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Story Time is held every Thursday during the Summer at 10 a.m. at Wage Memorial Library





Jerrie Vedvei reads about teddy bears and manners; and helps children make their own construction paper bear. (Photos Courtesy April Abeln)



Heath & Katelyn Giedt entertains children with a petting zoo consisting of a puppy, kitties, baby pig, lamb and calf. Barnyard stories were shared inside the library with fun farm themed snacks. (Photos Courtesy April Abeln)





West Nile update - July 20, 2022 No human WNV cases have been reported at this time. SD WNV (as of July 20): No human cases reported

3 counties with positive mosquito pools (Beadle, Brown, Minnehaha) US WNV (as of July 12): 10 cases (AL, AZ, GA, IN, LA, MN, MS, ND, TX) and 1 death

Brent Wienk, **SD Army National** Guard reads stories on heroes, lets the children explore an Army Humvee and shows them how MRE's are eaten by soldiers. (Photos Courtesy April Abeln)







Jerry Peltier reads about dogs and children enjoy making puppy dog puppets. (Pho-

tos Courtesy April Abeln)

The echoes we leave behind

Last week, I visited the one person who's certainly—but I think responsible for this column other than me, most of them consider Bernice Rollo. So you can take it up with her. me a friend to this day, My former (I guess I can say "old") English and even if they didn't teacher turned 100 in June, and she's still razor sharp. She was working on a puzzle when why I pushed as hard as I arrived while another centurion observed. What the heck is in the water around here? I was one of many former students who came tears. In Hettinger, I had to commemorate her milestone. Now, that's a terrific young sales-

Bernice Rollo never once said to me, "Tony, I think you could be a fine writer someday," but she always-always-made it a point to Hot date, I think. "Sure, read my compositions to the class and that I said, "If you feel you've was encouragement enough. Like I said, take done everything you can on this promotion, go it up with her. She taught at least three published writers that I know of, and hundreds of students who don't dangle participles. I've forgotten her position on the Oxford comma.

a kid. The other one was my baseball coach Bob Fuhrman, who wore plaid shirts and work boots to practice. Bob turned an average athlete into a centerfielder, and with some fine-tuning at the plate, into a right-handed hitter that could go to the opposite field. I Robert Redford. "Well, I don't know either," learned the poetry, the logic, the symmetry of the game with every deep sigh and scowl. Like Bernice, he wasn't warm and fuzzy, but when you got a compliment you never forgot it. I've been known to leave a baseball on his naturals fail and a lot of grinders succeed." And grave. I need to do that again. Sure, it's "just I think that's why in the field of sports, the a game," but he instilled in me confidence that best managers are rarely the stars. They're the will carry me to the ninth inning.

As I sat with Bernice, I was reminded of something I noted at my Grandma Spilloway's family funeral service—how this joyful church lady had touched so many people and how the echoes of her kindness reverberated within us and through our children, through generations. She continues to touch people she'll never know. It reminded me that if we don't leave this world a better place than we found it, we've just wasted precious time.

I've tried. As a people manager, I realize that I've incorporated what I learned from Bernice Rollo and Bob Fuhrman into the lessons I teach. People come and go, but my goal is that when they move on, they're better, more learned, and more successful in life. and fuzzy. I wasn't always warm and fuzzy—demanding,

understand at the time I did, they do now.

Sometimes there were woman who came to me one Friday wondering if she could leave early.



ahead." Her eyes sank. There were tears. But she understood that ultimately in life, you're accountable to yourself.

I managed a sales team in the Black Hills Two people impacted my life when I was and helped reorganize numerous publications that my company had purchased, and I remember the day a young man, newly married with a baby, came into my office. "I don't know if I can cut it," he confessed. Handsome kid. Blonde. Well dressed. Looked a little like I answered, "but I do know you'll regret not trying."

> He was a grinder, I told him. Not a natural charismatic salesman, "But I've seen a lot of hardscrabble grinders who relied on grit and smarts to win. You can't teach natural talent, but you can teach resilience and persistence. A few years after I was transferred, the kid became a manager in the company. And I know, to my great satisfaction, that the turning point took place in my office.

> Bernice thanked me for the flowers. But with the background noise, my hoarse throat—allergies—and her 100-year-old ears, it was hard to carry on a conversation, but being together was enough. I hugged her when I left. "Bernice, you're very important to me," I said into her ear. "And I love you." She nodded, didn't say anything, but she squeezed back extra hard. At the age of 100, she's getting warm

Dakota Outdoors

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Aberdeen, SD 57401

Weekly Vikings Recap By Jack & Duane Kolsrud

As we near the end of the offseason for the Vikings, we carry on with our analysis of the different position groups for the Vikings. We'll look at any competition that might occur and predictions on who will make the final 53-man roster. This week we will look at the safeties.

Lock to make the 53-man roster: Harrison Smith, Lewis Cine, and Cam Bynum

Harrison Smith, who has been the best Vikings player over the past decade, will be entering this Vikings' season at the age of 33. Despite being only four years younger than Vikings' head coach, Kevin O'Connell, Smith has shown little regression from his peak years. Smith's "off-years" are still better than 90% of the safeties in the league's best year. Perhaps one day we will see Smith's name in the Ring of Honor, or maybe even with a bust in Canton.

The question of who will start next to Harrison Smith will continue this year. Last year, Smith played next to Xavier Woods, who left in free agency to the Carolina Panthers. This season, there will be a competition between star rookie Lewis Cine, and second-year player, Cam Bynum, to see who will take that startina role.

For Bynum, he enters his second season after seeing very little playing time at the safety position last year. Despite the lack of playing time, Bynum seemed to excel when given the chance to play. The special thing that Bynum brings to the table is that he played some cornerback in college at Cal. Some experts believe that Bynum's experience at that position might lead to the Vikings using three safeties on the field at once. As Bynum appears to have the chance to grow into a solid player, it is always good to find ways to get as many of your best players on the field at once.

The other interesting player in this safety group is Lewis Cine, the new Vikings' regime's first draft pick. Based on his college highlights, Cine is a heat-seeking missile on the field. Despite playing on arguably the best college defense of the last ten years, Cine stood out in many ways when watching Georgia's defense. That ability to go and make plays on a talented defense may bode well for Cine when playing on this Vikings team, which have a lot of bigname veterans on it. However, given that Cine is a rookie, the Vikings might wait to throw him to the wolves as the starting safety opposite Harrison Smith until he feels comfortable on

Players competing for the final spot on the safety group: Josh Metellus and Myles Dorn

I will be shocked if Josh Metellus is not on the final roster for the Vikings. For starters, Metellus has shown himself to be one of the best special teams player on the team. Also, reports indicated that the Vikings started him over Cine during mini-camp when deploying their three-safety looks on the field. Cine may likely pass Metellus on the depth chart coming into training camp, there is still a good indication that Metellus is highly valued by the coaching staff.

Myles Dorn, on the other hand, will likely be subject to the practice squad rather than the Vikings' final roster. Dorn is entering his third season and has shown nothing when it comes to cracking the lineup. Given that the Vikings only have four reliable players at the safety position, Dorn might be valuable to keep on the practice squad just in case a player gets hurt.

Likely to be cut or placed on the practice squad: Mike Brown

53-man roster predictions:

Jack Kolsrud's prediction

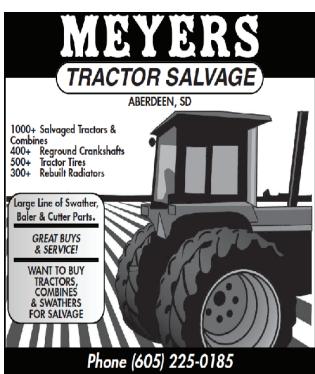
Harrison Smith, Lewis Cine, Cam Bynum, and Josh Metellus

Duane Kolsrud's prediction

Harrison Smith, Lewis Cine, Cam Bynum, and Josh Metellus- Dad still wishes they would have drafted Antoinne Winfield, Jr when they had the chance.



Groton, SD 57445







Groton Chiropractic Clinic

Carol McFarland-Kutter, D.C. 1205 N 1st St., Groton 397-8204



Becah Fliehs, Love to Travel, teaches children about the ocean and children enjoy fun ocean themed activities and snacks. (Photos Courtesy April Abeln)





Ashley Dunham, story time reader helps children make fun bookmarks. (Photos Courtesy April Abeln)



Town wide watering ban goes into effect Sept. 1

McGuire Iron will be coming to Groton to work on the city's 450,000 gallon reservoir. It will be sandblasted inside and outside and then repainted. The work will take about four or five weeks. Meanwhile, there will not be any outside watering allowed in the City of Groton. Currently, the booster pumps take water from the reservoir and push it into the water tower. The booster pumps can push upwards of 1,200 gallons a minute. WEB water refills the reservoir at a rate of 184 gallons a minute. Without the reservoir, the city's 125,000 gallon water tower will be the city's own source of water with WEB filling it at a rate of 184 gallons a minute. Without the restrictions, the city could quickly run out of water. The ban will be strictly enforced.

Ashley and Tom Bentz talked about the upcoming Shop and Sip. It was mentioned that the bars could sell alcohol inside their business and that people can take their drinks out on Main Street. The council lifted the ordinance from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursday.

The survey and easement work at the airport is expected to cost \$2,000 to \$2,500. However, if the water does not go away on the south end, that price could nearly double. The council considered that IMEG should wait until the water disappears before any survey work is done.

A used bucket truck has been purchased for \$136,839.

The community center fees were discussed. The fees will be Groton Area businesses and gatherings for \$100 for the whole building, \$75 for the east room and \$15 for the southwest room. Out-of-area businesses and gathering will be double the fee. In addition, there will be a \$150 fee for lost keys. They will be required to leave a check for \$150 and will get it back when the keys are dropped off.

Groton Police Chief Stacy Mayor was authorized to attend the NESD Family Violence Prevention Conference Sept. 28-29 in Aberdeen. The cost of the conference is \$75.

The street chip seal project will be starting on Saturday and will be finished on Monday. The project was reduced from 56 blocks to 40 blocks to keep the project within its budget.



The Life of Arlys Kluess

A Celebration of Life for Arlys Kluess was held Wednesday, July 20th at Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton. Burial followed in Lorinda Cemetery, Henry with Pastor Kari Foss officiating.

Arlys passed away July 16, 2022 at Avera St. Lukes Hospital, Aberdeen.

Arlys Marlene was born on March 16, 1952 in Watertown to Roy and Marian (Pearson) Sharp. She was raised in the Henry area and graduated from Henry High School in 1970. Arlys attended Lake Area Technical School where she earned a degree in Dental Assisting. On August 28, 1971, she was united in marriage with Rodney Kluess and together

they were blessed with two children. In 1973, the couple moved to Groton and Arlys returned to college. She graduated in 1977 with her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from Presentation College. For over 40 years, she worked as an RN for Dakota Midland, Avera St. Lukes, Dakota House and New Beginnings. Arlys retired completely in January of 2022,

Outside of her career, Arlys was an active member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church. She sang in the choir for 49 years and helped serve in WELCA. In younger years, she enjoyed playing softball. More recently, her hobbies included golfing, decorating for holidays and of course taking care of her flowers, as well as her yard.

Arlys is survived by her children, Wade Kluess (Ashley Allbee) of Sioux Falls, Cassie (Steve) Monson of Bath, her grandchildren, Colton (Mackenzie) Monson, Clayton Stippich, Becca Monson and fiancé Nick Buum, great-grandchildren, Rayce Monson, Holden Buum and her sister Dianne (Howard) Easthouse of Henry.

Preceding her in death were her parents, her husband of 49 years and her brother, Dennis.

Casketbearers were Ryan Easthouse, Robbie Easthouse, Colton Monson and Becca Monson.

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Groton Post 39 Jr Legion Walks Away Victorious Over Titans Varsity in High-Scoring Game, 19-9

Over Titans Varsity in High-Scoring Game, 19-9
Both Groton Post 39 Jr Legion and Titans Varsity had their offenses going on Monday, but Groton Post 39 Jr Legion eventually prevailed 19-9.

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion secured the victory thanks to 14 runs in the third inning. Groton Post 39 Jr Legion big bats were led by Braxton Imrie, Brevin Fliehs, Caden McInerney, Teylor Diegel, Kaleb Hoover, and Colby Dunker, who each had RBIs in the inning.

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion opened up scoring in the first inning when Logan Ringgenberg singled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring one run.

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion took the lead for good with 14 runs in the third inning. In the third Imrie singled on a 2-1 count, scoring one run, Fliehs was hit by a pitch, driving in a run, McInerney singled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring one run, Levi Little induced Diegel to hit into a fielder's choice, but one run scored, Hoover singled on a 2-2 count, scoring two runs, Dunker singled on a 1-0 count, scoring one run, Imrie singled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring one run, Ringgenberg singled on a 1-0 count, scoring one run, Korbin Kucker singled on a 0-1 count, scoring two runs, McInerney singled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring one run, and Diegel doubled on a 1-1 count, scoring two runs.

Titans Varsity scored three runs in the fourth inning. Connor Spitzer, Little, and Milo Sumption each had RBIs in the frame.

Ringgenberg was the winning pitcher for Groton Post 39 Jr Legion. The pitcher lasted two and a third innings, allowing six hits and five runs while striking out two. Dunker threw two-thirds of an inning in relief out of the bullpen.

Little took the loss for Titans Varsity. The pitcher allowed 15 hits and 17 runs over two and two-thirds innings, striking out one.

Kaleb Antonsen started the game for Groton Post 39 Jr Legion. Antonsen went two innings, allowing four runs on one hit and striking out one

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion had 18 hits in the game. Dunker, Ringgenberg, Imrie, McInerney, Hoover, and Fliehs all collected multiple hits for Groton Post 39 Jr Legion. Imrie, Ringgenberg, and Dunker each managed three hits to lead Groton Post 39 Jr Legion.

Titans Varsity racked up seven hits. McKinley Kosters and Sumption each had multiple hits for Titans Varsity. Brayden Sumption led Titans Varsity with four stolen bases, as they ran wild on the base paths with eight stolen bases.

Locke Electric Takes a Tough Blow From Outlaws

Locke Electric had a tough time generating runs on Monday, dropping their game with Outlaws 16-5.

Outlaws fired up the offense in the first inning, when Harvey singled on a 2-0 count, scoring one run.

Locke Electric knotted the game up at five in the bottom of the third inning. Ryan Groebling-

hoff drove in one when Groeblinghoff singled.
Outlaws pulled away for good with one run in the fourth inning. In the fourth Winter singled

on a 2-1 count, scoring one run.

Locke Electric notched three runs in the third inning. The offensive firepower by Locke Electric

was led by Spencer Locke, Austin Jones, and Groeblinghoff, who all drove in runs.
Outlaws scored four runs in the eighth inning. Outlaws big bats were led by Clemente, Winter,

and Casey Schlechter, who each had RBIs in the inning.

Heyd got the win for Outlaws. The ace went three innings, allowing zero runs on five hits, striking out four and walking zero. Josh Koeck and Harvey entered the game out of the bullpen and helped to close out the game in relief.

Aaron Severson took the loss for Locke Electric. The righthander went three innings, allowing five runs on eight hits and striking out two.

Knox started the game for Outlaws. The hurler allowed five hits and five runs over two innings, striking out six

Locke Electric collected 12 hits. Evan Erickson, Dylan Frey, and Wilson Bonet each had multiple hits for Locke Electric. Frey and Erickson all had three hits to lead Locke Electric.

Outlaws tallied 19 hits. Winter, Clemente, Schlechter, Heyd, and Perez all managed multiple hits for Outlaws. Winter went 4-for-6 at the plate to lead Outlaws in hits. Outlaws was surehanded in the field and didn't commit a single error. Winter had the most chances in the field with 12.

With Pierce On The Mound, Groton Legion Post #39 Shuts Out NE SD Webster Legion Post 40 Legion

Pierce Kettering threw a shutout to lead Groton Legion Post #39 past NE SD Webster Legion Post 40 Legion 11-0 on Thursday.

Groton Legion Post #39 got things moving in the first inning, when Cole Simon drew a walk, scoring one run.

Groton Legion Post #39 scored five runs in the fourth inning. Simon, Bradin Althoff, and Tate Larson all drove in runs in the frame.

One bright spot for NE SD Webster Legion Post 40 Legion was a single by Matt Mount in the third inning.

Kettering was the winning pitcher for Groton Legion Post #39. The pitcher lasted five innings, allowing two hits and zero runs while striking out four.

Brent Snaza took the loss for NE SD Webster Legion Post 40 Legion. The bulldog lasted three innings, allowing two hits and eight runs.

Jackson Cogley, Kettering, Althoff, and Larson each managed one hit to lead Groton Legion Post #39. Groton Legion Post #39 tore up the base paths, as two players stole at least two bases. Cade Larson led the way with two.

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion Takes 6-2 Victory Over NE SD Webster Legion Post 40 Legion

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion wins contest against NE SD Webster Legion Post 40 Legion, 6-2 In the first inning, NE SD Webster Legion Post 40 Legion got their offense started when Samuel Nelson was hit by a pitch, driving in a run.

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion pulled away for good with two runs in the third inning. In the third Groton Post 39 Jr Legion scored on a stolen base during Colby Dunker's at bat. Then Dunker singled and Logan Ringgenberg singled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring one run.

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion scored three runs in the fourth inning. The offensive onslaught by Groton Post 39 Jr Legion was led by Caden McInerney, Braxton Imrie, and Bradin Althoff, all

sending runners across the plate with RBIs in the inning.

Ringgenberg was the winning pitcher for Groton Post 39 Jr Legion. Ringgenberg went five innings, allowing two runs on three hits and

Matt Mount took the loss for NE SD Webster Legion Post 40 Legion. The hurler surrendered three runs on four hits over three innings, striking out one.

Korbin Kucker, Althoff, Ringgenberg, Dunker, McInerney, and Teylor yard in the fourth inning. Diegel each managed one hit to lead Groton Post 39 Jr Legion. Groton Post 39 Jr Legion didn't commit a single error in the field. Dillon Abeln Hoover, Jackson Cogley, and Marzahn each managed multiple hits for had four chances in the field, the most on the team.

NE SD Webster Legion Post 40 Legion didn't commit a single error in the field. Jared Schimmel had the most chances in the field with six.

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion Loses Lead Early in Defeat

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion fell behind early and couldn't come back in a 7-5 loss to Smittys Junior Legion 2022 on Saturday. Smittys Junior Legion 2022 scored on a single by Grant Beyer in the first inning, a walk by Cooper Eisenbeisz in the second inning, and a walk by Jackson Welke in the second inning.

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion lost despite out-hitting Smittys Junior Legion 2022 eight to seven.

After Groton Post 39 Jr Legion scored one run in the top of the fifth, Smittys Junior Legion 2022 answered with one of their own. Groton Post 39 Jr Legion scored when Ryan Groeblinghoff doubled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring one run. Smittys Junior Legion 2022 then answered when Welke singled on the first pitch of the at bat,

Smittys Junior Legion 2022 pulled away for good with three runs in the second inning. In the second Eisenbeisz drew a walk, scoring one single by Zach Winter, a home run by Mitchell Larson, and a double run and Welke drew a walk, scoring one run.

Donnie Soderlund was the winning pitcher for Smittys Junior Legion 2022. Soderlund allowed four hits and one run over four innings, striking out three and walking zero.

Korbin Kucker took the loss for Groton Post 39 Jr Legion. The pitcher surrendered six runs on three hits over two and a third innings.

Thomas Stickelmyer started the game for Smittys Junior Legion 2022. The hurler surrendered four runs on four hits over three innings, striking out one

Groeblinghoff went 3-for-3 at the plate to lead Groton Post 39 Jr Legion in hits. Groton Post 39 Jr Legion was sure-handed in the field and didn't commit a single error. Teylor Diegel had the most chances in the field with four.

Smittys Junior Legion 2022 had seven hits in the game. Beyer, Soderlund, and Welke each had multiple hits for Smittys Junior Legion 2022.

Groton Jr Legion Stymied by Smittys Junior Legion, Lose 14-4

Saturday was a long day for Groton Post 39 Jr Legion, falling to Smittys Junior Legion 2022 14-4.

Groton Post 39 Jr Legion opened up scoring in the first inning. Jackson Welke threw a wild pitch allowing one run across the plate for in Redfield. Groton Post 39 Jr Legion.

Smittys Junior Legion 2022 pulled away for good with 11 runs in the third inning. In the third Brevin Fliehs induced Grant Beyer to hit into a fielder's choice, but one run scored, an error scored one run for Smittys Junior Legion 2022, Talan Duttenhoeffer drew a walk, scoring one run, Charlie Phillips drew a walk, scoring one run, Jared Klootwyk drew a walk, scoring one run, Cooper Eisenbeisz singled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring one run, Welke singled on a 3-2 count, scoring three runs, and Caden McInerney induced Lance Siefken to hit into a fielder's choice, but one run scored.

Welke toed the rubber for Smittys Junior Legion 2022. The ace surrendered four runs on four hits over six innings, striking out three.

Fliehs was on the hill for Groton Post 39 Jr Legion, Fliehs allowed one hit and four runs over two and a third innings, striking out one. McInerney threw three innings in relief.

Ryan Groeblinghoff led Groton Post 39 Jr Legion with two hits in three at bats.

Smittys Junior Legion 2022 tallied seven hits in the game. Eisenbeisz and Jacob Weishaar all had multiple hits for Smittys Junior Legion 2022. Eisenbeisz went 3-for-3 at the plate to lead Smittys Junior Legion 2022 in hits.

Legion Region Games

Groton Legion Post #39 Blows Away Hamlin Sr Post 37 / 217 by 25 Runs

Groton Legion Post #39 asserted their will over Hamlin Sr Post 37 / 217 on their way to an easy 27-2 victory

In the first inning, Groton Legion Post #39 got their offense started the most chances in the field with seven. when Cole Simon grounded out, scoring one run.

Groton Legion Post #39 notched 11 runs in the fourth inning. Groton Legion Post #39's offense in the inning came from an error on a ball put in play by Ryan Groeblinghoff, Andrew Marzahn, and Pierce Kettering, singles by Dillon Abeln and Kaleb Hoover, a walk by Cade Larson, and a home run by Simon.

Kettering got the win for Groton Legion Post #39. The pitcher surrendered zero runs on zero hits over two and two-thirds innings, striking out two and walking one. Colby Dunker threw two and a third innings in relief out of the bullpen.

Dawson Arbach took the loss for Hamlin Sr Post 37 / 217. The pitcher surrendered two runs on zero hits over one inning.

Groton Legion Post #39 hit one home run on the day. Simon went

Groton Legion Post #39 collected 18 hits. Kettering, Dunker, Abeln, Groton Legion Post #39. Abeln, Dunker, and Kettering each managed three hits to lead Groton Legion Post #39.

Watson Grantham led Hamlin Sr Post 37 / 217 with one hit in two at bats.

Late Score Costs Groton Legion Against Clark/Willow Lake

Groton Legion Post #39 stayed in it until the end, but Clark/Willow Lake Senators 18U pulled away late in a 12-6 victory on Tuesday. Clark/ Willow Lake Senators 18U was down 6-5 in the top of the sixth inning when Mitchell Larson homered on a 2-1 count, scoring two runs.

Groton Legion Post #39 collected nine hits and Clark/Willow Lake Senators 18U had ten in the high-scoring affair.

Groton Legion Post #39 got on the board in the first inning when Bradin Althoff drew a walk, scoring one run.

Groton Legion Post #39 notched three runs in the second inning. Althoff and Tate Larson all moved runners across the plate with RBIs in the inning.

Clark/Willow Lake Senators 18U scored four runs in the seventh inning. Clark/Willow Lake Senators 18U's big inning was driven by a by Conner Mudgett.

Trey Huber led the Clark/Willow Lake Senators 18U to victory on the pitcher's mound. The pitcher allowed zero hits and zero runs over two innings, striking out two.

Cole Simon took the loss for Groton Legion Post #39. The pitcher allowed six hits and seven runs over one and two-thirds innings, walking one.

Jackson Cogley started the game for Groton Legion Post #39. The righty surrendered five runs on four hits over five and a third innings, striking out six Hudson Fuller started the game for Clark/Willow Lake Senators 18U. The righty allowed nine hits and six runs over five innings, striking out 11

Groton Legion Post #39 racked up nine hits on the day. Pierce Kettering and Ryan Groeblinghoff each had multiple hits for Groton Legion Post #39. Kettering led Groton Legion Post #39 with three hits in three at bats.

Clark/Willow Lake Senators 18U had ten hits in the game. Mitchell Larson, Lucas Kannegieter, and Collin Gaikowski all collected multiple hits for Clark/Willow Lake Senators 18U. Clark/Willow Lake Senators 18U didn't commit a single error in the field. Zach Winter had 14 chances in the field, the most on the team

Groton plays at 1 p.m. today in the double elimination tournament

Groton Legion Post #39 Defeats Warner W.I.N. Varsity Despite **Allowing 3-Run Inning**

Groton Legion Post #39 managed through a push by Warner W.I.N. Varsity in the third inning where Groton Legion Post #39 coughed up three runs, but Groton Legion Post #39 still won 20-3 on Wednesday. Sam Nilsson and Quinton Fischbach all drove in runs in the frame.

Groton Legion Post #39 got on the board in the first inning. Bradin Althoff drew a walk, scoring one run.

Groton Legion Post #39 put up nine runs in the second inning. The offensive firepower by Groton Legion Post #39 was led by Kaleb Hoover, Pierce Kettering, Cole Simon, and Althoff, all driving in runs in the inning.

Dillon Abeln was the winning pitcher for Groton Legion Post #39. The righthander allowed one hit and zero runs over two innings, striking out three and walking one. Ryan Groeblinghoff and Althoff entered the game out of the bullpen and helped to close out the game in relief.

Trekk Hannahs took the loss for Warner W.I.N. Varsity. The righthander allowed one hit and seven runs.

Groton Legion Post #39 socked one home run on the day. Tate Larson had a homer in the fourth inning.

Groton Legion Post #39 had ten hits in the game. Kettering and Simon all managed multiple hits for Groton Legion Post #39. Simon and Kettering all had two hits to lead Groton Legion Post #39. Groton Legion Post #39 didn't commit a single error in the field. Althoff had

Fischbach led Warner W.I.N. Varsity with two hits in three at bats.

Brown County July 12, 2022 **Meeting Minutes**

JULY 12, 2022 – GENERAL MEETING

Meeting called to order by Chair Sutton at 8:45 A.M. in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Feickert, Fjeldheim, Wiese, and Gage. Commissioner Fjeldheim led the pledge of allegiance. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve the agenda. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public testimony was heard from proponents of the pipeline moratorium pipeline. Public comment was also heard on the status of the roads at Richmond

PIPELINE MORATORIUM:

Moved by Feickert and seconded by Fjeldheim to direct the States Attorney to draft a moratorium resolution regarding pipelines. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

RIČHMOND LAKE ROADS: Discussion with area landowners regarding the status of improvements to roads around Richmond Lake. Petition for repair was presented for Brown County Highway 13 from the intersection fo Brown County Highway 13A east to the existing asphalt pavement. Evaluation and repair estimates will be researched and presented at a future commission meeting. No action taken.

APPLICATION FOR OCCU-

Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Weise to application for occupancy by Virgil Frohling for Tile Pipe on County Road 5A in section 34&35, township Liberty, Range 62. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. MINUTES:

Moved by Feickert, seconded by Gage to approve the general meeting minutes of July 5, 2022. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS: Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Feickert to approve the following claims: Insurance: SD ASSOC OF COUNTY COM-MISSIONERS \$2,150.00 Professional Fees: DARCY LOCKWOOD \$81.00; HELMS & ASSOCIATES INC \$733.50; KENNEDY PIER LOFTUS, LLP \$121.20; LAN-GUAGE LINE SERVICES INC \$828.33; LEXISNEXIS RISK DATA MGMT INC. \$150.00; LUCY LEWNO \$820.00; MARK KATTERHAGEN \$81.00; MI-CHELLE GAIKOWSKI \$22.80; SANFORD HEALTH OCCUPA-TIONAL MEDICINE ABERDEEN \$72.00; SATELLITE TRACKING OF PEOPLE, LLC \$1,485.25; SD DEPT OF HEALTH \$40.00; YANKTON COUNTY SHERIFF OF FICE \$50.00; YANKTON COUNTY TREASURER \$785.20 Publishing: Chesterman Communications Inc. \$3,000.00; GROTON INDF-PENDENT \$128.86; HUB CITY RADIO \$300.00; MIDSTATES PRINTING \$2,727.70; SD MAGA-ZINE, LLC \$1,054.00 Repairs & Maintenance: ABERDEEN CLEAN-ALL, LLC \$350.00; B & B CONTRACTING INC \$10,688,80: Brian Braaten \$892.86; BUTLER MACHINERY CO \$3,334.20; CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS \$0.61: CRAWFORD TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT \$4,739.63; DAKOTA FLUID POWER INC \$481.82; DIESEL MACHINERY \$14,341.65; ECOLAB PEST ELIMINATION \$247.67; EILERS WATER CON-DITIONING & LAWN IRRIGA-TION \$227.50; GARY MCNEIL \$70.29; JALENE M. PALMER \$1,261.42; JENSEN ROCK & SAND INC \$5,895.00; KNCOS Inc. \$4,184.68; LAWSON PROD-UCTS, INC \$71.51; LEIDHOLT ELECTRIC LLC \$443.93; Meister Mowing LLC \$1,485.68;

RDO EQUIPMENT CO. - AG \$6,136.85; SD DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY \$320.00; STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA \$65.70; STEVEN LUST AUTOMOTIVE \$64.99; RANSOURCE TRUCK & EQUIP-MENT, INC. \$6,965.84; WALTH SAFETY SERVICE INC \$442.00: WOODMAN REFRIGERATION. INC \$502.04 Supplies: Adamsoft LLC \$250.00; AGTEGRA COOPERATIVE \$66,201.61; AMERICAN BUSINESS FORMS \$762.80; APH STORES, INC \$1,107.05; ARAMARK UNIFORM & CAREER APPAREL GROUP, INC \$127.29; BAKKEN BUILD MAINTENANCE \$500.00; BRENT A FISCHER \$56.00; BUTLER MACHINERY CO \$1,248.30; CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS \$32.05; CHARM-TEX \$59.80; COLE PAPERS \$2,124.07; CRAW-FORD TRUCKS & EQUIPMENT \$3,836.93; DAKOTA FLUID POW-ER INC \$6,299.85; DAKOTA OIL ,550.80; DIESEL MACHINERY ,989.21; EAST SIDE JERSEY DAIRY, INC \$1,099.80; ELEC-TION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE LLC \$6,857.45; FASTENAL CO \$590.47: INTERSTATE BATTERY SYSTEM OF SD \$141.95; JENSEN ROCK & SAND INC \$58,339.38; LAWSON PRODUCTS, INC \$847.09; LIEN TRANSPORTA-TION COMPANY \$159,328.40; LUCY LEWNO \$32.65; Makendra Ochsner \$138.45; MARCO INC \$143.88; MB LLC \$308.64; MENARDS \$82.76; MINN-KO-TA COMMUNICATIONS, INC. \$795.00; Napa Central \$63.56; PANTORIUM CLEANERS INC. \$84.00; PERFORMANCE OIL & LUBRICANTS \$424.43; PLUMB-ING & HEATING WHÓLESALE, INC. \$390.46; POMPS TIRE SERVICE, INC \$41.00; PRE-MIER SOUTHERN TICKET \$388.79; PRO AG SUPPLY, INC \$5.99; R.D. OFFUTT COMPANY \$2,880.76; RDO EQUIPMENT CO. - AG \$3,969.91; ROLAND L. MOERKE \$238.00; SAFE-**GUARD BUSINESS SYSTEMS** \$775.97; SHERWIN WILLIAMS \$564.93; TRANSOURCE TRUCK & EQUIPMENT, INC. \$1,100.76; US FOODS \$9,304.04; WALTH SAFETY SERVICE INC \$1,401.38 Travel & Conference: JOE KRAFT \$435.38; MARK MILBRANDT \$252.00; RUSSELL METZ \$134.00; SARAH SWENSON \$441.38 Útilities: CITY OF AB-ERDEEN \$2,040.14; ECONOMY PROPANE LLC \$1,829.38; MID-CONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS \$85.39; NORTHWESTERN EN-ERGY & COMMUNICATIONS \$1,911.90; QWEST CORPORA-TION \$305.49; TOWN OF FRED-ERICK \$76.00; VERIZON WIRE-LESS SERVICES LLC \$560.00 Rentals: ARAMARK UNIFORM & CAREER APPAREL GROUP, INC \$245.44; CENTURY BUSINESS PRODUCTS \$26.83 Others: SAFE HARBOR \$4,270.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. DESIGNATE DUAL CHECK

PRO WINDMILL INC. \$595.00;

SIGNATURE:

Moved by Feickert, seconded by Wiese to appoint Chief Deputy Auditor Brock Hoyle as secondary check signatory until an interim County Auditor is sworn in. All members present voting

aye. Motion carried.
AUDITOR'S REPORT OF AC-

COUNTS: Moved by Gage, seconded y Wiese to approve the auditor report of accounts for April and May 2022 as follows: April -Total Cash and Checks on Hand 7700 Total Checking Account Balances: 31660244.69 Total Savings Account Balances: 6675447.42 Total Certificates of Deposit: 3978174.09 Grand Total Cash and Balances: 42321566.2 General Fund Cash and Investment Balances by Funds: General Fund Cash and Investment Balances by Funds: General Fund 13083962.1 Road & Bridge Fund 2700464.91 Road & Bridge Fund - restricted 423243.27 911 Service 1096332.16 Emergency & Disaster 190956.28 Domestic

Abuse 1955 Teen Court -922.8 MUTH ELECTRIC INC \$1,081.43; Grant 32.11 JDAI -6864.29 Richmond Youth 0 24/7 Sobriety PANTORIUM CLEANERS INC. \$378.64; PRECISION KIOSK TECHNOLOGIES \$2,700.00; 39775.94 ROD M&P 109531.19 Join us in Western South Dakota ~ Relaxed Atmosphere ~ Lower cost of Living ~ ~ Easy Lifestyle ~ Great place to raise a Family **FULL TIME HELP WANTED** Moving Bonus **COMPETITIVE SALARY** Director of News and Wage negotiable and depends on experience and ability to work. We are ull Time Newswriter willing to train those interested in learning. and Photographer Ravellette Publications - Philip, SD eekly Newspaper Group and Commercial Printing Compar Contact: Don 605-685-5147 or Beau 605-685-8155

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LOTTERY PERMIT:

Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve the following lottery permit: Brown County Fair Foundation for Raffle August 16-21 at the Brown County Fairgrounds. Roll call vote: Commissioner Feickert - aye, Fjeldheim – aye, Wiese - aye, Gage – aye, Sutton – abstain. Motion carried

INDIGENT DEFENSE CON-TRACT- SET HEARING DATE:

Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Gage to authorize advertising and set bid date for indigent defense services. Bid specs are available at the Brown County Auditor's Office. Sealed bids shall be received hy the Brown County Auditor by August 2, 2022 until 8:45a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIM ASSIGNMENT:

Moved by Feickert, seconded by Gage to approve, and authorize auditor to assign the claim against an individual to Credit Collections Bureau for the purpose of collecting liens. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

FIREWORK PERMIT: Moved by Gage, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve firework display by Richmond Lake Association for display July 23, 2022. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

QUARTERLY INTEREST:

Moved by Feickert, seconded by Wiese to approve 2nd quarter interest in the amount of \$2,866.80. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: none EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to go into executive session to discuss personnel and legal per SDCL 1-25-2. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The chair declared the executive session closed with no action taken.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 11:26 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Cathy McNickle, Brown County

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Claremont Town July 12, 2022

Meeting Minutes The board of trustees for the town of Claremont met on 7-12-2022 at 7pm in city hall. President Johnson called the meeting to order with trustees Spencer and Rasmussen present. On a motion by Spencer the minutes of the June meeting seconded by Rasmussen were accepted. On a motion by Rasmussen and seconded by Spencer the following warrants were allowed: General: Missi Smith, mowing, 203.17; NWE, street lights, 534.56; Napa Holland Auto, oil filter, 14.99; Dacotah Bank, city hall loan, 573.55; James Valley telcom, 93.06; Don Vanderost, 6 1/2 hrs, 69.30; IRS, Fed 2nd quarter, 593.70; Charla Rye, wage, 350.00; WSSW: SD Public Health, water testing, 45.00; NWE, sewer left, 720.15; NWE, storm sewer, 100.25; Meier Henry Sargent, completion of counsel on wastewater, 6250.00; Helms and Asso., wastewater grant, 10,220,50; Helms and Asso, storm sewer study, 12,500.00; BDM, water purchased, 1018.40;

envelops, 25.72; NWE, temporary service, 115.75; Rural Development, water loan, 576.00; The board agreed to change order 6 and contractors application for payment #11. With no further business before the board a motion to adjourn was made by Spencer and seconded by Rasmussen. Motion carried.

C.Rye, F.O.

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Brown County Indigent Defense

FENSE SERVICES

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received in the Chambers of the Brown County Board of Commissioners at the Courthouse Annex, 25 Market Street, Ste. 1, Aberdeen, SD, until the hour of 8:45 A.M. on August 2, 2022. At said time and place all bids will be publicly opened, read and considered by the Brown County Board of Commissioners for qualified Indigent Defense Services with expertise in all phases of legal services that fulfill statutory obligations as set forth in SDCL 23A-40-7 and other such instances in which the appointment of legal counsel at the expense of the County has been

Envelopes containing bid shall

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Services Bid NOTICE FOR INDIGENT DE-

mandated by statute.

be addressed to the Brown County Auditor, 25 Market Street, Ste. 1, Aberdeen, SD, and shall be marked on the envelope 'Indigent Defense Services for Brown County". Bids will be opened on August 2, 2022. The 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.

ATTEST: Cathy McNickle, Brown County

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Bartell, Karin 21,097.13

Groton Area 2022-23 Salaries

Charla Rye, statement books,

Groton Area School District 06-6 2022-23 Administrator Salaries 2022-23 Auxiliary Staff Salaries. Bahr, Damian / 50,000.00 Bahr, Damian (bus driving) .. 16,055.00

 Schwan, Brett ^ *
 76,604.41

 Schwan, Joseph ^
 111,555.00

Schwan, Joseph ^	111,555.00
Sombke, Kiersten ^	72,828.14
Sombke, Kiersten ^Weber, Michael ^	80,948.62
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2022-23 Certified Teacher Salaries	
Brudvig, Ashley	50,950.00
Carson, Jordan	48,200.00
DeHoet, Lindsey	48,919.46
Dinger, Emily	55,081.05
Donley, Don	67,632.25
Eichler, Emily	52,851.98
Erdmann, Julie	. 57,707.63
Fieldheim, Susan	49,508.78
Fjeldheim, SusanFranken, Adam ^ *	61,839.84
Fuhrman. Reilly *	45,750.00
Fuhrman, Reilly * Gerlach, Kyle *	50,099.25
Gibbs, Ann	53,980.60
Glodt, Scott *	45,320.00
Gonsoir, Kristen	61,153.87
Grieve Lynette *	63,220.25
Grieve, Lynette *	. 57,327.96
Hanten, Sarah	52,016.95
Harry Janene	59,907.45
Harry, Janene Hawkins, Lance * Helvig, Aaron ^ *	61,828.35
Helvia Aaron ^ *	65,179.64
Hendrickson, Shelby	46,558.42
Hubsch Rocky	50,734.75
Hubsch, Becky Kjellsen, Greg * Kjellsen, Jordan *	50,734.73
Vielleen Jordan *	59,546.21 47,342.44
Kurth Travic *	60,414.68
Kurth, Travis * Kurtz, Diane *	62,472.42
Kurtz Sydney	48,858.43
Kurtz, Sydney	55,958.41
Lone, Janel	
Milbrandt, Julie *	52,880.15
Pederson, Rachael Peterson, Todd	53,713.00
Power Heather	49,133.89
Rowen, Heather	52,750.00
Schuring, Alexa	45,192.44
Schwan, Jodi ^	47,703.13
Smith, Melissa	49,434.57
Thorson, Scott	54,697.82
Tietz, Lindsey *	53,731.87
VanGerpen, Émily	49,324.00 . 47,297.58
Vogel, Dustin	. 47,297.30 . CE EC7.30
Wanner, Shaun *	65,567.20
Weisenberger, Carrie	52,847.43
Yeigh, Desiree *	55,411.87
Zoellner, Anne	54,757.27
Open - JH Volleyball	2,150.00
Open - JH Girls Basketball	2,150.00
Open - Boys Soccer, JV only	3,010.00
Open - Debate/Oral Interp	7,310.00
Open - All-School Play	2,150.00
Open - FBLA Advisor	2,150.00
Open - Competitive Show Choir	4,300.00
Certified Staff - 180 days, unless no	
^ Indicates additional contract day	ys

Indicates additional extra-curricular

Farmen, Clayton Jr. (bus driving) 8,196.50

 Fliehs, Clairé ^
 19,831.70

 Fliehs, Duane ^
 16,671.20

 Foertsch, Teri
 17,919.09

 Franken, Adam (.5 bus driving) 8,196.50 Guthmiller, Joel (bus driving) 16,393.00 Lewandowski, Rebecca...... 19,187.91 Lipp, Kami 20,473.83 Pigors, Tom ^...... 42,785.60 2022-23 Off Staff Salaries..... Activity Trip Bus Drivers........ 15.00/hr IEP/JrK/Columbia Activity Trips .14.00/hr Auxiliary Adult Subs14.00/hr Auxiliary Student Subs11.75/hr

 Dolan, Brian *
 14,835.00

 Erickson, Seth *
 3,010.00

 Hanson, Chelsea *
 4,730.00

 Harson, Chelsea * 4,/30.00
Harry, Aubray * 1,451.25
Kucker, Chris * 3,010.00
Locke, Matt * 5,160.00
Scepaniak, Ryan * 5,590.00
Strom, Jenna * 3,010.00
Traphagen, Trent * 3,440.00
Zoellner, Darin * 5160.00 Zoellner, Darin * 5,160.00 Bus Drivers - 169 days Other Auxiliary Staff - 171 days, unless noted ^ Indicates additional contract days

* Indicates additional extra-curricular

in Brandon PIERRE S.D. - The South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources (DANR) Forest Health Team has confirmed the presence of emerald ash borer (EAB) in Brandon, South Dakota. EAB has previously been confirmed in other areas of Minnehaha and Lincoln counties.

Emerald

Ash Borer

Confirmed

"A group of ash trees showing common symptoms of an EAB infestation was discovered by a DANR forest health specialist working in Brandon," said Marcus Warnke, DANR State Forester. "Upon inspection the presence of EAB larvae and adult exit holes were confirmed in one of the trees."

The discovery was immediately reported to city officials.

"Brandon has been anticipating the arrival of EAB in the community," said Bryan Read, Brandon City Administrator. "The infested trees were already marked for removal as part of our program to reduce the ash population."

The movement of infested wood, including firewood, is a common way to spread EAB from one community to another. State and local quarantines are in place to help slow the spread, but it is important to remember not to move firewood - Buy it Where you Burn It!

The state quarantine, which is in place year-round, prohibits the movement of any raw ash wood, such as logs, or firewood from any hardwood species out of Lincoln, Minnehaha, and Turner counties. In addition, the city of Sioux Falls has banned the movement of ash wood from Memorial Day to Labor Day. This action reduces the movement of EAB within the state quarantine area and is a great recommendation for those outside Sioux Falls city limits.

For more information about EAB or to report a suspected sighting please visit https://emeraldashborerinsouthdakota. sd.gov/.



80th Birthday Sharon (Raap) Busch

Sharon will celebrate her 80th birthday on August 2nd. The family is requesting a card shower in her honor. Cards can be mailed to:

> **Sharon Busch** 423 Main St. S. Bristol, SD 57219



Celebration of Life

Arlene Anderson

Monday, Aug. 1, 2022 **Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel** 112 N. 3rd St., Groton

Lunch served following celebration

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BRIDAL SHOWER

Please join us for a bridal shower honoring Ali Anderson (Mrs. Kory Anderson) on Wednesday, Aug. 3, 2 p.m., at Zion Lutheran Church, 301 Pew St., Andover. Registry at Target and The Knot. (0720.0727)

BIDS

MOTOR GRADER FOR SALE: Faulk County Auditor's office will receive sealed bids on (1) 2016 140M3 AWDB CAT Motor Grader. Bids will be accepted until 5:00 pm on August 1, 2022. Faulk County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids for the best interest of the county. For more information call 1-605-598-6233.

EMPLOYMENT

FULL-TIME DEPUTY SHERIFF, Hyde County Sheriff's Office, Highmore, SD. Applicants must be certified in law enforcement or willing to be trained and certified within one year of hire date. Experience preferred. Request applications from Hyde County Auditor's Office, 605-852-2519 or hydeaud@venturecomm. net. Submit completed application to Hyde County Auditor's Office, 412 Commercial Ave. SE, Highmore, SD 57345. Open until position filled. Hyde County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

FULL-TIME HIGHWAY WORKERS (3), Hyde County Highway Department, Highmore, SD. Class A CDL required for this position or applicant must be able to obtain a Class A CDL within one year of employment. Request applications from Hyde County Auditor's Office, 605-852-2519, or hydeaud@venturecomm. net. Submit completed application to Hyde County Auditor's Office, 412 Commercial Ave. SE, Highmore, SD 57345. Closing date: Open until filled. Hyde County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

WANTED: Labors \$18-\$22, Operators; \$21-\$25; Truck Drivers \$22-\$26. All are negotiable. Kennebec area. Call Gale 605-730-1119.

WALWORTH COUNTY is currently seeking to fill the position of Walworth County States Attorney. This is a full time position. Full Benefits package. Salary is negotiable. Contact Walworth County Auditor at 605-649-7878 for more information.

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EARTHTALK

Dear EarthTalk: Are oil companies actually taking steps to cut emissions overall or are their claims mostly just "greenwashing"?

– J.B.S., Waukesha, WI

It's no secret that the climate crisis is intensifying and the world is looking for solutions. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) stated in its latest report that we are facing a "code red" for humanity if we are unable to make substantive changes. According to the IPCC we must cut our carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions in half by 2030 in order to secure a livable future. Even though there has been a push for emissions reduction, global emissions are not showing signs of declining.

As top contributors of pollution, oil companies are under a microscope. In response to increased pressure, many have begun to make promises that they are working towards being part of the solution. The scientific journal PLOS One reports that major oil companies are using terms like "climate," "low-carbon" and "transition" more frequently in their reports and claim that they are striving to go "carbon neutral."

Carbon neutral is as much of an oxymoron as there can be when applied to oil companies, which begs the question: How do they plan to accomplish this goal? One way they are trying to achieve net-zero emissions is by investing in nature-based carbon credits. Essentially, they are pledging money to plant trees that

absorb the CO2 equivalent of the output of their company.

While this solution seems simple enough, common criticisms of oil companies' responses are that net-zero promises are solely based on facility operations and not on the fuel sales themselves; additionally, oil companies have continued to invest in more acreage for the express purpose of extracting more oil—thereby showing their true priorities. Researchers at Tohoku University and Kyoto University conclude that transitioning to clean energy is not occurring because investments and actions by oil companies simply do not match the public promises they are making.

It's important to understand that nature-based credits come with complications. It takes years for trees to mature so it's often unclear how much CO2 they'll absorb. In addition, the lifespan of these trees is not a guarantee either: With increasingly warm and dry conditions, there is an increased likelihood that these trees could die due to drought or fire, in which case the carbon offset becomes worthless.

So, are oil companies simply greenwashing? Some have made minor efforts but it is not nearly enough. That being said, it is important to know how we as individuals can still make a difference. Divesting from oil companies will help reduce the amount of money going towards these polluters. Even if you are not



Oil companies have made big strides when it comes to embracing clean energy, but they're still holding up the transition to a greener future. Credit: Pexels.com.

giving money directly to oil companies, your money can indirectly exacerbate the problem. Doing your due diligence to make sure that your bank is not funding oil companies along with other investments in your portfolio can make a world of difference. Reallocating money to make sure you are investing in a clean energy future will help to take the fate of our planet out of the hands of big oil companies.

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The student doctor; a complement to patient care





As a clinical professor at my state's

medical school, I frequently have medical students seeing patients with me in clinic. While the majority of patients are happy to allow student involvement, some decline. This makes me wonder what misconcep-

Kelly Evans-Hullinger, MD

tions lead patients to be averse to trainees participating at their clinic visits or hospital bedsides. In my experience, the presence of learners has a positive influence on our work in the clinic and hospital.

Medical education is a complex, highly intensive program that requires years of education and practice. Most medical students are college graduates who performed well in their undergraduate studies and went above and beyond their peers in volunteering, extracurricular activities, and other achievements. After college, some go directly to medical school, and some have variable years of other experiences.

Traditionally the first two years of medical school take place in the classroom, learning about anatomy, physiology, disease processes, microbiology, and pharmacology. The third and fourth years are spent almost entirely in the clinical setting, seeing patients, and learning how to apply their hard-earned knowledge.

After medical school, new doctors go on to their residencies to receive further training in their chosen specialty; and after that, some continue to fellowship. This postgraduate training is rigorous. After at least three but sometimes many more years, those physicians will be ready to practice independently in their specialty.

Recently a student and I saw a patient with leg pain and swelling. After the student's evaluation, we discussed in the patient's presence what features of this patient's pain concerned me for an urgent condition, how we should proceed with diagnostics, and why. The patient was able to observe how much thought went into our assessment, and hopefully the patient appreciated serving as teacher.

When I as an attending physician have a student or resident in my clinic, I am at my best. Students are caring and thorough with our patients. Teaching often requires me to talk about a new diagnosis or treatment in greater detail, and the patient reaps the benefit of hearing that discussion. It is not uncommon for a student to ask me a question to which I don't know the answer, and ultimately both of us learn something new.

I would encourage patients, when they encounter trainees in their medical care, to view these compassionate and hardworking people as I do: a true complement to patient care. All physicians are life-long learners and are exceedingly grateful for our patients, who are our greatest teachers.

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