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Middle/Elementary School music awards from Aberdeen Band Contest



Students received excellent ratings at the Aberdeen band contest. Left to right are Jameson Penning, clarinet; Chloe Witchey, flute; Andi Gauer, alto saxophone; GraceLynn Hubbs Mullner, trumpet; Adeline Kotzer, flute; Tenley Frost, flute; Shaydon Wood, trumpet; and Wyatt Morehouse, snare drum. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



These students received superior ratings on their ensembles at the Aberdeen band contest. Trombone duet: Rylie Rose and Libby Cole. Mixed Duet: Addison Hoeft, alto sax; and Makenna Krause, marimba. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Students received excellent plus ratings at the Aberdeen band contest. Pictured left to right are Eli Heilman, baritone; Zach Flihs, saxophone; Lincoln Shilhanek, saxophone; Ryder Schwan, mallets; and Owen Sperry, snare drum. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Students received superior plus ratings at the Aberdeen band contest. Pictured left to right are Hudson Eichler, snare and mallets; Liam Johnson alto sax; Amelia Ewalt, flute; and Novalea Warrington, flute. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Students received superior ratings at the Aberdeen band contest. Pictured left to right are Xzavier Klebsch, alto sax; Ryder Schwan, snare drum; Connor Kroll, bass clarinet; Haden Harder, clarinet; Logan Olson, trombone; Asher Zimmerman, trombone; Kolton Antonsen, snare drum; Wesley Borg, tenor sax; Jordan Schwan, snare drum; Liam Lord, tuba; Fernando Nava, mallets; Gavin Hanten, snare and mallets; Kason Oswald, trumpet; Arianna Dinger, flute; TC Schuster, tuba; Aspen Beto, clarinet; and Rowin Jansen van Rensburg, trumpet. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Chamber welcomes Tiger Tots Childcare

The Groton Chamber welcomed Tiger Tots Childcare to the Groton community recently! Tiger Tots is owned by Jamie Krueger and is located at 8 E 4th Ave. Call/text Jamie at 605-216-3870 for weekly rates (full time, part time, or drop ins). Pictured are Topper Tastad, Ashley Bentz, Jamie Krueger, Douglas Heinrich and April Abeln. (Courtesy photo)



These fifth grade students received superiors at Middle School Band Contest in Aberdeen.

From left to right: Andi Iverson and Libby Johnson- Trumpet Duet, Gracie Borg- Flute, Ayce Warrington- Trombone, Lillian Davis- Alto Sax, Tori Schuster- Alto Sax, Amara Freeland- Alto Sax, and Addison Steffes- Flute. (Courtesy photo)



R.O.A.R. Award

Paraprofessional Alison Tvinnereim was presented with the R.O.A.R. Award at the elementary concert. Members of the elementary PAC (Elizabeth Varin on the left and Maddy Gonsoir on the right) presented the award and she will receive \$500. She is pictured in the middle. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

He Fixed Things

Every town has one. One old man to fix the broken toys. One old man to tell the stories. One old man to bring us joy.



In Ashley, ND, where I was born, it was Mr. Miller. He made wooden moons with petite shelves for knick-knacks to hang on Mom's walls. His garage was loaded with them. They were scattered among the sawdust, and each one was unique. He made glorious birdhouses, and I remember erecting his creations in the yards of my youth. A pale green home for sparrows stood proudly in our yard, and a huge red birdhouse survives to this very day. It could house overweight ostriches.

In Frederick, SD, where I grew up, the place I call my hometown, there was another man. Cut from the same cloth. Same Union. God or Fate or Luck deposited my family next door. We rented his house while he lived in the faded green trailer to the west. Somehow it didn't seem fair that Glenn and Ethel should live in a closet while we lived in a castle. It seemed that way to me then. There were wooden pillars that separated the living and dining rooms, fancy hanging light fixtures and two bathrooms. The house had two porches and the front screens soon became bowed from the force of whiffle balls missed by inept batsmen. This, of course, didn't please Ethel, but Glenn never said a word and once in awhile he replaced the screens. And then we had a fresh backstop Glenn would fix our bikes and assemble new toys. His stored paint in our basement became community property, and my two-wheeler soon was a horrid maroon.

He'd drag home wrecked cars to dismantle, though he never found the time. Seems he could never let anything go to waste. That old Ford soon became a permanent third base.

When Glenn was finally retired from his job at the Ford Garage, it hurt us almost as much as it hurt him. He still had a lot of years left to give. We knew that. They got lost in the numbers. But it all turned out for the best. He had more time to fix our dented screens and our wobbly bikes, and he had more time to go fishing. He loved to fish. We ate the extras, and his mangy cats got the rest.

Fishing wasn't enough to keep him occupied, and soon every odd job that needed doing was being done by Glenn. He could do anything... or at least he thought he could and most everyone believed him.

I remember Glenn and "Shorty" coming over to fix an electrical malady that had plagued the family. In classic Abbott and Costello style, they argued over who would have to torture aged knees to test the socket near the floor. Glenn finally decreed that it should be Shorty

since he was built closer to the floor. I don't remember if they ever solved the problem or what the final charge was, but in entertainment value it was a bargain.

After Ethel had passed on, Mom and Dad would invite Glenn over for supper, and he'd tell the same old stories over again. A wicked mimic, Mom would go, "To make a short story reallllly long..." in perfect imitation of Glenn. But it was done in fun, and we loved hearing those old stories as much as he loved telling them.

It was Mom who called to tell me that Glenn had died. She never calls unless it's really important. I hate it when she calls.

At the funeral I sat beside little brother, Mike. He cried as we sat in the pew nearest the coffin. I wanted to comfort him, but I didn't know how, I was crying too.

Now, at the Community Store, where everyone meets for 8 a.m. for coffee, one chair is still vacant. No one dares sit there. It's Glenn's chair.

That's Life
by Tony Bender

Weekly Vikings Roundup
By Jordan Wright

The NFL draft made history last week. For the first time, no defensive player was taken in the first 14 picks, and there were 23 offensive players taken in the first round, beating the previous record of 19. The six quarterbacks taken also tied an NFL record that was set in 1983. The Vikings were one of the teams to take a QB in the first round, and they're hoping for similar results to 1983, considering three of those six QBs are now in the Hall of Fame (John Elway, Jim Kelly, and Dan Marino).

Heading into the draft, most analysts assumed the Vikings would have to move way up to secure their franchise QB. However, General Manager Kwesi Adofo-Mensah called the league's bluff and waited until the 10th pick to get his guy J.J. McCarthy. Moving up just one spot saved a considerable amount of draft ammunition that would be needed later in the first round, when the Vikings moved from 23 to 17 to grab perhaps the best defensive player in the draft, edge rusher Dallas Turner.

J.J. McCarthy – If you read my previous column, you know I wasn't high on McCarthy. However, I trust Vikings' head coach Kevin O'Connell – a former NFL QB – to know a whole heck of a lot more about the position than I do. They identified McCarthy as someone they could win with, and they didn't need to trade three (or more) first-round picks to get him. I'd call that a win.

McCarthy is a winner, having only lost three games since high school. He's also a champion, helping Michigan win a ring just a few months ago. His arm strength, accuracy, and mobility are good enough, and everyone around him raves about his leadership ability. My concern is that he wasn't asked to go out and win games

for Michigan. In fact, in the championship game, he only threw 18 passes (completing 10) for 180 yards and zero touchdowns. He also only had one game this past season where he threw more than 30 passes. Will he be able to handle an increased workload in the NFL? Or will he simply be a game manager at the next level? Only time will tell.

Dallas Turner – A player I thought the Vikings would take at 11 if they elected to wait on a QB, Turner has the makings of a defensive cornerstone. He was a team captain at Alabama, a First-Team All-SEC selection, and the SEC defensive player of the year.

Because of the run of offensive players in this draft, the Vikings were able to get an elite player at one of football's most important positions. With Danielle Hunter leaving in free agency, the Vikings needed to find someone to start opposite Jonathan Greenard – and Turner is perhaps the best possible outcome in that scenario. Now, defensive coordinator Brian Flores has a lot more firepower for his blitz-heavy system.

Due to the trades Minnesota made during the draft (and before it when they traded for the 23rd overall pick), the Vikings didn't have any picks on day two. Next week, we cover the picks made in rounds five through seven. Skol!

Thompson has perfect score in first week of Trap Shooting

The first week of the 2024 High School Trap Shooting Season concluded with the top five shooters having a score of 245 out of 250. Turner Thompson had a perfect score of 50 out of 50 to lead Groton Area. Twenty-four out of 26 shot a score of 20 or better.

Groton Area students participate in the South Dakota State High School Clay Target League.

Athlete Name	Rd1	Rd2	Tot.
THOMPSON, TURNER	25	25	50
SCEPANIAK, ISIAIAH	24	25	49
SMITH, TREY	24	25	49
HOLMES, ASHTON	25	24	49
FEIST, CADENCE	23	25	48
MITCHELL, PAISLEY	24	24	48
MITCHELL, PAYTON	24	24	48
MOREHOUSE, WESLEY	24	23	47
KAMPA, JAEGER	23	23	46
SPERRY, OWEN	23	22	45
KAMPA, TRISTAN	21	23	44
FLIEHS, FAITH	23	21	44
POWERS-DINGER, MICHAEL	22	22	44
FROST, CHARLIE	23	20	43
SPERRY, ASHLYN	22	21	43
WAMBACH, BRYSON	21	22	43
HANSON, LAYNE	21	22	43
STANGE, TYTON	20	21	41
SCEPANIAK, NOAH	21	20	41
THOMPSON, TARYN	18	22	40
PIGORS, GENTRY	15	22	37
LEICHT, TUCKER	18	18	36
KUTTER, IAN	15	17	32
KOTZER, ADELINE	13	15	28
HOLMES, SYDNEY	6	10	16

Remington Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

My name is Glenna Remington and I am 33 year resident of Groton, SD. I am voting for Logan Manhart for State House on June 4th because he supports what is right for Groton. He supports law enforcement, private property rights, he is pro-life, and supports fiscal responsibility. I have known Logan for many years and he works hard every day speaking with constituents in District 1 about the issues facing our region. He is a fine young man and I trust his good, godly judgment to represent us in Pierre. Please join me in voting for Logan Manhart for State House in the June 4th Republican Primary.

Sincerely,

Glenna Remington

Brown County Federation of Republican Women VP

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NOTICE
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Lot 1 & Lot 2, "Bendewald Farm Subdivision" in the SE 1/4 of Section 12-T122N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (13761 & 13767 382nd Avenue, Highland Twp.).
The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the amendment to Second Revision Brown County Ordinances pertaining to rezoning the described property. At conclusion of the hearing, the Brown County Commission may adopt first reading of Ordinance No. 269.

ATTEST:
Lynn Heupel
Brown County Auditor
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5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (13115 393rd Avenue, Bath Twp.).

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the amendment to Second Revision Brown County Ordinances pertaining to rezoning the described property. At conclusion of the hearing, the Brown County Commission may adopt first reading of Ordinance No. 270.

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Invitation for Bids
The Board of Education of Groton Area School District No 06-6 of Brown County, South Dakota requests sealed bids for roof replacement of a portion of its Elementary School facility.

For an on-site review of the facility and the complete scope of work expected to be completed by September 1, 2024, contact head custodian Ryan Scepaniak at (605) 397-8381.

A bid bond shall be provided as allowed by SDCL 5-18A-35. The bid bond may be in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, or bank draft. The bid bond is to be in an amount equal to 5% of the amount bid and the check is to be certified and/or issued by either a state or national bank and made payable to Groton Area School District No 06-6.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Address bids to:
Business Manager
Groton Area School District 06-6

PO Box 410
Groton, SD 57445

Mark envelopes: "Roof Bid"
Bids are due and will be opened at 2:00 PM on Monday, May 13, 2024 at the Groton Area High School Conference Room for examination and recommendation to the Board of Education at their regular meeting on Monday, May 13, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

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by Linda Thistle

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APRIL 23, 2024 – 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 Dennert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: MJ Lunzman, wife of Sheriff Dave Lunzman met with the Commission speaking of her concerns regarding the following items: a reporter with Dakota Scout out of Sioux Falls stating that MJ and the Sheriff's Office were cleared of all wrong doings, but they have not received any report; someone leaking the information that was discussed in an Executive Session to the media; the investigation incident regarding a blood draw; the issues she has heard about her working for her husband; her name smeared in the paper; and questioning where the accountability is of the Aberdeen Police Department.

Alondra Caraballo-Sambolin, Brown County Jail Detention Officer also commented on the investigation incident regarding a blood draw.

DISCRETIONARY RESOLUTIONS: Gene Loeschke, Director of Equalization, shared that these resolutions are to bring our resolutions current, with the current South Dakota Codified Laws. All resolutions reference codified laws that have been replaced in 10-6-137.

DISCRETIONARY FORMULA SPECIFIC HISTORICAL DISTRICT: Commissioner Wiese offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #18-24

WHEREAS, the Brown County Commission wishes to update Resolution #R37-20 to conform with current South Codified Law.

WHEREAS, the Aberdeen Commercial Historic District is the area in the City of Aberdeen within the border of 6th Avenue SE/SW on the south, Railroad Avenue SE/SW on the north, the public alley right-of-way between Main Street S. and 1st Street S. on the west, and the public alley right-of-way between Main Street S. and Lincoln Street S. on the east.

WHEREAS, the Aberdeen City Council, pursuant to SDCL 11-8-4, designated the Aberdeen Commercial Historic District an urban renewal area.

WHEREAS, the Brown County Board of Commissioners has currently adopted a "discretionary formula" for the assessment of certain structures in Brown County.

WHEREAS, SDCL 10-6-137(1) authorize the Brown County Board of Commissioners, at its discretion, to adopt any formula for assessment of new industrial or commercial structures, or any additions, renovation, or reconstruction to existing structure, which new structures or additions, renovation, or reconstruction have a full and true value of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) or more, located within a designated urban renewal area as defined in SDCL 11-8-4.

WHEREAS, SDCL 10-6-137(1) states the formula may include for any or all of the five tax years following construction all, any portion, or none of the assessed valuation for tax purposes.

WHEREAS, the current discretionary formula allows the level of assessment for all qualifying structures, per SDCL 10-6-137(1) to be 20% of assessed value for the 1st year, 40% for the 2nd year, 60% for the 3rd year, 80% for the 4th year, and 100% for the 5th year.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners may, if requested by the owner, not apply the above formula, in which case the full assessment shall be made without application of the formula. In waiving this formula for the structure of one owner, the Board of County Commissioners is not prohibited from applying the formula for subsequent new structures by that owner.

WHEREAS, the adoption of the discretionary formula authorized by SDCL 10-6-137(1) shall be

concurrent with, and have no effect upon, existing municipal tax assessments for a business improvement district and a parking district that include the Aberdeen Commercial Historic District.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Brown County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts a new discretionary formula as authorized by SDCL 10-6-137(1) for those structures within the urban renewal area known as the Aberdeen Commercial Historic District, which new structures or additions, renovation, or reconstruction have a full and true value of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) or more. The level of assessment for qualifying structures shall be 0% of assessed value for the 1st year, 0% for the 2nd year, 0% for the 3rd year, 0% for the 4th year, and 0% for the 5th year. The resolution shall be applied beginning November 1, 2020 for the 2021 assessment year, which begins November 1, 2021 for completed projects.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the purpose of this Resolution, the assessed valuation during any of the five years may not be less than the assessed valuation of the property in the year preceding the first year of the tax years following construction; and be it.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any structure that is partially constructed on the assessment date may be valued for tax purposes pursuant to this Resolution and the valuation may not be less than the assessed valuation of the property in the year preceding the beginning of the construction.

Nothing in this resolution is intended to allow any refund or abatement of taxes levied to its passage.

Dated this 23rd day of April 2024.

Seconded by Commissioner Fjeldheim. Roll call vote: Commissioners Dennert-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Gage-aye, Sutton-aye, Wiese-aye. Resolution adopted.

INDUSTRIAL DISCRETIONARY RESOLUTION: Commissioner Wiese offered the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION #19-24

WHEREAS, The Brown County Commission wishes to update Resolution #R 36-20 to conform to current South Dakota Codified Law

WHEREAS, The Brown County Commission has currently adopted a "discretionary formula" for the assessment of certain structures in Brown County.

WHEREAS, SDCL 10-6-137(2) authorizes the Board of County Commissioners, at its discretion, to adopt any formula for assessment of specifically "Industrial" classified structures.

WHEREAS, SDCL 10-6-137(2) states the formula may include for any or all of the five tax years following construction all, any portion or none of the assessed valuation for tax purposes.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners may, if requested by the owner of any of the above-described property, not apply the above formula, in which case the full assessment shall be made without application of the formula. In waiving this formula for the structure of one owner, the Board of County Commissioners is not prohibited from applying the formula for subsequent new structures by that owner.

WHEREAS, the current discretionary formula allows the level of assessment for all qualifying structures to be 0% of assessed value for the 1st year, 0% for the 2nd, 0% for the 3rd, 0% for the 4th and 0% of assessed value for the 5th year.

WHEREAS, the assessed value during any of the five years may not be less than the assessed valuation of the property year proceeding the first year of the tax years following construction.

WHEREAS, any structure that is partially constructed on the assessment date may be valued for tax purposes pursuant to this resolution and the valuation may not be less than the assessed valuation of the property in the year preceding the beginning of construction.

WHEREAS, the county hopes all eligible projects will avail themselves of the formula and exercise their responsibility to apply.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Brown County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts a new discretionary formula as authorized by SDCL 10-6-137(2) for those structures specifically classified pursuant to SDCL 10-6-137(2) with an industrial zoning classification. The level of assessment for the above listed specifically classified structures shall be 0% of as-

essed value for the 1st year, 0% for the 2nd, 0% for the 3rd, 0% for the 4th, and 0% of assessed value for the 5th year. The resolution shall be applied beginning the 2021 assessment year.

Nothing in this resolution is intended to allow any refund or abatement of taxes levied prior to its passage.

Dated this 23rd day of April 2024.

Seconded by Commissioner Dennert. Roll call vote: Commissioners Dennert-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Gage-aye, Sutton-aye, Wiese-aye. Resolution adopted.

DISCRETIONARY ASSESSMENT FOR CERTAIN PLATTED RESIDENTIAL LOTS: Commissioner Wiese offered the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION #20-24

Be it resolved by the Brown County Board of Commissioners as follows:

For assessed value to be used for tax purposes on certain residential properties as described in SDCL 10-6-143.

WHEREAS, Brown County had previously adopted a discretionary formula in Resolution NO. 71-2001.

WHEREAS, Brown County wishes to update Resolution NO. 71-2001 to conform with current South Dakota Codified Law.

Properties which can be valued according to this resolution shall meet each of the following conditions:

- 1) Property must be real property platted and zoned after November 1, 2023, for future residential construction.
- 2) Property must be owned by the person or corporation that developed the real property.
- 3) Property to be classified for this purpose must contain a minimum of eight (8) lots.

The board of commissioners hereby adopts the following formula under authority of SDCL 10-6-144.

For the first five (5) years following the filing of the plat for the subdivision the assessed value of the lots that remain unsold shall be assessed the same as the value of the property which existed in the year preceding the filing of the plat for the subdivision. Thereafter, such property shall be assessed the full and true value as all other property for tax purposes.

Nothing in the resolution is intended to allow any refund or abatement of taxes levied prior to its passage.

Dated this 23rd day of April 2024.

Seconded by Commissioner Gage. Roll call vote: Commissioners Dennert-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Gage-aye, Sutton-aye, Wiese-aye. Resolution adopted.

DISCRETIONARY RESOLUTION: Commissioner Wiese offered the following Resolution: RESOLUTION #21-24

WHEREAS, the County of Brown, State of South Dakota has deemed it in the best interest of the County to adopt a Resolution implementing a Discretionary Formula for the reduced taxation of new structures and additions and partially constructed structures pursuant to SDCL 10-6-137.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following properties shall be, and hereby are, specifically classified for the purpose of taxation pursuant to SDCL § 10-6-137:

Any new industrial or commercial structure, or any addition, renovation, or reconstruction to an existing structure, located within a designated urban renewal area as defined in SDCL § 11-8-4, if the new structure, addition, renovation, or reconstruction has a full and true value of thirty thousand dollars or more (SDCL § 10-6-137(1));

Any new industrial structure, including a power generation facility, or an addition to an existing structure, if the new structure or addition has a full and true value of thirty thousand dollars or more (SDCL § 10-6-137(2));

Any new nonresidential agricultural structure, or any addition to an existing structure, if the new structure or addition has a full and true value of ten thousand dollars or more (SDCL § 10-6-137(3)).

Any new commercial structure, or any addition to an existing structure, except a commercial residential structure as described in SDCL § 10-6-35.2(5), if the new structure or addition has a full and true value of thirty thousand dollars or more (SDCL § 10-6-137(4));

Any commercial, industrial, or nonresidential agricultural property which increases more than ten thousand dollars in full and true value as a result of reconstruction or renovation

of the structure (SDCL § 10-6-137(8)); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any structure classified pursuant to this Resolution shall, following construction, initially be valued for taxation purposes in the usual manner, and that value shall be referred to in this Resolution as the "Pre-Adjustment Value"; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the assessed value to be used for tax purposes of any structure classified pursuant to this Resolution shall, following construction, be calculated as follows:

- a. For the first tax year following construction, 20% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- b. For the second tax year following construction, 40% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- c. For the third tax year following construction, 60% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- d. For the fourth tax year following construction, 80% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;
- e. For the fifth tax year following construction, 100% of the Pre-Adjustment Value;

and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners may, if requested by the owner of any of the above-described property, not apply the above formula, in which case the full assessment shall be made without application of the formula. In waiving this formula for the structure of one owner, the Board of County Commissioners is not prohibited from applying the formula for subsequent new structures by that owner; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that for purpose of this Resolution, the assessed valuation during any of the five years may not be less than the assessed valuation of the property year preceding the first year of the tax years following construction; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any structure that is partially constructed on the assessment date may be valued for tax purposes pursuant to this Resolution and the valuation may not be less than the assessed valuation of the property in the year preceding the beginning of construction; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that following the five-year period under this section, the property shall be assessed at the same percentage as is all other property for tax purposes.

Nothing in the resolution is intended to allow any refund or abatement of taxes levied prior to its passage.

Dated this 23rd day of April, 2024.

Seconded by Commissioner Dennert. Roll call vote: Commissioners Dennert-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Gage-aye, Sutton-aye, Wiese-aye. Resolution adopted.

FY 2024 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT CONTRACTS: Allison Tunheim, HR Director, met with the Commission to approve and authorize her to sign the Employee Benefit Contracts for 2025. Vision Insurance will remain with Optilegra and there will be increase this year. Delta Dental will be our provider for Dental Insurance, the cost will increase by 5%. For Health Insurance we are going to stay with current provider, Wellmark; there will be a 3.55% increase; will be going from 4 plans to 2 plans but will be adding a Tier for Employee plus children. Then will be renewing the EAP program with NE Mental Health Center and there are no changes to this program. Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Gage to approve and authorize Allison, HR Director to sign the Employee Benefit Contracts as listed above. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

OPERATING TRANSFERS FROM GENERAL FUND: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize the following operating transfers from the General Fund #101.5.911.191 in the total amount of \$4,935,478.85 to the Road & Bridge Fund #201.4.371 @ \$4,251,293.65; E-911 Communications #207.4.371 @ \$450,000.00; Emergency Management #226.4.371 @ \$148,397.78 and 24/7 Sobriety #248.4.371 @ 85,787.42, as reflected in the 2024 General Fund Budget. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

REVISED INMATE HOUSING AGREEMENT: Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize Chairman Sutton to sign the revised Inmate Housing Agree-

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ment with Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse Reservation. Instead of Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate being responsible for transporting inmates or being billed it will be handled by the Sisseton-Wahpeton Law Enforcement ("SWLE"), an arm and entity of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

WEED & PEST GRANTS: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to approve and authorize Chairman Sutton to sign the Yearly Contractual Grant and Yellow Toadflax Biological Control Grant for Brown County Weed & Pest from SD Weed & Pest Control Commission. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LOAD LIMITS: Dirk Rogers, Highway Superintendent met with the Commissioners and recommended to lift the load limits as of tomorrow (Wednesday, April 24, 2024) as the posted signs are taken down. Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Fjeldheim to lift the load limits beginning on Wednesday, April 24, 2024. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UPDATE: Dirk Rogers, Highway Superintendent shared with the Commission that County Rd. 21 is still going to be paved but due to some issues with the Bridge they are going to shorten up the paving until the Bridge is fixed. They will be raising County Rd. 5, 1 mile west of Hwy. 281 at Frederick about 3 feet. Currently, the gates are closed due to having 9 feet of head room. Dirk asked the Commission to reach out to any contacts they may have with Sand Lake Refuge because he is not getting a response and needs to have the funds obligated by year-end otherwise, we will lose it. Commissioner Dennert stated he would reach out to his contact. At this time the Highway Department has no intention of fixing Hall Crossing because they fix it and then it washes out again. The staff will start their 4 - 10 hr. days on Monday, April 29, 2024. Dirk then gave an update on the NACE Conference that he attended last week.

MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to approve the April 16, 2024 General Meeting Minutes. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS/PAYROLL: Moved by Commissioner Gage, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the following Claims/Payroll: Claims: Professional Fees: Aberdeen Advanced Care Ambulance \$286.36; Aberdeen ED \$294.26; CenturyLink-Lumen \$224.08; Credit Collections Bureau \$2,577.05; Fargo Teleradiology Prof \$18.05; Idemia Identity & Security USA LLC \$2,692.00; Kristi Brandt \$51.00; Mayo Clinic \$2,500.00; Sara J. Zahn \$59.50; SDSU Extension \$22,400.00; Publishing: Production Monkeys \$1,150.00; Rentals: Advantage Self Storage \$276.00; Repairs & Maintenance: Ace Refrigeration, LLC \$699.72; B&B Contracting, Inc \$2,937.76; Dakota Doors Inc \$1,635.43; Gary's Auto Body & Accessories \$526.71; Kirk's Auto \$219.99; Three Glass Doktor, LLC \$165.00; Western States Fire Protection Co \$1,296.92; Woodman Refrigeration, Inc \$1,290.87; Suppliers: Advance Auto Parts \$493.31; Amazon Capital Services, Inc \$798.38; Avera LTC Pharmacy Aberdeen \$1,811.02; Century Business Products \$206.89; Cole Paper Inc \$911.11; Dakota Doors Inc \$108.00; Dependable Sanitation, Inc \$172.00; Farm Power Mfg. \$92.63; Hillyard Sioux Falls \$187.69; Josh Lee \$57.34; L.G. Everist, Inc \$28,889.01; Menards \$16.79; Midstates Group \$254.53; Midwest Pump & Tank \$122.00; Runnings \$13.90; Safety Service \$325.00; SD State Historical Society \$55.00; Stan Houston Equipment Company, Inc \$600.00; Thee Glass Doktor, LLC \$155.00. Travel & Conference: Karpel Solutions \$325.00; Lutheran Social Services of SD \$243.67; The Lodge at Deadwood \$315.00. Utilities: Northwestern Energy \$3,511.80; NVC \$263.68; State of South Dakota PMB 0112 \$298.37; Verizon Wireless \$123.83. Others: SD Assoc of County Officials \$604.00; SD Dept of Labor and Regulation \$8,212.44; SD Public Assurance Alliance \$8,438.00.

Payroll: Commission \$4,753.89; Elections \$1,834.40; Auditor \$9,850.84; Treasurer \$17,265.65; SA \$35,662.62; Maintenance \$12,106.36; Assessor \$15,370.29; Register

of Deeds \$10,406.83; VSO \$4,491.56; GIS \$2,790.90; IT \$9,322.67; HR \$4,960.64; Sheriff \$52,982.72; Jail #91,818.43; Coroner \$1,360.94; Court Security \$8,221.22; JDC \$37,446.23; Welfare \$2,466.75; Museum \$12,626.80; Parks/Fairgrounds \$6,167.94; Fair Board \$4,336.33; 4-H \$830.80; Weed \$1,117.37; Planning & Zoning \$8,035.85; Highway \$54,429.47; Dispatch \$35,948.33; Emergency \$5,333.41; 24/7 Sobriety \$2,927.02; Landfill \$20,625.88; FICA \$28,328.06; Medicare \$6,625.09; Discovery (HSA) \$1,739.78 and Retirement (SDRS) \$59,271.55. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

HR REPORT: Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve the following Human Resource Report submitted by Human Resources Director, Allison Tunheim:

- Resignation of Lori Wipf, Brown County Jail/JDC Nurse, PRN; PT Temporary - effective April 15, 2024.
 - Transfer of Kristin Barstad from FT Brown County Sheriff's Office Records Technician to FT Brown County State's Attorney Legal Assistant; starting wage \$25.94/hr. - effective May 13, 2024. Request to fill.
 - Hiring of Anna Johnson as Brown County 4-H Summer Intern, FT; starting wage \$13.00/hr. - effective May 21, 2024.
 - Hiring of Emmanuel Muniz as Brown County Jail Detention Officer, FT; starting wage \$21.29/hr. - effective April 22, 2024.
 - Hiring of Hunter Holweg as Brown County Jail Detention Officer, FT; starting wage \$21.29/hr. - effective April 22, 2024.
 - Promotion of Sara Swisher from Brown County State's Attorney Chief Legal Assistant to Brown County State's Attorney Senior Chief Legal Assistant; starting wage \$27.93/hr. - effective April 28, 2024.
 - Approve personal miles driven for January 2024 at .62 per mile as follows: Joshua Matthews 260.4 miles at \$161.45; Matt Heupel 100 miles at \$62.00; John Florey 120 miles at \$74.40; Mike Scott 120 miles at \$74.40.
 - Approve personal miles driven for February 2024 at .62 per mile as follows: Joshua Matthews 248 miles at \$153.76; Matt Heupel 100 miles at \$62.00; John Florey 102 miles at \$63.24; Mike Scott 170 miles at \$105.40.
 - Approve personal miles driven for March 2024 at .62 per mile as follows: Joshua Matthews 223.2 miles at \$138.38; Matt Heupel 95 miles at \$58.90; John Florey 126 miles at \$78.12; Mike Scott 190 miles at \$117.80.
 - All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
- ABATEMENTS:** Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to approve the following abatements for tax year 2023: Parcel #12376 - \$1,531.62; Parcel #22592 - \$450.68; Parcel #22599 - \$139.80. For Tax Year 2022: Parcel #12376 - \$1,463.40; Parcel #22592 - \$449.39; Parcel # 22455 - \$1,124.73; Parcel #22599 - \$134.69. For Tax Year 2021: Parcel #12376 - \$1,459.41; Parcel #22592 - \$397.59; Parcel #22455 - \$1,084.34; Parcel #22599 - \$126.74. For Tax Year 2020: Parcel #12376 - \$1,476.94; Parcel #22592 - \$390.97; Parcel #22455 - \$1,003.46; Parcel #22599 - \$126.67. For Tax Year 2019: Parcel #12376 - \$1,458.19; Parcel #22455 - \$1,023.93. For Tax Year 2018: Parcel #12376 - \$1,477.70; Parcel #22592 - \$399.01; Parcel #22455 - \$1,018.17; Parcel #22599 - \$127.85. For Tax Year 2017: Parcel #12376 - \$1,380.00; Parcel #22592 - \$424.60; Parcel #22599 - \$103.31. For Tax Year 2016: Parcel #12376 - \$1,427.33; Parcel #22455 - \$814.34. For Tax Year 2015: Parcel #12376 - \$1,370.26. For Tax Year 2014: Parcel #12376 - \$1,428.76. For Tax Year 2013: Parcel #12376 - \$1,228.57. For Tax Year 2012: Parcel #12376 - \$1,197.09. For Tax Year 2011: Parcel #12376 - \$1,097.53. For Tax Year 2010: Parcel #12376 - \$1,083.30. For Tax Year 2009: Parcel #12376 - \$1,084.36. For Tax Year 2008: Parcel #12376 - \$1,006.61. For Tax Year 2007: Parcel #12376 - \$928.89. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
- CLAIM ASSIGNMENTS:** Moved by Commissioner Gage, seconded by Wiese 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.
- ZONING ORDINANCES - SET HEARING DATE/AUTHORIZE**

ADVERTISING: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Gage to set hearing date and authorize publication for first reading of the following zoning ordinances to be held on May 14, 2024 in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Proposed Ordinance #268, applicant Pernell Graf, P.O.A for Janet Graf for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring this parcel into compliance for its current use: Proposed Lot 1, "Graf First Addition" in the SW1/4 of Section 19-T127N-R60W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (10952 406th Avenue, North Detroit Twp.). Proposed Ordinance #269, applicant Daniel & Michelle Smith for the purpose of rezoning the following properties from Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring these parcels into compliance for its current use: Lot 1 & Lot 2, "Bendewald Farm Subdivision" in the SE 1/4 of Section 12-T122N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (13761 & 13767 382nd Avenue, Highland Twp.). Proposed Ordinance #270, applicant Bill Kirshenmann for the purpose of rezoning the following properties from Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring these parcels into compliance for its current use: Proposed Lot A & Lot B, "Leibel First Addition" in the NE1/4 of Section 11-T123N-R63W of the 5TH P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (13115 393rd Avenue, Bath Twp.). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

PLATS:
RESOLUTION #22-24
Commissioner Wiese brought the following resolution "Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, that the plat showing Leibel First Addition in the NE 1/4 of Section 11-T123N-R63W 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 Dennert. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION #23-24
Commissioner Wiese brought the following resolution "Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, that the plat showing Graf First Addition in the SW 1/4 of Section 19-T127N-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 Dennert. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION #24-24
Commissioner Wiese brought the following resolution "Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, that the plat showing Rivett Family Third Addition in the SW 1/4 and the NW 1/4 of Section 9-T123N-R63W 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 Dennert. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

AUDITORS REPORT OF ACCOUNTS FOR MARCH 2024: Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve the Auditor's Report of Accounts for March 2024 as follows: Total Cash and Checks on Hand \$7,700.00; Total Checking Account Balances \$23,531,634.38; Total Savings Account Balances \$1,050,447.42; Total Certificates of Deposit \$6,313,982.63; Grand Total Cash & Balances \$30,903,764.43. General Fund Cash and Investment Balances by Funds: General Fund \$19,809,401.88; Road & Bridge Fund \$719,494.93; Road & Bridge Fund-restricted \$231,883.27; 911 Service \$214,917.19; Emergency & Disaster \$19,200.45; Domestic Abuse \$440.00; Grant \$32.11; SA Grants \$51,107.10; Truancy Court \$135.68; 24/7 Sobriety \$1,072.79; ROD M&P \$90,095.53; Rural Access Infrastructure \$383,322.39; TIF Debt Service \$3,108.59; Landfill + cash change \$6,302,541.09; Landfill - restricted \$1,766,062.21; Trust and Agency Funds \$3,308,894.70; Grand Total General Fund Cash & Investments \$30,903,764.43.

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, Legal and Contracts 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 Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Dennert to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 10:45 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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APRIL 23, 2024 - CONSOLIDATED BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Meeting called to order by Chairman Sutton at 1:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, SD. Present were Commissioners Dennert, Gage and Sutton, Aberdeen School Board Member Duane Alm, Aberdeen City Mayor Schaunaman and City Finance Officer, Jordan McQuillen, Director of Equalization, Gene Loeschke and Appraisers Russell Metz and Stephanie Morgan.

STIPULATIONS:
Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Aberdeen School Board Member Alm to approve the Director of Equalization recommendation for The Investment Group LLC of Lt 1 NE 25-123-64; Parcel #32082 will be going from Exempt to Non-Exempt as of February 15, 2024 at the assessed value of \$200,108.00 (Omit 8.5 Months). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Mayor Schaunaman, seconded by Commissioner Gage to approve the Director of Equalization recommendation for SouthFork Investments, LLC of Lt 2 ADC 2022-2 ADD NE 17-123-63; Parcel #31411 will be going from Exempt to Non-Exempt as of December 27, 2023 at the assessed value of \$3,094,164.00 (Omit 10 months). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Aberdeen School Board Member Alm, seconded by Commissioner Dennert to approve the Director of Equalization recommendation for Cassandra Bertsch of Lt 1 BK 14 Hagerty & Lloyd ADD; Parcel #12423 will be going from Exempt to Non-Exempt as of January 30, 2024 at the assessed value of \$68,940.00 (Omit 9 months). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Gage, seconded by Mayor Schaunaman to approve the Director of Equalization recommendation for Homes Are Possible Inc. (HAPI) of Lt 1 Brown County Commissioner's 4TH SD; Parcel #31984 will be going from Exempt to Non-Exempt as of January 30, 2024 at the assessed value of \$7,731.00 (Omit 9 months). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Mayor Schaunaman, seconded by Aberdeen School Board Member Alm to approve the Director of Equalization recommendation for Homes Are Possible Inc. (HAPI) of Lt 6 BK 43 Hagerty & Lloyd ADD; Parcel #12840 will be going from Exempt to Non-Exempt as of January 30, 2024 at the assessed value of \$10,314.00 (Omit 9 months). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Moved by Aberdeen School Board Member Alm, seconded by Commissioner Gage to approve the Director of Equalization recommendations for Jem Hunstad on LT 379 & S 17' LT 380 Morning HTS ADD; Parcel #16843 which was reassessed to go from \$131,967.00 to \$124,224.00. All members voting aye. Motion carried.

CONTESTED:
Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Mayor Schaunaman to approve the Director of Equalization recommendation for Holiday Station Stores, LLC of LT 1 Tan ADD NE, NE 22-123-64; Parcel # 29375 to leave the assessed value at \$1,338,213.00. All members

present voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:
Moved by Mayor Schaunaman, seconded by Aberdeen School Board Member Alm to adjourn the Consolidated Board of Equalization at 1:22 p.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF EDUCATION GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 06-6 REGULAR MEETING April 22, 2024

President Gengerke called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. at the Groton Area High School Library Conference Room. Members present: Flihs, Gengerke, Harder, Lerseth-Flihs, Weismantel, and Pharis, Absent: Flihs and Rix. Others present were Supt. J. Schwan, Principal Schwan, Principal Edwards, and Business Manager Hubsch.

Moved by Harder, second Pharis to approve the agenda as amended with approving bid specs for elementary roofing with bid opening scheduled for May 13, 2024 at 2:00pm. Motion carried.

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

Program overview presentations were conducted by D. Yeigh and T. Pietz for the K-12 music department, J. Harry for Art, K. Gerlach and L. Grieve for PE/Health, and A. Schuring for Athletics.

Motion by Weismantel second by Pharis to approve the second reading and recommended changes to the MS/HS Student Handbook. Motion carried.

Principal Schwan reported CNA and Target Support and Improvement action plan and provided the board with end-of-the-year field trips and spring concert dates.

Principal Edwards reported Smarter Balance testing is completed in middle and high school. Prom and post-prom were successful; MAPS testing window is open until the end of the school year; informed the board on various class trips, and an update from the state FFA.

Business Manager Hubsch thanked all the poll workers for their help in the April 9, 2024 election. Hubsch will be participating in the SDASBO quarterly reports; EMC questionnaires, open enrollment for staff benefits is underway, and exit interviews have been set.

Election results from the April 9, 2024, General Fund Opt-Out election were canvassed. Motion by Weismantel second by Harder to declare the results official and publish the abstract as required. Motion carried.

Motion by Harder second by Pharis approve 2024-2025 GTA Negotiated Agreement and issue 2024-2025 teacher contracts with a return date of Friday, May 3. Motion carried.

Motion by Weismantel second by Lerseth-Flihs to approve Groton Elementary Comprehensive Needs Assessment Action Plan. Motion carried.

Motion by Harder second by Pharis to approve Intent-to-Participate in SD Title III Consortium for 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Weismantel second by Harder to approve specs for elementary roofing with bid opening scheduled for May 13, 2024 at 2:00pm. Motion carried.

The addition of signatures to this page verifies these minutes as official.
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NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR VOTER REGISTRATION
Voter registration for the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, will close on Monday, May 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Failure to register by this date will cause forfeiture of voting rights for this election. If you are in doubt about whether you are registered, check the Voter Information Portal at www.sd-sos.gov or call the Brown County Auditor's Office at 605-626-7110.

Registration may be completed during regular business hours at the county auditor's office, municipal finance office, secretary of state's office, and those locations which provide driver's licenses, SNAP, TANF, WIC, military recruitment, and assistance to the disabled as provided by the Department of Human Services. You may contact the county auditor to request a mail-in registration form or access a mail-in registration form at www.sdsos.gov.

Any voter who needs assistance, pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, may contact the county auditor for information and special assistance in voter registration.

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NOTICE
Application has been made by Pernell Graf, P.O.A. for Janet Graf to the Brown County Board of Commissioners for a change of zoning. Hearing to be held in the Commissioner's Chambers, Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota on May 14, 2024 for the purpose of rezoning the following properties from Agriculture Preservation District (AG) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring this parcel into compliance for its current use:

Proposed Lot 1, "Graf First Addition" in the SW1/4 of Section 19-T127N-R60W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (10952 406th Avenue, North Detroit Twp.).

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the amendment to Second Revision Brown County Ordinances pertaining to rezoning the described property. At conclusion of the hearing, the Brown County Commission may adopt first reading of Ordinance No. 268.

ATTEST:
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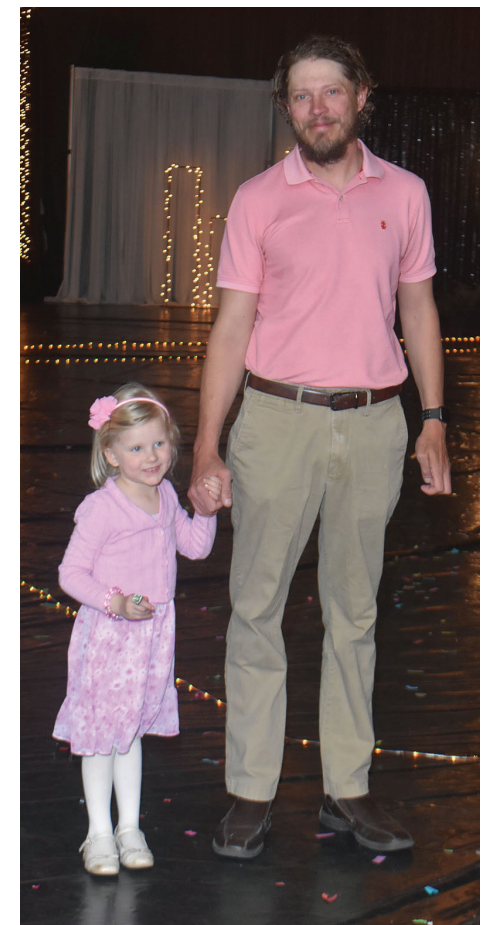
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Redfield Golf Meet

The Groton Area girls golf team took part in the Redfield Invitational held Thursday.

Carlee Johnson placed sixth with a 106, Carly Guthmiller placed eighth with a 107, Carly Gilbert was 10th with a 108, Claire Schuelke was 15th with a 115, Hallee Harder was 18th with a 124 and Mia Crank was 23rd with a 129.

Aberdeen Roncalli won the team title with 407 points followed by Groton Area with 436 and Milbank with 459.



Ivy escorted by Chuck Cole.



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Karter Merkel escorted by Jordan Bethke.



Willow and Aspen escorted by Joshua Cowan.



Andi escorted by Cole Kampa.



Taylor escorted by Mark Thompson.



Atley Florey escorted by Nathan Wiege.



River escorted by Keith Wipf.



Ruby escorted by Jeremy Dosch.

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Scene stealer
- 4 Pilgrimage to Mecca
- 8 Auction
- 12 Carte lead-in
- 13 Pakistani language
- 14 Currier's partner
- 15 Florida city
- 17 Clothing store section
- 18 Intimidates, with "out"
- 19 Apprehend
- 21 Shade
- 22 Pictures
- 26 Throat affliction
- 29 Sault — Marie
- 30 Fib
- 31 Cobra feature
- 32 IRS employee
- 33 Exceptional
- 34 Mornings, briefly
- 35 "Oy —!"
- 36 Duck down
- 37 "Pop Goes the —"
- 39 Evening hrs.
- 40 Chopping tool
- 41 Portugal's place
- 45 Apple computers
- 48 Hit song by Shawn

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- Mendes and Camila Cabello
 - 50 "Oops!"
 - 51 Walked (on)
 - 52 Standard
 - 53 Infatuated
 - 54 Bohemian
 - 55 Swiss peak
- ### DOWN
- 1 Door fastener
 - 2 Regrettably
 - 3 Creche figure
 - 4 "Quiet!"
 - 5 Stood
 - 6 Banned pesticide
 - 7 "Walk on the Wild Side"
 - 8 "The Lion King" lion
 - 9 "Hail!"
 - 10 Actor Cariou
 - 11 Curved letter
 - 16 Yearned
 - 20 Soul, to Camus
 - 23 Pleased
 - 24 Green land
 - 25 Crystal gazer
 - 26 "Candida" playwright
 - 27 Hefty book
 - 28 Activist Parks
 - 29 Covert agent
 - 32 Piano's cousin
 - 33 Stair part
 - 35 Puzzle
 - 36 Represent
 - 38 Malia's sister
 - 39 Wine grape
 - 42 TV host Kelly
 - 43 Slanted type (Abbr.)
 - 44 Org. for seniors
 - 45 Coffee holder
 - 46 "Caught ya!"
 - 47 Gear tooth
 - 49 Goof up

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The middle school boys sang, "Give Me a Song of a Lad That is Gone," at the middle school spring concert held Thursday. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



The middle school girls sang, "Pure Imagination." (Photo by Paul Kosel)



The middle school band performed, "Afterburn: Relaunch," "Advance March" and "Junkyard Jam." (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Northern State University Spring Commencement Ceremony Set for May 4

ABERDEEN, S.D. —Northern State University is proud to announce that on Saturday, May 4, 257 students will embark on a new chapter of their lives as they graduate during the university's spring commencement ceremony.

The commencement ceremony is scheduled begin at 10 a.m. and will be held at the Barnett Center. For the convenience of family, friends, and well-wishers unable to attend in person, the event will be streamed live on multiple platforms. Audiences can join the celebration via the Northern State University's Facebook page, the NSU Graduation and Commencement page, as well as on Midco channel 288, and NVC and locally through cable channel 12.

Live captioning will be accessible via screens during the ceremony, as well as on Facebook and the graduation webpage.

During the ceremony, there will be recognition of five distinguished individuals who will be awarded honorary doctorates for their outstanding contributions to their respective fields. The recipients of these prestigious accolades are Harvey Jewett, Michael Evans, Tim Kessler (posthumously), Eldon Swingler, Jack Thompson.

Locals graduating are:

- Samantha Ferguson, Bath (B.S.Ed Elementary Education)***
- Joy Voss, Bristol (A.A. General Studies)
- Kayla Jensen, Claremont (B.S.Ed in Honoribus Special Education)**
- Caitlin Podoll, Columbia (M.S.Ed Teaching and Learning)
- Lauren Geranen, Frederick (B.S.Ed Elementary Education)***
- Alyson Anderson, Groton (M.S.Ed Special Education)
- Carrie Cole, Groton (B.S.Ed Elementary Education)
- Darius Swanson, Langford (B.A. in Honoribus Government)*

*** Candidate for Summa Cum Laude

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— King Crossword —
Answers

Solution time: 26 mins.

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Queen of Hearts

The eighth week of the Queen of Hearts drawing was held Thursday night. The jackpot was \$11,369. Ticket sales for the week were \$1,675 with 10 percent of that as a consolation prize. Dennis and Shirley Larson got the consolation prize of \$167. Their number was 40 with the Jack of Hearts.

Five relay teams, Tietz are winners at Sisseton

Five relay teams and McKenna Tietz were all winners at the Sisseton Track Meet held Thursday. Tietz was a double winner, winning both hurdle events. The relay teams that won were the boys and girls 1600m medley relay, the girls 400m relay, the girls 800m relay and the girls 1600m relay.

Boy's Division

100 Meters: 2. Keegen Tracy, 11.57.

200 Meters: 2. Keegen Tracy, 23.30, 19. Logan Warrington, 28.17.

400 Meters: 2. Keegen Tracy, 53.05, 13. Logan Warrington, 1:03.66.

800 Meters: 6. Jayden Schwan, 2:28.24, 10. Tristin McGannon, 2:35.42, 11. Garrett Schultz, 2:37.44.

300m Hurdles: 4. Tristin McGannon, 50.74

4x800 Relay: 3. Lane Tietz, Colby Dunker, Blake Pauli, Jayden Schwan, 9:20.69

SMR 1600m: 1. Lane Tietz, Colby Dunker, Keegen Tracy, Blake Pauli, 3:59.25

Shot Put: 3. Logan Ringgenberg, 41' 1, 5. Holden Sippel, 40' 6.5, 6. Karter Moody, 39' 10, 23. Drew Thurston, 27' 9.5.

Discus: 2. Logan Ringgenberg, 118' 6.25, 9. Holden Sippel, 103' 0, 13. Karter Moody, 90' 0.75, 28. Drew Thurston, 62' 5.

Javelin: 5. Colby Dunker, 115' 8, 9. Holden Sippel, 96' 9, 12. Karter Moody, 88' 4.

Triple Jump: 7. Tristin McGannon, 29' 9.

Girl's Division

100 Meters: 8. Elizabeth Fliehs, 14.30, 9. Kayla Lehr, 14.56.

200 Meters: 7. Kayla Lehr, 30.30, 9. Elizabeth Fliehs, 30.65.

400 Meters: 3. Ashlynn Warrington, 1:08.05, 5. Elizabeth Fliehs, 1:10.68.

800 Meters: 3. Faith Traphagen, 2:36.57, 5. Ashlynn Warrington, 2:45.33

100m Hurdles: 1. McKenna Tietz, 17.83, 3. Hannah Sandness, 20.34, 6. Emerlee Jones, 20.66, 10. Talli Wright, 25.22.

300m Hurdles: 1. McKenna Tietz, 51.55, 2. Emerlee Jones, 53.91, 3. Talli Wright, 55.52, 5. Teagan Hanten, 56.64.

4x100 Relay: 1. Laila Roberts, Jerica Locke, McKenna Tietz, Rylee Dunker, 54.10

4x200 Relay: 1. Laila Roberts, Rylee Dunker, Jerica Locke, Taryn Traphagen, 1:52.30

4x400 Relay: 1. Jerica Locke, Kella Tracy, Taryn Traphagen, McKenna Tietz, 4:21.69

SMR 1600m: 1. Laila Roberts, Rylee Dunker, Kella Tracy, Taryn Traphagen, 4:41.09

Shot Put: 3. Emma Kutter, 32' 10, 11. Faith Fliehs, 27' 8.5, 15. Avery Crank, 25' 0, 23. Ashley Johnson, 22' 8.

Discus: 6. Faith Fliehs, 79' 7.75, 11. Avery Crank, 74' 2.75, 19. Ashley Johnson, 64' 6.5, 21. Emma Kutter, 62' 10.75.

Javelin: 7. Emma Kutter, 74' 9, 10. Ashley Johnson, 72' 9, 12. Avery Crank, 61' 2, 15. Faith Fliehs, 40' 4.

High Jump: 6. Emerlee Jones, 4' 4.

Long Jump: 15. Teagan Hanten, 11' 1.75.

Triple Jump: 5. Emerlee Jones, 29' 2, 7. Teagan Hanten, 27' 0.25.

High School Baseball

Howard Varsity Tigers Squeaks By Groton Area Tigers Varsity In Pitchers Duel

Both teams were strong on the hill on Saturday, but Howard Varsity Tigers was just a little bit stronger at the plate in their 3-0 victory over Groton Area Tigers Varsity. Gavin Englund started the game for Groton Area Tigers Varsity and recorded 17 outs.

Howard Varsity Tigers got on the board in the top of the sixth inning after Weeton Remmers grounded out, and Nolan Mentele singled, each scoring one run.

Luke Koepsell earned the win for Howard Varsity Tigers. The southpaw gave up four hits and zero runs over seven innings, striking out five and walking none. Englund took the loss for Groton Area Tigers Varsity. They went five and two-thirds innings, allowing two runs (zero earned) on five hits, striking out five and walking three.

Brevin Fliehs, Colby Dunker, Carter Simon, and Bradin Althoff each collected one hit for Groton Area Tigers Varsity.

Mentele and Remmers were a one-two punch in the lineup, as each drove in one run for Howard Varsity Tigers. Howard Varsity Tigers worked the count all day, amassing six walks.

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Groton Area May Community Calendar

Wednesday, May 1

Senior Menu: Meatloaf, baked potato with sour cream, creamed peas, frosted brownie, fruit, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Cereal.
School Lunch: Cheese nachos, salsa.
Groton Chamber Meeting, noon, City Hall
Groton CM&A: Kids' Club, Youth Group and Adult Bible Study begins at 7 pm
High School Baseball at Sioux Valley, 7 p.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Sarah Circle, 5 p.m.; Confirmation, 6 p.m.
United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, May 2

Senior Menu: Breaded pork cutlet, creamy noodles, tomato spoon salad, peaches, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Breakfast pizza.
School Lunch: Sloppy joes, baked beans.
Girls golf at Lee Park Golf Course, Aberdeen, 10 a.m.
Junior High Track meet at Aberdeen Roncalli 2 p.m.
High School Spring Concert 7 p.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Nigeria Circle, 2 p.m.
Weber Landscaping Greenhouse opens for the season, 10 a.m.

Friday, May 3

Senior Menu: Tator tot hot dish, green beans, acini depepi fruit salad, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Biscuits.
School Lunch: Hamburgers, fries.
Track at Sisseton, 1 p.m.
Doubles Bowling Tournament, 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 4

Doubles Bowling Tournament, Noon and 3:30 p.m.
Citywide Rummage Sale, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Common Cents Community Thrift Store extended hours, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 5

High School Baseball at Bryant: O-R/R/A at 2 p.m., Hamlin at 4 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.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship with communion, 9 a.m., senior milestones and Faith Forever scholarships; choir singing; Last Day of Sunday School, 10:15 a.m.
St. John's Lutheran: Worship with communion at St. John's 9 a.m. (Graduate Recognition), at Zion, 11 a.m.
United Methodist: Worship with communion: At Conde, 8:30 a.m.; and at Groton, 10:30 a.m.; Coffee hour, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Missions Taco Bar, 11:30 a.m.

Monday, May 6

Senior Menu: Lasagna bake, tossed salad with dressing, fruit, cookie, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Stuffed bagels.
School Lunch: Turkey gravy over mashed potatoes..
Girls Golf at Olive Grove Golf Course, 10 a.m.

Junior High Track Meet at Webster, 3 p.m.
The Pantry open at the Groton Community Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Senior Citizens meet at the Groton Community Center, 1 p.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.
United Methodist: PEO (outside group), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 7

Senior Menu: Creamed chicken, biscuit, vegetable Catalina blend pears, tapioca pudding.
School Breakfast: Waffles.
School Lunch: Chicken fajitas, Spanish rice.
Bramble Zoo Presentation/Assembly at Groton Area Elementary, 9:30 a.m.-1:45 p.m.
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
The Pantry at Groton Community Center, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
Baseball, Softball, T-Ball Parent meeting at the Groton Community Center, 7:30 p.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran Vacation Bible School, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
St. John's Lutheran: Ladies Aid LWML, 1 p.m.
United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, May 8

Scalloped potato with ham, mixed vegetables, sunset salad, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Egg bake.
School Lunch: Taco burgers tater tots.
High School Baseball in Groton hosting Redfield, 5:30 .m.
Groton CM&A: Kids' Club, Youth Group and Adult Bible Study begins at 7 pm
Emmanuel Lutheran Vacation Bible School, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.; League at church, go to Alleviate, 5:30 p.m.
United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, May 9

Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, creamed peas, frosted brownies, fruit, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Pop tarts.
School Lunch: Pizza, peas.
Northeast Conference Track at Sisseton, 11 a.m.
Images of the World at Groton Elementary, 1 p.m.
Groton Lions Club Meeting, 104 N Main, 6 p.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran Vacation Bible School, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Ascension Worship, 7 p.m.

Friday, May 10

Chicken pasta salad, grape juice, dinner roll apple crisp, carrots and peas.
School Breakfast: Egg wraps.
School Lunch: Hot dogs chips.
Elementary Track and Field Day, Groton, 12:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 11

Common Cents Community Thrift Store hours 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 12

GHS Graduation, 2 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.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship, 9 a.m.
St. John's Lutheran: Worship at St. John's 9 a.m., and at Zion, 11 a.m.
United Methodist: Conde worship, 8:30 a.m.; Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Honor graduates during coffee hour and worship; Sunday School Carnival, 9:30 a.m.; Groton worship, 10:30 a.m. (Sunday School sings); Doris Strom's 99th Birthday, 3 p.m.

Monday, May 13

Senior Menu: Sloppy Joe on bun, oven roasted potatoes, ice cream sundae, fruit, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Oatmeal.
School Lunch: French bread pizza, green beans.
Northeast Conference Girls Golf at Fisher Grove Golf Course, Redfield, 10 a.m.
Northeast Conference Junior High Track Meet at Redfield, 10 a.m.
Varsity Track at Hamlin, 3 p.m.
School Board Meeting, 7 p.m.
The Pantry open at the Groton Community Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Baseball, Softball and T-Ball uniform pickup at City Hall, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Senior Citizens meet at the Groton Community Center, 1 p.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.

Tuesday, May 14

Senior Menu: Baked pork chop, au gratin potatoes, vegetable capri bend, honey fruit salad, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Breakfast pizza.
School Lunch: Chicken nuggets, fries.
Baseball, Softball and T-Ball uniform pickup at City Hall, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Common Cents Community Thrift Store open, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
The Pantry at the Groton Community Center, hours 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
D.A.R.E. graduation, 2 p.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Council, 6 p.m.
United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, May 15

Senior Menu: Swiss steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, peas and carrots, apricots,, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Cereal.
School Lunch: Sack lunch made by kitchen.
End of Fourth Quarter - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
Groton CM&A: Kids' Club, Youth Group and Adult Bible Study begins at 7 pm
Emmanuel Lutheran: Pastor at Rosewood Court, 10 a.m.
United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour 9:30 a.m.; Groton Ad Council, 7 p.m.

Thursday, May 16

Senior Menu: Chesseburger quinoa casserole, cheesy breadstick, steamed Brussel sprouts, fruit.
Faculty Inservice
Girls Golf at Sisseton, 10 a.m.
Track at Webster, 1 p.m.

Friday, May 17

Senior Menu: Spanish rice with hamburger, green beans, vanilla pudding with mandarin oranges, whole wheat read.

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Saturday, May 18

Common Cents Community Thrift Store hours 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 19

High School Region baseball at highest two seeds
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.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship with communion, 9 a.m.
St. John's Lutheran: Worship with communion at St. John's 9 a.m. and at Zion, 11 a.m.
United Methodist: Conde worship, 8:30 a.m.; Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Groton worship, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, May 20

Senior Menu: Ranch chicken breast, sweet potatoes, mixed Monterey blend, apple sauce bars, whole wheat bread.
High School Region baseball at highest two seeds
The Pantry open at the Groton Community Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Senior Citizens meet at the Groton Community Center, Potluck at Noon
Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.
St. John's Lutheran: Christian Literature Circle, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 21

Senior Menu: Lemon baked fish, au gratin potatoes, 3 bean salad, tropical fruit, whole wheat bread.
High School Region baseball at highest two seeds
Common Cents Community Thrift Store open, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
The Pantry at the Groton Community Center, hours 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
St. John's Lutheran: Quilting, 9 a.m.
United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, May 22

Senior Menu: Hamburger on bun, lettuce/tomato/onion, potato salad, fruit, cookie.
High School Region baseball at highest two seeds
City Council Meeting, 7 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, May 23

Senior Menu: Cheese tortellini Alfredo with diced chicken, green beans, mandarin oranges, whole wheat bread.
State Track Meet at Sioux Falls
Girls Golf Regional at Groton, 10 a.m.
High School Region baseball at highest two seeds
Story Time at Wage Memorial Library, 10 a.m.

Friday, May 24

Senior Menu: Bratwurst on bun, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut, 3 bean salad, chocolate pudding with bananas.
State Track Meet at Sioux Falls

Groton Locke Electric Amateurs at Clark, 8 p.m.

Saturday, May 25

State Track Meet at Sioux Falls
Common Cents Community Thrift Store hours 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 26

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.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship, 9 a.m.
St. John's Lutheran: Worship at St. John's 9 a.m., and at Zion, 11 a.m.
United Methodist: Conde worship, 8:30 a.m.; Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Groton worship, 10:30 a.m.

Monday, May 27

Memorial Day
Groton Legion Memorial Day service at Groton Union Cemetery

Tuesday, May 28

Senior Menu: Baked turkey crunch with dressing, Italian blend vegetables, carrot bars, corn muffin, fruit.
Common Cents Community Thrift Store open, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
The Pantry at the Groton Community Center, hours 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Junior Teeners host Miller, 5:30 p.m., doubleheader
United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, May 29

Senior Menu: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, oriental blend vegetables, cinnamon apple sauce, whole wheat bread.
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, May 30

Senior Menu: Spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, garlic

toast, fudgey cake squares, fruit.
James Valley Annual Meeting, 11 a.m., GHS Gym/Arena
Story Time at Wage Memorial Library, 10 a.m.

Friday, May 31

Senior Menu: Breaded chicken on bun, oven roasted potatoes, pea and cheese salad, honey fruit salad.
High School State Tournament at Augusta University through June 1
Junior Teeners at Clark, 5:30 p.m., double header
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It was a sea of color as the elementary spring concert was presented Tuesday. The first through fifth graders sang, "Hawaiian Beach Party." The director is Tanner Pietz. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

Guthmiller places second at Mobridge-Pollock golf invite

Carly Guthmiller placed second at the Mobridge-Pollock golf meet held Monday in Mobridge. Guthmiller shot a 91 on the day, nine strokes behind the winner, Trey Speer, of Chamberlain.

Carlee Johnson placed eighth with a 103, Carly Gilbert was 12th with a 110, Mia Crank was 13th with 118 and Claire Schuelke was 16th with a 138.

Chamberlain won the team title with 410 points followed by Groton Area with 421, Selby with 435 and Mobridge-Pollock with 438.



The fifth grade band performed, "Blazon!," Bandroom Boogie, and "Tropical Sunshine." The band is directed by Desiree Yeigh (Photo by Paul Kosel)

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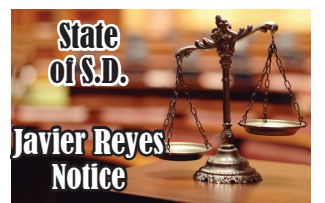
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General Election - Nov 5

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COUNTY OF BROWN
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IN CIRCUIT COURT
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
A&N 24-4
NOTICE OF ENTRY OF
AMENDED ADJUDICATORY ORDER

(As to Respondent Mother)
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA IN THE INTEREST OF B.G.N., MINOR CHILD, AND CONCERNING KEYAH MARIE NGUYEN AND JAVIER REYES, RESPONDENTS.

TO: Javier Reyes
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Amended Adjudicatory Order as to Respondent Mother and affecting your parental rights dated the 11th day of April, 2024, and filed the 26th day of April, 2024, has been entered in this matter. (This is an intermediate order which is subject to intermediate appeal with the permission of the Court according to the rules of procedure governing civil appeals.)
Dated this 1st day of May 2024.

/s/ Karla Nelson
Deputy State's Attorney Karla Nelson

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