points, and Miranda Hanson and Kaycie Hawkins each had three points. The Lady Tigers outrebounded Tiospa Zina, 33-25. Redthunder had nine rebounds for the Wambdi.

The Tigers had 12 turnovers and the Wambdi had 11. The Lady Tigers made four of 17 three-pointers with Maine, Hanson, Wanner and Locke each having one three-pointer. Both teams made seven free throws, but the Tigers made seven of 10 for 70 percent and the Wambdi made seven of 16 for 44 percent. Tiospa Zina had two more fouls, 14-12. Wanner had two steals.

Others scoring for Tiospa Zina were Kylie Deutsch with 10, Jordyn LaBlanc four, Lily Smith two and Omariya Bernard with one.

Groton Area won the junior varsity game, 35-29. Scoring for the Lady Tigers were Allyssa Locke with 15 points, Brooke Gengerke eight, Trista Keith five, Maddie Bjerke and Kenzie McInerney with three each and Caitlynn Barse added a free throw.

Girls' Basketball

Groton bench scores 15 of 18 points in loss to Milbank

The Lady Tigers had a rough night Monday at Milbank as the Bulldogs handed Groton Area a 56-18 loss in a Northeast Conference game.

The Lady Tigers shot 5 percent in the first half, making one of 20 shots as Milbank took a 28-3 lead at half time. It was 45-11 at the end of the third quarter.

The bench outscored the starting five, 15-3, as Kenzie McInerney led the way with six points followed by Gracie Traphagen with five, Payton Maine, Allissa Locke and Trista Keith each had two points and Jennie Doeden added one.

The Bulldogs were led by Makayla Johnson with 18 points, scoring 16 of them in the first half. Brooklyn Brandriet had 12, Taylor Hartman eight, Taylor The seven, Jacey Engebretson six, Katie Wollschlager three and Gabbie Cummins two.

The Bulldogs shot 22 of 47 from the field for 47 percent while Groton Area was eight of 34 for 24 percent. Groton Area had 17 turnovers while Milbank had five. The Tigers had 15 rebounds with Doeden having four, four steals, three assists and seven team fouls.

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Boys' Basketball

DeHoet had double-double night in Groton's win over Langford

Brodyn DeHoet had a double-double night in helping the Tigers to secure a 58-52 win over Langford Area on Feb. 14. DeHoet finished with 15 points and 15 rebounds.

The Lions jumped out to a 13-7 first quarter lead and led it at half time, 24-22. Langford Area went up by five points early in the third quarter and the Tigers came back to tie it at 31 and took a 33-31 lead thanks to a five-point run. The game was tied three more times and the lead switched hands three more times before the third quarter ended in a 41 tie. The lead changed hands three more times in the fourth quarter before Groton Area surged ahead, 55-48, to secure the win.

Treyton Diegel was four of four in three-pointers and finished with 12 points. Cade Guthmiller was three for four in three-pointers and finished with 11 points. Kaden Kurtz made two three-pointers and had nine points. Jayden Zak made two three-pointers for six points and Austin Jones added five points.

The Lions were led by Benton West with 16 points followed by Colin Frey with 10, Kade Larson and Bryce Peterson each had six, Zander Widener and Logan Block each had five points and Hayden Reints added four points.

Groton Area was 12 of 21 in three-pointers for 57 percent while Langford was four of 18 for 22 percent. For the game, the Tigers made 37 percent of their field goals and the Lions made 35 percent.

Both teams made eight free throws with the Tigers attempting 14 shots and the Lions 22 shots. Rebounds were equal as well with the Tigers having a slim edge, 36-34. Groton Area had more steals, 7-4, with DeHoet having four for Groton Area and Block having two for Langford Area. The Tigers had more turnovers, 13-11, and more assists, 17-9.

Langford Area won the junior varsity game, 30-22. Scoring for the Tigers were Chandler Larson with eight, Abdimalik Mohamed had five, Lane Tietz three, and Jayden Zak, Lucas Simon and Tristan Traphagen each had two points. Reints led Langford Area with 13 points and Smith had 10.

Boys' Basketball

DeHoet had double-double night against Milbank

Groton Area's boys basketball team lost all three games to Milbank in action played Feb. 15 in Groton.

The game had six lead changes and it was tied twice, all in the first half. Groton Area held a 16-13 lead after the first quarter and Milbank went up at half time, 27-24. The Bulldogs surged ahead in the third quarter and took a 46-35 lead into the fourth quarter and went on to win, 64-55.

Brodyn DeHoet had a double-double night, leading all scorers with 20 points and had 12 rebounds. Kaden Kurtz made two three-pointers on his way to a dozen points. Cade Guthmiller had a three-pointer and finished with seven points. Treyton Diegel had six points with four of them being free throws. Jonathan Doeden had four points and Austin Jones finished with three points.

In the first quarter, Milbank was five of 11 in shooting for 45 percent and Groton Area was five of 15 for 33 percent. Milbank was five of 13 in the second quarter for 38 percent while Groton Area cooled to two of 12 for 17 percent. Third quarter stats had Milbank making seven of 17 for 41 percent and Groton Area four of nine for 44 percent. In the fourth quarter, Groton Area was four of 13 for 31 percent and Milbank was five of 11 for 45 percent.

In three-pointers, the Tigers were five of 25 for 20 percent and Milbank was six of 16 for 38 percent. The Bulldogs made 43 percent of their field goals and the Tigers made 33 percent.

Groton Area was 16 of 26 from the line for 62 percent off of Milbank's 20 team fouls. Milbank was 14 of 19 for 74 percent off of Groton Area's 15 team fouls.

Milbank controlled the boards, 39-31. The Tigers had six turnovers with two of them being steals and the Bulldogs had five turnovers with two of them being steals, both by Jones.

Braden Brandriet and Max McCulloch led the Bulldogs with 17 points apiece while Bennett Schwenn had 13, Jordan Riley eight, Will Cummins seven and Mason Riley had two points.

Milbank won the junior varsity game, 39-25. Abdimalik Mohamed led the Tigers with eight points followed by Chandler Larson with seven, Tristan Traphagen had four, Jayden Zak three, Jordan Bjerke two and Isaac Smith added one point.

Milbank won the C game, 38-35. Lane Tietz had nine points, Wyatt Hearnen had seven, Tate Larson and Jordan Bjerke each had six, Jackson Cogley had four and Pierce Kettering had three points.



**Groton Area 58
Langford 52**



**Milbank 64
Groton Area 55**

Groton Area Schedule of Events

Thursday, February 21, 2019

4:00pm: Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Deuel @ Groton Area High School (JV Girls game at 4pm, JV Boys game at 5pm, Varsity Girls game at 6:30pm, Varsity Boys game at 8pm)

Friday, February 22, 2019

Wrestling: Boys Varsity State @ Rapid City (Combined State Tourney (Class A & B))

6:30pm: Basketball: Girls Varsity Game (Rescheduled from 02-12-19) vs. Webster Area High School @ Groton Area High School

Saturday, February 23, 2019

Robotics at Harrisburg High School

Show Choir at Vermillion

Wrestling: Boys Varsity State @ Rapid City (Combined State Tourney (Class A & B))

Sunday, February 24, 2019

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

Monday, February 25, 2019

Basketball: Girls Varsity Region 1A: (High Seed (Host) #1 Seed---Bye #2 vs #7 #3 vs #6 #4 vs #5)

Tuesday, February 26, 2019

Basketball: Boys Varsity Region 1A: (High Seed (Host) #1 Seed---Bye #2 vs #7 #3 vs #6 #4 vs #5)

Thursday, February 28, 2019

Basketball: Girls Varsity Region 1A: High Seed (Host) #1 vs #4/#5 winner #2/#7 winner vs #3/#6 winner

Friday, March 1, 2019

Basketball: Boys Varsity Region 1A: High Seed (Host) #1 vs #4/#5 Winner #2/#7 Winner vs #3/#6 Winner

State Debate at Sioux Falls O'Gorman High School

Saturday, March 2, 2019

State Debate at Sioux Falls O'Gorman High School

Sunday, March 3, 2019

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

The Life of Ava Tunheim



GROTON/Lindsay, TX – Ava Tunheim 14 formerly of Groton passed away Sunday February 10, 2019 after a courageous battle with cancer.

A Celebration of Life was held on Saturday February 16, 2019 at the Groton Area Arena with the Rev. Janine Rew-Werling officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family prefers memorials to be sent C/O Nathan Tunheim PO Box 396 Lindsay, TX 76250

Ava Shae Tunheim was born on September 3, 2004 at Aberdeen, South Dakota. She attended Kindergarten through 2nd grade at

Langford School and continued on to attended 3rd through 7th grade at Groton Elementary School. Just recently the family relocated to Lindsay, Texas where Ava was enrolled in the 8th grade.

Ava was the sweetest girl you could ever meet! She was so thoughtful, kind, and caring. She always put everyone's feelings above her own. Not a day went by that Ava didn't have a smile on her face, regardless of how she felt. She loved her life, her friends, and most of all her family. We will never forget the kindness and love she gave to everyone she touched. We will never forget all the good times and wonderful memories with our sweet Ava. She was our Angel on earth and now in heaven. We will always love you and never forget you Ava Shae Tunheim! You are ALWAYS in our hearts!



Ava had a zest for life and loved to sing and dance! She also enjoyed cooking, playing basketball and volleyball, crafts, camping, side by siding, hunting, boating, and shopping! She was a people person and loved anything that involved people and her family. She also loved spending time with her Grandmas.

Ava will be forever in the hearts of her parents Nathan and Allison Tunheim, brothers; Christopher and Tobey, sister-in-law Iris, Grandparents; Lyle and Darlene Tunheim, Vicki Fisher, and Charles Odom. She will also be missed by many aunts, uncles, and cousins whom she loved dearly.

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Spike Nehls slid into the ditch on US12 in Groton. Dick Donovan is directing Dale Grenz in pulling him out. (Photo by Tina Kosel)

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