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# **Groton Area Faculty Spotlight**

# **Groton Area Transportation** by Ben Higgins

For any bustling metropolis, public transportation is an obligatory measure. Whether it be the union of taxi drivers in New York City, the street-cars of San Francisco, or the everpresent public buses that can be found in most cities across the country. Public transportation is an important part of any city's infrastructure because it provides ways for citizens to get to work or other destinations, which is a priority for those who do not have their own cars or motorized vehicles.

For the students of the Groton Area School District, being able to ride the school bus is an important prerequisite for attending school. Sometimes, students overlook the importance of having transportation to and from school, especially when a student's home may be located in a rural area outside of town. The bus drivers of Groton are employees who are vital to the daily operations of the school. Here are just a few of the wonderful individuals who spend their time ferrying students back and forth.

Loren Bahr is the Transportation Supervisor for the Groton Area School District. He has worked in this position for a total of sixteen years and worked as a farmer for seventeen years before that. His duties are mostly made up of coordinating routes for buses to take and caring for the vehicles themselves. With certain students not attending school due to the pandemic, some routes had to be changed for the sake of efficiency. When he is not working, he enjoys hunting and fishing.

Deb Tietz works as both a Bus Driver and an Assistant Cook at the school. She has been working as a Bus Driver for forty-three years. She has been dedicated to her work for quite a long time! Before she started driving the school bus, she worked at a nursing home for eight years. Deb started working as an Assistant Cook in the school kitchen four years ago.

Linda McInerney has worked as a Bus Driver for Groton for quite a while. Before coming to Groton, Linda worked as a school bus driver in Wisconsin. Her current work in Groton has her ferrying kids on routes that can go over eighty miles each way!

And these are just three of the many people involved with the transportation sector of Groton. While being a bus driver may seem like a fairly simple job upon first glance, the work involved with plotting routes and managing unruly children can be intense at times. And yet, the Bus Drivers of Groton Area just keep on trucking.

Editor's Note: This is a continuing series compiled by Benjamin Higgins. Higgins who is working for the Groton **Independent through the Project Skills** program.





# Wage Memorial Libary opens up for Story Time The Wage Memorial Library, now located at 120 N Main, has opened up at its

new location. Thursday are now Story Telling Time. This past week, Becca Johnson and her son, Jace, assisted with the Story Time. (Photos by Hope Block)



# **Groton Area qualifies in** seven events at state track meet

Groton Area has qualified in seven events at the state track meet to be held Friday and Saturday in Spearfish. This is the first year that Class A and Class B qualify for the state event by being in the top 24 seed in the state. Class AA has been doing this for a couple of years.

What that means is that there is no pre-qualifying for a state event with a time or distance. Also, regional track meets are basically no longer regional meets, but a last opportunity for someone to qualify for the state by sneaking into the top 24.

Kenzie McInerney qualified for the state in

three events, Andrew Marzahn qualified in two events, Apsen Johnson qualified in one event and the boys 3200m relay team qualified as well.

Andrew Marzahn, seeded 11th, 100m Dash,

Andrew Marzahn, seeded 20th, 200m Dash, 23.64

Boys 3200m Relay Team of Jacob Lewandowski, Keegan Tracy, Cole Simon, Isaac Smith, 9:04.94.

Kenzie McInerney, seeded 14th, long jump, 16-3.

Kenzie McInerney, seeded 15th, triple jump,

Kenzie McInerney, seeded 13th, high jump, 4-11.

Aspen Johnson, seeded 22nd, triple jump, 32-2.25.

# **Groton Jr. Teeners Falls To** Milbank On Walk-Off

to Milbank on Saturday. The game was tied at 19 with Milbank batting in the bottom of the fifth when an error scored one run for Milbank.

Groton Jr. Teeners collected nine hits and Milbank had four in the high-scoring affair.

In the first inning, Groton Jr. Teeners got their offense started when Braxton Imrie drew a walk, scoring one run.

Milbank scored eight runs in the fourth inning. The offensive firepower by Milbank was led by Dain Anderson, Ryan Ofarrell, Owen Fischer, Gage Anderson, Mason Meister, and Owen Tesch, who all drove in runs.

Jayce Jonason was on the hill for Milbank. The fireballer allowed four hits and nine runs over one inning, striking out three.

Karsten Fliehs led things off on the mound for Groton Jr. Teeners. The bulldog lasted two and two-thirds innings, allowing zero hits and seven runs while striking out five. Drew Thurston and Carter Simon entered the game from the bullpen, throwing one inning and two-thirds of an inning respectively.

Groton Jr. Teeners collected nine hits. Teylor Diegel and Brevin Fliehs each managed multiple hits for Groton Jr. Teeners. Diegel led Groton Jr. Teeners with three hits in four at bats.

Milbank had four hits in the game. Josh Pederson and Anderson all managed multiple hits for Milbank. Milbank stole ten bases during the game as two players stole more than one. Jonason led the way with two.

# Walk-Off Seals Win For Milbank **Against Groton Jr. Teeners**

It came down to the last play, but Groton Jr. Teeners was on the wrong end of a 15-14 defeat to Milbank on Saturday. The game was tied at 14 with Milbank batting in the bottom of the seventh when Josh Pederson singled on a 3-2 count, scoring one run.

Despite the loss, Groton Jr. Teeners did collect six hits in the highscoring affair. Unfortunately, Milbank had eight hits on the way to

Groton Jr. Teeners got on the board in the first inning when.

Milbank evened things up at 14 in the bottom of the sixth inning when Mason Meister homered on a 0-1 count, scoring two runs.

Groton Jr. Teeners put up six runs in the fifth inning. Braxton Imrie, Korbin Kucker, Carter Simon, Karsten Fliehs, Caden Mcinerney, and Gavin Englund each drove in runs during the inning.

Milbank scored five runs in the sixth inning. Keegan Carlin, Owen Tesch, and Meister each had RBIs in the big inning.

Nollen Sheely got the start for Milbank. The fireballer allowed five hits and four runs over three innings, striking out one.

Kucker was on the pitcher's mound for Groton Jr. Teeners. The righty allowed two hits and four runs over three innings, striking out six. Teylor Diegel and Brevin Fliehs entered the game as relief, throwing one and two-thirds innings and one and one-third innings respectively.

Groton Jr. Teeners collected six hits. Fliehs and Kucker each collected multiple hits for Groton Jr. Teeners. Kucker and Fliehs each collected two hits to lead Groton Jr. Teeners. Groton Jr. Teeners stole eight bases during the game as two players stole more than one. Fliehs led the way with two.

Milbank totaled eight hits in the game. Carlin and Pederson each racked up multiple hits for Milbank. Carlin went 3-for-5 at the plate to lead Milbank in hits. Milbank tore up the base paths, as six players stole at least two bases. Meister led the way with four.

# **Groton Jr. Teeners Overcomes Aberdeen B In Face Of Early 8-Run Inning**

Groton Jr. Teeners weathered a push by Aberdeen B in the fifth



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Jr. Teeners coughed up victory. eight runs, but Groton Jr. Teeners still won 14-11 on Monday. Bryson Larson, Aiden Posthumus, and Olson powered the big inning with RBIs.

Bats blistered as Groton Jr. Teeners collected eight hits and Aberdeen striking out two. B tallied seven in the high-scoring game.

Groton Jr. Teeners got first inning, when an error scored one run for Groton Jr. Teeners.

Groton Jr. Teeners 2021. All rights reserved." scored six runs in the

second inning. The offensive onslaught came from singles by Carter Simon and Brevin Fliehs and a home run by Korbin Kucker.

Nicholas Morris was the winning pitcher for Groton Jr. Teeners. The A walk-off left Groton Jr. Teeners on the wrong end of a 20-19 defeat bulldog went three innings, allowing three runs on three hits, striking out four and walking one. Gavin Englund threw two innings in relief

Talon Dutenhoeffer took the loss for Aberdeen B. Dutenhoeffer went one and one-third innings, allowing eight runs on four hits and striking out two.

Groton Jr. Teeners tallied one home run on the day. Kucker put one out in the second inning.

Groton Jr. Teeners scattered eight hits in the game. Simon and Jarrett Erdmann each managed multiple hits for Groton Jr. Teeners. Erdmann and Simon each managed two hits to lead Groton Jr. Teeners.

Aberdeen B racked up seven hits. Olson and Larson each collected multiple hits for Aberdeen B.

# **Groton Jr. Teeners Defeats Aberdeen B In A Blow-Out Victory**

Groton Jr. Teeners cruised to an easy victory over Aberdeen B 11-5 on Monday

Aberdeen B opened up scoring in the first inning, when Talon Dutenhoeffer grounded out, scoring one run.

Jarrett Erdmann earned the victory on the pitcher's mound for Groton Jr. Teeners. The pitcher allowed zero hits and one run over one and one-third innings, striking out four. Braxton Imrie threw one inning in relief out of the bullpen.

Bryson Olson took the loss for Aberdeen B. Olson went one and one-third innings, allowing six runs on three hits and striking out two.

Kellen Antonsen started the game for Groton Jr. Teeners. Antonsen lasted two and two-thirds innings, allowing two hits and four runs while striking out five

Brevin Fliehs went 2-for-2 at the plate to lead Groton Jr. Teeners in hits. Fliehs led Groton Jr. Teeners with three stolen bases, as they ran wild on the base paths with nine stolen bases.

Aberdeen B tore up the base paths, as two players stole at least two bases. Aiden Posthumus led the way with three.

# **Groton Jr. Teeners Slides Into A Blow-**Out Win Over Northville

Groton Jr. Teeners easily did away with Northville 12-2 on Thursday Groton Jr. Teeners got things started in the first inning when.

Groton Jr. Teeners scored four runs in the sixth inning. The offensive onslaught by Groton Jr. Teeners was led by Teylor Diegel, Braxton Imrie, and Karsten Fliehs, all driving in runs in the frame.

Gavin Englund took the win for Groton Jr. Teeners. The righthander allowed three hits and one run over three innings, striking out six.

Gavin Lane took the loss for Northville. The hurler went four innings, allowing five runs on six hits, striking out four and walking one.

Imrie started the game for Groton Jr. Teeners. The righty surrendered one run on one hit over three innings, striking out three

Groton Jr. Teeners collected 12 hits. Diegel, Fliehs, and Imrie all collected multiple hits for Groton Jr. Teeners. Diegel went 3-for-3 at the plate to lead Groton Jr. Teeners in hits.

Mac Heinz led Northville with two hits in two at bats. Northville was sure-handed and didn't commit a single error. Devin Fischbach made the most plays with six.

# **Late Score Costs Groton Jr. Teeners Against Northville**

Groton Jr. Teeners lost the lead late in a 14-10 defeat to Northville on Thursday. Northville trailed 6-5 in the top of the fourth inning when Drew Bakeberg singled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring two runs.

Despite the loss, Groton Jr. Teeners did collect five hits in the highinning where Groton scoring affair. Unfortunately, Northville had three hits on the way to

> Groton Jr. Teeners got on the board in the first inning. Korbin Kucker drove in two when Kucker singled.

Groton Jr. Teeners notched four runs in the fifth inning. Groton Jr. Olson, Hayden Fritz, Teeners big bats were led by Teylor Diegel, Ryan Goldade, and Karsten Hunter Herceg, Sam Fliehs, who each had RBIs in the inning.

Devin Fischbach was the winning pitcher for Northville. The hurler allowed five hits and six runs over four innings, striking out seven. Jack Hanson and Rennan Bruns entered the game out of the bullpen and helped to close out the game in relief.

Caden Mcinerney took the loss for Groton Jr. Teeners. The righthander surrendered seven runs on one hit over two-thirds of an inning,

Kellen Antonsen started the game for Groton Jr. Teeners. Antonsen allowed two hits and five runs over three innings, striking out five

Brevin Fliehs, Braxton Imrie, Kucker, Carter Simon, and Drew Thurthings moving in the ston each collected one hit to lead Groton Jr. Teeners.

Bakeberg went 2-for-4 at the plate to lead Northville in hits.

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#### Groton City May 18, 2021 Meeting Minutes May 18, 2021

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7:00 pm at 120 N Main Street for their second monthly meeting with the following members present: Wells, Fliehs, Blackmun, Cutler via phone, Brian Bahr and Hanlon presiding. Also present were: Attorney Drew Johnson, Paul Kosel, Finance Officer Hope Block, and Ken Hier.

Public comments were welcomed pursuant to SDCL 1-25-1, but none were received.

The Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement with IMEG Corp./Formerly Clark Engineering Corp. was approved on a motion by Bahr and seconded by Blackmun. All members voted aye.

The Agreement Between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services with IMEG Corp. was approved on a motion by Blackmun and seconded by Fliehs. All members voted aye.

The Pay Request #4 from AB Contracting for \$116,392.45 was approved on a motion by Wells and seconded by Bahr. All members voted aye.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Blackmun and seconded by Wells. All members voted aye.

Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Fliehs to authorize the following bills for payment. All members voted ave.

members voted aye. Payroll, \$18,321.06, Employee salaries; Administraployee Salaries, Administrative, \$3,759.50, ; Public Safety, \$7,147.30, ; Public Works, \$7,414.26, ; First State Bank, \$6,024.45, SS and WH ; Darks State Bank, \$6,024.45, SS and WH ; Darks SS kotaland FCU, \$495.82, HSA contributions; First State Bank, \$650.00, Employee savings; Dan Sunne, \$287.38, Utility deposit refund; Web Water, \$14,260.10, Water 4/21; Locators & Supplies, \$83.68, Safety glasses; Wesco, \$1,859.39, Wire reel for water tower project; , \$215.00, Electric connectors; , \$333.00, Foldback jacket kit; , \$600.90, Molded rubber, splice jacket kit; \$921.90, Molded splice kit; BK Custom T's & More, \$875.00, BB banners; , \$340.00, T-ball shirts (Reimbursed by donation from LORI'S PHARMACY); Geffdog Designs, \$990.00, BB hats; , \$396.47, Softball shirts; Core & Main, \$755.45, Gaskets, adaptors, couplings; , \$6,010.39, Water gaskets, valves, adaptors, screw box; , \$188.21, Couplings Share Corp, 229.81, Paint; MTI Distribution, \$78.32, Irrigation controller; Secretary of State, \$30.00, Notary fee; Dacotah Bank Card Services, \$1,586.56, Postage, baseball insurance fees, prayer breakfast tickets, portfolios, ball field rakes, blades, mop, pitcher's screen; DGR Engineering, \$447.50, Midco fiber review; Chuck Padfield, \$126.60, Reimburse from Sam's Club; Heartland Waste, \$8,063.58, Garbage hauling; Paul Kosel, \$170.95, Heartland Annual Meeting mileage: Groton Independent, \$62.00, Publishing; Heartland Waste, \$44,286.44, Power 4/21; JVT, \$575.15, Utilities; Ara-

mark, \$48.03, Rug rent; EcoLab,

\$106.00, Pest control; Farmers

Union, \$283.22, Fuel; , \$447.95, Fuel; MJs Sinclair, \$852.83,

Gas, car washes; Harve's Sport

Shop, \$1,038.76, Baseballs and

scorebooks; WAPA, \$18,190.94, Power 4/21; Angerhofer Concrete Products, \$17.50, Pool brick sandblast; HydroKlean, \$49,425.00, Manhole repairs; Equipment Blades, \$240.00, Box scraper blade; A-1 Sanitation, \$865.52, Clean up; Ken's Food Fair, \$810.52, Gas, paper products;

The April Finance Report was approved on a motion by Fliehs and seconded by Bahr. All members voted ave.

A discussion was had about selling beer at ball games.

Kosel discussed pool maintenance that will need to be done in the near future.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Fliehs to close City Hall 5/21/21 for moving. All members voted aye.

Moved by Fliehs and seconded by Blackmun to approve Block to attend the Municipal Debt Training in Watertown June 22, 2021. All members voted aye.

The first reading of Ordinance #747 Revising Water Rates was held in abeyance on a motion by Bahr and seconded by Cutler. All members voted aye.

Johnson apologized for his statement regarding Jim Cremer that was made at the previous meeting.

Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Wells to adjourn into executive session for personnel and legal items 1-25-2 (1) & (3) at 7:51pm. All members voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:40pm.

The new family crisis application procedure was approved, and two assistance applications were approved for payment on a motion by Fliehs and seconded by Wells. All members voted aye.

Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Cutler to hire the following seasonal employees: U10 Softball Coach Sue Fjeldheim, U12 Softball Coach Madisen Bjerke, U14 Softball Coach Brad Penning, and as-needed groundskeepers Bradin Althoff and Kaleb Hoover. All members voted aye.

Moved by Bahr and seconded by Wells to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 pm. All members voted aye.

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# **Groton City Amateur Beer**

## Sales

Notice of Hearing upon Application for a Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council on the 15th day of June, 2021 at 7:00pm at the Groton City Hall, 120 N Main Street, Groton, South Dakota will meet in regular session to consider a special event alcoholic beverage license for Amateur Baseball Games at 411 W 3rd Avenue in the City of Groton, South Dakota on 6/20/21 and 7/18/21.

Any person interested in the approval or rejection of any such application may appear and be heard.

Dated at Groton, South Dakota this 26th day of May, 2021. Hope Block, Groton City Finance Officer

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Samantha Oswwald with Karen Wolter, District 4 Member of the Year. (Courtesy Photo)

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The Groton Unit #39 of the American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) was organized in 1921. The mission of ALA is to support the American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

The purpose of ALA is to.

- ⇒ support and advocate for veterans, active military and their families .
- ⇒ support the initiative and programs of The American Legion .
- → foster patriotism and responsible citizenship.
- ⇒ provide educational and leadership opportunities that uphold the ideals of freedom and democracy and encourage good citizenship and patriotism in government.
- ⇒ increase our capacity of deliver our mission by providing meaningful volunteer opportunities within our community .
- ⇒ empower our membership to achieve personal fulfillment through Service Not Self.

Current club officers are as follows: President, Samantha Oswald; Ist Vice-Pres, Lori Giedt; Secretary, Marge Overacker; Treasurer, Meri Erickson; Chaplain, Historian/Membership, Gertie Erickson; and Sergeant-in-Arms, Michelle Everson The values that we support are our Commitment to the four founding principles of Justice, Freedom, Democracy and Loyalty; Service to God, our country, its veterans and their families; Tradition of patriotism and citizenship; Personal integrity and family values; Respect for the uniqueness of individual members; Truthful, open communication in dealing with the public and our members; and Adherence to the adopted policies and rules. The ALA currently has 94 members and usually meets on the 1st Monday of the month at the American Legion building at 6 p.m. These meetings are in September, October, November, March, and April.

The American Legion Auxiliary usually helps with the Pumpkin Fest, Turkey Shoot, and a Salad Buffet.

Dues are \$25 for an adult membership and \$5.50 for a junior member. There are good reasons to be a junior member since scholarships are available, junior members can attend Girls State, and they have the privilege of offering their opinion at local meetings. Junior members also can be a community volunteer and help with events that are happening within our district. Most important of all, junior members also can help veterans in need.



Members of the senior and junior Auxiliary who put flags on the veterans' graves for Memorial Day. (Courtesy Photo)



Rose Locke presenting a quilt to Korean War Vet Lester Nehls. (Courtesy Photo)



Samantha Oswald presenting a double blue star service banner to Tammy Dohman. (Courtesy Photo)





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# EARTHTALK

From the Editors of E - The Environmental Magazine

Dear EarthTalk: What are some of the most common contaminants our pets are exposed to and how can we avoid them? -- Maria

R., Chicago, IL

This issue grabbed headlines when it was revealed in the May 2021 that domestic dogs and horses were suffering from health issues and premature death from exposure through drinking water to chemicals emitted by the Chemours Favetteville Works chemical plant in Bladen County, North Carolina.



It's hard to know how to keep dogs and cats safe from all the chemicals in the environment around vour neighborhood. Credit: Roddy Scheer.

The offending chemicals—perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) that are added to everyday products to make them water, grease and stain-resistant—fall to the ground with rain. They then permeate soils and the water table for some 18 miles in every direction. Most residents of this rural area get their drinking water from private wells that do not benefit from community clean water filtration systems or standards. A court challenge by local clean water advocates prompted a local judge to order Chemours Fayetteville Works to provide local residents with water filtration systems to filter out offending chemicals. But many locals say they can't rest easy until the factory closes altogether.

If you do live within the pollution radius of a factory, you'll want to get your drinking water (and air quality) tested for contaminants on a regular basis to make sure you, your family members and pets aren't getting poisoned. If the results aren't good, it may be time to see if any neighbors are experiencing issues and start asking some questions to get to the bottom of where the pollution might be coming from.

There are of course many other threats to pets even if you don't live near a pollution "point" source." In one study, researchers found that the brains of dogs exposed to the heavy and constant air pollution of Mexico City had significantly elevated inflammation and pathology profiles (including neurofibrillary tangles that cause Alzheimer's in humans) compared to dogs from more rural, less polluted regions.

Since our pets spend lots of time walking and running through—not to mention rolling around in and even nibbling on—the grass, it's not surprising that they are much more likely to pick up and ingest contaminants than their owners. If your dog or cat develops a skin rash, vomiting, diarrhea, excessive salivation, dilated pupils, lack of coordination, or respiratory difficulties, it may be related to chemical exposure. Regarding longer-term effects, one study in Massachusetts showed that dogs whose owners used pesticides in their own yards had a 70 percent higher chance of developing malignant lymphoma. Indeed, one-third of the 700 dogs in the study were diagnosed with this typically terminal canine cancer.

If your dog or cat wants to run free in a neighbor's yard or at the park, wait 24-72 hours after the lawn in question has been treated with chemicals of any kind (fertilizers, herbicides, pesticides) to minimize exposure to and ingestion of potentially hazardous substances. You can also lobby your neighbors and local officials to give up the harsh synthetic chemicals; some will be more open to the idea than others, so make sure you have a good way to protect your pets even if your requests aren't complied with.

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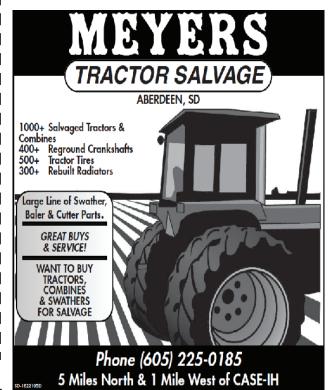




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# **Groton American Legion Post #39**

Groton Post #39 of the American Legion was organized on July 29, 1919. The post had several different "homes" before purchasing the current site and constructing the building located on the south end of Groton's Main Street.

In 1947 Post #39 purchased the post office building, which was the first home that Post #39 owned. The ground floor was rented to the U. S. Government for the post office, and the second floor was used by the Legion.

In 1971 Post #39 bought the Dietz Drug store building and moved into this new location with the start of the Legion Lounge. Later the post purchased the building next door, completely remodeled it, and moved the lounge into that area. The former drug store building was kept as the Post home and used for Bingo every Thursday evening.

In 1995 Post members voted to build a new building at the present location on the south end of Groton's Main Street. This building included a spacious bar and lounge, the largest meeting room in the city, and a kitchen facility adequate for most types of planned activities. Post #39 Honor Squad provides military honors for service veterans at burial, including the folding of the American flag, which is presented to the family of the deceased veteran, and followed by rifle volleys and "Taps."

The current officers of the American Legion Post #39 are as follows: Robert Wegner, Commander; Bruce Babcock, Vice Commander; Doug Hamilton, Adjutant and Finance Officer; and Ron Falk, Americanism Officer.

The main mission of the Legion post is to provide aid and assistance to area veterans. There are 55 members at this time.

The monthly meetings are held in the Post Home at 12 S. Main Street. They start at 6:30 p.m. and are held on the 2nd Monday of each month September. through May.

Several fundraisers are held each year. On the closest Saturday to Veterans' Day, Post #39 hosts a Turkey Party. There is also have a Spring Fundraiser in March, on the closest Sunday to St. Patrick's Day.

These two fundraisers are used to support the Post #39 Legion Baseball team.

In addition to these fundraisers, the Legion Post also works with other service organizations in support of their fundraising projects.

The annual dues are \$35.00 a year for any qualifying veteran. Those who served in any one of the seven branches of the military and were honorably discharged between December 7, 1941, to the current date are eligible to join.

# **Sisseton Golf Meet**

Groton Area's girls golf team took part in the Sisseton Invitational meet held Thursday. Carly Guthmiller placed 16th with a score of 111, Emma Schinkel was 23rd with a 121 and Shaylee Peterson was 27th with a score of 130.



The Groton American Legion Post #39 will perform Military Honors at the following times and cemeteries:

7:30 Huffton

8:15 James

8:45 Verdon

9:15 Bates/Scotland

10:00 Ferney

11:00 Andover Protestant

Cemetery

12:00 Groton

A program will be held at Groton starting at 12:00 with the speaker being a 1960 Groton graduate Brig. Gen. Ronald W Mielke (ret). After the Groton service a meal will be served at the Legion Post.



Pictured are Bruce Babcock, Doug Hamilton, Bob Voss, David McGannon and Dale Wolter. (Courtesy Photo)

Groton Community Transit will be taking the bus to out of Town Legion Baseball games on

> 5/26 to Lake Norden 6/1 to Sisseton 6/5 Milbank

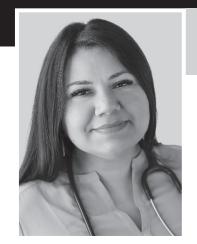
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7/6 to Northville

7/14 to Redfield.

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By Jordan Wright

**Weekly Vikings Roundup** By Jordan Wright

us right up to the team's first preseason game. State in the seventh round. We've already covered the Vikings' draft class, so now we look at the rest of the NFC North to see how the division rivals fared. We'll begin by averaging the draft grades given out by NFL. scratching their heads and mumbling "huh?". com, CBS, and Fox Sports, then move on to a On the first night of draft coverage, a bomb breakdown of the picks.

Chicago Bears

moves on draft day, moving up in the first move up last year to get his replacement, round to grab Ohio State quarterback Justin the hall of fame QB had had enough. Surely Fields. The Bears haven't had a good QB since the Packers from office would do everything Jay Cutler left in 2016, and the front office they could to appease their star quarterback hopes Fields can change that narrative. Widely right? Wrong. The team decided to draft a considered one of the best quarterbacks in this cornerback in the first round when they took year's draft, once Fields started to slip in the Eric Stokes from Georgia. Stokes was widely draft the team saw their chance to move up considered a day-two CB, so this was a little and took it. Fields will "compete" with Andy bit of a reach. Dalton for the starting role, and while there is a chance Dalton could be the week 1 starter, decided against getting a receiver to make

Larry Borom from Missouri. The massive line-selecting OL Royce Newman from Mississippi man played tackle in college but will likely in the fourth round, DT Tedarrell Slaton from North Carolina, and CB Thomas Graham Jr. from Boston College in the sixth, and RB Kylin Bears drafted DT Khyiris Tonga from BYU in round pick. the seventh round.

**Detroit Lions** 

Grade: A- (NFL.com A-, CBS B+, Fox Sports

The Lions made it a priority to upgrade their trenches in the draft. In the first round, the team grabbed Penei Sewell, offensive tackle from Oregon. Sewell was my favorite player in the draft, and I'm surprised he slipped all the way to the seventh pick. In the second round, Detroit drafted DT Levi Onwuzurike

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from Washington, followed by DT Alim McNeill from N.C. State in the third. Both of those defensive tackles were highly rated, and are huge upgrades for that defensive line. Onwuzurike figures to play the three-tech and use his athleticism to cause disruption, while McNeill who is possibly the most nimble 320-pound person I have ever seen in my life – will likely play nose tackle.

After beefing up the offensive and defensive lines, Detroit drafted cornerback Ifeatu Melifonwu from Syracuse in the third round, and After taking a week off from talking about to receiver Amon-Ra St. Brown from USC and draft so we could cover the Vikings' schedule linebacker Derrick Barnes from Purdue in the release, we'll take one more look back before fourth round. The Lions used their final pick moving on to a roster breakdown that will take on running back Jermar Jefferson from Oregon

**Green Bay Packers** 

Grade: B- (NFL.com B-, CBS B, Fox Sports B-) Another draft, another year of the nation was dropped that claims Aaron Rodgers does not want to play for the Packers anymore. Grade: B+ (NFL.com A, CBS B+, Fox Sports Rodgers has been asking the team to get him a weapon to complement All-Pro receiver The Chicago Bears made one of the biggest Davante Adams, and after watching the team

In the second round, the Packers AGAIN it won't be long until the rookie sees the field. Rodgers happy, this time drafting Josh Meyers, After securing their QB, the Bears looked a center from Ohio State. This was another to upgrade their offensive line by using their reach, as the Packers could have gotten similar next two picks on the position. In the second players later in the draft (like Ben Cleveland in round, Chicago grabbed Teven Jenkins from the third or Drew Dalman in the fourth). Green Oklahoma State. Jenkins was considered a Bay eventually drafted a receiver in the third first-round talent but slipped because most round when they grabbed Amari Rodgers from teams believe he will only play right tackle in Clemson, but it might have been too little too the NFL. In the fifth round, the Bears drafted late. The Packers rounded out their draft by move inside to quard in the NFL. In the sixth Florida and CB Shermar Jean-Charles from Apround, the team selected RB Khalil Herbert palachian State in the fifth round, OL Cole Van from Virginia Tech, WR Dazz Newsome from Lanen from Wisconsin and LB Isaiah McDuffie from Oregon. Rounding out their draft, the Hill from Mississippi State with their seventh-

## **Frederick Town** May 10, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Town of Frederick May 10, 2021 Minutes

Frederick's town board meeting was held Wednesday, May 10, 2021 in the Frederick Community Center beginning at 7:00 PM. Attending the meeting were Chairman R. Scott Campbell, Board members Troy Millard and Jeff Kosters, Assistant Finance Officer Mariah Heine, Utility Manager Rich Bakeberg, and engineer for the wastewater project Brandon Smid.

Chairman Campbell opened the meeting and led in the

Pledge of Allegiance. The minutes of the April meetings were read and approved with a small correction that the funds of the foundation set up for Wayside Cemetery go to Alpha Circle with a motion by Kosters/Millard; motion carried. The financial statements were reviewed and accepted with a motion by Millard/Kostersl; motion carried. The May accounts payable were approved with a motion by Millard/Campbell; motion carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

MDU electric BP/Wtr/Mun Bldg/SP/Sts/Swr/EBL \$978.34; Aberdeen Asphalt snow removal Sts \$285; Alpha Circle grant funds Cmtry \$4,500; Badger Meter meter fees Wtr \$118.37; Century Bus Products lease & copies Gen'l \$118.64; D. Bruns CC \$134.83; D. Bruns wage FO \$1,376.77; Dependable Sanitation Grbg \$1,646; EFPTS taxes Gen'I/FO/CC/EBL/ Sts/Wtr/Swr \$1,467.37; FDC Econ Dev \$1,200; GDI minutes Gen'l \$60.83; J. Kosters wage Gen'l \$92.35; JM Electric light repair SP \$485.89; JVT phone/ svc FO/EBL/Wtr/Gen'l \$348.68;

M. Cox wage EBL \$647.31; M.

Heine wage FO \$1,002.85; Menards supplies Gn'I/SP \$57.95; R. Bakeberg wage St/Wtr/Swr \$2,139.04; R. Bakeberg veh. Allow St/Wtr/Swr \$75; R.S. R. Bakeberg veh. Campbell wage Gen'l \$115.44; SD Dept of Rev sales tax Grbg \$73.87; Sewer Duck pump out sewer Swr \$295; T. Millard wage Gen'l \$92.35; USDA-RD loan Wtr 175; WEB Water Wtr \$3,660.36

WASTEWATER PROJECT First National Bank of Frederck loan Swr \$3,763

OLD BUSINESS Rich Bakeberg provided a util-

ity report. There are applications available for a sales or property tax refund for senior citizens & citizens with disabilities to be picked up at the Emma Burnham Library. There will be dumpsters available for city cleanup as in prior years. The dumpsters will be available for one week beginning June 2nd. If there are large items you are unable to move, please contact Troy Millard or Doug Braa to arrange pick up. Motion to approve a renewed contract with Midco for cable services made by Kosters/Millard; motion carried. After discussion of past due utilities, it was noted that after 30 days past due, a notice will be sent and payment must be made within 10 days of receiving the notice before water will be shut off.

**NEW BUSINESS** 

Troy Millard renewed his position on the board for a threeyear term; he read and signed his Oath of Office. The meeting was turned over to Assistant Finance Officer Mariah Heine. The nominations for Chairman were opened followed by a nomination of Campbell by Kosters/Millard. Motion to end nominations made by Kosters, seconded by Millard. After a vote, Campbell remains Chairman. The meeting was turned back over to be led by Campbell at this time. The official depository is to remain First National Bank of Frederick

# The Life of Gail Marie Berreth

Memorial Service for Gail Marie Berreth, 66, of Groton will be 10:00 am Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at Carlsen Funeral Home and Crematory. Rev. Jon Droege will officiate.

Gail died Friday, May 21, 2021 at Avera St. Luke's Hospital in Aberdeen.



Gail Marie Blank, daughter of Arthur "Art" and Esther (Walz) Blank was born November 7, 1954 at Aberdeen, SD. She grew up in Aberdeen and attended Roncalli Catholic Schools, graduating with the class of 1973.

Gail was united in marriage to Roger Berreth on September 27, 1974 at First United Methodist Church in Aberdeen. They made their home in Aberdeen. Gail stayed home and raised their family. In 2010, Gail and Roger moved to Groton.

Family was the most important part of Gail's life. She loved flowers and enjoyed gardening. Gail also enjoyed going to rummage sales and crafting was a fun pastime. Gail will always be remembered by her very giving nature.

Grateful for having shared Gail's life are her husband, Roger; children, Becky (Tim) Felix of Mitchell, SD, James Berreth of Aberdeen, Josh Berreth of Aberdeen, and Jerry (Mallory) Berreth of Aberdeen; mother, Esther Erlenbusch of Aberdeen; siblings, Pam (Mike) Berreth of Sioux Falls, SD, John (Jill) Blank of Sioux Falls, SD and Mike (Trish) Blank of Rapid City, SD; four grandchildren, Natasha Berreth, Matthew Berreth, Justin Felix and Lucas Berreth.

She was preceded in death by her father and one grandson, Eli Berreth.

Carlsen Funeral Home and Crematory of Aberdeen has been entrusted with arrangements.

with a motion by Millard/Kosters; motion carried with Campbell abstaining. The official newspaper is to remain the Groton Independent with a motion by Kosters/Millard; motion carried. The official attorney is to remain Dana Frohling with a motion by Campbell/Millard; motion carried. Brandon Smid of Helm's Engineering provided a payment request for pay order number 9. Motion to approve pay order number 9 made by Millard/ Kosters; motion carried. JVT will be putting up a cell tower in town. Motion to pay up to \$1500 in cooperation with adjacent landowner to remove trees on the west side of the property where the community center sits made by Campbell/Kosters; motion carried with Millard abstaining. Motion to declare old wood chipper as surplus property made by Campbell/Millard; mo tion carried. Motion to approve Helm's 2 pay orders was made by Kosters/Millard; motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Millard/Kosters at 8:35 PM; mo-

M. Heine

Assistant Finance Officer Published once at the total ap-proximate cost of \$43.49. 20074

#### **Frederick Town** May 17, 2021 **Meeting Minutes** Town of Frederick

Special Meeting May 17, 2021 Minutes

The special meeting was held Monday, May 17, 2021 in the Frederick Community Center be-ginning at 12:00 PM. Attending the meeting were Chairman R. Scott Campbell, Board member Troy Millard, and Finance Officer and Assistant Finance Officer Diane Bruns and Mariah Heine.

Chairman Campbell opened the meeting and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to approve payment to Dahme Construction correcting draws 6, 7, and 8 in the amount of \$54,318.89 made by Millard/ Campbell; motion carried. Motion to approve payment to NECOG in the amount of \$5,000 for USDA draw #9 made by Mil-

lard/Campbell; motion carried. Motion to approve payment of Dahme pay order #8, USDA draw #9 to Dahme Construction in the amount of \$38,530.98 made by Millard/Campbell; motion carried. Motion to approve payment to Helm's and Associates in the amount of \$2,237 for USDA draw #9 made by Millard/Campbell: motion carried. Motion to assign duties of the wastewater project to Assistant Finance Officer Mariah Heine made by Campbell/Millard; motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Millard/Campbell at 12:07 PM; motion carried.

M. Heine

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# Frederick School May 13, 2021 Meeting Minutes OFFICIAL BOARD PROCEED-

FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL

DISTRICT #6-2

MAY 13, 2021 The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Rich Schlosser. Members pres-ent were Dan Nickelson, Jon Ellwein, and Richard Achen. Alex Hart was absent. Others present were Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director Jeff Kosters, K-8 Principal Jessica Ringgenberg, Business Manager

Janel Wagner and Troy Millard. The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members of the public are allowed three minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. No public comments were made.

Action 20-126 Motion by Achen, second by Ellwein to approve the agenda as amended: add #22-5 to #11 Open Enrollment Application(s). All aye,

Action 20-127 Motion by Nickelson, second by Achen to approve consent agenda which included the following items as presented: minutes of meeting held April 12, 2021; April 2021 financial reports, district bills and April 2021 payroll. All aye, carried.

Claims approved: April 2021 Payroll – General Fund salaries 100,918.24; Special Education salaries 17,044.81, Food Service 5.328.31. EFTPS, federal income tax/Social Security/Medicare 29,890.99; AFLAC, súpplemental insurance 1,105.29; American Funds, retirement 1,460.26; Delta Dental, insurance 1,693.50; The Standard, life insurance 271.71; Security Benefits, retirement 1,100.26; Optilegra, vision insurance 391.38; Wellmark, health insurance 16,948.00; SD Retirement 17,053.74; SD Retirement Supplemental, 465.26.

General Fund: Aberdeen Asphalt, Inc, snow removal 807.50; Agtegra, fuel 649.82; Ama-

118.46; Blumhardt Chevrolet Inc, repairs 1,099.90; .. Boston Fern, supplies 36.75; Cole Papers Inc, supplies 835.09; Community Store, supplies 83.17; Counselor Keri, supplies 80.00 Custodial Account-FASD, Imprest reimbursement 732.96; Dakota Supply Group, supplies 64.96; Farnam's Genuine Parts Inc., repairs 764.81; GDI News, publishing 131.70; Graphic Edge, LLC tshirt order 487.36; Institutional Compliance Solutions, training 245.00; James Valley Telecom munications, telephone 242.32: Johnson Controls Fire Protection LP, maintenance contract 995.00; .JW Pepper & Son Inc, supplies 61.50; Ken's Super Fair Foods, supplies 7.58; Lisa's Embroidery and Sewing, embroidery 84.00; Menards, supplies 13.98; Merchant Services, online lunch payment fees 82.39; Mid-American Research Chemical, supplies 2,921.62; Midstates Group, awards 330.00; Montana-Dakota Utilities Co, electric 3,869.73; Northern State University, professional development 1,064.25; Pantorium Cleaners Inc, supplies 229.60; Pomp's Tire Service Inc, repairs 273.62; Ramkota Hotel, travel 212.00; Running Supply Inc, supplies 63.92; School Specialty, LLC, supplies 13.94; Schwan Welding & Boiler Repair, repairs 93.70; SD High School Activities Association, rule books 105.00; South Dakota Medicaid, admin fee 35.90; TechnoKids, fee 4.46; Titan Machinery, repairs 53.97; Town of Frederick, utilities 602.78; Ulmer, Maggie, supplies 35.94 Total \$17,534.68. Imprest checks: Aberdeen Catholic Schools, fees 50.00; Division of Criminal Investigation, fees 43.25; Eureka Golf Course fees 10.00: Faulkton Area School District, fees 25.00; Gettysburg School District, fees 125.00; Hitchcock-Tulare School District, fees 100.00; Ipswich School District, fees 125.00; Ketterling Photography, award 60.00; Redfield School District, fees 125.00; Sisseton School District,

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Fund: A&B Business Solutions, managed print contract 670.70; Grammarly, software 139.95; Teacher Innovations Inc, subscription 256.50; TechnoKids, online teacher manual 446.25 Total \$1,513.40. Special Education Fund: Avera St Luke's, therapy services 2,763.03; Bain, Larissa, mileage 113.90; Geffre Wendy, mileage 67.20; United States Postal Service, postage 8.55 Total \$2,952.68. Food Service Fund: Cash-Wa Distributing Co of Fargo, LLC, food/supplies 361.47; Cash-Wa Distributing of Kearney Inc, food 39.61; Community Store, food 44.60; Pantorium Cleaners Inc, supplies 63.29 Total \$3,508.97.

Enter Thersia Cox and Marty Morlock at 7:14 p.m.

Enter Tamie Nickelson at

:26 p.m. Mr. Kosters reported information regarding a potential optout for the upcoming year and reviewed agenda items in detail. He also shared information regarding the purchase of a new football field scoreboard that would be mostly funded through donations. Mrs. Ringgenberg reported the spring standard-ized testing results. She also reported the need for an additional half time paraprofessional. Dan Nickelson shared that a new board member will need to be selected to represent the school at the NCSEC. Mr. Nickelson also shared the duties of being a ASBSD Protective Trust board member and asked for consideration to fill open board positions. Mr. Kosters presented information provided by HKG of preliminary sketches of a new high school building. Mrs. Wagner shared information about federal grant funds that the district will be receiving and how those funds could be utilized toward a new building project. No action

Mr. Kosters presented a letter from Johnson Controls that explained options of upgrading the HVAC system in the gymnasium.

Action 20-128 Motion by Nickelson, second by Achen to submit the following votes to the SDHSAA: Yes for Amendment Kelly Messmer for West River At Large Representative; Derek Barrios for Division III Representative; and Jeff Kosters for Division IV Representative. All aye, carried.

Action 20-129 Motion by Ellwein, second by Nickelson to accept the following 2021-2022 administrative contracts, certified contracts, and employment agreements with salaries to be published in July 2021: Taylor Achterberg-teacher; Jennifer Anliker-teacher: Crystal Arthurs-teacher, FCCLA advisor; Richard Bakeberg-bus driver; Janelle Barondeau-teacher, Assistant Track coach, Head Cross Country coach; Julie Brotzel-Technology Coordinator; Thersia Cox-Assistant Custodian/Concessions Manager, bus driver; Jennifer Dallmann-teacher; Janet Elsen-paraprofessional; Ashley

Gunther-Assistant cook; Faye Gunther-Head cook; Wayne Haas-Assistant Track coach: Donna Hoffman-paraprofessional; Morgan Hoffman-teacher; Jennifer Hoyle-teacher; Christine Kosters-teacher, Special Education Director; Jeffrey Kosters-Superintendent/9-12 Principal, Athletic Director, Head Football coach, Head Girls Basketball coach, Head Golf coach, bus driver, Driver's Education teacher; Zachary Kosters-Head Custodian; Sharon Langley, teacher; Jennifer Little-teacher; Melissa Meidinger-teacher; Marty Morlock-teacher, Assistant Football coach, Head Track coach, Grounds Maintenance; Don Nickelson-Head JH Boys Basketball coach, Brock Pashenteacher, Yearbook advisor, Head Boys Basketball coach; Caitlin Podoll-teacher, Oral Interp advisor; Lance Podoll-Transportation Director, bus driver: Jessica Ringgenberg-K-8 Principal, Drama Člub advisor; Ashley Schmidt-counselor; Michelle Sumption, paraprofessional; Sarah Sumption-teacher, Head JH Girls Basketball coach, Science Fair advisor, Assistant Girls Basketball coach; Stacey Sumption-Administrative Assistant; Warren Sumption-Assistant JH Boys Basketball coach; Bryson Thorpe-Assistant JH Bovs Basketball coach; Paula Tschosikteacher; Maggie Ulmer-teacher; Keith Underberg-bus driver; Janel Wagner-Business Manager;

Action 20-130 Motion by Nickelson, second by Ellwein to approve Open Enrollment Applications #22-4 and #22-5. All aye, carried.

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Fund Act. Totals

Mrs. Wagner presented the preliminary Fiscal Year 2022 budget.

The school board would like to thank Ms. Renee Brooks for almost 40 years of educating our students and wish her well in retirement. Congratulations to the Class of 2021 - the board wishes you well in your future endeavors. The board would like to also thank the staff for the extra work and flexibility during the past school year. Thank you to the children and Mrs. Langley for a wonderful Spring concert. Congratulations to the Girls and Boys Basketball and Track teams for earning the Academic Achievement awards. Congratulations to the following track athletes for breaking the current school records: Isaac Sumption-100m and 200m dash: Milo Sumption-1600m run; Winston Clark-1600m run; Noah Kippley-100m and 200m hurdles; and Gabby Millard-3200m run.

Ms. Tamie Nickelson presented ideas for the parking lot. Action 20-131 Motion by Nickelson, second by Ellwein to adjourn at 8:49 p.m. All aye, carried.

Rich Schlosser, President Janel Wagner, Business Man-

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# **Brown County** May 18, 2021

Meeting Minutes
MAY 18, 2021 - GENERAL **MEETING** 

Meeting called to order by Commission Chair Fjeldheim at 8:45 A.M. in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Feickert, Sutton, and Kippley. Commissioner Wiese arrived during executive session. Commissioner Feickert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Sutton to approve the agenda. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FIRST READING - REZONE ORDINANCE 191: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to approve first reading of ordinance 191: Applicant Scott Kampa requesting to rezone the following property from Chapter 4.06 Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.07 Mini-Ag District (M-AG)Kampa Outlot A of "Kampa Outlot A" in the NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 31-T123N-R61W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (13556 400th Ave). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FIRST READING - REZONE ORDINANCE 192: Moved by Feickert, seconded by Kippley to approve first reading of ordinance 192: Applicant Scott Rozell requesting to rezone the following property from Chapter 4.06 Agriculture Presevation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.07 Mini-Ag District (M-AG)Lot 1, "L.B. Addition" in the NE 1/4 of Section 1-T121N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (14201 382nd Ave). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FIRST READING - REZONE ORDINANCE 193: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Kippley to approve first reading of ordinance 193: Applicant Ed Mensinger requesting to rezone the following property from Chapter 4.06 Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.14 Highway Commercial District (HC) W ½ of the East 32 Rods of the South 20 rods lying next North of the South 50' of the SW 1/4 of Section 15-T123N-R63 W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (5405 E Hwy 12). All members present voting aye.

FIRST READING - REZONE ORDINANCE 194: Moved by Feickert, seconded by Sutton to approve first reading of ordinance 194: Applicant Bill Kirschenmann requesting to rezone the following property from Chapter 4.07 Mini-Ag District (M-AG) to Chapter 4.16 Heavy Industrial District (H-I) Gisi's Lot A of "Outlot No. Winter's Outlots" in the NE ½ of Sectuion 22-T453N-R64W, except R.O.W., of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (627 385th Ave S). All members present voting aye. Motion car-

fees 25.00; Split Rock Country

Club, fees 20.00; Waverly-South

Shore School District, fees 24.71

Total \$732.96. Capital Outlay

FIRST READING - REZONE ORDINANCE 195: Moved by Feickert, seconded by Sutton to approve first reading of ordinance 195: Applicant Kamen Equipment (Jerry Kamen) requesting to rezone the following property from Chapter 4.06 Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Chapter 4.14 Highway Commercial District (HC) Lots 1&2, "Ka-men First Subdivision" in the SW ¼ of Section 23-T122N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (13980 & 13998 386th Ave). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

VETERANS MEMORIAL CEN-TER: Thomas Croymans and his group from the Aberdeen Area Veterans, Inc. (AAVI) met with the Commission to ask for financial support in the amount of \$300,000 towards the construction of the Aberdeen Veterans Memorial Center. Request is pending for consideration for the upcoming 2022 budget discussion. No actions taken.

GROW SD 2021 REPORT & 2022 BUDGET REQUEST: Mark Nelson of Grow SD, a non-profit community action agency, together with Kelly Weaver (SD Small Business Development Center) gave an updates of its services and investment in Brown County for the last year. A request of \$5,000 funding from the county is pending for consideration for the upcoming 2022 budget review. No action taken.

JAIL UPDATES: Dave Lunzman, Brown County Sheriff Chief Deputy, discussed with the Commission about the jail status and the home confinement work release program they have implemented to alleviate the increasing number of jail population. No actions taken.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved** by Sutton, seconded by Kippley tó go into executive session to discuss personnel, contract & security per SDCL 1-25-2(1, 4, and 6). All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The chair declared executive session

closed with no action taken. MINUTES: Moved by Sutton,

seconded by Wiese to approve the general meeting minutes of May 11, 2021. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. CLAIMS: Moved by Feickert,

seconded by Kippley to approve the following claims:

Professional Fees: Drew Becker \$200.00; Charlevoix County \$30.00; Dependable Sanitation \$30,990.20; Christopher A. Haar \$37.40; Heather M. LaCroix \$143.55; Language Line Services Inc \$1,335.40; Sanford Health Occupational \$340.00; SD Dept of Health \$1,760.00; West Publishing Corp \$175.05; Yellow Robe Consulting Inc \$1,500.00. Publishing: Aberdeen American News \$1,991.49; Blade Empire Publishing \$44.75; Midstates Printing \$274.00; Lee Enter-prises \$18.85. Rentals: Praxair Distribution Inc \$45.87. Repairs & Maintenance: Kevin W. Stein \$374.43; Burdette Security & Technology \$76.53; Mark Nelson \$95.00; Ecolab Pest Elimination \$113.54; Gillund Enterprises \$6.00; Haar Plumbing & Heating Inc \$204.08; Pro Windmill Inc \$95.00; Otis Elevator \$2,791.92; Pomps Tire Service Inc \$347.72 Steven Lust Automotive \$153.51: Transource Truck & Equipment \$7,518.57; Wright & Sudlow \$323.20. Supplies: Advance Auto Parts \$1,511.80; Aramark Uniforms \$86.25; Carlsen Funeral Home \$775.00; Century Business Products \$354.47; Regency Midwest Ventures Limited 160.92; Cole Papers \$715.38; MB LLC \$629.00; Gillund Enterprises \$206.16; Govconnection Inc \$371.77; Ken's Superfair Foods \$27.62; Kesslers \$150.08; Heather M. LaCroix \$11.45 Marco Inc \$32.37; Menards \$805.45; Midstates Printing \$39.00; Northern Valley Communication \$27.17; Pharmchem \$485.35; State of South Dakota \$106.95; Pro Ag Supply Inc \$19.78; Runnings \$126.18; Stan Houston Equipment Co. \$31.95; Superior Jetting Inc \$5,350.00; Team Laboratory Chemical, LLĆ

\$38,352,00: Transource Truck & Equipment \$13,559.62; Mike Dinger \$10,867.92; Web Water Bottling Company \$26.00; West Publishing Corp \$1,785.86. Travel & Conference: Ross Aldentaler \$106.00; Jodi Brown \$46.00; City of Groton \$58.86; Penny Hart \$653.26; Karla Nelson \$425.50; Brittany O'Day \$430.10; SDSU Extension - State 4-H \$23.46; Jennifer Stoddard \$444.30: Deadwood Resorts. LLC \$1,339.00; Ernest Thompson \$430.30. Utilities: City of Aberdeen \$634.31; Qwest Corporation \$72.16; City of Hecla \$117.12; Dependable Sanitation \$348.00; James Valley Telecommunication \$215.50; Northern Electric Coop Inc \$86.00; Northwestern Energy & Communications \$4,520.19; Northern Vallev Communication \$1,974.81: Verizon Wireless Services LLC \$3,334.51. Other: SD Department of Revenue & Regulation \$13,872.97. All members present

voting aye. Motion carried. HR REPORT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve the HR Office Report, which includes the following: Acknowledge resignation of Becky Desens, Brown County Equalization Secretary, effective dateTBD. Approve hiring of Micala Bishop as Brown County Fair Intern effective May 18, 2021 @ \$12.48/hr.Approve promotion of Jerremias Vega from Brown County Jail CO to Brown County Jail Shift Sergeant effective May 16, 2021 @ \$19.77/hr. Approve promotion of Fadia Champlain from Brown County JDC CO to Brown County JDC Assistant Supervisor effective May 16, 2021 @ \$19.43/hr.

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTA-TIVE FOR AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN GRANT FUNDING: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to appoint Cathy McNickle, Brown County Auditor, as authorized representative for American Rescue Plan Grant funding, All members present voting aye.

Motion carried.

aye, carried.

LOTTERY PERMIT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to approve the following Lottery Application: SPURS Therapeutic Riding Center for raffle on December 15, 2021 or when 500 tickets are sold at the SPURS location. All members present voting aye. Motion carried

OUT STATE TRAVEL RE-QUEST: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Feickert to approve travel request for out of state training as follows: Scott Bader, Planning & Zoning Director for travel to Scottsdale, AZ for 2021 Annual Training Conference. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ANNUAL MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE RENEWALS: Moved by Feickert, seconded by Wiese to approve applications for renewal of Malt Beverage Licenses to operate outside of a municipality. RETAIL (ON-OFF SALE) MALT BEVERAGE: Marge Frohling DBA The Connection, Houghton (Lots 10-11-12-13 & 14 Block 2, Sec 31, T 127 R61); Richmond Oasis LLC – Chantal Gortmaker (Lt 4 Schaeffer Richmond Lake 2nd ADD NW & NE 25-124-165 (5AC)); Bath Ouick Stop – Dustin Guthmiller (Lt B Weismantels 1st SD Lt 1 Ex N 12' Jenkins SD Inc Adjn 12' Lt Jenkins SD E2 SE 18-123-62); Brown County Speedway – Motor Sports, LLC (Brown County Fairgrounds - SW ¼, Sec 1, T123 N, R64W); Elm Lake Resort - Travis Swenson (Lt 1 Elm Lake Resort SE 1/4 8-128-65 (that portion of road R 10/W)); Flatland Fyways – ARR LLC, Art Russo (Lodge OL Art Russo OLS in Gov Lt 3&4 NW 1-127-62); Centennial Village Inc (Brown County Fairgrounds SW 1/4, Sec 1, T123N, Ř64 W – Centennial Village); Ánchors Away Lodge & Resort - P'ZA Inc (Palmers Richmond Resort SD Lot 1 (SD OL1 Richmond OL 1 & 2)); Aberdeen Hockey Association Inc. (Brown County Fairgrounds SW 1/4 Sec

1, T123N, R64W (Odde Ice

Center); Moccasin Creek Country

Club (Prairiwood Vlg, OL 7, E2 33-124-63);. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEASES: Moved by Kippley, seconded by Sutton to approve the following lease agreement: Susan Cybulski for the lease of the Clubhouse on May 15, 2021; Breanna Locke for the lease of Richmond Lake Youth Camp Outside Area on May 23, 2021; Maycee Hatsenbuller for the lease of the Richmond Lake Youth Camp and use of the lodge and one dorm on May 29, 2021; Shawn Hanson for lease of the Clubhouse on June 26; Richmond Lake Association for the lease of the Edwards Preserve(grassy area) for fireworks display on July 3 with approved fireworks permit together with the lease . All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR PC REVENUE BONDS RE-FINANCE (CONDUIT FINANCE): Moved by Sutton, seconded by Wiese to set public hearing and authorize advertising for public hearing on a proposal that the county issue its revenue bonds under the Economic Development Act in order to provide funds to refund Presentation College's Economic Development Revenue Bonds, Public hearing is set for 8:46 a.m. June 8, 2021 in the Brown County Courthouse Commission Chambers. All members present voting aye. Motion Carried

SHERIFF'S REPORT: Moved by Feickert, seconded by Sutton to approve Brown County Sheriff's Report for the month of March. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Sutton, seconded by Feickert to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 11:11 a.m. All members present voting aye.

Motion carried.

Jeannette McClain, Brown County Deputy Auditor

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By Andrew Ellsworth, MD ~ Prairie Doc® Perspectives

# Did you Get the Message?

We all know the feeling. You ate too much, and now your stomach is letting you know about it. Or maybe you ate some junk food, and now you don't feel well. How is it that another slice of pizza one moment seems like exactly what we want, but later we realize it was not what we needed?

In the simplest of terms, it comes down to hunger and cravings. The message for hunger is initiated by the body. When our stomach is empty, and our blood sugar and insulin levels begin to drop, our bodies release the hormone ghrelin and send it to the hypothalamus in our brains resulting in a desire to eat. Cravings, however, are entirely controlled by our brain. Fatty and sugary foods help release feel-good opioids and dopamine in our brains. The message in this case is a misapplied sense of reward.

Our bodies, especially the gastrointestinal system, respond directly to what we put into them. Many common problems like abdominal pain, heartburn or reflux, constipation, and diarrhea are often directly caused by our diet. Other conditions like irritable bowel syndrome and Celiac disease can also be treated by a change in diet. Cutting down on processed meats and processed carbohydrates may help decrease your risk of colon cancer.

Thus, when it comes to filling our hungry stomachs with healthy options, there are ways to overpower the feel-good cravings from our brains. First, turn off the TV. Plenty of studies have shown we eat more than we ought to with the TV on. That goes for your phone, too. Second, slow down. Savor your food. Give your body time to send the signals from your digestive tract to your brain that you've had enough. Third, drink water while you eat. Room temperature water is best for digestion. Also, we often misinterpret being thirsty for being hungry. Having a glass of water before you eat can help satisfy your thirst and help you eat less. Fourth, eat with someone in person, via Zoom or phone call. When you eat with someone you are more likely to make healthier choices and eat slower.

Our bodies know what is good for us. We just need to understand the messages. Next time you have a craving, or think you feel hungry, rather than automatically eating more, take time to assess your situation. If you discover you are tired, stressed, sad, angry, or lonely, appreciate your new self-awareness and explore behaviors other than eating that could better satisfy your needs. If what you are feeling truly is hunger, give your body what it really wants: a healthy diet.

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#### **AUCTIONS**

SURPLUS ONLINE ABSOLUTE AUCTION: Todd County School District & City of Mission, SD. Wednesday, June 9, 2021 to Wednesday, June 16, 2021, 6:00 pm with soft close. Several school buses, vehicles, JD 2640 tractor w/loader, rotary mower, snowmobiles, trailers, propane tanks, fire trucks, much more. More information: lockrealty.net or www.lockrealtyandauctions.hibid.com

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#### **Brown County Presentation** College Project

BROWN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSED PROJECT AND THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE BONDS UNDER THE ECONOMIC

DEVELOPMENT ACT NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held on June 8, 2021, at 8:46 a.m., or as soon as practicable thereafter on such date, in the Commissioner's Meeting Room in the Brown County Courthouse located at 25 Market Street, in Aberdeen, South Dakota, on a proposal that the County issue its revenue bonds (the "Bonds") under the Economic Development Act, Chapter 9-54, South Dakota Codified Laws, as amended, in order to provide funds to refund the Economic Development Revenue Bonds (Presentation College Project), Series 2013, dated as of May 30, 2013, issued by the County in the original aggregate principal amount of \$10,000,000 (the "Series 2013 Bonds"), and to pay costs of issuing the Bonds and refunding the Series 2013 Bonds. The Series 2013 Bonds were issued to finance and the Bonds will be issued to refinance the costs of a project on behalf of Presentation College, a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of South Dakota and an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Borrower"), consisting of the acquisition and construction of a new student residence hall, to be approximately 79,000 square feet in size, and expected to house approximately 158 new students; the construction of an approximately 8,200 square foot addition to the existing student activity center, to be used as an athletic training and wellness center, including academic space; and acquisition and construction of new parking and site improvements, including landscaping and roads (the "Project"). The Project is located

at, adjacent to or reasonably

proximate to, and is a part of the

main campus of the Borrower

located at 1500 North Main Street, Aberdeen, South Dakota. The Bonds will be issued in a maximum principal amount not in excess of \$9,000,000. The Borrower will be the initial owner and principal user of the Project.

The Bonds will be special, limited obligations of the County, and the principal thereof and interest thereon will be payable solely from the revenues pledged to the payment thereof. No holder of any Bonds will ever have the right to compel any exercise of the taxing power of the County to pay the Bonds or the interest thereon, nor to enforce payment against any property of the County except money payable by the Borrower to the County and pledged to the payment of the Bonds. After the public hearing, the County Commission intends to consider and take action on a resolution regarding the issuance of the Bonds by the County at the meeting on June 8, 2021

All persons interested may appear and be heard at the time and place set forth above, or may file written comments with the County Auditor prior to the date of the hearing set forth above.

BROWN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

/s/ Cathy McNickle County Auditor

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#### **Brown County Window**

# Contractors Bid NOTICE TO WINDOW CON-

TRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received in the

Chambers of the Brown County Board of Commissioners at the Brown County Court-

South Dakota; until the hour of 8:48 A.M. on June 1, 2021, at said time and place all bids will be publicly opened, read and considered by the Brown County Board of Commissioners for: Project: Remove existing win-

dows and install new windows

on the 124 Building located at 124 South 1st Street, Aberdeen, South Dakota.

Envelopes containing bids shall be addressed to the Brown County Auditor, 25 Market

Street Suite 1, Aberdeen, South Dakota, and be marked on the envelope. "124 Building Windows" to be opened on June 1, 2021. The Brown County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid they deem to be in the best interest of Brown County. Brown County is exempt from all Federal Excise Tax and State Sales Tax. PROPOSAL GUARANTY: No

proposal will be considered unless accompanied by a

certified check, a cashier's check or bank draft in the amount of 5% of the total amount of bid, that has been issued by a State or a National Bank authorized to do business in South Dakota; or a bid bond in the amount of 10% of the total amount of bid, payable without condition to Brown County as a guarantee of good faith in entering into a contract if so awarded.

County will give notice to the successful bidder that the proposal has been accepted, and said bidder shall within ten (10) days thereafter enter into a contract with Brown County and furnish a performance bond in an amount equal to the contract

Specifications are on file and may be obtained at no charge at the Brown County Maintenance, 25 Market Street, Aberdeen, South Dakota 57401. Phone: 605-626-7124 ATTEST:

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Bob Dylan can't be eighty

I woke up this morning and Bob Dylan was 80. Eighty! Although he was kicking around Fargo when I was just a toddler, Bob Dylan getting older makes me feel old.

Another one of my childhood heroes, Brooks Robinson, the greatest third baseman ever, turned 84 this month. I still remember watching him make impossible plays on a 26" black and white Zenith with my father during the World Series. Lord, I saw Barry Larkin play in the minors for the Denver Bears and he's been in the Baseball Hall of Fame for nearly a decade! Somehow we don't expect our heroes to age. But they can be timeless.

I named my son after Bob Dylan and Dylan Thomas, epic poets, both. I recently got Bob Dylan's much-acclaimed new recording (from my son) but I haven't listened to it yet. It's on vinyl, and there's a ritual involved with records. Cleaning the record, the stylus... It's a ceremony, a prayer, to be paused every 20 minutes or so when you flip the record. There's purpose involved. It's not just background music. And when it

That's Life by Tony Bender

comes to Dylan, the enigmatic phantom of modern music, you're obliged to show reverence. I remember hearing a story from someone about standing on a street corner in New Orleans, I think it was, and a guy walked up and asked him for a light, so he and Bob Dylan stood there and smoked. I remain insanely jealous. I suppose we all have our brushes with greatness. I once spent 20 minutes leaning over the railing of a riverboat with Smokin' Joe Frazier, and we didn't talk one second about boxing, just about how beautiful the Missouri River was. Neither of us had any cigarettes.

I've brushed up against memories of Bob Dylan, though. During an interview with Bobby Vee a thousand years ago, he cheerfully recounted Dylan's abbreviated tenure with the band as a piano player who could only play in the key of C. "He called himself Elston Gunnn—with three "N's!" Vee laughed. And he told me about a bus tour with the Beatles and how John and Paul had fistfights in the aisle.

Though Dylan and Vee established a lifelong friendship, they lost track of each other in the Sixties. By then the music had died and reincarnated in Moorhead in the guise of Bobby Vee and a hundred others. Bobby's real last name was Velline. He changed it at Dylan's urging.

When we talked, Vee remembered the rumblings about this new voice of a generation, a poet with volumes to share about war and peace and the human condition, and one night, when Vee and the boys were in New York with the night off, they went to see this new prophet. The lights went down except for a lone spotlight, and a slight, curly-headed troubadour shambled on stage. Vee and the boys gleefully elbowed each other. "Hey, it's Zimmerman!"

No, I never got to smoke a cigarette with Bob Dylan, but I got to hear the joy in Bobby Vee's voice his memory inspired.

Dylan returned to Minnesota in 2013, and during a spoken intro to Bobby Vee's first big hit, said, "I used to live here, and then I left. I've played with everybody, from Mick Jagger to Madonna ... but the most meaningful person I've

ever been on stage with is a man who's here tonight, who used to sing a song called 'Suzie Baby.""

It was a eulogy of sorts, the best kind of eulogy, one delivered while the deceased is still breathing. Bobby Vee was gone three years later. Alzheimer's.

It was a hundred years ago when I saw Bob Dylan in concert in Bismarck. The reviews of the tour had been ragged, and sure enough, it sometimes took me minutes to recognize a song that had been so electrified and bastardized it had become a puzzle. Was he bored? Indifferent? I don't know, but at one point he dropped his harmonica, and he and guitarist G. E. Smith of Saturday Night Live fame, cracked up, and the show took on new energy.

It wasn't a great performance, but that wasn't the point, was it? Icons and prophets have off days; after all, the pedestal is in our minds, in our expectations.

He'd given enough. He arrived and left as a mystery. But it was worth it just to see him laugh.

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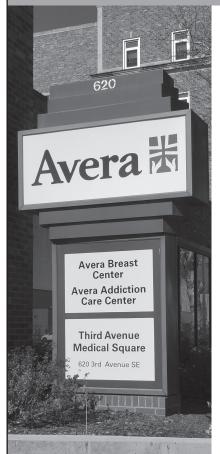






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# The Life of Grace Albrecht

The funeral service for Grace E. Albrecht, 97, of Aberdeen, SD, formerly of Columbia, SD, and Groton, SD, will be 1:30pm, Tuesday, June 1, 2021, at Columbia Congregational UCC with Pastor Eldon Reich and Pastor Sheila Apland-Ottenbacher officiating. Burial at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Grace died Tuesday, April 20, at Prairie Heights HealthCare, Aberdeen.

Visitation will be 3:00-7:00pm, Monday, May 31, with family present from 5:00-7:00pm. A prayer service will be at 7:00pm followed by an Eastern Star Service at Spitzer-Miller Funeral Home, 1111 South Main Street.

Female Borden, later named Grace Emmelene, was born to parents George and Erna (Achen) Borden on June 1, 1923. She grew up in the Hecla, SD, area, attending various country schools and Hecla High

Grace met the love of her life, Frederick Albrecht, at a St. Patrick's dance in Houghton, SD. He became her constant companion after their marriage on October 30, 1940, in Britton, SD. Together they began their life as farmers in the Columbia, SD, area. They eventually moved onto the Albrecht Farm Homestead in 1956. In 1975 they moved to Las Vegas, NV, for health reasons and returned to South Dakota in 1993 to Groton to be closer to family. They became the parents of five children: Lester (passed away at 21/2 years), Beverly, Lavonne, Wilbur and Leland. They instilled in their children faith in God, strong family values and community service. Later they became foster parents to several children. Her foster son James Grace and his family have remained a part of Grace's family.

During her lifetime, Grace was a very busy and on-the-go lady. She was a member of Columbia United Church of Christ and the women's fellowship; Order of Eastern Star; and Groton Garden Club, She was also a member of Daughters of the Nile, where she was past Queen, Farmer's Union, where she served as a youth leader, Groton Senior Citizens, Andover Study Club, numerous bridge clubs, and Merry-Go-Round Extension Club until her health prevented her.



Grace was a 70-year member of Adah Chapter #52 Order of the Eastern Star in Claremont, SD. She started a legacy in the South Dakota OES Grand Chapter in 1956 when she was appointed to the office of Grand Esther and since that time, five members of her family have been appointed to the same office through the years. Grace truly enjoyed being active, but family remained most important to her. Her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and greatgreat-grandchildren all know her love and support. She remembered the birthday date of every



family member and attended as many activities as possible.

She was guite the lady who loved the color purple and will be missed by many.

Grace was talented at craft making, enjoyed vegetable and flower gardening, and food preservation. She was a coin collector. Her participation in several Columbia Community Plays in the 1950's helped to build the school auditorium. She liked traveling and she and Fred were Arizona snowbirds. Grace was an avid baseball fan, especially the Minnesota Twins.

Grateful for having shared Grace's life are children: Beverly Sombke, Groton, SD, Lavonne Gesling, Harrisburg, SD, Wilbur (Judy) Albrecht, Columbia, SD, and Leland (Vickie) Albrecht, Wisconsin Rapids, WI; foster son: James Grace, Sioux Falls, SD; grandchildren: Brad (Kristie) Sombke, Brenda (Brad) Waage, Todd (Tracie) Gesling, Chris (Michele) Gesling, Jon (Casey) Gesling, Mara (Kerry) Hart, Cherie (Mickie) Johnson, Shad Albrecht (friend Lisa Able and her son Gavin Younger); Carrie Lauersdorf, Jane (Gary) Mantolesky; foster grandchildren: Jodee Westerbur, Bobbie (Chris) Safar, Brandi Grace, and Amanda (Cameron) Benolkin; great-grandchildren: Kayla (Caleb) Egger, Elise Sombke (Fiancé Seth Hougesen), Tanner (Megan) Waage, Anthony Waage, Jake Gesling, Riley Gesling, Grace Gesling, Avery Gesling, Alyshia (Cory) Reiff, Jordan Gesling, Julia Gesling, Justin (Jessica) Hart, Travis (Shelby) Hart, Jamie Hart (Brandon Lewis), Chevann (Scott) Mann, Camyjo (Hunter) Weber, Margelle Albrecht (Michael Reide), Jade (Mikia) Albrecht, Maycee (Tyler) Hatzenbeller, Jeric Albrecht (Hailey Elsen), Breaden Lauersdorf, Ava Lauersdorf, Mia Lauersdorf, Emma Mantolesky, and Olivia Mantolesky; foster great-grandchildren: Justice Westerbur, Jackson Westerbur, Julia Westerbur, Taylor (Aaron) Engebretson, Tessa (Jordyn) Henderson, Kennedy Safar, Zoey Quincey, and Aiden Scott; great-great-grandchildren: Thomas Egger, Cole Reiff, Jaxon Hart, Bralyn White, Zoie Fischbach, Greyson Hart, Korbin Mann, Rylan Mann, Penelope Weber, Hank Reide, Vaela Albrecht, Roy Albrecht, and Regis Hatzenbeller; brother-in-law: James Fuerst; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Preceding Grace in death are her parents: George and Erna Borden; husband: Frederick Albrecht, son Lester Albrecht; grandchildren: Paul, Barry and Jenifer Sombke; sons-in-law: Darrel Sombke and Marshall Gesling; her siblings: Freda (Amundson) Fuerst, Betty Nundahl, and George Borden, Jr.; parents-in-law: Julius and Ruth (Morris) Albrecht; sisters-in-law: Bernis Smith, Esther Jeschke, Delores Berreth, Mary Albrecht, Elsie Albrecht, and Lorene Albrecht; and brothers-in-law: George Amundson, Orville Nundahl, Wilson Smith, Irvin Jeschke, Ed Berreth, Wayne Albrecht, Walter Albrecht, Merle Albrecht and Elmer Albrecht.



morials.

When the Lord called Grace home. she leaves a gift of memories in exchange. Thank you, Grace, for the treasured memories! May God Bless your soul.

In lieu of flowers,

the family prefers me-



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