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New owners take over the Jungle Lanes & Lounge

After a fire in 1972 destroyed the S&A Bowling Alley at the junction of Highways 12 & 37, four local entrepreneurs worked together to replace it.

Ben Schaller, James Oliver, Robert Lapham, and Jerry Larson purchased Lots 12 and 13 on the south end, east side of Main Street, naming it the Jungle for the Groton School tiger mascot.

Following its completion, Steve Schaller and Rodney Boehmer became the owners and opened Jungle Lanes and Lounge for business.

In the early 1980's Boehmer bought out Schaller and brought Hot Stuff Pizza to the lounge, a popular addition. In 2005 Boehmer sold the Jungle Lanes and Lounge to Chris and Nicole Kassube who later sold it to Dion and Samantha Bahr. The Bahrs recently sold the Jungle to Tim Janusz and his daughter Jillian Schaunaman.

"After I retired from 3M," Janusz explained, "I needed something to do so I started to help around at my daughter's pre-school, Mangrove Montessori." I enjoyed the work and discovered that helping her out was a good idea."

"Now we have a new challenge," Schaunaman admitted. "Previously I was not only teaching at the pre-school, but I also was a manager / bartender at Village Bowl in Aberdeen. This gave me some knowledge and experience to tackle this job at the Jungle."

"I will continue as the administrator of the pre-school as well as teaching there," she explained, "but I will have reduced hours since I will no longer be doing after the after-school program. This gives me the time I need to be at the Jungle during the evening hours. My dad will be at the Jungle every day and most evenings."

"The Jungle will be open Monday through Saturdays with a few new changes," Schaunaman stated. "There will be pizza and the entire food menu every day, but the hours it will be available will be extended on Fridays and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. with appetizers available until closing time."

"On Sundays during football season, the Jungle will be open from 11 a.m. – 9 p.m. with the entire food menu available during that time," she explained. "The Jungle will be closed during the Brown County Fair week in order to do some minor remodeling. Starting the week of August 19th the hours will be Monday – Saturday, 11 a.m. to close."

"We plan to change the name to just the Jungle in order to create a family friendly restaurant feeling," Janusz stated. "I will do the cooking while someone else handles the pizza orders."

"During the high school football season, the Jungle will be open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.," he listed. "We also want to add local historic City of Groton items and Groton Tiger memorabilia as decorations in the Jungle. Such items as lettermen's jackets, photos of the teams, historic photos, and other items of sentimental value to the community will be welcome for display. Once we are up and running for a while, we will be reaching out to the community for suggestions as well as items to be placed on the walls or throughout the building."

"Bowling leagues will continue as before with no changes being planned in this area. There is a possibility of starting a Friday night league as well," Janusz stated.

"We would also ask the community to be patient during this transition and that we will always be open to suggestions on how to improve everyone's experience at the Jungle," he stated.

- Dorene Nelson



Jillian Schaunaman in front of the sign on the building. (Photo by Dorene Nelson)

Groton Area Girls Golf Awards



Carly Guthmiller
Top Medalist



Claire Schuelke
Most Improved

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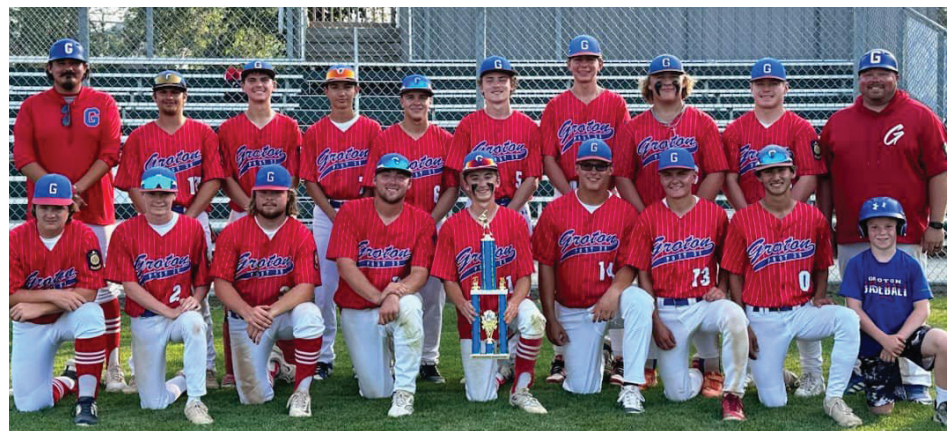
The State Senior Legion Baseball Tournament will be played in Salem Aug 2-6. In the first round action on Friday, Lake Norden/Badger Post 260 takes on Elk Point-Jefferson Post 134 at 10 a.m.; Big Stone City Post 229 takes on Dell Rapids Post 65 20 minutes after the first game; Parkston Post 194 takes on Platte/Geddes Post 115 at 5 p.m.; and Groton Post 39 takes on the host team, Salem/Montrose/Canova Post 140 20 minutes after the third game.



Jr. Legion Team Advances to State

The Groton Jr. Legion baseball team won the region tournament that was held in Sisseton over the weekend. They will compete in the state tournament that will be played in Groton, Aug. 9-11.

Back row: Coach Aaron Severson, Jarrett Erdmann, Karsten Fliehs, Gavin Englund, Tristin McGannon, Carter Simon, Gavin Kroll, Nick Groebelinghoff, Asst. Coach Seth Erickson; Front row: Kellen Antonsen, Nick Morris, Jordan Schwan, T.C. Schuster, Batboy Micah Krause, Alex Abeln, Lincoln Krause, Braeden Fliehs, Ryder Schelle (Courtesy Photo Joni Groebelinghoff)



Sr. Legion Team Advances to State

Back: Coach Aaron Severson, Nick Morris, Karsten Fliehs, Kellen Antonsen, Brevin Fliehs, Teylor Diegel, Carter Simon, Gavin Englund, Korbin Kucker, Coach Seth Erickson.

Front: Nick Groebelinghoff, Lincoln Krause, Ryan Groebelinghoff, Colby Dunker, Braxton Imrie, Bradin Althoff, Dillon Abeln, Jarrett Erdmann, Batboy Micah Krause (Courtesy Photo Jamie Simon)

The best friend I never knew

The way we make friends has changed. We're more mobile, and technology puts us in contact with people around the world. I've got an artist friend in India, a guy in Ukraine that sold me two vintage Soviet chess sets, a friend in Brazil who bought a Nakamichi cassette deck from me.

That's how I met David. He bought a gorgeous tube amp I'd had customized by a friend in Idaho. What drew him in was my description of the amp. David was a writer and he knew one when he read one. So, we shared those interests, audio and writing.

He was a mystery. Extremely intelligent, and like all East Coasters, opinionated and pugnacious. When we talked about writing, he let it slip that he'd written a rather famous book under a nom de plume. I didn't push to learn what book it was or to find out who he was. "You've read it," he assured me.

I started calling him Salman Rushdie which was hilarious because David was Jewish. When I visited him, his wife, and a trio of championship Cocker Spaniels, in New Jersey, I brought him my novels, "The Last Ghost Dancer" and "If Every Month Were June", but he said, "Thanks, but I'm not going to read them."

"No obligation," I said. Writers always share books with each other, and frankly, no one needs an assignment. The book calls you when its time. "Besides, what if you're better than me?" he said in all seriousness.

Now, at this point you're wondering if he was a fraud. If this was some elaborate ruse. A gift of some kind. Not a chance. He and his wife were salt of the earth. She's a registered nurse, and he was lucky he had her. He had an affliction that caused internal bleeding. She'd saved him more than once. He was living on borrowed time, he told me. I didn't know it then, but he was addicted to painkillers.

Maybe his precarious health is why he kept people at arm's length. "Friendships don't last long with me," he declared one day. But I have always had a soft spot for curmudgeons. Anyway, his dogs adored him. That's how I judge people.

He'd been a Sixties activist but not necessarily a liberal. He had a deep distrust of the government, in part because of the constant clicks of FBI phone taps in those days. I think he considered me a bit of a Pollyanna while I though he was paranoid.

Sometimes he'd send me something he'd written, something that probably no one else will ever read. What an imagination. Great storyteller. I think it was his idea that we write something together. I'd write a chapter, he'd



That's Life

by Tony Bender

write the next. He was so competitive! Every time I headed the plot in particular direction, he'd change course and leave the hero in a precarious position. I'd spend the next chapter digging out. I should have known that's how it would be. I'm sure he was well entertained. The brat. I finally threw in the towel, but somewhere on my hard drive I'm sure I have it all.

Our contacts became less frequent in recent years. I got a cancer diagnosis four years ago, and that can become a full-time job. Two and a half years ago, so did he, although I didn't know it until his wife reached out the other day to tell me David had died. There was no obituary, just a photo of David standing on a bridge. Poetic.

I thanked her for the sad news that otherwise, I'm sure, had been limited to family. Over the years, I saw the pictures of him and his grandkids. He looked happy and relaxed. I hope he told his grandkids his wonderful stories. My favorite was that when David was a kid in Miami, Cassius Clay (later Muhammad Ali), was training there, and just like in "Rocky" the kids ran with him. The Olympic champion was the Pied Piper.

"What was he like?" I asked.

"Biiiig!" he said, still in astonishment.

We could make each other laugh, and if we had a spat, we always got past it. Mostly by ignoring it. As I digested the sad news, I remembered the dark call I got quite a few years ago. David was not doing well. He'd gone cold turkey to quit the painkillers.

"I was sitting here and I realized you're the best friend I have in the world," he said shakily.

"I'm honored," I said, a life preserver 1500 miles away in the dark.

Writer. Enigma. Friend.

That friendship lasted to the end.

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Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

In less than two weeks, the Minnesota Vikings will be playing their first game of the 2024 NFL season. It might only be a preseason game, but it's our first tangible evidence that the long nightmare of the offseason is almost over. Before we wrap up our roster breakdown with the safety and special team positions, let's talk about some news coming out of training camp.

First, the good news!

After signing their star receiver to a massive extension earlier this month, the Vikings have now locked up their star left tackle Christian Darrisaw. (Also, if you haven't watched it yet, Netflix has a great behind-the-scenes look at Justin Jefferson in their show Receiver). The Vikings also brought back a fan favorite when they signed Duke Shelley last week. Shelley played for the Vikings in 2022 and was instrumental in several wins during that magical season.

Now, for the bad news.

Mekhi Blackmon, the second-year player who was in the mix for a starting role, sustained a major knee injury and has already been placed

on injured reserve so he will miss most of the season. Shaq Griffin, a former Pro-Bowler brought in this offseason, was also injured in training camp – and although it's only a soft tissue injury and he should be back soon, those types of injuries can linger and impact a player for much longer. NaJee Thompson, a core special teamer and backup CB, is also dealing with an injury and has been placed on the PUP (physically unable to perform) list, so he'll be out a minimum of six games. The Vikings' CB room has been decimated over the past few weeks, so expect them to bring in at least one free agent in the next few days. Luckily there are several high-quality free agents still available, including Xavien Howard, J.C. Jackson, Adoree' Jackson, Stephon Gilmore, and Patrick Peterson.

Now back to our regularly scheduled programming. We wrap up our roster breakdown with the safety, kicker, and punter positions. The Vikings made history last season when they had three safeties start all 17 games and play over 1,000 snaps each. With Harrison Smith coming back, and the issues at cornerback, I expect the Vikings to continue that trend in 2024.

Harrison Smith – Entering his 13th season since being drafted in the first round of the 2012 NFL Draft, Harry (The Hitman) Smith is the unquestioned leader of the Vikings' defense. This will likely be the last season for the future Hall-of-Famer.

Camryn Bynum – Another one of the starting safeties, Bynum is entering his fourth season in the NFL. A solid starter, Bynum didn't miss a single game last year.

Josh Metellus – A former special teams star, Metellus caught the eye of defensive coordinator Brian Flores last year. Metellus is the Vikings' Swiss Army knife, playing safety, corner, linebacker, and even some defensive line.

Jay Ward – Drafted in the fourth round last year, Ward is the primary backup for the safety group and an impact player on special teams.

Theo Jackson – Just like Ward, Theo Jackson is a backup safety who is a core special teams player. His spot on the Vikings' final 53-man roster is fairly secure.

Lewis Cine – The first draft pick of General Manager Kwesi Adofo Mensah's career, Lewis Cine has been a massive bust. He struggled to see the field as a rookie, then broke his leg in week four. Although he was healthy during his sophomore season, Cine only appeared in seven games and was a healthy scratch in the other ten. As crazy as it seems for a first-round pick entering his third season, Cine is in serious danger of not making the final 53-man roster.

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

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Jr. Legion Region First Game

Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 Defeat Clark Area Jr Legion 17U

By GameChanger Media

Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 beat Clark Area Jr Legion 17U 6-3 in regional competition held Monday in Sisseton.

Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 were the first to get on the board in the first when Nicholas Morris singled, scoring one run.

Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 added two runs in the second after Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 scored on a wild pitch.

Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 added to their early lead in the top of the third inning after Karsten Fliehs walked, Kellen Antonsen walked, and Tristin McGannon grounded out, each scoring one run.

Morris stepped on the bump first for Groton Jr. Legion Post 39. The starting pitcher allowed eight hits and three runs (two earned) over seven innings, striking out three and walking none. Will Hovde led things off on the bump for Clark Area Jr Legion 17U. The starting pitcher surrendered three hits and six runs over two innings, striking out three and walking six.

Lincoln Krause and Morris each collected two hits for Groton Jr. Legion Post 39. Fliehs, McGannon, Antonsen, and Morris each drove in one run for Groton Jr. Legion Post 39. Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 had a strong eye at the plate, collecting 10 walks for the game. Carter Simon and Antonsen led the team with two free passes each.

Michael Severson and Jakob Steen were a force together in the lineup, as they each collected two hits for Clark Area Jr Legion 17U while hitting back-to-back. Max Bratland, Ky Vandersnick, and Jakob Steen each drove in one run for Clark Area Jr Legion 17U. Clark Area Jr Legion 17U were sure-handed and didn't commit a single error. Watson Grantham made the most plays with six.

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Jr. Legion Region Championship Semifinal Game

Big Second Inning Leads Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 Past Claremont Post 262 Honkers 18U

By GameChanger Media

Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 defeated Claremont Post 262 Honkers 18U 12-2 on Tuesday thanks in part to eight runs in the second inning. Jarrett Erdmann singled, scoring two runs, Isaiah Scepaniak induced Nicholas Morris to hit into a fielder's choice, but one run scored, Tristin McGannon singled, scoring two runs, an error scored two runs, and Carter Simon grounded out, scoring one run.

Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 got on the board in the bottom of the first inning after Erdmann singled, and Karsten Fliehs walked, each scoring one run.

Kellen Antonsen led things off on the hill for Groton Jr. Legion Post 39. They surrendered five hits and two runs over five innings, striking out five and walking one. Scepaniak started the game for Claremont Post 262 Honkers 18U. The starting pitcher gave up four hits and nine runs (three earned) over one and one-third innings, striking out two and walking six.

Erdmann provided pop in the middle of the lineup, and led Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 with three runs batted in. The outfielder went 2-for-3 on the day. Fliehs paced Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 with three walks. Overall, the team had patience at the plate, piling up 10 walks for the game. Simon and Erdmann each stole multiple bases for Groton Jr. Legion Post 39. Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 were sure-handed and didn't commit a single error. Fliehs made the most plays with seven.

Scepaniak led Claremont Post 262 Honkers 18U with two runs batted in from the number eight spot in the lineup. The right-handed hitter went 1-for-2 on the day. Nate Schuller went 2-for-2 at the plate to lead Claremont Post 262 Honkers 18U in hits.

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Jr. Legion Region Championship Game

Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 Survive Sisseton Post 50 Jr Legion 16U

By GameChanger Media

Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 got out to a 9-run lead in the fifth inning and held on for a 10-9 victory over Sisseton Post 50 Jr Legion 16U on Tuesday. Sisseton Post 50 Jr Legion 16U closed the gap by scoring on a single, a single, a hit by pitch, a single, and a balk.

Alex Abeln collected three hits in three at bats in the win. Abeln singled in the second inning, singled in the fourth inning, and singled in the fifth inning.

Sisseton Post 50 Jr Legion 16U got on the board in the first inning after an error scored one run.

Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 captured the lead, 2-1, in the top of the second after Abeln singled, and Tristin McGannon grounded out, each scoring one run.

Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 scored six runs on five hits in the top of the fourth inning. Abeln singled, scoring one run, McGannon singled, scoring one run, Lincoln Krause grounded out, scoring one run, Carter Simon singled, scoring one run, an error scored one run, and Nicholas

Morris singled, scoring one run.

Sisseton Post 50 Jr Legion 16U scored eight runs on seven hits in the bottom of the sixth inning. Carter Stickland singled, scoring two runs, Max Dahlen singled, scoring two runs, LJ Crooks was struck by a pitch, driving in a run, Reggie Lincoln singled, scoring one run, and a wild pitch scored two runs.

Nick Groeblinghoff pitched four and two-thirds innings in relief for Groton Jr. Legion Post 39. The reliever allowed five hits and four runs while, striking out four and walking one. Gavin Englund opened the game for Groton Jr. Legion Post 39. The right-handed pitcher gave up one hit and one run (zero earned) over one inning, striking out two and walking two. Bradley Hansen stepped on the mound first for Sisseton Post 50 Jr Legion 16U. They surrendered nine hits and 10 runs (six earned) over five and two-thirds innings, striking out three and walking four.

Krause, McGannon, and Abeln each drove in two runs for Groton Jr. Legion Post 39. Morris led Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 with two walks. Overall, the team had a strong eye at the plate, accumulating eight walks for the game. Simon and Abeln each stole multiple bases for Groton Jr. Legion Post 39. Groton Jr. Legion Post 39 ran wild on the base paths, collecting six stolen bases for the game.

Dahlen led Sisseton Post 50 Jr Legion 16U with two hits in four at bats. Stickland and Dahlen each drove in two runs for Sisseton Post 50 Jr Legion 16U.

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Alex Morris Of Groton Locke Electric 2024 Shuts Out Merchants

By GameChanger Media

Alex Morris didn't allow a single run as defeated Merchants 7-0 on Sunday. Morris allowed just three hits.

Groton Locke Electric 2024 scored five runs in the sixth inning on the way to victory. an error scored one run, a passed ball scored two runs, an error scored one run, and Ben Althoff singled, scoring one run.

Groton Locke Electric 2024 got on the board in the fourth inning after Johnny Celedonio singled, scoring one run.

Ashton Remily started the game for Merchants. They surrendered two hits and one run (zero earned) over three and one-third innings, striking out three and walking four.

Althoff drove the middle of the lineup, leading Groton Locke Electric 2024 with two runs batted in. The number three hitter went 1-for-3 on the day. Celedonio led Groton Locke Electric 2024 with two hits in four at bats. Groton Locke Electric 2024 had a strong eye at the plate, piling up eight walks for the game. Wyatt Locke and Dylan Frey led the team with two free passes each. Groton Locke Electric 2024 turned one double play in the game.

Greg Heyne, Carson Simes, and Carter Lane each collected one hit for Merchants. Merchants turned one double play in the game.

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Groton Locke Electric 2024 Fall After Strong Showing By Circus Sports Bar

By GameChanger Media

Groton Locke Electric 2024 had trouble keeping up with Circus Sports Bar in a 12-3 loss on Wednesday.

Circus Sports Bar were the first to get on the board in the first when one run scored on another play.

In the bottom of the first inning, Groton Locke Electric 2024 went back into the lead after Alex Morris singled, and Johnny Celedonio hit into a fielder's choice, each scoring one run.

Circus Sports Bar took the lead in the top of the second. Easton Millar tripled, scoring two runs, to give Circus Sports Bar the edge, 3-2.

Ty Sieber singled, which helped Groton Locke Electric 2024 tie the game at three in the bottom of the second.

A walk by Millar gave Circus Sports Bar the lead, 4-3, in the top of the fifth.

Chad Ellingson earned the win for Circus Sports Bar. The starting pitcher allowed eight hits and three runs over six and one-third innings, striking out four and walking two. Wyatt Locke took the loss for Groton Locke Electric 2024. They went six innings, giving up eight runs (five earned) on 10 hits, striking out five and walking 11.

Groton Locke Electric 2024 collected 10 hits in the game. Morris led Groton Locke Electric 2024 with four hits in four at bats. Sieber, Morris, and Celedonio each drove in one run for Groton Locke Electric 2024. Ben Althoff collected two hits for Groton Locke Electric 2024 in five at bats. Groton Locke Electric 2024 turned one double play in the game.

Circus Sports Bar collected 17 hits in the game. Number seven hitter, Jesse Babcock, showed the depth of Circus Sports Bar's lineup, by leading them with four hits in five at bats. Millar led Circus Sports Bar with three runs batted in. They went 2-for-4 on the day. Tyler Oliver, Corey Harrell, and Ellingson each collected multiple hits for Circus Sports Bar. Circus Sports Bar had a strong eye at the plate, tallying 14 walks for the game. Oliver and Joey Wollman led the team with three bases on balls each. Babcock stole two bases. Circus Sports Bar stole four bases in the game. Circus Sports Bar turned one double play in the game. Circus Sports Bar didn't commit a single error in the field. Kelly Coates had the most chances in the field with 11.

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JULY 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 Fjeldheim led the Pledge of Allegiance.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Commissioner Wiese to approve the agenda, seconded by Fjeldheim. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: Carl Perry, District 3 Representative shared with the Commission the 7 different ballot questions that will be on the ballot in November and encouraged people to go to the Secretary of State website and educate themselves on each item.
Jared & Ed Bossly with Warner Township met with the Commission to express their concerns regarding a Culvert that was put in at 38248 148th Street. Jared mentioned that they feel this will end-up being a Dam and the water will be 6-7’ deep. Ed shared that the water used to go straight across the road but is now a mini channel and concerned will cause a flood situation. Commissioners stated they will put it on the agenda for next week so able to discuss the matter further.
PUBLIC HEARING – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE TEMPORARY PERMIT FOR SPECIAL EVENT: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Gage to approve the following Alcoholic Beverage Temporary Permit in conjunction with a Special Event for Malt Beverage License to Aberdeen Aqua Addicts, Aberdeen, SD for Midwest Regional Ski Show Tournament to be held at Dahme Lake, Lt 1 Aberdeen Aqua Addicts SD NW 35-T123-R64 (3301 S. Hwy. 281, Aberdeen) Brown County, SD effective July 26-28, 2024. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE TEMPORARY PERMIT IN CONJUNCTION WITH A SPECIAL EVENT: Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve the following Alcoholic Beverage Temporary Permit for Malt Beverage License in conjunction with a Special Event to Aberdeen Hockey Association (RB-25542) at the Brown County Fairgrounds Clubhouse for Brown County Fair on August 12 – 18, 2024. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
FY2025 PROVISIONAL BUDGET: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to approve the FY2025 Provisional Budget and to authorize advertising public hearing for September 3, 2024 for the purpose of considering the foregoing Provisional Budget for the fiscal year of 2025 and the various items, schedules, amounts and appropriations set forth therein and as many days thereafter as is deemed necessary until the final adoption of the budget. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Dennert seconded by Wiese to approve the General Meeting Minutes of July 16, 2024. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
CLAIMS: Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Gage to approve the following claims: Professional Fees: CGI, LLC \$477.79; Credit Collections Bureau \$4,777.25; Dakota Trails Investigation \$3,351.01; Jeremy Lund-Siegel Barnett & Schutz, LLP \$195.50; Karly Winter \$40.68; Kristi Brandt \$158.60; Lewis & Clark BHS \$213.00; Liberty Tire Recycling, LLC \$11,843.94; Lucy Lewno \$170.00; Mark Katterhagen \$18.00; Natrona County Sheriff’s Office \$55.00; Pottawamie County Sheriff’s Office \$36.00; Sanford Health \$1,173.10; SD Dept of Health \$1,740.00; SD Dept of Revenue \$3,087.60; Spitzer Miller Funeral Home \$1,800.00; Thomson Reuters-West Payment Center \$1,661.05; TJ Counseling \$6,450.00; Valerie Larson \$18.00; William A. Moss, Psy.D., LLC \$1,575.00; Yankton County Sheriff’s Office \$50.00; Yellow Robe Consulting \$2,700.00; Youngberg Law Prof, LLC \$264.50; Ylstra Investigations \$920.00. Publishing: Gannett California LocalIQ \$68.57; Groton Daily Independent \$109.74; Lakota Times \$26.98; Midstate Group \$6,097.50; Southwest Messenger Press, Inc \$103.88; West River Eagle \$34.44. Repairs & Maintenance: Axon Enterprise, Inc \$19,002.91; IMEG Corp \$17,850.22; Leidholt Electric, LLC \$198.98; North Central Steel Systems, Inc \$53,007.35; Olson’s Pest Technicians \$450.00; Sewer Duck, Inc \$510.00. Supplies: A-1 Locksmithing \$96.00; Advance Auto Parts \$361.20; Amazon Capital Services, Inc \$159.39; Century Business Products \$286.06; Cole Paper Inc \$841.16; Dakota Electronics \$1,268.88; Dakota Supply Group \$86.66; Graham Tire Inc \$846.73; Hall Sand & Gravel, Inc \$3,593.90; Harr Motors \$125.00; Hillary Goff \$300.00; Jensen Rock & Sand Inc \$13,866.20; Lien Transportation Company \$2,340.80; Lucy Lewno \$6.64; McLeod’s Printing & Office Supply \$325.00; Menards \$106.45; Midstates Group \$2,072.50; Performance Oil \$328.00; Plumbing & Heating Wholesale, Inc \$369.65; Runnings \$290.83; Stan Houston Equipment Company, Inc \$793.33; Thomson Reuters-West Payment Center \$1,951.46. Travel & Conference: Axon Enterprise, Inc \$209.34. Utilities: CenturyLink \$604.01; City of Aberdeen Treasurer \$4,971.95; Dependable Sanitation, Inc \$532.00; Northwestern Energy \$1,881.28; NVC \$3,195.30; State of South Dakota PMB 0112 \$142.48; T-Mobile \$45.36; Todd County Tribune/Mellette County News \$23.00; Verizon Wireless \$42.68. Machinery & Equipment: Lamb Chevrolet and Implement Inc \$51,015.00. Others: SD Dept of Labor and Regulation \$1,563.33; SD Dept of Revenue \$857,970.94. 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:
• Adjusted effective date: Resignation of Kristin Boeshans, Brown County Museum Curator of Education, FT – effective August 2, 2024.
• Resignation of Balinda Roldan, Brown County 911 Communications Officer, FT – effective July 15, 2024. Request to fill.
• Resignation of Emily Bockorny, Brown County Museum Summer Intern; FT – effective July 19, 2024.
• Resignation of Erislandy Ferrer, Brown County Jail Detention Officer; FT – effective July 27, 2024. Request to fill.
All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
CLAIM ASSIGNMENTS: Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Gage 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.
TEMPORARY SPECIAL EVENT ALCOHOL LICENSE PERMIT HEARING: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to authorize advertising public hearing for the following Special Alcohol License Permit: SPURS Therapeutic Riding Center, Aberdeen, SD – SPURS 2nd Addition – NW ¼ of Sec 6-T123N-R63W Brown County, SD on August 13, 2024. (Special License effective September 14, 2024). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
SET HEARING DATE & AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING - ALCOHOL LICENSE TRANSFERS: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Fjeldheim to set hearing date and authorize advertising for public hearing on the following alcohol transfers on 13th day of August, 2024 in the Chambers of the Brown County Commissioners, in the Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota: TRANSFER – RETAIL (ON-OFF SALE) MALT BEVERAGE & SD FARM WINE: Stacy Gossman, DBA BigZ to transfer license to County Line Developers, LLC, DBA: County Line Club – BC located at 2520 8th Ave. NE – Lt 1 Ronnie’s Way Addition, NW ¼ of Sec 17-T123-R 63 of 5th P.M., Brown County, SD; TRANSFER – RETAIL (ON-OFF SALE) MALT BEVERAGE & SD FARM WINE: Stacy Gossman, DBA Annie’s to transfer license to County Line Developers, LLC, DBA: County Line Club – BC located at 2520 8th Ave. NE – Lt 1 Ronnie’s Way Addition, NW ¼ of Sec 17-T123-R 63 of 5th P.M., Brown County, SD; TRANSFER – RETAIL (ON-OFF SALE) MALT BEVERAGE & SD FARM WINE: Stacy Gossman, DBA Ollie’s to transfer license to County Line Developers, LLC, DBA: County Line Club located at 2035 8th Ave. NW, Ste. 1 – Lt. 1-2, NE ¼ of Sec 15-T123-R64 of 5th P.M., Brown County, SD; TRANSFER – RETAIL (ON-OFF SALE) MALT BEVERAGE & SD FARM WINE: Stacy Gossman, DBA: Bergzy to transfer license located at 2520 8th Ave. NE – Lt. 1 Ronnie’s Way Addition Ste E., NW ¼ of Sec 17-T123-R63 of 5th P.M., Brown County to County Line Developers, LLC, DBA: County Line Club located at 2035 8th Ave. NW, Ste. 3 – Lt. 1-2, NE ¼ of Sec 15-T123-R64 of 5th P.M., Brown County, SD; TRANSFER – RETAIL (ON-OFF SALE) MALT BEVERAGE & SD FARM WINE: Stacy Gossman, DBA: Caponez to transfer license located at 2520 8th Ave. NE – Lt. 1 Ronnie’s Way Addition Ste. F, NW ¼ of Sec 17-T123-R63 of 5th P.M., Brown County to County Line Developers, LLC, DBA: County Line Club located at 2035 8th Ave. NW, Ste. 2 – Lt. 1-2, NE ¼ of Sec 15-T123-R64 of 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. Hearing date set for August 13, 2024 in the Chambers of the Brown County Commissioners, Brown County, SD. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
SET HEARING DATE & AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING FOR PACKAGE (OFF-SALE) LIQUOR LICENSES: Moved by Commissioner Gage, seconded by Wiese to set hearing date and authorize advertising for public hearing on the following applications of Package (Off-Sale) Liquor Licenses on 13th day of August 2024 in the Chambers of the Brown County Commissioners, in the Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota: PURCHASE – PACKAGE (OFF SALE) LIQUOR: County Line Developers, LLC, DBA: County Line Club located at 2520 8th Ave. NE, Ste. 4 – Lt. 1 Ronnie’s Way Addition, NW ¼ of Sec 17-T123-R63 of 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
PURCHASE – PACKAGE (OFF SALE) LIQUOR: County Line Developers, LLC, DBA: County Line Club located at 2520 8th Ave. NE, Ste. 4 – Lt. 1 Ronnie’s Way Addition, NW ¼ of Sec 17-T123-R63 of 5th P.M., Brown County, SD. Hearing date set for August 13, 2024 in the Chambers of the Brown County Commissioners, Brown County, SD. 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 the first reading of the following zoning ordinance to be held on August

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13, 2024 in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex. Brown County, South Dakota. Proposed Ordinance #275, applicant Nicole Kempf 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 future use: Proposed Lot 1, “Palmyra Farmhouse Second Addition” in the SW1/4 of Section 18-T128N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (10260 373rd Avenue, Palmyra Twp.). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
PRELIMINARY PLAT - JOHN-SON AIRPORT SUBDIVISION: Scott Bader, Planning & Zoning Director informed the Commission that they told the applicant to approach the Airport and get a letter to approve building the homes in this development because at one-time there was talk about the Airport expanding. Moved by Commissioner Gage, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve the Preliminary Plat for James Johnson which includes a new road named Anthony Lane: “Johnson Airport Subdivision” in the SW ¼ of Section 22-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (approximate address is 1349 S. 391st Avenue, Bath Twp.). Title 5 Subdivision Ordinances require a Preliminary Plat review with a new dedicated road & road name. Commissioner Wiese asked that approaches be included on the final plat. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
GENGERKE RICHMOND LAKE ADDITION PLAT: RESOLUTION #37-24
Commissioner Fjeldheim brought the following resolution “Be it resolved by the County Commission of Brown County, South Dakota, that the plat showing: “Gengerke Richmond Lake Addition in the NW ¼ of Section 13, Township 124 North, Range 65 West of the 5TH P.M., Brown County, South Dakota” having been examined is hereby approved in accordance with the provision of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof.”
Seconded by Dennert. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.
HAUGEN FIRST SUBDIVISION PLAT: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Gage to approve the Plat for Alvin & Nancy Haugen: “Haugen First Subdivision” in the NE ¼ Section 23-T124N-R65W of the 5TH P.M., Brown County, South Dakota. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
PALMYRA FARMHOUSE SECOND ADDITION PLAT: RESOLUTION #38-24
Commissioner Dennert brought the following resolution “Be it resolved by the County Commission of Brown County, South Dakota, that the plat showing: “Palmyra Farmhouse Second Addition in the W ½ of Section 18, Township 128 North, Range 65 West of the 5TH P.M., Brown County, South Dakota” having been examined is hereby approved in accordance with the provision of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof.”
Seconded by Wiese. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.
OTHER BUSINESS: None
EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Gage to go into Executive Session for Personnel, Contracts and Legal per SDCL 1-25-2. All members present voting aye. Motion carried. The chair declared the executive session closed with no action taken.
ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 9:58 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.
Lynn Heupel, Brown County Auditor
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NOTICE OF HEARING UPON APPLICATIONS FOR SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Notice is hereby given according to SDCL 35-2-5, a Public Hearing on the transfer of a Retail (On – Off Sale) Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine License is set for the 13th day of August, 2024 in the Chambers of the Brown County Commissioners, in the Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota at which time any interested persons wishing to register a complaint on their approval may appear:

TRANSFER – RETAIL (ON-OFF SALE) MALT BEVERAGE & SD FARM WINE:

Stacy Gossman, DBA: Bergzy to transfer license located at 2520 8th Ave. NE – Lt. 1 Ronnie's Way Addition Ste E., NW ¼ of Sec 17-T123-R63 of 5th P.M., Brown County to County Line Developers, LLC, DBA: County Line Club located at 2035 8th Ave. NW, Ste. 1 – Lt. 1-2, NE ¼ of Sec 15-T123-R64 of 5th P.M., Brown County, SD.

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ATTEST: Lynn Heupel, Brown County Auditor

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NOTICE OF HEARING FOR SPECIAL EVENT ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

Notice is hereby given according to SDCL 35-2 & 35-4-124, a Public Hearing on the following Special Event Alcoholic Beverage License (Malt Beverage) Application is set for the 13th day of August, 2024, in the chambers of the Brown County Commissioners, in the Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota, at which time any interested persons wishing to register a complaint on their approval may appear:

SPURS Therapeutic Riding Center, Aberdeen, SD – SPURS 2nd Addition – NW ¼ of Sec 6-T123N-R63W Brown County, SD.

Temporary Special Event Alcohol License effective September 14, 2024

ATTEST: Lynn Heupel, Brown County Auditor

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NOTICE OF HEARING UPON APPLICATIONS FOR SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Notice is hereby given according to SDCL 35-2-5, a Public Hearing on the transfer of a Retail (On – Off Sale) Malt Beverage & SD Farm Wine License is set for the 13th day of August, 2024 in the Chambers of the Brown County Commissioners, in the Courthouse Annex, Brown County, South Dakota at which time any interested persons wishing to register a complaint on their approval may appear:

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ATTEST: Lynn Heupel, Brown County Auditor

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NOTICE OF HEARING UPON APPLICATIONS FOR SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Notice is hereby given according to SDCL 35-2-5, a Public Hearing on the Application of a Package (Off Sale) Liquor License is set for the 13th day of August, 2024 in the Chambers of the Brown County Commissioners, Brown County, South Dakota at which time any interested persons wishing to register a complaint on their approval may appear:

PURCHASE – PACKAGE (OFF SALE) LIQUOR:

County Line Developers, LLC, DBA: County Line Club located at 2035 8th Ave. NW, Ste. 4 – Lt. 1-2, NE ¼ of Sec 15-T123-R64 of 5th P.M., Brown County, SD.

PURCHASE – PACKAGE (OFF SALE) LIQUOR:

County Line Developers, LLC, DBA: County Line Club located at 2520 8th Ave. NE, Ste. 4 – Lt. 1 Ronnie's Way Addition, NW ¼ of Sec 17-T123-R63 of 5th P.M., Brown County, SD.

ATTEST: Lynn Heupel, Brown County Auditor

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE APPLICATION FOR SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Groton City Council on the 6th day of August,

2024 at the hour of 7:00pm in City Hall, 120 N Main St, Groton, South Dakota will meet in regular session to consider the following transfer applications for alcoholic beverage licenses to operate within the City of Groton, South Dakota for the 2024 licensing period, which has been presented to the governing body and filed on the Finance Office.

From: Dion and Samantha Bahr, dba Bahr's Jungle Lanes and Lounge LLC, 9 N Main St.

Retail (On-Sale) Liquor and Package (Off-Sale) Liquor.

To: Jillian J. Janusz and Cyprus Ltd, dba The Jungle, 9 N Main St.

Retail (On-Sale) Liquor and Package (Off-Sale) Liquor.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any person, persons, or their representative may appear at said scheduled public hearing and present objections to any or all of the above applicants, if any objections there be.

Dated at Groton, South Dakota this 24th day of July, 2024.

Douglas Heinrich, Finance Officer

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NOTICE OF SALE AUGUST 16th, 2024, at 10:00 AM

State Nebraska Bank & Trust vs Brian Dolan & Kristen Dolan (06CIV22-000424-01) 2012 Chevy Avalanche

An Execution of Judgement in the above referenced matter was received by the Brown County Sheriff's Office on January 3rd, 2024. The amount of the Judgment is \$33,157.48, \$260.50 Cost, \$373.39 Pre-Judgement interest, plus continuing costs, and interest, as provided by law. This amount does not include Sheriff's Office fees and costs related to this matter. The property to be sold pursuant to the Execution is: 2012 Chevy Avalanche, VIN 3GNTKFE79CG124632. Odometer Reading: 206,206.

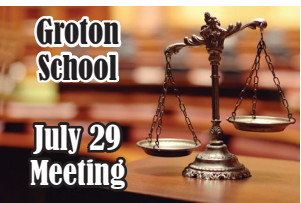
THIS PROPERTY WILL BE AUCTIONED AND SOLD TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, WITH THE SALE BEING FINAL, SOLD AS IS WITH NO WARRANTIES EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED. CASH IS REQUIRED ON THE DAY OF SALE.

The sale will be held at the Brown County impound, 1015 1st Ave SE, Aberdeen, SD 57401 (Next to BMX Track) on August 16th, 2024, at 10:00 AM.

DAVE LUNZMAN, SHERIFF OF BROWN COUNTY.

By: Nate Smith, Deputy, 605-626-7100 ext. 509.

Published July 17, 25, Aug. 7 and Aug. 15, 2024, at the total approximate cost of \$50.91 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com. 23519



UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION GROTON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 06-6

REGULAR MEETING July 29, 2024

President Rix called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. in the GHS Library Conference Room. Members present: Fliehs, Gengerke, Harder, Lerseth-Fliehs, Rix, Strom, and Weismantel. Others present were Supt. J. Schwan, Principal B. Schwan, Principal Edwards, and Business Manager Hubsch.

Moved by Gengerke, second Lerseth-Fliehs to approve the proposed agenda. Motion carried.

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

Members of the public are allowed five minutes to address the board on any topic of their choice. With no public members present the board proceeded with their agenda.

The Board conducted a goal-setting work session and will present the goals created at the next regular Board meeting on August 12, 2024.

Moved by Gengerke, second Harder to adjourn at 9:18 pm. Motion carried.

Becky Hubsch, Business Manager

Grant Rix, President

The addition of signatures to this page verifies these minutes as official.

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NOTICE

Application has been made by Nicole Kempf 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 August 13, 2024 for the purpose of rezoning the following properties from Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring this parcel into compliance for its future use:

Proposed Lot 1, "Palmyra Farmhouse Second Addition" in the SW1/4 of Section 18-T128N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (10260 373rd Avenue, Palmyra 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. 275.

ATTEST:

Lynn Heupel
Brown County Auditor

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Classifieds and Card of Thanks

The following rates are for Classifieds published in both the Groton Daily Independent and the Groton Independent. Cut rate in half if you just want it in the GDI or just the weekly.

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AGTEGRA COOPERATIVE NOTICE OF UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

Monday, July 29, 2024

Agtegra Cooperative's records indicate that the following individuals or entities do not have an address on record or a known valid address on record and have one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) or more of unclaimed money or property with Agtegra:

- SIEVERS FARMS, INC.
- ESTATE OF KENNETH BARROWS
- ESTATE OF TED JENNINGS
- ROBERT PRITCHARD
- LESLIE A HONEYMANN

If you are one of the above-listed owners of unclaimed property or believe you are entitled to the unclaimed property of any one of the above-listed owners, please call or email Agtegra at (605) 725-8599 or unclaimedproperty@agtegra.com to request an application. If the property is not claimed by the rightful owner within six (6) months of the date of first publication of notice, the money or property may be forfeited to the cooperative.



August 2024 Groton Community Calendar

Thursday, Aug. 1
Senior Menu: Chicken tetrazzini, green beans, honey fruit salad, whole wheat bread.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Nigeria Circle, 2 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 2
Senior Menu: Taco salad, Mexican rice with beans, breadstick, cherry fluff.
State Legion Baseball Tournament in Salem

Saturday, Aug. 3
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Groton Christian & Missionary Alliance: Vacation Bible School, 6:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
State Legion Baseball Tournament in Salem
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 4
Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship with communion, 9 a.m.; Pastor at Bethesda, Aberdeen, 2 p.m.
St. John's Lutheran: Worship with communion at St. John's, 9 a.m., and at Zion, 11 a.m.; St. John's voters meeting, 9:45 a.m.; VBS at St. John's, 5:30 p.m.
United Methodist: Worship with communion at Conde, 8:30 a.m., and Groton, 10:30 a.m.; coffee hour, 9:30 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.
Special Needs Family Fun Night, 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Groton Pool
Groton Christian & Missionary Alliance: Vacation Bible School, 6:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
State Legion Baseball Tournament in Salem

Monday, Aug. 5
Senior Menu: Ranch chicken breast, scalloped potatoes, oriental blend vegetables, frosted brownie, fruit, whole wheat bread.
Fall Sports Parent Meeting, 7 p.m., GHS Arena
Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.
St. John's Lutheran: Vacation Bible School, 5:30 p.m.
Pantry open, Groton Community Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
School Supply Drive, Groton Community Center, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Groton Christian & Missionary Alliance: Vacation Bible School, 6:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
State Legion Baseball Tournament in Salem

Tuesday, Aug. 6
Senior Menu: Roast beef, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, mandarin orange salad, whole wheat bread.
St. John's Lutheran: Vacation Bible School, 5:30 p.m.
United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m., Vacation Bible School, 5 p.m.
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Pantry Open, Groton Community Center, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Wage Memorial Library meeting, 120 N Main, 6 p.m.
City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
Groton Christian & Missionary Alliance: Vacation Bible School, 6:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
State Legion Baseball Tournament in Salem

Wednesday, Aug. 7
Senior Menu: Turkey sub sandwich, lettuce and tomato, macaroni salad with peas, broccoli, tropical fruit.

Emmanuel Lutheran: Sarah Circle, 5 p.m.
St. John's Lutheran: Vacation Bible School program and cookout, 6 p.m.
United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.; Vacation Bible School, 5 p.m.
Groton Chamber Meeting, 120 N Main, Noon
Groton Christian & Missionary Alliance: Vacation Bible School, 6:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 8
Senior Menu: Lasagna bake, tossed salad with dressing, melon, cookie, garlic bread.
First day of football practice
Family Fun Fest, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Downtown Groton
Groton Lions Club Meeting, 104 N Main, 6 p.m.
Summer Splash at Groton High School, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 9
Senior Menu: Chicken pasta salad, peas and carrots, grape juice, cake with strawberries, dinner roll.
Jr. Legion State Baseball Tournament in Groton

Saturday, Aug. 10
Jr. Legion State Baseball Tournament in Groton
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 11
St. John's Lutheran: Worship at St. John's, 9 a.m., and at Zion, 11 a.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship, 11 a.m.
United Methodist: Worship at Conde, 8:30 a.m., and at Groton, 10:30 a.m.; coffee hour, 9:30 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.
Jr. Legion State Baseball Tournament in Groton
High School Moonlight Swim, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., Pool

Monday, Aug. 12
Senior Menu: Hot pork sandwich, cucumber salad, baked beans, Herbert, fruit.
First day of boys golf practice
Storybook Land Theatre, 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., GHS Gym
School Board Meeting, 7 p.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.
Pantry open, Groton Community Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Groton Senior Citizens meet at the Community Center, 1 p.m.
Blood Drive at the Groton Community Center, 1:15 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 13
Senior Menu: Chicken cordon bleu hot dish, pears, whole wheat bread.
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Pantry Open, Groton Community Center, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 14
Senior Menu: Beef stew, buttermilk biscuit, Waldorf salad, cookie.
United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, Aug. 15
Senior Menu: Meatloaf, baked potato with sour cream, creamed peas, honey fruit salad, whole wheat bread.
First day of cross country practice
First day of volleyball practice
Emmanuel Lutheran: WELCA "Do Day", 1:30 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 16
Senior Menu: Chicken strips, tri-tators, carrots, fruit, whole wheat bread.

Saturday, Aug. 17
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.


Sunday, Aug. 18
St. John's Lutheran: worship with communion at St. John's, 9 .m., and at Zion, 11 a.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship with communion, 9 a.m.
United Methodist: Worship at Conde, 8:30 a.m., and at Groton, 10:30 a.m.; coffee hour, 9:30 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.

Monday, Aug 19
Senior Menu: Beef stroganoff with noodles, green beans, vanilla pudding, mandarin oranges, whole wheat bread.
Faculty Inservice, 8 a.m.
Boys golf at Sioux Valley (Volga), 10 a.m.
6th grade welcome walk at GHS, 4 p.m.
Elementary school open house, 4 p.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.
Pantry open, Groton Community Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Groton Senior Citizens meet at the Community Center, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 20
Senior Menu: Lemon chicken breast, au gratin potatoes, 3 bean salad, pineapple/strawberry ambrosia, dinner roll.
Faculty Inservice, 8 a.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Council meeting, 6 p.m.
United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Pantry Open, Groton Community Center, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 21
Senior Menu: Hamburger cabbage roll hot dish, mixed vegetables, muffin, pears.
School Breakfast: Cereal.
School Lunch: Cheese stuffed breadstick with marinara sauce.
First day of school
Emmanuel Lutheran: Worship at Rosewood Court, 10 a.m.
United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, Aug. 22
Senior Menu: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, oriental blend vegetables, baked apples, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Egg omelet
School Lunch: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes.
Boys golf at Milbank, 10 a.m.



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Friday, Aug. 23

Senior Menu: BBQ riblet on bun, scalloped potatoes, tomato spoon salad, watermelon, cookie.
School Breakfast: Pancake on a stick.
School Lunch: French bread pizza, green beans.

Saturday, Aug. 24

Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 25

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

Monday, Aug. 26

Senior Menu: Chicken Alfredo, broccoli, peaches, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Stuffed bagels.

School Lunch: Corn dogs, baked beans.
Emmanuel Lutheran: Bible Study, 6:30 a.m.
Pantry open, Groton Community Center, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Groton Senior Citizens meet at the Community Center, potluck at noon

Tuesday, Aug. 27

Senior Menu: Spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, apple crisp, breadstick.
School Breakfast: Mini pancakes.
School Lunch: Chicken strips, potato wedges.
NEC Boys Golf Meet at Hankinson, N.D. (Tiospa Zina)
United Methodist: Bible Study, 10 a.m.
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Pantry Open, Community Center, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 28

Senior Menu: Roast turkey, dressing with gravy, 7-layer salad, fruit, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Muffins.
School Lunch: Quesadillas, corn.
United Methodist: Community Coffee Hour, 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, Aug. 29

Senior Menu: Baked cod, parsley buttered potatoes, creamy coleslaw, tapioca pudding mandarin oranges, whole wheat bread.
School Breakfast: Breakfast pizza.
School Lunch: Taco burgers, tri taters.
Volleyball at Hamlin (8th at 4 p.m., 7th/C at 5 p.m., JV at 6 p.m. with varsity to follow

Friday, Aug. 30

Senior Menu: Ham salad on bun, cauliflower/pea/carrot salad, fresh fruit, cookie.
No School (Labor Day break)
Football hosts Mobridge-Pollock, 7 p.m.
Basketball Golf Tourney fundraiser at Olive Grove

Saturday, Aug. 31

Volleyball C Team tournament at Matchbox Club in Aberdeen
Common Cents Community Thrift Store, 209 N Main, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Catholic: SEAS Confession, 3:45-4:15 p.m.; SEAS Mass, 4:30 p.m.

Queen of Hearts

Week number 20 of the Queen of Hearts was held Thursday night. Ticket sales for the week were \$2,355. The jackpot at \$32,767 The name of Jerry Jenkins was drawn. He picked card number 15 which was the Nine of Diamonds. He won the consolation prize of 10 percent of the ticket sales - \$235.



The funeral service for Vergene 'Jean' Harrison, 82, of Aberdeen, SD, formerly Groton, SD, was Saturday, July 27, 2024, at Aldersgate Church, with Pastor Mike Waldrop officiating. The burial was at Oakes View Cemetery, Oakes, ND. Jean died Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at Primrose Memory Cottage in Aberdeen.

Clarice Vergene 'Jean' Moore was born December 18, 1941, in Oakes, ND, to Clarence 'Bud' and Violet (Pratt) Moore. She was raised on a farm west of Oakes and attended school in the Oakes area, graduating from Oakes High School in 1959. Jean then attended Ellendale State Teacher's College in Ellendale, ND, for one year. She married Lauren Harrison on September 17, 1960.

Jean worked in a bank in Ellendale, then in Watertown, SD, before they moved to Groton, SD, in 1970. She pursued her

bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Northern State College (now University) and earned her master's degree in 1982 from Northern. She taught 5th grade in Groton for 33 years until her retirement.

Jean enjoyed shopping and going to quilt shows with her mother and sister. She loved taking her nieces and nephews to Storybook Land in Aberdeen. Jean had a special talent for remembering names, dates, and details. She loved to talk on the phone with family and friends. Jean was a dedicated caregiver for fourteen years to her parents while they lived with Lauren and her.

Jean especially enjoyed her pie club with Cara and Renee, who were fellow teachers and close friends.

The family would like to thank all who cared for Jean on her end-of-life journey.

Grateful for having shared Jean's life are her siblings: Lynette (Loren) Winters and Lyndon (Claire) Moore; siblings-in-law: Wayne (Priscilla) Harrison and Cecile (Gary) Ringgenberg; nieces and nephews: Lee (Laura) Winters, Lindsay (Andrew) Ryan, Ben Moore, Jia Moore, Craig (Nancy) Harrison, Nancy (Tom) Cutler, Steve (Penny) Harrison, and Joe (Lori) Harrison; great-nieces and nephews: Vera Winters, Zoey Winters, Ivan Winters, Caleb Ryan, Andrea Harrison (Joe Berreth), Nick Harrison (Julia Norman), Walker (Jackie) Cutler, Forrest (Jeanna) Cutler, Sophie (Alex) Hughes, Isaiah Cutler, Laura Harrison, Ben Harrison, Dalton (Jene) Harrison, and Garrett (Jenna) Harrison.

Preceding Jean in death are her parents Clarence 'Bud' and Violet Moore; husband Lauren Harrison; infant daughter Laurie Harrison; and brother-in-law Dale Harrison

Winner Advocate closing down

Unless a buyer can be found, the Winner Advocate newspaper will be closing its doors with the final issue being printed August. 28th. The 116-year-old newspaper has been listed for sale for two years with no one making an inquiry. Locals have been approached with no one taking an interest.

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