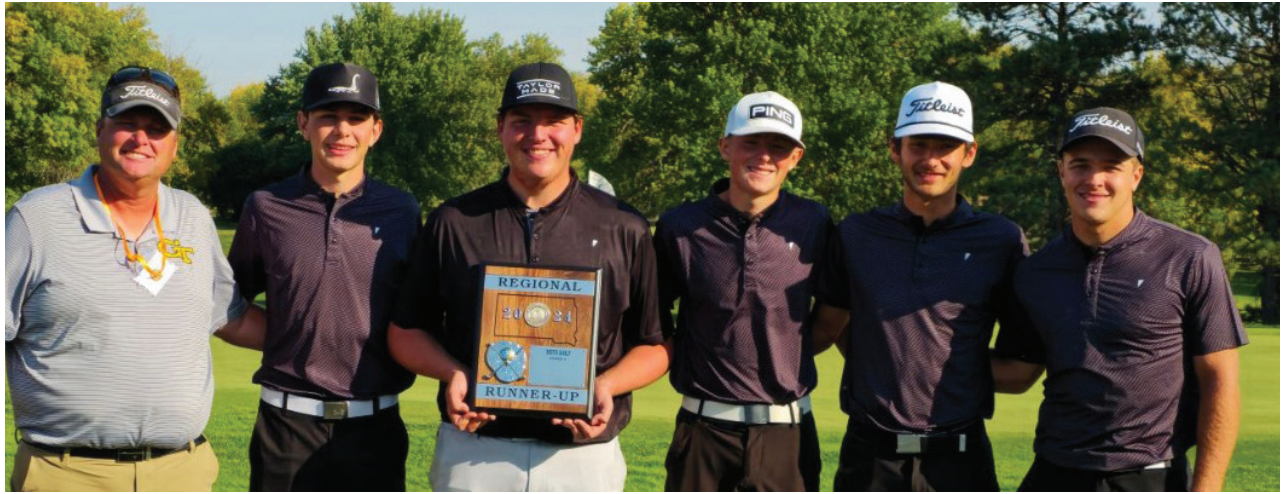


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A dust devil was making its way through a field on Saturday. (Photo by Paul Kosel)



Pictured left to right are Coach Joel Guthmiller, Cater Simon, Logan Pearson, Jace Johnson, Jarrett Erdmann and Brevin Flihs. (Courtesy Photo)

Boys golf team advances to state; Flihs takes first

The Groton Area boys golf team took second at the Region 1A Golf Tournament held Monday in Milbank. The team has now qualified for the state meet set for October 7- in Hartford.

Brevin Flihs took first place at the tournament with a score of 79, two strokes better than Milbank's Jonathan DeBoer. Carter Simon and Logan Pearson tied for 11th with a score of 90, Jace Johnson placed 18th with a 96 and Jarrett Erdmann placed 32nd with a score of 113.

Aberdeen Roncalli won the team title with 348 points followed by Groton Area with 355, Sioux Valley 359, Milbank, 359, Madison, 373, Dell Rapids 404 and Sisseton 405.

Summer recreation topic at City Council meeting; gate approved

by Elizabeth Varin

The Groton swimming pool earned less revenue in 2024 and had higher operating expenses, according to a report at Tuesday's City Council meeting.

Despite the financial changes, pool co-managers Kami Lipp and Tricia Keith also highlighted the pool's critical role in the community, with more than 225 swimming lessons, hundreds of pool passes and 14 private parties. There were even two life-saving incidents reported, both involving the actions of one of the swimming pool lifeguards.

Kami Lipp went through numbers from this past summer.

- 179 regular swimming lessons
- 48 private swim lessons
- 110 family passes
- 51 youth passes
- Four lap passes
- 26 aerobic passes
- Six combined lap and aerobic passes
- Seven senior passes
- One vacation pass
- Five adult passes

Lipp and Keith discussed items needed for 2025, including some peeling on the slide, maintenance needed on the pool floor, a new umbrella and new speakers.

"Overall it was a great season," Keith said, adding there were some concerns from the lifeguards.

One concern was toilet paper holders causing issues. "The second one is they just feel like they should have more pay for the certifications that they have," Keith said.

The managers mentioned polling area swimming pools about their pay rates and raises, and plan to bring that information back to the council before it approves the 2025 budget.

Concession improvements, new uniforms discussed

In other summer recreation news, the council reviewed an update about baseball and softball.

Groton Baseball/Softball Foundation members Jarod Flihs and Jessica Kroll discussed an updated timeline on replacing the conces-

sion stand at the city's baseball and softball complex.

Basically, every room in the current building is too small, Flihs said. The design for the new building would be 40 percent bigger.

Cost estimates from April 2023 amounted to \$202,000 for the building, he said. That cost will probably total about \$250,000 when the foundation hopes to begin construction in August 2025.

The foundation is willing to commit \$150,000 for the project, about 60 percent of the total cost, Flihs said. The city has put in \$35,000 this year, and has discussed another \$35,000 next year. The foundation is hoping for another \$30,000 commitment for 2026.

The city would need to decide, though, what to do with the current structure, he added.

Mayor Scott Hanlon said the city will need to go out to bid sooner, rather than later.

"If we're going to do this, we better get some bids out because things like this don't just happen," he said.

The foundation has put a lot of blood, sweat and tears into the complex and the proposed concession stand, said Councilman Jason Wambach.

"I think we should all be pretty grateful for what you do out there for the kids," he told the foundation representatives. "...It's just awesome to see people give back to the community and not get anything back."

Baseball and softball games and tournaments really benefit the community as a whole, said foundation member Jessica Kroll. Many people come to town for those events and visit local businesses.

"We're proud of our field," she said. "And this is the last piece."

The council also reviewed a few other requests for recreation baseball and softball, including possibly purchasing a used small bus, low fees and new uniforms for U12 and possibly U10 teams.

• The council approved a \$7,000 bid for four swinging gates by the soccer field. Two gates will be at the corner of North Lincoln Street and West Third Avenue, and two other

gates will be at the corner of Garfield Street and West Third Avenue. The gates will be used to close off a portion of West Third Avenue during soccer games.

• The council approved renewing seven liquor and wine licenses for 2025. The Jungle license is for package off-sale liquor and retail on-sale liquor. The American Legion Post #39 license is for package off-sale liquor and retail on-sale liquor. The Ken's Food Fair license is for package off-sale liquor. The Red Horse Inn license is for retail on-sale liquor. The Olive Grove Golf Course license is for retail on-sale liquor. The Dollar General license is for retail on-off sale wine and cider. The MJ's Sinclair license is for package off-sale liquor.



Pictured L to R: Travis McGannon, Todd Anderson, Cody Lindgren, Topper Tastad, April, Valerie Baker, Jaymie Overacker and Gail Zeck; in front is Joe Foertsch. (Courtesy Photo April Abeln)

Pumpkiners prep for Pumpkin Fest!

Pumpkiners worked together to pick pumpkins from John & Gail Zeck's farm Tuesday night in preparation for Pumpkin Fest. This year, sweet corn was planted on the Steve Herron Memorial Pumpkin Patch with intentions of crop rotation to lesson weeds. For the event, pumpkins were donated by several area individuals for Pumpkin Fest. This year's 9th annual event is held in the City Park this Saturday, October 5th from 10am-3pm.

The fog of forgotten men



That's Life by Tony Bender

She walks the halls each day among forgotten men—so forgotten, most of them cannot even remember themselves. They are the Alzheimer's patients at the veteran's home in St. Cloud.

When at long last a soldier's fight ends, the body is bagged, placed on a gurney and wheeled away. "It feels like we're just taking out the trash," one registered nurse said at a staff meeting.

Somehow she is able to visualize the men they once were, and even from deep inside that prison of fog and flesh, they know they have her respect, her compassion. They know.

Her paycheck was larger her annual review, but she checked with the supervisor to make sure it wasn't some kind of mistake. Her supervisor is retiring soon. "It's the first time in all those years that I ranked one of my nurses as "outstanding," she said. "Congratulations on the bonus; you earned it."

So, maybe it was not surprising that this outstanding nurse's suggestion was approved. All bodies were henceforth to be draped with a flag. A small thing, perhaps, but something. "After all, they have given so much," she said.

It was a typical day when the next man passed away. Men sat in wheelchairs in the hall. Others slouched lost in thought or in the

absence of it. Nurses and physicians hustled back and forth. But when that flag-draped gurney appeared with the man's family walking behind, one of the old veterans saw the flag, leapt to his feet and instinctively barked, "Attention!"

And up and down the hall, as if this were some miraculous awakening, one by one, men rose, stood crisply at attention and saluted smartly as the gurney went past. They remembered they were soldiers.

Can you imagine what it meant to the family? Can you imagine? And when the gurney was gone, the old soldier barked again: "At ease!" Slowly, the men slumped back to where they were. Back into the fog. The staff watched in amazement.

There was not a dry eye in the place.

When the family of the soldier who had barked the orders came to visit a few days later, the nurse shared the story. When the next visitors came, she urged him to tell the story. They argued back and forth good naturedly, but he won out. "You tell it," he beamed. "I like the way you tell it."

Curious, isn't it, how one small thing can become so great? "Oh, I just feel like I found my calling," she told me when I called last week, as if that was any explanation at all. Maybe these events are not extraordinary, but the way she sees the world is, and that is where the magic comes in. She told me how much she loved a job most of us couldn't do.

I responded with a few sentences in a choppy, uneven cadence. I paused. Swallowed hard. "I just wanted to tell you how proud I am of you," I told my sister.

That was all I could get out.

There was not a dry eye in the place.

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Weekly Vikings Roundup

By Jordan Wright

Phew!

If you stopped watching when the Minnesota Vikings were up 28-0 against the Green Bay Packers, you missed a nail-biting finish. The Packers staged an insane comeback, outscoring the Vikings 29-3 and coming within an onside kick recovery from pulling off the improbable. Luckily for the Vikings, they were able to corral the onside kick and run out the clock to preserve their 31-29 win. The Vikings are now 4-0 this season but have plenty of questions heading into their week five matchup against Aaron Rodgers and the Jets.

The game started about as well as possible. The Vikings got the ball first and only needed six plays to drive 73 yards and reach the endzone on a 29-yard connection from Sam Darnold to Jordan Addison (who was finally back from an injury he suffered in week one against the Giants). The Packers had a decent drive going on the ensuing possession but missed a 37-yard field goal. The Vikings got the ball back and again drove 73 yards for a touchdown, this time on a two-yard pass to Josh Oliver, putting the good guys up 14-0. Three plays later, Kamu Grugier-Hill (who once again got the start with Ivan Pace Jr. out with an injury), intercepted Jordan Love for his second INT in consecutive weeks.

Entering the second quarter, the Vikings once again methodically moved the ball down the field and found the endzone, this time on a seven-yard end-around run. The Packers took their next possession down to the Vikings' 31-yard line, but again missed a field goal. After a Vikings' three-and-out, the Packers got the ball back but three plays later Love threw another interception, this time to Shaquill Griffin, who returned the ball to the four-yard line. After a holding penalty moved the Vikings back ten yards, Sam Darnold hit Justin Jefferson for a 14-yard touchdown. The Packers once again got into Vikings' territory, but not trusting their kicker, decided to go for it on fourth down but the pass from Love to Bo Melton was knocked away from Byron Murphy. Both teams exchanged three-and-outs, but on the Packers' punt, Jalen Nailor muffed the punt, setting the Packers up at the Vikings' three-yard line. Two plays later, the Packers finally found the endzone and the two teams went into halftime with the score 28-7.

The Packers got the ball to begin the second half and went three-and-out. The Vikings were driving on the next possession, but Darnold was intercepted by Xavier McKinney at the two-yard line. The Packers and Vikings proceeded to trade punts on the next two possessions, followed by the Packers turning the ball over on downs, followed by another Vikings punt. It was an ugly third quarter for both teams, and we entered the fourth quarter with a score of 28-7.

Unfortunately for the Vikings, everything that could go wrong did, while the Packers were seemingly unstoppable. The Packers had an 11-play, 89-yard touchdown, and then the Vikings fumbled the ball away on their next possession. The Packers found the endzone again two plays later, and after completing the two-point conversion, the score was suddenly 28-22. The Vikings managed to get a field goal on their next drive and followed that up with a third interception of Love, this time it was Byron Murphy snagging the INT. The Vikings went three-and-out but recovered a Packers' fumble on their next drive. The Vikings got the ball down to the Packers' four-yard line, but a horrible spot by the refs on fourth down gave the Packers the ball back, who went 96 yards in less than a minute and a half, bringing the score to 31-29. Luckily for the Vikings, they recovered the ensuing onside kick and escaped Green Bay with a 31-29 win.

Sam Darnold completed 20 of 28 passes for 275 yards, three touchdowns and one interception. Aaron Jones rushed the ball 22 times for 93 yards. Justin Jefferson caught six passes

The Life of Ilse Cameron

Ilse Dorthea Rosebrock Cameron passed away on September 26, 2024, at Bethesda Home in Aberdeen at the age of 94.

Ilse was born on December 5, 1929, to Fred and Thea (Müller) Rosebrock in Frederick, South Dakota. She attended Senn country school and Frederick High School. Ilse graduated from South Dakota State University in 1951 with a Bachelor of Science in Home Economics where she was a member of Phi Upsilon Omicron, Sigma Lambda Sigma and Pi Gamma Mu. She began teaching first in Gettysburg and then Webster, South Dakota.

Mom was introduced to Jerry Cameron on a blind date by their friends, Vi (Storley) and Richard Johnson. They were married on January 28, 1954, in Aberdeen and moved to the family farm east of Pierpont. Their union was blessed with four children, Steven, Margaret, Mary, and Paul. Mom was the consummate homemaker, keeping a beautiful home, growing a big garden, canning and making preserves, and sewing our clothes. Mom always seemed to have a homemade treat waiting for us when we got off the school bus.

Mom was active in community events, assisting with our 4-H clubs, judging at the Day County Fair, and serving many years as a band mother for all four children. She joined Eastern Star in 1958 and served in multiple offices including Worthy Matron. Ilse was a member of Pierpont Community Church and later transferred to Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Ilse returned to teaching at Langford High School upon Jerry's death in 1975. She worked hard to support her four children and was our source of love and strength during a very challenging time. After teaching for several years, Ilse began working at Day County Bank in Pierpont retiring in 1994.

In 2000, Ilse moved off the family farm to Groton, SD. She joined Emmanuel Lutheran Church and remained active in Eastern Star. She was a volunteer for the pre-K program at Groton Elementary for several years. Ilse was a wonderful Grandmother, always willing to sew baby clothes, Halloween costumes, and doll clothes.

Ilse was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Thea Rosebrock, her brother Fritz, an infant sister, her husband, Jerald Cameron, and her son-in-law, Patrick Collins. She is survived by her children, Steven (Cheryl), Margaret, Mary (Iver Finnesand), and Paul (Heidi). Six grandchildren, Cameron, Christopher, Sarah, Rachel, Ellie, and Emily; two great-grandchildren, Harrison and Hattie.

Honorary Urn Bearers will be her grandchildren.

Memorial services under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel will be held at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Groton on October 12, 2024, at 2:00pm. A private family burial will be held at Homer Cemetery in Pierpont.

Visitation will be held at the church for one hour prior to services.

Honorary Urn Bearers will be her grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Homer Township Cemetery c/o CorTrust Bank, PO Box 231, Pierpont, SD 57468.



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Lee T. Raines' fifth book, "Getting Off the Mountain," the life of Fredric Hensel, WWII's combat quadruple amputee, will be published soon, and can be purchased in paperback or on Kindle on Amazon. All of Raines' books can be found on leeraines.com.

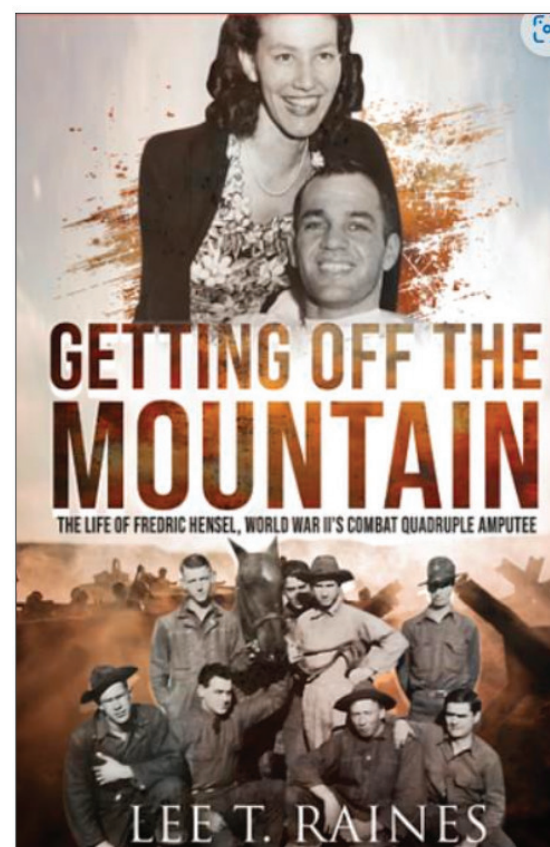
Getting Off the Mountain is Lee T. Raines' fifth book and carries the running theme of service to country, particularly by America's small town young men and women. In this one, Raines follows the life and struggles of Fredric Hensel, the only combat "basket case" of World War II.

During Raines' research on 1940-1945 We Will Remember, he learned about a young soldier, who was called by one veteran the "bravest fighter of this war." Hensel lost all four limbs in varying severity, earning the military term "basket case," as the result of a tank mine explosion during the Battle of Okinawa.

Raines traces Hensel's roots, his life before joining the army, combat experiences and the challenges and victories upon his return to the States.

Getting Off the Mountain is an inspiring story of how one man's optimistic spirit, combined with the devotion of his wife, Jewell, and the support of friends as well as strangers, captured the attention and hearts of the public in post-war America.

Getting Off the Mountain is expected to be published in time for Veterans Day. All of Raines' books are available for purchase on leeraines.com.



Netters take third at CSDC Tourney



Elizabeth Fliehs led Groton Area in assists in the Highmore-Harrold match with six. (Photo by Paul Kosel)

digs, 6 assists; Sydney Locke, 1 ace serve, 1 dig.

Addison McDonnell led Highmore-Harrold with three kills.

The match was played in the elementary gym. Right after that match, the Tigers had a 10 minute rest before engaging Wolsey-Wessington in the main gym.

The first set was tied eight times and there were five lead changes before Wolsey-Wessington would pull out the 25-23 win. The Lady Warbirds never trailed in the second set and would win, 25-18.

Chesney Weber, 9 kills, 2 ace serves, 6 digs, 1 block, 9 assists; Rylee Dunker, 8 kills; Faith Traphagen, 3 kills, 2 digs; Jaedyn Penning, 1 kill, 4 digs; Taryn Traphagen, 1 kill, 1 block; Kella Tracy, 1 kill, 1 dig; Laila Roberts, 1 kill, 4 digs; Jerica Locke, 3 ace serves, 13 digs; Elizabeth Fliehs, 2 digs, 11 assists; Talli Wright, 2 assists.

Tatum Luce led the Lady Warbirds with 10 kills while Samara Clemente had five kills and one ace serve and Timber Haeder had five kills and one block.

And once again, Groton Area only had a 10 minute rest before playing in the third place match against Faulkton. Groton Area had a 14-point rally in the first set to post a 25-4 win. In the second set, Faulkton had the early lead before Groton Area tied it at seven. After a tie at 10, Groton Area got the upper hand and went on to win, 25-18.

Jayden Penning, 6 kills, 7 digs; Rylee Duner, 7 kills, 1 dig; Chesney Weber, 6 kills, 8 digs, 9 assists; Faith Traphagen, 2 kills, 1 dig; Taryn Traphagen, 1 kill; Kella Tracy, 1 kill, 1 dig; Jerica Locke, 3 ace serves, 9 digs; Elizabeth Fliehs, 3 digs, 6 assists; Sydney Locke, 2 ace serves, 2 digs; Laila Roberts, 4 ace serves, 6 digs.

Jaedyn Penning and Rylee Dunker were named to the CSDC All Tournament Team.

The matches were broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Agtegra, Avantara Groton, Bierman Farm Service, BK Custom T's & More, Blocker Construction, Dacotah Bank, Fans of Jaedyn Penning, Groton Ag Partners, Groton Chamber, Groton Ford, John Sieh Agency, Jungle Lanes & Lounge, Krueger Brothers, R&M Farms/Rix Farms and The Meathouse in Andover.

- Paul Kosel

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Netters hand Great Plains Lutheran third loss

Groton Area's netters netted a 50 point win over the 14-2 Great Plains Lutheran Panthers in volleyball action played Tuesday in Watertown. The first set was tied at the first five points. Then leading, 8-7, Groton Area scored five straight points to get the upper hand. Groton Area had a 10-point lead at 22-12, but the Panthers came back to within five, 22-17 and 23-18, but the Tigers went on for the 25-18 win. Jaedyn Penning had seven kills and two ace serves in the first set while Chesney Weber had two kills and three assisted blocks, Rylee Dunker had four assisted blocks and two kills, Taryn Traphagen had three kills and one assisted block and Laila Roberts had one ace serve and one kill.

Groton Area jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the second set and never trailed. Groton Area held a 23-15 lead and the Panthers closed to within four, 23-19, before Groton Area called time out. Groton Area scored the last two points and went on for the 25-19 win. In that set, Rylee Dunker had five kills, Taryn Traphagen had two kills and a block, Faith Traphagen had two kills, Jaedyn Penning and Chesney Weber each had one kill and Laila Roberts and Elizabeth Flihs each had an ace serve.

The Panthers scored first in the third set, but Groton Area jumped ahead, 7-4. Great Plains Lutheran tied the set at seven, but Groton Area took command and held a 15-10 lead when the Panthers called time out. Great Plains Lutheran closed to within two, 21-19, at the end of the set, but the Tigers went on for the 25-20 win. Chesney Weber led the Tigers in the third set with five kills and two ace serves while Rylee Dunker and Taryn Traphagen each had three kills, Elizabeth Flihs and Laila Roberts each had one kill and Jaedyn Penning had one kill and one ace serve.

For the match, Rylee Dunker was 22 of 26 in attacks with 11 kills and she had three assisted blocks; Taryn Traphagen was 12 of 13 in attacks with eight kills and had two assisted blocks; Jaedyn Penning was 26 of 31 in attacks with eight kills, plus she had three ace serves and 15 digs; Chesney Weber had eight kills, two ace serves, four assisted blocks, 17 assists and 14 digs; Faith Traphagen had four kills, Laila Roberts had two kills, two ace serves and 17 digs; Elizabeth Flihs had one kill, one ace serve and 18 assists.

Kate Holmen led the Panthers with seven kills while Abby Kjenstad had six kills and one block, Kaylee Carlson had four kills and one



Rylee Dunker
(Photo by Paul Kosel)

block, Jolie Lien had three ace serves, Madeline Prahll had one block and one kill, Addison Walkins had one kill, and Esta Cameron, who was injured in the first set with a knee injury, had two kills in the first set.

Groton Area, now 11-5, will travel to Moberg on Monday. Great Plains Lutheran is now 14-3 on the season.

The varsity match was broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM, sponsored by Agtegra, Avantara Groton, Bierman Farm Service, BK Custom T's & More, Blocker Construction, Dacotah Bank, Fans of Jaedyn Penning, Groton Ag Partners, Groton Chamber, Groton Ford, John Sieh Agency, Jungle Lanes & Lounge, Krueger Brothers, R&M Farms/Rix Farms and The Meathouse in Andover.

Groton Area won the junior varsity match, 2-1. The Panthers won the first set, 25-15. In the second set, the Tigers scored seven straight points under the serving of Talli Wright and went on for the 25-15 win. In the third set, the Tigers scored 10 points under the serving of Liby Althoff and went on for the 15-8 win.

Emerlee Jones had eight kills; Makenna Krause had six kills and one ace serve; Liby Althoff had five ace serves, four kills and one block; McKenna Tietz had five kills and one ace serve; Kella Tracy had two kills; Talli Wright had one kill and Ryelle Gilbert had one ace serve.

Katelin Richter led the Panthers with three kills.

The junior varsity match on GDILIVE.COM was sponsored by Adam and Nicole Wright.

Groton Area won the C match, 25-23 and 25-16.

- Paul Kosel

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by Linda Thistle

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By David Adler

Framers' Embrace of Electoral College, Not Based on Disdain for Democracy

The Framers of the Constitution seriously considered adoption of a direct popular vote for the election of the president until objections exposed the likelihood that lack of communication, transportation and adequate knowledge of candidates would hobble the ability of Americans to make a reasoned and informed choice. Some feared that voters would not be familiar with national leaders and would reflexively support candidates from their own states. Voter parochialism would undermine the prospects for national union. Although James Madison was an advocate for the popular vote, for its democratic nature, he observed that these challenges persuaded delegates to seek an alternative means of selecting the president, so long as it was grounded in the wishes of the voters.

It bears reminder that the Framers' embrace of the Electoral College did not reflect, as some have suggested over the years, a disdain for democracy. George Mason of Virginia, one of three delegates to the Constitutional Convention who opposed the direct popular vote, is often cited for his opposition for direct election of the president: "It would be as unnatural to refer the choice of a proper character for the chief Magistrate to the people, as it would, to refer a trial of colours to a blind man." Elbridge Gerry of Massachusetts, another opponent, whose career after the Constitutional

Convention included advocacy of manipulation of voting districts—"gerrymandering"—for which he has been wrapped in something approaching eternal censure, held a mixed view of the wisdom of the people. After losing an election, he denounced voters for their lack of knowledge. Later, after he won an election, he declared the immense wisdom of the electorate.

The argument that the Framers feared democracy, or held it in contempt, particularly in direct elections is difficult to defend, as the constitutional text alone demonstrates. For starters, delegates' resort to a popular vote procedure within each state for ratifying the Constitution represented an extraordinarily democratic and unique way of giving voice to the people to implement a document that would serve as the law of the land. In addition, members of the House of Representatives are directly elected by the people based on fixed and regular elections, and there is an absence of property qualifications for federal elections. The Constitution—Article II—also permits popular election of members of the Electoral College. For that matter, while not an issue before the Convention, most delegates favored popular election of governors in each state, a position that hardly supports the assertion of fear and loathing of direct elections in Philadelphia.

The Framers' support of important democratic principles, however imperfect and incomplete it was, was evident in their decision in the last days of the Convention to introduce a national Bill of Rights in the First Congress, which convened in 1789. Most members of the initial Congress, dubbed by scholars as a "Continuing Constitutional Convention," had been delegates in Philadelphia. The inclusion in the Bill of Rights of Freedom of Speech, Freedom of the Press, Freedom of Assembly and the freedom to petition government for redress of grievances, evinces an ongoing constitutional commitment to both encouragement and protection for citizens to participate in the civic affairs of the day, as well as in the governance of the nation.

It would be ridiculous to claim that democracy was flourishing in 1787 America in the way it has over two centuries. After all, Americans have ratified constitutional amendments, precisely, to fix oversights and failures of the original Constitution. The elimination of slavery, and granting women and Blacks the right to vote, among other cornerstone amendments that have reconstructed the nation, are prime examples of the right of the people to raise their voices in the name of progress, and stark reminders that the founders, brilliant as they were in many ways, were unable to transcend some of the limited moral sensibilities of their time.

Stymied by practical considerations, the Framers turned their gaze from a popular vote to the Electoral College as a means of selecting the president. In this move, they did not abandon the popular voice, but retained it, albeit in an indirect manner. James Wilson observed: "The choice of this officer is brought as nearly home to the people as practicable." We turn next week to the Framers' evolving thoughts.

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Netters have clean sweep over Florence-Henry



Taryn Traphagen
(Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)

Groton Area's volleyball team defeated Florence-Henry in action played Monday in Groton. Groton won in set scores of 25-11, 25-16 and 25-16.

Groton Area: Rylee Dunker, 10 kills, 2 blocks; Taryn Traphagen, 9 kills, 1 assisted block; Chesney Weber, 6 kills, 7 ace serves, 13 assists; Jaedyn Penning, 4 kills, 2 ace serves, 6 digs; Faith Traphagen, 4 kills, 1 assisted block; Kella Tracy, 3 kills; Laila Roberts, 1 ace serve, 8 digs; Sydney Locke, 1 ace serve; Elizabeth Flihs, 1 ace serve, 17 assists; Jerica Locke, 16 digs.

Florence-Henry: Kyra Tschakert, 3 kills; Roean Raymer, 3 kills, 2 blocks; Rebecca Fleming, 4 kills; Lucy Bloom, 3 kills; Kaylee Vavruska, 1 ace serve; Elizabeth Reiter, 1 kill; Ana Byer, 1 kill.

Groton Area won the junior varsity match, 25-10 and 30-28.

Groton Area: Makenna Krause, 8 kills; Emerlee Jones, 6 kills; Talli Wright, 4 ace serves, 2 kills; LBy Althoff, 2 kills,

2 ace serves; Kella Tracy, 2 kills, 2 ace serves; McKenna Tietz, 3 kills.

Florence-Henry: Lucy Bloom, 4 kills, 1 ace serve; Kali Hanson, 3 kills; Jayda Orthaus, 1 kill, 1 block; Mylee Sumner, 1 kill; Emery Schamer, 1 kill.

Both matches were broadcast live on GDILIVE.COM. The varsity was sponsored by Agtegra, Avantara Groton, Bierman Farm Service, BK Custom T's & More, Blocker Construction, Dacotah Bank, Fans of Jaedyn Penning, Groton Ag Partners, Groton Chamber, Groton Ford, John Sieh Agency, Jungle Lanes & Lounge, Krueger Brothers, R&M Farms/Rix Farms, The Meathouse in Andover. The junior varsity match was sponsored by Adam and Nicole Wright.

Groton Area won the C match, 25-17, 25-9.

King Crossword

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- 51 Opposite of paleo-

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NOTICE TO PARTIES INTERESTED IN LEASING THE BROWN COUNTY GRANDSTANDS

TO PROVIDE RACES OR OTHER ENTERTAINMENT

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received in the Chambers of the Brown County Board of Commissioners at the Brown County Courthouse Annex, 25 Market Street, Suite 1, Aberdeen, South Dakota; until the hour of 8:45 A.M. on October 29, 2024, at said time and place all bids will be publicly opened, read and considered by the Brown County Board of Commissioners for: Use of the Brown County Grandstand and adjacent areas located at the Brown County Fairgrounds, 400 24th Ave NW, Aberdeen, SD 57401.

The Brown County Commission will consider all proposals, including racetrack, concerts, or other forms of entertainment presented. Brown County will award the contract based on the following criteria: Revenue to Brown County, Ability to Complement the Brown County Fair Dates and other Fairground Events, Bidder's Experience in Entertainment Option Proposed, and Perceived Community Support for Entertainment Option.

CONTRACT: Brown County will give notice to the successful bidder that the proposal has been accepted and said bidder shall within ten (10) days thereafter enter into a contract with Brown County. The Brown County Board of Commissioners reserve the right to accept or reject any or all bids that they deem to be in the best interest of Brown County, and to waive any informalities or irregularities therein. Brown County is exempt from all Federal Excise and State Sales Tax.

Copies of the specifications can be obtained at no charge and are on file at the following locations:

- Brown County Website: Brown.SD.US
-Public Purchase Website: publicpurchase.com

Also, on file at the following locations:

- .. Brown County Fair Office: 400 24th Ave. NW, Aberdeen, SD 57401 - Phone: 605-626-7116
- Brown County Auditor's Office: 25 Market Street, Ste. 1, Aberdeen, SD 57401 - Phone: 605-626-7110

ATTEST: Lynn Heupel, Brown County Auditor

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SEPTEMBER 24, 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: Chairman Sutton shared that he was informed to remove the 'Purchase of a Pickup' from the agenda for the Landfill. Commissioner Wiese moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Gage. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT: None

2025 ANNUAL BUDGET: Commissioner Wiese offered the following Resolution:

ANNUAL BUDGET FOR BROWN COUNTY, SD

For the Year January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025

RESOLUTION #48-24

ADOPTION OF ANNUAL BUDGET FOR BROWN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA

Whereas, (7-21-5 thru 13), SDCL provides that the Board of County Commissioners shall each year prepare a Provisional Budget of all contemplated expenditures and revenues of the County and all its institutions and

agencies for such fiscal year and,

Whereas, the Board of County Commissioners did prepare a Provisional Budget and cause same to be published by law, and

Whereas, due and legal notice has been given to the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for the consideration of such Provisional Budget and all changes, eliminations and additions have been made thereto.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That such provisional budget as amended and all its purposes, schedules, appropriations, amounts, estimates and all matters therein set forth, SHALL BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED AS THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURES FOR BROWN COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA and all its institutions and agencies for calendar year beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025 and the same is hereby approved and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota, this 24th day of September, 2024. The Annual Budget so adopted is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the office of the County Auditor, Brown County, South Dakota. The accompanying taxes are levied by Brown County for the year January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

COUNTY TAX LEVIES WITHIN LIMITED LEVY: Dollars, \$/S/1,000	
*General County Purposes (10-12-9)	\$17,914,897.00...3.470
* County Road & Bridge (10-12-13)	\$ 2,065,218.00...0.400
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED BY COUNTY	\$19,980,115.00...3.870

*These amounts include the 25% to be distributed to cities.

Seconded by Commissioner Fjeldheim.

Roll call vote: Dennert-aye, Fjeldheim-aye, Wiese-aye, Gage-aye, Sutton-aye. Resolution adopted.

ORDINANCE #276 - FIRST READING: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to approve the First Reading of Proposed Ordinance #276. Applicant Jeffery Walth to rezone from Heavy Industrial District (H-I) to Highway Commercial District (HC) to bring this parcel into compliance for its current use: Proposed Outlot 2, "Aberdeen Twp 20W Outlots" in the E 1/2 of Section 20-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (38380 W Hwy 12, Aberdeen Twp.). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #277 - FIRST READING: Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve the First Reading of Proposed Ordinance #277. Applicant Amy & Joshua Gulstad to rezone from Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring this parcel into compliance for its current and future use: Description of property: "Olson's Outlot A" in the NW1/4 of Section 25-T126N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (11646 387th Avenue, Oneota Twp.). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE #278 - FIRST READING: Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to approve the First Reading of Proposed Ordinance #278. Applicant Jacki Holler - S & P Holdings, LLC to rezone from Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring this parcel into compliance for its current use: Description of property: Lot 1, "Johnson South Third Subdivision" in the NE1/4 of Section 22-T122N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (13919 386th Avenue, Warner Twp.). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SOLID WASTE TIPPING FEE SCHEDULE - 2025: Commissioner Wiese offered the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION #49-24

WHEREAS, Title 3, Solid Waste Management System, Chapter 3.07010 of the Second Revision Brown County Ordinances, effective March 12, 1997, as amended, requires the Board of County Commissioners to establish the fees for use of the landfill.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following Solid Waste Tipping Fee Schedule shall be effective January 1, 2025:

SOLID WASTE TIPPING FEE SCHEDULE

PRICES EXCEPT MINIMUM CHARGE DO NOT REFLECT APPLICABLE SALES TAX

ALL LOADS MUST BE TARPED AND SECURED

ALL WASTE MUST BE SORTED AND PUT INTO PROPER AREAS

Type: Fee

Appliances Refrigerators, Freezers, Air Conditioners,

Dehumidifiers (With or Without FREON): \$12.50 per item

Asbestos1 Friable - Powdery or Dusty state, can be crumbled and reduced to powder by hand: \$ 5.00 per bag

Compost..Grass, Leaves and Light Garden Residue: FREE

Contsoil, Gas and Diesel Contaminated Soil (notification and analysis required before disposal): \$30.00 per ton

Contsoilsp. Contaminated Soil Special (i.e. NW Energy, Coal Gasification): \$42.00 per ton

MSWRB, Asphalt Shingles: \$35.00 per ton

INDSWIndustrial Solid Waste: \$42.00 per ton

MSW1. Municipal Solid Waste - IN COUNTY (Paper, plastic, cardboard, carpet, upholstered furniture, mattress, box springs, beef plant etc.) (Check with Landfill for material not accepted): \$42.00 per ton

MSW2, Municipal Solid Waste - OUT OF COUNTY (same as MSW1): \$42.00 per ton

MSWCR. Rural container site collection waste: Assess per ton

MSWDA, Carcasses (notification required prior to dumping): \$42.00 per ton

MSWRB2, Heavy debris, concrete, dirt, rocks etc.: \$35.00 per ton

Rubble3, Pallets: \$42.00 per ton

Mobile Homes - all sizes (Left on site as is): \$500.00per unit
Scrap Metal, Metals: \$42.00 per ton
Sludge, Waste Water Treatment Plant (Similar): \$42.00 per ton
Tires, Large quantities priced per ton: \$350.00 per ton
Tires CountCar and light truck: \$4.50 per tire
Tire Shreds ... Shredded tires (cell disposal): \$42.00 per ton
Tree Chips..Wood chips from trees: \$42.00 per ton
Trees1, Trees less than 8 inches in diameter: \$35.00 per ton
Trees 2, Trees more than 8 inches in diameter (must be 8' or shorter in length): \$35.00 per ton
Minimum Charge (except on per item fees) 4.2 % Sales Tax included: \$ 5.00

The following items are accepted free:

Residential: Lead Acid Batteries, Waste Oil, Paint, Grass & Leaves, Propane Tanks

Dated this 24th day of September 2024.

Seconded by Commissioner Gage.

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

LANDFILL PERMIT RENEWAL: Mike Scott, Landfill Manager and Leif Redinger from Helms Engineering met with the Commission to get approval and authorize Chairman Sutton to sign the Landfill Permit Renewal application to operate a Solid Waste Disposal Facility, which will be sent to the State for approval. Moved by Commissioner Wiese and seconded by Dennert to approve and authorize Chairman Sutton to sign the Landfill Permit Renewal Application to operate a Solid Waste Disposal Facility. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR GRANDSTANDS: Rachel Kippley, Fair/Fairgrounds/Parks manager met with Commission and informed them the contract for the racetrack is up, so they want to ask for Bids to provide Races or Other Entertainment; to see if there are any other venues that may be interested in hosting events at the Grandstands for 2025-2029. Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to approve advertising for Bids for the Grandstands for 2025-2029. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

REQUEST FUNDS FROM OPIOID SETTLEMENTS: Justin Scott, President of the Brown County Treatment Court Association met with the Commission and asked if they would give \$25,000.00 of the Opioid Settlement funds. The Association has applied for 501 (c) status, and they are asking for these funds to help those in Drug & DUI Court Program, which is an alternate route for substance abuse. The money would help pay for their necessities, graduation to complete the program; they are partially funded by the State and get assistance for Mental Health services, also. Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve giving \$25,000.00 to the Brown County

Treatment Court Association. The motion passed with 4 votes; Commissioner Gage abstained due to having relation that works with the Drug Court Program.

QUOTES FOR 124 BUILDING DOWN SPOUTS: Randy Zens, Assistant Building Superintendent presented the Commission with two quotes to fix the down spout issue at the 124 Building that causes ice buildup in the parking lot, creating a safety hazard. Aberdeen Contracting, LLC quote is \$16,326.56 and Dahme Construction quote is \$65,270.67. The only difference being that Aberdeen Contracting plans to use 8" storm sewer piping and Dahme plans to use 12" storm sewer piping; so, they recommend going with Aberdeen Contracting, LLC. Moved by Commissioner Dennert, seconded by Wiese to accept the quote from Aberdeen Contracting, LLC for \$16,326.56 to fix the down spout issue at the 124 Building. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CHANGE ORDER FOR RESTORATION PROJECT: Judy Dosch, Building Superintendent met with the Commission to present them with a Change Order on the Tuckpoint Project in the amount of \$66,281.00 due to needing to replace and flash double lintel on the Maintenance Garage. Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Fjeldheim to approve and authorize Chairman Sutton to sign the Change Order for the Building Restoration/Tuckpointing project in the amount of \$66,281.00. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Judy also informed the Commission that they will not be able to complete the Tuckpointing project on the Dome this year because not able to get scaffolding in place to work on it. They are going to need to make 16 openings in the roof and attach poles to the structural under the roof, in order to get the scaffolding in place. The cost for steel suppliers, the roofers and metal installation of the 16 openings is \$113,674.00; does not include structural engineers. They may need to get IMEG in for engineering purposes; there are large steel beams and panels in place but there are clay tiles with cement that she doesn't want damaged; or crushing the duct work and not coming through the ceiling. Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Gage to approve the extension of the project and the estimated cost of \$113,674.00 at this time. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

APPLICATIONS FOR OCCUPANCY FOR NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS (NVC): Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve the following applications submitted by NVC for occupancy of Brown County Highway #14E in Section 16,23-T123-R63 Brown County, South Dakota for boring and plowing to replace fiber optic that is not working; Brown County Highway #20 in Section 10-T124-R60 Brown County, South Dakota for boring and plowing to install broadband. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

APPROVE CAFETERIA PLAN & AUTHORIZE HR DIRECTOR TO SIGN DOCUMENTS: Moved by Commissioner Gage, seconded by Wiese to approve the Cafeteria Plan and authorize Allison Tunheim, HR Director to sign the documents on behalf of the County. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

APPROVE USING PUBLIC PURCHASE & PUBLIC SURPLUS: Auditor Heupel informed the Commission that these services are at no cost to the County; they earn their money through the Buyer Premiums, and this would increase or widened our exposure as well. Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to approve using Public Purchase & Public Surplus for Bids, Surplus Auctions, etc. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve the General Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2024. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CLAIMS/PAYROLL: Moved by Commissioner Gage, seconded by Wiese to approve the following claims/payroll: Claims: Professional Fees: Aberdeen ED \$605.97; Aberdeen Family YMCA \$150,440.37; CenturyLink - Lumen \$217.50; Christy Griffin-Serr Law Office \$9,523.81; Cogley Law Office, Prof LLC \$17,155.21; Dependable Sanitation, Inc. \$35,239.00; Dohrer Law Office, PC \$9,523.81; E-Imagedata Corp \$995.00; Election Systems &

Software \$305.81; Faulk County Sheriff's Office \$16,470.00; Fox Law Firm \$340.00; Houston Engineering, Inc. \$4,103.00; Jerald McNeary \$9,523.81; Jeremy Lund \$218.50; John Noyes \$9,523.81; Kuck Law Office \$9,643.81; Lewis & Clark \$1,065.00; Lincoln County Auditor \$742.50; Mark Katterhagen \$36.00; Northwestern Mental Health Center \$1,092.00; Sanford Health Occupational Medicine \$941.00; Sanford Health \$2,100.00; Sarah Zahn \$1,201.20; SD Department of Health \$2,025.00; SD Department of Transportation \$232.37; Taliaferro Law Firm, PC \$9,575.31; Thomas Reuters - West \$567.13; Valerie Larson \$36.00; Yankton County Sheriff's Office \$50.00; Yellow Robe Consulting \$3,600.00; Youngberg Law, Prof. LLC \$483.00; US Bank \$369.25. Publishing: AlphaMedia-Watertown \$4,300.00; Dakota Broadcasting, LLC \$1,960.00; Groton Daily Independent \$171.69; i3G Media \$3,260.00; McQuillen Creative Group, Inc. \$154.84; West River Eagle \$15.33; US Bank \$300.00. Rentals: Advantage Self Storage \$276.00; Vestis \$266.48; US Bank \$435.00. Repairs & Maintenance: Artz Equipment, Inc. \$185.90; Diamond Mowers LLC \$146.25; Graham Tire Inc. \$1,483.21; House of Glass \$51.02; Hoven Auto Repair, Inc \$444.94; Leidholt Electric, LLC \$645.38; Matt's Tree Service \$10,500.00; Midwest Pump & Tank \$165.27; Pierson Ford Lincoln, Inc \$1,337.86; Pomp's Tire Service, Inc \$58.30; Reuer's Auto Service \$709.79; Safety Service \$5.00; Steven Lust Automotive \$1,761.93; Transource Truck & Equipment, Inc. \$1,529.77; Vosika Fencing \$3,200.00; Woodman Refrigeration, Inc. \$2,769.23; US Bank \$1,677.58. Supplies: Aberdeen Fire Rescue \$201.00; Advanced Auto Parts \$949.11; Amazon Capital Services, Inc. \$1,692.04; Artz Equipment, Inc. \$1,539.30; Avera LTC Pharmacy Aberdeen \$141.63; Century Business Products \$1,483.47; Cole Papers Inc. \$2,377.80; Cook's Correctional \$229.99; Dakota Supply Group \$682.96; Dependable Sanitation, Inc. \$172.00; Diamond Mowers LLC \$1,040.78; East Side Jersey Dairy Inc. \$1,317.16; Farm Power Mfg. \$5,138.53; FedEx \$28.41; Fire Safety First LLC \$213.60; Fox Law Firm \$4.94; Gary's Engine and Repair \$243.24; Geffdog Designs \$154.24; Graham Tire Inc. \$841.48; HF Jacobs & Sons Construction Inc. \$315.00; Jebro Inc \$18,509.56; Jensen Rock & Sand Inc. \$106,962.40; Karen Swank \$60.00; Kelco Supply Company \$68.39; Kessler's \$858.45; Lien Transportation Company \$489,914.05; Linde Gas & Equipment Inc. \$1,605.61; McKesson Medical-Surgical Government Solutions \$627.83; Menards \$535.98; Milton Gonzalez \$53.06; NVC \$29.23; Performance Oil \$570.11; PharmChem, Inc. \$1,151.34; Pierson Ford Lincoln, Inc \$953.16; Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services, LLC \$15,000; Race West Awards & Trophies \$216.00; Rinse & Go Car Wash \$24.00; Runnings \$2,869.73; Safety Service \$289.90; St. Mark's Episcopal Church \$1,000.00; Steven Lust Automotive \$89.90; Thomas Reuters - West \$1,951.46; Titan Machinery \$4,110.70; WEB Water Bottling Company \$34.50; Violet Dinger Estate \$97,195.44; US Bank \$11,260.57. Travel & Conference: Aaron Walberg \$485.54; Becca Tullar \$274.00; Gene Loeschke \$395.60; Heartland Association of Fairs, Festivals & Events \$245.00; JDHQ Hotels LLC \$428.00; Jesse Milbrandt \$94.00; Joe Kraft \$389.60; Kathy Fischer \$409.60; Lynn Heupel \$530.20; Lynn Zacher \$217.26; Mike Wiese \$515.53; Sarah Swenson \$409.60; Stephanie Morgan \$395.60; US Bank \$4,917.99. Utilities: CenturyLink \$567.02; City of Aberdeen Treasurer \$6,271.25; ; City of Hecla \$142.13; Dependable Sanitation, Inc. \$360.00; James Valley Telecommunications \$209.10; Northern Electric \$93.50; Northwestern Energy \$1,020.06; NVC \$2,910.30; T-Mobile \$95.40; Verizon Wireless \$4,049.38; US Bank \$3,024.62. Others: Office of Child & Family Services \$5,323.25; Safe Harbor \$1,465.00.

Payroll: Commission \$4,753.89; Elections \$1,834.41; Auditor \$7,502.83; Treasurer \$17,224.10; SA \$32,422.93; Maintenance \$11,777.89; Assessor \$15,473.19; Register of Deeds \$10,406.83; VSO \$4,491.55; GIS \$2,790.90; IT \$9,322.67; HR \$4,960.64; Sheriff \$49,008.77; Jail \$92,299.03; Coroner \$829.37; Court Security \$8,437.27; JDC \$43,210.79;

Welfare \$2,466.75; Museum \$12,554.68; Parks/Fairgrounds \$6,425.69; Fair Board \$4,336.33; 4-H \$830.80; Weed \$5,859.93; Planning & Zoning \$7,635.85; Highway \$59,489.59; Dispatch \$38,338.82; Emergency \$5,274.71; 24/7 Sobriety \$2,999.49; Landfill \$22,177.18; Meal Benefits \$536.00; FICA \$29,061.02; Medicare \$6,796.48; Discovery-HSA \$2,369.15; Health Insurance-Wellmark BCBS \$127,502.60; Dental Insurance-Delta \$8,787.64; Life Insurance-Dearbon - \$1,034.96; Retirement-SDRS \$57,949.30. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

o Resignation of Rachel Wilson, Brown County Assistant Jail Administrator, FT; effective September 12, 2024. Request to fill.

o Resignation of Orin Fischer, Brown County Kitchen Cook, FT; effective September 19, 2024. Request to fill.

o Hiring of Jason Erickson as Brown County Deputy State's Attorney, FT; starting wage \$2,932.18/pay period - effective October 2, 2024.

o Reclassification of Senior Chief Legal Assistant from Grade 17 to Grade 18.

All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LEASE AGREEMENT: Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Wiese to approve and authorize Chairman Sutton to sign the following Lease Agreement: Brown County Democrat Party to lease 1 People Mover on October 4-5, 2024. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

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

TRAVEL REQUEST: Moved by Commissioner Fjeldheim, seconded by Gage to approve the following travel request: Dirk Rogers, Highway Superintendent, to attend Transportation Systems Preservation Technical Assistance Program Pavement Preservation Seminar on September 22-24, 2024 in Deadwood, SD; Mike Scott & Rob Baumgartner, Landfill to attend the SDSWMA Annual Conference on September 18-20, 2024 in Sioux Falls, SD; Patricia Kendall, Brandon Duxbury, Alaina Perry and Jessica Puentes-Castro, Dacotah Prairie Museum to attend the Association of SD Museums Annual Conference on September 23-25, 2024 in Huron, SD; Austin Ball, Sheriff's Office to attend ARIDE Training on January 15-16, 2025 in Sioux Falls, SD. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (LEMPG): Moved by Commissioner Wiese seconded by Dennert to approve and authorize Chairman Sutton to sign the 4th Quarter Report for LEMPG Grant. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

ZONING ORDINANCES - SET HEARING DATE & AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING: Moved by Commissioner Gage, seconded by Wiese to set hearing date and authorize publication for the first reading of the following zoning ordinance to be held on October 15, 2024 in the Commission Chambers, Courthouse Annex. Brown County, South Dakota. Proposed Ordinance #279, applicant West Lake, LLC for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Mini-Agriculture District (AG-P) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring these parcels into compliance for their current use: Description of property: Lot 1 and Lot 2, "Wollman Subdivision" in the SW1/4 of Section 29-T124N-R62W of the 5th P.M.,

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Brown County, South Dakota (39504 129th Street & 12892 395th Avenue; Cambria Twp.). Proposed Ordinance #281, applicant Alan & Janet Dixon for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring these parcels into compliance for its current use: Description of property: Proposed Lot 4, "Dixon Third Addition" in the NW1/4 of Section 15-T122N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (39135 138th Street, Gem Twp.). Proposed Ordinance #282, applicant City of Aberdeen & New Angus, LLC for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Heavy Industrial District (H-I) to Municipal State and County Use District (M) as requested by the City of Aberdeen: Description of property: Proposed Lot 2, "New Angus Second Subdivision" in the N1/2 of Section 36-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (Approximately 498 135th Street SE; Aberdeen Township). All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SOMBKE SECOND SUBDIVISION PLAT:
RESOLUTION #50-24

Commissioner Dennert brought the following resolution "Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota that the plat showing Sombke Second Subdivision in the S 1/2 of Section 8-T121N-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 Wiese. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

DONALD RABA & WW RENTALS FIRST ADDITION PLAT:
RESOLUTION #51-24

Commissioner Wiese brought the following resolution "Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota that the plat showing Donald Raba and WW Rentals First Addition to the City of Columbia, in the SW 1/4 of Section 28-T125N-R62W 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 Dennert. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

OALC SECOND SUBDIVISION PLAT:
RESOLUTION #52-24

Commissioner Fjeldheim brought the following resolution "Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Brown County, South Dakota that the plat showing OALC Second Subdivision in the SE 1/4 of Section 34-T124N-R64W 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 Wiese. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

DIXON THIRD ADDITION PLAT:
RESOLUTION #53-24

Commissioner Wiese brought the following resolution "Be it resolved by the County Commission of Brown County, South Dakota that the plat showing Dixon Third Addition in the NW 1/4 of Section 15-T122N-R63W of the 5TH P.M., Brown County, South Dakota, having been examined, is hereby approved in accordance with the provisions of SDCL of 1967, Chapter 11-3, and any amendments thereof". Seconded by Gage. All members present voting aye. Resolution adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS: Carl Perry, Senator Elect for District 3 shared that the Exchange Club gave out some Young Citizenship Awards to the following students: Jaxon Kaizer and Amelia Martin (Roncalli); Bennett Roettele and Alice Brunmaier (Holgate); Trey Casanova and Estelle Riggs (Simmons). The Youth of Month Recipients were Paige Veskra (Central); Brody Weinmeister (Roncalli) and Taylor Ingeman (Aberdeen Christian).

Commissioner Wiese asked about the Public Comment Guidelines that were in the packet, if it was something for consideration and future adoption. Auditor Heupel stated it was just for their information. Commissioner Wiese asked if we had guidelines and Chairman Sutton said he read them over and said we are following the guidelines and that was one of the topics at Convention. Com-

missioner Wiese mentioned that these were specific guidelines they (Brookings County) adopted so wondering if we wanted to clearly define ours - it hasn't been an issue. Chairman Sutton stated that they impressed on the Commissioners not to engage in conversation, it strictly for them to comment and move on because you don't want it to become interactive.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Fjeldheim to go into Executive Session for Personnel 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.

THANK-YOU: Chairman Sutton wanted to Thank Rachel and her crew for setting everything up at the Youth Camp for County Picnic on Saturday, Lynn and her family for organizing what they did and the Commissioners for showing up.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Commissioner Wiese, seconded by Dennert to adjourn the Brown County Commission at 10:02 a.m. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Lynn Heupel, Brown County Auditor

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NOTICE
Application has been made by West Lake, LLC 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 October 15, 2024 for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to Highway Commercial District (HC) to bring these parcels into compliance for a future liquor and video lottery establishment:

Description of property: Lots 1 and 2 in the NE1/4 of Section 15-T123N-R64W, Except Highway R.O.W., of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (2035 8th Avenue NW; Aberdeen 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. 279.

ATTEST
Lynn Heupel
Brown County Auditor
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NOTICE
Application has been made by T.W., LLC 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 October 15, 2024 for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring these parcels into compliance for their current use:

Description of property: Lot 1 and Lot 2, "Wollman Subdivision" in the SW1/4 of Section 29-T124N-R62W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (39504 129th Street & 12892 395th Avenue; Cambria 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. 280.

ATTEST
Lynn Heupel
Brown County Auditor
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NOTICE
Application has been made by Alan & Janet Dixon 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 October 15, 2024 for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring these parcels into compliance for its current use:

Description of property: Proposed Lot 4, "Dixon Third Addition" in the NW1/4 of Section 15-T122N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (39135 138th Street, Gem 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. 281.

ATTEST
Lynn Heupel
Brown County Auditor
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NOTICE
Application has been made by City of Aberdeen & New Angus, LLC 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 October 15, 2024 for the purpose of rezoning the following property from Heavy Industrial District (H-I) to Municipal State and County Use District (M) as requested by the City of Aberdeen:

Description of property: Proposed Lot 2, "New Angus Second Subdivision" in the N1/2 of Section 36-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (Approximately 498 135th Street SE; Aberdeen Township).

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. 282.

ATTEST
Lynn Heupel
Brown County Auditor
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NOTICE OF HEARING
Application has been made to the Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission for a CONDITIONAL USE PETITION (CUP). A hearing will be held in the Basement Community Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex, on October 15, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Petitioner: Invenergy Wind Development, LLC

Description of property: The NE1/4 of Section 34-T127N-R64W, except 5.50 acres deeded for Highway purposes, of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (11103 386th Avenue, Frederick Twp.).

Reason: A Conditional Use Petition (CUP) to construct a temporary meteorological tower to collect wind and weather data.

The public may attend the hearing and present comments and testimony regarding the proposed Conditional Use Petition (CUP) request.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024.
Planning/Zoning Commis-

sion and
Scott Bader - P&Z Director
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NOTICE OF HEARING
Application has been made to the Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission for a VARIANCE PETITION. Hearing will be held in the Basement Community Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Petitioner / Owner: Rivett Family Trust / Adam Altman

Description of property: Proposed Lot 1, "Prairie's Edge Sixteenth Addition" in the NW1/4 of Section 8-T123N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (3102 24th Avenue NE; Aberdeen Twp.).

Reason: Variance to Lot Size in an AG-P District to allow Proposed Lot 1 to be smaller than 40.0 acres and stay zoned Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) per Brown County Ordinances 4.0605.

The public is invited to attend the hearing to present comments and testimony regarding the proposed Variance to Lot Size request.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024.

Planning/Zoning Commission &
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NOTICE OF HEARING
Application has been made to the Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission for a CONDITIONAL USE PETITION (CUP). A hearing will be held in the Basement Community Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex, on October 15, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Petitioner: Jonathan Swenson
Description of property: Lot 1, "Wolff's First Addition" in the N1/2 of Section 21-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (38466 Hwy 12W; Aberdeen Twp.).

Reason: A Conditional Use Petition (CUP) for a 100' x 25' Carport-type building.

The public may attend the hearing and present comments and testimony regarding the proposed Conditional Use Petition (CUP) request.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024.

Planning/Zoning Commission and
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NOTICE OF HEARING
Application has been made to the Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission for a VARIANCE PETITION. A hearing will be held in the Basement Community Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex on October 15, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Petitioner / Owner: Billy Pahl / Lynn & Virgil Stucke

Description of property: The NW1/4 of Section 22-T124N-R63W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (12706 391st Avenue, Ordway Twp.).

Reason: Application for a Variance for 2 residences on one

parcel in an Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P)

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the proposed variance request.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024

Planning/Zoning Commission and
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NOTICE OF HEARING
Application has been made to the Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission for a CONDITIONAL USE PETITION (CUP). A hearing will be held in the Basement Community Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex, on October 15, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Petitioner: AGTEGRA Cooperative

Description of property: Lot 3, "Wheat Grower's West Addition" in the N1/2 of Section 21-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (38457 133rd Street; Aberdeen Twp.).

Reason: A Conditional Use Petition (CUP) for a new 300' grain bunker.

The public may attend the hearing and present comments and testimony regarding the proposed Conditional Use Petition (CUP) request.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024.

Planning/Zoning Commission and
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NOTICE OF HEARING
Application has been made to the Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission for a VARIANCE PETITION. A hearing will be held in the Basement Community Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex on October 15, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Petitioner / Owner: AGTEGRA Cooperative-John Kroll
Description of property: Lot 3, "Wheat Grower's West Subdivision" in the N1/2 of Section 21-T123N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (38547 133rd Street, Aberdeen Twp.).

Reason: Variance to Setbacks in a Heavy Industrial District (H-I) to allow a 70'-0" North Front Yard Setback rather than the 100'-0" required by Brown County Ordinance for a new 300' diameter grain bunker.

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the proposed ordinance amendment.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024

Planning/Zoning Commission and Scott Bader - P&Z Director
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NOTICE OF HEARING
Application has been made to the Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission for a VARIANCE PETITION. Hearing will be held in the Basement Community

Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Petitioner / Owner: Bernice L. Olson Irrevocable Trust - Travis Olson

Description of property: Proposed Lot 1, "Mopar First Addition" in the N1/2 of Section 17-T124N-R62W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (12604 395th Avenue; Cambria Twp.).

Reason: Variance to Lot Size in an AG-P District to allow Proposed Lot 1 to be smaller than 40.0 acres and stay zoned Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) per Brown County Ordinances 4.0605.

The public is invited to attend the hearing to present comments and testimony regarding the proposed Variance to Lot Size request.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024.

Planning/Zoning Commission &

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NOTICE OF HEARING
Application has been made to the Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission for a VARIANCE PETITION. A hearing will be held in the Basement Community Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex on October 15, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Petitioner / Owner: Larry & Laura Hadrick

Description of property: Lot 12 - 13, "Lutgen's West Addition" in the NE1/4 of Section 23-T124N-R65W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (127346 West Shore Drive, Ravinia Township).

Reason: Variance to Setbacks in a Lake Front Residential District (R-3) to allow an 8'-0" West Rear Yard Setback rather than the 30'-0" Setback required by Brown County Ordinance 4.1006 to build a 54' x 16' garage.

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the proposed ordinance amendment.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024

Planning/Zoning Commission and Scott Bader - P&Z Director
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NOTICE OF HEARING
Application has been made to the Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission for a VARIANCE PETITION. Hearing will be held in the Basement Community Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Petitioner / Owner: Steven & Cora Krueger

Description of property: Proposed Lot 1 and Lot 2, "SC Krueger Addition" in the W1/2 of Section 13-T121N-R61W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (14498 405th Avenue; Garden Prairie Twp.).

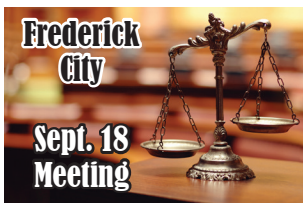
Reason: Variance to Lot Size in an AG-P District to allow Proposed Lot 1 and Lot 2 to be smaller than 40.0 acres and stay zoned Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) per Brown County Ordinances 4.0605.

The public is invited to attend the hearing to present comments and testimony regarding the proposed Variance to Lot Size request.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024.

Planning/Zoning Commission &

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NOTICE OF HEARING
Application has been made to the Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission for a VARIANCE PETITION. A hearing will be held in the Basement Community Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex on October 15, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Petitioner / Owner: Joshua & Theresa Palmer

Description of property: Lot 1, "Bob Wagner Addition to Mansfield" in the SE1/4 of Section 32-T121N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (95 2nd Street N, Warner Township).

Reason: Variance to Building Setbacks in a Rural Urban District (RU) to have an 18' West Rear Yard Setback rather than the 20' Setback & a 12' North Side Street Setback rather than the 15' Setback required by Brown County Ordinance 4.1106 to build a 81' x 40' Steel Residence with a shop.

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the proposed ordinance amendment.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024

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NOTICE OF DEADLINE FOR VOTER REGISTRATION

Voter registration for the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, will close on Monday, October 21, 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 on the Secretary of State's website at <https://vip.sdsos.gov/VIPLogin.aspx> 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 on the Secretary of State's website at <https://sdsos.gov/elections-voting/voting/register-to-vote/default.aspx>.

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.

Lynn Heupel, County Auditor
Brown County, SD
Published October 2 and 9, 2024, at the total approximate cost of \$25.94 and may be viewed free of charge at www.sdpublicnotices.com. 23760



NOTICE OF HEARING
A PETITION to REZONE has been submitted to Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission. A hearing will be held in the Basement Community Room, Brown County Courthouse Annex, on October 15, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Petitioner: Larkota Acres - Briann & Lisa Larson

Description of property: Proposed Lots 1 thru 12, "Larkota First Addition" in the N1/2 of the SW1/4 of Section 3-T121N-R64W of the 5th P.M., Brown County, South Dakota (38504, 38507, 38512, 38515 & 38518, 38523, 38526, 38529, 38532, 38535, 38538 & 38541 Larkota Drive; Warner Twp.).

Reason: Rezone parcels from Agriculture Preservation District (AG-P) to Mini-Agriculture District (M-AG) to bring these parcels into compliance for their current use.

The public is invited to attend the hearing and to present comments and testimony regarding the proposed rezone petition. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Brown County Planning/Zoning Commission will forward a recommendation to the Board of Brown County Commissioner's with a future meeting date in the Commission Chambers. Verify the meeting dates with the Brown County Auditor.

Dated this 2nd day of October 2024.

Planning/Zoning Commission and Scott Bader – P&Z Director
25 Market Street
Aberdeen, SD 57401
Office: (605) 626-7144
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Groton Senior Citizens

September 9 Groton Senior met for a meeting and cards. Ten members were present. Vice president Ruby Donovan opened with allegiance to the flag. Minutes and treasure were read and accepted. Cards were played the winners of the games. Pinochle- David Kliensassor and Bev Sombke., Whist- Tony Goldade, Canasta - Eunice McColister. Door prizes David Kliensassor, Ruby Donovan, Bev Sombke. Lunch was served by June Shilhank.

September 17, Senior met to play cards. Eleven members were present. David Kliensassor picked up our president, Sarge Liknes at the Nursing home. Happy Birthday was sung to him when he came in. They played cards. After

City of Frederick
Special Meeting
September 18, 2024 Minutes
Frederick's special meeting was held Wednesday, September 18, 2024 in the Frederick Community Center beginning at 7:00 PM. Attending the meeting were Chairman Scott Campbell, Board member Troy Millard, and Finance Officer Jennifer Morlock and Assistant Finance Officer Mariah Heine.

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

Motion to approve a second reading of Resolution #2024-1 to increase water rates from \$5.10 per 1,000 gallons to \$5.50 per 1,000 gallons and leaving the minimum the same at \$28 made by Millard/Campbell, roll call vote had ayes by all; motion carried. Motion to approve the second reading of the 2025 appropriation ordinance made by Campbell/Millard, roll call vote had ayes by all; motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Millard/Campbell at 7:06 PM; motion carried.

M. Heine
Assistant Finance Officer
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Frederick City 2025 Appropriation Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. 225
2025 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE
Be it ordained by the City of Frederick that the following sums are appropriated to meet the obligations of the municipality. Section 1:

General Fund:		
411.1	General Administration	\$40,287.00
414.2	Finance Office.....	\$42,456.00
414.1	Attorney.....	\$3,000.00
419.2	Gov't Buildings.....	\$14,350.00
422	Fire & Ambulance Department	\$17,000.00
452	Parks.....	\$8,475.00
437	Cemetery	\$5,646.00
432-432.9	Sanitation & Landfill	\$22,000.00
	Economic Development	\$15,400.00
465	Frederick Dev. Corp.....	\$14,400.00
465.3	Misc. community Dev.	\$1,000.00
431	Streets	\$47,538.00
455	Library	\$17,689.00
450	Community Center	\$2,303.00
411.5	Contingency	\$15,000.00
	Total	\$251,144.00
	Self-Supporting Funds:	
	Water Fund	\$85,400.00
	Sewer Fund	\$59,906.00
	Garbage Fund.....	\$-
	Total	\$145,306.00
	Total Appropriations (year 2025).....	\$396,450.00

Section 2
Means of Finance for the above expenditures

	Water Fund Receipts	\$71,500.00
	Sewer Fund Receipts.....	\$72,000.00
	Garbage Fund Receipts.....	\$22,000.00
344	1% Sales Tax Receipts.....	\$40,000.00
313	Other Revenue.....	\$30,950.00
	(License & Permits, State Shared Revenue, County Shared Revenue, Cemetery and Miscellaneous Revenue)	\$236,450.00
	Total	\$160,000.00
	General Tax Levy	\$396,450.00
	Total Means of Finance (year 2025)	\$396,450.00

Section 3: That the funds raised by taxation pursuant to the preceding section shall be credited to the respective funds set forth.

Section 4: The finance officer is directed to certify the following dollar amount of tax levies made in this ordinance to the Brown County Auditor: \$160,000.00

Passed first reading - September 4, 2024
Passed second reading - September 18, 2024
Adopted - September 18, 2024
Published - October 2, 2024
Effective date - October 2, 2024
President - Board of Trustees
ATTEST:
Finance Officer
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Munchkin Run



K-1 Girls: 2, Kennedy Ball; 1, Aubrie Traphagen; 3, Emme Flihs



K-1 Boys: 2, Beau Traphagen; 1, Max Erickson; 3, Jax Ronning



Grades 2-3 Boys: 2, Quinton Ronning; 1, Freddy Cole; 3, Logan Gonsoir



Grades 2-3 Girls: 1, Calli Wilkinson; 3, Emari Melhoff; 2, Mya Flihs

Fighting Fires! Let's all help to prevent fires. You can start by talking with grownups in your family about fire safety and prevention. Check at your school to see if firefighters can come to talk to your class.

Fire Prevention and Safety Week

Family Fire Safety Checklist

- Cook in the kitchen only when an adult is helping you.
- Don't touch matches, lighters or candles. They are only for adults to use.
- Do you have smoke detectors on every level of your home? Test them monthly. Change the batteries at least once a year.
- Do you know two or more ways out of the house?
- Never use elevators if there is a fire (stairs are much safer).
- Smoke rises. If there is a fire, stay low; crawl under the smoke.
- Have you picked a place to meet the rest of your family once you are all out of the house?
- Once you are out of the house, stay out of the house.

What should you do if your clothing catches on fire?

S T O P, D R O P, A N D R O L L!

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cards we had some ice cream and cake made by Bev Sombke.

September 14 Groton Seniors met for their pot luck dinner. Thirteen members were present. After dinner we played cards. Flag pledge and table prayers were said before dinner. Bingo was played before cards. Pat Larson won Blackout . After

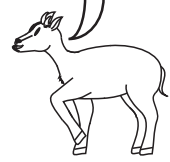
Cards were played we had some ice cream. Door prizes Bev Sombke, Ella Johnson, Elda Stange.

- Elda Stange, secretary

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Grades 4-5: 1, Chase Cleveland; 1, Taylor Flihs; 2, Haley Erickson; 3, Hazel Hill



Fighting Fires!

Fire Prevention and Safety



Let's all help to prevent fires. You can start by talking with grownups in your family about fire safety and prevention. Check at your school to see if firefighters can come to talk to your class. **Cut out this checklist and hang it on your refrigerator or bulletin board.**

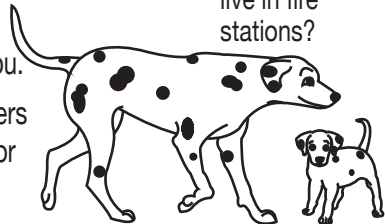


Read these clues to fill in the puzzle with people and the things they use to fight fires:



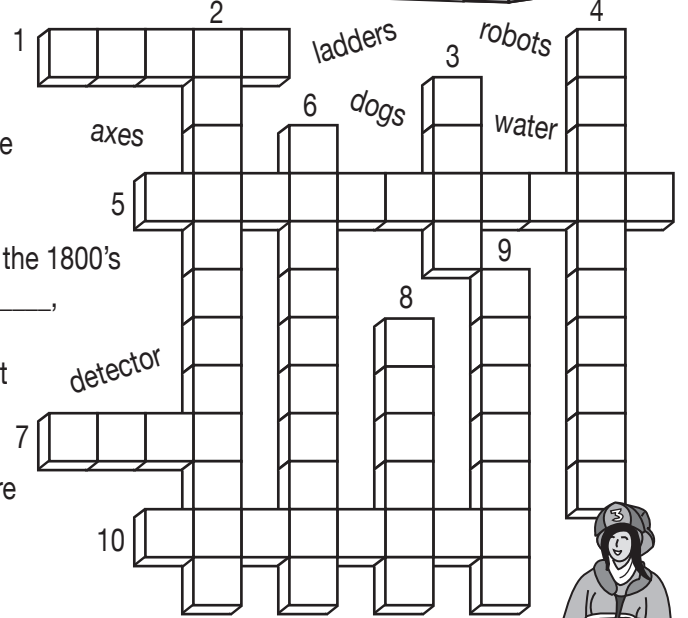
Family Fire Safety Checklist

Do you know that some dogs live in fire stations?



- Cook in the kitchen only when an adult is helping you.
- Don't touch matches, lighters or candles. They are only for adults to use.
- Do you have smoke detectors on every level of your home? Test them monthly. Change the batteries at least once a year.
- Do you know two or more ways out of the house?
- Never use elevators if there is a fire (stairs are much safer).
- Smoke rises. If there is a fire, stay low: crawl under the smoke.
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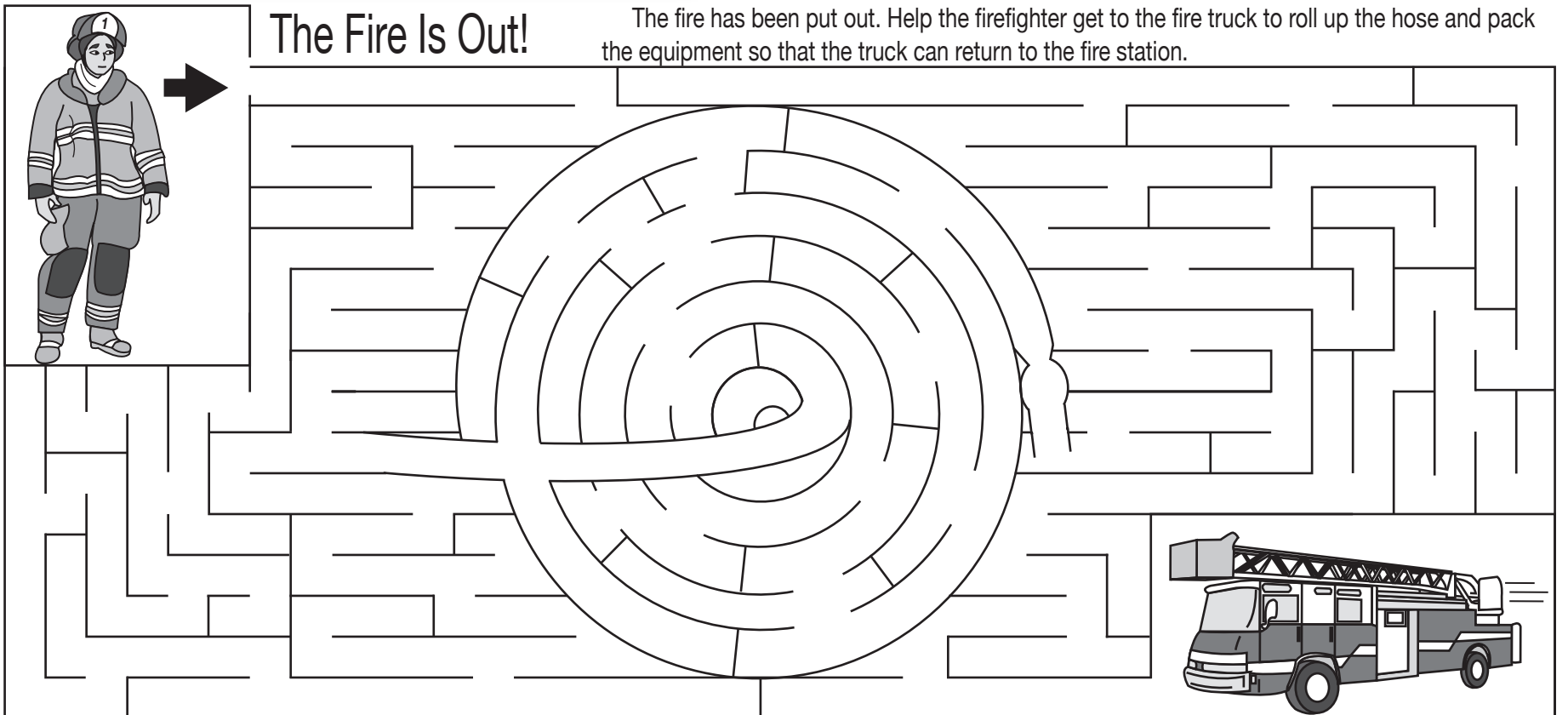
1. hydrants pump hundreds of gallons of _____ each minute
2. a fire _____ should be in every kitchen
3. horses of fire carriages in the 1800's were protected by _____, especially dalmatians
4. firefighters and equipment are brought by a _____ to the scene
5. person who teaches us fire safety and protects us
6. a _____ can be used to pick up water from a lake and drop it onto a fire
7. _____ are used to chop down locked doors or walls
8. _____ extinguish fires without endangering any firefighters



9. a special fire truck carries long _____ to reach high spots (skyscraper)
10. a smoke _____ gives warning of fire

The Fire Is Out!

The fire has been put out. Help the firefighter get to the fire truck to roll up the hose and pack the equipment so that the truck can return to the fire station.



Don't Forget This Life-Saving Tip!

Help grownups check that material is flame-resistant when choosing costumes or pajamas. Fill in each space below with the letter given above each number in the alphabet key to **see what to do if your clothing ever catches on fire:**

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Netters beat Tiospa Zian

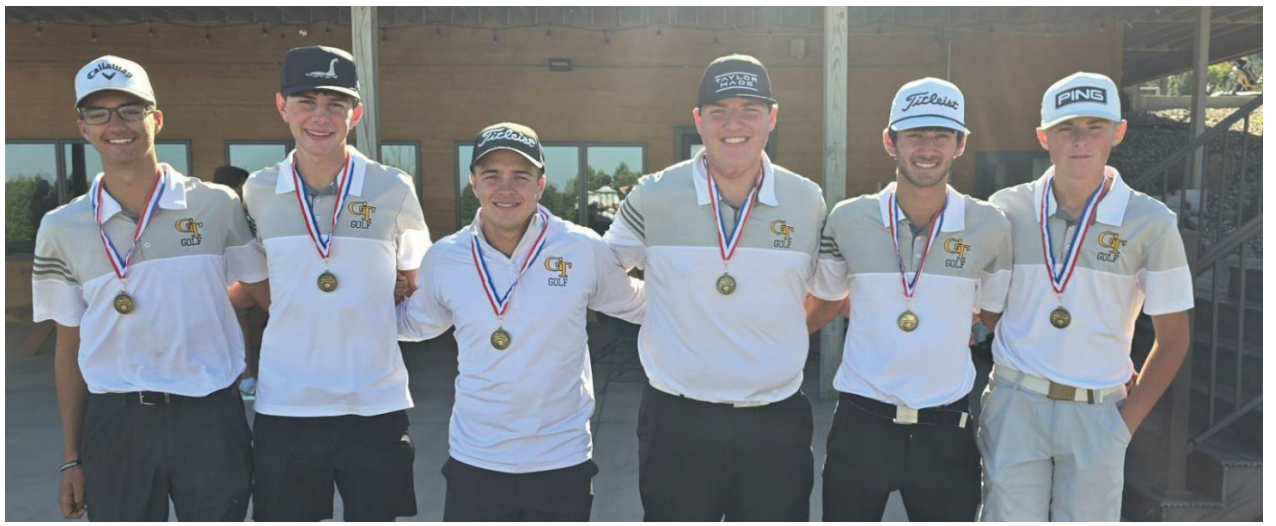
Groton Area's volleyball team defeated Tiospa Zina in action played Thursday in Groton, 3-0. Game scores were 25-11, 25-11 and 25-13.

Chesney Weber was 14 of 16 in attacks with eight kills and three ace serves, Faith Traphagen was 16 of 21 in attacks with seven kills, Taryn Traphagen was 14 of 16 in attacks with six kills and one block, Rylee Dunker had six kills and two blocks, Jaedyn Penning had five ace serves, two kills and 12 digs, Talli Wright had four ace serves and 13 assists, McKenna Tietz had three ace serves and one kill, Kella Tracy had three kills, Jerica Locke had three ace serves and 14 digs, Emma Kutter had two kills, Laila Roberts had two ace serves, Sydney Locke had one kill and one ace serve and Elizabeth Fliehs had one ace serves, 14 assists and six digs.

There was no junior varsity or C match.

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- Paul Kosel



All six gofers medal at Sisseton

Groton boy's golf team all received a medal, placing in the top 15, at the Sisseton Invitational Golf Meet held Thursday. Jayden Schwan placed 13th with a 94, Carter Simon placed sixth with an 88, Brevin Fliehs placed fourth with an 85, Logan Pearson placed fifth with an 86, Jarrett Erdmann placed 11th with a 90 and Jace Johnson placed 12th with a 91. The team placed second just one stroke behind the winner. (Courtesy photo)

Boys Soccer drop pair of games

James Valley Christian defeated Groton Area on Thursday in boys soccer action played in Huron, 7-1. Logan Olson scored the lone goal. Then on Saturday, Groton Area went to Freeman Academy, losing, 7-0.

Cyclones whirl past Tigers in NEC matchup

Clark/Willow Lake dominated the football game Friday with a 43-7 win over the Groton Area Tigers.

Groton did not get a non-touchdown first down until the middle of the third quarter. The Cyclones scored three first touchdowns in under five minutes of the first quarter, taking advantage of two interceptions. Ernesto Garcia scored on a 20 yard run with 6:57 left in the first quarter and he also kicked the PAT. Lincoln Reidburn had a 27 yard interception return for a touchdown with 5:23 left in the first quarter. After another interception, the next play was a Josh Kannegieter 18 yard pass play from Emmerson Larson. The PATs were kicked by Garcia.

Groton Area would get on the scoreboard in the middle of the second quarter. Taking over on its own 18 yard line with 7:09 left in the half, Groton Area was forced to punt on fourth and nine; however, the Cyclones would fumble the punt return attempt and Korbin Kucker would recover the fumble as Groton Area took over at its own 46 yard line. Two plays later, Kucker would break free for a 42 yard run and would score with 5:23 left in the half. Joao Nunes kicked the PAT and it was 21-7. Clark/Willow Lake would answer right back when Larson would connect with Lincoln Reidburn for a 55-yard touchdown pass play. Garcia kicked the PAT and it was 28-7 at halftime. The final play of the first half was a Teylor Diegel interception in the endzone as the Cyclones attempted to score one more time.

Clark/Willow Lake would have the ball first to start the second quarter. The Cyclones would start at their own 42 yard line and after four first downs, they would score on a Griffin Musser two yard run. Garcia kicked the PAT and it was 35-7. That drive lasted five and a half minutes with 12 plays in 58 yards.

The younger squads would take to the field in the middle of the fourth quarter. Clark/Willow Lake would score one more time on a 21 yard pass play from Kaden Wookey to Jackson Stormo. Diego Garcia would run in the extra point and it was 43-7 with 41 seconds left in the game.

Clark/Willow Lake had more first downs, 21-6, more yards rushing, 198-63, and more yards passing, 158-43. There were only three penalties in the game for a total loss of just 15 yards. (Groton Area 2-10, Clark/Willow Lake 1-5).

In rushing, Groton Area carried the ball 27 times for 63 yards. Korbin Kucker 12-38, 1TD; Brevin Fliehs 2-3, Ryder Johnson 3-(-10), Christian Ehresmann 3-3, Skyler Godel 4-17, Ryder Schelle 5-12.

Clark/Willow Lake carried the ball 40 times for 198 yards. Emmerson Larson 14-58, Griffin Musser 8-49, 1 TD; and Ernesto Garcia 6-32, 1 TD.

In passing for Groton Area: Korbin Kucker two of 10 for 38 yards, Ryder Johnson two for 6 for five yards, two interceptions; Bradyn Small 0-1. Receivers: Brevin Fliehs 1-28, Teylor Diegel 1-10, Keegen Tracy 1-7, Korbin Kucker 1-(-2).

For Clark/Willow Lake, Emmerson Larson completed seven of 16 for 137 yards, two touchdowns; and Kaden Wookey completed one of one pass for 21 yards and one touchdown. Receivers were Lincoln Reidburn 2-63, 1 TD; Josh Kannegieter 3-33, 1 TD; Griffin Musser 1-33; Cooper Pommer 1-9; and Jackson Stormo 1-21, 1 TD.

Groton Area recovered two of their own fumbles. Clark/Willow Lake had three fumbles and lost one.

Defensive leaders for Groton Area were Christian Ehresmann with seven tackles, Brevin Fliehs with nine tackles, Korbin Kucker with a fumble recovery and Teylor Diegel with an interception. For the Cyclones, Elliott Bratland and Griffin Musser each had five tackles and Lincoln Reidburn and Griffin Musser each had an interception.

Groton Area falls to 3-2 on the season and will host Aberdeen Roncalli on Friday. Clark/Willow Lake goes to 4-1 and will host Deuel on Friday.

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Emma Kutter's first point

(Photo by Jeslyn Kosel)

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Groton Invitational Cross Country Meet

Olive Grove Golf Course was the site for the cross country meet on Monday. Faith Traphagen placed third in the 5K girls varsity division with a time of 22:45.20. Jayden Schwan placed ninth in the boys varsity division with a time of 20:55.75 and Kason Oswald placed 26th with a time of 24:30.99.

In the junior varsity 3K race, Sydney Holmes placed fifth with a time of 16:03.50, in the girls division while Logan Clocksene placed 13th in the boys division with a time of 21:30.34.

In the middle school 3K division, Grayden Zeck took second in the boy's division with a time of 13:51.48, Blake Malsam placed fourth with a time of 14:24.87 and Landon Thornton placed eighth with a time of 17:24.60. Andi Iverson placed sixth in the girl's division with a time of 14:59.05.



A strong start for Faith Traphagen in the Girl Varsity Cross Country race held at the Groton Tiger home XC meet at the Olive Grove Golf Course. (Photo by Bruce Babcock)



Sydney Holmes races in the combined Junior Varsity race. (Photo by Bruce Babcock)



Grady Zeck finishing a strong second in the Junior High race. (Photo by Bruce Babcock)



JD Schwan closes in on a Roncalli runner in the Boys Varsity XC race. (Photo by Bruce Babcock)



Kason Oswald in the Boys Varsity XC race. (Photo by Bruce Babcock)

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Dear EarthTalk: How can I keep my pets safe during the increasingly frequent heat waves we are experiencing lately?
-- Mary B., Bern, NC



These days roughly 80 percent of New England is wooded, but over 99 percent of the trees were planted within the last 100 years. Credit: Roddy Scheer.

Summer may be over but the heat still lingers in much of the U.S. and elsewhere. As such, the need to keep pets safe becomes an increasing concern. Heat poses great risks to animals, especially those with fur. Understanding the risks and the safety measures that can be taken can help our pets stay safe and happy.

Heatstroke is a critical condition that can happen both in animals and humans. It occurs when the body becomes unable to regulate its temperature. Symptoms in animals include excessive panting, drooling, lethargy and vomiting. Seeking immediate attention is crucial, so move your pet to a cool area, provide water, and in severe cases contact your vet. To reduce the risk of heatstroke, keep pets in at peak hours of heat, instead opt for morning and evening when it is cooler. This is generally before 10am and after 4pm.

Constant access to water and shade are also advised to prevent issues caused by heat. Use cooling mats, fans and ice packs to keep pets from overheating. Swap outdoor activities for indoor ones or consider buy mental stimulation toys and puzzles. Moreover, never leave your pets in a parked car: Even on an 85-degree day, a car with slightly opened windows can reach temperatures of 120 degrees.

Hot surfaces also pose significant risks, as asphalt and concrete can get hot under direct sunlight and burn paw pads or noses. If possible, walk pets on grassy areas. If this is not an option due to your area, consider purchasing pet shoes or boots which protect vulnerable paws from not only burns, but also sharp objects and potentially dangerous substances if pets lick their paws. These precautions go a long way in keeping pets safe when navigating the hotter months of the year, especially for those living in cities.

When the mercury does rise, be prepared for things to go wrong. Do your best to keep your pet out of harm's way, but if things still go awry, keep a pet first aid kit with water, cool towels and a pet-safe thermometer on hand, and know the location of your nearest emergency

vet clinic. Learn to identify the signs that your pet may be having a medical episode. If left untreated, irreversible damage and even death can occur. This is especially necessary in brachycephalic animals, animals with short muzzles such as pugs or Persian cats, whose facial structure makes it difficult to use panting to cool themselves.

By taking measures to keep pets safe and being prepared for emergencies, you ensure their well-being.

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"Children's Dental Health: Key Points for Parents"

Good dental health in children is crucial for overall well-being. Healthy teeth enable proper chewing, speech development, and contribute to self-esteem. Prioritizing dental health through education, preventive care, and regular check-ups lays the foundation for a lifetime of healthy smiles. The following topics are common discussion points of children's dental health.



By John Bisson, DDS

First Dental Visit
Children should visit the dentist by their first birthday or within six months after their first tooth erupts. Early visits help establish a dental home and allow the dental care team to monitor oral development and provide guidance on proper care. Regular dental visits every six months are essential for monitoring dental health and catching potential issues early.

Fluoride Treatments
Fluoride is a naturally occurring mineral that helps prevent tooth decay. Fluoride treatments can help strengthen tooth enamel, making it more resistant to acids produced by bacteria in the mouth. This in turn helps to significantly reduce the risk of cavities and promote stronger, healthier teeth. Dentists often recommend fluoride treatments for children and may also suggest fluoride toothpaste for at home use.

Dental Sealants
Dental sealants are thin coatings applied to the chewing surfaces of molars (back teeth) to protect them from cavities. Sealants act as a barrier against food particles and bacteria. They are typically recommended for children once their permanent molars emerge, usually around age six.

Visiting An Orthodontist
Children should have their first evaluation with an orthodontist by age seven. At this age, an orthodontist can identify potential issues with tooth alignment and bite. Early intervention may prevent more severe problems later and can help guide the growth of the jaw.

Thumb Sucking
Thumb sucking is common in infants and toddlers and usually doesn't cause issues if stopped by age four. Prolonged thumb sucking can lead to dental problems, such as misalignment of teeth or changes in the roof of the mouth. If a child continues thumb sucking beyond this age, parents should consult a dentist for advice.

Baby Bottle Tooth Decay
Baby bottle tooth decay occurs when sugary liquids like milk or juice cling to a child's teeth, leading to decay. To prevent this, avoid putting a baby to bed with a bottle and ensure regular cleaning of the child's teeth and gums. Water can be used as a nighttime beverage.

Teeth Grinding (Bruxism)
Teeth grinding, or bruxism, is common in children, especially during sleep. It can be caused by stress, misaligned teeth, or other factors. If grinding is frequent, it can wear down teeth and lead to discomfort. Parents should discuss the issue with their child's dentist, who may recommend monitoring, relaxation techniques, or in some cases, a custom mouth guard.

Dental Anxiety
Dental anxiety is a common issue among children, characterized by fear or apprehension about visiting the dentist. This anxiety can stem from various factors, including fear of pain, unfamiliar environments, or negative past experiences. Prepare children by discussing what to expect at their visit, using positive reinforcement, and visiting the office beforehand to familiarize them with the environment.

Regular dental checkups and good oral hygiene practices are vital for children's dental health. Parents and caretakers should stay informed about common issues and consult their dentist for personalized advice to ensure the health of their child's smile.

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