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**Groton Area has several new staff members this year. We will be featuring them in the weekly edition of The Groton Independent and also in the on-line edition of the Groton Daily Independent.**

## Bahr is kindergarten paraprofessional



There are two new paraprofessionals this coming year for the Groton Area School District. Elizabeth Bahr will be the kindergarten para, and Chattarida Sukhmon will be the special education para at the high school.

Elizabeth Bahr, who prefers to be called Liz, has owned and operated a day care out of her home for the past twenty years. "My youngest child Raven is now going into kindergarten, so I decided it was time for a change for me too," Bahr smiled.

"I'll enjoy the regular hours at school, unlike those when running a home daycare," she explained. "It is always difficult when

trying to juggle many conflicting schedules."

"I'm also happy to be working with Ann Gibbs since we already know each other well," Bahr stated.

"I'll help Ann with classroom duties and also work with the students in small groups," Bahr stated. "There will be twenty-six students in Mrs. Gibbs' kindergarten class this year."

"I had twelve children in my daycare last year, including my youngest daughter," she said. "The advantage of working at the school is that my schedule will be the same as my own children."

- Dorene Nelson

## Sukhmon is HS special ed para



Chattarida Sukhmon, originally from Thailand, is the new paraprofessional for the high school special education department. She is married to a Groton graduate, Toby Carda, and continues to use her maiden name due to the Visa process which she'd started before they had married.

"I was nervous my first day on the job but enjoyed the experience anyway," Sukhmon admitted. "I work mainly with Todd Peterson, Sydney Kurtz, and Reilly Fuhrman and was able to be in the classroom to see how everything was done."

"I will be working mainly with four students to help them when they need it and to guide them in their school work," she explained. "I take them out of the regular classroom for individualized instruction."

"I also help them with various socializing behaviors such as blending in with the rest of the students, being friendly, and helping them with normal tasks and activities," Sukhmon listed. "They call me Mrs. S since my last name is hard to pronounce."

"I met Toby when he was teaching an online English class," she smiled. "We met in the local café / coffee shop where we talked about food and our personal life and education. We've been married for two years."

"Thail is my native language so I found English to be difficult at first," Sukhmon admitted. "Watching American movies and television helped me a lot with the pronunciation and accent. Working at Disney World in Florida also helped me understand and speak English."

"Back home in Thailand are my parents, my younger sister, and my dog," Sukhmon smiled. "My sister has that responsibility now! While I'm working here as a paraprofessional, my husband is student teaching in Webster. I think my job is much easier than his!"

- Dorene Nelson

## Early Paper This Week

**We are heading to Rapid City on Wednesday for our daughter's (Julianna's) graduation from Paul Mitchell School. So instead of waiting until Thursday to get the weekly out, it is done early! Enjoy!**

## Schuring takes over as athletic director



Alexa Schuring is currently the Math Interventionist at Groton Area Elementary School. In this position she provides individual and/or small group instruction to students who are struggling academically in math.

"I have always wanted to be a teacher, like my father," Schuring admitted, "but during my senior year in high school, my dad encouraged me to change my life path and pursue something other than the teaching profession."

"He just wanted me to spread my wings a little wider so I tried it for one year before transferring back home to NSU for teaching!" she smiled.

"When the athletic director job opened, I decided to apply but was surprised and

pleased to have my dad's support," Schuring explained. "Following in my father's footsteps is a dream come true for me. Sports have always been important to me as I grew up. Even our family vacations were spent attending State events!"

"I've been working as the AD now for about a month and really like the job," she admitted. "I'm very excited for our sports teams this year. We have excellent kids here at Groton and to be able to build relationships with the athletes, coaches, and parents is a huge and treasured blessing in my life!"

"As the athletic director I schedule events with other schools for all junior high and high school athletics," Schuring said. "This includes assigning officials and referees."

"I collect and make sure all student athletes have physical and concussion forms turned in," she explained. "I'm also the liaison between SDHSAA and our coaches, making sure our coaches have taken care of their required tests/classes before each season."

"Another job that is included is making sure that our medicine cabinet is stocked with the proper tools for coaches and trainers," Schuring stated. "I also have to approve all equipment and make sure everything is ready and set up prior to games."

"A big part of my job is communicating with the coaches, refs, community members, and other schools as to when games are and what time they will begin," she smiled. "Everyone wants to know when their favorite team and/or athlete is competing!"

- Dorene Nelson

## Dagel is new ag teacher



Anna Dagel, the new ag teacher for the Groton Area School, is from Watertown, SD. "I received both my Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Animal Science from South Dakota State University," Dagel listed.

"I do not have my teaching certification yet, but I should be able to finish that in two years. It requires twelve hours of college credit," she explained "Finishing the required hours to get certified as well as tackling my first teaching job will certainly keep me busy!"

"Although I lived in town while growing up, I had the privilege of going to my grandparents' farm," Dagel explained. "On that farm I worked with cattle to prepare

for the 4-H livestock shows. I loved working with cattle which eventually led to my college degrees."

"I decided to apply for this job because I love to learn and am very passionate about teaching and helping kids learn new things," Dagel smiled.

"The first job I have to do is organize my classroom and put up bulletin boards," she said. "I also have to get curriculum plans in place and start the lesson plans for the first semester."

"I'll use some of the lessons I learned from my animal science classes in college," Dagel added. "I'm very excited to be here and am looking forward to meeting my students."

- Dorene Nelson

**We have one more teach profile to publish and that will be in next week's edition.**

# Weekly Vikings Recap - Preseason Week 3

By Jack & Duane Kolsrud

Similar to last week's preseason game, the Minnesota Vikings came into their third and final preseason game of the 2023 season after practicing all week against their opponent, this week the Arizona Cardinals. The Cardinals appear to have already embraced the tank this season by trading away two of their starters last season, offensive tackle Josh Jones and linebacker Isaiah Simmons. The reports coming out of this week's joint practices were positive for the Vikings as the offense carved up the Cardinals' decimated defense, and newcomer Byron Murphy intercepted his former team multiple times throughout the joint practices.

The Vikings stuck to their guns in the final preseason game, resting all their starters yet again. However, this time head coach Kevin O'Connell also decided to rest his backup quarterback,

Nick Mullens, thus opening the door for rookie quarterback Jaren Hall to play the entire game. Hall looked good and confident to start the game, leading the Vikings to two touchdowns in their two opening drives to start the game. Hall, who offers a unique athleticism that Kirk Cousins does not, had a nice play where he avoided pressure and rolled out to his right to find Jalen Reagor on the sideline for a 14-yard gain.

Sadly, the success for Hall quickly stopped after that as the Vikings would only be able to earn three points the rest of the game and Hall would throw an interception in the fourth quarter. For Hall, he does appear to show flashes of possible future success but his biggest area for improvement going forward will be to maintain consistency at the quarterback position.

The big play of the game came from rookie safety Jay Ward, who strip-sacked Cardinals quarterback Clayton Tune in the first quarter after a nice blitz off the edge on third down. Ward, who came into the preseason as a fourth-round pick out of LSU, seems to have ensured a spot on the final roster come this Tuesday. Not only is his versatility something that excites the Vikings front office, but Kevin O'Connell said after the game that Ward had the best training camp of all of the players on the Vikings.

Despite all of this, the Vikings fell to the Cardinals in yet another preseason loss for Kevin O'Connell. His preseason career record now moves to 0-6, which means completely nothing once the regular season starts for the Vikings on September 10.

Final Score: Cardinals 18 - Vikings 17

Looking ahead, the Vikings will have to trim their roster from 90 players to the final 53 by

Tuesday. Right now, several players were on the team last year that appear to be on the bubble. One player is running back and kick returner, Kene Nwangwu, who looked poised to compete for the backup running back spot coming into this season, might be on the outside looking in come Tuesday. Although Nwangwu has elite speed, he was hurt all training camp and might not be a player the Vikings can count on for their running back room as they head into the season.

A player that will not be concerned whether he makes the final roster on Tuesday is linebacker, Ivan Pace Jr. Pace, who went undrafted this offseason, seems to have locked up not only a roster spot for the Vikings but possibly a starting spot. Like all the other starters on the Vikings, Pace did not dress for Saturday's preseason game against the Cardinals. Despite Kwesi Adofo-Mensah's less-than-ideal track record of drafting players so far in his tenure as the Vikings' general manager, the Ivan Pace undrafted signing might be the best move of his career so far.

After the final roster is set on Tuesday, the Vikings will have twelve days to start preparing for their week one matchup against Baker Mayfield and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. The Vikings will likely enter that game as 6-point favorites to win the game. If everything goes according to plan, the Vikings will begin the season 1-0.

## Another back to school pop quiz

Hey, kids, how's tricks? By now, we should all be settled in. When school started, my mother used to say, "Now my vacation begins." By the way, it was her birthday last week. Forward your cash gifts to me, I'll see that she gets them. OK, on to our Back to School Quiz. Whether or not it goes on your permanent record directly relates to the size of your tax-deductible cash gift to my beloved mother.



## That's Life

by Tony Bender

### 1. How do the Bender Kids address their mother?

- a. Mama Pajama
- b. Cassius Mom
- c. On bended knee
- d. Her Royal Meanness

### 2. Where does the phrase "How's tricks?" come from?

- a. Nautical term
- b. Naughty term
- c. Halloween delinquents
- d. Cheap Trick cover band

### 3. How was Doug Burgum injured before the GOP debate?

- a. Landed on his spurs after spectacular 360° dunk
- b. Kicking butt in the polls
- c. Tripped over his tongue

- d. Shot by Donald Trump on Fifth Avenue
- 4. How did Yevgeny Prigozhin die?**
- a. Natural causes
  - b. Wasn't the apple of Putin's eye
  - c. All we know is his last words were "Hold my beer."
  - d. Shot by Donald Trump on Fifth Avenue

### 5. Former ND Governor Ed Schafer's SUV was stolen from the KFGO parking lot last week by:

- a. Joel Heitkamp in a blatant attempt to frame Scott Hennen
- b. News Director Paul Jurgens in a blatant attempt to boost ratings
- c. A parolee who needed to get to an appointment with his parole officer
- d. O.J.

### 6. Last week, Donald Trump weighed in at 215 pounds and won a Bedminster tournament with a 67. How?

- a. With God all things are possible.
- b. Ours is not to question.
- c. "Do you believe in Miracles!?"
- d. Measuring in Celsius

### 7. What is wrong with Ron DeSantis?

- a. Glitch in the Matrix
- b. Positronic emotion chip short circuit
- c. The Body Snatchers
- d. In concussion protocol

### 8. One of the concerns of striking Hollywood actors is AI because:

- a. No need to bring veterinarians into this
- b. Would rather do it the old fashioned way
- c. May produce presidential candidates
- d. Everyone's seen 2001: A Space Odyssey.

### 9. Main reason Hunter Biden must be impeached:

- a. Got \$2 billion from Saudi Arabia
- b. That insurrection at Mustang Ranch
- c. Received 41 fast-tracked trademarks from China
- d. Met with Russians in Biden Tower in downtown Manhattan

### 10. What we've learned from 400+ mass shootings so far this year.

- a. Good guys with guns in short supply
- b. If they didn't have guns we'd have mass stabbings.
- c. Binary triggers may be a problem but only because of possible LGBTQ connections.
- d. It's the video games, namely Angry Birds.

### BONUS: The cause of unprecedented global forest fires?

- a. Forests
- b. Antifa
- c. Not climate change
- d. Electric cars

**Answers:** 1. c; 2. d; 3. b; 4. b; 5. a; 6. d; 7. b; 8. a; 9. a; 10. b; Bonus: c. Grades: 9-11 correct: No fair using Google. 6-8 correct: Dang, no Taylor Swift tickets for you. 3-5 correct: This teacher shortage is for reelz, peeps. 0-2 correct: Take two Kool-Aids and call me in the morning.

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# We the People

The South Dakota Humanities Council is making available a weekly column -- "We the People" -- that focuses on the U.S. Constitution. It is written by David Adler, who is president of The Alturas Institute, a non-profit organization created to promote the Constitution, gender equality, and civic education.



By David Adler

## Justice Joseph Story: Most Scholarly of Justices

Justice Joseph Story stands as a giant among those who have held a seat on the Supreme Court. Story was one of the greatest legal figures in the 19th Century, in the upper echelon of everyone's list of outstanding judges in American history and the most scholarly of scholarly Justices.

Justice Story remains the youngest person ever named to the Supreme Court. He was just 32 when President James Madison nominated him to the High Bench in 1811. At that young

age, he had already served in the U.S. House of Representatives, Speaker of the Massachusetts House, authored two volumes on pleading and was a leader of the bar.

Madison's appointment of Story to the Court was undertaken against the strong advice of his friend and mentor, Thomas Jefferson. Though Story was a Republican from Massachusetts, Jefferson warned that he would "out-Marshall, John Marshall." For one of the few times in his life, Madison ignored Jefferson's advice, but it wasn't long before he realized that Jefferson was right.

In his long and distinguished career on the Court (1811-1845), Justice Story, like Chief Justice Marshall, urged broad construction of national powers, at the expense of state powers. His masterful opinion in the landmark case of *Martin v. Hunter's Lessee* (1816) rejected the claim of state sovereignty, a theory that would evolve, years later, into the doctrine of state secession from the union. Story reminded Americans that the people, not the states, are sovereign, that the people, not the states, ratified the Constitution. That fundamental principle, Story observed, could not have been more plainly stated than it was in the Preamble to the Constitution, which declares, "We the people ordain and establish this Constitution."

In *Hunter's Lessee*, Story upheld section 25 of the Judiciary Act of 1789, which vested in the Supreme Court appellate review of state court decisions. The ruling angered Virginia, which contended that its high court should have final authority over cases brought in the state. Story demonstrated conclusively that the union could not endure if state courts were able to defy the U.S. Supreme Court.

Story's opinions reflected his life-long penchant for scholarship. They were studded with footnotes, reflected patient, laborious research and investigation, meticulous writing and, generally, were long and filled with numerous references to laws, cases and writers.

Story was devoted to historical scholarship and thought it was essential to the business of judging. Chief Justice Marshall, who admired

Story's intellect and a love for scholarship, once said to his colleagues, "Brother Story here . . . can give us the cases from the Twelve Tables down to the latest reports." Marshall was not exaggerating Story's knowledge of the foundation of Roman law.

Story's devotion to historical research reflected another interest: to provide lawyers with plenty of material from which they could derive arguments. Judicial opinions shorn of citations to writers and cases lack the utility of those grounded in great learning.

Story's energy was the stuff of legend. He escaped the anxieties of life through constant work. He conceded that, "My cheerfulness is the effect of labor and exertion to fly from melancholy recollections, and to catch at momentary joy." Story had suffered great personal loss, including the death of his first wife, six months after his wedding and, later, in his second marriage, the death of most of his children before adolescence.

Story's judicial career was just part of a broader career. He wrote nine books, including his celebrated three-volume work, "Commentaries on the Constitution," a widely admired treatise on the complicated field of admiralty law, and another on commercial law. During his tenure on the Court, Story held a chaired professorship at the Harvard Law School, where he assumed a leadership role and transformed legal education in America, all while serving as a bank president. Energy, indeed.

In Story's time on the Court, theories about conflicts of interest had yet to emerge. Thus, his extra-judicial activities included lobbying Congress for new legislation regarding the structure and powers of the judiciary and assisting Daniel Webster, one of the most influential attorneys in our nation's history, with speeches and arguments that asserted broad national powers.

Story's integrity and commitment to the law and the protection of the courts created some personal challenges and professional dilemmas for him at the tail end of his career. He despaired for the future of the Court and American Constitutionalism upon the death of John Marshall and the rise of Jacksonian Democracy. Marshall's death, he said, "meant the Constitution was gone."

Story despised slavery, on both moral and policy grounds, but was convinced that the Constitution sanctioned it. When slavery cases presented some leeway, he struck a blow for freedom, but he upheld the odious institution when given no choice. He failed to accommodate his morality with the law of the land in the tragic case of *Prigg v. Pennsylvania* (1841). His professional ethics compelled him to uphold the Fugitive Slave Act of 1793, which required the return of escaped slaves. The case pained him, but he reminded those who would listen that he was a judge, not a legislator. Still, he was excoriated by abolitionists, which contributed to his decision to retire from the bench in 1845, to focus on teaching and writing.

## Brown County August 22, 2023 Meeting Minutes

AUGUST 22, 2023 – GENERAL MEETING

Meeting called to order by Chairman Sutton at 8:45 A.M. in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Dennert, Fjeldheim, Gage, Sutton, and Wiese. Commissioner Wiese led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Commissioner Fjeldheim moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Wiese. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:** Jared Bossly met with the Commissioners to inform them that Summit Carbon Solutions is getting ready to file a motion requesting the Public Utilities Commission to preempt the County ordinances. He feels this is them trying to take power away from the counties and the people, and the county has done a fantastic job doing their jobs. Summit Carbon Solutions is going against Minnehaha, Spink, Brown, and McPherson Counties; Minnehaha has signed on with Alex Hagen of Sioux Falls and urged the County to give him a chance and look into him. Jared stated there is no disrespect to the State's Attorney, but we may need to step up our game and dig in our heels. He also stated there will be zero economic development or impact from the pipeline, but will hurt property values, take away from the west part of town, and put the people in danger. Jared stated the plume study is very crucial, and they need to be showing us because it's the only way anybody can make a good decision on this. Jared again encouraged the Commission to consider Alex Hagen.

**MINUTES:** Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to approve the General Meeting minutes of August 15, 2023. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS:** Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to approve the following Claims: Professional Fees: Aberdeen Karting Club \$500.00; ACBMSJPK \$5,600.00; Avera Medical Group Radiology \$40.66; Avera St. Luke's Hospital \$2,969.91; Darcy L. Lockwood \$15.00; Faulk County Sheriff's Office \$4,320.00; First Interstate Bank \$55.00; Fox Law Firm, PLLC \$160.00; Natrona County Sheriff's Office \$55.00; Northeastern Mental Health Center \$858.00; Sanford Health Network \$461.89; SD Dept of Health \$1,905.00; Valerie J. Larson \$15.00; Veronica Sainz..... 357.62; Yankton County Sheriff's Office \$50.00. Publishing: GateHouse Media California Holdings, Inc \$127.10; GateHouse Media South Dakota Holdings, Inc \$1,214.44; Groton Daily Independent \$838.51. Repairs & Maintenance: Auto Glass Solutions Inc \$410.87; B & B Contracting, Inc \$8,732.50; Dakota Doors Inc \$5.30; House of Glass \$1,187.43; Hoven Auto Repair, Inc \$73.99; Sewer Duck, Inc \$1,200.00; Titan Machinery \$1,936.40; Town & Country Building Supply \$59.64. Supplies: Aramark \$123.43; Avera LTC Pharmacy Aberdeen \$608.75; Century Business Products \$110.95; Cole Paper Inc \$1,295.50; Dakota Doors Inc \$260.00; Farm Power Mfg \$24.08; Fire Safety First LLC \$1,997.23; Fox Law Firm, PLLC \$2.88; Geffdog Designs \$500.00; GovConnection, Inc \$1,629.50; Hillyard Sioux Falls \$87.94; Kessler's \$244.16; Leidholdt Tool Sales, LLC \$246.54; Marco Technologies, LLC \$64.12; Menards \$762.74; Millstone Restaurant \$465.64; Performance

Oil \$653.06; Runnings \$59.88; Sander's Sew-N-Vac \$609.04; Steven Lust Automotive \$38.76; Thomson-Reuters-West Payment Center \$1,894.62; Weismantel Rent-All \$350.00. Travel & Conference: Lynn Heupel \$251.54; Safety Benefits Inc \$75.00. Utilities: CenturyLink \$674.29; City of Aberdeen Treasurer \$9,058.69; Dependable Sanitation, Inc \$513.00; Midcontinent Communications \$85.39; Northwestern Energy \$962.48; NVC \$3,370.52; Verizon Wireless \$3,004.43. Others: Safe Harbor \$1,137.95; WEX Health Inc \$3,000.00. All members present voting aye, except Commissioner Sutton abstained from voting on the Millstone Restaurant claim. Motion carried.

**HR REPORT:** Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Gage to acknowledge & approve the following Human Resource Report submitted by Human Resources Director, Allison Tunheim: Acknowledge: Transfer of Stacie Wasem from Brown County Home Detention Officer to Brown County Home Detention Sergeant, FT; starting wage \$26.46/hour-effective August 20th, 2023. Approve: Hiring of Jonathan Roberson as Brown County Jail Detention Officer, FT; starting wage \$20.67/hour-effective August 22nd, 2023; Temporary 2023 Brown County Fair Workers August 14th thru 20th: Gatekeepers \$12/hour: Jaycee Seaman.

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**CLAIM ASSIGNMENTS:** Moved by Commissioner Wiese seconded by Dennert to authorize and approve the Auditor sign the Claim Assignments against individuals to Credit Collections Bureau for the purpose of collecting liens. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**TRAVEL REQUESTS:** Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve the

following Travel Requests: Brandon Mills, Brown County Sheriff's Office to attend Problem-Solving Court Conference in Deadwood, SD from November 7-9, 2023; Judy Dosch, Maintenance to attend Risk & Safety Conference in Pierre, SD from November 1-2, 2023. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**PLATS:**

Resolution #38-23: Commissioner Wiese brought the following resolution: "Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, that the Plat showing Pigors Second Addition in the SE ¼ of Section 27-T122N-R60W of the 5TH P.M., Brown County, South Dakota, having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and any amendments thereof". Seconded by Commissioner Gage. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

Resolution #39-23: Commissioner Wiese brought the following resolution: "Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, that the Plat showing Huck First Subdivision in the SW ¼ of Section 23 and the NW ¼ of Section 26 all in T123N-R65W of the 5TH P.M., Brown County, South Dakota, having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and any amendments thereof". Seconded by Commissioner Gage. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

Resolution #40-23: Commissioner Wiese brought the following resolution: "Be it resolved by the County Commission of Brown County, South Dakota, that the following plat showing K. Jensen Addition in the NE ¼ of Section 34, Township 123 North, Range 63 West of the 5TH P.M., Brown County, South Dakota, having been examined, is hereby ap-

proved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL 11-3 and any amendments thereof". Seconded by Commissioner Gage. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

**TITLE 4 ZONING AMENDED ORDINANCE – SET HEARING DATE/AUTHORIZE PUBLICATION:**

Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Gage to set hearing date and authorize publication for first reading of the following zoning ordinance to be held on September 19, 2023, in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Proposed Ordinance #256, amending portions of Title 4 Zoning: Chapter 4.01 – Definitions; Chapter 4.06 – Agriculture Preservation (AG-P); Chapter 4.07 – Mini Agriculture Preservation (M-AG); Chapter 4.08 – Residential District (R-1); Chapter 4.09 – Mobile Home District (R-2); Chapter 4.10 – Lake Front District (R-3); Chapter 4.11 – Rural Urban District (RU); and Chapter 4.16 – Heavy Industrial (HI) and An Addition to Title 4 Zoning Ordinances of Brown County with: Chapter 4.37, "Solar Energy Systems" (SES) and "Private Solar Energy System" (PSES). The proposed ordinance will be made available for public inspection at the Brown County Auditor's Office or Brown County Planning and Zoning Office during regular business hours. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to go into Executive Session for Personnel and Legal per SDCL 1-25-2. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The Chairman declared the executive session closed with no action taken.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by

Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to adjourn the Brown County Commission meeting at 9:46 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Janel Hettich, Brown County Chief Deputy Auditor

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**Frederick School**  
**August 14, 2023**  
**Meeting Minutes**

FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2

Regular Board of Education Meeting

August 14, 2023

A regular meeting of the Frederick Area Board of Education was called to order on August 14, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. by President Rich Schlosser. Members present were Rich Achen, Jon Ellwein, Alex Hart and Eric Sumption. Others present were Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director Jeff Kusters, PreK-8 Principal Jessica Ringgenberg and Business Manager Shauna Severson. Others in attendance: Melissa Meidinger and Dan Miller. The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

No one was present for public comment.

2024-015 Motion by Achen, second by Ellwein to amend the agenda to include the approval of volunteer coaches. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

No conflict of interest disclosures.

2024-016 Motion by Ellwein, second by Hart to approve the following FY2023 consent agenda items. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

July 10, 2023 Regular/Re-organizational Meeting minutes

July 2023 Payroll

July 2023 Financial Report

August Bills

Financial Report:

General Fund- Checking: Last checking balance: \$420,447.03; End of Fiscal Year Receipts: \$400.00; Bal 7-1-23: \$420,847.03; Receipts: \$122,691.07; Disbursements: \$128,247.82; Bal 7-31-23 \$415,290.28. Investments: Bal 7-1-23: \$683,375.03; Interest: \$8.71; Bal 7-31-23: \$683,383.74. Ending Fund Balance: \$1,098,674.02.

Imprest Fund: Bal 7-1-23: \$5,000.00; Disbursements: \$409.00; Bal 7-31-23 \$4,591.00.

Capital Outlay Fund- Checking: Bal 7-1-23: \$1,030,667.53; Receipts: \$2,215.15; Disbursements: \$32,148.34; Bal 7-31-23 \$983,111.04. Investments: Bal 7-31-23: \$1,553,800.96. Ending Fund Balance: \$2,536,912.00.

Special Education Fund-Checking: Last checking balance: \$113,215.15; End of Fiscal Year Disbursements: \$409.52; Bal 7-1-23: \$112,805.63; Receipts: \$1,091.20; Disbursements: \$23,994.60; Bal 7-31-23 \$89,902.23. Investments: Bal 7-1-23: \$1,443,913.67. Ending Fund Balance: \$1,533,815.90.

Food Service Fund: Bal 7-1-23: \$6,142.67; Receipts: \$0; Disbursements: \$871.01; Bal 7-31-23 \$5,271.66.

Drivers Ed Fund: Bal 7-31-23 \$0.4.

Custodial Fund: Bal 7-1-23: \$35,254.25; Receipts: \$3,994.63; Disbursements: \$1,898.29; Bal 7-31-23 \$37,350.59.

Ovid J Stevens Scholarship:

Checking: Bal 7-31-23 \$1000.85. Investments: Bal 7-31-23: \$24,499.86. Ending Fund Balance: \$25,500.71.

Claims approved: General Fund salaries 62,510.34; Special Education salaries 11,220.41. EFTPS, federal income tax/Social Security/Medicare 20,520.16; AFLAC, supplemental insurance 1,147.27; American Funds, retirement 1322.52; Delta Dental, insurance 1,856.52; Northern Plains Insurance Pool 16,195.01; The Standard, life insurance 280.03; Security Benefits, retirement 1,098.89; Optilegra, vision insurance 415.28; SD Retirement 11,603.52; SD Retirement Supplemental, 328.22. Total: \$128,498.17.

Bills approved: General Fund: Agtegra-fuel, 794.91; Amazon-music/tech/math supplies, 811.34; AmericInn Mitchell-business manager travel, 263.86; Arrowwood Resort & Conference Center-supt travel, 232.90; ASB Property/Liability Fund-property/liability insurance, 61,955.00; ASBPT-Workers Compensation Fund-workers compensation, 7,909.00; Barondeau, Janelle-first aid, health & safety course, 35.00; Bledsoe Family Chiropractic-DOT physicals, 180.00; BP-fuel, 171.80; Century Business Products-copy overage, 40.32; Coffee Cup-fuel, 57.33; Cole Papers-custodial supplies, 172.35; Curriculum Associates-phonics textbooks, 453.60; FASD Imprest Fund-misc., 409.00; Fenworks-E-sports fee, 1000.00; GDI News-publishing, 248.29; Hauff Mid America Sports-athletic supplies, 419.55; Holiday-fuel, 13.04; Houghton Mifflin Harcourt-science/ss workbooks, 466.03; Innovative Office Solutions-maintenance/all-school supplies, 883.13; Intrado Interactive Services-school messenger, 1,755.00; JVT-phone, 234.20; Jostens-yearbooks, 1,428.00; Lake Region Conference-23-24 dues, 300.00; Learning A-Z-ed licenses, 1,895.40; M-F Athletics-track supplies, 871.70; Macs-maintenance supplies, 9.48; Menards-maintenance supplies, 190.57; Merchant Services-lunch processing fees, 38.28; MARC-maintenance supplies, 1,822.17; MDU-utilities, 2,149.76; NCS Pearson-title subscriptions, 420.00; NFHS-first aid, health & safety courses, 105.00; Pantorium Cleaners-supplies, 153.40; Pierson Ford-expedition service, 518.85; Ramsey Solutions- personal finance workbooks, 849.73; Risk Program Administrators-cyber liability insurance, 6,447.99; Runnings-supplies, 77.98; Savvas-science workbooks, 1,165.32; Schoolmate-planners, 217.50; Schwan Electric-fb field/supt house electric work, 624.60; SDBCA-bball coach dues, 32.98; SDHSCA-coach dues, 104.00; SF Airport-principal travel, 63.00; State of SD-medicaid admin fee, 23.63; Supreme School Supplies-office supplies, 48.67; Target-office supplies, 56.28; Town of Frederick-utilities, 618.54; Training Room-athletic supplies, 1,798.10; USPS-stamped envelopes, 434.80; Watch Game Film-game film renewal, 300.00. Capital Outlay Fund: Amazon-PE equipment (wrong amount last month), .01; Century Business Products-copiers, 306.66; Connecting Point-activpanels and setup, 21,907.44; Hauff Mid America Sports-VB uniforms, 2,888.95; Hegerty-PreK curriculum, 189.00; Houghton Mifflin Harcourt-science licenses, 600.00; MARC-gym floor finish,

671.40; Savvas-ss courseware, 1,530.00; Staples-TVs, 7,343.01; Vevor-ice machine, 806.99; York Barbell-weights, 1,091.62. Special Education Fund: ABAeC-ARE-direct therapy, 1,694.00; Amazon-spel supplies, 314.36; Attainment Company-math curriculum, 1,371.30; Avera St. Lukes-OT/PT, 974.10; Geffre, Wendy-mileage, 71.40; Pro-Ed Inc-reading kits, 502.70; Research Press-social skills curriculum, 336.78; Special Educator Academy-subscription, 250.00. Food Service Fund: Amazon-supplies, 45.73; CWD-holding cabinet CANS grant, 8,581.60; Gunther, Ashley-SNA travel, 54.00; Gunther, Faye-SNA travel, 54.00; Ramkota Hotel-SNA travel, 224.48. Imprest Fund: First National Bank-principal, supt, business manager travel, 404.00; Pies, Tanya-background check, 5.00; Custodial Fund: China Buffet-GBB, 219.89; Hauff Mid America Sports-GBB, 314.75; Kippley, Noah-BBB, 200.00; Losure, Sofi-BBB, 200.00; Pashen, Brock-BBB, 1,363.39; Riddell-FB, 82.42; Sumption, Brayden-BBB, 200.00; Sumption, Laura-BBB, 200.00; Valley Athletics-FB, 449.70.

The following reports were presented:

Dan Miller: JLG Architects

Jeff Kusters: Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director

Jessica Ringgenberg: PreK-8 Principal

2024-017 Motion by Sumption, second by Achen to submit a bid in the amount of \$26,892.50 to the Warner School District for the 2015 International school bus. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

2024-018 Motion by Hart, second by Ellwein to approve the FBLA Advisor contract offered to Shauna Severson, \$1500.00. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

2024-019 Motion by Achen, second by Sumption to amend the Preschool Policy to no-charge for admission. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

2024-020 Motion by Sumption, second by Ellwein to set Live Ticket film & production rates at \$15/game for volleyball and basketball; \$25/game for football. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

2024-021 Motion by Ellwein, second by Hart to amend the 2023-2024 School Calendar; September 8, 2023 will be a 1:45 p.m. dismissal. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

2024-022 Motion by Achen, second by Sumption to approve the additional fee of \$1.50/athlete for concussion testing for the 2023-2024 school year and absorb the full concussion testing fee in future years. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

2024-023 Motion by Ellwein, second by Sumption to approve the following Open Enrollments: SY2324-6 and SY2324-7. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

2024-024 Motion by Hart, second by Ellwein to approve the following 2023-2024 volunteers: John Bender, Haley Carey and Kennedy Kusters. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

2024-025 Motion by Achen, second by Hart to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Rich Schlosser, President  
Shauna Severson, Business Manager

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**Frederick School**  
**August 25, 2023**  
**Meeting Minutes**

FREDERICK AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT #6-2

Special Board of Education Meeting

August 25, 2023

A special meeting of the Frederick Area Board of Education was called to order on August 25, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. by President Rich Schlosser. Members present were Rich Achen, Jon Ellwein, Alex Hart and Eric Sumption. Others present were Superintendent/9-12 Principal/Athletic Director Jeff Kusters, K-8 Principal Jessica Ringgenberg and Business Manager Shauna Severson. The meeting began with all present reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion 2024-026 Motion by Achen, second by Sumption to approve the agenda as presented. All voted aye, carried.

No conflict of interest disclosures.

Motion 2024-027 Motion by Hart, second by Ellwein to go into executive session at 10:00 a.m. for SDCL 1-25-2 (1) Personnel. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Schlosser declared the board out of executive session at 10:33 a.m.

Motion 2024-028 Motion by Ellwein, second by Achen to adjourn at 10:34 a.m. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Rich Schlosser, President  
Shauna Severson, Business Manager

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I think I'd like to be a park ranger.



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What would you like to do some day?



Kids: color stuff in!



## Working With Animals and Pets

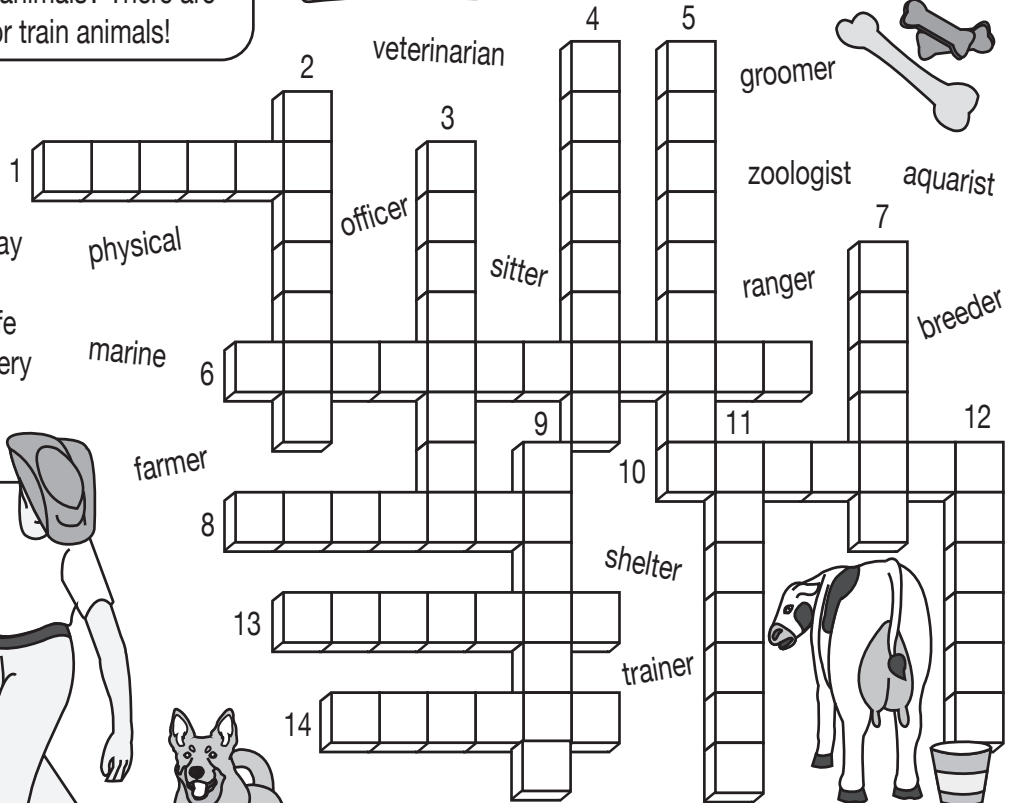
Celebrating Labor Day



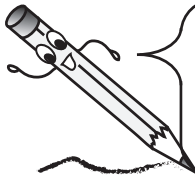
I'm just crazy about my job. As a veterinarian I get to work with many different animals. It took a lot of education and hard work to become a vet, but it was worth it! Would you like to have a career working with animals? There are lots of jobs in which you can care for or train animals!

Read the clues below to fill in the puzzle with jobs in which people work with animals:

1. pet \_\_\_\_\_ - cares for your pets and walks them while you're away
2. shampoos, trims and shapes fur, and clips animal's nails
3. cares for sea life; jumps into tanks to clean them; keeps the water safe
4. \_\_\_\_\_ therapist - helps to get animals up and moving after surgery
5. cares for a wide variety of land animals for our entertainment and education; cleans cages; feeds any animals within his or her care
6. doctor who specializes in medicine and care for animals
7. \_\_\_\_\_ biologist - works in the lab and on the ocean; names and classifies the animals in the seas
8. \_\_\_\_\_ worker - rescues animals that are sick or abandoned; helps to find them new, loving homes
9. helps animals have babies safely; keeps the whole family healthy; sells the babies to people looking for pets
10. uses praise and treats to teach animals behaviors
11. maintains land for livestock to graze; uses herding dogs to make sure livestock is guided and kept safe
12. park \_\_\_\_\_ - watches over the wildlife in parks; enforces the laws in the parks; watches for forest fires



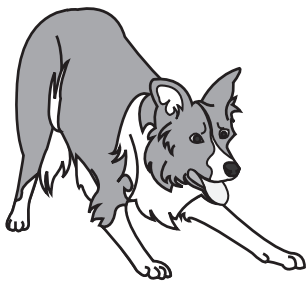
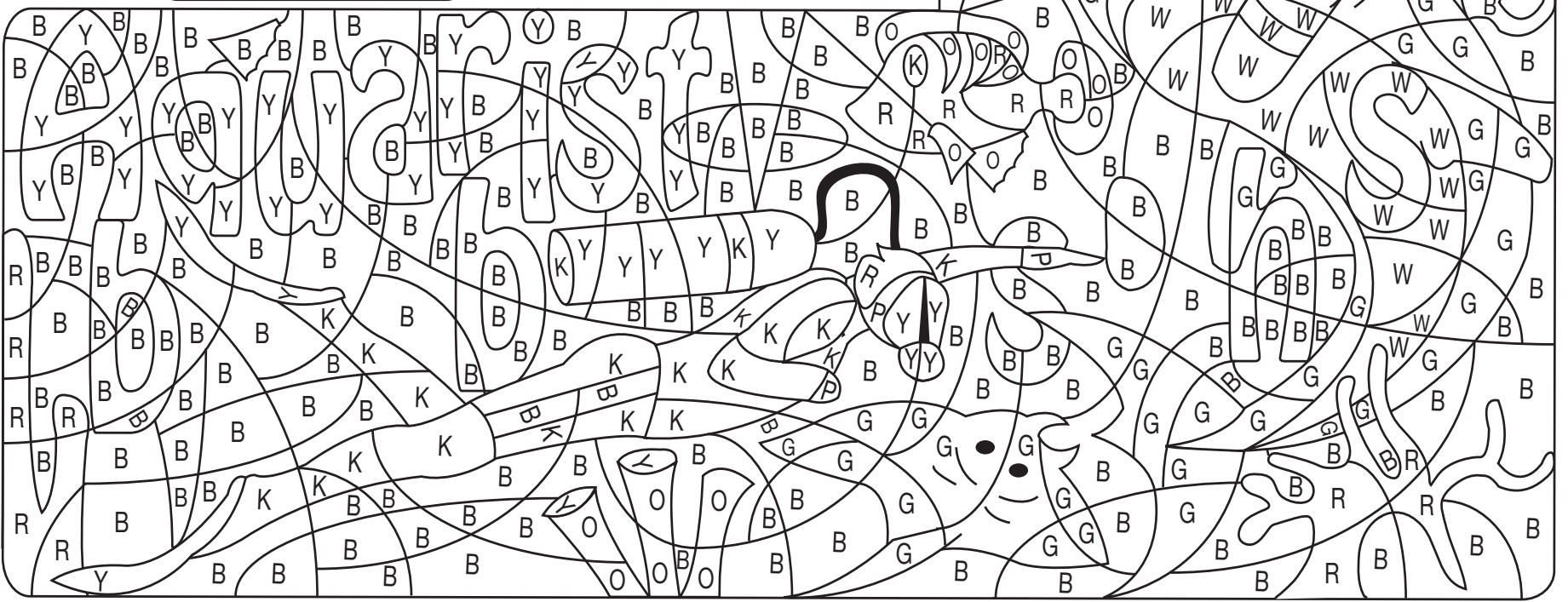
13. K-9 \_\_\_\_\_ - trains police dogs to help sniff out trouble
14. has lots of animals to help keep the property running smoothly: roosters and hens, cows, horses, others



Grab your colored pencils. Follow the color code to see who is hidden in my puzzle. This is a very cool job!

Who Am I?

B = Blue  
G = Gray  
K = Black  
P = Peach  
O = Orange  
R = Red  
W = White  
Y = Yellow

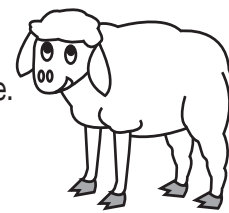


Animals help people do their jobs every day.

Match the clues to the area of service that the animals work in:

## How Do Animals Help Us At Work?

1. Some dogs are trained to help blind people cross busy streets.
2. Sheepdogs are trained to keep sheep in fields or where they need to be.
3. In Thailand, trained monkeys climb high into trees to gather coconuts.
4. People in the Middle East may ride camels in the desert.
5. Dolphins and seals have been trained to do flips and tricks.
6. Greyhounds bolt around a track. Pigeons fly on a set path and return home quickly.
7. Dogs trained to guard homes can scare away intruders with loud barking.
8. Mules help people bring all their goods to market.
9. St. Bernard dogs are herding dogs. They are able to help find people lost in the snow.



- A. Search and Rescue
- B. Transportation
- C. Herding and Hunting
- D. Racing
- E. Guarding and Security
- F. Guides and Helpers
- G. Entertainment
- H. Load Carrying
- I. Farming and Harvesting



# Groton September Calendar of Events

## Friday, Sept. 1

Senior Menu: Bratwurst on bun, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut, fruit, 3 bean salad.

No School

Soccer at Dakota Valley: Boys at 4 p.m., girls at 5 p.m.

Football vs Dakota Hills Coop at Waubay, 7 p.m.

## Saturday, Sept. 2

CLOSED: Common Cents Community Thrift Store

## Sunday, Sept. 3

St. John's Lutheran/Zion worship with communion. St. John's at 9 a.m., Zion at 11 a.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship with communion, 9 a.m.

Groton CM&A: Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m., SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church: Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.

United Methodist: Worship with communion. Conde at 8:30 a.m., Coffee Hour at 9:30 a.m., Groton at 10:30a .m.

## Monday, Sept. 4

No Senior Menu

No School

CLOSED: The Pantry at Groton Community Center

## Tuesday, Sept. 5

Senior Menu: Ranch chicken breast, rice pilaf, cauliflower and pea salad, cookie, fruit, whole wheat bread.

St. John's Lutheran LWML Ladies Aid, 1 p.m.

The Pantry at Groton Community Center, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, open 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

Cross country at Britton, 4 p.m.

Boys soccer at James Valley Christian, 4 p.m.

Volleyball at Webster (7th/C at 5 p.m., 8th/JV at 6 p.m. with varsity to follow)

United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.

## Wednesday, Sept. 6

Senior Menu: Baked cod, parsley buttered potatoes, coleslaw, fruit cocktail, whole wheat bread.

St. John's Lutheran Bible Study, 2:45 pm.; Confirmation, 3:45 p.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Sarah Circle, 5 p.m.; Confirmation, 6 p.m.; League, 6:30 p.m., Youth Gathering meeting, 7 p.m.

Groton Chamber meeting, noon, at City Hall  
Groton CM&A: Kids' Club, Youth Group and Adult Bible Study begins at 7 pm

Groton Chamber meeting, noon, at City Hall  
United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.

## Thursday, Sept. 7

Senior Menu: Spaghetti with meatsauce, tossed salad with dressing, pears, garlic bread.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Nigeria Circle, 2 p.m.

Boys golf invitational at Olive Grove Golf Course.

Volleyball at Aberdeen Roncalli: (7th/C at 5 p.m., 8th/JV at 6 p.m. with varsity to follow)

## Friday, Sept. 8

Senior Menu: Ham salad croissant, tomato spoon salad, pineapple tidbits, cookie, peas.

Youth Football, hosts Clark, 5 p.m.

Football hosts Clark/Willow Lake, 7 p.m.

Family Fun Fest, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., downtown Groton

## Saturday, Sept. 9

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Football junior high jamboree at Aberdeen Roncalli.

Girls soccer at Sioux Falls Christian, 1 p.m. (No JV)

Airport Fly-In/Drive-In

City wide rummage sale, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## Sunday, Sept. 10

St. John's Lutheran/Zion worship: St. John's at 9 a.m., Sunday school at 9:45 a.m., Zion at 11 a.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Rally Sunday. Worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday school, 10:15 a.m.; choir, 7 p.m.

Groton CM&A: Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m., SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church: Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.

United Methodist: Welcome Pastor Rob, Conde worship, 8:30 a.m.; Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Groton worship, 10:30 a.m.; Potluck dinner, 11:30 a.m.

Youth Football at Warner, 6 p.m.

Airport Fly-In/Drive-In

Couples Sunflower Golf Tournament at Olive Grove

Doggie Day at the pool, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

## Monday, Sept. 11

Senior Menu: Breaded pork cutlet, scalloped potatoes, Harvard beets, blushing pears, whole wheat bread.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.

The Pantry at Groton Community Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Senior Citizens meet at the Groton Community Center, 1 p.m.

Cross Country at Webster, 2 p.m.

Junior High Volleyball hosts Moberg-Pollock with 7th and 8th at 5 p.m.

School Board Meeting, 6 p.m.

Homecoming Coronation, 7:30 p.m.

United Methodist: PEO Meeting (outside group), 7 p.m.

## Tuesday, Sept. 12

Senior Menu: Goulash, 7 layer salad, garlic toast, mixed fruit.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Church Council, 6 p.m.

The Pantry at Groton Community Center, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, open 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Boys Golf at Redfield, 10 a.m.

Junior High Football at Redfield, 4:30 p.m.

United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.

## Wednesday, Sept. 13

Senior Menu: Beef stroganoff with noodles, green beans, Jell-O with fruit, whole wheat bread, ambrosia.

St. John's Lutheran Bible Study, 2:45 pm.; Confirmation, 3:45 p.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Confirmation, 6 p.m.

Groton CM&A: Kids' Club, Youth Group and Adult Bible Study begins at 7 pm

United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.

## Thursday, Sept. 14

Senior Menu: Tator tot hot dish, corn, Man-

darin orange salad, whole wheat bread.

Boys Golf at Dakota Magic Golf Course, 10 a.m.

Cross Country at Lee Park Golf Course, Aberdeen, 4 p.m.

Volleyball at Clark/Willow Lake (Clark): (7th/C at 5 p.m., 8th/JV at 6 p.m. with varsity to follow)

## Friday, Sept. 15

Senior Menu: Chicken pasta salad, grape juice, muffin, watermelon, carrots.

Homecoming Parade: 1 p.m.

Football hosts Deuel, 7 p.m.

## Saturday, Sept. 16

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Junior High Volleyball Tournament at Matchbox in Aberdeen.

Volleyball Tournament at Hamlin, 9 a.m.

Junior High Football Jamboree at Webster, 10 a.m.

Youth Football jamboree in Groton.

## Sunday, Sept. 17

St. John's Lutheran/Zion worship with communion. St. John's at 9 a.m., Sunday school at 9:34 a.m., Zion at 11 a.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship with communion, 9 a.m.; Sunday school, 10:15 a.m.; Choir, 7 p.m.

Groton CM&A: Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m., SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church: Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.

United Methodist: Conde worship, 8:30 a.m.; Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Groton worship, 10:30 a.m.

## Monday, Sept. 18

Senior Menu: Turkey sub with lettuce, tomato and cheese, pease, Macaroni salad, peaches.

St. John's Lutheran Christian Literature Circle, 7:30 p.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.

The Pantry at Groton Community Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Senior Citizens meet at the Groton Community Center, 1 p.m.

Cross Country at Clear Lake, 4 p.m.

Junior High Football hosts Webster, 4 p.m.

Junior Varsity Football hosts Webster, 5 p.m.

Youth Football hosts Doland, 7 p.m.

## Tuesday, Sept. 19

Senior Menu: New England ham dinner, dinner roll, fruit cocktail.

St. John's Lutheran Quilting, 9 a.m.

The Pantry at Groton Community Center, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, open 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

Junior High Football hosts Sisseton, 4 p.m.

Volleyball at Warner: 7th at 5:15, 8th at 6:30, JV at 6:30 with varsity to follow.

United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Conde Ad Council

## Wednesday, Sept. 20

Senior Menu: Sloppy Joe on bun, oven roasted potatoes, mixed vegetables, acini depepi fruit sald.

St. John's Lutheran Bible Study, 2:45 pm.; Confirmation, 3:45 p.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Confirmation, 6 p.m.;

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## Groton Area boys soccer team loses to Vermillion

The boys soccer team lost to Vermillion on Saturday, 10-0. According to Coach Jesse Zak, "Everyone played and got good minutes. We could have played for a lower score, but then others don't play. It was a learning experience." The game went 77 minutes, almost a full game, before the mercy rule kicked in on the 10th goal.

## Groton Area girls soccer team beats Vermillion

The Groton Area girls soccer team came from a 1-0 deficit to beat Vermillion in action played Saturday in Vermillion, 3-2. Scoring the goals were Kennedy Hansen, Laila Roberts scored on an assist by Jerica Locke and Locke scored with about 10 minutes left in the game to put Groton Area on top. Groton Area remains undefeated and still tied for first in the state with Tea Area. Tea Area lost its first game to Double A Harrisburg, 7-1.

Both the boys and girls will travel to Mitchell on Monday.



**The first local beef was at the school and was used last Friday. Larson Live-stock donated the beef.** (Photo from Groton School Lunch facebook page)

## Local Beef at Groton Area by Supt. Joe Schwan

We're excited that the opening of The Meat-house in Andover, SD brings a USDA inspected facility right to our District providing a great opportunity to serve our kids high quality, locally grown and harvested beef.

To help make this possible, the Groton Area School District is looking for donations of beef cattle for the 2023-2024 school year. We anticipate the need to be six head annually processed at different times throughout the school year.

The initial goal is to serve 100% locally grown and processed beef in our school lunch program.

If you are interested in donating to the Groton Area School District Local Beef program, please contact Joe Schwan at 605-397-2351 or Joe.Schwan@k12.sd.us.

Monetary donations to this program will be used to offset the cost of processing

## Death Notice: Marilyn Goodman

Marilyn Goodman, 90, of Groton passed away August 24, 2023 at Avantara Groton. No formal services will be held.

League, 6:30 p.m.

Groton CM&A: Kids' Club, Youth Group and Adult Bible Study begins at 7 pm

United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Groton Ad Council, 7 p.m.

### Thursday, Sept. 21

Senior Menu: Chicken Alfredo, California blend, peaches, whole wheat bread.

Boys Golf at Sisseton, 10 a.m.

Boys Soccer hosts James Valley Christian, 4 p.m.

Volleyball at Tiospa Zina with C match at 5 p.m. followed by JV and Varsity.

### Friday, Sept. 22

Senior Menu: Taco salad with chips, Mexican rice and black beans, Mandarin oranges, pineapple, breadstick.

Football at Sisseton, 7 p.m.

### Saturday, Sept. 23

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Junior High Volleyball Tournament at Hamlin, 9 a.m.

Girls Soccer at Tea Area, 11 a.m. (No JV)

Youth Football at Clark Jamboree

### Sunday, Sept. 24

St. John's Lutheran/Zion worship: St. John's at 9 a.m., Sunday school at 9:45 a.m., Zion at 11 a.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday school, 10:15 a.m.; Choir, 7 p.m.

Groton CM&A: Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 7:45-8:15 a.m., SEAS Mass, 8:30 a.m.; Turton Confession, 10:30-10:45 a.m.; Turton Mass, 11 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church: Bible Study, 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.

United Methodist: Conde worship, 8:30 a.m.; Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Groton worship, 10:30 a.m.

### Monday, Sept. 25

Senior Menu: Chicken rice casserole, mixed vegetables, chocolate pudding with bananas, whole wheat bread.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.

The Pantry at Groton Community Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Senior Citizens meet at the Groton Community Center with potluck dinner starting at noon.

Region 1A Golf at Valley View Country Club, Sisseton, 10 a.m.

Cross Country at Olive Grove Golf Course, 4 p.m.

Junior High Football hosts Aberdeen Roncalli, 4 p.m.

Junior Varsity Football hosts Aberdeen Roncalli after JH game.

Volleyball vs. Florence/Henry at Florence (7th at 4 p.m., 8th at 5 p.m., C at 5 p.m. followed by JV and Varsity)

### Tuesday, Sept. 26

Senior: Baked pork chop, cream noodles, California blend, apple sauce, Whole wheat bread.

The Pantry at Groton Community Center, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, open 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Volleyball hosts Great Plains Lutheran. C match at 5 p.m. followed by JV and Varsity.

Youth Football vs. Ellendale at NSU (3rd/4th at 5:30 p.m., 5th/6th at 6:30)

United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.

### Wednesday, Sept. 27

Senior Menu: Beef stew, biscuit, Waldorf salad, muffin, tomato juice.

St. John's Lutheran Bible Study, 2:45 pm.; Confirmation, 3:45 p.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Confirmation, 6 p.m.

Groton CM&A: Kids' Club, Youth Group and Adult Bible Study begins at 7 pm

United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.

### Thursday, Sept. 28

Senior Menu: Ham, au gratin potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower blend, fruit, cookie, whole wheat bread.

Parent-Teacher Conference, 1:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Cross Country at Sisseton, 4 p.m.

Junior High Volleyball hosts Britton-Hecla, 7th at 4 p.m., 8th at 5 p.m.

Junior High Football at vs. Clark/Willow Lake at Clark, 4:30 p.m.

### Friday, Sept. 29

Senior Menu: Chicken strips, tri-tators, peas and carrots, fruit, whole wheat bread.

Faculty In-Service, no school.

Football at Webster Area, 7 p.m.

Youth Football at Webster, 5 p.m.

### Saturday, Sept. 30

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Girls Soccer at Garretson, 1 p.m.

Boys Soccer hosts Dakota Valley, 1 p.m.

Youth Football at Waubay Jamboree

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# Football: Groton Area 56, Redfield 6

## Groton Area Tigers

**Rushing:** 28 carries for 244  
 Korbin Kucker 15-133, 2 TD  
 Keegen Tracy 7-18, 2TD  
 Teylor Diegel 3-8  
 Lane Tietz 3-(-15)

**Passing:** Completed 8 of 9 for 145 Yards, 3 TD  
 Lane Tietz completed 7 of 7 for 143 yards, 3 TD  
 Korbin Kucker completed 1 of 2 for 2 yards

### Receivers:

Colby Dunker 3-87, 2 TD  
 Teylor Diegel 2-24, 1 TD  
 Keegen Tracy 3-34

**Fumbles:** Had 1, lost 0

**Penalties:** 3 for 20 yards

### Defensive Leaders

Christian Ehresmann, 6 tackles, 1 sack  
 Brevin Flihs, 6 tackles  
 Holden Sippel, 1 sack  
 Teylor Diegel, 1 sack, 2 interceptions  
 Carter Moody, 2 sacks  
 Logan Ringgenberg, 1 sack  
 Keegen Tracy, 1 interception

**Record:** 1-1 (NEC: 1-1)

**Next Game:** Friday at Dakota Hills at Waubay

### Scoring:

#### First Quarter

10:19: Groton: Teylor Diegel, 40 yard interception return. PAT kick no good. .... 6-0  
 5:55: Groton: Korbin Kucker, 5 yard run. PAT: Kucker pass to Tracy. .... 14-0  
 4:27: Groton: Korbin Kucker 16 yard pass from Lane Tietz. PAT: Kucker kick. .... 21-0  
 0:14: Groton: Korbin Kucker 6 yard run. (PAT kick no good) ..... 27-0  
 0:00: Groton: Keegen Tracy 30 yard pass from Lane Tietz. PAT: Tracy run ..... 35-0

#### Second Quarter

11:19: Redfield: Justin Ratigan, 33 yard pass from Chase McGillvary. PAT: Run no good..... 35-6  
 6:46: Groton: Keegen Tracy, 75 yard run. PAT: Run no good ..... 41-6

#### Third Quarter

0:38: Groton: Colby Dunker, 43 yard pass from Lane Tietz. PAT: Kucker kick ..... 48-6

#### Fourth Quarter

6:21: Groton: Colby Dunker, 23 yard pass from Lane Tietz. PAT: Kucker run ..... 56-6  
 Mercy Rule: End of Game

## Redfield Pheasants

**Rushing:** 15 carries for -16 yards  
 Chase McGillvary 11-(-12)  
 Jacob Buranen 4-(-4)

**Passing:** 6 of 13 for 112 yards, 1 TD, 3 Int.  
 Chase McGillvary All Passes

### Receivers:

Justin Ratigan 6-112, 1 TD

**Fumbles:** Had 1, lost 0

**Penalties:** 1 for 15 yards

### Defensive Leaders

Justin Ratigan 8 tackles  
 Noah Johnson, 5 tackles  
 Chase McGillvary, 5 tackles

**Record:** 0-2 (NEC: 0-1)

**Next Game:** at Roncalli

# Gridiron team runs past Redfield

Groton Area Football Coach Shaun Wanner had just one word to describe Groton's 56-6 win over Redfield. "Execution." He said that was the main key to the game as the Tigers executed the plays well and dominated the game.

Groton Area scored five touchdowns in the first quarter while the defense had five sacks and three interceptions. Korbin Kucker had 133 yards rushing, Colby Dunker had 76 yards receiving, and Lane Tietz completed seven of seven passes for 142 yards and three touchdowns.

The game was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM with Mike Nehls, Paul Kosel and Jeslyn Kosel, sponsored by John Sieh Agency, Dacotah Bank, Groton Chamber, Bierman Farm Services, Locke Electric, Bary Keith at Harr Motors, BK Custom T's & More, Krueger Brothers, Groton Ford, Blocker Construction, Full Circle Ag, S & S Lumber.



**Korbin Kucker gives big bear hug and brings down this Redfield player.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Colby Dunker makes a catch and runs down for a touchdown.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Lane Tietz throws a pass as he was a perfect seven for seven on the night.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Teylor Diegel gains a few yards before being tripped up by Redfield's Ayden Understock-Jessen.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)



**Keegen Tracy makes the catch just inside the field.** (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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**Anna Fjeldheim**  
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**Chesney Weber**  
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**Elizabeth Fliehs**  
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**Faith Traphagen**  
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**Rylee Dunker**  
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**Carly Guthmiller**  
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## Hamlin pulls out 3-2 win over Groton Area

Fans were treated to a fantastic volleyball match in a nicely cooled Groton Area Arena Thursday evening as Hamlin pulled out a 3-2 win. When you add the scores all up, both teams scored 109 points. The match was tied 26 times and there were 21 lead changes in event that was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM.

Groton Area won the first set, 25-20. The second set went extra points as Hamlin pulled out a 27-25 win. The Chargers got the upper hand of the match with a 25-21 third set win. Groton Area rallied late, scoring eight unanswered points down the stretch of the fourth match with Rylee Dunker having two ace serves at the end as Groton tied them match with a 25-22 win. Hamlin had a six-point lead in the fifth set, but Groton came back to take the lead, 13-12, but the Chargers got the last three points for the win.

Three players hit double figures for Groton's scoring with Rylee Dunker having 12 kills, three blocks and there ace serves, Anna Fjeldheim had 16 kills, 18 digs and five ace serves, Sydney Leicht had 12 kills and 11 digs, Lydia Meier had six kills, Elizabeth Fliehs had two kills and a block, Carly Guthmiller had 27 digs, two assists, one kill and two ace serves, Laila Roberts had two ace serves, Chesney Weber had two kills and Jaedyn Penning and Emma Kutter each had a kill.

Addison Neudendorf led the Chargers with 13 kills, seven ace serves and three blocks. Marissa Baudon had seven kills and two ace serves, Emily Everson had nine kills, Grace Opdahl had five ace serves, Tiahna Temple had a block and a kill and Jayci Trowbridge had one ace serve.

Groton's next opponent is at Ipswich on Tuesday. Ipswich last night lost to Highmore/Harrold in game scores of 25-16, 30-28 and 25-19.

Groton Area won the junior varsity match, 2-0, with game scores of 25-15 and 25-10. That match was also broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Kellie Locke and family. Talli Wright had three kills and one ace serve, Emma Kutter had four kills and one ace serve, Taryn Traphagen had one kill, Jaedyn Penning had five kills and two ace serves, Sydney Locke had four ace serves, Kella Tracy had six kills and Chesney Weber six ace serves and three kills.

Groton Area won the C match, 24-26, 25-17 and 15-6.

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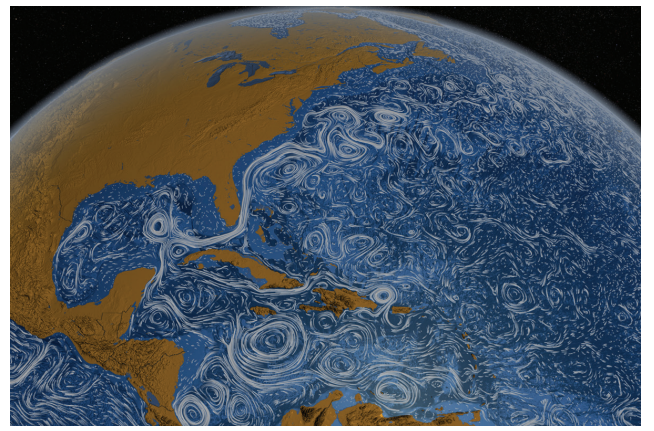
The Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC)—aka the “Gulf Stream”—is a vital system of ocean currents, driven by temperature and salinity disparities at various locales and depths. Warm surface waters are propelled poleward by winds and tides. At the poles, the water cools, forming ice crystals devoid of salt and nutrients. The denser salt and nutrients sink to the cooler waters below, while warmer, less dense waters rise. This transports warmth and nutrients to the coasts of Africa and the Americas. In essence, the AMOC serves as a conveyor belt that transports nutrients and heat all around the globe.

Why are people worried about a Gulf Stream collapse? Rising global temperatures cause rapid melting of polar ice caps, introducing non-saline water. This dilutes deep currents, weakens AMOC’s upwelling, and disrupts circulation. Freshwater doesn’t sink rapidly, leading to a “traffic jam.” University College London researcher David Thornalley reports that the AMOC is at its weakest point in 1,600 years.

The future of AMOC is debated. Some predict it will halt; others foresee a slowdown. Some believe the point-of-no-return will come in 2025 while optimists believe we have until 2095 to stabilize the situation. Regardless, scientists have reached a consensus on the consequences of melting polar ice. The U.S. East Coast will certainly experience flooding and cooling. The Gulf Stream brings warm waters along the east coast of North America. If it stops completely, the East Coast may experience a 9°F cooldown within a decade. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) estimates that water levels are rising at a rate of one inch every three years. Between now and 2050, coastal sea levels are projected to rise one to four feet. Areas like Miami, New Orleans, Atlantic City, Manhattan, Long Island, San Francisco, San Diego and Honolulu could face severe infrastructure damage from flooding. This is not a global-scale Ice Age, but it certainly implicates grave repercussions.

Areas in Africa and Asia will grapple with drought. The AMOC brings monsoonal rainfall to areas in West Africa and South Asia. Without this circulation, countries such as Sudan, Senegal, India and Thailand will encounter drought. The supply of freshwater for human activities and agriculture will be jeopardized. The Amazon Rainforest may transform into a savanna. The AMOC brings rainfall to the Amazon Rainforest. Without this precipitation, Harvard researchers hypothesize that this tropical forest may transition into a dry savanna. The Amazon would absorb less carbon dioxide and produce less oxygen. In addition, the over three million Amazon species will struggle to survive.

Biodiversity in aquatic ecosystems will decline. The AMOC transports nutrients and oxygen. Without the circulating presence of these organic materials, populations of life forms on all tiers of the food chain will most likely dwindle. Though neither the collapse of the Gulf Stream nor a modern-day Ice Age are guaranteed, the declining rate of the AMOC poses serious threats to our current way of life and the survival of other organisms around the globe. Reining in carbon emissions at home and around the globe is our only hope of avoiding this among many cataclysmic natural disasters in the years to come..



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## “Writing as therapy”

During the South Dakota Festival of Books, I listened to a group of five successful novelists discussing the art of writing and what they gained from creating those words. They all seemed to agree with journalist Malcolm Gladwell, who said that it takes some talent, but more importantly, about 10,000 hours of practice to become good at anything. They each also said that writing has given them joy and humor, an understanding about life and a sense of meaning.

Hearing all this, I reflected on how much room I have for improvement in my own writing. On the other hand, I realized my compositions are not for a novel but for self-help, and the goal of my latest book, *Life's Final Season*, is to help people during their aging and dying process. As opposed to a novel, my writing has a different purpose. I also thought how therapeutic my writing has been for me since my cancer diagnosis.

There is a lot out there about writing as therapy. Orthopedic surgeon Dr. David Hanscom, in his book *Back in Control*, provides for us a writing method to help people in chronic pain. He advises those in pain to write down any random thoughts for ten to thirty minutes once or twice a day for at least several months. Hanscom reports the theory that when pain becomes chronic, the signals change from damage pain activity in one part of the brain to an emotional (fear and anxiety) response in a different part of the brain. Hanscom asserts that the daily writing exercise truly helps people break the pain cycle when nothing else helps.

Professor Dr. Gillie Bolton also recommends a daily writing program for chronic pain. She says not to worry about grammar, style or spelling and advises starting by unloading and dumping negative thoughts followed by expressive and explorative writing about any topic. She suggests focusing on the writing without distraction, finding time to do it once or twice daily and doing it for yourself (not others). Her contention: writing helps us illuminate our own suppressed feelings thereby helping people deal with chronic pain, depression and the miseries of life.

I truly hope my book helps caregivers and people who are aging and dying, but my writing has had the added benefit of helping me cope with a deadly diagnosis. A daily writing exercise may just help you too.



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Richard P. Holm, MD, passed away in March of 2020 after a battle with pancreatic cancer. He was founder of The Prairie Doc® and author of “Life’s Final Season, A Guide for Aging and Dying with Grace” available on Amazon. Dr. Holm’s legacy lives on through his Prairie Doc® organization. For free and easy access to the entire Prairie Doc® library, visit [www.prairiedoc.org](http://www.prairiedoc.org) and follow Prairie Doc® on Facebook, featuring On Call with the Prairie Doc® a medical Q&A show streaming on Facebook and SDPB most Thursdays at 7 p.m. Central.