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# Plein Air event a 'virtual' success

Artists from several states participate in pioneering Harvey Dunn Society event

**BY RITA ANDERSON**  
Kingsbury Journal

The 12th annual De Smet Plein Air "Paint Out," and the first virtual plein air event, was a tremendous success. The event was sponsored by the Harvey Dunn Society and held Aug. 7-9. Serving as pioneers in Plein Air experiences and paving the way for the future, this virtual event was the first statewide South Dakota event inviting artists from across the nation to paint their current landscapes, to download them for view-

ing plus purchase and to participate in workshops, demonstrations and chat Zoom meetings for three days.

Due to COVID-19 concerns, the Harvey Dunn Society Board of Directors, who were determined to keep Harvey Dunn's artwork and this longest running Plein Air event in South Dakota alive, conducted it virtually this year. The Brookings Arts Council and South Dakota Art Museum joined as sponsors and were vital in making this innovative event possible.

Forty-four artists and Plein Air enthusiasts from several states, including Maryland and Texas, registered for the "Painting on the Prairie" event, with more than 60 paintings submitted for review and for sale on the Brookings Arts

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**Betty Sheldon of Aberdeen, a frequent participant in the annual Harvey Dunn Plein Air paint out, sets up her easel in the small town of Lily for this year's virtual event. (Submitted photo)**



## Up, up and away

**Derik Laddusaw of Sioux Falls shows no fear of heights as he rides his dirt bike August 1st at Vincent's dirt bike track in De Smet. See more about the local track on page 24. (Photo by Caryn Hojer)**

# Riding the waves of housing by Lake Thompson

New development formed by family and lake changes

**BY SHELLEY NELSON**

When Bob and Darlene Hauck purchased their first farm place on the east shores of Lake Thompson in 1958, it seemed the perfect place to base their farming operation and to raise a family.

The farm was located just to the north of the existing east boat ramp, but there

was no water in the lake during those years. Other than some reeds and cattails far west in the distance, it was a lake in name only. West of the farm yard lay green pasture below the banks. A few buffalo wallows dotted the pasture, and arrowheads were a novel find.

Life for the Haucks and their children, Greg, Brad, Reed and Shelley, was that of a typical farm family. There were cattle, sheep, chickens, hogs and a few horses to care for and crop ground to nurture. An apple orchard and a large garden offered

plenty of produce. Sledding on the banks and trapping muskrats out in the marsh ground were the only perks to living "on the lake" during those years.

Fast forward to 1986 and how things changed. With the children grown and on their own, the Haucks decided to move to Bob's parents' farm on Highway 14. As they remodeled their new home and prepared for the move, a rainy season began. As the rain continued and the lakebed filled, no one dreamed it would

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# PLEIN AIR

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Council website. Charla Herbert from Nebraska won the Artist's Choice Award and \$200 in prize money.

Voted the favorite artist for the People's Choice Award and winning \$200 was Joy Halling, Watertown. She submitted three paintings, including her painting of the "Lily Town Hall."

"I'm thankful to the Harvey Dunn Society for this enjoyable and challenging experience," said Halling, after her win was announced through a Zoom call with participants and the event's organizers. "I was intrigued by the old buildings in Lily, S.D. that still stand as proud as can be, and I'm honored to receive the People's



**Joy Halling of Watertown takes a selfie with her artwork. She won the People's Choice Award with her painting titled "Lily Town Hall."** (Submitted photo)

Choice Award for my paintings."

Steve Randall, a Sioux Falls artist, Harvey Dunn Society board director and organizer of the virtual event,

shared his appreciation of those who helped put on the event and the experience it offered.

"I enjoyed the chance to get out

and paint with friends and other artists, even if we were separated by some distance," he said. "We could still share our experience virtually on social media, with technical help from some great organizations like the De Smet Development Corporation, Brookings Arts Council and South Dakota Art Museum. I hope that some parts of this technology can be included in future De Smet Plein Air Painting events when we can all be together again in De Smet."

The artists' paintings are for sale for two weeks on the [www.brookingsartscouncil.org](http://www.brookingsartscouncil.org) website under the Harvey Dunn Plein Air Store tab. A full gallery of paintings and instructional videos can be seen on the Harvey Dunn Society Facebook page. The Harvey Dunn Society hosts their Plein Air event in De Smet the second weekend in August, and the 2021 date is set for Aug. 12 - 15. The event has grown each year and typically brings approximately 80 artists to De Smet and the surrounding area.

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**David Travis**, Sioux Falls, too many lines, fined \$103.50.

**David Miller**, Brookings, 120 in a 65 mile per hour zone and careless driving, fined \$365.00.

**River Hornig**, Huron, 70 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

**Seydin Perez Ventura**, De Smet, no driver's license, fined \$132.50.

**John Kaiser**, Lake Norden, 30 in a 25 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

**Luis Arizmendi Hernandez**, Arlington, 60 in a 55 mile per hour zone, fined \$97.50.

**Alisia Olson**, Litchfield, Minn., 75 in a 65 mile per hour zone, fined \$117.50.

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**The Haucks' Landing development is located on the east shore of Lake Thompson. The private drive shown passes between the shoreline lots and the back lots. The development will include 20 frontage lots and six back lots available for residential use.** (Submitted photo)

## HAUCKS

FROM PAGE ONE

become a populated lake area that included a state recreation area.

Yet, by the time the Haucks were ready to make the move, 80 acres of their farm ground was under water, and roads they frequently traveled between the Lake Thompson farm and the Highway 14 farm were inundated with water and were no longer passable. The couple had to move their belongings by traveling east and then north to Highway 14.

Their oldest son Greg purchased the Lake Thompson property in 1986. He and his wife had horses and dogs and enjoyed the country setting, but changes were occurring in the neighborhood. The Schafer farm to the northeast was no longer accessible by road and eventually was overtaken by the expanding lake.

Some in the area adapted to the lost farm ground, roads and property by starting up businesses. Norma Palm-lund opened the Flood Club bar and restaurant in the area that would come to be home to the Lake Thompson Recreation Area. Mike and Mary Pollack opened the M and M Marina west of the Lake Thompson and Lake Henry area, and Jerry and Jeanne Gruenhagen started their campground on the west side of the lake. Paul and Jeanne McMasters built and opened the Northshore Bar and Grille.

Others in the neighborhood chose to leave the area. The Larsons, who owned land south and east of the Hauck farm, and the Oddens to the north, sold land to Game Fish and Parks. When Gov. William Janklow introduced plans for the recreation area in the 1990s, sportsmen and others began purchasing property and building cabins along the shores of Lake Thompson and Lake Henry.

Local skeptics still thought the lake would recede. Though water levels were lower during some years, it became evident the lake was here to stay. The recreation area grew and thrived, and homes and campgrounds continued to spring up.

Although Greg had been approached about developing his property, he chose instead to enjoy the solitude of the old farmstead. He said he knew it would be a good spot but

would save that thought as a possibility in his retirement. As the buildings became more dilapidated, and he now lived alone, he bought a house in Lake Preston. He still enjoyed going to the farm, mowing the acreage, walking the shore winter and summer and occasionally spending time in a camper in the farm yard. He planned to burn the old two-story farmhouse and continue to enjoy the property.

Then in 2019, he died suddenly of a heart attack at age 66. Siblings Brad, Reed and Shelley learned they had inherited the property. As they and their parents grieved the sudden loss, they spoke little of what would become of the land. After burning the old farm home later that year, they focused on dealing with the rest of their brother's estate and coping with the loss in their family. A little more than a year later, Bob and Darlene moved into assisted living care and soon after, Darlene passed away.

Throughout the next year of change, Greg's siblings discussed the future. The brothers began the physical work of clearing away debris that inevitably collects through the decades, and a new view took shape. The property, with its high banks and accessible road, was a natural fit for development. As a realtor and developer, Reed had the knowledge of the process.

### CHOOSING TO DEVELOP

The three agreed that developing the land was the right thing to do. It would be the best use of the beautiful setting and would be more of a legacy than letting the buildings deteriorate. Brad and Reed found solace in the physical labor of removing fences, burning the crumbling structures and leveling the ground.

Haucks' Landing seemed a fitting name for the property located near the boat landing. The Haucks' Bay addition encompasses the 26 residential lots and a grass area abutting state game land. Greg's Drive winds through the area of the lots, and a secondary road on the backside of the lots will be known as Robert's Pass.

The three siblings have found comfort in being together and in leaving something good for Greg's memory and for the memory of their parents' first farm home. Their hope is that future residents enjoy the beauty of the area they once called home.

### Audrey Meyer Memorial Golf Tournament



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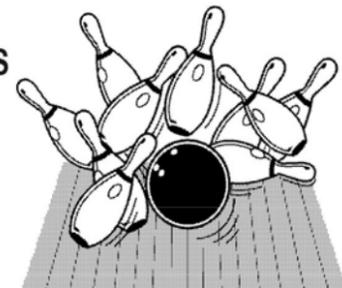
Sept. 8	Tuesday Mens	7:30 p.m.	5 men teams
Sept. 9	Wednesday Ladies	7:00 p.m.	4 ladies teams
Sept. 10	Thursday Mixed*	7:30 p.m.	4 person teams
Oct. 10	Saturday Mixed*	7:00 p.m.	4 person teams
Oct. 11	Youth Program	4:00 p.m.	Sunday Evenings

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See this auction on the website: [sdauctions.com](http://sdauctions.com)

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# Opinion

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- Monday August 3, 2020**  
High 74, Low 50
- Tuesday August 4, 2020**  
High 75, Low 50
- Wednesday August 5, 2020**  
High 71, Low 59, Rain 0.24
- Thursday August 6, 2020**  
High 81, Low 57
- Friday August 7, 2020**  
High 79, Low 69, Rain 0.07
- Saturday August 8, 2020**  
High 81, Low 69, Rain 0.03
- Sunday August 9, 2020**  
High 86, Low 63, Rain 0.93

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## PHOTO OF THE WEEK



## Fire hose fun

The De Smet Firemen let the kids have a chance to spray water from the fire hoses at the Fire Department / Ambulance picnic. (Photo by Caryn Hojer)

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# Many reasons to look on the positive side

**LAST WEEK**, when I was in Sioux Falls to discuss reopening schools with parents and superintendents, I saw a great bulletin board in a 4th grade classroom. It said, “Put your positive pants on.” That message reminded me of a lesson that is often easy to forget: an optimistic outlook can be tremendously helpful when responding to life’s challenges. That’s especially true in the fight against COVID-19.

As we get more and more data about this virus, it’s becoming increasingly clear that most of us aren’t at high risk. This virus has a clear vulnerable population; we know that elderly folks are far more likely to get seriously ill, especially when paired with certain pre-existing health conditions. That leaves about 95% of the population that is not at risk for serious infection. For these folks, we can continue getting back to normal,



## GOVERNOR’S DESK

**KRISTI NOEM**

while making the best decisions for ourselves and our loved ones.

We need to make sure to take care of the vulnerable population, and that starts with good hygiene and social distancing. Our vulnerable friends and family should continue to take extra precautions and to stay home when they are able, and we can all

take precautions to avoid spreading the virus to them.

We can also celebrate that we’re getting better at treating COVID-19. This means that even for those who do get seriously sick, our outlook is getting better all the time. Our case fatality rate is dropping, meaning that those who get sick are more likely to recover from the virus than in the past.

Data shows that the antiviral drug Remdesivir substantially reduces the mortality rate and cuts recovery time significantly. Similarly, a study out of Michigan’s Henry Ford Health System indicates that hydroxychloroquine may cut mortality rate for COVID-19 in half. And progress on a vaccine is moving along ahead of schedule.

As we continue planning to reopen schools in the fall, let’s remember that kids are less likely to contract the

virus and far less likely to get seriously ill. In fact, science suggests that influenza is a greater risk to kids than COVID-19. If children do contract the virus, data indicates they are less likely to spread it to others.

There is a risk associated with everything that we do in life; more South Dakotans have died from accidental injuries than from COVID-19 in the past 5 months. We mitigate risks by taking proper precautions when we get in our cars, when we operate farm equipment, and when we make choices about what we eat and how much we exercise. The same should be true about life as we get back to normal.

So, let’s remember to “put our positive pants on.” We need to emphasize facts, not fear. Let’s tell the story of what works in the fight against this virus, and let’s continue to get through this together.

## Obituary



### Roberta Walz

Roberta Mae Walz passed in peace in Brookings, S.D., on Aug. 7, 2020, at

the age of 67.

She was born Jan. 1, 1953, to Robert and Ruth Zeller in De Smet, S.D. She graduated from De Smet High School in 1971 and received her nursing degree from Huron University in 1992. She worked 30 years as a registered nurse in long term care facilities where she touched the lives of many residents and co-workers.

She married the love of her life, Craig, at the Custer State Park Chapel in 1999, and they lived together in Custer for over 20 years before relocating to Brookings last year.

Roberta was immensely proud of her family and leaves behind beautiful memories and immense admiration

for her strength. She is forever in our hearts and her spirit will always be with us.

She was the beloved mother of Angeliqne Benson, Nathaniel (Laurie) Hornig, Brigitte (Josh) McNames, Andrea (Brent) Scheele, Beau (Nikki) Hornig, and Nicolette (Chris) Bulian, and stepmother of Erin Walz, Adam (MinhHa) Walz and Noah (Kelsey) Walz.

She was the proud grandmother of Skye, Trevor, Gunner, Blake, Taylor, Ciara, River, Ella, Easton, Owen, Aubree, Cooper, Quinn, Nora, Gracie and Oliver, and step-grandmother of Oliver and Felix.

She was the beautiful daughter of Ruth Zeller and sister of Richard

(Barb) Zeller and Rebecca (Kurt) Roning.

She was preceded in death by her father, Robert Zeller.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the family is holding a private celebration of Roberta’s life in “Grandma’s Park” at their home.

Memorials may be made to the family in care of Craig Walz at 47080 Oakbrook Loop, Brookings, SD 57006. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at [www.rudesfuneral-home.com](http://www.rudesfuneral-home.com).

“Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all of the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.”

## WORSHIP SERVICES

*“If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.” 2 CHRONICLES 7:14*

### Arlington

**CALVARY FREE LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 605-983-5254, Worship at 9:30 a.m.

**UNITED METHODIST**, 605-983-5471, See Facebook page for updates.

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST**, 605-854-9961, Mass at 8:30 a.m.

**LAKE WHITEWOOD LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 605-983-3220, See Facebook page for updates.

### Badger

**BADGER LUTHERAN CHURCH**, Church at 8:30 a.m. Also streaming on YouTube.

### Bryant

**BRYANT UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**, 605-625-5085, No church the first Sunday of the month. All other Sundays at 10 a.m.

**ST. MARY’S CATHOLIC CHURCH**, Mass at 11:30 a.m.

### Carthage

**TRINITY LUTHERAN**, 605-772-4137, See Facebook page for videos and details.

### De Smet

**AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 605-854-3684, Worship services will be held at the church at 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. The service will be recorded and available at <http://americanlutherandesmet.org>.

**DE SMET ALLIANCE CHURCH**, 605-854-3065, Sunday School at 9 a.m. for all ages, Church at 10:15 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study at 7:15 p.m.— all invited!

**DE SMET COMMUNITY CHURCH**, 605-854-3927, Church at 9:30 a.m.

**PRAIRIE BAPTIST CHURCH**, 605-854-9362, Sunday School at 10 a.m., Morning Worship at 11 a.m. Afternoon worship at 1:15 p.m., Bible study — Wednesday night at 7 p.m.

**SPIRIT LAKE PRESBYTERIAN**, 605-237-9565, Drive-up service Sunday at 10:30 a.m., on Facebook Live and

FM88.1 SPRT radio. See Facebook page for updates

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**NORTH PRESTON LUTHERAN CHURCH**, 605-847-4587, Church at 10:30 a.m. Can also find service on Facebook Live.

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST/UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**, 605-983-5471, Sundays at 10:30 a.m. - outside services. Bring your lawn chairs or sit in your car.

### Oldham

**OLDHAM LUTHERAN**, Church at 10:30 a.m.

### Ramona

**ST. JOHN LUTHERAN**, Drive-in worship at 9 a.m.

# Tomatoes galore, and tips for great goulash

**EVERY DAY I'M EXCITED** to check out my garden, as things are really starting to get going now. I've gotten a few bell peppers and a couple salsa peppers, and my onions are ready and waiting to be used whenever I need them.



## HOME GROWN

**AMY HALVERSON**

My tomato plants have taken over most of the garden, intertwining with each other faster than I can clear a path, but it's hard to complain with all the tomatoes covering the vines. I've already collected two pails full of tomatoes plus three large tomatoes that are bigger than anything I've ever grown. Each one of the big mammas, as I call them, is bigger than a softball and weighs over a pound.

I've always been lucky to have a pantry stocked with at least a few jars of canned tomato juice. My

mom used to have a huge garden and would always have shelves of jars full of canned goods she'd happily pass along whenever I needed them. I loved having them on hand for chili or goulash.

Eventually, I started my own gar-

den, and it slowly grew to the point where I had enough to try canning on my own. I started out with salsa, and I liked playing with the flavor using different peppers. I've also done spaghetti sauce and tomato juice, but I've never had enough tomatoes to do much more than a batch or two of anything.

Unfortunately, I just realized my section for canned goods in the pantry is almost empty. I'm completely out of salsa, and I'm down to only one jar of tomato juice. My parents moved from their house with a large garden to their new house in town with no garden last summer, so restocking my pantry is going to be up to me.

Thankfully it looks like my garden is up for the challenge! I already have enough peppers and tomatoes to do a batch of salsa, and it won't be long until I have plenty for a batch of tomato juice. I've already talked my mom into helping me with canning some tomato juice. I've done it before, but it's always more fun to do it with someone else.

This week I'm sharing my recipe for goulash. It's a very simple recipe that's easy to throw together on a

### Goulash tips:

**TRY DIFFERENT SEASONINGS** for different flavors. I like to use season salt, garlic powder, Italian seasoning and parsley.

**IF YOU DON'T** have tomato juice or want to try something different, a can of diced, fire-roasted tomatoes and tomato sauce are great alternatives.

**DON'T BE AFRAID** to add extras! Goulash is good the old-fashioned way, but I like trying it with new things once in a while. My favorite is to add some green peppers, mushrooms and top it with cheese.

*Need some tips and tricks? Submit your questions to amy@kingsburyjournal.com*

busy night. Many of you may already have a goulash recipe of your own, and if you do, check out the tips on how to change it up to make it a little different. Enjoy!

### Goulash

- 1 pound ground beef
- 2 cups elbow macaroni
- 1 pint tomato juice
- 1 Tablespoon sugar
- 2 Tablespoons onion
- 1 teaspoon chili powder

Cook macaroni according to package, drain and set aside. Brown hamburger along with onion until done; drain. Combine macaroni, hamburger, tomato juice, sugar and chili powder in large pot. Simmer all ingredients for 5-10 minutes until heated thoroughly.

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## Call the Lord's name in times of need

### Peter walks on water

**IF YOU'RE A FISHERMAN/WOMAN** or a boat enthusiast, you probably relate to the story of Jesus walking on the water. Many times, we are captivated by Jesus's miraculous act, and we look past the reason he was out on the water in the first place.

Jesus does not begin at sea in the story. He is praying on a mountain. While Jesus is away, the disciples find themselves in a predicament. Their boat has been washed out to sea. If you've been in a boat very many times, it's likely that you've run into problems with the wind.

I worked as a counselor at a Bible camp for a summer in my college years. The camp was on a lake, and across the lake from the camp stood an old church. Each week, I had the opportunity to take my cabin of boys to the church via canoe. Imagine taking a dozen fifth graders in canoes across a lake on a calm day, let alone a windy one. On some of these trips, I

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wished for Jesus to come walking on the water to get us to the other side. You can about imagine how terrified the disciples were to be washed out to sea by a terrible breeze.

As Christians, we are pretty familiar with this language: those who believe will be saved. Jesus's words to Peter immediately after he saves him seem to be almost contradictory to that. Jesus saves Peter and immediately asks why he doesn't believe. Did Jesus save an unbeliever?

Jesus lets Peter seek out other options for a savior in this story. Peter looks out on the sea to find what will save him, and there is only one option available. And so, Peter calls upon Jesus: "Lord, save me." Jesus makes a believer out of Peter. It's a last-ditch effort, but behold, it worked. Jesus does not ignore those who call upon his name.

The best and most applicable gift that you have concerning this story is that, like Peter, you have the Lord's name to call upon in times of need. What a great gift.

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## DISTANCED LEARNERS

# Tales from the spring break that simply didn't end

Students left school for home and never came back

BY SASHA ANDREWS  
Kingsbury Journal

As a sophomore at Northern State University in Aberdeen, it was very hard to find out that sophomore year would come to an end by finishing online. We had our spring break set to start on March 6 when our Friday classes were over, and classes were set to resume on Monday, March 16. None of us students knew that we actually would not be returning back to campus for the rest of the year.

We received the news that we would have a week extension of spring break since the COVID-19 outbreaks in other countries were starting to flare up, and America began to question, too. Even though all of us were excited to have a little longer break at first, we were all ready to get back to school. I can assure all college students would agree, but then we received another email from the school that we would now begin online classes for the next two weeks and hopefully go back up and finish the semester.

Before those two weeks were already up, though, we were informed that this may last the rest of the semester. Sure enough, the semester ended up all online. It was a struggle for most students to adapt to this much change, not only academically, but emotionally. A lot of us students were not ready to leave the new friends behind and most certainly not ready to be moved back in with our parents when we had lived on our own for some time now.

I am a double major in graphic design and creative writing. For the most part, my creative writing classes being transferred online was no big deal. I just had to read the assigned readings and turn in the work. What was not fun was being transitioned to online in my art design classes. I felt like I was not getting the help I needed, not because of my professors, who did their best to adapt to the changes and help us as best as they could, but because of the in-person, hands on lessons we missed out on. You can only do so much online vs. face to face. As a design student, I felt like going online took away the face to face experience that I needed to do the best job I could. The classes that I was taking were going to be important for my career someday, so I felt like I missed out because we couldn't do some of the projects we would normally.

## MAKAYLA DeDAYNE

Makayla DeDeyne, originally a high school graduate from De Smet, attended South Dakota State University in Brookings this past spring semester. She was in her junior year of college, although she was actually only in her second year of attendance.

"I would say that college was different this spring since we couldn't have the same in person interaction that we were used to," DeDeyne said. "A couple of my classes were smaller, and we spent a lot of time discussing what we were learning and working on in class exercises. When the class



Noah Thomas in his cap and gown. (Photo by Portraits by Jennie)

was moved online, we weren't able to do that anymore, and I felt I wasn't learning as much."

DeDeyne is studying agricultural business at SDSU and feels the lack of interpersonal connections because of online classes contributed to the feeling of disappointment.

"It was hard not seeing my friends and getting to know my classmates as well," she said. "I feel like a big part of my college is getting to meet new people and getting to know your professors, and that is harder to do online. Even with this semester being in person, I feel like the changes to adapt for social distancing will make it harder to learn and work with classmates and will take more effort to do."

## NOAH THOMAS

Noah Thomas, a high school graduate from Lake Preston, graduated from Lake Area Technical Institute this spring with a degree in human resources.

"Graduating from LATI this spring was quite interesting with COVID taking place and having to learn and do all my assignments all online," said Thomas. "With the meetings with our class and teachers to having debates was just something I never thought I would experience in my life. Getting used to having class from home

ated from the precision machining program, which is a very hands-on program at Lake Area Technical Institute. I never would have thought that we would be able to transfer to an online setting. We missed out on a lot of hands-on knowledge and didn't finish most of our projects that we had already started."

Woodcock also shared his feelings about the lack of a traditional graduation ceremony for LATI this year.

"When it came to graduation day, it was bittersweet," he said. "We had missed out on walking at our college graduating and receiving our diplomas in person. They instead made an online ceremony with every graduate's name and picture, but the staff at Lake Area did their absolute best in such a short time to teach us as much as possible in an online setting."

## ALLEN STRANDE

Allen Strande, originally a Lake Preston High School graduate, graduated from LATI this spring with a degree in automotive technology.

"Being a student through this whole pandemic was not that different from former class," said Strande. "I've taken four online classes, so I know how it works. I believe that would be the take for most students. It is seriously the teachers that had to adjust the most. I could not thank my instructors enough for the personal time and money that they gave to provide a quality education. Some people feel shorted by this pandemic, but most learning comes from the job experience anyways."

What will happen next? As of right now, the South Dakota Board of Regents decided that South Dakota universities will continue on with fall classes on campus. Students will be required to wear masks to classes, but not in their dorm buildings. Students who are moving into the dorm buildings will have their own time slots to do so and are allowed only two people to help them move in. Also, some colleges, like NSU, for example, are having class on holidays that students normally have off, like Labor Day weekend, to help eliminate travel back home and other places.

The fall semester will not last as long as it normally would. At NSU and other South Dakota public universities, classes will be starting a week earlier than normal and ending at Thanksgiving break. Students will not return to campus until the spring semester which begins after Christmas. It will be interesting to see how this semester goes with the ever-changing situation of COVID-19.

was pretty neat but a little strange at the same time, because you weren't around any of your classmates you would see all the time or your teachers if you needed help."

Thomas added that the graduation ceremony this year was a fun, but strange, experience, as he was not able to walk across a stage or have his parents in the crowd watching him receive his diploma.

## JADEN WOODCOCK

Jaden Woodcock, a former graduate from De Smet High School, also graduated from LATI this spring.

"Graduating from college this year was different than I ever could have imagined!" Woodcock said. "I gradu-



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## ENGAGEMENT



Cortney Slaight and Phil Carmody of Sioux Falls will marry in August in Spearfish. Due to health concerns, a celebration of their marriage has been postponed until August 2021. Parents of the couple are Shelley and Dennis Nelson of Lake Preston, Shon and Janell Slaight of Sioux Falls, Joe Carmody of Mobridge and Phyllis Summerville of Little Rock, Ark.

## MENUS

### 60's-plus meals

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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 13:** Pizza, Tossed Salad, Fruit

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 14:** CLOSED

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 15:** Cook's Choice

**MONDAY, AUGUST 17:** CLOSED

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 18:** Brats/Bun, Diced Potatoes, Vegetable, Fruit

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19:** Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Corn, Fruit, Bread



## Powering things up

Aron Bickett and Byron Bumann, of Aron's Electric, work on the electrical in the campground.

(Photo by Brenda Klug)

## Board approves back-to-school plan

School will stay flexible and adjust to changes

BY KINGSBURY JOURNAL STAFF

The Lake Preston Board of Education met Monday, Aug. 10 for their regularly scheduled meeting. Much of the discussion revolved around the proposed "Back to School Plan" presented by Superintendent Dana Felderman. Currently, the plan document states that "the Lake Preston School District plans to provide in-person instruction beginning on Wednesday, Aug. 19."

Within the proposal, students and parents will be given the option to distance learn similarly to how the final quarter ended in the spring. However, if choosing to distance learn, those students would be ineligible to participate in extra-curricular activities, as established with a motion made at their July board meeting. The plan also states that the option to distance learn will not be offered after the COVID pandemic.

From parent surveys to staff input to Department of Health recommendations, the plan was developed to best serve the district in terms of returning to as much normalcy as possible under the circumstances.

"My timeline is nine weeks," said Felderman. "If we can make it

through nine weeks, and we are still doing well with no major outbreaks, we can possibly open up more and continue to add things into our routine. The DOH and CDC are the experts. I am not a medical professional, so this plan relies heavily on their recommendations."

Those recommendations from the CDC and DOH have changed over the past few months and may continue to be adjusted as more research is discovered.

"In these situations, it is important to stay flexible and be able to adjust when the scientific data suggests we do so," said Felderman.

### HOME SCREENING

The plan also addressed such items as transportation, facilities, food service, classroom instruction, building

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SUPERINTENDENT  
DANA FELDERMAN

practices and daily symptom checklist for parents to perform prior to sending their children to school. Felderman stated that initially, the CDC recommended that universal temperature checks should be performed prior to the school day. Now, however, they have gone away from that idea and are asking parents to complete a daily screening with their child prior to sending them to school. The plan also incorporates the SDHSAA tier levels for attendance and participation at activities. The district is planning to start the school year at Tier 1, which allows for open attendance.

### MASKS

Felderman presented a detailed mask protocol that highly recommends, but does not require, the wearing of masks for staff and students with a few exceptions. The plan requires that visitors "mask up" upon entering the building during the school day. Music class teachers may also require students to wear a mask when certain skills are being taught. Concession workers and ticket takers would be required to wear a mask, along with students and staff who are traveling in the smaller school vehicles where it is difficult to keep proper spacing.

At this time, Felderman is not requiring masks on the regular school

See **SCHOOL**, next page

## School prepares for student return

BY JOAN WOLLSCHLAGER  
Kingsbury Journal

Dana Felderman, superintendent of Lake Preston School, has been working for many months on preparations for students' return to school during this coronavirus outbreak.

Special plastic division panels have been constructed at a fraction of the cost by Felderman and school staff. Desks have been spaced, student hall times adjusted for less traffic and water dispensers around the building changed to bottle access only. Using the Ag room and supplies ordered last spring, Felderman and teacher Brock Dufek have added PVC pipe dividers for classrooms. Lunch time schedules have been adjusted, along with seating arrangements and menus, to allow for less contact.

Felderman explained that any changes have been discussed and worked on by his staff and Board of Education in an attempt to make school facilities as safe as possible for students' return. Teachers have used social distancing practices themselves as they continue attending workshops preparing them for the 2020-2021 school year.

Several mobile 'supply carts' with cleaning supplies will be available throughout the buildings for use where needed. Gallons of hand sanitizer will be placed in choice loca-



**Brock Dufek pushes a cart of freshly made dividers to be used throughout the school's classrooms. Dividers have been made to protect the students and teachers. The Ag room received much use this summer to get ready for the school year.** (Photo by Joan Wollschlager)

tions, including the busses. Felderman added that he had ordered several cleaning spray guns called Protexus Electronic Disinfectant Sprayers

for diffusing cleanser in larger spaces like classrooms and bus interiors. All these changes will help keep students safer in a changing world.

# Lake Preston

## LOOKING BACK

# 2010: Power outage was caused by beavers

### 10 YEARS AGO

August 11, 2010

Beavers caused power outage in Lake Preston on Monday morning. **SHANE ST. CLAIR**, the customer service representative for Ottertail, said “the beaver chewed through a tree, which fell across 115 kv transmission line between Canby and Toronto.” It was off for an hour and a half.

Tickets are available for a local dinner with the governor. Lake Preston is hosting Capitol for a Day on Aug. 25, and tickets for a dinner with Mike Rounds are now available.

Achievement Days is currently going on.

### 25 YEARS AGO

August 10, 1995

The city has a new police car. They approved a purchase of a 1992 Crown Victoria from SD Federal Property Agency.

**MARGARET SCHAEFFER**, longtime resident of Lake Preston, celebrated her 85th birthday on Aug. 5 at the Volga City Park. Almost 100 people helped her celebrate, and six states were represented in the family reunion.

### 50 YEARS AGO

August 6, 1970

Preston Café- Fish & Chips special this Friday night- all you can eat for \$1.45

Larsen’s Market- Fresh ground

beef- 2lb for \$1.25

Streeter’s Grocery- Bananas- 2lb for 25 cents, Tomato soup- 5 cans for 59 cents, TV dinners for 39 cents.

### 75 YEARS AGO

JANUARY 1, 1945

**PFC HENNEY P. THOMSEN**, son of **MR. AND MRS. PETER THOMSEN**, arrived home Saturday evening on a 30-day furlough after serving 18 months in Germany.

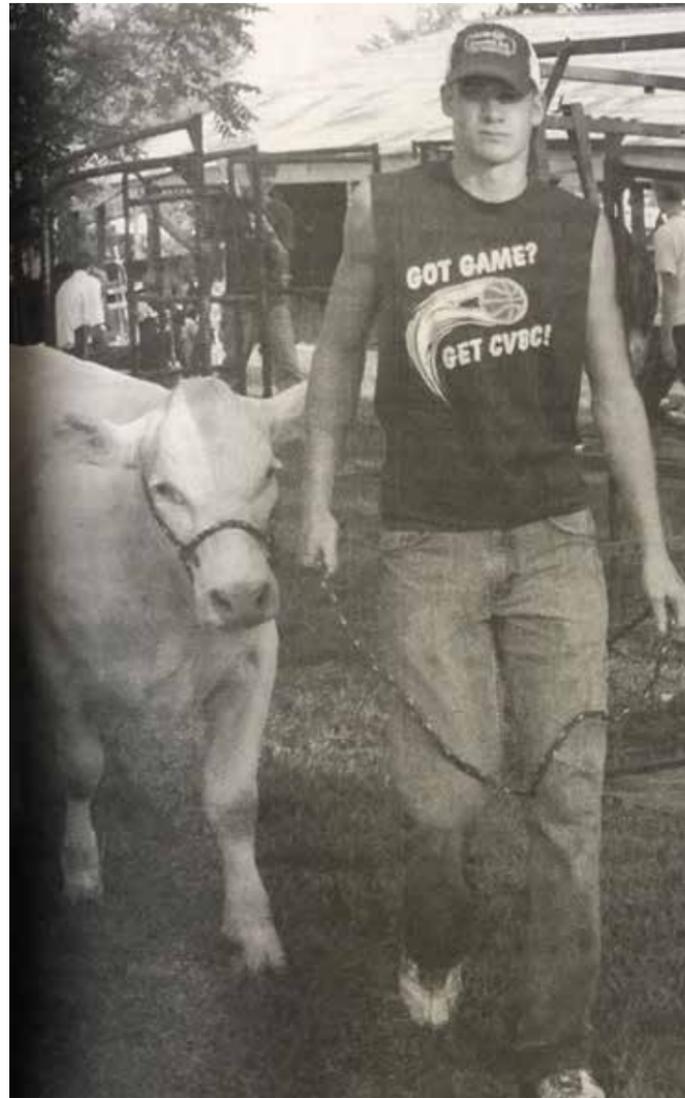
Agriculture briefs: Dish towels used as potholders have a short life. Squeezing oranges for juice is wasteful of Vitamin C. Small cuts in the bathroom towels probably may be traced to the man who wipes his razor on any towel that’s handy.

### 100 YEARS AGO

August 5, 1920

The people of Lake Preston made Tuesday afternoon a recreation day by joining in a picnic out by the Lake Henry Grove. Nearly all the business offices closed Tuesday afternoon, having posted notices several days before. Rest and recreation was in order, and a large portion of our people autoed out to participate.

The married men wish the Times to state that they are ready and willing to meet the single men in another baseball contest in Lake Preston, any day, to prove that it was not luck only to cause them to win last Tuesday.



**TEN YEARS AGO:** Calder Eschenbaum leading his Charolais to the grooming area to get ready to show at Achievement Days.

## SCHOOL

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busses because, for the most part, proper social distancing can be followed. The plan does allow some flexibility to alter those requirements as necessary. The board later approved this proposed mask protocol as read.

### FALL SPORTS FEES WAIVED

After much debate, the board decided to waive the fee for admission for all fall sports. The idea was proposed based on the SDHSAA recommendations that a cashless system of ticket purchasing be used to reduce

staff contact with many people. Business Manager Kristi Curd explained that the system is technology based, and not really feasible, as there are fees involved. With the volume of tickets sold, it was decided going that route would not make sense. Those home events affected would include volleyball, competitive cheer and football. The topic would be re-visited in the winter to address the basketball season.

“With all the things we have to worry about this year, do we worry about this?” asked Board member Josh Warne. “What are we willing to sacrifice so that we can limit our ex-

posure and keep our kids and staff in school?”

The district employs teachers to sell tickets at each home event.

“If our concern is to keep staff safe, we should also be protecting students and look at ways to reduce exposure at the concession stand as well,” pointed out Board member Brett Anderson.

At this time, the board chose to focus on admissions and may look at adjusting the concession stand at the next board meeting.

### POLICIES APPROVED

In other business, the board approved the Employee, PreK-3, and

4-12 Acceptable Use Policies; Remote Working Policy; E-rate Document and Retention Policy; Internet Safety-CI-PA Policy; Distance Learning Policy; PreK-5 Handbook, MS/HS Handbook, Employee Handbook, Board, Kids First/SPARK Policy, and District Public Notices. The board also approved the quote for adding speakers with installation at the football field.

After executive session, contracts for Temporary COVID Specialists: Taren Odegaard and Chase Cayo; Cheer coach: Kylie Sheets; and Para-professionals: Noah Thomas and Kaylee Hoffman were issued and approved.



## Divers pool reno

Men from MC&R Pools in Sioux Falls work on repairing the pool wall. Once that’s fixed, Bode Construction will come in and lay all new concrete around the whole pool. (Photo by Brenda Klug)



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# Lake Preston

## School set to open next week in Lake Preston

### Opening days

- **K-12** starts Wednesday, August 19, 2020
- **PRESCHOOL** starts Thursday, August 20, 2020

Doors open at 8:00 a.m. If your child will be eating breakfast, please have them go to the lunchroom. Otherwise, children are asked to go straight to their classrooms.

### Daily schedule

The regular school day runs Monday through Friday from 8:15-3:32. Preschool students will attend Tuesday and Thursday those same hours. All Preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade parents/guardians may pre-register Aug. 10-14.

### School year: 176 days

Missed days will be made up after May 17, 2021  
Free and Reduced Applications due Aug. 21, 2020  
Bus Routes reverse Jan. 5, 2021

### Admission prices

Admission for regular season school events will be free to all students and adults during the fall sports season.  
During the winter sports season, visiting students will be charged \$3, with doubleheaders costing \$4.

The cost for adults will be \$5, with doubleheaders at \$6 for the winter sports season only.

Lake Preston District residents age 65 or older may obtain long-time fan passes at no charge from the business office. Passes are not valid for tournament games and are not transferrable.

### Lunch Prices

The costs of school lunches are as follows: PK-5: \$3; 6-12: \$3.25; Adult: \$4.25. Extra Entrée: 6-12: \$1.00

Breakfast: PK-12: \$1.00; Adult Breakfast: \$2.25.

Recommended starting lunch balance is \$50/student.



### Safety measures

To protect both returning students and teachers, staff have worked to make classrooms safer by distancing desks and workspaces, among other changes. (Photo by Joan Wollschlager)

### Lake Preston School District 2020 - 2021 Calendar

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#### FIRST QUARTER

Aug 10-14 - All Students register for school  
**Aug 12 - Teacher In-Service 8:00-4:00**  
**Aug 17 - Teacher In-Service 8:00-2:00 Open House 6-8:00**  
 Aug 19 - School Starts - 2:00 Dismissal - In-service  
 Sep 3-4 & 7 - No School - State Fair Days - Labor Day  
 Sep 14-18 - Homecoming Week  
 Sep 18 - 2:00 Dismissal - Homecoming Parade  
 Sep 30 - 2:00 Dismissal - Teacher In-Service  
 Oct 12 - No School - Columbus Day/Native American Day  
 Oct 21 - 2:00 Dismissal - Teacher In-Service  
 Oct 21 - End 1st Quarter - 44 days

#### SECOND QUARTER

Oct 23-24 - State Competitive Cheer  
 Oct 24 - State Cross Country  
 Oct 27 - P/T Conf. from 2:30-8:00 - 2:00 dismissal  
 Oct 30 - No School - Conf. Comp Day #1 of 2  
 Oct 30-31 - All-State Chorus  
 Nov 12-13-14 - State Football  
**Nov 13 - No STUDENTS - Staff PD Day**  
 Nov 18 - 2:00 Dismissal - Teacher In-Service  
 Nov 19-20-21 - State Volleyball  
 Nov 25-26-27 - No School Thanksgiving Vacation  
 Dec 21-22 - Semester 1 Tests  
 Dec 22 - End 1st Sem, 2:00 Dismissal for break - 85 days  
 Dec 23 - Jan 1 - No School Christmas Vacation

#### THIRD QUARTER

Jan 4 - School Resumes  
 Jan 5 - Bus Routes Switch  
 Jan 13 - 2:00 Dismissal - Teacher In-Service  
 Jan 18 - No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
**Feb 12 - No STUDENTS - Staff PD Day**  
 Feb 15 - No School - President's Day  
 Feb 24 - 2:00 Dismissal - Teacher In-service  
 Mar 10 - End 3rd Quarter - 131 days

#### FOURTH QUARTER

Mar 11-12-13 - State Girls Basketball  
 Mar 12 - No School - Spring Break  
 Mar 18-19-20 - State Boys Basketball  
 Mar 19 - No School - Spring Break  
 Mar 25 - P/T Conf. from 2:30-8:00 - 2:00 dismissal  
 Mar 26 - No School - Conf. Comp Day #2 of 2  
 Apr 2-5 - No School Good Friday & Easter Monday  
 Apr 16 - 2:00 Dismissal - Prom  
 Apr 21 - 2:00 Dismissal - Teacher In-Service  
**May 15 - LPHS Graduation 3:30**  
 May 14-17 - Semester 2 Tests  
 May 17 - 2:00 Dismissal - Last Day of Students  
 Teacher's last contract day will follow the last day of students  
 May 28-29 - State Track

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### Personnel

- Dana Felderman** - Supt./Elem Prin/AD
- Melissa Bothun** - 6-12 Prin.
- Kristi Curd** - Business Manager
- Angie Jensen** - Adm. Secretary
- Tersia Warne** - Elem. Secretary
- Kristi Odegaard** - Tech Coordinator/  
Kids First and Spark Director

### ELEMENTARY STAFF

- Jenna Odegaard** - Preschool
- Morgan Fischer** - Kindergarten
- Dawn Bindert** - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade
- Deb Olson** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade
- Tegan Olson** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade
- Kelsey Smith** - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Tricia McCloud** - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

### MIDDLE SCHOOL/SECONDARY STAFF

- David Schmidt** - Science
- Alecia Erstad** - HS Math/Tech
- Lynne Brown** - Vocal Music/  
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- Krista O'Dea** - Eng./YB & BG
- Jennifer Stofferahn** - Art/ MS Reading  
Brock Dufek - PK-9 Tech/PE
- Kayla Vockrodt** - Inst. Music
- Amanda Hoover** - Ag Ed/FFA
- Jordan Solberg** - Soc. Sci/Dist.Ed/  
Driver's Ed
- Sara Beckler** - MS Math/Per. Fin
- Renae Olson** - MS English/6<sup>th</sup> Soc.  
Studies

### SPECIAL SERVICES

- Jan Hillestad** - Special Education
- Heidi Woodard** - Special Education
- Mariah Nelson** - Professional Counselor
- Shane Waikel** - Paraprofessional
- Shelby Fonder-Paraprofessional**
- Melissa Bothun** - SPED Director
- Barb Jones-Paraprofessional/Library**

### TITLE SERVICES

- Melissa Bothun** - Title 1 Coordinator
- Jenna Odegaard** - Title 1 Teacher
- Dana Felderman** - Title III Coordinator

### NUTRITIONAL SERVICES

- Lisa Cleveland** - Head Cook
- Mary Smith** - Assistant Cook
- Patricia Nelson** - Kitchen Assistant

### CUSTODIANS

- Tony Jensen**
- Patricia Nelson**
- Shellie Olson**

### TRANSPORTATION

- Dana Felderman** - Transportation  
Director
- Don Brandner** - Route Driver
- Corey Tvinnereim** - Route Driver
- Shane Waikel** - Route Driver
- Joan Wollschlager** - Activity Driver

### COACHES/ACTIVITY HEADS

- Krista O'Dea** - Comp Cheer/1 Act
- Tonya Bumann** - XC, TR
- Brock Dufek** - Asst.-MS-BBB
- Sara Beckler** - Asst. VB
- Jennifer Stofferahn** - MS-GBB
- Morgan Fischer** - MS/HS Oral Interp
- Jordan Solberg** - BBB/Asst. FB/TR
- Kristi Curd** - MS-V Golf
- Tricia McCloud** - MS-VB/TR
- Renae Olson** - MS Track
- Brooke Virchow** - Comp Cheer
- Steve Gilbertson** - Head FB/Wrestling
- Kelsey Smith** - Head VB
- Brodrick Wendland** - JH FB

### Bus Routes 2020 - 2021

Don - #06	Corey - #11	Shane #9
Anderson, Brett	Carlson, Scott	Casper, Eric
Blachford, John	Carlson, Steve	Curd, Kevin
Bolt, Tacy	Hoard, Herb	Eichler, Ryan
Denison, Travis	Larson, Joey	Henry, Ron
Eschenbaum, Sterling	Poppen, Patrick	Johnson, Stephen
Hesby, Tyler	Rhoades, Nathaniel	Lolling, Rebecca
Hill, Braeton	Rieck, Allan	Lusk, Danielle
Holt, Corrie	Steffensen, Tim	Mcloud, Shane
Jensen, Tony	Tvinnereim, Corey	Sauter, Ryan
Larsen, Brady		Tolzin, Jason
Malone, Michelle		Waikel, Shane
Odegaard, Justin		
Odegaard, Shane		
Odegaard, Shaun		
Olson, Jeremy		
Olson, Jerod		
Paul, Jason		
Pirlet, Reid		
Rieck, Allan		
Sjolie, Mark		

**Routes Subject to change depending on school needs.**

Bus drivers will contact families with approximate pick up time. It is recommended that families watch for the buses far in advance of the anticipated time of arrival for the first few mornings. The bus routes will be switched January 5, 2021. Families not on the list and have children riding the bus are asked to call the school at 847-4455. Parents of children who will not be riding the bus are expected to notify the bus driver in advance. Any questions, call the bus driver or the school office.

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### Meet the new Lake Preston teachers in next week's issue

# Bovine intervention — livestock on the farm

**TAILS WAVING IN THE AIR**, young calves frolic through the pasture as their mothers stand by, contentedly chewing their cud. A cow bends to sniff her baby as it lies curled up, hiding in the grasses. The idyllic scene often greets the observant on leisurely spring drives down country roads. Every cattle farmer will agree that the journey to such a pastoral setting was not an easy one: rewards intertwined with toil and heartbreak.

Graze back in time a few decades when nearly every farm in the Midwest kept some type of livestock. The sound of playful calf bellows pervaded the summer air when we grew up on our eastern South Dakota farm.

Farm animals gave birth in the spring. That was the plan, but it is not nice to fool Mother Nature! Many a farmer trudged through a blinding March blizzard, seeking the calf that came early. Later, seeing the pools of mud in the yards was almost a guarantee that there would be at least one new delivery. Dad and my brothers occasionally needed to wade through muck over their boots to rescue a newborn and carry it to the barn, followed by the bawling, anxious mother.

In every animal species, there are those with personality, and even the toughest of farmers grow attached. Cows often become overly protective of their new offspring, so as a child I was seldom allowed inside the barn fence. We had one cow that was very tame and gentle, and every year, without fail, she produced two healthy calves. Twinny loved to have her head scratched, and Dad never worried that she would harm us, even when



## NOOKS AND CRANNIES

**DEANN (WOLKOW) KRUEMPEL**

she had babies.

One late April afternoon, Don informed Dad that Twinny was about to calf. Dad nodded and smiled, undoubtedly picturing the matched pair soon to appear, happily nudging their mother for nourishment.

The chore time check revealed that this spring was different. The beloved cow was having trouble. Dad sent me to the house. "Have Mom call the vet." Twenty minutes later, Doc barreled into the driveway. I followed him through the gate and pulled it shut behind me. Dad gave me "the look" and pointed out.

Sorely disappointed, I moped out of the shed, but I worried about Twinny and was determined to see her new babies. My father didn't say I could not watch; he simply indicated I was not to be in the cow yard. Sneaking around the granary, I knelt by the fence on the south side of the pen. Undetected, I could peek between the boards.

It seemed like forever, but finally I saw a dark red form squirming on the ground. I released a sigh of relief. One

little calf. Settling back in, I waited. And waited. Where was the next one?

The precious cow was not getting up to lick her newborn in the age-old ritual of nature. I angled my head between the boards to get a better look and Dad spotted the movement. Busted! I watched as he looked down, shaking his head. Then he slowly walked to me as I stood on the other side of the fence, waiting.

Eyes filled with tears, my strong farmer dad told me that we lost Twinny. He hesitated for a few seconds, then looked back at the scene behind him. Don and Delmer were rubbing the new calf with a gunny sack. After a few minutes it struggled to stand; finally, on wobbly legs the creature began its search for mother.

Dad motioned to the boys and they carried the wrapped bundle to us. The calf was the tiniest I had ever seen. I watched in amazement as it slipped under the fence and floundered into me. "Do you think you can take care of it?" Dad asked. The small creature bawled pathetically, and the white head turned up with big, brown imploring eyes.

Tiny and I grew up together that summer.

Unlike Twinny, most bovines turned rather testy when they gave birth. We had one roan cow that took it upon herself to protect all of the youngsters, whether hers or not. More than once the guys scurried frantically to the fence to avoid her charge, shaggy head swinging as she careened after them. Known as "Mean Cow," everyone avoided the critter like the plague.

The men hauled feed and hay with the tractor and loader until

spring grasses grew and the cows and calves could go to the big pasture. Two tractor tires stacked on top of each other made a perfect hay feeder. One cold March day, with bales piled on the loader, Delmer discovered something interesting in the tire feeder. Four legs flailed in the air. A large, shabby head twisted back and forth, crying pitifully in distress. Mean Cow was trapped in the feeder, upside down!

Possibly karma came to mind as the men remembered the wild eyes rushing at them, but they lifted one of the tires and worked together to turn the animal over. Once on her feet, she turned back to stare at the guys before galloping back to her fellow bovines. Amazingly, after her rescue, Mean Cow was never mean again.

Growing up on a farm, many animals journeyed through our lives. They had unique personalities; we rescued, cared for and loved them, and mourned when they were gone. We made their lives the best we could, and they changed ours forever.

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# Patient values have a place in medicine

**SOMETIMES, LIFE HAS LESSONS** for us that we don't truly appreciate until much later.

Many years ago, when I was a very wet-behind-the-ears new doctor, I had the privilege of being part of the care team for an elderly Native American woman. She had been transferred from somewhere in rural South Dakota to our hospital in the city in hopes of identifying her disease and ascertaining how best to help her. Her daughter accompanied her. The medical team was convinced we knew "best," while her daughter was determined that we were not going to take a single step that might conflict with her mother's values. The stage was set for conflict.

As an intern on one of my first rotations, I just could not understand why someone would come to us for help and then not be willing to follow our recommendations for testing and procedures that we felt would give us information we needed. We were frustrated. I didn't recognize it at the time, but I learned a lot from that fierce patient advocate.

In retrospect, the most obvious lesson was the importance of acknowl-



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edging that people have different values, and those values are shaped by many things, including culture and religion. While it may be true that some values are shared across cultures, it is a mistake to assume that we can understand another person's values and priorities through the prism of our own, or based upon what we think we know about them.

Healthcare providers can best help their patients by taking time to discuss cultural values, sacred traditions and priorities with patients. This is especially true when it comes to end

**It is a mistake to assume that we can understand another person's values and priorities through the prism of our own, or based upon what we think we know about them.**

of life care, but it also applies to situations such as acceptance of medical testing, preferences regarding prescription drugs versus non-pharmaceutical alternatives and culture-based healing practices.

Another lesson was the importance of an advocate for the sick and vulnerable. It is extremely valuable for both the patient and the care team to have someone else present with the patient. This is a person the patient trusts to help clarify their concerns, to remember information and to pass that information along to the patient's loved ones. Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, few patients utilized an advocate, except in the gravest of circumstances. Now, procedures in place to protect patients, staff and family from this dreadful virus limit the opportunity for patients to have an advocate physically present. However, most facilities support connection to patient advocates via phone call or video call.

In the end, a wise chaplain arranged for a traditional healer to visit our patient in her hospital room. I was not present for the ceremony, but the senior physicians and the daughter agreed on a plan of action. We didn't cure the patient, but we were able to offer her physical comfort in her final days, and I believe that by blending her culture and traditions with our medical ethos, we helped both the patient and her daughter find spiritual comfort as well.

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# De Smet

**SCHOOL BOARD**

## Plans finalize as school starts next week

Keeping students and staff healthy a high priority

**BY DONNA PALMLUND**  
Kingsbury Journal

The first day of school is Aug. 20 in De Smet. At Monday's Board of Education meeting, the board and administration discussed precautions that will be taken. Superintendent Abi Van Regenmorter announced that the planned unpack your backpack night on Aug. 19 at the elementary school is cancelled. In past years, students and parents could attend an open house the evening before the first day,

bring their school supplies and get acquainted with classmates, teachers and classroom. This year, students will bring their school supplies on the first day. There is still orientation for preschool and kindergarten students.

Van Regenmorter also reported that there are 279 students enrolled, but she expects the numbers could fluctuate. Eleven students have opted to participate in remote learning. Paraprofessional Suzie Sinclair will be reassigned as remote learning coordinator. Schools will provide remote-learning students with a Chromebook, but families need to provide internet. Students are considered fulltime and must follow

guidelines. They will be graded on the same scale as those in the classroom. Sinclair will contact each student at least twice a week.

There was some discussion about students having the option to return to in-person learning at quarter time if the COVID situation improves. Principal Andy Armstead said that there will be no restrictions if a family chooses to go to remote learning at any time during the year. Students enrolled in remote learning will not be able to participate in extracurricular activities, such as sports or concerts, but they may be able to take music lessons virtually. They just would not be able to participate in live performances.

Kayla Vockrodt, who will be teaching band in both De Smet and Lake Preston this year, said students who are in school will not be sharing instruments this year. Band and choir will be held in the gym to allow for social distancing. Vockrodt added that she and some volunteers have been creating instrument masks that open to allow most instruments to be played while wearing them. Vockrodt said she prefers that masks be required for band and choir.

There is a possibility of the pep band playing at home football games, but at this time, Van Regenmorter advised that they will not play at home

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**MENUS**

**60's-plus meals**

Ward's Store and Bakery is serving senior meals for breakfast and for lunch. Please call (605) 854-3688 to be added to the list.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 13:** Hamburger/Bun, Baked Fries, Baked Beans, Fruit

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 14:** Taco Salad w/ protein and vegetables, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

**MONDAY, AUGUST 17:** Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Fruit, Bun

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 18:** Tater Tot Hotdish w/ vegetables, Fruit, Dessert, Bun

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19:** Asian Chicken Lettuce Salad, Oranges, Dessert, Bun

Meet the new De Smet teachers in next week's issue



This historical photo from the Ed Monson collection shows an early June 10 celebration in De Smet.

## This year, June 10th is August 15th

If this makes sense, you may be from De Smet

**BY DONNA PALMLUND**  
Kingsbury Journal

Old Settler's Day, a 140-year-old tradition in De Smet and the longest running celebration in South Dakota, used to take place on June 10, no matter what day of the week it happened to fall on. The June 10 celebration was the big social gathering of the year. It included a parade, carnival, musical entertainment, dances, games, food and more.

Organizers eventually began scheduling the celebration for the closest Saturday to June 10, but many

old-timers still refer to it as "June 10th." The celebration still always includes a parade, food, musical entertainment and chances to socialize. There is no longer a carnival, but, in recent years, there have been additions like bouncy inflatables for the younger children, 5-K, 10-K and children's races. And every five years, an-all school reunion is scheduled. This was to be one of those years.

But, COVID-19 changed the plan, and the celebration, along with the all-school reunion, was postponed. The reunion is now scheduled for next June, but a modified Old Settler's Day is set for this Saturday. The theme for this year's celebration is "Rolling with the Bulldogs," and it also celebrates the start of the 2020-21 school year.

A show and shine car show begins at 2 p.m. downtown, along with an ice cream social sponsored by the De Smet Community Women. Root beer floats and ice-cream sundaes will be served in front of City Hall and a free-will offering will be taken.

The parade begins at 3 p.m. Entrants will line up on Prairie Avenue near the Horizon Health Clinic and Wilder Pass, come down Third Street and turn on Calumet Avenue. The route ends at the Good Samaritan Society. As a health precaution, candy will not be thrown this year.

A barbecue rib contest is scheduled to take place downtown. Ribs are furnished, but contestants pay \$100 to enter. A total of \$1,000 will be given away in prize money. Ribs will

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**LAST DAY FOR SWIMMING**

**SATURDAY AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup>**

**THE DE SMET SWIMMING POOL WILL BE HOSTING A**

**FUN DAY**

**FROM 1 TO 5 PM - BRING YOUR INFLATABLES**

**DOGGIE SWIM NIGHT**

**HAS BEEN CANCELLED THIS YEAR**

# De Smet

## DAYS GONE BY

# 1970: 'You De Smet people should be mightily proud'

**10 YEARS AGO**  
August 4, 2010

Projected enrollment in De Smet school should have some 333 students in K-12 this year.

Achievement Days are going on right now in De Smet.

**SHARRY KNOCK**, Family and Consumer Science teacher at De Smet High School, was honored Aug. 2 with an Outstanding Teacher and Community Service Award from the SD Association of Teachers of Family and Consumer Sciences.

**25 YEARS AGO**  
August 12, 1995

**MINDY CARROLL** of De Smet is a new junior member of the American Angus Association. Junior members are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association and take part in the Association's shows and other national and regional events.

**50 YEARS AGO**  
August 13, 1970

Officials in S.D. must realize that the Interstate fast highway fails to



**75 YEARS AGO: Achievement Days.** Upper left: Everett Malone, Lake Preston, and his champion steer. Joe Doyle, Erwin, blue ribbon colt. Blue ribbon fat lambs: Richard McAdaragh, De Smet, his brother La Verne, Evelyn Englehardt, Bancroft, a third McAdaragh, John. Vivian and Vincent Spader, Oldham, with blue ribbon ram lambs.

appreciate the country farther west. If the tourist is to really see S.D., the speed highways must be left and travel at least in part made by the federal and

state roads, hopefully some in county roads. The traveler will never see the hand pump on Main Street of Manchester from the interstate highway.

"Those wonderful young people" ... "They (the audience) couldn't stop clapping" "You De Smet people should be mightily proud of them." These were comments heard at Milbank Sunday evening after their performance of "Tell It Like It Is." The last scheduled presentation of "Tell It Like It Is" by the Young Dakotans of De Smet and vicinity, at Milbank Sunday evening, drew a well-filled high school auditorium, estimated about 500 persons.

**75 YEARS AGO**  
August 9, 1945

New this year will be the closing of local business for an hour on Thursday afternoon so that the business people can view the Achievement Days exhibits.

**95 YEARS AGO**  
August 9, 1925

The City of De Smet has sold the old gas plant and water station to **JOHN AND CHRIS JORGENSON**. They will use the brick structure for automobile sales and garage.

## CELEBRATION

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be available for \$10 per plate with hot dogs and beverages also an option.

Registration, rules and other information about the rib contest can be found at Ward's Store and Bakery in De Smet, 854-3688, or The New Horizon Lounge, 847-5093, in Lake Preston.

We received this story from reader Jacqueline Lee, who also submitted

the historical photo used for this article:

*"When the railroad first came through De Smet, the town hired a woman to meet the passengers. Her job was to tell them about her town. When some passengers from Iowa got off the train one day, she told them, "We have a courthouse, a grocery store, grain elevator, hotel, and, oh yes, we have the 10th of June!" One of the passengers said, "We have a 10th of June in Iowa too!" "That's odd," she responded, "Lake Preston and Arlington don't."*



## Stop light on the prairie

No, Kingsbury County does not have its first permanent traffic light. This is only temporary to guide travelers on Highway 14 through a stretch of road construction. Motorists should allow for possible delays while one lane of the two-lane highway is closed. (Photo by Donna Palmlund)

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**Stop outside the Hazel L. Meyer Memorial Library on Monday, August 17th from 1:00 – 4:00pm to pick out a book while supply lasts.**

# De Smet

## FIRST DAY

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volleyball games.

"I just want to help my students to be safe, especially in an environment that is potentially more dangerous than regular classroom," Vockrodt said. Lynn Brown of Lake Preston will be teaching vocal music at both Lake Preston and De Smet.

The board approved an 11-page Back to School COVID plan.

"I read it and I like our plan. The committee did an excellent job. It's well put together," Roth said.

Part of the plan may give the school some leeway by allowing teachers who are exposed to COVID but have no symptoms to possibly come to school, but they must wear a mask. There is a scale to help determine if a child should come to school or stay home. The plan also outlines the protocol if a student becomes ill at school. Masks are recommended on school busses. Parents may drive their child to school-sanctioned events, rather than have them go on the bus if they choose. Classroom dividers have been ordered and there will be constant cleaning of frequently touched areas. Water fountains are adapted to fill water bottles, rather than people drinking directly from them.

An added perk for school staff this year is free lunches. The board discussed a concern brought to their attention by kitchen staff about open campus. This policy allows students to leave school property at lunchtime. About 50 percent of high school students leave, as well as a percentage of middle-school students. There was a concern that these students could bring COVID-19 germs back to school.

The board and administration discussed the pros and cons of allowing students to leave for lunch. A con was that they might be going to places where they may pick up the virus, but a pro was there would be fewer students in the lunchroom at one time. Roth reported that his children go home for lunch most of the time.

"If they go home, that's fine, but how do you police that?" board member Jared Tolzin asked. "I think we have to leave it open."

Board consensus was to continue to allow high school and middle school students leave for lunch.

Another policy this year to help keep staff safe is to not charge admis-

sion to sporting events. This would prevent staff members who would otherwise be working the gate from coming in direct contact with all of the fans. There will also be live streaming of events, either on Facebook or YouTube Live.

### IN OTHER BUSINESS

- The board approved the resignations of high school family and consumer sciences teacher instructor, Jacquelin Rosado, custodian Cody Siver and elementary school secretary Sheila Poppen. They approved signed contracts from Ryan Larson, custodian; Angela Ostrander, FACS instructor, FCCLA adviser and assistant girls' basketball coach; and Micheala Novak, paraprofessional. They also approved the signed contract from Principal Andy Armstead to coach jr. high boys' basketball.

- A policy in place since 1992 will be changed to allow students to wear shorts to school year-round. This will possibly reduce the time spent in locker rooms changing clothes.

- Armstead pointed out there is a new digital display at the front door of the school that will display messages, along with one in the armory in the concession area that will be able to live-stream games.

- Barb Asleson gave a Northeast Educational Services Cooperative (NESC) Report. NESC is a special education cooperative for public school districts in northeastern South Dakota. Asleson reported that concerns discussed include the challenges that distance learning might present for students with individualized education programs (IEPs.) "There were a lot of questions," she said. She also reported NESC had purchased new mobility van after retiring one that had been used since 2003.

- The board adopted breakfast prices for the 2020-21 school year at \$1.35 for students in grades pre-K-5 and \$1.50 for students in grades 6-12. Reduced price is \$.30 and adult price is \$2.

- Board approved Van Regenmorter's request to increase substitute teacher pay from \$90 to \$100 a day.

- Board approved accepting a bid from Elite Drainage and Sewer Cleaning for a camera and video plumbing evaluation at Laura Ingalls Wilder Elementary School.

The board also met in executive session to discuss personnel matters before adjourning.

## IROQUOIS NEWS

### Old Chief News

**AUGUST 4, 1910:** The F. & M. Bank added another large safe to its office equipment this week.

A medicine show, putting on vaudeville and moving pictures, is occupying the opera house this week.

Those who desire eye, ear, nose or throat consultation should see Dr. H. H. Frudenberg at the LaCrescent Hotel in Iroquois on August 11, one day only.

The Board of Education has leased the town hall owned by Iroquois Township, and it is being fitted up to take care of the overflow from the city schools. This move makes it necessary for the city to remove its steel cages (jail cells) and fire bell from the building, and as the city has no building of its own, there is a question as to where these things can be put. The building that will be occupied for school purposes was the first school house built in Iroquois, and it is again being put to the use for which it was originally erected.

**AUGUST 7, 1930:** Surveyors have been busy recently in rerouting Highway 14 from Lake Preston east through Kingsbury County. The new route will run straight east out of Lake Preston past the swimming pool and thus cut out two bad corner turns. It is also stated that two turns will be done away with in routing the highway through Arlington.

A water tank is being installed across the street from the C. W. Stoner & Son office by the City to provide water facilities for the farmers who haul their grain to this city by team.

**AUGUST 3, 1950:** Lightning struck the barn on the Harry Knouse farm during a recent storm, but did not set the building on fire, which is remarkable, and lucky for Harry. Just one of those freaks of nature.

The Klein Amusement Company arrived at Iroquois, for an engage-

ment of two days of celebration, which was sponsored by the American Legion Post. The bugle corps of Huron, was on hand and did some work in their specialty, Monday evening, and Tuesday evening the Iroquois band entertained with their usual good music.

**AUG. 11, 1910:** One of the steel cages has been set up in the engine room and the fire bell placed just outside of the building in which the machinery is enclosed. There is only room for one of the cages in the building, so that it will not be possible to take care of many prisoners at one time. However, the town has very little use for jail privileges recently.

Thursday night as J. W. Lane was driving his car north on the county line road, accompanied by W. H. Boop, a tire gave away and the car skidded off the road. In endeavoring to turn it quickly, the vehicle upset, throwing the occupants to the ground. Mr. Lane escaped without a scratch but Mr. Boop was bruised up considerably from the effects of which he has been confined to the house. The accident occurred at night while on their way for the services of a nurse, Miss Sarah Everist, and the car was righted and the trip finished with the loss of but a few minutes.

**AUG. 14, 1930:** Twenty-four eastern South Dakota counties, including Kingsbury County, were given a 30-day open season on pheasant, Oct. 16 to Nov. 14, by the South Dakota Fish and Game Commission at a meeting in Pierre Monday. Beadle County was granted a 45-day open season, Dec. 1 to Jan. 15, at the request of a farmers' organization who objected to hunting during corn picking season. The bag limit of five pheasants, one of which may be a hen, remains the same as last year, except for Beadle County, where the limit has been increased to seven birds, two of which may be hens.

## Local farmer directs donation to Iroquois school

Iroquois area farmer and school board president, Greg Blue, recently directed a \$2,500 America's Farmers Grow Communities donation, sponsored by Bayer Fund, to the Iroquois School Ag Program.

Since 2010, the America's Farmers programs have awarded more than \$57 million to nonprofits, aspiring ag students and public schools across rural America.

The Grow Communities program partners with farmers to provide nonprofit organizations with resources to strengthen their local communities. Each August, farmers can enter for the chance to direct a \$2,500 donation to a local eligible nonprofit of their choice. Farmers have directed donations to food banks, emergency response organizations, schools, youth agriculture programs and many others.

"Farmers truly understand the needs of their communities and where the opportunities to strengthen them exist. We partner with them to identify the nonprofit organizations that benefit from Grow Communities donations," said Al Mitchell,



**Greg Blue, center, presents a check to benefit the Iroquois School Ag program to student Shawn Diehl, left, and teacher Breanna Mueller.** (Submitted photo)

Bayer Fund president. "Each donation shines a light on the organizations that are making a positive difference in rural communities across the country. Bayer Fund is proud to partner with farmers to give back in rural America."

To learn how you can be an America's Farmers Grow Communities recipient, visit [www.AmericasFarmers.com](http://www.AmericasFarmers.com). The America's Farmers Grow Communities 2021 program will kick off on August 1, 2020.



## Guiding Guard activities

**Sergeant Marshall Freideman of Woonsocket and First Lieutenant Ashley Flood of De Smet guided Leader-Courier editor Susan Odson on a tour of Guard activities at Austin Training Area south of Elk Point, S.D. The 153rd Engineering Battalion of the South Dakota Army National Guard spent over a week training at Austin.** (Photo by Susan Odson)

## IROQUOIS NEWS



Reed Walter



David Novak



Stacy Uttecht



Josi Hauge



Kim Strickler

# A return to school — new staff and changes

BY JAMES JESSER  
Kingsbury Journal

At this time of year, the thoughts of children and teachers turn to school. New supplies are purchased, bulletin boards are decorated and schools are cleaned in preparation for school starting. With the COVID-19 concerns, school may look different this year. However, the excitement of learning still continues.

The Iroquois School District is beginning its 136th year with 220 students and quite a few changes and challenges. Trying to be cautious and create a learning environment, the Iroquois staff are ready to begin.

“This year we will be pioneering through interesting times,” said Superintendent Mike Ruth, who is beginning his seventh year at Iroquois. “We look forward to the challenges and know we will be better because of the circumstances.”

Iroquois School has made some changes to create a safer environment during this pandemic. Masks will be available to all students and teachers; in classrooms, student and staff work areas will be outfitted with Plexiglas partitions; families are given the option to distance learn; and a color-coded status system has been initiated. This system will alert parents as to the daily status of the school, and they can make adjustments for their child. So far, just a few families have chosen distance learning.

Over the summer, there have been some exciting changes made to the structure of the school. Air conditioning has been added to the band loft, new flooring has been laid in the south gym, an outdoor education classroom has been added to the preschool room and the high school library was re-decorated with new shelving.

An Open House is scheduled for Aug. 13. To assure social distancing, parents are asked to use the following schedule: 1 - 2 p.m. - last names begin with A - F; 2 - 3 p.m. - G - L; 3 - 4 p.m. - M - R; and 4 - 5 p.m. - S - Z.

Iroquois is proud of the experience and longevity of their teaching staff. With a staff of 21, the Iroquois teachers average 16 years teaching experience, with 10 years at Iroquois. There are five new employees this fall.

## REED WALTER

Reed Walter has signed on as the technology coordinator. A 1995 graduate of Iroquois High School, he went on to study technology information at Huron University earning an MIS degree. He also played collegiate football



Clear barriers are in place at Iroquois School to help students and staff with social distancing. (Photos by Marlys Peskey)



at HU for four years.

Walter brings IT and coaching experience with him. He has coached football and was a technology coordinator at both the Kimball School District and Brandon Valley School District. While at Kimball as the assistant football coach, Walter helped lead the team to the 2001 State 9A Championship. Before accepting the position at Iroquois, he worked for the city of Brookings as an IT Specialist, where he helped develop their current IT infrastructure.

“I applied to work at Iroquois School District to get back into the education world and have fun teaching both athletics and technology with the students,” said Walter.

The Iroquois native enjoys word working, hunting and playing catch with his dog Briggs.

## DAVID NOVAK

David Novak joins the team, teaching middle school math and K-12 PE. This will be his fifth year of teaching. A native of Tucson, Ariz., he grew up in Germany as his father was

stationed at Ramstein US Air Base.

A 2016 graduate of Dakota State University, Novak applied to Iroquois to be closer to family. He and his wife, Micheala, have a three-month old son named Edward.

Novak is a big sports fan and loves baseball. He played baseball for DSU and still plays in the S.D. Amateur League for the Salem Cubs.

“I am most looking forward to teaching physical education again, as well as starting a new chapter in my life with my family,” said Novak.

## STACY UTTECHT

In the elementary wing, Stacy Uttecht will be teaching 3rd grade. Uttecht comes to Iroquois with a wide variety of teaching experiences. She has 12 years of classroom teaching experience ranging from 2nd-6th grades, including St. Joseph's Indian School in Chamberlain, Lower Brule Elementary, Rutland Elementary, Sioux Falls-Laura B. Anderson Elementary and Mt. Vernon Elementary. Before starting her first teaching position, she worked as a paraprofessional and

substitute teacher in Norfolk, Neb.

“Teaching and working with young children has always been important to me,” said Uttecht. “Growing up, I helped my little sister with her homework, always volunteered to be teacher's helper and later on, in my senior year of high school, I had a wonderful experience working at the elementary school as a teacher's aide.”

Uttecht attended Chadron State College and completed her Bachelors in Science in 2004 from Wayne State College, Wayne, Neb.

“I applied at Iroquois because I believe small schools provide students with something the bigger schools cannot,” she said when asked about her goals at Iroquois. “That ‘something’ is personal and meaningful relationships. This year, I am looking forward to getting to know the Iroquois community and the families that make it thrive. Even with the uncertainty of everything that is going on in the world today, I truly believe we can and will work together to ensure that children receive the quality education they deserve!”

A native of Valentine, Neb., Uttecht's family consists of two daughters ages 25 and 23, a son, 20, and a grandson. She enjoys her pets, an English Mastiff and a cat, and drawing and reading.

## JOSI HAUGE AND KIM STRICKLER

Iroquois School District will be managing their own food service program this year. Josi Hauge has been hired as the food service director, and Kim Strickler will be the assistant cook.

Josi Hauge, born and raised in the area, is the mother of two daughters, Judith and Korbyn, who attend Iroquois School. After years of experience in healthcare and food industry, she achieved management of the district's food service.

“I am determined to obtain higher quality products while introducing better variety of meals, while assuring any dietary concerns are handled with upmost care and diligence,” stated Hauge.

Kim Strickler is married to Mark Strickler and mother to her two boys, Jesse and Mitch. Both of her grandchildren, Ella and Brooklyn, attend Iroquois School District. She has lived in the area for 34 years and is excited to be an official Chief by becoming the school's new assistant cook. Strickler is looking forward to creating bonds with the many students and other staff during her time at Iroquois.

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## REGULAR MEETING OF LAKE PRESTON CITY COUNCIL Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

A regular meeting of the Lake Preston City Council was held at the City Finance Office on Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7 p.m. Present were: Mayor Andy Wienk, John McMasters, Donna Bumann, Joe Schnell, Brian Verhey. Also, present Brenda Nesseim, Brian Zeeck, Dennis Rebelein from Banner Engineering, Deb Miller, Cathy Nelson, Paulette Field, Carol Zeeck, Rick Olson.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Andy Wienk at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Joe Schnell, seconded by Donna Bumann to approve the agenda with one addition; Signature Cards. All in favor, motion carried.

No Public Comments.

**Library – Semi-Annual Report:** Cathy Nelson stated that everything on the budget looked good, had a few changes to the Library maintenance and salaries. Plan on getting the carpets cleaned before the all school reunion. Deb Miller stated how they are handling COVID-19 so that they can be open, in which they opened July 6<sup>th</sup>. A new printer had been purchased, the old one will be salvaged. Discussed the attendance at the Library, if during the school year is typically busier or busier during the summer months.

**Museum – Semi Annual Report:** Paulette Field stated that in March was when they found the flooded basement. Which was a blessing in disguise, now having a nice new basement. Discussed Smiths adding shelving for all The Times newspapers, they will be available for the public soon. Lots of bat activity in the last 2-3 years was discussed, museum hired central plains to patch/seal all the holes- overall it was \$4,500. Discussed a poker run for next spring with other museums, also stated that they are hoping to have classes from the school visit the museum. Asked for some help for searching out grants and help maintaining the old building, in which something needs to be done about the grading around the perimeter of the building. Paulette Field wrapped it up by extending an invitation to the whole council to come visit the museum after it is all put together.

Not enough present to pass the July 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting old council minutes—Tabled till next meeting.

Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by Joe Schnell to approve the July 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes new council. All in favor, motion carried.

**Banner Engineering – Agreement:** Dennis Rebelein stated that they are going through the environmental reviews, getting all their blessings. Plans and specs are something that will happen 9 months from now, when they come in and survey everything. Then DENR will review it then we will go out for bids next May, discussed that the city would like to bid in February. Dennis explained that there is a lot of time that goes into the surveying, that they may not be done by February. Plan on a 30-day window for the bid's notices, within one month from the bid awarding they would be breaking ground. Discussed the agreement in detail, Brian Zeeck inquired if Dennis would be overseeing the construction in person. Brian Verhey inquired about awarding the lowest bid, if the company doesn't have a great reputation can the city decline the lowest Bid. Dennis Rebelein stated that if we end up being in that situation, we would want to get our city attorney involved. Discussed getting locates

setup for the city maintenance men, lot of lines to ask to be located in only a few days. Brian Zeeck questioned if the plans involved putting values on each hydrant. Discussed that the small details of additions or subtractions can be done, during the design process. Brian Zeeck inquired about storm sewers, discussed that they were going to be included but then weren't included. If there was a problem it would need to be fixed instead of just covering it with a brand-new street. GPS of the lines was discussed, was mentioned that SDRWA can do GPS and charge per population. Rick Olson inquired about curb and gutter; Dennis Rebelein stated that those would be added costs. The street repairs would wrap around corners etc., discussed compaction tests on the clay, the gravel, and asphalt. The streets would be gravel until 2022 to let it settle. John McMasters inquired about milling the asphalt, where we can reuse it-would just need a sight to haul it to. Discussed the number of blocks that would be opened at one time, thinking about mail delivery and trash pickup. Making sure to update the public will be the timeline each week to keep the public informed, the field engineer will be on sight to answer questions and complaints at any given time. Lots more informative information was discussed by Dennis Rebelein.

**Committee Reports:** Donna Bumann stated that the budget and ordinance committees had met since the July 13<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Water/Sewer/Street Report:** Brian Zeeck stated that they had been working on the water and sewer to ambulance building, campground electric had been put in, and have started the surplus process. Smith Construction got the ice cleats on the roof of City Hall. In the last week with Bob Bode they got 2 curb stops replaced. Fire pits are done going to make 1 more to have 9 sites. Started the appraisals for surplus- Jerome and Jeremy woodcock, and Jacob Langland did the appraisals. Brian Zeeck stated that he planned to do hydrant flushing next Monday- letting people know on Facebook and the marquee sign. Wastewater Collection class is this week and, in a few weeks, there Water Distribution class. Started doing some patching, plan on getting cold mix and crushed asphalt down. Cleaned out county shed, got both street sweepers to start and the old fire truck. Also completely cleaned out the west Quonset.

**Finance Office Report:** Brenda Nesseim inquired if Andy had spoken to David Miller about coming back to town for a review of properties. A resident had been coming in several times and had been calling about the property on South Fremont of Mel Ness's. Council discussed that Mel Ness's properties have to go through the process of waiting 3 years for the taxes to become delinquent then the county will take ownership. Only thing we can do as far as cleaning the property is placing a fine against it for the property being in disarray. By the end of that 3 years the county will basically get all that the property is worth/sells for to make up in back taxes. Brenda Nesseim stated that she has started to gather Covid funding bills, discussed the delinquent water bills in which one residents' water had been turned off. Discussed the haying out at the lagoons, questioning if we could have Keith Nelson come in with a sickle mower to clip a few places.

Motion by John McMasters, seconded by Donna Bumann to approve the following claims once viewed in person by ward I, presented: All in favor,

motion carried.  
A&B Business Inc. \$86.46, printer contract; Airgas \$6.00, ambulance; Amazon \$303.75, books, dvds, supplies; A&T \$201.88, phones/tablets; Avera Health Plan \$476.85, health ins.; Banner Associates, Inc. \$2,508.90, ambulance surveying; Connecting Point \$1,065.00, support contracts; Cooks \$2,420.91, city trash; Cook's Plumbing LLC \$2,261.00, new showers/park; Core & Main \$3,683.93, water/sewer; David Hillestad \$30.00, 3 permits; Deb Miller \$459.39, books, supplies, printer; Del Smith \$20.00, 2 permits; DOR \$277.32, taxes; Duninick Inc. \$2,712.15, cold mix; Farmers Implement \$135.23, oil skid steer; Full Throttle Design \$25.00, campground graphics; Guildposts \$16.97, magazine; Henry Schein \$326.04, ambulance supplies; Jerry Brown \$20.00, 2 permits; Kingbrook \$6,023.25, water purchased; Kingsbury Co. \$1885.00, contract law; Kingsbury Journal \$951.13, publishing; Kristi Curd \$750.00, softball salary; Leroy Koch \$30.00, 3 permit; Loren Trygstad \$20.00, 2 permits; LP Auto \$2,772.72, misc.; M&T Fire \$365.00, skid steer; McMasters Gravel \$4,328.73, crushed gravel; Midwest Living \$8.00, magazine; Mueller Systems \$1,393.60, water; Northwestern Energy \$70.35, natural gas; Office Peeps \$6.57, office supplies; Ottetail Power Co \$2,301.05, electric; Prairie Ag Partners \$305.96, ambulance; Public Health Laboratory \$15.00, water sample; Richard Close \$450.00, opened line; Runings \$343.64, shop tools etc.; Ryan Sauter \$750.00, baseball salary; SD Assoc of Rural water \$300.00, hydrovac; Smith Construction Inc. \$673.47, snow guards; Taste of Home \$12.98, magazine; Team Lab \$356.00, traffic paint; VanDiest \$554.00, chemical.

Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by Brian Verhey to approve the financial report. All in favor, motion carried.

**Old Business:** Building permits were reviewed and discussed briefly.

**New Business:** First Reading 2021 Appropriation Ordinance #442-20: Special council meeting set for August 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm to review the 2021 budget in detail. Motion by John McMasters, seconded by Brian Verhey to approve the first reading of 2021 appropriation ordinance #442-20. All in favor, motion carried.

First Reading Amending 13.3.2, 13.4.31, and 13.2.3: Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by John McMasters to approve the first reading amending ordinance 13.3.2, 13.4.31, and 13.2.3. All in favor, motion carried.

**Finance Office Flooring:** Discussed quotes from Tailored Structures and Barrett's flooring, decided that the council would like to see samples from Tailored structures and make a decision at the special meeting on August 12th.

**Parking Empty Trucks @ Residents:** Andy Wienk stated that there was some interest in the Duffy house off Spring Ave that's for sale, whom is a truck driver. Council discussed empty trucks going down the city streets, they would have to be empty and going to their residence. If living out of town- empty and going home, they need to use the truck route that goes out of town, which we have had problems in the past. If the truck is full then they would have to make arrangement of parking it elsewhere, but was clearly discussed that if they are going to their residence and empty it would be okay.

**First District Drinking Water Agreement:** Motion by Joe Schnell, seconded by Brian Verhey to approve the first district water agreement. All in favor, motion carried.

**First District Waste Water Agreement:** Motion by Donna Bumann, seconded by John McMasters to approve the first district waste water agreement. All in favor, motion carried.

**Employee/Council Concerns:** Brian Zeeck inquired about the process of surplus, council discussed the process of getting it in the newspaper etc. Brenda Nesseim stated she would contact DeSmets finance officer and also contact the municipal league.

Brenda Nesseim stated that Kristen Longville had given her a few topics to bring up—Timeline on pool? Brian Zeeck stated that they were going to come 2 weeks ago, but hopefully this week. Timeline on Firepits? All 8 are done but adding a 9th one. Discussed fencing around the pit east of Lake Ave, concerned about the city being liable if someone gets hurt. On topic of the clinic, they had offered out the position to replace Danica- still awaiting. Wanted to make known that the clinic is not closing it is just going to be closed for the time being while Kristen is on maternity leave.

Brian Verhey stated that just continuing to work on getting the streets in better condition, frustrating that they haven't been touched in so long. Joe Schnell inquired he had heard that Bob Bode could maintain the alleys with his blade, the city could get rid of the grader.

Brief discussion on trading in the city payload and blade to get a new payload, a local payload is being traded off- it would be a well taken care of payload. Could sign a purchase agreement this year, would use our payload and blade as trade until 2021 for the payment. Lots of discussion weather it's a good trade/purchase, plan on discussing more at the special budget meeting on August 12th.

Joe Schnell stated that the merry-go-round was completed just needs to be moved.

Mayor Andy Wienk declared the meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

Brenda Nesseim, Finance Officer  
Andy Wienk, Mayor

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## MINUTES FOR TOWN OF ERWIN

Meeting for the Town of Erwin as called to order by Sherry Bell on August 3, 2020, at 7:00 PM at the Legion Hall. Roll call was taken, members present were Sherry Bell, Myrna Knadle, Crystal Penn and Jerry Popkes.

Meeting Agenda was presented and Penn made a motion and Popkes 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the agenda. Minutes of the July meeting were read. Popkes made a motion to approve and Penn 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Knadle read the expenses. OTP 272.58 KRWS \$37.20, Kingsbury Journal \$19.62, Sue Christoffer, (mowing) \$105.00, Rod Bell (mowing) \$45.00 Badger Oil (Lawn Mower), \$3,049.00 and Erwin Grain (chemical) \$106.88. Popkes made a motion to pay and Penn 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The ability of the Covid Relief Funds was discussed for the Town of Erwin and it was determined that the Town was not in need of any funding.

There being no further business, Penn made a motion to adjourn and Popkes 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Because of the Labor Day Holiday, the next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at the Legion Hall

Myrna Knadle, Finance Officer  
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# Public Notices

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
KINGSBURY COUNTY BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**De Smet, South Dakota  
July 21, 2020**

The Kingsbury County Board of County Commissioners met Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 8:30 A.M. in the Courtroom in the County Courthouse with Commissioner Steve Spilde attending via Zoom. Delmer Wolkow, Roger Walls, Joe Jensen, and Shelley Nelson present. Chairman Walls presided.

This meeting was recorded and available in the Auditor's office for listening.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Those present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

Jennifer Barnard, Auditor, stated Dave Sorenson, Highway Superintendent, would not be attending the meeting.

Wolkow moved and Nelson seconded to approve the agenda as edited. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, motion carried.

**MINUTES**

Nelson moved and Spilde seconded to approve the minutes of July 7, 2020. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Walls asked for public comment. There was none.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Chairman Walls asked the Board if there was any conflict of interest. There was none.

**OPEN DISCUSSION**

Board of Adjustment Alternate Jensen requested an additional alternate for the Board of Adjustment be added to the list for the instances Merle Walters is not available. Jensen recommended Luke Weber from Arlington.

Wolkow moved and Nelson seconded to appoint Luke Weber as an additional alternate for the Board of Adjustment. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

**Big Ditch**

Barnard informed the Board of questions that had been received via text in regard to the Big Ditch Maintenance Project.

The Board discussed annual maintenance and the possibility of establishing a drainage board to oversee future maintenance needs.

The Board will discuss adding the spraying of weeds with the Weed Board and tiling into the ditch with Gary Leistico, attorney with Rincke Noonan.

**SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET HEARING**

Barnard presented and read the following resolution regarding the supplementing of the Urban & Rural Development 2020 Budget.

**RESOLUTION 2020-16**

**SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET**

WHEREAS, Kingsbury County, South Dakota, has incurred obligations in finance of certain funds; and

WHEREAS, Kingsbury County received a Federal Grant in the amount of \$11,782.50 from the State of South

Dakota for Hazard Mitigation; and

WHEREAS, Kingsbury County has been instructed to reimburse the Urban & Rural Development budget with these funds, and

NOW, THEREFOR, BE IT RESOLVED that \$11,785.50 be added to the 2020 budget for Urban & Rural Development, with revenue coming from the Federal Grant, and reimbursed for Hazard Mitigation.

Nelson moved and Jensen seconded to accept and pass Resolution 2020-16 and for Chairman Walls to sign the same. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

**APPROVE CLAIMS**

Wolkow moved and Jensen seconded that the following claims presented to the Board for consideration be approved and the County Auditor be directed to issue warrant checks for payment of same. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

CENTURYLINK 231.41 UTILITIES, CENTURYLINK 1136.91 UTILITIES, MARK KATTERHAGEN 22.50 BMI-9/13/2019, KINGSBURY ELECTRIC COOP 353.80 UTILITIES, LUCY LEWNO 191.50 BMI- 9/13/2019, DARCY LOCKWOOD 22.50 BMI- 9/13/2019, BYRON NOGELMEIER 783.00 6/2020 CAM, BYRON NOGELMEIER 25.00 6/2020 PBT, NORTHWESTERN 51.10 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 100.41 UTILITIES, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 1408.69 UTILITIES, SOUTH DAKOTA STATE TREASURER 7.38 SALES AND USE TAX, TWO WAY SOLUTIONS, INC. 175.00 REPAIR/MAINTENANCE, TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 31.25 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, USPS 52.40 POSTAGE, USPS 2200.00 STAMPS,

**PLANNING AND ZONING**

Nelson moved and Wolkow seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Planning and Zoning to hold the second zoning hearing for Travis Steffensen and the second reading of Proposed Ordinance 53 at 9:29 A.M. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 9:40 A.M.

Zoning Officer, Joe Jensen recommended to the Board to Adopt Ordinance 53 and requested Barnard to read the same.

**ORDINANCE 51  
AN ORDINANCE REVISING ORDINANCE #45, AN ORDINANCE REVISING ORDINANCE #32, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS FOR KINGSBURY COUNTY, SOUTH DAKOTA, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION, ENFORCEMENT AND AMENDMENT THEREOF, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 11-2, 1967 SDCL AND AMENDMENTS THEREOF AND FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Kingsbury County Commissioners: That Chapter 4.01.02 "Conditional Uses" be amended to read as follows:

Section 4.01.02 Conditional Uses:

37. Transportation/application of manure outside of Kingsbury County in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 5:39 That Article V General Requirements be amended to include the following new Chapter:

Chapter 5.39. Transportation/  
Application of Manure generated  
outside Kingsbury County

**1. Transportation of Manure into the County:**

Any landowner with the "A" Agricultural District receiving and utilizing manure generated from a concentrated animal feeding operation which has a State General Permit and is furthermore located outside of Kingsbury County shall be required to obtain a conditional use permit to transport and land apply manure.

2. Haul road agreements with applicable road authorities are required.

3. Land application of manure shall be in accordance with Section 5.12.05.4.vi "Manure Management and Operation Plan" and Section 5.12.05.9 "Manure Application Setbacks".

**Effective Date**

This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its passage.

**Passed First**

Reading February 18, 2020

**Passed Second**

Reading March 3, 2020

Published March 18, 2020

Published March 25, 2020

Effective Date April 24, 2020

Nelson moved and Spilde seconded to adopt Ordinance 51 and for Chairman Walls to sign the same. All present voting via roll call: Walls - aye, Wolkow - aye, Nelson - aye, Jensen - aye, Spilde - aye. Motion carried.

**WHITEWOOD TOWNSHIP  
LANDOWNERS - ROAD CLOSURES**

Paul Casper, Megan Eichler, Bryan Sneesby, Nikki VanBockern, Jacky Leonhardt, Jeff Eschenbaum, Robert and Grace Waldow, Joe Schnell, Jeremy Woodcock, Doug Bumann, and Brian Zeeck were in attendance.

Eichler expressed many issues that have been affected due to the Whitewood bridge closure, including farming equipment not able to get through to fields, delays in getting kids to and from school, emergency vehicles not having an expedient route, and the loss of revenue at the Lake Preston City businesses.

Temporary and permanent repair and replacement options were discussed as well as estimated project costs.

The question was raised as to why this could not be taken care of in a more expeditious manner. It was explained that being a local government entity the County Board had to follow State and Federal guidelines and regulations. At the present time, the County has been told the Whitewood Bridge could not be opened until an inspection can be done. The engineer hired by the county needs the water to go down before an inspection can be done safely.

**BUDGET**

Gary Schumacher, Veteran Service Officer, met with the Board to discuss the 2021 budget request. The State's Attorney budget was also discussed.

Tanya Flegel, Weed Board Supervisor, met with the Board to discuss the 2021 budget request for the Weed Board and the Conservation District. Bill Wilkinson and Ryan Olson were also present and thanked the Board for the continued support.

Sheriff Strande and Shelley Strande,

Sheriff Office Manager, met with the Board to discuss the 2021 budget request.

The Board adjourned for lunch from 12:00 P.M. to 1:00 P.M.

**BUDGET - CONT.**

Elaine Blachford, Treasurer, met with the Board to discuss the 2021 budget request.

Blachford requested to move into Executive Session for personnel.

Nelson moved and Jensen seconded to adjourn from regular session and move into Executive Session for personnel at 1:15 P.M. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

Wolkow moved and Jensen seconded to adjourn from Executive Session and return to regular session. Chairman Walls declared the Board out at 1:31 P.M.

Barnard met with the Board to discuss the 2021 budget request. The Board also went through the budgets for the remaining county functions.

**COVID RELEIF FUND**

Barnard presented the State of South Dakota Local Government Covid Recovery Fund Reimbursement Agreement that had been received from the State. The agreement had been reviewed by State's Attorney, Gregg Gass. Barnard explained the agreement needed to be signed prior to the County being able to request reimbursement for qualifying expenses and requested Chairman Walls sign the same.

Nelson moved and Jensen seconded for Chairman Walls to sign the State of South Dakota Local Government Covid Recovery Fund Reimbursement Agreement. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

Barnard presented and read the following resolution regarding the Covid Recovery Fund which had also been received from the State.

**Kingsbury County Resolution  
Number 2020-17**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACTUAL DOCUMENTS WITH THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA FOR THE RECEIPT OF CARES ACT FUNDS TO ADDRESS THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 5001 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136, div. A, Title V (Mar. 27, 2020) (the "CARES Act"), the State of South Dakota has received federal funds that may only be used to cover costs that: (a) are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); (b) were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020, for the State of South Dakota; and (c) were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Kingsbury County acknowledges that the State of South Dakota, in its sole discretion, may retain full use of these funds for the purposes delineated in the CARES Act; and

WHEREAS, Kingsbury County acknowledges that in order to provide financial assistance to counties and municipalities in South Dakota, the

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State of South Dakota, in its sole discretion, may allocate CARES Act funds Act on a statewide basis to reimburse counties and municipalities as delineated herein; and

**WHEREAS**, Kingsbury County seeks funding to reimburse eligible expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, Kingsbury County acknowledges that any request for reimbursement of expenditures will only be for expenditures that were not accounted for in the budget for Kingsbury County most recently approved as of March 27, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Kingsbury County acknowledges that it will only seek reimbursement for costs incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Commission of Kingsbury County that the Chairman of the Kingsbury County Commission may execute any and all documents as required by the State in order to receive CARES Act funds.

It is further **RESOLVED** that any request for reimbursement will be only for those costs authorized by the State that: (1) Are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19; (2) Were not accounted for in the County budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020; and (3) Were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020.

It is further **RESOLVED** that the County will not request reimbursement from the State under the CARES Act for costs for which the County previously received reimbursement, or for which the County has a reimbursement request pending before another source.

Jensen moved and Wolkow seconded to accept and pass Resolution 2020-17 and for Chairman Walls to sign the same. All present voting via roll call: Walls - aye, Wolkow - aye, Nelson - aye, Jensen - aye, Spilde - aye. Motion carried.

**OPEN DISCUSSION - COUNTY COURTHOUSE STATUS**  
Blachford, Caryn Hojer - Register of Deeds, Cindy Bau - Emergency Management/E911 Coordinator, and Lonny Palmlund - Maintenance joined the meeting. Tammy Anderson - Director of Equalization, attended via Zoom.

The Board and department heads discussed the status of the courthouse and to option to reopen to the public. It was the consensus of those present that things are working and to stay status quo through the upcoming events including the Sturgis Rally, the SD State Fair and the tourist season.

The next discussion was scheduled for the September 8, 2020 regular meeting, unless the need arises to discuss changes.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**  
Bau presented her quarterly report and requested Chairman Walls sign the same.

Nelson moved and Wolkow sec-

onded for Chairman Walls to sign the quarterly report for the Emergency Management Office. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0. Motion carried.

The Board adjourned to Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 8:30 A.M.

Roger Walls, Chairman  
Jennifer Barnard, County Auditor

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## KINGSBURY COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

De Smet, South Dakota  
July 21, 2020

This meeting was recorded as a portion of the Commission meeting and available in the Auditor's office for listening.

The Kingsbury County Planning and Zoning Commission met Thursday, July 21, 2020 in the Courtroom in the Kingsbury County Courthouse with Roger Walls, Delmer Wolkow, Shelley Nelson, and Joe Jensen present. Steve Spilde attended via Zoom. Chairman Jensen presided.

Jensen informed the Board this was the second rezoning hearing for Travis Steffensen, as scheduled from the meeting on July 7, 2020.

Steffensen is requesting a zoning change from Ag to Lake Park in Lot 1 in the East Half of the SE 1/4 and Lots 5 & 6 of Section 25 TWP. 110 North, RGE 53 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Baker Township, Kingsbury County, South Dakota.

Jensen recommended to approve the rezoning request. There was no one in attendance in opposition or support of the rezoning request.

Nelson moved and Walls seconded to approve the request to rezone Lot 1 in the East Half of the SE 1/4 and Lots 5 & 6 of Section 25 TWP. 110 North, RGE 53 West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Baker Township from Ag to Lake Park. All present voting via aye - 5, nay - 0, motion carried.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE 53**  
Jensen requested Barnard to read the second reading of Proposed Ordinance 53. This ordinance will be published twice separately from these minutes.

Spilde moved and Nelson seconded to accept the second reading of Proposed Ordinance 53. All present voting via roll call: Walls - aye, Wolkow - aye, Nelson - aye, Jensen - aye, Spilde - aye. Motion Carried.

**MINUTES**  
Nelson moved and Spilde seconded to approve the Planning and Zoning minutes regarding Steffensen's rezoning from July 7, 2020. All present voting via aye - 5, nay - 0, motion carried.

Spilde moved and Wolkow seconded to approve the Planning and Zoning minutes regarding Proposed Ordinance 53 from July 7, 2020. All present voting via aye - 5, nay - 0, motion carried.

Nelson moved and Walls seconded to adjourn from Planning and Zoning and return to regular session. All present voting aye - 5, nay - 0, motion carried.

Joe Jensen, Chairman

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## NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR VACATION OF PUBLIC ROADWAY

Notice is hereby given that a Petition requesting that a certain public roadway and street bordered by and located within Manchester Township, Kingsbury County, South Dakota, pursuant to SDCL 31-3-6, as hereinafter specifically described has been received by the Board of Supervisors of Manchester Township; that the Petition may be examined by contacting the Clerk of the Township at his address indicated below; that the specific description of the property being requested to be vacated is:

### PROPOSED RESOLUTION

That portion of the existing public right-of-way which includes the statutory right of way and any right of way acquired by Deed (s) lying on the section line highway running east and west commonly known as 209<sup>th</sup> Street between 429<sup>th</sup> Avenue on the east and 427<sup>th</sup> Avenue on the west and bordered on the north by Section 2 and bordered on the south by Section 11; and 428<sup>th</sup> Avenue running north and south between 209<sup>th</sup> Street on the north and 210<sup>th</sup> Street on the south and bordered on the east by Section 11 and bordered on the west by Section 10, all in Township 110 North, Range 57, West of the 5<sup>th</sup> P.M., Kingsbury County, South Dakota; as further shown on Attachment "A", said roads being approximately 66 feet in width and approximately one mile (1) in length, each for a total of two miles more or less;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that said Resolution shall be published in the official/legal newspaper of the respective townships once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks; and that after such publication, such highway shall be, after a lapse of thirty (30) days after the first publication thereof, vacated without further proceedings unless appealed as hereinafter provided; and that the Clerk herein is further ordered and directed to cause to be recorded a true and correct copy of this Resolution and Order in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for Kingsbury County, South Dakota;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any and all bridges, guard rails and culverts are hereby deemed to be non-removable and shall become the personal property and possession of the landowners.

The above Motion was passed on majority vote of the supervisors.

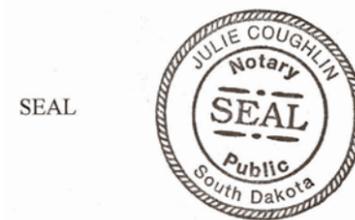
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA )  
 ) SS  
COUNTY OF KINGSBURY )

I, Ryan Schoenfelder, being the duly elected, qualified and acting Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Manchester Township, Kingsbury County, South Dakota, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution on the action thereon by the Board of Supervisors of Manchester Township, Kingsbury County, South Dakota, at a special meeting of said Board, held on Tues day, the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, at 6:00 o'clock P.M. at 42395 209<sup>th</sup> St (address), South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 30<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

*Ryan Schoenfelder*  
Ryan Schoenfelder, Clerk  
42669 209<sup>th</sup> Street  
DeSmet, SD 57231

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of July, 2020.



SEAL

*Julie Coughlin*  
Notary Public, SD  
My commission expires:

My Commission Expires  
October 30th, 2024

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## NOTICE OF HEARING REVIEW FUTURE USE WATER PERMIT NO. 5643-3

Notice is given that the Water Management Board will review Future Use Permit No. 5643-3 held by the Kingbrook Rural Water System, Erin Hayes, Manager, PO Box 299, Arlington SD 57212 for progress made in the development of the water reserved by the Permit and future plans for development of the water reserved by Permit No. 5643-3. This permit was approved 1992 and currently reserves 425 acre-feet from the Big Sioux:Northern Skunk Creek Aquifer located in S 1/2 SW 1/4, SE 1/4 NE 1/4 Section 8; S 1/2 NW 1/4, N 1/2 SW 1/4 Section 9; NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Section 17; all in T105N-R51W. The water is reserved for rural water system use.

Pursuant to SDCL 46-2A-2 the Chief Engineer of the Water Rights

Program recommends that Permit No. 5643-3 REMAIN in EFFECT for 425 acre-feet annually because 1) the reserved water may be developed, 2) there is need for the reserved water 3) the proposed use will be a beneficial use and 4) it is in the public interest.

The Water Management Board will conduct the hearing to review Future Use Permit No. 5643-3 at 10:00 am, October 7, 2020, Floyd Matthew Training Center, Joe Foss Bldg, 523 E Capitol, Pierre SD.

The recommendation of the Chief Engineer is not final or binding upon the Board and the Board is authorized to 1) allow the permit to remain in effect, 2) amend the permit by adding qualifications, 3) cancel the permit for no development or no planned future development, or 4) take no action after it reaches a con-

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ESMOND NEWS

Residents welcome visitors

BY MARLIN CLENDENING

Curt Wehlander celebrated his birthday recently with a family dinner. Erik Wehlander was home from the University of South Dakota at

Vermillion for a week. He will begin his second year of law school this fall. Hannah Wehlander attended a friend's wedding Saturday in Watertown. She visited her parents and grandparents before returning to Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell to begin her senior year. Rosalie Wehlander attended volleyball camp in Iroquois. Curt and Erik Wehlander attended the National International show Saturday in Huron.

Bret Anderson from Wray, Colo-

rado and Melissa Anderson from Cambridge, Massachusetts spent the weekend with mother and grandmother, Rita Anderson. They attended the wedding of Morgan Aughenbaugh and Logan DeRungs from Ramona that was held Saturday, August 8, in Huron. Melissa will be attending Harvard Law School in Cambridge beginning August 24.

Visitors at the Esmond United Methodist Church this week were from Ramona, Watertown and Indi-

ana. The signers from Ramona and Indiana said that Esmond was the place to visit in Kingsbury County during social distancing.

Marlin and Jeanette Clendening attended the Jerauld County 4-H days to watch their great granddaughter Tenley Olinger show sheep. Marlin Clendening exhibited some McCormick Deering memorabilia at the National International show last weekend in Huron.

Annette and Charmon Dunham report that the annual Iroquois Sports Day was discussed at a recent Iroquois American Legion meeting.

Public Notices

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clusion based upon facts presented at the public hearing.

Any interested person who may be affected by a Board decision and who intends to participate in the hearing before the Board and present evidence or cross-examine witnesses according to SDCL 1-26, must file a written petition with BOTH the permit owner and the Chief Engineer by September 28, 2020. The Chief Engineer's address is "Water Rights Program", Joe Foss Building, 523 E Capitol Ave, Pierre SD 57501 (605 773-3352) and the permit holder's mailing address is given above. The petition may be informal, but it must include a statement describing the petitioner's interest in the future use permit, the reasons for petitioner's opposition to or support of continuing the future use permit, and the signature and mailing address of the petitioner or his legal counsel if legal counsel is obtained. The permit owner need not file a petition.

The hearing to review Future Use Permit No. 5643-3 will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of SDCL 46-1-14, 46-2-5, 46-2-9, 46-2-11, 46-5-38.1; Board Rules ARSD 74:02:01:25.01 thru 74:02:01:25.03 and contested case procedures contained in SDCL 1-26.

This hearing is an adversary proceeding. The permit owner or any person, after filing a petition, has the right to be present or to be represented by a lawyer. These and other due process rights will be forfeited if they are not exercised. Decisions of the Board may be appealed to the Circuit Court and State Supreme Court as provided by law.

Any person wishing a copy of the Chief Engineer's recommendation, further information on this permit, to assure access to the hearing by the handicapped or obtain an interpreter for the hearing impaired may contact Ron Duvall, Water Rights Program, (605 773-3352) by September 28, 2020. The time of the hearing will be automatically delayed for at least 20 days upon written request of the permit owner or any person who has filed a petition to oppose or support continuance of the Future Use Permit. The request for a delay must be filed with the Chief Engineer by September 28, 2020.

According to SDCL 1-26-18.3, parties to a contested case may use the Office of Hearing Examiners to conduct a hearing if either a property right is being terminated or the dollar amount in controversy exceeds \$2,500.00. If any party chooses to use the Office of Hearing Examiners rather than the hearing procedure described above, then you need to notify the Chief Engineer (Water Rights Program 523 E Capitol Ave, Pierre SD) by August 24, 2020.

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA )
COUNTY OF KINGSBURY )
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF )
JOYCE E. JENSEN, )
Deceased. )
IN CIRCUIT COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
38PRO20-000010
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS GIVEN that on July 27, 2020, Gregg A. Gass, whose address is 202 Calumet Avenue, PO Box 35, De Smet, South Dakota 57231, was appointed as Personal Representative of the Estate of Joyce E. Jensen.

Creditors of Decedent must file their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or their claims may be barred. Claims may be filed with the Personal Representative or may be filed with the Clerk, and a copy of the claim mailed to the Personal Representative.

Dated this 3rd day of August, 2020.

/s/ Thomas L. Johnson
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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA )
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CONRAD E. WUTSCH, )
Deceased. )
IN CIRCUIT COURT
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
38PRO20-000012
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that on the 24th day of July, 2020 Jamie J. Fast, whose address is 20924 418th Avenue, Iroquois, SD 57353, was appointed as Personal Representative of the estate of Conrad E. Wutsch.

Creditors of decedent must file their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or their claims may be barred.

Claims may be filed with the Personal Representative or may be filed with the Clerk of Courts and a copy of the claim mailed to the Personal Representative.

Dated this 30th day of July, 2020.

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HISTORY NOTE

In 1901 an artesian well was dug northeast of Esmond with water being found at 930 feet, a flow of 60 gallons per minute. The water temperature was 70 degrees.

SPIRIT LAKE NEWS

Fun times at the State Fair

BY ILLDENA POPPEN

Spirit Lake Presbyterian Church is holding drive up services Sundays at 10:30 a.m. Drivers should tune into 88.1 F.M on their radios. Services are also streamed live on Facebook. The Rev. Dick Poppen will speak at 9:30 a.m. Sunday on KWAT radio. Jim Hulbert conducted services last Sunday at Spirit Lake in absence of Jerod Jordan. Dianne Larson accompanied him.

Confirmation classes began Wednesday at Spirit Lake Presbyterian Church.

REMEMBERING THE FAIR

Fair time: It looks like we will have the South Dakota State Fair this year despite the pandemic.

I'm reminded of my first time at the state fair; I was about 14 years old. My dad and mom went and took my oldest brother and me along. The following year, the younger kids had their turn.

I decorated cakes and other entries for competition. I remember my dad standing by the cake display window telling everyone passing by, "My daughter made that!" He was so proud.

Years later, some of the 4-H entries our kids had in the state competition included a steer, furniture refinishing and garden exhibits. Our family borrowed a small camper, so we could stay for a few days. During their free time, our boys made many trips to the midway, especially to play the games of chance. They were very successful playing ring toss to win bottles of pop and brought a lot of it back to the camper. Our daughter found a game where she could win stuffed animals as well. It was a fun time for all of them.

Staying in a camper gave us time between 4-H showing to view other attractions. Visiting the sheep barn where Bill Poppen showed his prime sheep was always on our agenda.

4-H is a learning experience for parents as well as the children. Working with them made for a special time with our family. It's a busy world with so many distractions hindering our lives. We need to make smart choices. I remind myself each day.

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CARTHAGE NEWS

# Remembering Into the Wild's Chris McCandless

BY LORALEE NELSON

Bob and Deb Stroud and their grandchildren, Kalli and J.P. of Redfield, were recent visitors with Donna Stroud. The Daniel Stroud family of Huron were Saturday visitors.

Logan Hattervig of Sioux Falls was a weekend visitor with his parents David and Connie Hattervig.

DID YOU KNOW?

The piano at the Campbell Straw Bale Museum was in the movie "Into the Wild," which was partially filmed in Carthage in 2007 by Paramount Studios. The movie was directed by Sean Penn.

The piano had been donated to the museum by the Cabaret, but during filming it was moved back to the Cabaret, since Chris McCandless, the main character in the true-life movie, had played it while living in Carthage and working at the grain elevator.

THE BACKSTORY ON CHRIS McCANDLESS

Following graduation from college

on the east coast, Chris McCandless gave away all his possessions and became a drifter. He met Wayne Westerberg, who owned the elevator in Carthage, while hitchhiking Wyoming. Shortly after this encounter, he walked into Carthage, found Westerberg and began working for him at the elevator.

In April of 1992, he left Carthage and hitchhiked to Alaska. He walked into the wilderness north of Mt. McKinley and took refuge in an abandoned bus. When he tried to walk back out of the area, he was trapped there by high water. Four months later, his decomposed body was found by a group of moose hunters. He was 24. McCandless had written some details of his travels in a journal. His family, who lived in the Washington, D.C. area, had no idea where he was or what had become of him until his remains showed up in Alaska.

Photos of McCandless taken during his time in Carthage are on display along with the piano at the Campbell Straw Bale Museum.



This self-portrait taken by Christopher McCandless was on the film in his camera found with his body in Alaska. John Krakauer used the photo in his book "Into the Wild."

OLDHAM-RAMONA NEWS

# Oldham-Ramona school gains new staff

BY KINGSBURY JOURNAL STAFF

The Oldham-Ramona School District has three new hires for the new school year.

Katie Wiebe will be joining the staff as the new school counselor, along with Lilianna Mallak as the new music teacher and Amber Misar as an elementary/middle school teacher.

MENUS

Oldham- Ramona school lunch

MONDAY, AUGUST 17: BBQ Chicken on Bun, Green Beans, Fruit, Milk

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18: Turkey Gravy over Biscuit, Peas, Fruit, Milk

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19: Hamburger on Bun, Baked Beans, Fruit, Milk



KATIE WIEBE

Katie Wiebe is the incoming school counselor for grades K-12 at Oldham-Ramona this year. This will also be her first year in counseling.

Originally from Aberdeen, S.D., she graduated from Northern State University as an undergraduate and from Walden University as a graduate.

Wiebe lives with her husband, Tyler, and their infant daughter, Quinn, who was born just this July. Some of her hobbies include spending time with friends and family, exercising, cooking and being outdoors.

Wiebe is excited to get to know the students, staff and community as a whole after she begins her new position.



LILIANNA MALLAK

Lilianna Mallak will be joining the Oldham-Ramona staff as the PreK-12 music teacher. This will be her first year teaching. She attended South Dakota State University.

Mallak grew up in Silver Lake, Minn., a town of 800 people about three and a half hours from Ramona.

Her interest in teaching music came from her strong bond with music and her teachers over the years.

"Playing an instrument, singing or conducting is something larger than itself — it brings joy to so many," she said. "My music teachers are some of the most supportive humans I have met, and I want to pass that support and kindness on to my students."

Mallak is passionate about attending concerts, fishing, reading, cooking and doing crafts. She has a boyfriend, along with two cats, Evie and Luna.

"I am extremely excited to be a part of the Raiders family!" she said.



AMBER MISAR

Amber Misar will be teaching 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade reading and social studies, along with 6<sup>th</sup> grade math and spelling at Oldham-Ramona.

Misar is not new to teaching or to the Oldham-Ramona School District. She has been teaching for 18 years as of this next semester, and previously taught music, band and chorus, as well as computers.

She grew up in Brookings, S.D. and is a graduate of SDSU. She always wanted to teach in smaller schools, and after having children.

Some of Misar's hobbies include singing and spending time with her husband, Matthew, and five children: sons Everett and Sawyer, and daughters Lorena, Morgan and Caroline. The family also has dogs as a part of her husband's career.

"Matthew trains dogs and guides pheasant hunters, so it kind of comes with the job," she said.

**The Oldham Fire Department** would like to thank the community for coming out to our feed. Whether you picked it up or stayed and ate with us, it was good to see everyone.

The winner of the gun is **Lane Bothwel from Volga.**

We owe a huge thanks to **Tom Heirigs** for preparing the meat.

See you next year!

# DIRT BIKES: Track has been enjoyed by hundreds of riders

FROM BACK PAGE

Everyone realizes there will be spills and accidents. These families encourage safe riding practices and spend many, many hours with their children teaching them, encouraging them and supervising their practices. Jake stated one of the really great things about the sport is that as his kids grew, he knew where they were on Friday and Saturday nights. They were all together at the races.

“It is also one of the few things you can do that completely shuts your brain off to everything going on in your life except what you are doing at that exact moment,” said Jake. “There is little time for outside thoughts.”

On Aug. 1, there were youth and adults of all sizes riding dirt bikes on Vincent’s track, including riders from Willow Lake, Bruce, Sioux Falls, Chester and Madison. Vincents have an area for trailers and tents where the racers and their families gather and an area with benches and a swing, so those not riding can also enjoy time outdoors.

Jake smiles when he tells of young neighbor boys who have come knocking on his door, ready to ride. It would be interesting to know how many hours of entertainment the

track has provided, as well as how many miles have been traveled on it.

Without a doubt, hundreds of riders have benefitted from being able to ride on the Vincent Track. Some youth didn’t have dirt bikes, so they have just ridden their bikes around instead. Some, with their parents’ permission, have been given the opportunity to ride a dirt bike.

Twenty-five years ago, Jake purchased the 20 acres of land along with Richard Close, and then the two split the property. He has spent many hours constructing and reconstructing the track.

He said one drawback is the dirt on the property has many rocks, so he wishes for better dirt. He stated he hasn’t made the track too difficult, and it is a fairly safe track. He purchased an old water truck that once belonged to the Bruce Fire Department which he uses this to wet down the track and hold down the dust. Jake would like to make the one and one-half mile track even a little bigger. Given how many have benefitted from the use of the track, and the fact that he and his immediate family are not currently racing, that’s an admirable goal.



Dirt bikers set up a base camp at Jake Vincent’s on August 1st. Bikers had perfect weather for a great day of riding. (Photo by Caryn Hojer)

While the Vincent family would certainly use the track, it’s likely that it would be others who would benefit the most.

A unique feature, Billy, the track goat, was added by Jenny Martens. Billy is in charge of weed control. Time will tell if Billy gets a buddy to help him with his work at the track.

The next time you hear

“Brrraaap!” coming from the northwest corner of town, take a walk, ride your bike, motorcycle or UTV or drive your car down to the west end of Front Street to watch the dirt bike riders. There will be a little dust, but you won’t mind. It’s very entertaining and impressive, and you will probably want to watch again!

# TOURNAMENT: Prizes and results

FROM BACK PAGE

and many more had much to cheer for. In addition to flight prizes for tournament play, there were three pin prizes juniors had a chance to win. Dennis and Roxene Helms sponsored the pin prizes for the following winners:

Boys’ longest putt on hole nine, Edger Wilkinson. Boys’ closest to the pin on hole seven, Edger Wilkinson. Girls’ closest to the pin on hole four, Brenna Woodcock.

The full flight results are as follows:

Girls, age 11 and under: first with 30, Julietta Keathley Helms and Dennis Helms; second with 47, Lyla Schoenfelder and Jerry Hutchinson; third with 49, Charli and Jessica McCune; fourth with 55, Bella Ward and Denae Tordoff.

Girls, age 12 and older: first with 35, Mirra and Blaine Beck; second with 39, Harper Anderson and Jerry Skyberg; tied third with 40, Ivey and Ryan Schoenfelder as well as Brenna Woodcock and Randy

Beck; fifth with 42, Alyssa and Shon Asleson.

Boys, age 9 and under: first with 36, Cooper and Anthony Halverson; second with 40, Nate and Brittani Wilkinson; third with 41, Hudson Ward and Mike Tordoff; fourth with 44, Jordan Schwan and Kathy Heller; fifth with 45, Jace and Blake Hojer; sixth with 46, Jaden and Blake Hojer.

Boys, age 11-12: tied first with 33, Grant and Mark Wilkinson as well as Slayten and Erin Wilkinson; third with 36, Dominic Frazier and Mike Frey; fourth with 37, Carter and Dan Wilkinson; tied fifth with 39, Owen and Jake Anderson as well as Jaden Schwan and Dave Heller.

Boys, age 13 and older: first with 31, Edger and Ed Wilkinson; second with 36, Weston Woodcock and Laird Beck; tied third with 37, Bergen Woodcock and Cory Beck as well as Cael and Traci Schoenfelder; fifth with 42, RJ Cleveland and Desa Rae Cleveland.



Andru Andrews adjusting his dial in prior to his race. (Photo by Sasha Andrews)

# RACING: Another day, another race

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“That is one of the hardest parts of drag racing,” said Andrews. “You can be on a roll with everything going your way, and one little mistake and you’re done for the day. At the same time, that’s what makes it so fun and rewarding when you have success.”

Shannon Brown and Holly Andrews, both on the Lake Preston team, went up against each other

for the first round of eliminations. Andrews took the win, moving onto the second round. She lost her second-round elimination because of an unfortunate incident. She dialed in a 13:52 and ran the quarter mile in a 13:53, but the track put her dial in on the board as a 12:52, leading to her loss.

Austin Strande went up against Megan Buller of Parker, S.D. for first round eliminations with the win giving him a bye in second-round eliminations. He then went onto the third round against the current points leader, Lucas Blow from Yankton, S.D. Strande lost in a tight one to Blow.

Overall, the day was still a success even though they were not able to gain many points on the leader. The championship is not out of reach for any of the top four or five racers, if they have a good day. The final race of the year will take place on Aug. 22.



Austin Strande in the blue Monte Carlo up against Lucas Blow. (Photo by Mabel Andrews)

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## LOOK WHAT I CAUGHT



### Lake Oahe Salmon

Rob Cleveland (left) and his son RJ caught this Chinook salmon on Lake Oahe. They were trolling the face of the dam with down riggers. Locally, fishing has been good. Walleyes, crappies and perch have been biting on Lake Thompson. Very large numbers of white bass and small pike are being caught by boat and shore fishermen. (Photo by Mike Luthermers)

### Catch something big?

Send your fish pictures with story to jim@kingsburyjournal.com

### Kingsbury County Country Club events

**TUESDAYS 8:00 A.M.** — Senior League

**TUESDAYS 5:00 P.M.** — Ladies' Night

**WEDNESDAYS 5:00 P.M.** — Men's Night

**THURSDAYS 5:00 P.M.** — Couples' Night

**AUGUST 14 @ 2:00 P.M.** — Audrey Meyer Memorial Tournament

**AUGUST 16 @ 11:30 A.M.** — Men's Club Championship, Kingsbury/Miner Cup Qualifier

## ON THE TRACK

# Dirt bikes take to the air

Vincent track home to bikes, big air, and familiar sounds

BY CARYN HOJER  
Kingsbury Journal

If you step outside your door when the snow is gone and the ground is starting to dry, you are likely to hear the “Brraaaap!” of dirt bikes coming from the northwest part of town. The sound is familiar to many who live in De Smet and can be heard well into the fall. Have you ever taken the time to go observe the source? Being a mom of boys, I have sat along Front Street on many occasions and watched the riders and admired their riding skills just as much as my boys did.

Jake Vincent, owner of the dirt bike track on the edge of De Smet, comes from a long line of family members with the “need for speed.” Jake tells how he has been told by many people that his Grandpa Vincent drove everywhere fast. Many members of his family own or have owned motorcycles, and Jake first started riding dirt bikes when he was three years old. He started on a mini bike his Grandpa Ashby had built. His nephew, Dustin Olson, raced dirt bikes as well.

In 1998, Dustin qualified for the Loretta Lynn Amateur Nationals in Hurricane Mills, Tenn. Jake's son, Tucker, first rode a dirt bike even before he was three years old. That was the beginning of many years of riding, as well as many years of racing. Jake and his family traveled as far as Illinois to races for Tucker to compete. Vincent's daughter, Savanna, knows how to ride also, but her Dad couldn't convince her to try racing.

When asked about the worst injury they had while racing, Jake stated



Phil Warkenthien, an experienced motocross rider from Willow Lake, catches plenty of airtime on this jump. (Photo by Caryn Hojer)

Tucker once fractured a vertebra in his back. Tucker had previously suffered the same injury while playing junior high football. As with any sport, there are inherent dangers in riding and racing dirt bikes, but there are many benefits, as well. The dirt biking community is a

pretty close-knit group. They spend many evenings and weekends getting together to ride or let their youth ride. The “Motocross Moms and Dirt Bike Dads” are friends and look out for each other's children. Riders all wear helmets and protective clothing.

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# Juniors and Seniors hit the links

Smiles were easy to find on the course

BY MATT KEES  
Kingsbury Journal

This past Sunday evening was another great one to spend on the golf course. A total of 26 teams across several age groups participated in the 33rd Annual Junior/Senior Tournament.

The tournament features a shortened layout meant to ensure smiles across all talent levels. The alternate shot format allows both players of each junior/senior team

to hit from the tee on most holes. A couple holes are shortened so dramatically, only the junior member of the team gets the chance to hit the tee shot.

With nearly 80 hot dogs served after the round, compliments of Lyle Signs, players including children, grandchildren, parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts, friends

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**Grant Wilkinson sends a putt toward the fifth hole. He was teamed with his father, Mark Wilkinson. Together, they shot 33 to tie for first in the boys age 11-12 flight.** (Photo by Brittani Wilkinson)



## DRAG RACING

# Another day on the track

BY SASHA ANDREWS  
Kingsbury Journal

On Aug. 8, another Saturday was spent at the track for the Lake Preston drag team. A total of nine cars raced in Teen Championship and High School Championship. Andru Andrews, after winning back-to-back races, went out first round to Jeremiah Friman for red lighting at the tree.

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